



**CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE
OLD TOWN PORTAL MARKET ADVISORY BOARD**

April 24, 2019 - Minutes

Board Members: Ramona Tafoya, Sylvia Ramos, Betty Panos

Vendors: Susan Baca, Richard F. Baca, Genevieve Funston

City Representative: James S. de Champlon

Ramona established that there was a quorum and called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Sylvia motioned to approve the Agenda; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

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Portal Manager's Report:

On April 15th and 16th as part of an ongoing effort to address some of the issues with the trees in Plaza Vieja the Parks Department removed the dead tree from the northeast corner of the park, trimmed back branches that were hanging over the streets, and thinned out some of the branches in the more central area of the park.

The Cultural Services Department is doing a Department wide review of Ordinance and Regulations including those applicable to the Portal Market. Part of this effort will involve moving some of the day to day operational aspects from the Ordinance to the Regulations. Along with the overall streamlining of the Ordinance and Regulations here are some of the points under consideration:

- Working on consistent language.
- Not monitoring the Portal Market on City holidays when the City offices are closed.
- Bringing the daily vending fee down from \$12.00 to \$10.00 per day.
- Doing afternoon reassignments at the discretion of the Portal Market Manager.
- Allowing for more flexibility in scheduling lotteries.

New Business:

One of the vendors present asked about special shaped metallic beads and if they were allowable under the current Handcrafted Guidelines. This question relates to item nine (9) of the Guidelines that would seem to exclude these kinds of beads. After a brief discussion it was agreed that special shaped metallic beads should be allowed with the same qualifications that apply to premanufactured special shaped beads when used as centerpieces. It was also agreed that similar findings that did not have a hole through the center but rather came with any kind of O ring or bale attached, such as charms should not be acceptable under the Guidelines. The Board requested that the Portal Manager amend the Guidelines and present the amended Guidelines to the Board for endorsement or further revision at the next Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

The next Board meeting will be held on June 19, at 5:30 p.m. at the Sawmill Lofts Meeting Room.