



## City of Albuquerque Domestic Violence Task Force

### Special Meeting

**Date/Time:** Wednesday, December 16, 2020 starting at 2:00 pm (MST)

**Location:** Via Zoom

#### **Task Force Members Present:**

Dawn Begay, Vice-Chair  
Jessica Fierro  
Sandra Archuleta  
Celia Yapita  
Pamelya Herndon  
Liza Wolff-Francis  
Gail Starr  
Gwyn Kaitis  
Bonnie Escobar  
Claudia Medina  
Jodie Jaramillo  
Valerie Sanchez  
Alexandria Taylor  
Patricia Gonzales

#### **City Staff Present:**

Crystal Velarde

#### **Guests**

Beverly McMillen

#### **Task Force Members Absent:**

Torri Jacobus, Chair  
Vincent Galbiati  
Lt. Nicholas Sanders  
Commander Dennis Tafoya  
Melissa Ewer  
Michelle Aldana  
Johnny Wilson  
Larry Koren  
Angel Charley  
Kena Chavez Hinojos  
David River  
Larry Hinojos  
Zane Stephens  
Susan Vigil  
Nancy Montano on behalf of Councilor Peña  
Deputy Commander Brett Denison  
Linda Stone  
Elena Giacci  
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### **MINUTES**

#### **I. Call to Order**

- a. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. by Vice-Chair Begay.

#### **II. Approval of Agenda**

- a. Bonnie Escobar moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Celia Yapita.

**III. Discussion and Vote re: Emergency Housing Funding**

- a. The City has allocated one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for emergency housing. These funds are specifically to assist survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and sex trafficking. These funds must be appropriated by June 30, 2021.
- b. The funds be processed through a contract with the Family & Community Department. Sandra Archuleta explained the documents that would be needed to be eligible for the contract. She will also email the list of documentation to all task force members as well as packets to those who are interested. Any agency interested in this contract must email Ms. Archuleta by noon on December 18, 2020. Domestic Violence Resource Center (DVRC) expressed interest in serving as one the agencies to contract with Family and Community.
- c. Vice Chair Begay conducted a roll call vote to determine if funds should be used for hotel assistance, rental assistance, and eviction prevention. The motion was unanimously approved by all task force members present.

**IV. Discussion and Vote re: Community Campus for Domestic Violence Services**

- a. The discussion regarding Desert Hills property included outstanding concerns and the need for a large facility. Some members feel the recommendation is unclear at this time and feel they cannot agree without a feasibility study. Vice Chair Begay stated all recommendations would be sent out again with comments and all recommendations will be reviewed closely prior to giving them to the mayor.

**V. Announcements/Items for next meeting**

- a. Discussion regarding defining domestic violence to include sexual assault and trafficking survivors.
- b. CARES grants will be distributed on December 18, 2020 to the 13 applications who applied and qualified.

**IX. Adjournment**

- a. Meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m. by Vice Chair Begay.



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Torri Jacobus, Chair

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Date