

**Special Meeting of the Roswell City Council
Held at City Hall, Large Conference Room
425 N. Richardson Ave., Roswell, NM 88201
Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.**

Notice of this meeting was given to the public in compliance with Sections 10-15-1 through 10-15-4 NMSA 1978 and Resolution 25-28.

The meeting convened at 5:18 pm with Mayor Jennings presiding.

ROLL CALL:	Darrell Johnson	Present
	Chris Cortez	Present
	Will Cavin	Present
	Ed Heldenbrand	Present
	Angela Moore	Present
	Carols Marrujo	Present
	Cristina Arnold	Present
	Robert Corn	Present
	Juan Oropesa	Present
	Juliana Halvorson	Present

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

1. Approval of agenda - approve the agenda for the November 18, 2025, Special City Council Meeting.

Councilor Halvorson made a motion to approve the agenda for Special City Council Meeting for November 18, 2025. Councilor Moore was the second.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Darrell Johnson	Yes
	Chris Cortez	Yes
	Will Cavin	Yes
	Ed Heldenbrand	Yes
	Angela Moore	Yes
	Carlos Marrujo	Yes
	Cristina Arnold	Yes
	Robert Corn	Yes
	Juan Oropesa	Yes
	Juliana Halvorson	Yes

Motion passed 10-0.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

REGULAR ITEMS

2. Approval of RFP-26-0020 Professional Legal Services for Special PFAS Litigation Counsel to NM Local Government Law, LLC. Hess Yntema presented this item.

BACKGROUND: The City of Roswell issued RFP-26002 seeking proposals from qualified law firms to provide professional legal services as Special PFAS Litigation Counsel. The selected firm will assist the City in pursuing legal remedies and recovering costs associated with PFAS and AFFF contamination affecting the City's drinking water and wastewater systems.

Three proposals were received and evaluated by the City's Evaluation Committee in accordance with the RFP criteria.

Final scores were as follows:

- NM Local Government Law, LLC -- 87.12
- Nachawati Law Group -- 78.67
- Stag Liuzza, LLC -- 74.88

Based on qualifications, municipal experience, and understanding of PFAS litigation, the Evaluation Committee recommends award to NM Local Government Law, LLC as the most advantageous proposer for the City

MOTION: Councilor Heldenbrand made a motion to approve RFP-26-0020 Professional Legal Services for Special PFAS Litigation Counsel to NM Local Government Law, LLC. Councilor Corn was the second.

Voice vote was 9-0, with Councilor Cortez being excused because of his work.

3. Approval of Union Collective Bargaining Agreement. Hess Yntema presented this item.

BACKGROUND: Ratifying the Roswell Police Officers Association Union Contract.

MOTION: Councilor Heldenbrand made a motion to approve the Union Collective Bargaining Agreement. Councilor Marujo was the second.

Voice vote was 9-0, with Councilor Cavin being excused because his son is a RPD officer.

4. Approval of City of Roswell Police Department to enter into a 5-year lease beginning December 1, 2025, ending November 30, 2030, for Building No. 500 at the Roswell Air Center.

BACKGROUND: City of Roswell Police Department requests to enter into a 5-year lease for Building No. 500, consisting of 23,000 square feet and adjacent area of land consisting of 5 acres, more or less, located at the Roswell Air Center, commencing on December 1, 2025, and ending November 30, 2030.

MOTION: Councilor Heldenbrand made a motion to approve the request from the City of Roswell Police Department to enter into a five-year lease for Building No. 500, consisting of approximately 23,000 square feet and an adjacent area of land consisting of approximately five acres, located at the Roswell Air Center, with the lease term commencing on December 1, 2025, and ending on November 30, 2030, as amended in the Legal Committee. With the following changes:

- Page 41 last sentence should read ...2025, for 1 year lease and shall terminate on November 30, 2026 collectively known as the ...
- Page 43 remove paragraph b and continue with the lettering.

Councilor Halvorson was the second.

AMENDED MOTION: Councilor Heldenbrand made a motion to strike section “a” on page 43 under 6.03 Maintenance. Councilor Halvorson was the second.

ROLL CALL VOTE ON AMENDMENT:

Darrell Johnson	Yes
Chris Cortez	Yes
Will Cavin	No
Ed Heldenbrand	Yes
Angela Moore	No
Carlos Marrujo	Yes
Cristina Arnold	Yes
Robert Corn	Yes
Juan Oropesa	No
Juliana Halvorson	Yes

Motion passed 7-3.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Darrell Johnson	Yes
Chris Cortez	Yes
Will Cavin	Yes
Ed Heldenbrand	Yes
Angela Moore	Yes
Carlos Marrujo	Yes
Cristina Arnold	Yes
Robert Corn	Yes
Juan Oropesa	Yes
Juliana Halvorson	Yes

Motion passed 10-0.

5. Approval of City of Roswell Museum Lease to enter into a 5-year lease beginning December 1, 2025, and ending November 30, 2030, for Building No. 1081 at the Roswell Air Center.

BACKGROUND: City of Roswell Museum requests to enter into a 5-year lease of Building No. 1081, consisting of 8,152 feet, more or less, located at the Roswell Air Center, commencing on

December 1, 2025, and ending November 30, 2030.

MOTION: Councilor Heldenbrand made a motion approve the City of Roswell Museum Lease to enter into a 5-year lease beginning December 1, 2025, and ending November 30, 2030, for Building No. 1081 at the Roswell Air Center. Councilor Johnson was the second.

After discussion it was decided to make the following changes: on page 67, under 6.03 Maintenance to re move paragraph “a” and “b” and re letter the document.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Darrell Johnson	Yes
	Chris Cortez	Yes
	Will Cavin	Yes
	Ed Heldenbrand	Yes
	Angela Moore	No
	Carlos Marrujo	Yes
	Cristina Arnold	Yes
	Robert Corn	Yes
	Juan Oropesa	Yes
	Juliana Halvorson	Yes

Motion passed 9-1.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

PASSED, ADOPTED, SIGNED, and APPROVED on this 11th day of December 2025.

(City Seal)

Timothy Z. Jennings, Mayor

Amalia Martinez, City Clerk