

Town of Edgewood

Agenda

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Edgewood Town Hall Commission Chambers, 171A NM 344

Edgewood, NM

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The adopted Rules of Procedure state:

III. RULES OF CONDUCT FOR MEETING ATTENDANCE AND PUBLIC COMMENT The purpose of Town Commission meetings is to conduct the Town's business. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, public business will be conducted in full public view, so that the actions of the Governing Body are made openly, and that the deliberations of the Governing Body are open to the public. To maintain a professional and respectful meeting environment, the following rules of conduct shall apply at all times and to all persons present for any Town Commission Meeting.

A. Decorum is mandatory at all times. No derogatory or degrading comments directed at members of the public, staff, or Town Commissioners will be tolerated.

1. Other than town staff, no one may approach the Commissioners without the express consent of a majority vote of the Commission.

B. No comment shall be made by the public from any location other than the podium.

C. Persons making "out of order" comments or disruptive behavior as determined by the Presiding Officer may be subject to removal from the meeting.

D. There will be no demonstrations or signs permitted to be displayed before, during, or following anyone's public comment.

E. Except as outlined in these rules, no extensions of time shall be given to any speaker.

F. To prevent repetitious comments and promote efficient use of time, if it appears that multiple speakers desire to speak on a particular matter, the Commission, at its discretion, may opt to utilize comment methods that concisely provide input from the public to the Commission such as a show of hands or the designation of spokespersons to speak on behalf of each group.

G. Any person making a public comment may also supplement their comment by submitting documents.

1. Such documents must be passed to the Town Clerk

A. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call (by Town Clerk or designee)
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. NM Flag Salute
"I salute the flag of the state of New Mexico, the Zia symbol of perfect friendship among united cultures."

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

D. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve/Amend/Disapprove Minutes
 - a. Minutes from May 22, 2026, Commission Budget Workshop
 - b. Minutes from May 26, 2026, Commission Budget Workshop
 - c. Minutes from May 26, 2026, Regular Commission Meeting
2. Advisory Boards
 - a. Library Advisory Board Minutes (May 26, 2026)

E. MATTERS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS

F. REPORTS

1. Town Clerk-Treasurer
2. Chief of Police
3. Town Manager

G. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND ZONING

(Roll call vote required)

1. Call for Public Hearing on Updated Ordinance: 2026-00B Fire Restrictions and Wildfire Risk Reduction Ordinance

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion on online budget transparency tool
2. Discussion and possible action on implementing Zoom for remote attendance at Town Commission meetings

3. Progress report on Fire & EMS JPA Ordinance and upcoming public hearing
4. Discussion and possible action to select an independent attorney to review the Fire & EMS JPA Ordinance

I. CLOSED SESSION

(Roll call vote required to go into closed session)

1. As Per Motion and Roll Call Pursuant to NMSA Section 10-15-1 (H)(2) Limited Personnel Matters - the discussion of hiring, promotion, demotion, dismissal, assignment or resignation of or the investigation of complaints or charges against any individual public employee. (Deputy Manager/Clerk-Treasurer)
2. As Per Motion and Roll Call Pursuant to NMSA Section 10-15-1 (H)(2) Limited Personnel Matters - the discussion of hiring, promotion, demotion, dismissal, assignment or resignation of or the investigation of complaints or charges against any individual public employee. (Deputy Clerk)
3. As Per Motion and Roll Call Pursuant to NMSA Section 10-15-1 (H)(7) Meeting with a public body's attorney pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant. (Moriarty-Edgewood School District No. D-101-CV-2022-01955; Bassett No. D-101-CV-2020-00328)

J. RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

(Roll call vote required to return to regular session)

1. Commissioners Affirm: only items listed on the agenda for Closed Session were discussed, and no decisions were made.
2. Action on Closed Session item(s), as needed

K. FUTURE MEETINGS

1.
 - a. June 16, 2026 Special Commission Meeting
 - b. June 23, 2026 Regular Commission Meeting
 - c. July 14, 2026 Regular Commission Meeting

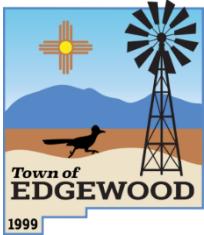
L. FUTURE EVENTS

1.
 - a. Story Time - Wednesday morning 11:00AM at Edgewood Library
 - b. Summer Reading Event - Amazing Adrian Magician Thursday, June 11, 2026 (11:00am) at Town Hall Commission Chambers
 - c. Summer Movie Night - Friday, June 12, 2026 (7:30pm) at Venus Park
 - d. Library Scavenger Hunt - June 16-20 (during Library hours) at Edgewood Library
 - e. Summer Reading Event - Slime Making Thursday, June 18, 2026 (11:00am-1:00pm) at Town Hall
 - f. Summer Reading Event - Polynesian Dance Performance, Hula Lesson, & Lei Making, Saturday, June 20, 2026 (11:00am) at Town Hall Commission Chambers

- g. Teen Field Trip - Main Event Thursday, June 25, 2026 (9:00am-3:00pm)
- h. Summer Reading Event - Wonder on Wheels Thursday, June 25, 2026 (11:00am-1:00pm) at Town Hall Parking Lot
- i. June Dumpster Days - Saturday and Sunday June 27-28 (9:00am-3:00pm) at Edgewood Roads Department
- j. Movie Matinee - Saturday, June 27, 2026 (12:00pm-2:00pm) at Edgewood Library

M. FINAL COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

N. ADJOURNMENT



Town of Edgewood

Workshop Minutes

Friday, May 22, 2026 at 1:00 PM

The Workshop met in Workshop session on Friday, May 22, 2026, at 1:00 PM in the Edgewood Town Hall Commission Chambers - 171A NM 344.

A. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call (by Town Clerk or designee)

The meeting commenced at 1:03PM. Commission Murillo welcomed attendees and invited everyone to join in an invocation and a moment of silence in preparation for Memorial Day weekend, honoring all men and women who sacrificed for the country.

Roll call was taken confirming quorum. Commission Brennan, Commissioner Murillo, and Commissioner Taylor were present. Commissioner Rariden and Commissioner Milligan were absent.

Town staff present were Town Manager Hamilton, Clerk-Treasurer Witt, and Police Chief Frost.

B. DISCUSSION

The focus was set on the fiscal year 2026 budget recap and fiscal year 2027 budget discussion. The floor was yielded to Commissioner Taylor to lead the budget review discussion. Commissioner Taylor explained the preparation and challenges in reconciling the budget data, highlighting that finance department personnel departed in March-April, causing delays in finalizing accurate figures. Clerk-Treasurer Witt developed the primary Excel spreadsheet capturing year-to-date expenditure and actuals, while Commissioner Taylor adjusted the data. The discussion aimed to focus on the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) approved budget figures. The spreadsheet contained approximately 600 rows analyzing spending line items. Projection methodology was clarified that average monthly spending to date was used to project remaining expenses through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. Variances were captured showing over or under spending relative to DFA's approved budget. The 2027 recommended budget was presented with adjustments aiming to balance the budget. Positive budget changes were highlighted in green, signaling budget reductions, while increases were marked in black or red. Commissioner Taylor encouraged questions to ensure clarity on the data presented. Discussion and questions were raised and answered surrounding the general fund, attorney's fees, medical and health premiums, PERA, other operating expense line items, audit costs, professional services, liability and property insurance, road department budget, retiree healthcare, IT department staffing, the Town's website, planning and zoning department budget, police department budget, equipment, and staffing levels, fire protection fund, cannabis tax revenue and expenditures, grants, library staff salaries with a recommendation to convert a full-time position to part-time positions, library repair costs, wastewater budget, impact fees, and misreported revenue issues. Commissioner Taylor projected an overall deficit for fiscal year 2026 at around \$3.8 million. He shared efforts were ongoing to reduce the expenditure budget to \$10.7 million from initial higher figures. Total revenues were estimated at approximately \$9 million. Commissioner Taylor is working on a policy for improved financial accountability at the department head level.

1. FY26 Budget Recap
2. FY27 Budget Discussion

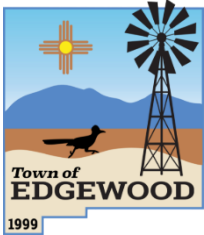
C. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:26PM

Stephen Murillo, Mayor Pro-Tem

Attest:

Misty Witt, Clerk-Treasurer



Town of Edgewood

Workshop Minutes

Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 5:00 PM

The Workshop met in Workshop session on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 5:00 PM in the Edgewood Town Hall Commission Chambers - 171A NM 344.

A. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call (by Town Clerk or designee)

The meeting commenced at 5:03PM.

A roll call was taken to confirm quorum. Commissioner Brennan, Commissioner Rariden, Commissioner Murillo, and Commissioner Taylor were present. Commissioner Milligan was present remotely. The staff present were Town Manager Hamilton, Clerk-Treasurer Witt, and Police Chief Frost.

B. DISCUSSION

1. Discussion on FY27 Budget

Commissioner Taylor gave a detailed review of the fiscal year 2026-2027 budget, noting the following key points:

- A prior budget workshop was held the Friday prior examining the budget line by line.
- The DFA budget passed for fiscal year 2025-2026 was around \$12.8 million, but the revenue was approximately \$9 million, which is still being confirmed.
- Year-to-date spending for month 10 and the remaining two months to complete the fiscal year show a projected deficit of approximately \$3.8 million. This deficit was contrasted with a smaller variance of about \$25,000 against the DFA budget itself by year-end estimates.
- Department budget compositions were reviewed, showing the Police Department constitutes 32% of the budget, Fire Protection about 4.6% with animal shelter and other services making up smaller percentages.
- Commissioner Taylor praised Deputy Manager/Clerk-Treasurer Witt for her extensive effort in compiling the budget details and called attention to the need for stronger fiscal accountability and monthly budget management by department heads moving forward, noting that prior procedures lacked sufficient oversight.
- The fiscal year 2027 proposed budget shows an improved position with a projected savings of approximately \$45,000, improving from a large deficit to near-balanced, which is highly significant in governmental budget terms.
- The detailed, line-item budget by department was shown, with Commissioner Taylor stressing the complexity and encouraging those present to review the documents carefully, offering to distribute electronic copies to interested attendees.

Clerk-Treasurer Witt provided clarification about the budget adjustment process involving reclassification of expenses, cleaning up of one-time versus recurring costs, and reallocation of miscategorized line items to appropriate budget hearings like dues, subscriptions, and professional services. This resulted in expenditure reduction and more accurate budgeting that reflects actual spending patterns for fiscal year 2027. Commissioner Taylor emphasized the importance of accountability, suggesting quarterly, monthly, and biannual reviews, coupled with a proposed midyear review in January to adjust for expenditures and revenues

accurately and identifying one-time spending requests after evaluating cash flow. He cautioned that ongoing deficits of millions of dollars were unsustainable beyond two years unless fiscal discipline is enforced.

Clerk-Treasurer Witt provided an overview of the revenue projections for fiscal year 2027, including the following:

- Revenue streams are simpler compared to expenditures and include gross receipts tax (GRT) collected in several categories as mandated by state statute, property taxes, business licenses, building permits, rental income (including community center and rented town hall space), and miscellaneous fees.
- Special funds were highlighted including the Fire and EMS fund, supported by gross receipts tax dedicated to that purpose via a joint powers agreement, lodgers tax revenue, which is earmarked for specific uses not general operation, municipal streets fund, supported by gas tax revenues, cannabis tax revenue, currently used for abatement and planning and zoning, GO Bond funds, servicing past financing obligations with dedicated property tax allocations, wastewater fund, supported by service fees and a portion of GRT, trust and agency funds, including impact fees collected by planning and zoning.
- She noted ongoing efforts to conduct an audit on wastewater hookups to ensure accurate billing and revenue collection, as well as noting the fiscal year 2027 budget does not include grant revenue or expenditures until grant figures are verified.

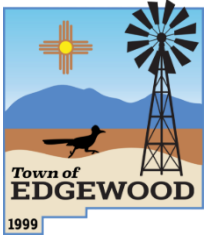
C. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:29PM

Michael Rariden, Mayor

Attest:

Misty Witt, Clerk-Treasurer



Town of Edgewood

Regular Minutes

Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 6:00 PM

The Town Commission met in Regular session on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 6:00 PM in the Edgewood Town Hall Commission Chambers - 171A NM 344 .

A. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call (by Town Clerk or designee)

The meeting commenced at 6:03PM.

A roll call was taken confirming quorum. Commissioner Brennan, Commissioner Rariden, Commissioner Murillo, and Commissioner Taylor were present. Commission Milligan was present and attended remotely. The Staff present were Town Manager Hamilton, Clerk-Treasurer Witt, and Police Chief Frost.

2. Invocation

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. NM Flag Salute

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B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Brennan made a motion to approve the agenda with the removal of item I.1. Commissioner Taylor proposed amending the motion to add postponing item G.1. call for public hearing for Ordinance 2026-00B. Commissioner Murillo seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Brennan-Aye

Commissioner Milligan-Aye

Commissioner Rariden-Aye

Commissioner Murillo-Aye

Commissioner Taylor-Aye

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

Tony Jaramillo shared details about the upcoming Father's Day Car Show and provided flyers to the Commissioners.

John Abrams: expressed appreciation for Commissioner Taylor's dedication to preparing budget spreadsheets and conducting work sessions. He raised concerns about the proposed \$10 million town budget. He warned about the risks of mixing capital and operating budgets. He stressed the urgency of the pending ordinance related to fire restrictions and wildfire risk. Additionally, he urged expediting the ordinance to fund the Joint Powers Agreement with Santa Fe County.

Cheryl Huppertz: Thanked Commissioner Taylor for his efforts in budget transparency. She advocated for more

transparency on the town website to reduce IPRA requests. She expressed concern about delaying the JPA ordinance and urged Commissioner Murillo to reconsider his vote in opposition of the JPA. She recommended changing the terminology of Mayor to Commission Chair to more accurately reflect the Commission-Manager form of government.

Adrian Chavez: Highlighted residents' frustrations with perceived lack of transparency, procedural failures, financial instability, and operational concerns, specifically related to fire and EMS services. He expressed difficulty locating the JPA ordinance on the town's website. Mr. Chavez urged accountability for those responsible for dysfunction and called for resignations of those unwilling to lead effectively.

Teresa Benton: Commented on a public comment provided by Jerry Powers at the previous meeting stating he was on the Commission when payments to Santa Fe County stopped, and he should not criticize. Ms. Benton distributed information about state grant funding and pointed out Edgewood received a lot less funding than surrounding municipalities. She requested reconsideration of the abortion ordinance, citing it cost the town an estimated \$1.5 million.

Jerry Powers: Criticized personal attacks during the meeting and asked for decorum enforcement. Mr. Powers highlighted a persistent lack of transparency, citing a lack of agenda request forms in the meeting packets and the absence of ordinance documentation in meeting packets. He thanked Commissioner Taylor for budget transparency efforts and warned of the diminishing town surplus. He also warned of financial risks by not passing the JPA ordinance which would trigger an immediate \$2.27 million payment to Santa Fe County.

Philandro Anaya: Responded to Ms. Benton's public comment correcting that the financial impact of the abortion ordinance was over \$10 million. He called for Commission members opposing the JPA to resign, directly addressing Commissioner Murillo. Mr. Anaya stressed the need for state and federal funding and urged efforts to restore the town's financial health.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Brennan made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Brennan-Aye

Commissioner Milligan-Aye

Commissioner Rariden-Aye

Commissioner Murillo-Aye

Commissioner Taylor-Aye

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

1. Approve/Amend/Disapprove Minutes
 - a. Minutes from May 12, 2026 Regular Commission Meeting
2. Advisory Board Minutes
 - a. Lodgers Tax Advisory Board (February 12, 2026)
3. Department Reports
 - a. Animal Shelter
 - b. Community Library
 - c. Finance

- d. Information Technology
- e. Maintenance
- f. Parks & Recreation
- g. Roads
- h. Wastewater Treatment

E. MATTERS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Brennan provided a reminder about the upcoming carnival at Venus Park.

Commissioner Milligan apologized for not attending in person.

Commissioner Murillo passed on his matters.

Commissioner Taylor thanked the public for commendations and praised Clerk-Treasurer Witt and Town Manager Hamilton for the budget efforts.

Commissioner Rariden: Thanked Commissioner Taylor and staff for the budget workshop. He gave an in-depth explanation of the JPA ordinance processing, detailing the steps needed for posting, public hearing, and enactment. Commissioner Taylor added the timeline for the ordinance.

F. REPORTS

- 1. Town Clerk-Treasurer

Clerk-Treasurer Witt had no new business to report due to budget preparation.

- 2. Chief of Police

Police Chief Frost reported that April statistics were uploaded with the agenda and he had no new business to report.

- 3. Town Manager

Town Manager Hamilton provided an update on the submission of a \$230,000 Transportation Project Fund grant application for design and engineering of Dinkle East and West. He announced that Alex Milan would be the acting manager of Planning and Zoning. Manager Hamilton noted ongoing efforts to manage grants, including passing a federal grant exam with a 92% score, reported significant flooding due to roof damage in the Library, and announced the upcoming retirement of the Animal Shelter Manager effective January.

G. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND ZONING

(Roll call vote required)

- 1. Call for Public Hearing on Updated Ordinance: 2026-00B Fire Restrictions and Wildfire Risk Reduction Ordinance

Item postponed

NO ACTION TAKEN

- 2. Discussion on draft versions of Ordinance 2026-00C An Ordinance Creating the GRT Fire Services Fund; Implementing the Town's Pledge of Certain Gross Receipts Tax Revenues to Support the Town's Payment Obligations Under the Joint Powers Agreement for Fire

Suppression, Fire Prevention, Rescue, and Emergency Medical Services Between the Town of Edgewood and the County of Santa Fe; and Providing for Related Matters

Commissioner Rariden explained substantial work went into the ordinance and two Commissioners, the legal liaisons, had already seen and approved the draft ordinance. Commissioner Murillo thanked the Town Manager and Town Attorney for clarifying the ordinance and creating a cleaner draft. Commissioner Taylor requested that the revised ordinance draft was displayed for all to view. Commissioner Rariden confirmed that legal counsel confirmed compliance with statutory requirements including the Bateman Act and the JPA terms.

Commissioner Brennan made a motion to approve the revised ordinance to be posted for an upcoming hearing. Commissioner Murillo seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Brennan-Aye

Commissioner Milligan-Aye

Commissioner Rariden-Aye

Commissioner Murillo-Aye

Commissioner Taylor-Aye

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation of the Edgewood Wage Research report performed by UNM Bureau of Business & Economic Research

Susan Ragan with the University of New Mexico Bureau of Business and Economic Research presented an in-depth wage and occupational study specific to Edgewood, conducted over six weeks. The presentation included Edgewood's unique population structure, housing structure, household composition, median household income, employment data, complex commuting patterns, and occupation and wage comparisons.

2. Funding recommendations by Lodger's Tax Advisory Board for applications reviewed at the May 14, 2026, Lodgers Tax Advisory Board meeting:
 - \$4,300 - TJR Promotions (23rd Father's Day Car Show & Cruise on Route 66)
 - Recommended for East Mountain News LLC to come back to present at the next Lodgers Tax Advisory Board meeting

Commissioner Murillo made a motion to approve the lodgers tax recommendation for \$4,300 for TJR Promotions. Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion and confirmed that this funding was in the budget.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Brennan-Aye

Commissioner Milligan-Aye

Commissioner Rariden-Aye

Commissioner Murillo-Aye

Commissioner Taylor-Aye

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

3. Discussion and possible action on Police Department Retention Stipend

Commissioner Murillo recused himself due to a potential perceived conflict of interest.

Edgewood Police Lieutenant Lovato presented and requested approval of a one-time retention stipend to

address high officer turnover. He shared that the department had lost six officers during the fiscal year plus two pending departures. The goal was to incentivize officers to stay three months until state funding from House Bill 255 becomes available for longer-term retaining and hiring bonuses. It was confirmed that funds are available from \$56,250 LERF funds and \$40,000 from the Moriarty Edgewood School District for law enforcement that have not been reallocated yet. The proposed stipend amount was \$3,500 per officer before taxes for sixteen officers for a total of \$56,250. The Police Chief and Lieutenant noted officers often leave for higher-pay positions with Bernallilo County Sheriff's Office, which offers more specialties and advancement. Commissioners asked about the timing of payments and possibly extending the time commitments. Town Manager Hamilton strongly endorsed the stipend effort.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve reallocating for retention bonuses \$56,250 of the LERF as retention for the next three months. Commissioner Brennan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Brennan-Aye

Commissioner Milligan-Aye

Commissioner Rariden-Aye

Commissioner Murillo-Recused

Commissioner Taylor-Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

4. Discussion and possible approval of Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Interim Budget

Town Manager Hamilton stated that he, Commissioner Taylor, and Clerk-Treasurer Witt talked a great deal about how we will keep this moving forward and that it is not a one-time correction and that policies, procedures, standard operating procedures would be proposed to keep this moving forward.

Commissioner Murillo made a motion to approve the fiscal year 2026-2027 interim budget with budget reviews scheduled for a workshop at the second regular meeting every month. Commissioner Brennan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Brennan-Aye

Commissioner Milligan-Aye

Commissioner Rariden-Aye

Commissioner Murillo-Aye

Commissioner Taylor-Aye

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

I. CLOSED SESSION

(Roll call vote required to go into closed session)

1. As Per Motion and Roll Call Pursuant to NMSA Section 10-15-1 (H)(2) Limited Personnel Matters - the discussion of hiring, promotion, demotion, dismissal, assignment or resignation of or the investigation of complaints or charges against any individual public employee.
(Police Department Executive Assistant, Helena Meyer)

Item removed from agenda.

NO EXECUTIVE SESSION

J. RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

(Roll call vote required to return to regular session)

1. Commissioners Affirm: only items listed on the agenda for Closed Session were discussed,

and no decisions were made.

2. Action on Closed Session item(s), as needed

NO ACTION TAKEN

K. FUTURE MEETINGS

1.
 - a. June 9, 2026 Regular Commission Meeting
 - b. June 23, 2026 Regular Commission Meeting

L. FUTURE EVENTS

1.
 - a. Story Time - Wednesday morning 11:00AM at Edgewood Library
 - b. Edgewood Carnival - Friday, May 29, 2026 (5:00pm-10:00pm), Saturday, May 30, 2026 (2:00pm-10:00pm), and Sunday, May 31, 2026 (12:00pm-5:00pm) at Venus Park
 - c. Edgewood Carnival (second weekend) - Thursday, June 4, 2026 (5:00pm-9:00pm), Friday, June 5, 2026 (5:00pm-10:00pm), Saturday, June 6, 2026 (2:00pm-10:00pm), and Sunday, June 7, 2026 (12:00pm-5:00pm) at Venus Park
 - d. Summer Reading Event - NM Office of Archaeological Studies Thursday, June 4, 2026 (11:00am-12:30pm) at Town Hall Commission Chambers
 - e. Summer Reading Event - Amazing Adrian Magician Thursday, June 11, 2026 (11:00am) at Town Hall Commission Chambers
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M. FINAL COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Brennan thanked the public for attendance and participation.

Commissioner Taylor thanked Clerk-Treasurer Witt. He encouraged the public to keep showing up to hold them accountable.

Commissioner Rariden stated he liked Ms. Huppertz comment earlier about chair versus mayor and emphasized that each Commissioner has 1/5 authority to get things done.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Brennan made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Murillo seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Brennan-Aye

Commissioner Milligan-Aye

Commissioner Rariden-Aye

Commissioner Murillo-Aye

Commissioner Taylor-Aye

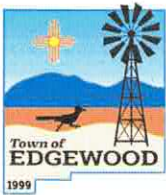
MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The meeting adjourned at 7:37PM

Michael Rariden, Mayor

Attest:

Misty Witt, Clerk-Treasurer



**Town of Edgewood
Library Advisory Board Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 26, 2026, at 6:00PM**

I. ROLL CALL & MISSION STATEMENT

- a. Chair Diane Meitlzer called the meeting to order at 5:59pm.

Members Present: Diane Meitlzer, Sandy Madsen, Ryhan Butler, Nancie Ross, David Abbott and Katie Alsbrooks.

Others present: Brandyn Burke, Christian Villeneuve and Elliot Trinity, and Stephen Murillo.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Sandy motioned to approve the agenda. Ryhan seconded the motion. All aye. Motion carried.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sandy made a motion to change the minutes to include the incident in the computer lab involving a patron who damaged a computer. Diane second the motion. All Aye. Motion carried.

Sandy made a motion to approve the minutes with the changes. Ryhan second. All Aye. Motion carried.

IV. REPORT OF LIBRARY MANAGER

- a. Jan-Feb Report FY26 was presented. See attached.
- b. Library staff discussed the cost of physical and digital materials. Brandyn stated that \$9750.79 averages out to \$28.00 a book. Digital purchases average out to about \$72.00 per e-book.
- c. Interlibrary loans are active again after the NM State Library paused the service due to an overdue item.
- d. Build-a-Pal was a huge event. A total of 90 bears were made.
- e. Brandyn stated that on April 7 the library will be testing the panic buttons with dispatch.
- f. The new monitors in the computer lab were bought 2 years ago.
- g. Sandy stated that she has been finding picture books behind the shelves and underneath the shelving. She suggested telling the other volunteers to start looking there when shelving books.
- h. Beginning in June the Blood Bank bus will be in the parking lot. They have 4 dates scheduled for this year so far.
- i. Library statistics and patronage continue to grow.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. The library has expended the GO Bond. We are waiting on about \$7000.00 for the reimbursement. Brandyn has submitted the invoices and checks. Brandyn stated that the travel fees which were a part of the quote for the panic buttons and exterior cameras cannot be paid with GO Bond. The deadline for Go-Bond is around mid-April. See attached. Everything was submitted for the GRO Fund. We received one reimbursement for around \$14,000.00 and are still waiting for another reimbursement. See attached. Item open.
- b. The town commissioners approved the Library Policies as recommended. Item closed

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. The Santa Fe County Grant MOA was amended, extending the grant for another year until March 17, 2027, the Town signed it. We have had a memorandum of agreement since 2019 for \$25,000.00.
- b. Brandyn presented the flyer for the Summer Reading Program. The QR code takes them to the Beanstack app to download and track everything. She also presented the SRP Schedule for the months of June and July. Brandyn also stated that the story time with SFCFD might not happen. She will keep us updated. See attached.
- c. The library is planning the YES! program this year. Brandyn presented the flyer and the events. It is an 8-week program funded through the Town of Edgewood and Santa Fe County. In January, Brandyn wrote a grant proposal to Santa Fe County for \$40,000.00 which they agreed to. Most of the money will go to the YES! Program and some of it for teen programming. Ryhan asked if they would use all the money this year. Brandyn said that they would. Brandyn presented the timeline and the estimated budget for the YES! Summer Program. See attached.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIII. ADJOURN

- a. Sandy motioned to adjourn. Diane seconded the motion. Chair Diane adjourned the meeting at 6:57pm.

The next Board meeting will be held at 6:00pm on Thursday, May 28, 2026, in the Library.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 28TH day of MAY 2026.



David Abbott, Meeting Chair

Attest:



Sandy Madsen, Secretary

TOWN OF EDGEWOOD, NEW MEXICO

ORDINANCE 2026-00B

FIRE RESTRICTIONS AND WILDFIRE RISK REDUCTION ORDINANCE

SECTION 1. TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known as the “**Fire Restrictions and Wildfire Reduction Ordinance.**”

SECTION 2. AUTHORITY

This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to:

- NMSA 1978, Section 3-18-1
- NMSA 1978, Section 3-18-14
- Authority of the State Forester under NMSA 1978, Section 68-2-16
- New Mexico Fireworks Safety Act (for coordination purposes only)
- The Town’s police powers to protect public health, safety, and welfare.

SECTION 3. PURPOSE

The purposes of this Ordinance are to:

- Reduce wildfire risk and prevent human-caused ignitions.
- Protect life, property, and critical infrastructure.
- Align municipal restrictions with State Forester orders.
- Provide enforceable fire restrictions and clear escalation.
- Establish penalties, cost recovery, and court procedures.
- Enable rapid emergency response during extreme conditions.

SECTION 4. DEFINITIONS

- “**Approved Area**” means an area designated or authorized by the Fire Chief for campfires or outdoor burning activities.
- “**Approved Device**” means a commercially manufactured or permanently constructed fire pit, fireplace, grill, stove, or similar device designed to contain flame and prevent the escape of sparks or embers.
- “**Critical Infrastructure**” means facilities and systems necessary for the protection of public health, safety, and welfare.
- “**Construction Activity**” means outdoor land clearing, grading, building, or industrial work capable of generating sparks, heat, or open flame.
- “**Developed Area**” means a maintained area improved for residential, recreational, commercial, or public use and accessible to emergency response vehicles.
- “**Drought-Based Fireworks Restriction Ordinance**” means the Town ordinance governing fireworks restrictions adopted pursuant to NMSA 60-2C-8.1.

- **“Fire Chief”** means the Fire Chief of the Town or designee.
- **“Fire Watch”** means continuous monitoring of an area by a competent person for the purpose of detecting and suppressing accidental ignition during and after spark-producing activity.
- **“Governing Body”** means the elected or duly appointed authority responsible for establishing policy, making official decision, overseeing municipal operations, and exercising the powers granted to the Town of Edgewood under applicable laws and ordinances.
- **“High-Risk Area”** means any location identified by the Fire Chief, State Forester, or other authorized agency as having elevated wildfire danger due to vegetation, topography, weather conditions, fuel loading, or limited fire suppression access.
- **“High Winds”** means sustained winds of twenty (20) miles per hour or greater, or wind gusts exceeding thirty (30) miles per hour, as reported by the National Weather Service or other reliable meteorological source designated by the Fire Chief.
- **“Improved Roadway”** means a paved, gravel, or otherwise maintained road, street, driveway, or access route designed and regularly used for vehicle travel.
- **“Industrial Activity”** means outdoor commercial, construction, manufacturing, land-clearing, welding, cutting, grinding, or heavy equipment operations capable of producing sparks, heat, or open flame. The term does not include indoor operations conducted within enclosed structures compliant with applicable fire and building codes.
- **“Motorized Equipment”** means off-road or industrial equipment, including chainsaws, welding equipment, generators, tractors, mowers, and similar machinery, but does not include licensed passenger vehicles operating on improved roadways.
- **“Negligent Ignition”** means causing fire through careless or reckless conduct.
- **“Off-Road Operation”** means operation of a motor vehicle or motorized equipment outside an improved roadway, including travel through vegetation, open land, trails, or undeveloped areas.
- **“Open Burning”** means burning of vegetation, debris, or refuse in open air.
- **“Open Fire”** means any outdoor fire not fully contained in an approved device.
- **“Outdoor Ignition Source”** means any activity, device, flame, spark, ember, or heat-producing source capable of igniting combustible vegetation or materials outdoors, including open fires, welding, cutting torches, grinding equipment, fireworks, and spark-producing machinery. This term does not include:
 - A. Operation of licensed motor vehicles on public roadways;
 - B. Propane or gas-fueled devices approved under this Ordinance, or
 - C. Activities specifically exempted or authorized by the Fire Chief.
- **“Red Flag Warning”** means critical fire weather warning issued by the National Weather Service.
- **“Repeat Offense”** means a subsequent violation within 12 months.
- **“Spark-Producing Equipment”** means equipment capable of emitting sparks.
- **“Stage I Restrictions”** means restriction levels consistent with State Forester orders.
- **“Stage II Restrictions”** means restriction levels consistent with State Forester orders.
- **“Stage III Restrictions”** means emergency municipal restrictions exceeding State levels.
- **“State Forester Restrictions”** means fire restrictions issued under state authority.
- **“Vegetated Areas”** means land containing grass, brush, trees, crops, weeds, forest litter, or other combustible natural fuels.

SECTION 5. ADOPTION AND DECLARATION

A. Incorporation of State Orders

All State Forester fire restrictions are adopted and incorporated by reference.

B. Applicability

- State restrictions apply automatically within the Town
- The **stricter provision controls**

C. Local Authority

Restrictions may be imposed by:

- Governing Body resolution; or
- Fire Chief order issued during declared fire conditions when reasonably necessary to protect life, property, or critical infrastructure consistent with this Ordinance and applicable state law.

D. Red Flag Conditions

A Red Flag Warning may constitute sufficient evidence of extreme fire danger supporting temporary escalation of restrictions by the Fire Chief consistent with this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. STAGE I RESTRICTIONS (MODERATE–HIGH FIRE DANGER)

Unless otherwise permitted:

A. Open Burning

Prohibited except by permit issued by the Fire Chief

B. Campfires

Allowed only when:

- In developed or approved areas;
- Within permanent or approved devices;
- 10-foot clearance maintained

C. Smoking

Permitted only:

- Inside vehicles; or

- In cleared areas

D. Equipment Use

- Spark arrestors required
- No use during high winds as determined by Fire Chief

E. Fireworks

Fireworks shall be regulated exclusively under the **Drought-Based Fireworks Restriction Ordinance** and applicable state law.

SECTION 7. STAGE II RESTRICTIONS (EXTREME FIRE DANGER)

May be implemented by State Forester, Governing Body, or Fire Chief.

A. Prohibited

- All open burning
- All open flames and campfires
- Charcoal and solid-fuel grills
- Smoking except in enclosed vehicles/buildings
- Spark-producing equipment
- Motorized equipment capable of producing sparks or heat in vegetated areas outside improved roadways is prohibited, except for:
 - Lawful operation of licensed motor vehicles in improved public roadways and driveways;
 - Emergency vehicles, and
 - Agricultural operations authorized by the Fire Chief

B. Fireworks

Fireworks are prohibited only where:

- A valid proclamation has been issued under the Drought-Based Fireworks Restriction Ordinance; or
- Prohibited under state law

C. Allowed

- Propane/gas devices with shutoff valves
- Emergency operations
- Authorized governmental/utility work

D. Conditional Exceptions

May be authorized with:

- Fire suppression equipment
- Fire watch personnel
- Written Fire Chief approval

SECTION 8. STAGE III – EMERGENCY FIRE RESTRICTIONS

A. Activation

Stage III restrictions may be declared by the Governing Body or by the Fire Chief during emergency fire conditions when immediate action is reasonably necessary to protect life or property:

- Extreme or catastrophic fire conditions exist;
- Fire suppression capacity is limited; or
- Imminent threat to life or property exists

B. Prohibited Activities

- All outdoor ignition sources
- Smoking outdoors
- All fireworks
- Outdoor construction or industrial activities capable of generating heat, sparks, or open flame are prohibited unless specifically authorized.
- Operation of off-road motorized equipment or industrial equipment in vegetated areas is prohibited except:
 - Travel on public streets and highways;
 - Emergency response;
 - Essential governmental or utility operations to include critical infrastructure, and
 - Access to residences and businesses.

C. Public Restrictions

The Town may:

- Close parks and open spaces
- Restrict or temporarily close access to designated high-risk outdoor areas when reasonably necessary to protect public safety or support fire suppression operations.

D. Curfew Authority

Any curfew imposed under this section shall:

- Be limited to identified high-risk geographic areas;
- Specify beginning and ending times;

- Exempt emergency travel, employment-related travel, and access to residences, and
- Expire within 72 hours unless extended by formal action of the Governing Body at a public meeting or emergency session authorized by law.

SECTION 9. CONSTRUCTION FIRE PREVENTION

A. All Stages

- Fire extinguisher (2A:10B:C minimum)
- 10-foot clearance
- Water source available
- Shovel or hand tools on-site
- Equipment maintained

B. Stage I

- Spark arrestors required
- No work during high winds

C. Stage II

- Spark-producing work prohibited unless authorized
- Fire watch required (minimum 30 minutes post-work)

D. Stage III

- Outdoor construction activity capable of generating heat, sparks, or open flame is prohibited unless authorized.

SECTION 10. FIRE CHIEF AUTHORITY

The Fire Chief may:

- Enforce this Ordinance
- Issue permits and exemptions
- Impose temporary fire-related restrictions authorized by this Ordinance and reasonably necessary to protect life, property, or critical infrastructure during declared fire conditions.
- Coordinate with state and regional agencies

SECTION 11. TRANSPORTATION AND ACCESS EXEMPTIONS

- Nothing in this Ordinance shall prohibit:
 - Lawful travel on public roadways;
 - Access to residences or businesses;
 - Emergency or evacuation travel;

- Public transportation operations, and
- Delivery of essential goods and services.

SECTION 12. ENFORCEMENT

Enforced by:

- Fire Department
- Law enforcement
- Code enforcement
- Authorized officials

SECTION 13. MANDATORY COURT APPEARANCE

Mandatory Municipal Court appearance shall apply to:

- Stage II violations;
- Stage III violations;
- Repeat offenses, or
- Violations resulting in ignition of a fire.

Failure to appear may result in the issuance of a bench warrant pursuant to law.

SECTION 14. PENALTIES

A. Base Fines

| Offense | Fine |
|----------------|-------------|
| First | \$100–\$500 |
| Second | \$250–\$500 |
| Third+ | \$500 |

B. Enhanced Minimums

| Condition | Minimum |
|------------------|----------------|
| Stage II | \$250 |
| Stage III | \$500 |

C. Aggravating Factors

Maximum penalties apply when:

- Fire ignition occurs
- Threat to life/property exists

- Orders ignored

D. Negligent Ignition

Prohibited at all times regardless of stage.

E. Cost Recovery

Liability includes:

- Fire suppression
- Emergency response

The Town may seek recovery of fire suppression costs, emergency response expenses, personnel costs, equipment usage, mutual aid reimbursement obligations, and related damages through any lawful civil remedy authorized by state law.

F. Continuing Violations

Each day equals separate offense.

G. Fireworks Violations

Fireworks-related violations shall be enforced under:

- The Drought-Based Fireworks Restriction Ordinance;
- New Mexico Fireworks Safety Act; and
- Applicable municipal penalties

SECTION 15. TERMINATION OR MODIFICATION

Restrictions may be:

- Rescinded or modified by Fire Chief or Governing Body
- Automatically lifted when State orders expire
- Adjusted based on conditions

SECTION 16. NOTICE

Notice provided via:

- Official postings
- Website
- Media

Reasonable efforts shall be made to provide public notice of restrictions; however, inadvertent failure of notice shall not invalidate enforcement otherwise authorized by law.

SECTION 17. INTERAGENCY COORDINATION

A. General Coordination

The Town shall coordinate, to the extent practicable, with:

1. The State Forester and the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department Forestry Division;
2. The State Fire Marshal; and
3. Adjacent counties, municipalities, and fire districts

Nothing in this Ordinance shall be interpreted to conflict with or supersede authority granted under state law.

B. Consistency of Restrictions

The Town shall make reasonable efforts to align its fire restriction stages and prohibitions with those imposed by the State Forester and surrounding jurisdictions to promote clarity and public compliance.

C. Independent Authority

Nothing in this Section shall be construed to:

1. Limit the authority of the Town to impose stricter fire restrictions;
2. Require prior approval from any external agency before taking action; or
3. Delay implementation of emergency measures necessary to protect life or property.

D. Information Sharing

The Fire Chief may exchange information, data, and operational updates with partner agencies for the purpose of fire prevention and suppression.

E. Mutual Aid

Nothing in this Ordinance shall interfere with existing mutual aid agreements or emergency response coordination.

SECTION 18. FIREWORKS REGULATION COORDINATION

A. Fireworks are governed by:

- The Drought-Based Fireworks Restriction Ordinance; and
- New Mexico Fireworks Safety Act

B. This Ordinance shall not independently regulate fireworks except:

- As authorized under state law; or
- During Stage III emergency conditions

C. Where both ordinances apply:

- Enforcement may proceed under either
- Penalties shall not be duplicative

D. This Ordinance shall be interpreted to avoid conflict with state law.

SECTION 19. SEVERABILITY

If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held invalid, the remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 20. REPEALER

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 21. EFFECTIVE DATE

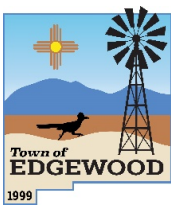
Effective upon adoption and publication.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 26th day of May 2026.

Michael E. Rariden, Mayor

ATTEST:

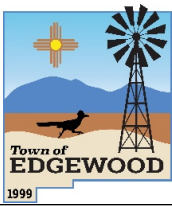
Misty Witt, Clerk-Treasurer



Town of Edgewood AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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| Submitted by: | Commissioner Taylor |
| Commission Meeting Date: | 06.09.2026 |
| Agenda Item Title: | Online Budget Transparency Demo |
| Action Requested of Commission: | Discussion |
| Background and Rationale: | <p>In the act of transparency, we wanted to be able to have an easy-to-read tool that the public has access to 24/7. This tool, that will be available on the Town's website, will do just that.</p> <p>The Town is planning on utilizing this tool to help internal processes as well as maintaining accountability & transparency with the public.</p> <p>This is step one to many in the near future to have just that.</p> |
| Alternative plans if action denied: | |
| Name of person presenting: | James Reader |
| Department(s) involved: | IT, Finance |
| Budget questions: | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Line Item: | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiscal Impact: | None – Tool is built in house by Town IT Department |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add'l Funding Sources: | |

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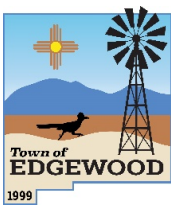


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Staff Review:

**Staff
Recommendation:**

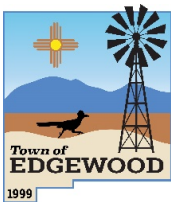
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Town of Edgewood AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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| Submitted by: | Commissioner Milligan |
| Commission Meeting Date: | 06/09/2026 |
| Agenda Item Title: | Discussion and possible approval of implementing Zoom as a remote attendance option for Town of Edgewood Commission meetings |
| Action Requested of Commission: | Approve Zoom as a platform that will be used for constituents and other parties to attend Commission meetings remotely |
| Background and Rationale: | There have been several requests made from the public to have a remote attendance option that allows interactive participation in the Town of Edgewood Commission meetings. Currently YouTube does not allow for interactive participation. |
| Alternative plans if action denied: | |
| Name of person presenting: | Commissioner Milligan |
| Department(s) involved: | Town Manager and IT Department |
| Budget questions: | |
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| • Add'l Funding Sources: | |

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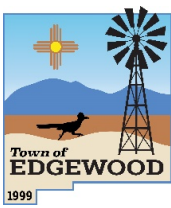


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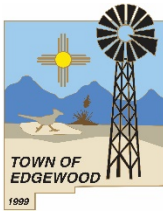
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Town of Edgewood AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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| Submitted by: | Commissioner Rariden |
| Commission Meeting Date: | 9 Jun 2026 Regular Meeting |
| Agenda Item Title: | Progress Report on Fire/EMS JPA Ordinance & Upcoming Public Hearing |
| Action Requested of Commission: | Update Public on Progress of the Fire/EMS JPA Ordinance and Discuss Upcoming Hearing |
| Background and Rationale: | Due to public interest and the high-level focus on obtaining Fire/EMS Services, routine updates on JPA Ordinance progress to the public is necessary to ensure everyone is fully informed of the latest developments. |
| Alternative plans if action denied: | |
| Name of person presenting: | Commissioner Rariden |
| Department(s) involved: | Town Staff, Commission and Town Residence |
| Budget questions: | |
| • Line Item: | |
| • Fiscal Impact: | |
| • Add'l Funding Sources: | |
| Staff Review: | |
| Staff Recommendation: | |

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TOWN OF EDGEWOOD ORDINANCE NO. 2026-00C

AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE GRT FIRE SERVICES FUND AND PLEDGING GROSS RECEIPTS TAX REVENUES TO SECURE THE TOWN'S PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH SANTA FE COUNTY FOR FIRE, RESCUE, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the Town of Edgewood ("Town") and the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County ("County") entered into a Joint Powers Agreement effective July 1, 2026 ("Agreement") for the provision of fire, rescue, and emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement requires the Town to adopt an ordinance pledging gross receipts tax revenues to secure the Town's payment obligations thereunder, and provides that such obligation constitutes a "limited revenue obligation payable solely from the GRT Fire Services Fund" (Agreement, Paragraph 1(h)(1)); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement is an instrument evidencing an obligation of the Town to make payments, within the meaning of NMSA 1978, Section 3-31-1.1(A), payable solely from the special fund created herein in compliance with the Bateman Act, NMSA 1978, Section 6-6-11; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance does not authorize the borrowing of money from the County or any other source; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission has determined, and hereby declares pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-31-4(A)(1), that it is necessary and appropriate to establish a dedicated special fund and related internal controls to ensure the timely funding and payment of the Town's obligations under the JPA, consistent with the Town's authority under applicable New Mexico law; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission finds that the adoption of this Ordinance and the creation of the GRT Fire Services Fund are necessary and in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the Town of Edgewood, as the JPA ensures the continued provision of fire suppression, rescue, emergency medical services, and fire prevention services to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Commission:

Section 1. GRT Fire Services Fund; Limited Pledge.

(a) There is hereby created a special fund designated the "GRT Fire Services Fund" pursuant to Paragraph 1(h)(1) of the Agreement and in compliance with the special fund doctrine under the Bateman Act, NMSA 1978, Section 6-6-11.

(b) The Town hereby pledges the Pledged GRT Revenues, but only in an amount sufficient to satisfy, as they come due, the Town's payment obligations under Paragraphs 1(f) and 1(g) of the Agreement. As used in this Ordinance, "Pledged GRT Revenues" means only those portions of the Town's local option municipal gross receipts tax revenues and municipal distributions of statewide gross receipts tax revenues that (i) are lawfully available for fire, rescue, emergency medical services, and related public safety purposes, and (ii) are not otherwise legally restricted or dedicated to an inconsistent purpose.

(c) The Town's payment of amounts owed under Paragraphs 1(f) and 1(g) of the Agreement shall be payable only from the GRT Fire Services Fund and shall not constitute a general obligation or indebtedness of the Town within the meaning of the Bateman Act, NMSA 1978, Section 6-6-11, or the New Mexico Constitution, Article IX, Section 12. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Town's obligations under this Ordinance shall not constitute a general obligation or indebtedness of the Town. All payments to the County shall be made solely from the GRT Fire Services Fund, and no claim by the County shall extend beyond the amounts on deposit or required to be deposited in the GRT Fire Services Fund. This Ordinance shall not be construed as a pledge of the Town's general fund, property tax revenue, full faith and credit, or any other revenues or assets of the Town not specifically pledged herein. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to expand or modify the Town's obligations under the Agreement beyond those expressly stated therein.

(d) The Town's pledge of its GRT Fire Services Fund is a first pledge of Pledged GRT Revenues required under Paragraph 1(h) of the Agreement. The Town's obligations under this Ordinance shall have priority over any subsequent pledge, lien, or encumbrance on the Pledged GRT Revenues.

Section 2. Deposits and Payments.

(a) Upon each distribution from the New Mexico Taxation & Revenue Department that includes any Pledged GRT Revenues, the Town shall deposit into the GRT Fire Services Fund from the Pledged GRT Revenues an amount sufficient to satisfy the Town's payment obligations under Paragraphs 1(f) and 1(g) of the Agreement for that month, and shall then pay the amounts required under Paragraphs 1(f) and 1(g) of the Agreement. The Town shall also maintain reserves in the GRT Fire Services Fund sufficient to satisfy any underpayment due under Paragraph 1(h)(3) of the JPA. In no event shall the Town fail to deposit the full amount required to satisfy its payment obligations for that month. After each monthly payment is made in full, the amounts remaining on deposit in the GRT Fire Services Fund and in excess of any reserves required by this subsection may be used by the Town for any other lawful purpose.

(b) In accordance with Paragraph 1(h)(2) of the Agreement, the Town shall direct its fiscal agent bank to immediately distribute to the County by ACH transfer from the Town's fiscal

agent bank within five business days of each distribution. Quarterly reconciliation and true-up shall be performed as provided in the Agreement.

Section 3. Term; Sunset; Amendment.

This Ordinance shall remain in effect so long as any amounts remain outstanding under the Agreement. The Town Commission may amend this Ordinance provided that no amendment shall impair the Town's ability to satisfy its payment obligations under the Agreement or defeats the purpose of the GRT Fire Services Fund. This Ordinance shall automatically terminate upon the completion or termination of the Agreement and satisfaction of all outstanding payment obligations. Upon termination, the GRT Fire Services Fund shall be closed and any remaining balance transferred to the Town's general fund.

Section 4. Severability; Repealer; Effective Date.

If any provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, the remainder shall remain in full force. All ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of such conflict. This Ordinance shall take effect five days after publication as provided by law.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026, by a majority vote of the Governing Body of the Town of Edgewood.

Mayor, Mike Rariden

ATTEST:

Town Clerk, Misty Witt

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Y. Jun Roh, Town Attorney

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Walker Boyd, Santa Fe County Attorney

After discussion, Commissioner _____ moved for approval, with Commissioner _____ seconding the motion. Ordinance No. ____ passed upon the following roll call vote:

Those voting AYE:

Commissioner:
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Those voting NAY:

Those not present:

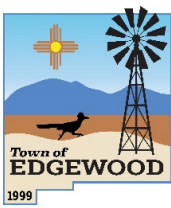
The presiding officer thereupon declared that at least three-fourths of all the members of the Town Commission having voted in favor of adoption of Ordinance No. _____, the motion was carried and Ordinance No. ____ was duly passed and adopted.

After consideration by the Governing Body of other business the meeting was duly adjourned.

Mike Rariden, Mayor

ATTEST:

Misty Witt, Town Clerk



Town of Edgewood AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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| Submitted by: | Commissioner Rariden |
| Commission Meeting Date: | 9 Jun 2026 Regular Meeting |
| Agenda Item Title: | Select an Independent Attorney to Review the Fire/EMS JPA Ordinance |
| Action Requested of Commission: | Identify and Select an Independent Attorney to Review the Fire/EMS JPA Ordinance |
| Background and Rationale: | An independent attorney review is necessary to ensure the Fire/EMS JPA Ordinance complies with all regulatory requirements along with the terms and conditions of the approved Fire/EMS JPA. |
| Alternative plans if action denied: | |
| Name of person presenting: | Commissioner Rariden |
| Department(s) involved: | Town Staff, Commission |
| Budget questions: | |
| • Line Item: | |
| • Fiscal Impact: | |
| • Add'l Funding Sources: | |
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