

Revised: November 6, 2019

**TENTATIVE AGENDA
for the
FIFTH MEETING
of the
ECONOMIC AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**November 12-14, 2019
State Capitol, Room 322
Santa Fe**

Tuesday, November 12

- 10:00 a.m. **Call to Order, Introductions and Approval of Minutes**
—Senator Benny Shendo, Jr., Chair
- 10:15 a.m. (1) **Federal Decennial Census — Importance of Accurate Information**
—Robert Rhatigan, Associate Director, Geospatial and Population Studies,
University of New Mexico (UNM)
- 11:15 a.m. (2) **Freight Hauling in San Juan County (House Memorial 56, 2019)**
—Mark Roper, Director, Economic Development Division, Economic
Development Department (EDD)
—David Mathews, General Counsel, EDD
- 12:30 p.m. **Working Lunch**
(3) **Albuquerque Economic Development — Economic Development Tools**
—Gary Tonjes, President, Albuquerque Economic Development
—Debra Inman, Senior Vice President, Business Development,
Albuquerque Economic Development
- 1:30 p.m. (4) **Historically Underutilized Businesses**
—Ken Ortiz, Secretary, General Services Department (GSD)
—Mark Hayden, State Purchasing Director, GSD
—Paul Kippert, State Purchasing Attorney, GSD
—Kenley Maddux, Deputy Chief Counsel for Statewide Contracts, Texas
Comptroller of Public Accounts
—Jason R. Weaks, The Weaks Law Firm
- 2:30 p.m. (5) **State Investment Council — Investment Performance and Permanent
Fund Update; In-House Investment Office**
—Charles Wollmann, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs,
State Investment Council

3:30 p.m. (6) [New Mexico Worker Organizing Collaborative](#)
—Stephanie Welch, Supervising Attorney, Workers' Rights, New Mexico
Center on Law and Poverty

4:30 p.m. **Public Comment**

4:45 p.m. **Recess**

Wednesday, November 13

9:00 a.m. **Reconvene and Introductions**
—Senator Benny Shendo, Jr., Chair

9:10 a.m. (7) [Economic Effects of Facebook, Inc. and Intel Corporation Expansion](#)
—Jon Clark, Deputy Secretary, EDD
—Mark Roper, Director, Economic Development Division, EDD

10:00 a.m. (8) [Industrial Rail Transloading Facilities Update](#)
—Jon Clark, Deputy Secretary, EDD
—Mark Roper, Director, Economic Development Division, EDD

11:00 a.m. (9) [Regulation and Licensing Department \(RLD\) Update — License Restrictions, Including Prior Convictions; Level of Regulation and Comparison to Other States; Unlimited Reciprocity; Streamlining Permit Processes; and Legislative Priorities](#)
—Marguerite Salazar, Superintendent, RLD

12:00 noon **Working Lunch**
Regulation and Licensing Department, Continued

1:15 p.m. (10) [South Valley Economic Development Center — Overview](#)
—Josue Olivares, Chief Executive Officer, South Valley Economic
Development Center

1:30 p.m. (11) [Renewable Energy Jobs in Rural Communities](#)
—James Povijua, Policy Director, Center for Civic Policy
—Gabriel R. Sanchez, Ph.D., Professor of Political Science and
Executive Director, Center for Social Policy, UNM

2:30 p.m. (12) [Economic Benefits of Legalization of Recreational Cannabis](#)
—Pat Davis, Chair, Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham's Cannabis
Legalization Working Group
—Mark R. Shea, Secretary, Department of Public Safety
—Sarah S. Stith, Assistant Professor of Economics, UNM

4:00 p.m. **Public Comment**

4:30 p.m. **Recess**

Thursday, November 14

9:00 a.m. **Reconvene and Introductions**
—Senator Benny Shendo, Jr., Chair

9:15 a.m. (13) **Tourism Department — Update**
—Jen Paul Schroer, Secretary, Tourism Department

10:15 a.m. (14) **Recreational Tourism — Opportunities and Challenges**
—Axie Navas, Director, New Mexico Outdoor Recreation Division, EDD
—Gabe Aguilar, Vice President, Mescalero Apache Tribe
—Francisco Valenzuela, Director, Recreation, Heritage and Wilderness
Resources, Region 3, United States Forest Service
—Nick Streit, Owner/Guide, Taos Fly Shop and The Reel Life

11:15 a.m. (15) **Public Banking — Opportunities and Challenges**
—Angela Merkert, Executive Director, Alliance for Local Economic
Prosperity (AFLEP)
—Melissa Pickett, Member, Planning Team, and Chair, Banking
Committee, AFLEP
—Rebecca Jasso-Aguilar, Member, Implementation and Outreach Team,
AFLEP

12:15 p.m. **Working Lunch**

(16) **Building Local Markets for Agricultural Economic Opportunities**
—Pam Roy, Executive Director and Co-Founder, Farm to Table New
Mexico
—Denise Miller, Executive Director, New Mexico Farmers' Marketing
Association
—Kendal Chavez, Nutritionist and Farm to School Coordinator, Public
Education Department
—Ralph Vigil, Owner, Molino de la Isla Organics LLC

1:00 p.m. (17) **Innovative Tools for Financing Economic Development in New Mexico**
—Scott Haber, President and Chief Executive Officer, NDH Capital
Corporation
—Richard S. Gordon, President and Founder, Gordon Law Firm, P.C.

2:00 p.m. (18) **Community Catalyst Sports Venue**
—Peter Trevisani, President and Chief Executive Officer, New Mexico
United, LLC
—Lawrence Real, Chief Operating Officer, City of Albuquerque
—Mark McCullers, President, McCullers Sports Group LLC

- 3:00 p.m. (19) [Blockchain — Overview](#)
—John Strong, Venture Capitalist
- 3:30 p.m. (20) [Economic Development Innovation Task Force Report \(House Memorial 16, 2019\)](#)
—Jason Espinoza, Lobbyist, NMIDEA
- 4:00 p.m. (21) [Discussion of Proposed Legislation](#)
- 5:00 p.m. **Public Comment**
- 5:30 p.m. **Adjourn**