



**MINUTES
of the
THREE-HUNDRED-SIXTY-THIRD MEETING
of the
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
January 18, 2016
Santa Fe**

The three-hundred-sixty-third meeting of the Legislative Council was called to order on Monday, January 18, 2016, at 1:15 p.m. in Room 307 of the State Capitol by Senator Mary Kay Papen, co-chair.

Present

Sen. Mary Kay Papen, Co-Chair
Rep. Don L. Tripp, Co-Chair
Rep. Alonzo Baldonado
Sen. Carlos R. Cisneros
Rep. Brian Egolf
Rep. Kelly K. Fajardo
Rep. Doreen Y. Gallegos
Rep. Nate Gentry
Sen. Stuart Ingle
Rep. W. Ken Martinez
Sen. William H. Payne
Sen. Clemente Sanchez
Sen. William E. Sharer
Sen. John Arthur Smith
Rep. Sheryl Williams Stapleton

Absent

Sen. Michael S. Sanchez

Special Advisory Members Present

Rep. Eliseo Lee Alcon
Sen. Pete Campos
Sen. Lee S. Cotter
Rep. Roberto "Bobby" J. Gonzales
Sen. Ron Griggs
Sen. Daniel A. Ivey-Soto
Rep. James Roger Madalena
Sen. Cisco McSorley
Rep. Andy Nunez
Sen. Michael Padilla
Sen. Cliff R. Pirtle
Rep. Jane E. Powdrell-Culbert
Rep. Debbie A. Rodella
Rep. Patricia Roybal Caballero

Special Advisory Members Absent

Rep. Gail Chasey
Rep. Jason C. Harper
Rep. Rick Little
Sen. Mark Moores
Sen. George K. Munoz
Rep. Dennis J. Roch

Sen. Benny Shendo, Jr.
Rep. Carl Trujillo
Rep. Jim R. Trujillo

Staff

Raúl E. Burciaga, Director, Legislative Council Service (LCS)
John Yaeger, Assistant Director for Legislative Affairs, LCS
Amy Chavez-Romero, Assistant Director for Drafting, LCS
Kathy Pacheco-Dofflemeyer, Assistant Director for Administration, LCS
Jeret Fleetwood, Researcher, LCS

Approval of Minutes

On a motion made, seconded and passed, the minutes of the December 14, 2015 meeting were approved as submitted.

Session Security

Major Joseph D. Lovato, New Mexico State Police, provided the council with an overview of session security. He explained that the state police detail assigned to the capitol would consist of 18 officers in two rotations, noting that officers from the Motor Transportation Division of the Department of Public Safety would also be part of the detail.

Major Lovato also noted that a protest was planned to be held outside of the capitol during the governor's address to the legislature on January 19. He said that additional officers, including some in plain clothes, would be on hand that day.

In response to questions from members of the council, Major Lovato explained that operational plans exist for several scenarios, including disturbances in the galleries and committee hearings for high-profile or controversial bills.

In response to other questions from members of the council, Major Lovato noted that metal detectors would not be installed at entrances to the capitol, but explosive detecting dogs would be used in the capitol and possibly at outside demonstrations.

On a motion made, seconded and passed, the council approved inclusion of \$80,000 into the LCS session budget for the state police to provide session security.

Several council members asked about general public safety issues, including the ability to carry weapons into the capitol, particularly in light of active-shooter situations in other places. Mr. Burciaga emphasized that efforts to secure the capitol have become increasingly sophisticated in recent years, including better integration with public safety agencies, an emergency notification system and active-shooter training with the Santa Fe Police Department. He also encouraged all members and staff to call security at extension 4663 if they need security or need to report anything.

Staff Reports

Mr. Burciaga noted that the new legislative website was up and running and that both the old and new sites would be available during the session.

Mr. Burciaga noted that the LCS would be open as long as members were meeting in the building. He also noted the deadlines for bill and capital outlay requests and for introduction of bills.

There being no further business, the council adjourned at 1:45 p.m.