MINUTES
of the
FIFTH MEETING
of the
TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE REVENUE SUBCOMMITTEE

October 22, 2026
Bernalillo County at Alvarado Square
Ken Sanchez Commission Chambers
415 Silver Avenue SW
Albuquerque

October 23, 2026
Sid Cutter Pilots' Pavilion
9401 Balloon Museum Drive NE
Albuquerque

The fifth meeting of the Transportation Infrastructure Revenue Subcommittee was called to order by Representative Art De La Cruz, chair, on October 22, 2026 at 10:03 a.m. in the Ken Sanchez Commission Chambers at Bernalillo County at Alvarado Square in Albuquerque.

Present
Rep. Art De La Cruz, Chair
Sen. Antonio Maestas, Vice Chair
Rep. Cynthia Borrego
Sen. Craig W. Brandt
Sen. Roberto "Bobby" J. Gonzales (10/23)
Rep. Dayan Hochman-Vigil (10/23)
Rep. Jenifer Jones
Rep. Raymundo Lara (10/22)
Sen. Micaelita Debbie O'Malley
Rep. Randall T. Pettigrew

Absent
Rep. Cathrynn N. Brown
Sen. David M. Gallegos
Rep. Patricia A. Lundstrom
Sen. George K. Muñoz

Advisory Members
Rep. Joy Garratt (10/23)
Rep. Rod Montoya

Rep. Gail Armstrong
Sen. Heather Berghmans
Sen. Pat Boone
Rep. Rebecca Dow
Rep. Martha Garcia
Rep. Anita Gonzales
Rep. Linda Serrato
Rep. Sarah Silva
Rep. Martin R. Zamora

(Attendance dates are noted for those members not present for the entire meeting.)

Staff
Erin Bond, Researcher, Legislative Council Service (LCS)
Sean Dolan, Staff Attorney, LCS
Alyssa Reyes, Intern, LCS

Guests
The guest list is in the meeting file.

Handouts
Handouts and other written testimony are in the meeting file and posted on the legislature's website.

References to Webcast
The time reference noted next to each agenda item in this document is cross-referenced to the webcast of the subcommittee meeting, which can be found at www.nmlegis.gov, under the "Webcast" tab. The presentations made and subcommittee discussions for agenda items can be found on the recorded webcast for this meeting.

Thursday, October 22

Welcome and Introductions (10:03 a.m.)
Representative De La Cruz welcomed members of the subcommittee and members of the public to this meeting.

Welcome and Updates on Local Transportation Infrastructure (10:08 a.m.)
Frank Baca, commissioner, District 2, Bernalillo County Board of County Commissioners, and Cindy Chavez, county manager, Bernalillo County, welcomed the subcommittee, spoke on Bernalillo County's needs regarding roads and drainage and provided updates on ongoing and future county projects. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=1.

Department of Transportation (DOT) District 3 Engineer Report (10:57 a.m.)
Greg Clarke, P.E., assistant district engineer-engineering support, DOT, and David D. Quintana, acting secretary, DOT, discussed the ongoing and future transportation-related projects in Transportation District 3, current funding and future funding needs. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=2.

City of Albuquerque Approaches to Traffic Safety Through Automated Speed Enforcement and Projects (11:22 a.m.)

Jennifer Turner, director, Department of Municipal Development, City of Albuquerque, and Valerie Hermanson, transportation planning manager, City of Albuquerque, presented on the City of Albuquerque's efforts to reduce the number of traffic deaths, including transportation funding, an automated speed enforcement program and speed safety, and discussed plans for changes to select street intersections. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=3.

Public Comment (12:02 p.m.)

A list of those making public comment is available in the meeting file.

Road Safety is Public Health: Safe Streets for All (1:11 p.m.)

Melinda Montoya, P.T., D.P.T., M.P.H., P.R.P.C., injury prevention advocate, and Ben Garland, Ph.D. candidate in transportation engineering, University of New Mexico and injury prevention advocate, presented on motor vehicle crash data in the state and in the country, infrastructure that assists in decreasing traffic and pedestrian and bike accidents and the economics of preventing road accidents. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=4.

DOT Traffic Safety Division (1:57 p.m.)

Shannon Glendenning, director, Traffic Safety Bureau, DOT, discussed the Traffic Safety Bureau's revenue, the cost of fatalities, driver education, an ignition interlock program, traffic records, traffic and criminal software and media campaigns. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=5.

Ignition Interlock Device Policy (2:17 p.m.)

Senator Maestas presented an overview of a bill about ignition interlock devices that was introduced in 2025. Senator Maestas described issues with people obtaining ignition interlock devices and ignition interlock licenses and how the bill attempts to fix those issues. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=6.

Target Zero (2:40 p.m.)

Amy Whitfield, special director, DOT, presented on Project Zero, which is a statewide initiative seeking to bring traffic-related fatalities to zero occurrences by 2050. Ms. Whitfield spoke on the national and international programs that have been analyzed and provided an overview of the comprehensive safety corridor program. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=7.

Approval of Minutes (3:11 p.m.)

The subcommittee adopted the minutes of the September 10-11, 2026 meeting.

Aldea del Río Development (3:12 p.m.)

Chris Baca, founder and president, YES Housing, Inc., and Enrico Gradi, senior vice president of planning and economic development, YES Housing, Inc., provided an overview of the Aldea del Río development project, which includes affordable housing with amenities such as a community garden, agriculture sites, an orchard and farmers market and commercial and mixed use facilities. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=8.

Recess

The meeting recessed at 4:21 p.m.

Friday, October 23

Reconvene

The meeting reconvened at 9:57 a.m.

Welcome and Report on Balloon Fiesta Park Infrastructure (9:57 a.m.)

Julie Baca, executive director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta; Jerry Lovato, member, Board of Directors, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta; and Susan Rice, manager, Recreation Services Division, City of Albuquerque, provided an update on the successes of the most recent balloon fiesta and discussed future plans. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=9.

Paseo del Norte and Unser Boulevard Expansion (10:58 a.m.)

Debbie Bauman, senior program manager, Capital Implementation Program, City of Albuquerque, presented on the expansion of Paseo del Norte and Unser Boulevard's

history, challenges during the design, project bidding, funding, unique project aspects and construction progress. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=10.

Public Safety for Driverless Vehicles (11:44 a.m.)

Andy Young, managing partner, The Law Firm for Truck Safety; Mike Sievers, partner, McGinn Montoya Love Curry and Sievers P.A.; and Daniel Cook, business agent, Teamsters Local 492, discussed the mechanical and logistical differences between passenger vehicles and large commercial trucks, the potential effects of driverless vehicles on the workforce, the safety of driverless vehicles and some instances of accidents with driverless vehicles. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=11.

Money for Roads: How the Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Should Be Distributed (12:25 p.m.)

Franklin Garcia, lobbyist, Asphalt Pavement Association of New Mexico, discussed needs for long-term funding for road construction and maintenance, risks to the construction industry, voter support for road money and the potential use of future funds. The presentation materials can be found here:

https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=TIRS&Date=10/22/2026&ItemNumber=12.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the subcommittee, the meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m.