

**Regular Meeting of the Solid
Waste Management Agency
Joint Powers Board
June 18, 2025 at 5:00 PM
Grant Conference Room, 2nd Floor
240 Grant Avenue, Santa Fe, NM 87501**

I. Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Solid Waste Management Agency Joint Powers Board was called to order by Councilor Lee Garcia, Chair, at 5:00 pm, on June 18, 2025, in the Johnson Street Conference Room, 240 Grant Avenue, Santa Fe, NM.

II. Roll Call

Members Present

Councilor Lee Garcia, Chair
Commissioner Camilla Bustamante, virtually
Commissioner Lisa Cacari Stone, virtually
Commissioner Adam Johnson, virtually

Members Absent

Councilor Michael Garcia, excused
Councilor Amanda Chavez, excused

Others Present

Randall Kippenbrock, Executive Director, SWMA
Commissioner Justin Greene
Christiann Orozco, HR Officer/Administrative Assistant
Ernestina Baca, SWMA
Deborah Trujillo, Division Director, City of SF, Environmental Services Division
Jordan Yutzy, BuRRT Site Manager
Jonas Nahoum, Long, Komer and Associates

III. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Kippenbrock said item 10 A has been removed from the agenda and will be scheduled for a future meeting.

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Bustamante, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE The motion passed on a roll call vote as follows:

Commissioner Bustamante, yes; Commissioner Cacari Stone, yes;
Commissioner Johnson, yes; Chair Lee Garcia, yes.

IV. Approval of Minutes

A. Regular Meeting - May 15, 2025

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Bustamante, seconded by
Commissioner Johnson, to approve the minutes as presented.

VOTE The motion passed on a roll call vote as follows:

Commissioner Bustamante, yes; Commissioner Cacari Stone, yes;
Commissioner Johnson, yes; Chair Lee Garcia, yes.

V. Matters from the Public

None.

VI. Approval of Consent Calendar

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by
Commissioner Cacari Stone, to approve the Consent Calendar as
presented.

VOTE The motion passed on a roll call vote as follows:

Commissioner Bustamante, yes; Commissioner Cacari Stone, yes;
Commissioner Johnson, yes; Chair Lee Garcia, yes.

VII. Consent Calendar

**A. Request for Approval of Professional Services agreement with CDM
Smith Inc. Of Albuquerque, NM, for On-Call Engineering Services in
the Amount of \$190,691 (RFP No. 25098)**

Approved on Consent.

**B. Request for Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Service Agreement
with State Rubber and Environmental Solutions, LLC of Denver City,
TX for Scrap Tire Recycling Services (ITB 24083): and**

1. **Extend the Term of the Agreement through June 24, 2026.**
2. **Increase the Compensation by \$23,000 for a Total Not-To-Exceed Amount of \$45,800.**

Approved on Consent.

C. Request for Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Price Agreement with Allied Electric Inc. Of Santa Fe, NM, for On-Call Electrical Services (ITB No. 24068); and

1. **Extend the Term of the Agreement through June 21, 2026.**

Approved on Consent.

D. Request for Approval to Purchase a Caterpillar TH0642 Telehandler and Extended Warranty from Wagner Equipment Company of Albuquerque, NM, under Sourcewell Contract No. 011723-CAT in the Amount of \$158,000; and

1. **Approval of Budget Increase to 8100851.570500 (Equipment and Machinery) from 810.100700 (Operating Fund Cash Balance) in the Amount of \$158,000.**

Approved on Consent.

E. Request for Approval to Purchase a Superior Broom DT74C Sweeper from Power Equipment Company of Albuquerque, NM, under Sourcewell Contract No. 111522-SBM in the Amount of \$91,716; and

1. **Approval of Budget Increase to 8100851.570500 (Equipment and Machinery) from 810.100700 (Operating Fund Cash Balance) in the Amount of \$91,716.**

Approved on Consent.

VIII. Matters from the Executive Director

A. Updates

1. **Out of County Waste - Los Alamos County, Rio Arriba County, and the City of Espanola.**

Mr. Kippenbrock said he was asked to reach out to the three communities

regarding their interest is a possible landfill. He did reach out to Los Alamos County. They have entered into an MOU to do a feasibility study on a possible site for a landfill on a 60 acre site owned by the City of Espanola. He asked Los Alamos County to keep in touch with him as they move forward. They have hired a consultant to do the study as a cost of \$150,000. The reason these communities are looking at a closer site is the transportation costs for them to take waste to Valencia County. He has not reached out to Rio Arriba County or the City of Espanola, but will do so after we have more information.

Commissioner Johnson asked if the feasibility study was going to source the site.

Mr. Kippenbrock said he is not certain.

Mr. Yutzy said the site they are evaluating is an old pumice mine 3 miles west of the City limits in Espanola. It is 68 acres and is owned by the City of Espanola.

Mr. Kippenbrock said the study is also looking at analyzing the land to determine if it is suitable for a landfill. They will be looking at it from the standpoint of geology and groundwater. If it is not feasible at that site, they will come up with another location within the 20 mile radius of the communities. We are looking at 7 years before the construction of a new landfill would be complete.

Commissioner Greene said we want to be good neighbors. They are trucking stuff through Santa Fe and Albuquerque and burning fossil fuels doing it. There could be a trade-off opportunity for us to take their trash for the first 7 years and then they take our trash for the next 7 if they are making a good faith effort.

Chair Garcia said thank you Mr. Kippenbrock. This is something we are all eager to learn more about.

2. BuRRT Lease.

Mr. Kippenbrock said we had a team meeting with the City of Santa Fe, who manages the lease. Jesse Roach with Utilities and Terry Lease with Asset Management were present. The market rate analysis said the lease rate should be \$625,000 plus CPI. He argued that we should not be subject to market rates because we are not a government entity so the Anti-Donation Clause does not apply. The City has an issue with sludge from their wastewater treatment plants. SWMA currently takes sludge from BDD. We are meeting next week to see how we can accommodate them with our operation. We don't want to take too many trucks of sludge in a day. The difference between the sludge at BDD and the wastewater treatment plants is that BDD is more solid material. The wastewater treatment plants sludge is more like jello or pudding. We will have a discussion next week with our field personnel. Until this is resolved, we are still on a month to month basis.

Commissioner Greene said the County probably has a similar request for our plant. We should look at disposing that with you. He takes real issue with the market rate. This is on top of a dump. There is nothing else they can do with that land. He suggests a second appraisal.

Mr. Kippenbrock said we do receive the sludge from Santa Fe County. When the sludge is more on the wet side, it is more of a struggle for us. We will get to the bottom of it and work it out. We are going to pursue a second proposal.

There was discussion regarding the lease issues.

Chair Garcia said thank you for negotiating in good faith with the City Mr. Kippenbrock. If you need the Chairman of this Board involved let him know. We can talk off line. You are doing a good job with the negotiations. Commissioner Greene has some good points. We need to look at this.

3. Residential Free Days.

Mr. Kippenbrock said we had our Free Days events the first weekend of June. It went very well. We had almost 700 vehicles come through. Our next event will be on July 5th and 6th.

IX. Matters from Staff - City and County

A. Deborah Trujillo, Division Director, City of Santa Fe Environmental Services Division

Ms. Trujillo reported that Carol Branch, Executive Director of Keep Santa Fe Beautiful, is retiring at the end of this month. As of right now, there are no plans to fill that vacancy. They are also looking at leaving Keep Santa Fe Beautiful in Public Utilities, but not under Environmental Services. She will keep the Board posted.

B. Les Francisco, Solid Waste Superintendent, Santa Fe County Public Works.

Mr. Francisco was not present.

X. Matters from the Board


a. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding SFSWMA Policy 2006.1 - Free Disposal Fees Program

This item was removed from the agenda and will be scheduled for a future meeting.

XI. Next Meeting: August 21, 2025

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lee Garcia', written over a horizontal line.

Councilor Lee Garcia, Chair

Elizabeth Martin

Elizabeth Martin (Aug 19, 2025 13:46:04 MDT)

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