

## **NOTICE - REQUEST FOR LETTER OF INTEREST**

In accordance with Ordinance 2018-2, Taos County Land Use Regulations Article 1, Section 1.3.3 B. Planning Commission Membership, the Taos County Board of Commissioners desires to appoint five (5) individuals to participate as members of the Taos County Planning Commission for calendar year 2023.

Individuals requesting consideration shall submit a Letter of Interest including a statement of qualifications to the County Manager within thirty (30) days of the date of publication of this notice. The Taos County Planning Commission is a quasi-judicial board that meets once a month to consider Land Use Matters.

**Qualifications:** Members of the Planning Commission shall be residents of Taos County and shall be registered voters. No member of the Board of County Commissioners or County employee shall serve as a voting member of the Planning Commission. The County Manager, in making recommendations, and the appointing County Commission, in making the appointment, shall take into consideration the education and/or experience of potential appointees in planning, zoning, or land-use matters but shall not be precluded from recommending or appointing individuals without such experience. The Planning Commission shall, to the extent possible, reflect a balance of views by the community regarding development.

**Appointment:** The Planning Commission shall be composed of five (5) members. Each year, on or before January 15, each member of the Board of County Commissioners shall appoint one individual to the Planning Commission for one year, based on the applications and recommendations presented by the County Manager. The Planning Commissioners shall be appointed by a majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners by Resolution. Each County Commissioner shall nominate a person from his or her district, if possible. The County Commissioners Districts are: District 1, District 2, District 3, District 4, and District 5. This is a volunteer position with no compensation and Appointees shall serve at the pleasure of the County Commissioners.

**Terms of Office:** A member may be re-appointed by the County Commissioner that appointed him or her during the appointing Commissioner's term. The term of a member shall not exceed the term of his or her appointing County Commissioner. The appointing Commissioner's successor may elect to re-appoint the same member.

**Removal from Office:** Any member of the Planning Commission may be removed for cause by majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners.

Interested parties may send a letter of interest to the Taos County Planning Department, 105 Albright St. Suite H Taos, NM 87571.

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