

LWVCNM Observer's Report

Sandoval County Commission regular meeting

April 24, 2024

Mary Templeton, observer

Present: David Heil (Chair), Michael Meek (Vice Chair), Joshua Jones, Jay Block, Katherine Bruch

Description of Issues Relevant to the League

Housing

Rebuilding Together Sandoval County – a chapter of a national 501c3 that makes home repairs and improvements for very low income and disabled home owners – gave a presentation on their program. They requested funds and contacts to expand their program. The Commission offered to work with them to secure grants and more sustained funding at the State level.

As background: LWVCNM supports local governments making available, facilitating, and coordinating provision of affordable, decent, and safe housing using federal, state, county, or city funds. This may also be done by coordination with private builders, nonprofit organizations, and/or foundations.

Additional Comments

Public Comment

Six of 18 speakers were small business owners whose assessed commercial property values had gone up 100% or more this year. All were concerned about how to stay in business; some requested that assessment be based on income. Six speakers commented on elections, election machines and voter id.

Sandoval County Commission Website

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