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Resignations, appointments made on town planning commissions

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A year after the Taos Town Council removed all seven members of the Planning and Zoning Commission, two of the members chosen to fill those vacancies have resigned.

Lu's Reyes, CEO of Kit Carson Electric Cooperative and a Taos County Chamber of Commerce board member, resigned after one year of his two-year term.

Mario Suazo, an academic advisor at the University of New Mexico-Taos campus, was appointed to a two-year term to replace Reyes.

Zeke Tapia, who had been a member of the Historic Preservation Commission, was appointed to a two-year term on the planning board to replace Josepha Cruz, who resigned as her term expired. The Historic Preservation Commission works in conjunction with the planning commission to rule on issues related to the downtown Historic District.

Oscar Palacios, a Taos architect, will serve a two-year term on the Historic Preservation Commission to replace Tapia on the Historic Preservation Commission.

Charles Montgomery, a former planner for Los Angeles, Calif. and owner of San Geronimo Lodge, will replace Merley James on the historic commission. James also asked not to be reappointed to the commission.

Realtor Fred Robbins was appointed to a one-year term on the historic commission.

Michael Silva, Jim Pollard and Mark Gonzales were reappointed to two-year terms on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Chairman Jim Thompson and Cipriano Medina were reappointed to one-year terms on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

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