

From: [Esther Pacheco](#)
To: [Planning and Zoning Main](#)
Subject: Comment for Algodones Distillery to be presented at P & Z Meeting being held on Tuesday June 9, 2026
Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 12:50:17 PM

I would like to make a statement of Algodones Distillery as I will not be able to physically attend the Sandoval Planning and Zoning meeting next Tuesday. It is regarding the supposed issue of traffic on the road Calle Alfredo leading to the distillery in Algodones. I have been informed that complaints have been made regarding the amount of traffic coming to the distillery on any given week day and especially during the weekend.

on behalf I am the individual who housesits for the owners of the distillery when they are on vacation, taking care of the home/property and their pet dogs and cats. I have been doing this for years and over the past decade, during which they have operated and maintained Algodones Distillery, my housesitting has been done without incidence or without excessive traffic coming to the distillery. Where this idea of having excessive traffic to the distillery at any given time is without merit and absolutely ridiculous. When I am there, I will often sit on the south facing sun porch that is very close to the entry gate, although it is understood now that the entry gate has been moved further south on the property. During my many stays there, I have never ever had anyone in all these years housesitting, come to the gate of the distillery and ask for a tour of the property. It is understood that from the onset of their operation, all tours of the facility were and are done by request and appointment only, which is probably why I have never had anyone just drop by for a tour of their facility. The only traffic I see when I am there is the traffic I can make out through the gate and above the fence line, traffic which comes from the adjoining neighbor's home. Although it is not offensive when housesitting, the amount of traffic I have witnessed is significant from the neighbors with their comings and goings of motor vehicles. Between the deliveries that occur there, albeit from UPS, Amazon Prime, FedEx or any other delivery service which I have been able to observe, it is the adjoining neighbors that have the majority of traffic on Calle Alfredo, not traffic for the distillery as reported. Again, I will reiterate that the distillery does not lend to excessive traffic on Calle Alfredo based on first-hand experience. I strongly recommend that this facility be allowed to continue their operations as they have for over 11+ years. Algodones Distillery has minimal effect on the traffic that is truly and actually seen on Calle Alfredo.

Sent from my iPhone

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From: greg.algodonesdistillery.com
To: [Doraida Arias](#)
Subject: Fw: Algodones Distillery
Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 12:47:37 PM

Please see the email letter that was forwarded to me. Not sure if you got it given the different county email address used.

Greg McAllister, DDS, JD

Co-Owner

Algodones Distillery, LLC

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From: Patricia De Marsh <larrybugg7@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2026 7:18 AM
To: P&ZMain@sandovalcountynm.gov <P&ZMain@sandovalcountynm.gov>
Cc: greg.algodonesdistillery.com <greg@algodonesdistillery.com>
Subject: Algodones Distillery

May 18, 2026

Dear Mr. or Ms.

My name is Patricia De Marsh. My husband and I are long time customers of Greg and David's beautiful Algodones Distillery. We have always been treated like family there. They have the best local hand crafted spirits we have ever tasted. Their property has never been congested when we've visited. Their property is always inviting. My Son and future Daughter in law are planning their wedding there because of desiring a small backyard venue. They fell in love with their beautiful garden/park property.

Their Distillery and Special Event Venue is most definitely an asset to your community. We truly hope that their business will continue bringing in high quality local products in PEACE with the community!

Sincerely,

Patricia De Marsh

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From: [Claudia Jordan](#)
To: [Planning and Zoning Main](#)
Subject: June 9th P&Z meeting Algodones Distillery
Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 11:27:43 AM
Importance: High

I would like to make a general comment on the character of the owners of Algodones Distillery, which I hope will be read prior to their upcoming zoning hearing in Sandoval County next week. I have known the owners of Algodones Distillery since 2012 and can attest personally to their integrity and absolute compliance with any rules and regulations that may be required to run their small business operation. Both of their professions, outside of the distillery, require board certified licensures from both state and federal agencies and they have worked in their respective professions for over 55 years combined. This being said, they are very familiar with the importance of following any regulations and requirements that are necessary to operate and conduct legitimate business. Any indication by anyone that Mr. McAllister or Mr. Pacheco operate their distillery in a covert manner or that they do not follow the regulations that have been set forth by a state and/or federal agency, is absurd. Any person who would even hint at this is, without a doubt, blatantly lying or they obviously do not know them personally or professionally and do not understand how they operate their distillery business. I have never met such honest and law-abiding people as the owners of Algodones Distillery. They have demonstrated over the past 12 years of their operation, nothing but exemplary behavior on how such a small local business in the state of New Mexico should be operated and I highly recommend they be given what is needed to continue their operation at their current location.

Thank you,

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Letter in support of David Pacheco and Greg McAllister

by Diana Rabenold of Albuquerque, NM

To Whom It May Concern:

On August 14 of 2023, my wife of 49 years, Mary, passed away after a long and eventful life, at the age of 85. One of her health care providers who had assisted her through the past several years of her health challenges was David Pacheco. Over the course of this acquaintance, David and his partner Greg became valued, supportive friends. They had invited us on several occasions to visit them at their home in Algodones, about which we heard wonderful descriptions of its beauty and its importance as a healing refuge from their busy professional lives, as well as serving as a beautiful and comfortable home for their family. Sadly, Mary's health at that time did not allow us to make those visits, as much as we would have liked to do so.

When I began to think of where to hold a memorial gathering for Mary, my mind turned to David & Greg's Algodones home and property. Although Mary had not been able to experience this lovely refuge in life, perhaps her spirit could be present now, along with a gathering of those who loved her, brought together in this special place. When I contacted David about this idea, he and Greg both quickly offered us the use of their home for the memorial, for which I am forever grateful. We set a date of Sunday, October 15, 2023. October 15th dawned and remained throughout the day, one of the most beautiful Fall days I have ever experienced in my 30 years in New Mexico. The temperature was perfect, without wind, the trees and shrubs still flush with green leaves with just a hint of color, the gardens still in bloom. Thirty friends representing all the time periods of Mary's life, arrived by 11:00 AM, from California, Massachusetts, Tennessee, Texas, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Virginia, and of course from New Mexico.

Guests first wandered about the property in small groups, taking in the extraordinary views, the gardens, the beautiful trees and meadowland. They also experienced the interior of the home, with its many beautifully decorated rooms, featuring a number of comfortable seating opportunities. The walls of the spacious swimming pool room now displayed a number of Mary's paintings for the occasion, along with many photographs that reflected her life, times, family and friends. Eventually the whole group gathered under the outspread branches of a most spectacular, tall giant of a tree to the side of the house. There, sitting in folding chairs provided, guests shared an hour of spontaneous remembrances of Mary, to both much laughter and many tears...This was followed by a buffet luncheon served inside the house, where guests were able to form seated groups throughout this spacious home, or stand talking together in the kitchen or the swimming pool room with their plates of food. Throughout the day, David and Greg, as well as their son Kyle, were perfect hosts, helping with set-up, greeting and directing guests as they arrived, and in many other small, discrete ways, tending to the comfort and needs of the guests throughout the day. At 3:00 PM, as scheduled, this lovely event came to a close and the guests left the property to begin their journeys back home.

In the many months after this event, and continuing even for the nearly three years since, I have received many calls and messages from those who attended this memorial, all filled with glowing praise and thanks for this gathering. In these sentiments they include the generosity of David and Greg for hosting this event in their beautiful home and property. They also express their deep appreciation for the special beauty and unforgettable experience of its Algodones locale, which most attendees had never visited before. They loved its uniqueness, its “old New Mexico” feel, the singular, wild beauty of its trees, its shrubs and grasses, fields dotted with horses and cattle, and its narrow dirt roads criss-crossing the landscape. Many have now put Algodones on their list of favorite places to visit again.

As for me, the experience of that day stays in my heart and soul forever. I am forever grateful for the generosity and kindness of these two very hard-working, community-minded friends. David and Greg provided me and many, many others, in a time of both deep grief and remembrance of a life well-lived, with the opportunity to have a beautiful, tranquil, and spiritual experience that will be remembered by all of us for the rest of our days.

From: [Patricia De Marsh](#)
To: [Planning and Zoning Main](#)
Cc: greg@algodonesdistillery.com
Subject: Algodones Distillery
Date: Tuesday, May 19, 2026 7:19:20 AM

May 18, 2026

Dear Mr. or Ms.

My name is Patricia De Marsh. My husband and I are long time customers of Greg and David's beautiful Algodones Distillery. We have always been treated like family there. They have the best local hand crafted spirits we have ever tasted. Their property has never been congested when we've visited. Their property is always inviting. My Son and future Daughter in law are planning their wedding there because of desiring a small backyard venue. They fell in love with their beautiful garden/park property.

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Sincerely,

Patricia De Marsh

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From: [Michael Cummings](#)
To: [Doraida Arias](#)
Subject: David Pacheco and Greg McAllister Case
Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 9:35:36 PM

Dear Daris,

I am writing to you regarding David Pacheco and Greg McAllister. Jancie and I have known David and Greg for over 15 years, and we consider them to be of the highest character.

I have over 35 years of experience working in federal, state, and local government. Additionally, through my Safety and Health company, I have served as an expert witness in the legal system on numerous cases. Based on my professional experience, it is my opinion that the case brought by their neighbors is without merit. The claims that they have broken local and New Mexico regulations appear to be unfounded and should be dismissed with prejudice.

This entire process has caused significant stress and financial hardship for David, Greg, and to their business. Despite their repeated attempts to resolve the dispute, the neighbors continue to bring forward baseless allegations. It is egregious to see such actions taken against individuals who have built a business that benefits Algodones and Sandoval County.

David and Greg have developed a beautiful environment that showcases our community. They have as well established a world-class distillery that produces award-winning spirits sold in major retailers like Whole Foods, all while remaining in full compliance with local and state regulatory requirements. It is paradoxical to attempt to shut down a successful, compliant business that brings so much value to the community.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions

Best regards,

Michael and Janice Cummings
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Eco-Green Building LLC
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From: [Daniel Beaman](#)
To: [Doraida Arias](#)
Subject: FW: Sandoval County Planning & Zoning Commission
Date: Thursday, October 9, 2025 9:55:41 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

For ZNCH-25-006



Daniel J. Beaman

Director of Planning & Zoning

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From: noreply@formnotification.email <noreply@formnotification.email>
Sent: Sunday, October 5, 2025 11:41 AM
To: IT Web <itweb@sandovalcountynm.gov>
Subject: Sandoval County Planning & Zoning Commission

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Comments:

I support the zone change that Algodones Distillery is seeking.

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From: [Daniel Beaman](#)
To: [Doraida Arias](#)
Subject: FW: Sandoval County Planning & Zoning Commission
Date: Thursday, October 9, 2025 9:51:54 AM
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Comments:

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From: [Daniel Beaman](#)
To: [Michael Eshleman](#)
Cc: [Doraida Arias](#)
Subject: RE: Public Comment for Upcoming Commissioner Meeting
Date: Friday, October 10, 2025 12:06:50 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Thank you Michael.



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From: Michael Eshleman <Meshleman@sandovalcountynm.gov>
Sent: Thursday, October 9, 2025 3:24 PM
To: Daniel Beaman <dbeaman@sandovalcountynm.gov>
Cc: Doraida Arias <darias@sandovalcountynm.gov>
Subject: FW: Public Comment for Upcoming Commissioner Meeting

Dan,

This came in the public comment mailbox.

Ave,
Michael



Michael Eshleman

Sandoval County Attorney

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From: noreply@formnotification.email <noreply@formnotification.email>

Sent: Thursday, October 9, 2025 1:49 PM

To: Katherine Bruch <kbruch@sandovalcountynm.gov>; Jay Block <jblock@sandovalcountynm.gov>; Michael Meek <mmeek@sandovalcountynm.gov>; Dave Heil <dheil@sandovalcountynm.gov>; Joshua Jones <jjones@sandovalcountynm.gov>; Wayne Johnson <wjohnson@sandovalcountynm.gov>; John Garcia <jogarcia@sandovalcountynm.gov>; Michael Eshleman <Meshleman@sandovalcountynm.gov>; Michael P. Jaramillo <mpjaramillo@sandovalcountynm.gov>; Shawn Perry-Turner <sperry-turner@sandovalcountynm.gov>; Web Admins <webadmins@sandovalcountynm.gov>

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Comments:

Kyle
Hello. My name is Kyle and I am deaf since 11 months old. I have cochlear implant but I'm still deaf. Algodones Distillery help me a lot. I am disabled but they not matter me deaf. They always help me to learn Distillery work and how make spirit for sell to stores in state. They train me and pay for interpreters to teach me Distillery at school in New Mexico and Colorado. I am very grateful they have Distillery to help me learn and keep me busy and give purpose. I hope you allow me continue to learn at Distillery. They are great people always helping other people and never cause trouble for neighbors and anyone. They even allow deaf community to meet here for small meetings or group ASL. Please allow Algodones Distillery continue for good example for community Algodones and deaf people.

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From: [Daniel Beaman](#)
To: [Scott Sharp](#)
Cc: [Doraida Arias](#)
Subject: RE: Algodonesdistillery
Date: Tuesday, October 14, 2025 10:59:27 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Mr. Sharp,

Thank you for your email. Since this was received after the on-line posting deadline (Friday, October 10th), it is not included in the Agenda Packet for public viewing. You are welcome, however, to make copies and bring them to the hearing for distribution to the P&Z Commissioners prior to this evening's Public Hearing for this particular case.

Sincerely,



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From: Scott Sharp <ssharp@oasisnet.org>
Sent: Monday, October 13, 2025 8:47 AM
To: Daniel Beaman <dbeaman@sandovalcountynm.gov>
Subject: Algodonesdistillery

Dear Mr. Beaman,

I am the Executive Director of Albuquerque Oasis and I am writing to you this morning in support of Algodones Distillery and Greg McAllister in regard to their application for zoning exemption. Albuquerque Oasis is a non-profit organization specializing in older adult education. We do this through classes, lectures, and tours. This summer Greg and his staff hosted an Oasis group at their facility in Algodones. The space was immaculately clean, warm, inviting, and fascinating to observe and learn about. Many of our participants on the tour had never been to Algodones and remarked that it was wonderful surprise to find. While I am not familiar with the intricacies of Mr. McAllister's request, my experience of his business was remarkable. It seems to me that he and his business are the kind that any community would want to have.

Thank you very much for your time. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Scott Sharp
Executive Director



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From: [Daniel Beaman](#)
To: kylebeesilver2@gmail.com
Cc: [Doraida Arias](#)
Subject: RE: Public Comment for Upcoming Commissioner Meeting
Date: Tuesday, October 14, 2025 11:27:07 AM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Hi Kyle,

The comments you sent were addressed to our Sandoval County Board of County Commissioners, instead of our Planning and Zoning (P&Z) Commissioners, however, I will make sure to pass this information along to the P&Z Commissioners prior to tonight's meeting.

Sincerely,



Daniel J. Beaman

Director of Planning and Zoning

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From: [Daniel Beaman](#)
To: [Caitlin Richards](#)
Cc: [Doraida Arias](#); [Janet Cunningham-Stephens](#); [Liqa Moheyuddin](#)
Subject: RE: Support for ZNCH-25-006 Zone Change – Gregory R. McAllister
Date: Wednesday, October 8, 2025 2:02:23 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

Received.



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From: Caitlin Richards <caitlin@santafespirits.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 8, 2025 11:22 AM
To: Daniel Beaman <dbeaman@sandovalcountynm.gov>
Cc: greg algodonesdistillery.com <greg@algodonesdistillery.com>
Subject: Support for ZNCH-25-006 Zone Change – Gregory R. McAllister

To: Director of Planning and Zoning
P.O. Box 40, Bernalillo, NM 87004
ATTN: Daniel J. Beaman
Email: dbeaman@sandovalcountynm.gov

Dear Mr. Beaman and Members of the Planning and Zoning Commission,

I am writing in support of the requested zone change (ZNCH-25-006) by Gregory R. McAllister for his property in Algodones, NM.

Greg has been an active and respected member of the New Mexico craft beverage community for many years, contributing significantly to the development of the state's distilling industry. His operation represents the kind of small-scale, locally rooted business that strengthens our rural economy while maintaining a deep respect for the land and community character.

The requested zone change simply allows him to continue the same responsible, small agricultural and artisanal production that has been taking place without issue. Reclassifying this use as "special use" ensures regulatory clarity without disrupting the productive, community-oriented work already established.

I am unable to attend the hearing in person, but I wanted to add my voice in support of this request. I strongly encourage the Commission to approve the zone change so that Mr. McAllister can continue operating in a way that reflects both the intent and spirit of rural residential/agricultural

zoning in Sandoval County.

Sincerely,
Caitlin Richards

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