

**MINUTES OF THE**  
**SANTA FE COUNTY**  
**YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM TASK FORCE**

**December 3, 2015**

**Santa Fe, New Mexico**

This meeting of the Santa Fe County Youth Development Task Force was called to order by Chair Tommy Rodriguez at approximately 3:00 p.m. on the above-cited date at the Youth Development Facility, 4250 Airport Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

I. A quorum was achieved with the following members present:

**Members Present:**

Tommy Rodriguez, CYFD Northern Region Juvenile Justice Services  
Pablo Sedillo III, County Public Safety Director  
Aaron Garcia, County Youth Development Program Administrator  
Michelle George, Retired CYFD  
Steve Bing, Designee for Judge Marlow Sommer  
Geraldine Salazar, County Clerk  
Pooja Pathak, District Attorney's Office for Sara Johnson

**Member(s) Excused:**

Mark Dixon, Public Defenders Office  
Ona Johnson, Santa Fe Community Foundation

**Staff Present:**

Molly Archuleta, Program RN  
Tila Rendon-Varela, Public Safety Administrator  
Tony Flores, Deputy County Manager  
Terry Leach, Public Works  
PJ Montano, Property Control Section Supervisor  
Erika Lovato, Corrections Finance

II. **Roll Call/Introductions**

Those present introduced themselves.

**III. Approval of Agenda**

Upon motion by Mr. Dixon and seconded by Mr. Bing, the agenda was unanimously approved as published.

**IV. Cost Estimate to Raze Building/Cost of New Building**

**V. Abatement of Asbestos**

Deputy County Manager Tony Flores said a new building would cost \$315 per square foot. A 20-bed, 10,000 square foot facility including equipment and 15 percent for FF&E, \$4.6 million to \$5 million was appropriate to consider. A 40-bed facility/20,000 square feet would be \$10 million.

Razing the building is more difficult to pin down a cost. Mr. Flores said a guestimate is between \$167,000 to \$670,000. Mr. Montano said an asbestos study would cost over \$30,000, and if there is mold in the building the price increases substantially. Remediation is exponentially greater.

Mr. Leach said the building is over 30 years old and was originally built as an adult detention facility. He said the County is interested in centralizing its campuses and he suggested it makes sense to locate a new juvenile center on SR 14.

Clerk Salazar said the current location is central and accessible by public transport for the families of the youth. She envisioned the site could serve as a one-stop location incorporating mental health programs.

County Youth Development Program Administrator Garcia said there are not many family members visiting the site.

Public Safety Director Sedillo said the first priority is the kids. Next, the County as a whole must be considered. He too considered the notion of creating a public safety campus on Highway 14 as good for the County and the youth.

Clerk Salazar said there needs to be a shift of attitude, with alternatives to incarceration. This County-owned site is a unique island within the City limits. An incarceration complex is inappropriate for your kids, she stated.

Chair Rodriguez mentioned the problem of transportation out to the Highway 14 site and this site has public transportation available. He noted kids in the facility have resident zip codes that correspond to this area of town.

A discussion ensued about razing the building in two stages and moving the kids to the ARC in the interim. Mr. Montano pointed out that the infrastructure for the utilities was located within the ARC and he was unsure that razing in phases to keep the kids on site was feasible.

Chair Rodriguez said the site could be razed with the kids perhaps housed offsite in the interim.

Mentioning there would be financial savings to the County by centrally locating a new facility on Highway 14, Director Sedillo asked whether additional discussion could sway the Task Force's stated preference. Chair Rodriguez said no, the group has reviewed the number and discussed the issues before voting at a prior meeting and this site was chosen. He acknowledged that the Task Force is a recommending body and the BCC will make the final decision.

**VI. Review Building Assessment – ARC Transition Discussion/Alternative**

ARC as a transitory site was discussed above. Mr. Flores said a master plan and detailed programming documents were necessary to determine cost and move forward at this site. Mr. Garcia said at present the entire 45,000 square foot facility is utilized by the County.

Director Sedillo mentioned the inefficiency of law enforcement time when having to transport juveniles to another facility.

Chair Rodriguez mentioned that Los Alamos has less than 10 beds in its juvenile facility.

Clerk Salazar distributed a first draft Task Force recommendation outline for presentation to the BCC.

**VII. PRMD – ARC**

**VIII. Review of Resolution No. 2015-93**

These two items were deemed unnecessary to discuss

**IX. Suggested Agenda Item for Next Meeting**

A subcommittee to work during the interim and further develop the draft Clerk Salazar presented. Staff advised the Task Force that an aerial and plat were presented at a prior meeting and could be redistributed if required. Additional cost estimates may be required.

Mr. Flores said a master plan would be developed by an external entity.

Following discussion of the legislative session and end of the year schedule, there was consensus to tentatively schedule the final report presentation to the BCC for March 29, 2016 with the materials submission deadline on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

With the subcommittee meeting in December and in consideration of the holiday season, Director Sedillo moved to meet next on January 7, 2016 at 3 p.m. same location. Mr. Dixon seconded and the motion passed without opposition.

The only item for the January 7<sup>th</sup> meeting is "Review Recommendation Report."

Clerk Salazar was recognized and thanked for her efforts.

**X. Adjournment**

Having completed the agenda, Chair Rodriguez declared the meeting adjourned at 4:00.

Approved by:

*Tommy Rodriguez*  
Tommy Rodriguez, Chair

ATTEST TO:  
*Geraldine Salazar*  
COUNTY CLERK  
1-12-2016



Respectfully submitted by:

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