



County Manager's Monthly Memo

From the Santa Fe County Manager

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Board Of County Commissioners Upcoming Schedule

All Regular Meetings are held on Tuesday in the County Commission Chambers at 102 Grant Ave.

Special Meeting
(Possible creation of a new precinct in the Pojoaque Pueblo area)
November 2

Regular Meetings
November 10
November 24
December 8

BCC meetings will start at 2 p.m.

All regular meetings are broadcast live at www.santafecountynm.gov and on Comcast Ch. 28 or you can listen live on Que Suave AM810

Visit

www.santafecountynm.gov and click our events calendar for a full schedule of upcoming meetings, events and closures.

The Housing Authority Board meeting on the

Santa Fe County Participates in World Food Day

Santa Fe County joined millions of others across the globe to celebrate World Food Day on Friday, October 16 at the Santa Fe County Fairgrounds in Santa Fe. All were invited to join in conversations about our shared food system, participate in family and kid-friendly activities to learn about how to grow and access food in the County and City, and to celebrate with music and a Santa Fe chefs' potluck. All events were free and open to the public. The evening potluck was a celebration of the progress made toward the goals set forth by the planning council in 2014.

Many thanks to the restaurant chefs that provided sumptuous meals for the free World Food Day potluck using locally sourced items.

Providing meals were Chef David Sundberg of Blue Corn Brewery, Roland Richter, Joe's Diner, Chef Patrick Gharrity of La Casa Sena, Chef Alvaro Ramirez of Maria's, Chef Cristian Pontiggia of Osteria D'Assisi, Chef Andrew Cooper of Rancho Encantado, Chef Josh Gerwin of Dr. Field Goods.

A special thank you to the New Mexico School for the Arts for the wonderful jazz music they performed.

Event Partners Included:
Blue Corn Brewery
City of Santa Fe
Community Leadership Team
Cooking with Kids
Dr. Field Goods
Earth Care
Farm to Table NM
Kitchen Angels
La Casa Sena
La Familia Medical Center
Maria's
Master Gardeners of Santa Fe
New Mexico School for the Arts
Osteria D'Assisi
Rancho Encantado
Santa Fe Community College
Santa Fe County
Santa Fe County Cooperative Extension Office
Santa Fe Dining Inc.
Santa Fe Public Schools
Senator Martin Heinrich's Office



Pictured L to R: Liz Stefanics, Chef David Sundberg – *Blue Corn Brewery*, Susan Odieos – *Feeding Santa Fe*, Tony McCarthy – *Kitchen Angels*, Mark Winne – *Community Food Security Coalition*.

SFC Salutes Women Veterans During Board Meeting

At each BCC meeting the Commissioners recognize veterans from Santa Fe County. On September 29 the Board honored the women veterans of Santa Fe County who have served in the military forces.

“Women have always played a crucial role in the military services of this country since the Revolutionary War days, but now women serve equally with men. It is important that we recognize the sacrifices and contributions that they have made throughout the history of this country as well as the service that they now give,” said Commissioner Kathy Holian.



“Thank you to all women who have served our country in times of war and in time of peace. We are excited to honor our women veterans at this time,” said Commissioner Stefanics.

Road Closures Around SFC

Bishops Lodge Road Lane Closure - A contractor for the Santa Fe County Public Works Department began work on a portion of Bishops Lodge Road. Work is taking place near address #1437 on the north side of the road. In order to accommodate construction in a safe manner, it will be necessary to reduce Bishops Lodge Road traffic to a one lane around the work zone. Road work is expected to last up to four weeks, weather permitting.

All residents along this section of roadway will have access to their residential driveways at all times.

Work includes erosion control to stabilize the Rio Tesuque stream bank along a portion of Bishops Lodge Road.

Old Santa Fe Trail TL2N Waterline Installation - The Public Works Department of Santa Fe County will begin construction of a waterline along Old Santa Fe Trail. Work will start at the intersection of Old Las Vegas Highway and El Gancho Way. The installation will proceed down El Gancho Way and then down Old Santa Fe Trail terminating at approximately Teddy Bear Trail.

Construction will start on November 9, 2015 and is scheduled to be completed within four months from the start date. The Design Engineering firm is Molzen Corbin and the Contractor is Salls Brothers Construction.

Santa Fe County Seeking Residents to Serve on Committees

Santa Fe County Open Land Trails and Parks Advisory Committee (COLTPAC) is looking for new members. COLTPAC is an advisory committee to the Board of County Commissioners on matters relating to open space, trails and parks. Currently, there are two vacancies – one representing District 3, and one at-large appointment for which representatives may reside anywhere in the County. Members of the committee are appointed by the Board of County Commissioners based on letters of interest and qualifications.

If you are interested in serving on the committee, please mail or email your resume and letter of interest, including a physical address and phone number, to:

Santa Fe County

Attn: Maria Lohmann, Open Space and Trails Planner

P.O. Box 276, Santa Fe, NM 87504-0276

Email: melohmann@santafecountynm.gov

Application deadline is Friday, October 30 at 5 p.m.

Santa Fe County is seeking a member for the County Valuation Protest Board. There is currently recruitment for one alternate board member position that will be vacant this December. The Alternate Board Member must demonstrate experience in the field of property valuation. Protest Board members are appointed for two year terms by the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners.

The Valuation Protest Board consists of volunteers that examine and rule on property tax valuation protests. It is comprised of two board members and two alternates. Members shall not be employed by the State of New Mexico, a political subdivision, or a school district, shall not hold an elected public office and must be registered to vote in Santa Fe County.

Anyone interested in being appointed to the County Protest Valuation Board should submit a letter outlining their qualifications and a resume to:

Santa Fe County Manager's Office

Attn: Lisa Katonak

P. O. Box 276, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-0276

Phone: (505)995-2761 Email: lkatonak@santafecountynm.gov

Application deadline is Friday, October 30 at 5 p.m.



Straight From Santa Fe County

On Tuesday, October 27, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners authorized the County to publish title and general summary of an ordinance to establish zoning for all land in Santa Fe County to which the Sustainable Land Development Code (SLDC) applies pursuant to Ordinance No. 2013-6 as amended.

County residents should receive a letter to give residents notice that their property has been assigned a base zoning classification by County staff. Santa Fe County currently has no comprehensive zoning. Attached is the proposed Santa Fe County Zoning Map Draft. The proposed zoning map will assign base zoning classifications for all properties in the County. Residents can also access an interactive zoning map to view their parcel by using the "Property Parcel Identification Number" listed at the top of their letter. The interactive zoning map and other resource materials can be found on the County's website at www.santafecountynm.gov/sldc.

Santa Fe County staff will be available to assist property owners in identifying and discussing the base zoning classifications assigned. Large maps can be viewed at the County Planning Division Office, located at 102 Grant Avenue, Santa Fe, NM 87501.

The Board of County Commissioners will hold Public Hearings on the final adoption of the Zoning Map on Tuesday, November 24, 2015 at 5 p.m. and Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 5 p.m. The meetings will be held in the County Commission Chambers, 2nd Floor, 102 Grant Avenue, Santa Fe, NM 87501.

If you have any comments or questions, please visit the County website at www.santafecountynm.gov/sldc or contact the County Planning Division at 505-995-2717.

Aamodt Water Rights Adjudication Process- Santa Fe County demonstrated its support for the Aamodt Settlement by signing the Settlement Agreement in 2006 and again in 2013. Today, the County continues to back the Aamodt Settlement and Pojoaque Valley regional water system. To that end, County staff will continue to work with 1) the Bureau of Reclamation on the design of the regional water system and federal environmental permits; 2) the regional partners on governance and operational agreements; 3) settlement parties on court filings; and 4) the community with outreach and education. The Board-approved County Resolution No. 2015-125 directs the County to hold off on allocating funds towards construction of the regional water system until clarity is reached on County road easements and rights-of-way within Pueblo boundaries. The County's goal is to resolve the road access questions once-and-for-all. It is important to identify who is granting easements to Reclamation to construct portions the RWS. The Pueblos of Tesuque, Pojoaque and Nambe are working with the County to resolve this issue.

The County endorses the Settlement Agreement and recognizes that the settlement's regional water system will provide a safe and reliable water supply to residents in the valley, enhance natural surface water flows, and resolve a five-decade water dispute. The County encourages the community to lend its support to the project and process as well.

Join us for the Peanut Butter Caper

Santa Fe County is collecting jars of Peanut Butter for the Peanut Butter Caper campaign presented by Feeding Santa Fe. The campaign is to gather 15 or 18-oz. jars of peanut butter donated by individuals, employee and community groups, businesses, schools, faith groups, civic and fraternal organizations to add important nutritional value to the bags of groceries they distribute each Thursday morning from the loading dock of their drive-thru food pantry. When they collect 900 jars, they will replace one of the canned vegetables with a jar of this protein-rich item in each bag they distribute.

Staff and Community members are invited to purchase a 15 or 18-oz. jar of this important item and drop them off at the County Manager’s Office or take them to any County building.

Why are these sizes preferred over a larger jar? They allow Feeding Santa Fe to serve families and individuals without requiring them to identify a large enough family as recipients, a challenge as vehicles quickly stream through the line from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Feeding Santa Fe bags of supplemental groceries contain a dozen eggs, a 1-lb. bag of dried beans, rice or pasta, two canned vegetable items, two large potatoes, bread and, when available, fresh fruit or vegetables. For children we provide healthy snacks: two ½ pints of milk and, on a rotating basis, cheese sticks, applesauce cups or small boxes of cereal or raisins.

About Feeding Santa Fe

Feeding Santa Fe is the drive-thru food pantry – not the local food bank, the Food Depot; they give food bags directly to the needy each week. The people they serve are referred by social service agencies, teachers, church pastors and/or visit them via word of mouth. They’re our neighbors, veterans, single people and many with children, the elderly on fixed income.

What’s Happening in Brief Around SFC

Stanley Cyclone Center Ground Breaking

The Board of County Commissioners may attend the Stanley Cyclone Center Ground Breaking Ceremony, on Friday, October 30, 2015 at 10 a.m., at 22 Kinsell Avenue, Stanley, NM 87056. No board action will be taken

Free Recycle Bins

Santa Fe County is handing out free recycle bins at all transfer stations for County residents. If you are inter-

ested in picking up free bins, you can ask a caretaker at the facility and they will assist. These are 18-gallon recycle bins. Residents can receive two bins, one for mixed and one for glass.

Thanks from the Global Running Culture

The Santa Fe Running Culture thanked the Santa Fe County Sheriff’s Office and the officers who participated in the fifth running of the Santa Fe Thunder Half Marathon on September 20, 2015, in particular Sgt.

Daniel Chavez, who served as the primary race contact.

Global Running Culture noted that the Sheriff’s Office was instrumental in helping ensure the safety of all participants (1,600 entrants from 41 states and 7 countries) and minimizing disruption to local neighborhoods.



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(505) 986-6200

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County Clerk’s Office – (505) 986-6280
County Treasurer’s Office – (505) 986-6245
County Sheriff’s Office – (505) 986-2455
SFC Adult Correctional Facility – (505) 428-3861

Other Important Numbers

Building Permits (505) 986-6225
Fire Questions/ Burn Permit (505) 992-3070
Utilities (505) 992-9870
Public Works/Roads (505) 992-3010
Human Resources (505) 992-9880
Community Services (505) 992-9849
Attorney’s Office (505) 326-6279
Teen Court (505) 995-9555
Animal Control (505) 992-1626



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