

NEWS FROM COMMISSIONER LIZ STEFANICS  
DISTRICT 5 - SANTA FE COUNTY  
AUGUST 12, 2014  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION SUMMARY

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**Santa Fe County Fire Restrictions**  
Fire restrictions ended July 25

**NCRTD Sees Record Number of Riders in FY2014 –  
Posts 8.7 percent increase in passengers**

The North Central Regional Transit District (NCRTD), known as the RTD and for its iconic Blue Buses, has posted an 8.7 percent increase in ridership in its fiscal year (FY) 2014, which ran from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, setting a record number of riders for the year. Ridership for all NCRTD operated routes totaled 209,750 in FY2014 over a total of 193,027 in FY2013. NCRTD provides service on 20 fixed routes throughout North Central New Mexico and two demand response (para-transit) routes.

According to the [APTA's July Transit Savings Report](#), individuals who ride public transportation instead of driving can save an average of \$10,148 annually. Those savings are based on the cost of commuting by public transportation compared to the cost of owning and driving a vehicle.

The North Central Regional Transit District provides free bus service Monday through Friday to a service area that encompasses over 10,000 square miles of north central New Mexico including the counties of Los Alamos, Rio Arriba, Santa Fe and Taos; the Cities of Santa Fe and Española and the Town of Edgewood. The company's signature "RTD Blue Buses" provide additional transit connections to New Mexico Rail Runner, Santa Fe Trails, New Mexico Park and Ride, Los Alamos Atomic City Transit, Taos Chile Line and Red River Miner's Transit. All of its buses are equipped with bike racks and are ADA accessible. For route and schedule information visit [www.ridethebluebus.com](http://www.ridethebluebus.com) or call toll-free 866-206-0754.

Thanks,

*Liz*

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**August 12, 2014 BCC Summary**

Below is a summary of the actions taken by the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners (BCC), all five commissioners were present.

- The meeting minutes from the June 25, 2014 Special BCC meeting and the July 8, 2014 BCC meeting were unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

CDRC Case #ZMXT 13-5360 Buena Vista Estates, Inc. & Rockology LLC – Buena Vista Estates, Inc, Applicant, Jim Siebert, Agent, request zoning approval to create a mining zone, on a 50 acre site, to allow the extraction of aggregate for the use as construction material. The site will take access off of Waldo Canyon Road (County Road 57) and the property is located on the east side of I-25, within Section 21, Township 15 North, Range 7 East (Commissioner District 3). Public hearings were heard and closed. Final action will be issued via written order at a future meeting.

**Consent Calendar was unanimously approved. Below are the items approved under the Consent Calendar:**

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

- Resolution No. 2014-65, requesting the continuation of the payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Program
- Resolution No. 201-66, requesting the continuation of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Program
- Resolution No. 2014-67, requesting the continuation of the Secure Rural Schools (SRS) Program

#### ***End of Consent Agenda***

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

##### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- Approval of Memorandum of Agreement by and between Ranch at Santa Fe Canyon, LLC, formerly known as Santa Fe Canyon Ranch, LLC, and Santa Fe County concerning water rights purchased as part of 2009 Santa Fe Canyon Ranch acquisition passed 4-1, Commissioner Mayfield voting against

#### **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS**

#### **MATTERS FROM THE COMMISSION**

#### **MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER**

- Miscellaneous updates

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- An update and second public hearing on the 2016-2020 Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) was conducted. The ICIP is due to Department of Finance & Administration (DFA) by September 2, 2014

#### **LAND USE CASES**

- CDRC Case #V14-5080 Jason Mohamed Variance was tabled until further notice
- BCC Case #PCEV 14-5220 Mark Ruttle Vacation of Easement – Mark Ruttle, Applicant, requests approval to vacate and relocate a platted fifteen foot (15') wide public access and utility easements on one lot totaling 0.901 acres (Commission District 1), passed by unanimous vote 5-0.

- CDRC Case #V14-5150 Lorenzo Atencio Variance – Lorenzo Atencio, Applicant, requests a variance of Ordinance No. 2008-5 (Pojoaque Valley Traditional Community District), 12.5 (density standards) to allow a land division of 1.45 acres into two lots (Commission District 1), denied by unanimous vote 5-0.
- CDRC Case # V/FDP 14-5090 Stanley Cyclone Center – Santa Fe County, Applicant, Lorn Tryk (Lorn Tryk Architects), Agent, request Final Development Plan approval to allow a 51,250 square foot structure, to be utilized as an event center for equestrian events, on 11 acres. The applicant’s request also includes a variance of Article III, Section 2.3.6 (height restrictions) to allow the proposed structure to exceed 24 feet in height and a variance of Article III, Section 4.4.4.F (landscaping) of the Land Development Code (Commissioner District 3), passed by unanimous vote 5-0.
- CDRC Case #Z 13-5380 Elevation tabled until September 9, 2014
- CDRC Case #S 13-5201 Oshara Village Preliminary and Final Development Plan – Century Bank, Applicant, Design Enginuity (Oralynn Guerrerortiz), Agent, request preliminary and final plat and development plan approval for a 5-lot residential subdivision located within Tract C of Oshara Village Phase 1, which consists of 10.41 acres (Commission District 5), passed by unanimous vote 5-0.
- CDRC Case #S 10-5551 Tessera Subdivision Phase 2 – Homewise Inc., Applicant, Design Enginuity (Oralynn Guerrerortiz), Agent, request preliminary Plat and Development approval for Phase 2 of the Tessera Subdivision (formerly College Hills) which consists of 79 residential lots on the 69.4 remaining acres of a 146 acre development (Commission District 2), passed (with conditions) by unanimous vote 5-0.
- BCC Case # MIS 14-5231 High Summit III was tabled at the request of the applicant and Santa Fe County.
- CDRC Case # Z/V 13-5131 Ranch at Santa Fe Canyon – Ranch at Santa Fe Canyon LLC (formerly known as Santa Fe Canyon Ranch LLC), Applicant, requests a Master Plan Amendment to the previously approved Master Plan (Santa Fe Canyon Ranch) to remove six tracts of land (containing 845 acres) from the approved Master Plan which consisted of a total of 1,316 acres. The request also includes a variance of Article VII, Section 6.6.2g (Water Budgets and Conservation Covenants) and Ordinance No. 2007-1 (Swimming Pool Ordinance) to allow the installation of a swimming pool on the 845 acres utilizing permitted water rights and to amend the water restrictive covenants to reflect the allowance of a swimming pool and to specify that water restoration for landscaping and irrigation restrictions shall apply to 72-12-1 wells only (Commission District 3), passed by unanimous vote 5-0.

The BCC Packet is available online by clicking the BCC meeting event on the Events calendar or visiting the BCC committee page [www.santafecountynm.gov/committees/board\\_of\\_county\\_commissioners\\_bcc](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/committees/board_of_county_commissioners_bcc).

All approved Ordinances and Resolutions are available on the County website at [www.santafecountynm.gov/ordinances\\_and\\_resolutions](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/ordinances_and_resolutions) once they are approved and recorded.

All BCC meetings are broadcast live at [www.santafecountynm.gov](http://www.santafecountynm.gov), on Comcast Ch. 28 and on Que Suave AM 810. to view recorded video of this BCC meeting visit [www.santafecountynm.gov/video\\_on\\_demand/](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/video_on_demand/).

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