

**SANTA FE COUNTY**

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**REGULAR MEETING**

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**I. A.** This regular meeting of the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners was called to order at approximately 2:26 p.m. by Chair Henry Roybal in the Santa Fe County Commission Chambers, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

**B. Roll Call**

Roll was called by County Clerk Geraldine Salazar and indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

**Members Present:**

Commissioner Henry Roybal, Chair  
Commissioner Anna Hansen, Vice Chair  
Commissioner Robert A. Anaya  
Commissioner Anna Hamilton  
Commissioner Ed Moreno

**Members Excused:**

None

**C. Pledge of Allegiance**

**D. State Pledge**

**E. Moment of Reflection**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Christina Kelso, the State Pledge by Nathan Manzanares and the Moment of Reflection by Lucy Foma of the Growth Management Department.

CHAIR ROYBAL: I'd also like to ask for a moment of silence for Susan Popovich who passed away in a car accident. If we could just have a few minutes of silence on her behalf. As you know, Susan was killed in a car accident over the weekend. Susan was a retired educator and just recently elected as the Santa Fe County Democratic Chair. She was known for her hard work and talent of bringing people together and very dedicated and committed in her teaching career and all challenges she undertook. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

I'd like to go ahead and open up the mike to other Commissioners that would like to make comments and other elected officials. Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes, I just want to say a few words about

Susan Popovich who was a close friend and somebody I have worked with for the last couple of years. It is a tremendous, tremendous loss to our community to have lost somebody. It really makes us remember how precious human life is and that life is very impermanent and that we pray for her blessings and her soul as she passes in this really, this shocking time for this community. I know many people are very shocked by her passing and she was such a joy to be with and work with and it is just shocking to many, many people in this community. I'm sure there will be a memorial but nothing has been set. Her family was just notified and she has a niece who I believe will be coming here and so I'm sure that some memorial will be set up but on the way in I saw this beautiful sign to her that said a life well lived. And that is certainly the truth. She was really a dedicated teacher, a union activist who did so much for all the communities that she lived in and it is a tremendous loss to our community and so our prayers are with her. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen. Is there any other Commissioners who would like – Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I certainly agree with that and with the life well lived and I'm shocked and very saddened, but want to also say for somebody who gave so much to the community and being grateful for having had the opportunity to work with her.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hamilton. Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: I just want to echo the comments. We're all here for a defined short space in time and we have to be thankful for every moment that we have and I just want to send out an extra special blessings and spirit to those people that are in Houston right now and what they're going through. So thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Anaya. Commissioner Moreno.

COMMISSIONER MORENO: Susan was a constituent of mine and she actually helped me in the times when the campaign, the presidential campaign was raging and the Bernieites and the regular Democrats gathered at the Agora in Eldorado where she lived. And she made sure that I had a chance to what turned out to be my first political speech. And she was that kind of a helper, no matter what kind of challenge was put to her she rose to the occasion and always with a smile. It's a great loss for me and for all of us.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Moreno. I'm going to go to the County Clerk, Geraldine Salazar.

GERALDINE SALAZAR (County Clerk): Thank you, Chair. Susan was an incredible leader with tremendous energy. She will be greatly missed. My condolences to the family and her friends. This is truly a great loss.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Madam Clerk. I know that Commissioner Hansen also had another person she wanted to recognize.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: The passing of Susan Duncan who was a former school board member is also a great loss to our community. She was a president of the school board and it is not quite as shocking because many people knew that she

had been diagnosed with cancer in 2016, but she was a great leader also in our community. Also a teacher and active in this community and I just want to send condolences to her family, Cam and their daughters. It was another very strong connection for me. I met them when they first came to Santa Fe in 2007 and I have worked with them on many different projects over the years and I want us to just remember both of these two incredible women that we have lost in the last week. So I'm sending out prayers for the family and everyone. So thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen. So let's go ahead and have that moment of silence for Susan Duncan and Susan Popovich.

- I. F. **Approval of Agenda**
  - 1. **Amendments**
  - 2. **Tabled or Withdrawn Items**

CHAIR ROYBAL: Is there any amendments or tabled or withdrawn items?

KATHERINE MILLER (County Manager): Yes, Mr. Chair. On page 3 of the agenda, since we posted the original agenda last Tuesday we did amend the agenda on Friday at 4:42 last Friday. We added item III. D. 3, that's the approval of a memorandum between Santa Fe County and the Town of Edgewood. Also, we added item VI. A. 1, Matters from the Manager, Update on Gross Receipts Taxes, the gross receipts tax election, and also item VII. A. 4, Acquisition of Real Property and Water Rights under Matters from the County Attorney, executive session. And then we had this morning a withdrawal of item IV. B. 1, Presentations, a presentation by North Central Regional Transit District. They're going to have to do that at another time. They actually had scheduled several presentations today and they were overlapping so they withdrew and said they would come back at a different time. And those are all the changes to the agenda that I have.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you, Manager Miller. Any other changes to the agenda? Okay, so seeing none, what's the pleasure of the Board?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I move to approve.

CHAIR ROYBAL: So we have a motion. Do I hear a second?

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: A motion and a second. Any other discussion?

**The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.**

- I. G. **Approval of Minutes**
  - 1. **Approval of Minutes of June 15, 2017, Special Joint Meeting of the Santa Fe County and City of Santa Fe Governing Bodies**

CHAIR ROYBAL: Do we have any changes or what's the pleasure of the Board on this first?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Move to approve.

CHAIR ROYBAL: We have a motion. Do I hear a second?

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: So we have a motion and a second. Any other discussion?

**The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.**

**2. Approval of Minutes of July 25, 2017, Board of County Commissioners Meeting**

CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: On page 20 of the regular minutes, third line from the bottom, I believe instead of I “want” and shopped it should say I “went” and shopped. And that was the only thing I found.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Great job. Any other changes? Seeing none, what’s the pleasure of the Board?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I move to approve with the changes.

CHAIR ROYBAL: So we have a motion with the changes that were mentioned.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: And a second by Commissioner Anaya.

**The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.**

**I. H. Employee Recognition**

**1. Recognition of New Santa Fe County Employees**

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, in your packet is a list of new hires from July 1, 2017 to July 31, 2017. I don’t know if any of them are in the room but I would ask if they are, if I call your name, if you would just stand up and let the Board see your face and recognize that you’re a new employee at the County.

First we have Yvonne Herrera in Finance; she’s our accounting and finance reporting manager. In HR we have Maria Escobar, a new HR administrator. In the Legal Office, Leslie Schaar, an assistant County Attorney. In Finance/Procurement, they have Michelle Marmion as a new procurement specialist senior. In the County Clerk’s Office, an election admin specialist senior, Patrick Ortiz, election tech administrator, James Vennes, and recording clerk, Jessica Wheeler.

Then in Corrections we have a new psychiatrist, Anne Salazar Ortiz, and in the Fire Department several new volunteer Firefighters and Firefighter-basic cadet, that’s Matthew Herrera, Timothy Isaacs, Elias Martinez, Jennifer Munoz, Oscar Payan, Thomas Phillips, Holly Purcell-Callin. And in Dispatch we have some new trainees in our RECC Dispatch Center : Teddy Lopez, Benjamin Montano, Shannon Ortiz. And then in Public Works, Philip Laier is a maintenance technician, Thaddeus Chlastawa – gosh, I probably didn’t say that right – utilities engineer. And then Utilities Division Director, which I think most of you have met, John Dupuis. In the Sheriff’s, two new deputy cadets,

Christopher Gonzales and Fermin Hernandez-Andrade.

So I just want to welcome the new employees. As you can see we have a lot of new trainees in our Public Safety Department and a lot of new volunteers as well. And we just welcome them to the County.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, I'd like to just welcome them to the County as well and just say welcome aboard and we look forward to working with you in the future and look forward to seeing how you progress in your career and hope to do what we can to help you be successful. Any other comments from the Board? Okay, seeing none.

**I. H. 2. Recognition of Years of Service of Santa Fe County Employees**

MS. MILLER: Then also at the end of every month we do a recognition of years of service for employees who have hit a consecutive five-year increment in their time with Santa Fe County. And just to note, we recognize the value of employee retention and think it's really important for employees to stay with Santa Fe County and we appreciate those who contribute consistently to the County over the years. We send them a note of appreciation and a service pin for their years of service listed.

In the Sheriff's Office, we have a records clerk, Shawn Kessler who's been with us for five years. In Corrections, Benny Lee Atencio, a detention officer who's been with us for five years, and Amber Marez in the Sheriff's Office who is a Sheriff's deputy III. Also Mari Ortiz in Corrections as a detention officer corporal with five years and then in the Sheriff's Office, Sheriff's deputy III, Christopher Zook.

Hitting a ten-year milestone, and we have quite a few. You'll note that we had probably a recruitment around August of 2007 in our Sheriff's Office and in our Fire Department, because we have Diego Lucero who is a Sheriff's lieutenant with ten years. We have Sheriff's deputy III, Christopher Archuleta, Sheriff corporal, Marvyn Jaramillo, Sheriff's deputy III, Donald Romero and Sheriff lieutenant, Fabian Trujillo, all at their ten-year mark.

And then in the Fire Department we have Stephen Vogel, fire lieutenant and then Firefighter-EMT I Garret Allen, Firefighter-paramedic, Marcos Archuleta, fire lieutenant Jeffrey Carroll, Firefighter-paramedic Abraham Cobb, Firefighter-paramedic Daisy Graves, Firefighter- EMT I, Kevin Kocharoff, Firefighter-paramedic Philip Martinez, fire lieutenant Jeffrey Matchison, Firefighter-paramedic Daniel Meyer, and Firefighter-EMT basic, Esteban Ornelas, all with ten years with the County.

And then the record holder for the month in GIS, GIS analyst Mark Garland has 20 years with the County.

So I just, Mr. Chair, want to thank them for their dedicated service to Santa Fe County. We really appreciate their commitment to the County and to the community.

CHAIR ROYBAL: I'd like to echo those same sentiments and just say that having the employees stay here for this amount of time really makes a difference and just to choose their career here, we're honored to have you. So thank you. Any other – Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, we took some bold steps as a Commission to help with Public Safety but a lot of the discussion revolved around people

who were leaving, had left or potentially might leave. And I just want to say, a lot of times we spend time talking about those that might leave and we need to spend more time talking about those that stick around and commit themselves to the County and do good work through sometimes challenging times and ups and downs. And so I still say the County is the best place to work in the state of New Mexico and government. I spent quite a few years as an employee at the County and it was an excellent experience. So I really treasure all of these individuals that are senior members of the team and congratulate them on their efforts and their daily service to our citizens. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you for those words, Commissioner Anaya.  
Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I want to thank Mark Garland. I have had the pleasure of working with him for the past ten years on and off on different projects and I always found him to be completely professional and actual fun to work with and so I want to thank you and recognize you for your service and thank you so much.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Any other comments from the Board?

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: I just want to do a special shout-out to Mark as well. Mark, you've got me on the gray but you have a lot more hair than I do. But congratulations on your work and your efforts at the County. You've always been helpful to people when they come in to see you so much appreciated.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you.

## II. **CONSENT AGENDA**

### A. **Miscellaneous**

1. **Approval of County Health Care Assistance Claims in the Amount of \$40,011.72 (Community Services Department/Kyra Ochoa)**
2. **Request Authorization of the Use of District 3 Capital Funds, Per Capital Outlay Policy, Allocating \$15,000 for Playground Equipment in the Village of Madrid (Finance Division/Don Moya)**

### B. **Resolutions**

1. **Resolution No. 2017-87, A Resolution Adopting Local Government Road Improvement Fund Project No. SB-7806 (103) 18 for Pavement Rehabilitation/Improvements on County Roads Throughout Santa Fe County, New Mexico (Finance Division/Don Moya)**
2. **Resolution No. 2017-88, a Resolution Adopting Local Government Road Improvement Fund Project No. CAP-5-18 (470) for Pavement Rehabilitation/Improvements on County Roads Throughout Santa Fe County, New Mexico (Finance Division/Don Moya)**
3. **Resolution No. 2017-89, a Resolution Adopting Local**

**Government Road Improvement Fund Project No. SP-5-18 (184) for Pavement Rehabilitation/Improvements on County Roads Throughout Santa Fe County, New Mexico (Finance Division/Don Moya)**

4. **Resolution No. 2017-90, a Resolution Requesting a Budget Increase to the General Fund (101) /Senior Services Program for Additional Funding Received from North Central New Mexico Economic Development District in the Amount of \$5,000 (Finance Division/Don Moya)**
5. **Resolution No. 2017-91, a Resolution Requesting a Budget Increase to the Road Fund (204) to Budget a Vehicle Purchase From Insurance Recovery that was Received from New Mexico Association of Counties in the Amount of \$107,000 (Finance Division/Don Moya)**
6. **Resolution No. 2017-92, a Resolution Requesting a Budget Increase to the Fire Operations Fund (244) to Budget the 2018 YCC Grant Award for the County Fire Department / \$145,434 (Finance Division/Don Moya)**

CHAIR ROYBAL: Is there any item on the Consent Agenda that the Commission would like to have further discussion on? I do have one requests and I know in looking at the health assistance claims, would it be possible to give a number of individuals that we're helping on an monthly basis included on this report? I don't know if that's something that's easily – that we could put together? Is it included?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, on the back pages, it shows a total of seven invoices, so I think that's the total –

CHAIR ROYBAL: Seven people.

MS. MILLER: Of those claims, right? Seven individual claims?

RACHEL O'CONNOR (Community Services Director): Mr. Chair, County Manager Miller, yes it is.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Perfect. Thank you very much.

MS. MILLER: And Mr. Chair, just another point on this. As you know, we've moved more away from a claims-based to a contract for service and results based efforts in our healthcare assistance program. So we do a lot more contracts with providers to provide specific types of services that might not be something they could get additional funding, one of those being there was an article, I believe, in the paper today, today's paper, about the helping pregnant mothers that have opioid addictions. Santa Fe County was instrumental in taking some of our healthcare assistance funds and working with La Familia in getting that program started and I don't think the article goes into that detail of how that program got started but that was Rachel and her staff working with La Familia and getting that started with using what we used to pay for individual claims, moving away from that and working more towards targeting certain health initiatives for those providers. So you will see less and less individual claims come across the packet every month when we do claims because we have moved away from the individual claims.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you. Any other questions from the



Board? Okay, seeing none, what's the pleasure of the Board?

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Move for approval, Mr. Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: We have a motion and a second. Any other discussion? Okay, seeing none.

**The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.**

[Clerk Salazar provided the resolution numbers throughout the meeting.]

### III. ACTION ITEMS

#### B. Appointments/Reappointments/Resignations

##### 1. **Appointment of a Finance Division Staff Member to the Santa Fe County Audit Committee** [*Exhibit 1: Staff Report*]

TONY FLORES (Deputy County Manager): Good afternoon, Commissioners. If you recall, in November of 2016, the Board of County Commissioners amended and replaced a resolution establishing the Audit Committee. With that amended document they restructured the roles, the purpose, the functions and specifically the membership for the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee is comprised of two County Commissioners and one public member, and there's also a provision in the amended document whereby a staff member from the Finance Division will also serve in a non-voting role on the Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee met last week to review recommendations from staff on that appointment and based upon that meeting, the Audit Committee is recommending that Mr. Don Moya, the Santa Fe County Finance Division Director, serve on the Audit Committee for a one-year term and we're asking approval of that recommendation today. And I stand for questions.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Do we have any questions? Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: No questions. I was going to move to approval

CHAIR ROYBAL: So we have a motion.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: We have a motion and a second. Any other items under discussion? Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Congratulations, Mr. Moya, on joining our Audit Committee and we look forward to working with you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Great. Thank you, Commissioner Hansen. So we have a motion and a second.

**The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.**

CHAIR ROYBAL: I'd also like to recognize we have Mayor Bassett and Councilor Ring here from Edgewood. Thank you guys for being here.

**III. C. Resolutions**

**Resolution No. 2017-93, a Resolution Authorizing a Community Planning Process for the San Marcos District [Exhibit 2: Supporting Material]**

LUCY FOMA (Planning Division): Good afternoon, Mr. Chair, Commissioners. I'm here this afternoon to present a resolution to authorize a community planning process for the San Marcos District. The current San Marcos Community District Plan was adopted by Resolution 2006-148, and an SLDC community update was completed in 2015. The community requested to initiate this planning process because the former plan is 12 years old and needs to be updated. Once adopted by the Board the San Marcos District Plan will replace the existing plan and constitute an amendment to the SGMP.

The San Marcos District is approximately 44 square miles on either side of Highway 14 and this large area is comprised of many neighborhoods, including Rancho San Marcos, South Fork, San Marcos Pueblo, Lone Butte, Silver Hills, Cerrillos East and Galisteo Creek. We have met with the initial planning committee twice and developed a public participation plan to ensure significant outreach and representation of the communities to include properties owners, business owners, residents, and other stakeholders such as the equine, agriculture, economic development and arts communities. We will ensure that the planning process includes all facets of the community.

The public participation plan also outlines the ongoing communication, and Robert is going to pass that out. The ongoing communication and community engagement that will accompany the planning process.

If the Board approves this resolution the Planning Committee will be open to any individual who wishes to participate at any point during the process, and additional persons may participate as members of the Planning Committee without the necessity of appointment by the Board as per the SLDC Section 2.1.5.2.

Staff recommends Board approval of this resolution to authorize a community planning process for the San Marcos District. Thank you for your consideration and I stand for questions.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Lucy. Do we have any questions from the Board? Okay, seeing no questions, what's the pleasure of the Board? Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I move to approve. I know this area. Is there anybody from this San Marcos neighborhood here?

MS. FOMA: Unfortunately, it doesn't seem anyone was able to make it.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Okay. Anyhow, I've had experience with a number of the ranches in that area, especially Synergia which has been there a really long time. So I move to approve. I think this is great. Thank you very much, Lucy.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: So we have a motion from Commissioner Hansen and a second from Commissioner Hamilton.

**The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.**

**III. D. Miscellaneous**

**1. Request Authorization for the County Manager to Sign and Execute a Purchase Order to Purchase Twenty-One (21) Police Interceptors for a Total Sum Amount of \$546,857**

DON MOYA (Finance Director): Thank you, Mr. Chair, Manager Miller, members of the Commission. I come before you with a request. Santa Fe County Resolution 2014-143 establishes signature authority for the County Manager with respect to certain agreements, applications and ratifying certain intergovernmental agreements. This is for the Santa Fe County Sheriff's Office, as you said, Mr. Chair. It has an approved capital budget to purchase new vehicles in fiscal year 2018 – 21 police force Interceptors in the amount of \$546,000. We're requesting approval authorizing the County Manager to sign and execute a purchase order to purchase those vehicles. I stand for questions.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, do we have any questions from the Board?

Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I move for approval and I would say to buy \$546,000 worth of cars – that's an interesting endeavor, right? A good endeavor.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: It ought to be fun.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: I move for approval, Mr. Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I'll second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: So we have a motion from Commissioner Anaya, and a second from Commissioner Hamilton. For discussion?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I just wanted to remember, when we're buying vehicles that we look into the sustainability and vehicles that will give us possibly electric vehicles and hybrids. And if it's possible and if it fits within the parameters of the things that we need.

CHAIR ROYBAL: We have a motion and a second.

**The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.**

**III. D. 2. Request Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the County of Santa Fe and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), New Mexico Council 18 (Referring to the Bargaining Unit as Local #1413-M) [Exhibit 3: Amended Staff Report]**

BERNADETTE SALAZAR (HR Director): Thank you, Commissioners. The Santa Fe County management team and AFSCME Council 18, referring to its bargaining unit as Local 1413-M, have negotiated the financial re-opener in compliance with the collective bargaining agreement. The parties have worked diligently together to come up with a mutual agreement in the best interest of our County employees.

The agreed upon language provides union employees with a new starting pay that will assist us in the recruitment and retention of qualified employees, cost of living adjustments comparable to other County employees, and enhance differential pay to compensate registered nurses and LPNs during peak hours, and the opportunity for either party to open one economic article no earlier than May of 2018 and no later than July of 2018.

So the parties did agree. We did have some information from our Legal Office that was brought to our attention yesterday that some language that both parties agreed upon was not in compliance with PERA regulations so, Rachel did you give a copy to the Commission?

RACHEL BROWN (Deputy County Attorney): Mr. Chair, Commissioners, and Ms. Salazar, we did distribute an amendment to the draft that you had in the packet which corrects an error we identified over the weekend. The definition of salary, according to the regulations that govern PERA require that we include shift differential pay in the PERA calculations. And so we've modified the draft with everyone's agreement to reflect that in fact the shift differential pays will be included in the PERA calculations.

MS. SALAZAR: So with that, Commissioners, that's actually an added benefit to our bargaining unit employees, and I did speak with the representative of Council 18 and he confirmed with an email that he's okay with that and also with the union president, Mr. Daniel Solis. And with that I stand for questions.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you, Bernadette. Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I appreciate the collective bargaining process that's taken place. I want to say that our public safety employees include our Sheriff's Department and our firefighters and our first responders, and absolutely without a doubt include our correctional officers as well and their work day in and day out. And so we thank them for those continued efforts and I'd move for approval, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: We have a motion from Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER MORENO: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: We have a second from Commissioner Moreno.

Actually, is there any other discussion?

**The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.**

RIHANNA MANZANARES (Corrections): Good afternoon, Chair Roybal and County Commissioners. My name is Rihanna Manzanares and I'm one of the registered nurses at the Santa Fe County Detention Center. So on behalf of the nurses at Santa Fe County Detention and Local 1413 we would like to thank the Commissioners and Human Resources, and the County Manager for approving the raise in pay for the registered nurses and the differentials and the raise for the employees that are there. It will improve employee retention to keep the nurses who are working there already and they are valuable and are trained and competent in correctional healthcare. This is the first step for Santa Fe County to become fully staffed with quality nurses and again, I'd like to thank all of you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you Rihanna.

DANIEL SOLIS (Corrections): Chair Roybal, County Commissioners, Daniel Solis, AFSCME Local President 1413. On behalf of our local we would like to thank Santa Fe County Commission, Human Resources and the County Manager for a quick and thorough negotiation process. It was real easy and it was great to come together and lay everything on the table. Thank you again.

CHAIR ROYBAL: I'd like to say thank you to you guys as well because it takes both sides to come together and come to some agreements. So thank you guys for all your efforts. Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes. Congratulations. I was really excited to read about this and the nurses and being staffed, I think it's a really important part of Corrections and also of your job and being able to have that. So I'm very happy that you could all come together and agree on this and we could all move forward. So thank you, everybody, Bern and Daniel. Thank you.

**III. D. 3. Request Approval of a Memorandum of Agreement between Santa Fe County and the Town of Edgewood for Funding Related to the Development of the East Mountain Health Facility [Exhibit 4: Staff Report]**

MR. FLORES: Thank you, Mr. Chair and before I get started on the memo, I'd like to introduce the motley crew behind me that are here today on this item. I have Mayor Bassett, who sitting by my left shoulder, Councilor Ring, who was very instrumental in this project from the inception with Commissioner Anaya, Councilor Holle, Dr. Bob DeFelice from First Choice, Krista Kelley from Motiva Corps and of course the gentleman at the end in the purple shirt is Rudy Garcia. Not sure who he's working for today but he is here on this item.

So, Mr. Chair, just a brief history lesson. This Board, under Commissioner Anaya's leadership, took the initiative to develop the East Mountain Health Facility, formerly known as the East Mountain or Edgewood Health Commons project, almost a year and a half ago. This is one of the largest public-private partnership projects I have worked on, whether it's within government or outside of government that's leveraging the County's funding, the \$3 million that was included in the general obligation bond last November, the State of New Mexico through the legislature provided some severance tax bond funding, First Choice is also bringing capital outlay to the table to get this facility developed. We partnered with the State Land Office and also the federal government and the State of New Mexico, the Department of Health are also big players in leveraging this project which will eventually lead to about a 22,000 square foot facility with an estimate of around \$6 million to construct.

We went through many iterations of trying to secure different types of funding, through Community Development Block grants and other types of grants and we're finally putting those final pieces together so we can go through a design-build process to get this project underway.

Today is one of those linchpin moments, I think in the development of this project. The Town of Edgewood has decided to provide Santa Fe County with \$35,000

towards the project that can be used in infrastructure, primarily in the sewer systems that would go on with this facility and they are prepared today to provide the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners with \$35,000 for this project. So at this time I'd like to turn it over if I can, humbly, respectfully, to Mayor Bassett and let him say a few words.

MAYOR JOHN BASSETT: Thank you, Tony. Mr. Chair, Commissioners, today is a proud day. Three of you Commissioners weren't here when we started this. Commissioner Anaya, great help that he gave us all over this whole entire period of time. I've been up here four, five, six, seven times asking for things from the Commission to help with this project. It's a proud day today to come back up and give back something. It speaks to the type of relationship I like to have with the County. You've been very helpful to us with this project and other matters and we'd like to let you all know that we do appreciate it and that we understand it's a partnership of sorts and sometimes we have to give. And that's what we're here to do today. I would like to introduce Bob DeFelice, he's here with First Choice. You called out, Mr. Chair, Councilor Ring – he's former Councilor Ring now. Linda Holle is his replacement on our council, and of course Krista Kelley you know.

So we're here today to present you with a check. We'd like to do that.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Anaya, I'm going to go to Commissioner Anaya, and then we'll go back. Or go ahead and have –

CHUCK RING: Thank you, guys for everything you've done for us and I pledge to you as a member of the board of First Choice that if you get sick in Edgewood you'll get excellent care. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Councilor. Anybody else? No. Okay, Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, Mayor and Councilors, Councilor Holle, congratulations. I want to just briefly say that the relationship that we've established with the Town of Edgewood has been an excellent relationship for a long time now and the Manager, Manager Miller and her team have always been open to discussions and working things out, whether it relates to this healthcare project, whether it relates to the fire station or roads or other projects that we have and we truly have a relationship where the lines on the map delineating the areas of our representation don't mean anything when it comes to what the constituents and citizens need. And when they have needs we share in that need and help each other. And it's – in these teams that we live in it's huge to have that type of relationship with another governmental entity like we have. And so that's a credit to yourselves as leaders in the community, Mayor and Councilor Holle and former Councilor Ring has been an exceptional partner in every endeavor that we've had, so I wish him nothing but best of luck. But thanks, Manager Miller, Katherine, to you and your team for those ongoing efforts that are daily efforts. I know we're also in discussions right now about the old fire station and how we could work out a workable partnership associated with that. We have an excellent partnership with our fire service and the equestrian center and the list goes on and on. But it's truly a testament to collaborative, cooperative efforts, so I'm appreciative that you're back here today and that you're bringing resources that are going to go back into the community.

So thank you very much and thank you, Mr. Chair. And with that I'm going to go ahead and move for approval on the memorandum of agreement.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: So we do have a motion and a second, but I'd like to allot a little more time to speak.

KRISTA KELLEY: Sorry. I just wanted to address the Commission and Manager Miller and her staff and say thank you all for your support. This could not have happened, as you know, without you all. Chair Roybal, Commissioner Hamilton, Commissioner Anaya, you all have been there to support us. We absolutely appreciate that. Manager Miller and Deputy County Manager Flores, in addition to Rudy Garcia, Manager Miller – your team has absolutely been 100 percent on board with this from the beginning and really supported us and we really appreciate that. You have a top-notch team. I do want to also acknowledge, to see the vote go to the voters last November and to see it coming to fruition and to be breaking ground, hopefully this late fall, is amazing and speaks to the ability of the staff and Manager Miller and her team to getting things done. We appreciate it. Thank you again.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you. Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I just wanted to add to the comments Commissioner Anaya made to say that this is really exciting to be moving forward with something that the community really needs and to be giving something that people need at a grassroots level and to be doing that jointly. So thank you very much for moving forward with this and I'm really excited that we can be doing this together.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I want to add just a couple more comments, just to maybe put a few things in perspective. But I want to call out Tony and Rudy and even Chris for their work and diligence in helping with this project. But I want to just talk briefly about a County Commission a couple decades ago talking about the need for the County government to wrap their heads, their hearts and their hands around healthcare in particular. And to expand the concept of what traditionally was just the indigent fund at the time to say that we need to figure out more comprehensive ways of working to provide direct access to healthcare.

And so that happened through the Health Policy and Planning Commission that has done great work here at the County for a long time know, but we went from a concept of a building, Councilor Ring and Mayor Bassett and others to saying we need that immediate access point to mobile healthcare and now to a multi-million dollar comprehensive facility. This is real, tangible service that provides direct access to immediate healthcare that's needed in emergency situations but on a daily basis for care for our people across boundaries of political jurisdictions.

So I have to express that there's people listening today in their cars that – people like Arturo Gonzales and Larry Martinez that were at the base ground level for many of this. And I could go on and on and list many more names but those of you that are listening in or might be watching, this particular project and what we're trying to do here and across the county is direct service and it's been a compounding, positive interest of work and the culmination of many people, many minds and many hours of hard work.

