

SANTA FE COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
October 6, 2020

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Anna Hansen, Vice Chair - District 2
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Anna T. Hamilton - District 4
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1. A. This special meeting of the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners was called to order at approximately 3:00 p.m. by Chair Henry Roybal.

In accordance with the Public Health Emergency Order issued by the State of New Mexico, this meeting was conducted on a platform for video and audio meetings.

[For clarity purposes, repetitive identification and confirmations of those on the phone have been eliminated and/or condensed in this transcript.]

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 Rudy Garcia
Commissioner Anna Hamilton
Commissioner Hank Hughes

Members Excused:

None

CHAIR ROYBAL: I'm going to go ahead and deviate slightly from our agenda and go to Commissioner Hamilton so that we can have a moment of silence. Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Mr. Chair. We normally often open up with a regular pledge and moment of reflection. Everybody might know but this weekend, the first Fire Chief for Santa Fe County, Stan Holden, passed away after a battle with cancer. Chief Holden spent a number of years as a firefighter in the Four Corners region of our state and furthered his EMS career at Albuquerque Ambulance where he refined his EMS skills and developed key leadership traits. Chief Holden served Albuquerque Ambulance as their operations director prior to joining Santa Fe County.

In 1997 he came to Santa Fe County as the first Fire Chief. It was during this time Chief Holden brought 15 independent fire districts across Santa Fe County into one organization. There had been just a number of independent volunteer fire departments. His

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leadership and forward thinking gave rise to one of the largest and most comprehensive combined volunteer and career fire departments in the State of New Mexico.

Chief Holden will be remembered for his leadership, honesty and integrity. He really did contribute quite a bit to Santa Fe County and it was for that reason, at this first meeting following his passing I wanted to bring this up and request a moment of silence. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Hamilton, thank you for bringing this up and allowing us to have a moment of silence and share our condolences for Chief Holden. Are there any other comments from Commissioners?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Yes, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Mr. Chair, thank you, Commissioner Hamilton, for bringing this forward. As you know, Stan Holden, good guy. Like you said, Commissioner Hamilton, he's the guy that, as Manager Miller knows, the GRT tax as into getting Santa Fe County moving forward. As you all know, we have excellent staff vehicles, and Chief Holden, Stan Holden – I'm lost for words. Chief Holden, a great guy, and thank you, Commissioner Hamilton, for bringing this forward because I did not realize he had passed away. He was such a great guy. He actually was head-hunted to go work in east Texas to run ten helicopter crews.

Chief Holden, Stan Holden lived in my community in Edgewood and he move to Texas. I'm just lost for words. That's all I have to say. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: I just want to thank Commissioner Garcia for his comments and thank Commissioner Hamilton for bringing this up once again, and if we can have a brief moment of silence for Chief Holden, and if there's any other comments that would like to be shared with the Board? Okay, hearing none, if we could have a moment of silence.

Thank you very much. I just want to give my sincere condolences to the family of Chief Holden.

1. C. Approval of the Agenda

CHAIR ROYBAL: Are there any other changes or requests on the agenda. Manager Miller, did you have any changes?

KATHERINE MILLER (County Manager): Mr. Chair, I don't have any changes.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Yes, Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I would like to move to approve the agenda.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I'll second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: So we have a motion from Commissioner Hansen and a second from Commissioner Hamilton. So I'm going to go to a roll call vote.

The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] roll call vote.

2. **New Mexico House of Representatives District 45 Vacancy**
 - A. **Applicant Presentations (Presentations Limited to Five Minutes per Applicant)**
 - B. **Interview of Applicants by Commissioners**
 - C. **(1) Appointment of Applicant to the Vacant Position of State Representative for New Mexico House of Representatives District 45, in Accordance with Section 2-7C-5(B)(1) NMSA 1978, and (2) Authorization for the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners to do all Things Necessary or Proper to Effectuate Such Appointment**

CHAIR ROYBAL: I'm going to go to Tessa Jo. Can you please announce our applicant?

TESSA JO MASCARENAS (Operations Manager): Yes, absolutely. Thank you, Mr. Chair. Effective September 28th Representative Jim Trujillo resigned his position as State Representative for District 45 in the State House of Representatives. House District 45 is situated wholly within the exterior boundaries of Santa Fe County. Accordingly, the Board of County Commissioners has the authority to fill the vacancy. The term of the person appointed will end on December 31st.

So the process to apply was announced via press release, posted on the County's website, and advertised via social media. However, it was agreed upon we would seek out the candidates who were on the November 3rd ballot, two people. One applicant, and that is Ms. Linda Serrato, it has been verified that she meets the minimum qualifications for holding the office, and she is here today and prepared to say a few words.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you very much, Tessa and welcome, Ms. Serrato. We're going to go ahead and go to the presentation. Ms. Serrato, would you like to address the Board?

LINDA SERRATO: Yes. Absolutely. Thank you so much. And thank you to everyone for hosting today. I also want to thank Representative Jim Trujillo and his entire family for their service to our state and our entire community. I want to say one more thank you to all the Commissioners today for acting so quickly to fill in this space, or this open seat, I should say.

As you know, the families in our district are facing a lot of new and unprecedented challenges and so they deserve a voice in the Roundhouse immediately. I launched my campaign about a year ago now, and I decided to run for House District 45 after having my own daughter and seeing the few working families that were actually in the Roundhouse in decision-making roles. And especially today modern New Mexican families are facing challenges that when added all together are unlike anything we've seen before. And so we really need to make sure that we have more diverse voices at the table that can speak to the experience that we're all seeing today.

For me, I've held a lot of conversations with different constituents across the district, thousands of conversations that were first at doors and then later over the telephone. Through these conversations they've guided my campaign, they've guided what I was thinking about, already what my instincts were that what we needed and the policies that people needed to ensure that old American pillars still stood, that if you

work hard you deserve economic security.

We stopped door-knocking when COVID-19 came to New Mexico and like so many other folks, my husband and I had to just change everything. Like so many other working parents, workers, students – everyone, my husband and I, before the pandemic were concerned about my daughter having active shooter drills at her daycare, and now on top of that concern we were trying to just build any sort of stability against all the unintentional instability that's all around our world right now.

One thing I've found through a lot of these conversations that I've had across the district – I guess I should say there's really three things. One thing that was really interesting to me was how everyone just cares so much about their community and their neighbors. Whenever I would talk to folks on the phone, they're not just telling me about what they believe in, they're talking about their neighbors and the struggles of their family members. Number two, how resilient our folks are. Even though there's a pandemic people are looking to rebuild. They're looking to kind of get on their feet, finding, again, there's some sort of stability that we can rely on again. They're not looking for a handout; they just want to make sure that they can create something good.

And number three to me, which I think is really interesting is we really do come together on these big ideas, that our families are the center of everything that we're working towards today. So for me that's been a big piece of this.

I worked really hard to make sure that I reached out to as many New Mexicans as possible along the way and I'm very proud to be endorsed by a diverse group of New Mexicans, including Planned Parenthood, Votes New Mexico, both the AFT New Mexico and NEA New Mexico, as well as AFL-CIO unions and the Rio Grande Chapter of the Sierra Club, as well as many others, including Representatives Ben Ray Lujan and Deb Haaland. So I'm very lucky to have those endorsements.

But for me a big piece of this is that we're making sure we're recovering, once we're able to, faster than we did in the last recession. As many of you know, what we had done before, we saw many other states move faster than we did and that was very difficult I think for a lot of New Mexicans. I have had the experience of working for New Mexican families throughout the entirety of my career. I graduated from Stanford University back in 2007 and came to work for Obama's first election out in eastern New Mexico. I started there and then I continued to work. I moved to Capitol Hill and worked for Ben Ray Lujan on the Hill, on natural resources and other issues, and then I also moved on to work for other folks and when I came back to New Mexico a couple years, a while ago now, we were working on ballot initiatives in other states to raise the minimum wage, and we were able to get great groups of small business owners and low wage earners, they were able to come together and support these raises.

And then I returned to working, again, across New Mexico communities who I really enjoyed working with. And so these experiences have taught me so many things, just about, again, the resiliency of our communities and the hope and how everyone cares about each other. That's really made an impact for me and I want to make sure that I'm giving back to the community that's become home for my husband and my daughter and I.

And so what is interesting to me is we're seeing the similar tactics from the federal government in response to the economic recession that we're in, which is really

taking care of the titans, I would say, of industries first, and I believe that it's our responsibility at the state and local levels to make sure that we're taking care of our small businesses and Main Street first. If chosen to taken on this role as a representative here I would think of this beautiful and historic and growing and kind district, I'll think of all these conversations I've had with folks along the way, just working with people individually. That's why I'll put our small businesses first.

I support ending the Social Security double tax which is a big weight on a lot of our seniors.

MS. MASCARENAS: Ms. Serrato, I'm sorry but your time is up.

MS. SERRATO: Oh, well. Thank you so much.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Absolutely. Thank you, Ms. Serrato and we appreciate your being here. In the five minutes that you did speak, oh, my god, I'm very impressed. So I really appreciate you being here. I know we have questions and interviews that some of the Commissioners would have, but I would make a motion to appoint you to this position, but I'm going to also call on my Commissioners to ask questions as well. So I'm going to just go through the list. Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Well, first of all, if that's a motion I would like to second it.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Yes. So we have a motion and a second. Commissioner Hamilton, do you have any other questions?

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Sure. For discussion, I was also very impressed. I loved to hear many of the things you said and your experience. Just to single one thing out, your experience working on the Hill with Ben Ray Lujan, I think we had a brief discussion once and working effectively in government can be so enhanced by working up, being in the state legislature you need to work up with the federal, and also to work down, which is of course one of our interests, working with the counties. And so I just think that that experience would be hugely valuable. What do you think about not just working with the feds but working with us and other counties? I'm particularly interested – well, actually, it's just us because your district is entirely in Santa Fe County.

MS. SERRATO: Yes, absolutely. This seat in particular has a chunk of the county as well as the City of Santa Fe too. One of the things – I'm sorry I didn't get a chance to say but what I've always appreciated about the Roundhouse is the open door policy that so many legislators hold, and it's something that I've promised to every constituent that I've spoken to, every leader. Beyond that though I think the way we can really find successful solutions, how we can collaborate on making sure that capital outlay is spent in places where it's desperately needed is by working with all of you, because the folks that you all are talking to may or may not be the same folks as I'm talking to. And the more that we can engage – at the City level I'm friends with City Councilor Jamie Cassutt-Sanchez and just again, working with different people to make sure we're really tailoring this experience and policy for our community the best I can.

Again, beyond an open door, I'll probably even text you randomly and say, what is your thought on this thing that just came up? That may happen, so you may have to be aware of that too.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: To be honest, that is actually really good to hear. One other seemingly random question that's slightly different. Before we

got on the meeting I was seeing on the internet news that the White House has instructed Republicans to stop negotiating on any additional stimulus until after the election. That's going to have a huge impact. My question is also to note that given what you've said, that the stimulus that was given to individual actually is evidence that that kept the economy afloat more than anybody expected it to during the three months following those stimulus checks, whereas the 85 percent of money that went to big business certainly helped big business but it didn't help the rank and file in the economy. Do you have any thoughts about surviving between now and when some additional stimulus – I think that's going to really impair our recovery.

MS. SERRATO: I think that's right, and I think – well, there's I think three pieces I want to address. So one, when I was working on Capitol Hill looking at the recovery we saw a lot of states accelerate their recovery beyond ours. And we saw places like Texas and Colorado and Utah, they started applying for grants rapidly and really doing everything they could to get every single dime available. And the times we were pushing austerity programs that were really hurting New Mexicans they were actually investing and actually building new things so that it really moved places like Colorado, which is not neck and neck with us before the great recession, ahead of us. And so that's something I'm really focused on is finding those grants and those stopgaps that we can.

Two, I think that the Small Business Recovery Loan fund was a great idea, but what we found so much is that it's been really hard for small businesses to apply and receive them. We've only spent five percent of that \$400 million that was set aside since June, so like a five-month period, and beyond that, 80 percent of the applications are being denied. And so we need to address that right away and make sure that's okay.

And then we need to address concerns for working families. What's also set to expire at the end of the year is this stop on evictions that's at the national level, and we need to do more to protect renters and homeowners in our state, just again, to get through this period. And whether that's through grants that we facilitate through the counties, or how we make sure that people are able to make up that gap. It's going to be really important to avoid a larger crisis. So how do we protect those workers as well?

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: That's excellent. Thank you so much. Really good points. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

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

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I too would add my second to the motion as support. I appreciated what you were beginning to start to talk about on the Social Security and if you would like to elaborate a little bit on that I would be happy to hear that. And I appreciate everything you have said on your background. I think the constituents in District 45 will be well served with your representation. And so if you'd like to say a few words about Social Security.

MS. SERRATO: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen, so much. Really, this came out of conversations that I was having every day with folks. Again, earlier in the campaign and they continue to come up. But essentially this is a double tax. People are taxed initially when they pay their Social Security and again when they're receiving the benefits. And this is something that only a handful of states have in place, is a secondary tax on Social Security. That's why I call it a double tax. We are one of seven and we have

the highest rate that created it. And what I was talking to different organizations and think tanks about it where there really came out of was a stopgap to fill in some funding shortfalls we had back in the early nineties.

To me what I see here is more of a regressive tax, and it's something like to me, what it seems like is our old food tax, where we're taxing basic necessities. We're taxing people that are actually putting money back in the economy, moving it around, making sure that our local dollars are being spent, our small businesses are surviving, and we're just taking it away from there.

And so I heard that so often at the doors that this tax is hurting the folks that live here. I think more than anything else, especially in a city like Santa Fe, in a county like Santa Fe, we have a lot of older folks. What I love is how intergenerational our families are. When you talked to families, it's not just, oh, me and my two kids and my dog, it's abuelos are playing fundamental roles in raising our kids. And so we need to make sure that we're protecting families all the way from the youngest to the oldest. And I think some of the proposals that we're talking about – legalizing and taxing recreational marijuana and making sure that's done responsibly, not only would cover the difference that Social Security makes but it would be an immense, a big change.

And when you're thinking about injecting money back into the economy, helping small businesses survive at this time, ending that Social Security tax is going to make a difference.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you. So mentioning the recreational marijuana, I want to make sure – I strongly believe that we should allow people to be able to grow their own, a few plants, and if they are misbehaving in that regard they then need to be penalized, but that we allow people to continue to grow their own, maybe three to six plants, and I'm wondering if you would support that in legislation.

MS. SERRATO: I really look to mostly the recommendations that the governor's task force put together and that's been really my focus. But at the end of the day, part of the push for this is to make sure we're not sending people to jail for minimal crimes that aren't hurting our society at large. They aren't committing violent crimes. So to that end I support legislation like you were talking about that is not impacting and negatively hurting our community.

I think to your point that if it's limited – as long as we're regulating it over all I think that's what's most important, protecting our families and our kids at the end of the day.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: And then I have one other question, which is we are moving towards hopefully a renewable energy economy and I am wondering how you would feel about a rebate for electric cars. I know a bill – I believe that actually Representative Trujillo had brought that forward as a rebate when you buy an electric car, or a tax credit and I would like to know if you could support something like that and work on the bill, possibly, that he brought forward before and bring that forward again.

MS. SERRATO: So just a little context for this too. So my campaign is not and will not accept any money from oil and gas. Like I've told them and other folks, they're free to come to the table like anybody else if legislation comes before me but I don't want that influence, because they have such a controlling stake in our revenue. To me the only concern – my only caveat with a tax credit for electric cars is – I haven't

seen, and this might just be my own shortfall, but I haven't seen any evidence that it decreases the number of gas powered cars on the road.

And the reason why I mention that is gas powered cars right now, the cheapest gas powered car is half the price of the cheapest electric car new. And so what I'm concerned about is if it isn't – if it isn't incentivizing people to stop using their gas cars then I don't want to give a tax rebate on that. However, if it does, I'm 100 percent for it, because to your point, I think we really need to be focusing on the future. We're seeing the climate change genuinely impact our everyday lives and we can't talk about our future unless we're talking about a sustainable future. And to me, as a parent – I have a three-year-old – she's going to be going to public school soon, and when she goes to school, that's not a fair choice that parents have to say we have to keep investing in oil and gas in order to keep our education above water. And that's not how we're going to resolve the Yazzie case and that's not how we're going to get back on track. So I want to say, and I wonder if it's just my shortfall, but that's my only concern with tax credits.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you, Linda. I really appreciate you spending the time with us and answering our questions and we look forward to working with you. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen. Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you, Mr. Chair. First of all, thank you for stepping up to the plate. As a policymaker it's a little bit challenging these days to step up to the plate and do it. And I appreciate you stepping up to the plate. As an individual that's worked – was County staff for so many years to work with the Roundhouse representatives, the ex-Speaker, and so on and so forth, senators, I know how it works down there. And I thank you for stepping up to the plate and I really appreciate that.

And one of the other things you said or I'm going to bring up is Representative Trujillo, Jim Trujillo. The shoes you're filling – very, very big shoes to fill. The gentleman did an excellent job for his district. He was actually chairman of the Tax & Rev Committee, very important these days and big shoes to fill, and as I said, great job, Representative Trujillo for your district. Awesome job for your district. And stepping up to the plate, I really appreciate that, Ms. Serrato.

And another thing is the district you represent is a very important district to me because that's my district as well on the school board as well as County Commission, with La Cieneguilla, Upper La Cienega, and once again, the schools. And one of the things that I appreciate your saying, I'm sure you've talked to our local delegation, Roman and Chris, City Councilors, because you, we, all represent that area when it comes to schools and the issues that are hot for that district.

I got a call about four nights ago about some sort of [inaudible]. Nonetheless, we all represent that district as well as Commissioner Hansen. Very important district in my eyes. I'm still dealing with Chief Holden, sorry. But nonetheless, Representative-elect, once again our district. Thank you for stepping up. One of the things I would like for you to do is at a local level you have the schools, you have the City, you have the State and you have the County. Local government, I've worked for local government for 30 years of my life. State is a little different. Federal is very different, and local government is

totally different. Local government is whenever you go talk to the constituents and say, how's your guardrail? How's this? How's this? Or whatever it is. You should always keep that in mind as to local government is where we are at and to take care of the people. Don't get me wrong; federal government as well, and everything else.

So one of the things, please keep in mind, a very hot topic in the state today is education, healthcare. So I appreciate you stepping up to the plate and look forward to working with you, and please, let's all communicate with City leaders, State leaders, federal leaders, County leaders and the educator leaders. But thank you once again for being here and I appreciate it. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Garcia. Commissioner Hughes.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you, Mr. Chair, and I was very impressed by your economic – your social platform. I was wondering, with your natural resources background, and you did talk about renewable energy, but I wondered if you saw any other opportunities in the environmental area, once you get into the statehouse.

MS. SERRATO: Yes, absolutely. I think people forget that outdoor recreation, specifically based on our natural resources here is the biggest job driver in the State of New Mexico. I think it's a little different because maybe it's a bit more seasonal but it creates more jobs than even oil and gas. And so we have to protect this and we have to prevent large-scale spills, large-scale, to be quite frank, disasters from happening here. We have to be very aware of that in terms of LANL, for example, or in terms of we saw the gold mine spill that happened in Colorado and how that impacted our water. And so those resources are very fragile and very important.

We know that the Town of Clovis is five years from literally running out of water, and the case in Texas really did set them back. In my opinion we need to be doing everything we can to be making sure that our aquifers are clean, that we're making sure as much as we can work with local landowners and work with people who these wells and everything belongs to that we're tracking them and saving as much water as we can for our changing population.

Overall, I think the ETA, the Energy Transition Act, that they passed two sessions ago I believe now, I think that was ahead leagues above where anyone else was even looking. It's more ambitious than many other larger states. But I will say that we have to make sure that we're doing it responsibly. I think that was a really good piece of that too, that we're not just ending all the jobs near the Navajo Nation and near Farmington, that we're making sure that we're doing it in a way that works.

And so it's going to be implemented is going to be so important and I think working with our PRC representatives, working with our community members, making sure that happens responsibly works very well. And I think I'll say lastly is that changing the makeup of our state's revenue, 35 to 40 percent of our state's revenue is all oil and gas. And if you look at job projections for the past ten years, they're all based on how well the oil industry is doing. And we have to change that. We have to make sure that we're investing in our infrastructure, making sure that we're investing in broadband, investing in our schools, to Commissioner Garcia's point, that we're making sure that those pieces are solid.

So when people are looking to come to New Mexico they don't say, oh, well, it's

so perfect except that ... blank. And that we're making sure that we're investing in that infrastructure so that we're creating new opportunities and new revenue sources for our state. And I think that will start to decrease the influence of oil and gas on our state. I think that's a really big thing to contend with.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Yes, thank you. You're very correct to follow that about we need to get rid of our dependence on oil and gas, protect our natural resources and build on our strengths from there.

The other topic that's really close to my heart since I work with homelessness is affordable housing, and I've been trying and trying and made a little progress to get the state to do more in the housing arena. You probably know housing is very expensive in Santa Fe and what we're finding is that instead of Santa Fe getting better the rest of the state is also starting to suffer from just a lack of housing that people can afford to live in and I don't know if you have any thoughts about that but I would ask that you work with me on that going forward.

MS. SERRATO: I'm very eager to work with you on this. As a renter myself, this is something that's very near and dear to my heart as well, because there isn't a lot of movement in that market up here especially. I mentioned it briefly but evictions are a big concern and we should all be very aware of them, what's going to happen come the new year. Princeton University has this organization called the Eviction Lab and they look and they rank the top 50 cities for evictions and Albuquerque is on that list, unfortunately. And when you look at all of our protections that we have for homeowners or renters, we don't have enough, not compared to a lot of other states.

One of the issues that we have in our state is that we have a high percentage of working poor, which is people that work full time but still make less than the poverty level. So that really puts people in a tricky situation where if you have a car break down, if a child gets sick, if you lose a job even for a few weeks, that can result in an eviction because you don't have that. And so I think I'm really focused on that aspect of it, but also, and as we've seen here in Santa Fe, we're very good at emergency housing I think. I think that's something we have, and we don't have long-term housing solutions.

I've been lucky enough to speak with the folks at Chainbreakers a little bit about some of their work and I'm eager to keep learning more about how they're working with different levels of government as well. But I really do think that we need to be working at long-term both affordable housing and shelters for people and families when they need it.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Great. You've obviously done your homework on that and I look forward to your thoughts and your energy going into that as well. You have a lot to work on when we get there.

MS. SERRATO: -- so I get something done.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Since everybody else has seconded I'll second also. But that's all my questions, Mr. Chair.

MS. SERRATO: Thank you, sir.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hughes, and I want to say thank you to all my Commissioners for the questions. I think we covered almost every single concern that we have for the County. Well, maybe not every single one, but definitely some of the major ones. So I appreciate all the comments and questions from my Commissioners. I just want to make it clear that the motion and the second is the

appointment of Ms. Linda Serrato to the District 45 Representative position in accordance with Section 2-79(C)-5(B)(1) NMSA 1978 and second, authorizing for the Chair, which is me, Commissioner Roybal, of the Board of County Commissioners to do all the things necessary or property to effectuate such appointment. So I just want to make sure every, for the record, that's what we're voting on. So that's what my motion was. Is that also the seconder's understanding as well?

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Yes, sir.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. So that is the motion and the second. So I'm going to go to a roll call vote.

The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] roll call vote.

CHAIR ROYBAL: So this appointment passes unanimously from the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners. And so I want to first say congratulations to Ms. Serrato and also as Commissioner Garcia had stated, it's some big shoes to fill. I know that Representative Jim Trujillo did a great job for his community and I know that you will follow in those same footsteps and I'm sure you have his phone number to call and talk to him about any questions or concerns that you may have. So once again, I just want to thank Representative Trujillo for his dedicated service to the state and thank you for coming forward to carry the torch going forward, Ms. Serrato.

MS. SERRATO: Thank you, everyone. I appreciate it. Thank you.

3. CONCLUDING BUSINESS

- A. Announcements**
- B. Adjournment**

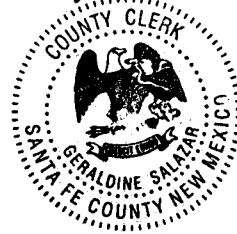
Following motion by Commissioner Hamilton and a second by Commissioner Hansen and with no further business to come before this body, Chair Roybal declared this meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

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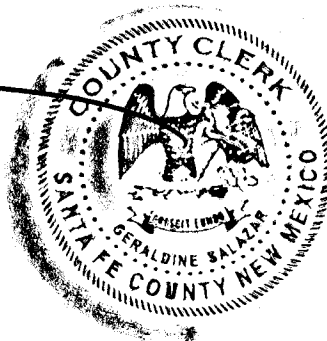
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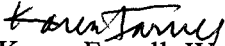
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