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1. A. This regular meeting of the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners was called to order at approximately 2:07 p.m. by Chair Anna Hamilton in the Santa Fe County Administration Complex Conference Room, 100 Catron Street, 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:

Members Excused:

None

Commissioner Anna Hamilton, Chair Commissioner Henry Roybal, Vice Chair

Commissioner Rudy Garcia

Commissioner Anna Hansen

Commissioner Ed Moreno

- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. State Pledge
- E. Moment of Reflection

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Johnny Baca, the State Pledge by Chris Narvaiz and the Moment of Reflection by Les Francisco of the Public Works Department.

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 Tabled or Withdrawn Items

CHAIR HAMILTON: Were there any changes?

KATHERINE MILLER (County Manager): Madam Chair, yes. The amended agenda went out on 11/8 at 3:00 pm and there was one item that was added and that was item 2. H under Consent and it is requesting a letter of support for the Santa Fe Watershed Association's WATERSMART grant proposal. And other than that, the

agenda is as posted one week ago.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Yes, Commissioner Hansen. COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I move to approve the agenda with

changes.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I'll second.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. I have a motion and a second.

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

1. G. Approval of Minutes: October 8, 2019

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair, I have changes. I've given them to the stenographer.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Excellent. Thank you. So what's the pleasure of the Board with those changes?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I move to approve with the changes.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I'll second.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. I have a motion and a second.

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

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Request Acceptance of Grant #18-C5066 from the State of New Mexico, Aging and Long-Term Services Department for the Abedon Lopez Senior Center in the Amount of \$1,300,000 (Finance Division/Yvonne S. Herrera)
- B. Request Acceptance of Grant #19-D2063 from the State of New Mexico, Aging and Long-Term Services Department for the Highway 14 Senior Center in the Amount of \$800,000 (Finance Division/Yvonne S. Herrera)
- C. Request (1) Approval of Amendment No. 3 to Agreement No. 2017-0244-TR/IC Between Santa Fe County and Automated Election Services for Printing and Mailing Services, Increasing the Compensation by \$100,000, for a Total Contract Sum of \$300,000.00, Exclusive of NM Gross Receipts Tax, for the Full Term of the Agreement, and (2) Authorization for the County Manager to Sign the Purchase Order (Purchasing Division/Bill Taylor)
- D. Request (1) Approval of Amendment No. 3 to Agreement No. 2017-0062-CSD/RM Between Santa Fe County and Elizabeth Peterson Consulting, Extending the Term of the Agreement for Seven Months and Increasing the Compensation an Additional \$87,562.25, Exclusive of NM Gross Receipts Tax, for a Total Agreement Amount of \$462,562.25, and (2) Authorization for the County Manager to Sign

- the Purchase Order (Purchasing Division/Bill Taylor and Community Services Department/Rachel O'Connor)
- E. Resolution No. 2019-134, a Resolution Authorizing the County Manager to Acquire Through Negotiated Agreement a Drainage Easement Across 14 Camino Torcido Loop and Further Authorizing the County Attorney to Initiate and Prosecute an Appropriate Action to Have Judicially Determined the Existence and Scope of Any Existing Drainage Easement on 14 Camino Torcido Loop and Condemnation Proceedings to Acquire (If Necessary) a Drainage Easement on 14 Camino Torcido Loop (County Attorney's Office/Rachel A. Brown)
- F. Resolution No. 2019-135, a Resolution to Extend the Term of the Cooperative Arterial SP-5-19 (184) Agreement with the New Mexico Department of Transportation (Public Works Department/Gary L.J. Giron)
- G. Resolution No. 2019-136, a Resolution to Extend the Term of the Cooperative Arterial CAP-5-19(470) Agreement with the New Mexico Department of Transportation (Public Works Department/Gary L.J. Giron)
- H. Request Approval of Letter in Support of Santa Fe Watershed Association's WATERSMART Grant Proposal (Public Works Department/Claudia I. Borchert)

CHAIR HAMILTON: Were there any items people had questions on or wanted removed for discussion? If not, what's the pleasure of the Board?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair, I move to approve the Consent Agenda.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, I have a quick question. I'm sorry.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Could I have a second first and then we'll have discussion.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I'll second.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, what is the \$87,562?

CHAIR HAMILTON: Which number? COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Item D.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Item D. You said item D. My apologies.

MS. MILLER: Madam Chair, that is the contract that we have with Elizabeth Peterson Consulting in Community Services, working with our Health Policy and Planning Commission. They helped us – Liz has helped us with information for the Accountable Health Communities, and this is a request to extend the contract for another year. They do – they help with administration and oversight of the contract with all the different [background noise] throughout Santa Fe to help us administer the Accountable Health Communities.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you. And then also, Madam Chair,

just really quick. Item number E, I know we talked about that the last couple meetings or so.

MS. MILLER: Yes, Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia. This is requesting authorization. We had discussed with the Board moving forward with acquiring a drainage easement on Torcido Loop. This is a resolution to allow us to try to negotiate that easement and if not negotiated, to follow through in condemnation proceedings.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Is there further discussion on the Consent Agenda? If not I have a motion and a second.

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

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

3. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

None were brought forward.

4. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Recommendation to the Governor of Person for Appointment as State Senator for State Senate District 6, per NMSA 1978, Section 2-8D-4(B)(2)(a)

CHAIR HAMILTON: Is Tessa Jo actually presenting this? Please, Tessa

Jo.

TESSA JO MASCARENAS (County Manager's Office): Good afternoon, everybody. Madam Chair, as we're all aware, Senator Carlos Cisneros recently passed away and under New Mexico law, when a vacancy is created in a Senate district that covers two or more counties we are required to submit one name to the governor. Each county will have to do that and when she receives those recommendations she will appoint someone in turn.

So in response to these requirements, we began accepting applications from individuals who wished to be considered for the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners recommendation. The individuals were Roberto "Bobby" Gonzales, Gabriel Montoya, Dan Barrone, Kristina Ortez, Gabriel Herrera, and Bina Thompkins. The last two did submit after the deadline but we included them in your packets for your review. All of the applications were included for your review and staff recommends that the Board name one individual to submit to the governor for recommendation. And I believe several of the candidates are also here with us as well.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Could we have the potential appointees sit up here and like, three minutes, I think that's what we said, that each would be given three minutes.

MS. MASCARENAS: Shall we go in the order that they were received? CHAIR HAMILTON: Sure.

MS. MASCARENAS: The first one will be Representative Roberto "Bobby" Gonzales.

ROBERTO "BOBBY" GONZALES: First of all, good afternoon and congratulations on your new building. It's extremely beautiful and shows the good work of our taxes. Thank you to all of you for this opportunity and I will abide by your time limit. On my part, on my bio is I am married to Shelly Gonzales. We've been married 46 years. We have two sons. One is Assistant Director of Economic Development with Bernalillo County and my other son is a medical doctor at the University of New Mexico, and my two daughters-in-law, one teaches online as a doctor for early childhood education. My other daughter-in-law works with the University of New Mexico, and two beautiful grandsons – granddaughter and grandson. I better correct that.

The other part that I wanted to mention, I have 25 years of experience in the New Mexico Legislature in the House of Representatives. I have served on various committees and am chairman and vice chairman of several committees and I wouldn't be here today if it wasn't for the mentor internship that I have gone through from many of the past legislators from your area, from Max Coll to Eddie Lopez to Ben Lujan. Those have all been very strong mentors. I have learned a lot and have worked very well with them and with your current legislators. We have a very good working relation.

Now, my part, what I would see working with this is this is four counties and it's very important that the representation stays as four counties, representing each one of you. And one of the highlights that I see of course, it always surfaces to number one is education and one of those that I see with our part in our state and in our rural areas is infrastructure. We're very much into – we really need to come on strong with water systems, water and sewer systems and especially to our areas that is very hard to get access to but at this time and day we have to make more efforts to work with that. We have – a lot of our municipalities have very aging systems and we need to work with that.

Other areas are very similar to the County of Santa Fe and also to Taos and for four years I worked really hard on the bill that finally passed and that is the historical zoning. It is very crucial that we copy out here the model that you have with Agua Fria. So now that is in place and that is a state law to have that acknowledgement of any facility that is 100 years of more. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Do we get to ask questions?

CHAIR HAMILTON: Do you want a few minutes for questions?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I would like to know – just so you know, water and sewer systems are incredibly important to me, and especially since I represent Agua Fria where we need sewers seriously. But when Aamodt was in front of the legislature, how did you vote to support that? Did you support Aamodt and our amount of

MR. GONZALES: Madam Chair and Commissioner Hansen, yes. I voted yes.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Okay. And how did you vote on the abortion bill, to rescind the –

money we needed for that going forward?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, is it okay to ask questions

like that?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Or not. They were public questions. Aren't they on the public record? And maybe I just haven't read them.

RACHEL BROWN (Interim County Attorney): Madam Chair, as you presented the forum, it was to make a presentation but it is your meeting to run as you see fit.

CHAIR HAMILTON: I would keep – if we could do three minutes of presentation, three minutes of questions and just keep it pretty short.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I'm just asking questions about the legislature.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, just the only concern I have is as long as we ask all the candidates the same questions. We should have talked about this a little bit before, so if we have all different questions –

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I'd be happy to ask all the candidates exactly the same questions.

MR. GONZALES: So as to you question, Madam Chair and Commissioner. I voted to support the bill.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: To rescind that.

MR. GONZALES: Yes.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Okay. That's the only two questions I have. CHAIR HAMILTON: Are there other Commissioners who care to ask

questions at this time?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: I have a couple. First of all, Madam Chair, Mr. Representative, thank you for serving the state legislature for as long as you've served. As you know more than any of us sitting up here, to be a public servant for that is actually an honor and excellent. It takes a lot of work to do that. And I've actually worked at the state legislature. I was the staff that actually handled a lot of the legislation in Santa Fe County and so you've actually done an excellent job there and I just appreciate your service that you've done. So thank you.

MR. GONZALES: Thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Thank you very much.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: And I want to make one more comment.

And you have been appointed by the Taos County Commission?

MR. GONZALES: Madam Chair and Commissioner Hansen, yes.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Okay.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you so much.

MR. GONZALES: Thank you for the opportunity.

MS. MASCARENAS: Next up would be Gabriel Montoya.

GABRIEL MONTOYA: Madam Chair, Commissioners, thank you. Great ceremony this morning. The building is impressive. This is a huge positive step for the County to have a one-stop shop for all the constituents. So thank you for all your hard work and the previous Commissioners to get us where we are today. So thank you.

As most of you know me, my name is Gabriel Montoya. I'm a lifelong resident of the Pueblo of Pojoaque. I have a large family. My family, my extended family reaches from Denver, Colorado all the way across the country. That would probably be the easiest

way to say it. Within the district I have friends and family that live within every aspect of the district. I'm constantly being told what we should work on and what we shouldn't work on on the tribal side to assist the other counties. So I do have the good ear to the ground to understand what the true issues are everywhere.

I do have a lot of years on the other side of the table from the representative. I've been 24 years on the lobbying side for the pueblo, working on things for the three previous governors, or the three governors I've worked for for the pueblo of Pojoaque, whether it's been the gaming issue, taxation – anything that has to do with anything and most importantly recently, the Aamodt deal which [background noise] not only here but in DC.

I think it's crucial that we choose someone – that the County look at choosing someone who can do a multi-jurisdictional approach and has that type of experience. You're in a very unique situation with six tribes, four counties, and then all the cities that are in between. It makes it interesting, understanding the dynamics and how that works and how those relationships work are important. I do have that experience and I have had that experience and I have the relationships.

As you all are aware, I also serve on the REDI-Net Board which is a similar type project which does the multi-jurisdictional and we've gone from a dysfunctional organization to a rather successful organization. The representative was correct. Education is one thing I'll never argue. All of us will agree education is important. It's important to not only talk about education but what are you doing for education? Are you involved in the school boards? I had the opportunity to work with disability rights in New Mexico and parents reaching out this year to train our parents to know what their rights are for our kids who are not getting the services within the classroom.

For the Pojoaque School District we've been having a lot of issues where we're not getting those types of services so being a critical leader in education is important.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair, I'll ask the same two questions. Do you support the Aamodt education.

MR. MONTOYA: I'm not in the legislature but within the Pojoaque Council I did vote yes for Aamodt.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: And the abortion bill that was to remove an old law from the books, how would you have voted or how would you consider that?

MR. MONTOYA: I supported that to get it removed. I supported that.

Yes.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Okay. Thank you. MR. MONTOYA: Okay. Thank you so much. CHAIR HAMILTON: Thanks so much.

MS. MASCARENAS: All right. Next will be Dan Barrone.

DAN BARRONE: Good afternoon, Commissioners, and thank you for the opportunity to be here. I just hope you all received our résumés and all the paperwork that we did submit so you've got an opportunity to see who we really are and the accomplishments we have made within our communities.

I was born and raised in Pojoaque. I went into the Pojoaque High School from the first through the ninth grade. It gave me the opportunity, being a part of 4-H in the Pojoaque Valley. I actually raised a grand champion hog and showed it at the Santa Fe

County Affair. Probably dug every ditch within the Pojoaque Valley, within the Nambe Valley, within the Jacona and Jaconita areas as a youth.

In the ninth graded moved schools to Santa Fe. Actually graduated out of St. Mike's in 1977, same year that the governor graduated. I graduated with the governor. I was able to become a state wrestling champ. Also an all-state, all-district football player within St. Mike's. So my heart is within the area. I know what it takes to run government. I've been a county commissioner for the last – I was county commissioner for eight years. I'm currently the mayor serving my second term. I just want to give back to our community, the community of Pojoaque that gave me a start. They gave me a start, the opportunity to get my life started.

I learned about the acequias. I learned about the water. I learned about the many avenues that we have in our community to support our youth. Family is important to me. Family unity is important to me. And as you can see, we all continue to stress that. I do that in my own community. We try to have events that are drug-free and alcohol-free community events.

I just want to say some of the biggest issues that I see that affect the county is the Taxation and Revenue reporting of taxes. I know we have budgets and when our taxes continue to fluctuate because there's not a good mechanism to figure out why all of a sudden we have a drop in them or why you're clawing back certain revenues. I think this is something that we need. I know there's a lawsuit that has been filed in some communities and I know that's something that impacts all our budgets.

As far as we talk about water and support of water and water rights, I did sit with the past governor. I also sat with all the leaders of the Taos Pueblo tribe because we have a similar – the Aamodt and the Abeyta settlement kind of ran hand in hand and I sat with the governor and we did make sure that the money was allocated for those – the Abeyta settlement. So again, my time is up.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: So once again, during the legislature will you continue to support the allocation of money for the Aamodt settlement?

MR. BARRONE: Yes. And water rights and anything else to do with water that we need. That's the most important thing that we have in our communities. Without water we don't have communities.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Right. Water is life.

MR. BARRONE: It is.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: And then on the abortion bill?

MR. BARRONE: Abortion bill, we need to remove it, remove the old

clause.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Okay. That's all I have.

CHAIR HAMILTON: any other questions?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Yes, Madam Chair. Just some

recommendations or not recommendations –comments. Thank you, Mayor for serving as a public servant. I just thank you for serving as the mayor.

MR. BARRONE: Thank you. Appreciate that. CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you very much.

MS. MASCARENAS: The next is Kristina Ortez.

KRISTINA ORTEZ: Good afternoon. Congratulations on this beautiful building. Thank you so much for having me here. My name is Kristina Ortez. I work in Taos. I'm the executive director of the Taos Land Trust and I am seeking the nomination for State Senate District 6.

I've spent my entire career as a land and water advocate. When I took the helm of the Taos Land Trust nearly six years ago we were in total crisis. We had no office, no staff, no money. The community had little trust in us. I knew that the first thing that we needed to do was build back that trust. So for the first $2\frac{1}{2}$ years I talked to people. I collected stories, histories, dreams, of hundreds of Taoseños. I learned a lot about their lives. These conversations were not limited to land and water.

What my community taught me was that children are important and their lives are imperiled. Many of our children live in poverty. I learned that our community is desperate to solve our behavioral health crisis because so many families suffer. Substance abuse disorder affects every community in our district. I also learned that to support a healthy and thriving childhood we must focus on their early experiences. I believe that we need front-line workers who are trauma informed to work with our most vulnerable populations. These folks are daycare providers, teachers, counselors, doctors and we need to support them so they can have jobs that support their families and themselves.

We need more funding for our home visiting programs like First Born and First Steps, for all the families who want to get those services. First Steps was my first friend in Taos. That's really not at all an exaggeration. Molly McCracken, my home visitor helped me through childbirth. She negotiated with my health insurance provider so I could get breast care support. She took me to baby music and baby yoga classes so I could meet other moms, and most importantly she held my hand through my own personal crises. Every family should have a Molly McCracken.

There's so many innovative ideas and plans that the state could implement right now to lift our children out of poverty and hunger and build resiliency in our communities. I support these policies. I am different. One of the ways I'm different is pretty obvious. I am a woman. That's not necessarily the reason to vote for me but I do represent a fresh voice that's been lacking in the Senate for many, many years and a voice that represents 55 percent of our district. I'm here today because I represent a fresh, new voice, new energy that's been bubbling under the surface for years and now is finally rising to the top.

My community has asked me to step up because of that, me being that fresh, new voice in Santa Fe. Thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Questions?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Same questions. The legislature has appropriated \$20 million to Aamodt and I just want to make sure that that is continued to be supported. Would you continue to support it?

MS. ORTEZ: Absolutely. That is – it's so critical, building water infrastructure and improving water infrastructure. It's critical for this district and for our communities. I would do the same for those – funding that's needed for the Abeyta settlement as well.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: And then on the abortion rule to be

removed from the [background noise]

MS. ORTEZ: I believe a woman's decision to have an abortion is between her, her healthcare provider and her god, and I don't believe that government should interfere in that decision at all, and I think it's critically important as we see other states across the country that are reducing this right, killing this right for women. We can't let that happen here. I would repeal that antiquated amendment.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Other questions? Thank you so much.

MS. ORTEZ: Thank you.

MS. MASCARENAS: Next up would be Gabriel Herrera.

GABRIEL HERRERA: Thank you folk, appreciate the opportunity. It is my privilege and honor to be here to try and succeed a man, a good man that has left us. I worked with Charlie at the Questa Mine back in the eighties. I left Questa and joined federal service. I just retired for 30 years of federal service so I have no political background. Mine is work ethics, working to do the right thing for the right people. And with that, I've maintained budgets from \$600,000 to \$6 million dollars. I've worked with military personnel for human services, human rights. As my mom was a teacher in Questa. She's still alive. I'm thankful that my mom and dad are still alive. My dad's a farmer so again, I want to represent and fight every infant to senior citizen.

It's very important. We're in a unique district. We've just provided the Christmas tree. That's a big thing for us here in the state. The pueblos, the acequias, the tourism – there are so many things to fight for, but it has to go down to taking care of our families and our people within. There's nothing else that we can do. We need to address those issues and communicate the rights for the right education. Get mentorships for these types of positions. This is very important. These roles need to be filled by competent, experienced people with the right work ethic and the right integrity it can be accomplished.

That's really my goal is just to fight for the rights for the people doing it the right way with the laws and regulations we have in place. I think as the previous applicant mentioned, the résumé should speak a lot for where we're at and what our intent is. I'm brief. I'll get to the point and answer any questions. Again, god bless our veterans. We need to get a state [background noise] as well. I'm a Vietnam combat veteran so I've dealt with VA and veterans' rights at the Pentagon level. I've entertained Secretary of Defenses, senior congressmen to the facilities that I take care of. So again, I appreciate the opportunity to use my experience to fight for the right thing.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you very much. Commissioner Hansen.
COMMISSIONER HANSEN: So once again, the legislature has appropriated \$20 million towards the Aamodt regional water system in Pojoaque. Would you continue to support that?

MR. HERRERA: Absolutely. Water, again, water as everybody's mentioned, water is life. Again, I own a ranch up in Questa, and I fight for water every single year because I'm the last one on the ditch. I'm the last one that gets water. So water rights is precious. It's key.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: And I also want to thank you for your service. And then also there is this antiquated bill about abortion that was in the

legislature last year that did not pass. Would you support that passing?

MR. HERRERA: I'd have to look at the wording for that, but in my personal opinion, my beliefs, my Catholic faith, I'm pro-life, so I'd have to look at what's right for the individuals and right for the love that it stands for.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Okay. Thank you. MR. HERRERA: Thank you for the opportunity.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you very much.

MS. MASCARENAS: And our next one is Bina Thompkins. I've never met her, but there's a bit of a delay. [Ms. Thompkins was not present]

So now that you guys have heard from all of the applicants. We do have certain requirements. You have all those included in your Board packet, so when you guys provide me with your recommendation I will submit that to the governor's office.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair, this is a difficult discussion and a difficult decision. There are many qualified candidates here. I respect that Representative Gonzales has already been nominated so therefore I feel that I would like to nominate somebody who has not been nominated by a board. And I have been heavily lobbied by the environmental community. I've probably received close to 30 to 40 requests to nominated Kristina Ortez and so with that, because the constituency has been so strong I am going to put her name up for nomination.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. I have a nomination. Do I have a

second?

COMMISSIONER MORENO: I'll second.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Is there further discussion?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, I have a question. So how does this work as unto so we have a nomination on the table?

CHAIR HAMILTON: Correct.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So, I guess we take a vote then we keep nominating people -

CHAIR HAMILTON: If that vote is not successful.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Now, I wonder – is that how we did it the last time when we had something like this? Or did we have multiple nominations and then vote on those?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, Mr. Vice Chairman, what happened last time was it was in my district. It was down in the Edgewood area. So we actually had two individuals that came forward. It was Velasquez and I forget the other lady's name and we submitted Vasquez. Nonetheless, it's about the governor has to appoint this. And so one of the questions I have is can we nominate two or three different people or do we have to nominate just one? Because ultimately, what happened last time, Santa Fe County nominated Velasquez and she didn't get nominated by the governor, under the Governor Martinez administration.

And one of the things that we need to keep in mind is, or the way I look at it is last night I watched a movie and you just have to actually – I'm on the school board. I see what's happening on the school board. I was the deciding vote, obviously, and one of the things is – you just have to vote for what you think is right. It's not about who calls you,

who talks to you. It's just whatever you think the applicant is and what they've done and how it does because Senator Cisneros' shoes are huge shoes to fill.

I worked for the state legislature for – and Manager Miller and a few other managers for the last 13 years as the staff that actually oversaw legislation. Whenever – you could be an applicant, say you want to do this, you want this and legislation is up here. You have the Department of Transportation, you have the Health Department, you have all these departments and at local government level, we're down here. We're actually individuals that actually work with the individuals, the acequias. We work with the roads, the roads need paving. The guardrail fell down. And I get how legislation works up there. And whenever sometimes we talk about I want to get these things done, it's almost like trying to get an act through Congress.

And at the local level, which I think one individual brought up, said, at the local level, with all due respect to our legislators, at a local level, you're a lot more effective with individuals. That's just how I feel. And I was going to say maybe it's because things happen for a reason. I watched that movie last night. I would just vote for what I think my heart is and what I need to do. Like I said, Senator Cisneros' shoes. The very guy that had it and figured it out. He got it. He figured it out.

And one of the things that shows is we all live in one community. Today we had a groundbreaking ceremony today and one of the things I wanted to get up there and speak and give – kind of, we're all one. The City Councilors were there, the Mayor was there. So may Councilors. We're all one community here. And from Pojoaque north, this district represents. We're all one community here. We all live here together and I guess I'm just probably talking from the heart. I just wanted to mention that before we go on to possibly other nominations or not, because Santa Fe County north, we don't really deal with Taos. We don't deal with Rio Arriba that much, but as Manager Miller knows, some of us have worked here forever. Some of us have worked on this for a long, long time, know what local government is. I guess I'm just letting you know how I feel.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair.

MS. MILLER: Madam Chair. CHAIR HAMILTON: Yes.

MS. MILLER: I just wanted to let you know, as to his question, the Commission can only send one name, by state statute.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I recognize that this is a difficult decision. I was going to comment that my second choice would have been Gabe Montoya, because I feel that he would have also really represented this area. But since we can only have one I just have such a strong push from constituents who I represent that I wanted to move forward with Kristina.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Madam Chair.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Go ahead.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: First of all, I can respect Commissioner Garcia's point of view and I do think that would be great if we could that but I know that we can only appoint one. And I just want to say, my feeling in the area is of course I'm the Commissioner for this district that the Senator will be representing and the way I feel is we do have individuals that could represent Pojoaque and Taos as a whole and I really

feel that Mr. Montoya and Mr. Barrone can do that. Both have ties, especially Mayor Barrone, as an elected official, he has that experience in Taos and also growing up in the valley he'd be a great advocate for services and needs that the community would have and with ties to family in the area.

So I do want to say that and say that he would be my nomination and I feel that, like Commissioner Hansen said, Gabe would also do a great job.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Well said. Is there further discussion? Commissioner Moreno.

COMMISSIONER MORENO: Thank you, Madam Chair. Mayor Barrone and I have served on the RTD Board for two years now and he chairs a good meeting. He has roots abundant and he has a good way of making people feel they're recognized. And so Gabriel, all the work that we did in the early years, three years ago, a formative part of my life and probably yours. And I learned a lot about tribal relations and indigenous people. And I think that's – we have a lot of great people. I don't know how I'm going to come down. Those are my top two or three.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, I guess I should make some more comments before we go to a vote, but I would like to echo what Commissioner Moreno said as to they're all great candidates. You guys would all do a great job. I know that. I feel that and so as an individual I got appointed to the school board and now actually as an individual that's on the ballot and actually will be a school board member for the next four years, sometimes you have to really realize what you're going to do and stepping up to the plate as into running for office and being in office because it's a lot—it's a little bit more challenging than people out there realize how challenging it is. And it takes commitment. It takes a lot of work and it takes big decisions that you have to make. And I just want to say all the candidates—there are some other candidates that have been in the Roundhouse for many, many years and mayors and people that have worked for non-profits, people that worked for tribal governments, people that actually worked in the private sector and helped individuals. I think you guys, you individuals are very qualified to be appointed and I just wanted to mention that.

CHAIR HAMILTON: All of this is very well said and it's very true. It's a difficult decision. People say you're blessed when you –

COMMISSIONER MORENO: Madam Chair.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Yes.

COMMISSIONER MORENO: Will we be deliberating?

CHAIR HAMILTON: This is it? This is the public discussion on it. So we have a nomination of Kristina Ortez and a second – Commissioner Hansen and Commissioner Moreno – and if there's no further discussion, all in favor of that nomination please say aye.

The motion passed by unanimous [4-0] voice vote with Commissioner Roybal abstaining.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: I'd just actually like to - I'm just going to speak from my heart. I actually think you guys all did a great interview. I understand where the votes are and what happened with the votes and I would ask - obviously

Representative Gonzales –

CHAIR HAMILTON: Could we complete the vote? How are you voting? Are you abstaining? Opposed?

COMMISSIONER MORENO: We haven't voted. CHAIR HAMILTON: I just called for a vote? MS. MILLER: I heard three yeas and one abstention.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: I'll vote for her.

CHAIR HAMILTON: So the nomination passes. It was a very difficult decision. I can't tell you how much I thank everybody for applying. They say it's – the richness of having many good candidates. I personally would encourage everybody and thank you for your service and for continuing to be willing to put yourselves forward. Congratulations, Kristina. We wish you the very best in moving forward with this nomination.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I would just like to say to all of you, I hope you will run. I hope you will run in 2020 and get your name on the ballot because I really think that it is up to the people to make the decision. And this has really been extremely difficult for me, and I want you to know that. Because I think that many of you are qualified. Not one of you but probably all of you are qualified to serve. So thank you very, very much.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Just really quick, I was going to speak as to Representative Gonzales, we had a forum when I was running for office down in the southern part of the county and one of the things they asked was term limits. Do you all agree with term limits? And three out of the four candidates said we agree to term limits. And the gentleman that's in office right now, he said, you know, I don't agree with term limits. And he said one of the individuals that actually taught me how the Roundhouse works, our capitol, is Lucky Varela. Lucky took me to lunch one day and he said, this is how the budget works, in a nutshell. And he said if we don't have term limits in that place, we actually – the individuals that would be running that Roundhouse would be the lobbyists. So I actually respected that.

Representative Gonzales, you've been there for many, many years. You have great institutional knowledge there. Mr. Montoya, an up and coming star, an up and coming guy. You know how government works. You did a great interview. Kristina, you're a coming individual and like Commissioner Hansen said, big shoes to fill and good luck. We wish you the best of luck and take care of the Pojoaque Valley here.

Mayor, you actually hit a lot of key points that I thought were very great. Acequias, digging ditches, roads. Local government stuff. Not statewide stuff. Not House stuff. Local government stuff. Not abortion stuff, because we don't deal with abortion stuff whenever it comes to local government. Good questions from Commissioner Hansen but I thought you really hit it very well as to local government stuff.

The gentleman here, thanks for coming forward. Sorry I forgot your name. Thanks for coming forward and wanting to be involved in the process because that's what happens. You have to be involved in order to have a say-so. Like the ex-mayor, the ex-County Commissioner, Javier Gonzales' dad, when he was the mayor, he said, in Spanish, he said *si no votan*, *no lloren*. If you don't vote, don't cry. I appreciate you

coming forward. You speak well. Great job. Thank you all for good interviews.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I just want to thank everybody that was here today: Gabriel Herrera, I liked what you had to say – even being a veteran, I want to thank you for your service. My dad was a Vietnam veteran as well and so I know that it wasn't a war that was very brought to light. Now everybody's thankful but then it wasn't and it was something very difficult for our soldiers to go through.

Representative, thank you for being here today. I think you do a great job as a representative and I think that you had great experience that you brought, that you could bring forward. So I really appreciate you being here today and Kristina, congratulations on the nomination here. Mr. Barrone, I know a lot of your family as well in the Pojoaque Valley and I know that you would have served well as a Senator as well. There's still opportunity to run in June or even be appointed by another board but I just want to say thank you guys for being here today. I just want to – whoever ends up being in this position I look forward to working with you this next year.

Gabriel, thank you, sir. We've had the great opportunity to work on things together from the acequias and issues that we have in that acequia all the way to the Aamodt and other issues. You run the REDI Net. You're great. You're a great advocate for the community and I just want to say thank you for everything that you do. It's inspiring. We've been friends since we were kids, you know, so we've known each other a very long time. So I have a great deal of respect for you and thank you for coming here and having the courage to come forward.

How many of you are going to Los Alamos now?

CHAIR HAMILTON: We should let you go then. Thank you again. Take

care.

MS. MASCARENAS: Thank you, Commissioners. We'll be submitting a letter to the governor immediately.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you for handling this.

5. MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN

MS. MILLER: Madam Chair, so the union would like to speak to the Board, the AFSCME union and there are several out in the hall. I thought that they could come in. They wanted to at least introduce themselves. Hopefully they could stand along the wall. And then the president and I think some of the other officers maybe have a couple of items that they wanted to bring forward to the Board.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Okay. And just a point of order. This is public

comment.

MS. MILLER: This is not –

CHAIR HAMILTON: So it's not necessarily a question and answer

period.

MS. MILLER: Correct. This is under public comment.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Yes. Thank you.

LUCAS HERRERA: Hello, everybody. I'm Lucas Herrera, president of Local 1782. I've brought some employees with me.

[Eighteen union members introduced themselves.]

MR. HERRERA: Thank you for having us here. I'm not very good at words so I wrote everything down, so bare with me.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So just really quick, Mr. President. Just relax. It's all good. We're all [background noise] So you should feel comfortable.

MR. HERRERA: Thank you so much. Madam Speaker and County Commissioners. My name is Lucas Herrera. I'm the president of Local 1782 AFSCME. We are here today to make progress by working with management on important topics and to reach out to you County Commissioners to partner on policy and to be used as tools to help the policies by creating policies that will benefit the employees that serve in the County and that will also benefit the people that live in the county.

The standards of employees from Santa Fe County, here, today and every day. By trying our best to improve quality, morale and integrity we will continue to work hard for the employees. We also are here to thank you for all that you do for the employees. As you know, most of us are working hard while these meetings are in progress. We would also like to thank you for all the cost of living increases that you have given the employees and we know that you will continue to help us.

And I will end on this, a quote by President John F. Kennedy in the State of the Union address. "Partners for progress, we are all trustees for the American people, custodians for the American heritage." Thank you for allowing us to be here. Thank you for giving us a moment of your time.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Absolutely. Thank you for coming and speaking. COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Could I just have a quick comment? CHAIR HAMILTON: Sure.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So just really quick. I think the quote that you have from President Kennedy, I've always said that. We work for the general public. That's who we work for: the taxpayer. I learned that from many, many years ago. I used to work on – I grew up here – this brand new building. [background noise]

CHAIR HAMILTON: You walked uphill both ways to school.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Actually, as line employees, I certainly see what you guys do out there, everything's very important in Santa Fe County. And I get it. I see it. Like you said, the president's quote from Kennedy, that's it. You work for the taxpayer. I learned that from the ex late speaker Ben Lujan, about 25 years ago. He came and he got a permit. He said to a guy that was that was working there. He said you need to help us out a little bit more. He was a [background noise]. He said you all work for the taxpayer. And Manager Miller noticed that. So the ex-Speaker [background noise] I appreciate everything you all do because there's things out there that get done – roads, finance. There's a lot of things out there that get done that people think about out there. They don't really see the financial things that Manager Miller – she works really hard at that and at the County we do well. But I just want to tell you guys, thank you for what you do and thank you for working for Santa Fe County. It's a great place to work.

The cost of living raises are good, and one of the things that I see is we actually sometimes some people go to the City for two or three dollars more an hour, and what they don't realize is the County pays about 18, 19 percent to the PERA fund but the City only pays 14 or 15. Some of these individuals go to the City for two or three dollars an

hour and they get less of a check because they don't look at the whole thing, right? But I appreciate all the work that you all do. Thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes. I want to thank you all for coming here and thanking us. That is really kind. It touches my heart. I am really grateful to be a County Commissioners and grateful to be able to represent all of you. And so it means a lot that you are all here standing together. And so I just want to thank you for being here and thank you for your hard work towards the County. It means a lot to me and a lot to the rest of the Commission. So thank you so much.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I kind of want to ditto the same comments my fellow Commissioners made. In my other – the other hat that I wear at Los Alamos National Laboratory, I actually work at Utilities and Institutional Facilities so I deal on a day-by-day basis with heavy equipment operators, with the planners, engineers. So I see at the laboratory and here that this is where the rubber meets the road. We're talking Finance that makes sure that we have the money to be able to go. They deal with purchase orders, work orders, whatever we need to get the job done, but it really takes a team. And like you mentioned earlier, you said that you want to help with leadership to make sure that we keep the people positive and working together and I think we need that leadership from within the organization and that's what I see here is that leadership.

I saw a lot of the guys here competed for the heavy equipment contest and I want to watch that.

CHAIR HAMILTON: The roadeo.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Yes. The roadeo. I know during one of the meetings and I went late to that meeting but it was worth it. I did miss some of it but Commissioner Hansen filled me in when I got there. But what I do want to say is that we always have to remember each individual part of our group because together we make a team. I love to see this display of personnel that come and come together and you guys all stand as one unit to address the Board. It really means a lot to me and I want you to know my door is always open to speak to any one of you.

So I really appreciate you guys coming here today. Thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Absolutely. Thank you for coming. I think Commissioner Roybal is right. Our doors are always open. I can certainly see that myself. I think that that's true for everybody here at the table. I'm really proud to be working with you guys.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Just really quick, Madam Chair. I think this is great for you guys to come and talk to us because I don't know how many times that the union has actually come, hey, this is where we are. Let's have a handshake, right? And I think this is a good back and forth dialogue.

MR. HERRERA: Thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you very much. Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I love the roadeos. Just so you know. I just wanted to add that.

CLERK SALAZAR: I really appreciate your words. And you know there are times when you and I have to work with your members, and what you may not know

is I'm a child of a woman and a man, and my brother, who were members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. And so I'm very pro-union, but there's times that we have to work together. But I appreciate, because you do listen when I talk to you and your members about the importance of the operations of the Clerk's Office. And today, your words solidify that for me and more. I can remember as a child my mother being on strike and preparing us for a strike and saying we will not have money for food but the union will be there for us. So I have those direct memories of my mother in the International Brotherhood of Electrical workers, and my brother, close to 40 years, the same member, so I can appreciate all that you do. Because the main thing about unions is safety and it gave us the weekend. So thank you for your words and for all of you, your hard work. And remember, we want to work with you. We're different compared to the Board because we are officers that manage offices and we have employees that are under us. So let us continue to work together. Thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Thank you very much for coming. MR. HERRERA: Thank you for giving us a moment to speak.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Any time. I know there's a delay out to other people who are attending this meeting but are in other conference rooms, but we're still in public comment. And so is there anybody else from the public who wishes to address the Board, in this room or in any of the conference rooms. Once again, is there anybody else? I will keep it open. Just waiting to get word if there's anybody else here who wants to address the Board, just so you guys know where we are.

So I'm going to go ahead and close public comment and thank everybody who came.

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. A Presentation on the Santa Fe County Fire Department Opioid Outreach Program (COOP) [Exhibit 1: Power Point Presentation; Exhibit 2: Rack Card]

CHAIR HAMILTON: We have, and we already have some materials passed out, Presentation by Melissa and Mike on the County Opioid Outreach Program. I know you actually have a power point, right? Tessa Jo had it set up.

MELISSA MOYA (Fire Department): We don't have to do it. It's basically the exact handout that you have in front of you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: I know you guys are totally willing to wing it, right?

RACHEL O'CONNOR (Community Services Director): So Commissioner Hamilton, I was going to make some opening remarks, just to give the Commission some history to this project and to understand everything in context so whenever you're ready just let me know.

CHAIR HAMILTON: There seems to be a separate meeting going on out here and I would like to know if any of them want to be in here. It's like a bigger and bigger group. I'm happy to proceed because this was first and foremost to inform the Commissioners so I think we are good.

SARA SMITH (Constituent Liaison): They're getting the projection

screen ready and they're going to pull up the presentation. You have the power point though.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Yes. And we have opening remarks first so we'll have a minute or two. Thanks so much, Sara. Really appreciate it.

MS. O'CONNOR: So, Madam Chair, Commissioners, I'm Rachel O'Connor with the Community Services Department and I just wanted to speak a couple minutes to put the next presentation in context of the things that both the Commission and the County Manager have supported over the years and how they have come to fruition in such a monumental and impactful way.

About five years ago, Chief Sperling and I worked together to fund a program looking at the various ways the Santa Fe County Fire Department could be –

MS. MILLER: Excuse me, Madam Chair. We seem to have lost a quorum. CHAIR HAMILTON: Yes. Thank you. I missed the fact that

Commissioner Hansen left and I shouldn't have. Thank you very much, Manager Miller. [Commissioner Hansen rejoined the meeting.]

MS. MILLER: Now we have a quorum.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I did not know that you had lost a quorum. CHAIR HAMILTON: That's quite all right. Thank you very much.

Rachel.

MS. O'CONNOR: Madam Chair, Commissioners, about five years ago, Santa Fe County funded a study, and between the Community Services Department and Santa Fe County Fire Department we hired what was ex-Senator Didi Feldman to come in and study across jurisdictions and make recommendations to the County about how we could use our Fire Department in a way to address those priorities that are in the Santa Fe County Health Action Plan. And at that time she came back to us approximately a year later with a variety of different recommendations and what I really wanted to say today is that we have had the opportunity to roll out not just one but two projects since that time period.

The first project that we did is what was called the Health Tracks program. So we hired a navigator out of the Senior Services program who does navigation for high risk clients that are either coming out of Christus or referred to us through our internal program, or referred to us through the Fire Department, in helping those people try to sustain independent living in their community. That was the first program that we created that was joined between the Fire Department and the Community Services Department to address the needs of what is really a high risk population.

About three years later we were approached by the Human Services Department, both myself and Chief Sperling, and asked if the County was willing to work with the New Mexico Department of Health to do a project, to do follow-up with people who have experienced drug overdose and were hospitalized or spent some time in the hospital system. We were willing to do that in part because someone who has experienced drug overdose is at extremely high risk for experiencing a second one and both Chief Sperling and I worked together to accept that grant and with the County Manager's and the Commission's permission we moved forward with hiring Melissa and Mike.

And this has really become a great program to address high risk needs in our community and it has the opportunity to grow because we are in the process of hiring

navigators at the Community Services Department who will link and do follow-up work once Melissa and Mike have addressed the overdose issue. And so we're really excited to have them on board and it's been just like an incredible program and I'm really happy to work with Chief Litzenberg going forward too. I think we're both very devoted and pleased with the work that's been done. So I just wanted to give you a little bit of history of that before they reported to you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Very much appreciated. Thank you. Melissa. MS. MOYA: So I don't know exactly what we're doing. Did we decide to skip it all together? Again, we don't have to use it.

So at the beginning of this, this is our presentation that we have gone to all of our fire districts, our field staff, and given them this presentation. So you're seeing what they have been seeing. It's been a little bit modified for you guys so it doesn't take as long. Usually it takes about 30 to 45 minutes.

Page 2 will show you our vision, mission and values and the goals, and we of course focus mainly on 3 and 4 for the Santa Fe County Fire Department. After this, Mike Milligan is going to go over the problem.

MIKE MILLIGAN (Contract Social Worker): Hi, Mike Milligan, licensed clinical social worker with the Fire Department for at least the next year. My position has been funded by a federal SAMHSA grant through the State Behavioral Health Services Department.

I'll start off with the problem. So we can say that the last 30 years in America, there have been 900,000-plus deaths from overdoses, more than all the wars put together. In the last five to ten years there's been an upsurge to the point where there were 72,000 overdose deaths two years ago. And what's really going up in the synthetic opioids – the Fentanyl, the death rate from that.

So on page 4 on the handout, which is in landscape form, it shows just the opioid deaths and the fact that men are at much higher risk for overdose deaths. This grant's initial focus is to reduce opioid overdose deaths by distribution of Narcan. So that's what we're doing and Melissa will get into that in a little more depth later.

So there's a national map of the United States and New Mexico used to own the highest rate of overdose deaths, although in the last couple of years because of the increase in prescription medication, Appalachia and New England have just as high overdose deaths. Although, as you see on the next map, outlined in New Mexico, that top area in dark is Rio Arriba, still in the top five counties in the country with overdose death rates for opioids. Santa Fe is just under that, the little rectangle.

So a couple years ago Santa Fe had 32 deaths per 100,000. That was the rate per 100,000. Next door, San Miguel, 44 deaths per 100,000. Rio Arriba was sitting at 90. And Santa Fe and Rio Arriba share a lot of services, a lot of population and a lot of cross border activity. So Rio Arriba still has one of the highest death rates per 100,000 in the whole nation. But the good news is that last year the overdose death rate went down five percent in the whole country, from about 70,000 to 69,000 deaths. Some of that has been attributed to the availability of Narcan – Naloxone – which can reverse opioid overdoses if caught in time.

I'm going to have Melissa explain exactly what we do with that in our activities in the county, and what we've discovered so far.

MS. MOYA: So on this page Mike already kind of touched based on how he was funded and his history with this. So we're going to move on. So this is our flow chart on how we identify your clients and how we find those individuals that we reach out to. We do it through a 911 audit that we do for the state database. Every morning I come in and I run this report, and what it does is it identifies overdose survivors and people who have died of overdoses through a word search. What it does is it picks up certain language related to an opiate related call and it pulls those reports out and it compiles it into one resource, one report for me.

I then go through all those reports and identify whether it was truly an opiate related call, if it was just maybe something that they use, somebody named a drug. I identify whether it is truly an opiate related call. And then I go back to our reporting system for the County Fire Department and I do some research on these individuals. Thorough research. I find out whether Santa Fe County Fire Department has built a relationship with them over the years, whether we've responded to them multiple times, how many times we've transported them, what kind of relations we've had. I also go to the Sheriff's Department and do a background check on these individuals to make sure that we're not putting ourselves in undue risk that we don't need to take.

I also do research on the actual residency, their last known residency as well. We had an incident last week where we found out — we were not aware of a flag and we almost responded to an incident where there was a flag on the residence. So we're still learning how to do this research and how best to identify these individuals. We've got a pretty good handle on it as of right now and in the last few months — we've been up and running since June — we're reached out to over — how many people would you say?

MR. MILLIGAN: Sixty.

MS. MOYA: Sixty different people. We've actually gotten one individual into rehab and into detox successfully. We've had also individuals who have expressed wanting to further their treatment, find treatment, and we connect them to those resources. One of the things that we're just starting to implement, we haven't been able to quite yet because we just received our tablets, is Bright Heart Health, who is a telemedicine program, we are now able to connect individuals who are interested in treatment but who do not have the capability to maybe get to those treatment centers to do it through telemedicine. So we're starting to implement that as well.

So all in all, it takes about a couple of hours every morning for us to do all of our research and then identify them and come up with a game plan. Every individual that Mike and I identify, we come up with a game plan and a certain approach for every single one of them individually. We don't have a full routine – it's not the same for each individual because everybody has their own story and we have to approach everyone individually, if that makes sense.

So the next one is just a list of our resources. We are connected to all of these individuals. These are people that we refer to, that refer the clients that we've met with also. We reach out to all of these. We've made connections and had meetings with all of these individuals. And there's a lot more. We could not list all of them on one sheet. And again, we wanted to shorten it down.

One of the things that we also do in our outreach is not only distributing Narcan but teaching them how to administer it. Teaching their family members how to administer

it, and also teaching them how to do rescue breathing as well. And how to identify an overdose, and what to do in the event of an overdose. Once they have given them Narcan, if they stop breathing, do the rescue breathing, call 911 before they start all of that. It's a whole process. We spend about an hour with each client that we reach out to and we try to get their families involved as well. They're typically the ones that find individuals that have overdosed.

MR. MILLIGAN: We also talk about harm reduction and we put it up on a slide about the Mountain Center, which does a substantial amount of harm reduction services in northern New Mexico. I was able to go with them for one day and I share this story to give you the gravity of the problem. So they do needle exchange in Chimayo, from Pojoaque north in the entire Rio Arriba County. So I went with them on the Santa Fe route where they go around all day and exchange needles and give them supplies. The first stop somebody came up with a five-gallon bucket of used needled and he traded them for three cases of new needles. In 30 years as a social worker that still shocked me. That was just one stop. So that's kind of what's going on in the county, and the dynamics we've seen from Chimayo versus the Edgewood area, versus almost on the border of Pecos and then Agua Fria. They're all a little bit different. But the problems are pretty prevalent and we're still working on educating people on harm reduction.

So we've personally done 15 one-hour trainings with the entire Santa Fe County Fire Department about what we're doing through the County Opioid Outreach Program and what harm reduction is. That's part of the education process. So with that we're handing out these Santa Fe County resource guides that Rachel's department has put together and now these are being carried on multiple County trucks so that they can give out resource information on their 911 calls. So we're just kind of building on this and we give them out ourselves.

What's going on across the country is fire departments are experimenting with MIHO type community health programs, and it's different in different parts of the country – urban, rural. The City of Santa Fe has a MIHO project and looks at the problems a little bit differently. In Santa Fe County –

CHAIR HAMILTON: You might tell them what that stands for.
MR. MILLIGAN: Mobile Integrated Health Office. And so we decided to
call ourselves COOP because we're specific to opioids and there was some confusion
between City and County programming. So Santa Fe County Fire is doing the COOP
program. We're addressing the opioid issue and connecting people to services. But we've
noticed that there are demographic and cultural differences in the county.

We've also established working relationships with the four pueblos. San Ildefonso a little bit less, but the other three a little bit more robust. If there's overdoses on the pueblos we ask permission to approach the pueblo members. Melissa will cover the last page.

MS. MOYA: So this is our information, which you guys will all have and before we leave we have our rack card and we'd love to give you guys some of our fancy pens, so you guys have our information. But our main focus, of course, is to be a better resource for our community, for the community that the Santa Fe County Fire Department serves. That looks very different, like he said going from Edgewood to Chimayo all the way to Hondo. We're trying to be the best resource for all of these

individuals. Hondo doesn't have a huge opiate related issue but they do have some. They have more elderly falls and elderly citizens that live in their community that need help. So we're also trying to find a way to be the best resource for them as well.

And that's countywide. So we're still learning, we're still growing and we're still trying to perfect this program. Does anybody have any questions?

MR. MILLIGAN: It's not just illicit heroin. Many of our calls are prescription opioid overdoses. And we've been in million dollar houses in Las Campanas to destroyed trailers in Edgewood. So it covers quite a bit of the county and the demographics.

MS. O'CONNOR: I just wanted to add before we close, two different things, and that is that we have two very important meetings this week. Tomorrow both Melissa and Mike and I are going to meet with the New Mexico Department of Health, our chief of epidemiology to talk about the possibility at their request of doing follow-ups as well for people who have made a suicide attempt, because just as overdose has increased significantly in the state of New Mexico and Santa Fe County, so has the number of people who have committed suicide.

And on Thursday we're also meeting with the Human Services Department to talk about ongoing funding of the project and current status. So the program continues to grow and gain interest on a statewide level, and I just want to say thank you because these two have just blown me away in terms of their capacity to respond to and intervene in a crisis situation.

MS. MOYA: Thank you, Rachel.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you so much. I know there are a lot of questions. Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Earlier, when Mr. Milligan was talking, you mentioned overdoses with prescription drugs.

MR. MILLIGAN: Yes.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I assume that there's probably a lot of elderly people that are accidental overdoses.

MS. MOYA: Absolutely.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Is there a big percentage or is it a smaller percentage of the whole amount?

MS. MOYA: It is a smaller percentage of the overall amount, but it is out there and it's becoming more prevalent. We've seen it more in the past six months than we have – granted, we didn't have this program last year so that may be why we're seeing it more, but we are seeing it a lot more. And that's where we also try to be a really good resource and try to connect them with the correct resources. If they're there, if they live by themselves and they have nobody to help manage their prescription medication, or if they don't have any assistance at all, that's where we really come in and try to connect them with the right resources, like Community Services.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Do you ever notify their physician or anything like that? Or is it really up to them?

MS. MOYA: We don't. And the reason we don't is because that could potentially be a breach of their confidentiality with us. Now, when we fill out the paperwork for Santa Fe Connect they do sign a release form and then that consents but

that is not something that Mike and I do; that would be their navigators. And I don't know if they take that on.

MS. O'CONNOR: Madam Chair, Commissioner, I do want add just one thing. Overdose in Santa Fe County is a reportable condition. So we are actually the ones notified through the New Mexico Department of Health that somebody has experienced an overdose. So the hospital generally at some point is involved and the Department of Health in that exchange of information to us.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you.

MS. MOYA: But we get referrals from both hospitals and our firefighters that are in the field as well.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Other Commissioners?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes, I want to thank you very much for the presentation. When I go to NACo, the National Association of Counties, and listen to other counties talk about the opioid crisis and the things that are happening throughout the rest of the county, I'm grateful to see us being so pro-active. So I want to thank Rachel and thank you. Because I think that those are the kinds of things that are going to help us in the long haul, help our population. I've lived here close to 50 years and Rio Arriba has always been the problem of having such overdoses, even when I first moved here in the early seventies. So that is a systemic problem that we have there, something that is going to take work, where a lot of the problems are also new problems with this Fentanyl and these new drugs that are coming on line. Some of those hopefully we can curb early on and make a difference. So I want to thank you for your service and for your work.

MS. MOYA: Thank you. One of the things that we've seen, one of the trends is Rio Arriba has kind of bled into Santa Fe County in the way that we have some of their residents that come into Santa Fe County, they have their overdose and then they go back to their residence in Rio Arriba County. So what Mike and I did is we went to Rio Arriba County and we went to the City of Espanola and we spoke with their mayor, their fire, their city manager and then their interim fire chief or their assistant fire chief, and asked for permission to reach out to those individuals that overdosed in Santa Fe County. Because we get those reports. We can identify those individuals.

They don't have a program out there as of yet. They have the Mountain Center and they do a great job of doing outreach and harm reduction but they don't have the ability to go to individual's houses like we do. They don't have that kind of access and they've given us permission to be able to do that. So hopefully we're going to start seeing a difference there as well.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you, Madam Chair. Just a follow up to ask if we could think outside the box and maybe it's not so far outside the box but I'm actually on a presentation tonight, and I talked to Rachel about it, from the Pathways Homeless Shelter that they're building in Espanola. I met with the board a few times. It's in my district too so it's in Santa Fe County. It is in the City of Espanola. Santa Fe County, the City of Espanola, 40 percent of the individuals that live in the City of Espanola are actually Santa Fe County residents.

MS. MOYA: Right.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: So I don't know if there's some way to kind of partner with this homeless shelter with the services that you guys provide but I think that's something that is going to be an ask in the future that there's some way we could partner and work with that shelter. I think that we've got an opportunity. Right now they've only 4,000 square feet but the whole building, which the owner has said that he's willing to take a loss of about a million dollars in equity to just let them take over the payments and I think they'll have \$150,000. If they got the whole area I think it would be like 10,000 or 11,000 square feet extra on top of the 4,000. That would possibly have services from one spectrum to the next as far as opioid addiction and how we provide services to help people.

MS. MOYA: Absolutely.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: So there's a lot of opportunity there that we can possibly partner with the City of Espanola, as well as the county of Rio Arriba County, to do something in the future to collaborate and kind of make this shelter work as a service to the constituents. It's something that I feel – I even have some family that I could say – I think there's not anybody that doesn't have family, friends, that they're affected somehow by opioid addiction. You see the trial and tribulation that these people go through. It's just something that we really need to focus on in trying to put a dent in this battle, because we're losing it. So I appreciate everything you guys are doing.

MS. MOYA: Thank you very much.

MR. MILLIGAN: Our mandate is outreach and in the meetings up there they've been very excited about Pathways new shelter opening. We can certainly reach out to them. We have Narcan to distribute free of cost and offering all the training that we can do and we'll get right on there.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: They'll be here tonight if you guys want to stay around.

MS. MOYA: We'll discuss that, because we have another presentation that we have to do tonight, but we'll discuss that. Maybe one of us could stick around. But I appreciate that input. And one of the things I have found is the more resources that we make connections with the better resource we can be. And part of that is getting in contact with Rio Arriba County.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Well, I have a small question and a big question. Small question first. Have you also done trainings? You trained with the paid fire staff?

MS. MOYA: Yes.

CHAIR HAMILTON: With the volunteers?

MS. MOYA: That's what we're doing tonight. And we have actually done – we've had a training with Hondo, Eldorado and Glorieta. Tonight we are training Turquoise Trail, Agua Fria, La Cienega and Madrid.

CHAIR HAMILTON: So you're doing the regional trainings?

MS. MOYA: Yes. Yes, we are. We are doing those.

MR. MILLIGAN: Almost 100 full-time firefighters have had the training of an hour or more and over 30 volunteers so far.

MS. MOYA: They are our biggest proponent here. They're the ones that really need to understand that the information that they provide helps us to better identify and be a better resource to these individuals.

CHAIR HAMILTON: And there are lots of places like the eastern region, just because I happen to be there I just know a little bit. The volunteer and paid work well on this kind of thing together. They have community familiarity, which can't be anything but a benefit to this matter.

MS. MOYA: Right. And that's our job, right? Be a better benefit for our community.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Exactly. So the big question. What are the prospects for continuing this? If this was a two-year grant, what are we – and it's a loaded question, and it's meant to be a loaded question because there are things that we'll be looking to to document the benefits soon enough in the coming year to get additional grant money, to see what the Board could do.

MS. MOYA: Well, hopefully Rachel will be able to get that answer for us tomorrow.

CHAIR HAMILTON: It doesn't have to all be answered tonight, but I wanted to put it out on the table.

MS. O'CONNOR: Madam Chair, here's two different things that we're doing to look at sustainability. One is tomorrow I'll be meeting with the chief epidemiologist from the Department of Health, and part of my ask to him is whether or not there is Department of Health funding to pick up some of the ongoing costs of this program. And in particular, if they're asking for expansion activities like follow-up on people who have attempted suicide we would be particularly interested in doing that. And secondly, on Thursday I'm meeting with BHSD, the Behavioral Health Services Division of HSD to see if we're going to have continuation funds for another year of the grants.

I'm anticipating that the answer to that will be yes.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Really? Neat.

MS. O'CONNOR: I'm hoping so, and that certainly was our plan when we first started the project is that we would have a number of years of funding from the State of New Mexico to continue on.

CHAIR HAMILTON: I really commend your work on that.

MS. MOYA: Thank you very much.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Just really quick. Thank you for the presentation. Very, very important topic in our community as we all know. Unless you actually are really affected by it and then you get into thinking it's just like cancer. But thank you, Ms. Moya, volunteer. You have a great family that's actually in my part of the district. Thank you for your volunteer work before you actually —

MS. MOYA: Before I actually became [background noise] Santa Fe.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Before she was legitimized.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: How do you all determine the high risk population?

MS. MOYA: Through our identification, through the reports that our crews out in the field write. I read through them and what I try to do is, again, research the relationship that we've had with this individual. If it's been an individual that we've responded to just that one time, I do some research and see how many medications are they on? Are they elderly? Where do they live? Do they have any other resources around

them?

We reach out to them. We call almost every person that could be possibly be deemed high risk. A lot of that really has to do with the type of medication. We're seeing more and more prescription medication issues than we are with heroin and other opioids. Heroin is not as big as it used to be, which is good and bad. It's good because you kind of see it – I don't want to say fading away because I don't think it ever will, but the prescription pills are the ones that have really proven to be the biggest issue. And those are the ones – we just try to reach out to anybody that we feel can benefit from this, meaning elderly – and they don't have to be elderly, but if they do have a history of it, and for the most part, about 90 percent of these individuals have a history. They're pretty easy to identify.

MS. O'CONNOR: Commissioner, if I could just add one thing to that. There is a sort of pre-selection process where they come to us as high risk because it's a reportable condition. So the hospital identifies people who have had a drug overdose. They notify the New Mexico Department of Health and then they notify us.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: One other thing also is what Sheriff Mendoza – actually this is one of his platforms is to help out the community with the opioid situation that we have going on so I'm glad to see the Sheriff is actually involved in that.

Also, one of the things I would like to know how this works, I would like to have seen the Regional Emergency Communications Director here, because how do you guys all interact and talk together to figure that out? You don't have to explain it to me right now. Because that's one of the most important ways. Anyone who calls 911, that dispatch office. So as long as you guys have a great working relationship.

MS. MOYA: We do actually. We can walk into dispatch at any given time and ask them for information. They're a huge resource of ours, actually. And we report to them every time that we're doing a home visit. We report to them over the radio, over dispatch so they have us on their radar. They know where we're at. They have a 30 minute window on us. After 30 minutes if they haven't heard us clear that scene they do a safety check for us.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Welfare check.

MS. MOYA: Thank you. Welfare check.

MR. MILLIGAN: You see that white car on the rack card, we're known as County Health 1 over the intercom, so we're always report in when we go to an address and we report when we're done for safety and we work with the Sheriff's Office almost daily to gather information and keep it safe and help us to help clients even better.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: And then a couple more quick questions. There's very excellent service providers. I'm totally familiar with the Mountain Center. It's probably one of the longest non-profits. They've been in operation for the last 30, 35 years. Excellent.

MS. MOYA: They are a phenomenal resource for us. We actually – we talk to them probably if not every week, we're constantly in contact with them. How can we be better? How can we do this? And we do that with a lot of our resources. The Pojoaque Pueblo has been a huge supporter of us as well. We did their youth summit about a month ago and that was very – what's the word?

MR. MILLIGAN: Sobering.

MS. MOYA: It was.

MR. MILLIGAN: There were 800 students and there was a program being put on by the Wahlberg Foundation about the opioid crises and at the end, one of the Wahlberg brothers, movie star Mark Wahlberg – his brother was there – and he said can everyone stand up who's lost someone or knows somebody who's lost. And 400 students stood up in the gym there. Just to give you an idea.

MS. MOYA: It was probably more than that. They had both the middle school and the high school there together and more than half of that school stood up. And that was very – it was pretty scary. Scared me a bit. But it was eye-opening on how important these programs can be.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: And Madam Chair, not that any of these providers aren't great. They're all great, obviously. It's just I'm a lot more familiar with the Mountain Center.

MS. MOYA: So are we, and all of them are great as well, but the Mountain Center really does work very closely. We work very closely with them, I should say.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Then also, Madam Chair, we talked about educating the general public. How do you all get this program – senior centers, community centers?

MS. MOYA: We go to as many resource days as we can. We did the youth summit. We've done a lot of recovery days. We've done, what? Five recovery days, I think.

MR. MILLIGAN: In five months we've done the Pojoaque Recovery Day, the Recovery Day Downtown. We've done Edgewood Public Safety Day. We've done the Tesuque Health Fair. We've done the Pojoaque High School. And then we're working on setting up a Fire Department tent at various hot spots around the county for six, seven hours to where we educate about the issue, give out Narcan free, resource books. That's kind of what we've come up with so far.

MS. MOYA: But another thing to keep in mind, I didn't introduce Howard. This is Howard. He's our rescue breathing dummy. So we take him with us everywhere we go and any house that we reach out we take him in with us and we offer them to train them on how to do rescue breathing on somebody they might find that is not breathing that has overdosed and how to go through the steps which start with first calling – well, identifying that they have overdosed. That they're not just sleeping, which believe it or not can be a mistake sometimes. How to call 911. How to try to wake them up. Give them Narcan. Start rescue breathing. And so we take this – not everybody is interested in learning how to do rescue breathing, which is okay. We try to meet them wherever they're at, whatever they're willing to do. We try to help them build on that, build the confidence to take on what they see as a risk for them, to try to save somebody's life.

But we've had quite a few. All of our resource days we take this to. At the Pojoaque Recovery Day I think I did about 20 trainings there with just individuals coming up asking about this. We try to do this in conjunction with handing out the Narcan every single time. Most people just want the Narcan, and that's okay too, but I

always try to encourage them to learn how to do rescue breathing as well.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: And then also, it seems like there would be tons of federal grants out there. Are we looking into federal grants? Have we applied for grants?

MS. O'CONNOR: Madam Chair, Commissioner, this is actually funded by a federal grant that comes through the Human Services Department. And you're correct in terms of there is a lot of money in terms of opiate issues right now available to states and some of those are starting to filter down.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Moreno.

COMMISSIONER MORENO: Thank you. Thank you very much for this presentation. I've been on this Board years and I remember even before I was elected, it was hard just figuring out what's going on out there in the community. And now it's grown to this operation where you can really target where you need the emphasis and education, it's great. I'm really impressed with that.

MS. MOYA: Thank you. We're still learning. We're still growing on this. Every day we learn something new.

CHAIR HAMILTON: I just wanted to – I've already thanked you and told you how impressed I am, and you know that's true. One of the things you had mentioned at some point when we saw each other was it's really important the Narcan keeping people alive, but then there has to be something afterwards, and that's what helps people. The next step. Now they're alive and what's going to keep them from either going back or what's helping them solve the problem. It's a much harder task than just handing out Narcan.

MS. MOYA: It is very much.

CHAIR HAMILTON: I just wanted for emphasis to end, that that was something that impressed me about what you guys do.

MS. MOYA: Well, if I may, I don't know how much time you have spend on this, I'll share with you, the individual that we took to detox and she completed the 30-day. She did five-day detox and then 21 days – so 26 days – a 21-day rehab facility. When she got out, when she was done, she went right back to the situation where she overdosed in. And she was sober for two months, and she relapsed, which is very common, and she is now – she called us back up and asked us for help. We took her back to detox and she didn't stay this time. She went home and we're still trying to help her.

But that is the biggest factor that we've seen is once they're done, once they're out and they complete – they do really well when they're in rehab. They do really well in this program but once they get let out they go right back to the situation where they were at, overdosing in, and there's not a whole lot of resources – very few of them are self-motivated is what I'll say. So if they don't have that resource in front of them. If they don't have somebody – for instance, like Mike and I, calling and saying, is there anything else we can do for you. Do you want us to connect you with Bright Heart Health? Do you want us to take you to Santa Fe Recovery and get you to do an outpatient intake and get you connected with that? They don't typically have – the thing is this program is so new. The City's had it and the City's done some great work with them but being a County, this is very new for County and we're still getting out there. The more and more that we are

out there the more we hear that the fact that two people from the Fire Department specifically, that wear a Fire Department uniform, because they trust us, show up and show that we care, has been the biggest effect for them.

We actually had a mom come to us, saying showing up to her son's residence, even though he didn't want Narcan. He didn't want the training, we still stayed and talked to him for an hour and offered him any resource and just listed to him talk, listened to his story, offered any resource we could to him, he's been sober since and it's been three months. And that was huge. It was just the human interaction. Somebody showing that they cared that made the difference for that individual.

CHAIR HAMILTON: One person at a time.

MS. MOYA: One person at a time. Any other questions?

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I just want to thank you guys for the hard work and the dedication that you put forward. This is where we start making changes to our communities and the way people think and the way the kids think, the education. The history before, we had issues with drug abuse before and it all came down to education and as soon as the education goes away we start having these problems again. So we had the teen center and different things, different services like that used to help. Those have since fallen by the wayside. So I think that has a huge impact on things coming back.

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MS. MOYA: Sure. I hadn't thought about that one. But I will say this, having a social worker to work alongside, I've been with Santa Fe County as a career staff is how they refer to us. I started out as a volunteer for four years and I've been out in the field as a firefighter EMT for 11 ½ years and I've never experienced this side of the work. It's been very different for me, but I've loved every minute. But having a social worker – I don't think I could do it without a social worker, especially Mike. He deals with – I'm a firefighter and I've been in the field a very long time. We're a very rough group to be around some times and he handles it very well. So I'm very lucky to have a social worker working next to me, like Mike that has the experience. It's true. We're a little rough. It's a different thing.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: One last comment, Madam Chair. I know several family members who are affected by this and there's actually a young lady that actually – she's totally clean. She's one of my best friend's daughters. And she's willing to go talk to individuals. Is there some sort of a program – like she wants to go talk, to educate them as to this is where I was. This is what I've done. She's doing really good. She's the manager in a restaurant. She's probably 25 years old, 27, and she's done really well. And I don't know if there's a type of program –

MS. MOYA: There is. She could be a peer support worker and they're individuals who have been in the exact same situation and have recovered and who are the living proof that recovery is possible and who go out there. Mike knows more about the program than I do.

MR. MILLIGAN: NA, I mean Narcotics Anonymous, Santa Fe Recovery may have some volunteer come in to speak, other than outpatient groups. The hospital, Christus may have something also. Those are a couple that I know of

MS. MOYA: But peer support worker would be huge also. I'll leave my card with you and you can give me a call and we can try to find a program for her. Or

connect her with the right people. Anybody who wants my card — my number is on the front of the rack card. This is my County number and my email and our office number but I will give you my card as well. That way you don't forget my name.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you so much for the information.

MS. MOYA: You're welcome. Thank you guys so much. And just so you know, this is what we hand out when we go to people's houses. There's two of them in here and if anybody is ever interested in seeing this training or what we do, we'd be more than happy to have any of you guys ride along with us and see what it is that we do.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Fantastic.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: One other question. So if somebody wants to get Narcan they can call you and go through the training?

MS. MOYA: Yes. Absolutely.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Okay. And they have to take the training. What if they've taken it before in the past? Do they have a card or something?

MS. MOYA: No, they don't have a card, but I like to review over, and I do this with anybody. Even if they're like, I just want the Narcan. Just give it to me. I'll be like, okay, well, real quick and then I try to force it upon them. Just a review.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: And the reason why I'm asking is because I know that – I had a family member that they had Narcan and their son overdosed and actually one of his friends came to the house and he used it on him. So they haven't said anything about wanting to get more.

MR. MILLIGAN: Oh, we would absolutely give them more. Tomorrow. MS. MOYA: Yes. Give me a call. We'll make sure.

MR. MILLIGAN: The state provides us unlimited Narcan to hand out. They want us to hand it out.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Do you count that as a time when somebody may have been saved? If it was used?

MS. MOYA: Typically they do. It's usually always in the ER report that we get, whether or not it's been law enforcement. Law enforcement has been a huge advocate for this and they've been really huge. We've had a lot of them who have given Narcan because they're the first arrival on scene. They give it to them. That's happened quite a bit actually. But family members – we always try to get family members involved in this training. They're the ones who are going to find them. They're the ones who are going to give them the Narcan, so we try to reach out to them. We also try to reach out to the families who have lost somebody to an overdose. A lot of times there's another individual that's suffering from this as well and a lot of times they have other family members that may come in and out. Just so they can feel like they have a little bit of control over this again if it ever happened.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you.

MS. MOYA: You're welcome. Anybody else need a card or anything else from us? If not we'll get out of your hair and let you continue. Thank you all so much for letting to present to you. We really appreciate your time. You guys have a great rest of your day.

7. MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER

A. The Second Session of the 54th Legislature: Schedule and Updates

MS. MILLER: Madam Chair, pretty much what I have today for Matters from the Manager are to discuss the upcoming 54th legislative session and the schedule. Also the resolution for New Mexico Counties that Tessa Jo is going to present, the legislative priorities for New Mexico Counties, and then one that we have as well that we've done in the last couple of years relative to our finances. But you should have, in front of you or in your packet – in your packet, yes, I'm bringing it up now because it will be here before you know it. We had two more meetings before January and things start moving fast once we hit January relative to the session.

CHAIR HAMILTON: So which attachment do you want us to look at first?

MS. MILLER: Under 7. A, and it has the 2020 session dates and capital outlay deadlines as the attachment. And that gives you the session dates. December 16th through January 17th is when legislation may be pre-filed, so a little over a month way. Then January 21st is the opening day of the session at noon. February 5th is the deadline for bill introduction. February 20th is when the session ends. It's a 30-day session so it is a budgetary session, but the governor can put other things on the call. She has till March 11th to either pocket veto or sign legislation or veto. And then May 20th would be the effective date of legislation from a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or any other specified date.

So those are the session dates. We did want to let you know we're going to do a breakfast, since it is a 30-day session. We're into a breakfast. We've done that before during 30-day sessions. It's a good way to get all of the legislators together. It's hard to get them nailed down with so much that we already had going on it's a little difficult to try and plan over the top on everything. We've done a breakfast where we do it over at the capitol in one of the rooms. When we've done that everybody shows up. They may not stay the whole time but we get them all, as opposed to dinner when we get a much smaller percentage. But we usually get them all at least for a little while and we do it early enough that they're able to go on to their committee hearings and what not.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Is that already scheduled?

MS. MILLER: We're working on dates for that. We're also not going to do a Santa Fe County Day because it is a 30-day session and so it's a little bit hard to get a County day in there. But we will resume that next year at the 2021 session.

CHAIR HAMILTON: I think there's a question if you don't mind.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: So you're wanting to a morning breakfast instead of a dinner?

MS. MILLER: Yes.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I think, just to say on the record, I think probably everybody knows that I have issues a lot of the times with coming here in the morning, so I'll have to see if I can attend.

MS. MILLER: We'll try to work on your schedule. It's tough to balance it. If we do a – we tend not to get any of the legislators if we wait till January for dinners, and if we do it earlier, everybody's taking care of vacations before the session. We

struggle. We've tried to kind of move them around so that while we may not get everybody every year we get a different selection of them by doing them at different times. And with that then, if there's no other questions about the schedule I'll turn it over to Tessa Jo to talk about the two resolutions.

7. B. Resolution No. 2019-137, a Resolution Supporting the New Mexico Counties' 2020 Legislative Priorities

MS. MASCARENAS: Madam Chair, County Commissioners, as County Manager Miller stated, the legislative team is preparing for the 2020 legislative session. As such, the New Mexico Counties has submitted their 2020 priorities to us that were approved during their October 2019 meeting. They sent us four priorities. Within the first one there's three different areas that they would like to cover under House Bill 2, Appropriations. They would like to request funding to reimburse counties for the cost of housing state inmates. The cost to the counties under this act is approximately \$8.4 million, and last year the legislature only appropriated \$2.3 million. So this is one thing that they will be advocating for.

In addition they'd like to create a line item through DFA for \$750,000 to reimburse sheriffs' offices that provide transportation of state prisoners. They contemplated this last year and previously but they did not complete it. And the third part of that is they would like to appropriate \$5 million annually to EMS funding in the Department of Health budget and identify a designated revenue mechanism to provide continuous fund growth and stability. That's the first one.

The second one, they would like to increase distribution to the law enforcement protection fund to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of law enforcement activities.

The third priority was behavioral health. They want to renew and expand funding for Human Services Department and they'd like to provide behavioral health services to adults, juvenile offenders, housing county detention centers. This would reduce the likelihood of recidivism and they'd like to include targeting individualized interventions that address detainee behavioral health needs.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Do you know how much they're intending to institute their own programs or provide funding to each county center?

MS. MASCARENAS: I believe they'd like to provide funding to the Human Services Department and the way that they would distribute the money –

CHAIR HAMILTON: To the state.

MS. MASCARENAS: Yes. I believe it would be at their discretion how

MS. MASCARENAS: Yes. I believe it would be at their discretion how they decide to do that.

So the fourth one would be PERA solvency. New Mexico Public Employers' rates currently are among the highest in the country and any further increases in county government are ultimately absorbed by the taxpayers, so that would be the New Mexico Counties' fourth priority.

They usually send us their priorities so that the Board of County Commissioners can adopt it and this will enable the New Mexico Association of Counties to demonstrate statewide support on all of these initiatives.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I would like to move to approve a

resolution support the New Mexico Counties' 2020 legislative priorities.

COMMISSIONER MORENO: Second.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Okay, I have a motion and a second. Is there further discussion?

MS. MILLER: Madam Chair, I'd like to give you some information on the PERA solvency. So they had a task force this past year to look at the PERA funds. There are multiple funds within the overall PERA retirement system. The local government retirement fund is actually maybe 85 to 90 percent funded. Fortunately, when they look at having employers contribute more, it's the state, it's the actual fund that state employees are in that is significantly dragging down the overall solvency of the funds.

So the Municipal League and New Mexico Association of Counties really feels strongly about don't put more of this on the local governments' back to make that more solvent. So there's lots of different ways they can attack solvency. Unfortunately though, local governments end up with that liability on our financial statements because they spread it out to all the participants. They don't break it down by fund. So the plan we pay into, we pay into the local government plan and that one is pretty solvent. It's almost, like I said, it's like 85 percent funded. It's the state plan – and they don't separate them for purposes of financial reporting on audits. It's also not separated. It's based on number of employees you have.

So I just let you know that because it is something for us to watch for that local governments don't get tasked with trying to fix the solvency that the state really needs to make greater contributions. Most of your local governments make higher contributions than the state. And the retirees that come out of them, it's just funded better.

CHAIR HAMILTON: You know, it's confusing because on the surface, this seems like something that was a responsible idea. If they're underfunded and we carry the liability it makes sense that the state should try to boost those funds, especially the state one that's in the least good shape. But what you're saying makes it sound like there's a hidden liability also to the counties if this goes through, that they won't distribute the funding well and we'll be asked to support more than what we already are doing, essentially?

MS. MILLER: Madam Chair, it's not a distribution issue. They take a look at the – they don't separate out for purposes of solvency solutions, they don't separate out each plan. And our plan, local government plan, municipal plan is what it's called, is well funded. It's the state employee plan that's not well funded. And so if the legislature wants to fix the problem they need to actually make the state as an employer pay more in contributions, not the counties and the municipalities.

So the point of number four, that's not typically the way legislation reads. They don't typically go for plans 1, 2 and 3, the employer will have a greater contribution than 4, 5, and 6 that will have a lower contribution.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Is that something we can lobby for?

MS. MILLER: Well, I just point it out because I think that's something we need to watch for, that we don't end up getting. And why New Mexico Counties chose that one as one of their priorities was that issue. It's not that they don't want to support

things that make the PERA fund more solvent, because it's in everybody's best interest since we all have to report the liability on our financial statements. It's just that we're not separating out from that overall liability. We are counted as a percentage based on number of employees, based on payroll.

So it's unfortunate but it's just something to watch for because if they do put bills through, one of the solvency measures that came out of the task force is to increase employer contributions, and we already make a significant contribution. That's the point of number four and why they picked it.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Well, that addresses part of what my question to you is going to be as part of discussion before we have a vote is number three also sounds like some of them hit things that are county priorities, so they're obviously priorities for other counties as well. But to what extent do you think the first three also address Santa Fe County issues in a way that's useful to us as well as to the group of counties?

MS. MILLER: So on House Bill 2, Appropriations, Madam Chair, we do receive funds from all three of those, or we have expenditures in all three of those areas, so the way the distribution for detention fund reimbursement is based upon on how many inmates your county detention facility houses during the year as a percentage of the total around the state and by law, the state is supposed to pay for us housing those probation and parole violators, and the fund used to have \$5 million in it. It was never quite enough but that was much closer. The legislature during the economic downturn kept peeling off some of that. So we're reimbursed on a percentage basis of whatever the pot is. So if we're ten percent, we only get \$230,000 right now and if it were \$8.4 million we could get \$840,000. And that's if we're ten percent of those inmates days.

Also prisoner transport and extradition, currently the state does not reimburse counties for their share of taking state inmates between detention facilities, state inmates to the state corrections.

Also EMS funding, we do receive funds but the amount of funds that are received – it's almost more paperwork than what we get. And so this has been an effort at the state level to get an EMS fund with some real appropriations in it that would benefit all the entities, particularly real small rural areas that don't receive much funding at all.

Law enforcement protection fund, same thing. We do receive funds from that. It's minimal though. It's for protective gear and equipment for the sheriffs deputies, it's based on the number of deputies and what goes into the fund is based on fines. A lot of the money goes to courts. It goes to AOC and not enough goes to the law enforcement side of it. So they're trying to increase the distributions from the fund to the sheriffs' deputies.

And behavioral health – this was something kind of new last year where they sent funding to the Human Services Department to try to address issues in local detention facilities. They want to make that a recurring and increased funding source so that Human Services would work with local detention facilities to provide programs that help target behavioral health issues.

CHAIR HAMILTON: So on the reverse side of that question is, what priorities aren't here that might be really important? That might be part of a subsequent discussion.

MS. MILLER: Madam Chair, I think that's a good question. I think many of these, they did focus on them being budgetary because of it being a fiscal 30-day session, so they didn't want to expand a lot of other priorities into areas that they didn't know whether the governor would want to put on the call. So they tried to focus on financial matters and increase funding to the local governments for programs that we're burdened with based upon state law.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, so are these the only four priorities that New Mexico Counties is putting before us?

MS. MILLER: Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia, these are the ones that the executive board and their membership have spoken on as their priorities. What they do throughout the session though, as bills are introduced, they have meetings with their board and take things back for votes throughout the session. These are the only ones, Commissioner Garcia, that they took as priorities going into the session. And that will be their – you know how they do their little card that says these are our priorities.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you. And also, Madam Chair, does the New Mexico Counties know if any of these are on the governor's call?

MS. MILLER: Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia, they know that House Bill 2 will clearly be there, so they focused predominantly on trying to get legislation that would be considered germane. Anything in House Bill 2 obviously is, and then actually legislation would increase funding to any fund, fire fund, law enforcement protection fund, EMS fund, those would be considered germane because they would be budgetary. So would the behavioral health. And I do believe PERA solvency is going to be one that's going to be on there that will be germane.

So I think that that was the other things that they tried to focus on things that they knew they would be able to lobby for because they would either already be in House Bill 2 or they would be germane based upon being a budget session.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you, Madam Chair. I just want to also emphasize that I sit on the executive board so whatever issues, things you guys want me to champion let me know so I can go to the board as we go into the legislative session, because as Manager Miller indicated, we will be having other board meetings during that time to determine if we have a piece of legislation we all want to push for. So just so you know that.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Is there any further discussion. I have a motion and a second.

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

7. C. Resolution No. 2019-138, a Resolution Opposing Any Legislation that Negatively Affects Santa Fe County Revenues, Programs or Services

MS. MASCARENAS: Madam Chair, Commissioners, this resolution is a resolution that we typically bring before you annually. It opposes any legislation that

could negatively affect Santa Fe County revenues, programs or services. Throughout the course of the legislative session there's bills being proposed and introduced constantly and this resolution enables us to oppose anything that could limit things that have been identified by the BCC through strategic planning, investment policies and constituent services. This would basically help us to uphold the services that Santa Fe County provides at the level that we already provide it. And this would give us the right to advocate for that.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Excellent. By the way, who's the team this year?
MS. MASCARENAS: Well, it's myself, Hvtce Miller, County Manager
Miller, and Interim Deputy County Manager Shaffer.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Excellent.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Yes.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I move to approve this resolution opposing any legislation that negatively affects Santa Fe County revenue, programs or services.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. I have a motion. Do I have a second?

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I'll second.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Is there any further discussion? So I have a motion and a second.

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

7. D. Presentation and Request for Direction Concerning Working Group on Recreational Shooting on Federal Land Near San Pedro, Camel Tracks, and Arroyo Alamo [Exhibit 3: Staff Memo]

CHAIR HAMILTON: Are there other matters from the County Manager? MS. MILLER: Madam Chair, yes. So we have a presentation and request for direction concerning the working group on recreational shooting on federal land near San Pedro, Camel Tracks, and Arroyo Alamo. As you know, we've had dialogue numerous times relating to shooting on federal lands in close to house areas or where people hike and/or just in general where there are residents that oppose that shooting. We have put a group of staff who have been working with BLM and Game and Fish and they have come up with a proposal and we wanted to get some direction on whether you would like us to move forward with assembling a working group.

And I have to tell you that Paul is working quadruple duty today, so be kind to him. He also shortly has to go over to the H-Board of the City to talk about 102 Grant so he's been putting that presentation as well as this one, helping with the ribbon-cutting. So be nice.

PAUL OLAFSON (Projects): Thank you for that. That's the best opening I've had in a long time.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I just want to let you know that I have invited also for this presentation Mark Jackson from BLM and James Melonas from Forest Service, and Sam Wertheim from Las Campanas who is a professional shooter and

who has worked with other shooting ranges throughout Santa Fe County.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you very much. Paul MR. OLAFSON: Okay, Madam Chair. What we have before you today, as Manager Miller explained, we've been working, discussing since July with the BLM Taos Field Office, and that's Mark Jackson's office, with the Forest Service, New Mexico Game and Fish and other entities as available, and the Santa Fe County Sheriff's Office regarding three shooting areas. In your packet is a map and that map will depict those three areas are Arroyo Alamo in District 2 near Las Campanas. There's the Camel Tracks shooting area which is right on the border of District 2 and District 3 near La Cieneguilla, and then the San Pedro shooting area which is down in San Pedro, again in District 3.

Basically, all these agencies have received complaints and citizen concerns over the last few years regarding unregulated or recreational shooting that doesn't have a lot of direction or controls placed on it. And so in our discussions we have looked at many of these various issues regarding shooting on federal land and I've asked our agency friends to discuss more about the federal regulations but the short answer is we're unable to restrict or control shooting on federal land. It is open. But we have an ability to maybe do some minor improvements to shooting areas. Not minor but some improvements to shooting areas and by doing improvements that allows the federal agencies to put some controls on it. It could be direction – aim the direction of the shooting, put times and hours of use, etc.

So there is an opportunity for funding, and this would also provide more safety for the areas, especially direction of fire, hours of operation, there is a potential for onsite staffing at some point, and there's also additional enforcement once an area is established as a shooting area versus just recreational shooting that happens to be – people congregate in the same place but it's not a designated area.

So there is a federal funding opportunity through the Pittman Robertson Act and this allows for basically a 90 percent/10 percent grant that could be used for both planning as well as improvements and this could be done for one or all three of the sites. The federal agencies have restrictions on how they are able to participate in that process, but if they have a partner agency, such as the County to work with them and help provide for the planning process they are more free to then directly participate in it.

So what I'm asking, what we're here to ask for the Board tonight is direction to continue meeting with these agencies with the knowledge that we will most likely come back at some future date asking for more formal direction to continue with the planning process and it will be a public, open process. We want to make it as transparent and effective as possible, and we'd also be asking for some type of funding. I don't think it would be a huge amount of money but we want to make the Board aware that this is the direction the process is heading and get direction from the Board to continue moving forward. And I would ask Mark or James if you have anything to add.

MARK JACKSON: Yes, just real quickly. Kind of the key issue is that the places where people like to go and shoot just happen to be right next door to neighborhoods in two of these place. And because of that the neighborhoods are having to deal with these issues and as you know, there's just not a lot of federal regulation to restrict recreational shooting on public land, and in fact our agency is really charged with

trying to improve opportunities for recreational shooting and access on public lands. And so knowing this, we feel confident that trying to get any sort of restrictions or closing areas to shooting are going to be difficult.

And so as we've looked at this it really seems like our best path forward is to try and enhance some areas, provide some environmental measures, some safety controls, some level of management, and basically make it a better opportunity for shooting and a better opportunity for the neighboring land owners as well.

CHAIR HAMILTON: I have a question in that regard, preempting anybody else. Is this a matter of you can't prevent anybody from doing recreational shooting any place they like, but to develop a shooting range and facility we can encourage them to be there? But you can't enforce them not to shoot any place else even if you do have the range? Is that what I'm hearing?

MR. JACKSON: Sort of. It's a tricky situation. You're right. It's a good point because when we build a range we don't want people to continue shooting in the old place, yet we don't have any way to tell them no, except if we were to do something like make these areas developed recreation areas and establish it as a recreation site. Then we would be able to put a no shooting restriction. But in order to do that —

CHAIR HAMILTON: In other areas.

MR. JACKSON: Yes. In other areas. But in order to do that we've got to have some place for them to go because it doesn't make any sense to close an area and there's no place to go because they're going to end up going somewhere and it could be worse than the current place.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Sure.

JAMES MELONAS: I'll just say, I'm James Melonas, the Forest Supervisor on the Santa Fe National Forest. We've been working closely. We have the Caja del Rio which is on the forest adjacent to a lot of the BLM land that's having similar issues. There is a process that we can actually do a closure, at least on the Forest Service side. There was recent legislation that made that a higher bar for us to go over to do that, but I think with working together with the County and BLM and Game and Fish has been really great, helping us with this as well.

If we have those opportunities for recreational shooting in the appropriate place with safety in mind and everything, I think we could look at moving through that legislative process that was recently enacted to actually look at some closures, especially around these residential areas.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Yes, I just wanted to – I know in my district – I live in the Pojoaque Valley area, I know there is a lot of shooting that happens on BLM land. There might be some of those areas that areas around [inaudible] I think that if we made like – I was telling Commissioner Hansen, if we had shooting ranges and they're 20 miles from your house and within five miles you could be on federal property. If you're in an arroyo it's pretty much not a hazard to anybody, if you're shooting in the right direction. But I want to make sure that when we do this, if we do move forward with trying to close certain areas down I think it has to be convenient because people are still going to find somewhere else to shoot.

I personally have quite a few firearms that I look to go out and shoot and make

sure their siting and I want to make sure I'm not on private property. And there's a lot of times hunters when they're hunting they don't go too far from town to try siting their rifles and see if they're working. So I know that it's a tricky situation. I think that it would be great. I'd rather, instead of going into an area where there isn't targets to go somewhere where there actually is because I usually go to the Rio Grande Sportsman's Complex, before I would go there, and that costs quite a bit of money. There's people that can't afford it. They can barely afford to buy their hunting license and ammunition. So if we did have an area like that would it be free to the general public to use? Would they have to take their own targets or how would that work?

MR. OLAFSON: Madam Chair, Commissioner Roybal, in our discussions nothing has been decided at all. We want to have this more open, transparent process to really get to these issues. But that has been one of the common statements and concerns, that if we make changes that are so inconvenient or onerous it will have no effect. And we also want to be very cognizant. We don't want to just take one person's problem and move it to another person's backyard.

So there's a lot of balance about what can we do that's convenient, etc.? We've talked about fee or no fee, and I think the preference at this point is no fee. But again, we have to get down the path of really putting some more detail to it. Also, I'm not in the shooting community but working with Game and Fish or rather partnering there has been a lot of talk about if you do make it nice or a nicer site, where maybe there is some targets and you can work on siting your rifles and there's different facilities – they don't have to be really fancy or expensive, but the majority of shooters would probably want to go to a place that's still convenient but more conducive to a good experience.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you. CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Just a couple of concerns that I have. These are actually in my district. Actually two of them are in my district and I just want to caution the Commissioner that brought this forward because what happens in San Pedro as we all know, whenever we put this in the public record, now everybody says, oh, there's a shooting range out there? Let's go out and start shooting. And that's exactly what happened in the San Pedro neighborhood. They wanted to talk to BLM and they wanted it stopped. They went to the papers, they went to the Albuquerque *Journal* and then next thing you know everybody from Albuquerque is flooding San Pedro to go shooting out there.

And so I'm just interested, if we actually move forward and see how we can handle this stuff and how we need to handle this stuff is because it all comes down to enforcement. Because in the San Pedro area, the Sheriff's Department, it's right off the state road and they actually help out with Game and Fish patrolling the area. And I know it's kind of hard because I talked to one of the Planning staff as to whenever you're on public land, the forest or BLM, you can shoot from sunrise to sunset. And sometimes it's unfortunate in the San Pedro area where they're shooting all day long over there. Sounds like the National Guard. You can go to the National Guard and spend all day long practicing, it's the same thing that's happening down in the San Pedro area.

So just caution, because once this becomes public – it's kind of like shooting is a very challenging topic, obviously, throughout the nation. Where it happens and how it

happens and I just wanted to bring that forward and hopefully get myself involved in it and definitely my community is involved because they're the people, obviously individuals that are sitting back here because they need to be involved in a lot of the committees. They're not going to want it. There's some communities that want shooting and it's a very, very touchy subject. So I just wanted to caution. But thank you.

MR. OLAFSON: Madam Chair, Commissioner, I think that's very accurate.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: So Commissioner Garcia, I would really encourage you to meet with these partners that we have put together because we have been working very seriously about all of these considerations and even this picture of the locations of these places are – like the Camel Tracks location, it's not at the Camel Tracks location where it is at the present moment. We're trying to move it further back away from there which might even be in my district at that point. And we're also really trying to engage the community. I have numerous communities who are quite upset and want to see this problem solved. I feel that working with all the partners and I would really like you to join in on these meetings, Commissioner Garcia.

I think it is really important for all of us to work together on this issue because this is something that needs to be solved. Having shooting next to residential homes is dangerous. And I can just say that after we went into the Las Campanas HOA annual meeting, Mark and James both went, and Paul and Maria went with me, the Las Campanas administration building, one of the trucks was shot at from a high powered rifle on Forest Service land.

So I think that this is something really important that we have to work on together and I would like to make a motion to continue to work forward with the task force and please include Commissioner Garcia. We want you at the table, and we want to work on solving this problem. So I'm making that motion and then I also want to say that Sam Wertheim, who has experience with other shooting ranges throughout the county and state, there are people who have actually run some shooting facility at a lower price. Like if they went in there with rifles it would be like \$2 to shoot. But if they're going in there with a high powered gun then it would be more.

So there are ways to like also possibly recoup the money, but we also all know very seriously that in order for this to work we need to make it free and we need to make it available to people so that they will stop shooting in neighborhoods and behind people's houses.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Just really quick on that. It's a very touchy subject as it was in the school system whenever we were receiving money from the NRA for ROTC, over \$120,000 a year. The school board decided not to accept that money because gun violence throughout the nation. I understand that. And as the great Ernie Mills actually mentioned when he was a reporter for Que Suave radio and that mighty, mighty Roundhouse that he used to call it, whenever gun legislation comes up it's going to be a very hot topic. I just want to make sure we're aware of that.

The state legislature has a challenge with this.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: And I recognize that, but this is about health and safety of our citizens and protecting neighborhoods. I happen to have La

Tierra Nueva, which is right behind Alamo Creek where people are having shooting happening 24/7, and having to have the Sheriff come out there and having to use a lot of resources. BLM has hired another ranger to be out there, which is really helpful. So I am making a motion to continue to move forward with this working group.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: I'll second that, because a lot of this is my district and I actually would like to be involved in this.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes. I want you to be involved.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: And also, just on that note, since we're under discussion, Madam Chair, is in regards to – I already seconded the motion so I want to see where this goes. Thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: So under discussion, we have some other guests. Would you like to add something?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, just really quick. Something comes to mind. There are responsible gun individuals out there.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: And Sam is one of them.

SAM WERTHEIM: Madam Chair, I'm a resident of Santa Fe County for 20 years. As Commissioner Hansen had mentioned, I'm a frequent shooter and I'd like to give you a citizen's and a neighbor's perspective if I might. It's already been explained what our issues are – people shooting in close proximity to residences and other people traffic. In the state of New Mexico there's 29 public ranges. It's been 25 years to my knowledge that there's not been a public range in Santa Fe County, yet our population has grown, our footprint has grown, now we're seeing adjoining residential areas adjacent to traditional shooting areas.

People don't know where else to go. They don't have another place to go. They would like to be in an organized, safe place, where they could even receive instruction. With perhaps 100,000 inhabitants in this county I would say – you could put your own number on there but probably half of the households have a firearm and no place for training. Closest public range: 60 miles.

I think by providing a safe and organized place to shoot you will see much if not most or even all of the shooting as we call it unregulated in BLM and National Forest lands go down, if not away. Organized shooting clubs in the area would certainly support this activity. This opportunity to solve the problem is backed up by funding from Pittman Robertson which provides 90 percent of the funding if the County will put up ten percent. That's a pretty good deal. That funding is sportsmen's money, their own money they've paid as they've purchased items to pursue their recreational activity in sporting.

I think it would be a great public relations activity for the public. There are other people here who can speak to the support of the public but I can tell you over the last four years we have accumulated over 1,000 people who have signed a petition saying we want a public range. We want to go some place that Game and Fish has provide for us. For example, I'd be happy to organize those people to come and show public support if you need it. Any questions I'd be glad to take but I think you understand a citizen's point of view of why it's needed.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. So I believe I have a motion and a second. Is there any further discussion?

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

8. MATTERS FROM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

C. Presentation on Española Pathways Shelters [Exhibit 4: Pamphlet]

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you, Madam Chair. These are a lot of, a big part of the group that actually is the foundation behind getting this homeless shelter going. They've done a great job. I sat down already twice with them and also toured the facility they're looking at turning into the homeless shelter. They have a really great path forward and plan for this shelter. It is in my district, in the city limits of Española, but in my district so they're in Santa Fe County, which I said earlier tonight that 40 percent of the population of the city is within our county and within my district.

This is a great opportunity for the County to partner and work side by side for this shelter and have really great services they're going to provide. We have the presentation tonight that they're going to be sharing and I'm just really happy to be a part helping out with them and I think that Santa Fe County as a whole can contribute to a path forward that they're trying to find here and what they're working. I think it will be great and it's going to provide great services. It's a facility that's been needed for a very long time and once again, the City of Española, it's going to be awesome.

I think that they have the opportunity to expand almost four or five times larger than what they're going to start with so I think it's something that could really take off and really benefit the City of Española and possible even some of the other rural communities that are in there. They're Santa Fe County. So with that I want to turn it over to our presenters tonight. Also I want to just ask you guys to make sure and state your name for the record. I know we have some city employees as well here. So I'll turn it over to you guys, whoever wants to start.

RALPH MARTINEZ: For the record, my name is Ralph Martinez. Commissioners, Ms. Clerk, Ms. Attorney, County Manager, thank you guys first and foremost for this time, for allowing us to be able to present this initiative that is very important to us. So my name is Ralph Martinez. I was born and raised in Española Valley. I'm 41 years old. I have four children and three grandchildren. I graduated in 1996 from Española Valley High.

In 2001 I became addicted to drugs – cocaine and heroin. And by 2006 I was spiraling out of control. In 2006 I lost my family, I lost my home, and I lost my self identity. Found myself homeless in mid-2006. I lived underneath the bridge when you first drive into Española right next to Johnny's Auto Parts. I lived underneath the bridge by the La Cocina. I lived over in the bosque area in the Ranchito side of town, down [inaudible] I lived in many different abandoned buildings, abandoned cars, things of that sort. I was addicted from 2001 to 2012, eleven years, a period of eleven years.

During my time of addiction I went to rehab in San Diego. I went to rehab is south Florida. I went to rehab twice in Farmington. I went to rehab in Hernandez and my last stop was in 2012 at Hoy. When I got to 2012, when I got to that point in life there was a lot of accepting that I had to do, looking back at my life. A lot of trials and errors that I went through, and so by the grace of god I was able to plant my feet back on the ground and move forward.

I've been clean now for seven years. Right now I currently work at Los Alamos National Laboratory. I've been there for a little over four years. Just got my Q clearance about a little over a year ago and I've had a chance at re-establishing life.

This initiative got started last November. Last November I got to Walmart and it was around the time that it was the first cold front and as I got down there I remember thinking, man, it's getting cold tonight. It was about 10:30 at night and I was going to get some stuff for groceries for the week, and I put my jacket on and I was walking toward Walmart I noticed three individuals sitting on the curb at the entrance to the Walmart. These three individuals I recognized because I kept pretty close ties with individuals that are going through that struggle because of my own personal struggle.

Some of these individuals that are on the streets today in Española, I shared space with them at a time that I was homeless. So as I approached them I noticed it was three individuals – it was Emanuel, it was Cody and it was Jacob. So we stopped and we got into conversation. I told them it was going to start getting cold. I asked them what their plans were. Cody turned to me and he said I'm pretty well prepared. He lifted up his shirt. He had five shirts on and three pairs of pants and I asked him, that's good; you're bundled up, but where are you staying? And he said, well, you know. I've got spots. And anyone that's ever lived homeless knows that that means you find wherever you can for the night.

And so I talked with Emanuel, me and Emanuel shared space together when I was homeless and we talked about some of the winters that we had went through in the years before. Little Jacob – I've known Jacob for a while, and so we all conversated for about an hour. So when I left, I got home and I just really felt the struggle that they were about to face knowing that it was going to get cold. It took me back, actually. That night I laid in bed and it took me back to the winter of 2007. I was homeless in the winter of 2007 and that year they claimed a state of emergency in northern New Mexico, PNM, something happened with PNM, something – it was cold. It was freezing. The gas lines froze, and I was homeless then and I remember feeling like I barely made it out of that winter alive. And so I felt the thing that they were about to face.

And so that night I was in bed. It was about one o'clock in the morning, I said, you know what? I can't wait. So I got my phone and I shot a mass text to every individual that I had made contact with since me being sober – city councilmen, the mayor, commissioners, judges, the district attorney, faith-based organizational leaders, organization leaders, everybody that I thought could have some sort of power to be able to do something about it. And so I shot out a text and the following morning – well, actually that night, Roger Montoya responded immediately, and then the following morning, Chris Madrid, the economic development director for Rio Arriba County, he responded and we began this initiative.

In early February we got a phone call from – we immediately started to go and visit different shelters. We had a lot to learn and so we immediately went out and visited other shelters. We went to the Taos men's shelter, we went to St. Elizabeth, started linking phone calls, meetings, things of that sort, and we gained some momentum right away with the project. We got a phone call in February, I think it was February from Joseph Sanchez, the representative. He said I hear what you guys are doing down on the valley, I want to be a part of it. He appropriated us \$250,000 or recurring funds through a

junior appropriation at the legislature which has really been the fuel for our gas, driving this car. And so we've been blessed in that way.

I can sit here and I can talk about experiences, I can talk about feelings, I can talk about emotions. A lot of times we look at facts, right? Facts are very important. The fact is that a facility like Pathways Shelter has never existed in our area so we don't really know the concrete data of the need. I know growing up as a kid in the early 80s I would go to town with my grandma or my mom and we were sure to see one of two individuals, if not those two individuals and anybody that was around Española knew who these two individuals were – Salamon and Petra. And at the time you were sure to see one of those two individuals, and those were the only two. Come the late 80s, early 90s, a gentleman by the name of William appeared and he became number three.

And all of a sudden, as the years started to go by, you drive through Española now and you can't even begin to count them without losing focus of what you're doing behind the wheel. So the fact is that the issue has grown and even when I was homeless, stepping out of my homelessness in 2012, knowing the circle of people that were facing this issue, I've seen the growth. I've personally seen the growth from 2012 to today.

And so with that momentum, after the junior appropriation, we've just got a team of some super-great people to jump on in and we've come a long way. We just recently, about a month ago, through kind of zoning in Española got approved unanimously for a special use permit for the facility – the first time that that has ever happened. I know a facility like this has been tried and failed. I think it's been three times in the past 15 years, for whatever reason. I don't know. But this time is different. And so I just wanted to kind of lay that foundation down going into our next presenter.

MATEO PEIXHINO: Thank you, Ralph. My name is Mateo. COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Excuse me, Mateo. Just real quick, I want to say thank you for your presentation and I also want to recognize James Martinez, county commissioner for District 1, Rio Arriba, and also our Deputy County Treasurer as well. So I just want to recognize them. They're both board members on this Española Pathways Shelter. So thank you guys for being here.

MR. PEIXINHO: Yes, thank you, Commissioner Roybal. We really appreciated your leadership. My name is Mateo Peixinho. I came on board to help find the facility and assess different properties that might work, and then I ended up being the chair of the board for the Pathways Shelter, so there you go. So everyone else is presenting. I kind of hope to work with Orlando. He was such a great help in getting everybody here. So yes, we do have Commissioner Martinez, and then Amber is from Health and Human Services. She's on our board. And of course Jennifer is on our board too. So we've got an amazing collaboration going on and let them take it from there. So Commissioner James —

JAMES MARTINEZ: Thanks, Mateo. Do you have our packets? Our information? Great. Well, good afternoon, again. Thank you for your time. Thanks for allowing us to be here this afternoon. By the way, a beautiful building. I apologize for my tardiness. I had not been here before so I was trying to find a parking place. That's why. But I'm glad to be here. Like Commissioner Roybal said, I do represent Rio Arriba County. So I sit on your side of the table in our county and I'm thankful to do so.

Like Ralph, I was born and raised in Rio Arriba County in the beautify Española

Valley as many of us like to say, and raised in Chimayo, another beautiful area, and I'm a graduate of Española Valley High. Went out to the University of New Mexico and then went back. I went back to Chimayo to give back. Like all of us here in this room, to give back to our communities. And I'm thankful for that. I thank god for the opportunity, my family, and like all of us here I know we all have so many different roles and responsibilities, so in addition to my role as a county commissioner representing District 1 of Rio Arriba, I'm also an associate pastor at the Rock Church in Española. I'm also a therapist. I serve as a contractor for the Española Public Schools. I'm a dad and I'm a husband and I'm a concerned citizen, like all of us.

And so when Ralph and Roger and Christopher Madrid began this discussion and conversation I immediately wanted to be a part of it, because as a concerned citizen, as a Christian also I know that god has called us to meet the need of our brothers and sisters in our communities. And so it was important for me to do what I could to support this effort. And I know all of us here as board members are also – we're in it for the right reasons. Because we care; we see the need; we know that it's long overdue. This will be the first shelter of its kind in the Española Valley, in northern New Mexico, aside from Santa Fe of course, and Taos.

And so like Ralph said, this effort has been attempted but has not gone even this far. So I'm here of course as a Commissioner as well, but as a board member, and I want to continue the work that Rio Arriba and Santa Fe counties have done together before. I've had the privilege in my short eleven months as commissioner — I'm brand new, newly elected, started in January of this year. Already Commissioner Roybal and I have been fortunate, blessed to have been able to work together on some projects that have benefited both of our counties and the residents that live there.

It's interesting how Española shares Santa Fe and Rio Arriba County. Where I live in Chimayo, one side of the State Highway 76 is in Santa Fe County, right? And the other side is in Rio Arriba County. So I'm thankful that we get to partner together, which I know we all have the same goal and that's to work on behalf of our constituents, and the residents of the districts which we represent. So of course and obviously as the location and the site of this shelter is in Santa Fe County, we know that there's a need throughout. The issue and the concern of homelessness is not just a Santa Fe County concern. It's not just a City of Española concern or a Rio Arriba County concern but it's a humanitarian concern and it affects our brothers and sisters who don't have a place to stay for the night.

And so again, I'm proud and I'm thankful for the work that Commissioner Roybal and I have done in these few short months that I've been in office. Commissioner Roybal, to his credit, has done so much more work these past years to partner with Rio Arriba and to do the work on behalf of his constituents. And I know that we both have committed to continue that work for the good of the people. And so just as I close up here, obviously, like Ralph said, we could continue on and on, but for the respect of your time, we see the need. We know that together we can make a positive difference and we can make this a reality.

And so we ask humbly and respectfully, we ask for your support, your help in whichever way that you can. County Manager Miller, Chair and Board of Commissioners, we thank you for your time and again, we look forward to working together for the good of the people. So thank you and god bless.

JENNIFER MANZANARES (Deputy County Treasurer): I'll be brief, Madam Chair, Commissioners, Manager Miller. It's been an honor to work alongside this amazing team. I've served on several boards in the past and this is a fast moving train that has so much positive momentum and I think thing to everything they've said I echo the same, that it's been a positive light, if you will, in the community, and I think there's some excitement.

I met Ralph through an overdose prevention education initiative. He was chairing the matanza and we met that way. It's been a pleasure. And much like Mateo, I just sat at the table and said how can we work together? And then around that time I came aboard with Santa Fe County so the match has been actually pretty good. So I'm excited to serve in whatever capacity I'm needed in.

MR. PEIXINHO: One of the purposes of wanting to come today is to talk about the services and introduce the project. Maybe at a future time we can talk more about the nuts and bolts. We're doing the schematic design work now for the facility, but today we wanted to talk about the services that are needed and Commissioner Roybal was kind enough to bring Jennifer out and meet the board and talk about the initiatives with the navigators and different ways of tracking, and Amber has been on our board and she was at Health and Human Services. She's here as a board member, not representing Health and Human Services at this time, but as we move forward we'll continue to work together with your Community Services Department.

There's an amazing collaboration going at our tables. We have the Presbyterian Hospital is there, monitoring what's going on. They need help. Their emergency room fills up with people just trying to stay warm. We have Hoy Recovery. We have a huge collaboration happening. And again, we don't want to take up all your time. It's on the pamphlet as well. But it is truly phenomenal to see how the idea of a shelter has brought together so many different services that are looking for a place where we can pick people up off their most dire moment if need and get them to the services that they need. So that's a major part of it. So I'll let you take it from there.

AMBER LEICHTLE: Hi. My name is Amber Leichtle and I'm the clinical director for Health and Human Services for Rio Arriba County, and I've been working in the area for the last 20 years with the homeless, providing direct services myself with people with substance use disorders and with individuals with mental health disorders also. And I have personally driven people from Española to Joy Junction because that was the only bed available for somebody that was homeless and was going to be in the cold for the evening. So I understand the need for the services in our area.

We're wanting to provide some case management within the facility. There's other services that we want to provide, but I was very exciting and thank you for allowing me to be here, members, management. I was very excited to meet with Commissioner Roybal and Jennifer about two weeks ago. We talked about the services that are being provided in Santa Fe County. Santa Fe County has a really strong hub and spoke system of providers, over 30 providers, and I didn't realize that because I'm providing services in Rio Arriba County.

We also have a hub and spoke model but we've never talked to each other. And so this was the first time that we really talked to each other and this is what, even though I'm representing the board, I think we need to collaborate these systems. We need to

come together and figure out a way. If Rio Arriba has 20 providers on their hub and spoke model and Santa Fe County has a very strong – over 30 providers on their hub and spoke model, then if we collaborate those systems we have over 50 providers who the Pathways Shelter can then utilize that system. Wherever somebody is in their process of homelessness or substance use disorder, if we have those resources available, then we can utilize them.

So I'm just very excited to be here as a board member and I'm a little nervous because this is not normally what I do, so sorry for not thanking you from the beginning. So with that, that's all. I look forward for us working together, for Rio Arriba County and Santa Fe, because I think together we are stronger and we can provide a great deal of services to individuals in need. Whatever services they deem they want.

MR. MARTINEZ: I just wanted to put out there for the record too that it be known that in this past year that we've been working on this, we've vetted 19 different properties and locations and used the process of elimination to get to the one that we're currently looking at. It's very strategic, right? According to the need. And so we looked at it like that. And like both Amber and Mateo both said, it's more than just a shelter. When we went to visit St. Elizabeth's, Edward at St. Elizabeth's, we fell in love with their model and we're looking at mirroring that model with some incorporation of the Taos Men's Shelter.

There were a lot of different shelters that we went to go visit. I've been in homeless shelters but I didn't know how one was ran. I knew like the rules inside the shelter but it was a really big learning experience I know for me, and looking to see what would best suit our people and our community. And so I just wanted to put that out there that we've taken the time to look at many different places, many different properties. We've taken our time to go to many different shelters that have been in existence for a while and we've taken up the good and left behind the bad and we've taken those goods and implemented them in what we call now Pathways, which is more than just a shelter but a pathway, hopefully, out of circumstances that individuals may find themselves in.

MR. PEIXINHO: I was just going to add, real quickly, when we get to questions, just to let you know our fiscal agent is the Coalition to End Homelessness, so Hank is our fiscal manager. We are incorporated but we don't have our 501(c)(3) yet and that's fine. We're perfectly happy working with Hank and the whole crew there. Daniel Montoya is our startup manager. He's an attorney here in Santa Fe and he's been helping us along all the way so we've contracted with him to help us get our policies and procedures and he's reviewing our lease right now. So we're pretty well established.

Marisol Atkins has also been a consultant with us. She's the one who puts all our paperwork in order and helped get our board together and we'll be putting out a job announcement shortly for an executive director. We've got a lot of things moving, grant writers helping us, looking for federal grants and stuff. But as Ralph mentioned, that startup money from the state money from the state has been huge, because we don't have to ask for programmatic money. So that's just been amazing wind in our sails.

MR. MARTINEZ: And one more add-in, and then we'll go to questions. One more add-in to that is the money that we got appropriated, the \$225,000, has been appropriated for operational funds and so we're allowed to use that to operate the program, but it's not brick and mortar, nuts and bolts money.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you, Madam Chair. And thanks again for you guys being here. One thing I did neglect to say earlier and I should have and I apologize to Rachel is our Human Services Director is actually here and she had a conflict today that we met and Jennifer went to represent the County. Rachel O'Connor is our Human Services Director, so I'm hoping we can figure out a way Santa Fe County can collaborate and work together as we've discussed and I think it could be a huge impact on the City of Española and the residents we do have there. I think we're always going to see pieces here and there where somebody may not think that's the best location for a shelter. You always do or for whatever reason you'll see that. I think ultimately the way that we need to go is the way we are going and you guys are doing a great job. You guys have great boards and I appreciate you guys being here. I want to turn it over to my other Commissioners and listen to what they need to ask questions about. The other thing is this is just a preliminary, just to establish how we're moving forward, but we really want to see what we can do out there in the future and move forward. So this is just a quick presentation so you get a good idea of what they're working on and how we'll move forward. So thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Just really quick, Commissioner, Deputy Treasurer, the board, actually fabulous energy. You can just feel it and what a great project. From somebody who lived in Española forty-seven years ago, my father's family still lives in Española. My cousin's husband was an ex-county commissioner there. He's a school board member, so I'm concerned about what happens in Española. Like I said, the energy that you all have, that's good. That's something that's really cool. Collaboration is a good word they said. That's something that I think I always have in my head that when you cross the city line, the county line or another county line, it's all one community, right? It's nice when you see everyone's mentality.

I think you have some great individuals on your board here. She actually worked for Congressman Ben Ray. [background noise] if there was some federal funding out there, the Deputy Treasurer can actually tap into that. That's actually a great thing that you might want to look into. You have two fabulous legislators, Senator Richard Martinez, a special guy in that community as well as at the Roundhouse there. Representative Joseph Sanchez, who I see on the back here, he actually probably has a passion and cares about this project as well just like those two individuals do, those two legislators.

And as the Deputy Treasurer said, things are moving fast. That's actually a good thing when things are moving fast in a positive way and you guys have schematic designs going on. That's a great job. Keep moving forward. Good job.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you so much for the presentation, Deputy Treasurer, Commissioner, it's really good to see you again. I feel very strongly that we are fortunate to be in the position we are in and it is really our job to help those that are less fortunate. And so I'm really happy to see something like this happening and in Española it is so important to give people a pathway, so the name is really appropriate. I think that working together, all of us, is really important. Where the river flows, the

river doesn't know the boundary of whether it's in Española or Santa Fe County. Water doesn't know that and a lot of our homeless people don't always know that either.

And so it's important that we help. So thank you, Commissioner Roybal for bringing this forward also.

CHAIR HAMILTON: I'm very impressed with the need for something like this. My husband's from Española. So everybody has its own family, everybody has a connection to Española so there must be some magic there. Actually, you know some people – the problem is so big that you know people whose family or friends are homeless or have had these kinds of problems. It's nothing to do with – it's circumstances, many of which we don't have control over. But we can help each other. You don't see as many examples of people doing that. This is an amazing example. I'm really impressed and grateful that you're doing it. So thank you for doing the presentation on this. Now we know something about what's going on and I know Commissioner Roybal will follow through. So you have several County connections here.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, it all depends on oil and gas revenue coming into the State of New Mexico, so like you said, Senator Martinez and Representative Sanchez [background noise]

MS. MANZARES: Thank you for the suggestion. I hadn't thought about the federal programs.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Yes.

DANIEL MONTOYA: I'll say my name again. Daniel Montoya. I'm an attorney here and in New York. Actually I worked for 13 years as a lawyer in New York City before I came back to New Mexico in 1997, and I got pulled into this project in a way by my brother, Roger Montoya. I don't know if you've heard of him but he's nominated as a CNN hero right now. So he couldn't be here because he's getting an award from the mayor of Española tonight. So he had a conflict at the last minute. I did want to say that Henry and Ralph have been amazing. I've watched it from the sidelines for a long time and then got more involved in the last few weeks, just how passionate they are about it and then going to meetings and seeing the people involved.

This is a very small segment of the group that's involved. Last night there was a fundraising meeting and there were 50 people who showed up, just kind of last minute. Let's talk about strategies, fundraising. And everybody was throwing out ideas and experiences and it was really exciting to watch. I was really impressed. Just like you said, the energy of this group is really powerful and I think it's actually reflective of bigger movements happening in Rio Arriba in terms of the development of support systems in that community as well. So we're hoping that that will expand and go all across the State of New Mexico as they see what happens. If you're watching CNN on December 8th, Roger might win and that would be another boost to hear him give a speech live about Española and New Mexico.

So we're pretty proud of this whole effort. And Mateo jumped in and has been amazing. Joseph – everybody really here has taken on tasks that probably they didn't know how to do, what to do, when to do, and everybody has really just stepped up in ways that I'm very impressed with and I've worked with many people in my career and I've probably never seen a group as committed as this in all the tasks I've undertaken. I even started Taos Community Foundation when I first moved here and that was a good

group, but this one - I'm just blown away by the commitment. This will not fail. I can guarantee you that. So whatever resources there are, support there is, this is going to happen and there's no doubt in my mind that we will be successful in supporting those people who need it. So thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you very much.

MR. PEIXINHO: So if I may, Madam Chair. So we've had two great meetings, as Commissioner Roybal said, and there's a third one scheduled I think, for November 22nd where we'll be meeting with economic development personnel from the city, Rio Arriba County and Santa Fe County. So we'll be brainstorming there on how to put this all together and what funding opportunities there are and employment opportunities and so on. So we're hoping to get back on your agenda, perhaps even for the meeting two weeks from now and present our actual designs for the facilities and give you more information about the building, where it's housed, and talk about some of those economic development opportunities.

CHAIR HAMILTON: That would be great. Make sure you remind him because he is the liaison.

MR. PEIXINHO: Yes. Orlando has been great. He's on task. Great. I'm a contractor so I tend to think inside the box and so - it's getting cold so we really want to get things done and we really appreciate your time.

CHAIR HAMILTON: That's great. Thank you so much.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I just want to also reiterate and say on public record because we are taking minutes and also this is recorded and just say that as the Commissioner for District 1 I'm 100 percent committed to helping you guys succeed.

MR. PEIXINHO: Thank you.

MR. MARTINEZ: Thank you. Thank you for your time. Have a good meeting.

8. B. Recognition of as New Mexico Cattleman of the Year

CHAIR HAMILTON: José Varela Lopez is not present.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: He's not coming?

CHAIR HAMILTON: He's just not here. Apparently he's not coming tonight. So Commissioner, do you want to –

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, move for tabling.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I'll second.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. So there's a motion and a second to

table 8.B.

The motion passed by unanimous [4-0] voice vote. [Commissioner Moreno was not present for this action.]

8. A. Commissioner Issues and Comments, Including but not Limited to Constituent Concerns, Recognitions and Requests for Updates or Future Presentations

CHAIR HAMILTON: That takes us to 8. A. Do any Commissioners have issues, comments, updates?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I'll just be quick. This morning I had a really great talk at the NACo Arts and Culture Commission meeting on the phone and we talked about art and recovery, so that's going to be one of the topics at the legislative conference in Washington, DC on NACo. So we will be talking about – which falls right into what we were just listening to – art and recovery and how that could really affect people.

I also attended the Rio Grande Water Fund meeting last week and I also attended the Radioactive and Hazard Waste Material Committee where there were reports on numerous different issues related to radioactive waste. WIPP was talked about. The plutonium PIT production at Los Alamos was talked about. And the consent decree was talked about for the 2016 consent on cleanup which definitely concerns the Buckman Direct Diversion. So it was a very enlightening meeting with legislators.

And that's all I have. Just a quick, little update.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Anybody else? Okay. I actually went to that same meeting of the legislative committee on radioactive waste. It was very worthwhile and had another monthly Coffee with Commish at the beginning of the month and it was well attended. It seems to be a very successful program for hearing people's real concern, and also updates me on what's going on in the district. Commissioner Garcia, do you have any updates?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: No.

8. MATTERS FROM OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Madam Clerk, do you have anything?

CLERK SALAZAR: Yes. What I have to share is a bunch of thank yous to all you, so thank you for our new office, for approving our increase in budget from the Clerk's filing fund to purchase our much needed fixtures to maintain and preserve public records. Thank you for opening and closing our canvass for the new and historic 2019 regular local election, which turned out to have a mass of challenges in many ways for every county clerk in the state and for the Secretary of State. But we work so well together that we did what we needed to do.

Also thank you to my staff for all their hard work to maintain the operations of the Clerk's Office during the move and for all their hard work to complete our election duties, which are many duties and we finished yesterday with the absentee board after 6:00 at the warehouse yesterday. And so you were able to approve the canvass at the County level and now that goes to the State and it's the Secretary of State's process to now canvass that and we've also heard that there's a potential recount so we'll have to deal with that also and probably the auditor, an auditor that the Secretary of State's Office hires may also give us some portions of the election that we need to audit.

And thank you to all of our poll workers and our absentee board for helping us with this election also. So have a good evening and I want to thank also all of the voters in Santa Fe County who participated. My goal was that we at least would have had 15,000 voters. We actually had over 17,000. My dream was that Santa Fe County voters would have been out there -25,000. That didn't happen but that's okay. 17,000 I think is pretty good. So thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I just want to ask – well I was going to ask that question. We had more voters. I'm glad that you actually mentioned that. I think that's great. What do you think is a contributing factor for that? Do you think it is the convenience voting stations?

CLERK SALAZAR: I think there's multiple factors. I think the voting convenience centers. I think the local *Journal* really helped me to get the word out. They communicated with me and stated we want to help you get the word out. And we did a lot of advertising. For some people that's never enough, but I was on the radio stations and also I think the advertising helped tremendously. What I didn't see as much, but it did happen. The candidates – candidates also motivate voters so candidates need to go out there and talk to voters and encourage them to participate. And the more competition we have within a race, the better, because it informs people. I think that's important.

So it was different and we did our part. Santa Fe County, I believe we rocked. We really did. And I know the City of Santa Fe, this was new for them, letting go of the election but I think this is what we do in Santa Fe County. We deal with massive elections when you think about it – countywide, we're land-massive when it comes to looking at the differences between a city and a county, there's more involved. And the ruralness, where my staff and poll workers have to manage further north and further south – those rural areas are a challenge also, and I was able to go out to a lot of them on election day and to be able to talk to voters and the poll workers and get ideas and I do plan in the future to bring the Secretary of State, our vendors who provide our voting machines and our ballot on demand systems, and some of our absentee board members and poll workers, along with some of my staff. We need to have a work group to discuss how we can perfect even more.

As you all know my last day is December 31, 2020 so I have a lot to accomplish in these last months, more than a year and throughout my work as County Clerk there's been many things that we've done, my staff and I, and I appreciate all of the support from the Board and from County Manager Miller because there's always been a lot of support when it comes to elections. And I truly appreciate that, because along with you and me, we continue what we're all about: the democracy. Part of this foundation that elections are important. So thank you to all the citizens of Santa Fe County.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Madame Clerk, I just want to say on behalf of the Commission and District 1, I just want to say thank you for all your hard work and I'd like for you to extend my gratitude to your staff. Thank you.

CLERK SALAZAR: I will. Thank you. CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you so much.

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. CASE # 19-5230 The Pantry Restaurant Dos, LLC, Beer and Wine Liquor License. The Pantry Restaurant Dos, LLC, Applicant, Requests Approval of a Beer and Wine Liquor License. The Property is Located at 20 White Feather Road and is Zoned as a New Community Center Subdistrict (NCC) within the PD-1 Community College District (CCD-NCC), within Section 16, Township 16 North, Range 9 East (Commission District 5

CHAIR HAMILTON: So we'll go right to the public hearing, since it's after 5:00. We're here to do a public hearing for the Pantry Restaurant. Jose, why don't you jump right in.

JOSE LARRAÑAGA (Case Manager): Thank you, Madam Chair. Pantry Restaurant Dos completed construction in 2019 and the applicant was issued a County business license to operate the restaurant on September 20, 2019. The applicant is requesting approval of a beer and wine liquor license to serve been and wine with meals at the Pantry Restaurant Dos.

The property as located in the Oshara Subdivision in the New Community Center Zone on White Feather Road. The zoning for this property is regulated by Ordinance No. 2016-9, the Sustainable Land Development Code, Chapter 8, Section 8.10.3, Planned Districts, Santa Fe Community College District. This site is zoned as a New Community Center Subdistrict, within the PD-1 Community College District. Table 8.44, CCD Use Table, illustrates the uses allowed within the above-mentioned zoning district subject to all other applicable standards of the SLDC.

The CCD Use Table allows for a restaurant with incidental consumption of alcoholic beverages as a permitted use within a New Community Center Subdistrict.

The State Alcoholic Beverage Control Division granted preliminary approval of this request in accordance with Section 60-6B-4 NMSA of the Liquor Control Act. The Liquor Control Act requires a local option district to conduct a public hearing on the request to grant a restaurant beer and wine liquor license at this location. In accordance with the Liquor Control Act, the BCC may disapprove the issuance of the license if the location is within 300 feet of any church or school, the issuance would be in violation of zoning ordinances, or the issuance would be detrimental to public health, safety or morals of the residents of the residents of the local option district.

Legal notice of this request has been published in accordance with the Liquor Control Act by publishing notice before the hearing twice in the *Santa Fe New Mexican* on October 13, 2019 and October 28, 2019.

Growth Management staff has reviewed this request for compliance with pertinent code requirements and finds the following facts to support the submittal: the CCD Use Table, 8.44 allows the requested use; the applicant has met the State of New Mexico requirements for noticing; the site is 2,212 feet from the nearest church and 2,640 feet from the nearest school. Staff recommendation is approval of a restaurant beer and wine liquor license to be located at 20 White Feather Road. And I stand for any questions, Madam Chair.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Thank you. So at this point, before I open it for public comment, are there any questions? Okay, we'll go right to public comment, but I don't quite know how to handle the fact that there's potential for the public in a conference room. Is there anybody here from the public that wants to comment, address the Board with respect to this particular matter?

MS. MILLER: Madam Chair, we also need to hear from the applicant.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Yes. We also will.

MS. MILLER: There is nobody in the conference rooms.

CHAIR HAMILTON: You've already looked? Thank you very much. So as the applicant, would you care to say something? Thank you for being here.

MICHAEL SINGLEY: Yes. Thanks for having me. Obviously, we're excited to get – well, we've already begun business, and the neighbors and everybody are clamoring for beer and wine during the dinner hour and things like that, so I think it would be a great addition to what we're doing and we're excited to kind of roll that next phase out so we can build up what we've already begun.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Seeing nobody else here from the public, and thank you for your input, I'm going to close public comment. Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I am so thrilled to see this finally open. In 2007 I worked at Oshara Village as part of the entitlement and development team, and it was our dream to have a Pantry Restaurant there, so I am so happy to see you there, and congratulations.

MR. SINGLEY: Thank you. We're glad to be there.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I look forward to coming and eating and enjoying the view. It's a nice community and thank you for building the restaurant and thank you for improving the neighborhood.

MR. SINGLEY: Of course. Our pleasure. It's been a fun project.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I just want to do the comment, I think the Pantry Restaurant – I haven't been there in a while. You guys have two locations?

MR. SINGLEY: We have one right there on Cerrillos and then this is our second. Yes.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: So I've been to the one Cerrillos. We certainly need to have another option. I'll have to come and see the new place. Congratulations.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Commissioner Moreno.

COMMISSIONER MORENO: Finally. Welcome to the Big Five.

MR. SINGLEY: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER MORENO: District 5 is growing like nobody's business. And you have a good – a lot of people are in that area and good for you and good for us and thank you.

MR. SINGLEY: You're welcome. Thank you.

CHAIR HAMILTON: I've already been told I should go out there. I've already been going there.

MR. SINGLEY: Nice.

COMMISSIONER MORENO: I move approval.

CHAIR HAMILTON: I have a motion from Commissioner Moreno for

approval.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Second.

CHAIR HAMILTON: And a second. If there's no further discussion -

The motion passed by unanimous [4-0] voice vote. [Commissioner Garcia was not present for this action.]

11. B. <u>Case #18-5191 Village at Galisteo Basin Preserve (aka "Trenza")</u> <u>Conceptual Plan. Commonweal Conservancy</u> **TABLED**

10. MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

A. Executive Session. Limited Personnel Matters, as Allowed by Section 10-15-1(H)(2) NMSA 1978; Board Deliberations in Public Hearing(s) on the Agenda, as Allowed by Section 10-15-1(H)(3) NMSA 1978; Discussion of Bargaining Strategy Preliminary to Collective Bargaining Negotiations Between the Board of County Commissioners and Collective Bargaining Units, as Allowed by Section 10-15-1(H)(5); Discussion of Contents of Competitive Sealed Proposals Pursuant to the Procurement Code During Contract Negotiations as Allowed by Section 10-15-1(H)(6); Threatened or Pending Litigation in which Santa Fe County is or May Become a Participant, as Allowed by Section 10-15-1 (H)(7) NMSA 1978; and, Discussion of the Purchase, Acquisition or Disposal of Real Property or Water Rights, as Allowed by Section 10-15-1 (H)(8) NMSA 1978, including:

1. Acquisition of Real Property for County Fairgrounds Expansion

MS. BROWN: Madam Chair, I ask that you go into executive session pursuant to NMSA Section 10-15-1-H (8) for the purpose of discussion acquisition or disposal of real property and specifically acquisition of real property for County Fairgrounds expansion.

CHAIR HAMILTON: Great.

MS. MILLER: And we're going to move to the conference room right down the hall.

CHAIR HAMILTON: So I would entertain a motion.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: So moved. COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Second.

CHAIR HAMILTON: I have a motion and a second. Can I have a roll call please.

The motion to go into executive session pursuant to NMSA Section 10-15-1-H (8) to discuss the matters delineated above passed by unanimous roll call vote as follows:

> Commissioner Garcia Not Present

Commissioner Hamilton Aye Commissioner Hansen Aye Commissioner Moreno Aye Commissioner Roybal Aye

[The Commission met in executive session from 5:50 to 6:05.]

Commissioner Roybal moved that we come out of executive session where the only matter discussed was that on the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hansen and approved 4-0. Commissioner Garcia was not present. Katherine Miller then thanked everyone for efforts pertaining to the Ribbon Cutting.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

- Announcements A.
- В. Adjournment

Upon motion by Commissioner Roybal and second by Commissioner Moreno, and with no further business to come before this body, Chair Hamilton declared this meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Approved by:

Board of County Commissioners Anna Hamilton, Chair

GERALDINE SALAZAR SANTA FE COUNTY CLERK

Respectfully submitted: Centime

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SECFD-COUNTY OPIOID OUTREACH PROGRAM COOP

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SFCFD Vision

To protect life, property and the environment; to ensure the safety and welfare of our personnel; to treat everyone with respect and compassion; and to build a safer and more resilient community.

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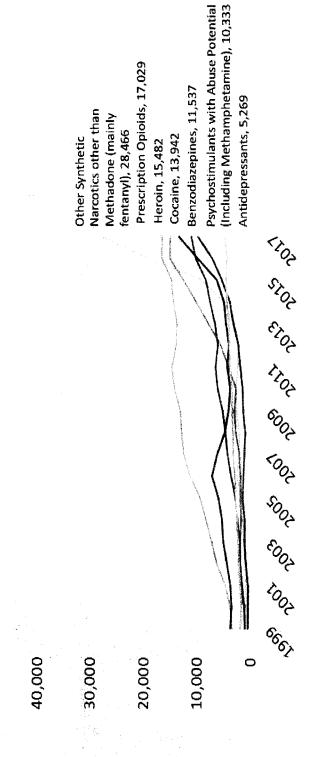
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SFCFD Goals

- 1. Enhance the safety of Santa Fe County residents and visitors by providing, high quality fire suppression, emergency medical, prevention, emergency management and administrative services.
- Develop a high quality workforce, and develop pathways for success, leadership development and personal excellence.
- 3. Improve the health capacity of the community through innovative, pro-active and professional approaches that integrate with our community partners.
- planning, Ensure that SF County is prepared to handle catastrophic, cascading disasters with a focus on building capacity through adequate staffing and acquisition of appropriate resources. 4
- 5. Increase the awareness of SFCFD's mission, values and services, and engage partners to create safer, healthier and more resilient communities.

Figure 2. National Drug Overdose Deaths Number Among All Ages, 1999-2017

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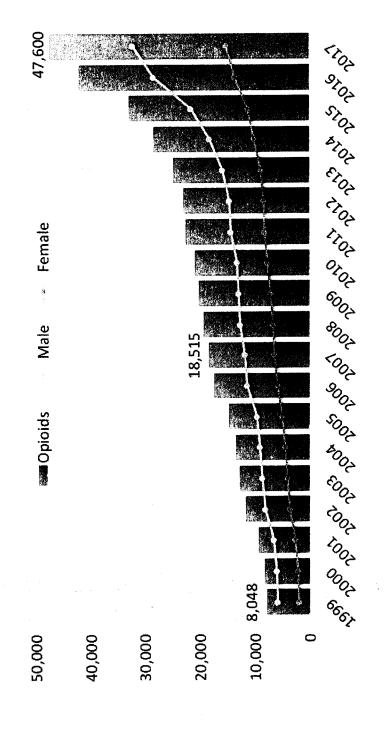


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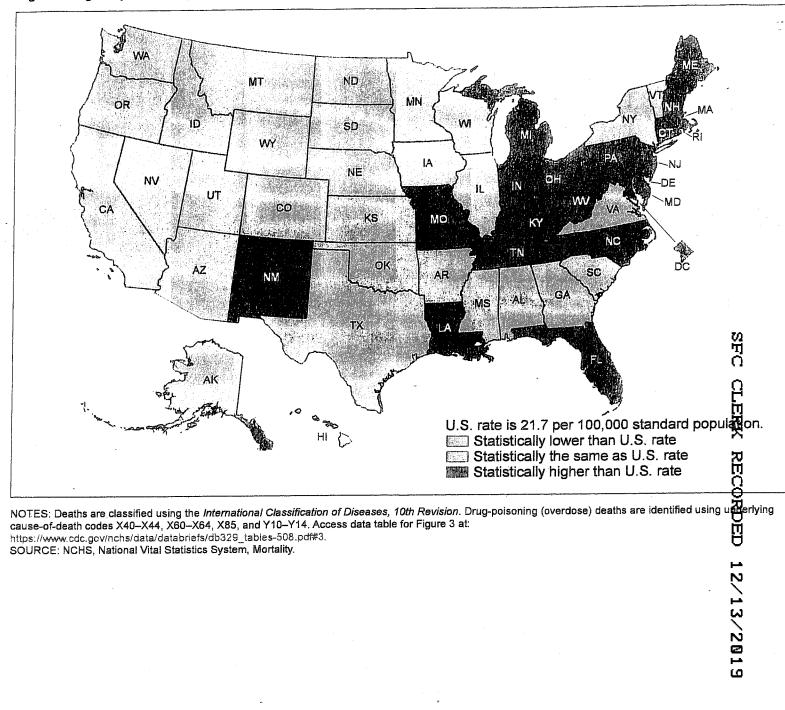
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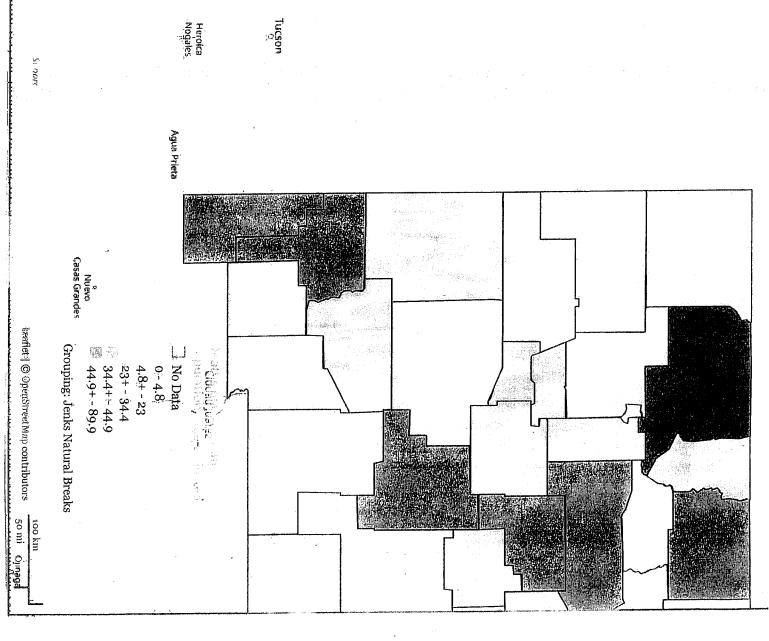
Figure 3. National Drug Overdose Deaths Involving Any Opioid, Number Among All Ages, by Gender, 1999-2017



Source: Lenters for Disease Control and Prevention, National Conter for Health Statistics Multiple Cause of Death 1994-2017 on CDC WONDER Online Database, released December, 2018.

Figure 3. Age-adjusted drug overdose death rates, by state: United States, 2017





most costly health problems in the U. S. In 2007, it was estimated that prescription opioid abuse, dependence, and misuse cost New Mexico \$890 Mexico's death rate has more than tripled since 1990. While deaths due to illicit drugs have remained steady during the past decade, deaths due to prescription drugs (particularly opioid pain relievers) have increased dramatically. In addition to the high death rates, drug abuse is one of the Why is it important? New Mexico's drug overdose death rate has been one of the highest in the nation for most of the last two decades. New

New Mexico & Counties Drug Overdose Deaths per 100,000, Age Adjusted

fexico 24.6	89.9
State of New Mexico 24.6	Rio Arriba
32.5	21.7
Santa Fe	USA
26.3	44.9
Bernalillo	San Miguel

overdoses have killed approximately 870,000 people. Since the first wave of the opioid epidemic began in the 1990s, the epidemic has expanded to include synthetic, illicit drugs, including heroin and fentanyl. As new CDC data and other studies offer updates on the Updates on Trends in Drug Overdose Deaths in the United States Jaime Rosenberg July 2010 In the past 3 decades, drug epidemic, here are some things to know.

1. Rates have dropped for the first time since 1990

Provisional data released by the CDC in July indicate that drug overdose deaths have dropped for the first to be once 1990. Between the 12-month period ending December 2017 and the 12-month period ending December 2018, there was a 5.1% decline in overdose deaths, dropping from 72,000 overdose deaths to 68,000.

- 2. Not all states are seeing drops in overdose deaths
- 3. Urban areas see higher overdose death rates than rural areas
- 4. Synthetic opioids continue to drive overdose death rates

Drug Overdose Deaths Finally Dropped in 2018, Preliminary Data Says

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SFCFD-COOP County Opioid Outreach Program

Background

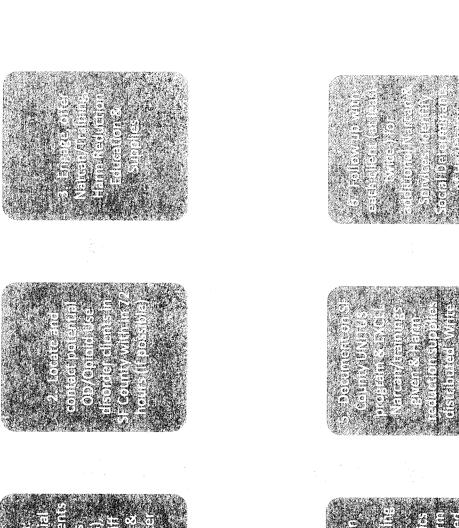
The area of focus will be the entire boundaries of Santa Fe County except inside the city limits of Santa Fe. Regular documentation of This term limited, grant funded pilot program No. 2019-0201-FD-CW Opioid Overdose follow-up Pilot Program will be in effect from June 2019 through Sept. 2020. With possible renewal for 3 more years. The intent of this program under the aegis of the Santa Fe County Fire Department is to conduct Opioid Overdose Outreach that identifies overdose survivors, their family & friends and to work directly with the individuals to reduce overdoses & deaths. An emphasis will be placed on Narcan distribution & training to OD survivors, High Risk Opioid users, their families and friends. A Harm Reduction modality will emphasis safety, infection avoidance and referrals to relevant resources including needle exchange, in-patient D & A Treatment and other relevant community resources. outreach activities and Narcan distribution will adhere to the clauses of the contract.

The SFCFD-County Opioid Overdose (Pilot) Program will be staffed by a fulltime SFCFD Fire Fighter & a Contracted New Mexico LCSW (Licensed Clinical Social Worker). In the course of their duties, both will adhere to the full code of ethics, Policy & Procedures of their respective professions. Both will adhere to the rules, regulations & Laws of all City, County, State, Federal and Tribal justistrictions where they may operate.

This team will follow the flow chart to identify and perform outreach for Opioid Overdose clients, their family and friends.

The intent is to provide Narcan & Harm Reduction Supplies & Training for identified Overdoses and High Risk Opioid Utilizers in SF County (Not City). The program will also offer information and aid is accessing Community Services.

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SFCFD-COOP Opioid OD Outreach Protocol flowchart

SFCFD-COOP County Opioid Outreach Program

The Coop Team will have contact numbers and printed info. for distribution for all of the following relevant Services/Organizations.

SF County Resource Guide	Pojoaque's Governor's office/Opioid outreach program
x La Familia Clinic	Nambe Governor's Office/Opioid outreach program
Santa Fe Recovery Center/Detox	San Ildefonso Governor's Office

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Tesuque's Governors	First Choice Community Healthcare, Edgewood	Esperanza Women's Shelter	Social Security Admin. Santa Fe	AA/NA group locations	The Sky Center	MATS Detox, Albuq.
x HOY In-Pt & Out-Pt D & A Treatment (Espanola)	The Mountain Center (Harm Reduction Supplies)	x Southwest Care "Syringe Services Program.	Gerard's House for Grieving	Friendship Club	Indian Health Services	x SF Community Guidance Center (PMS)

These listed non-exclusive services & agencies are most relevant to the Opioid outreach clients in the Santa Fe County area. Individual clients may have more nuanced needs which this program will make efforts to provide for when needs arise. x multiple Suboxone providers listed above X Bright Heart Telemedicine

NM Crisis Access Line

SFFD MIHO Program

Presbyterian Hospitals, Espanola's & Albuq.

New Mexico Treatment (Methadone)

Turquoise Lodge, In-Pt Treatment, Albuq.

x Christus St Vincent's Hospital

The Mountain Center

Substances (PWIS) who are (A) at risk for contracting diseases such as HIV and Hepatitis C (HCV) through the reuse and sharing of injection equipment; The term "harm reduction" is used to describe any set of strategies designed to minimize the potential adverse consequences of inherently risky activities or behaviors. It is most commonly associated with evidence-based interventions and services, such as syringe exchange, that target People Who Inject (B) at risk for other injection-related complications such as MRSA (antibiotic-resistant staph), vein damage and soft tissue infections; (C) at risk for overdose; and (D) potentially engaged in high-risk sexual activity.

New Mexico, and one of the largest programs of its type in the U.S., exchanging over a million syringes with our 800+ participants in each of the past four years. Since 2013 they have provided over 4,000 individuals with over 7,000 doses of Naloxone while recording more than 1,700 overdose reversals difficult to serve, with high rates of poverty and substance use. The HR program has grown to be the largest syringe exchange and Naloxone provider in distribution, HIV/HCV testing and food distribution in rural northern Santa Fe and Rio Arriba counties. It is an area long characterized as isolated and Since 2005 The Mountain Center's Harm Reduction program (HR) has been providing syringe exchange and related services such as Naloxone reported by our program participants.

families five days a week throughout Rio Arriba County. We visit different communities each day of the week. Please call 505-901-9020 for our schedule. The mobile outreach program brings syringe exchange, overdose prevention education and Naloxone, as well as referrals and food to PWIS and their

For educational materials, advocacy and national resources, please visit The Harm Reduction Coalition at vev a learner ducing



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County Opioid Outreach Program

"County Health 1" or "SFCCH1"

"F-93" (Community Home Visit)

What we'd like to collaborate on:

- Documentation improvement/standardization
- Background/Safety information on Call Locations/potential clients
 - E-mail/Phone referrals to us
- What you could offer to potential follow-clients if feasible SF County Resource Guide Our COOP Services card

NM Crisis & Access Line "Card"

The future COOP+

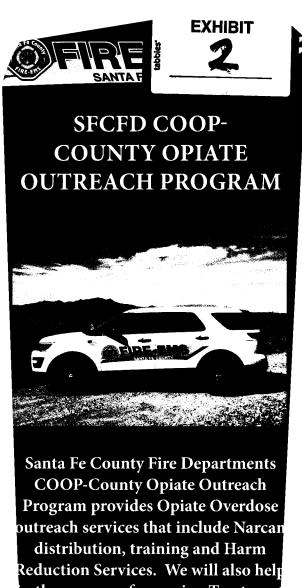
- High Utilizer (911 calls) interventions
- Suicide Ideation/Attempts, 911 call follow up Behavior Health, 911 call follow-ups SFCFDS Community education/Outreach
- Senior Citizens needs assessment/referrals



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n the process of accessing Treatment Programs & Community Services. This is a no cost, no obligation, confidential service. Please give us a call.

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Ed MorenoCommissioner, District 5

Katherine Miller County Manager

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

November 12, 2019

TO:

Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

Paul Olafson, Planning Projects Manager

VIA:

Katherine Miller, County Manager

ITEM

Presentation and Request for Direction Concerning Working Group on

Recreational Shooting on Federal Land Near San Pedro, Camel Tracks and

Arroyo Alamo

Planning staff have been participating in an informal working group with BLM Taos Field Office, NM Game and Fish, and Santa Fe County Sherriff's office since July 2019 to review concerns related to unregulated recreational shooting on public lands. Santa Fe National Forest and US Fish and Wildlife have also participated in this working group.

These meetings have included an overview of the general issues, BLM regulations and direction, and site visits to the areas of concern: San Pedro, Camel Tracks, and Arroyo Alamo.

Developing a formal range at or near one or more of these areas may reduce the negative impacts the unregulated shooting is having on neighbors. A formal range could provide:

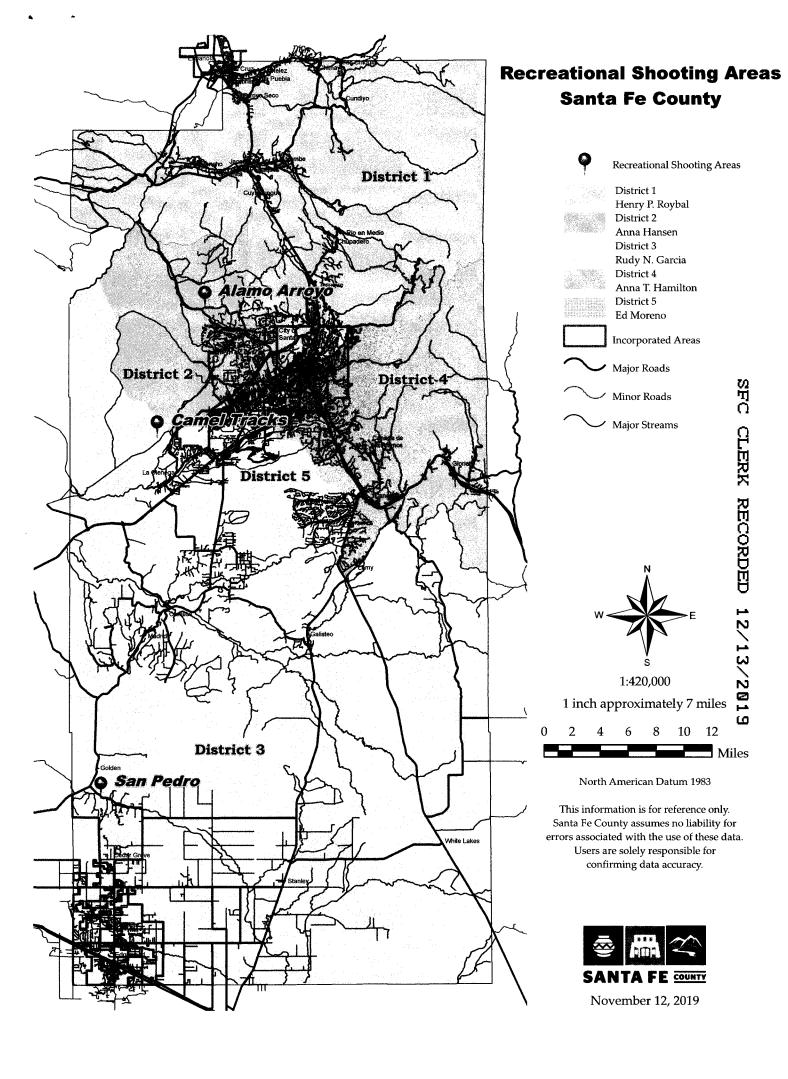
- More safety regulations, including direction of fire
- Hours of operations
- Potential for onsite staffing
- Additional enforcement mechanisms

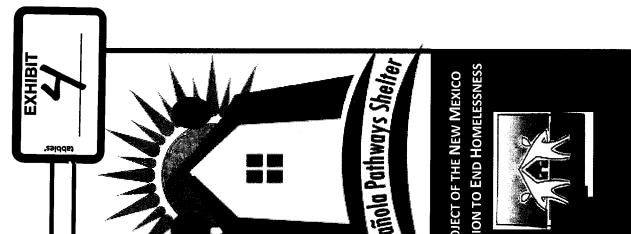
Federal funding opportunities include the Pittman Robertson Act which allows for a 90% /10% match split for the development of recreational shooting facilities; the 10% of the match must be non-federal funding. If Pittman Robertson funds are used for construction of the facilities, BLM cannot be the managing agency. An outside non-profit, or similar agency, will need to be identified as the managing entity.

BLM is restricted to how public input can be received through the NEPA process. More expansive public process is preferred by BLM, which could be done with an outside agency conducting the public facilitation process, such as Santa Fe County or a private facilitator.

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Staff is requesting direction from the BCC as to whether staff should continue to coordinate with BLM, NM Game and Fish, and other entities on these matters, including discussions of the County providing planning support and possible funding for a public outreach process. 102 Grant Avenue · P.O. Box 276 · Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-0276 · 505-986-6200 · FAX: 505-995-2740 www.santafecountynm.gov





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COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS A PROJECT OF THE NEW MEXICO



PROJECT OVERVIEW



Objective

To provide Española's first low-barrier shelter to serve 20 men & women aged 18 and over with comprehensive care and essential services.

Key Stakeholders

A broad coalition of community stakeholders have mobilized to end homelessness in Rio Arriba County, primarily in Española. Technical support will be provided by the New Mexico Coalition to End Homelessness. Comprehensive case management will be provided through the Rio Arriba County Health and Human Services Department. Additional services will be provided by other partners within the Rio Arriba Community Health Council.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Professional assessment, coordination and advocacy for delivery and access to a range of essential programs and services.

- Crisis Medical Services
 Access to mental health and recovery services for substance abuse.
- Emergency Shelter
 Pathways to Transitional and
 Permanent Housing.
- Food, clothing & hygiene
 Attending to basic life needs for optimal health and wellbeing.
- Comprehensive Case
 Management

Case management team & clients cocreate a daily work plan and schedule with personalized goals and tasks.

- Job Readiness & Placement
- Along with financial management and other educational opportunities.
- Legal Support/ Advocacy
 Assistance overcoming barriers to applying for jobs, seeking benefits,

obtaining needed records, etc.

SAFE & SECURE

Planned for the optimal safety and security of residents and the community

- ✓ On-site professional staffing
- √ 24/7 enhanced security
- ✓ Zero tolerance to loitering
- ✓ Surveillance system
- ✓ Private entrance/intake
- √ Secure check-ins
- ✓ Drug-free policy

COMMUNITY ASSURANCES

Pathways Shelter is committed to being a good neighbor and working actively with the neighboring community.

Neighborhood care & beautification projects, such as landscaping projects, weed removal, etc. will be a part of this initiative.