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This regular meeting of the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners was called to order at approximately 1:20 p.m. by Chair Danny Mayfield in the Santa Fe County Commission Chambers, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

b. Roll Call

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

Members Present:

Commissioner Danny Mayfield, Chair
Commissioner Robert Anaya, Vice Chair
Commissioner, Kathy Holian [telephonically]
Commissioner Miguel Chavez
Commissioner Liz Stefanics

Members Excused:

[None]

c. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Molly Archuleta.

d. State Pledge

The State Pledge was led by Jessica Narvaiz.

e. Moment of Reflection

The Moment of Reflection was led by Tim Taylor of the Corrections Department. Commissioner Mayfield asked for a moment of silence for the service men and women who gave up their lives for our country.

I. F. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)
1. Amendments
2. Tabled or Withdrawn Items

KATHERINE MILLER (County Manager): Mr. Chair, just a couple of quick items. Under the Consent Agenda, item C. 1, a resolution authorizing the surplus of fixed assets, there is a correction to one of the attachments so I would ask that when you get to that item you pull it, either for that quick clarification or for discussion further down. And also C. 5 should actually be Miscellaneous. It's not a resolution; it's just a miscellaneous item so I just would like to clarify that. Also under Matters from the County Attorney, item VI. B was added to the agenda and an item under Public Hearings, item VIII. A. 3 was tabled at the last meeting until June 10th. Those are all of the adjustments to the agenda.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. So, Commissioners, I have a couple questions. On item VI., just for clarification for our public, Manager Miller, on VIII. A. 4 we show that that ordinance establishing a 26-ton weight limit on Old Lamy Trail County Road is tabled indefinitely?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, thank you for pointing that out. That one is tabled so that staff can go look at additional policy. So until that's developed, then we'll bring it back at that time.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Also, Commissioners, I'm the one that asked for presentation VI. B to be as a discussion item for us. I will be asking that we hopefully get to this a little sooner than if we need to go into an executive session or not. It's concerning the land use map. I know we have a public hearing on this tomorrow. I won't broach it right now but some of my discussions with staff is why I asked for this to be on the agenda. Also if there was a memo that went out I'd like to have a copy of that memo please up here. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, I would like to have that first discussed in executive prior to a public discussion, so do we need to bring the executive session up in front of some other items?

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioners, that's fine. Again, I asked for it to be on. If there's a view for it to be on executive –

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I don't mind it being in the public after we receive some legal advice.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Fair enough. I definitely will be discussing this in public tonight.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: That's fine.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: That's fine then. We can leave it that way. If we see how time is moving along I may ask then that we move executive up a little sooner. Also, Commissioners, we have public comment that we afford to everybody who's here. I will ask that we move into public comment on commencement of the agenda approval, and then if we need to go back to it a little later we'll also do that.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Just for clarification, Matters from the County Attorney, executive session, we're going to have a discussion on the process of consideration and adoption of the sustainable land use map, and then in the public session after that you and all the others may make additional comments?

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We may, yes. I'd make the comments right now but I'll respect the process of going to executive session on this.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, I'd like to clarify. On item II. C. 1, Ms. Miller, are you suggesting that that goes further down into the agenda?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, I just wanted to make sure that we had an opportunity to make a comment on it. We could either pull it or – but there was one item that is not supposed to be in that list. So I just wanted to make sure that that got stated as opposed to approved on Consent without making that clarification.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay, so Mr. Chair, I would like the less than five-minute discussion on II. C. 1 so we can have that clarification.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. II. C. 1. Okay. Thank you. Commissioner Chavez, please.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Yes. Item D. Appointments, Reappointments and Resignations, D. 1, 2 and 3 I'd like to pull those from the Consent.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. Commissioner Chavez, do you believe that will take longer than five minutes?

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: I don't think it will but I just want to have some discussion on those three points.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes, sir. Commissioners, if you can just indulge me to go back to item VI. B, what's the reason to take us into executive? Is this an adjudicatory proceeding? Potential litigation? Why would we need to go into executive session on this?

GREG SHAFFER (County Attorney): Mr. Chair, it would come under the category of pending or threatened litigation, given various claims that have been intimated against the County with respect to the zoning map.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So I guess, Mr. Shaffer, there have already been potential threats of litigation on our zoning map?

MR. SHAFFER: Yes, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. It's very important that every hears and listens to the zoning map that Santa Fe County is putting forth. So I'll just state that right now. Thank you. Commissioners, we have an agenda as amended in front of us.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Vice Chairman Anaya, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, for brief discussion I'd like to have less than five minute comments on Consent Agenda II. C. 3, 4 and 5.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. And that would be less than five also.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Probably less than a minute each but I do want to make a couple comments.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. Thank you. So Commissioners, we'll approve the agenda as amended and then we can still go back to our Consent if there's anybody who cares to find anything else on Consent they'd like to discuss.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, I move that we approve the amended agenda.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Second.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. We have a motion and a second. Excuse me really quick. Commissioner Holian, do you have anything to add to the agenda or requests?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: No.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioners, we have a motion and a second in front of us.

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

I. G. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

1. Approval of April 29, 2014 BCC Meeting Minutes

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We have our April 29, 2014 minutes in front of us. Commissioners, are there any suggested changes or questions?

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I'll move for approval.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Second.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We have a motion and a second.

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

I. H. Introduction of New Employees

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Manager Miller, introduction of our new employees.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, there is a list in your packets but it's my understanding that none of them are in here today. Most of them are our emergency communications specialist trainees so they're out at our facilities or also in our Corrections Department. So I would just call attention to some of the staff's names. There's about 10 to 15 of them so I won't read them all out, but none were able to make it to the meeting today.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Well, if they're listening and/or the public that's listening, we have brought in some new fine folks to Santa Fe County and we welcome them and look forward to the great work that they will be doing with our other great employees that work for the County. So, thank you, Manager Miller.

I. I. Recognition of Operations Assistant Fire Chief Mike Neely on His Retirement From Santa Fe County Fire Department

DAVE SPERLING (Fire Chief): Thank you, Mr. Chair, Commissioners. With me today is our operations assistant chief, Mike Neely. Thank you for the opportunity to bring his retirement announcement forward to the Commission today and the honor of

recognizing Chief Neely. I want to tell you that he's retiring on Friday after 15 years with the Santa Fe County Fire Department, but Chief Neely actually started his public safety career in the Marine Corps and then worked for ten years at Albuquerque ambulance, becoming a certified paramedic in 1990 from the University of New Mexico.

During his employment with AES Mike demonstrated his proficiency rising to the level of field supervisor and then operations supervisor before he was snared by Santa Fe County Fire Department in 1999 by Chief Holden becoming one of our first career firefighters to staff Medic 70 in the southern region. Medic 70 serves the Town of Edgewood, southern Santa Fe County and a number of our surrounding jurisdictions. Chief Neely spent five years on the Edgewood frontlines serving as one of a two-person medic crew and he was also trained as a firefighter and responsible for supporting surrounding jurisdictions as well as our volunteer staff and district members.

Throughout his career with Santa Fe County Chief Neely served eventually in all regions of Santa Fe County and really got to know the unique challenges that face Santa Fe County Fire Department in providing topflight fire and EMS services in a combination fire department system. He gained certification as an IFSAC fire instructor, a hazmat instructor, an incident commander and a radiation and nuclear weapons of mass destruction technician and trainer. He also served as union president and helped negotiate the first union agreement for Local 4366.

He climbed the career ladder demonstrating his professionalism and proficiency, became an active lieutenant in 2004, a battalion captain in 2005 and a battalion chief in 2009. And as a battalion chief, Chief Neely assumed responsibility for the daily operations of an entire shift of career personnel. He was also tasked, because of his proficiency, with a wide range of administrative duties. And finally, Mike was promoted to Assistant Chief of Operations in 2012 and I can tell you he's done an outstanding job in this role, organizing and overseeing and directing our field operations, both career and volunteer. He's handled the responsibility of supervising the existing three shirts and battalion commanders with skill and he has successfully directed the operations of the entire department's fire and EMS training programs including our career and successful volunteer fire training academies.

Throughout his 15 years of service Chief Neely has made an invaluable contribution to the growth and development and professionalism of the County Fire Department. He's one of our few remaining individuals who came in at the very beginning and has all of that institutional knowledge and we're going to be hard-pressed to replace him. I'd like to wish him the absolute best as he moves forward in retirement in the next phase of whatever that retired life brings him. I know he's going to be cleaning his garage, probably next Monday. I actually asked him if he would come and clean my garage as well but he wouldn't commit to doing that. I'm still going to work on it for the remainder of week, I have to tell you.

Anyway, the command staff of the Fire Department, firefighters came together and purchased a memento of our esteem for Chief Neely. It's not a watch – something much better. Can't wear it on his wrist. But we put together a fire axe, and I know this is something that he will treasure. It says Assistant Chief Mike Neely, Santa Fe County Fire Department, 1999-2014. I told him it's not to be used to chop wood, but actually to hang on his wall. So with that I stand for any questions.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you very much, Mr. Chair and Chief Neely. Thank you so much for your years of service, and since you've gone through the entire department you really have a lot of secrets and inside knowledge that should be passed on to the Chief here. You probably know the ins and outs which would help him with budget, with scheduling, with organization. So you are going to be a loss to Santa Fe County. Thank you very much.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Chief Neely, I don't know what else to add to what the Chief said but all I can say is thank you for your dedication and for your service and good luck to your new chapter. It's quite an axe there. But enjoy your retirement. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Vice Chairman Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Chief, two words sum up what you've done at the County and the Chief said them and that's top flight. You've worked through all levels of the Santa Fe County Fire Department and at every level, excelled and worked to not only help your colleagues but most importantly the people that you served day in and day out that were in dire need of help and support and you've done that. I especially thank you for your service in southern Santa Fe County and your efforts at all levels there. You'll be miss but we'll find you when we need help and greatly appreciate your work from the bottom of my heart.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I would like to add my thanks to you, Chief Neely, for your 15 years of service to Santa Fe County as a firefighter, an EMS/medic, and a supervisor. You will be sorely missed. I wish I could see the axe.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We'll take a picture, Commissioner Holian and you will definitely see it. Chief Neely, also, I just want to thank you for your service and dedication to our public health, safety and welfare. It's what we need to do in the County and you all gentlemen and ladies do it Also your work with Albuquerque ambulance, that is great work that you're doing out in the communities, making sure that people are safely attended to and brought to the hospitals if needed. So thank you for your frontline service, your dedication to the County and best of luck in retirement. Mr. Sedillo.

PABLO SEDILLO (Public Safety Director): Mr. Chair, County Commissioners, I'd like to also thank Chief Neely. I remember one instance that I received a letter from a young lady where her car got on fire going to the airport. And Chief Neely, on his way home pulled over, got his fire extinguisher and made sure he checked the date and made sure it was valid or not on the fire extinguisher, and helped extinguish the fire. So those are the kinds of commitment and dedication that the Santa Fe County Fire Department has given to our citizens so again, I'd like to thank you, Chief Neely.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Chief, we're going to see you as a public speaker now, so please.

MIKE NEELY (Fire Department): He's taken my weapons away. There are three times that I've come before the Commission, Mr. Chair. The first time was in 2000 to give an invocation after Cerro Grande. The second time was to introduce our bargaining unit in 2004. And Mr. Shaffer was a part of that. And now on my departure. There are three things that I want to point out. One I want to give the glory to Christ because he's who's enabled me

to be here and I give him all the glory for that. Secondly, my wife and my two daughters. For 30 years I've been married and it's been a blessing and she has stood not behind me, beside me, and never asked why, but always said I understand. My daughters never complained; they went along with it and we're better because of that. And then finally I just want to thank all the supporting people with Santa Fe County Fire. I've worked with the best, the very best. I thank you for your support, because when I came in this was a new adventure to do what you set out to do. I've been through about 12 different County Commissioners, four County Managers, the one thing that's never changed is that support and that drive to keep public safety on the forefront. We all think our departments are the most important, but I tell you what, when you're holding someone's hand at 3:00 am in the morning, or you're collecting their belongings out of a burned out house, or pulling someone out of a wrecked car, you are the most important person. The community appreciates your support for what we do and I know the department dearly needs your support to continue on. And so I ask you to do that. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Chief. Chief, Commissioners, if you'd honor us with a picture. We'll bring up all County Fire Department staff please and we'll do the honors with a picture.

[Photographs were taken.]

II. CONSENT AGENDA (Public Comment)

A. Final Orders in Land Use Cases

1. **CDRC Case # V 13-5400 Tod Amon Variance.** Tod Amon, Applicant, Requested a Variance of Article V, Section 8.1.3 (Legal Access) of the Land Development Code, to Allow Access for a Driveway to a Property Consisting of 18.46 Acres. The Property is Located at 29 Puertecito Road, within the Vicinity of Golden, within Section 19, Township 12 North, Range 7 East (Commission District 3) John Lovato, Case Manager (Approved 3-0)
2. **CDRC Case # V 14-5020 Dennis & Lynne Comeau Variance.** Dennis and Lynne Comeau, Applicants, Requested a Variance of Article VII, Section 3.41.C.C.I (No Build Areas) to Allow 30% Slope Disturbance for an Existing Driveway to Access Buildable Area on a 66.52 Acre Parcel. The Property is Located at 191 County Road 74 in the Vicinity of Tesuque, within Section 20, Township 18 North, Range 10 East (Commission District 1) John Lovato, Case Manager (Approved 4-0)
3. **CDRC Case # 14-5340 Vincent Salazar Variance.** Vincent Salazar, Applicant, Requested a Variance of Ordinance No. 2002-9 (La Cienega /La Cieneguilla Traditional Community Planning Area and La Cienega Traditional Zoning District), Section 6.4.3 to Allow Two Dwelling Units on 1.00 Acre. The Property is Located at 73 Camino Torcido Loop, within Sections 17 & 20, Township 16

North, Range 8 East (Commission District 3) John Lovato, Case Manager (Approved 3-0)

4. **CDRC Case # V 14-5000 Lee Pack Variance.** Lee Pack, Applicant, Requested a Variance of Article V, Section 8.1.3 (Legal Access) and Article V, 8.2.1c (Local Roads) of the Land Development Code to Allow the Construction of a Residence on 2.5 Acres. Both Roads That Service the Property (Old Buckman Road and Kalitaya Way) Do Not Meet the Specifications of Local Lane, Place or Cul-de-Sac Roads and Do Not Have Adequate Drainage Control Necessary to Insure Adequate Access for Emergency Vehicles. The Property is Located at 111 Kalitaya Way, Off Old Buckman Road, within Section 31, Township 19 North, Range 8 East (Commission District 1) Wayne Dalton, Case Manager (Approved 4-0)
5. **CDRC Case # S/V 12-5451 Cielo Colorado Estates Preliminary Development Plan, Plat and Variance.** Cielo Colorado LLC, Applicant, James W. Siebert, Agent, Request Preliminary Development Plan and Plat Approval for a 24-Lot Residential Subdivision on Tract 15A-2 of the Eldorado at Santa Fe Subdivision Consisting of 246.30 Acres More or Less. The Application Also Includes a Request for a Variance of Ordinance No. 2008-10 (Flood Damage Prevention and Stormwater Management) to Allow Access Through a 100-Year Flood Plain without an All-Weather Crossing. The Property is Located on the East Side of Us 285, Off Camino Acote, within Sections 21 and 22, Township 15 North, Range 10 East (Commission District 4) Vicente Archuleta, Case Manager (Approved 3-0)

B. Appointments/Reappointments/Resignations

1. Appointment of Erica Abeyta to the DWI Planning Council (Community Services/Rachel O'Connor)
2. Corrections Advisory Committee Resignation (Public Safety/Pablo Sedillo)
3. Corrections Advisory Committee Appointment (Public Safety/Pablo Sedillo)

C. Resolutions

1. Resolution No. 2014-39, a Resolution Authorizing the Surplus of Fixed Assets in Accordance with State Statutes (Finance Department / Teresa Martinez) [Modified: See below.]
2. Resolution No. 2014-40, a Resolution to Make Application with the NM Economic Development Department for Certified Community Status Under Its Certified Communities Initiatives (Growth Management/David Griscom)
3. Resolution No. 2014-41, a Resolution Requesting a Budget Increase to the Fire Operations Fund (244) to Budget Title III

Appropriation Funds in the Amount of \$22,446 (Public Safety/Fire/Chief Sperling)

4. **Resolution No. 2014-42, a Resolution Requesting a Budget Increase to the Law Enforcement Operations Fund (246) to Budget (1) Grant Awarded Through the Bureau of Land Management/\$15,000**
5. **Request Authorization of the Use of District 5 Capital Funds, Per Capital Outlay Policy, Allocating \$85,000 for the Leo Gurule Playground Redevelopment (Finance/Teresa Martinez)**

D. Approval of Proclamations

1. **A Proclamation Acknowledging May 31, 2014 World No Tobacco Day to Educate the Public About the Need to Protect Our Youth and Citizens From Further Damage Caused By Tobacco Use and Secondhand Smoke (Commissioner Stefanics)**

E. Purchasing

1. **Request Approval of Lease Agreement No. 2014-0284-PW/PL Between Santa Fe County and Eric Lucero for Property Located at 89 La Puebla Road in Exchange for In-Kind Caretaker Services (Purchasing/Bill Taylor)**
2. **Request Approval of Lease Agreement No. 2014-0304-PW/PL Between Santa Fe County and Jeremy Martin for Property Located at 14 Calle del Prado for in-Kind Caretaker Services (Purchasing/Bill Taylor)**
3. **Ratifying the Lease Agreement No. 2013-0276-PW/GG and Approving Amendment No. 1 to Lease Agreement No. 2013-0276-PW/GG Between Santa Fe County and Anthony Tafoya (Purchasing/Bill Taylor)**

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So Consent Agenda, we've had some limited discussion on this this morning. Without any further needing discussion, is there any other matter that needs to be pulled for limited discussion? Commissioner Holian?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: No. I have nothing. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Seeing none, we are going to go to – Commissioner, you thought those would take longer the five minutes, so C. 2, a resolution to make application with the NM Economic Development Department for Certified Community Status under its Certified Communities Initiatives. Mr. Griscom and Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I had 3, 4, and 5.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Ms. Miller had C. 1.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: C. 1, so let's just move then – we'll go to C.1 right away. A resolution authorizing the surplus of fixed assets in accordance with state statutes, and we have Ms. Martinez with us.

TERESA MARTINEZ (Finance Director): Mr. Chair, we mistakenly allowed an \$8,000 item to be on this list and this resolution is specific to those assets that are \$5,000 or less. We propose that we strike it and I initial it and the chair initial it and then we'll bring the correct resolution back to you at the June admin meeting, if that's permissible.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And Ms. Martinez, we don't need to have action on that item for purchase right away?

MS. MARTINEZ: If you'll approve everything minus the deletion, that would be great and then we'll bring you the corrected resolution next month.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Any questions, Commissioners? Thank you, Ms. Martinez. We'll do that. Catch me today for that initial, please.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So I will move approval of C. 1 with the \$8,000 item struck.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Second.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We have a motion and a second in front of us.

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

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So Commissioners, I apologize again. We are now on item C. 2, a resolution requesting a budget increase to the Fire Operations Fund (244) to Budget Title III Appropriation Funds in the amount of \$22,446. Commissioner Anaya and Ms. Martinez.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Ms. Martinez, could you just let the public know what Title III appropriation funds are?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioners, typically, this is used for fire activities. This in particular will be for wildfire protection plans and it will also be used towards salaries and benefits.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Thank you, Mr. Chair, Ms. Martinez. This is a theme that we've been talking about in our other budget discussions and I just wanted to highlight that we're rebudgeting some grant money that will go for our wildland program. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Much needed, Commissioner. Thank you for having that discussion. We're on to item C. 4, a resolution requesting a budget increase to the Law Enforcement Operations Fund to budget a grant awarded through the Bureau of Land Management for \$15,000.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I'd just like – is the Sheriff's Department here for this one? If the Sheriff's – we have a major and a captain here. If they could get up and give us a brief snapshot as to what this is and what the funds will be used for I'd appreciate it, Mr. Chair.

ADAN MENDOZA (Sheriff's Department): Mr. Chair, Commission, this is an amendment to an existing grant that we've been awarded over several years to provide supplemental patrols for BLM lands within Santa Fe County, most specifically the Camel tracts, Buckman area and Santa Cruz Lake. BLM has very limited law enforcement presence in northern New Mexico. I believe they only have two officers, so this grant covers our

overtime costs for enforcement of things like illegal dumping, unlawful use of firearms, other off-road vehicle travel, and things like that within the BLM lands within Santa Fe County.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Thank you, Chairman Mayfield and Captain Mendoza and Major Johnson. I just want to highlight on this project, this was a project that involved Sheriff Garcia and Undersheriff Madrid and former Commissioner Anaya. I believe Commissioner Stefanics actually participated in the discussions and votes relative to the work on the BLM lands and the coordinated efforts that the County's done in working in that area to patrol it but also provide fencing and other things. It was a cooperative effort, so I appreciate your efforts, Captain and Major and Chairman Mayfield. Thank you for letting me ask that question and put it on the record.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: That's a great question, Commissioner Anaya, and thank you for bringing this forth. And gentlemen, I also want to thank you for all the work you do. Unfortunately, I came onto an illegal dump out on BLM land, sort of by the Santa Cruz Lake area and I was able to talk to your department, I believe and also to Mr. Leigland's department, and they addressed those initiatives with the BLM and part of it was that we do need some more patrolling in those areas also. So I just appreciate that you all are working on this grant, bringing these dollars forward and the work you do in the community. Commissioners? Thank you again. Thank you, Commissioner Anaya.

So Commissioners, we're now on C. 5, request authorization of the use of District 5 Capital Funds, per Capital Outlay Policy, allocating \$85,000 for the Leo Gurule Playground redevelopment.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, Chairman Mayfield, I appreciate Commissioner Stefanics' efforts to improve this park and she's continually worked on parks and other areas of improvement. I'm familiar with this park. This park services a lot of people and there's potential for more. There's a public housing site across the road, and so I just wanted to acknowledge it publicly and thank Commissioner Stefanics for putting the resources forth.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you. Mr. Chair, I'd like to comment. I'm not sure that the \$85,000 is going to be enough, because I haven't seen the schematic, and so I am prepared to put more funds into it if necessary.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner, I'd just also like to thank you for doing this for our community and for our children and for our adults. I think this County brings forth numerous needed resolutions. When we talk about healthy communities, we talk about childhood obesity, and by us being able to give back to provide safe playgrounds and areas within our county that can be utilized by all of our constituency. That is again a safe place, a place where they're not spending \$50, \$60 to take a family of four to a movie. They can just have some clean fund in our community. So thank you for doing this, Commissioner Stefanics. Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I think it's also important to note Leo Gurule was a fallen officer from here in Santa Fe County, and last week the State of New Mexico, as they do annually, acknowledged all of those fallen officers. So I think it's only appropriate that the resources were put forward to the park but also a park named in his

honor. And we do have our Public Safety Complex that is also named in Mr. Gurule's honor as well. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you for that recognition, Commissioner Anaya, to Mr. Gurule. Commissioners, we are now with that I believe we are able to move forward with our Consent Agenda items.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, there were short comments, I believe, on the appointments, Items II. B. 1, 2 and 3, I think that Commissioner Chavez asked for.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I thought we were going to ask that those go longer than five minutes. If that's not correct, I'll ask for them to come off right now, Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: They can go into longer discussion.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Chavez. So with that, Commissioners, we have a Consent Agenda item in front of us. Before I go there though was there anybody from our public who wishes to care to comment on any of our Consent Agenda items? Seeing none, Commissioners, do we have an approval for our Consent Agenda?

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I'll move for approval.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: As amended?

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: As amended.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Second.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We have a motion and a second.

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

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Just, Chairman Mayfield, just a clarifying question. Is there any logical reason why we pull a Consent item and then put it way at the end for action items? I would just suggest that moving forward, that if we pull an item off Consent and it's going to have a longer discussion, we do as we just did, but that maybe we have the discussion immediately, because it's part of the Consent. Just a suggestion, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I like that suggestion. So we'll just do it now and then we'll just ask that our agenda be modified in the future to accommodate that. Thank you. So let's move down - with that, Commissioners, we are going to move to II. B. 1, 2 and 3.

**II. B. 1. Appointment of Erica Abeyta to the DWI Planning Council
(Community Services/Rachel O'Connor)**

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: I think they're all kind of grouped together, and if we could just have staff, probably Rachel O'Connor and Pablo Sedillo just explain exactly what we're doing with these appointments, resignations and then reappointments. Because I think these are all critical. It's the DWI Planning, Corrections Advisory Committee, in both points.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Please, Mr. Sanchez.

LUPE SANCHEZ (DWI Coordinator): Thank you, Chairman Mayfield, Commissioner Chavez. We're bringing today before you Erica Abeyta. She's currently with the Santa Fe Community College and her specialty and what we're excited about is her experience in the prevention field, so she'll be bringing a lot of insight with our prevention program and what we're doing in the schools.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: I know that DWI and substance abuse is something that our Health Department is trying to work on so we need these volunteers to help us do that work. So I wanted to spend a little bit of time talking about this. So I appreciate that. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Stefanics, please.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: When we do the DWI Planning Council, I understand that we have specific types of slots that we want on this, but I have some constituents who would like to serve on the DWI Planning Council. So is this treated the same, Ms. Miller, for advertising to the public?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, on the DWI Planning Council, we've had this one advertised for quite some time but then in addition, for DWI Council we actually have a mandatory two meetings that they attend before they're recommended for appointment and this individual did attend both of those meetings.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. Thank you very much.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Are there any other openings on the DWI Planning Council right now?

MR. SANCHEZ: Chairman Mayfield, Commissioner Holian, we do have two openings at this time.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair, what area would those openings be in?

MR. SANCHEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian, we have a law enforcement opening. We have emergency responder opening also. We also have an opening for media, so there's a wide variety of members that we could choose from or professions that we can choose from, so those are a few of the openings that we have at this time.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Are we going to be putting out a press release asking for applicants?

MR. SANCHEZ: Yes, we will. We just ran one. It's been running for about a month now, so we did issue one and it's also listed on the County website that we do have openings, so it is out there.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: So, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes, Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: If I could I'd like to make a motion to approve the appointment of Erica Abeyta to the DWI Planning Council.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Second.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We have a motion and a second to approve the nomination of Ms. Abeyta.

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

II. B. 2. Corrections Advisory Committee Resignation (Public Safety/Pablo Sedillo)

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Mr. Sedillo, Commissioner Chavez asked to speak about the Corrections Advisory –

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Mr. Chair, I'm not sure if Mr. Sedillo is the right staff because in reading this it's Corrections Advisory resignation and then appointment. Is there an individual that you will be bringing forward, Mr. Sedillo, at this time, for the Corrections Advisory Committee?

MR. SEDILLO: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Chavez, this is an appointment that we had with the Corrections Advisory Committee, at which time we had one of them representing the Public Defender's Office who resigned, so we had to fill that position with another individual from the Public Defender's Office. We had the Deputy Chief Public Defender who submitted a letter of interest to join that Corrections Advisory Committee. So we're asking at this point to approve the resignation and the appointment of Chief Deputy Bennett Baur.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: So he'll be resigning and then you'll reappoint him?

MR. SEDILLO: Yes. We had an individual who resigned.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Oh, got it. Same Public Defender's Office.

MR. SEDILLO: To do a reappointment.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: And Mr. Chair, I think he attended our Health Board this morning, from the Public Defender's Office, talking about the intervention team.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Yes, yes. You're right. You're right. Okay then, Mr. Chair, I'd go ahead and make a motion to approve the appointment of Bennett Baur.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Chavez and Director Sedillo, we're right now on B. 2, the Advisory Committee resignation of Joan Morales. We as a Board don't have to accept that; you're just informing us of that, correct?

MR. SEDILLO: Mr. Chair, I'm not quite sure of how the resolution read.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So, Commissioners, we have item 2 in front of us and I want to thank Ms. Joan Morales from the Public Defender's Office for the work that she's done on this Advisory Council. Sad to see her leave but it sounds like we have another great individual coming right behind her. So with that, Commissioners, can we have a motion to accept the resignation of Ms. Joan Morales?

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: So moved.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Second.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We have a motion and a second.

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

II. B. 3. Corrections Advisory Committee Appointment (Public Safety/Pablo Sedillo)

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Do we have a motion and a second to accept the nomination from the Public Defender's Office of Mr. Bennett Baur.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: I'll make that in the form of a motion, Mr. Chair.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I'll second.

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

IV. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay, Commissioners, I think we are now done with our Consent Agenda items and I am going to move to public comment really quick, Commissioners, and ask if there anyone from the public wishing to comment on anything that is not on our agenda tonight. Ms. Nanasi.

MARIEL NANASI: Thank you, Mr. Chair and Commissioners. My name is Mariel Nanasi and I'm the executive director of New Energy Economy. You have recognized our commitment to the people of Santa Fe to take action to mitigate harms and create viable community and climate adaptation strategies. And in doing so you have voted to solarize all fire stations. You made it a top five ICIP agenda item and then as a result you know I think that we solarized Tesuque fire station. Not only did we eliminate bills but the County's now receiving checks from PNM.

Then we solarized the Chimayo fire station under, specifically under Commissioner Mayfield's leadership. And then we went to the state legislature and with a number of people coming together, which is what it always takes is people coming together, the state for the very first time there was no veto of Governor Martinez of a solar project and the County is going to be receiving \$182,000 to solarize all the fire stations.

And so I'm here today asking you to put \$500,000 from capital outlay GRT or from wherever you think is the best place so that we can basically solarize a fire station in each of your districts, the largest fire station we would start with in each of your districts. What we could commit, New Energy Economy, is to help with those celebrations. Each celebration that we've had thus far has garnered literally hundreds of people. And it's a source of pride for Santa Fe County and we would like to continue with that.

So as you know, we feel like it's really important to protect the people who are protecting us and those are the firefighters, so we can repurpose the money that was previously allocated to utility bill payment to lifesaving fire equipment. So we are currently raising money right now for another County building in addition to the fire stations and that's the Nancy Rodriguez Community Center and what I'd like to just say is our Sol Not Coal projects continue to benefit our entire community. And we would like you to make sure that

those funds are matched by the state funds so that we can really get going and have all fire stations solarized. So thank you very much.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Ms. Nanasi.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes, Commissioner Chavez, please.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: If you could expand just a little bit on the Nancy Rodriguez Center and give us a scope of that project and what your organization will be able to provide as far as –

MS. NANASI: Funds?

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Funds. And then what you're expecting of the County.

MS. NANASI: Well, right now we have a Sol Not Coal Indiegogo campaign started and we plan to use that money for three facilities. One is Tewa Women United, which provides midwifery services and domestic violence services for all the people in the eight northern pueblos and in the Espanola area, Monte Vista Farm, making the connection between local food and local energy, and the Nancy Rodriguez Community Center. And to be perfectly honest, I can't answer the exact amount right now. It's really about how our fundraising efforts go, but the plan is to contribute and to be a part of it and to work with you, Commissioner Chavez, specifically so that we can continue our solarization efforts in this whole county.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Chavez, and thank you for the work you're doing on the Nancy Rodriguez Center also. Please.

KRISTINA PROCTOR: Mr. Chair and Commissioners, thank you so much. My name is Kristina Proctor and I work for New Energy Economy as well but I wanted to speak from the perspective of an educator actually. I had the honor of being in a classroom at Capitol High when they announced that they are going solar this summer, and I can tell you that the classroom broke out into cheers and that the youth were so proud that their school would be run by the sun. It's only going to be 25 percent run by the sun but the first year it saves \$40,000 on their electricity bill, so I was honored to see that.

And I'm an educator coming from New York City where my students refer to the ground outside as the floor. They actually thought that was the word for the ground, and that is not what I see in the youth here. So I think it would be very powerful for people in our community to see not only a school and some of our non-profits and community organizations going solar but to see that effort from the government and to see that your fire stations are also. We know that they're on the frontlines of climate change and that you are putting some funds into this as well. So I'm supporting the motion that you contribute \$500,000 to this effort. Thank you so much for listening.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you.

MARISOL FERNANDEZ Y MORA: Mr. Chair and Commissioners, my name is Marisol Fernandez y Mora. I am also with New Energy Economy and I am a college student. I currently attend college out of state in Massachusetts at Smith College and I'll be speaking from the perspective of a student and a native New Mexican hoping to return home after college. I always have the conversation with my mother whenever I leave: I love you;

I'll come back soon, but the truth of the matter is I'm unsure of whether or not I'll be able to make a home here. In order to come back and make a home I need to be assured that I will have clean, accessible water to support a family with. I'll need to make sure that there is an economy that supports me and supports future jobs for me and the family I bring, and I also need to be assured that record-breaking fires will no longer be ravaging our state as a result of climate change.

What I think we have is an opportunity here to ensure that and to ensure a home for native New Mexicans in the future. I personally can't ensure that I'll have a home to come to but you can begin contributing by contributing financially to shifting towards renewable energy that saves water, that creates jobs, and that really works to mitigate the climate change that is threatening especially here in the Southwest where we're constantly plagued by fires. So I guess I'm asking you to contribute to my future financially and make sure I can come home in a few years. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Marisol.

DELANEY COVELLI: Mr. Chair and Commissioners, my name is Delaney Covelli and I'm a recent Santa Fe High School graduate and in the course of graduating from Santa Fe High in 2013 I was able, which I'm extremely thankful for, to play a role in solarizing a couple of the fire stations that Mariel Nanasi addressed, and standing beside local firefighters, standing beside you all, standing beside Mayor Coss, standing beside my youth coworkers, my family and new friends at those ribbon-cutting ceremonies of the fire stations. I would admit the joy that it brings to the entire community that was there to celebrate and not only the sheer joy but also the hope and the hope of when the solar power systems were turned on everyone was hopeful for a future that we have to see happen.

I'm a fourth generation New Mexican now attending college in Boulder, Colorado and the one thing I know that we as New Mexicans have in our environmental movement that people in Colorado do not have is a respect and a love for the heritage of our land. For thousands of years on this very land we've protected and tended and loved it and we've been its caretakers as it's been ours and it's now our time to be its menders and its healers. So solarizing Santa Fe fire stations and New Mexican fire stations is a tangible goal and I know this because I've seen it happen and not only do I know that because I know that you believed it because I know that you shook my hand and I know that you agreed to it and not only that but I know that Commissioner Anaya, that you high-fived me. But in all reality it was a really important moment to me because it brought that same hope to me that I saw in my community on the days that we turned those fire station power solar installations on. And so I hope that with all of the work that you've already done that we can continue to move forward. So thank you for your work already.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Good luck in school.

BIANCA SOPOCI-BELKNAP: Hello, Commissioners. Thanks so much for having us. My name is Bianca Sopoci-Belknap and I, among other things, serve as the chairperson for the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission, and I'm here also speaking in support of the idea of dedicating \$500,000 to the solarization of your firehouses. As you all probably know the UN IPPC report came out this year, followed closely by the US *Climate Action Report*, which was just published a couple weeks ago and the conclusions of those reports are quite terrifying to be honest. And so what we're expecting in the Southwest, as you know, is

extreme drought in ways that we haven't ever experienced. So the severity, the length and the depth of the drought we can expect will increase enormously unless we do something about climate change.

I just want to say that in response to these threats there are real, concrete things that we can do and I really applaud your guys' leadership so far and I feel as though with just a little bit of investment we can see radical increases in savings for our firefighters who are really at the frontlines of this whole battle with climate change. I heard earlier that you all are going to allocate more funds to operations in the firehouses and I just want to point out that this is one of the best ways to do more of that by taking capital funds, investing them in a way that is very wise and prudent so that you have the return on that investment in the form of more operating funds to support our brave firemen and firewomen. So thank you so much for your work so far and I hope that you continue to invest in solar. Thanks.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Ladies, I just want to thank you all for your advocacy and your work on behalf of our county and the state of New Mexico. I think it's pretty smart and forward thinking for some of the solarization and if not more of the solarization that we will do. I was glad to hear that Commissioner Chavez is working on a project also out at the Nancy Rodriguez Center. I think collectively all the Commissioners are looking at something. We were pretty big advocates of going across the street to our New Mexico Legislature and to our delegation and asking for some additional fundings and capital allocations and we were the recipients of \$182,000. So that was great collective work and again, I think forward thinking. I'm committed to do more solarization of some of our local fire stations. I see the definite return and I don't look at it being 16, 17 years out; I think it's arguably more of a ten-year return, and then what we can do to provide lifesaving equipment for the individuals who were just here a little before you, to be out there protecting the public and the welfare. I think that's great. Commissioners, do you have anything else? Commissioner Anaya, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, two ingredients that are important to any task or endeavor is perseverance and presence. You guys continually do that so I'll give you an air five from here. Thanks for coming back.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Holian, do you have anything?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I just want to thank all the people that are here from New Energy Economy, for coming forward to speak and of course I'm a big proponent of solarizing any building in the county and I just want to point out that a new fire station is being built in the Glorieta area and they are designing the solar panels in from the beginning. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you. Again, thank you, ladies and Commissioners, thank you for letting me move that up on the agenda. Does anybody else care to provide public comment on this time on any other matter that is not on this agenda tonight? I'll go back to it later but you can speak up now. Seeing none, thank you, ladies for being here and the work you do.

III. ACTION ITEMS (Public Comment)

A. Resolutions

1. **Resolution No. 2014-43, a Resolution in Support of Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area and Acknowledging the Completion of Its Management Plan**
[Exhibit 1: Supporting Material]

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We have with us today Mr. Griscom. We have a few other individuals that David will be introducing please and this is being brought by Commissioner Stefanics and myself. Thank you, Mr. Griscom. Tom, come on up.

DAVID GRISCOM (Economic Development): Mr. Chair, Commissioners, so what you have before you today is a resolution in support of the Northern Rio Grande Heritage Area. I want to introduce Mr. Tom Romero, who is the executive director of the Heritage Area and I also want to acknowledge a couple of board members that are present, Willow Powers and Samuel Delgado. Tom has a few items to hand out for you and I believe you can – while he's handing those out I'll talk a little bit about the resolution. This tracks closely with the economic development plan, in particular with the Arts and Culture, the outdoor recreation/ecotourism and the agriculture target industries. I'm actually a board member of the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area representing Santa Fe County, so I believe that the work I'm trying to do tracks closely and is aligned with the mission of the Heritage Area.

Some things, some goals that were established in the management plan, which is why the Heritage Area is before you today, the management plan was adopted by the National Parks Service just recently. There are five main goals: enhance understanding and awareness of the Heritage Area's stories and resources; sustain traditions, heritage and culture by supporting community efforts; involve youth in the appreciation of and continuation of traditional practices; create partnerships with non-profits, local and tribal governments; conserve resources by working with communities and preservation organizations; and promote economic development and heritage tourism.

So those are the five main goals and all of those goals track within the economic development plan. I'm going to turn it over to Tom Romero to give you a quick presentation and then be available for Q and A.

TOM ROMERO: Mr. Chair and members of the Commission, thank you. I wanted to acknowledge again we have two of our board members who are present. They represent the communities, Sam Delgado and Willow Powers. Sam is the chair of our grants committee and Willow is the chair of our finance committee. What I have handed out in the packet – I was told that I should keep this short and sweet and I said, well, I'm short and some people have said that I'm sweet, so maybe that will do it. So I've just included in your packet some things that represent where we are. On the left hand side there's a copy of the approval letter from the Department of the Interior which made official what we had been working on for the last three years. That was issued on January 15th. Behind that there's a copy of the resolution from the state legislature. This one came from the House of Representatives, and within that there was a statement at the bottom that encouraged local governments and tribal governments to support and work with the Northern Rio Grande

National Heritage Area. And then the last item is just a copy of the initial enabling legislation that was passed in 2006.

On the right hand side there are two items that I thought would be of interest to you. First there is a copy of the executive summary from the management plan. The entire management plan looks like this. It's a fairly lengthy book and it has a lot of stuff in it. So I've just pulled a copy of the executive summary which shows you some of the high points of what we are doing. And then right behind that there's a schedule that is a tabulation of the grants that have been given by the Heritage Area over the last five years, and I broke it down by county so that you could take a look at what has already been done.

I wanted to focus the discussion, and I really do appreciate the fact that you all are having us here today. I wanted to just focus it on looking at what has already happened. So we came before you in 2009. There was a resolution that was passed by the Santa Fe County Commission that endorsed the creation of the management plan. It was in the formative stages of the Heritage Area, and you also authorized a financial contribution toward that effort, as did several of the other counties, but Santa Fe County was in the lead on that.

And so I wanted to show you in the management summary that we in fact did do what we said in that agreement would be done, and that was to go through the process, lay out a strategic plan for implementing the principals that were in the legislation, and then put it into effect. In the present what we have been doing very, I think, effectively is the grants program which has enabled us to take federal funds and move them into the communities to support different types of efforts. As I sat here waiting for this presentation I read again some of the language that is in the mural behind you. There is some really interesting statements that go to the heart of what the Heritage is about: protection of property, religion, language, one that talks about culture and education. There's just – I think this one on the left, cultural tradition, pristine resources, diverse communities, all of those things are included and incorporated into the goals that are listed in the plan summary and also in the resolution that you have before you.

Our purpose is not to do anything where we are the owners of it. Our purpose is really to work with local governments, work with communities to help them to develop. In the last two years I have personally spent many, many hours working with the Chimayo community helping them to create their community development plan. And as a result of that we also were able to bring together the people from Rio Arriba County and Santa Fe County and my compliments to the staff of Santa Fe County for all the work that they have done and that plan that is coming before you soon.

This effort was to try to pull together the community, to have them take charge of where they were going to go and we have been trying to work with other communities as well, partly through grants, for example La Sala down in Galisteo. We have funded that now for three years, giving them funds to refurbish that facility. We've provided funds to the pinto bean museum in the southern end of Santa Fe County which you all may or may not have visited but we have helped them to establish that, and it's a draw for that part of the community. And some of you have seen the film that we funded, which also brought together representations from the community.

So all of those things helped to spread the word, to say here we are, we're doing this and we're going forward. As we now stand, once the management plan was approved, it was

a big deal. I won't say it like Vice President Biden said things but it was a big deal to get the plan approved. One of the big things that it does is it makes it official that the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area which is one of 49 throughout the country, exists and is recognized within the country. This year marks the 30th anniversary of the first National Heritage Area. And so it is an opportunity to really celebrate where we're going with that and it's a mark, not just – oh, it's something that somebody did. But it actually is a designation that I think can be built upon to promote what is going on in New Mexico.

The second thing that comes with that designation and its approval in the management plan was the ability to draw in more funds. So up to now we've been operating with a budget of about \$150,000 a year, roughly, that we have used mostly, or a big chunk of it, over 25 percent of it has gone back out into the community in the grants. What we have projected, and there's a little projection in the back of the management summary, we probably will double that just this year. We will qualify for over \$300,000 of federal funds that will come in. We're not taking that and putting it into staff or operations. What we put it into is into grants that go out. I have spent some time with David and I want to thank the County for appointing David to be on our board. We have a slot on our board from every county, from each of the large cities, from the pueblos and tribes in the area and from the communities. And David has been just terrific in participating and representing Santa Fe County. So we wanted to thank you for designating him.

As we go forward, I spent time with David looking at your economic development plan and we mapped out areas where your goals, the County goals, match the priorities that are in the National Heritage Area, priorities as we define them in our management plan. We feel that we can be helpful to the County, that we can also be helpful to the communities within the county and we thank you. I wanted to make it short. I hope it was sweet, but I want to thank you all for recognizing the effort that it took to get to this point and also welcoming the support and partnership working with the Heritage Area as we go forward. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you very much for the presentation.

Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Commissioner Mayfield, and thank you for bringing this forward and asking me to join you on this. We've discussed this organization here at the Santa Fe County for a few years and I'm really pleased to offer congratulations to you, Tom, and to your board for the recognition from the National Parks Service and the Department of the Interior. I know that this has been long in coming, that you've been working on this plan, that even after it was submitted it had to be revised a little bit, but now you're on solid footing and it's going to be a great resource to the three counties. You already have been a resource but now with the secured funding, we know that we can count on you to be around. And so it's with great pleasure that I'm co-sponsoring this resolution, Resolution No. 2014-43, and I would move for approval when it's the appropriate time.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Stefanics. Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: If I could just ask David to just come to the microphone, and I want to, David, try to make some correlations between this effort and what we are doing in our economic development plan regarding the promotion of arts and crafts,

especially when we talk about the Rio Grande Corridor. I think we can talk about arts and crafts like weaving and tinwork and my area of specialty, furniture making, these pre-date our US history. And I think the Rio Grande Corridor is recognizing a lot of that as I read through it. So I wanted you to make some correlations between this and what we are trying to do with our economic development plan.

And then there's one piece that I know I've talked to you about that I feel is missing when we talk, especially when we talk about heritage tourism and products that are produced, hand-made products that are produced within that cultural context. And so that takes me to recognition of those items as hand-made, as authentic. So we're talking about branding what we're producing, and that can be red chile if we want to. But I see that that's one thing that's missing. So talk on those two points if you would please.

MR. GRISCOM: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Chavez, I think the closest correlation to what we have in the economic development plan is this idea of linking artists to markets. Many artists here in the incorporated area of Santa Fe have representation; many don't. And there isn't a lot of gallery representation outside of the incorporated area of Santa Fe. So we've talked a lot internally within the economic development plan but also kind of externally with the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area about this area of creating a new and viable market place for artists and artisans and craftsman in the unincorporated area of the county.

One of the ideas that we have is to explore creating a website, which doesn't exist, to pro-actively market artisans and artists from around the county. Similar to a model like Etsy where we exclusively focus on hand-made, made in Santa Fe County, made in northern New Mexico type of products, and market those products to a worldwide audience essentially giving artists an entirely new market. There would be a branding and marketing component to that where we can specialize in made-in, or what not, but the details of that haven't been worked out. We will work those out in part with the ACCT Committee, the Arts, Culture and Cultural Tourism Committee. That's one of the items that I want to put on the agenda is how – what kind of branding campaign can be put forth.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: I think that really does it and I'm hoping also that the Arts and Cultural Tourism Committee can do some of that work but I felt that it would be good to have the discussion now and sort of tie things together. Do you also envision then, along with the branding that there will be some sort of letter of authenticity in some form that would go with the products, as we're going to market?

MR. GRISCOM: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Chavez, yes, absolutely. But again, I would put that on the agenda of the Arts and Cultural Committee and explore their positions and their thoughts.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Okay, and then the only other argument I would make, I guess, is to not be so specific to the unincorporated part of the county because there are a lot of artists and craftsman in the city in Santa Fe County who do not have access to the galleries in town or on Canyon Road who are really not in that system. And so I would encourage us to open that up a little bit more. I think that would also help in our efforts to partner and collaborate with the City in their efforts because I think they're going to be doing a lot of the same things that we are hoping to do and rightly so. But when people come to Santa Fe there's more to Santa Fe than just Santa Fe. They don't stay in Santa Fe. They go to

Chimayo, to Truchas, to the outlying communities and villages. And they take their day trips and then come back into the city. So I'm hoping that the ACCT Committee will also be able to coordinate more with the City and be broader in that and promote both artists and craftsmen in the city and in the unincorporated parts of the county as well. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Vice Chairman Anaya, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Thank you, Chairman Mayfield and Commissioner Stefanics, for bringing this forward and I appreciate your comments as well, Commissioner Chavez. Just a few brief comments I think that sum up the work here. Education and preservation of heritage are glaring with this work, and I would read from the executive summary. The Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area establishes the framework within which these resources may be nurtured and managed to benefit residents and visitors alike and within which the area may be protected for future generations. I think that encapsulates the work and the effort that we need to continue.

The other thing I would add, Mr. Griscom and Mr. Romero, is when you look at the listing of projects you can see the glaring benefit that what some might say is just a little bit of money goes a long ways, and when you read off the listing and you think about Espanola Valley Fiber Arts Center, weaving a future for heirloom churro wool and wool growers, creation of educational video, funding stipends and supplies for community education, Espanola Valley High School support for production of cultural heritage videos by students, Tesuque Elementary School PTA, Northern New Mexico Heritage, Espanola Valley High School again. The list goes on and on and these are relatively low investments that make a huge impact on education and continuing to enhance our heritage and preserve it for generations to come. So I thank the sponsors, Chairman Mayfield and Commissioner Stefanics again as well as you, Mr. Romero and Mr. Griscom and the entire team in your work on this effort. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioner Holian, do you have anything?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chair. I would also like to thank you, Chairman Mayfield and Commissioner Stefanics for bringing this forward. I'm really pleased to see that the management plan for the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area is now completed. I myself a couple of years ago attended a very interesting community meeting that was organized in Glorieta to get feedback from the community. I wonder if Mr. Romero would actually, just for the benefit of the public, outline roughly the areas that are included in the Heritage Area.

MR. ROMERO: Thank you, Commissioner. The Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area includes all of the areas of Taos, Rio Arriba and Santa Fe County. So it's everything within the boundaries of the counties is what has been included and incorporated in this. In some cases – well, that includes then the lands that are in the pueblos. It includes the communities that are there, some of the oldest communities and even the cities, Taos, Espanola and Santa Fe.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Romero. And also, now that the plan is completed, what are the next steps? Where do you go next?

MR. ROMERO: Well, where have started, and this has been an area – the plan itself includes very detailed strategies for each of the goals that are listed in the resolution and we have already started as a team, our board has begun to take on those individual strategies and activities. We started with a planning session and we are laying these out so that we can move forward. Specifically, what we have done is to work on projects within different communities. For example, and I'm talking in Santa Fe so this maybe doesn't apply immediately, but in the City of Espanola we are working with the City on a renovation project that will create a food hub which is actually a place where food can be brought from the farmers that are creating the produce. We are working with the La Sala. Again, we are continuing to fund that and at some point that is going to become a community center that will enable the community to show art and have representation of artists that are particular to the community. We have worked and are working with Chimayo to complete their community plan. This year, in this round we are able to give funding to a couple of organizations within Chimayo to help them, like in the arts tour that they have in Chimayo and supporting some of that as well as in the Pojoaque Valley.

And one of the thing that was asked in the questions by Commissioner Chavez, in developing our website, we are expanding that now, funded by our resources to begin to lay out the corridors that are important for people to visit as they look at this area. There are lots of people that have websites that promote – like the City or the artists that are in the city but they don't really talk about the communities and what is going on. There's a history and a heritage that is there in each of the communities that we want to be able to present and we feel that this is an area where we will be more able to work with the communities than say, just a commercial site. We will be expanding to add the artists and arts and crafts. We actually have a slot in the website design. Right now we're calling it meet the artists, but what we want to do is actually present the individual artists to the public as they go through this and it would be linked to their sites and promoting their work.

So there's a lot of different areas. Part of it deals with the educational component. We got a resolution passed before the legislature last year to take a look at Rio Grande weaving which is trying to preserve that. It got looked at and we've had people talking about authenticity but they have not gone much further with that. But we are interested in preserving the culture itself and helping in the economic development.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Great.

MR. ROMERO: I hope that that answers. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Oh, yes. Thank you, Mr. Romero. All I can say is wow. This is really going to be a great thing for our community. I'm wondering, can I actually see a copy of the plan by David Griscom?

MR. ROMERO: The entire plan?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Well, to leaf through it.

MR. ROMERO: We will have – we are going to load it on our website. Right now we don't have it loaded on but we will have that there. In the meantime, I can make that available to you. I did bring a copy of the summary that is here in the packet for you and I'd be happy to present whatever you would need out of the plan itself.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Romero. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Mr. Romero, we have a few more questions or suggestions. Commissioner Anaya, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, just a couple brief comments. I was remiss in not commenting about La Sala in Galisteo and the efforts that the community has done in partnership with the Sociedad de San Jose to not only preserve that hall as a facility that's been doing many community events for years and years but to sustain it for generations to come, which is the key issue that you guys are working on. I also want to comment on former Commissioner Anaya who sat with Commissioner Holian and Commissioner Stefanics to help work with your initiative in doing your work and the work of the videos and the education. It's many times our privilege to just tag along with things that were set in motion by others but I want to commend former Commissioner Anaya and Commissioner Stefanics and Holian for jumping on board with this project and helping it get to this point. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Mr. Romero and to the board, thank you for all your great work and collaboration on helping promote our heritage and our culture. A quick question for me and maybe even for our listening audience. Tom, can you talk a little bit more about the grant awards and how the applications are brought to you all and how your board decides what projects to move forth with?

MR. ROMERO: Thank you, Mr. Chair. One of the things that the committee did is that it established a process. When they first started, I think the grant applications were presented to the board as they came up. We established a process three years ago where we set standards that relate to the goals of the organization, and then we put out a call for applications. We were trying to do a twice a year cycle and we're trying to get back into that. So for example, we just finished that one cycle for this year that is in the packet that I showed you.

The grant applications, they address the types of goals that we have, so it may be cultural preservation, it may be education. Sometimes it's a specific asset like La Sala. Other times a promotion of tourism. So as long as they are able to point to that we ask them to submit information on what they're going to do, the entire project and then the funding and community support. A very important part of it is we ask to see what kind of community support they're going to have in these projects.

The grant committee that Mr. Delgado chairs goes through each of the applications. We score them based on common criteria for all of them, and then based on kind of the ranking of those they make a selection and recommendation to the entire board and the board votes on it and approves it. So that's the process that we follow. We sent out in the paper, put notices out. We sent out email notices, trying to get people to participate. We've had differing levels of participation in different years, so this year we received 12 applications and we were able to fund, to some extent, 11 of those, so that was a good thing. We've also had to hold back in terms of how much we can give depending on the budget issues. As we go forward now we will expand the program and add more funding so that we can have – but it is a formalized process that we follow. Not so formal that people can't get help. We actually help them with their applications, because often we're dealing with people who are not used to writing applications, and so we want them to be able to present it. Since we are using federal funds we have to follow the rules of the federal government, but at the same

time, as long as we are being equitable in our evaluations and how we recommend what funding they get then we generally are able to support most of the projects that come through.

I've only listed a few but you can see in that listing that it really does reach out into the communities into a lot of different areas.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. And then, Mr. Romero, as far as promotion and/or working in collaboration with our local authors, I know you and I had some discussion on that. Me and Mr. Griscom had some. Can you just talk a little bit about some of our great authors that we have throughout Santa Fe County and the northern part of New Mexico.

MR. ROMERO: Thank you, Mr. Chair. We do have a lot of great authors and one of the things that we did, in fact our management plan includes an entire chapter that is the history of northern New Mexico. It was written by – we've modified it a little bit, but one of the great local historians, Robert Torres, was the one that wrote and pulled together a lot of that information. We have supported other authors and will continue to do that as part of the promotion of the information and to raise the awareness in people of what it is that northern New Mexico has to offer and often working with writers is the way to get that information out.

So as we do our new website one of the things that we want to be able to do is to link to writers, link to people in communities that are actually presenting stories that are real. What we have talked about as the National Heritage as being is the cradle of settlement. It's just a term but it actually represents what it was that this area has represented all along for thousands of years. It was where people gathered. Their lives carried them out and there's a lot that has been written, all the way back to Villagr  in *La Historia de Nuevo M xico*. But we do work with them and where we're really trying to work as well is to collaborate with different organizations that promote this, so we might have a collaboration between, say, El Museo in Santa Fe and artists or writers from different places and have a presentation through them. But it isn't just a single type of promotion but it is actually trying to get the word out, and to get a good dialogue about what the history of the area is.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. With that, Mr. Romero, thank you for the presentation. We do have a resolution in front of us. I won't go through all the whereases or the goals. I think that was pretty much identified through this presentation. However, I just would like to read in the title and then the therefores. So, in front of us today is a resolution in support of Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area and acknowledging the completion of its management plan. And so I'm just going to move to the therefores. Now, therefore be it resolved, the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe as follows: Santa Fe County acknowledged the NRGNHA for its completion of the management plan and congratulates it for its subsequent approval by the National Parks Services; Santa Fe County recognizes the mission and goals and objectives of the NRGNHA overlapped with many aspects of the County's economic development plan, and that by supporting and partnering with NRGNHA and actively participating in the Heritage Area, the goals and strategies listed in the economic development plan may be implemented; and Santa Fe County endorses collaboration and participation by Santa Fe County in supporting initiatives that are the benefit of the County in pursuit of its economic development goals and wishes to continue to partner with NRGNHA and hereby authorizes allocation of financial resources and employees' participation in such efforts. Commissioner Stefanics, please.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair, again, for bringing this forward and inviting me to join you. I move for approval.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Second.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We have approval and multiple seconds.

The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote. [Commissioner Anaya voted after the fact. See below.]

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. On this resolution, if anyone from the public cares to comment on it, please. Seeing none, then we will be moving on. Mr. Romero and board members, thank you so much for being here. Mr. Griscom, thank you.

III. B. Purchasing

1. Request Approval of Second Amendment to Cooperative Project Agreement with the New Mexico Department of Transportation to Increase the Transportation Enhancements (TPE) Funding for Construction of a Portion of the Santa Fe Rail Trail in Amount of \$797,950 and Authorizing the County Manager to Sign and Approve the Purchase Order

BILL TAYLOR (Purchasing Director): Thank you, Chairman, Commissioners. I'm happy to be here to present to you for approval a second amendment to the cooperative agreement with NMDOT for the Santa Fe Rail Trail, segments 2 and 3. With that, Mr. Chair, I'll stand for any questions.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, I'll move for approval.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I'll second for discussion. Any discussion?

Commissioner Holian?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: No. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioners, we have a motion and a second in front of us.

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

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes, Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, Karen, I said aye on the previous item. I apologize. I wasn't at my microphone.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioners, with that I'm going to ask if we could take a quick five-minute break before we get to the presentation of the proposed interim budget, because that may have a little bit of discussion. Commissioner Holian, we're going to be on break for about five minutes.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Yes, Mr. Chair. I just want to alert you that I'm going to be having to take a break at around 2:30 to 2:45 and then I'll call back in.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: You must be behind us because we only have 3:00.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Oh, sorry. You're right.

[The Commission recessed.]

III. C. Finance

1. Presentation of the Proposed Interim 2014-2015 (FY 2015) Budget
[Exhibit 2: Interim Budget Presentation; Exhibit 3: Asset Renewal and Replacement Requests]

MS. MARTINEZ: Commissioner Holian, do we have you on the phone?

CHAIR MAYFIELD: At this time we don't have Commissioner Holian but she may be coming back with us.

MS. MARTINEZ: Okay. Commissioners, we've prepared a small, brief presentation and within that we will begin with slide number 2, if you will that is a quick review of all the BCC 2015 priorities. Again, you've heard these the last couple of sessions. We want to maintain our existing County assets, we want to continue our investments in employees, which includes Countywide COLAs, reducing the employee health insurance contributions, providing educational benefits, recruiting and retention of public safety personnel, our ongoing staff wellness program and improving the physical work environment.

We've heard that you want to expand youth programming and library funding, expand the wildland urban interface program, opening and maintaining existing open space properties, continued funding for the Regional Coalition of LANL Communities, added contingency for judgments and settlements, grow the utility to be self-sustaining, develop a long-term emergency preparedness plan, expand our economic development initiatives, increase our reimbursements for volunteer fire fighters, complete the capital projects that are already in the pipeline and expand our senior services.

So again, these are BCC priorities and they're in line with the citizen survey priorities.

As a recap, we have increases to base this year, some by our action, some by state action. Those resulting from state action include the increase to our health insurance costs by ten percent which equates to about \$600,000 Countywide. Increases to our PERA contributions for the employer pickup of .4 percent, \$100,000 Countywide. Other increases is the support of our compensation increases for both union and non-union employees totally \$362,000, and salary increases for our newly and re-elected officials totaling \$23,000.

On page #4, this summarizes the interim budget proposal and what it includes in terms of the following BCC priorities. Included in the base budget already is \$56,000 for the summer mentorship program, \$150,000 for additional open space maintenance, \$150,000 for open space management plans, \$1 million in total for New Mexico EDGE, staff training and tuition reimbursement, \$10,000 for the Regional Coalition of LANL Communities, \$208,000 for the wildland-urban interface crews, \$50,000 for the Renewable Energy Task Force, and an additional \$260,000 for our economic development initiatives, and we went ahead and listed some of those initiatives, which are the Arts, Culture and Cultural Tourism Task Force, Food Policy and Planning, Santa Fe Business Incubator, Northern New Mexico PBS

Feasibility study, the film festival, Rio Grande Heritage Area, Bike and Brew Festival, Shoot Santa Fe, and the Microgrid Systems Laboratory, all for a total of \$1.9 million.

So these are included in the interim budget you have before you today.

On slide #5 what we did is summarize the additional expanded priorities. These are the additional expanded priorities that we heard from the BCC during our last budget study session as well as what was made mention of at the BCC meeting held on the same day. We heard that we had a need for chase crew for road graders, needed adequate funding for Legal, open space maintenance, arts, culture and cultural tourism, North Central Workforce Development Board, the Estancia Valley Economic Development. We wanted to double our boots on the ground for the wildland-urban interface, additional library funding, additional graders and operators, a .5 FTE for RECC for IT support, food policy and planning, Renewable Energy Task Force, an assessment specialist for the Assessor's Office and an animal control officer for the Sheriff's Office.

On page 6 you'll see that we have the recommended initiatives by BCC. What we tried to do on slides 6 and 7 is segregate those for you so that you would know what is a recurring cost, something that would occur from year to year, and that is non-recurring which is considered to be a one-time expenditure. So on page 6 you'll see the increased funding for youth and library at \$20,000. There'll be operational supplies necessary for the chase crew to the tune of \$10,000 and an equipment operator needs operational supplies totaling \$17,000. And from an FTE standpoint the recurring costs included in the budget are an animal control officer at \$53,000, an assessment specialist at \$38,000, an equipment operator at \$55,000 and a road maintenance worker at \$43,000. Those FTEs are above and beyond what we had previously recommended at the budget study session, so this is an additional four FTEs, in addition to what we had recommended on May 13th, so that totals \$236,000 from a recurring standpoint.

On page #7 you'll see the non-recurring expenditures. We have \$30,000 for the chase crew equipment, a water truck at \$200,000, a vehicle for the animal control officer at \$39,000 and increase to economic development budget for the Estancia Valley Economic Development and the North Central Workforce Development Board for \$60,000. So total non-recurring –

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Vice Chairman Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Ms. Martinez, that's the Northern Area Local Workforce Development Board, just for clarification, and what were you proposing as far as a breakout?

MS. MARTINEZ: Commissioner, what we did is we said we would recommend a budget of \$60,000 and feel that the economic development budget that's established could help sustain the difference. What we were trying to do with recommending our new costs above and beyond what we already had in the base budget was trying to stick in the neighborhood of \$500,000. So we recommended \$60,000 for that and the thought was that the economic development fund could help sustain the difference.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Okay. Okay. I might have some other questions but I might have some other questions but thank you for that clarification, Chairman Mayfield.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Go on, Ms. Martinez.

MS. MARTINEZ: On slide #8 you'll see that we've summarized for you the FTE requests. Those that are in blue were what was recommended by management and considered by this Board on May 13th at the study session, and those are in the golden color, and what we heard from the Commissioners as additional requests they'd like to see funded. So we have a total recommended of 19 FTEs. Now, some of these are part time going to full time or casual employees, so they total 19, and again, the four new include the assessment specialist, the equipment operator, the road maintenance worker and the animal control officer. The others that were recommended on May 13th were the IT desktop support specialist for administrative services, an assistant County Attorney for Administrative Services, title examiner for the Assessor, making the election worker and outreach coordinator from part time to full time for the Clerk's Office, program manager for Community Services, a community planner for Growth Management, nurse practitioner and a licensed LPN, both are casual positions that would not work more than 10 hours per week were recommended, a training lieutenant for the Public Safety/Fire. Also recommended was the regional firefighter cadet basic and then we funded the wildland-urban interface techs at a total of ten term positions for six months of the year. So the equivalent of five full-time FTEs. And then also for the Sheriff's Office, a community relations and leads coordinator and also an accounting technician for the Treasurer. So that sums up the 19 FTEs that we're recommending in this interim budget request.

Slide #9 identifies the FTE reclassifications. This has not changed from the May 13th. We're still recommending that we reclassify a clerical assistant to an HR analyst, reclassifying to positions in GIS to a GIS technician reclassification and recommending the Public Safety/Fire volunteer recruitment and retention coordinator and that totals four. If you add the new FTEs with the reclassifications we're adding a total \$1.2 million to our recurring costs on an annual basis.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Ms. Martinez, if we're going to – why don't you go through the presentation and I'll come back. I'll ask that you go through the full presentation. Thank you.

MS. MARTINEZ: Okay. Page 10, our FY 2015 interim budget recommendation totals \$231.8 million, and if you exclude the operating transfers that are doubled counted, if you will, it totals \$178.7 million. Included in that is a compensation plan of \$1.5 million and again, the recurring costs for new and reclassified FTEs at \$1.2 million.

We included for you a quick summary on page 11 that shows you the FY 2015 revenue and expense budgets and how they compare to the FY 14 original budgets. And you can see that if I highlight the major revenues – property taxes and the one percent fee, we're recommending a \$57.2 million revenue budget for property taxes in FY 15 compared to the \$54.8 million in FY 14. And also in the GRTs, we're recommending a revenue budget of \$44.3 million compared to the prior year's original budget of \$42.4 million. And those are the major revenue sources.

If we look at the expenditure categories you can see that salaries and benefits have increased. We're recommending a budget of \$70.3 million, versus the FY 14 original budget of \$67.4 million, again, showing the investment by the Board in its employees. Travel and vehicle is slightly down, contractual services is up by \$2 million. Maintenance and supplies are down by \$420,000. Operating costs are up by \$580,000. Our insurance and our

deductibles are up by \$2.6 million. Our asset renewal and replacement is up about \$270,000, capital projects are down about \$12 million, debt service is up about \$345,000, and our transfers are down slightly by \$372,000.

So again, the total budget is \$231.8 million, including operating transfers.

The next slide is in support or recommendation of the use of cash. Within this budget we are recommending the use of cash to the total of \$54 million, and we went ahead and separated that both from a recurring and a non-recurring standpoint. We are recommending that we fund COLAs, merit pools and additional health benefit contributions to the tune of \$1.5 million, new and reclassified FTEs, \$1.2 million, and other operating expenditures for road fund, fire operations fund, and the law enforcement operations fund totaling \$900,000. So our total recurring use of cash is \$3.6 million.

On the non-recurring side, the one-time expenditures, we have capital projects at \$33.2 million, the recessionary contingency of \$5 million, the new contingency for settlements and judgments of \$2 million, a recommended asset renewal and replacement of \$5.7 million, one-time cash received for restricted purposes such as grants and special fees, \$1.2 million, and transfers for one-time expenses of \$2.8 million. And then \$500,000 for the fire protection fund. So our non-recurring total use of cash is \$50.4 million.

Management's recommendation today is we ask that you approve the FY 2015 interim budget of \$231.8 million, which we believe includes what we heard from you at the BCC study session as well as the priorities we heard prior to that, which is 19 new FTEs, four FTE reclassifications, asset renewal and replacement, a compensation packet, merit pool and health benefits, settlements and judgment contingency, and operating costs associated with the priorities we already spoke of. And we want to point out too that this is due at the end of the month and if there are changes that you'd like made we still have time between here and the final budget submission to DFA at the June BCC admin meeting for July deadline. So there's still time to change it if we've missed anything that we heard from you at the study session as well as the BCC meeting. And I'll stand for questions.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioners? Vice Chairman Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, Ms. Martinez, and you could use Chief Sperling and Ms. Miller if you'd like to comment as well. One of the comments that I made at the study session had to do with the wildland-interface area and what I called boots on the ground that you reflected in the budget proposal, but I think it's still very imperative and crucial that we increase the funding in that area. You and I just had a brief conversation before your presentation that you articulated that there just wasn't enough ancillary support for those additional numbers at this time. So I want to say on the record that I still think it's a priority and I still think it's a need and I would suggest that with yourself and Mr. Sperling – Chief Sperling and Ms. Miller that you not only discuss the increase that those wildland interface personnel would cost for the actual boots on the ground, and then any costs associated with oversight and administration therein prior to just bringing back the same recommendation that we already saw last time. So I'm going to respectfully ask that you guys have that discussion and dialogue. I know there's at least one Commissioner that's on this bench that's maybe willing to maybe second that and maybe have some more discussion on that but I think it's that imperative that we go down that road and if it's a matter of having additional administrative support to augment those ten additional above and beyond the ten

that we have in front of us then I'm prepared to have that discussion, just given the magnitude of the problem in those interface areas.

So Chief, did you have any follow-up comments that you'd like to remark in relation to the study session, because I haven't had any dialogue with yourself or Ms. Miller or anybody else since that study session.

CHIEF SPERLING: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, thank you for your comments and I did have a lengthy conversation with Teresa in regard to your request from the study session and found that the support costs at this point in time really were beyond our means to enact and not only the financial costs but also the costs associated with our staff being able to correctly and safely implement a doubling of our wildland-urban interface staff at this particular time, really gave me pause for thought. I would like to – and I fully support the direction you're going but I would like to make sure that in our implementation that we take this in a phased approach and that I and my staff ensure that we're doing it absolutely correctly and safely and that we're really getting the most benefit for the cost associated with what we're trying to do.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair and Chief, I don't disagree at all with the need to be prepared and assure that we have all aspects of the doubling of that team in place. But I would respectfully ask and request that as you are in your deliberations with internal staff at the Fire Department as well as the Finance Department that you provide us what those associated costs are and what those needs are so that we as a Board of County Commissioners can take a look at it and then maybe have a gut check and maybe make a determination that might exceed your expectations associated with what you think what we might afford or what we might actually do.

And as far as a phased approach, I guess it would have been nice to have some perspective on that and maybe even a placeholder in this interim budget that would speak to that placeholder and how we might have a recommendation that might come back from you at some point in the future, in the next couple months or in the next quarter to get there, as opposed to just staying with the initial recommendation. So I'm a little disappointed, to be quite honest but I understand your perspective and your point but I would ask you with your team to continue having very serious discussions and dialogue about how we might double that team beyond the ten to 20, and what other administrative and ancillary support that will be needed to safely, as you say, fulfill the obligations of oversight and implementation. So any thoughts on that?

CHIEF SPERLING: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, again, I thank you for your insights on this issue and from my perspective, right now we're looking at actually doubling our YCC hand crew from ten for six months, now with the County support, to ten for an entire year. And looking at exceeding that load for us meant not only additional oversight and personnel and trained personnel in order to do that, but also a considerable increase in the vehicles we need, the equipment we need, the personal protective gear that we would need to outfit a doubling here in short notice. And so therein kind of grew my cautionary approach.

And again, I go back to I want to make sure that what we're doing as a Fire Department is exactly spot on and that we're doing it in a way that's sustainable and a

success, not only for us but for the entire county and we're making a difference. So I certainly will come back as you suggest with more definitive costs and figures for your consideration.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Thank you, Mr. Chair, Chairman Mayfield, and Chief Sperling. And I would just say this to the public, and I would say this to all the department heads sitting in the room, there does come a time with different priorities that we may have where we do have to shift a focus for a succinct period of time in the interests of getting our hands around a very real threat. And the wildland is a real threat to our community and our area and at some point, in my opinion, sooner rather than later, we're going to have to take continued advanced steps and advanced expenditures and put that as a higher priority than other things in the interest of trying to mitigate that problem. And so I say that respectfully and I look forward to the roll-out of the doubling, as you say, of what we did in prior years which is absolutely a step in the right direction, but I would just emphasize that as we progress and we go forward that we seriously, very seriously, consider doubling again and make an even more intense effort to get our hands around the wildland interface problems in our county. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Anaya. Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. First of all I would commend Commissioner Anaya for pushing this topic but my perspective is a little different, and it's that I really want the managers to come forward and express what it is that they need. And it's the same situation as our discussion a year or two ago when there was a discussion about whether we should do more in-house work on roads or whether we should contract some things out, whether there should be more road crews, and I see this as a similar situation, that we need to depend upon our managers to say this is what we can handle, this is how much we should grow, and there always should – and this comment is for Ms. Miller – there should always be an opportunity mid-year for us to look at something different. And if we need to do something sooner than mid-year.

So for example, when we were dealing with annexation and the Sheriff needed something different we did adjust the budget and include things. We also adjusted salaries one year in mid-year. So that's my perspective. But Teresa, I have a couple questions for you about the cash. The \$54 million seems to me a little high to take out of cash, so tell me what percentage of cash we will be depleting, those reserves.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair and Commissioner Stefanics, I'll preface it by saying that we typically budget cash in this area and we typically don't spend it at that level, so if we spend 20 to 30 percent of what we're recommending for you, that would be high. Now, you'll have to remember that \$33.2 million is related to capital so it could be very phased and it may not materialize till the latter part of the year, but it looks like a high number; it's pretty much what we do each year and we just don't materialize at that level on annual basis.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So what you're saying is out of the \$54 million of cash use it's the \$3.6 million that would be recurring that we would need to use this year, next year, and so on and so forth.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, that's correct. And if you look at the non-recurring side, \$5 million right off the top is the recessionary

contingency. That would be in need of an immediate budget emergency. Settlements and judgments, that's \$2 million that was new this year. So a good part of that is earmarked in there in the event of something that typically does not – knock on wood – we've been fortunate that we've not had to dip into our budget recessionary contingency, but I think if we spend 30 percent of that, that's a high number.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So, Mr. Chair, I think that the staff have captured some of our requests and priorities, which I really appreciate, but I certainly would be interested in hearing if any department managers have heartburn that they still want to express. So maybe that would be part of our conversation.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We can have that, Commissioner. I would just like to afford all the Commissioners to ask their questions at this time.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Sure. I'm done. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: I have no questions at this time. I think that for me, it's a little cut and dry. I think that staff has done everything they can and maybe we can do a little bit more. But we do have to have this done. There is a timeline on it. We're not going to be able to adjust it too much more. I'm comfortable with what's here. I think in mid-year, if we need to make any adjustments we can look at that. We can take our time, consider those adjustments for midyear and if there's anything left out of this draft. So I'm really comfortable with what's here, hoping that we can catch anything that we might need to do midterm. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioner Holian, do we have you?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I just want to make a comment that I also am comfortable with staff's recommendation and I feel that we should move forward and then make adjustments at mid-year if necessary.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Thank you, Commissioner. So a couple questions I have by a couple of my colleagues who've mentioned them. But let's go to the revenue and expenditure budgets on page 11. So Ms. Martinez, just for me, so we have our little silos there on the chart of cash, and you're showing \$36.5 million for FY 15 interim, versus \$35.8 last year, does that correlate with the \$54 million on the next page? And that's where you're saying that you're anticipating or potentially projecting as a contingency the \$54 million? But this is actually what we're going to be expending out of our cash?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Teresa, I also want to point out that the cash number, when we say cash, capital projects when we sell bonds or start a capital project that goes over multiple years, so a big hunk of that number is projects that are already in process or we already sold the bonds for.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So that's some of the bond revenue that we're collecting also and that's where we're projecting that \$54 million in cash. Okay.

MS. MARTINEZ: I'm sorry. I didn't hear your question.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Katherine kind of cleared it up for me.

MS. MARTINEZ: And Carole just confirmed the same answer.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. Thank you. So then also, knowing that a lot of this cash is set aside for contingencies and hopefully we don't have to use it, but we're still protected, Ms. Martinez, even if we dipped into those contingency funds?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioners, that's correct. When we make a recommendation of use of cash it's already after we've considered all our statutory requirements, which includes that we keep the reserve requirements, either mandated by state statute or mandated by our own budget policies.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So really quick on that, what is mandated by state statute and what are we doing as a Commission?

MS. MARTINEZ: Okay. By state statute the general fund is basically three months worth, 25 percent. The road fund in one month's worth. And then by our own policy as it lives today, we have one month's operating reserve in each other fund that does not have a state mandate. Now, if you'll recall, we'll be bringing a cash reserve policy and we'll have some recommendations that are more than one month depending on the type of function. But right now, one month for all other funds.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So even with our new request we're anticipating adequate protection based on what we have reserved or in contingencies.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, that's correct.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And we are asking, as far as a local government, we're imposing more restrictions on ourselves than even the state would impose on us.

MS. MARTINEZ: That's correct, and we're in line with GFOA best practices.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Ms. Martinez. So let me just go back to these charts. One that came up was wanting our managers to come up and I want to talk with them, but I'm going to say this also, because it was my understanding that the managers were directed to go into a flat budget request, our departments. I'm just going to say that for a statement. We're going to hear from them, because hearing what Commissioner Stefanics said, I'd like to hear from our directors also but that being said, if they're going into a meeting saying, hey, come in flat, I want to hear that perspective from them also.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, just so you know, we recommended they come in as flat as they could but not at the expense of doing delivery of service and cost of doing business.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. Thank you for that clarification. So with that, and I'm going to ask the Chief some specific questions in a second. Do all of our departments, our directors, do they have five-year plans, ten-year plans on the books?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, I don't believe all of them do. A few have five-year. I'm not aware of any ten-year plans.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So maybe we should look at that for future budgets and budget requests is have every department develop a five-year plan at a minimum.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, actually I just went through that with Tony and Erik. We sat down looking at which departments don't have a strategic plan and that's one of the things I want to set out, the different departments that either don't have one that exists or aren't currently working on, that we get those in place.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Great. Thank you. Thank you, both. And let me look at my notes. I'm going to go back to my first page. Excuse me. So Commissioner Anaya brought doubling boots on the ground and wildland interface. I'm probably his second that he was mentioning that he would have on that and I appreciate what Commissioner Stefanics stated also. But with that said I need to ask this question, just so I am informed. So if we go

to page 8, we talk about wildland-urban interface. Let's get a little definition for the listening public between urban interface and just wildland protection throughout Santa Fe County.

MS. MARTINEZ: I don't know, Chief, if you want to answer that better than me.

CHIEF SPERLING: Mr. Chair, if I understand your question, the difference between wildland-urban interface and just urban interface?

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes. And where our dollars are going for both.

CHIEF SPERLING: Okay. From my perspective the terms are interchangeable for the Fire Department, and wildland-urban interface or urban interface are those areas where homes and businesses, but primarily homes have been built in forested areas that are highly flammable during certain periods of the year. And fires that strike the urban interface generally run through the forest and destroy lots of private property in the process.

So our emphasis in Santa Fe County Fire Department is addressing prevention in those areas of the urban interface that impact us most directly, and Santa Fe County has, as you know, a large area of wildland-urban interface that stretches through every single fire district. You don't necessarily need to be in the mountains to live in an area that contains highly flammable vegetation and I'll use La Tierra and Las Campanas as an example, or some of our areas up north of bosque where they're not necessarily mountainous but there is so much flammable vegetation that homes built in those areas are again, during certain times of the year at high risk in the event of an uncontrolled wildland fire.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Sure. And Chief, that's why I'm a big proponent of what Commissioner Anaya has recommended, and you brought something up with our bosques, a year and a half ago we had that unfortunate incident right there in La Puebla where if the wind was blowing a different direction and if we didn't have Santa Fe's finest and other resources on board, we could have lost that whole river corridor, impacting public safety, health and welfare, not to mention our river streams, our river beds, our agricultural producers off of that.

So my concern and questions that I have, and we do a lot of mitigation on the Santa Fe River, but there's multiple rivers throughout Santa Fe County. All of them cause me concern but right there in the Santa Cruz River Basin, from the top of that watershed all the way down to the Rio Grande, I do believe that we do need more resources and dollars allocated to that and if that means that we also need to work or collaborate with Rio Arriba County, City of Espanola, Santa Clara Pueblo, I'm all for doing that, so I'd like you to provide me a little feedback on that. If we're doing that, and if not, how these additional requested FTEs couldn't help impact the potential fire damage there.

CHIEF SPERLING: Mr. Chair, we are collaborating with our partners. It's a difficult mix in some areas of the county in regards to property ownership and that really determines how much public resource can be spent to mitigate certain areas. So we're effective at mitigating areas that are public property, owned by the public. That's usually a matter of making sure all the t's are crossed and the i's are dotted in getting to the point where we can actually start forest restoration projects. When it comes to an area that has a very substantial intermix of private property then it becomes a much more difficult issue and we are working with the US Forest Service, BLM, the pueblos in Santa Fe County in order to address those areas that we can make a difference. There are some new projects, new

proposals underway at the federal level to try to steer more money from the federal level to private property owners to allow them to mitigate some of their forest issues on their private property, and we have been involved in helping to kind of spearhead that effort in northern Santa Fe County as well as in some of the other areas of the county. But it's really a very labor-intensive, upfront process to make sure that we have appropriate projects base in order to work and make an impact.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And I appreciate that, Chief, and again, a lot of those navigable waterways aren't privately owned. They're owned by the feds and by the Corps. So are we doing any interface with the Corps of Engineers on that?

CHIEF SPERLING: Mr. Chair, as far as I know, the Corps of Engineers has not been a player in addressing the urban-wildland interface issues, but I could be mistaken. I'd have to look into that a little bit further. Most of our dialogue has been with the tribal governments, BLM, US Forest Service and then individual private property owners.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And Chief, respecting that what-ifs can always happen tomorrow, but what would be our potential cost if we had a significant fire like that? Wouldn't it be more prudent to invest right now, to clean those areas up and mitigating those areas, versus devastation? I just – I would think that the potential impact of again, loss and/or cost significantly outweigh us putting dollar resources into this right now.

CHIEF SPERLING: Mr. Chair, I don't dispute the significant potential. The potential is very significant for a large dollar loss, and that includes not only our bosque areas but any area of the wildland-urban interface throughout Santa Fe County. And again, it's a matter of making sure that all the processes are in place in order for us to go in and make a difference in these areas. And again, going back to my earlier comments, some areas where the property ownership issues are much less complex, we can make a quicker and more definitive difference. In those areas where it is more complex because of private property ownership it takes a long time to sort out.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Fair enough. So Chief, I'll ask this of you, and knowing that you inherited I believe a ten-year plan from your predecessor, but is this wildland-urban interface within our ten-year plan? With our Fire Department?

CHIEF SPERLING: Mr. Chair, we're currently working on a renewal of our five-year plan.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So is it in there?

CHIEF SPERLING: Yes, sir. It is.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And have we met the requirements of that?

CHIEF SPERLING: I can't say that there were definitive acreages listed in the five-year plan but addressing some of the wildland-urban interface issues around the county and developing a wildland division in order to enable us to do that was in our five-year plan and will continue to grow into the next five-year plan. So I feel like we have been meeting our goals and objectives as effectively as we can through the course of the last five-year plan and certainly the planning will expand the possibilities into the next five-year plan.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And then I'll just ask this question, Chief. It may be for Ms. Martinez or Manager Miller, but the Commission at one time, I think Commissioner Stefanics championed this and brought it forth, so it would kind of go to a performance-based budgeting initiative through our departments. So did this aspect of the five-year plan as Chief

Sperling just stated, was that on target with the performance budget based initiative for budgeting?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, I don't recall off the top of my head but I can go look at the last quarterly report. I don't recall a deficiency. So I think it's in line with what they set for the year, but I'd have to go back and confirm that.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And Teresa, I guess just from what I'm hearing with the Chief is if he can't – if he's saying that they have no projected measurement based on acreage or anything, I'm kind of wondering, well, then, what was the performance criteria for this budget? Because we need to substantiate something to go by, if we're doing enough or if we're not going enough.

MS. MARTINEZ: Okay. I can look that up and get back to you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. So going back to fire dollars, and they may be in there and in non-recurring or even recurring through the cash, a couple things I asked for and I think the Commissioners supported it was more dollars for our training of our fire personnel. I've kind of heard that individuals have to do training. They have to be taking annual leave, sick leave, paying for some of the training on their own. And so are we increasing that funding option for them? And then the second also is for our volunteers, for call response reimbursement.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, I believe we did increase both. When I reported the \$1 million training to you, that's inclusive of both regular HR and fire, and then the increase for the stipends for the volunteers is already built into the base. So that's in there.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. And then Teresa, you said the light blue is included, correct?

MS. MARTINEZ: Yes, sir. On the FTEs? Yes.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. Thanks. So going to page 11, just help me, and even for our listening audience under debt service, because we're increasing our debt service. That's for the new bonds that have hit this last prior fiscal year?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioners, this will be our entire debt service for all the bonds we've issued over the years and you'll see that it increases and decreases, depending on the year of payment that we're in, but this basically is principal and interest for all our outstanding debt, and it will include the most recent sale and bond issuance that we had.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And that's why we're seeing the increase from last year.

MS. MARTINEZ: Yes.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. Thank you, Teresa. Commissioners, while I have on other question, there were some individuals in front of us today asking about the County's capital investment plan for renewable energy, specifically for a lot of our PV. Where is that in here or is that not in here?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, what we have in here is the Renewable Energy Task Force for \$50,000, and then I don't have the details of the capital projects but whatever may be built into that as well.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay, and thanks for bringing that up. So what is – the \$50,000 for our Renewable Energy Task Force – I mean that's a volunteer committee that's staffed – I know I asked to get onto it as a Commissioner. But that is staffed by volunteers

and/or County staff or some Commissioners may sit on that task force. So what's the need for \$50,000?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, there was a request to – because the Energy Task Force used to be a subcomponent of the RPA, and the initiative that's been brought forward from the City side as well is to try to recreate the Energy Task Force itself and have them have a specific function, and that specific function to look at ways to leverage financing for not so much – so this wouldn't be to actually do the financing but it would pay for meetings, a possible study or something like that. Any costs that some contracts that the group might need. So it's just kind of an earmark that if that task force gets re-energized by the City Council and the County Commission that they'd have some funding to work with.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay, so really quick, and then I'll go to Commissioner Stefanics. So is the City putting up \$50K also?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, that would be the request, that this would be a shared cost. Whatever the budget would be would be 50-50.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: On this point, Mr. Chair, I would want to not vote – not have this included in the budget and vote on it separately when it's appropriate. And I'll tell you why. We were asked by individuals to put \$100,000 into a study to create a utility, and until we as a group would decide that we would want to have another study or to build on our last study I think we need to consider that separately. I think we also might not want to spend \$50,000 on a committee versus putting some money towards a study. I do think this is a separate item to consider. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Mr. Chair, I would concur with that, and I'm wondering, we were asked to spend \$500,000, \$100,000 to do a study, and I'm wondering if that \$100,000 might be enough to do the study that we need to do. So I'm going to be real cautious in this area and I think the study, probably money on the study could be well spent to figure out where we need to go or where we would like to go, but to just commit \$100,000 I think is just unrealistic at this time, and I think even \$500,000 is a lot to ask for not knowing exactly what it is that we're going to be doing. I like the concept; I think it's good. I know that we need to get away from burning coal. I know that alternative energy is the way to go, but we need to take the right steps to get there and I think we need to do it with a lot of thought before we go in that direction.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioners, just to be clear, this was not for funding the study. That was a separate request that is not recommended. I would say that this was something that Commissioner Holian brought up in our first meetings with Commissioners as well as at the budget study session, so I would ask that if Commissioner Holian is on the phone that she explain her request.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair and Commissioners, this is not for the study at all. It's actually for the task force and the purpose of the task force is going to be to connect with local banks and local credit unions to try to start low-interest funds for renewable energy projects on homes and businesses in our community. It really has nothing to do with PNM at all or a study about our current utility situation or anything like that. Now, if you would like me to bring this forward at some point as a regular resolution – as a matter

of fact I am planning to bring a resolution forward regarding the Energy Task Force proposal soon, but I will add that this is something that the City is committing to as well, and I think that it would be a good thing for us to work together on this particular issue, rather than just ceding it to the City entirely.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Holian. I guess what I would like to do, and I know I'm going to get off track of the budget, but even this task force, I would want to make sure that there's equitable representation on this task force throughout Santa Fe County. I don't really know much about this task force, how it was created, how it was developed, who sits on it.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair, the task force has not been created and in fact I will be bringing forward a resolution where we specifically discuss the task force, what its composition is and who's included. But this is sort of like a funding for that task force and if we don't want to join with the City and we want to just cede this to them entirely, I don't think that would be a good idea. I would think that everybody on the Commission would like for the County to remain involved in this.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. Yes, thank you, Commissioner Holian. Teresa, let me just ask one other question. Do we fund any other task force?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair, are you asking me that question?

CHAIR MAYFIELD: No, no. This is for Ms. Martinez.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, I don't believe so. I think the closest one would be the Arts, Culture and Cultural Tourism, so I believe that's all we have in the budget right now.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, I would – actually, there is funding for almost everyone of our task forces built into the budget for advertising, for minutes, for things like that so we do, but I think the only new ones we have are the Arts Committee and then this one was earmarked.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So Commissioners, what's your pleasure with this, this particular item, yes.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Holian, and then we'll go to Commissioner Anaya, then Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Well, I would like to sort of keep this funding in the budget as a placeholder so that we stay at the table on this issue with regard to the Energy Task Force. And again, I'll repeat, this has nothing to do with any studies and it has nothing to do with PNM at all.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I'm going to defer comment on this. I have comments after we're done with this item.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I have two comments. One is I still don't understand what \$50,000 would be used for, even if it was matched with another \$50,000 from the City. That's \$100,000. The second item is perhaps this is a topic that needs to be brought back when the resolution is passed and when we know there's a partnership with the City.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Stefanics. And on that, hearing we can make some interim budget adjustments, if we have some of this money already allocated in our budget as a placeholder we could push dollars to that also, right?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, as long as it's in the budget in a placeholder, yes. And then please recall you have between here and final submission to add.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair and Commissioner Holian, I think that we have funded some other participation at a much lower level and I believe that we have participated or supported activities at \$25,000, \$20,000, \$15,000, \$10,000 when you start thinking about LANL, when you start thinking about the Heritage group, when you start thinking about Edgewood. We do put money up for participating in other groups, but I'm not aware of this amount of money and so if we could lower the amount I would feel more comfortable.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Holian, please.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Yes, actually this funding – it could be less than this but what this funding is for is for advertising and getting the word out to people about renewable energy. Renewable energy is now quite cost-effective. In other words, if you get a fairly long-term loan at a reasonable interest rate you're saving as much on your energy bills as you are paying out for the loan, so we do need to spend some money in sort of getting the word out to the community that it's a real possibility now.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Holian, on that point, but this task force is not established so who's already made that decision that this money would be used for advertising?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Well, nobody has made any decisions yet, but this is – I'm giving you an example of the kinds of things that that money might be used for.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So we'll get off this topic but I'm kind of hearing that this should come back with a budget request with a resolution.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair, may I ask if we drop it now, could it be reinstated at some point in the future?

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I would say that we've done that in the past but I'll defer to Ms. Martinez or Manager Miller.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian, I would think so, as long as it doesn't get spent on a bunch of other things. What we tried to do in the recommendations that we brought back today was take the budget that we presented two weeks ago and then add some kind of pushing up on the revenues. So it's always, when we have something like that throughout the year we look at where we are revenue-wise. Certainly on a one-time basis I think it would be possible to do that.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Please, Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian, just an idea. How would you feel about the appropriation going to economic development and if it come to fruition then the money is set aside there?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: If the \$50,000 could be added to the economic development budget, yes. And then perhaps the economic development, we could figure out

what the best way to use that money within our economic development plan in order to promote more renewable energy.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Well, the reason I bring that up, Mr. Chair, is that I had actually discussed that as a possibility with Commissioner Holian about a direction for economic development and I know it wasn't one of Mr. Griscom's priorities since we had another staff member working on it. But it would – it sounds like there would be outreach. It sounds like there would be some economic development in the community if in fact this were brought to fruition and that's why I had discussed this with Commissioner Holian, so that's another avenue we could take and that would be a little more palatable to me.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: I would be fine with that and I think that it would be really – it's very much in the purview of economic development because putting more solar energy and more solar panels on people's homes and businesses and so on does create jobs in our community.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner. And also I just would think that if this was in our economic development plan it gives us a little more latitude knowing that we haven't even seen this committee, this task force created yet. I would definitely want to have a representative from District 1 on this task force as I would really like to be on it myself, depending on how many Commissioners want to sit on it. But with that being said I also think that the code that we've recently approved, and now we're going through some zoning map issues is that we have a placeholder for a potential in the code and please correct me if I'm wrong, Ms. Lucero, for a renewable energy area within our Santa Fe County code. I don't think we've totally vetted that out yet in our code but I think it's a chapter holding. Am I right or wrong on that? Could you please come up for a second? And I would think that it would be imperative that this task force look at where we're going even in our current code.

VICKI LUCERO (Land Use): Mr. Chair, that is correct. It is currently reserved; a placeholder is reserved for that section. It hasn't been developed yet.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So we haven't even had that discussion publicly or I guess within a task force or anybody then.

MS. LUCERO: That's correct. Yes.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioners? Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, Chief, just a couple follow-up questions. Going directly to the comments Commissioner Stefanics made about recommendations from management. I've been in and around fire services in Santa Fe County directly or indirectly since 1992 so about the last 22 years and all of the work that we've done, both at the voluntary level and career staff and volunteer staff, it's been a multi-faceted and multi-pronged approach associated with fire protection services at all levels. But I just want you to say on the record, when you speak to the needs of wildland-urban interface, are you – I don't want to ask a leading question. You support more resources in any area of the Fire Department but wildland-urban interface is and will continue to be a very pressing matter that you need to address as Chief of the Fire Department. Right?

CHIEF SPERLING: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, correct.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Okay. So when we speak to adding additional staff to wildland-urban interface, I'm not speaking out of turn as out in leftfield somewhere. I'm speaking specifically to what's happening in the western United States and a specific, very clear problem that's been prevalent for going on probably the second decade now, escalating every year. Is that accurate or not accurate?

CHIEF SPERLING: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, you are also accurate on that score and I talked a little bit about that during our budget hearing.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So I just wanted to make it clear that my comments don't come from my own institutional knowledge, which I think I have a little bit, just a little bit. But come from time after time hearing not only yourself but each of our volunteer districts time after time, state emergency management professionals throughout the whole western region, so it's a culmination of effort and I look forward to seeing a phased in plan, as you say, that we could feel comfortable with that you could feel comfortable with that gets us a higher level of personnel with boots on the ground over some reasonable amount of time that's not drawn over multi-years. So I just want to clarify and say that that seems to be the objective that you've had and that your colleagues have had, not only in New Mexico but in the whole western United States. Is that accurate?

CHIEF SPERLING: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, again, you're accurate on that score and my phased in approach I think is a rational and a reasonable one and one that will get us where we need to be, and I look back over the last five years when we didn't even have a wildland division and what we have accomplished over the last five years and as long as we continue making that kind of progress with your support we will be where we need to be. Again, it's a dangerous world out there for our wildland folks and I want to make sure that what we're doing is implemented as safely and efficiently and effective as I possibly can.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Chief, thank you very much and I look forward to those presentations and as Commissioner Chavez and my colleagues have all said, we'll evaluate it and as we need to consider additional resources and equipment and financially as needed. So I appreciate that, Chief. Mr. Chair, Chairman Mayfield, the other thing I wanted to ask Ms. Miller, if I look at page 8 on the summary that was provided by Ms. Martinez, I see Commission requests and I know I've made comments associated with the Assessor's request, because the Assessor made some comments, and then I see that in yellow. And then on down the line it goes Commission request: equipment operator, there again that was another item that myself – that I brought up and then I think others brought up, as well as road maintenance worker and animal control officer. I think there was more than one Commissioner that brought that up.

Those are items that are in the recommended interim budget going forward that were additions made from the last study session? Is that correct?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, that's correct.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So, Ms. Miller and Ms. Martinez and staff, I greatly appreciate that we provided those inclusions in the budget and that they're added in because those are items and going back which I respect my colleagues, those go to prior recommendations, not just from us but from what we've heard from the managers and the needs that the elected officials have as well as the departments.

In that same line of thought, Ms. Miller, could you respond – because I also had a request. We had a fair amount of discussion on the IT desktop support specialist for RECC, and I think one of the things I left it with was we were going to try and get half the resources from the City of Santa Fe but I suggested, based on looking at the history of positions in the RECC as a linchpin for our communications for the county, including the city, including the Town of Edgewood, they hadn't had any augmentation of employees like other departments had had, so I asked that maybe we consider half that position. Can you comment on that and is that something that maybe you're going to bring back, or where are we at with that one?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, that's exactly – what we were hoping to do is have a conversation with the City and see if that possibility was there, because we didn't think funding just a half FTE really helped the RECC at this point, so we thought, well, we need to go sit down with the City and work with them in coming to the table, particularly, kind of on the whole JPA but if we could even start with something like half a position and then come back to you if we were able to get that or come back if we're not able to get that in front of you, that issue of whether we would fund the whole position.

Additionally, we do have – we're trying to set up some more – we're working kind of behind the scenes I'd say because I haven't been ready to bring that forward but some proposals of some more joint City-County meetings that you had asked when we did the annexation. Let's follow up with some other items besides the annexation, and one of them was the RECC. So we thought that might be a good area to have that conversation was around staffing at the RECC as well.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Okay. I appreciate that. So we're going to have more discussions and I know some of the Commissioners expressed that they were going to have conversations with the Mayor and others so I look to be part of those discussions. In that same line of questions, the RECC currently now is managed by personnel from the City and the County but does not include an elected official. Correct?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, except the Sheriff is on there and he is elected but it is City Manager, County Manager, Fire Chief from both, Police Chief from the City, Sheriff from the County and a member at large and Edgewood Police Chief.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So respectfully, it includes the elected Sheriff but does not have an elected policy maker that has budget authority? I guess that was my point.

MS. MILLER: Commissioner Anaya, that's correct. The way it works is they deal with the operations. Now, the board will approve a budget that then goes back to both City and County, but it's all County funds except for capital. We currently pay 100 percent of the operating and then on capital, that's split 50-50 and 20 percent Edgewood – or it should be 40-40, 20 percent Edgewood, but there's a cap on Edgewood's contributions I believe of \$20,000, on capital.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So Mr. Chair, Chairman Mayfield, and Commissioners, I think – and this is something that I'm very much interested in participating with but I think the time has come where we need to seriously have some discussions with the City of Santa Fe and have an elected Council on the board and an elected Commissioner on the board. The feedback that I hear is that the people sitting around the desk when they have the meetings have all the emergency management understanding and perspective on

need for communications but there's no decision makers on the board that actually help make the budgetary decisions. So I think it will be a bridge if we consider that. So I'm asking us to maybe explore that within our agreements, Mr. Shaffer, looking at our agreement and explore what an entity would have to do or what we would both have to do to achieve that end. I think it might be helpful to the discussion and the dialogue.

Just a couple more comments, Mr. Chair. So I just want to restate that in addition to the other recommended positions from the study session, the Commission recommended adding the title – the assessment specialist that was going to work with mapping, adding an equipment operator, a road maintenance worker, as well as the animal control officer in this interim budget, which are added to the other recommendations that we had received before and provide that for clarity. I was mistaken relative to the use of our capital dollars that we could use as Commissioners and you and I had a conversation. Those capital dollars that we have budgeted are for capital needs but cannot include equipment. Can you provide a clarification of that, because I have a request of my colleagues on two items that I would have asked be included in the budget but I was unclear as to not being able to utilize some of my own capital dollars.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner, so the capital budgets that you approve, including the capital outlay – the quarter cent capital outlay GRT, so when we did the budget for all the capital projects we had GO bond and we had quarter cent capital outlay GRT. And out of that quarter cent GRT we had set aside \$200,000 per district per year for the last two years. That funding is very specific in statute of the seven or eight areas that it can be directed and one – I think Commissioner Anaya, you had a request for some equipment relative to fire stations. That statute is kind of unique in that for counties it does not allow for fire equipment. For cities it does. The difference in the provision for municipalities is that they can use it for fire equipment; for counties we can use it for jails.

And so we don't have the ability to buy vehicles and fire equipment that type of thing. When we're building a building and you have to build and equip the building, the furnishings that go in it, it can be used at that time but it can't be used for like maintenance or asset renewal and replacement. So we do typically do those items under either fund balance in the individual funds or general fund. So that \$5.7 million is predominantly general fund or fire fund or something like that.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Chairman Mayfield, Ms. Miller, can we use – can we buy any equipment out of those funds for another department? For either the fairgrounds or another department? Is it just restricted when it comes to the Fire Department or is it restricted for all departments?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, it would depend on the specific item, but say you just wanted to buy a piece of equipment for a department, no. You could not use those capital funds. But if you are, say, building a building, so constructing and equipping a building at its first onset, then it can be used. It's one of those strange accounting distinctions as well. But it's a statutory distinction for those funds.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So, Mr. Chair, based on that clarification and that understanding I have two requests that I wanted to add into this budget for consideration. A tractor and an all-terrain vehicle for the County Fairground facility as well as the facility in southern Santa Fe County in the amount of \$50,000, and \$25,000 for equipment that the

SWAT team needs for our Santa Fe County Sheriff's Department. Those are two items I was going to take out of my capital that I had discussions and dialogue with the Sheriff's Department, the fair operations individuals as well as the Fair Board. So those were two that I would have added that I did not that I would like to have considered.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Could you repeat those? I'm sorry.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: A tractor, a small, compact tractor for the fairgrounds here in Santa Fe as well as the new facility that we have in southern Santa Fe County, and an all-terrain vehicle to be utilized around the fairgrounds during the County Fair, and then \$25,000 for our Santa Fe County Sheriff's Department SWAT team. And as I understand it, Undersheriff Madrid or the Major's here, but they have some cameras that the SWAT team that Nathan Segura had talked to me about and some other specific equipment that they were going to utilize those resources for. I don't know if they want to – if you care to have them elaborate. But those were the requests I wanted to add. Thank you, Mr. Chair, Commissioners.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: One question I would ask for our fairgrounds request would be, when people utilize the fairgrounds building, it's come to my attention and I've been there, the experience, because the way that they have the natural lighting in there through the cutouts in the ceiling, they're asking for some sort of shades to go up there because we have people physically getting up on that roof to cover that, and that is more of a liability than what it would be to put the cost of some sort of blinds in there.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I actually had a conversation with him as well and I believe that is a capital request because it's to a facility that we can use capital dollars out of our fund and I am willing, if you're willing to join with me, but I'm willing to help provide funding out of my capital dollars to accomplish that. That was a request that I received as well. But I'm willing to help cover those costs under the funds that I have in District 3.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And again, I just think, Mr. Chair, Commissioners, any small investment we can make that could mitigate a lot of damage on the back end of somebody getting hurt. That's a lot of damage is my worry, and I just think people getting on the roof to cover that up is a little not needed. Also – well, let's do this. Commissioner Stefanics had a request, and I appreciate the request, let's go to our elected officials if there are any who want to talk about this budget. Let's go to our division directors. Who would specifically like to talk about their divisions? So Chief Sperling, Teresa, you're first if you want. Anybody? Director Sedillo? You're okay? Madam Clerk? If you want to talk about the budget requests, how the project worked, any of your needs? Great. Well, Commissioner Stefanics, we all afforded that opportunity, division directors, to come up and talk to us about your budget.

Katherine, I'm just going to bring something up really quick that kind of was in line with a prior discussion. Even Commissioner Anaya made me think about this. But when we look at funding for different needs within the County, one would be the RPA, because what was spoken about was our interaction with the City of Santa Fe, and how we have to do some collaboration. I in District 1 have the City of Española that I would need to talk with. I

believe Commissioner Anaya and I know he has the Town of Edgewood down there, so I don't know if we need to gear some money maybe towards our RPA again and for discussions. And the reason I'm going here with this is because the RECC just came up and I've been at numerous meetings and I've talked extensively with Director Martinez about this from RECC, of why somebody can make a call in northern Santa Fe County, southern Rio Arriba County, and there's still that drop of communication happening. You and I've had meetings at the table on this and I just think that if we're going to have an RPA and if we're going to fund it it needs to be inclusive of also our other partners, which is the City of Espanola, the Town of Edgewood, and various townships or areas in between. But I really would like to have a meaningful discussion on the RECC with the City of Espanola, Rio Arriba County, up in the northern part of Santa Fe County.

So I don't know if we need to push funding for that or if we even are pushing funding to keep our RPA going, but I'd just like to throw that out there also.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, we don't have any money in the budget and haven't in the RPA for a while. We were kind of the only ones keeping it going and then actually, I don't even think the City has appointed members to the RPA for a couple of years. So we haven't had a meeting, oh, I think it's been over two years since we had a meeting. So that's one of those JPAs that's kind of outdated. We were pretty much out of compliance with it as well and maybe we could come forward with some recommendations again. We had some at that time but now that there's a new Mayor and some other City Council members maybe we can address having something that is more regional as has been requested and come up with a whole different type of agreement and format.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioner Chavez, please.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Yes, well, I think that the RPA, the Regional Planning Authority, originally was set up with a very specific task for a short period of time, and that was to deal with annexation, even though that didn't happen in a short period of time. That was their goal. The joint powers agreement for the Regional Planning Authority was amended at least six times in the course of five or six years, so I firmly believe that the RPA has run its course. It did what it needed to do and maybe a little bit more. If there is a need, which I believe there is, to collaborate or partner with the City on a regional effort we can do that in different forms. We're doing that under SWMA. I think we could do it under our economic development plan. I think we could do it in our promotion of tourism, because we're both going after the same travelers, really. So I think that we need to create a different forum, create a new model with a different name, not the Regional Planning Authority. I think we need to get away from that and move past that but still focus on working with the City on a regional perspective in different areas. And I think we could outline those areas. And I think the time is right to do it now because we have a new administration. We've just passed our economic development plan and I think there are some things we could work on jointly and with a regional perspective. So I would look forward to that but I think we need to create a different model and a new forum for that to happen.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Chairman Mayfield, Commissioner Chavez, I agree and actually am hopeful that when we look at that model that we consider just making it joint meetings of the entire governing bodies. When we got to the crunch time on the

annexation we found that if we had all of the policy makers together working on focused initiatives with focused goals that we could actually achieve some results and have both governing bodies in the whole as part of that discussion and dialogue. But I would concur. But going to what you said, Chairman Mayfield, it's going to be important as other regional issues in other parts of the county come up, i.e., with school boards or with the City of Espanola or the Town of Edgewood, we have similar targeted efforts and discussions to achieve common goals.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Seeing no more discussion, Ms. Martinez, I want to thank you and Ms. Jaramillo and all your staff for this great work that you all do. I know it takes a lot of time and effort to do budgets and finance, but you guys probably burn the midnight candle. So thank you all for your work. Commissioners, and Teresa, do you need any other direction from the Commission? I think there have been a lot of suggestions still made today on this. I know we come one more time for final approval or this is final approval?

MS. MARTINEZ: This is final approval of the interim budget.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So did you take pretty copious notes of some additional requests we had and maybe a deletion or two that we asked for?

MS. MARTINEZ: I did. Yes, sir.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you so much. So Commissioners, we are done with the presentation.

III. C. 2. Resolution No. 2014-44, a Resolution Adopting the Interim 2014-2015 (FY 2015) Budget

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Do we have a motion for approval, Commissioners?

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, I'll move approval of the interim budget, understanding that a final budget will be coming back to us.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: I'll second that. And for discussion I just would like to point out a couple of high points, and these are County Commission priorities: summer youth mentorship program, \$56,000, additional open space maintenance, \$150,000, open space management plan, \$150,000, New Mexico EDGE, staff training and tuition reimbursement, \$1 million, continued funding for Regional Coalition of LANL Communities, \$10,000, and wildland-urban interface crews, \$280,000. And that's just part of the budget. And so I'll just highlight those five points. That is doing a lot right there. But I just wanted to speak to those. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: No, thank you. And again, I think it's been great work. So again, Teresa, just for my understanding, Commissioner Anaya suggested some amendments for the County Fairgrounds. We're going to have that included also, correct?

MS. MARTINEZ: Yes.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. Thank you so much. We have a motion and a second in front of us.

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

III. D. Ordinances

1. Request for Authorization to Publish Title and General Summary of Ordinance Establishing Development Permit and Review Fees for Projects in Santa Fe County, New Mexico; and Repealing Ordinance No 2008-12

MS. LUCERO: Thank you, Mr. Chair. we currently have a fee ordinance for development in Santa Fe County, Ordinance 2008-12. It was established in accordance with the procedures of the current land development code. We are requesting authorization to publish title and general summary of a new permit and review fee ordinance that is consistent with the procedures and application types that are set forth in the SLDC that was adopted by the BCC in December of 2013.

In prior discussions with the BCC we understand that some of our fees should be reduced, so we have actually reduced the development permit fees for residential development. We've actually decreased the application fee from \$100 to \$50. We've also decreased the home occupation fees. The current code just has one set fees for home occupations. However, the Sustainable Land Development Code breaks it down into three different categories depending on if it's a no-impact home occupation, a low-impact or a medium impact and we've decreased those fees significantly. The no-impact fees were reduced by approximately \$265. The low impact was reduced by \$205 and the medium was reduced by \$105.

We've also reduced our fees for private residential solar panel applications and that's been reduced by \$50 as well. Mr. Chair, I stand for any questions or any other suggestions that the Commission would like to offer.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Really quick, Ms. Lucero, so again, this is for title and general summary right now in front of us, but I guess one question I have, are you all proposing to have a lot of public outreach with this, media campaigns. I'm going to ask this just so you know what we've done with some of our other noticing in the past, but on this, are you planning on doing this out in Spanish, knowing that we have a huge bilingual community out there that read it and/or only listen to it in Spanish. My second request would be that you provide us with a chart on the fee schedules that shows what these prior fees were and what they're going to be – what you're requesting them to go to. And I guess I'll just ask with this fee schedule, is there a miscellaneous fee in here for a catch-all if we don't know what to charge somebody we just charge somebody a miscellaneous fee.

MS. LUCERO: Mr. Chair, there is no miscellaneous fee in this application.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So that one has been removed. If you can kind of, Ms. Lucero, show me the changes. Maybe a graph or at least a chart that says where we were, what we've either pulled out or reduced, I'd appreciate that. Thank you. Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I have several questions but the first comment is I don't think this is ready to publish title and general summary and the reason is if every one of us wants to make amendments we're going to have a major number of amendments later on until all of our questions and issues are taken care of. And so I'm hesitant about publishing title and general summary to something that we might

not have agreement upon, just among us. So I understand – well, this is a question. Is this a proposal from staff?

MS. LUCERO: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, yes.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. I noticed several things throughout about individual versus developer, residential versus commercial, and I don't believe an individual is really receiving a break in this compared to some other things. For example, the gravel and hard rock mining was reduced from the prior set of permit fees and is almost the same amount as the courtesy inspection of an individual dwelling. Now, I understand that there's a final inspection fee that's higher but this to me does not take care of a problem to anything that's building.

As we've brought up developments, even if we don't want to look at gravel and mining, if we wanted to look at developments that later on had problems – and I'm talking about subdivisions, five or more – nobody's held accountable when they don't really take care of the problem later on. We've had problems with reclamation of land. We've had problems with some of the graywater systems that were set up to work and then they didn't work in some of the communities. I am a little concerned.

So then my question is couldn't we include bonding in some of these permits for some of the non-individual activities so that if there is a problem we could retain the bond to correct the situation if it's not being taken care of. The other issue I have is that we're leaving the permit fees to the last ordinance, and I didn't like those fees anyway, and I fought against lowering the fees for film to as low as they are, especially when we have some very large companies coming in here and then making millions of dollars and they're paying \$150 just like an independent film maker. So I think they should be included in here for consideration as well.

I appreciate all the work you've done and I'm interested in hearing what my colleagues have to say but I think that it's not – I think that we're putting the same burden on individuals that we're placing on commercial and I think that there should be a division and it should be higher for commercial. So I'll stop there.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Stefanics. Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Chairman Mayfield and Commissioner Stefanics, I actually – I agree with many of your comments associated with the size of a particular business or the industry but I also remember the comments – well, I had a direct experience with our County in the place that I work associated with the fee we paid here to do business here in Santa Fe County and the nominal fee that every other county around us and every other city charges for the same business license. I think Mr. Griscom spoke of that at the last meeting and I think we're trying to partially address that in here but I think we need to evaluate just what we're trying to do to entice businesses to come in general.

And then on some of the inspection fees associated with land use developments and other developments, I actually would like to put just the fee schedule out for public comment. I'd actually like to get our fee schedule and just put that out to the public so that business owners and people coming to get development permits and film industry permits and home occupations and anyone else can give us some feedback as we analyze comparatively what are other jurisdictions doing and how are they doing it and then what suggestions might be

get from others to enhance what we're doing. I appreciate the work and the efforts but are we under the gun to do this right away, Vicki? Where are we at in the scheme of timing?

MS. LUCERO: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, our goal is to have this ordinance, the new fee ordinance in place when the SLDC takes effect, so just trying to run parallel paths with that.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: No, and I appreciate that but I think as we go through the consideration of the maps that Commissioner Mayfield brought up earlier and other things that we not just rush it in the interest of finishing. This is one that we get a lot of feedback on from businesses and constituents as to how did we come up with our fees and why are there such differences between one entity and another. So those are my thoughts. I think maybe we need to, for lack of a better word, slow down and maybe put this piece out for some feedback and see what we receive and then use that with the comparative data which we spoke of in prior meeting. I know you guys have been working through that. Just looking at the business registration, it seems that right now we're at \$450, right? For a business registration go cover the registration and all the fees, is what I recall. Correct?

MS. LUCERO: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, as far as like home occupations, just the land use fees alone are about \$385.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: But even a straight-up business, like I brought up that we went through, it was about \$450 when you took into consideration the inspection fee, the application fee, the initial inspection, the final inspection.

MS. LUCERO: Right. That's correct. Yes.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So this would – the fees you have in front of us, that would cut it, it looks to me in half. Is that what this schedule –

MS. LUCERO: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, yes, that was the goal. We did significantly cut the fees for business licenses and home occupations.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Okay. I appreciate those efforts but maybe we need to post this and get some more feedback and then I look forward to hearing what my other colleagues feel as well.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Well, I think in general the public is not real excited about fees and especially when they're going to be increasing. They're really not popular, but it's something that we have to do. So my question is how often are we required to update our permit fees?

MS. LUCERO: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Chavez, the last time the fee ordinance was done was in 2008, so it's been about six years. I don't believe that there is a requirement as to how often we have to update that.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Okay. Well, the reason I ask is because it's in our best interest to update on a regular basis and the longer we wait the more sticker shock our customers feel. And so I think that we need to keep these increases, as unpopular as they are, current. I guess that's just a statement. And then under our gravel and hard rock mining, I don't see a fee for a blasting permit but I do see a fee for a blasting permit when it's done under a demolition permit for non-residential. So would that blasting permit then apply to hard rock mining? I'm on page 5 of the table.

MS. LUCERO: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Chavez, that line item you're looking at, it does apply to sand and gravel mining, so the blasting is a separate line item. So that fee would apply.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: So the blasting permit, I guess the initial fee is \$500 but then it's only \$25 per occurrence after that, and I guess to follow up on Commissioner Stefanics' question, I'm wondering if that's enough, if we're charging enough for staff time to issue and review those permits. And that's just a question.

MS. LUCERO: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Chavez, and you may have mentioned this but on page 4 there's an item under sand and gravel operations, there's an additional fee of \$3,000 for non-DCI applications.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: So that changes the scenario.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Katherine, I want to ask Mr. Griscom a question. He's leaving I think.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: So that changes quite a bit. I do remember I think a comment that Commissioner Anaya made, and I think I heard it right. He was asking that we compare these fees to other similar counties? Is that --

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: That's right. Not only counties but counties and local jurisdictions, I actually made that comment tied to this as well as the economic development presentation that David Griscom made last meeting.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: So if we looked at comparables like that would that tell us anything? Would it change anything that you have presented here?

MS. LUCERO: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Chavez, it may. It would give us an idea of how we compare with other entities as far as what their fees are.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Just a clarifying point.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Anaya, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Just, if I could, Commissioner Chavez, I want to say on the record that this is not an increase in fees. Many of the fees in the proposal are big decreases in fees that are pertaining to feedback that staff and that the Commission and others have already provided, because in the interest of attaining fees we want to cover some expenses but we also want to show the community that we're open for business and we're encouraging people to do economic development and come do business in Santa Fe. So this isn't an increase across the board by any stretch. In fact there's some substantial decreases to our fees that are going to entice, we're hoping, businesses to come here, and what I'm asking is that we even look at those further. But in the even that there are some larger industries, as Commissioner Stefanics brought up, that should pay a higher rate based on what their revenues are then I would absolutely be considering that. But the majority of businesses that we have in the county and in this region are small businesses and I think Mr. Griscom brought it up at our meeting last time, we need to be cognizant of that and not hit them so hard, because they're bringing in their business that is going to bring in jobs and taxes and just enhance the overall community. So I think those are factors that go well above and beyond an initial fee anybody charges. But just on the record, this structure reduces many, many of the fee structures that we had in place currently. Right, Vicki?

MS. LUCERO: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, that's correct.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I think, building upon what my colleagues are talking about, I understand that some of the fees have been reduced and for some of the entities I think that's important. So I also believe that, not hearsay, but an actual data-mining from either similarly sized entities would be good to have. So for example, I know you spent a lot of time and had a task force on the home occupations. I still think we're going to end up being higher, maybe even double, than what Albuquerque has. And I think that's worth looking at. Because I think that when people get to home occupations they have a choice. Do I go down to Albuquerque and get P.O. Box or find a friend to register a business at but really operate out of Santa Fe? And I know that happens.

So having a comparison – a data comparison, not a hearsay comparison would be good. Having something that shows us that something went down or up would be good.

Now, when we were dealing with the animal ordinance that's never passed yet, I asked the question – we got into permits. And there were all these permits to operate a kennel, a dog grooming place, etc., etc., plus getting the business registration. So there really were double fees and I said that wasn't going to be okay. So we haven't passed an animal control ordinance yet but we need to be looking at – and I know that there's lots of different terms but we need to be looking at permits, at licenses, at application fees and seeing where we're duplicating.

I also think that we need to be looking at sizes of businesses. We didn't take – the public came to us when it came to mining and gravel. And they said, please do a DCI for properties of this x-size. And we decided to do something different. But you might want to actually consider some standards. I don't care if it's dollar standards or acreage standards or employee standards, but some kind of standards for small businesses versus large businesses. I have no intention of hurting small businesses, but when Metro-Goldwyn comes in here to do a movie, I think they should be paying more than \$150 to do a shooting permit in the old courthouse. And yet I want to encourage my colleagues who live here in Santa Fe County to do some independent filmmaking and keep it low. So I see a major difference in how we treat all businesses, but maybe setting some different standards.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Holian, do you have any questions? Seeing none, so Vicki, two things really quick. One on page 2, so courtesy inspection. Can we just talk about that? Is that something new to the County? Is that something the County is currently doing?

MS. LUCERO: Mr. Chair, that is something that the County is currently doing and it is in our current fee ordinance as well.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay, how many people are utilizing a courtesy inspection if they – do they have to then follow up with an initial inspection?

MS. LUCERO: They do if they decide to file an application. The courtesy inspection is prior to them even submitting for an application if they want staff to go out there to see exactly what they're going to need to submit, what the submittal will entail, if they're going to meet code requirements, if they're going to require variances. So that's something that's done upfront before they even make an application.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And just a suggestion, if somebody does that because they want to be in compliance and see where they maybe want to maybe go, maybe we could

look at using that as a potential credit for an initial inspection fee. If they choose not to, they choose not to. But that would be a suggestion. Second would be, and Ms. Martinez, before you leave, I hate to put you on the spot because you might have to be the one answering this question. What is our total revenue that Santa Fe County is generating currently off of our fee schedule? If you guys don't know it, that's okay. I'm you on the spot. Because we just had a budget presentation I'm thinking that this may have been factored into that budget presentation.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, I think I wrote a number down. Let me just find it.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: That's fine. Teresa, I don't mean to put you on the spot. Let me ask you another question then. So, Vicki, hearing what the Commissioners stated, I think a good comparison, looking regionally, I also asked Mr. Griscom to stay. I would like to hear from our economic development director too, knowing that you guys have done a lot of work and have heard a lot of what we had to stay and I appreciate everything you've done, but kind of hearing what I'm saying, I want to incite, to maybe make it easier for businesses to maybe locate with Santa Fe County than versus going up the street or down the street because they just find the cost of doing business there is a little easier. So, Teresa, please.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, the permit range anywhere between \$400,000 to \$500,000 a year.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: That's what we're drawing in revenue? Okay. Thank you. So that's the potential we could lose. Mr. Griscom, do you care to comment on this proposal?

MR. GRISCOM: Mr. Chair, Commissioners, to be honest I haven't even seen this so I have no idea what's in this.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So maybe you could take a look at and the next time it comes in front of us you could provide us some feedback or even a summary.

MR. GRISCOM: I'd be more than happy to.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you so much. Thank you, Vicki and thank you staff for this presentation. You put a lot of work into this and I do appreciate all the work you all put into this. Mr. Brown, I see you sitting up there too. So thank you. Commissioners, what's the pleasure of the Commission?

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, I would move that we temporarily table this publishing title and general summary until some further comparison research has been completed so that we receive a chart back that indicates what has gone done and what has gone up, and that it be left for public review as Commissioner Anaya asked and provide four to six weeks for that review, so that it could come back to us with amendments based upon our questions today, comments and the public's. Now – I'll just make that motion.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: I'll second.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. My last – my comment was going to be I totally understand that the public might say, we don't want any fees and that's not possible. So we're not asking you to wipe out fees but I think that we should hear what the public who has an investment in this, what they would say. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. And Vicki I would also ask – I think I heard Commissioner Stefanics ask and I will ask for it if I heard it wrong. But look at neighboring counties and cities and areas that have a fee structure and see if you have some comparative data also, even if it's outside of New Mexico. I think I'm okay with that. Thank you. So Commissioners, we have a motion on the floor and a second, knowing that this will come forward at a later date when staff has some of this information.

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

IV. MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We are now onto Matters of Public Concern once again, because we have discussed items pulled from our Consent Agenda already. Mr. Mee, come on up. Thank you for your patience.

WILLIAM MEE: Thank you, Mr. Chair, Commissioners. I'm William Mee with United Communities of Santa Fe County and we wrote you a letter. I don't know if you've gotten a chance to read it but we've been working very closely with County staff looking at a lot of the upzoning on the big zoning map. We've been able to resolve a lot of that with County staff and staff has been really helpful on that. There is one concern that we want to voice though. We believe that the zoning of actively utilized ranch and agricultural land that's known as the ag-ranch on the official zoning map regardless of where it's situated in Santa Fe County, County staff has placed several ranches in the City of Santa Fe, say, on Highway 14 near the Santa Fe Studios for example. They place them at risk by proposing this ranchland be zoned as either high density mixed use or the highly disruptive industrial use.

Such pre-zoning is inappropriate and violates the County's Sustainable Growth Management Plan and the Sustainable Land Development Code. Currently the land receives an agricultural exemption classification for the property taxes. Leaving the land as ag-ranch allows it to change at a later date under the new code. The procedures will include the studies, reports and assessments that will be done and can identify hidden needs or costs that local and state governments will have if maximum density is built out. For instance, one thing may be a frontage road in this area on Highway 14, especially if it's to be kept, the limited access road as it is now and that's probably what the Highway Department would want.

Who should pay for this frontage road? I believe it is the developer but changing the zoning to mixed use before the full study of the area by these reports and assessments gives the future developer the false impression that the viability for the frontage road costs and other infrastructure falls to the County and state governments. Taxpayers want the public hearings that any zoning requires ahead of the ag-ranch change. Taxpayers should be asked if they really want to spend our limited resources in this area for the benefit of a developer.

The second problem with the change is the domino effect where adjoining properties can see their property taxes go up and feel the pressure to develop as their neighbors have been pre-designated as mixed use or industrial, thus causing an urban sprawl that we all agreed on was bad and we actually did the new plan for and the code to address this situation. So thank you and we'll be working on this particular issue later. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Mr. Mee, thank you. Mr. Mee, also, just so you do know and Penny, we have a public hearing tomorrow on our zoning map and that starts at 5:00 pm, and that's right here in this building, just so yourself, everybody watching television, listening in the audience, I will say this right now, it's very important that you come to tomorrow night's meeting at 5:00 pm and comment on the proposed zoning map. Thank you. Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Mr. Mee, here's the packet for tomorrow. I don't know if you want to take one but we're on again for 5:00.

MR. MEE: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Mr. Mee, for being here. Is there anybody else from the audience who would like to participate or speak publicly on any matter that's not on this agenda tonight. Seeing none, we are going to move on, Commissioners.

V. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS

B. Presentations

1. **Presentation of the Draft Cerrillos Hills State Park Management Plan (New Mexico State Parks Division)**

[Exhibit 4: Power Point Presentation; Exhibit 5: Notes to Presentation; Exhibit 6: Action Items]

LISA ROACH (Open Space and Trails Planner): Mr. Chair, Commissioners, the Cerrillos Hills State Park consists of approximately 1,000 acres of land acquired by Santa Fe County in 2000 with general obligation bond funds for open space. The park was opened to the public in 2003 and its management was transferred to the New Mexico State Parks Division in 2009. The joint powers agreement between Santa Fe County and New Mexico State Parks signed in 2009 establishes a long-term partnership for the operations, maintenance and improvement of Cerrillos Hills State Park. This JPA directs the State Parks Division to develop a management plan and capital projects listing for the Cerrillos Hills State Park with Santa Fe County input and approval.

Today, the New Mexico State Parks Division will present the draft management plan for Cerrillos Hills State Park. Giving the presentation will be Sarah Wood. Sarah's the manager of Cerrillos Hills State Park and has been with New Mexico State Parks Division for 12 years. State Parks Division Director Tony Mutz was here and had to leave unfortunately, but Judy Kowalski, State Parks Design and Development Bureau Chief will provide a few closing comments in his stead following Sarah's presentation.

SARAH WOOD: Mr. Chair, Commissioners, thank you for having me here today. The good part of waiting is we get the power point back. So my name is Sarah Wood. I am the manager of Cerrillos Hills State Park and I'm going to give a short introduction to Cerrillos Hills State Park and then talk about some of the action items in the management plan, and I believe you all have a handout of our specific action items.

So just starting with very brief background. The origins of Cerrillos Hills began 30 million years ago but don't worry I'm going to gloss over a lot. Magma starts bubbling up to

the surface. What now are hills were once big, towering volcanoes 5,000 feet higher and more inhospitable than Yellowstone on steroids. It was very hot, bubbling and steamy.

Hydrothermal processes in the volcano's interior released various minerals such as turquoise and galena that became the veins of ore that started being mined in 700 to 900 AD. Native Americans, Spanish colonists and territorial miners have all been here and there are still active mining claims. It is largely considered to be the longest continually mined area in North America, making it very historic.

At the turn of this century a group of concerned Cerrillos citizens formed the Cerrillos Hills Park Coalition. Their efforts resulted in a 1999 bond issue to buy the parkland and other open space properties and that bond issue was passed with a 70 percent majority. From the time the land was purchased in 1999, to the park's opening as a County open space park in 2003 the Cerrillos Hills Park Coalition worked tirelessly with County, state and federal agencies to build five miles of trails, install some facilities, such as this vault toilet, a group shelter –this also was bought by the County, design interpretive signs and most importantly safeguard the mines that are in the hills.

In 2009 the County and state entered into a joint powers agreement for State Parks making Cerrillos the 35th and newest state park, a status that stands to this day. At about the same time that's what was going on with the economy. Kind of a meltdown. So what do you do? You have a new park, no money for infrastructure. State Parks focused on programming and marketing.

So these are some of our flyers from throughout the years. We are in an ideal location. We're on the Turquoise Trail scenic byway between Albuquerque where the airport is and Santa Fe, a destination location. So we do weekly programs. We have an email blast, which, Commissioners, I believe you're all on my email blast list and that's about 750 people, and also gets distributed to all 800 County employees, and we cater to youth – these are some kids from Santo Domingo, adults, groups – this is from the transit of Venus in 2010, and family groups.

In 2011 State Parks broke ground on a new visitors center in the Village of Cerrillos. We were in an old building; this is it being demolished. An adobe and framed building was designed by our State Park architect, Rob Love, along with landscape design by Judy Kowalksi, who's here today, and I'm happy to say that this visitors center is run by the sun for all but two of the coldest months of the year. Here's the finished visitors center. I just want to say this is in the Village of Cerrillos; the actual state park is half a mile away.

The visitors center has greatly increased our capacity to serve the public. We can have workshops here, such as this clay workshop, along with lectures and it's a great meeting place for neighborhood groups and our friends group, the Amigos de Cerrillos Hills State Park. This is a shot from their fundraiser a couple of weeks ago. We have cultivated a small volunteer corps that helps us keep the VC open – when I say VC I mean visitors center, not some other people have confused it with something else – and we disseminate information about the general area as well as the state park.

So for instance we have the New Mexico maps. We promote the Public Lands Institute, the Village of Cerrillos and Broken Saddle, who gives horseback rides in the park and is our park concession. Currently, the park has one permanent full-time position which is me, a regional educator position, who is stationed here but also serves eight other parks, who

is Peter Lipscomb, and a half-time seasonable position, Chip Perkins, who lives in Madrid. And Parks does all its own administration, maintenance, including fleet maintenance, outreach, education. We're a vertical organization in Cerrillos.

Our partners are Santa Fe County, who not only being on the joint powers agreement they've recently been helping us out with maintenance projects. Here's their wood-chipper a few weeks ago mulching Russian olives. Other groups that help us are the New Mexico Volunteers for the Outdoors who come out every year to do a project. We've had Eagle Scout groups. Here they are; they built new benches for us, and most recently the National Guard has taken an interest in us and wants to do an annual Earth Day project.

So the result has been a steady increase in both visitation and revenue. And to explain this slide a little bit, FY means fiscal year. Our fiscal year runs from July 1st to June 30th. And the fees, the revenue, comes from our day use fees which are \$5 per vehicle. State Parks is mandated by the legislature to raise as many of its own operating costs as possible, so we do that through user fees, which at Cerrillos is day use fees. Other parks may include camping fees. We also rent out the multi-use room to other groups and that also is included in the revenue.

So we've gone, basically, from about 2,500 in fiscal year 2010 to we're going to top 10,000 this year. And one thing that also reflects is that when we opened the visitors center in 2012 we're counting those visitors now. We get about 2,000 visitors coming into the visitors center every year but with our current staffing levels we're really only able to keep the visitors center for sure 14 hours a week. Now, our volunteer corps is helping us improve that but I think that we really serve the public along the Turquoise Trail just by being there.

Now, that's a little background, a little context. I'm going to go on to the management plan. State Parks tries to produce a management plan for each of its 35 parks every five years and in these plans we address concerns, problems, threats or opportunities that are raised by park staff, by stakeholders and by the public. And it's basically our process to identify capital improvement projects. Some actions require further research, evaluation, planning or design before they can be implemented. There is no guarantee an action will be feasible since they are often contingent upon funding and other resources. There is a 30-day period of public comment. Comments are incorporated into the final plan as the joint powers agreement co-signer, Santa Fe County signs off on the final version. And I believe we're going to release the plan for public comment next Monday, June 2nd.

Our action items have been prioritized by ranking them using a rating scale that takes into account, maintenance, safety and regulatory factors, resource protection, revenue generation, efficiency, visitor experience and urgency. And so once we put everything through that we got this result. And this is where your version of the presentation is not going to match my version because I put everything in the order it is in the table for the public presentation. But our top issue is trails. This came out in a visitor survey as well to improve or expand the trail system. We currently have five miles of trails. We also have some volunteer trails that may need to be closed and trails that are impacting cultural or natural resources. There are trails that get trenched. After this weekend's rain I noticed some erosion on trails and so this will cost about \$25,000 to get those trails into shape.

Luckily we do have also trails groups such as the New Mexico Volunteers for the Outdoors and there's a Fat Tire group here in town and they always want to build a new trail, so when it comes to expanding I think we'll have quite a bit of help with that.

The second top priority for people and for our parks is this kind of weedy plaza are in front of our visitors center in Cerrillos. So you come into Cerrillos, you see our beautiful visitors center and a weedy lot in front of it, and basically, that line there is just where the landscape funding ran out the first time. So this is a concern of the village; it's a concern of Parks. It will cost about \$10,000. We want to put a new fence around it and do some landscaping or hardscaping. There still is not a plan on what we will do with this and the thought is we would have another meeting to best decide that.

Next issue: easements. There are several areas where park crosses – or where you have to cross private land to get into the park or a trail in the park crosses private land and I can't find any known existing easements. So Parks and Santa Fe County need to work together to pursue those easements or get something in writing for some of these if there is an agreement somewhere.

Interpretation and education – Cerrillos Hills State Park was very fortunate to have the volunteer services of Bill Baxter and he wrote and designed most of our outdoor interpretive signs. These need to be replaced with a more durable sign and information is going to be updated. We are working with Bill to do that and we are hoping to get a grant through our 501(c)(3) support Amigos group to replace these signs. It will cost about \$7,000.

Parking and basic amenities and no real ADA access. The main parking lot is on the upper left there. It's basically this giant half-moon. It's great for horse trailers to turn around and we do get people coming in with horse trailers, but when we have a lot of people coming in for a program it's somewhat inefficient. So redesigning that and also surfacing it would be a real improvement. Also installing an additional vault toilet when we get the school groups here and other groups they all have to go into that one single-seater. It creates a little bit of a bottleneck. And there's pea gravel at the parking lot that we would like to replace with an ADA accessible surface. And so this probably would cost about \$65,000 and that's definitely a capital improvement project.

On our west side of the park, which is not the main entrance. It's a part of the park that you have to go through private land to get into. A lot of people know about it. We don't really advertise it. In order to do anything here, either designate it as a conservation area or put in an information kiosk and pay station we really need to have it clear about what's going on with that private land that the road to the park crosses before you get in there. So for now we will keep it signed and wait on that easement status. But it is also the area where we get the most vandalism. People can go back there and be hidden from County Road 57 so we've had some parties, definitely illegal fires, uprooting of the cable gate right there, so that's a concern of mine.

Even in these dry hills we've got several really neat seep springs, which are great wildlife habitat and water for the wildlife and there is a lot of them that have Russian olive which is an invasive tree species, so there's a couple of drainages that when I first arrived the County had removed the Russian olive from. We still have to go back every year and recut it down and I now have a public pesticide application so I can paint that with Garlan and hopefully keep those springs free of the Russian olives. In other places we're actually just

pruning it. We're pruning it so a) we can get rid of that fire fuels load and open the area up and do some native plantings and actually that's worked quite well. This is our first year of doing that. So that's our plan with that and that's about \$2,000. We get lots of volunteer help with that.

There is a lack of outside places for people to meet in the park and to draw in more families it would be nice to have something like a group shelter. And the perfect place is the short, quarter-mile-long Village Vista trail near the park entrance and also to make this trail ADA accessible. This is a slide from this February with the snow on it, and that probably would cost about \$100,000, so that's another big-ticket capital improvement project.

We have a very small picnic area, two tables. Adding more tables, a shelter, perhaps some benches, could make it a good outdoor classroom area. It's in a great spot where when we do school programs the kids naturally gravitate there. So to add benches and tables and do a shelter there, \$12,000 to maybe \$20,000 for that.

Interpretation and education, a primary function of our park and one that we get the biggest bang for the buck, we have a volunteer who wants to build a volunteer head-frame which is the structure you see in the upper photo in the upper right-hand corner. Also, he wants to donate some large mining implements and we can display those along the trail. Also, just program more events for children and families and plan events specifically to draw in tourists who come for Balloon Fiesta in Albuquerque and Indian Market in Santa Fe.

Conserve the natural environment. We designate conservation areas and incorporate public education into those efforts and evaluate wildlife by holding a bio-blitz inventory. And as a trained biologist, this is a particular interest of mine and will mostly require volunteer help.

Finally, also in the area of interpretation and education, we have a few exhibits in our exhibit room in the visitors center and we have some donated items and would like to have an exhibit contractor develop this professionally for people to get more of a story of the park and the area. And that's been ticketed at \$40,000 through a professional exhibit contractor.

So spring and summer, fall and winter, Cerrillos Hills is a year-round park. We have not had to close yet because of fire danger. Our fuels are not such that that is a big problem, which is nice. And our primary resource, which is the history of the area, just doesn't dry up. So I thank you for your time. Last slide. Thank you very much and thank you, Mr. Chair and Commissioners and I stand now for questions.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you very much, Mr. Chair and I know that Commissioner Anaya and I share this lovely state park and the interests from our neighbors in attending activities there, but I really want to thank you for your outreach. I get kudos all the time for your outreach to not just our employees here and the rest of the County but especially from the neighborhoods. They really appreciate it. They like the visitors center. They like having that camaraderie. Your grand opening, some of your other events have been extremely well attended and I'm sure with the nice weather approaching you're going to get many more people. Thank you.

MS. WOOD: Thank you, Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Ditto the comments of Commissioner Stefanics. We hear many presentations sitting here as Commissioners and I just want to applaud you on

your presentation, your timing, you cut to the chase, you hit all the key points and you did an excellent job with the presentation, so I want to say that first. Secondly, I want to help the park with some of those top priorities that you have, so I'll communicate with Ms. Miller and yourself and Open Space and Trails staff and we'll figure out which ones would be eligible given some of the funding mechanisms that I have available to me to help with that. So thanks again for your presentation and your daily work, 365 days a year and the many, many people and volunteers that help work with the park.

Just on another note, we are working with Mt. Chalchihuitl on that acquisition and working through a lot of the legal issues that I know you're aware of, maybe some you're not, but we're continually working on that and I would be happy to try and help work with other Commissioners and staff to deal with some of the easement issues that you raised as well that I know the open space staff is keenly aware of as well. So thanks again and we will talk soon to try and help with some of those capital projects.

MS. WOOD: Thank you, Commissioner, and you brought up a point that especially this year with some of the new hirings in the County such as Lisa Roach and Terry Leese, our relationship with the County has become a lot tighter and I really appreciate that.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you for the presentation. Just a quick question from me. Great presentation. But what about any archeological sites? Did you guys do any digs of any of those great fossils maybe out there?

MS. WOOD: There are in the shale, there are fossils, definitely, and the trails, I believe they were actually planned by the National Parks Service through a grant and they did – they have to do archeological surveys. The whole park is covered by that and of course the mines fit into that too as well. Does that answer your question?

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I wonder what dinosaurs were found out there.

MS. WOOD: Oh. I can't tell. No, dinosaurs have not been found out there yet, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes. They'll find them. Thank you so much.

MS. WOOD: Okay. Thank you. Any more questions?

CHAIR MAYFIELD: No. Thanks for the great compliments to staff also.

MS. WOOD: Thank you very much. I appreciate it, Mr. Chair and Commissioners.

CHAIRMAN MAYFIELD: Just to let everybody know what I'm thinking really quick. We have a couple more items in front of us. We are going to go to our public hearings after five or some time after 5:00. Commissioners, I'd respectfully request that after Commissioner Stefanics' presentation we could take about a five-minute break for facilities and hopefully we could move into item VIII. A. 1 and 2 and then from there maybe we could go to our communications and executive session if needed, if the Commission would indulge us with that for our audience also. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: This will be very brief.

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Growth Management Monthly Report**
- B. Public Safety Monthly Report**
- C. Public Works Monthly Report**
- D. Human Resources Monthly Report**
- E. Administrative Services Monthly Report**
- F. Community Services Monthly Report**
- G. Financial Report for the Month Ending 04/30/2014**

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Anaya, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So, Mr. Chair, given your request on the informational items, were we going to – because I know we went through each report last time but were we going to forego those this time, unless Commissioners have questions? Because I think that would greatly help get through the agenda and the other ordinances if that's okay with you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I don't have any questions at this time. I don't know if any of the other Commissioners do.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: I appreciated the last time we had individual presentations and I don't have any so I think that's good for staff to know. That way they can take off.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: I'm good with that.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioners, thank you. Yes, they're there for your information, if you have any questions but otherwise I'll let the staff go if there's no questions.

- V. B. 2. A Proclamation Acknowledging May 31, 2014 World No Tobacco Day to Educate the Public About the Need to Protect Our Youth and Citizens From Further Damage Caused By Tobacco Use and Secondhand Smoke [Exhibit 7: Proclamation Text]**

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair, and thank you, Commissioners. We approved this on the Consent Calendar, so in a skinny, I wanted to just let you know that May 31, 2014 is World No Tobacco Day out of the World Health Organization. We have the Santa Fe Tobacco-Free Coalition, Live Smoke Free Santa Fe Group, and Students Wellness Action Team that are working to reduce the number of Santa Fe County youth who smoke. And right now the tobacco industry spends about \$13 billion every year to recruit over one million new teenagers. So we're not talking about adults and choice, although we'd like for adults to stop smoking and save their health, we're really talking about the targeted efforts towards teenagers and so this proclamation will be transmitted to Shelley Mann-Lev who will share it with the public schools and all of the youth organizations in town, and I thank you very much for passing this earlier today.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you for bringing that forth, Commissioner Stefanics. Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I want to thank Commissioner Stefanics for her continued efforts around these types of projects and proclamations that accentuate the intense dangers that are prevalent and especially where teens are targeted as it relates to smoking and other ills in our society that greatly impact our health and our health costs, so thank you, Commissioner Stefanics, for this proclamation and your always continuous efforts in this area.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Stefanics. So Commissioners, let's do this really quick. We'll hit Matters from the Commission. These are non-action items.

V. C. **Matters From the Commission**

1. **Commissioner Issues and Comments**

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Stefanics, please.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. First of all, I want to offer condolences to our chair. He recently had a death in his family that he is in the middle of dealing with the arrangements and we know how hard it is when things like this happen.

I want to let some of the people – my email mailing list, which is many, many people and Santa Fe County employees and others, I was hacked or phished while I was in the Anchorage airport, so do not open the link. It happened just this past Friday. So some of you said, Oh, you're selling weight-loss products and I said, no. There's two or three email links that went out so do not open those please.

The other comment I wanted to make is I wanted to send some condolences to constituents in Rancho Viejo. There was a family that had a small dog that was killed by another dog, and they really wanted the County Commission to do something immediately about it, and I was in contact with our Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's Department is going through the legal process. It's never a pleasant experience for the other family either, but we want the people in Rancho Viejo to know that we are working – not me personally – the Sheriff's Office and deputies are working with law enforcement and the district attorney's office on this particular case.

I also received many requests from residents on County Road 42, and this would affect Commissioner Anaya as well, to increase the speed limit. So I have asked our County staff to conduct a traffic study to determine whether or not we could have a variable speed on that road versus 35 miles per hour. That's all. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioner Chavez, please.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Yes, thank you, Mr. Chair. I'm in receipt of 14 letters – actually 15 letters from concerned citizens about the rezoning of parcel #98-0001322. It's a 44-acre parcel that has a mixed-use zoning category. They're questioning that. I'm going to submit these to the County Attorney and hope that all of these people attend the meeting tomorrow. It's a special Board of County Commissioners meeting to deal just with the new land use code. And so I've not read the letters but I'm going to turn them over to the County Attorney, because I think that this could be ex parte communication. We have a public process for that land use plan and I want to respect that process. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

Oh, actually I forgot. What I forgot to say is that there's 15 letters, 14 of them are opposing the mixed-use category and one is in support of that mixed-use category. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. And Commissioner, on that note, and I guess we're going to be going into executive session to discuss this in a bit, but I can speak for myself and I'm assuming I'm speaking for some of the other Commissioners, we routine receive letters, emails, and we will forward them on. People may believe or not be aware if there is a potential ex parte communication with the Commission or not on a certain issue, as long as Commissioner Chavez, what he just did, brings it forward, hands it over to our attorney and puts it out on the public record, I don't think there's an issue with that. So we're going to have a discussion about this pertaining to our land use case, zoning maps. And I'm just going to say this. I believe that on our zoning maps people who have elected County Commissioners and they should have a right to speak to their County Commissioners for something that's not particularly being adjudicated on their land at this time, and hopefully we'll have a meaningful discussion about that in a bit, and we will also have a public discussion about that. Thank you, Commissioner Chavez, for bringing that forward.

Commissioners, also, Commissioner Stefanics, I really appreciate what you stated. Just for myself, so everybody knows, I'm kind of not in total right mind today, but my grandmother, 98 years old, she was matriarch of our family, Ernestina Gallegos, she left us yesterday and I just wanted to bring that up. She survived the Great Depression and she was a life-long resident of Santa Fe and with that, our family dearly misses her and we will all carry on knowing that this is a better life that we are all headed to. So with that I would just ask for a moment of silence for my grandmother, Ernestina Gallegos, please. Thank you, all. Thank you for your indulging me with that.

Commissioners, I think we're going to hear a couple presentations on some proposed ordinances, or at least some discussion and then we will be going back to Matters from the Commission in case there's any other follow-up after. So with that though, and I appreciate everybody's indulgences. So we're going to go to our ordinances. We have two in front of us tonight. I will ask though if we can just have – I'm going to ask for a five-minute facility break, if we can just keep it to five minutes, please.

[The Commission recessed from 5:35 to 5:50.]

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS ON PROPOSED ORDINANCES

A. Ordinances

1. **Ordinance No. 2014-5, an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2014-1 (an Ordinance Establishing a Living Wage within Santa Fe County; Specifying Employers Subject to the Living Wage; Making Findings as to the Necessity of a Living Wage; Establishing a Prohibition on Retaliation for Reporting Violations of the Living Wage; Providing for Remedies and Penalties; Specifying Enforcement Officers; Providing the Process to Be Employed Upon Complaints of Violation; Establishing**

Severability; and Providing an Effective Date), to Modify the Base Wage for Tipped Employees (Second Public Hearing)

[Exhibit 8: Submitted Material]

CHAIR MAYFIELD: This is an action item and this is our second public hearing. Commissioner Anaya, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I just want to make a few brief comments before we have public hearing and maybe Commissioner Chavez might have some additions, but I'm the one that asked to publish title and general summary on the base rate consideration to reduce it. My initial request was to reduce it back to the federal rates. I know that there's been many discussions. We heard public comment at the last meeting, we had interim discussions with various individuals and entities that had perspective on the change. Commissioner Chavez brought forward an amendment and I'm looking forward to hearing the public comment but I am amenable to consideration of the amendment that's been discussed that Commissioner Chavez had brought forward. So I would defer to Commissioner Chavez for some additional remarks.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Chavez, please.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Thank you, Commissioner Anaya. The only thing I would add to that is that to draw a distinction in dollar amount between the two amendments, one would keep the – or it would take the base wage that was set by the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to \$2.13 an hour. That's one amendment. The other amendment that Commissioner Anaya spoke to, the one that I introduced would take the base wage – it would be 30 percent of the minimum wage and it would be \$3.20 an hour for the base wage. So those are the two-dollar amounts that we're discussing in the two amendments regarding the tipped employees.

The other thing that I've added to my amendment, Commissioner Anaya, I'm sure you've read it in your packet, and that would be that on January 1, 2015 the base wage rate shall be \$3.20 per hour, so that portion will be phased in at that time.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Commissioner Mayfield, Commissioner Chavez, no, I appreciate you reading that in. The other comment I would make is I made several remarks at the last meeting pertaining to another proposed amendment that we were going to discuss that dealt with seasonal workers and youth workers, and I want to clarify that we're still going to have conversations between business and other work entities on that issue. We're going to convene, whoever wants to come, essentially, a group of people to have a discussion about that issue but on this issue we're taking public comment only on the base rate reduction for tipped workers. So there'll be more discussions on the seasonal employees and the youth workers but we're going to have a working group kind of go through and help us provide some feedback and input. So that's all I wanted to add, Mr. Chair. I think I maybe confused some people with some of my remarks at the last meeting and we went till I think one in the morning last time. So at any rate, I just wanted to make that clarifying statement. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Vice Chairman Anaya. So Commissioners, what I think I'd like to do is open this up as a public hearing for public comment. We are very well aware of what we have on the books, what we have passed by this Commission as it is pertaining to a living wage and a base rate for the individuals out there, so with that I would like to open up this portion of the public hearing. Who here tonight is to speak on this, please? Show of hands? Great. So let's, if you don't mind, I will provide ample opportunity for everybody to speak. I just ask that you not go over the same subject matter and if you just want to start lining up and get sworn in, whoever wants to go first come on up, please. Come on up, sir. You can come up and speak to the mike, please. Karen, if you could swear everybody in at once.

[Those wishing to speak were placed under oath.]

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And respectfully, I'll just ask that everybody not be redundant. Please don't go over the same subject matter, but I will afford you all the time to speak, please. So whoever would like to go first please come up.

[Duly sworn, Dia Winograd testified as follows:]

DIA WINOGRAD: Hi. My name is Dia Winograd and I'm a member of the community. No, I'm not a member of any group in particular and Chairman Mayfield, I want to say that I'm really sorry to hear about your grandmother.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I appreciate that.

MS. WINOGRAD: My daughter is a waitress. She started 30 years ago working in Espanola working at Baskin-Robbins and now she has one of the best serving jobs probably in the world. She works at a Nob Hill restaurant in San Francisco, a very high restaurant, part of a hotel, and she – it's a union job so she has job security. She's been there ten years. She makes the San Francisco living wage as her base rate, which is \$10.70 an hour. She works full time. She works five nights a week and she has the best shifts because of her seniority at the job.

And my point is, in bringing this up is that my daughter does not earn enough money to be part of the middle class. She lives in San Francisco just like people live in Santa Fe and Santa Fe County, so that they can live near where they work and it's obviously very expensive to live there just as it is here. She is exposed to illnesses, because people go out to eat even more when they're sick, and she's also exposed to the vagaries of the economy and if the San Francisco Giants lose, and her tips are inconsistent. If she has to take time off she gets her base rate but that's not what she makes plus tips. So even though she has benefits and all of the rest of it, I think she has just this fantastic job for a waitress.

Now, we can say why would somebody choose to do that? But we want them to. All of us who eat in restaurants in Santa Fe County are so happy and we know the people who serve us and I don't know any of them who I would consider middle class. So I think that why should servers be denied a decent living? And I think \$6.40 base rate is a good start. Thank you.

[Previously sworn, Debbie Conrad testified as follows:]

DEBBIE CONRAD: Thank you, City Commissioners. Have to put my eyes on. I talked to several tipped workers this past week. I have a written statement from one of

them. She was planning on being here tonight but she ended up having to work. My name is Heather Roseberry. I work at a local restaurant for \$2.15 an hour plus tips. I have to work two jobs to make ends meet and still have to get help from my parents. It's very hard to get by. As a server, I'm thankful for the wage increase that recently was passed. Please don't repeal it. Heather Roseberry. If you feel like calling me I've provided my phone number.

I also talked to another worker. She works six hours a day, five days a week, also makes \$2.13 an hour. She makes \$11,000 a year. She can't live on that. She too has to have help from her parents. So please don't repeal this.

[Previously sworn, Stacy Stoleson testified as follows:]

STACY STOLESON: Hi, good evening. I'm Stacy Stoleson, and I'm a server here in Santa Fe County. I guess basically what I wanted to speak on this evening is I'm very fortunate and I work in a very wonderful restaurant and right now my current – I make approximately \$24 an hour, and great, it would be nice to make \$28 an hour. That's terrific; I'll take it. But what really concerns me the most is that 11 out of the 15, 16 or so restaurants that this is going to affect may not survive this increase in pay. The \$3.20 is great, the \$6.40 is even better for a server, but the most important thing is that some of these restaurants are not going to be able to survive and there are restaurants in communities where there's only that restaurant and that's going to put a lot of people out of work.

And to me that's a greater concern than me getting an additional \$3.30. I work full time. I make a decent living. I mean, how much is enough and what is enough? You can really, I guess, never have enough money. But I think what is fair is that the amendment is proposed \$3.20 an increase and that is an increase for servers. It would be an increase of \$1.80 per hour. However, the \$6.40 I think is drastic and a lot of restaurants, like I said, that are the only restaurants in certain communities in Santa Fe County will have to close down and put a lot of people out of work – servers and front of house employees especially. And that's all I have to say tonight. Thank you very much for your time.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, sir. If I could ask a question. If you care to share it, if you don't – what restaurant do you work at? Is it city or the county?

MR. STOLESON: It's in the county.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: It's in the county. Okay.

MR. STOLESON: Yes, sir.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you.

MR. STOLESON: You're welcome.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Don't be shy. Come on up.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I just want to make a clarifying comment on the record. Neither of the two amendments, the initial amendment or the proposed amended amendment that Commissioner Chavez has repealed the \$10.66 wage. The wage for all workers will be \$10.66 an hour. So I just want to be clear and careful with our language that we clarify that the base – the wage people will make will be no less than \$10.66

an hour. Period. That will not change from the amendment. What we're talking about is the base rate for tipped workers. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So, Commissioner, I'm going to ask you a question then with this amendment, or Commissioner Chavez or Mr. Shaffer. So what you're saying then is any employee, regardless if you're a tipped employee, would make \$10.66 an hour, and would that say that you're working 40 hours a week, 80 hours every two weeks? Does that guarantee a minimum number of hours?

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: The last part of your question, I don't know the answer to minimum number of hours. I just know that if they work, I would think a 40-hour work week, but I'd have to defer on the last part of your question, but the base hourly rate, regardless of hours I guess it would be, is \$10.66 an hour. So if you work ten hours or if you work 50 hours or 60 hours, you're going to get \$10.66 an hour. And I'm not taking into consideration overtime laws and other requirements. But everyone in Santa Fe County will make \$10.66 an hour and there will be stepped increases based on the ordinance in place, consumer price index, I think, Commissioner Chavez? So I just wanted to clarify that.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Am I right, Mr. Shaffer?

MR. SHAFFER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, yes, that's correct. So if I may, under federal law, the Fair Labor Standards Act, there's a minimum cash payment that is required to be made to tipped employees and then the difference, the delta between that minimum cash payment and the federal minimum wage can be made up or covered by tips with the employer making up any shortfall. So as I understand the basic construct of the Living Wage Ordinance, it's to follow that model, that you would have a minimum cash payment that employers would be required to make, which is what the ordinance calls the base wage, and then if there is a shortfall, that would be made up by the employer and that's the basis of Commissioner Anaya's comment that everybody will get the living wage established. This issue is somewhat different.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioner Chavez, please.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: No, I think it's been well covered. As Mr. Shaffer pointed out, it is the \$10.66 for the tipped employees. It's the tip – it's the base wage plus the tips equal the \$10.66.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I'll wait to hear from the public and then I'll follow up with some questions on that. Thank you. So, please, whoever would like to come up, come up or we're going to close this public hearing if nobody else wants to speak.

[Previously sworn, Jared Ames testified as follows:]

JARED AMES: I'm Jared Ames and I'm the state director with Working America. I wanted to address a couple of issues, the first being the tipped wage. Just looking at some data from New Mexico, the average hours for tipped workers in New Mexico, or I should say for waiters and waitresses in New Mexico is 26 hours, so when you're looking at an hourly rate you might be higher than – or you may have a higher income than the \$10.66, but the hours that you work make a difference. When I was in college I worked as a tipped worker. I used to bus tables and I made a higher rate than the tipped wage. I ended up leaving

that position to go to a job that paid me less per hour because I actually made more per week doing that job. And so when we talk about an hourly wage, that actually, because of the variances of the industry in some cases, if you're not busy, people get sent home early or you may – having the equivalent of working a full day but it ends up being two shifts, where you work three hours, you're off three hours, you come back for three hours, and those are some of the pitfalls to working in the tipped – working for tips and working in that industry.

So denying the – or amending the \$6.40 to a lower, either \$2.13 or \$3.20 would I guess impact what tipped workers can make and bring that into the middle class. I also just wanted to – I was able to talk with a couple of the Commissioners in the last couple weeks and just talk about what we – some of our concerns. One of the concerns that I heard was there was concern about this law being litigated and concern with it being adopted. And so I consulted on NELP, which is the National Employment Law Project and they worked with the City of Santa Fe when there were some challenges to that law and the – and those challenges, the Santa Fe law was upheld.

So I just wanted to – NELP ended up just writing this to the County Commissioners, so I just wanted to enter this into the record.

The other item, I think Danny Mayfield brought this up at the last public hearing and asked the County Attorney's Office about why this wasn't enacted, or that was my understanding from the conversations. I was wondering if I could ask the County Attorney a question? I can't. Okay. So I guess my question would be, on the 26th, part of the ordinance was adopted, the \$10.66 was, but another part of it wasn't, the \$6.40. And so I was just wondering what it statute allows for part of a law to be adopted and part of a law not to be. Because that's a month's worth of time where people could have been making the \$6.40.

So I guess those were the items that I wanted to address. I know there are two amendments that are being considered. I encourage all of you to not vote for either of those amendments and to let the law stand as is and support the \$6.40. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Who's next please?

[Previously sworn, Mario Girard testified as follows:]

MARIO GIRARD: Good evening, Commissioners. I spoke to you last time. I think you know my background. I have a restaurant in town. I just wanted to – I would like to ask though that those people are allowed to speak who stood up here last time, the opposition, the young lady in the back –

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Let's go ahead and speak for how you want to speak.

MR. GIRARD: Okay. Well, I expect her to come out at the last minute again. It's not playing by the rules. But at any rate. As far as I can tell, this whole ordinance seems to be about helping people make more money and government stepping in to ensure that people don't get taken advantage of and I think that's commendable and like I've told you, I've been in the position where I worked and felt like I was taken advantage of and I think that's a good thing.

And to do that you stepped in and decided that everybody in the county gets \$10.66, which is probably a good idea to update that and all of us restaurateurs I can assure are on board with that. So if that was the objective, I'd just like to point out that as it stands, before

raising the taxed federal minimum wage is – whatever we did, \$6.20 last time, we've actually totally accomplished that, and I guess it made me realize that maybe there's a little bit of lack of understanding or clarity on this when you guys were having the dialogue earlier. So as it stands, as far as I understand, every single person in the county will get \$10.66 one way or another. Like it's just a guarantee. Tipped workers, if you're selling stuff in the community it's \$10.66. If you're a busser, \$10.66. And if you're a waiter, \$10.66.

And the way that works, so it's got a built-in mechanism that ensures that the restaurateur, if they are failing to, like the other side has been saying, Working America had said if they are working in a situation where they're taking advantage of an employee or they're just not making enough money, the employer has to fill in the difference. So if an employee only makes \$5.00 an hour in their coffee cup tip at the counter, we've got to fill in the difference. That means we've got to fill in the five-whatever. If they happen to make \$9, we fill in the \$1.66. However, if they make \$20 an hour, which is what they're currently making, we don't have to fill in anything, because they're making more than a living wage.

And so I guess the question is, if we have a mechanism that is ensuring that everybody is making \$10.66, no matter what, even if it does come out of – even if less of it comes out of the restaurant's pockets, if they're still making \$10.66 haven't we met the ordinance's main objective, which is we want more money for people who aren't making \$10.66 and want to guarantee that. So from my perspective, what we're actually really debating here isn't whether or not there should be a living wage, what we're debating is should we give a special, extra bonus, to the people, the servers, who are making more than a minimum wage, that are making twice the living wage. They're making \$20, \$24, \$30 an hour. And I'd be fine with that. I can tell you, I don't make barely – I don't really make a middle class income. I rent. I have an old truck. I have very little savings, and I basically just run an establishment that has a mechanism built into it that lets people make \$20 an hour, \$30 an hour, and for the people that don't, they get \$10.66 now, in my organization.

So the question is why are we – to redefine this – why are we voting on giving a raise to people who are already making well above the living wage when we already have a mechanism that works to make sure that they get a living wage and I just would ask you to reconsider that, because it's happening, at least for sure in our case, in such a way that it's going to impact us, that hopefully doesn't, but could put us in a situation where there is no more mechanism to make any money for the 51 employees that we have and then instead, instead of being a local restaurant and having a local – we don't have the reserves that the chain restaurants do but instead of – if the local people go out of business it leaves the Outbacks and the Appleby's who have those reserves who can pay this to swoop in and take that business.

The unintended consequences, I think, are pretty big. They definitely are for us. If you want to come take a look at our books I'll tell you, we are just a regular middle class – making a middle class living. I would like to just address two quick things. When it comes to the woman earlier, the lady who was talking about the waiter in San Francisco they have raised this and my understanding is what some restaurants have done is changed the tipping policy and changed it into a policy where the restaurant charges a service fee, keeps that service fee, and then doles it back out to the waiters and the waiters end up getting less than

they were getting before because the restaurant then gets to dole it out however they want because it's now a service fee. That would be a horrible thing to have happen for restaurants to sort of adopt that. I don't know if that's something that would happen here or not.

And then lastly, there is a point to be made for waiters, they make \$20 an hour, \$30 an hour, but they only work four hours, and that's true. At the end of the week they make less money. But they choose to work those four hours. It's short – it's a lifestyle choice that if you asked any of our waiters they would tell you they enjoy their time off and that four hours to have the lifestyle that they want and that's most of our waiters are in the kind of boat. So anyway, I would ask you to reconsider. I would prefer to keep it at the current federal wage, where it was at \$2.13 to be honest because we have a mechanism in it that works to ensure that everybody gets a minimum wage or a living wage one way or another. I think a compromise is \$3.20. I'm okay with that, but above that it's really going to put a crimp on our ability to meet our costs every month and I really hope you consider that. And I thank you for your time.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, sir. Anybody else? Going once.

[Previously sworn, Harry Shapiro testified as follows:]

HARRY SHAPIRO: My name's Harry Shapiro. I also spoke before. I've been inundating you Commissioners with letters which I hope you've received on my thoughts. I'll try not to be redundant and repeat them, but I'd just like to embellish a little bit on what Mario said. Under this new law every single employee of a restaurant will be guaranteed \$10.66. In effect, I think lots of restaurants and my restaurant has already been doing that because we've been following – we're such a minority compared to the city we've had to keep up with the city to ensure that we had good employees.

We have dishwashers, we have prep cooks, we have cooks, we have bussers, we have bartenders, hosts and food runners. On the whole, the people in the kitchen get less than the bussers and the waiters make more than any of the kitchen employees, and the bartenders generally make more than the waiters. Now, I can't speak for every restaurant; every restaurant is a little different, but I do have prep cooks that make \$12 an hour and they work really hard. And I do have line cooks that make \$15 an hour and they work really hard, and they are, I think, well paid or better paid – when I say well paid, \$15 isn't great but I think they're paid better than a lot of other cooks around town.

I have a lot of respect for waiters too and I appreciate the waiters and I respect how hard they work, but we have offered to open our books to you and under federal guidelines we have to report 12 percent of what a waiter sells to the federal government and pay tax on it. Make up the difference and pay tax. And so we have records as to actually what the waiters make. Not what people think they make, not what our opposition says they make, but we have to track that. And in fact most of the waiters make more than 12 percent.

So the question again comes as to why are we singling out one group? One group of waiters, rather than all employees? It seems to me like any minimum wage bill should be just that. And I would agree, \$10.66 is a tremendous improvement. It's not great. It's a start. I'd love a few years from now to see something more. But I just do not understand why servers or tipped employees who have a recorded income and an income that we report to the federal

government that are higher than dishwashers, prep cooks, cooks, are entitled to a higher wage under a minimum wage law. And I thank you for your time.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Is there anyone else? The public hearing is closed.
Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I'd like to thank everyone who came to speak this evening and at the other public hearings, and I did receive emails this week and for the past public hearing, etc. and when I proposed the living wage I didn't choose to do something specific with the restaurants but my colleagues felt it was very important to do something with the restaurants. And I would love to see more people make more money. And I don't want to run businesses out of town but I would love to see more people make more money and not be working poor. I appreciate the fact that some of our Commissioners sat down with restaurant owners to see if there was a negotiating point and I understand that if there was going to be something done more than the federal guidelines that there was a negotiation. And so I appreciate very much that the Commissioners and the restaurant owners worked together and I stand to support that negotiation unless something changes here tonight. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Yes, I thought it was also interesting to find that our federal government, in their infinite wisdom, whenever it was, back in 1938 set a minimum wage that created the classes of employees that we're dealing with, one that gets the minimum wage and one that gets a base wage. So I didn't create that. Mr. Shapiro, you didn't create that. That's the model that we're under. And so for me I was willing to sign on the living wage ordinance to try to address the income levels in our community. I think this is the best method to do it, but for me, I was only willing to do it if we could deal with both the minimum wage and the base wage and be reasonable about it and tie both of them to the CPI, so that it notches up as the economy changes, as the economy gets better, as our businesses are doing better. Maybe we can spread that around a little bit more.

But I was not willing to sign on the ordinance, Commissioner Stefanics, without dealing with both of those components. And that's why I signed on and was willing to have the discussion about the minimum wage because it's needed but not ignore the base wage. And I know it's not the best for the workers or for the restaurant – for the businesses, but I was willing, as I've said to all of you in the room now, I think my job, our job is to listen to both sides and to talk to people on both sides, and I've done that. I've been willing to meet with both sides and be reasonable in our approach. And so that's where I'm at in the discussion and just felt that I wanted to share that for the record. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

So I don't know what the majority of the Commission is thinking but based on Commissioner Anaya's comments earlier I'm going to take a stab at this and make a motion to approve the amendment that would take the base wage to 30 percent of the living wage, which would transfer into \$3.20 an hour. Thereafter the base wage shall increase with each living wage increase and both are tied to the CPI and that the base wage will not go into effect until January 2015.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Second, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We have a motion and a second. Any further discussion?

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, businesses don't exist without workers and workers don't exist without business. They work together and complement one another. We're one of only a handful of entities in the United States of America, in the whole country, that have taken the living wage to where it is. And I applaud Working America. I applaud the businesses, all. Not just restaurateurs but all businesses and all workers and I will continue to look at options as we evaluate any ordinance, not just the living wage ordinance. Because as a Commission we as policymakers have to continually review what's been done historically and what we do moving forward to evaluate whether or not they're effective and whether or not they're balanced and represent the whole gamut of people that exist in the county. Thank you, Mr. Chair, Chairman Mayfield.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner. I'm going to ask a couple questions. This is an ordinance that's repealing a base rate of 60 percent, correct? Of what this Commission has already acted on?

MR. SHAFFER: Mr. Chair, it's an amendment, but yes, it has the same effect. It would be replacing what was adopted by the Board with a lower base wage of 30 percent and it would delay the 30 percent until January 1, 2015. So between the effective date of the ordinance and that date, the default would be the federal minimum cash payment.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: It would still be the \$10.66 aggregated.

MR. SHAFFER: That's correct. Focusing on the base wage or what the federal law calls minimum cash payment, but yes. Under either proposal tipped workers would be guaranteed the living wage.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So I'm going to ask a general question that I asked last – a couple weeks ago. I'm going to ask it again. We had an ordinance that we approved by the Santa Fe County Commission. That ordinance never came back in front of us to stay it, to appeal it, to repeal it, until tonight's second hearing. So I would like to know how staff through whatever direction they take or whatever implementation they do, can stop an approved ordinance by this Board.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, as I said, at the time that the amendment was proposed legal counsel said it would not go into effect once that authorization to publish title and general summary to amend that section, County counsel advised the Commission and me that that section would be held in abeyance until a vote was taken on it.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So this question is for our County Attorney, how can we do that without a public vote on this bench?

MR. SHAFFER: I'm sorry, Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya – Mr. Chair, I'm not privy to all the thinking that went into Mr. Ross' advice so I would respectfully want to defer that until I had the full benefit of his analysis that led him to proffer that advice before I would publicly offer an opinion on that matter.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Fair enough. And I guess where I'm going is we have many ordinances that we pass in Santa Fe County when we act and we take final action for approval with I guess date-certain for implementation. I just want to know how again, for future reference and for this, how we can stay it or amend it or not have it fully implemented. So I still have some other questions but I'll defer to my colleagues. Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, Chairman Mayfield, with the utmost respect to your question, I was the Commissioner that asked the question of Mr. Ross and the comment back from Ross was the advice based on his perspective that if there was going to be a potential amendment change, which we're getting ready to vote on and won't know the effect of that vote until the vote is taken, but the question was asked by me in that meeting as to whether or not the whole ordinance would roll out. And the feedback, which I think was good advice, to be quite candid, was that if you're going to have an amendment then you definitely wouldn't want to roll out the full-blown ordinance to business if you may change that. And so as I recall, and we can go back and look at the minutes and evaluate whatever discussion took place after, but I didn't hear negative feedback associated with that discussion and that dialogue in that meeting from my colleagues on the bench, respectfully.

And I actually am glad that the advice was given to not roll out that aspect because then we would be in a far more difficult and challenging issue between not just workers but businesses and workers alike. So that's my recollection, Mr. Chair, and I would respectfully take responsibility for the corpus of many of those conversations and comments and that also say that Mr. Ross followed suit with other comments that were made on previous discussions as to the roll-out. So I guess we could have many, many discussions and dialogue but I just wanted to, on the record state where my comments came from and what my recollection was of what happened and what the Commission did at that time. So I say that respectfully, Chairman Mayfield.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: No, that's great. Thank you. Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. The only thing I can add to that is that I guess, depending on who you talk to, \$6.40 is way better than \$3.20. But again, I think that as Commissioner Anaya pointed out and I really appreciate that, we're trying to find that balance. And yes, Commissioner Mayfield, you're right that we passed an ordinance, but then subsequent to passing that ordinance there was an amendment that was introduced to amend that ordinance which is the right process. Any ordinance or resolution can and should be amended when it's appropriate. Commissioner Anaya was compelled for the reasons he has to introduce an amendment to reconsider, to change the ordinance. At that time I said I really don't support the concept but I do support having the discussion. And I think we've had the discussion relative to the tipped employees. I think we've sliced it in two or three different ways, and it's part of the equation. And so we have the ordinance. We have an amendment that was introduced to that ordinance and that's what we're discussing here tonight. We've had two public hearings on just the amendments for the base wage as it relates to tipped employees. So I know I've learned a lot more about specifically the Restaurant Association and the tier of employees that you have and the accounting that you have to go through and all that stuff. It's a lot.

And so I think that Commissioner Anaya went through the process that's afforded to us. He's engaged us again in the discussion and now we're ready to take a vote and we're going to do something a little bit different than what we did two or three weeks ago and I think that's how it should be.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. So I also, Commissioners, have had the opportunity to meet with restaurateurs and hear their concerns and they've been very open with saying we'll provide you our books, we'll let you look at our books. I've also had the opportunity to meet with people that are in the wait industry and some of the comments that were stated tonight by the restaurateurs, I really appreciate and respect them. Also some of the comments of people who are here to comment or not. I'm not here to provide the comment for them. They need to take that upon themselves. But some comments that were made to me, and again, this could be a debatable comment, it was well, we don't work 40 hours a week. We don't work 2080 hours a year and we're not making sometimes, \$22,000, \$23,000 a year on that. If we have to take our child to a doctor's appointment, if we have to take our child to a school appointment, we don't get paid for that. Some of them don't have annual leave at some of the restaurants they work. Some of them don't have sick leave at some of the restaurants they work. Some of them have indicated to me that the federal check that they receive from the current minimum wage standards pretty much goes to pay their taxes, so they don't see the check – I don't know if it was once every other month when that rolls up, because that portion of that check is going directly to taxes.

So those were some of the comments that were also provided to me. I understand and I appreciate Commissioner Anaya's comments of you need the workers to have a business successful; you need the businesses to be able to sustain those workers to put food on the table also. That's kind of where we're at. I don't run a business. You all run the business. I'm going to respect what you do, but I also respect that if people aren't making a living out there they're going to come to this County and ask for different needs from this County to help sustain them. I recognize that.

I'm also a taxpayer, just so everybody knows that, and I make decisions of where some of those tax dollars go when people can't afford their medical bills or they can't afford housing. And I have to also make those decisions that are hard decisions on this Commission, how we allocate those dollars. So I just want to give that perspective and I want you to know that I was very appreciative of meeting with the restaurants and also very appreciative of what the Commissioners did to have this dialogue and I think there will definitely be some more dialogue surrounding seasonal employees and other issues of what this Commission has enacted. But I also respect the perspective of some of the wait staff out there that have provided it to me.

Commissioners, that's all I have. I don't know if anybody else wants to speak out this. Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, just a few comments. I could tell you that from my perspective, one of the things that I'm taking away from this whole dialogue on the living wage is that when we have an issue that is as sensitive as this issue can be and affects businesses and workers, that we should – and this is what I'm taking based on the communication and dialogue we all want to do, what I'm taking away is before we engage in

just public comment within these chambers and us five Commissioners sitting up here on these benches, we really need to step down off of these chairs on the same ground as everyone else in the community and have some less formal discussions in the community and engage all sides of a particular issue. That's my take-away.

We sometimes don't have the luxury of time and each Commissioner has specific objectives. Commissioner Stefanics, I want to applaud her and the whole Commission for saying, hey, the time is now for \$10.66 an hour. I understand that. And so that was elevated and we had those discussions and we now have that wage. But there are other impacts that go along with many of those decisions. So my take-away is if we invest a little more time and more informal discussions and make sure that we have more parties at the table where we actually invite them to the table, maybe, is what I'm getting at, as opposed to just having a public notice and just asking them to come to these chambers, and sit down and have some face to face dialogue and communication. So those are the lessons learned from my perspective and there's always new things to learn and garner. That's all I would add, Commissioner Mayfield, chairman. I think we've taken some progressive steps but I also think we've also recognized when we have challenges and re-engage the dialogue to try and strike that balance that Commissioner Chavez referred to. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. So I'm going to close if nobody else – so I think an important lesson learned from myself, when this County rolls out any ordinance we need to respectfully think of the impact that we're going to have on the future in what we're doing. And I appreciate what you did, Commissioner. I do appreciate that this was discussed and I want to say this. I appreciate that this ordinance wasn't enacted at this point, because when we do something in this Commission, we say enact it a month later, 30 days later, I don't know if we're doing the service on this. I would think in the future on any ordinance that we push out on this Commission we look at the potential, long-term implications and impact that we're going to have and maybe we should have a gradual approach of phasing in an ordinance or a potential six-month stay before it gets enacted. I'm just throwing that out there for discussion right now because of how this has come to be today. With that, Commissioners, we have a motion and a second on the table.

MR. SHAFFER: Mr. Chair, if I could, I just want, for clarification. There were two versions of the ordinance included in the packet. I understand the motion and the second to be in support of what's been labeled for identification purposes as Commissioner Chavez' proposal concerning the base wage for tipped employees.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Chavez, let's see. Okay. So we have Commissioner Chavez' proposal concerning base wage for tipped employees in front of us and this is – I'm not going to read in the whole title unless everybody needs me to do it. Mr. Shaffer, Karen, do you need that?

The motion passed 4-1 upon roll call vote with Commissioners Anaya, Chavez, Holian, and Stefanics and Commissioner Mayfield voting against. [Commissioner Holian voted after the fact. See page 80.]

VIII. A 2. Ordinance No. 2014-6, an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2012-7 (Amending Ordinance 2010-5 to Extend the Time During Which Permits Will Remain Valid), to Ensure That Residential Solid Waste Permits Sold for Fiscal Year 2015 and Each Year Thereafter Shall Not Expire Until Fully Utilized (Second Public Hearing) [Exhibit 9:Text of Adopted Ordinance]

MR. LEIGLAND: Mr. Chair, Commissioners, as you just stated, this is the second public hearing. Just to quickly recap, the Solid Waste Task Force recommended that solid waste permits which currently expire at the end of each fiscal year, the expiration date be lifted so that they expire when fully utilized. This was presented to the Commission at the March 25th meeting to public title and general summary because it is an ordinance change. The Commission at that time requested two public hearings; this is the second.

Commissioner Anaya did ask that the expiration, the lifting of the expiration be made retroactive to permits that were purchased, sold in FY 14 as opposed to just the ones in FY 15, so in your packet you'll see both versions of that ordinance change, one effective FY 15 and beyond and one retroactive to FY 14. I'll also note that we updated the fiscal impact statement since the last public hearing because we had another month of permit data to show and then we also just clarified that the revenue implications will depend on what subsequent actions the Commission takes, so just to remind you that the Solid Waste Task Force recommended that a different number of permit passes be sold in the future, and so in the last public hearing the fiscal impact report stated that if that is approved the fiscal impact would probably be negligible. This one just clarifies that if that's not approved it would tell what the fiscal impact would be.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, I have a question.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: In my book I have one ordinance and I do not see in the ordinance any reference to a fiscal year. To me I'm reading that this just becomes effective in 30 days after. So Mr. Shaffer, can you tell me if I'm reading this wrong? I'm looking at the ordinance, not at the FIR, at the ordinance.

MR. SHAFFER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, there are two versions of the proposed ordinance in the packet. Perhaps I could help identify. They're not numbered sequentially, but there are two versions of the ordinance. One is as you described, makes no reference to a fiscal year so that that would impact all outstanding permits, and then there's a second version as originally proposed which would only impact those permits purchased in fiscal year 15 and future fiscal years.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. Thank you. I found that second one now. So the first one is immediate; the second one is fiscal year 2015. Correct? Okay. So Adam, will this – no, I'm not going to ask the question. Mr. Chair, I think that by doing something immediate we're going to have a financial impact that's not planned and that concerns me. So I'll wait to listen now. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Vice Chairman Anaya, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: I'll wait till after the public hearing then I have comments, Mr. Chair.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Yes, I just wanted to let you know that I'm back in on the phone in the meeting.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Holian. Commissioner Holian, we'll go back to that prior ordinance right after this one if you care to so we can get your vote.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Yes, I would like to vote on that.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Mr. Leigland, anything else?

MR. LEIGLAND: Mr. Chair, no, unless there are specific questions.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: If seeing no questions of Mr. Leigland at this time we're going to open up this portion of our public hearing. Anybody wishing to comment on this ordinance please come forward and be sworn in. Mr. Wait, I think you're the only one here.

[Duly sworn, Walter Wait testified as follows:]

WALTER WAIT: My name is Walter Wait. I was the chairman of the committee. Mr. Chair, I would just like to say that I'm representing the San Marcos Association this evening and all of the people that I've talked to in the San Marcos District, they all think that this is a very, very good idea and either way you go in voting on either one of these would be quite acceptable to them. If there's a fiscal problem with doing it immediately then fiscal 15 would be just fine. But irregardless, this is part of a whole package that we recommended to the Board and we really do strongly recommend that you pass it. Thank you very much.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Mr. Wait. Is there anybody else from the public wishing to comment on this ordinance? Seeing none, this portion of our public hearing is closed.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Vice Chairman Anaya, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, respecting the comments made at both public hearings and comments from staff, I move to adopt the amendment that I proposed, an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2012-7, amending Ordinance 2010-5 to extend the time during which permits will remain valid, to ensure that residential solid waste permits shall not expire until fully utilized.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I will second that, Commissioner Anaya. Is there any further discussion, Commissioners?

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes, Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Commissioner Anaya, which ordinance, which version are you reading? Will it be for the fiscal year 2015 and each year thereafter?

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: No, Mr. Chair. This is the amendment that I proposed and this would affect all permits in hand and in 2015 going forward.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: So it's the second ordinance in the packet.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes, sir, Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Thank you, Commissioner Anaya. I'll second that motion.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We already have a motion and two seconds now.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Oh, I'm sorry.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: That's all right. It's okay. Myself and Commissioner Chavez have seconded this. That's okay. Commissioners, any further discussion on this?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: No.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I think it's the first ordinance in our book.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I only have one.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Not the second.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: No, there's two.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: The second one refers to 2015; the first one does not refer to 2015.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: The amendment that I'm proposing is that all permits shall not expire until they're fully utilized.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: In the title. I'm looking in the title. The second ordinance has 2015 in it; the first ordinance does not have any date.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: I don't know. Maybe we've got them rotated in the packet because I'm just reading off the one I have in here. The one I want is that permits don't expire, in hand and going forward. That's the amendment. So that's the amendment I proposed. Correct, Mr. Leigland?

MR. LEIGLAND: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, it looks like in my packet that the proposal that Commissioner Anaya is actually duplicated. And so it's falling between the memo and the FIR, which I think is a duplication. And then if you go behind the FIR you'll find both versions, and so I think the non-expiring version is actually in the packet twice and I think that's the source of confusion. And so Commissioner Chavez is looking at the second version, the second copy of it.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: So Commissioner Anaya's version – Mr. Leigland, correct me – is the version that has points 1, 2 and 3.

MR. LEIGLAND: Mr. Chair, that is correct.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And the second version is the one that just has a paragraph and Section 2.

MR. LEIGLAND: Mr. Chair, that's correct.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And on the floor we have the request to accept Commissioner Anaya's version that has points 1, 2 and 3. So I'm just going to read it out so we're all on the same page. An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2012-7, amending ordinance 2010-5 to extend the time during which permits will remain valid, to ensure that residential solid waste permits shall not expire until fully utilized. Be it ordained by the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County that Ordinance No. 2012-7 is amended as follows: Section 1 is repealed and replaced with the following: Section 1, amendment of Section 13(A)(1) or ordinance 2010-5, the second t the last sentence of 13(A)(1) is now repealed and replaced with the following. Residential solid waste permits shall be valid until all permit trips have been utilized.

Point 2, all provisions of Ordinance No. 2012-7 not herein amendment shall remain in full force and effect.

Point 3, this ordinance shall become effective 30 days after recordation pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 4-37-9(1975). This was Commissioner Anaya, correct?

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: That's correct.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioners, so we have a motion and a second on the floor.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Holian, I'm sorry.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Yes, I would just like to make a comment. I really cannot support extending the non-expiration clause to permits that were bought in this year or previous years because it is a really big hit to our general fund. I think it's about \$200,000 if I remember, something like that. And people bought the permits with the idea that they were going to expire, so that was the conditions under which they bought them. And as it is, we have a situation where people in the city, through their property taxes, and people in the county who pay for their waste services to be hauled are subsidizing the transfer stations as it is. And so this is even more of a subsidy and I just don't think it's fair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Holian. Commissioners, we have a motion and a second in front of us. We need a roll call.

The motion passed 3-2 upon roll call vote with Commissioners Anaya, Chavez and Mayfield voting in favor and Commissioners Holian and Stefanics voting against.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioners. Commissioner Holian, so we're going to go back so if you care to record your vote on the ordinance amending the living wage within Santa Fe as pertaining the base rate to modify base wages for tipped employees.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Yes, I vote yes on that. [See page 77.]

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. So that was four. So that one now, 4-1, Karen.

Thank you.

V. D. **Matters From the County Manager**

1. **Miscellaneous Updates** [*Exhibit 10: Newsletter*]

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, I actually don't have a lot. A little bit of update on some things from last week. Number one, we had the – we helped sponsor the *Outside* Bike and Brew event. We started off with the whole Bike to Work Week and several events with County staff involved and then ended the week biking to the Railyard and I am proud to say that the County had more participation, contrary to what Councilor Bushee tried to say. She kept double-counting City staff, but County staff definitely showed up in full force and even the Association of Counties, a couple of them, hopped in the train over there to show support for counties.

Anyway, there were several events throughout the weekend, starting kind of that Friday through Sunday and David Griscom was trying to come up with some of the statistics. I can tell you I talked to the owner of *Outside* magazine and I asked him did it turn out as good as he thought, and he said it was way better. They had about 1,800 people on Friday night just at the event with different local breweries, and down at the Railyard, plus all the events throughout the Railyard. We helped sponsor the app that actually told about all the events with the different restaurants and the City and the bike trails and I think that there were 1,522 users and 1,513 of those were United States citizens, four were Canadians, three were UK, one was France and one was Argentina. So it certainly had some people from other places trying to figure out what we were doing here in Santa Fe and Santa Fe County.

And then they said that most of the app users, 1,500 of them, were engaged over the three-day event. So pretty much anybody who downloaded that app was actually using it throughout the weekend to find out what was going on and I also understand that they had quite a few users or quite a few events that they had to add additional events. So where they had different bike groups going around and several of them were sold out. So it was a great economic development initiative between the bicycle groups and organizations, *Outside* magazine, City of Santa Fe and County of Santa Fe. So I just wanted to let you know it was really successful and a lot of people enjoyed it and I enjoyed leading the County team to beating the City's team in participation.

So with that, I also wanted to hand out the monthly memo from May. This usually comes out in the third week in the month and there's some stuff in it about the Bike to Work Week and also some of the things that we're doing with fair housing, educational activities, our recycling program and newsletter at the Adult Detention Facility. FireWise greenwaste, we do have greenwaste amnesty as part of a FireWise initiative and this is valid until June 30th at the Jacona transfer station, Stanley transfer station and Eldorado transfer station, that anybody who does have a County residential solid waste permit, you can unload your greenwaste without having a punch. And this is our third month of that program. So although I believe the City's transfer station, at Buckman, they had a day or two we actually have had three months, so April, May and June where the greenwaste is not charged against your card.

And I think that was just some of the items I wanted to highlight, and then just a reminder to the public, it's been brought up. We had the public hearing, tomorrow night on the zoning map and another one in the end of June on the Wednesday following our last BCC meeting. And both of those are scheduled to be here. And that's all I have.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Manager Miller, did you beat the Mayor?

MS. MILLER: He actually didn't manage to even get on the bike until we were almost over there. And just a little side note, he almost hopped on without a helmet and his staff said, no, you can't go without a helmet.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I was going to say that on some of our pitch. We need helmets.

MS. MILLER: He was in such a hurry to catch up. But he did show up with his helmet. It was good, clean competition, so it was fun.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Great. Hey, and then you brought up the greenwaste. Just so you know, I was talking with some community members. They suggested one, if it can be afforded to our transfer stations also for the acceptance of the greenwaste. But two, also, a lot of individuals were trying to get into the BuRRT and there was like a two-hour waste to get in for greenwaste and lines backed up and traffic backed up and a suggestion was maybe if they could kind of put it on Twitter and do a Twitterfeed, that would just be another suggestion.

And then also, because a comment that was stated earlier, and I just thought about it now that you brought this up, is that our transfer stations, our rural transfer stations highly subsidize and maintain the operations of the SWMA Authority, and if individuals are using private contractors to haul their waste and if those contractors are hauling it outside of Santa Fe County, such as to Rio Rancho, Los Lunas, the County's not receiving any revenue from that. We're losing revenue whereas the individuals who are paying for their solid waste fees and the County subsidizing it is being done because a lot of our trash is being pushed out of Santa Fe County because our tipping fees are so high at Solid Waste. So I just want to throw that in there also. Thank you. Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Chairman Mayfield, I just want to let you know that Commissioner Chavez and I participated in the meeting at SWMA. Commissioner Holian was there as well. But we did have a pretty good discussion on the issue you brought up and the long lines and so the staff is already working on a better approach to manage the people and then break up types of waste between days because that was part of the reason there was backlog, but I did pass on that you suggested using social media to maybe help that, but they are working through a more efficient process. A lot more people accessed the program than was anticipated, which is a good thing. The tire waste I think was a huge success and keeping them as opposed to in our arroyos, but appreciate your feedback and we did pass on to staff and they're working on a more efficient way to do it so it doesn't create those long lines.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Just a general question, and again, this is not a political question. It's I guess a question, because there's a lot of signage out there right now throughout the county, and if people want to dispose of that signage material and if it has to be corrugated plastic, is that a recyclable plastic or does that need to go into our landfills. It doesn't have to be answered today, but maybe if somebody could get that information out, we could let all these individuals know what to do with their signs after, so they don't just end up in our landfills. Thank you. Thank you, for that report.

Commissioners, we're going to go back really quick to Matters from the Commission, and I believe Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, thank you. I was going to read in an obituary. I want to offer condolences to the Gonzales family, Terry Gonzales passed away recently. That's Corky Ojinaga – one of our staff's sisters unexpectedly. So I'd like to offer condolences to their entire family for their loss, if we could have a brief moment of silence, Mr. Chair, I'd greatly appreciate it. Thank you, Chairman Mayfield.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, and thank you, Commissioner, for that recognition. Any other matters from the Commission? Seeing none, we are now on to Matters from our County Attorney.

VI. MATTERS FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY

A. Executive Session

1. Discussion of Pending or Threatened Litigation

2. Limited Personnel Issues

6. Deliberations in Connection with an Administrative Adjudicatory.

Proceeding: BCC Case #MIS 13-5061 Robert and Bernadette Anaya

MR. SHAFFER: Mr. Chair, for executive session this evening, I think we'll only be discussing items under 1, 2, and 6, that is discussion of pending or threatened litigation, limited personnel issues, and deliberations in connection with the specified administrative adjudicatory proceeding.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, I move that we go into executive session for those purposes.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: For clarification, Mr. Chair [[

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: That is pending or threatened litigation.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: It was stated earlier that that would be –

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, I would second and have a question before we do it.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I've got a question also, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Do we have any other business or is the only thing we'll be coming out for is to adjourn?

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner, depending on what happens on item B, I wanted to have this done publicly. I was asked to have it done in executive session, so I still would like to have public deliberation.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: On this after.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: On this. And with that also, I don't know if – I'm just going to ask this request. I don't want to go into executive session on this one item and I'm going to vote no against it, so can we break up the reasons why we're going into executive session. I see the need to go into executive session on maybe some of these items listed but I definitely in totality don't want to go in on the last one. So I'll defer to you, Mr. Shaffer. Otherwise I'm just going to be a no vote.

MR. SHAFFER: I'm sorry, Mr. Chair. I want to make sure I understand the question.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Let's do it this way. We have a motion and a second to go into executive session but I'm going to ask that we pull off item B and we take a separate vote on that, please, to go into executive session.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Item B was not included. It's included in number 1, pending or threatened litigation.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: We have B. on the agenda.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: B is when we come out of executive session.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. Thank you for that clarification, Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: But it is – that would be a potential item of discussion under number 1.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay. If you want to break out 1 and the others, you can. If you don't just ask for the vote.

MR. SHAFFER: So I believe there was a motion and a second to go into executive session on the items that were enumerated.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes. Geraldine, roll call please.

The motion to go into executive session pursuant to NMSA Section 10-15-1-H (2 and 7) to discuss the matters delineated above passed upon 4-1 roll call vote with Commissioners Anaya, Chavez, Holian, Stefanics voting in the affirmative and Chairman Mayfield voting no.

[The Commission met in closed session from 7:05 to 8:40.]

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioners, we're going to come out of executive session and there we had some – Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Chairman Mayfield, I'd move that we come out of executive session and that only matters noted on the agenda were discussed, and that the five Commissioners were present, the County Manager, County Attorney Greg Shaffer and County Attorney Rachel Brown.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Second.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And yes, again for a little further clarification, Commissioner Holian was on participating telephonically. Thank you. With that a motion to come out of executive session and return to the BCC meeting.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: That was the motion and second, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Was there a second?

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Yes, sir.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: A first and a second.

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

VI. B. Process for the Consideration and Adoption of the Sustainable Land Development Code Zoning Map

CHAIR MAYFIELD: I'm going to defer to our County Attorney, Mr. Shaffer.

MR. SHAFFER: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I was asked to provide some general advice in terms of the road ahead and I think the point that I'd emphasize, given where we're at, the appropriate process would be for citizens who want to express their views concerning any aspect of the zoning map they should do that through the public hearing process that begins tomorrow night rather than through communications with individual Commissioners. That would be my advice to the Board and to individual Commissioners if you are contacted about the zoning map, that you respectfully address your constituents and citizens to that public hearing process so that they can express their views on the record to the full Board and other citizens will have the opportunity to hear that and respond to it.

Though that public hearing process, again, all interested citizens will be able to offer evidence and testimony and respond to what other folks are putting on the record with respect to the zoning map. And then finally, my recommendation would be that the Board delay taking any action until the public hearing process has completely closed and all concerned citizens have been afforded the opportunity to present their views. I would also just emphasize that should the Board get to the conclusion of the public hearings that it will have the option of postponing or recessing the public hearings to a later date so that additional public hearings can take place at the appropriate time, noticed in accordance with those motions. So that would be my general advice concerning the process and the road ahead with respect to the zoning map, and with that, I'd stand for any questions.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. And Mr. Shaffer, I definitely believe that there will be a need for additional public hearings. Hopefully we can do those throughout Santa Fe County, in individual Commissioners' districts. Also I would ask that we – I'm not saying that we're doing a bad job, but a little more noticing through PSAs. If it needs to be translated into the Spanish language I would ask that that also be done, and/or looking at the maps that have went out to individuals, letting them know again that there are full wall-sized maps versus the smaller ones that went out and just get that – just ask them that they show up to our public meetings, provide their insight and their input. If I receive any letters or any additional comments again I know what I will talk to people about, but I will push those letters to yourself and/or to staff. Thank you. Commissioners, anything else? Commissioner Chavez.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Only, I just wanted to announce again the special – the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners special meeting tomorrow in these chambers at 5:00. This will be a public hearing specifically for the land development code.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. That's the first of two scheduled knowing that we may have additional.

COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: That's correct.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Vice Chairman Anaya, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Mr. Chair, Chairman Mayfield, I just want to acknowledge that there are many, many people that are out there running for office. Chairman

Mayfield, you're on the ballot. I'm on the ballot, for re-election and I want to encourage all voters. I want to thank all those parties that have expressed an interest in being a public servant. I want to thank them for stepping up and doing that. It's not an easy thing to do and a commitment to make to help the county. But I really want to encourage all the voters out there to get out and vote. It's important that you express your point of view and voting in this country is definitely an opportunity to express your perspective and provide your input. So I would encourage people to vote, next Tuesday, June 3rd, in the upcoming election. Thank you, Chairman Mayfield.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Commissioner Stefanics, please.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I would be open to the possibility of more than two public hearings on the zoning maps and in the event that we planned those it would be wise for staff to start talking to us about our potential schedules for months out. Like if we were to do one a month or something like that. Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you for that, Commissioner Stefanics. Vice Chairman Anaya, please.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: I'm sorry I jumped the gun on comments from the Board but I too support additional hearings and support your idea to have those throughout the county and so I think that's a good opportunity for us to get out to the public. Thank you.

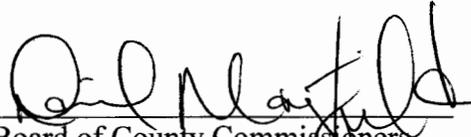
CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioners. Anything else?

IX. CONCLUDING BUSINESS

- A. Announcements**
- B. Adjournment (Action Item)**

Having completed the agenda and with no further business to come before this body, Chair Mayfield declared this meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Approved by:


Board of County Commissioners
Daniel W. Mayfield, Chair




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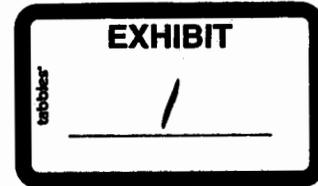
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Thomas A. Romero
Executive Director
Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area
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Dear Mr. Romero:

In accordance with Public Law 109-338, which designated the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, we are pleased to inform you of the approval of the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area Management Plan. Please accept my congratulations on the very successful planning process that you and your partners have accomplished.

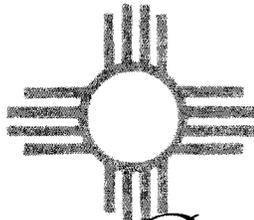
Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, Inc. has developed a plan that will promote the continued appreciation and protection of the natural, historic, and cultural resources associated with the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, which is a nationally important landscape. We commend you for completing this well-conceived plan and for involving the interested citizens and organizations within the counties of Rio Arriba, Santa Fe, and Taos, New Mexico. The plan demonstrates the advantages of the partnership between the Department of the Interior and our national heritage areas.

As we move forward in our partnership endeavors, please be assured of our desire to work closely with you and associated organizations in the region to effectively implement our mutually held resource protection goals. The Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, which contains some of our nation's most important natural and cultural resources, deserves our continuing respect and protection.

Sincerely,

Rachel Jacobson
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Fish and Wildlife and Parks

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Honorable Martin Heinrich
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The House of Representatives of the State of New Mexico

FIFTIETH LEGISLATURE
SECOND SESSION - 2012

*A Certificate Sponsored by Representative Debbie A. Rodella, Expressing the
Recognition of the House of Representatives to the
Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, Inc.*

WHEREAS, by act of the United States Congress on October 12, 2006, the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area was designated and established in the State of New Mexico, said heritage area to include lands and resources within the Counties of Santa Fe, Rio Arriba, and Taos; and

WHEREAS, the heritage area encompasses a mosaic of cultures and history, including eight (8) Pueblos, the Jicarilla Apache reservation, the descendants of Spanish ancestors who settled the area beginning in 1598, and an influx of settlers beginning with the conquest of the area by the United States military in 1846; and

WHEREAS, the heritage area includes spectacular natural, scenic, and recreational resources, which, along with the combination of cultures, languages, folk arts, customs, and architecture, make Northern New Mexico unique; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, Inc., a nonprofit corporation chartered in the State of New Mexico, was designated by Congress as the management entity to coordinate and assist in the preservation and interpretation of the cultural, historical and natural resources in these Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, Inc., is supported by a board of directors that represents partnerships with State, local and tribal governments and interested communities, to sustain the cultural heritage of the area, to encourage its economic viability, and to increase public awareness of and appreciation for the cultural, historical, archaeological, and natural resources and sites in the heritage area; and

WHEREAS, over the last five years, the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, Inc., has worked with a number of organizations, tribes and local communities in Santa Fe, Rio Arriba, and Taos counties through outreach programs and through funding of grants for projects, predominantly with funds appropriated by Congress under the legislation and made available through the National Park Service; and

WHEREAS, the development of the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area as a State resource will require the continuing commitment of State, local, and tribal governments and of local communities and residents to further the preservation of the cultural heritage to share in maintaining, sustaining and contributing to this historic fabric;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, Inc., be recognized for its continuing contribution to the preservation of New Mexico's cultural heritage, and congratulated on its commitment to provide assistance and support to the people of Santa Fe, Rio Arriba, and Taos counties now and in the future; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to appropriate agencies of the State, to the governing bodies of Santa Fe, Rio Arriba, and Taos counties, to the governing bodies of the Cities of Santa Fe, Española, and Taos, and to the governing bodies of the eight northern Pueblos and the Jicarilla Apache, with a provision that they be encouraged to provide support and participation in the continuing efforts of the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, Inc., in achieving the purposes of the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area Act, P.L. 109-338.



*Signed and Sealed at The Capitol,
in the City of Santa Fe.*

Ben Lujan

BEN LUJAN, SPEAKER

Debbie A. Rodella

REPRESENTATIVE DEBBIE A. RODELLA
RIO ARRIBA, SANDOVAL AND TAOS COUNTIES

TITLE II—ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL HERITAGE AREAS

Subtitle A—Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area

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New Mexico.
16 USC 461 note.

SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.

This subtitle may be cited as the “Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area Act”.

SEC. 202. CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.

The Congress finds that—

(1) northern New Mexico encompasses a mosaic of cultures and history, including 8 Pueblos and the descendants of Spanish ancestors who settled in the area in 1598;

(2) the combination of cultures, languages, folk arts, customs, and architecture make northern New Mexico unique;

(3) the area includes spectacular natural, scenic, and recreational resources;

(4) there is broad support from local governments and interested individuals to establish a National Heritage Area to coordinate and assist in the preservation and interpretation of these resources;

(5) in 1991, the National Park Service study Alternative Concepts for Commemorating Spanish Colonization identified several alternatives consistent with the establishment of a National Heritage Area, including conducting a comprehensive archaeological and historical research program, coordinating a comprehensive interpretation program, and interpreting a cultural heritage scene; and

(6) establishment of a National Heritage Area in northern New Mexico would assist local communities and residents in preserving these unique cultural, historical and natural resources.

SEC. 203. DEFINITIONS.

As used in this subtitle—

(1) the term “heritage area” means the Northern Rio Grande Heritage Area; and

(2) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 204. NORTHERN RIO GRANDE NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area in the State of New Mexico.

(b) BOUNDARIES.—The heritage area shall include the counties of Santa Fe, Rio Arriba, and Taos.

(c) MANAGEMENT ENTITY.—

(1) The Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, Inc., a non-profit corporation chartered in the State of New Mexico, shall serve as the management entity for the heritage area.

(2) The Board of Directors for the management entity shall include representatives of the State of New Mexico, the counties of Santa Fe, Rio Arriba and Taos, tribes and pueblos within the heritage area, the cities of Santa Fe, Espanola and Taos,

and members of the general public. The total number of Board members and the number of Directors representing State, local and tribal governments and interested communities shall be established to ensure that all parties have appropriate representation on the Board.

SEC. 205. AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF THE MANAGEMENT ENTITY.

(a) **MANAGEMENT PLAN.**—

Deadline.

(1) Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the management entity shall develop and forward to the Secretary a management plan for the heritage area.

(2) The management entity shall develop and implement the management plan in cooperation with affected communities, tribal and local governments and shall provide for public involvement in the development and implementation of the management plan.

(3) The management plan shall, at a minimum—

(A) provide recommendations for the conservation, funding, management, and development of the resources of the heritage area;

(B) identify sources of funding;

(C) include an inventory of the cultural, historical, archaeological, natural, and recreational resources of the heritage area;

(D) provide recommendations for educational and interpretive programs to inform the public about the resources of the heritage area; and

(E) include an analysis of ways in which local, State, Federal, and tribal programs may best be coordinated to promote the purposes of this subtitle.

(4) If the management entity fails to submit a management plan to the Secretary as provided in paragraph (1), the heritage area shall no longer be eligible to receive Federal funding under this subtitle until such time as a plan is submitted to the Secretary.

Deadline.

(5) The Secretary shall approve or disapprove the management plan within 90 days after the date of submission. If the Secretary disapproves the management plan, the Secretary shall advise the management entity in writing of the reasons therefore and shall make recommendations for revisions to the plan.

Recommendations.

(6) The management entity shall periodically review the management plan and submit to the Secretary any recommendations for proposed revisions to the management plan. Any major revisions to the management plan must be approved by the Secretary.

(b) **AUTHORITY.**—The management entity may make grants and provide technical assistance to tribal and local governments, and other public and private entities to carry out the management plan.

(c) **DUTIES.**—The management entity shall—

(1) give priority in implementing actions set forth in the management plan;

(2) encourage by appropriate means economic viability in the heritage area consistent with the goals of the management plan; and

(3) assist local and tribal governments and non-profit organizations in—

(A) establishing and maintaining interpretive exhibits in the heritage area;

(B) developing recreational resources in the heritage area;

(C) increasing public awareness of, and appreciation for, the cultural, historical, archaeological and natural resources and sites in the heritage area;

(D) the restoration of historic structures related to the heritage area; and

(E) carrying out other actions that the management entity determines appropriate to fulfill the purposes of this subtitle, consistent with the management plan.

(d) PROHIBITION ON ACQUIRING REAL PROPERTY.—The management entity may not use Federal funds received under this subtitle to acquire real property or an interest in real property.

(e) PUBLIC MEETINGS.—The management entity shall hold public meetings at least annually regarding the implementation of the management plan.

(f) ANNUAL REPORTS AND AUDITS.—

(1) For any year in which the management entity receives Federal funds under this subtitle, the management entity shall submit an annual report to the Secretary setting forth accomplishments, expenses and income, and each entity to which any grant was made by the management entity.

(2) The management entity shall make available to the Secretary for audit all records relating to the expenditure of Federal funds and any matching funds. The management entity shall also require, for all agreements authorizing expenditure of Federal funds by other organizations, that the receiving organization make available to the Secretary for audit all records concerning the expenditure of those funds.

SEC. 206. DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.

(a) TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary may, upon request of the management entity, provide technical and financial assistance to develop and implement the management plan.

(b) PRIORITY.—In providing assistance under subsection (a), the Secretary shall give priority to actions that facilitate—

(1) the conservation of the significant natural, cultural, historical, archaeological, scenic, and recreational resources of the heritage area; and

(2) the provision of educational, interpretive, and recreational opportunities consistent with the resources and associated values of the heritage area.

SEC. 207. PRIVATE PROPERTY PROTECTIONS; SAVINGS PROVISIONS.

(a) PRIVATE PROPERTY PROTECTION.—

(1) NOTIFICATION AND CONSENT OF PROPERTY OWNERS REQUIRED.—No privately owned property shall be preserved, conserved, or promoted by the management plan for the Heritage Area until the owner of that private property has been notified in writing by the management entity and has given written consent for such preservation, conservation or promotion to the management entity.

(2) **LANDOWNER WITHDRAWAL.**—Any owner of private property included within the boundary of the heritage area, shall have their property immediately removed from within the boundary by submitting a written request to the management entity.

(3) **ACCESS TO PRIVATE PROPERTY.**—Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to require any private property owner to permit public access (including Federal, State, or local government access) to such private property. Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to modify any provision of Federal, State, or local law with regard to public access to or use of private lands.

(4) **LIABILITY.**—Designation of the heritage area shall not be considered to create any liability, or to have any effect on any liability under any other law, of any private property owner with respect to any persons injured on such private property.

(5) **RECOGNITION OF AUTHORITY TO CONTROL LAND USE.**—Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to modify any authority of Federal, State, or local governments to regulate land use.

(6) **PARTICIPATION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS IN HERITAGE AREA.**—Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to require the owner of any private property located within the boundaries of the heritage area to participate in or be associated with the heritage area.

(b) **EFFECT OF ESTABLISHMENT.**—The boundaries designated for the heritage area represent the area within which Federal funds appropriated for the purpose of this subtitle shall be expended. The establishment of the heritage area and its boundaries shall not be construed to provide any nonexistent regulatory authority on land use within the heritage area or its viewshed by the Secretary, the National Park Service, or the management entity.

(c) **TRIBAL LANDS.**—Nothing in this subtitle shall restrict or limit a tribe from protecting cultural or religious sites on tribal lands.

(d) **TRUST RESPONSIBILITIES.**—Nothing in this subtitle shall diminish the Federal Government's trust responsibilities or government-to-government obligations to any federally recognized Indian tribe.

SEC. 208. SUNSET.

The authority of the Secretary to provide assistance under this subtitle terminates on the date that is 15 years after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 209. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subtitle \$10,000,000, of which not more than \$1,000,000 may be authorized to be appropriated for any fiscal year.

(b) **COST-SHARING REQUIREMENT.**—The Federal share of the total cost of any activity assisted under this subtitle shall be not more than 50 percent.

The Northern Río Grande National Heritage Area Management Plan



Northern Río Grande National Heritage Area, Inc.

Española, New Mexico
May 2013



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

New Mexico is a distinctive place with a history and cultural references that differ from many other parts of the United States. Its history predates that of the United States by 200 years. It is little known that a head tax was imposed on the citizens of Nuevo Mexico to gather funds to send blankets to the American Revolutionary soldiers fighting for America's independence from Great Britain. Yet, in history, the place that would become New Mexico was dismissed as a foreign land not worthy of being part of the United States.

In the broad Southwest, the states of Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, Texas, and Utah share New Mexico's developmental history as part of the Spanish empire and, after 1821, as part of Mexican Territory. These lands were ceded to the United States by Mexico as part of the 1848 *Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo*, but it was primarily New Mexico – taken at the start of the Mexican-American War – that came into the United States as a conquered land.

In its northern region surrounding the Rio Grande, New Mexico contains the heart of Pueblo settlements, some with histories that span a millennium, while its first

Spanish colonists arrived more than four centuries ago.

The Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, extending over 10,000 square miles, contains the centers of Pueblo and Spanish governance and settlement. The area reaches north to south from the Colorado border to the

center of the state, and east to west between the Sangre de Cristo range and the San Juan Mountains, crossing the Continental Divide in the process. While the Heritage Area takes its name from the northern Rio Grande, which flows through its center, the area is defined as much by its mountains, mesas, and high-desert terrain as by its rivers and streams.

Within the boundaries of the Heritage Area, there are a great number of natural, historical, and cultural areas of interest that draw current day visitors and that for centuries have drawn generations of settlers to connect with the land and to share in its resources.

The Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area establishes the framework within which these resources may be nurtured and managed to the benefit of



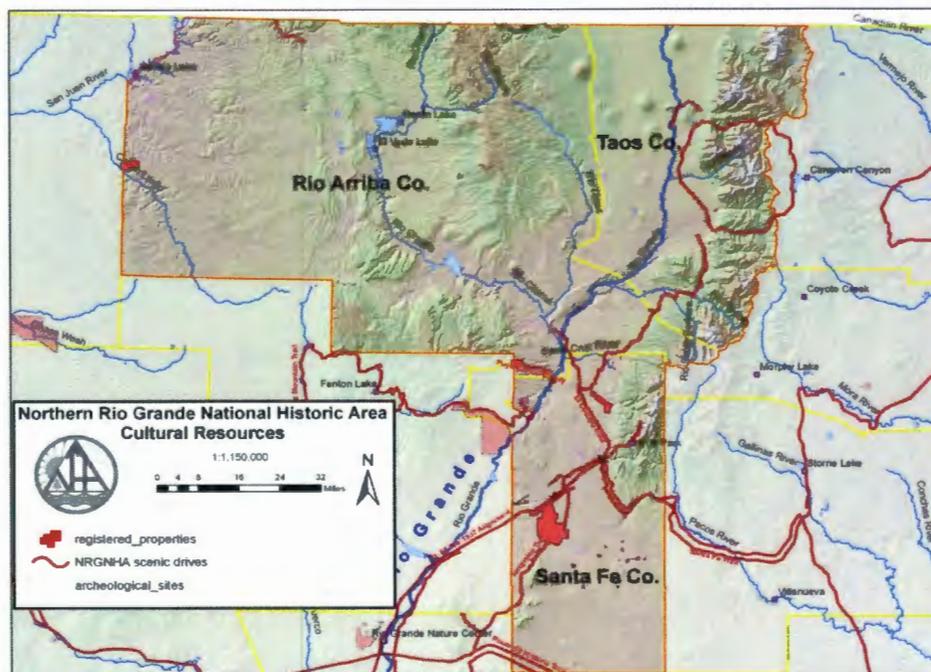
residents and visitors alike and within which the area may be protected for future generations. The Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area Management Plan has been developed after extensive public input from citizens, governments, and other stakeholders who are committed to preserving and promoting the Heritage Area's special character.

WHAT MAKES NORTHERN NEW MEXICO SO UNIQUE?

For some, it's the stunning beauty of the natural landscape. For others, it's the languages, folk arts, customs and architecture that form a rich mosaic of cultural history. Northern New Mexico is a "Cradle of Settlement", nurturing Native peoples who have lived here for thousands of years, Spanish explorers and

colonists who settled here four hundred years ago, and subsequent migrations through Mexican independence in 1821, and American occupation since 1846. This cultural blending has left a strong imprint on the people who call northern New Mexico "home," and it is evident in the food they eat, in the dedication and embrace of familial life, and in a strong connection with the land.

Many old traditions continue today, unbroken, like farming with *acequia* irrigation on tribal lands, Spanish land grants and traditional communities, and observances of historic *fiestas*, Pueblo feast days, and religious traditions. It is a cultural imprint that has made northern New Mexico a mecca for travelers and tourists, artists and craftspeople, seekers and historians alike.



THE NORTHERN RIO GRANDE NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA

To conserve and protect the culture and traditions that define New Mexico and its unique contribution to the culture and heritage of the United States, Congress designated over 10,000 square miles of northern New Mexico as the **Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area (NRGNHA)**. The Area includes Taos, Rio Arriba and Santa Fe counties. Eight pueblos (Taos, Picuris, Ohkay Owingeh, Santa Clara, San Ildefonso, Nambe, Pojoaque, and Tesuque) and the Jicarilla Apache Nation are all sustained within the Heritage Area.

The mission of the NRGNHA is to help sustain the communities, languages, cultures, traditions, heritage and environment of Northern New Mexico. Actions to achieve our mission are built around specific strategies:

SUPPORT TRADITIONS, HERITAGE AND CULTURE TO ENHANCE UNDERSTANDING AND AWARENESS OF THE HERITAGE AREA'S STORIES AND RESOURCES

Some of our work supports individual organizations that are presenting and preserving traditions and elements of the culture. One recent highly successful project provided funding to the Site Steward Foundation for creation of a DVD, *A Gift From the Earth*, which guides and demonstrates traditional pottery making in North Central New Mexico for distribution to schools. In other projects we have supported creation of student videos in the Española High School, provided funding for the Santa Fe Youth Symphony Mariachi group, and supported

a Tribal youth farm project at San Ildefonso Pueblo.

We also provide grants and technical support to community development programs, non-profit groups and organizations, and local and tribal governments engaged in efforts to sustain their communities' traditions, heritage and culture. Some of these grants funded preservation or restoration, as for the San Miguel Mission, La Sala de Galisteo Community Center, or the Martínez Hacienda in Taos. Others provided for recording of history or inventory of resources, as in projects for the Acequia Agua Fria and the Mesa Prieta Petroglyphs. Each project expanded awareness of the Heritage Area's resources and promoted understanding of its history and stories.

As older generations disappear, it is essential that such awareness and understanding be passed along to students and other young people. Through partnerships with schools, colleges, tribal and internship programs, and through multi-generational mentoring and hands-on experiential learning, we work to help youth gain a deeper understanding of language and history, as well as traditional practices in farming, arts and crafts.

CREATE PARTNERSHIPS TO COLLABORATE IN ACHIEVING CULTURAL PRESERVATION

NRGNHA is a coordinating entity, bringing together and collaborating with non-profit groups and organizations from across the fields of education, business, and government that are united by common interests. One example of our work

among different organizations is a community development project with the Village of Chimayó and Santa Fe County over the last year, in which we have provided technical support to develop a community plan and to move forward initiatives that are supported by community residents. We see this as a model that may be replicated in other communities, so we are establishing ties with community and business support groups, pueblo and tribal governments, and state agencies like the Historical Records Advisory Board of the New Mexico State Records and Archives.

NRGNHA has established or is pursuing working partnerships with cultural centers throughout the Heritage Area, such as, El Museo Cultural de Santa Fe, the Chimayo Cultural Center, the Taos Museums, the Northern NM Regional Arts Center in Española, El Rancho de las Golondrinas, the Mesa Prieta Petroglyphs Project, and the Ghost Ranch facility. These key relationships are vital links to the communities and essential to tapping into the local passion and enthusiasm for promoting and preserving cultural interests. We are pursuing and have partnered with Northern New Mexico College and are reaching out to other educational institutions to develop programs and curricula that explore northern New Mexico's culture, history and heritage.

PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HERITAGE TOURISM

Encouraging economic development is sometimes seen as being at odds with protecting the environment and preserving local culture. But, increased interest in environmental and heritage

tourism offers opportunity for rural communities to develop new economic interests that not only provide economic growth but in themselves work to enhance traditional cultural education.

We are creating a **Gateway Partnership** program to expand on the scope of the general partnerships listed above, and to specifically target economic development and heritage or cultural tourism. These partnerships are established through written agreements that define individual responsibilities and that target creating a strong physical presence for the program of the Gateway Partner and for NRGNHA.

One such partnership would be with El Museo Cultural in Santa Fe. El Museo is situated on the Railyard at the terminus of the rail line, providing a very visible "gateway" entrance to the culture of Santa Fe and the North. We are assisting in negotiation of a marketing/retail agreement between El Museo and Ganados del Valle/Tierra Wools, to provide a market outlet on the Railyard of Tierra Wools products, as well as, of artist works from Northern New Mexico artists. The agreements would support economic growth for the tourist market, offered at reasonable price, with a small commission going to support El Museo.

El Museo would promote the Heritage Area and offer a facility presence for NRGNHA in Santa Fe. NRGNHA would provide technical support and shared funding to support operations. Reception of this idea has been enthusiastic, demonstrating how NRGNHA can support cultural programming and existing organizations without competition to achieve results prompted in our strategic Management Plan. This also

demonstrates how more visitors can experience northern New Mexico's history and culture while supporting commerce that is friendly to both our culture and environment.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

NRGNHA is in its third year of active programming and community support. Combined with outreach efforts, the grants program has been a vital tool to help us reach broader recognition throughout the Heritage Area. From 2009 through 2012 NRGNHA gave over \$130,000 in grants to 35 grantees, roughly, over 22% of our budget over the period.

One key project funded was the creation of a documentary film, ***Land Water People Time***, which we are now using as a promotional and educational tool to inform about the Heritage Area and its inhabitants. The film has received several awards and is always well-received. Other projects have spread the name recognition and stimulated interest among other organizations in partnering opportunities.

Each project targets development of a work product that can be shared with other groups, and many of these products are used in school education projects. NRGNHA is creating a library of the work products that will be built into our permanent presentation facility as that is completed in the future.

The task of building a broadened awareness and understanding of the Area's heritage is not a quick fix. As we have demonstrated our presence and eagerness to collaborate, other organizations are opening to our support.

Our consultation to the Village of Chimayó, for example, has been ongoing for over a year, and the community plan will be achieved by the end of this year. Our dedication to this effort has improved our relations with Santa Fe County and Río Arriba County, in addition to the relations with the community. Similarly, our effort to support La Sala in Galisteo has raised interest in Cornerstones Foundation to partner with NRGNHA. As in building an adobe house, the effort is one adobe at a time.

THE VISION

Community and economic viability rooted in the heritage and the environment of Northern New Mexico.

THE MISSION

Sustain the communities, heritages, languages, cultures, traditions, and environment of Northern New Mexico through partnerships, education and interpretation.

INTERPRETIVE THEMES

Interpretive themes are the overarching stories of national importance that the Heritage Area would like to tell.



Cradle of Settlement

The history of the Heritage Area is one of migration and settlement, with each wave of settlers bringing its own elements of culture. The stories are about the people, how they settled and remained in this, their adopted home.

Adaptation and Survival

The demands of the land, climate, and geography, and isolation from other centers of habitation force adaptation and unity with the environment to permit long term survival.

Identity Through A Cultural Blend

The region's identity evokes the mingling of cultures. The specific interplay of land, water, and people over an extended time defines the heritage of this special place.

THE GOALS

Goal 1: Enhance understanding and awareness of the heritage area's stories and resources by strengthening community identity, creating opportunities for interpretation and visitor education, and by supporting heritage programs.

Goal 2: Sustain traditions, heritage, and culture by supporting community efforts to maintain traditional life practices, by documenting stories and histories, and by supporting preservation of cultural resources, including local arts, traditions, and celebrations.

Goal 3: Involve youth in the appreciation of and continuation of traditional practices by creating opportunities for hands-on experiential learning, internships, and mentoring.

Goal 4: Create partnerships with non-profit groups, local and Tribal governments, service organizations, educational institutions and others to further the goals of the NRGNHA.

Goal 5: Conserve resources by working with communities and preservation organizations and by supporting efforts to maintain, preserve and restore natural and cultural resources, while also providing opportunities for recreation.

Goal 6: Promote economic development and heritage tourism by gathering and sharing information on the Heritage Area and establishing partnerships with communities, businesses, and organizations that provide tourist experiences and programs.

EARLY ACTION PROJECTS

The Northern Río Grande National Heritage Area seeks its final certification by the Secretary of the Interior and its place among the ranks of the established National Heritage Areas throughout the country. To arrive at this level of authority NRGNHA has had to demonstrate that the efforts of the organization are real and that they reflect actual projects and activities that can be referenced in projecting and measuring the future prospects of the area.

Projects already begun or completed illustrate the rich and varied history of northern New Mexico, provide visibility for the Heritage Area, and confirm the commitment of the NHA and its partners to achieve goals established for the NHA. A complete listing of the projects that have been undertaken is contained in **Table 1**, which may be found at the end of Chapter 5 of the Management Plan. They illustrate the diversity of cultural reference and the span of historical context that frames the NRGNHA story. These are a selection of interest that we have funded:

Pinto Bean Project: Partnering with the NM Wildlife Association NRGNHA funded part of the development of the Pinto Bean Museum in an area of the Heritage Area that hosted dry land farming and ranching. Many remain surprised that a Pinto Bean Museum exists or was needed.

La Vereda Vieja Mural Project: The Old Spanish Trail Association has initiated a project for students from Taos and Peñasco High Schools to study, document, design, and create a mural that will reflect history of the Old Spanish Trail. This

significant part of New Mexico history reflects the outward expansion of trade from Santa Fe to the West coast in the mid 19th century. Other parties have indicated an interest in creating other murals at various sites significant to the Old Spanish Trail, including sites from Abiquiu north along the Chama River and potentially adjoining the points of interest in the Sangre de Cristo NHA in Colorado.

Puye Cliff Dwellings: Hiking Program:

Puyé Cliff Dwellings are an integral part of the Pueblo settlements in the Heritage Area over the last thousand years. The site is within the Santa Clara Pueblo lands and a sacred reference to their history. NRGNHA funded part of the project to permit students from Santa Clara to hike and learn about the dwellings, their history, plants and their uses, all under tutelage of Tewa-language mentors. The project permits native learning and reinforcement of heritage and language.

Northern Youth Heritage Garden Project:

The Tres Semillas Foundation sponsored the creation of a heritage garden entirely created, maintained, and harvested by disadvantaged area youth. This project was the most highly rated among several agricultural efforts in terms of educational content, plan of execution, and youth involvement. The project highlights how heritage occupations can be reenergized among the youth population.

La Sala de Galisteo Restoration: As a community effort, this project has demonstrated community organization and commitment that is a model for other villages. The project seeks to restore a hundred-year old community center that has served this farming community as a dance hall, meeting place, and village

center. The enthusiasm and commitment of the village residents in raising funds and volunteering labor have moved NRGNHA and the Cornerstones Foundation to provide funding over several years, and to seek further collaboration in other future projects.

Site Steward Foundation: This non-profit organization has been funded for two projects oriented toward preserving and stimulating interest in heritage arts and history. Much of their work is focused on children's learning, providing a passage for continued appreciation of the culture and traditions of northern New Mexico. The latest project resulted in a DVD demonstrating the making of pottery by Pueblo artisans. It is being distributed to all primary and secondary schools in Santa Fe and Río Arriba school systems.

These projects are representative. Each demonstrates aspects of the Heritage Area portfolio and charge. There are no specific or singular projects, such as might have been encountered at Yuma Crossing, where the Heritage Area could dedicate itself to one purpose. Rather, there are many elements to be considered and covered, and from numerous perspectives – like a mosaic, with many pieces making up a single composite image. The needed management approach, similarly, is more broad-based, with application more suited to an **enterprise** rather than to a project.

MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE

Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation chartered in New Mexico, serves as the management entity for the Heritage Area. Its Board of Directors

comprises **assigned** representatives of the State of New Mexico, the counties of Rio Arriba, Santa Fe and Taos, the nine tribes and pueblos within the Heritage Area, and the largest city in each county – Santa Fe, Española, and Taos. In addition, members of the general public representing at-large communities in each county, serve staggered three-year terms, and provide primary governance of the organization.

The success of the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area requires an organizational culture and style that is enterprising, entrepreneurial, and results-oriented, while its vision will be sustained and enhanced by respecting, protecting, conserving, and celebrating the landscape and the historical, social, and cultural characteristics of the Indian, Hispanic, Anglo and other communities of the area.

To bring together these many interests, the Heritage Area will look to its **partnerships** to support local communities and individuals working from the ground up to integrate the work and resources of organizations, both public and private, as well as tribes and governmental units.

FUNDING HISTORY

The overall relationship between the Northern Rio Grande NHA and the National Park Service is specified in a cooperative agreement signed by both parties. The term of the current agreement is for 10 years, ending in 2022. Each fiscal year, the NPS and NRGNHA enter into a task agreement that specifies responsibilities, total grant funding, and fund matching requirements.

Table 2 illustrates funding history since the congressional authorization of Northern

Rio Grande National Heritage Area in 2006 and the amount of non-federal match provided each fiscal year. Federal amounts are shown in the fiscal year appropriated. Non-federal match includes in-kind contributions and cash donations provided by NRGNHA.

Table 2: Funding History

Fiscal Year	Federal Funding	Non-Federal Match
2006	0	0
2007	\$20,000	*0
2008	\$147,660	\$147,660
2009	\$148,000	\$148,000
2010	\$150,000	\$153,722
2011	\$147,000	\$147,000
2012	\$147,000	**\$147,000
Totals	\$759,660	\$743,382

* Match was not required for start-up funds in FY2007.

** Figure shows proposed match amount for FY2012.

One key to implementation has been the formal grants program developed and implemented by the Heritage Area in 2009. Since then, the Heritage Area has awarded more than \$130,000 in heritage and community grants, representing more than 22 percent of its operating budget for the period.

Implementation efforts forward are targeted within five-year increments. Implementation of the management plan will depend upon a number of factors, including levels of funding and actions by the federal government. Equally important are levels of funding and support provided by state and local agencies to assist in matching federal funds, as well as, levels of funding support that may be generated from nonprofit groups and private stakeholders.

BUDGET, FY 2012-2016:

The budget for the first five-year period reflects some of the many funding variables, including sources and levels of match funding, and general direction for obligation of available funds. **Table 5** from Chapter 6 is appended below.

The Table reflects progression of Federal funding following certification of our Management Plan, and assuming levels of funding outlined in the most recent legislative proposals. **Table 5** also reflects the level of matching funding that must be generated to enable federal funds reimbursement. Most importantly, the level of local level government support must critically improve from current levels. The Management Plan describes new

initiatives to generate funding support using a **Cultural Heritage Exchange** funds pooling strategy. (**See Chapter 6.**)

On the expenditure side, we are projecting gradual increase in staffing and operating costs, but significant growth in the amount of funds made available for grant projects. This implies elevated levels of community and organizational participation in planning and organizing projects, and progression toward larger partnership projects.

In sum, all of the elements described in our operational strategies would need to come into play. Encouraging Legislative support and endorsement was provided in the 2012 Legislative session (**See p. II-19.**)

Table 5: NRGNHA BUDGET, FY 2012-16 (1 July 2011 – 30 June 2016)

	FY 12 Actual	FY 13 Budget	FY 14 Estimate	FY 15 Estimate	FY 16 Estimate
INCOME					
National Park Service	\$147,000	\$147,000	\$325,000	\$340,000	\$400,000
Government Grants	0	15,000	25,000	95,000	175,000
Foundation Grants	0	20,000	70,000	75,000	80,000
Business and Individual Donations	4,165	2,000	10,000	15,000	20,000
In-kind Facility Donation	10,800	10,800	20,000	25,000	45,000
INCOME TOTAL	161,965	194,800	450,000	550,000	720,000
EXPENSES					
Staff & Operations Costs	104,991	123,892	145,000	150,000	165,000
Outreach Costs	27,934	12,726	75,000	75,000	100,000
Technical Support	1,009	5,500	10,000	15,000	20,000
Publication & Materials	0	0	10,000	20,000	60,000
Subtotal Operations	133,934	142,118	240,000	260,000	345,000
Project Grants	15,206	42,732	185,000	250,000	300,000
Heritage Projects	0	4,000	25,000	40,000	75,000
Subtotal Project Costs	15,206	46,732	210,000	290,000	375,000
TOTAL EXPENSE	149,140	188,850	450,000	550,000	720,000

Table 1: GRANTS AWARDED BY COUNTY – 2009 to 2014

Grantee/Purpose	Amount	Río Arriba County	Santa Fe County	Taos County
2014 GRANT RECIPIENTS				
1. Tierra Wools - Renovation/upgrade of Dye Area, addition of equipment/toilet – Los Ojos.	3,000	3,000		
2. San Gabriel Historical Society - Redesign San Gabriel Historical Society Museum permanent collection displays – Bond House.	2,214	2,214		
3. Española Valley Fiber Arts Center - <i>Weaving a Future for Heirloom Churro Wool and Wool Growers</i> – Creation of educational video and website.	3,000	3,000		
4. Chimayó Association of Businesses/CCC - Chimayó 2014 Gallery and Studio Tours: Cars & Art Tour (June)/Harvest & Art Tour (Sept/Oct).	800		800	
5. Pojoaque River Art Tour - Funding stipends and supplies for 2014 Community Education Initiative events/workshops surrounding tour.	1,438		1,438	
6. La Sala de Galisteo - Continued renovation of La Sala de San Jose community center – improve floor bracing.	2,500		2,500	
7. Chimayó Cultural Preservation Assn. - Los Maestros del Norte Youth Arts Program – Hands-on arts education for youth in traditional NNM colonial arts.	3,000		3,000	
8. Española Valley High School - Support for production of four Cultural Heritage videos by students.	2,500	2,500		
9. Taos County Historical Society - Digitizing of <i>Ayer y Hoy en Taos, 1985-2004</i> , and creating access catalog.	3,000			3,000
10. Tesuque Elementary School PTA - Northern New Mexico Heritage: <i>Our Land, Our Cultures</i> – intensive summer learning project K-6.	3,000		3,000	
11. Santa Fe Watershed Association - <i>Adopt the River</i> sponsorship – Support for materials/signage for Santa Fe River clean-up program.	900		900	
TOTAL 2014 GRANTS	25,352	10,714	11,638	3,000
2013 GRANT RECIPIENTS				
1. Española Valley High School – Student Cultural Heritage Videos project – purchase of cameras.	2,000	2,000		
2. NM Wildlife Association -- Enclosure/signage historic bean cleaning machine – materials.	2,000		2,000	
3. Taos Historic Museums – Padre Martínez Hacienda salon wall restoration with Tierra Blanca finish.	2,000			2,000
4. Northern New Mexico Regional Art Center -- Santo Niño Festival Of The Arts performance.	1,000	1,000		
5. La Sala de Galisteo – Lighting restoration supplies and materials	1,800		1,800	

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6. Old Spanish Trail Association Salida del Sol Chapter – La Vereda Vieja Mural Project - for supplies and materials	2,000			2,000
7. Puyé Cliff Dwellings – Puyé Hiking Program - for supplies and materials	1,386	1,386		
8. Embudo Valley Library and Community Center – Dig In! Traditional Arts, Food, Agriculture Education project - for supplies, materials and teacher fees	2,000	2,000		
9. La Tierra Montessori School of the Arts and Sciences El Agua Es La Vida project - for supplies and materials	1,000	1,000		
10. Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo – First Capital Heritage Center/Ohkay Owingeh Museum for website development	2,500	2,500		
11. El Museo Cultural de Santa Fe – Pláticas with Las Doñas from Northern New Mexico - for stipends and production costs.	2,300		2,300	
12. Tres Semillas Foundation – Northern youth project heritage garden for materials and project costs.	3,000	3,000		
13. Santa Fe Youth Symphony Association, Inc. – Youth Mariachi concert teacher fees & production.	2,000		2,000	
TOTAL 2013 GRANTS	24,986	12,886	8,100	4,000
SPRING 2012 GRANT RECIPIENTS				
1. Española Valley High School – Student Cultural Heritage Videos project.	4,000	4,000		
2. Millicent Rogers Museum – Community Day Events – Folk Life Festival/Holiday Fest.	3,000			3,000
3. La Sala de Galisteo – Continuation funding for restoration of ceiling.	2,500		2,500	
4. Mesa Prieta Petroglyph Project – Fund educational initiatives, public/private tours of Petroglyph Preserve, record archaeological features in GIS database.	2,500	2,500		
5. Site Steward Foundation – Educational DVD on traditional pottery making in Northern New Mexico.	2,000		2,000	
6. Española Farmers Market – “Market Mondays - Cooking-up Traditions” initiative. Includes harvesting of produce/preparation in horno created in prior grant.	1,750	1,750		
7. Acequia Agua Fria – Research and documentation of the history of Acequia Agua Fria.	1,000		1,000	
TOTAL 2012 GRANTS	16,750	8,250	5,500	3,000
2011 GRANT RECIPIENTS				
1. Historic Pinto Bean Museum – Enclosure for historic bean processing machinery and interpretive signs.	4,865		4,865	

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2. Santa Clara Pueblo – Tewa language documentation.	4,800	4,800		
3. San Ildefonso Pueblo Revitalizing Agricultural Traditions – Purchase hoop house, farming equipment; return fallow land to production, involve Pueblo families in planting, harvesting, using, selling agricultural products.	5,000		5,000	
4. Cornerstones Community Partners – Workshops on adobe-making and restoration of 1610-1710 National Historic Landmark District – San Miguel Mission.	5,000		5,000	
5. Site Steward Foundation – “Linking the Past to the Present” interpretive brochure addressing importance of historic and archaeological resources in the National Heritage Area.	5,000		5,000	
6. Arts Works – Sustaining cultural heritage through education by Partners in Education Foundation, including traditional music, art, and poetry enrichment, for elementary school students throughout Santa Fe.	5,000		5,000	
7. La Sala de San Jose – Rehabilitation of steps and railing at “La Sala,” a National Register-eligible building in Galisteo.	5,000		5,000	
TOTAL 2011 GRANTS	34,665	4,800	29,865	0
2009-2010 GRANT RECIPIENTS				
1. Plaza de Española Visitor Center – New sign with the Northern New Mexico Regional Art Center (2010).	900	900		
2. Española Farmers Market – Horno construction (traditional earth oven) for use by local farmers for baking bread and to process foods including <i>chicos</i> (dried green corn) (2010).	5,000	5,000		
3. Mesa Prieta Petroglyph Recording Project – Educational partnership to photograph, draw, and map rock imagery (petroglyphs) originating from many cultures over thousands of years (2009).	1,000	1,000		
4. Española Valley Wine & Arts Festival – Sponsorship of event (2009).	1,000	1,000		
5. Río Arriba County Fair Association – Bull riding competition sponsorship Old Abiquiu Rodeo (2009).	1,000	1,000		
6. Española Chamber of Commerce – Production and printing of Española Valley map.	5,000	5,000		
TOTAL 2009/2010 GRANTS	13,900	13,900	0	0
CUMULATIVE TOTALS – COMMUNITY GRANTS	115,653	50,550	55,103	10,000

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Grantee/Purpose	Amount	Río Arriba County	Santa Fe County	Taos County
2009-2011 HERITAGE GRANTS				
1. Land Water People Time – Documentary film featuring National Heritage Area People, places and the cultural ties that bind them together (2009-2010).	36,050			
2. Robert Torrez – Documentation of Northern NM history for website and management plan (2010-2011).	5,000			
TOTAL HERITAGE GRANTS	41,050			
TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED	156,703			

FY 2015 INTERIM BUDGET

Board of County Commissioners
Santa Fe County, New Mexico

May 27, 2014

BCC FY 2015 Priorities - Review

- Maintain existing County assets (i.e. open space, facilities, road, vehicles, etc.)
- Invest in employees
 - Countywide COLA (recurring)
 - Reduce employee health insurance contributions for staff earning between \$30,001 and \$50,000
 - Provide education benefits including NM Edge and Tuition Assistance Program
 - Recruiting and retention of public safety personnel
 - On-going staff wellness program
 - Improve the physical work environment
- Expand youth programming and library funding
- Expand the Wildland Urban Interface Program
- Opening and maintaining existing open space properties
- Continue funding for the Regional Coalition of LANL Communities
- Add a judgments and settlements contingency
- Grow the Utility to be self-sustaining
- Develop a long-term emergency operations preparedness plan
- Expand economic development activities
- Increase reimbursements for volunteer firefighters
- Complete capital projects already in the pipeline
- Expand Senior Services

Increases to Base - Recap

Increases Resulting from State Action

- Increases to Health Insurance costs of 10% - \$600K
- Increases to PERA contributions for Employer pick up of .4% - \$100K

Other Increases

- Compensation Increases (union and non-union) - \$362K
- Salary Increases for newly & re-elected officials - \$23K

FY2015 Interim Budget Proposal Includes the Following BCC Priorities

- Summer Mentorship Program - **\$56K**
- Additional Open Space Maintenance - **\$150K**
- Open Space Management Plans - **\$150K**
- New Mexico Edge, Staff Training, Tuition Reimbursement - **\$1.0m**
- Continued Funding for Regional Coalition of LANL Communities - **\$10K**
- Wildland Urban Interface Crews- **\$208K**
- Renewable Energy Task Force - **\$50K**
- Economic Development Initiatives - **\$260K**
 - ACCT
 - Food Policy & Planning
 - Santa Fe Business Incubator
 - Northern NM PBS Feasibility Study
 - SF Independent Film Festival
 - Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area
 - Bike and Brew Festival
 - Shoot Santa Fe
 - Microgrid Systems Laboratory

Total \$1.9m

Additional and Expanded Priorities

Additional and expanded priorities were identified by the BCC during the study session and at the regular commission meeting on May 13, 2014. These are the items identified by the Commission.

- Chase Crew for Road Graders
- Adequate Funding for Legal
- Open Space Maintenance
- Arts, Culture and Cultural Tourism (ACCT)
- NC Workforce Development Board
- Estancia Valley Economic Development
- Double Boots on the Ground
- Additional Library Funding
- Additional Graders and Operators
- .5 FTE for RECC – IT Support
- Food Policy and Planning
- Renewable Energy Task Force
- Assessment Specialist for Assessor
- Animal Control Officer for Sheriff

Recommended Initiatives By BCC - Recurring

- Additional Youth and Library - **\$20K**
- Chase Crew Operational Supplies - **\$10K**
- Equipment Operator Operational Supplies - **\$17K**

Total \$236K

FTEs

- Animal Control Officer - **\$53K**
- Assessment Specialist - **\$38K**
- Equipment Operator - **\$55K**
- Road Maintenance Worker - **\$43K**

Recommended Initiatives by BCC – Non-Recurring

- Chase Crew Equipment - **\$30K**
- Water Truck - **\$200K**
- Animal Control Vehicle - **\$39K**
- Increase to Economic Development budget for Estancia Valley Economic Development and NC Workforce Development Board - **\$60K**

Total \$329K

Recommended New FTEs

FY2015 NEW FTE REQUESTS

Department	Position	Total Cost	Comments
Admin. Services	IT Desktop Support Specialist	\$ 56,260	Recommended.
Admin. Services	Asst. County Attorney	\$ 116,480	Recommended.
Assessor	Administrator of Returned Mail	\$ 37,856	Not recommended. Compared to other agencies, this position does not exist.
Assessor	Assessment Specialist	\$ 37,856	Commission request.
Assessor	Title Examiner	\$ 49,504	Recommended.
Clerk	Election Worker & Outreach Coord.	\$ 26,208	Recommended to take the existing position from part-time to full-time.
Community Services	Program Manager	\$ 75,712	Recommended.
Growth Management	Community Planner	\$ 64,064	Recommended to open the currently closed position.
Public Safety-Corr.	Nurse Practitioner	\$ 62,244	Recommended for 1 casual position no more than 10 hours per week.
Public Safety-Corr.	Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) -2 casual positions	\$ 37,346	Recommended for 1 casual position no more than 10 hours per week each.
Public Safety-Fire	Training Lieutenant	\$ 72,800	Recommended.
Public Safety-Fire	Regional FF Cadet Paramedic	\$ 62,374	Not recommended. Using the phased in approach in completing project 48.
Public Safety-Fire	Regional FF Cadet Intermediate	\$ 49,900	Not recommended. Using the phased in approach in completing project 48.
Public Safety-Fire	Regional FF Cadet Basic	\$ 46,075	Recommended. To assist with completing project 48.
Public Safety-Fire	Wildland Urban Interface Tech (8 term)	\$ 119,543	Recommended for 8 term positions to work approximately 6 months/year.
Public Safety-Fire	Wildland Urban Interface Tech Lead	\$ 28,936	Recommended for 2 term positions to work approximately 6 months/year.
Public Safety-RECC	IT Support Desktop Specialist	\$ 49,504	Not recommended. Centralization is key to ensure consistency and efficiency.
Public Works	Account Tech Senior	\$ 53,959	Not recommended.
Public Works	Senior Secretary	\$ 43,680	Not recommended. Number of admin staff is sufficient to perform the required duties.
Public Works	Equipment Operator	\$ 55,330	Commission request.
Public Works	Road Maintenance Worker	\$ 42,536	Commission request.
Sheriff	Animal Control Officer	\$ 53,199	Commission request.
Sheriff	Community Relations and Leads Coordinator (or similar)	\$ 72,800	Recommended. All agencies surveyed have the same type of position.
Treasurer	Accounting Technician	\$ 49,504	Recommended based on the workload of the office.
	Grand Total	\$ 1,363,670	
	TOTAL RECOMMENDED ONLY	\$ 1,066,397	

Recommended FTE Reclassifications

FY2015 RECLASSIFICATION REQUESTS			
Department	Request for Reclassifications	Total Cost	Comments
CMO-HR	HR Analyst	\$ 44,553	Reclassification of Clerical Assistant . Recommended.
Growth Management	GIS Technician Reclassification	\$ 14,560	Reclassification of two (2) Positions. Recommended. These employees are working above a technician level.
Public Safety-Fire	Wildland Urban Interface Specialist	\$ 50,960	Reclassify Term to Permanent. Not recommended
Public Safety-Fire	Wildland Urban Interface Specialist	\$ 53,872	Reclassify Term to Permanent. Not recommended
Public Safety-Fire	Wildland Urban Interface Specialist	\$ 53,872	Reclassify Term to Permanent. Not recommended
Public Safety-Fire	Emergency Management Coordinat	\$ 76,506	Reclassify Term to Permanent. Not recommended. Consider using existing public safety position.
Public Safety-Fire	Volunteer Recruitment & Retentio	\$ 72,091	Recommended at current salary which is 72,090.93 annually.
	Grand Total	\$ 366,414	
	TOTAL RECOMMENDED ONLY	\$ 131,204	

Total of Recommended New FTEs and Reclassified FTEs:

\$ 1.2 million (recurring)

Recommended FY 2015 Interim Budget

Base Budget including
BCC Priorities (does not
include compensation
plan) - \$230.3

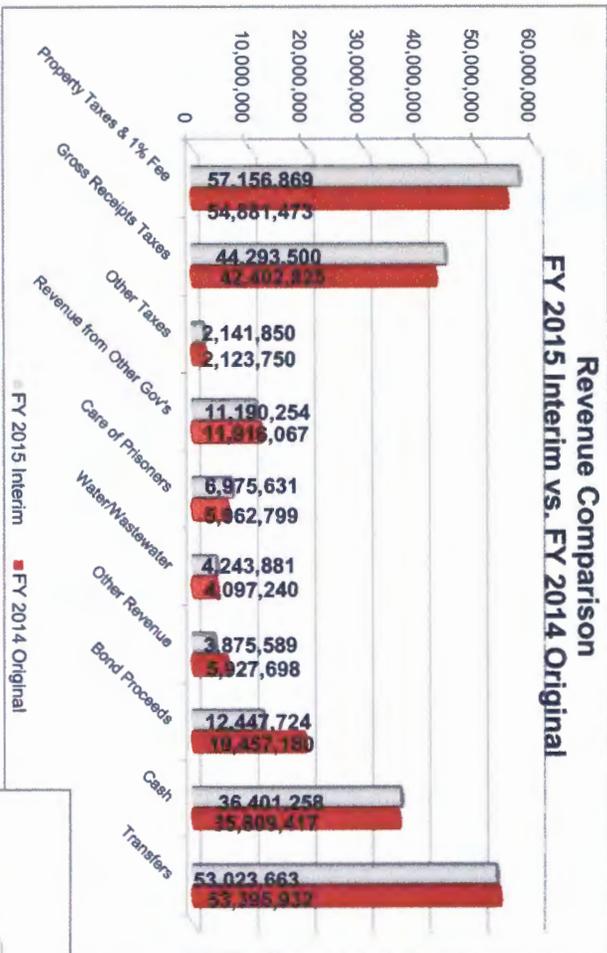
Compensation Plan
(including State
Mandates) - \$1.5m

New and Reclassified
FTEs Recommended -
\$1.2m

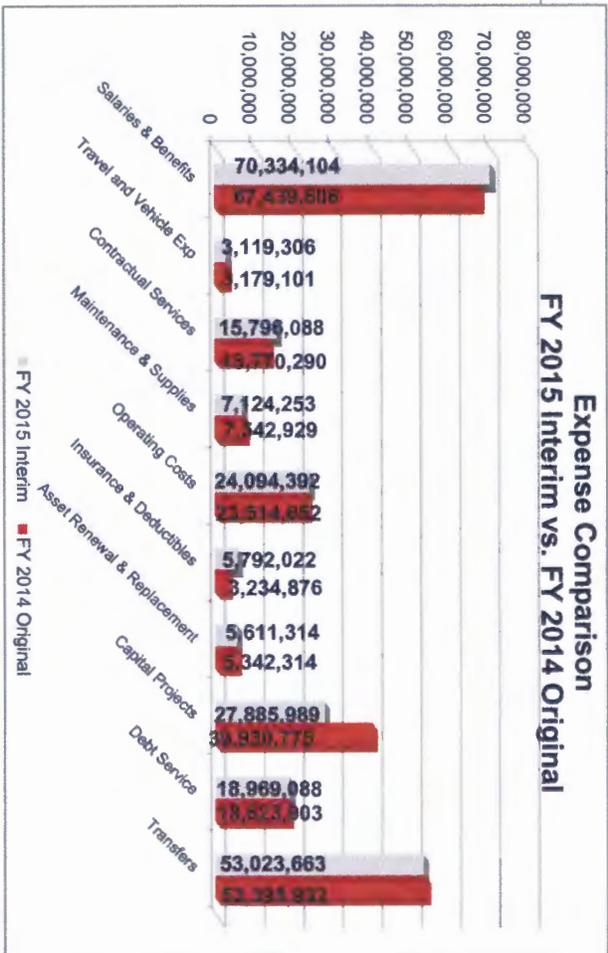


FY 2015 Interim Budget
Recommendation \$231.8
(\$178.7 excluding
transfers)

FY 2015 Revenue and Expense Budgets



FY 2015 budget totals \$231.8m or \$178.7m excluding transfers which are "double counted." This is compared to \$235.9m or \$182.5m excluding transfers in FY 2014.



Use of Cash – Total \$ 54.0 million

Recurring

- COLA, Merit Pool & Add'l Health Benefit Contributions – \$1.5m
- New and reclassified FTEs \$1.2
- Other expenses - \$0.9m
 - Road Fund
 - Fire Operations Fund
 - Law Enforcement Operations Fund

Total Recurring - \$3.6M

Non-Recurring

- Capital Projects \$33.2m
 - Recessionary contingency - \$5.0m
 - Settlements/Judgments Contingency - \$2.0m
 - Asset Renewal and Replacement – \$5.7m
 - One-time cash received for restricted purposes (grants, special fees, etc.) - \$1.2m
 - Transfers for one-time expenses - \$2.8m
 - Fire Protection Fund - \$500K
- Total Non-Recurring -\$50.4M**

Management Recommendation FY 2015 Interim Budget

- Approve the FY 2015 Interim Budget of **\$231.8** as proposed, which includes:
 - 19 new FTEs and 4 FTE Reclassifications as described totaling \$1.2m;
 - Asset Renewal and Replacement of \$5.7m;
 - Compensation package, merit pool and health benefits totaling \$1.5m;
 - Settlements/Judgments contingency of \$2.0m;
 - Operating costs associated with priorities as described.

Changes can be made to the FY2015 budget until its FINAL approval at the June 24th BCC meeting.

FISCAL YEAR 2015
ASSET RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT REQUESTS BY DEPARTMENT

	DESCRIPTION	REQUESTED AMOUNT	RECOMMEND AMOUNT	FUNDING SOURCE	NOTES
GENERAL FUND					
County Manager' Office					
County Manager	furniture	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	GF Cash	
	Subtotal Manager's Office	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000		
Commission					
	Subtotal Commission	\$ -	\$ -		
Finance					
new	lateral filing cabinets 2@\$988	\$ 1,976	\$ 1,976	GF Cash	
new	Magnetic Stripe Reader Writer & Portable Reader	\$ 850	\$ 850	GF Cash	
new	Laptop w/ docking station	\$ 834	\$ 834	GF Cash	
new	Kronos upgrade - countywide	\$ 55,000	\$ 55,000	GF Cash	
replace	laser printer - Budget	\$ 2,070	\$ 2,070	GF Cash	
	Subtotal Finance	\$ 60,730	\$ 60,730		
Human Resources					
new	FMLA tracking software	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	GF Cash	
replace	Ford Focus	\$ 15,500	\$ 15,500	GF Cash	replace Taurus which is going to surplus.
	Subtotal Human Resources	\$ 15,500	\$ 24,500		
	Total County Manager's Office	\$ 79,230	\$ 88,230		
Growth Management/ Land Use / Planning and Development					
Administration Planning GIS					
replace	Countywide Terrain data products (e.g. contour, elevation, hydrography)	\$ 600,000	\$ 600,000	GF Cash	Phased funding. First 1/2 funded in FY 2014.
replace	high end GIS desktop computers (9)	\$ 28,800	\$ 28,800	GF Cash	
replace	ESRI licensing	\$ 23,670	\$ 23,670	GF Cash	
replace	uninterrupted power supply units	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	GF Cash	
replace	Trimble GPS GeoXH6000 w/ software	\$ 6,000	\$ -		Purchased with FY 2014 money.
replace	Cubicles	\$ 30,000	\$ -		
	Subtotal GIS	\$ 690,470	\$ 654,470		
Building Development					
new	2015 Dodge/Ram	\$ 27,000	\$ 27,000	GF Cash	Replace Unit #252 2002 Dodge/Ram. PWD recommends a Ford 1E or a Ford 1X w/ 4WD
	Subtotal Building and Development	\$ 27,000	\$ 27,000		
	Total Land Use	\$ 717,470	\$ 681,470		
Public Works					
Project Development - 0600					
new	laptop for field data collection	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	GF Cash	
new	GSA - Juno 5B handheld (WEHH) GPS unit	\$ 1,484	\$ -		
replace	2014 Ford/Focus	\$ 15,500	\$ 15,500	GF Cash	Replacing Unit #500 1998 Chevy Blazer
	Subtotal Development	\$ 17,984	\$ 16,500		
Administration - 0601					
new	laptop	\$ 700	\$ 700	GF Cash	

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FISCAL YEAR 2015
ASSET RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT REQUESTS BY DEPARTMENT

	DESCRIPTION	REQUESTED AMOUNT	RECOMMEND AMOUNT	FUNDING SOURCE	NOTES
new	2014 Ford/Explorer	\$ 24,590	\$ 24,590	GF Cash	Replace Unit #504 2006 Ford/Explorer
new	radios and light bar for above vehicle	\$ 1,025	\$ 1,025	GF Cash	
	Subtotal Administration	\$ 26,315	\$ 26,315		
Fleet Services					
new	tire balancer	\$ 2,808	\$ 2,808	GF Cash	
replace	Fork lift	\$ 46,866	\$ -		Unit #806
replace	tow truck	\$ 130,392	\$ 130,392	GF Cash	Unit #562
new	tire changer	\$ 9,250	\$ 9,250	GF Cash	
new	2 portable storage buildings @\$6250	\$ 12,500	\$ -		
new	tools for service truck and shop	\$ 15,258	\$ 15,258	GF Cash	immediate need estimated \$3750
new	tough book laptop	\$ 3,777	\$ -		
	Subtotal Fleet Services	\$ 220,851	\$ 157,708		
Traffic Engineering					
new	generator	\$ 1,507	\$ 1,507	GF Cash	
new	42 LED Cobra head @\$941	\$ 39,522	\$ 18,820	GF Cash	request reduced to 20
new	16x7 Utility trailer	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,700	GF Cash	
new	10x12 shed	\$ 2,420	\$ -		
replace	SMART 800 Driver Feedback Trailer	\$ 9,517	\$ -		
replace	2015 Ford/Escape	\$ 23,026	\$ -		Replace unit #537 2002 Chevrolet/Tahoe
new	Light bar and wig wig lights and radio for above vehicle	\$ 2,950	\$ -		
replace	2015 Ford/Escape	\$ 23,026	\$ 23,026	GF Cash	Replace unit #530 2004 Ford/Expedition
new	Light bar and wig wig lights and radio for above vehicle	\$ 2,950	\$ 2,950	GF Cash	
replace	2015 Ford/Explorer	\$ 24,790	\$ 23,026	GF Cash	Replace unit #539 2004 Ford/Expedition. Ford Escape recommended.
new	Light bar and wig wig lights and radio for above vehicle	\$ 2,950	\$ 2,950	GF Cash	
	Subtotal Traffic Engineering	\$ 135,358	\$ 74,979		
Solid Waste					
replace	8 solid waster 40 yd refuse containers @\$6000	\$ 48,000	\$ 36,000	GF Cash	6 containers recommended
replace	2014 CAT Trasport	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	GF Cash	Replace unit #678 1996 Freightliner Transport
	2 way radios	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	GF Cash	
replace	2014 Chevy Silverado Pickup	\$ 30,000	\$ -		Replace unit #523 2005 Ford/Explorer
	Special equipment for above vehicle	\$ 5,000	\$ -		
replace	2014CAT Backhoe Loader	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	GF Cash	Replace unit #623 1998 John Deere Backhoe loader
replace	2014CAT Backhoe Loader	\$ 75,001	\$ 75,000	GF Cash	Replace unit #622 1998 John Deere Backhoe loader
replace	2014 CAT Trasport	\$ 150,000	\$ -		Replace unit #675 1996 Freightliner Transport
new	2 way radios	\$ 1,500	\$ -		
	Subtotal Solid Waste	\$ 536,001	\$ 337,500		
Property Control					
new	scissor lift	\$ 18,666	\$ -		This purchase will reduce operating costs for window cleaning at Judicial Court and other like work orders.
new	aerial lift	\$ 8,280	\$ 8,280	GF Cash	
new	72" Brushcat	\$ 6,909	\$ 6,909	GF Cash	
new	2014 Ford/X1E Quad Cab 4x4	\$ 28,899	\$ 28,899	GF Cash	Replacing Unit #808 1996 Dodge/2500 4x4. Standard cab truck recommended.
new	2015 Ford/X1E Quad Cab 4x4	\$ 28,899	\$ 28,899	GF Cash	Replacing Unit #811 1996 Dodge/2500 4x4. Standard cab truck recommended.

FISCAL YEAR 2015
 ASSET RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT REQUESTS BY DEPARTMENT

	DESCRIPTION	REQUESTED AMOUNT	RECOMMEND AMOUNT	FUNDING SOURCE	NOTES
new	2014 Chevrolet Cargo Van	\$ 21,858	\$ 21,858	GF Cash	Replacing Unit #810 1996 Ford/F250
	Subtotal Property Control	\$ 113,511	\$ 94,845		
Project Delivery					
new	2 laptops	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,682	GF Cash	
new	2014 Ford/Explorer	\$ 24,100	\$ 15,500	GF Cash	Replacing Unit #801 1998 Chevy Blazer. Ford Focus recommended
	Subtotal Project Dev./Del.	\$ 26,100	\$ 17,182		
Building Services					
new	2014 Chevrolet Cargo Van	\$ 21,858	\$ 21,858	GF Cash	Replace Unit #798 2005 Chevrolet Colorado
new	2015 Chevrolet Cargo Van	\$ 21,858	\$ -		Replace Unit #809 2005 Chevrolet Colorado
	Subtotal Building Services	\$ 43,716	\$ 21,858		
Open Space					
new	John Deere Tractor hydraulic installation	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	GF Cash	
new	2015 Bobcat Toolcat 5600	\$ 66,450	\$ -		
new	Ford/X1E, Quad Cab 4x4	\$ 28,899	\$ 28,899	GF Cash	Standard cab truck recommended
	Subtotal Open Space	\$ 99,349	\$ 32,899		
	Total Public Works	\$ 1,219,185	\$ 779,786		
County Assessor					
new	Oblique Aerial Photography	\$ 109,000	\$ -		See quote
replace	CAMA server	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	GF Cash	
	Total Assessor	\$ 139,000	\$ 30,000		
County Clerk					
replace	2013 Ford/Explorer	\$ 27,000	\$ 27,000	Filing Fees Cash	Replace G-41755
new	ScanPro 2000	\$ 6,840	\$ 6,840	GF Cash	
new	computer	\$ 839	\$ 839	GF Cash	Optiplex because it needs to be compatible with the ScanPro 2000
	Total Clerk	\$ 34,679	\$ 34,679		
Probate Judge					
new	Fire proof Safe	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,050	GF Cash	
	Total Treasurer	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,050		
County Treasurer					
replacement	Heavy-Duty Shredder	\$ 5,637	\$ 5,637	GF Cash	
	Total Treasurer	\$ 5,637	\$ 5,637		
Administrative Services Department					
Administration					
new	safety lights & sirens for recently purchased vehicles	\$ 1,532	\$ -	GF Cash	
	Total Administration	\$ 1,532	\$ -		
Information Technology					
new	Cisco Wireless Access Point License (25)	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000	GF Cash	
new	4 laptops @\$2500	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	GF Cash	
new	Call Manager Disaster Recovery Solution	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	GF Cash	
new	Data Backup Solution	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000	GF Cash	Need to break out any professional services (50-03)
new	VMWare Server	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	GF Cash	
new	Software: Symtrax Compleo Explorer (unlimited)	\$ 12,500	\$ 12,500	GF Cash	

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ASSET RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT REQUESTS BY DEPARTMENT

	DESCRIPTION	REQUESTED AMOUNT	RECOMMEND AMOUNT	FUNDING SOURCE	NOTES
replace	4 laptops	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	GF Cash	
replace	Switch, Catalyst 3550 POE 24 Port (2)				
	Switch, Catalyst 3550 POE 23 Port (1)				
	Switch, Catalyst 3560 POE 8 Port (4)				
	Switch, Catalyst 3560 POE 24 Port (3)				
	Switch, Catalyst 3550 POE 48 Port (10)				
	Switch, Catalyst 3550 POE 24 Port (3)				
	Switch, Catalyst 3550 POE 48 Port (4)				
	Switch, Cisco 2960G	\$ 137,945	\$ 137,945	GF Cash	28 Switches various locations
replace	2 Call Manager Servers (Cisco)	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	GF Cash	
replace	Cisco VoIP Phones: 7910 (11); 7911 (10); 7936 (6); 7960 (63); 7961 (16); 7940 (77)	\$ 46,000	\$ 46,000	GF Cash	
replace	Router, Cisco 2500	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	GF Cash	
replace	Router, Cisco 3000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	GF Cash	
replace	2 VG248 Voice Gateway	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	GF Cash	
replace	Router, Cisco 2821	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	GF Cash	
replace	Smart UPS 1500	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	GF Cash	
replace	Smart UPS RT 1500	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	GF Cash	
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replace	Switch, HP Procurve Networking X2 for Redundancy	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	GF Cash	
replace	UPS APC 2200	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	GF Cash	
replace	UPS APC 1501	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	GF Cash	
replace	2014 Ford/Explorer	\$ 25,000	\$ 23,026	GF Cash	Replace Unit #540 2000 Ford/Explorer, PWD Recommends Ford Escape
Subtotal Information Technology		\$ 432,445	\$ 430,471		
Total Administrative Services		\$ 433,977	\$ 430,471		
Community Services					
Senior Services-Admin					
replace	Refrigerator Everest 2 dr	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	GF Cash	
replace	Refrigerator Everest 2 dr	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	GF Cash	
Subtotal Senior Centers		\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000		
Total Community Services		\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND		\$ 2,640,228	\$ 2,081,323		
ROAD MAINTENANCE					
new	Tough book	\$ 3,867	\$ -		
new	asphalt paver	\$ 203,000	\$ -		current lease expires this year and the option to buy is \$203,000
new	Tandem dump Truck/snow plow	\$ 218,000	\$ -		
new	4 door truck	\$ 48,000	\$ -		
new	Broce Broom	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000	GF xfer from cash	
new	Tack Pot & trailer	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	GF xfer from cash	
replace	Unit 654 Freightliner Tandum Snowplow	\$ 218,000			
replace	Unit 655 Freightliner Tandum Snowplow	\$ 218,000			

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	DESCRIPTION	REQUESTED AMOUNT	RECOMMEND AMOUNT	FUNDING SOURCE	NOTES
replace	Unit 647 Peterbuilt Tandum Snowplow Motor Blown	\$ 218,000	\$ 206,000	GF xfer from cash	
replace	Unit 552 Ford 4 Door Truck	\$ 47,000			
replace	Unit 550 Ford 4 Door	\$ 47,000			
replace	Unit 692 Lowboy Trailor Equipment Transport	\$ 90,000			
replace	Unit 652 Skid Steer Loader	\$ 135,226			
	Total Road Maintenance	\$ 1,530,093	\$ 290,000		
ASSESSOR'S PROPERTY VALUATION FUND					
replace	2014 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Diesel	\$ 23,417	\$ 23,417	PVF Cash	Replacing unit #211 1999 Chevy Blazer, PWD recommends Ford F1E
replace	2015 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Diesel	\$ 23,417	\$ 23,417	PVF Cash	Replacing unit #214 1999 Chevy Blazer, PWD recommends Ford F1E
	Total Clerk's Filing Fees	\$ 46,834	\$ 46,834		
COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT					
replace	3 computers @ \$1000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	Health Cash	
new	furniture - 2 three seater sofa/2 lobby chairs/3 end tables/1 coffee table	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	Health Cash	Indicated that the new area where the furniture resides will be used as Senior Services front entrance
	Total Community Services Department	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000		
CSD-HEALTHCARE ASSISTANCE PROG					
new	laptop	\$ 2,716	\$ 2,716	HAP Fund Cash	
new	scanner/printer	\$ 150	\$ 150	HAP Fund Cash	
	Total CSD-Healthcare Assistance Program	\$ 2,866	\$ 2,866		
CSD-MOBILE HEALTH VAN					
new	laptop	\$ 2,716	\$ 2,716	Health Cash	
new	scanner/printer	\$ 120	\$ 120	Health Cash	
	Total CSD-Mobile Health Van	\$ 2,836	\$ 2,836		
CSD-HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES					
new	printer, fax machine, phones	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	DWI Grant	DWI-Local
	Total CSD-Health and Human Services	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000		
RECC					
replace	911 Dispatch Console Computers 80-95	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	RECC Cash	
replace	LG/Geoblade Vantage Point 80-16	\$ 4,200	\$ 4,200	RECC Cash	
new	2014 Chevrolet/Malibu	\$ 20,000	\$ -		Replace Unit #271 2005 Dodge/Stratus. If approved PWD recommends a Ford Fusion.
replace	Printer 80-95	\$ 600	\$ 600	RECC Cash	
replace	24/7 365 Dispatch Chairs 80-95	\$ 2,850	\$ 2,850	RECC Cash	
new	Electric Range	\$ 650	\$ -		
	Total RECC	\$ 40,300	\$ 19,650		
FIRE					
ADMIN					
new	2 LG 65" LCD Monitors	\$ 10,500	\$ -		
new	3 LG 42" LCD Monitors	\$ 3,000	\$ -		
new	74" Smart Board	\$ 8,499	\$ -		
new	Digital EOC clock	\$ 1,500	\$ -		
new	Plotters (CBRNE-EOC)	\$ 5,025	\$ -		
replace	2 Lifepack cardiac monitors @\$32,000	\$ 64,000	\$ 64,000	Fire Excise Tax/Cash	
new	GPS	\$ 8,685	\$ 8,685	Fire Excise Tax/Cash	

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	DESCRIPTION	REQUESTED AMOUNT	RECOMMEND AMOUNT	FUNDING SOURCE	NOTES
replace	2006 ambulance Unit Med 60	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	Fire Excise Tax/Cash	2006 ambulance Unit Med 60 - Unit C-41
replace	2014 Dodge 3200 Service truck	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000	Fire Excise Tax/Cash	2002 mechanical service truck Unit #C-41
replace	Heavy Rescue - Pojoaque	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	Fire Excise Tax/Cash	1994 heavy rescue Unit # Rescue 1
replace	Light Rescue - Madrid	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	Fire Excise Tax/Cash	1993 light rescue Unit # Rescue 1 \$100,00 from this budget - other \$100,000 from 209-0841-422 -
replace	3 Air trucks (1990; 1993; 1999)	\$ 319,000	\$ 319,000	Fire Excise Tax/Cash	License plate #'s G-32118; G-09496; G-09492
replace	brush truck - Edgewood	\$ 140,000	\$ 140,000	Fire Excise Tax/Cash	1991 Unit # Bursh 1 G-09556 \$50,000 from this fund - remaining \$130,000 from district fund
replace	brush truck - Turquoise Trail	\$ 140,000	\$ 140,000	Fire Excise Tax/Cash	
replace	Light Rescue - Stanley	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	Fire Excise Tax/Cash	1992 light rescue Unit # Rescue #1 \$50,000 from this fund - remaining from 209-0837-422
replace	Polaris 6x6 ATV brush unit	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	Fire Excise Tax/Cash	
new	Computer software Zoll	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	Fire Operations Cash	
new	Misc equipment & machinery	\$ 25,000	\$ -		Unforeseen expenditures for Operations
	Total Fire-Admin	\$ 1,765,209	\$ 1,711,685		
SHERIFFS OFFICE					
new	desks @\$3154	\$ 15,769	\$ -	GF xfer from cash	
new	night vision - thermal imaging	\$ 1,999	\$ 1,999	GF xfer from cash	
replace	transport van	\$ 34,388	\$ 34,388	GF xfer from cash	
replace	11 Ford FWD Interceptor sedans	\$ 414,392	\$ 339,048	GF xfer from cash	9 vehicles recommended
replace	4 Ford AWD Explorer Interceptor	\$ 171,674	\$ 128,756	GF xfer from cash	3 vehicles recommended
replace	1 Ford AWD Explorer Interceptor - K-9 unit	\$ 46,461	\$ 46,461	GF xfer from cash	
replace	4 unmarked Ford FWD Sedan	\$ 128,681	\$ 96,511	GF xfer from cash	3 vehicles recommended
replace	1 unmarked AWD Explorer	\$ 35,489	\$ 35,489	GF xfer from cash	
replace	1 Ford F-150 Animal Control vehicle	\$ 38,307	\$ 38,307	GF xfer from cash	For new position
new	tasers (15) @\$1,001	\$ 15,015	\$ 15,015	GF xfer from cash	
replace	30 motorola radios @\$1498	\$ 44,933	\$ 44,933	GF xfer from cash	
new	crash data retrieval software	\$ 6,070	\$ 6,070	GF xfer from cash	
new	spotlight (2) @\$1160	\$ 2,320	\$ 2,320	GF xfer from cash	
new	Surveillance cameras in evidence room	\$ 2,129	\$ 2,129	GF xfer from cash	
new	security audio/video for interview room	\$ 2,129	\$ 2,129	GF xfer from cash	
	Total Sheriff's Office	\$ 959,756	\$ 793,555		
CORRECTIONS ADULT FACILITY - 1860					
new	key making machine	\$ 1,800	\$ 1,800	GF xfer from cash	
new	laptop computers 5 @\$1000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	GF xfer from cash	changed to \$1000 per IT
new	monitoring camera	\$ 1,262	\$ 1,262	GF xfer from cash	
new	shredder	\$ 1,836	\$ 1,836	GF xfer from cash	
new	audio/visual cart	\$ 500	\$ 500	GF xfer from cash	
new	HP printer	\$ 835	\$ 835	GF xfer from cash	
new	refrigerator	\$ 750	\$ 750	GF xfer from cash	
new	42" LCD TV 2@\$750	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	GF xfer from cash	
new	4 data drops @\$600	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,400	GF xfer from cash	
replace	2014 Ford/Focus - 2 way radio w/installation	\$ 18,653	\$ 18,653	GF xfer from cash	Replacing Unit 165 2006 Ford/Taurus Sedan
replace	Unit 172 2001 Dodge/Ram Pick up	\$ 24,206	\$ 24,206	GF xfer from cash	PWD recommends a Ford 1E or 1X
replace	2014 Ford/Taurus - tinting; 2 way radios w/installation	\$ 20,620	\$ 20,620	GF xfer from cash	Replacing Unit 180 2006 Ford/Taurus Sedan. PWD recommends Ford Fusion.

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	DESCRIPTION	REQUESTED AMOUNT	RECOMMEND AMOUNT	FUNDING SOURCE	NOTES
replace	Box, Dome, and PTZ cameras and installation	\$ 72,520	\$ 72,520	GF xfer from cash	
replace	Rewire and install new patch panels	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	GF xfer from cash	
new	Laptop - inmate wellness	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	GF xfer from cash	
new	Desktop - inmate wellness	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	GF xfer from cash	
	Total Corrections Adult Facility	\$ 183,882	\$ 183,882		
CORRECTIONS MAINTENANCE DIVISION - 1862					
new	Stihl Power 4 Attachment Combo System	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500	GF xfer from cash	
new	Basic Tool Kit	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	GF xfer from cash	
new	Estimator Software	\$ 7,200	\$ 7,200	GF xfer from cash	
new	Maintenance agreement for Estimator Software	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	GF xfer from cash	
new	Trailer for road crew	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	GF xfer from cash	
new	2014 Ford/F150 Pickup w/2 way radio and installation	\$ 24,206	\$ 24,206	GF xfer from cash	Replacing Unit #186 1995 Chevrolet 155 pickup
	Total Corrections Maintenance Division	\$ 48,606	\$ 48,606		
CORRECTIONS MEDICAL - 1863					
new	PREA Software	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	GF xfer from cash	
new	6 Wall mounted Oscopes & Ophthalmoscopes @\$900	\$ 5,400	\$ 5,400	GF xfer from cash	
new	4 vital sign machines @\$2500	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	GF xfer from cash	
new	Shelving & Storage Solutions for medical unit	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	GF xfer from cash	
new	4 Toughbook laptops @\$3000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	GF xfer from cash	
	Total Corrections Medical	\$ 38,400	\$ 38,400		
CORRECTIONS YOUTH DEVLPMNT - 1870					
new	Laptop Computer	\$ 1,700	\$ -		
replace	Box, dome, PTZ cameras and installation	\$ 69,520	\$ -		
replace	Conference chairs	\$ 2,000	\$ -		
replace	Unit 175 2005 Chevrolet Impala Sedan	\$ 21,420	\$ -		Replacing Unit #175 2005 Chevrolet/Impala
new	Key machine	\$ 1,800	\$ -		
new	vacuums (2)	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	GF xfer from cash	
replace	Unit 191 2003 Chevrolet E-3500 Van	\$ 52,080	\$ 52,080	GF xfer from cash	Replacing Unit #191 2003 Chevrolet/E-3500 Van
new	6 Desktop computers @\$1000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	GF xfer from cash	changed to \$1000 per computer per IT
	Total Corrections Youth Development	\$ 155,720	\$ 59,280		
CORRECTIONS ADMINISTRATION - 1860					
replace	Laptop computer upgrade for Director	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	GF xfer from cash	
new	shredder	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	GF xfer from cash	
new	2014 Ford/Focus tinting/ 2 way radios	\$ 18,903	\$ 18,903	GF xfer from cash	Replacing Unit #182 2006 Ford Taurus
	Total Corrections Administration	\$ 21,103	\$ 21,103		
CORRECTIONS EM - 1865					
replace	2 laptop computers @\$1000 (Dell)	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	GF xfer from cash	
replace	desk, chairs, office furniture, storage	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	GF xfer from cash	
	Total Corrections EM	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000		
TOTAL CORRECTIONAL SERVICES		\$ 451,711	\$ 355,271		
UTILITIES - WATER					
new	excavator light backhoe	\$ 21,000	\$ 21,000	Water Enterprise Fund	50% allocated to 1410 (water) 50% to 1420 (waste water)
new	backhoe trailer	\$ 11,000	\$ 11,000	Water Enterprise Fund	85% allocated to 1410 (water) 15% to 1420 (waste water)

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	DESCRIPTION	REQUESTED AMOUNT	RECOMMEND AMOUNT	FUNDING SOURCE	NOTES
new	small dump truck	\$ 69,000	\$ 69,000	Water Enterprise Fund	85% allocated to 1410 (water) 15% to 1420 (waste water)
new	light generator trailer	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	Water Enterprise Fund	85% allocated to 1410 (water) 15% to 1420 (waste water)
new	mechanical soil tamper	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500	Water Enterprise Fund	85% allocated to 1410 (water) 15% to 1420 (waste water)
new	space dividers	\$ 2,800	\$ -	Water Enterprise Fund	consider at mid-year after analysis of revenue
new	field tough books	\$ 2,717	\$ -	Water Enterprise Fund	consider at mid-year after analysis of revenue
new	fax/printer/copier	\$ 750	\$ -	Water Enterprise Fund	consider at mid-year after analysis of revenue
new	office computer (2)	\$ 1,780	\$ -	Water Enterprise Fund	consider at mid-year after analysis of revenue
new	vacuum excavation trailer	\$ 60,000	\$ -	Water Enterprise Fund	consider at mid-year after analysis of revenue
new	mechanical soil tamper	\$ 3,500	\$ -	Water Enterprise Fund	consider at mid-year after analysis of revenue
new	line locating equipment	\$ 6,400	\$ -	Water Enterprise Fund	consider at mid-year after analysis of revenue
	Subtotal Water	\$ 192,447	\$ 114,500		
	Total Utilities	\$ 192,447	\$ 114,500		
TOTAL NON-GENERAL FUND		\$ 5,003,052	\$ 3,348,197		
	GRAND TOTAL	\$ 7,643,280	\$ 5,409,520		















More than just a park



Cerritos Hills State Park
Saturday February 22, 1-3pm
Geology Hike
with Scott Renberger

The long mining history of the Cerritos Hills, from TAMD to the present, would be very different without a few key geological events that occurred some 20 million years ago. Walk on an ancient seabed and through the bowels of a former volcano this Saturday with Scott, our excellent volunteer geology guide.

Meet at the park entrance, 1/2 mile north of Cerritos Village on County Road 99. \$4 per vehicle exact change or check.

Part Location & Hours
The park is open to the public daily. The entrance is at County Road 99, about 1/2 mile north of









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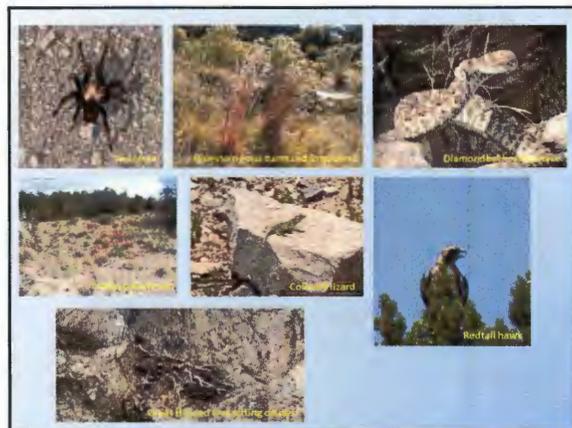


Action Items

DEVELOPMENT AREA	ITEM	ESTIMATED COST	RESPONSIBILITY
Corporation	Improve & expand trail option	\$25,000	Park staff, Santa Fe staff, RTP (Recreational Trail Program)
Facility	Visitor Center "Plaza" design & implementation	\$10,000	Park staff
Management	Perform assessments where needed	\$0	Park & County staff
Interpretation	Update outdoor interpretive signs	\$7,000	Park staff & historian volunteers; Grant through Friends' group
Facility	Redesign main entrance parking, ADA improvements at rest toilet & erect additional rest toilet	\$45,000	Santa Fe staff
Management	Wrest site management strategy	\$2,000 - \$7,000	Park staff
Facility	Remove Runyon Drive Invasives	\$2,000	Park staff
Facility	Make Village View trail ADA accessible & construct group shelter on trail	\$100,000	Santa Fe staff
Interpretation	Shelter at Escalante picnic area & new benches/picnic tables	\$13,000	Park staff
Interpretation/Facility	Construct a replica headframe over one of the mines & display large mining artifacts along trail	\$3,000	Park staff & historian volunteers; Friends group
Interpretation	Designated conservation areas; public education	\$0	Park staff
Interpretation/Facility	Exhibit room	\$40,000	Park staff

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Good afternoon/evening Commissioners and honored guests –

My name is Sarah Wood and I am the manager of CHSP. I am here to give you a short presentation on Cerrillos Hills State Park, particularly its draft management plan. Along with me today is State Parks Director Tommy Mutz, who will be addressing you following this presentation.

Start with a Brief Background (SLIDE 1) The origins of Cerrillos Hills begins 30 million years ago magma starts bubbling up to the surface. What now are hills were once towering volcanoes, 5,000 ft higher and more inhospitable than the Yellowstone on steroids – hot, bubbling and steamy.

Hydrothermal processes in the volcano's interior released various minerals that become ore veins mined starting circa 700-900AD - 1100 years ago (SLIDE 2). Native American, Spanish colonist and territorial miners have all been here, and there are still active mining claims. It is largely considered to be the longest continually mined area in N. America.

At the turn of this century, a group of concerned Cerrillos citizens, formed the CHPC. Their efforts resulted in a 1999 bond issue to buy the park land (SLIDE 3) & other Open Space properties that was passed with a 70% majority.

From the time the land was purchased, in 1999, to the park's opening as a County Open Space park in 2003 (SLIDE 4-1), the Cerrillos Hills Park Coalition worked tirelessly with the County, State and Federal agencies to build five miles of trails (SLIDE 4-2), install some facilities (SLIDE 4-3), install a vault toilet and develop interpretive signs (SLIDE 4-4), and safeguard the mines (SLIDE 4-5).

In 2009, the County and the State entered into a Joint Powers Agreement for State Parks, making us the 35th and newest State Park, which holds today. At about the same time, this was what was going on with the economy (SLIDE 5).

So with a blue economy no money for infrastructure, State Parks focused on the programming and marketing (SLIDE 6). CHSP is in an ideal location on a Scenic Byway between Albuquerque, where the airport is into and Santa Fe, a destination location. We do weekly programs, have an e-mail blast list of about 750 people (SLIDE 7), and cater to both youth (SLIDE 8) and adult groups (SLIDE 9, SLIDE 10).

In 2011, State Parks broke ground on the new Visitor Center in the village of Cerrillos (SLIDE 11, SLIDE 12) which opened in May 2012 (SLIDE 13) and greatly increased our capacity to serve the public. We now can host indoor programs here (SLIDE 14), have a meeting place for village groups and our own support group, the Amigos de Cerrillos Hills State Park (SLIDE 15). We have cultivated a small volunteer corps that helps us keep the VC open during weekends, and disseminate information about the general area as well as the State Park (SLIDE 16).

The park currently has one permanent full time position (me), one regional educator position which is stationed here but visits other parks frequently (Peter) and one half time seasonal position (Chip).

Partners are Santa Fe County, who has been helping us recently with maintenance projects (SLIDE 17) such as mulching Russian olive, the NM Volunteers for the Outdoors who have been come out every year to do a project (SLIDE 18), a local Eagle Scout group who built us new benches (SLIDE 19), and most recently, the National Guard (SLIDE 20) who want to do an annual Earth Day project.

The result has been a steady increase in revenue and visitation. FY is fiscal year, which runs from July 1 to June 30. State Parks is an enterprise agency, meaning we are mandated by the Legislature to generate as much or our own operating costs as possible. We do this through user fees, which are \$5 per vehicle for day use. Explain FY 13. FY 14 not complete (SLIDE 21).

That's some context, now onto the management plan. SPD tries to produce a management plan for each park every five years. In the plan, we address concerns, problems, threats, or opportunities that are raised by Park staff, stakeholders, or the public. This is our process to identify capital improvement projects.

Some actions require further research, evaluation, planning, or design before they can be implemented. There is no guarantee that an action will be feasible since they are often contingent upon funding and other resources.

Then a 30 day period of public comment and comments are incorporated into the final plan. As the Joint Powers Agreement co-signer, Santa Fe County has to sign off on the final version.

Action Items have been prioritized by ranking them using a ratings scale that encompasses maintenance, safety/regulatory factors, resource protection, revenue generation, efficiency, visitor experience and urgency. The result is here, and I'll present accordingly.

Issue: Trails

Action: Improve or expand the trails system

- Improve the trail system using contractors or volunteer labor such as New Mexico Volunteers for the Outdoors.
- Close 'volunteer' or parallel trails.
- Close trails that are impacting natural or cultural resources.
- Prioritize sections of trail needing work and rehabilitate them as opportunities come up.

Issue: weedy 'plaza' area in front of Visitor Center in Cerrillos

Actions:

- Develop a design for the plaza area.
- Install a new fence around it.

Issue: Easements. There are several areas where park crosses private land and there are no existing easements

Action:

- Work with the landowner, Santa Fe County to pursue easements

Issue: Interpretation and Education

Actions:

- Replace interpretive signs in park with more durable signs and information updated to include visitors' most-asked questions & reflect some of Baxter's other research – Grant through the Amigos group (Norcross Foundation)

Issue: Parking and basic park amenities. No real ADA access.

Actions:

- Install an additional vault toilet.
- Redesign main entrance parking.
- Replace pea gravel at vault toilet parking lot and along Village Vista trail with ADA accessible surface.

Issue: the West Side – problem with vandals, partying & illegal fires; must cross private land to enter but hidden from road view.

Actions:

- Safety & conservation signage

- Need easement through private property before exploring other options such as blocking off & designating a conservation area
- or installing a pay station & adding drainages to trail system.

Park has several seep springs, vital wildlife habitat that contributes to its overall biodiversity.

Issue: Russian Olive invasives

Actions (all underway):

- Cut back Russian olive sprouts in Escalante & Shooting Gallery drainages each year. Apply Garlon herbicide to freshly cut sprouts.
 - Continue to prune Russian olive trees at Mineral Springs and chip
 - Plant native species (poles, whips or container plants) such as coyote willow, plains cottonwood, New Mexico olive and three-leaf sumac in the cleared areas – done

Issue: Outside places for people to meet, ADA trail

Actions:

- Surface Village Vista trail so it is ADA accessible
- Construct group shelter of on Village Vista Trail (\$100,000 for both)

Issue: Group shelter or classroom – currently there is no outdoor park area to gather and seat a large assembled group. The picnic area is very small and alongside the road.

Actions:

- Install a shelter at the Escalante picnic area, & add benches or tables (\$25K)
- Build a group shelter along the Village Vista Trail near the entrance. (\$65K)

Issue: Interpretation and Education

Actions:

- Construct a replica head frame over one of the back-filled mines on the Jane Calvin Sanchez Trail. Help from Dr. Scott Altenbach of ABQ who has a replica head frame in his backyard.
- Use one of the Park's trails to display and interpret larger mine machinery. Donated by Casa Grande in Cerrillos and Dr. Altenbach
- Program more events for children, discovery hikes along the Village View Trail.
- Plan events specifically to draw in tourists who come for Balloon Fiesta in Albuquerque, and Indian Market in Santa Fe.

Issue: Conserve the natural environment.

Actions:

- Designate conservation areas and incorporate public education into the designation efforts.
- Evaluate wildlife resources by holding a "BioBlitz" inventory.

Issue: Interpretation and Education

Actions:

- In conjunction with exhibit contractor, develop exhibits for the exhibit room in the Visitor Center. Add signage, physical artifacts and interactive activities.
- Purchase a laptop for the exhibit room so visitors can search Bill Baxter's extensive historical database, which is 8,000 pages (Amigos)

Spring, summer, fall, winter, Cerrillos Hills is a year-round park. We don't have the fire fuels that shut down other parks. And our primary resource – history – doesn't dry up.

PROGRAM AREA	TASK	COST ESTIMATE	PROJECT LEAD
Recreation	Improve & expand trail system	\$25,000	Park staff, Santa Fe staff; RTP (Recreational Trail Program)
Facilities	Visitor Center "Plaza" design & implementation	\$10,000	Park staff
Management	Pursue easements where needed	\$0	Park & County staff
Interpretation	Update outdoor interpretive signs	\$7,000	Park staff & historian volunteer; Grant through Friends' group
Facilities	Redesign main entrance parking, ADA improvements at vault toilet & erect additional vault toilet	\$65,000	Santa Fe staff
Management	West side management strategy	\$2,000 - \$7,000	Park staff
Resource	Remove Russian Olive invasives.	\$2,000	Park staff
Facilities	Make Village View trail ADA accessible & construct group shelter on trail	\$100,00	Santa Fe staff
Recreation	Shelter at Escalante picnic area & new benches/picnic tables	\$12,000	Park staff
Interpretive Facilities	Construct a replica headframe over one of the mines & display large mining artifacts along trail	\$2,000	Park staff & historian volunteers; Friends group
Resource	Designate conservation areas; public education	\$0	Park staff
Interpretation	Exhibit room	\$40,000	Park staff

Action plan items in order of priority for Cerrillos Hills State Park, May 2014



Santa Fe County Proclamation

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY

A PROCLAMATION ACKNOWLEDGING MAY 31, 2014 WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE NEED TO PROTECT OUR YOUTH AND CITIZENS FROM FURTHER DAMAGE CAUSED BY TOBACCO USE AND SECONDHAND SMOKE

WHEREAS, since 1987 and every year since, on May 31, member states of the World Health Organization (WHO) mark World No Tobacco Day, highlighting the health risks associated with tobacco use and advocating for effective policies to reduce tobacco consumption;

WHEREAS, tobacco use is the single most preventable cause death in the U.S.;

WHEREAS, two thousand one hundred (2,100) New Mexicans die annually from tobacco related illnesses;

WHEREAS, an estimated 42,000 New Mexicans are afflicted with tobacco-related diseases;

WHEREAS, cigarette smoking has a harmful impact on nearly every organ in the human body and is linked to conditions such as chronic bronchitis, heart disease, emphysema, stroke, pneumonia, and cancers of the lung, stomach, pancreas, cervix, and kidney;

WHEREAS, the leading causes of smoking-related death in New Mexico are chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and lung cancer;

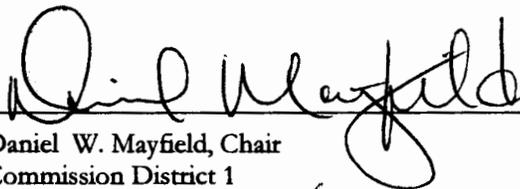
WHEREAS, the tobacco industry spends \$13 billion each year to recruit over 1,000,000 new teenagers to replace those people who die as a result of their tobacco use;

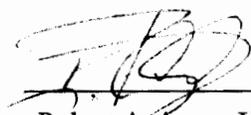
WHEREAS, the Santa Fe Tobacco Free Coalition, Live Smoke Free Santa Fe Group and Students Wellness Action Team (SWAT) are working to reduce the number of Santa Fe County youth who use tobacco or are exposed to secondhand smoke; and

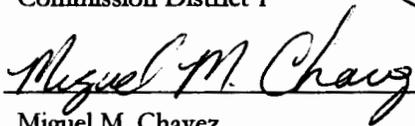
WHEREAS, the ultimate goal of World No Tobacco Day is to contribute to protecting present and future generations not only from the devastating health consequences of tobacco use, but also from the social, environmental and economic afflictions of tobacco use and exposure to tobacco smoke.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners that May 31, 2014 is declared "No Tobacco Day" in Santa Fe County for the purpose of educating the public about the need to protect our youth and citizens from the harms associated with tobacco use and secondhand smoke.

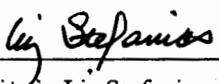


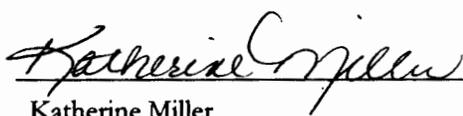

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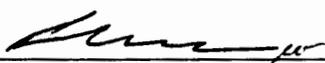

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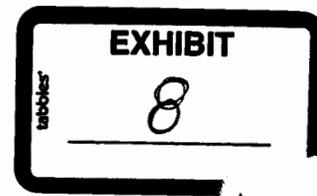
APPROVED AS TO FORM:


 Gregory S. Shaffer, County Attorney

ATTEST:


 Geraldine Salazar, County Clerk





May 27, 2014

Santa Fe County Commissioners
102 Grant Ave.
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Dear Commissioners:

I write to you regarding the proposal, which I understand the Commission will consider this evening, calling for reducing Santa Fe County's minimum wage for tipped workers from 60% of the full minimum wage – which translates to \$6.40 per hour – to a significantly lower figure. My organization works with federal, state and local policymakers such as yourselves across the country on wage policy. We have worked for many years in New Mexico, including helping the City of Santa Fe defend its living wage ordinance, and assisting Albuquerque with its city minimum wage ordinance, which was enacted in 2006 and raised in 2012.

We write to urge you, on both policy and legal grounds, not to lower the tipped minimum wage rate under the Santa Fe County minimum wage ordinance.

Policy Issues. First and foremost, a higher tipped minimum wage for Santa Fe County is good policy, which will boost incomes for a high poverty workforce while being manageable for the restaurant industry. As detailed in the accompanying short report, "Santa Fe County Should Not Reduce Its Minimum Wage for Tipped Workers" (May 2014):

- Many states across the country, including Western states such as Colorado, Arizona, Nevada, Montana and California, have tipped minimum wage rates equal to or higher than the Santa Fe ordinance's 60% rate.
- Research on the impact of such higher tipped minimum wage rates, including comparisons of neighboring states with different tipped minimum wage rates, shows that higher tipped minimum wage rates have not slowed job growth.

Legal Issues. We understand that, in addition to making policy arguments, opponents of the higher tipped minimum wage have threatened to sue the county, and that the Commissioners may be considering lowering the tipped wage in order to avoid such litigation. We write to say that there is no reason for the county to fear the threat of litigation:

Katherine Miller

Subject: FW: Wage Bill

From: Harry's Road House [harrysroadhouse@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, May 23, 2014 2:44 PM
To: Kathy S. Holian
Subject: Wage Bill

If this could be read and forwarded to other Commissioners before Tuesday's meeting, I would be very grateful.

Dear Commissioners,

I wanted to share a few thoughts as a response to last week's meeting. Sitting through the meeting last week, I was impressed by your patience and dedication to your jobs in public service. Very few of us citizens think about our Commissioners' regularly sitting through six to ten hour meetings with a commitment to do the right thing and to hear everyone out. My hat is off to you.

If you are in favor of the raise to \$3.20 for tipped employees (waiters) that is something that I can live with. Since I have not heard anyone publicly commit to this position, I feel obliged to respond to some of the points made by both the Commission and other speakers.

- 1) Why are two tiers of wages being proposed? Why do waiters deserve a minimum wage bill that dictates they get a higher wage than dishwashers? Your bill and Federal regulations already obligate us all to make up any shortfall on the \$10.60 to tipped employees.
- 2) Those in favor of higher wages for wait staff speak in terms of conjecture and hyperbole. Where in Santa Fe County are these oppressed employees? In which restaurants do they work? Why have none of them not stepped up to speak and make themselves known? If any tipped employee is being paid sub-minimum wages, that is appalling and should be addressed immediately. We have offered to open up our books and share our records with you on the wages earned by tipped employees. We are obligated to track these numbers. So far, no one has taken us up on this offer and asked to see this information.
- 3) Not one of us (among our coalition of restaurant owners) was aware of the contents of the Ordinance as related to tipped employees until after it was passed. Even then, there was some confusion as to the reading of this part of the Ordinance and how the \$6.40 per hour would be applied. This opinion about the muddled interpretation came from conversations with well-versed attorneys and also included attorney-legislators.
- 4) Since the last meeting, I saw a fellow restaurant operator who has outlets in Santa Fe and Albuquerque. He told me about the major reorganization taking place in his restaurant in Albuquerque as a result of the new minimum wage for tipped employees. He will be cutting his wait staff in half, investing a large sum of money in new tableside technology to allow him to operate with fewer service employees. He plans to curtail his long standing policy of hiring lots of young people to work in his restaurant as a first job. He will also be increasing menu prices to cover his increased labor costs.

My wife and I (business partners, too) have been residents of the County of Santa for over twenty years and a business owners for over 20 years in Santa Fe County, too. We try to be very involved with the community and our focus has been on issues related to youth, education and immigrant rights. Career and education wise we have been community organizers, low income housing representatives, real estate agents, teachers and counselors. I have advanced degrees in City Planning and Education as well as a strong background in Economics. I tell you this because we feel strongly about serving our community and making it as fair, prosperous and efficient as it can be. In the future we would be interested serving the County in any way that might be helpful.

I would like to thank you for your time.

Harry Shapiro

My name is Heather Roseberry
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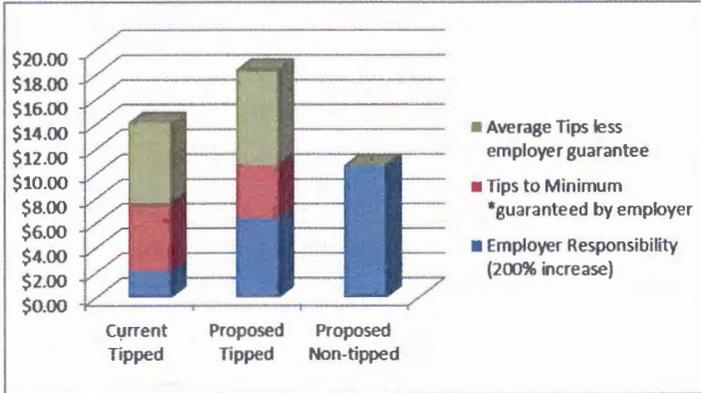
As A Server Im thankful for
the wage Increase that recently
passed please dont repeal it

Heather Roseberry

5/27/14

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Understanding Tipped Minimum Wage in Santa Fe County



The practice of tipping is clearly under fire in the United States. Extremists believe it is a plot to underpay workers, despite the fact that tipped employees are among the highest paid employees in the restaurant industry.

The typical tipped employee makes between \$12 and \$22 per hour. The majority of the wage traditionally comes from customer tips.

In the United States, servers rely on tips for most of their pay; In Europe and other countries, a service charge is added to a check and becomes a part of the business income from which wages are paid. Tipped

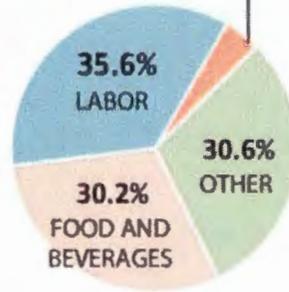
employees get a raise every time menu prices increase since tips are calculated as a percentage of the total check.

The problem facing employers is that an increase in the server wage makes it difficult to increase the pay to back-of-the-house staff (kitchen and dishwashers), who do not get to participate in tipping. With food and labor costs soaring and profit margins getting tighter, restaurant owners have to make difficult decisions. They have to decide whether to eliminate jobs, reduce hours and/or increase menu prices. None of these choices are good for employees or employers.

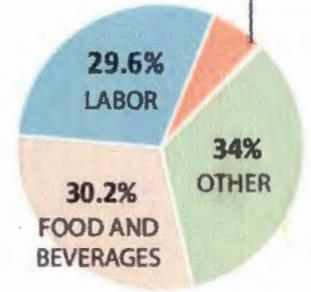
Typical Mid-size SFC Restaurant

Assuming a restaurant generates \$900,000 a year in gross revenue, a 4% profit is \$36,000. A MW increase for servers to \$6.40 in a typical restaurant, with 18 servers, all working around 30 hours per week would be an **increase of \$120,000 per year in the restaurant payroll for tipped employees only.**

FULL-SERVICE Average profit margin*: 4%



QUICK-SERVICE Average profit margin: 6.3%



*Before taxes and debt service.

Profile of a Minimum Wage Restaurant Worker

- The majority of minimum wage restaurant workers are young. Forty-six percent of federal minimum wage restaurant workers are teenagers, while 70 percent are under the age of 25.
- The vast majority of restaurant workers that earn the federal minimum wage work part-time. Eighty percent of restaurant workers that earn the federal minimum wage work part-time, while only

20 percent work full-time.

- The majority of restaurant workers that earn the federal minimum wage are not the heads of their household. Only twenty-seven percent of minimum wage restaurant workers are heads of their household, while 50 percent are children or grandchildren of the household head.
- The average household income of a restaurant worker that earns the federal minimum wage is \$62,507.

New Mexico Minimum Wage Table

	Minimum Wage	Tipped Employee Wage	CPI	Date of Enactment
Federal	\$7.25	\$2.13 base up to \$7.25		1/1/2009
State	\$7.50	\$2.13 base up to \$7.50		1/1/2014
Albuquerque	\$8.60	\$5.16 base up to \$8.60	yes	1/1/2014
Bernalillo County	\$8.50	\$2.13 base up to \$8.50	yes	1/1/2014
Santa Fe	\$10.66	\$0 base up to \$10.66	yes	3/1/2014
Santa Fe County	\$10.66	\$6.40 base up to \$10.66	yes	4/25/2014

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey; U.S. Census Bureau.

- First, the New Mexico Court of Appeals in 2005 in *New Mexicans for Free Enterprise v. City of Santa Fe*, 126 P.3d 1 149 (N.M. Ct. of App. 2005), upheld the power of localities in the state to raise the minimum wage. In that litigation, the New Mexico courts rejected arguments that differences in coverage details between local ordinances and the New Mexico minimum wage law cast any legal doubt on the validity of local wage ordinances. As the New Mexico courts have already confirmed the validity of higher local minimum wages, any attempt re-litigate such issues would be without basis.
- Second, when the Santa Fe city wage ordinance was challenged in court, my organization was able to recruit a major national law firm to represent the city pro bono in defending the measure. As a result, the city was afforded a high quality, effective defense, while minimizing the burden on the city attorney and cost to the taxpayers. We would be delighted to endeavor to do the same were the Santa Fe County ordinance and its 60% tipped minimum wage to be challenged in court by opponents. We have an excellent track record in successfully recruiting pro bono counsel for similar cases. I have every reason to believe that we would be able to do so again in order to secure pro bono counsel for the county were the 60% tipped minimum wage to be challenged.

As the legal objections to the 60% Santa Fe County tipped minimum wage are without basis, and the measure is supported by strong policy grounds, we urge the County Commissioners not to weaken it.

Thank you very much for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me at psonn@nelp.org or at 917-566-0680 if any further information would be helpful.

Very truly yours,



Paul K. Sonn
General Counsel

From: Carol Wight [<mailto:executive@nmrestaurants.org>]

Sent: Tuesday, May 27, 2014 12:11 PM

To: Daniel Mayfield; Miguel Chavez; Robert A. Anaya; Kathy S. Holian; Liz Stefanics

Cc: Rachel A. Brown; General Mailbox; Fernando Olea; Florence Jaramillo; NMRA Board of Directors; Duke Klauck (duke@tenthousandwaves.com)

Subject: Support Amendment for 30% Server wage

Dear Santa Fe County Commissioner:

Thank you for reconsidering the tipped minimum wage in your living wage ordinance. You have all been very considerate and receptive to the restaurant community in your district. The local restaurants are supportive of the amendment taking the server wage to 30% of the minimum wage. They are aware that they are required by law to make up the difference if servers do not make at least \$10.66 in wages, including tips.

I have attached a one-page explanation of the tipped wage and how a 240% (from \$2.13 to \$6.40) increase effects the restaurants in your district.

Understanding Tipped Wage in Santa Fe County

Typical Mid-size SFC Restaurant

Assuming a restaurant generates \$900,000 a year in gross revenue, a 4% profit (industry average) is \$36,000. A MW increase for servers to \$6.40 in a typical restaurant, with 18 servers, all working 30 hours per week would be an increase of \$120,000 per year in the restaurant payroll for tipped employees only. With food and labor costs soaring and profit margins getting tighter, restaurant owners have to make difficult decisions. They have to decide whether to eliminate jobs, reduce hours and increase menu prices. None of these choices are good for employees or employers. Another problem facing employers is that an increase in the server wage makes it difficult to increase the pay to back-of-the-house staff (kitchen and dishwashers), who by IRS law, do not get to participate in tips.

Tipping in the US

In the United States, servers traditionally rely on customer tips for the majority of their pay. Employers are required to make up wages to the minimum if tips do not cover the entire amount. Contrary to popular belief, that the server wage has not increased, tipped employees get a raise every time menu prices increase since tips are calculated as a percentage of the total check. In Europe and other countries, a service charge is added to a check and servers are paid the majority of their wage from their employer.

The practice of tipping is clearly under fire in the United States. Extremists believe it is a plot to underpay workers, despite the fact that tipped employees are among the highest paid employees in the restaurant industry. The typical tipped employee makes between \$12 and \$22 per hour.

Profile of a Minimum Wage Restaurant Worker

- The majority of minimum wage restaurant workers are young. Forty-six percent of federal minimum wage restaurant workers are teenagers, while 70 percent are under the age of 25.
- The vast majority of restaurant workers that earn the federal minimum wage work part-time. Eighty percent of restaurant workers that earn the federal minimum wage work part-time, while only 20 percent work full-time.
- The majority of restaurant workers that earn the federal minimum wage are not the heads of their household. Only twenty-seven percent of minimum wage restaurant workers are heads of their household, while 50 percent are children or grandchildren of the household head.
- The average household income of a restaurant worker that earns the federal minimum wage is \$62,507.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey; U.S. Census Bureau.

At your service,

Carol Wight

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THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
SANTA FE COUNTY

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ORDINANCE NO. 2014 – ____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2012-7 (AMENDING
ORDINANCE 2010-5 TO EXTEND THE TIME DURING WHICH PERMITS
WILL REMAIN VALID), TO ENSURE THAT RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE
PERMITS SHALL NOT EXPIRE UNTIL FULLY UTILIZED

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
SANTA FE COUNTY THAT ORDINANCE NO. 2012-7, IS AMENDED AS
FOLLOWS:

1. Section One is repealed and replaced with the following:

Section One. Amendment of Section 13(A)(1) of Ordinance 2010-5:

The second to last sentence of Section 13(A)(1) is now repealed and replaced with
the following:

“Residential Solid Waste Permits shall be valid until all permitted trips have been
utilized.”

2. All provisions of Ordinance No. 2012-7 not herein amended shall remain in full
force and effect.

3. This Ordinance shall become effective thirty days after recordation pursuant to
NMSA 1978, Section 4-37-9(1975).

PASSED, ENACTED AND ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2014.

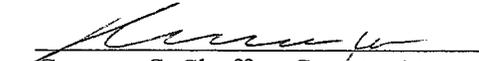
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OF SANTA FE COUNTY

Daniel W. Mayfield, Chair

ATTEST:

Geraldine Salazar
Santa Fe County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Gregory S. Shaffer, County Attorney

2025/03/28 10:00 AM



County Manager's Monthly Memo

From the Santa Fe County Manager

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Board Of County Commissioners Upcoming Schedule

- May 13 at 2 p.m.
- May 27 at 1 p.m.
- June 10 at 2 p.m.
- June 24 at 1p.m.
- July 8 at 2 p.m.
- July 29 at 1 p.m.
- August 12 at 2 p.m.
- August 26 at 1 p.m.
- Sept. 9 at 2 p.m.
- Sept. 30 at 1 p.m.
- October 14 at 2 p.m.
- October 28 at 1 p.m.

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

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

Special Board of County Commissioner Zoning Map Meeting Schedule

Wed., May 28 at 5 p.m.
County Commission Chambers, 102 Grant Ave.

Wed., June 25 at 5 p.m.
County Commission Chambers, 102 Grant Ave.

Bike-To-Work Week and Bike Challenge Huge Success

Santa Fe County would like to thank all the employees who rode their bike for Bike-To-Work Week and who participated in the Bike Challenge.

The Bike-to-Work Week Government Challenge was a friendly County vs. City competition between the local governments on the afternoon of Fri-

day, May 16, 2014 to see who could gather more employees to ride together to the festivities at the Railyard in celebration of Bike-to-Work Week.

The competition ride started at the Santa Fe County Administration Building, 102 Grant Ave.

Santa Fe County Manager Katherine Miller and Assistant County Manager Erik Aaboe led Santa Fe County to victory in the challenge.



Above: Amanda Hargis, Santa Fe County G.I.S. Coordinator and Maria E. Lohmann, Community Planner enthusiastic about the Challenge.

As part of Bike-to-Work week Outside Magazine, New Mexico Brewers Guild, NM Dept. of Tourism, Santa Fe County, City of Santa Fe, Bicycle Technologies Inc, Cycle Santa Fe and many others combined resources to create the very successful Outside Bike and Brew Festival event, which took place May 16-18, 2014 in Santa Fe.

Right: Renee A. Sandoval, DWI Compliance Monitor enjoying the afternoon ride.



County Teams Up with Carlos Gilbert Elementary for Fair Housing Educational Activity



Ms. Kendall's 6th Grade Class

Santa Fe County received a Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) grant from the Department of Finance and Administration, Local Government Division for a water system improvement project for the Greater Glorieta Mutual Domestic Water Association. The grant was in the amount of \$424,759. As part of the grant, certain requirements must be met to receive the grant. One of the CDBG requirements is to adopt a resolution to publicize the County's commitment to Fair Housing. Santa Fe County did adopt Resolution 2014-38 at the May 13, 2014 Board of County Commissioners meeting. Additionally, Santa Fe County was required to conduct a Fair Housing activity to promote and educate the public regarding Fair Housing.

To fulfill the educational requirement for the Fair Housing activity Santa Fe County teamed up with Carlos Gilbert Elementary and gave a presentation to 23 students in Ms. Kendall's 6th Grade class on Friday, April 25, 2014.

Gerald Garcia and Rudy Garcia with Santa Fe County presented information on Fair Housing to educate the students on the following:

- The definition of Fair Housing
- The history of Fair Housing and the importance to the relation to the Civil Rights Act of 1968 to include: discrimination based on race, color, sex, familial status, religion, national origin or disability
- Examples of violations to Fair Housing
- The impact of discrimination and its effects on property rental or purchasing a home

This interactive presentation allowed the students to ask questions or comment on their knowledge or experience in the area of Fair Housing and discrimination.

As part of the presentation the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) recommended a coloring book be provided to the students that had messages regarding equality, the types of discrimination and the right for everyone to live in any neighborhood in the United States.

On behalf of Santa Fe County we would like to thank Ms. Kendall and her class for allowing us to conduct our Fair Housing Activity with the students. We would also like to commend the students for their attentiveness and interaction.



Ms. Kendall



New Newsletter and Recycling Program at Adult Detention Facility

Newsletter

The Santa Fe County Adult Detention Facility recently initiated two new and very exciting programs. The first program is the Inmate Newsletter. The newsletter is a collaboration between the Santa Fe County Detention Facility Programs Division and the inmate population. The primary purpose of the newsletter is to provide encouragement, highlight individual accomplishments, disseminate information regarding resources, share art and poetry between staff and adults in custody.

Recycling

The Santa Fe County Adult Detention Facility initiated a recycling program. To implement recycling in the facility, recycling bins were placed throughout the facility for inmates and staff to dispose of approved items. According to a Corrections supervisor staff believed it was important to use our resources wisely and work toward a "greener" environment.

We look forward to the expansion of these programs! Great Job Adult Detention Facility!

Santa Fe County Announces Firewise Green Waste

Santa Fe County is offering a green waste amnesty as part of a Firewise initiative. The amnesty is valid until June 30, 2014 at the Jacona, Stanley and Eldorado Transfer Stations. This offer is available to all Santa Fe County residential solid waste permit holders (you will need to show your pass, but it will not be punched, if your load is only green waste).

"The program will allow residents with dried out vegetation on their property to dispose of it free of charge and create a defensible space around their home, helping to reduce the risk of fire," said Santa Fe County Fire Chief, David Sperling.

For additional information
Visit
[www.santafecountynm.gov/
public_works/solidwaste](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/public_works/solidwaste)
Or
contact the Santa Fe County
Solid Waste Section at
at 505-992-3068

A BIG thank you to the all the staff at the Santa Fe County Solid Waste Division for all their hard work to get the amnesty in place and run the program through end of June!!!

Santa Fe Renaissance Fair 2014 Preserve Thy Date!!

Huzzah! El Rancho de las Golondrinas is extremely pleased to announce that the 7th annual **Santa Fe Renaissance Fair** will be held on **Saturday, September 20** and **Sunday, September 21, 2014.**

Once again El Rancho de las Golondrinas will reverberate with the sights, sounds, tastes and smells of Medieval Combat, Clan Tynker, Queen Isabella, Belly Dancers, Vendors, Kids' Games, Food, Beer and Mead, Costume Contests and three plus Stages with Continuous Entertainment. Again this year children 12 and under are admitted FREE!

Santa Fe County Can Help You Get A Home or Keep your Home

The Santa Fe County Affordable Housing program has several programs to help homeowners in Santa Fe County. If you are facing Foreclosure, looking to purchase a home or need direction on how to get started on the path to homeownership, we are here to help! Below is a brief summary of the programs we offer and contact information for our Affordable Housing Program Staff.

Foreclosure Prevention Program and Affordable Housing Sales Program

The Santa Fe County Affordable Housing Foreclosure Prevention Program goal is to preserve the affordable housing stock and original subsidy loans through resale of the units and assumption of the subsidy loans by households with incomes under 80% of Area Median Income.

Foreclosure Prevention Policy; Santa Fe County will take the following actions, in the following order, as appropriate:

- **Refinancing.** Staff, with permission of the owner, may evaluate the owner's existing income and credit to determine if the mortgage may be refinanced to lower the monthly mortgage payment.
- **Loan Modification.** If it is not possible to refinance the transaction to lower the monthly payment, staff shall facilitate additional discussions with the owner and a lender to obtain loan modification to allow the owner to remain in the affordable home.
- **Mortgage Assistance.** If it not possible to refinance or to obtain loan modification, staff may grant emergency mortgage assistance to remedy a hardship such as a loss of income or medical emergency.
- **Voluntary Sale.** In the event that none of the previous options are successful, staff may work with the owner to seek a voluntary sale of the affordable home, as appropriate, to another affordable buyer within the same income range as applied to the owner when the unit was originally purchased, prior to foreclosure.
- **Purchase.** In the event that none of the previous options are successful, staff may consider proposing the purchase of the affordable unit either by exercising its right of first refusal, directly from the owner through a negotiated sale, or through a foreclosure sale.

Rent-to-own Program

A rent-to-own program was created in 2013. This program enables income eligible households to enter into both a rental and purchase agreement and use the term of the lease to reduce debt, improve credit scores and save money for a down payment.

Down Payment Assistance Program

Santa Fe County offers a down payment assistance program to help homeowners with their down payment. These are zero percent, non-amortizing, deferred payment loans which are due on sale or vacating of the property. Assistance up to \$20,000 is available for households with incomes at or under 65% of Average Median Income (AMI); up to \$15,000 is available for households with AMI of 65%-80%; and up to \$10,000 is available for households with 80%-100% of AMI. (AMI for a family of 4 is \$65, 300).

Homebuyer Training and Counseling

Staff has initiated a program of homebuyer training and counseling with Housing Authority tenants that are participants in the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS) program or who are otherwise interested in homeownership. Staff has also facilitated credit counseling services with numerous other individuals who are interested in homeownership and the assistance programs that the County provides.

Roof Repair and Replacement Program (Happy Roofs Program)

The County has funding available for the repair or replacement of roofs that have severe problems which threaten the health and safety of residents. Assistance is in the form of a zero percent interest loan which is non-amortizing and forgiven after five years. The loan amount is up to \$10,000 and is secured by a note and mortgage.

For more information on any of these programs contact:

Steven Brugger, Affordable Housing Administrator
992-6752 and sbrugger@santafecountynm.gov

Or

Rosemary Bailey, Housing Specialist
992-3055 and rbailey@santafecountynm.gov

SFC Risk Awareness Program Hits Huge Milestones

Santa Fe County started a comprehensive Risk Awareness Program (RAP) five years ago, with the goal of reducing the frequency and severity of workers' compensation injuries.

Over the past three years the County set a goal to reduce injuries by 10%, since the implementation of RAP, Santa Fe County has experienced a decrease of 27% in workplace injuries.

Based on staff feedback and improvements in the workplace, RAP has elevated the overall risk awareness around Santa Fe County. Great Job Santa Fe County!!!

Chimayo Sol Power Celebration

Santa Fe County celebrated the installation newest fire station to receive “Sol Power” on Sunday, May 4, 2014. The new 4.1 Kilowatt roof-mounted solar photovoltaic system will generate about half of the fire station’s electricity demand. A New Energy Economy grant and District 1 Capital Funds helped make the \$14,000 project possible.



Left: Craig O’Hare, Energy Specialist and District 1 Commissioner Daniel Mayfield at the event.

Right : Chief Julian Sandoval, Daniel Martinez, and Fabian Torres stand next to the solar array on top of the Chimayo Fire Station.



If you are interested in getting Solar Power for your home or business contact Craig O’Hare, Santa Fe County Energy Specialist at (505) 992-3044 or cohare@santafecountynm.gov.

Photos Courtesy of New Energy Economy

What’s Happening in Brief at SFC

Santa Fe County has released the Santa Fe County Health Action Plan. The **Santa Fe County Health Action Plan: FY 2015-2017**, was produced by the Santa Fe County Health Policy and Planning Commission (HPPC) and the Santa Fe County Community Services Department. To view a copy of the report visit our website at www.santafecountynm.gov and click on County Health Action Plan under Hot Topics.

In addition to the Community Health Profile, Santa Fe County also released the **2013 Annual Report**, the Annual Report highlights County accomplishments for calendar year 2013. A copy is available at www.santafecountynm.gov un-

der Hot Topics.

Santa Fe County is **seeking a citizen to serve on the Santa Fe County Audit Committee**. The purpose of the Audit Committee is to perform a variety of financial oversight functions on behalf of Santa Fe County and the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). The committee will ensure ongoing BCC involvement with internal controls and financial reporting and verify the financial reports presented by Santa Fe County are a reliable and fair presentation of the County’s financial position. Members are volunteers who hold a sufficient level of financial literacy and ability to deliberate on any issue likely to be brought before the Audit Committee.

Anyone interested in being appointed to the Audit Committee should contact Teresa Martinez, Finance Director at tsanchez@santafecountynm.gov or 505-995-2780. Application Deadline is Friday, May 30, 2014 at 5 p.m.

Just a reminder the anonymous **Drug Tip Hotline** is now available to anyone who lives in Santa Fe County. The Regional Emergency Communication Center (RECC) worked with the Santa Fe County Sheriff’s Office to assign calls that come in on the tip hotline, but are outside of City limits. The Drug Tip Hotline number is (505) 428-3737.



County Manager Katherine Miller



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Phone:
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Frequently Called Numbers:

- Santa Fe County Assessor's Office – (505) 986-6300
- Santa Fe County Clerk's Office – (505) 986-6280
- Santa Fe County Treasurer's Office – (505) 986-6245
- Santa Fe County Sheriff's Office – (505) 986-2455
- SFC Adult Correctional Facility – (505) 428-3861

www.santafecountynm.gov

Other Important Numbers

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