### **SANTA FE COUNTY**

## **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

## **REGULAR MEETING**

September 8, 2020

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**1. A.** This regular meeting of the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners was called to order at approximately 2:00 p.m. by Chair Henry Roybal

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

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

#### B. Roll Call

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

### **Members Present:**

**Members Excused:** 

None

Commissioner Henry Roybal, Chair Commissioner Anna Hansen, Vice Chair Commissioner Rudy Garcia Commissioner Anna Hamilton Commissioner Hank Hughes

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

The Pledge of Allegiance and the State Pledge were led by Chair Roybal, and the Moment of Reflection by Chris Vaisa of the Growth Management/GIS Department.

A moment of silence was observed for Forest Fenn, and Daniel "Bud" Kelly, Jr.

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 Tabled or Withdrawn Items

CHAIR ROYBAL: Are there any changes or amendments? I'm going to

go to Manager Miller.

KATHERINE MILLER (County Manager): Yes, Mr. Chair, Commissioners. There were a couple of changes that were posted on Friday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:55 pm. Those amendments to the agenda are item 2.A, the Appointments and Reappointments, the item caption and the packet material were updated. Item 2. B, that's also under Appointments, and that item was added. Under item 4, Miscellaneous Action Items, we updated the caption for item 4. A. Item 4.B. that item was added. That's an amendment to an agreement and item 4. C, a resolution for the Board's consideration on the Edgewood equestrian center, also was added.

And then under Matters from the County Manager, item 6. B, an update on the CARE Act was added, and also 6. C an update on settlement agreements on County-maintained roads. And then item 9, Matters from the County Attorney, executive session, that item has been deleted. We have no need for an executive session today. Those are all of the changes to the agenda.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, thank you, Manager Miller. Are there any other amendments or requests or changes to this agenda?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Go ahead, Commissioner Hansen.

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

CHAIR ROYBAL: We have a motion from Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, and a second from Commissioner Hughes. I'm going to go to a roll call vote.

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

### I. G. Approval of Minutes: August 11, 2020

CHAIR ROYBAL: What's the pleasure of the Board? I'm going to go to you, Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes. I have some changes which I will get to the stenographer this week. So with that I move to approve the August 11<sup>th</sup> minutes with changes.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen. Do I hear a

second?

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, so we have a second from Commissioner Hughes and a motion from Commissioner Hansen with changes. I'm going to go to a roll call vote.

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

### 2. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

A. Appointments and Reappointments to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) for Districts 1, 2, 4, and At-Large Member

CHAIR ROYBAL: From Growth Management we have Brett Clavio. BRETT CLAVIO (Transportation Planner): Hi. Good afternoon, Mr. Chair and members of the Commission. The item before you is to consider the appointment and reappointment to the Transportation Advisory Committee for districts 1, 2, 4, and at-large membership. In the memo you'll see there are four members who currently want to be reappointed and I think they're all very good members. As well, we have two new candidates, one from District 1 and one from District 2. I've met both of them and feel that they're also very fine candidates. So I recommend appointing and reappointing all of them. Thank you very much.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Mr. Clavio. I would agree. I think that there is some good representation for District 1. I don't know all of the appointees but I would be happy to make a motion to approve the members.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Second

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

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

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: And I would like to congratulate Brett Clavio as becoming the chair of the Technical Working Group for the MPO, and I thank him for his service. Thank you for your work on these appointments.

CHAIR ROYBAL: I'd like to echo those sentiments. Thank you for the great work, Mr. Clavio.

MR. CLAVIO: Thank you, sir.

2. B. Appointment of Commissioner Hughes to the North Central Regional Transit District (NCRTD) Board of Directors, Santa Fe Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Board, Santa Fe Solid Waste Management Authority (SFSWMA) Board, and as an Alternate to the North Central New Mexico Economic Development District (NCNMEDD) Board for the Remainder of 2020

CHAIR ROYBAL: From the County Manager's Office we have Ms. Tessa Jo Mascarenas.

TESSA JO MASCARENAS (Operations Manager): Thank you, Mr. Chair. As you all are aware, Commissioner Moreno resigned as County Commissioner effective on August 31<sup>st</sup>, and after being appointed by Governor Lujan Grisham to the vacant District 5 seat Commissioner Hank Hughes was sworn in on September 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 am.

Annually, the BCC appoints Commissioners to various intergovernmental boards

and committees on an annual basis for the purpose of representing Santa Fe County. The staff recommendation is that we appoint Commissioner Hughes to fill Commissioner's Moreno's committee assignments for the remainder of the calendar year and then a decision can be remade at the beginning of next year for those appointments.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you, Ms. Mascarenas. I do agree with what's being proposed but I'll go to other Commissioners. Or if somebody wants to make a motion that's fine as well.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Yes, Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I would like to make a motion to appoint Commissioner Hughes and welcome to the Board, Commissioner, to the appointed boards that were mentioned by the Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: So you made a motion, Commissioner Hansen? COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I did, and Commissioner Hamilton

seconded it.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay we have a motion by Commissioner Hansen to approve what is recommended. I too think it's a great idea to appoint Commissioner Hughes to sit on these boards that Commissioner Moreno sat on. So we have a motion and a second. Under discussion, does anybody have anything under discussion?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Just congratulations, and I think Commissioner Hughes would like to say something.

CHAIR ROYBAL: I actually wanted to see if Commissioner Hughes wanted to say something. Welcome to the Board and we're glad to see you. So did you have any comments, Commissioner Hughes?

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chair. I just wanted to say that I think this is a good idea, a good introduction to the County and I look forward to serving on the boards and committees as well as perhaps attending a few others so I can learn the full scope of what the County's involved in. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hughes.

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

### 3. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Resolution No. 2020-60, a Resolution Requesting Budget Increase to the Law Enforcement Operational Fund (246) in the Amount of \$9,000 (Finance Division/Jo A. Rowe)
- B. Request (1) Approval of Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 2018-0299-CORR/MM Between Santa Fe County and Mira Consulting, Inc. to Provide Dental Services at the Adult Detention Facility, Extending the Term an Additional Year and Increasing Compensation an Additional \$125,000.00 for a Total Contract Sum of \$445,560, Exclusive of NM GRT, and (2) Authorization for the County Manager to Sign the Purchase Order(s) (Purchasing Division/Bill Taylor and Public Safety Department/Pablo Sedillo, III)

CHAIR ROYBAL: Do we have any items that need to be pulled for further explanation, or what's the pleasure of the Board?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Yes, Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I move to approve the Consent Agenda. CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, so we have a motion from Commissioner

Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: And a second from Commissioner Hamilton. I'm going to go to a roll call vote. Do any Commissioners have anything under discussion on this item? Hearing none, we're going to go to a roll call vote.

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

### 4. ACTION ITEMS

A. Request Approval of an Order Imposing Tax Rates on the Net Taxable Value of Property Allocated to the Appropriate Governmental Units within Santa Fe County for the 2020 Tax Year

CHAIR ROYBAL: From our Finance Division we have our director, Ms. Yvonne Herrera.

YVONNE HERRERA (Finance Director): Good afternoon, Chair Roybal, Commissioners. I'm here before you to request the Board issue a written order setting the Santa Fe County property tax rates for the 2020 tax year. Section 7-38-33 of New Mexico Statutes requires that by September 1<sup>st</sup> of each year the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration issue a written order to set the property tax mill rates for each of the governmental entities/units within the 33 counties of New Mexico. And then Section 7-38-34 requires that within five days of receipts of that DFA order that the Board issue its written order acknowledging receipt of the calculated mill rates and authorizes the delivery of the Certificate of Property Tax Rates to the County Assessor.

The Santa Fe County Certificate of Property Rates of the mills is presented as Exhibit A. Can we have Exhibit A brought up if possible? The Exhibit A just breaks out the different municipalities with them. Santa Fe County, along with the two special districts, which is the Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District and the Eldorado Area Water & Sanitation District.

In addition to the certificates we also present a comparison of the 2019 tax rates with the proposed 2020 tax rate, and the impact to the taxpayer depending on where they're located within the county. Daniel, can you possibly bring up the Certificate of Property Tax Rages and mills, the attachments? Thank you.

I want to make a note, if you'll go to the second page, per the New Mexico Administrative Code, the County is required to verify the rates that DFA provided and I wanted to make sure the Commission knows that what you see before you is actually revised. Once the certificate was received Finance went ahead and recalculated the totals and what not and found several footing errors and presentation errors, and DFA made

corrections to that and provided this revised schedule. Can you, by chance, pull up that last attachment, which is the comparison? Thank you.

This is the comparison that we did to show the potential impact to a taxpayer within the county, depending on where they're located. As you can see, most taxpayers will either see no change or a small decrease in their potential property taxes, and there's only a handful of locations that actually will generate an increase in tax. And with that I stand for any questions.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you, Ms. Herrera. Do we have any questions from the Board? I'm going to go to Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: No. Just thank you, Yvonne for being so diligent in recalculating all of these findings and having them corrected. I appreciate your due diligence and I appreciate you as the Finance Director. So thank you.

MS. HERRERA: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen. Commissioner

Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: No, I don't, Mr. Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: No. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Hughes.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Just one quick question. I wondered why the Española area had a slight increase in the property tax rate.

MS. HERRERA: Commissioner Hughes, the \$58.70, is that what you're referring to?

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: I'm looking at what's on the screen now and there's one that \$1.10 and one that's \$43.90 in the very far right column.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, I see where we have \$57.99, of 5.799, for last year and it's 5.6980 for this year. That's the only one that I see a decrease. I don't see the increase, unless I'm looking at the wrong ones here. I see a 5.799 for last year and a 5.6980.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I believe that's the Española municipal operations. Española city residents? Is that what you're speaking about, Commissioner Hughes?

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Yes. Yes. And it does look like everything else is a slight decrease and that one was a slight increase.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: This is the bottom of the first page? COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Yes. They've highlighted it now.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Got you.

MS. HERRERA: Commissioner Hughes, Chair Roybal, I would have to discuss that with DFA to find out what it is that generated that increase on that specific rate and I can get back with you on that.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Okay. Thank you.

MANAGER MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Hughes, it's likely that they imposed one of their operating mills, which they can do by ordinance. Just by the looks of it.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Okay. That's what I was expecting,

something like that. I was just curious if there was a little more information but that was the only question I had. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hughes. Okay. I'll move on to Commissioner Garcia. Did you have any questions, sir?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: No, I don't, Mr. Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, sir. So if there's not any other comments or questions from the Commission, what's the pleasure of the Board?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Move for approval, Mr. Chair.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Motion from Commissioner Garcia and a second from Commissioner Hansen. Under discussion? Okay, so there wasn't anything else under discussion so I'm going to go to a roll call vote.

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

4. B. Request (1) Approval of Amendment No. 3 to Agreement No. 2019-0053-CSD/CW Between Santa Fe County and FireStik Studio to Design and Implement Public Awareness Campaign Regarding COVID-19, Increasing the Amount of the Compensation by \$75,000, for a Total Contract Sum of \$402,530, Inclusive of NM GRT, and (2) Authorization for the County Manager to Sign Amendment No. 3 and the Purchase Order

CHAIR ROYBAL: From the Purchasing Division we have Mr. Bill Taylor.

BILL TAYLOR (Purchasing Director): Thank you, Mr. Chair, Commissioners. It's a pleasure to be here this afternoon to present this amendment. This of course is to – we have a contract with FireStik Studio to develop public awareness campaign ads throughout the county. We asked for a proposal from them to provide one to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in certain areas. This amendment allows that scope of work and increases the compensation. We are asking for Board approval today of that. Director O'Connor is also listed as presenting and I would offer the Chair and the Commissioners, I would defer to Ms. O'Connor to present anything or make any statement to this request. Other than that, Mr. Chair, I stand for questions.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Mr. Taylor. Ms. O'Connor, did you have any additional comments?

RACHEL O'CONNNOR (Community Services Director): Mr. Chair, I believe that Mr. Taylor summarized the overall intent, which is to increase public awareness and mitigate the spread of COVID in Santa Fe County areas. And I would welcome any questions.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Director O'Connor. I'm going to go down the list of our Commissioners. Commissioner Hansen, did you have any questions or comments?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: No. I just want to thank the Community Service Department, Rachel O'Connor and everyone for working on this important issue.

Public awareness in this time of COVID I think is incredibly, incredibly important. I hear stories all the time about people not having their temperature taken, wearing their masks improperly, not wearing their masks and thinking that it's okay. So I think everything that we can do to help people become more aware of wearing a mask, social distance, washing your hands. I can't tell you how many times, whenever I hear washing your hands that I think about my mother who constantly complained, like, you didn't wash your hands after you came in from the store. I know that she lived through the 1918-1919 Spanish Flu Pandemic, so she was always really concerned about people washing their hands.

So I think that all of these things are so important during this time of the pandemic. So I want to thank you and FireStik, and everybody for working hard to get all this information out to our community because it's so important. So thank you.

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

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. It makes sense, certainly, to target recognized problem areas and to target Spanish speakers. Rachel, can you say a little bit, although I assume that there's going to be a general component of this to the whole county. I just have this vision that has some importance as well, just so that they don't start spreading the problem from one area to the other to the other.

MS. O'CONNOR: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Hamilton, absolutely. We agree. And we are going to be working with FireStik. There will be some targeted materials and some materials that are applicable to the whole county. Some of it will be specific to the Spanish language. Other aspects of it will be specific to some of the more rural areas, like Edgewood. So we are hoping to have some mini-campaigns within the overall larger campaign.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: That sounds great. It's good to hear you're thinking about tailoring things, according to the different areas. I appreciate that this is being done. Thank you.

MS. O'CONNOR: Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hamilton. Great question. That was great information to get from our director. I appreciate that. Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: No questions, sir. CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Hughes.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I just want to comment that I think this is very important and I thank the staff for bringing this forward, and Ms. O'Connor. I also think that if we come up with other creative ideas we should bring those forward as well. This is life and death for some people, even though I think we've sort of gotten used to the pandemic it really is a pretty terrible situation that we're all living through. I know that Santa Fe for a while was not doing as well as the rest of the state. It seems in the last couple of days that that has come down, but anything we can do to get the spread rate down we should do. So thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hughes. Yes, I would just like to ditto the sentiments from my fellow County Commissioners. As always, we really appreciate the hard work of our Public Safety Director, the leadership that we have there.

Once again, thank you, Ms. O'Connor. We're going to go ahead. I'm not sure if I heard a motion yet.

GERALDINE SALAZAR (County Clerk): Mr. Chair, for the record I would like to state that item 4. B is not in the Clerk's packet, the original documents, so I just want to make that statement because I don't want to have a void in the record. So the original is not in my packet right now. Thank you.

MR. TAYLOR: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Mr. Taylor, go ahead, sir.

MR. TAYLOR: I can provide the Clerk's Office with the original, but the amendment is written for Katherine Miller, the County Manager's signature. Just to clarify.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you for clarifying that and yes, make sure that we do get that to our County Clerk. I appreciate you doing your due diligence and letting us know that you didn't have that, Madam Clerk.

CLERK SALAZAR: You're welcome, and thank you.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Go ahead, Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I don't know if we have a motion. I was going to make a motion to approve amendment #3 to the agreement between Santa Fe County and FireStik Studio to design and implement a public awareness campaign regarding COVID-19.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Correct, we didn't have a motion and we do have a second from Commissioner Garcia. I'm going to go to a roll call vote.

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

# 4. C. Resolution No. 2020-61, a Resolution Adopting Policies and Procedures and a Fee Schedule for Use of the Santa Fe County Edgewood Equestrian Center

ANNA WAR (Community Services): Good afternoon, Mr. Chair, Commissioners. In BoardDocs you have some policies and procedures as well as a lease agreement and a proposed fee schedule that pertains to the Edgewood Equestrian area. It is an outdoor arena that is also equipped with restrooms and a walking trail that is also used for riding horses. I do have to point out one thing and that's on the temporary use lease agreement. The fee schedule that you will see is actually incorrect. That's the fee schedule for Stanley, so it will be changed to match the draft fee schedule that is a separate document.

So the policies and procedures will be put in place to open the arena portion of the Edgewood Equestrian Center. Right now the trails have been open for some time. The fees that are on the fee schedule do not apply to the trails but would apply for open riding.

The fees that are being proposed would be open riding in the arena for \$2.50 a horse for no more than five horses at a time, or we would also offer a 30-day punch pass

in the amount of \$25. If someone chose to use the facility for private riding, just for themselves for a half day we are looking at \$20, a full day at \$40. Riding with livestock for a half day would be \$75. Riding with livestock for a full day would be \$125. A commercial event would be \$125. A private event for a half day would be \$50. A private event for a full day would be \$100. A non-profit rate for a half day would be \$50. A non-profit rate for a full day event would be \$100. The for-profit revenue-generating event would be \$200. And then we have corresponding cleaning and damage deposits that go along with that.

The policies address issues such as that they would need to sign a release of liability form for open riding. Again, this does not apply to the trails if they are going to be riding or walking on the trails. It would similar to our other open space trails where that's basically on their own. The liability waiver would be for things such as a private riding or an open riding.

For any large events they would have to get liability insurance, which is similar to what we do at the County Fairgrounds, Stanley, and our community centers. It also has things like dogs must be on leashes. There's no alcohol or smoking permitted. No more than five horses in the arena at a time, and no reckless riding, adhering to posted hours, and that if anyone violates these rules they could be asked to leave.

So with that I stand for any questions that you may have at this time.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Ms. War. I think I'm going to go ahead and go to any Commissioners that may have questions in regards to this equestrian facility. Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Mr. Chair, I would just like to thank the staff, Katherine Miller and her staff for bringing this forward in a fast manner and thank you for what you guys do for the county. This is great. This is awesome. This is something that P.J. and I went out there about two or three months ago and had a meeting with about 65 people out there. The community out there in Edgewood is eager to cut the weeds. They're willing to help out, rake, whatever else. I appreciate Manager Miller as well as her staff for bringing this forward. This is great. This is a great thing to happen in the southern part of the county. So with that I'd like to make a motion for approval.

CHAIR ROYBAL: We have a motion from Commissioner Garcia and I'll second that motion. I also want to thank Ms. War for bringing this forward and for all their due diligence and everything and the people of Edgewood on this accomplishment. So thank you very. So we have a motion and a second. I'm going to go to Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Mr. Chair, yes, and I just feel that the Commissioners could go out there some time, soon after this stuff is over, because it's a beautiful arena, a beautiful place, right next to I-40, which is part of Santa Fe County and we all are policymakers for the entire county. But it's a beautiful spot. Thank you, Mr. Chair. So yes.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Garcia, and I think that's a great idea. Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Yes, and if we go out there are you bringing the horses?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So Mr. Chair, really quick, she talked about

reckless riding. Is that bronc riding? Or what kind of riding is that? But yes, we will not have reckless riding down there.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, so thank you, Commissioner Hamilton. Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes, and I look forward to going down there and having a horse ride.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Commissioner Hughes.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Yes, and I also like horse riding so this sounds like fun.

CHAIR ROYBAL: And a yes from Commissioner Roybal. Sounds like we've got a unanimous decision to approve this and also get out there and take some horses out for rides, see how we sharpen our horseman skills up.

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

MANAGER MILLER: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Yes.

MANAGER MILLER: I just wanted to point out to you this is our only facility like this. The Cyclone Center is a bit more complex of a facility. This is going to be a new way of trying to operate this facility. Previously, the Town of Edgewood has managed the operations of the facility, but Community Services is working with a trustee to do it. We have some bumps in the road. We may have to come back for some policy changes if some of these don't work that well for the type of facility that it is, but Commissioner Garcia is right. It's a very nice facility and we want to make it accessible to the residents to use and make sure that we just have some release of liability and we have some policies regarding the use of the facility. So hopefully this will get it right the first time but if not, we'll bring them back for adjustments if we find that what we put together doesn't work quite right for that facility.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Manager Miller. I think this is a great starting point. So thank you very much and who knows? Maybe we'll get it right right out of the chute, right?

CLERK SALAZAR: Chair Roybal.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Yes, Madam Clerk.

CLERK SALAZAR: I have a question for Ms. War.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Go ahead, Madam Clerk.

CLERK SALAZAR: Ms. War, in my Clerk packet is the document that I have the actual one, or will you be providing us the updated or the correct fee schedule?

MS. WAR: Mr. Chair, Madam Clerk, what was submitted to you is the correct fee schedule but the lease agreement is incorrect. The fee schedule that is located on the lease agreement is incorrect. We can get you the correct version, which I understand Rachel Brown has the brown packet.

CLERK SALAZAR: Okay. If we could have the correct one for the record.

MS. WAR: Yes, ma'am.

CLERK SALAZAR: Okay. Thank you.

MS. WAR: I'll get that to you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thanks again, Ms. War and thanks again for bringing that up, Madam Clerk.

### 5. MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN

CHAIR ROYBAL: Ms. Mascarenas, has anybody signed up to address the County Commission?

MS. MASCARENAS: Yes, Mr. Chair. We have one person who has signed up. We have one person for public comment and one person for the public hearing during ICIP. So we have Sam Chavez from AFSCME who would like to speak under public comments.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Mr. Chavez, go ahead.

SAM CHAVEZ: Good afternoon, Mr. Chair and members of the Board. Sam Chavez, AFSCME Council 18. I represent employees from the blue collar and employees at the detention center. I came before and had difficulties getting on. I wanted to bring up issues – I kept getting cut off during the meeting.

A concern of the employees, one is elected officials not following rules for the contract and per HR Handbook because they are elected officials and they're not bound to them. Everybody is bound to them rules. I follow them rules when I represent Santa Fe County employees, when I'm on the job sites or wherever I am, I make sure I follow the rules like everybody else has to.

The other concern is right now they are changing job descriptions without notifying the union and that's something that [inaudible] and per the contract. We have to sit down and negotiate. I just wanted you guys to be aware of some of the things that are going on within Santa Fe County. A few employees, I'm not saying are angry but they have concerns so that's why I'm reaching out to you guys today.

And also, welcome, Mr. Hughes to the Commission. So if you have any questions I'll answer any questions I can.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, so thank you, Mr. Chavez. Are there any questions from the Board? Typically, under Public Concern we don't really go back and forth, but I'll see if there's any questions or comments from the Commission.

MANAGER MILLER: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Go ahead.

MANAGER MILLER: I just wanted to let you and the Board know that AFSCME did, through Sam Chavez, send a letter expressing some concerns to HR and Sonya has reached out to set up a meeting with Mr. Chavez to go over their concerns.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you, Manager Miller. Tessa was there anybody else from the public?

MR. CHAVEZ: -- I don't know how to put this out there, because I don't want to get you guys in the middle of something that we have going on through the mediation procedure, but being able to resolve issues before we have to have a third party get involved and have to use taxpayers dollar for it. If there's any way we can try enforce a little more or extend a little more, so that we don't have to use somebody and pay out thousands of dollars to resolve one of our issues. That's basically all I've got. Thank you

all.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Mr. Chair, if I may. CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Mr. Chavez. Go ahead, Commissioner

Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: [audio problems] I don't mean to go back and forward, but I think an article in the paper yesterday or the day before, I think, I have the utmost respect for Manager Miller and her team, Sonya, as well as Greg as into negotiating or talking with the unions, so I respect that Manager Miller has said that our HR Director has actually been with the representative of the union so I have faith for our staff to meet with Mr. Chavez and his colleagues in his union. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Garcia, and I believe Manager Miller did state that as well so I'm glad to here we are working with the union in setting up these meetings. Thank you, Commissioner Garcia. Thank you, Mr. Chavez. Tessa, can we unmute just for a moment and see if there's anybody else from the public? Once again, I want to see if there's anybody else from the public. I'm going to go ahead and close item #5, Items of Public Concern.

### 6. MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER

- A. Miscellaneous and COVID-19 Updates
- B. Update on CARES Act/Coronavirus Relief Fund Award to the County

MANAGER MILLER: Mr. Chair, I think that the main thing that I want to make sure I update the Board on is actually the CARES Act funding that we received. On August 7<sup>th</sup> Santa Fe County submitted a comprehensive proposal to the State of New Mexico and we requested approximately \$15 million in funding and we received on August 31<sup>st</sup> a notice that we would be allocated \$14.3 million, which also included \$38 million for small business grants. And some other things that were in there were about \$965,000 for COVID-related expenses that we've already incurred from March through June, and that we have to seek reimbursement for, about \$2.5 million for funding for the CONNECT program to provide food, housing and other necessary support for vulnerable residents. Also, \$2.5 million for housing needs for people who've lost employment, \$600,000 for payroll expenses, about \$400,000 for IT equipment and broadband in our rural areas, and various other expenses for PPE and cleaning and staffing for COVID-related expenses.

Some of the things that we're now in the process of doing – we already have, as you know – oh, also the public information campaign was another one of the items, so things are already rolling out that we had applied for. We hope to have funding for CONNECT rolling out next and then also the rental assistance as well as the business grants. We are going to do a couple of procurements for purposes of helping manage the grant funding. We need assistance in accepting and process the business grant applications and we're looking for a grants manager for that. So we have a few weeks of work to get out of the way, all the mechanics, and then we have to start pushing that money out the door and out into the community as soon as possible.

Otherwise, we're still, as far as COVID-related updates, we still are doing our

Grant. We're having to do that with a COVID-safe moving process, so we're moving a few people at a time out of the building that's finishing up. We're moving into the different areas in the building and hope to be completely in 102 Grant by the end of the third week in September and then we'll continue in this building. We've predominantly been in the Bokum Building and all the meetings that we've had with people have been by appointment. We will continue to do that in 102 Grant. We may start to open up how we manage 100 Catron, especially for the tax season and for voting, and we need to work with the Treasurer's Office and the Clerk to make sure that we can handle a larger flow of people into the building for screening individuals as they come to the building for their appointments, and we want to make sure that we continue with safe practices as we transition into 102 Grant as well, and as we transition into a heavy traffic season for 100 Catron.

Then one other update I did want to mention, the Fire Marshal is going to issue an order to allow for the burn permits. As you know we suspended it on August 25<sup>th</sup> and now want to reinstate the open burning within the unincorporated areas of Santa Fe County beginning this Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. So the intent of the Fire Marshal's order suspending the burn permits was to help mitigate any harmful effects of uncontrolled fires during the driest weeks of this summer, and also the smoke from the active wildland fires and surrounding states are not negatively impacting us as much, although this morning surrounding states definitely had an effect on our air quality. But we do hope that residents will undertake their field maintenance and maintenance of sensible space around their homes and structures so the Fire Marshal will be reinstating burn permits on this Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.

And that's all I have at the moment.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Manager Miller. So do we have any questions for Manager Miller? Commissioner Hamilton.

MANAGER MILLER: Mr. Chair, Rachel O'Connor may have some items to add on the CARES Act. I'm sorry, I didn't mean to skip her. I now see her. CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, so I'm going to go to our director, Ms.

O'Connor.

MS. O'CONNOR: Thank you, Mr. Chair, members of the Commission. Actually, I think that the County Manager did a great job of summarizing the funding that came in through the CARES Act. We are delighted to have the funding and looking forward to using it to serve our community collectively and individually and help all of us get through this pandemic. I think it was a good proposal. I want to thank especially Growth Management and other departments who assisted in putting it together, and we're going to work together to, as the County Manager stated, begin to roll out this funding to our partners and the people who need the help the most.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Ms. O'Connor. We're going to see if there's any questions from Commissioners or comments. Commissioner Hamilton, did you have questions or comments?

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Just a comment. If you think about the list of what Manager Miller presented and Rachel O'Connor, of what we applied for and got money to address it is so many – it's essentially a spectrum of what the really

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essential needs for our community are. It was really so well thought out in a very short period of time. I'm so please. And I suspect that's a big part of why we got essentially everything we asked for. That is such a boon to the County and our constituents. I'm very grateful for the level of thought and competence they put into that.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hamilton. I couldn't agree more. I'm really excited to see how we're going to get our different programs, that we'll be able to use this \$14.3 million. So I'm going to go to Commissioner Garcia. Do you have any comments or questions, sir?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Yes, Mr. Chair. I'd just like to thank staff. Katherine and her team for applying for the grant from the state and the federal money. I just want to let the general public know that this is something for the County, as into yes, we received some money for businesses, housing, so we're going to have to deal with it and it's another piece of work we're going to have to take on, but once again, thank you for applying for grants and like you said, how are we going to administrate it? How are we going to do it? We don't know, but just bear with us and we will get it done. We will figure it out.

As to 102 Grant Avenue, we actually did a tour the other day. I did a tour. Well, we all did a tour. It's kind of interesting, because that building, I grew up in that building for 30 years of my life. It's kind of like buying an old house and remodeling it. But excellent job for the entire staff and everybody that participated in the remodeling of that facility. Great job. I can hardly wait till we open it up so we can actually have the general public come and say wow, this is great. Katherine, to you and your staff, thank you for what you do. It's kind of like a résumé to Dr. Garcia at the school board, Santa Fe County. We're in the forefront and we're actually – you guys are doing a great job, and so thank you for what you do. Appreciate that. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Garcia, and great comments. I couldn't agree with you more. So I'm going to go to Commissioner Hughes.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I too would like to thank the staff for putting together a great proposal and for coming forward. I know that other counties and communities around the state were not so on top of things to get the needs of their people met. I think it's good that we're doing this. I know from my work with the homeless agencies in Santa Fe that it's a big lift to try to take care of all these people all at once. It sort of points to the fact that we're let a lot of things slide in our society for a long time, letting people go without housing, without adequate food for so long. And it's going to be struggle, I think to try and catch up. Hopefully we can learn from that and not let things get quite so out of hand before the next pandemic or whatever comes next. But I do appreciate the staff doing a great job on that. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hughes. Commissioner

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you. I just want to echo all of the things that my other Commissioners have said. I think that it's great that we were able to get money for things that we had already spent money on for this project. I want to thank Rachel O'Connor for her hard work on this. I know it was a heavy lift and great job. Thank you so much and thank you, Katherine and the entire team.

And I'd also like to say that as we are moving back into 102 Grant, the beautiful

John Gaw Meem building, it's going to be a very professional and it is a well designed, functional building for County staff to operate. And I think everyone will feel really comfortable. And of the most beautify aspects and beautiful things that we have done in restoring the plaza, restoring the building to the original design, and improving the landscape and design of Johnson Street. Johnson Street now matches any place in downtown Santa Fe in its beauty and I hope that the Georgia O'Keefe Museum, our neighbors across the street, are thrilled to have such a beautiful neighbor across the street. So thank you and thank you to the entire team who works so hard on that building. It's exciting to be able to move back in there. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen, and I absolutely agree with your comments and Commissioner Garcia's. I think it was a great job and a huge feat for us to get that building completed so quickly. I know that the offices that are opening up in our other facility at Catron, I think we're going to have HR moving into those offices. Is that correct, Manager Miller?

MANAGER MILLER: Mr. Chair, so right now we actually have – like I'm in my office and Daniel's in his office, but just the Manager's Office and Legal and the Commissioners have moved in. The downstairs isn't ready for Finance and HR to move in yet, but as soon as they have a few little things to do and then Finance, HR, Purchasing, Risk will finish it up. And as I said, we'll be out of the Bokum Building and we'll be out of the building on West Alameda and all of the administrative offices will be downtown again. Obviously, we have Public Safety and Public Works, but it's pretty exciting and they did a great job. They still have some stuff to do but it looks great.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Great. Thank you, Manager Miller. COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Mr. Chair, if I may?

CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: I just want to say that in today's paper, the City of Santa Fe is in the top ten out of 358 municipalities throughout the nation. We're like – construction growth is great. Awesome. Sometimes as a policymaker and working for the government you see a different perspective whenever you're a policymaker. As Mr. Hughes will know this, some think it's a hard job and we do it. And I'm glad to be on the school board. I'm glad to be a County Commissioner and have a great team that works for us, and it's just – I just want to say that I'm glad that we're in Santa Fe County, City of Santa Fe, because we all live in this community together and we're going through some hard times, and we're doing good. So I just appreciate our staff and everybody else and my colleagues as well. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner Garcia.

6. C. Update on Implementation of Settlement Agreements Concerning County-Maintained Roads Between Santa Fe County and the Pueblos of Nambe, Pojoaque, San Ildefonso, and Tesuque

GREG SHAFER (County Attorney): Thank you, Mr. Chair. Also available to answer any questions that you might have on this item is the Public Works Department Director, Gary Giron. I'll state at the beginning that this is purely an informational item. The Board's not being asked to make any decisions today. Staff wanted to provide some

information to the Board and the public relative to the implementation of the four settlement agreements concerning County-maintained roads in the pueblos of Nambe, Pojoaque, San Ildefonso and Tesuque.

As the Board is away, the County entered into the settlement agreements with the pueblos and the Department of the Interior effective on April 12, 2018. By way of general overview relative to the settlement agreements, Daniel Fresquez is sharing the memo that was uploaded earlier this afternoon to BoardDocs so you can follow along with some of my oral descriptions.

The settlement agreements basically come in two flavors. Under one, rights-of-way will be granted to the County by the Department of the Interior with the pueblos' consent for the County-maintained roads. That applies to Pojoaque Pueblo and Tesuque Pueblo. Under the second flavor, rights-of-way will actually be granted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs by the Department of Interior concerning pueblo land by the County for those sections of County-maintained roads that cross private land. And the County-maintained roads will become or be replaced by BIA roads that are maintained by the County pursuant to a road maintenance agreement. And that flavor would apply to Nambe Pueblo and San Ildefonso Pueblo.

That is relevant as we go through some of the detail that follows. You should see some specific references of work that needs to be done in order to create BIA roads where they do not currently exist.

The County, pursuant to a contract approved by the Board of County Commissioners has entered into a contract with Precision Surveys, Inc. They are providing a lot of services relative to implementation of the settlement agreement including performing necessary survey work, preparing metes and bounds, legal descriptions, of each segment of the roads at issue. They're actually responsible for setting monuments and reference markers in the field relative to the rights-of-way and preparing, subject to each pueblo's ultimate approval, right-of-way applications that will be submitted to the federal Department of Interior requesting that the Department of Interior grant necessary rights-of-way to either the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the County.

So by way of general overview, and again, this isn't meant to be an exhaustive list. Rather, it's to provide the Board and the public some general information as to where things stand with regard to each settlement agreement.

We'll start with Nambe Pueblo. There I would say it's fair to say that the necessary survey work and right-of-way applications are furtherest along. In addition, while Precision has purchased all of the necessary materials to set the necessary markers they're actually going ahead with the pueblo's permission and that's going to be done setting rebar with aluminum caps along the proposed rights-of-way. So again, that work is already happening in the field.

With regard to the right-of-way applications themselves, a critical next step that will define how long will be needed to finalize the right-of-way applications is for the parties to the settlement agreements – that would be Nambe Pueblo, the County, the Department of Interior – to determine what, if any environmental and archaeological reports, surveys and site assessments will be required for the rights-of-way for these existing roads.

In addition, because these roads will ultimately be BIA roads maintained by the County, we will need to continue working with the parties, namely Nambe Pueblo and the federal government on a road maintenance agreement as well as a formal conveyance of County rights-of-way. Again, that's work that will need to happen in the future for that settlement agreement to be fully implemented.

With regard to the settlement agreement with Pojoaque Pueblo, the necessary survey work is largely complete. Again, the contractor, Precision, has purchased with our permission the necessary monuments, concrete cylinders, angle iron and other material necessary to mark the rights-of-way in the field. I would say that Pojoaque Pueblo is not probably the pueblo that second furtherest along relative to implementation of the settlement agreements. Once the survey work and legal descriptions are completed then we will work with our contractor to finalize the draft right-of-way applications. Again, those ultimately need to be approved by the pueblo for submission to the Department of the Interior. Here again, a critical path item is to define what if any environmental or archaeological reports, surveys and site assessments will need to be submitted in support of the right-of-way applications.

With regard to Tesuque Pueblo, this is the settlement agreement with the smallest mileage of County-maintained road by far and it's also the settlement agreement, for different reasons that is probably furtherest behind in terms of work in the field, and that is because our surveyor has identified problems with the Bureau of Land Management surveys in the area. Surveying is not my profession but my understand is that those issues need to be resolved by the Bureau of Land Management before Precision can move forward with its work. And so again, pending resolution of those issues with the Bureau of Land Management, that fieldwork has not moved forward in a material way.

With regard to the settlement agreement with San Ildefonso, I wanted to just remind the Board as well as the public that the settlement agreement with San Ildefonso breaks up the roads that are currently existing on the ground, so to speak, and to those that will largely be replaced by new road – Yellowbird Loop – and that road will largely replace County-maintained 84C, 84D, and Sandy Way. And then separately, there are the other roads with the pueblo – County-maintained Road 84, 84A, 84B, and a segment of County-maintained road 101D, which are called the subject roads in the settlement agreement.

So again, there are two different subcategories of County-maintained roads in San Ildefonso, those that will largely be replaced by Yellowbird Loop Road, and those that will remain more or less in their current configuration.

I just want to ask Daniel Fresquez if he could please pull up Exhibit C to the settlement agreement that's attached to the memo. I put this up to remind the Board and the public generally of what the layout would be of the two new roads. On the northern section of the map in yellow is the general outline of where Yellowbird Loop Road will be constructed, and then on the south side of the river, the blue line is the general outline of where Blue Dove Road will be constructed.

So going back to the memo, the survey work for the new roads is largely complete. There are several areas of interest relative to access and other issues that require analysis and other decisions. But the survey work is largely complete at this time.

In addition, because these are new roads, the County has started the procurement

process to obtain environmental services to do an environmental assessment that complies with relevant regulations for those new roads. That procurement is ongoing. Once all the necessary survey work is complete then we'll be working with the pueblo to finalize the right-of-way applications for the new roads. Again, they have to be approved ultimately by the pueblo, and then for submission to the Department of Interior.

There are two things that County staff is working with the federal government and the Pueblo de San Ildefonso on to slightly modify what was contemplated in the original settlement agreement with San Ildefonso, and this would ultimately be coming back to the Board of County Commissioners in the form of a memorandum of understanding. That memorandum of understanding would primarily address the following issues: First, the settlement agreement contemplated that the driving surface for both roads would be basecourse for long-term maintenance and drivability reasons. County staff recommends that this be changed to four inches of recycled asphalt pavement and a single layer of chip seal would be the ultimate driving surface for both roads. In addition, the Yellowbird Loop Road under the settlement agreement was contemplated that it would be constructed after utilities were installed so that the utilities for the Pojoaque Basin Regional Water System would be installed first before the roads were constructed. County staff is actually recommending that Yellowbird Loop Road be constructed in two phases. Phase 1 would result in the road being used as a temporary driving surface with the subgrade being the temporary driving surface, in essence as I understand it we would roughly construct the road so that it would be in its ultimate alignment but the driving surface after phase 1 would be the subgrade, being more or less as I understand it be a dirt road.

We would do that so as to further the implementation of the settlement agreement, but there are also benefits to the Pojoaque Basin Regional Water System to that approach. In particular, the County would be doing a lot of the earthwork necessary for the waterlines to be installed and by proceeding in that manner ultimately we think the water system will be built more expeditiously and cheaply, at least with regard to that section, if we do the earthwork necessary for the road prior to installation of the waterline and pipelines.

After the utilities are installed, that's phase 2 of the construction of Yellowbird Loop Road would occur, and that's again where we would bring the road up to its final driving surface, which is four inches of recycled asphalt pavement and a single layer of chip seal.

Again, we recommend that we proceed in that manner for a variety of reasons. Principally, we went to move forward as quickly as we can to implement the settlement agreement relative to roads and in addition, until the Congress approves the necessary amendments to the Aamodt settlement agreement the timing of the regional water system construction is uncertain. So again, that's the basis for that recommendation which would be coming forward to the Board in a formal memorandum of understanding.

And with regard to the construction related changes that I just described, the County has already contracted with the engineer of record for Yellowbird Loop Road to change the construction drawings as described and we're in the process of trying to contract with the engineer of record for Blue Dove Road to make changes to the construction plan set.

So with regard to the subject roads, as a general update, again, these would be the roads that would more or less remain in their current location is the expectation. Much of the survey work has been completed. There's a fair amount of work that remains to be done along County-maintained Road 84 in terms of boundary reconciliations, is my understanding, and once all the necessary fieldwork has been completed by Precision Surveys then the draft right-of-way applications would have to be finalized and approved by the pueblo.

Relative to these being BIA roads we would need to negotiate a road maintenance agreement for all of the roads as well as finalize an advance document whereby the County would convey its rights-of-way for subject roads to the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Unlike the other settlement agreements, the settlement agreement with San Ildefonso contemplated that there would be several interim permits issued by the Pueblo of San Ildefonso. Three of them are expressly called out in the settlement agreement. That's a temporary public road permit for County-maintained Road 84C, 84D and Sandy Way, as well as temporary public road access authorizations on a global basis for private landowners as well as for individual private landowners.

And then finally County staff has also requested that the pueblo grant to the County a maintenance permit for the subject roads.

So we've attached those draft agreements. They're just that – draft – at this point, and would ultimately have to be approved by the Board of County Commissioners. They are attached to this memo in BoardDocs and I don't intend, unless folks would like me to in this meeting, to go through them in detail or even generally insofar as they will be coming back to the Board at a future meeting for discussion and approval.

I would close by noting that County staff intends to engage in a variety of public outreach, given the progress that has been made to date on implementing the settlement agreements as well as some upcoming milestones and in particular potential construction of Yellowbird Loop in 2021. We feel that now is a good time for the County to engage the public relative to various aspects of the settlement agreements just to remind them what was agreed to by the Board back in 2018 as well as upcoming steps, including on the temporary permits that I alluded to above. County staff viewed this informational item to the Board as a first step in that necessary outreach.

So with that I'd be happy to answer any questions, but again, the purpose of this presentation was to provide a general update as to where things stood and the road ahead, and again, this is informational only. No action is being requested or direction by the Board at this time. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Attorney Shaffer. I do want to just make sure that our Public Works Director, Mr. Gary Giron, did you have anything else that you wanted to add, sir?

GARY GIRON (Public Works Director): Mr. Chair, members of the Commission, first of all, thank you, Greg, for putting this all together. We have been meeting weekly. We've set up a committee so that we could stay ahead of all the changes and all the things that have to happen to make sure all these agreements get signed and we are actively talking about how we will engage all the communities to tell them how this will impact them and I'm starting to have some of those discussions and planning that now. And with that, we'll stand for any questions that you have. I have Ryan Moore,

here, the Division Director/engineer.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Director Giron. I'm going to go out to Commissioners, if you have any questions or comments. Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: No, I think it's good to inform the public of status and I appreciate that we're trying to move this forward as expeditiously as is reasonable. I guess I do have one – it's a very small question on the holdup with Tesuque Pueblo. Do you have any insights on how the process with BLM would proceed?

MR. SHAFFER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Hamilton, that is very much survey-related heavy lifting, so the principal of our contractor Larry Medrano, has been attempting to get those issues resolved in consultation with the pueblo but with the Bureau of Land Management. And so he's actively working the issues and I believe they've had some staffing changes as well as move-related issues. But it's really – Larry is the leader on that. We need to coordinate at the surveyor to surveyor level, so to speak.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Great. That makes sense. Thank you. CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hamilton. Commissioner

Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: No, Mr. Chair. No comments. Just thanks to staff. As Marcos Trujillo used to say, ex-Commissioner, this is monumental as into moving forward. Thank you, staff. Thank you, Greg.

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

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you, Greg, for the presentation and reminding us of all the agreements and issues that we're working on, especially with Blue Dove and Yellowbird Loop. I was also curious about what was going on with BLM and the problems with Tesuque. Thank you for mentioning that, Commissioner Hamilton. I appreciate that question. So just good job, thank you. This is an important thing to move forward. It is definitely a monumental process to get the Aamodt settlement and the road settlement agreement done and I think we are serving our community very well. Thank you very much.

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

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: I think I probably have so many questions that I would not know where to start but I think what I'm going to do is read the materials and if the staff have any background materials they want to send me on this that would be great, so that I can be prepared for the next meeting. But I do know that it's important for us to be moving ahead with these projects and I want to understand them as best I can. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you Commissioner Hughes, and if you have any additional questions you can feel free to call me as well. Thank you, sir.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you.

MR. SHAFFER: Mr. Chair, on that score, if it would be acceptable to you, Commissioner Hughes, staff would be pleased to schedule a Webex meeting with you in particular since you were not here at the time that these settlement agreements were approved and are somewhat new to these detailed discussions. We'd be happy to do that

if you'd like, Commissioner.

CHAIR ROYBAL: I think that would be a great idea, just to give him the history.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: I agree. Yes, let's set up a time for the staff to explain this all to me. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you, again, Greg, for the presentation and the update.

Actually, I think what I want to do is deviate just slightly from our schedule and I want to bring up the actual resolution we have from the Food Depot. I believe that we do have two speakers that are here present, Ms. Linda Flatt and Jane Freeman. So I want to move that up to our next agenda item. I know that they're very busy as well and so I'd like to move that up so that we can get that taken care of.

# 8. C. Resolution No. 2020-62, a Resolution Supporting the Ninth Annual Neighbor to Neighbor Fund Drive in Coordination with The Food Depot

CHAIR ROYBAL: I'm going to go to Commissioner Hansen or Commissioner Hamilton. I'm not sure who's going to be speaking on this resolution. And thank you guys for bringing this forward.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you very much, Mr. Chair. I have sponsored this resolution for the last four years, since 2017 and I think it's a really important thing that we can do for our community right now, especially during this really – at this time of the pandemic and how important and how necessary food is in the community and how many people we have with food insecurity.

I asked Commissioner Hamilton to join me because she also – I believe she cares deeply about this issue. I think that we have a number of speakers who want to talk about the fact that this has changed from a food drive to a fund drive and that we're collecting. I believe all of us live in neighborhoods or communities that have participated in the Neighbor to Neighbor Food Drive in the past and are doing our best. I am grateful to all Santa Fe County employees who have also participated over the years. Last year and I believe the year before in our competition with the City we have won, so I hope we will win again in our class. And with that I want to let Commissioner Hamilton say a few words please.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen. It's been fabulous that you bring forward this resolution every year. I think most of us on the Commission have been really active. I certainly have tried to be in helping the Neighbor to Neighbor Food Drive do this and expand their efforts every year. What they do is amazing. I'm willing to bet, as much as it's been appreciated deeply, that they contribute to the Food Depot, now in the very stressed time, the realization of how valuable this is to our community is just that much more evident. So I think supporting this this year in particular is really important to our community, and I look forward to what Linda and Jane and Theresa have to say.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner Hamilton and Commissioner Hansen. I know that this has been a great value over the years and it's

something that's really important to the neighborhood. I think I've sponsored it a couple of years in the years prior to Commissioner Hansen and I know that we've had some food drives and actually some community parties that they've had where they've had bands and things like that where they donated food and funding. So this is something that you see a lot of people are interested in because we still have kids that go to bed hungry, so I really appreciate you bringing this forward. So I'm going to go ahead and go to some of the guest speakers. I don't know if we have a volunteer or not but I'm going to go to Ms. Linda Flatt first.

JANE FREEMAN: This is Jane Freeman. Linda is having technical difficulty with her computer and she just texted me and she's having a lot – she's very bummed that she may not be able to talk with you today. So we'll go ahead and get started and hopefully she can join us.

But I want to thank you all Commissioners for being so supportive of the Neighbor to Neighbor each year and for your support in the resolution. I know you are very concerned about your constituents and we are here to support your constituents through this drive as well as through the Food Depot.

As you probably know, this year – you do know – this year has been unprecedented with the COVID and how it's affected so many people. You may know that the Food Depot has been distributing almost a million pounds of food a month since March and the need I think is going to continue to grow. We are the only fund drive or food drive that the Food Depot will be having due to COVID and that's why we decided to move forward with this and have it as a fund drive only. This is very new to us because we're used to seeing more tangible things in terms of the actual food, but as you know, every dollar that's donated can purchase five pounds of food or deliver four meals. So the Food Depot is able to buy in bulk and that dollar goes much farther.

So your support in getting the word out to your constituents in the communities if vital and has been appreciated over the years. Our goal this year is to raise about \$75,000. It seems very daunting but we are seeing movement and communities are stepping up and it's very exciting. So we'll keep you posted as to what actually comes in. You can go online to the webpage of the Food Depot, thefooddepot.org/n2n. Go there, look for your community, and then donate. Or you can send a check into the Food Depot.

The deadline for getting the monies into the Food Depot is September 19<sup>th</sup>. Hopefully it will be before that, as you want to make sure that every penny is counted and Therese, are you on? Anyway, do you all have any questions for us?

CHAIR ROYBAL: Let me go to the Commissioners. Commissioner Hamilton, did you have any questions?

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: No, other than first of all to thank you all for doing this again and again. I thought I'd mention to the Commissioners that everywhere we could possibly help this is really beneficial, and since we all put out newsletters we might all consider putting this in our newsletters. I think most of us do think about doing things like this as a public service, information that our constituents would want to see in the newsletters. So anyway we could think to get the word out on this and Jane and Linda – except we're not hearing from her unfortunately, if you have any other ideas like that. We have a resolution which goes a long way towards making something known but I think you sometimes have to reach people on a one at a time basis

and to some extent that individual Commissioner communications can help with that.

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

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Yes, Mr. Chair. First of all, thank you for yourself and the volunteers and what you guys do. Great job. Awesome job. Especially for the community of Santa Fe, City of Santa Fe, this is community, great community here. Awesome. Great job. And for the volunteers, thank them. I appreciate that. Today I actually saw the school bus and the school bus was going through some neighborhoods in my district here and they were actually giving out food out of the back of the school bus. I think it's a good communication thing that this whole community – we're a good community. We all live here and it's interesting to see the school bus drivers giving out food to the people in my district.

People in my district, they need some help. And we're here to help. And you guys are doing an excellent job. I appreciate that. And we have people like Pam Roy, from Food to Table. She's very involved in the community. Great job. Just maybe we could somehow create like a pledge, a little pledge in there together. I don't know if we can do this, Katherine, on the internet, as into let's donate some money for a pledge and so on and so forth. But thank you for what you do. We really appreciate you and thank you, thank you, Mr. Chair.

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

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I just want to recognize the years of work that Linda Flatt has worked on this since 2011. She has continue to work non-stop on this Neighbor to Neighbor Food Drive and I want to honor her for that and honor the volunteers, Jane and Theresa, and the whole crew at the Food Depot, and Shelley Hooper for all the work that she does there. We have a really strong community and we're incredibly generous and my neighborhood last year in its class, Casa Alegre, won first prize for donating the most and most of the money was donated on line.

And so one of the things that I do in my neighborhood is that I send out information on Next Door, and I find that a really good way to communicate. You just make a post. Linda would be very happy to share all the information with you on how to donate. So sending it out on Next Door is a really good way to reach a lot of your neighbors. The other thing, as Commissioner Hamilton said, it was in my August newsletter and putting it in our County newsletters is a really good thing. I believe it was also in our sustainability newsletter. So the more people we can reach, that is what's really important, because every dollar counts. So if you donate \$10 you're donating a lot of food to feed a lot of people. The more you can donate the better.

Anyhow, I'm grateful to Linda and to Jane and Theresa and everybody at the Food Depot for all of the work that you do, especially during this pandemic. It is such a challenging time where we are seeing so much food insecurity. So thank you once again and I would like with that to move the resolution supporting the ninth annual Neighbor to Neighbor Fund Drive in coordination with the Food Depot forward. I'm sure we will be back here again next year doing this because it's really important.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you Commissioner Hansen for the motion and

Commissioner Hamilton for the second. I'm going to go to Commissioner Hughes. I believe that he was next. But we do have a motion and a second, so under discussion, Commissioner Hughes, did you have comments or questions?

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Just real quick, I think this is a great project. I know the Food Depot does a good job, so I'll put this in my first newsletter which I'm putting together and also Next Door Eldorado. A lot of people read that. So I think it's great if we can really help out. I just want to add I think Santa Fe County is a very caring community and that's one of the nice things about living here. And so thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hughes. Okay, so we have a motion and a second. I'm going to go to a roll call vote.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Mr. Chair, I vote yes, and just really quick, Commissioner Hughes knows – he's dealt with this for many, many years. And Ms. Jane Freeman, if you can actually give us your webpage address, now that we have 10,000 people watching us. So if you can actually give us your webpage address, I'd appreciate that.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Is there a way for Daniel to post where people can actually make donations on the screen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Also, Daniel could put it on his Facebook page, his Facebook posts, once we pass this resolution and get it out into the community that way also. Daniel is our media guru and we are grateful for all his work. Thank you, Daniel Fresquez.

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

CHAIR ROYBAL: So we'll work on trying to get that information out to the public through our Facebook and I think we can also send it out to our email list that I think each Commissioner has, plus the County has one for each district as well. Thanks again for all the hard work we have put in from Ms. Linda Flatt and everybody that works very hard. It takes a whole army to do the work that they are doing. I think it's really great. I know Ms. Linda Flatt and Ms. Jane Freeman have been doing this for some time. I know I went to the Food Depot a few years ago and just the set up they have is really remarkable so just imagine how much food they do get out is incredible. So thanks a lot and congratulations. Have a good rest of your afternoon.

## 7. PUBLIC HEARING ON AND ADOPTION OF INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

A. Presentation and Public Hearing on the Santa Fe County Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) (Second of Two Public Hearings

CHAIR ROYBAL: From Growth Management we have Mr. Paul Olafson and Jacob Stock.

PAUL OLAFSON (Growth Management): Good afternoon, Commissioners. Jacob is also here with us today. I'm going to give a brief presentation

and ask for the public comment section on this, and then after we've completed that I will ask for the Board to consider adopting the resolution, which would then adopt the project list.

So before you and on the screen from Daniel is the current project list. You'll see the top five projects are highlighted in a slightly different color. Those are the projects that staff has reviewed and evaluated and recommended for ranking. It's the top rated project per Commission district, so each district has one, and that's how we came to that. As I told you at the last hearing the staff has evaluated every project and this represent the remaining projects from the five-year CIP the County holds internally, and these are the projects remaining that have not had identified funding sources.

So we've reviewed them, we've ranked them and then we've evaluated them and put them on the list we had 32 projects. The last two projects that are on the sheet are senior ICIP projects. Those will be brought to you, I believe, at the next meeting under a separate resolution, but we wanted to note that they are part of the total capital planning process and they are included in this as a presentation item.

So we don't know how much capital funding the state will have this year. It's anticipated that due to the economic slowdown and the pandemic there will probably not be a huge amount but that remains to be seen. Staff has reviewed these projects and evaluated them as I said before. We also conducted two public web meeting in July – July 21<sup>st</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> to solicit public input, and we also reached out to our non-profits and other agencies that have in the past asked the County to become a fiscal agent for a capital project. We did reach out to them and ask them if they had any requests this year with the idea that we'd like to have all of the County's requests in one place at one time and not have to scramble towards the end of the year just before the legislative session for projects that might be proposed.

We looked at project readiness, phasing, enhancing existing facilities, leveraging existing funding, addressing immediate needs in public health, safety and welfare, staff capacity to initiate and implement projects in a timely manner, and the probability of eliciting state funds in our evaluation process. We also considered the County's four strategic pillars and the strategic goals the Commission has established when we were reviewing the projects.

So before you is a list. I did email this out to you all prior to the meeting. I hope you've had some time to look it over. And again, we're going to ask you to rank the top five projects as well as adopt the resolution. So with that I would stand for any questions or for the public comment period.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Roybal. CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Mr. Olafson, for that presentation. I'm going to go to the different Commissioners. Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I have looked over this ICIP that we will submit to DFA and I want people to understand that this is not all of the list of all of our projects or all the things that we're working on, but this is the ICIP that will be submitted to DFA. I accept the top five with the Agua Fria sewer expansion. I also know that the sidewalk repair and Camino Jacobo is a really important issue for residents in that area and I see that it's ranked pretty high and I'm glad that it's right up there so that we can work on providing sidewalks throughout our community. That's all I had to say. I think

this is a good list. Thank you, Paul and everyone for your hard work on this.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen. That's a very good point to bring forward. I know it's something that you have asked about in the past as far as certain projects that aren't listed on here and you're absolutely right. Just because they're not here doesn't mean it's not something that the County is currently working on, so thank you for bringing that point up. Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: The process is really well done at this point. I think we still have some growing pains with the implementation of the process just because the rankings are new but I appreciation that we're trying to move forward with that and I am really happy with the outcome. It is true, the point that Commissioner Hansen made and Chair Roybal spoke to is very true. There are other processes that include projects that are important to the County. But I support this list and the top five as they're presented. Thank you.

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

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Yes. I'm just wondering why all of my projects were top five. Just kidding. You don't have to answer that. So really quick, Mr. Chair, Paul, did you actually reach out to the legislators to make sure that as we get capital outlay projects that aren't on the list. So did you reach out to the state legislators at the Roundhouse?

MR. OLAFSON: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Garcia, we have not reached out to them. The idea was that we would compile this list and then bring it to them and say here's how we did our outreach, here's who we spoke with and here's the projects that we've developed.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you. Great job. No more questions, Mr. Chair.

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

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I have a couple of questions. Basically I'm happy with this list and I think all these projects look very important and I want to thank the staff for sending me the details on the projects in my district so I could understand what they were. My question is an earlier version of this list had the Rancho Viejo tank improvements ranked above Eldorado Station 4, and I just wondered what the process was where that got switched. They're both important projects. I'm just curious why it changed.

MR. OLAFSON: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Hughes, so we did the evaluation process and when we were doing the first round of evaluation, that project had not fully been scoped yet, the Eldorado Station 4, so we didn't have a price tag and we didn't have a clear description of the work. Once it was clearly scoped and clarified what the project would be the committee then did the evaluation that we do for all projects and the ranking of that project put it above the Rancho Viejo. But again, the top five is required by DFA, but it does not give a project more weight or less weight. Any project on the list has an equal weight for inclusion or consideration of capital funding.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you. That explains that and my other question is, because I think this project of trying to fund capital projects in the county is

very, very important and a big responsibility that we should take seriously, and I know that the state may not be able to fund very much, if anything this year, so I was just curious when we next will be looking at this list with a chance at funding it in different ways. And I don't expect a long answer I just sort of wanted to know what's coming up. Thank you.

MR. OLAFSON: Mr. Chair, Commissioner, we do have a process that was adopted last year and we can again review it offline and give you a little better understanding of that process, but we do plan to be bringing a capital plan forward twice a year for the Board to review. So that might not be the funding point but we will continually be providing you with updates and windows or visions of where we're headed.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Okay. Thank you. Obviously, those of you who know me know that I would want to be seeing in the future more affordable housing projects on this list. But thank you very much, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hughes. And so I know this is a public hearing so I want to see if there's anybody from the public that would like to address the Board relative to this item. Ms. Mascarenas, do we have somebody from the public?

MS. MASCARENAS: Yes, Mr. Chair. We have Mr. David Sundberg who signed up to speak.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, Mr. Sundberg, you have the floor, sir. DAVID SUNDBERG: Good afternoon, Mr. Chair and Board. Thank you so much for allowing me to speak. I've sent you all individually a letter supporting one of the items that actually at the very bottom of this list. It's item 32. It's looking for a preliminary engineer's report at the La Bajada Ranch. It's understandable that it's reached the bottom because I don't think there's an economic clarification behind it, so I wanted to join you today for a little clarification, why it's on the list and how important it is. There's been some just amazing things I've been able to look into today regarding food, food security or insecurity, looking at housing, looking at infrastructure and what our priorities are in the county.

The reason why I think this really should rank much higher in terms of prioritization within the county is because there's this amazing property that was purchased 12 years ago and it can really factor into a great number of things that the County has signed on for. In 2014, starting with the food plan, signing on to prioritization of a great number of food efforts to really engender sustainability and food security within our community, and to 2015 and 2016 with the sustainability plan and the farm and agricultural overlays, in support of those plans, and also in 2016 with the La Cienega and La Cieneguilla community plans which you support for farming and agricultural processes as well as sustainability and potential for safe and affordable housing in the community.

This property can really align with all of those aspects. But one of the first steps is that we really need to make sure where we can build, how we can build, what overlays would look like, having access to the property and getting some infrastructure there. Currently, on the north end of the property where some of these things are possible, because it's the best access point to infrastructure that exists in term of waterlines,

electrical and road access. At the north end of the property, it's approximately half a mile with rights-of-way through DOT property to access really a good number of acreage that can support and sustain infrastructure to build a food hut, which is a priority that I'm very interested in doing that can provide better access to local sustainable foods for our community. It can provide access to an idea of multiplying factors, having agriculture on the property in conjunction with a processing facility and other really great ideas that are supported within the County, within the community, but I think to now need to be supported in a more tangible way.

So I would certainly ask the Board respectfully to support item 32, the preliminary engineer's report, which would really be the first step in kicking off any process there is to develop the land for use in sustainability, agriculture and food systems within our community. Thank you very much.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Mr. Sundberg and thank you for that information. I think this is probably in Commissioner Garcia's district. Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Mr. Chair, Mr. Sundberg, can you actually email me and we can sit down and talk about this stuff.

MR. SUNDBERG: I'd be more than happy to. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So my assistant is

abaca@santafecountynm.gov. Why can talk about this whole process. Appreciate that. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Garcia and Mr. Sundberg for being here today. Commissioner Hansen, did you have a comment?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes, I did. Thank you, David, so much for bringing this forward. I think this is really important, but this is also a countywide project and I think it is really important to remember that this is countywide. I know that Reunity Resource is in my district, is also working on this community project at La Bajada Ranch, and so I see this as a way, as a food hub for not just District 3, for all of Santa Fe County to start to connect throughout the community. So I really appreciate you being here and your dedication to this project. So thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen, and yes, it is a countywide project but it is specifically in Commissioner Garcia's district. So I appreciate you relaying that information that it would be a countywide project that would definitely benefit the county as a whole. So thank you. Is there anybody else from the public that would like to address the Commission, Tessa Jo?

MS. MASCARENAS: No, sir. No one else has signed up for public comment.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay, so if you can unmute just for a moment do I can ask to see if there's anybody from the public that would like to address the Board relative to this item.

MS. MASCARENAS: Everyone is unmuted. CHAIR ROYBAL: It doesn't sound like there is.

7. B. Resolution No. 2020-63, a Resolution Adopting Projects for Inclusion in Santa Fe County's Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2022-2026; Authorizing Submittal of Plan to the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration; and Replacing Resolution 2019-108

MANAGER MILLER: Mr. Chair, we have a resolution, item B, to adopt the projects that are listed in the ICIP and the top five priorities.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you, Manager Miller. From the Growth Management Department we once again have Mr. Paul Olafson and Jacob Stock. I don't know that there's anything else to present on this item. So we would just bring this forward for a vote now that we've already discussed it.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Mr. Chair, move for approval. CHAIR ROYBAL: We have a motion from Commissioner Garcia. COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Second.

CHAIR ROYBAL: And a second from Commissioner Hamilton. I'm going to go to a roll call vote.

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

### 8. MATTERS FROM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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

CHAIR ROYBAL: I'm going to go to Commissioner Hansen first. COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you, everybody. I just want to thank the staff and team and everybody - Tessa and Paul and Jacob and Daniel for giving us a tour of the 102 Grant Street building. It was really good to get in there. I'm looking forward to seeing the chambers when they're finished and I just want to recognize staff for all the hard work that they have been doing this pandemic. It has been a challenging time for all of us, even these meetings. Not everyone has good connectivity and it is a problem, but really all need to be working on better broadband for everyone. These meetings highlight the issues we are facing with being connected in this format. I'm sure that there are children out there that are having a hard time getting connected to schools and getting their homework done or getting their classes taken. So working on broadband to me has been important when elected and continues to be important. And I see that this pandemic has just brought things to the surface. So that's really all I had to share at the moment that I can think of. I might have another comment in a moment after another Commissioner or two but thank you, Mr. Chair, and thank you, everybody for all the work that you are doing during the pandemic, because I just find that we are all working very hard to make our County work as well as possible and once again, thank you, Katherine and Rachel and Community Services and Growth Management and everybody in Community Services. Thank you.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen. I'm going to go to Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I have no particular topics to bring up this afternoon. Thanks very much.

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

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: I would just like to thank everybody for what they do. And would you please fill out your census information. It's very important that we count everybody in Santa Fe County and the entire state and the entire country. So please do that, community. And I would actually like to thank Commissioner Hank Hughes for joining the Board. And three years ago my hair was black, and how my hair is white, gray, I don't know what it is. However, your hair might turn gray or white in the next year or two, so welcome aboard. Appreciate that, with your great knowledge of housing, homeless shelters, kid shelters, but welcome aboard. We appreciate that. And thank you once again, Katherine and your staff. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

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

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you, Mr. Chair and I just wanted to thank everybody for being so welcoming to me. As you know I had planned to have until January 1<sup>st</sup> to learn how the County worked and due to Commissioner Moreno's early retirement I had to step into this seat a bit early, so I'm learning on the job. But everybody from Olivia Romo, the liaison for District 5 on up and down the line in the County has been very welcoming and helpful. And I really, really appreciate that. And Commissioner Garcia, most of my hair is already white, but I guess the rest of it may still turn gray in the next four years. We'll see.

My intention, just so people know, and I'm glad that people have offered individual meetings with me and I'm going to try to do that with a lot of the key people at the County so that I really know everything that's going on so that I can be supportive. Thank you very much.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Commissioner Hughes. I ditto those same sentiments. We look forward to working with you. And I also want to just touch on what Commissioner Garcia mentioned as well, just reminding everybody to fill out their census. It's not going to take very long to get it down and it's really something that's really a positive impact on the State of New Mexico. So I would just encourage everybody to talk to neighbors and friends and family and get everybody that you know to fill in the census. It's going to make a huge difference for the State of New Mexico. So thank you very much, and thank you, Commissioners.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Mr. Chair, if I may, real quick.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: When I used to go to the Boys Club a long time ago, they used to be jumping off the diving board and doing this and that. One day I was standing by the swimming pool. They said, you don't know how to swim? And I said sure. So they pushed me. I went whoosh. I didn't know how to swim. So Commissioner Hughes, welcome. We're going to learn how to swim together. It's all good. Welcome aboard. We appreciate you being on the Board. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

# 8. B. Other Elected Officials' Issues and Comments, Including but not Limited to Constituent Concerns, Recognitions and Requests for Updates or Future Presentations

CHAIR ROYBAL: I know that we have our distinguished County Clerk here, Clerk Geraldine Salazar.

CLERK SALAZAR: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Thank you, Board. The County Clerk's Office has three divisions: the Recording Division, the Records Division, the Elections Bureau. We have many statutory responsibilities. Our office continues to conduct our public services in the interest of the public. Because of COVID-19 we have had to adjust our operations to meet all of our statutory responsibilities.

The 2020 elections, the primary we finished, and now we are gearing up for the general, have proven to be very challenging and we are working very hard to meet our mission to conduct free, fair, unbiased and secure elections. It is the responsibility of the County Clerk to determine the methods and means and personnel by which the County Clerk's Office's operations are to be conducted. We manage our responsibilities with a team model to meet all of our election and office responsibilities.

Elections carry an awesome responsibility in general. The 2020 election cycles have proven to be even more so and more than ever, it is the responsibility of the County Clerk to ensure that nothing interferes with the operations of the County Clerk's Office, be it politics, cybersecurity, electioneering, etc. Thank you to my staff, the BCC and County Management. With the continued work and assistance to ensure that the County Clerk's Office conducts free, fair, unbiased and secure elections.

The 2020 general election is less than two months away. I encourage all qualified voters to vote and make your voices heard. Thank you. There are many challenges. The County Clerk and her staff are up to those challenges. Thank you again.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you Madam Clerk. We appreciate it. Are there any other elected officials that would like to make announcements to their constituents?

MS. MASCARENAS: Mr. Chair, it doesn't look like any others have signed on.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Okay. Thank you, Ms. Mascarenas.

### 9. MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

MR. SHAFFER: Mr. Chair, if I could. While we don't have any specific items under Matters from the County Attorney I did want to address a housekeeping item from our last meeting on August 25<sup>th</sup>, mainly, at its August 25, 2020 meeting the Board of County Commissioners went into executive session at the end of the meeting and did not reconvene in open session. So I would therefore respectfully request that the minutes of this meeting reflect that the matters discussed during the August 25, 2020 executive session were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure. So I'm going to forward this statement to Wordswork for inclusion in the meeting minutes for this meeting and when the Board acts on those minutes it will be approving that statement as to substance. So I'd stand for any questions, but I did want to get that into the record as a

housekeeping item. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR ROYBAL: Thank you, Attorney Shaffer, we appreciate you doing that, sir.

#### 10. **CONCLUDING BUSINESS**

### **Announcements**

CHAIR ROYBAL: If there's not any other announcements then I'll entertain a motion to adjourn.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Mr. Chair. CHAIR ROYBAL: Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I'd just like to share the websites for the Neighbor to Neighbor Food Drive, which is thefooddepot.org, or you could mail a check to the Food Depot, Neighbor to Neighbor Fund Drive, at 122-A Siler Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87507, and a huge thanks from Linda and her team to all of us for everything that we're doing. So once again, it's thefooddepot.org. And the /n2n, Neighbor to Neighbor. So I just wanted to share that because she just sent that to me to get that out into the public. And I can share that with Daniel also.

CHAIR ROYBAL: That is great. Thank you, Commissioner Hansen.

#### B. Adjournment

Upon motion by Commissioner Garcia and second by Commissioner Hamilton, Chair Roybal declared this meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

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Board of County Commissioners Henry Roybal, Chair

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