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CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2000 - 38

COUNTY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2000 - 109

INTRODUCED BY:

Khely Mysel Chang

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A JOINT CITY/COUNTY RESOLUTION

INSTRUCTING STAFF TO INVESTIGATE PUBLIC ACQUISITION OF THE SANTA FE SOUTHERN RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY.

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WHEREAS, the City and County have stated the importance of developing alternative modes of regional transportation and efficient regional land use patterns in the City General Plan and County Growth Management Plan, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the City and County have expressed the importance of the railroad in Santa Fe's historical development and its importance to Santa Fe's future transportation system to serve a growing community; and

WHEREAS, public acquisition of the railroad right-of-way will facilitate public use of the railroad for commuter rail and recreational trail purposes by city and county residents, as well as visitors; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has authorized Ten Million Dollars, with an initial appropriation of Three Million Dollars, through the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century for the purpose of establishing commuter rail service to be operated locally; and

WHEREAS, the City and County desire to plan for the future by enabling the eventual establishment of a commuter rail program; and 1803370

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe Southern Railroad has expressed interest in public acquisition of the Railroad right-of-way for the purpose of establishing commuter rail service; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department commissioned a study of the Santa Fe Southern Railroad conducted by R.L. Banks & Associates that recommended "...that the public sector act sooner rather than later by seeking to purchase the corridor right-of-way and not waiting for a potential abandonment."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY
OF SANTA FE AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY
that:

- Section 1. The City of Santa Fe and Santa Fe County agree to explore public acquisition of the Santa Fe Southern Railroad right-of-way starting at the southwest corner of the St. Francis Drive/Cerrillos Road intersection and continuing south to Lamy for the purpose of initiating privately-operated commuter rail service.
- Section 2. The City Manager and County Manager are directed to establish a staff-level commuter rail working group to meet regularly to initiate actions that include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following activities:
 - A. Determine the appropriate strategy/entity for public acquisition.
- B. Enter into negotiations with Santa Fe Southern Railroad for public acquisition of the railroad right-of-way.
 - C. Requisition environmental assessments of the property to be considered for purchase.
- D. Requisition any necessary appraisals concerning the value of the property to be considered for purchase.

•	E. Draft a Joint Powers Agreement for public ownership of the railroad right-of-way and
2	oversight of the commuter Railroad.
3	F. Draft necessary operating lease agreements for a private operator to continue to provide
4	existing rail services and commuter rail service.
5	G. Prepare necessary Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant applications.
6	H. Analyze any and all short-term and long-term costs that could be associated with
7	future maintenance and operations of a commuter rail system or bus system.
8	Section 3. The staff-level working group will report regularly on its progress to the
9	City Council, County Commission, Regional Planning Authority and the Metropolitan Planning
10	Organization.
11	PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this day of, 2000.
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14	LARRY A. DELGADO, MAXOR
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18	YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK
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23	PETER A. DWYER, CITY ATTORNEY
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25	PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 29 day of August, 2000.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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RICHARD D. ANAYA, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

REBECCA BUSTAMANTE, COUNTY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM AND SUFFICIENCY:

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11	LARRY A. DELGADO, MAYOR				
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