THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - 066

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2021-071, AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION NOS. 2022-018, 2022-071, 2022-076, TO REPLACE THE POLLING PLACE/VOTER CONVENIENCE CENTER FOR THE CONSOLIDATED PRECINCT CONSISTING OF PRECINTS 4 AND 87; AND TO ELIMINATE A POLLING PLACE/VOTER CONVENIENCE CENTER FOR THE CONSOLIDATED PRECINCT CONSISTING OF PRECINCTS 11, 24, 25, 27, 33, 92, 130, 155, 159, AND 160

WHEREAS, Section 1-3-2, NMSA 1978 (2019), requires that, in June or July of each odd-numbered year, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) of Santa Fe County (County) by resolution must: (1) designate the polling place of each precinct in the County; (2) consolidate any precincts pursuant to Section 1-3-4, NMSA 1978 (2023); and (3) create additional polling places in existing precincts pursuant to Section 1-3-7.1, NMSA 1978 (1991); and

WHEREAS, on July 27, 2021, pursuant to Sections 1-3-2, 1-3-4, and 1-3-7.1, NMSA 1978, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2021-071 to consolidate precincts and designate the location of election day polling places in the County for the conduct of any statewide election conducted in calendar years 2022 and 2023; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2022, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2022-018, which amended Resolution No. 2021-071 to designate a new polling pace/voter convenience center (VCC) for consolidated precincts 14, 72, 88, 114, 126, and 150 and to reconsolidate precincts 26, 74, and, 109; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2022-018 reconsolidated precincts consisting of (1) precincts 11, 24, 25, 27, 33, 92, 130, 155, 159, and 160; (2) precincts 10, 22, 26, 28, 30, 91, 122, 123, and 131; (3) precincts 29, 38, 39, 49, 56, 96, 99, 105, 133, and 173; (4) precincts 35, 50, 51, 74, 76, 77, 117, and 124; (5) precincts 64, 67, 75, 106, 116, 137, 138, 140, 141, and 174; and (6) precincts 66, 80, 108, 109, 135, 136, and 145; and

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2022, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2022-071, which amended Resolution No. 2021-071 to reconsolidate the precincts consolidated by Resolution No.

2022-018; re-designate the Madrid Fire Station #5 as an additional VCC for the consolidated precinct consisting of precincts 14, 72, 88, 114, 126, and 150 for all elections in 2022 and 2023; designate the Mandela International Magnet School as an additional VCC for the consolidated precinct comprised of precincts 31, 32, 34, 41, 97, 98, and 178; designate the New Mexico School of the Arts as an additional VCC for consolidated precinct comprised of precincts 11, 24, 25, 27, 33, 92, 130, 155, 159, and 160; and designate the Carlos Gilbert Elementary School as an additional VCC consolidated precinct consisting of precincts 10, 22, 26, 28, 30, 91, 122, 123, and 131; and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2022, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2022-076, which amended Resolution No. 2022-071 to clarify that the designations of the Mandela International Magnet School and the New Mexico School of the Arts as VCCs by Resolution No. 2022-071 were effective only for elections to be held in 2023; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2021-071 designated the Nambé Pueblo Tribal Administrative Building as the VCC for the consolidated precinct consisting of precincts 4 and 87; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk's Office was recently informed that the Nambé Pueblo Tribal Administrative Building is no longer available as a VCC due to construction; and

WHEREAS, Nambé Pueblo has requested that the VCC be replaced with the Nambé Pueblo Housing Entity Building, located at 3 Oyegi Poe, for any statewide elections conducted in calendar year 2023, including the Regular Local Election to be held on November 7, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Nambé Pueblo Housing Entity Building is the most convenient and suitable public building in the consolidated precinct that can be obtained for use as a VCC; and

WHEREAS, the Nambé Pueblo Housing Entity Building VCC 1) complies with the provisions of Sections 1-3-4 and 1-3-7, NMSA 1978; 2) shall have a broadband internet connection and real-time access to the state-wide voter registration electronic management system, and is centrally located within the consolidated precinct; and 3) is accessible and compliant with the requirements of the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; and

WHEREAS, based upon past voting data, the County Clerk's Office anticipates that the volume of voters for statewide elections in calendar year 2023, including the Regular Local Election, will be lower than the volume of voters typically seen in years in which primary and general elections are held; and

WHEREAS, in particular, the County Clerk's Office anticipates a lower volume of election day voters at VCCs in or near the City of Santa Fe downtown area during statewide elections held in 2023; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk's Office has determined that the New Mexico School of the Arts is no longer needed as an additional VCC for the consolidated precincts consisting of precincts 11, 24, 25, 27, 33, 92, 130, 155, 159, and 160; and

WHEREAS, because of the anticipated lower volume of election day voters, the number of voter convenience centers for statewide elections to be held in calendar year 2023 can be reduced without inconveniencing voters; and

WHEREAS, will continue to serve as the VCC for the consolidated precincts consisting of precincts 11, 24, 25, 27, 33, 92, 130, 155, 159, and 160; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1-3-4(B)(2), NMSA 1978, "any voter of the county shall be allowed to vote on a regular ballot at any voter convenience center in the county; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-3-5(B) (2019), no precinct shall be created, divided, abolished or combined or the boundaries adjusted less than four months prior to a statewide election, except by order of the district court; and

WHEREAS, the next statewide election will be held on November 7, 2023, which more than four months after the date of this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Board hereby amends Section 3 of Resolution No. 2021-71, as amended by Resolution Nos. 2022-018, 2022-071, and 2022-076, as follows:

- Section 3 is amended by replacing "Nambe Pueblo Tribal Administrative Building, 15 Bayay Poe" with "Nambé Pueblo Housing Entity Building, 3 Oyegi Poe" as the Polling Place/Voting Convenience Center for the consolidated precinct consisting of precincts 4 and 87.
- 2. Section 3 is amended by deleting "New Mexico School of the Arts, 500 Montezuma Avenue" as the Polling Place/Voting Convenience Center for the consolidated precinct consisting of precincts 11, 24, 25, 27, 33, 92, 130, 155, 159, and 160. The designation of Gonzales Community School, 851 W. Alameda Street, as the VCC for the consolidated precinct consisting of 11, 24, 25, 27, 33, 92, 130, 155, 159, and 160 shall remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the Secretary of State and to the County Chair of each of the major political parties.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this day of June, 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OF SANDA FE COUNTY

Anna C. Hansen, Chair

ATTEST: Katharine E. Clark, Santa Fe County Clerk	Date: 60/29/2012
	William WIN Francisco

Approved As To Form:

Jeff Young, Santa Fe County Attorney

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss

I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for Record On The 3RD Day Of July, 2023 at 08:34:41 AM And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 2014969 Of The Records Of Santa Fe County

Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office
Katharine E. Clark

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