## THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY

## RESOLUTION NO. 2023-073

## A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE SANTA FE COUNTY TRANSIT SERVICE PLAN FOR FY 2024 AND TO DIRECT STAFF TO SUBMIT THAT TRANSIT SERVICE PLAN TO THE NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County Resolution 2003-108 states that multi-jurisdictional transportation systems would protect our environment and enhance energy efficiency, decrease congestion, decrease automobile accidents, reduce noise and air pollution and improve public health;

WHEREAS, the North Central Regional Transit District (NCRTD) was created by agreement of the City of Espanola, Los Alamos County, Pojoaque Pueblo, Rio Arriba County, San Ildefonso Pueblo, San Juan Pueblo, Santa Clara Pueblo, the City of Santa Fe, Santa Fe County (the County) and Tesuque Pueblo in 2004;

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County Ordinance 2008-14, which imposed a County Regional Transit Gross Receipts Tax of one eighth of one percent (.125%), states that "Revenue from the county regional transit gross receipts tax will be used for the management, construction or operation of a public transit system or for specific public transit projects or services pursuant to the Regional Transit District Act;

WHEREAS, the NCRTD considers the County to be a critical participant in the regional transportation strategy and is willing to work closely with the County to assure that regional transportation needs are met and that the Rail Runner continues to be a well-used mode of public transportation;

WHEREAS, the 2015 Santa Fe County General Plan, the Sustainable Growth Management Plan, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners by Resolutions 2015-155 states under Policy 33.3 "Coordinate with RTD and other entities to evaluate public transit routes and enhance existing transit services (both to existing areas and to areas of new development) to match population demands and future growth to provide an efficient alternative to personal vehicle use;"

WHEREAS, for FY 2023 the NCRTD funded various transportation routes within Santa Fe County contained in the FY 2023 regional transit plan submitted to the NCRTD on behalf of the County and the City of Santa Fe;

WHEREAS, in 2021, the NCRTD adopted a Short Range Transit Service Plan identifying new and future transit services for the 2021-2028 timeframe, and the routes described in the FY 2024 Santa Fe County Regional Transit Service Plan are consistent with the Short-Range Transit Plan;

WHEREAS, the NCRTD is requesting an FY 2024 Santa Fe County Regional Transit Service Plan by July 25 of 2023 and this resolution is designed to respond to that request;

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County has considered the existing NCRTD Service Plan and the proposed NCRTD budget for FY 2024, which indicates that there is sufficient funding to continue to provide service for all routes currently being funded by the regional gross receipts tax dollars and other federal grant monies, including all of the existing routes in Santa Fe County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County (BCC) desires for staff to submit to the NCRTD a Santa Fe County Regional Transit Plan which includes all routes currently being served in the County.

## NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- The BCC hereby adopts the FY 2024 Santa Fe County Regional Transit Plan attached hereto as Exhibit A;
- The BCC hereby directs staff to submit the FY 2024 Santa Fe County Regional Transit Plan to the NCRTD.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS DAY OF JULY, 2023

SANTA FE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Chair

ATTEST:

Katharine E. Clark Santa Fe County Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:** 

Jeff S Young

Santa Fe County Attorney

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COUNTY OF SANTA FE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for Record On The 12TH Day Of July, 2023 at 07:06:50 AM And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 2015507 Of The Records Of Santa Fe County

> Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office Katharine E. Clark



