

SANTA FE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

**REGULAR MEETING
(Administrative Items)**

July 25, 2000 - 1:00 P.M.

Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners will hold a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, July 25, 2000, at 1:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at the County Administration Building, 102 Grant Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico. The Indigent Hospital Claims Board will meet at 1:00 p.m., and the Board of County Commissioners' regular meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m.

Copies of the Agenda for the July 25, 2000, meeting will be available at the office of the County Manager prior to said meeting.

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Amended Agenda

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Approval of Agenda**
 - A. Amendments**
 - B. Tabled or Withdrawn Items**
- V. Approval of Minutes**
- VI. Consent Calendar:**
 - A. Resolution No. 2000-77 A Resolution Requesting a Transfer from the General Obligation Bond Fund to the GOB Debt Service Fund to Budget Interest Revenue for Debt Service Expenditure in Fiscal Year 2000 (Finance Department)**
 - B. Resolution No. 2000-78 A Resolution Requesting a Transfer from the Open Space GOB 1999 Series Fund to the GOB Debt Service Fund to Budget Interest Revenue for Debt Service Expenditure in Fiscal Year 2000 (Finance Department)**
 - C. Resolution No. 2000-79 A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the State Special Appropriations Fund/Agua Fria Park Improvements to Budget Fiscal Year 2000 Cash Balance for Expenditure in Fiscal Year 2001 (Resource Development Department)**
 - D. Resolution No. 2000-80 A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the General Fund /Region III Grant Program to Budget the Final Grant Amount Awarded for Expenditure in Fiscal Year 2001 (County Sheriff's Office)**

- E. Resolution No. 2000-81 A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the Fire Tax Revenue Bond Fund to Budget Fiscal Year 2000 Cash Balance for Expenditure in Fiscal Year 2001 (Fire Department)
- F. Resolution No. 2000-82 A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the EMS Fund to Adjust the Actual Allotted State EMS Revenue for Expenditure in Fiscal Year 2001 (Fire Department)
- G. Resolution No. 2000-83 A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the Fire Protection Fund to Budget Impact Fees for Pojoaque and La Cienega Fire Districts for Expenditure in Fiscal Year 2001 (Fire Department)
- H. Request Ratification of a Tourism Cooperative Agreement with the New Mexico Department of Tourism for Advertising Services (Finance Department)
- I. Request Authorization to Accept and Award a Price Agreement to the Lowest Responsive Bidder, IFB 20-37, for the Uniforms for the Santa Fe County Fire Department (Fire Department)
- J. Ratification of a Proclamation to Declare July 23, 2000, "Dr. Arturo Gonzales Day" in Santa Fe County for His Outstanding Service and Commitment to the Community

VII. Administrative Items:

- A. Committee Expirations/Resignations/Vacancies:
- B. Committee Appointments:

VIII. Presentations & Awards:

- A. Recognition of Captain Tom Beaty for His Years of Service to Santa Fe County
- B. Update by the Santa Fe Business Incubator

IX. Staff and Elected Officials Items:

A. Community, Health & Economic Development Department

- 1. Request Authorization to Enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with San Ildefonso Pueblo for a Youth Alcohol Prevention Program
- 2. Request Authorization to Enter into a Lease with Option to Purchase with Bureau of Land Management for the La Puebla Recreation Area

B. Finance Department

- 1. Resolution No. 2000- A Resolution Adopting the Fiscal Year 2000-2001 (FY2001) Budget

C. Fire Department

1. Resolution No. 2000- A Resolution Authorizing County Staff to Pursue the Development of a Regional Emergency Communications Center with the City of Santa Fe
2. Resolution No. 2000- A Resolution Replacing Resolution No. 1998-116 to Commission and Authorize Certain Land Use Department Staff, the County Fire Marshal and the County Fire Protection Specialists to Issue Citations of Violations of County Ordinances
3. Request Authorization to Enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Santa Fe for Emergency Services

D. Land Use Department

1. Request Authorization to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Santo Domingo Pueblo Regarding Water Issues
2. Resolution No. 2000- A Resolution in Support of a Settlement Agreement Between the Pueblo of Santo Domingo and the United States to Resolve Long Standing Title and Trespass Disputes

E. Resource Development Department

1. Request Authorization to Enter into a Contract with IBM for Software and Hardware Maintenance on the AS/400

F. Public Works Department

1. Resolution No. 2000- A Resolution Accepting County Road 36C Extension

G. Matters from the County Manager, Samuel O. Montoya

1. Request Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the City of Santa Fe to House City Inmates at the Santa Fe County Detention Facility
2. Discussion on Jail Issues for Santa Fe County

H. Matters of Public Concern - NON-ACTION ITEMS

I. Matters from the Commission

1. Discussion of County Road 62 - Design Improvements of Road and Sidewalk
2. Discussion of and Appointment to the City of Santa Fe's Wastewater Reuse Advisory Task Force

J. Matters from the County Attorney

- 1. Request Authorization to Publish the Title and a General Summary of an Ordinance Prohibiting Parking of Vehicles within Areas Indicated by Signage as "No Parking" Areas in Santa Fe County and Providing for Penalties for Violation of this Ordinance**
- 2. Executive Session:**
 - a. Discussion of Possible Acquisition of Real Property or Water Rights**
 - b. Discussion of Pending or Threatened Litigation**
 - c. Limited Personnel Matters**

X. Public Hearings:

- A. Seeking Community Input for Proposed Projects for the Fiscal Year 2001 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan (ICIP)**
- B. Ordinance No. 2000- An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1999-6, Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Ordinance, Section 10, Allowing Permits to Be Transferred**
- C. Discussion of Possible Acquisition of the Villa Rivera/Marion Hall Property and Possible Financing Options**

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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REGULAR MEETING

JULY 25, 2000

Richard Anaya, Commission Chairman

Paul Duran, Commissioner

Javier Gonzales, Commissioner

Joe S. Griñé, Jr., Commissioner

Marcos Trujillo, Commissioner [excused]

SANTA FE COUNTY
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This regular meeting of the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners was called to order at approximately 1:40 p.m. by Chairman Richard Anaya, in the Santa Fe County Commission Chambers, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Roll Call preceded the Pledge of Allegiance and indicated the presence of a quorum follows:

Members Present:

Commissioner Richard Anaya, Chairman
Commissioner Joe S. Griñé, Jr.
Commissioner Paul Duran
Commissioner Javier Gonzales

Members Absent:

Commissioner Marcos Trujillo

IV. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
A. **Amendments**
B. **Tabled or withdrawn items**

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Are there any amendments, deletions?
SAMUEL MONTTOYA (County Manager): Mr. Chairman, members of the Board, we have two amendments on today's agenda. If you would please go to page 3 of the agenda, items IX. G. 2, Discussion on jail issues for Santa Fe County, and item IX. I. 2, Discussion of and appointment of the City of Santa Fe Reuse Advisory Task Force. Those are the two amendments to today's agenda, Mr. Chairman. There are no items for tabling.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you.
COMMISSIONER DURAN: Mr. Chairman, I was wondering if the Board would allow me to bring one item from Matters from the Commission, which is Discussion of County Road 62, design improvements of road and sidewalk. I have a lot of my

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constituents from District 2 that came today to discuss the design improvements and it's item
I. 1. Just so that they could leave and not stay through the whole meeting, I was wondering
if I could just bring that up.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Let's bring it up after the Consent Calendar.
COMMISSIONER DURAN: Okay.

Commissioner Griñé moved to approve the agenda as amended and Commissioner
Duran seconded. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- June 27, 2000

Commissioner Griñé moved to approve the June 27 minutes as submitted.
Commissioner Duran seconded and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

- July 6, 2000

Commissioner Duran moved to approve the minutes of the July 6 meeting as presented
and Commissioner Griñé seconded. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

MR. MONTTOYA: Mr. Chairman, we would ask the Board to look at items
VI. A through J, and if there are any issues that the Commission would like to pull out and
discuss more thoroughly we would be happy to oblige, Mr. Chairman. We would
recommend adoption of the Consent Calendar.

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CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you, Sam. Are there any items on the Consent Calendar that want to be scrutinized?

COMMISSIONER DURAN: I think I have one. The one I'm not real clear about is item A. Would you like for the Manager to explain it?

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Are you wanting an explanation on --

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Yes, a resolution requesting a transfer from the general obligation fund to the GOB debt service fund.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, I'll defer to Ms. Miller.

KATHERINE MILLER (Finance Director): Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, any interests that we earn on proceeds from general obligation bonds, the first two items, A. and B. are for the general obligation bonds which we have not spent, that's the open space and also the road and water one, those proceeds are invested and any interest that we earn on those has to be transferred by statute to the debt service fund. It goes to help pay the interest and principal and them.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Okay. I'm fine then.

Commissioner Gonzales moved blanket approval of the Consent Calendar. Commissioner Duran seconded and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote. [Commissioner Griñé was not present for this vote.]

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IX. I. MATTERS FROM THE COMMISSION

1. Discussion of County Road 62 - Design improvements of road and sidewalk

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Maybe it would be good for Robert Martinez to come on up. I asked Robert to be here today. I received numerous calls from my constituents in District 2 relative to improvements that are being done to Agua Street, Agua Fria Road as a result of the improvements that were done to County Road 62. And the bottom line is that there is a section of road where it's narrow and they're not going to be able to put sidewalks on this one section if they keep the road -- is it 32 feet?

ROBERT MARTINEZ (Acting Public Works Director): Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, it's two 14-foot driving surfaces, two 14-foot lanes.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: And what happens is we have sidewalks up until that point and then people who are on the sidewalks have to jump into the street to get through that area. And in talking to Mr. Martinez and with the residents out there, we met yesterday and I think we arrived at a solution to it, where we would do two 12-foot driving lanes and provide a sidewalk on one side. Is that correct?

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, that is correct.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: And I think we agreed in concept, I just wanted to bring that forward for the Commission so that we could give Robert direction because it does vary from the design standards. It just seems to me that it's a matter of safety for pedestrians and there are areas along Agua Fria that are even narrower than 24 feet. So I was asking for the Board to authorize Robert to change that design. What's the process involved in doing that, Robert?

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, we will get the design firm to just reconfigure that short stretch.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Commissioner Duran, it sounds like a practical request. I think the consensus among the Commissioners is to give direction.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I have a question for Commissioner Duran or the staff. With the modification in the design, does it pose any safety issues to traffic on the road? It seems to me that there's some design standards in place to assure traffic safety. I know that there's a case to be said for widening roads sometimes makes people speed a lot more than having narrow roads but I know that that -- I mean I travel the road every day and I know that it becomes very heavily congested and there are kids that are playing along the roadside so I guess I want to ask Commissioner Duran if he feels comfortable that the modification of the design or the request to modify the design won't impose any safety risks to motorists or neighbors living in the area or children who might be playing in that area.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Well, I think it's going to require more than just narrowing it. I think there's going to have to be some signage. I think if you have signs that could indicate that the road narrows there and maybe even lower the speed limit.

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I don't know. That's something you'd probably need to analyze, but I think if you weigh the risk of someone, a pedestrian being hit by a car versus any other issues that might come up because of the narrow of the road at that one section. It's not a big section. It actually, it's just before they get to the stop sign, so it's not like they're going to be traveling 35 miles an hour and it's going to narrow. They're going to be stopping to brake for the stop sign.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: So if there's going to be a narrowing of the road that may be ideal because there's already a sign there.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Fortunately we had that situation.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I just wanted to make sure that with any direction we send with the modifications of design that we don't -- I know it's something we always talk about, but that we don't create additional safety risks as a result of the change in the design. If you feel comfortable, Mr. Chairman, I'm willing to support the request.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Okay.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: I feel comfortable.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Then the direction is set then, Robert.

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, I'd just like to make one comment. The entire road is designed to have 14-foot shared driving lanes, which is enough for a vehicle and a bicycle path, and ample room for a vehicle to pull off the road and not impact the normal flow of traffic in the event that somebody has to pull over. Necking it down to two 12-foot driving lanes will eliminate the space for people to pull over, but it's probably about 300 feet.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: And again, they're coming to a stop sign so maybe they can find another place to pull over.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Okay then. The direction is given so you understand the request.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Mr. Chairman, one other matter, which I hope the Commission will indulge me a little bit more here. There was also some concern from the community that the design, the improvements being done to County Road 62, because they required some work to be done to Agua Fria Street as a result of completing the 62 project, that the community didn't have an opportunity to offer any input or even be made aware of what was happening there. So I was also asking if we could give staff direction to set up a meeting with the community and publish that meeting so that they are made aware of what's happening.

I know that we talked about having the meeting to discuss Phase 2 but it would be nice for me to know and I think for my district to know exactly what else is going to happen along that section of road that Public Works has determined is necessary to complete the 62 work.

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, back in 1997 we did hold some public meetings and provided input. We solicited input from the community. That's why we came up with this design and residents in Phase 1 and Phase 2 were included.

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But we will agree to conduct another public meeting if that's your wish.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Because I think that may have occurred but they still feel that it's impacting the neighborhood and the village to the extent that they would like to have a little bit more input or at least be knowledgeable about what's going on. There was some concern that the work that we did on Agua Fria Street, and actually along 62 was beyond the scope of the archeological study that was done. I know you sent me a map yesterday, but I really couldn't see where that point ended. I know that someone from the State office is here that would kind of like to ask us some questions about that.

MR. MARTINEZ: Right. Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, the fax that I sent you yesterday showed the project area in a circle and that circle is roughly about a quarter of a mile east of County Road 62 and Agua Fria intersection. So the area that we are improving right now is well within that project area that we did get approval from Glenna Dean and her office.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: So to ask your indulgence just a little bit more, I was wondering if you might allow some public comment to take place addressing this issue, or would you prefer that it happens at Matters from the Public. The only thing is if we do it under Matters from the Public it kind of defeats the reason why I brought it forward.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: I thought direction was already set and your request was going to be reconsidered.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Well, what other work is planned for that section of the road between now and when we would have a meeting?

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, I'll let Ted Barber respond to that. He is in charge of the project.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Well, let me ask you a better question then. Is there going to be additional work performed on that section of road before we have the meeting.

MR. MARTINEZ: I believe Phase 2 begins right there where the Lichtenstein property is and from east of there is in Phase 2, which has not even been awarded yet.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: So east of --

MR. MARTINEZ: The Lichtenstein property.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: So the only improvements that are going to be done as part of County Road 62 project is the paving that we're talking about that's going to be two 12-feet and a sidewalk and there won't be any other work besides that?

MR. MARTINEZ: I believe that's the end of that project.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Okay. That's fine. Thank you, Robert.

MR. MARTINEZ: Can I ask something for clarification? Would you like the public meeting prior to awarding the contract for Phase 2? Or after we have a contractor on board?

COMMISSIONER DURAN: No, I'd like to do it before the award is made so that if there are some modifications that need to be made that the community feels and

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that the Board of County Commissioners supports, that we can have those changes incorporated into the plan prior to awarding it to somebody. So I guess time is of the essence. We need to do it as soon as possible because I know you're getting ready to put it out.

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, I believe we're bidding it out in September or October.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Good. Okay, well I hope that kind of addressed the community's concerns out there and I know that a lot of you were here to discuss this issue. I guess, it sounds to me like we want to move on in our agenda so if you wanted to stay and have some input or some comment you could wait for matters from the floor. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- A. Committee Expirations, resignations, vacancies
- B. Committee appointments

None were presented.

VIII. PRESENTATION AND AWARDS

- A. Recognition of Captain Tom Beaty for his years of service to Santa Fe County

BENJIE MONTANO (County Undersheriff): Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman, Commissioners.

We've gone to many meetings together and one of the things we talk about is how important it is for law enforcement and citizens to work together if you want to get anything done. Captain Tom Beaty has volunteered 16 years of his life to Santa Fe County in the area of law enforcement. He's volunteered under four sheriffs: Armijo, Valdez, myself and now Sisneros.

He owns and operates a local electric company and besides running that business, he's spent hundreds of thousands of hours in the last 16 years volunteering time to Santa Fe County. He did such things as provide security for people having functions, dances, fundraisers. He's helped out on patrol when we've been short. He's helped out the agents doing narcotic search warrants. He's helped the investigators secure scenes when we've had violent crimes. He's helped provide dignitary protection for three presidents, some of their wives and other dignitaries that have come to Santa Fe in assisting the County and the City.

Many of the people who have worked under Tom Beaty are now presently employed either with us, the Santa Fe City Police Department or State Police. One of them in particular is now a lieutenant with the City Police. So he's done a real good job attracting

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people that would make us look good and work hard for the City.

Tom, like I said, ended with the rank of captain. I've known Tom since he was a basketball star at Santa Fe High School and have been very proud to have known him throughout these years, even though he's a Demon. That's between he and I. I've got two awards to present to him. Tom, if you could come forward.

The first one reads, "In appreciation for volunteering years of service to the Santa Fe County Sheriff's Department and your community to ensure public safety. Captain Thomas Beaty, 1983 -1999." The second is something Sheriff Sisneros put together and is actually his cap insignia and his breast badge and a shoulder patch from the Sheriff's Department and it just reads, "Thomas Beaty, Santa Fe County Sheriff's Department."

Thank you, Tom, for everything that you've done for us and we'll continue to be friends and see you throughout my time here anyway.

VIII. B. Update by the Santa Fe Business Incubator

MARIE LONGSERRE: My name is Marie Longserre. I'm the president of Santa Fe Business Incubator. I have some materials I'd like to hand out to the Commissioners and I'd like to introduce Mr. Don Garcia of our board of directors.

DON GARCIA: Chairman Anaya, fellow Commissioners, a little bit of something about myself. I'm owner and operator of Perfection Auto Craft of Santa Fe and Albuquerque. I've been operating in Santa Fe for the past ten years and having graduated from the College of Santa Fe, I've been a resident of Santa Fe for about 25 years in total. I don't want to go into any more detail because I'll probably reveal my age.

Having said that sir, I have been a member or on the advisory board of business advisors for the Santa Fe Incubator for the last year and a half or so. I've found that with my experiences with that advisory board that as a young business there, struggling to make it in Santa Fe, and there's a resource there that provides these new businesses with an opportunity to grow and expand and hopefully ultimately provide for employment in the Santa Fe area.

Having experienced that in the last year and a half I can only say that ten years ago when I started my business I wish I had had that kind of support. I have found with the board of directors, which I now have become a member of, to continue my work with the Santa Fe Incubator, once again I have found that the members of the board, the staff of the Santa Fe Incubator are extremely sincere about promoting economic opportunities for the Santa Fe area. They look to the grassroots level and provide the resources in whatever ways, subsidized rents, grant application processes, anything to help the young businessman or the young business person, as I should say to be politically correct.

I cannot see more than just success for the Santa Fe Incubator. They are in the process of quadrupling, two-thirds will be added to that facility. They're going to be

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building a 20,000 square foot facility. They currently reside in 10,000 square feet and they use that to its ultimate potential. With that, and having offered this endorsement, I would like to turn this over back to Marie and she can present you with further information. If there are any questions from the board I'd be happy to answer them.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Don, so would you say that the Santa Fe Incubator was instrumental in your business, achieving its success?

MR. GARCIA: Actually, there was never any involvement with the Santa Fe Incubator when I first started my business. I had prayed at that time that I would have some help and there was nothing like that around. They're quite an innovative group. I pretty much did it on my own. My reason for getting involved is that I think I can offer back to the community in the form of offering support to other businesses to be able to be successful and thrive in the Santa Fe area.

As you probably know, if you turn around and combine all the small businesses in the country, they employ a substantial amount of our work force. Forget about Intel and forget about the big corporations and so forth, the small businessman is the driving force of the economy of this country.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: I agree.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: My question is, what kind of services does the incubator offer to businesses that are starting up? We had a presentation made by a gentleman from Littleton, Colorado. You might have been there for that.

MR. GARCIA: Sure.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: And I'm real interested in pursuing that kind of assistance, which is government-based, to the businesses, our local businesses. That economic garden that we've been -- everyone's been talking about economic gardening and this guy from Littleton, I thought he was so impressive, all the different things that the city does to increase revenues for local businesses. It's amazing.

I guess what I'd like to know is if you were at that seminar or at that meeting, how does the incubator work into that concept?

MR. GARCIA: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, I was not at that meeting, but I would like to simply defer to Marie Longserre, who can inform you much better than I can.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Thank you.

MS. LONGSERRE: Thank you, Don. Mr. Garcia is one of the dedicated local business professionals who spends his time with his clients, and that is one of the hearts, part of the heart of the service that we offer our clients is the knowledge and expertise and experience of a wide range of business professionals, both active and retired in our community that come and work one on one with our clients, mentor them and coach them. In addition, we have an ongoing seminar and workshop series. We bring guest speakers from throughout the region to come and talk with our clients. We have a full library, resource room, software.

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I was just informed this morning that we will next week be getting a check for a program sponsored by US West, now Qwest to teach e-commerce and telecommunications to tech companies within the incubator. We have adopted the best practices of incubators nationwide through the National Business Incubator Association. And we try and offer the widest range possible of support and services, not only on our own, but through a collaborative group of over 13 other agencies, loan programs, small business support programs throughout our community that partner with us, including the national labs.

I would like also for you to hear what our former chairman of the board, Mr. Bob Skylar has to tell you a little bit about today in terms of the economic impact that this program has already had and what they expect the economic impact is going to be of Phase 2.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: I would like for -- I think that we need to take this economic development business to another level. I really got behind what the city of Littleton has done for their community. The story they came up with where the guy was making flags in this community and they went to this department at the city and it was like a think tank. They all sat down and figured out a way of how to increase sales of his business, of his product, and they went to the building permit at the county, the building permit department at the city and they did mailing lists of people that were starting to build their buildings so he started selling flags there. It really kind of kick-started his business.

I don't know if the incubator does something like that where it's kind of a think tank where you go in, you analyze the business and you start thinking about how you can promote the product that this business is doing.

MS. LONGSERRE: Absolutely. Of course we don't have quite the resources that Littleton does at this point.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: The reason I'm saying this is I think that in the next year or so you're going to see a concerted effort being made by the City and the County to try to pull those resources together using our GIS Departments and I think there's just so much more we can do. I hope that as we move forward in this effort that you kind of recognize what Littleton did and try to incorporate some of their ideas and their philosophies.

MS. LONGSERRE: We couldn't agree more. We're very excited about that model. I believe, if you recall someone asked about incubators to the gentleman and he said they didn't have a lot of experience but if an incubator offers specific assistance and help individually to each company, then they become the best model possible. And that is what we do. And in the booklet I handed out, if you look toward the back, you'll see a list of our council business advisors and where these people are coming from, what types of experience they have, and we couldn't be prouder of the people who have volunteered to be part of this program.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: Mr. Chairman, just a comment before Mr. Skylar comes up. To address Commissioner Duran's points that he brought up, I agree with him. I think that over the next year there's going to be a concerted effort between the City

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and the County to create and foster an environment of entrepreneur spirit. I think that once that's done, once that's created, there needs to be a place where people can turn to to turn that entrepreneur spirit into reality and into a full-blown business. That's why I think it's important that this business incubator continue to be supported because that's where they would start.

It takes individuals wanting to go into business, wanting to succeed, but then it takes enormous resources. If we, the community can create an incubator that will provide that resource and provide that Council of Business Advisors, then I think that that helps us create more prosperous opportunities for lots of local residents. I think what we need to be careful about and it will be interesting to hear a little bit about your tenants is we tend to focus on new economy issues, on high tech and we get excited about it. I know I get excited about it, about the Internet and about what technology can mean for this community, but that doesn't have to be and should not be the end-all solution.

It seems that every individual in this community of the type of business they want to be in. It could be anything from having a landscape business to being a painter, washing windows, whatever it is, they just have to have that commitment within themselves that they want to go out and build a business. So I'm really pleased. I have friends who use the incubator. I think it's proven itself and I think that we need to continue to support it and provide that key resource for small businesses to turn to when they need help or assistance from people like Mr. Skylar and others who have already been successful in business and who can lend some wisdom, because often that's what it takes, more so than money sometimes.

Money's the least of an individual's problem. A lot of it is how do you make strategic decisions so that your company can grow. How do you position yourself in a market so that your product can be accepted. And that's something that money doesn't necessarily buy but certainly the individuals on this advisory board can serve to offer years of wisdom of being in business to provide that type of counsel. I appreciate what you guys have done and hopefully look forward to continue supporting your programs.

MS. LONGSERRE: Thank you, Commissioner Gonzales. I'd like to introduce at this time Mr. Bob Skylar who served as the chair of the board for the last two terms. He's on our executive committee of the board at this time.

BOB SKYLAR: Chairman Anaya, Commissioners, I have another hat that I wear and I'm almost inclined to put it on. I'm also the vice chair of Santa Fe Economic Development, which is the organization as I think probably most of you know some of imported the concept of economic gardening from Chris Gibbons up in Colorado and has been involved in the development of that. And in the development of that economic gardening plan, certainly the incubator is an important part. It's in one corner of that garden and it talks about start-ups and entrepreneurship.

There are other parts of that garden for established businesses that won't necessarily come into the incubator but need the same level of support. I guess that what I'm telling you

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is that from the point of view of the incubator, we understand the game plan. We know what our role is and we'll play it. There is a larger job to be done in the larger community, as Commissioner Duran suggested, and that's what we're about in trying to build a collaborative effort in the community, including the County and the City to do a good job in economic development. So we're all on the same page, maximize the use of limited resources and we have a single objective.

So now I'll take my SFEDI hat off and put my incubator hat back on. I would like to thank you for the opportunity to tell you a little bit more about who we are and what we've done and then I'll let Marie fill in the details and then we'll answer any questions. Hopefully we will have answered them in the course of what we had to say.

In sort of giving you the update, I'd like to talk about essentially five areas of interest, namely who we are, where we came from, what we've accomplished, where we are going and, in a nutshell, what's all this mean to Santa Fe. I will tell you I'm not going to drag you through all of the economics contained in this report, which Marie gave you. But this is an analysis done by Southwest Planning and Marketing. It was commissioned by the City to look at two aspects of the incubator. One, how did we do versus their estimate of our success in Phase 1, which as Don said was the 10,000 square foot incubator that we built 2 1/2 years ago, and two, what are their estimates of the impact of Phase 2, which we are about to begin, which will be the addition of 20,000 square feet.

When we are done we will have, and we're committed to do so, a 30,000 square foot facility sitting at the corner of Airport Road and Paseo del Sol. This report again which you have talks about their estimates of the outcomes. But who we are -- we are a board of 15 people, all local people, mostly business, although not entirely, who are very focussed on achieving three objectives. One, we're here to promote economic growth, and I would just add as a descriptor of that, the kind of economic growth that those of you who heard Chris Gibbons talk about, that's what we're about here. And Commissioner Gonzales, we have high tech people out there. We also have a harp maker, we have a janitorial service, furniture people, wood workers, so we are in the trade what is known as a mixed use incubator and basically what we say is we'll take anybody that we think has a good chance of succeeding in small business.

Our second objective is to foster the diversification of our economy, to diversify away from the tourism business and from simply government. And third, in the course of achieving the first two objectives is to create employment for the citizens of greater Santa Fe. As I said, we do that in the context of understanding what our role is in terms of growing the economic garden, and we're prepared to do that.

We came from, for those of you who are not familiar with the background here and again, this is spelled out in some of the material that you have. The incubator is a product of the Chamber of Commerce Small Business Committee, maybe five years ago an initiative was launched by the Chamber headed by Bruce Herr and actively supported by Mayor Jaramillo, and that resulted in a funding in the amount of about \$1 million which built the

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first 10,000 square foot facility, which opened in December, 1997.

The incubator receives most of its outside support from the County and the City. Approximately around 50 percent of that is government support and the other 50 percent is from tenant rentals, rentals we collect from the companies that occupy the incubator. What we've accomplished, as of today, we can count 85 new jobs created in 30 months and we fully expect that number to hit 100 by year-end. We are housing 16 small companies and now have four affiliates, which are companies that we offer the services of the incubator, including our Council of Business Advisors and people like Don Garcia. We have four of those, so we're now supporting 20 companies.

We are 100 percent occupied. To date we've paid down, we initially incurred \$400,000 worth of debt to build this facility. We've managed to pay down \$200,000 of that. Along the way we've gathered some rather, I think impressive recognition which only speaks to the kind of facility that we run and the services we provide. In our mind, probably the most important of that was an award by the National Business Incubator Association, which is an association of 600 incubators in the United States. They recognized Dick Martinez and his son Ricardo who I think you went to school with Ricardo, Commissioner Gonzalez, as the national service company of the year in 1998, which is an extraordinary honor, which certainly they earned because it took an extraordinary effort to get that job done.

The incubator as an institution has been awarded an excellence award by the American Planning Association. HUD has awarded us a best practices award for what we call our business opportunity program, which is a support program offered to low and middle income companies. We've been formally recognized by the state and by both the legislature and the governor for our contributions to the state of New Mexico.

We have our most recent significant accomplishment was the pulling together of the Council of Business Advisors and you have material which identifies those individuals. At last count I think we were up to 21. Those are both retire old guys like me and not-retired young guys like Don Garcia. Basically, we are there to offer the value of 10, 15, 20, 30 years of business experience to these start-up companies.

Where we are going, we are about to launch what we call our Phase 2 expansion, which as I said will bring another 20,000 square feet, and if the ratio of companies to square feet holds, we would expect that we will have 30 to 35 new companies in addition to the 16 that we have, so we could be in the range in a couple of years of 45 to 50 companies in the incubator being supported.

It's a \$3 million undertaking which has several parts. One is to build the 20,000 square foot addition. We needed money to fund the start-up, because basically the incubator is still a start-up company. We are in the second phase of our start-up. There is some work that needs to be done on our first phase, and we would like to pay down the remainder of that debt. We have raised or have committed about 75 percent of the \$3 million. We have advertised for a construction coordinator and we will be advertising for the bid for the facility itself within the next couple of weeks.

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We expect to be fully operational out there some time in the year 2002. One of the consequences, looking at it internally is that by virtue of expanding the facility we will be able to become much more economically self sufficient than we are today. 10,000 square feet we cannot raise enough rental income given the competitive rates in the community to service all of our needs. But as we expand and get some scale we will move further up the self sufficiency scale.

What does this mean to Santa Fe? As I said, the devil's in the details and at some point you can take a look at the materials that we've given you and if you have any questions you can have Sam call us or you can give us a call. But basically, the bottom line is that we exceeded all the planning assumptions on Phase 1 and we believe that these assumptions on Phase 2 are similarly conservative. Of course, only time will tell, but as you can see as you look at this material that the expectation is that over a ten-year period the incubator will create something in the order of 1,600 jobs, that the supporters of the incubator will receive present value returns in terms of property and gross receipts taxes on the order of four to five times their investment in the incubator.

On an annual basis that means about 170 jobs a year and a payroll of six million bucks. From the narrow point of view at the moment of the County, this projection would say that you will get, in terms of both property and gross receipts taxes, the returns will exceed your contributions and investment. The bottom line here is that incubators have proven, and this is borne out by studies by the US Department of Commerce, to be the most cost-efficient means of economic development in the United States. We believe the Santa Fe Business Incubator is proof of that fact.

So with your continued interest and investment, we're pretty certain that this incubator will continue to play the role it has in the past two and a half years and we will grow a healthy and economic garden in Santa Fe. Again, thank you for your time and your support. We appreciate it very much. Any questions of me?

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you, sir.

MS. LONGSERRE: You're not supposed to get up in public and correct your boss, but I'm going to do that now. Bob is probably grinning. Based on an informal survey, we've now created more than 100 jobs, rather than the 80 or 85 that we had the last time that we asked everybody, so I'm proud to be able to report that, and that's just going to keep growing.

One of the gurus in our industry said one time that what we're in the business of doing here is helping entrepreneurs overcome the stress and isolation of starting a new business, because it is very difficult.

I would like to thank the County Commissioners for the support that the incubator has enjoyed and for the collaboration of the County and the staff here. This is such a fine example of a coordination of effort between federal, state, regional, county and city, and we've been recognized for that in Washington and I think every one of you should be very proud. I certainly am every time I represent this organization. I want to assure you that our

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clients come from all areas of the county, from Eldorado, from Madrid, from points way off grid where they are operating under solar electricity and we couldn't find them if we wanted to.

And my final job here today is to be sure and ask for the money and the continued support. As you heard, we're at a very critical juncture in our growth. Phase 2 will allow us to bring this to the optimal level to support and sustain this operation and of course when you're in a growth stage as we are, the support that you have is very critical at that time, so the continued support in the amount of the \$50,000 contract that we've had in the past is very important to us this year in order to accomplish the goals that we've set out and basically triple the economic impact we've had and the number of jobs we've helped to create.

So once again, I want to thank you and if there are any questions of any of us we'd be happy to let you know.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you, Marie. Are there any questions? Thank you very much.

MS. LONGSERRE: We so appreciate your time.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Good job.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Mr. Chairman, I just have one question of Sam. Sam, did we budget money for the incubator in the last fiscal year?

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, we do have some money set aside in the budget for economic initiatives. We've not determined exactly the amounts to be disseminated.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Okay. Thank you.

IX. STAFF AND ELECTED OFFICIAL ITEMS

A. Community Health & Economic Development Department

1. Request authorization to enter into a joint powers agreement with San Ildefonso Pueblo for a youth alcohol prevention program

ROBERT ANAYA (CHEDD Director): Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, this particular request is a continuation of funding from last fiscal year, which funds a youth program, after school type program at San Ildefonso Pueblo. This has been endorsed and recommended by the DWI Planning Council for approval.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Any questions of Robert?

Commissioner Grinë moved to approve the JPA with San Ildefonso Pueblo. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Duran and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

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[Commissioner Gonzales was not present for this vote.]

IX. A. 2. Request authorization to enter into a lease with option to purchase with the Bureau of Land Management for the La Puebla Recreation Area

MR. ANAYA: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, item number two requests your authorization to enter into a lease agreement for the use of the BLM land located adjacent to the La Puebla Fire Department for the purposes of constructing some youth activities for the kids there.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you, Robert.

Commissioner Griné moved to approve the agreement and Commissioner Duran seconded. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote. [Commissioner Gonzales was not present for this vote.]

IX. B. FINANCE DEPARTMENT

1. Resolution No. 2000-84. A resolution adopting the fiscal year 2000-2001 (FY2001) budget

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, just bringing forward the final budget. We approved the interim budget back in May and that was submitted to DFA. They approved it as an interim budget contingent upon some changes being made. I attached that letter to the resolution in your packet, the things that they requested. Most of them are administrative. At the time that we prepared the interim budget we don't have cash balances for the end of the fiscal year, things like that.

But there are two things. We did change all of the things that DFA put forward to us in that letter. Then there's also Attachment C to the resolution, a memorandum explaining some of the other items we changed from the time that you approved the interim budget. One of those was a budget donation received from El Rancho Community Center. That did come forward to you at the last BCC meeting. That was for \$7500 and we've incorporated that into the final budget and also a transfer of \$250,000 from fund 318, the capital projects fund on the detoxification center to fund 370, which is the facility bond. That was to put toward the purchase of land on Galisteo, the 4.5 acres.

So we did reduce the budget on the money from the bond proceeds for the detoxification center. Then the other items in that memo are administrative items that we needed to do in order to have the funds in the correct place for expenditure in the 2001 budget. Also under fund 311 which is the road projects, there were some that we estimated

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that we would award the contracts or do the work in fiscal year 2001, but we were actually able to do some of that in June of last year, so we just reduced the budget by that amount, and those funds are already encumbered.

So the Finance Department is requesting for you to adopt the resolution of our final budget.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Any questions?

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Mr. Chairman, I have one. So Katherine, the detox center, my understanding is that we are now, there will be no funds for the detox center now. And if that's the case, part of the reason for that is that there will other, there's other efforts being made to deal with the care that would have been dealt with through the detox center. Is that correct?

km: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, I believe that -- if Robert Anaya is still here he might be able to address the specific issues on the detox center. What I can tell you from a budgetary standpoint is that we have \$500,000 from the facility bond, the sheriff administration bond that was issued, and that money has been sitting in the bank for three years and it's prudent to spend that. So that was one of the reasons it was suggested to you that money for the purchase of the Galisteo property, but Robert may be able to address the specific issues on the detox center.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: You can make it brief, Robert. I kind of understand. I just want to make sure that the effort is being made elsewhere.

MR. ANAYA: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, it's my understanding that the request was to move \$250,000. That would still leave \$250,000 to couple with some of the state appropriation money that we have received for the project. We've been meeting with a lot of the community providers over the last several months in conjunction with St. Vincent's Hospital, Presbyterian Medical Services, Recovery of Alcoholics Program, just to name a few.

We're now moving toward assessment and referral center to help centralize some of our programmatic function, but to specifically answer your question, we will continue to pursue other resources but we already have some state appropriation in place for that facility as well as the \$250,000 is my understanding, if this is adopted.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: So we're not going to use the whole \$500,000 that's in there?

MR. ANAYA: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, the request is to use the other \$250,000 on another project and still leave \$250,000 in the old detoxification project which is now called Santa Fe Care Network and it's going to be an assessment and referral center, if approved by the Commission.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Okay. So that other \$250,000 was being used in a similar effort?

MR. ANAYA: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, that's our current objective.

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COMMISSIONER DURAN: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Any other questions?

Commissioner Griné moved to approve Resolution 2000-84 adopting the budget. Commissioner Duran seconded and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote. [Commissioner Gonzales was not present for this vote.]

IX. C. FIRE DEPARTMENT

- 1. Resolution No. 2000-85. A resolution authorizing County staff to pursue the development of a Regional Emergency Communications Center with the City of Santa Fe**

STAN HOLDEN (Fire Chief): Mr. Chairman, members of the Commission, the specific purpose of having this group in attendance today was to show you the unified support of the public safety agencies in Santa Fe County, primarily Deputy Chief Lennon from the City Police Department, Chief Curtis Lardy from Santa Fe City Fire Department, Benjie Montano, the undersheriff from Santa Fe County and myself have been meeting for some time to put together a plan to consolidate the dispatch centers into one regional communications center.

The resolution that has been placed before you, I think I'm supposed to read it into the record prior to approval. The resolution reads as follows:

A resolution authorizing County staff to pursue the development of a Regional Emergency Communications Center with the City of Santa Fe. Whereas, a Regional Emergency Communications Center may be in the best interests of the citizens and visitors of Santa Fe County and the City of Santa Fe; and

Whereas, a Regional Emergency Communications Center will improve the emergency communications between the City of Santa Fe and Santa Fe County law enforcement and fire department agencies; and

Whereas, a Regional Emergency Communications Center jointly operated between the City of Santa Fe and Santa Fe County will improve the efficiency of communication between agencies; and Whereas, a Regional Emergency Communications Center will reduce the response times of responding agencies in many emergencies; and

Whereas, a Regional Emergency Communications Center jointly built and operated between the City of Santa Fe and Santa Fe County will decrease the duplication of capital expenditure required to operate individual dispatch centers; and

Whereas, the State of New Mexico wishes to reduce the number of secondary public safety answering points and encourages the consolidation of individual dispatch centers into Regional Emergency Communications Centers;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the governing body of the County of Santa Fe that

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in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of our citizens, staff is hereby authorized to develop a plan to jointly build and operate a Regional Emergency Communications Center with the City of Santa Fe.

Mr. Chairman, that is the proposed resolution that we are requesting your approval of today.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you. Any questions?

Commissioner Duran moved to approve Resolution 2000-85 authorizing the planning of a Regional Emergency Communications Center. Commissioner Griñé seconded and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote. [Commissioner Gonzales was not present for this vote.]

- IX. C. 2. **Resolution No. 2000-86. A resolution replacing Resolution No. 1998-116 to commission and authorize certain Land Use Department staff, the County Fire Marshal and County fire protection specialists to issue citations of violations of County ordinances**

MR. HOLDEN: The second item will be presented by Fire Marshal Blackwell.

HANK BLACKWELL (Fire Marshal): Commissioner Anaya, Commissioners, basically what we have before you is replacement of a resolution that we passed two years ago which authorizes certain people from our staff as well as Land Use staff to issue citations for violation of County ordinances. The reason this is a replacement is we've had several people leave County employment and we have a few new County employees. So it's basically a technicality to take the names off that are inappropriate at this time and to add the new members of the Land Use and Fire Department staff as citation officers.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you. Any questions of Hank?

Commissioner Griñé moved to approve Resolution 2000-86 and Commissioner Duran seconded. the motion passed by unanimous voice vote. [Commissioner Gonzales was not present for this vote.]

- IX. C. 3. **Request authorization to enter into a joint powers agreement with the City of Santa Fe for emergency services**

MR. HOLDEN: Mr. Chairman, members of the Commission, I'll make this quick. This is just an extension of the current existing joint powers agreement between the

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City of Santa Fe and Santa Fe County to provide emergency services. It's a broad scope, including everything that we do together excluding law enforcement. The amount of money that is funded out of the budget is the same as the previous year and the only change that we've made is to replace the ex-Fire Chief, Frank Di Luzio, who is now the City Manager, with Curtis Lardy who is the new Fire Chief.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Any questions?

Commissioner Duran moved to authorize the joint powers agreement with the City. Commissioner Griñé seconded and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote. [Commissioner Gonzales was not present for this vote.]

IX. D. LAND USE DEPARTMENT

1. Request authorization to enter into a memorandum of understanding with Santo Domingo Pueblo regarding water issues

DOUG SAYRE (Utilities Director): Mr. Chairman, members of the Commission, I come before you today to consider a memorandum of understanding with Santo Domingo Pueblo. It has to do with some water issues that we have been considering with a joint venture type situation. We have met with them over the past year to consider some needs that Santo Domingo has regarding water and also some of the issues the County of Santa Fe has regarding needs for water and access to the Rio Grande River.

So I come before you with a memorandum of understanding, an MOU, which the purpose is to establish a framework for mutual cooperation and benefit by which the parties can initiate a feasibility evaluation for developing water diversion and transmission facilities on Santo Domingo Pueblo lands to supply potable water needs for both parties. The MOU also establishes, provides a framework for the County to negotiate for potential lease of water rights from the Pueblo. Those are the main issues it looks into. Specific issues I think in the memorandum, which I talked about is to evaluate the following things: evaluate water demand projections regarding the needs of Santo Domingo Pueblo and Santa Fe County, undertake a study to identify best alternatives for points and types of diversion, transmission pipeline sizes and routes, quantity and quality of water, which can be accessed by diversion, and availability and use of Pueblo rights by either party.

We will delineate easements to construct, operate and maintain required water facilities in consideration of the County lease and use of Pueblo rights. Perhaps at this time, if I could ask you for some discussion, if you'd like to have regarding this MOU.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: I think this is great, Doug. I think this is a great step forward to address our water issues. Are there any questions of Doug?

COMMISSIONER DURAN: I just have one. I'm just concerned about one thing and that is that if we're talking to the Pueblo about leasing water rights from them, my

concern is that we really need to pin that down pretty good because I'm worried that we would enter into a lease for water rights, and then approve development in the county because we have that right, and then find that 20 or 30 years down the road that the development that we approved based on this water right is in jeopardy or that the negotiations to continue the lease of it would be so financially -- a financial burden to the community that as you go forward in this, I just want to make sure that, for me, I'd like for you to make sure that they are aware that any future -- if we do enter into leasing the water rights that negotiations to extend those must be tied into real values and market conditions, and not just pulling something from out of the blue. That's all I want to say. Other than that, I think it's great.

MR. SAYRE: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran, I certainly agree and that would be part of the issues I think we will take up with Santo Domingo about if there is some kind of agreement that is certainly be long standing and continued type of situation. But I think that certainly we can address that and there would be a more firm agreement regarding this as far as I'm concerned. But this provides a framework for us to get started about looking into is it feasible? Can we do this? What are the issues with the various agencies as well as state government agencies.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: This is step one.

MR. SAYRE: I agree.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: I think it's great.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Richard Hughes, you do represent the Santo Domingo Pueblo also don't you?

RICHARD HUGHES: My name is Richard Hughes. I'm an attorney here in Santa Fe. I represent the Pueblo Santo Domingo and we're happy to be here with Mr. Sayre and fully in support, obviously of the MOU and of the next item on your agenda. I do want to convey the regrets of Governor Tortelita and Lt. Governor Pacheco and the other officers. They could not be here to speak directly to you. They're having traditional activities at the Pueblo today that they could not get away from. I am here to, I'd be happy to answer any questions the Commissioners may have about these matters.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: I think we're pretty well satisfied. The memorandum of understanding is just the initial step to start some kind of format and hopefully something really fruitful will materialize in the future and I think it's a good step forward.

Commissioner Duran moved to approve entering into an MOU with Santo Domingo Pueblo. Commissioner Griné seconded and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote. [Commissioner Gonzales was not present for this vote.]

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: We look forward to working with Santo Domingo on this.

MR. SAYRE: Mr. Chairman, one other comment I want to say, is that the

Pueblo has already signed this agreement and has agreed to it, so I wanted to advise you of that.

IX. D. 2. Resolution No. 2000-87. A resolution in support of a settlement agreement between the Pueblo of Santo Domingo and the United States to resolve long standing title and trespass disputes

MR. SAYRE: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, the second item has to do with an issue that Santo Domingo has and would like your support on is settlement of a long standing agreement between the Pueblo of Santo Domingo and the United States to resolve title and dispute issues that they've had lingering, I guess, for a number of years. I can read that if it might be wise, for your consideration. What the resolution looks at is:

Whereas, the Pueblo of Santo Domingo (noted as "Pueblo") and the United States have long standing title and trespass disputes involving about 80,000 acres of private, public and Indian lands; and

Whereas, the Pueblo and the United States have successfully negotiated a settlement agreement, which, if ratified by Congress, will resolve those disputes by delineating the Pueblo's land, compensating the Pueblo for its claims, and extinguishing Pueblo claims for interest in other lands; and

Whereas, Santa Fe County has been apprised as to the terms of the proposed settlement agreement as of May 23, 2000 by the United States Government, Department of the Interior, Office of the Solicitor, Southwest Region; and

Whereas, the County believes that the proposed settlement will resolve the disputes to the benefit of all parties and not contrary to the interests of the County or its citizens;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County hereby pledges support for the proposed settlement agreement and urges the Congress of the United States to ratify that proposed settlement and put it into effect.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: I can remember a development being denied on this basis when the then Governor Bennie Atencio was governor and there was the escarpment development that came before CDRC many years ago, if you recall, Richard. It was denied on this principal alone. But I'm wholeheartedly in support of this.

Commissioner Griné moved to support the settlement agreement with the Santo Domingo Pueblo and Commissioner Duran seconded. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote. [Commissioner Gonzales was not present for this vote.]

MR. SAYRE: I appreciate your consideration on this matter.

MR. MONTTOYA: Mr. Chairman, I would like to add a few comments for the record, Mr. Chairman. We're very proud to be able to work these complex issues with

Santo Domingo. We had an excellent presentation from the Department of the Interior, the Office of the Solicitor, and had a very thorough discussion with the leadership from Santo Domingo as well. And we're very pleased that the settlement has been negotiated and is ready to be sent on to Congress and appreciate the support of the Commission.

Secondly, we're very enthused and excited about the fact that we are now entering into a new era of relationships and communication and hopefully down the road, good management of our natural resources with Santo Domingo. We are very excited about that possibility. And as the Chairman stated, this is the first step towards developing these relationships.

Thirdly, Mr. Chairman, and my closing comment is that we are moving now in a very concerted effort to establish a tribal summit that we would like to put on within the next 60 to 90 days which will bring all of the tribal governments that surround Santa Fe County to a venue where we can talk about mutual concerns, including natural resources, the basic economy issues, transportation issues, health, safety issues relative to fire and also to law enforcement.

So we're very excited about putting a summit together, Mr. Chairman, and I think the products of our communication being stepped up with the tribal governments will show you that we will have many more of these types of relationships in the future. And we want to thank the Santo Domingo leadership for their foresight and for their cooperation. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you, Sam.

IX. E. RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

1. Request authorization to enter into a contract with IBM for software and hardware maintenance on the AS/400

MR. MONTROYA: Mr. Chairman, Agnes Lopez will cover this particular issue.

AGNES LOPEZ (MIS Director): Mr. Chairman, we're requesting to enter into a contract with IBM for hardware and software maintenance on the AS/400. The AS/400 is the County's main application server and needs to be operational seven days a week.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you. Are there any questions of Agnes?

Commissioner Grifé moved to authorize the contract with IBM. Commissioner Duran seconded and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote. [Commissioner Gonzales was not present for this vote.]

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IX. F. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

1. Resolution No. 2000-88. A resolution accepting County Road 56C extension

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, County Road 56C is located in the La Cienega area and the County currently maintains 1.12 miles of County Road 56C. This road, County Road 56C is the only access to BLM property that is over 3500 acres. The property, there's some property being sold that is being sold currently to the Chalmers, and what they have requested or have recommended is that they're willing to dedicate an easement to the County which will basically secure this easement to this BLM property.

The New Mexico National Guard uses this property for training exercises and they're very concerned that if this deal goes through with out an easement being dedicated to somebody who is willing to maintain it, that they will not have access to this property. What Public Works recommendations are is basically to provide a plat of survey dedicating to Santa Fe County a 50-foot wide easement, 3,527 feet long. Part of that 3,527 feet, the County currently maintains. What's before you is an additional 1900 feet.

Also, Public Works is requesting that the surface be improved to a 24-foot driving surface with six inches of basecourse. Now, I base these recommendations on what is recommended in the Road Acceptance Policy that was adopted and approved by the Commission. What CTSW, who is the current owners are recommending is providing six inches of scoria, which is pumice, as opposed to base course. And also, instead of a plat of survey, what they are requesting is some other document conveying this easement to the County, since the plat of survey has already been completed.

BARBARA MULVANEY (Acting County Attorney): Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, on this property, it's very close to the open space that we bought from Jim Alley. The only thing I question, I haven't seen a plat on the property. Robert had said that this is the only access to the BLM property. One of the reasons we purchased the Jim Alley open space is because it is access to that BLM property. So I would request that the planners look at the plat before we give any kind of final approval.

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, there is a plat that's included in the packet material.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Can you explain the variable utilization of pumice versus basecourse again?

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, there's a pumice mine within this tract of land that's being sold. Well, it's adjacent to it. And the pumice mine has agreed to donate this six inch scoria or pumice for the use of this road.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: But wouldn't that turn into powder?

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, there are some pictures here that show the first part of the road that does have pumice.

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LEE WELCH: Mr. Chairman, for 20 years, the road's been maintained with a scoria basecourse here and it's held up quite well. These other photographs display the deterioration that's never had any basecourse on it. You can see the condition it's in. It's just a rough trail. It happened to be the Old Camino Real that went clear down to La Bajada Hill. This was the old road. It's 200 years old and it's been there, Javier, it's been there as a prescriptive easement and were willing now to dedicate a 50-foot right-of-way easement and improve the road with a good basecourse of scoria.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Okay, are there any other questions of the presenters?

MS. MULVANEY: Mr. Chairman, just before you vote, I'd ask to see the plat after the meeting on Monday morning but I never got it to review. My only question is why are we building this road? We own access as I understand it, into this BLM property. We spent over a million dollars to purchase access by buying the Jim Alley property. So I'm a little confused. Are we building access to a private landowner's property?

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, we are not building, making the improvements. The seller, or the National Guard are looking at making the improvements, not the County. The County would just assume maintenance over this section of road. We are currently maintaining like I said 1900 feet of property that is on the County Road list that is within this private tract of land. And out of this deal, what we're getting is them formally dedicating a portion of the 1.12 miles that we already recognize as County road.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Okay. Do you feel comfortable with that, Barbara?

MS. MULVANEY: It sounds as if the maintenance of the property will be done by the County but the construction of the property will be done by someone else.

MR. MARTINEZ: That is correct.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: That sounds good.

Commissioner Griñé moved to approve accepting County Road 56C. Commissioner Gonzales seconded and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote. [Commissioner Duran was not present for this motion.]

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chairman, I just have one question. What type of document would legal need to convey this easement to the County, other than a plat of survey?

MS. MULVANEY: Perhaps we could talk about it later, Robert. I think that the survey is the best document but maybe you and I can talk about it and we can work it out.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you very much.

IX. G. MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER

1. Request authorization to enter into a contract with the City of Santa Fe to house City inmates at the Santa Fe County Detention Facility

MR. MONTTOYA: Mr. Chairman, members of the Board, you have in your packet a copy of the agreement that we are recommending the Board of County Commissioners approve today. Basically, Mr. Chairman, in a nutshell the agreement allows for the holding of municipal prisoners for a rate of \$65 per inmate per day. The purpose of the agreement, as I stated earlier will help us have a legal instrument to detain and charge for these services, Mr. Chairman. I want to point out that the City will be responsible for all transportation relative to delivering these inmates to the facility.

Also, the effective dates for the actual agreement begin on July 1, 2000 and will terminate on June 30, 2001, Mr. Chairman. We have worked very diligently with the Sheriff's Department and with the Police Chief of the City of Santa Fe. I believe we did have Deputy Chief Lennon here. I'm not sure if she's still in the conference room, Mr. Chairman, but she was here to answer any questions relative to the City's agreement, but we do understand that it is moving progressively through the City process and it does have the endorsement of the Chief and the Deputy Chief.

Mr. Chairman, the Sheriff's Department provided some amendments that we felt were well placed and we did incorporate them into the document as it now reads. So, Mr. Chairman, we would recommend the adoption of this agreement with the City of Santa Fe and stand for any questions.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Any questions? If not, what's the pleasure?

Commissioner Griñé moved to approve the contract with the City of Santa Fe to house inmates. Commissioner Duran seconded the motion.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: I wasn't here. Tell me real quick since I have to -- I wasn't here when you were discussing it.

MR. MONTTOYA: I'm sorry, Commissioner. This is an agreement to house municipal detainees at the County jail, \$65 per day for a term through June 30, 2001.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: And is that an increase in what we were charging them before?

MR. MONTTOYA: Actually, it's right around the same, Mr. Chairman. Exactly. So it's level.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: So you think it's a good deal?

MR. MONTTOYA: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: It's the same deal.

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Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. [Commissioner Gonzales was not present for this vote.]

IX. G. 2. Discussion on jail issues for Santa Fe County

MR. MONTROYA: Mr. Chairman, members of the Board, if I could ask you to move to that section in your book that provides a copy of the discussion paper, Mr. Chairman, I think it would be helpful for the Commission to follow me through these potential options. Mr. Chairman, the intent of today's discussion is to seek some guidance from the Board of Commissioners about the management and operation of the County Jail. We do have approximately one year left in the management contract with Cornell Corrections and that year will zip by and we are currently looking to the Board to give us some direction on how to proceed so that we have ample time and there is a calendar in this discussion that we will review in a few minutes, so that we have ample time to do the due diligence required on whatever option the County Commission would like to pursue.

Now, Mr. Chairman, we have provided for you three possible options that could effectively work in the operation of this facility. Option one would be that the County management would actually run the facility itself. Santa Fe County would take over the operation of this facility from the private vendor. The issues to consider if this option is pursued would include we would have to acquire adequate and trained staff to manage the facility, we would need an operating budget which we currently do not have because we have a private company operating the facility. We would be responsible for all liability issues which basically is a major consideration here, Mr. Chairman. If anything were to occur in the facility the County would be liable for making sure that all issues relative to whatever that occurrence was are done correctly and that we're able to have good response for the issues at hand.

The fourth element would be improvements to the physical plant, Mr. Chairman, which would be any construction issues that are relative to either expansion or simple maintenance of the facility of itself. The pros and cons of Option one: The pros are that we might be able to effectuate some fiscal savings depending on our economic analysis. There is a public perception that we are responsible for running jail facilities and that the County should be in full control. In other words, operating these facilities. And then the basic, logical element that pursues that is that we would have more control over how the programs are managed.

The cons, Mr. Chairman, go to the facts again, that we are responsible for all liability, which includes the fact that we would have to pay some major premiums for insurance coverage and there are some management challenges that we spoke about earlier. Again, finding trained staff that is up on all the current standards and would be able to manage this facility with no major problems.

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The other con that we feel would be important to mention is there is no shared market risk, which we covered again earlier.

Mr. Chairman, that is Option one, or Option A. Option B would be to negotiate with the existing vendor. As you well know, the existing vendor is Cornell Corrections. The statutes in New Mexico limit the term of the contracts for these type of services not to exceed three years. So, Mr. Chairman, if the Commission would instruct the management to move ahead to negotiate the contract, the term of that agreement could not exceed three years.

The current contract expires September 15, 2001, as I mentioned earlier. If we pursue this option, Mr. Chairman, retention of a contract jail expert to draft the contract and to assist in negotiating the terms and conditions would be something that we would seriously recommend to the Board. As you know, we have had Mr. Crane on board in prior negotiation with Cornell and he has provided very important and a solid base for our negotiations. Again, the procurement issues relative to the term of the contract would only allow it to be a three-year term.

Now the pros of this particular option, Mr. Chairman, are the following: First we do have a history and a tract record with Cornell Corrections. We feel they have been very open and amenable to recommendations that the County has had to improve services. We have incorporated issues and concerns that have been brought to us as well. All the user entities, including the City of Santa Fe and others. We do not have liability. That is something that the private contractor takes on when they sign on to do this job and manage this facility. Any and all liability for whatever occurs in that facility solely rests on the private vendor's shoulders.

Mr. Chairman, the other is that we have not had any major contract violations with Cornell over the history of the time that they had of operating the contract. So they have been, as I stated earlier, very open to our recommendations. And the last item is that we have an established relationship with these people and are able to communicate in a very expeditious and efficient manner.

Now the cons of something like this particular option would be that we would have to do a thorough review of the cost/benefit questions. Basically, what I'm saying here is how it relates to the County running the jail versus a private vendor running the jail. What are the economic factors that really come to rest on that analysis. We would basically also have questions relative to increased cost for operations and how that would relate to this particular option.

Mr. Chairman, the third option that I would like to present to you today is something that we have been discussing at the staff level for the last few months and that would be that the County would prepare an RFP and we would advertise to the general public our intentions to seek any interested and competent private or public sector vendor to operate the jail facility on behalf of the County and that it would be run under a contractual agreement pending our review of the particular vendors that would be interested in being considered.

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Now what we would have to do if we pursue this option, we would need to develop an RFP that brings with it also the rank and rate criteria as to how the particular vendors will be rated. We would have to appoint a review committee to sit with the County staff to help us go through the vendors that have shown interest and again help us to rank and rate them. Then we would have to develop a contract for the services and the terms and conditions would be very important and we would need to have a very good contract drafted that would cover the term of the contract.

We would also have to negotiate all of the particular terms that go into that particular agreement. And again, we would probably seek professional help to develop these legal instruments, help that comes with some basic experience in this area to help us avoid any pitfalls in the future.

Mr. Chairman, those are the three proposals or the three options that we feel are important to discussing this particular issue. I wanted to basically tell you about some of the calendar issues that I think are important for the Board to keep in mind while we are discussing this particular contract. First again to let you know that the current contract expires in September, 2001. We definitely have a need to get direction from the Board within the next 30 days so that we can begin to pursue the option that the County Commission feels to be the best route to pursue.

The RFP, Mr. Chairman, if we are asked to develop an RFP, would need to be done no later than September 1, 2000. So that is right around the corner. We actually have only a few weeks to hopefully prepare that. We would have to advertise this RFP sometime in October, 2000. Have the RFP close right around December 15, 2000. Evaluate proposals in January and February 2001 and award the contract by March of 2001, if that is the direction the Commission would like to pursue.

Now these are tentative dates, Mr. Chairman, but they are very real in terms of making sure that we have adequate time to do this correctly. Mr. Chairman, I also want to point out kind of the jail environment of the community, if you will, just so you will have an understanding of the other issues that I think are very important and relevant to this issue and topic. That is that our neighbor to the north, Rio Arriba County, currently runs a facility of 80 beds. Valencia County currently runs a 40-bed operation and they have recently contracted to build out another 120 new beds.

San Miguel County to the east has approximately 120-bed capacity currently, 40 of those beds are currently rented out to outside entities. Bernalillo County currently has 1500 beds and it building a new facility that would bring them 2,200 beds of capacity. Sandoval County has 300 beds available. Taos County has 24 beds.

Now, Mr. Chairman, the importance of bringing to you the importance of what our neighboring counties do in relation to ability to provide for their own needs and/or to offer empty beds or extra beds to other entities, primarily, the major effect we would have in this county would be that Bernalillo County, once BCDC goes on line with their 2,200 beds, one of the issues that is very important to this county is that we have extra beds at the County

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jail, the Santa Fe County jail, and we basically bring in and hold federal prisoners under an agreement with the federal marshal. If Bernalillo County is going to have extra capacity to the tune of 600 to 700, possibly 800 beds, they might woo away from this county some of those particular empty beds and might affect our ability to keep Santa Fe County jail full and operating at maximum capacity, which helps all of the users to contain their costs.

The Valencia County Commission is also building out 120-bed capacity, I believe that's what the number was, and they will also have some additional extra capacity. I am not sure exactly what Rio Arriba intends to do now after they had the event up at their facility approximately two weeks ago. I'm not sure if they're rebuilding and reopening and/or right now currently some of those prisoners are in our facility. But I'm not sure if they're going to rebuild and reopen. I don't know what their plans are.

Mr. Chairman, the point is in considering all of these possibilities is that we need to keep in mind what the neighborhood is doing if you will in relation to these extra beds that could come on line. Mr. Chairman, our intention today was to introduce to you the options that have been placed before you and hopefully to stimulate some discussion from the Commission about what you believe the management staff should begin to pursue and/or to look at a combination of these issues is that is what you believe is the most prudent way to go. Mr. Chairman, I hope I've been able to give you some very clear and distinct options as to how to pursue the management and the operation of our jail facility after the current contract expires.

So, Mr. Chairman, I would stand for any questions and hope that we would come together on consensus relative to pursuing one of these options quite soon.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Thank you, Sam. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Sam, I think that in listening to your presentation and going through it, I believe we have discussed the County taking over that facility numerous times and I don't think we want to do it. I think the risks, the liability, the management headaches are something, for me, the number of times we've discussed it it's been pretty obvious to me that I don't think we want to enter into that. I think that negotiating with the existing vendor is something that we should do, and in addition to that, I think that we need to also seek proposals from other interested parties.

Last month, when I wasn't able to attend the meeting, there was a company called GRW who made a presentation to the Commission. I got a call from them after they had reviewed the operating agreement and all the expenses, and actually the whole operation out there, and they told me that they felt that they could operate that facility for a million to almost two million dollars less than what Cornell is operating it for. I don't know how true that is, but I think it's prudent for us to at least explore that possibility. A million to two million is a lot of money that we could use for other services that the community needs.

The other thing I'm concerned about is we have a new Commission taking over the first of the year, or there are several seats. There are new Commissioners coming in. I think it would be good for them to be able to have the opportunity to experience this process.

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So when you say in B that Santa Fe could negotiate with the existing vendor, Cornell Corrections for an additional three years, we could also negotiate a year extension of that contract, to provide more time to review other options and other cost saving techniques that another vendor might be able to show us or present to us.

So I think that for me, A is out of the question and I think we should go forward with B and C. I think that they go kind of hand in hand.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I agree with Commissioner Duran on all the issues. I would caution, Commissioner Duran, and I'm glad that you stated that when GRW stated that they could do it for less expensive you don't know whether that's true or not. Keep in mind there are a lot of private prison companies that run facilities on shoestring budgets and you see the results that occur with rioting or with some other issues that have taken place. I'm not saying that GRW or anybody who can offer it for less is not capable. I agree with what you're calling for allows us hopefully to get the new Commission in place to be a part of making the decision on the outcome of the -- or on the future of how we run our jail facilities.

Hopefully in the meantime, while they're getting acclimated with the whole process that we can do some due diligence through an RFP process by seeking proposals from interested parties and going out there and really looking at the backgrounds of people that are going to be taking over the facility, because why I also agree with you that I think it's more prudent to run jails privately, there are several examples across this country where counties and communities have been negatively impacted when these facilities have not been run properly.

I want us to make sure that we have the time through an RFP process to really exercise lots of due diligence in doing the background research on people that come in and bid. This is consistent with what we've always done. We RFPed this several years ago when CCA was here. It was RFPed again two years ago, I believe. That's just been a consistent practice to open it up for public bidding and allow the professional companies to basically compete against one another so we get the best price for the best service. So I agree with what Commissioner Duran is saying. I think B and C do go hand in hand.

It may be that we negotiate a short-term contract or deal with something for 2001 and that gives the opportunity to put out a new RFP. It gives the new Commission a chance to get acclimated with the process in place, or we put out an RFP right away. The problem is we're six months from a new Commission coming in and I think that we need to make sure that the timing is right for all of us to come together. I hate for us to select a vendor and then they come in after the fact when they haven't had a chance to participate in that or delay an RFP process for a long period of time just so they can get acclimated.

Mr. Chairman, I guess in a roundabout way I agree with what Commissioner Duran is saying. I don't know the best way to proceed with it but I think an RFP is important and I think it's important that we negotiate the best deal with the most qualified. Again, we just hear the horror stories all around. Santa Fe, thank God has been very fortunate to not have

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experienced some of the problems that other communities have experienced but we need to make sure that we don't put ourselves in a vulnerable position, either with this operator or any future operators that may come in.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, I want to point out just for clarity's sake and probably the Commission already understands this, but for the general public's knowledge as well. If we were to extend the contract for an additional year, past September of 2000, we could not do that to the existing contract. It would have to be a brand new contract negotiated for an additional year.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I thought that the contract expires 2001 though.

MR. MONTOYA: I'm sorry, 2001. So what I understand the Commission saying is we might pursue an additional one-year contract and then RFP for the long term.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Not necessarily. I just want to make sure -- if you look at your schedule, the RFP closes December 15, evaluations made January and February. I think that the new Commission would be in. They would still be involved, they would be involved in the evaluation process. I think for me, that's adequate. I think the schedule that you have is fine. I would just say that if you felt that it wasn't, that's why I brought up that other year.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: It's not even an extension, though, right?

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Could it be an addendum?

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, the procurement code allows you only a three-year window for this particular type of service. So we would have to terminate or actually go up to September of 2001. That contract ends and then you have a one-year contract additional, it that's what we need, and then we put the RFP out for the long term earlier on in the year. So what we'd be doing is just buying an additional period of time to make sure that this is done correctly. Then we could also have a clause in the extension that you could terminate that early if your RFP process brings a good candidate that you would like to start with earlier than the extended time you get from the one year.

COMMISSIONER GRINÉ: I'd just like to comment, you've got to be cautious that you might not get Cornell to agree or anybody else for an extension of a year. Actually you might put the County on a limbo situation.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: That's a good point. That's why I want to go to the issue of the extension. We're not talking about an extension here.

MR. MONTOYA: No, we're not.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: So I just wanted to make sure that we're not talking about a one-year contract. All that's left is one year left of the existing contract, so it's not an extension.

MR. MONTOYA: Right.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: So what I was throwing out is that if we allow the current complex to go through, then it provides for maybe a six-month window for

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the new Commission to get acclimated, to understand the relationship. And then an RFP can go out for a three-year deal and then the new Commission will already be in place where they can oversee that, they can oversee the RFP as opposed to us overseeing the RFP, it coming back in and then it coming back in right after they've been elected. That's all that I was trying to say might be helpful if we just live under the contract and put out an RFP maybe in April or June or something like that to have the time so that that contract expires in September or whenever the contract is up.

MR. MONTROYA: Mr. Chairman, the only operating issue that I think the Commission needs to keep in mind is that if we put out an RFP, and let's say that the vendor that is chosen by the County is not the existing vendor, the new vendor would need to have at least three to six months to gear up to take the place over and then you have to have a smooth transition where you remove the old vendor, bring in the new vendor. So it is important that we have enough time to do all of these things. So I think it is important that we have an additional concrete one year past the September 2001, if that's how you want to proceed.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: That's not what I'm saying. What I'm saying, Sam, is that let the contract finish out, 2001. During the spring of -- and we went through this, Commissioner Anaya remembers. It was before Commissioner Duran and Commissioner Griñé joined us. We went through this when CCA left and Cornell came in. There is a transition period that takes place but it wasn't very long, right, Commissioner Anaya? I mean it was just in the course, it's actually in the course of one day where the new company comes in and basically takes over the facility. Oh, you guys were here when that happened? Okay.

So I'm not that concerned about needing a three- to six-month window to prepare a transition if that is what is going to happen. I think what's more important is that a new Commission comes in in January. Give them through some time to be able to get acclimated with the jail system, and then have the RFP go out under the new Commission and have it selected. Maybe some time, maybe a selection could be made in August or in July of a new vendor or reaffirm the current vendor and then you get into your three year contract. But it just seems most prudent -- I'm not asking for an extension past, or recommending an extension past 2001, September.

Because I agree with Commissioner Griñé. I don't think anyone would take that type of a deal.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: So you're suggesting that rather than put the RFP out now, based on the schedule, that we would wait until after the first of the year?

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: What I'm suggesting is -- exactly. Because if we follow this schedule, basically what we do is we put out an RFP that's under this Commission, it comes back in on December 15, there's an evaluation January and February and then the contract is awarded on March 3. I don't think that gives any new Commission enough time to really evaluate what's the best scenario to take. And so I guess what I'm

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recommending is that let the -- just stay committed to the current contract that expires on September of 2001 and put out an RFP maybe January or maybe March. I don't know how long it takes to have an RFP out. But part of that RFP goes back to the point of the due diligence. And I think that there's going to be a timeline from the point that the RFPs are received, the proposals are received that the staff needs to go out and do its own investigations as to the worthiness of these companies that are wanting to come in and do business here, which means site visits and interviews and all those things which I think takes a period of time and that's probably the most important part, because I think that they're all going to come in at about the same place, but what's really important is a track record and a history.

So we need to allow for that time, and then allow the Commissioners to get involved if they want to and then have that time for the decision so that we can meet that September 30, 2001 deadline.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Gonzales, the schedule that we give actually is to have the existing contractor run all the way through September 2001. The reason we would be trying to get the RFP out this fall is one, to give -- this is a huge contract. It's over a three-year period. It's worth about \$33 million in revenue to the proponent. They need time to assess the market, the job market here and all that. So we want to give them at least 90 days to prepare their proposals so that they are able to evaluate everything that needs to go into that proposal.

Secondly, we want to give ourselves, the County, time to evaluate those proposals, do oral presentations and be sure that the contractors that propose are actually capable of doing it. Possibly then reviews of their staffing at other facilities, because some of them may not have run a jail of this size. And financials, their financial solvency, all of that. And then we would aim to award sometime April, May, so that then if it is not the existing contractor, that the new contractor has from say the end of May through September to staff up and to understand how the operation works.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: So an award of a contract on March 1, if there's a change of vendors, that that will occur on March 3.

MS. MILLER: Correct. It would be effective October 1. But they would have their transition time.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I would also recommend to Sam as you put together the RFP team that you have all the stakeholders involved. I would recommend a judge, Judge Vigil's been real involved. The Sheriff has been involved. And I would throw out, maybe it's up to the Commissioners to decide, but a Commissioner on that RFP team and possibly the new Commissioner coming on board who doesn't have opposition now is Paul Campos. So it may be that he may be the one that might properly serve on that review time because it might be a little premature to ask anyone else to do that.

That's just for a recommendation. I think the point of a magnitude this size in addition to the staffing involved in the evaluation process, that we do have some of the major

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stakeholders that are sitting and evaluating the teams and going through the due diligence. I'm sure Judge Vigil would really like that opportunity, or one of the judges.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: I think that the schedule's fine. I think that the Commissioners when they take office are going to have to hit the ground running anyway. I think there's plenty of time for them to get up to speed on the issues.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, I want to point out that we have had a very good relationship with the individuals that are seeking to sit on the Commission chairs and we are trying to keep an open line of communication with everyone and will give them this information as we begin to move into this process. So we would try to keep everyone up to date every single step of the way so that hopefully they could move along in the process with us regardless of the outcomes in November.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: I'm not sure how well having a Commissioner on the RFP committee, RFP process is. I don't know how well that would work.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I agree. I threw it out as a matter of consideration, but you're probably right.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: I mean I'd love to be on it, but I don't think that's fair.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I just think that as it goes forward we just need to make sure that every step of the way, Commissioner Duran you're right, they're going to have to come in running, that they are involved and they understand. We provide copies of the RFP. The last thing we want is for a new Commission to come in and people not know what's going on and that's just going to delay the process even longer.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, I would also be concerned about having a Commissioner on the team, simply because they will have to vote on this at some point in time and it would probably be better for them not to be involved in the actual screening and rating and ranking because it just might not sit well.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: That makes a lot of sense.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: It does.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Well, I'd move for that direction.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: We just give direction.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Forget A and go for B and C.

MR. MONTOYA: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I think we understand the direction the Commission would like us to pursue. Thank you for your time.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you.

IX. H. MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN - NON-ACTION ITEMS

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Is there anyone in the audience who would like to address the Commission? Please come forward sir.

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ROGER WARREN: My name is Roger Warren. I live at 7653 Old Santa Fe Trail and I've been a resident about 18 years there, 25 years in Santa Fe. I'd like to make you aware of a situation in my neighborhood that is impacting the citizens. It involves a Code violation that's been in existence for at least a year. It involves a homeless man named Anacor Lagrange who moved into the property next to my property more than a year ago.

He's living there permanently in a travel trailer, which is in violation of Code. This has been brought to the attention of the Code officer, Charlie Gonzales and he is in agreement that it is a Code violation. He has, I think very admirably looked for other housing for this gentleman, and this gentleman, Anacor Lagrange is essentially a hobo. His establishment on this property next to mine, it looks like a hobo jungle. There are five dogs involved. There are three junk cars. There are fences made of rusting, corrugated iron. Things like that.

But the main problem is that he has no sanitation facilities. He's living in a travel trailer permanently, in violation of Code, and my water supply is within a few hundred feet of what I suppose is where his waste disposal is, and other neighbors' wells are also within several hundred feet. The County has been working on this through Charlie Gonzales for more than a year. It's gone through the Housing Authority. Robert Anaya has tried to find places for him to live and all of the places he refuses to accept because he has five dogs, three junk cars and he essentially wants to live like a hobo does. So he's not willing to accept any of these.

My understanding from the Code Enforcement Officer is that this is eventually going to be brought before the Magistrate, but the date has not been set. The anticipation and the case is apparently going to be brought against the owner of the property who is not in agreement with this person being on his land. He gave initial agreement that he could go to the land only for a short time. The individual, Anacor, is unwilling to move and there have been strong arguments between the owner of the land, Bennie Romero, and Anacor Lagrange. I think that the situation is that it's so much trouble that Bennie has essentially thrown his hands up and will do nothing further unless the courts decide that he must do something further.

My concern is that it has been more than a year. Nothing has happened at all. The water supplies are getting contaminated, I assume. I don't know that; I have no proof of that. But the waste disposal is very close to the wells. The corruption is accumulating. If nothing happens now for another year or two years or three years, the waste problems are going to get more severe. Water pollution problems are going to get more severe and it seems to me that it's up to the County, instead of paying so much attention to the perpetrator of the problem and trying to find him housing and things like that, do something for the neighbors that are impacted by this problem with their water supply in particular.

In addition to the water supply, there have been problems with the five dogs, mainly the neighbors now reroute their evening walks because they're afraid of the dogs, afraid they

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might eat them up. There's complaint about the hobo jungle that now exists on this land. But really the main complaint is water. So I think that it's up to the County Commission to try to do something to speed up the process so that I don't have to wait another two or three or four years before something is done.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you for your concern, sir.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I don't think you need to address it but could you have a report back to the Commission on this issue. I agree with the gentleman. I think we need to just follow through on the Code enforcement and the courts.

CHRIS GRAESER (Deputy County Attorney): Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Gonzales, in fact I was aware of this case. I've been involved in it a little bit. I'm not sure what the recent history has been but if in fact it's filed with Magistrate Court, then maybe we're waiting. We often have to wait six months anyway to get a court date at Magistrate Court and that's because of their case load.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I think that's probably, I would venture to say that's where we are. We're waiting for a court date, but just so that we have proceeded with that. Even at that, after the court issues the order and finds in favor of the County, he may still stay there and it takes a whole process to try to get him to move. I think we just need to go through those proceedings. If we could just follow up there and let him know.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you very much sir. Anyone else like to address the Commission?

IX. I. MATTERS FROM THE COMMISSION

2. Discussion of and appointment to the City of Santa Fe's Wastewater Reuse Advisory Task Force

MR. SAYRE: Mr. Chairman, members of the Commission, it's my understanding that the City passed a resolution creating a task force to study wastewater reuse, the advisory situation. This is I think in regard to the outcome of the effluent reviews that they had considered with Las Campanas and some others. So that they have set up this task force which is to be the following: membership would be two from the City of Santa Fe governing body, one member of the County Commission, one representative recommended by and representative of each of the following organizations: La Cienega Valley Association, the Santa Fe Basin Water Users Association and the Santa Fe Watershed Association. And three at-large members, two from the city and one from the county, appointed by the Mayor.

City and County staff shall be *ex officio*, non-voting members. I could discuss the purpose of this, but I believe we've indicated what the purpose is.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: We're pretty well aware of that. Are there any questions of Doug?

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COMMISSIONER DURAN: Who's going to be on it?

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I nominate Commissioner Duran.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Oh, no.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: I appoint Commissioner Duran.

MR. SAYRE: I does entail, I believe you would meet twice a month to discuss matters of effluent reuse and at contracts.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Why is there only one Commissioner and two Councilors? Why can't there be two and two? I won't go on it unless there's two and two.

MR. SAYRE: The other issue would be I think you get to recommend an appointment from the County.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: When do they meet?

MR. SAYRE: I'm not sure when they're going to meet yet. We haven't been advised of that. But I think it behooves somebody to look at. It's certainly worth the County's time to be involved in this.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: I tell you what. I'll take it until the first of the year and then let's appoint one of the new Commissioners.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: That's honorable. I think it's good. I was going to suggest that, so you have the appointment.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: So there's also a County recommendation?

MR. SAYRE: There's also, well, there's one Commissioner, and then it appears, the way it's written that there will be three at-large members, two from the City and one from the County.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: Who selects the one from the County at-large?

MR. SAYRE: I believe that the Mayor does that but it would seem to me that it would be per the County Commission recommendation.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I would just ask the Commission if we could consider recommending someone from the La Cienega area who has taken an active interest in what's happening with this and they might be logically --

COMMISSIONER GRINÉ: Put Robert Romero on that.

MR. SAYRE: They're part of one of the at-large committees.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: They already are?

MR. SAYRE: Yes. So they do have representation on this task force.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, in talking to Mr. Lopez yesterday, his indication to me was that the Mayor was asking for a County Commissioner and a member of our staff to be appointed so either Mr. Lopez or Mr. Sayre might be a good recommendation to augment the appointment of Commissioner Duran.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: I appoint Estevan.

MR. SAYRE: Mr. Chairman, what we discussed was the possibility that we could alternate, Estevan and I, on this committee if that was workable.

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COMMISSIONER DURAN: That's fine.

MR. SAYRE: Because Estevan has a lot of other committee meetings that he has to make.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Okay, I think that's okay.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: I'll be happy if I'm here to support you. So let me know.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Okay. It's pretty well resolved then. Thank you, Doug.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Could we meet at lunch?

MR. SAYRE: I'll find out when they meet.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: We're running out of nights. We do have another life, you know.

IX. J. MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

1. **Request authorization to publish title and general summary of an ordinance prohibiting parking of vehicles within areas indicated by signage as "No Parking" areas in Santa Fe County and providing for penalties for violation of this ordinance**

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: We're going to put executive session towards the tail end of the public hearing process. Barbara, it's pretty much all you're asking for is publication of title and general summary. What's the pleasure?

Commissioner Griné moved authorizing publication and Commissioner Duran seconded. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote. [Commissioner Gonzales was not present for this motion.]

X. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. **Seeking community input for proposed projects for the fiscal year 2001 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan (ICIP)**

DAVID MADRID (Project Manager): Mr. Chairman, members of the Commission, this will be the third public hearing that we've held for the Community Development Block Grant and Infrastructure Capital Improvement process. I'll remind you that the County gets to submit one Community Block Grant application, but we can include as many projects in the Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan as we'd like. At this time I'd request that the County Commission open this meeting up to a public hearing for all those

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individuals who are interested in asking for Community Development Block Grant or Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan inclusion.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you, David. Okay, those interested parties in the CDBG grant, please come forward and give your presentation to the Commission.

MR. MADRID; Mr. Chairman, at this time I'd like to introduce Ms. Christina Orona, executive director of Gerard's House.

CHRISTINA ORONA: Mr. Chairman, County Commissioners, good afternoon. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the opportunity to present this afternoon. My name is Christina Orona. I'm the executive director of Gerard's House and we are requesting consideration for the Community Development Block Grant application. We are requesting the full amount of \$400,000. I will be giving a brief overview of Gerard's House and we have some packets of information that we will pass out.

The information in the packets, I'd like to draw your attention to the letters of support that are in there, and some of the statistical information that's been collected on the County of Santa Fe. The packets will go into much more detail than I will in the brief presentation given time restrictions. So I will be giving a brief overview of Gerard's House and then I will also have Anthony Chavez and Cathy Apodaca speak on behalf of Gerard's House.

I'm sure that you all remember the tragic school bus accident that took the lives of Gary Apodaca and Eric Garcia. Cathy and Anthony's lives were significantly impacted by these losses and they will be speaking more on this matter on behalf of Gerard's House. Gerard's House of Santa Fe, we're a grief support center whose mission is to support multi-ethnic children, teens and families in Santa Fe County and northern New Mexico whose lives have been torn apart and changed by the death of a loved one. We were incorporated in the state of New Mexico as a 501(c)(3) organization on June 30, 1997 and started serving children in October of that same year.

We began as a grassroots effort and were founded by a bereavement counselor, Sister Arlene Einwalter, who recognized the special needs of grieving children. Concerned with the number of area infants, children and teens who were dying unexpectedly, she worked together with a small group of grieving families and concerned individuals to establish Gerard's House. Gerard's House does not charge for its services. We're a small organization. We have a staff one full time executive director and two part time individuals.

We rely on volunteer efforts for the majority of our group facilitation, and we rely on partnerships with community foundations and business partnerships within the community. We are one of only two programs in New Mexico and the only program in Santa Fe County and northern New Mexico that provides long term grief support services to children and teens. Unlike other programs in the county, Gerard's House does not have a permanent site for its program. In fact, recently the site we were subleasing was leased out from under us and we're in the process of moving our location.

This type of situation is a disruption to our program and the families receiving services and the opportunity to develop a permanent location for Gerard's House would

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greatly benefit all the families and youth that are being served by Gerard's House. We currently provide four ongoing support groups for children and teens per week. These are in addition to concurrent groups that are offered to the adults or the parents of these children and teens.

We serve 35 to 40 children per week and it's estimated that this number will continue to increase given the statistics that are related to death and violence and how those are increasing and on the rise. Our groups serve children as young as three years old. We served three to five year olds, six to ten year olds, eleven to fourteen year olds and a teen group, fifteen to nineteen year olds. Seventy-nine percent of our families are Santa Fe County residents. However, as I mentioned earlier we are one of only two programs in the state, so due to the lack of services in Santa Fe County and northern New Mexico, we also invite and serve families from Pojoaque, Española, Chimayo, Las Vegas, Pecos, Tesuque, Cochiti, Nambe, Los Alamos and Taos.

Ninety-three percent of the children, teens and families served by Gerard's House are Hispanic. Fifty-eight percent of the families served are low-income and 43 percent of the families served are at moderate income levels. An example of the lower income is one family reported that its income dropped from \$1000 per month to \$300 per month after the death of its household provider. So while some of our families can afford to pay for services, the majority of our families cannot. Therefore in order not to exclude anyone, we do not again charge for our services.

We strive to work collaboratively within the community because we are primarily a volunteer organization and because of the restriction we do not have sliding fee scales. We are not Medicaid based. We operate on a donation only basis, so we work to collaborate with as many organizations possible and tap into as many community resources as are out there. Some of the referrals, and these are just examples and certainly not limited to. But our referrals come through the Santa Fe Public Schools. They come through Youth Shelters and Family Services, La Familia, PMS Hospice Center, Children's Court judges, and we've in fact been asked by the Children's Court judges to come in and provide a group for the adolescents in the system that cannot come out and attend groups at the center. So that's been the process and we're hoping to initiate that group sometime in the next few months.

We also have referrals coming from the Crisis Response Team. We're a member of the Crisis Response Team and work actively in the community. We often receive phone calls to work with them. St. Francis Academy out of Española, probation officers, school counselors, social workers, Children, Youth and Families Department, police departments, churches and from clients who have already received services from Gerard's House. So on that note, I understand there are some restrictions on time, I'm going to turn it over to Cathy and Anthony who will speak on our behalf.

CATHY APODACA: Hello, my name is Cathy Apodaca and my husband was Gary Apodaca. He was killed in the bus crash with Eric Garcia. Immediately after my husband was killed I took my children, my sons to Gerard's House and it's been very helpful

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to them. My sons have all been dealing with the loss of their father in so many different ways and the grief in so many different ways. The support of all of the staff at Gerard's House has been so incredible. Their support, and the compassion that they have, along with the expertise that they have working with children and it's so very important for children to be able to talk about their loss because there are many people that have lost someone in their life and perhaps they have not talked about it.

Ultimately it affects us the rest of our lives and our lives are changed forever. But the support that Gerard's House gets to all of these children is incredible because children need to be able to talk about their feeling, about the loss that they have and they all support each other. All the children support each other very much, because they know that they're not the only ones that have lost someone. It's so important because losing someone in your life does affect you for the rest of your life and they need to be able to have counseling for that. It's so very important for our community.

I myself know many people that have had people die in their lives that have not ever had any support and year ago, people used to say, well, we just need to go on. Which is true. We need to go on, but we also need to talk about it and express our feelings. It's very important for children to have support because children are very important. They're the most important in our lives. We would appreciate your help with this grant. It's very important to the community. It's not just helped, as Tina said, the people in Santa Fe. It's helped not only the children but also the families, grandfathers, grandparents, mothers, cousins, everyone is helped that has lost someone in their lives.

We would really appreciate all of your support. Thank you very much.

ANTHONY CHAVEZ: Good afternoon, Commissioners. My name is Anthony Chavez. I'm here to talk to you about Gerard's House, what it has meant to me and my whole family. To me, Gerard's House has been a place where I could come and talk about my losses. Gerard's House to me has been a link to reality and let me know I'm not the only one who has to deal with death, but there's many people in this world that have worse things that they have done with themselves.

Last year I had to deal with three deaths in a row. My grandpa died on Christmas, '98. My cousin died on March 2 and my aunt died on June 24. They all came through for my family. I'm glad there was a place like Gerard's House because I would have held my feelings back and wouldn't have released them. I have seen people in my family deal with death in many ways by occupying themselves, by keeping busy and not trying to talk about them. But I do believe keeping memory strong will help me get over the pain and suffering. I've been going there for so far for a year and a half and it has helped me dearly. Right now I'm a facilitator. I've been facilitating for about a month and a half since April, helping kids between the ages of six and ten and helping them relieve their sadness and grief.

Right now, this month, I'm going to be taking a training so I can become a real facilitator and continuing to offer my generosity to the community. I hope you continue supporting Gerard's House. Thank you.

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CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you very much.

MS. ORONA: Mr. Chairman and Commissioners, on behalf of Gerard's House and the children and teens whose lives have been torn apart and changed by the death of a loved one, I'd like to thank you for your consideration of our proposal. Are there any questions?

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Ms. Orona, do you have a building site already in hand?

MS. ORONA: We've been talking with some people in the county about potential sites for a building and we're working with David Madrid and County Commissioner Paul Duran on some potential sites.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Okay. Thank you very much.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Mr. Chairman, I just thought, I've been talking to Gerard's House about maybe locating them at the Agua Fria Park, similar to where we're considering the Youth and Family Shelters location. It could well fit in there with La Familia, Youth and Family Shelters. So we've just scratched the surface but we are talking about possibly coming before the Commission and asking for us to consider that site for their building.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you, Commissioner Duran. Thank you, Christina. Anyone else?

MR. MADRID: Mr. Chairman, at this time I'd like to introduce Karen Keene, the executive director of Youth Shelters and Family Services, and a large part of the audience.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: I hope you only have one spokesperson in mind.

KAREN KEENE: Well, almost. We have a couple of young people who'd like to speak, if that's all right. Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, my name is Karen Keene and I'm the executive director of Youth Shelters and Family Services. We are a non-profit agency that has been providing service in Santa Fe County since 1980. Our program, the heart of our program is the shelter that we have had that we've operated for 20 years and it has been located in our current facility on Airport Road since 1991.

We are here today to ask you for support for Community Development Block Grant funding to support a building project to build a new shelter and some counseling offices and case management offices on a site that we have been working with the County over and the BLM, which would be some land up in the Agua Fria Community Park.

The materials that you have include a breakdown of costs for the project and square footage and all of that and you also have a smaller version of our project plan here. What we're proposing is to build approximately a 9,500 square foot building. It's a project that we've been working on for quite some time. We have really looked seriously at our current location, which is about an 1800 square foot building that started out as a single family dwelling.

We serve at any given time twelve youngsters in our shelter, which means that we

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have a lot of traffic, usually about 300 kids a year come through our shelter. A single family dwelling wasn't designed and isn't conducive to that kind of traffic and the physical configuration to meet our needs and so on. So we're really seriously looking at developing a facility that more clearly meets the needs of our organization.

Since we've been working on this for a while we have been fortunate enough to be able to leverage some funding. We have some block grant money from the City of Santa Fe. We have some money from the last two years from the New Mexico State Legislature, and we also have some other funding from local funders and foundations.

The other thing that we're doing to support this project is we are taking our current property on Airport Road that we owe actually very little on and we are in the process of asking for a zoning variance so that we can sell that property. In fact this evening we have a presentation before the EZA which would be the second step of that process. The floor plan that's being held up by Cody here has some color coding so you can get a sense about what part of that project is for which area. The blue areas are for the shelter. The brown areas would be counseling, case management, direct service space, and the pink area would be administrative space. So we have a few young people here who are really interested in saying a few words.

CRYSTAL: Hi, my name is Crystal. I've been here before so I hope you listen to me this time too. I'm really grateful that the shelter was there because I've been in and out of the shelter since I was 12, 13. And it's been a stepping stone to making something of my life. I'm going to college and stuff, raising my daughter on my own. My husband died when I was 19. I was three months pregnant. I went back to the shelter system. They helped me out a lot there. Then from there I moved to the jail. People learn that I'm going to college. I'm doing stuff for my life and I want to see these kids that are in the shelter system and working with this program to succeed also, so I hope that you find it in your hearts to help us.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you, Crystal.

COMMISSIONER GRINÉ: Mr. Chairman, I was a good listener last time.

COMMISSIONER DURAN: Same here.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: So was I. This is the original Tsopapi, something like that. The original name was Tsopapi? La Otra Puerta?

JESSICA: Good afternoon, gentlemen. My name is Jessica. I am 16 years old. I am currently residing at the youth shelter and I have been there for about a week. It's helped me a lot. They help me make decisions. I feel safe there. I feel comfortable. I know I can confide in all the people that work there and that I can trust them in whatever decision that I choose to make and they help me make the right one. The kids there are really cool. They have a lot of problems and they help us to work through them. Like she said, it's a stepping stone and it has been a great one for me in my life. It has totally changed it. I will never forget the people there. They've had a great impact on my life. But I think that we really do need a new shelter and I think it would be nice if they could

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have one. So I'd just like to ask. I hope you give in to that. Thank you for your time.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Karen, this is located across from the Allsaps, towards the back? On Airport Road, next to Zia Mobile Home Park?

CHRISSIE GONZALES: Hi, I'm Chrissie Gonzales and the first time I went to the shelter I was only 13 and that was because I was having problems at home and I needed a safer place to stay at. There was lots of drugs and things and I didn't need to be around that. And then I had peers that were influencing me wrong. So I had to be there. It was nice there. They used to take us places. They used to do things that weren't negative. They used to take us to the park and gym.

I went back when I was 18 to the shelter, again because I was a runaway this time and I didn't have a place to go, not even at my mom's so it provided a place for me to stay. It was nice. The staff was supportive. It's just a good program for kids that are on the run because they don't need to be in jail. That was my alternative, was to go to jail, and that's no place for a runaway to be. Not for the problems that I was having at home. I think it's a good program for teens. I guess if I didn't go there I'd probably end up a lot worse off than I am. So I guess we'd appreciate it a lot, anything that you could do to help us. Thanks.

MS. KEENE: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, thank you very much for your time. We really appreciate it.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you, Karen.

MS. KEENE: Any questions?

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Not really. Just a statement. I remember when they first created this and I think the name of it was Tsopapi spelled with a T. I just recall this back in my CDRC days many, many years ago, so I'm pretty well familiar. It was the old Bob Derringer house.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: Mr. Chairman, I have a question. I guess I apologize in maybe not having the opportunity -- first I apologize for walking out at the beginning. I needed to take that call. And for not knowing maybe as much as I should about youth shelters. It seems to me that you have a lot of interaction when the kids, the teenagers come in to the facility, and I know and I'm sure you teach them life learning skills while they're there so that when it's time for them to leave, they feel confident enough in themselves that they can basically stand on their own.

Have you developed a relationship with the business community at all, or the Chamber of Commerce or individuals so that maybe in terms of finding placement and work placement for a lot of the individuals who come in who you know are ready to move on or get some work? Have you seen a receptiveness from the business community to support placement?

MS. KEENE: Not specific to our shelter. In your materials there's a brochure and you can see that we have a continuum of services so we have kids and their families coming to us in different kinds of ways. One of the many young people come to

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us through the shelter, but that is an emergency shelter so our average length of stay is eleven days. Our goal is reunification. So those kids are back with their families or a family member most likely.

But we have other programs, for instance our Transitional Living Program, which is 18 months, which is, that's where we really focus on life skills. We have a longer term relationship. Kids in that program need to be working, going to school, and so that's where we would access those services. So we do a lot around employment, supporting kids as they maybe are having their first job. Obviously, most of the work that's available to youth in almost any community are minimum wage, fast food kinds of jobs, and that is what people are most likely to experience when they are in our program.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: But it doesn't necessarily always have to be that way. If the business community were to step up, and lawyers' firms, accounting firms, even restaurant chains. If that's not happening, I think that's something that maybe the Commission can get involved in and trying to be a spark for. The business community is always coming to the County to support initiatives to promote business and making sure that business stays vibrant and we're committed to economic development. But I guess we need to ask that next question, what are they doing for programs like this where we have teenagers at risk who are in need of mentors and good jobs and being able to get that one break.

I'm not discounting the restaurant industry because I've got very good friends, a very good friend of mine owns McDonalds here in Santa Fe. But I also recognize that there can be choice and there can be opportunities that if we encourage our businesses to create mentor programs or to work with the facility to create placement programs. I think sometimes it just takes who you know, as you know. Sometimes it takes getting that one break, and minus that, you probably see it every day. You're never going to get that one chance to move into an environment where you can really learn a skill that you can really grow into.

So, if that's not happening, I think it's something that we as a County and as a Commission should advocate and try and be a catalyst for to really put pressure on the business community to create programs. Because if I understand, is it just teen mothers ages 16 to 21, that you serve?

MS. KEENE: No, that is actually one small part of our Transitional Living Program. So we're serving kids in the shelter up to 17 and then teen moms.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: What's the beginning age?

MS. KEENE: Zero.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: Okay. So the County's also funding a program that studies child abuse. I forget the name of the organization. Does anyone on the County staff remember the name of the organization? But I'd be interested in finding out if there's coordination that's going on between your program and their program and if there's duplication of efforts that are out there that maybe we could look at to combining as well. Sam, do you remember the name of the program that we're funding that studies child

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abuse and works -- not only studies but also creates an environment for kids that have been abused in the community?

MR. MONTOYA: It's called Children's Initiatives in San Diego.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: No, it's the -- we're in the second year of the program. We funded it last year.

MR. MONTOYA: Okay, Santa Fe Family Centers in Santa Fe. I thought you were talking about the other project we're looking at to emulate here.

COMMISSIONER GRINÉ: It's a program was presented to us, Commissioner, from southern Colorado.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: Right. And then we started it here, or we funded a program and it just seems that there might be some, again, some correlation. I guess what I'm advocating for and we did this, or we tried to do this with our Health Commission, rather than duplication of efforts and having different groups that are striving for the same thing that we can try and be a Commission that brings all these groups together to stay focused on this priority of children and teenagers in our community.

But I'm really interested in seeing what the business community has done. Certainly being a business owner I know that my family would be certainly committed to working as a mentor program or providing opportunity for some of these kids to come in and work. I just know that it just takes one break sometimes, one chance. It's more than just about the money. It's more than just about the shelter, it's what we do when they leave the shelter as a community to make sure that they don't have to come back into the shelter and that their children don't have to go back into the shelter.

For whatever that's worth, I'd like to throw that out as a challenge to ourselves and to you guys to use us to put pressure on the business community to create some of these opportunities for some of the teenagers that are really to go to work or that need to go to work and they just need a break.

MS. KEENE: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Commissioner Gonzales, this friend of yours in McDonalds, is his name Ronald, by any chance.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: Ronald Zamora

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: David, when does this come up for action?

MR. MADRID: Mr. Chairman, I had planned to have one more public hearing and then at that public hearing you could make your decision and that would give you time to look at the people that have already appeared before you and also to bring in any last minute people. I think that you've gotten some excellent candidates this year. But I would like to have one more public hearing if that's all right with you.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Okay. That's fine.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: One last question. How many times has Youth Shelters and Services requested CDBG funding?

MR. MADRID: I've been here for three years and they've requested funding

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every year.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: And they've been denied funding every year?

MR. MADRID: They've come in a close second every year.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you, David. Anyone else? Okay, that concludes this part of the public hearing. Thank you, everybody for showing up. Keep the faith.

IX. B. Ordinance No. 2000-___. An ordinance amending ordinance No. 1999-6, comprehensive solid waste management ordinance, Section 10, allowing permits to be transferred

JILL HOLBERT (Solid Waste Director): Good afternoon, Commissioners. This item is basically a public hearing for changing the wording in the Solid Waste Management Ordinance, which currently prohibits the transference of those allotted permits, those free permits. This was a public hearing that Commissioner Trujillo had requested. Would you like to proceed with it, since he's not here today?

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Since it is his issue, maybe we should just table and republish for another time.

MS. HOLBERT: For the next session?

Commissioner Griné moved to table and Commissioner Duran seconded. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

X. C. Discussion of possible acquisition of the Villa Rivera/Marion Hall property and possible financing options

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: Before we go on and go into the presentation, can we just see who's here to speak.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: I was just going to ask that. Sure. How many people in the audience are here to speak on this issue. Please come forward. I don't think we need that. We've already seen it once before and we're pretty well familiar with it. Ma'am, would you please approach the podium and address the Commission? Did you want to speak also, ma'am, at the back?

LEE MEYER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, Commissioners. This is strictly from my opinion. My name is Lee Meyer, 2866 Plaza Verde. I'm in Commissioner Griné's district. And my opinion about this purchase vacillates from one, worrying about the project being a financial black hole to an already challenged County budget, to another side, if the

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property were designed to include a new County Courthouse, having monitored court cases over the last three years, I strongly endorse the expansion of a district court space.

The rooms presently in use are usually crowded, inadequately wired for microphones and poorly ventilated. There is a lack of sufficient space for holding prisoners and public restrooms, not to mention parking spaces. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN ANAYA: Thank you very much. Anyone else that would like to address the Commission on this purchase of old St. Vincents?

IX. J. 2. Executive Session

- a. Discussion of possible acquisition of real property or water rights
- b. Discussion of pending or threatened litigation
- c. Limited personnel matters

Commissioner Gonzales moved to go into executive session for the purpose of discussion the above-mentioned topics. Commissioner Griñé seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote, with Commissioner Anaya, Commissioner Gonzales, Commissioner Duran and Commissioner Griñé all voting in favor.

[The Commission met in executive session from 4:25 to 5:25.]

Commissioner Gonzales moved to come out of executive session. Commissioner Griñé seconded and by unanimous voice vote the Board returned to open session.

Chairman Anaya announced that the other issues discussed during closed session were those listed above.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Anaya declared this meeting adjourned at approximately 5:25 p.m.

Approved by:



Board of County Commissioners
Richard Anaya, Chairman

Respectfully submitted:

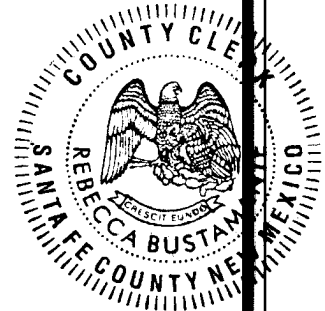
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County Clerk, Santa Fe County, N.M.

Marcella Delgado
Deputy

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SPECIAL MEETING

July 20, 2000 - 7:00 P.M.

Notice of Special Meeting & Agenda

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, July 20, 2000, at 7:00 p.m. at the Eldorado Elementary School, #2 Avenida Torreon, Eldorado, New Mexico. The Special Meeting is to discuss the following item.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Public Hearings:
 - A. Discussion of Possible Acquisition of the Villa Rivera/Marion Hall Property and Possible Financing Options
- V. Adjournment

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