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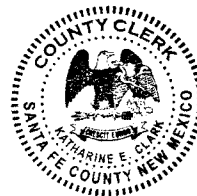
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1. A. This regular meeting of the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners was called to order at approximately 2:09 p.m. by Vice Chair Anna Hamilton in the County Commission Chambers, 102 Grant Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

B. Roll Call

Roll was called by Deputy County Clerk Evonne Ganz and indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

Members Present:

Commissioner Henry Roybal, [via Webex]
Commissioner Anna Hamilton, Vice Chair
Commissioner Rudy Garcia
Commissioner Anna Hansen
Commissioner Hank Hughes

Members Excused:

None

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. State Pledge

E. Moment of Reflection

The Pledge of Allegiance and the State Pledge were led by Vice Chair Hamilton and the Moment of Reflection by Denise Benavidez and Alex Fitzgerald from the Community Development Department.

Commissioner Hansen recognized the passing of Sidney Poitier.

F. Approval of Agenda

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Deputy Manager, are there any changes to the agenda?

ELIAS BERNARDINO (Deputy County Manager): Good afternoon, Madam Chair. Yes, we do have some amended items that I'd like to point out. Five items were all indicated as the packet material was updated. The agenda was posted on Tuesday, January 4th at 5:14 pm. The amended agenda was posted on Friday, January 7th at 5:23 pm. Item 3. B, 5. B, 8. B, 9. E and 11. A, those items, their packet material was

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updated. I don't have any other further changes.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Excellent. Thank you very much. If there are no other changes from Commissioners –

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Yes, Commissioner Hansen.

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

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, I'll second that. Mr. Bernardino, can you actually tell me those changes again please?

MR. BERNARDINO: Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia, we have item 3. B, 5. B, 8. B, 9. E, and 11. A. Just all the packet material was updated on all of those items. Instead of going into each one of those, we updated the material to reflect what we'd like to discuss today.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you, Madam Chair. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. So we have a motion and a second.

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

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A. Request Approval of the November 30, 2021, Board of County Commissioners Meeting Minutes

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Yes, Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I move to approve the November 30, 2021 Board of County Commissioners meeting.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: I'll second.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Motion and a second.

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

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Final Order in the Matter of Case #21-5150 Colibri Subdivision (Formerly Turquoise Trail North), Final Plat Phase-2. Turquoise Land Investment, LLC, Applicant, Jenkins Gavin, Inc., Agent, Request Final Plat Approval for Phase-2 of the Colibri Subdivision (Formerly Known as Turquoise Trail North Subdivision). Preliminary Plat for Phase-1 & Phase-2 as well as Final Plat for Phase-1 for Colibri Was Approved by the BCC Under Case #19-5160. Phase-2 Will Consist of 116 Lots on 74.84 Acres, More or Less. Infrastructure for Phase-1 is Currently Under Construction and Has Yet to be Completed. The Property is Located within the Santa Fe Community College District Planned Development District, at 4530 NM 14, within Sections 24 and 25, Township 16 North, Range 8 East (Commission District 5) (Growth

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Management/Vicki Lucero) APPROVED 4-0

- B. Request Approval of Agreement Between Santa Fe County and the Santa Fe County Firefighters Association Local 4366 International Association of Firefighters, January 11, 2022-December 31, 2024 (County Attorney's Office/Rachel A. Brown, Human Resources and Risk Management Division/Sonya Quintana) (Packet Material Updated)**
- C. Request Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Collective Bargaining Agreement Between Santa Fe County and the New Mexico Coalition of Public Safety Officers Representing the Santa Fe County Deputy Sheriffs. (County Attorney's Office/Rachel A. Brown, Human Resources and Risk Management Division/Sonya Quintana)**
- D. Resolution No. 2022-001, a Resolution Requesting a Budget Increase to the Alcohol Programs Fund (241) in the Amount of \$300,000 (Finance Division/Yvonne S. Herrera, Community Services Department/Rachel O'Connor)**

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Were there any items any Commissioners cared to ask questions about or taken off for discussion?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: These items I do not want to take off the agenda but I'd just like to thank staff for actually working on item B. Obviously all the agenda items. Item B as well as item C, which is collective bargaining between two of our most important unions that we have that actually do work well with our Legal Department as well as our HR Department so I'm just like to thank staff for working on those, as we had discussed those for probably a couple of months now. But just wanted to thank them.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Anybody else? So what's the pleasure of the Board?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Move for approval, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Second.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Any further discussion? I have a motion and a second.

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

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Yes, Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I just want to make a comment and just say I'm not sure if you guys could hear me but I just wanted the record to show I voted in the affirmative on the previous items.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I appreciate you getting on. I was actually just about to ask if you were able to hear and connect. But you're coming through loud and clear, so that's good to know. Thank you.

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COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: And I'll try to remember to check with you but feel free to break in at the appropriate moments.

[Deputy Clerk Ganz provided the resolution numbers throughout the meeting.]

4. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

A. Appointments and Reappointments of Members to the Santa Fe County Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: We have Lisa Katonak to talk about members for Santa Fe County's Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board.

LISA KATONAK (Community Development): Good afternoon, Commissioners. The role of the Santa Fe County Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board is to make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners concerning the expenditure of the occupancy tax proceeds. LTAB prepares semi-annual budgets setting for the budget of money collected by the County Clerk and also setting forth all expenditures made during such semi-annual period. The LTAB consists of five residents of the county, two of whom represent the lodging industry, two of whom are directly involved in tourist-related industries, and one member at large who represents the general public.

Members must reside within Santa Fe County and LTAB members serve a two-year term and may be renominated for up to two additional successive terms. The term of all appointed LTAB members previously was for two years from January 28, 2020 to January 31, 2022. The LTAB board member representing the public, Mr. Roy O'Brien provided a vacancy on the board in 2021. Santa Fe County advertised the vacant board member position for the Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board via a press release.

Staff has received letters of interest and résumés and mandatory forms from the following individuals seeking appointment to the LTAB. Those include Mr. Bruno Allaire, Mr. John Feins, Mr. Christopher Goblet, Mr. Brian Lock, Mr. Phillip Livingston and Mr. Michael Segura. Mr. Nick Salazar submitted a letter of interest but we did not receive the mandatory conflict of interest form.

In addition, staff has received letters of interest and résumés and all mandatory forms for the following individuals seeking reappointment to the LTAB: Mr. Stuart Ashman, Mr. Daniel Goodman, Mr. Ryan Miller, and Mr. Bixente Pery.

Staff recommendation. Staff recommends the appointment of Mr. Brian Lock to serve in the at-large position to serve a two-year term beginning January 11, 2022 until January 11, 2024. Mr. Lock is president and owner of Santa Fe Brewing Company in Santa Fe County. Since 1998 Santa Fe Brewing has expanded to five locations in the region with three locations in Santa Fe County, at 35 Fire Place, 7 Caliente Road in Eldorado, and 510 Galisteo, as well as the creation of the Bridge, a multi-purpose facility with both indoor and outdoor space as a venue for concerts and entertainment. Mr. Lock will bring his unique experience of economic development and tourism, entrepreneurship and community involvement to serve on the Santa Fe County Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board.

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Staff recommends the reappointments of Mr. Ryan Miller of Bobcat Inn, Mr. Bixente Pery of Four Seasons Resort Rancho Encantado, Mr. Daniel Goodman of El Rancho de las Golondrinas, and Mr. Stuart Ashman, owner of Artes de Cuba Gallery, to serve a two-year term beginning January 11, 2022 until January 11, 2024. These LTAB members each bring valuable experience and background to the work of the Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board and are committed to continuing to do the important work of this board. I stand for any questions.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you so much, Lisa.

Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you, Lisa, and thank you to all the people who submitted applications to be on this board. And I'm grateful to all of the people who have been serving for the last two years, most of them, except for one, are very interested and I think there's a really good team. I'm a little disappointed that there's no women on this board but hopefully in the next couple years we'll have a woman apply again. But with that, I would like to recommend the reappointment of Mr. Ryan Miller, Mr. Bixente Pery, Mr. Daniel Goodman, and Mr. Stuart Ashman, and I support the recommendation of Mr. Brian Lock to be a new member from the Santa Fe Brewing company.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Commissioner. We have a motion. Do I have a second?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Second for discussion.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Under discussion, Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Lisa, I just wanted to let you know the Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board, which is actually something that County's implemented for probably, what, seven, eight years, and really has moved forward. You as staff as well as working with the entire community in the county area outside of the municipality – you've done a great job as well as our marketing crew that we actually have hired. But some of these individuals here, these businesses are very essential for being in the area. El Rancho de las Golondrinas – what can you say about that about the history of Santa Fe County? Bobcat Bite Inn, they recently - they have some new burgers out there, I hear. They actually opened – their burgers are very large, I hear. Very good. Four Seasons Resort has been there for many, many years. It did go through a remodel about probably seven, eight years ago. Beautiful place. Mr. Brian Lock, actually for those who have not driven down the old Turquoise Trail, which is pretty much Cerrillos Road all the way down to I-40 down there, Mr. Lock has actually done an excellent job at his facility out there. It took a little bit of a challenge to go through our zoning department. However, in the summertime out there, live music. It's actually a beautiful venue out there.

I recommend the approvals as well as for the recommendation did, but thank you for a good job. It's actually good to see when you go to a restaurant and you see the great advertisement of Santa Fe County out there on the monitors. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

MS. KATONAK: Thank you so much, Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Hughes.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you, Madam Chair. I just had a

quick question. Which of the people we're about to appoint is representing the general public? I can figure out who represents the lodging industry; that's pretty easy.

MS. KATONAK: So Mr. Brian Lock will be representing the general public. However, he does also have a business interest within the county and he is tied to economic development and tourism efforts as a whole. So he will represent the general public.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Okay. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. And Commissioner Roybal, do you have a comment?

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: No. Not really. I just want to agree with the recommendations. I think Commissioner Garcia and Commissioner Hansen did a great job of recognizing the individuals and their accomplishments, so just to add that as well. Thank you.

MS. KATONAK: Thank you, Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Lisa, I just have a quick question. So I know we distribute money throughout the county to different places. How do people apply?

MS. KATONAK: Thank you so much, Commissioner Hansen. So right now we are working through some revised criteria for our Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board grant program. It is for marketing, advertising and promotional efforts for organizations that are non-profits, government entities and quasi-government entities to apply for funds to promote tourism-related events, or tourism-related attractions. So they can contact me at my work number, 505-995-2761 and they can inquire. We will be releasing a notice of funding availability by the end of the month for those organizations that are interested in applying.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Basically, they reach out to you, Lisa, and you send them the application or kind of do some pre-screening, so to speak.

MS. KATONAK: Yes. So if there is any organizations within your districts or any people from the public that are interested that have organizations or events or tourist attractions, I can speak with them or communicate with them in regard to the criteria, and then we can follow up.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: And what was your phone number again?

MS. KATONAK: It is 505-995-2761.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Somebody might be out there listening and I thought it would be a good way to let people know that the LTAB does have a grant program and that people can apply.

MS. KATONAK: Yes. Thank you so much.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Okay. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. So if there's no further discussion we have a motion and a second.

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

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5. MISCELLANEOUS ACTION ITEMS

A. Request (1) Approval of the Purchase of a Kenworth Crane Lift Truck in the Amount of \$307,534.99, Inclusive of New Mexico GRT Utilizing an Outside Contract; and (2) Grant of Signature Authority to the County Manager to Sign the Change Order/Purchase Order

BILL TAYLOR (Purchasing Director): Thank you, Madam Chair, Commissioners. We're here before you to ask approval to use an existing cooperative agreement through CES, Cooperative Educational Services procurement. This is for the purchase of a lift crane truck. This truck is used by the Utilities Division in Public Works to pull pumps out of wet wells and replace them or repair them and reinstall them. And with that, the purpose of this before the Board is to request approval to utilize an outside contract for an amount greater than \$250,000. With that I will stand for questions.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Are there any questions?
Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, Mr. Taylor, thank you for that. So I have a couple of questions on this. So can you explain to me the ten percent, how that works? So is the truck actually \$250,000 and ten percent gets it to \$307,000?

MR. TAYLOR: Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia, that is correct. And the reason we put the contingency in there is that we're experiencing some increases to parts, particularly by Kenworth, who has not been able to hold their price too long, even with the encumbrance. So we anticipate that this will be a solid price and we may not need to exercise the contingency.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you. So I did see the item in regards to the availability of parts, but whenever you go buy a vehicle you would think that you're buying a complete vehicle, so what sort of parts are we needing to add to this utility truck?

MR. TAYLOR: Madam Chair and Commissioner Garcia, what I've seen is Kenworth has entered into *force majeure*, that there are situations in the market where parts are not available, and I don't know the specific parts that are not available. We experienced it on a prior Kenworth that we purchased for the Utilities Department, the hook truck that was – I can't remember the exact equipment, but they are saying that it's beyond their control. Act of god or pandemic or anything that they wrap that around, so we're putting the contingency in there to protect us against any kind of change to the amount, and we're hoping that we can get that for the original quote less the contingency.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you. So we actually – do we feel, all the acts that you mentioned, do we feel good that ten percent is going to cover it?

MR. TAYLOR: Madam Chair, Commissioner, no. Honestly, it's just hard to say. The department feels confident that we can bring it in for that contingency in that amount.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: And just one last question, Madam Chair. So you have here that it will be replacing wells. Are they taking out the casings of the well? Are they taking out the pumps? What exactly are they taking out? Because you can't take out a well, correct? You can, but –

MR. TAYLOR: Madam Chair, Commissioner, from what I understand we

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do not have this type of equipment at the department and we contract that out. It's simply to pull those pumps, not necessarily the case. If the pump can't be replaced or it needs to be redrilled then of course the casings and all of that stuff has to come out. I'm not sure if it includes the casings.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you. There's a couple reasons why I'm asking those questions towards the end because I know last year or year before we did budget for a vactor truck, which is something that the County needs but you don't have to answer those questions. But I'm just interested in the vactor truck. This budget year I'm also interested in the brush hog that's been down for the last year and a half, two years, a couple staff out there that are no longer with us told me about it, but I'm just think of Kenworth and these acts of what happened as into for the two equipment that I have in my mind right now. Those are just why I'm asking some of these questions. But thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Are there any other questions?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I will make a motion to approve but I do have a few questions also.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Okay. Do I have a second?

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Second.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. And under discussion, Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you. So I understand that we're in this era of unknown parts and that things are in flux, especially because of the pandemic and all of the things that have happened. I want to make sure that when we're approving this we have enough for them to buy this or if something happens are they going to have to come back to us again? And so do we need to increase the contingency?

MR. TAYLOR: Madam Chair, Commissioner Hansen, I don't believe so. I think the contingency – the department does feel confident that a ten percent contingency to cover any kind of cost increase for availability. There are a number of other orders in front of it that we wanted to get this in place and we feel confident with documentation from Kenworth that they can deliver it within that cost range. And if not the case then a determination will be made whether we bring it back to the Board or not.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Okay. Thank you. I'm still good with my motion to approve.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Is there any further discussion? So if not, I have a motion and a second.

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

5. B. Resolution No. 2022-002, a Resolution Approving and Accepting the FY2021 Audit

YVONNE HERRERA (Finance Director): Good afternoon, Chair

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Hamilton, Commissioners. The resolution before you is the acceptance of the fiscal year 2021 audited annual comprehensive financial report, which is now called the ACFR. First I'd like to thank the Board, the County Manager's Office, the departments and the Finance Division staff for the timely completion of the audit. I would also like to thank REDW for the headaches, sleepless nights and stress they caused during the audit. It was very much appreciated. We look forward to it every single year.

All kidding aside, it was a tough year to get through and to continue to complete the audit on time and with a clean opinion show how important the County takes its financial matters. It is with this County team that this continues to be done each and every year. The County contracted with REDW to perform the annual audit which they will now present to the Board as required by Rule 2.2.2.10. M.4, NMAC. Today we have Steve Montoya, Jonathan Rothweiler and Ethan Loya from REDW to present the audit to the Board and I'll turn it over to them. They're on Webex, I believe.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Very much appreciated.

SAM MONTOYA (REDW - via Webex): Thank you, Yvonne, Madam Chair. Thank you very much. We appreciate the time today. I will go ahead and share my screen, if that's okay.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, while we're waiting, I'd just like to thank our entire staff and Yvonne. Thank you. You made some very important comments right there which is Santa Fe County takes financial matters very seriously. Under Manager Miller and previous managers as well as yourself and the entire staff we actually submit items to the Financial Department, whether it's a purchase order or a pay-out request, it's very important to Santa Fe County. My colleagues up here, we realize that. And for you and your entire team to get the audit on time and a good audit – we'll hear from the auditors right now, because you said you gave them a lot of stress, but that's okay. Nonetheless, I just wanted to thank you for Santa Fe County. Yes, we do take our financial matters very seriously and you did get it in on time. I appreciate that. Thank you.

MS. HERRERA: Yes, Chair Hamilton, Commissioner Garcia, thank you. Appreciate that.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I would like to chime in and say I am extraordinarily grateful that our audit is on time. That means a lot to the Board and we're grateful for all your hard work, because it is not an easy lift. I know that. So thank you very, very much.

MS. HERRERA: Chair Hamilton, Commissioner Hansen, Thank you. Appreciate that.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thanks. And thanks to both of you for recognizing staff for such an outstanding ongoing performance. So Mr. Montoya, we're back to you.

MR. MONTOYA: Okay. Well, thank you, Madam Chair and I would also like to extend a thank you to Yvonne and her team, the Finance Department for their assistance throughout the audit. It's a big annual comprehensive financial report. It's about 300 pages for the whole document. From our team, we have about 900 hours that are put into the audit each year. Significant amount of efforts coming from the County side and also from the audit side. So we appreciate everybody's time and I'll go ahead

and go on to our presentation.

So I'm here, as Yvonne mentioned, to present our audit reports in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, which is in accordance with the State Audit Rule. The scope of our audits include the financial statement audit for FY 20/21, and the federal compliance audit for FY 20/21 as well. So we have the single audit that's in conjunction with our financial statement audit.

We had met with the Audit Committee and with management on November 31, 2021 to present our audit results, and that's also known as the exit conference, that we present that information before it goes over to the State Auditor's Office. We then submitted our audit results over to the State Auditor's Office. So has of today, our financial statement and federal compliance audits are complete for the year ended June 30, 2021.

Our audits were conducted in accordance with the auditing standards, US generally accepted auditing standards, the government auditing standards, the uniform guidance, which is the federal requirements, and also the New Mexico State Audit Rule. As always, our audit objective is to make reasonable but not absolute assurance. So we're looking at financial transactions that occurred during the year, looking at the balance as that year ended, looking at its own materiality and viewpoint. So materiality, it's one of those items that when we think about it, we think about what would impact the decision makers. Would it affect their decision on making a financial judgment on the financials.

So we're not there to obtain absolute assurance, so we're not testing 100 percent of the documents, but we are looking at it from a [inaudible] approach and looking to see if – we want to make sure we're obtaining reasonable assurance.

So as Yvonne alluded to, we did issue an unmodified opinion on the financial statements and on the federal programs compliance reports, a single audit. So that's the highest level of assurance that we can provide as auditors, so that's also known as a clean opinion, as it's also referred to. And so the financial statements were presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. And so the State Auditor's Office, they have approved the reports. They gave their approval on December 27, 2021 and the reports are available on the State Auditor's website.

So as part of our audit we do evaluate the internal controls over financial reporting. The primary purpose of us looking at the controls of the County is to modify our procedures and develop our audit program steps. And so what we do is we go and look at the County's controls. We review the limits. We had inquiries with various department personnel, the personnel of the County, and as we do some analytic procedures as well, just to kind of look at numbers, comparisons from the prior year or other expectations, and that's a little part of just looking to see if we considered any significant risks to the financial statements. And then based on those risks, we'll design our audit procedures to be in line with those risks that we've determined during the planning stage of the audit.

And so as part of that, we sometimes come across internal control matters that we need to report over to management and also to the Board of County Commissioners. And so this slide here, this is kind of the definitions of the control deficiencies. So if we come into a matter that we identify an internal control issue, we evaluate it to see how it fits into these categories. And so if it's a control deficiency that's more in line with just

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communicating to management, it's viewed as a deficiency of internal controls. So that means that if there was a control breakdown we didn't consider it significant enough to bring to those [inaudible] of governance, or we didn't consider it a control matter that would result in a material misstatement of the financials.

If the control matter is significant to where we think, well, this also should be communicated to those charged with governance, which would be you, then we'll categorize that deficiency as a significant deficiency. If there's a control deficiency or a combination of control deficiencies that could result in a material misstatement not being detected or corrected in a timely manner, then that would be kind of the highest level of a control deficiency and that would be more of the most serious matters from a control standpoint. So we would definitely communicate that as well to you during our audit.

And so as part of our audit for this last year, the good thing is we had no material weaknesses identified in our audit, so that third level category. We didn't identify any internal control deficiencies that we would consider to be a material weakness that would be a control breakdown that would not tax something, that would be material to the financials. And so that's a good thing. We didn't identify any such matters.

We did during the audit identify a significant deficiency, however, so that's kind of a middle category, which is a control deficiency that we considered enough to bring up to those charged with governance. This one was for financial reporting. There were so many errors in the financial statements, the original draft that we received. We communicated those to management and management was able to correct those errors that were in the financials. So there was a few of them that we identified during the audit. I think a lot of this had to do with just time for the review process from the department to be able to kind of review the overall financials a little bit more thoroughly before providing them over to us for the audit. That I think is primarily the cause of just some staff vacancies that we had during the audit.

And so understandable, those errors, they were corrected. Again, management was able to take care of those and make the changes before the final reports were submitted.

And so that was the only control deficiency that was a significant deficiency. We're going to go over a couple more – a few more items regarding control deficiencies that are required to be reported in accordance with the State Audit Act. And so we'll go ahead and go over to this next slide which is going to be the single audit results. With this, I'll go ahead and kick it over to John Rothweiler. He was the senior manager on the audit engagement. He's going to kind of take you through – this is the federal compliance portion of our audit results and he'll also communicate some of the state audit finding results as well. John, do you want to take over from here?

I don't know if I need to start. I'll go ahead, if John can't get his audio I'll just go ahead and continue. We were going to try to break it up with him presenting that. I'll go ahead and continue just so I don't hold things up.

And so we did have the one program that we audited this year was the Corona Virus Relief Fund. And that was – this was a new program that was tested this year, so this was related to the Corona Virus Relief Funds that the County received through the state. And so in the past we adjusted the vouchers program, the housing vouchers program. So it was different this year for the County, one that we had to test this year.

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This is probably going to be very common now across the state with the relief funds that were coming into the different entities, public entities.

And so we did have one finding to report related to this one program, and this had to do with allowable costs. There was one payroll transaction that we tested related to an employee that performed services after the period that the subcontract allowed for. So the subcontract ended on December 30, 2020, and there were some payroll expenditures, \$433. So very minor. But that had been incurred after December 30, 2020 and so it looked to be like an isolated incident. There wasn't any further expenses that were incurred past December 30th, and so that is the only expense that we found that was unallowable, just because it was past the period that the contract was for.

And so moving on to our other findings. So these other findings are required by state statute, so these are also considered to be the New Mexico State audit findings. We're required to report on this as well. We had one finding that we identified this year that was a repeat finding for prior year. So this first one was collateralization. The County is required to have at least up to 50 percent of pledged collateral on their investments under cash deposits that they hold and so I think we found one deposit that was uncollateralized at year end. So it was uninsured at year end of 2021.

And then the other two findings – these were two new findings this year, which was expenditures that were in excess of the budgeted amounts. So these are the approved budgets that the County has. There were some expenditures that were in excess of those budgeted amounts.

And then the last finding there is for our personnel action forms. And so we had found that there was 11 employees out of 25 employees tested that didn't have their most recent pay rate in their personnel file. And that finding had to do with the COLA increases that the County had. In fact it was approved, but the increase in their pay just wasn't included in their personnel file, as far as what that current updated rate was for those employees.

And so there was no unallowable expenses that were found. It was just a documentation matter about making sure the personnel action forms include the most current pay rate for all the employees. Okay.

And so this next slide here shows a summary of the prior year audit findings. And so kind of the key take-away of this is those five findings in the previous year, so in FY 2020's audit, there were five findings and four of those findings were resolved in the current year. So it does show that the County is taking the audit findings serious and we can show that they are correcting the issues from the prior year. So all of them were corrected with the exception of the collateralization finding. The collateralization finding we wanted to also just say that that did improve. I think in the prior year there were more exceptions found as far as deposits that were under-collateralized. This year it was less institutions that were under-collateralized, and a much smaller balance. So even with that one there was improvements made. We just had to still report it because there were still deposits that were uncollateralized.

Okay. And then with that, we have listed our other required communications. I won't go through all of these just because I think you guys have this all in here in writing. There were no significant changes from our audit. There was no other matters to report other than what I've reported today. We had all the skills necessary to do the audit. We

didn't have to obtain outside, specialized skills. And then we are not aware of any other consultations with other accountants. There was no other disagreements – there was no disagreements with management about any of the matters. We were always able to resolve the matters with management and Yvonne's always been great to work with. No significant difficulties encountered during our audit. And no other matters that we consider significant to report. We've already obtained a management rep letter – representations from management. And that's always done at the end of the year, just management representing that they've given us all information and the financials are accurately report.

And then our engagement letter of course provides further responsibilities for both the County and for the firm. And so with that I'll go ahead and take any questions that you may have and we'll open it up to see if there's anything we can discuss or address.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you very much. Yvonne, do you have anything before I go to questions?

MS. HERRERA: No, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Hughes.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you, Madam Chair. Thank you, Mr. Montoya. I want to echo what Commissioner Garcia and Commissioner Hansen said. This is really a good report card on our finances, and Yvonne, I think that's a great statement of all your efforts throughout the year, resolving most of last year's findings is good and having a clean audit, on time, not to mention any other entities that don't always do that but I think it's great that we met that criteria.

I just had a question. I was wondering if there's staffing shortages and other things you might need to help. Because the idea with the findings is we always want to improve, of course, and have different findings, or maybe no findings next year. But what could we do to help you or what do you need to make the finance office work more efficiently.

MS. HERRERA: Chair Hamilton, Commissioner Hughes, we're actively recruiting, letting people out in the community know that Santa Fe County has all kinds of vacancies in the Finance Department as well as other departments within the County, and the County's a great place to work for. What we're finding is we're just having a hard time getting candidates actually to apply. So all these positions have been posted, some of them for more than a year now. We do – we have had opportunities to interview some candidates. Unfortunately, we've lost them to other organizations due to the timing or trying to get the process done, to be able to make the offer. We are currently looking at using an organization to help us do some recruiting nationwide. That packet is actually with Purchasing right now.

We do have hopefully a potential candidate for the deputy director position but we're just trying to find people to actually apply for those positions. What will happen is if we don't get our positions filled we'll look at using contractors to help us do some of the reviews that were missed during the audit on the financial statements that caused that finding, the significant deficiency finding. So we have some options. We just really need to get the positions filled, basically.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you. That's what I probably thought.

Anything we should do to help you get those positions filled. Thank you, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Garcia, and then Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you for that, Commissioner. Just a quick question on that. Are you receiving these applicants from the HR Department? Because I've heard of several individuals that have actually applied for some of these key positions and they don't get a call back or anything. I hope you're getting these applicants that have applied through the HR Department. I'm sure Elias will actually take care of that, handle that stuff.

But nonetheless in regards to the audit, it's actually a good looking audit. Actually the scenery that somebody took from your staff did a really good job on the pictures in there, as well as the audit section. Beautiful. And the last page with your staff. They all took a picture back there. First time I've ever seen that, but good job.

In regards to the – we had a finding last year. We still continue to have this finding with the Treasurer's Office. Is somebody here from the Treasurer's Office? No? And in regards to – Yvonne, I don't know if you have talked with the Treasurer but it's regarding the collateralization and it looks like we're still working on it from last year, and I believe – has anybody talked with the Treasurer and what are they going to do with it and if the auditor can actually tell me, is this in regard to the cash deposits? Last year we had to deposit them at a certain and we weren't. Can somebody explain to me the two or three questions I have?

MS. HERRERA: Chair Hamilton, Commissioner Garcia, The Finance Division is in constant communication with the Treasurer's Office on the collateralization. The issue stems from the investments we purchased through CDs. So what happens is when a CD is purchased we usually purchase them at \$250,000, which is the max that they cover under the FDIC insurance. Anything above that would have to be collateralized separately from that FDIC. So what happens is at the end of the year, when we value our assets based upon the County standards we have to use the market value. So some of those CDs will actually appreciate and that appreciation is what's not covered under the FDIC, causing it to be under-collateralized.

Before year end 2021 the Treasurer's Office actually went through and sold or redeemed most of those CDs and then purchased other CDs at a lower amount or other investments. Unfortunately we had, I think, three, but definitely less than five CDs that were still purchased at \$250,000 and they had appreciation that caused us to continue to have the finding.

Now in regards to the other question on the deposits, the 24-hour rule, we actually resolved that process, so there were no deposits that were tested that were not deposited with the bank within 24 hours. Part of that is the Treasurer's Office implemented a remote depositing process. Basically, some departments have a scanner at their office that they're able to scan the check, and that goes directly to the bank. So instead of having to wait to do a run to downtown to deposit with the Treasurer's Office, they're able to actually deposit with the bank directly.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, thank you for those answers, Yvonne. Roughly, do you know how many CDs are over \$250,000?

MS. HERRERA: Chair Hamilton, Commissioner Garcia, as of right now I

don't. I'd have to go and look to see what we have but as of the end of the year I want to say it was about three, but I'm not positive.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So will this question always arise for any CD we purchase over \$250,000?

MS. HERRERA: If we can get the Treasurer's Office to get rid of these CDs – if we still have then right now – to get rid of them and purchase any CDs – any CDs that we want to purchase in the future, just try to do it about \$235,000 or \$240,000 just so that CD will always be covered by that FDIC insurance. And then we won't have this issue. All of our other balances are collateralized sufficiently through Sunflower Bank right now.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So a CD over \$250,000, how much does that mature to or go beyond the \$250,000 that we need to be concerned about?

MS. HERRERA: Well, FDIC insurance is capped at \$250,000. We want to make sure that anything we purchase is going to cover under that, is going to be well below the \$250,000 so it's always covered. So it could be under-collateralized for a dollar, based upon state statute. It kind of depends on the market value of that CD at the time that we do the financial statements.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you. So what's your sense what the Treasurer is going to do or do you need some assistance from my colleagues here to actually assist or ask the Treasurer to purchase CDs under \$250,000?

MS. HERRERA: I talked to Treasurer Manzanares and she's aware of it. I do need to talk with her again about to check to see if we still have the CDs and to see what we're going to do about that. But I'm not getting a sense that I have any kind of resistance on that. We'll take care of it before year end.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So at our next meeting can you just give me or us an update of where your talks are with the Treasurer?

MS. HERRERA: Yes.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: And thank you once again for a good audit. Thank you for the Audit Committee, my fellow colleagues up here that sit on the Audit Committee, that actually on November 29th gave a recommendation or were briefed on that. Thank you. Appreciate Santa Fe County getting their audit in on time.

MS. HERRERA: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you very much. So the way that I have always looked at audits is that they're to make us better. So if we find a finding like we found with the Treasurer's Office is the consistency that we figure out how to help them be better. And I now at one of the last Investment Committee meetings we did talk about that and so I agree with you 100 percent that we need to stay on top of this so that we don't have these issues with the Treasurer's Office. That seems to be where most of our findings have been for the last number of years. I think audits are there to make us better. They're not punishments; they're not a bad thing. They're to make us better. Santa Fe County has good audits in general so I am appreciative of all the work that everyone does to make our audits good and functional and responsive to the constituent and the taxpayer, because that is really what is important. So thank you very much.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Commissioner.

Commissioner Roybal, do you have any questions on this item?

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: No, I didn't have any questions but I did want to thank staff, the auditors, Mr. Montoya and John. An audit, as Commissioner Hansen indicated, is to make us better. So I'm really happy with staff. I've been a Commissioner for many years and I have to say, every year Finance really performs outstandingly when it comes to our audits. It's just a great group in general. A lot of kudos to Director Herrera. She's been our director for the last four years at least and it's been a difficult time, given the pandemic that we're in. So once again, just a huge thank you to our staff and our auditors. Appreciate it.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Commissioner.
Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes. I apologize. I just have one more interesting piece of news. One of the top ten jobs in the United States is a financial manager. And so that is what people are looking for and what people need to spend their education on because financial managers are really sought after jobs. I support you going with an outside firm to find financial managers. I support anyway that we can broaden the field to find financial people to work in the Finance Department. So thank you for thinking in a more outside the box sort of way of contracting with another firm. I just did an executive search for one of the boards that I sit on, the Northern Rio Grande, and we hired an outside person to do a search for an executive director and I found it really successful. So thank you. I'm happy to hear that.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen. So are there any other questions from the Board? Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Madam Chair, I'd like to move approval.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I second it.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Okay. Great. Thank you. I have a motion from Commissioner Roybal and a second from Commissioner Hansen. If there's no further discussion.

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

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Presentation on La Sala Center [Exhibit 1: La Sala Power Point]

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: We have multiple people and maybe I'll let you guys introduce yourselves.

ALEX DOMINGUEZ (Behavioral Health Services): Thank you, Madam Chair, Commissioners. Good afternoon. Before I introduce our presenters I'd like to give a brief synopsis on how we got here. In 2014 Santa Fe County developed a A Health Action Plan to establish priorities to guide the County in healthcare spending. The overwhelming recommendation was the need for a crisis center.

In 2016 County voters approved a bond authorizing \$2 million in capital funds for a behavioral health crisis center. In 2017 the Board of County Commissioners voted to support a 1/8 gross receipts tax with \$1.6 million of that going for the operation of the crisis center. That year the County also released a request for proposals for the planning

and operation of the crisis center.

In 2018 the Board of County Commissioners approved a County-owned building located at 2052 Galisteo Street as a future location for the County crisis center. Also in 2018, New Mexico Solutions was selected as part of the RFP process to be our primary partner to plan and operate the crisis center. The County also released at that time another request for proposal to provide inpatient detoxification services for substance use disorders. And in 2019 Santa Fe Recovery was selected as a managing partner for residential detox services for adults challenged with substance use disorders.

In May of 2020 construction efforts began to renovate the Galisteo building to serve as the future Santa Fe County Behavioral Health Crisis Center. Renovations were completed in May of 2021. In June, Santa Fe Recovery moved into the building and the following month, in July, New Mexico Solutions moved in.

Today I stand before you with our two primary partners who will be presenting on the current status of client care and services at the crisis center now known as La Sala. But before I hand this over to them I would like to say that on behalf of CSD we would like to thank all former and current Santa Fe County Board Commissioners and Manager Miller for your support, vision and tenacity in making an identified gap in service back in 2014 into a reality for what today may be the only, but definitely the only one here in New Mexico of a behavioral health crisis center in this state that offers a unique blend of co-located substance use services complemented next door by mental healthcare. This is a model that is not only unique to New Mexico, one that is being duplicated here in New Mexico, and in my opinion, will be duplicated nationwide.

With that I am very proud and very thankful for all of the support from the former again and current Commission and leadership for helping us to get to this point. That being said, I would like to introduce our first speaker, Ms. Laura Grant. She's the chief operating officer for Santa Fe Recovery.

LAURA GRANT: Thank you. As Alex said, I'm Laura Grant, chief operating officer with Santa Fe Recovery Center, not Sylvia Barela who is on your agenda today. She is our CEO and she is recovering from COVID. I'd also like to start with some gratitude. I want to thank Rachel O'Connor and Alex Dominguez, the Public Works Department, the County Manager and the Commission for their partnership and support for delivering really a wonderful facility at La Sala. We also want to express our gratitude to the County, Christus St. Vincent and the Anchorum Foundation for their ongoing operational support.

A little history, Santa Fe Recovery Center took over the operations of the sobering center from the County and Christus St. Vincent in 2017. That facility accommodated 15 clients, ten men and five women. We moved the facility from Galisteo Street during the renovation period to the mid-town campus. It continued to serve 15 clients. When we moved back to Galisteo Street to really beautiful renovated facility on June 30th last year it allowed us to increase capacity from 15 to 27. So we now can take 17 men and 10 females. We also detox pregnant women.

The detox program operates 24/7 for the purpose of providing safe, monitored and medically monitored residential detox with withdrawal treatment. With the move back to the Galisteo Street premise we're more effectively able to provide this enhanced detox care because of the layout of the facility, offering better visibility of clients when they are

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detoxing. And with this increased level of care we are able to accept individuals with a broader range of addictions as well as people with co-occurring medical conditions.

In June of last year, our new medical director, Josh Leiderman, joined us and he changed our admissions protocols. So clients, individuals, who are previously excluded because of certain drug use are now admitted. So we will take clients using fentanyl, benzodiazepine, as well as clients with serious psychological diagnoses as long as they're on medication.

This is a significant philosophical shift in how we are admitting clients to detox, and I'll talk a little bit later about some of the statistics and they prove out. So according to our medical director, if a person can walk into the admissions building we can take them into our care. This allows the Recovery Center to take most referrals from the community. This is a significant shift. We have improve relations with the hospitals – Christus and Presbyterian – as well as the ARU, which has facilitated admission to clients coming into care.

In addition, Santa Fe Recovery Center collaborates very closely with New Mexico Solutions at La Sala on patients entering their facility who may need detox services. It's a very close working relationship with the crisis center.

The average stay in detox is five days. After they've completed detox they're encouraged to go on, either into our residential program or another residential program, and outpatient services. Clients receive medication management while they're in detox to help them with their withdrawal symptoms. They see counselors, therapists, as well as case management. The program is staffed by registered nurses, medical technicians, who are primarily medical assistants and CNAs. They are the primary caregivers at detox, but we have a strong team that is led by Dr. Josh Leiderman and detox managers, RN Jinelle Scully, and an MA, Janet Silva. We also have 24/7 medical on-call.

As I mentioned, individuals are seen by a therapist. We use evidence-based models. Clients, after they spend 24 to 48 hours and start feeling better, they're encouraged to join activities which include 12-step meetings, peer support, medication education, harm reduction, meditation, art therapy, chair yoga, etc. We also provide nutritious meals and snacks to clients in detox. Food and hydration is a very important part of helping clients deal with withdrawals.

We collaborate with various organizations in the community to provide clients with as many services and local supports as possible. Case management, which is available to all clients at detox works to support clients in social determinants to health. This includes registration for food stamps, finding PCPs, enrollment in Medicaid, starting to work with them on legal issues, dealing with the courts or parole officers. Homelessness is a big concern. We work with – here in Santa Fe with St. Elizabeth's Shelter, the Midtown Shelter, Esperanza, the Salvation Army and Pete's Place, as well as shelters outside of the area.

I was talking to Alex earlier and just wanted to relay the impact of the increased capacity at La Sala. In 2020, which was a difficult year for everybody – I'm talking calendar year – we admitted 722 patients to detox. In 2021 we admitted 1,011. And 60 percent of those are in the last half of the year from July to December. I would suggest that the greatest impact on the census would come with this change in philosophy for admissions. We are, like everybody else, dealing with significant challenges in the cost of

staffing, which has increased significantly, and the difficulty of finding nurses, counselors and some direct care staff, and we are currently, like everybody else, experiencing difficulties with the COVID surge, but we are managing. And we never closed our doors. We have not closed our doors during this pandemic.

We continue to pursue 24/7 nursing, which will allow us to stock certain medications and not rely – so we no longer have to rely on hospital pharmacies. It's been a challenge and really an honor to see how the facility has worked and it has transformed the way our patients feel when they come into detox at La Sala, it is a facility that makes them feel like we care about them. So we continue to work with our partners in the community to meet the needs of those most vulnerable. Thank you very much.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Before we move on are there any questions the Commissioners would care to ask at this point? Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you very much for the presentation. I think this is something that's long overdue for our community and we have been trying to tackle this problem, nationwide, obviously, but for our community. And recently, in the last two, three, five years I think Santa Fe County has stepped up to the plate to help out individuals and as you mentioned earlier – first of all, thank you for what you all do for this type of need in our community. As you mentioned earlier, it's an honor to actually see how it's working and what's needed in this community.

I myself know individuals – I've seen individuals that are actually on fentanyl and everything else that's out there in the streets and it's not a good thing. And I actually see these people's lives actually ending quick. And it's good to hear that your admissions has changed dramatically than what it was before because a good friend of mine, his daughter was – she needed some help and she had to be sober for 30, 45 days in order to get into a facility like this. It was just crazy to hear that because she finally had to go to California. It's just – I'll set up a meeting a little bit more with staff to go through the facility, but like I said, this is just something that's needed in the community.

One of the things I'm interested in, whenever somebody leaves, do we actually track them, follow them and trace them to see where they're at in the next year, two, three years, hopefully? So those are just some of the questions I have but it's just something that's great and needed in this community. And if there's something that you need from us please let us know, but I will ask some detailed questions whenever I do go visit the site or talk with Rachel and whoever I need to speak with because I just want to make sure that it's working and it's helping, because as you mentioned, there's, what, 27 beds there. You mentioned about 700 people a year, a thousand almost. That's a lot of individuals that are out there, the ones that come forward that need help. And so how do we actually as community policy makers here actually, for lack of terms, advertise this is out there? Without internet, because some of those individuals out there that need help, they don't look at the internet. They don't up one day and say I need some help. It's word of mouth and here's a great place we can go. Here's a pamphlet. I don't know how we do it. But something that's needed in our community. And so thank you for the presentation. Alex, thank you for what you do. I appreciate it. Thank you, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. I did hear a couple of questions. Were those things that you wanted as discussion points now? Okay.

Commissioner Hughes.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you, Madam Chair. I agree with everything Commissioner Garcia said. I guess one of my questions is this is only detox, right? It isn't further treatment?

MS. GRANT: I'm reporting on detox at La Sala, but Santa Fe Recovery Center offers the full continuum of care – short-term residential, extended residential, recovery housing, and sober living, as well as outpatient. We recognize that that is the key to recovery.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Right. Right. And I guess I was wondering, do you keep track of how many people who go through the detox then go on to either one of your further programs or other people's?

MS. GRANT: Yes, we do. And the numbers are very, very high. About 73 percent go into residential treatment with us and about 20 percent go on to outpatient treatment, either with us or with another program.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Okay. And Commissioner Garcia did start to ask this, but then do you track people beyond that, to see how they're doing?

MS. GRANT: Yes, we do. We don't track them out three years. We track them out six months. And we encourage people who are having difficulty in their recovery or relapse, there is no shame in that. We connect them. We ask them to come back.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Good. You may or may not know, I used to run St. Elizabeth's Shelter so I knew a lot of people who had this problem and I think it's great that we have more help than we did back when I was doing that. Because it is a struggle and people struggle often for years with addiction problems.

But what gaps are there? If you're able to serve 1,000, is that meeting the need or do we really need the ability to serve 2,00? Or –

MS. GRANT: Well, we probably don't need the ability to serve 1,000 in detox, but the need is moving further out in the continuum of care – recovery housing, workforce development. Some of those really the pillars of your recovery – community and those kinds of things. And Santa Fe Recovery Center has purchased a building to increase residential beds here in Santa Fe, so we are working to meet the demand moving along in the continuum of care.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Right. And I think we heard a little bit about that project earlier so that sounds like meeting one of the needs we have going forward. And I know that we also recently voted to work with the City to purchase another motel for more affordable housing that would help people who are homeless and some of whom would have substance abuse and mental health issues, and I'm hoping that we can have a plan where all these things sort of come together and we eventually meet the whole need. We're not close, I know.

MS. GRANT: But working together is going to be a key.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Yes. Well, thank you very much. That's all, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. I know we have another presentation. Alex, I imagine you want to move along some.

MR. DOMINGUEZ: Yes, so thank you again. And I did want to address

one thing, and thank you again for asking these questions, Madam Chair. Commissioner Garcia asked about the follow-up of clients, and we are adding to our contracts across the board, 30-, 60-, and 90-day follow-ups. So we want to know that they're being followed up. And trying to keep our contracts uniform across all of the services that we contract outside.

And also in regards to your question, Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia, regarding the advertising of these services, through our CONNECT program, that's exactly what it's built to do, where we have a number of navigators throughout the community who are connecting individuals immediately in real time with real honest warm hand-offs to the services they need immediately. So we are trying to address that in all of our contracts too, through the scope of work are required to have navigators within their own agency being part of this CONNECT program. So that is also a uniform effort through the Community Services Department regarding all services.

That being said, now I'd like to introduce Ms. Kate Field. She is the director of crisis services for New Mexico Solutions. She came aboard just recently but some of you may be familiar with her as she has also been part of our contracts in the past for similar services. So with that, Ms. Field.

KATE FIELD: Thank you, Alex. Good afternoon, Commissioners. Thank you for having us today, very pleased to be presenting. I have some printed material here, if I may, to hand out to you to follow along. It's a printout of a power point essentially that you might want to refer to later. As a point of introduction, my name is Kate Field. I am proud to say that I served in the Santa Fe County Fire Department as a firefighter/EMT for eight years. A nod to Madam Chair, and that's certainly something that informed the work that I do now in behavioral health.

I'd like to offer regrets from New Mexico Solutions executive director, Dr. David Ley. He is supporting his facilities in Albuquerque who are experiencing some pretty significant staffing shortages due to COVID, of course.

So I know that for the most part you're familiar with the crisis center but I'd like to provide a little bit more clarification about what the center is and what we do there, and how it's unfolding. We are a walk-in facility for immediate, same-day access to behavioral health services. We operate in a living room model, so that's a non-clinical setting. It's a very relaxed, comfortable setting – couches, tables, rooms set aside where people can lay down and rest. We have shower facilities. We have laundry facilities, and we provide food to individuals who are needing that type of service.

We are an intermediate level. So that's something that's new to Santa Fe. It's something that falls in between traditional outpatient behavioral health and emergency hospitalization. I think that across the nation we're learning how to utilize this type of service and this type of crisis triage center. We're currently open Monday through Friday 8:00 to 5:00 as a starting point, but ultimately – and hopefully within the next couple months – we'll be open from 8:00am to 10:00pm, Monday through Saturday. We're really looking at the patterns that we see in the community, the feedback that we get, and we intend to adapt as needed.

So Alex provided you with a little bit of history on the center. You'll see in the packet there's a description of the living room model. This is something that has come about mostly in the recovery world of behavioral health that provides individuals to work

with certified peer support workers, as I said, in a relaxed, home-like environment. In our facility you have the opportunity to do that, to work with a certified peer support worker but you can also talk with a licensed clinician or a case manager. We do have a nurse on staff at all times, and we have a psychiatric prescriber when needed, available through Tele-Health.

We are very pleased to be able to share our space with partnering agencies such as the Santa Fe County LEAD program, the City of Santa Fe mobile integrated health program, Santa Fe County Fire and Christus St. Vincent HUGS. We have a number of spaces in the building where they can come in and meet their clients, and if they need, they can engage with us or they can just use the space as a meeting space that's safe and appropriate.

We are able to provide some emergency housing, really through hotel vouchers. That is certainly our number one challenge in navigating individuals from crisis to the next steps. I would say that maybe about 30 percent of the individuals that we see are experiencing homelessness challenges or are precariously housed. What we have found that to a large degree, we're providing services for individuals who have difficulty accessing traditional care, so they're experiencing complex, chronic crises with several layers to it. A lot of people think of crises as one and done, same day, and then you're better and you're attached to services and you go on your way, when in fact delivery of crisis services is long and slow. It takes time and it takes a number of agencies and providers to solve the problems for individuals.

I think that in Santa Fe we have so far, at the crisis center, we see the full spectrum of individuals. We have private individuals who will come in with a life circumstance crisis. But then we'll have someone who is seeking detox services, they're homeless and they have family conflict issues. We need to be able to provide supportive services and meet all of those needs and address those challenges for those individuals.

I think that so far we're doing that. I think that it's very much critical that we collaborate with our partners. We spend a great deal of time providing care coordination in consultation with Christus St. Vincent and the City Fire Department, Santa Fe Recovery of course, the shelters in the community. We really do all need to work together.

So I was actually fascinated myself to look at these numbers of the individuals served in the crisis center since opening at the end of July. The in-person contacts at the crisis center total 91 people. The mobile crisis response, which I'll talk about a little bit further, in-person contacts is 48, and something that gets overlooked but is important during this pandemic is the telephonic interventions that we provide, which would otherwise be in-person contacts. Those are totaling about 147. I think that's a low number but that's approximately where we're at.

We have a list of our community partners that you can reference in the packet. I think that the success of this program will hinge on those relationships and thus far I've been very pleased to see how well supported we are. I'm very grateful to be a part of this program. I think it's really quite remarkable and I'd like to offer my gratitude to Santa Fe County. I've watched this process over many years. I started in mobile crisis as an intern many years ago and this is really wonderful to be able to do the work in a facility like this. Are there any questions for me?

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Excellent. Thank you very much.

Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you. Thank you for your work as an EMT. As Commissioner Hughes has seen this stuff first hand, worked with them many years ago. In the past that's where I first met Commissioner Hughes is when we were trying to get a project done for this type of situation, but thank you for what you do as well.

Questions: We talked about this being an intermediate facility. Can you explain to me the two or three or four different levels of the types of facilities?

MS. FIELD: Sure. Of course. So you may know that in New Mexico we currently have three crisis triage centers. Ours is a daytime service. We're not 24/7. The two others, one in Albuquerque and one in Las Cruces that provide 24/7 services are for involuntary individuals. That's a higher level of care. It's much closer to an ER facility. We only see people who are voluntary, who want to be there, who are able to participate in treatment. They may be experiencing some psychosis, for example, or some suicidal ideation. They may have a mild level of intoxication, but as long as they're able to consent and participate we can work with them.

So the outpatient setting, your traditional counseling center where you go in and see a therapist, that would be that traditional outpatient level. Then you have the crisis triage centers. And frankly, it's evolving. Everything's changing across the nation. And then you have hospitalization above that. So having the intermediate level gives us an opportunity to slow the clock. So if you have, for example, the Fire Department will bring us in the alternative response unit an individual who may be experiencing suicidal ideation but they're not acute. There are certain criteria that make them not appropriate for the ER. They can spend several hours with us, working on a treatment plan, a safety plan. We can evaluate a little bit slower in a more humane manner for them. We can involve their community resources and supports and make sure that they then get established for long-term care, which right now can take several weeks to months.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So you talked about 18 years and older. What about our 17-year-olds and younger?

MS. FIELD: I would like nothing more, Commissioner, to see a crisis center for adolescents and youth. It's a dire need in our community. Absolutely. I wish that we could provide that service. Hopefully some day we can do that.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: This is probably something my colleagues and I need to talk about, but one of the things I was going to bring up for that is we were going to look into the old facility off of Airport Road, which we once, probably five, seven years ago actually it was a work related type facility where people may leave your facility, go there, work and live, and we actually remodeled the entire east half of that. I know it's gone, but this is something that we all need to communicate and talk about because it is equipped and we did approve that, on the whole east side of the old jail out there on Airport Road. I'm just thinking a little bit ahead out there.

MS. FIELD: Sure.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So do different types of facilities talk to each other? Do you talk about a living room model? I understand whenever you go to see a counselor that puts you across the desk. That doesn't work for me. You might just as

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well get interrogated by the police officer sitting across the desk. But I think the living room model works, but do you talk to the three or four or ten different facilities throughout New Mexico as into what's working, what's not working?

MS. FIELD: Commissioner, we do, absolutely. We participate in a crisis triage center learning community. We meet every month to discuss what's working for them, what's working for us, what isn't, the challenges involved. For example, we've all identified that having an RN on staff is a significant challenge because of hiring stressors right now, but that's been very productive and fruitful. Yes.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you, Madam Chair. You also talked about some of the challenges, the major challenges, is the hotel vouchers. Why is it?

MS. FIELD: Commissioner, there are some challenges in facilitating safe housing for folks who are experiencing symptoms of severe mental illness. We have built some partnerships with franchises in the community, but it's a particular ask. It's a sensitive ask when you are presenting an individual who may be medication non-compliant that is in need of emergent housing or shelter for a weekend, a few days, until they get to the next steps. And maybe that's inpatient treatment. Maybe it's an appointment with a psychiatrist. Community members might have some concern. We do our best to support individuals when we place them in that position. For example, they would spend the day with us at the crisis center. End of the day we would drive them over to the facility or the hotel. Next morning we would pick them up, bring them back to the center.

It's not ideal though and it's not easily accessible and a lot of these individuals are unable to sustain in your standard shelter.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: I understand. For those of you who don't see it, drive down Cerrillos Road. Go down the lunch hour, 11:00. People are at Pete's Pets or wherever else out there. Those are people that you see out there. Those aren't the individuals that are behind Defined Fitness. They have a camping city back there. Or as well as some of the other areas. But I – for some reason, I gravitate or I forget the wording but I see that see that stuff and it just makes me sad.

One of the things, how do we deal with the individuals that are incarcerated? Because I have a little bit of questions as in people that go in there on whatever they're on, they just put them in this pod and detox by yourself, basically. Is that working? Not working? I don't think it works because you see some of those individuals that are getting arrested and getting incarcerated and they put them in that pod and they in say, this is the pod that works for everybody. So are you talking with our jail or are you working with our jail because I think a lot of here actually did get some emails from some of our providers as into recommendations as to what we may or should do at the jail, but can you tell me your communications with the jail?

MS. FIELD: Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia, yes. We have had only brief conversations with the behavioral health staff at the jail to discuss re-entry possibilities at the crisis center. That is a massive service and it's absolutely where we have a gap in connecting individuals who are released, getting them into services. I would love to see that become part of what we do. It's a complex issue though. Absolutely.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: I understand that's a complex issue but that's something us as policy makers and when the voters voted for this they had actually

faith in us as well as in staff to bring this forward, and it is working, but there are some gaps that, like you said, we need to actually probably work on that. And as policy makers we need to pursue that and move forward with that because I understand there's a challenge. This is actually a good example of whenever, in my opinion as a policy maker and you get into the root of things. Yes, we can approve this, do that and however, in my opinion, but when you actually have the voters of Santa Fe vote on something and say, here you go. Let's figure this – let's try to figure the root of this situation that's going on out there.

And this is something that we as a community need to get into it and look at it and figure how it's working, what's working, what's not working. Gaps. And so that's kind of where I'm going with this. I'm also interested in the old juvenile facility there. Perfect place, the juvenile facility. We remodeled the whole eastern end of it where we held juveniles.

Anyway, I certainly understand and appreciate each individual is different out there. Everybody has their different challenges that they go through life. Everybody has that, no matter who you are, because nobody's perfect in this world. And I just want to have us updated. Continue to let us know what's happening, maybe on a quarterly basis if the Chair is okay with that because this is something that is affecting our communities and if we don't actually take a hold on it it's going to get a little bit worse and worse.

So thank you for your presentation, all three of you. Appreciate what you do. Thank you, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Commissioner Garcia. Commissioner Hughes.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you, Madam Chair and I thank Commissioner Garcia for bringing up a lot of good points. I had a couple further questions. One is I was wondering, 91 people doesn't seem to me like a lot, so has the demand for service been building as the year goes through, as people learn about you?

MS. FIELD: Madam Chair, Commissioner Hughes, we've seen those numbers develop exponentially. So for example, in August there were 11. Then in September there were 25. I think that the private community is learning slowly about us but what will shift those crisis center numbers into seeing three to four individuals a day we'll be coordinating more closely with the City Police Department and with the County and City Fire Departments, which I hope to do.

It's difficult for public safety to utilize an 8:00 to 5:00 program. And so I'm really looking forward to having those evenings available, and I think that's where we will see the numbers we're hoping for.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Right. Right. That makes sense. And then I was just going to ask, are you doing back and forth referrals with the shelters, because I imagine they have people who need your service and you already mentioned the people who need overnight shelter, some of who may not be stable enough to stay in the shelter, but some who probably are.

MS. FIELD: Absolutely, on a daily basis.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Good. Well, I appreciate the service. It's exciting to see this getting started and I would also like to hear an update as it goes along. So thank you, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Excellent. Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you very much for the presentation. I think that we have come a long way in the last five years since this has started moving forward and I'm sure that it will continue to move forward. It's a work in process and thank you for the update and for all the things that you are doing because as Commissioner Garcia said, the issue at Pete's Shelter is really an issue and homelessness is only become more of an issue, especially with the pandemic and people really struggling. So the more help that's out there the better. So I'm grateful that we have been able to move this La Sala forward and that we have this crisis center that is a unique model and a model for the rest of the country. So thank you, everybody, for your really good work. Thank you, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. I'm going to ask Commissioner Roybal, do you have any questions at this point?

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I do echo the sentiments of the Commissioners as stated. It's been most definitely a pleasure and honor to be a part of the creation of La Sala and just the huge services that we'll be able to provide in Santa Fe County. We have a long ways to go yet, as my fellow Commissioners have indicated, but this is a huge part and I'm just really proud to be a part of it. So I appreciate it. That's really all I have right now. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you so much. Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Yes, thank you, Madam Chair. Just one thing. Alex, if you could get with Rachel and let me know what the status is with the Edgewood facility and what we're doing with that, unless you have an update. Because the voters did vote for that for that part of the county as well.

MR. DOMINGUEZ: Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia, I most certainly will, and I will let you know that the requests for proposals were actually due yesterday. So we are working on that. And if I may, Madam Chair, I want to answer or add to one of the questions Commissioner Garcia had in regard to adolescents. Although the crisis center is exclusive for adults 18 and older, you were asking about the adolescents issue. The mobile crisis response team is out on the field and the mobile crisis response team is able to try to meet the needs of individuals 14 years and older, but not able to refer them internally to the crisis center. So through the CONNECT program and the navigation services that we have throughout the city and the county, some of those individuals that are experiencing a crisis are able to be addressed through the crisis center and New Mexico Solutions.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, thank you. Also just thinking communications. I know Commissioner Hughes worked on this back in the days is our youth shelter, down there at the end of Agua Fria. I just have some questions for Rachel on that as well. Are we still communicating with them? Because I think that has 13 beds or so. And utilize – I was hoping that when Karen Rowell was actually the executive director there, when she retired, that I was assuming a good way, not good way, that they would come forward for additions to that facility. Is 13 beds good enough teens that are homeless, or not? I don't know. I see a lot of kids floating around out there and they don't

look like they're 18.

But those are just some of the questions I'll have for Rachel and if she can actually two or three to come with her, or we can meet on whatever the meeting circumstances are for that week or so we can meet. Thank you.

MR. DOMINGUEZ: Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia, thank you for that.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Alex, could you talk about the County behavioral health leadership team and what they're up to?

MR. DOMINGUEZ: Madam Chair, Commissioner Hansen, absolutely. So the behavioral health leadership team was something recommended back in 2019 through the behavioral health strategic plan. We established the leadership team and we started meeting. That came to a screeching halt back in March of – when did the pandemic hit? 2019?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: 2020.

: We stopped meeting and prioritized our efforts elsewhere as you would all understand in regards to try to meet the needs of our community with the COVID-19 pandemic. We started meeting again in March, ironically enough of last year. During that time we had been meeting – we have been meeting on a monthly basis. The leadership team is comprised of approximately 25 individuals, 20 of them representing the leadership of major partners within the community related to behavioral health services and we meet on a monthly basis to try and continue to address the different gaps in service and how we're going to meet them and to also make sure that we're not duplicating services with the City of Santa Fe or the State of New Mexico.

Just recently we released a letter of interest to hire again a coordinator to help assist in the coordination of these meetings on a monthly basis. We are in the middle of negotiations to hire this consultant and look forward to re-evaluating the priorities, the short- and long-term priorities that we set back prior to COVID-19, and re-evaluate those again and see where we stand. Because that has definitely changed, as has our world and our community and the needs of the individual. So we are revisiting. We are meeting, and thank you, Commissioner Hansen, for asking that question because it does relate to something Commissioner Garcia had asked earlier in regards to do we communicate, do we talk to each other, when Ms. Field was doing her presentation. So we are moving forward with that and look forward to doing much more aggressive identification of gaps in service now, during the middle and post-pandemic.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you so much. I also want to just add my voice to thank all of you not only for the presentation but for all the work you do. I know Kate Field slipped right by that eight year as a paramedic and firefighter, but I have to say when I started volunteering she was out there on the rigs and some of the first, some of the very difficult scenes, some of the first ones I was ever on, to see the incredible work she did. Just incredible competence in the way she ran a scene and my husband, who's also an EMT would come back and talk about how good she was. And that was a real motivation to seek competent women who were respected and contributing so much to the County. So I know for us she she's contributing so much now and using that and going from there. Very impressive. So thank you. And thank you guys

for your service.

MR. DOMINGUEZ: Madam Chair, Commissioners, thank you for your time.

7. MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Tessa Jo or Daniel, if you're on, do you have anybody on Webex or who have contacted you by email who are interested in making comments to the Commission?

TESSA JO MASCARENAS (Operations Manager): Yes, Madam Chair. We have Camilla Bustamante.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Oh, excellent. And is there only Camilla or are there others?

MS. MASCARENAS: That is the only person that has signed up thus far.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Well, welcome, Camilla. What would you like to tell us?

CAMILLA BUSTAMANTE: [poor audio] Thank you very much, and thank you for the opportunity to present today. I'd briefly like to share with you. I am Camilla Bustamante, the incoming president of the La Cienega Valley Association. I want to thank former president Carl Dickens for his many years of good service to our community. We're presenting this month to share with you our upcoming priorities for our community in the upcoming year.

What we are looking at specifically: speeding, traffic and safety egress, so we will be asking the Commission for a community informed engineering plan for community-wide traffic calming. The current issues that we have and what we've done to date has been very piecemeal. We have egress and speeding issues on Paseo C de Baca. We're looking forward to a pending ICIP to address that. The egress issue became very concerning this past year when we had a fire in December. I'll share more about that in a minute. The bridge for the Calle Debra crossing in on the ICIP and the Arroyo Hondo crossing is in the ICIP. Thank you, Commissioner Garcia, for your work in supporting us on that.

Fire safety – we will be asking Chief Martin Vigil to provide Ready, Set, Go wildfire preparedness training for our community. As you all know, we are very much a bosque type of community. Very green and have a lot of brush, and we have big concerns about fire. I will be working with former Commissioner Linda Grill to support Martin Vigil in getting the training into our community. We do have questions ultimately and will look forward to answers another time regarding any programs to help clear out the brush, what additional fire mitigation support will there be from the Santa Fe County Fire Department.

Illegal dumping along the creeks and the arroyos – what we do know is we have had flood issues in the waterways and the dumping actually creates a fodder and backs up the water when it runs in regular rainstorms, which in the last few years resulted in water going into people's homes and wiping out infrastructure. So the question would be what additional support would there be for cleanup and illegal dumping enforcement in those waterway areas. I recognize that the Army Corps of Engineers has responsibility of those

waterways, but what kind of support could we possibly get from Santa Fe County?

We also ask to enforce the requirements for Upper La Cienega residents to connect to County water, and frankly, that would be any residents who were approved for development under the La Cienega Water Shed condition, post 1991/1992 and subsequent ordinances that require that new development tie into the County water system as soon as that water is made available.

We would like next to resurrect and follow the library plan to provide activities in the La Cienega Community Center for senior citizens and establishing an event calendar for the community center, get some more activity in there and have a place for our senior citizens to go even on some type of sporadic – it doesn't have to be every day, but to look for some services for our seniors in our community.

We want to identify an outdoor location for youth activities such as soccer and baseball and basketball. All of the above have been discussed now for a number of years and we would really like to spend this upcoming year finding ways to move forward on those objectives.

And then we appreciate continued acknowledgement in pursuance of your decision making with respect to the traditional historic community that we are. We maintain traditional historic designation. We appreciate your respect for our rural way of life and want to maintain that.

The photos [*Exhibit 2*] that I have provided below courtesy of Robert Romero, you'll see the green. La Cienega means the springs. We have a lot of growth in our area, and when I say growth, we have a lot of human growth, a lot of people who are showing up, but we have also and historically have just a lot of cottonwoods, greenery, etc. What's most disturbing on the right side of your screen is the fire that occurred in December. And the problem with that is that that was at freezing temperatures. That means that there is a lot of dry fodder. And I want to thank Commissioner Garcia for being present at that site during that fire, helping direct traffic. The problem is that there is no egress – one way in, one way out – on Paseo C de Baca. That being said, had that fire not been under freezing conditions, that could have been really disastrous and we really hope to work with the County in the upcoming year as we see fires happening in Boulder. Northern California seems like it's really far away and these types of things wouldn't happen to us, but it's very clear, very evident that we run a very high risk in our community and really appreciate your support in helping us mitigate all of the conditions that make these fires possible.

So that is the conclusion of my presentation. Again, I'm incredibly grateful for the work that you do. Our community is grateful for your support, and I want to thank staff for all the support that we receive from them as well. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Excellent. Thank you so much, Ms. Bustamante. Is there anybody else in the public who would like to address the BCC? Hearing none, I will close public comment. Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam President, I know we don't give comments from hearing public input, but I'd just like to thank Ms. Bustamante. She's actually doing an excellent job putting the presentation together, straight to the point. Some pictures actually help out and I will work on the things that I told you we would work on and she actually – she's doing an excellent job for the village as well as Carl

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Dickens did, and it's good to see, whenever you go to a community meeting and people actually communicate. But thank you for a great presentation and you did an excellent job, Ms. Bustamante, and I'll talk to you soon. Thank you, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Excellent. Thank you. And I agree. It was a very useful presentation.

8. MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER

A. COVID-19 Updates

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: So I will go to the Deputy County Manager.

MR. BERNARDINO: Thank you, Madam Chair. We should have renamed it and called it Update on Matters from the Deputy County Manager and County Attorney, with the tag team sharing some information with all of you.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair, if I may, just really quick. Just an introduction to Mr. Elias Bernardino. He actually, for the people that are watching us on the Webex, he probably is the guy behind the scenes, but he's our Deputy County Manager. The plate in front of him says Katherine Miller. This is not Katherine Miller. This is Mr. Bernardino who is our Deputy County Manager. Thank you for your first meeting.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: We can tell because his hair is shorter. Thank you, Mr. Bernardino.

MR. BERNARDINO: Thank you, Madam Chair. Thank you, Commissioner Garcia. With COVID updates, Santa Fe County and New Mexico continue to see a rise in the number of COVID-19 cases as omicron becomes the dominant COVID-19 variant. In the past week, both New Mexico and Santa Fe number of positive cases reached new peaks as numbers doubled in a matter of days. New data as follows: Averages from December 27 to January 2nd, cases per 100,000 is 68.6; positivity rate, 17.7; percent of residents with at least one vaccine is 99 percent; the percent of residents with vaccination series completed is 85 percent. Of the 16,922 people infected overall in Santa Fe County, about 89 percent have reported as recovered. That's approximately 1,800 individuals so far.

In terms of County vaccination events, we have upcoming events from January 11 to the 16th at the Pojoaque fire station from 10:00 to 6:00 pm. The event will focus on five to eleven-year-olds who need Pfizer primary and boosters. We will also be serving children from 12 years and older as well.

For public awareness, CSD staff will meet this week with FireStik to put together a plan for COVID public awareness for 2022. This year's public awareness will include a focus on mental health. Staying the course is the tagline. And connect. The campaign will be both in English and Spanish.

Senior Services, a total of 10,333 meals were delivered by our Senior Services staff during the month of December. 110 bags of produce and 110 food boxes were received from the Food Depot for distribution this week. The high risk medical transportation is averaging five trips per day. And that concludes my COVID-19 updates.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Excellent. Thank you. Pretty thorough.

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Are there any questions before we go to the next part of the update? Relative to COVID? Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you, Madam Chair. What are we doing about testing? Because I do think that testing is an incredibly important part of the process of getting people back to work and I know that testing is challenging these days but I think we need to be one of those voices that are requesting testing from the state, from the Department of Health, making sure that we have the ability to test people, that people have the ability to test, because supposedly the at-home tests or the rapid tests are more able to detect omicron and some other of the variants. So I want to bring that up because I am concerned about that.

MR. BERNARDINO: Madam Chair, Commissioner Hansen, I will follow up on that and see if we can also make public awareness in those testing sites as much as possible with our partners.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Yes, Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you, Madam Chair. I also want to just echo those sentiments. I do – actually, the reason why I’m not in the meeting today is I was identified as a close contact to somebody that was positive for COVID-19, and so I figured I’d be pro-active and not be present today just to protect staff and protect my fellow Commissioners. I think it’s something – I’ll be required to have a negative COVID test prior to returning to work at the laboratory in Los Alamos and I just thought it was the best thing to do pro-actively to make sure that I am responsible and keep everybody safe. So that’s the reason why I’m participating via Webex today. I want to just echo the sentiment and also just make sure that everybody is responsible in that manner, that we take care of one another. So thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Commissioner Roybal. We certainly wish you the best in the outcome of this.

8. B. First Session of the 56th Legislature: Potential Action to Express Support for or Opposition to Legislation that Has Been or May be Introduced [Exhibit 3: Pre-filed House Bills; Exhibit 4: Pre-filed Senate Bills; Exhibit 5: Proposed State Budget]

MR. BERNARDINO: We will have Hvtce.

HVTCE MILLER (County Manager’s Office): I have Sara passing out some supplemental information, which is an update of the pre-filed legislation that was added on since the packet material was provided on Friday. They keep updating the pre-filed legislation so that will include everything from Friday till today, both House and Senate items. And also the last page is a bit of information regarding the proposed state budget, both from the executive office and the Legislative Finance Committee.

So I can briefly go through this now that you’ve all received that supplemental information and what I have provided in the information that was provided on BoardDocs is all the pre-filed legislation from the House and Senate and what was shown to you last week so you can look at it and if there was any direction provided from the Commission

to staff we can go ahead and start tracking specific pieces of legislation. It's a little bit easier on the House side because they are assigned bill numbers currently, but on the Senate side, according to Senate rules, they are not allowed to provide Senate pre-filed pieces of legislation numbers until they are announced actually on the Senate floor. So if there's pieces of pre-filed legislation that you'd like to direct us I think it'd probably be easiest to do so within a subject or if you could just identify a sponsor that is pre-filing from the Senate currently we can identify that piece of legislation from there.

And we'll get to that lastly. If there are pieces of specific legislation which you would like us to track specifically.

On page 12 of that packet information is a list of all the 2021 second special session bills that have been signed into law now. That shows you the State House and State Senate districts, the education districts and the medical malpractice pieces of legislation which are now signed into law.

In the supplemental information, once again the first section is two pages, front and back, and that is the House items which were introduced since Friday, January 7th, and the next section is the Senate items which were introduced this last Friday, and that is four pages long. So a few more from the Senate in the past few days.

I don't know if you need additional time right now since I've just provided that to you to look through those items. But the last section here is the good news regarding the upcoming session, and that's the very last page which is titled at the top, Proposed State Budget. And what that's showing is that the Governor and the legislature are not far off on both their ideals for the state budget in the coming fiscal year. So fingers crossed, they can get to that item rather quickly and we know that there is a lot of pressing issues that are looking to be taken up in the 30-day session. So this is a good sign here that they are close in their ideals of the budget. The Governor's proposed budget is \$8.4 billion; the legislature's is \$8.46 billion. The proposed school spending is \$2.8 billion from the Governor's Office. The legislature's proposed school spending is \$3.821 billion.

The next item listed here is the proposed Governor's increase to the state minimum wage for state employees, is \$15 an hour, and the Legislative Finance Committee's proposed minimum wage for state employees is \$13.50. The Governor's proposed Medicaid budget, \$7.26 billion. Legislative Finance Committee's proposed Medicaid budget is \$7.9 billion. Lastly there listed is the Governor's proposed Department of Public Safety budget, \$139.8 million and the legislature's proposed Department of Public Safety budget is \$1.73.1 million. So of the items listed there that was the most differentiated so I imagine there's going to be quite a bit of discussion between those two differences in the proposed amounts.

In addition to the items listed here, the legislature will also be looking at proposing approximately \$600 million, which is left over from the ARPA funds, which was not allocated in the second special session, which was just concluded in December, so they still have some ARPA money to take into account and try to spend for the state.

In addition to the budget, it looks like there's going to be quite a few different crime bills. That's a major topic that's been in the state. It's been in our local situation as well, the crime situation in the state. And also proposed last week by the Governor was an overhaul or change to voting rights within the state. And so that is similar to the federal voting rights bill, which is being considered by President Biden at the current

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time, and so she would like to make some of those changes within the state to provide easier access to voters to voting in the state, as they would like to open that up to greater participation in the state. And with that I'll take any questions that you have. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you so much. Before I actually open it up I have a quick question. Do you have any information – first of all, thank you for this. It's very useful and I assume we'll continue to communicate with this on this as we get closer which is going to be very quickly. Do you have any updates on whether they're considering going to a mixed session? That is partly in person and partly virtual with no public or anything like that? Or do it all virtually? Because I had heard some discussion that that was a possibility. It had been anticipated to be all open but then omicron's been going crazy.

MR. MILLER: Chair Hamilton, great question. I forgot to mention that. Currently it is up on the air. I've spoken to staff at that capital and that's what I have been informed of. What's posted on the website right now is showing that you need to provide proof of vaccination to enter the Roundhouse but that could all change by next Tuesday because of the recent surge with COVID cases in the state. So it might be limited once again to a virtual participation setting. Right now I haven't received word one way or the other.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Are there other questions any Commissioners have? Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair, Hvtce, thank you for all this information. So we passed very general broad resolutions that cover a lot of what's in there. So are you looking to us for specific bills we want – I have kind of marked up legislation saying what I support but I think a lot of it might fall within those resolutions that we did pass. So I'm just wondering what kind of detailed feedback – Thank you for including the Coalition of Sustainable Communities tracker, so they are tracking this legislation. That doesn't mean that they support everything that's on this list but I know they're tracking it. So what kind of feedback do you want from us?

MR. MILLER: Madam Chair, Commissioner Hansen, I would say that anything that is large deviation from any of the resolutions that are currently in place. From last year, there's 2021-122, which is related to affordable housing. There's 121 related to sustainability and climate action. 120, related to community development and 110, which is a different items – affordable housing, moratorium on evictions, single-use plastic bags, gun safety, financial assistance for home solar, New Mexico energy grid, long-term water sustainability, statewide expansion of broadband, fresh fruits and vegetables for schools and seniors, protection of pollinator species and funding for NMED and EMNRD,

So like you were saying, I think a lot of what was identified in the pre-filed does fall within those subjects, which there's resolutions already existing, and I think that does give our team a good idea of what it is that we need to be tracking right now. So the advice I could offer right now is if there was anything that you could see in the pre-filed at the current moment which was not included with any of those subjects, that would be truly helpful, as it's not currently, as you would say, on the radar screen as an item of interest for the Commission.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I did see this one item but I don't know

exactly where this would fall but it's a House Memorial on mother and infant help, Fourth Trimester Care Day. I don't know. I know that this issue of infant health and being able to have infant care is a concern but this is just a House Memorial recognizing that day. That might be something – I don't know if that's supported anywhere in our –

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: If I'm not mistaken, late last week Hvtce had requested – he sent out the list that was current at that time and requested everybody to send from those lists things they were interested in and it might be most efficient to continue doing that because updated list – especially if there are a lot of them, rather than go through them in real time.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I agree. That's why I wanted to make sure that our resolution basically covered a wide spectrum of this and I would even think that the resolutions that we have written would include possibly a study on public power, which happens to be on the Coalition's list. Those kinds of things are there and I think that they're covered, but we'll just be in communication. When do we have our last Board meeting?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: The last Tuesday of the month.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I know today is the 10th.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: It's the 25th and it would be right in the middle of the session.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Right.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: On the other hand, I don't know-

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So I think, Madam Chair, if I may, just so the Commissioners know on the tracking.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: If that's too late to – is the 25th after all the pre-file dates and maybe that's not even relevant because you're going to be tracking through the whole process. Or are you also going to accept email inputs from us from these lists? Like from the current week that you can add to your magic things to track. Because if I'm not mistaken, it's one thing – the resolutions were things the whole Commission voted on and I don't think Hvtce is asking about additional things to track to supersede what the whole Board voted on but to track things, which is to provide individual Commissioners with information.

MR. MILLER: Madam Chair, if I may. February 2nd is the deadline for introductions so the next Commission meeting this month would fall within a good time frame for any addition, let's say subjects or specific pieces of the legislation that need to be identified to staff for us to check. There should be enough time within there. So what we'll be doing is updating these – tracking with both the House and Senate items on a weekly basis. The problematic thing right now is the Senate items because they don't have numbers, so we do have the subjects from the different resolutions which gives us an idea of what to track on the Senate side but it's not showing you clearly the detailed bill and the bill number that relates to the subject. So we'll have to wait till, I would say January 18th, 19th for those Senate bills to be introduced and then we'll have a definitive list, and then I think that's when the Commission can start whittling things down to say, yes, you are indeed capturing those pieces of legislation which we're interested in, and if not, you can bring that forward at the next Commission meeting.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Excellent. Is that good?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes. That's perfect. That's exactly what I wanted to know. So thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: And back to you, Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: No, I was just going to talk about the whole tracking. Hvtce, Mr. Miller and his team actually did a good job. It's just obviously difficult to track a bill because one day to the same exact day, from one committee to another committee a bill could change in 20 seconds, 10 seconds, but I think they do an excellent job. The resolutions that we passed in support of certain legislation, obviously they'll keep track of that and let us know how it's going, correct?

MR. MILLER: Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia, absolutely. I'm thankful for the breadth of subjects which were provided. I think as Commissioner Garcia was saying, I think that provides a better understanding of which pieces we should be following. The bill can change instantaneously within a committee or it could just – if there's several bills, they could all be turned into one combined bill, so I think the subject identified through the resolutions are very helpful so I think we have a good grasp right now.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you, Hvtce.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I believe if that completes your report – we really appreciate the information and look forward to all the follow-ups.

MR. MILLER: Thank you, Madam Chair.

8. C. Miscellaneous Updates

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I have three items and I'm going to share this with County Attorney Shaffer, so you'll have a fourth item. One item that comes from the Community and Economic Development, they would like for us to let the public know that the United States Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration will hold a virtual USDA small business 101 workshop on January 11th from 11:00 to 2:00 and on January 12th from 7:00 to 10:00 am. The workshop is designed to provide businesses unfamiliar with federal contracting in rural and underserved areas.

The next item would be the Santa Fe County Office closure due to Martin Luther King. That's Monday, January 17th. Essential services will be provided by public safety and will continue as usual.

The next item is that the SLDC Hearing Officer meeting was canceled, which was January 13th at 3:00 pm.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Attorney Shaffer.

GREG SHAFFER (County Attorney): Thank you, Madam Chair, Commissioners. I did want to provide the Board with a brief update relative to a change in the County's liability insurance for 2022. That change is this: Santa Fe County will not have excess umbrella liability coverage for calendar year 2002 and unpacking that a bit, in recent years, Santa Fe County and other Class A counties receiving multi-line coverage through the New Mexico County Insurance Authority jointly purchased \$5 million per current and \$5 million annual aggregate excess umbrella coverage. This coverage was excess to, or basically sat on top of NMCIA's \$5 million per current coverage for certain

third party liability claims.

We won't have this coverage in 2022 because, first, only one carrier of the 12 that were contacted was willing to even provide a quote for the coverage. Second, the aggregate premium to be paid by all four Class A counties was \$2.1 million for \$5 million in coverage. That was an approximate increase of 410 percent over the \$512,000 premium for similar coverage in 2021. Coverage was offered to all four Class A counties jointly, meaning that all four had to accept it and pay their proportionate share of the \$2.1 million premium and not all of the other three Class A counties were interested in this coverage at that cost.

This reflects the continuing hardening of the public liability insurance market, which is, as you know, forcing public entities to self-insure more and more risk. We don't anticipate this development to have a material impact on the County since while it's prudent to obtain such coverage at the right price, the County has never had a claim in excess of \$5 million, and there's only been one claim against any Class A county to penetrate this layer of coverage since it's been offered. So again, it's nice to have if you can get it at a reasonable price, but unfortunately it's no longer available at a reasonable price. So that means should we have a claim in excess of \$5 million the County would be at that point responsible for that risk. There will not be that layer of \$5 million to \$10 million. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. And just a quick question. Is this something that will be revisited next year as well, annually?

MR. SHAFFER: Madam Chair, Commissioners, I believe it's the intent currently of New Mexico County Insurance Authority to continue to see what the market will provide for that layer. I don't know that anybody's predicting that it's going to get any better any time soon. But I think they'll continue to look to see if things have improved.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Okay. Thank you. Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you, Madam Chair. Mr. Shaffer, so this is part of the insurance pool that we're in there with New Mexico Counties, correct?

MR. SHAFFER: Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia, yes. This is coverage that is solicited by New Mexico Counties on behalf of the New Mexico County Insurance Authority, of which the County is a member, along with, I believe, all other counties to some extent.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So which actually insurance coverage does the County participate for self-insured?

MR. SHAFFER: Leaving aside our deductibles, anything in excess of our coverage is effectively self-assured, but in terms of primary risk that we self-insure, medical malpractice is what comes to mind.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So where does the 400 percent come in increase? I understand they went out for solicitation but that's an outrageous amount for an insurance company to say, here's your new costs are \$400,000. Even though the 33 counties in the state of New Mexico except one Class A county due to what happened down south is over that \$5 million. Correct?

MR. SHAFFER: Madam Chair, Commissioner Garcia, yes. There are four

Class A counties that receive multi-line coverage through the New Mexico County Insurance Authority and who have been participating in that excess umbrella coverage in recent years. I think in terms of the drivers of that, we use the phrase “hardening market”, there aren’t just commercial carriers or many of them that are willing to insure in that space at that level, and those that are able to command more premium. I think if you look at it, and they’re assuming that over a relatively short window they’re going to absorb a very large loss, which I think is factored into the premium that they’re charging. I hope that answers your question.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Yes, thank you. So Madam Chair, what about is there any proposed legislation through the state that we could actually have the New Mexico Counties introduced? Or is this out of the state’s realm of requests for legislation?

MR. SHAFFER: I am not aware of any legislation that’s being proposed specifically to limit the liability of public entities.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: The reason why I was asking is the Public Regulation Commission actually does look at home insurance, car insurance, and they look at, and hopefully determine whether or not premiums should go up 400 percent or not. I don’t know if you know any of that or not. But thank you. Those are my questions, Madam Chair, on the insurance. Thank you, Attorney Shaffer.

MR. SHAFFER: That’s all I have. Thank you, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Excellent. Thank you very much. So I assume that wraps up Miscellaneous Updates.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I had a question relative to the increase in COVID-19, that we’re getting a lot more positive cases and I just wondered where the County is, if we have to go back to remote working as much as we can. What the plan is going forward. I should have asked that question during the COVID-19 update but I know that quite a few – increase in positive cases, so that we probably need to be proactive and think about how we’re going to deal with that. Because it looks like it’s going to continue getting worse.

MR. BERNARDINO: Madam Chair, Commissioner Roybal, what I can reassure you is that due to our closure of the County offices during the holidays it allowed individuals to – if they did have symptoms, to provide us information in that regard. And so there is that quarantine and that process and protocols. In terms of individuals that are asymptomatic, we are still operating under a 50 percent capacity within our employees that are filled position. As you are aware, we have a pretty significantly high vacancy rate, so that even reduces the amount of individuals in their areas. And we do have a policy that requires staff to wear masks at all times, especially if they are sharing space. I hope I answered the question.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: It does. I just want to know if we have any other plans in place to mitigate any other potential exposures or try to keep the numbers down as much as we can. I don’t know if there’s something that we do have in place to move forward with just in case, because the numbers are doubling almost every other day

so I just want to know that we have something in place to protect our employees.

MR. BERNARDINO: Madam Chair, Commissioner Roybal, HR keeps track of those types of measures so if any employee does have any symptoms the policy indicates that they have approximately two weeks. But HR would notify the CMO about any type of potential risks that we may see in terms of positive cases within the County employees.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Roybal, just for your FYI, I know the Fire Department just suspended in-person regional trainings on a temporary basis because of the spike, I don't know if that was a portion of your question. Are there any changes like that? Obviously, that's because in-person trainings can be very close quarters and so they're moving to do no hands-on, only virtual kind of trainings. Until further notice. But that would be entirely driven, from what I understand, by how quick this abates.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Yes, it does. So it's sort of my understanding that people that can work remotely will have that option if this spike gets even worse. Is that correct, Elias?

MR. BERNARDINO: Madam Chair, it would all depend on the conditions in the function of the job that they would have. So not everyone would be able to work remotely. For example, in public safety, we have individuals that just cannot work remotely. So it would all depend and it would be a case-by-case scenario.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Okay, so my question was, the people that can work remotely will have that option, correct?

MR. SHAFFER: If I could, Madam Chair, Commissioner Roybal, in large measure, employees have continued to work remotely on a hybrid schedule. So throughout the pandemic as of late, most offices, and I underscore most, because there are some exceptions that have returned to full-time work as a general matter, but have continued to work on a hybrid schedule so that the number of staff present in office have been continuously staggered. In addition to that, as the Board knows, the County has implemented a vaccine mandate policy, so the vast majority of all County employees are already fully vaccinated or are in the process of becoming fully vaccinated so the risk to the County workforce of severe illness or hospitalization have been reduced through those measures as well.

With regard to revisiting wide-spread remote working, I'm not aware of any discussions that have taken place at this point to go back to a more comprehensive full-time remote working process as a general matter. But as I believe the Deputy County Manager alluded to and we'll continue to look to see what our actual own exposures look like. I hope that answers the question.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: It does. I just want to make sure that we're prepared to evolve if necessary. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Commissioner Roybal.

MR. BERNARDINO: That concludes our updates.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you so much.

9. MATTERS FROM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS

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

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I'll start at the end and work around.
Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you, Madam Chair. I want to first thank the Santa Fe County employees group for putting on such a great Christmas gathering and Christmas dinner for everyone. A number of us attended and it was really nice. And so I wanted to thank everyone for that.

Not too much has happened over the holidays but one amazing thing that happened was that on December 12th the Archbishop of Santa Fe, John Wester, unveiled a sign at Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12th, which is her day, stating that – there is now a little sign there that says the possession of nuclear weapons is immoral, by Pope Francis. And he is – this morning he held a virtual press conference listing a conversation towards nuclear disarmament. Archbishop John Wester is very committed to this and it was really reassuring to see not only secular groups but also religious groups coming to the aid and saying nuclear disarmament and avoid a new nuclear arms race is urgent and Pope Francis has made clear statements about the immorality of possession of nuclear weapons, moving the church from past conditions of acceptance of deterrents to moral imperative of abolition.

So it was really moving to be there with him and then this morning to see his brief press conference where he is really trying to develop a conversation in the community, and that he feels that we even have a more moral imperative because of LANL and Sandia and where Kirtland has the most nuclear weapons. That's what it says in his press release. So that was really moving to me as somebody who, as I think you all know, works very hard on the health and safety of our community and protecting us from advancement of nuclear weapons.

And that's really all I have to share today, but thank you for the opportunity to share that and I want to thank Archbishop Wester for being a leader and making this a public issue in the church and in the conversation with the community. So thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Very impressive. Thank you.
Commissioner Hughes.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you, Madam Chair. Again, not too much happening because of the holidays but people are starting to get more active now. I had a public meeting last week and again, the big topic in District 5 is the dark skies as more and more businesses are located around the districts and they add lights, people get upset with that. And I think that's something we wanted to address in our strategic plan so I hope that when we do work on the strategic plan this spring we can add some stuff about protecting our dark skies, because it is nice to be able to look up in Santa Fe and see the stars and not just see the glare of the lights from Santa Fe.

Also I know that the Recovery Center is going to be asking for our help with their new project, and also I think we already received a petition that's going around about

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animal control. So all these are things I think that as we're doing our strategic planning – I know that we can't do everything all at once at the County but I think people do expect us to take things on in a systematic way and keep making life better for people and for dogs in certain cases. That's all I have, Madam Chair, for today.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Excellent. Thanks so much.
Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you, Madam Chair. Just a couple of quick things. As my colleagues mentioned, I do agree with them. Last year was a challenging year for everybody, and I hope this year is actually a little bit better and let's be safe out there and be wise in what we do. I understand what Commissioner Roybal and some of the concerns in regards to the whole COVID, what's happening staff-wise. Some interesting press release that we did today from the board of education in regards to staffing levels and what's happening out there, what's happening next week, but definitely, governmental entities are needing to start thinking ahead on what's going to happen, what's going on there.

And I'd just like to thank our County Clerk. Madam Clerk, thank you for meeting with myself and the constituent and the surveyor. Appreciate that, and that actually turned out to be a good meeting. Thank you. And that's all I have, Madam Chair. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you, Madam Chair. I basically wanted to thank our director, Mr. Joseph Montoya and also from REDI-Net, Mr. Gerald Baca, Ray Sandoval from REDI-Net for giving us a great update on the broadband situation in my community. So I just want to thank them for giving me that update that I can share with my constituents.

I also wanted to thank Anjali Bean for her service to Santa Fe County and working on the Aamodt settlement. I think that was pretty much her primary responsibility, along with I'm sure other duties assigned. But I think that Anjali will be leaving the County here shortly and so I just wanted to thank her for that and also thank her for the update she provided to me so I can update my constituents on where the project is. So I do want to just say that and just thank them for all those updates.

Also I wanted to just announce, let my constituents know and everybody in Santa Fe County or just about anybody, we're doing COVID vaccines and it's open to anybody. So I'll just read the announcement that came out. Santa Fe County, along with our vaccine partners continue to host COVID vaccine events in 2022. This week's events will be held at the Pojoaque fire station from 10:00 to 6:00 pm, Tuesday, January 11th, which was today, through Sunday, January 16, 2022 with the Pfizer vaccines for all ages, groups approved by state approved age groups for Pfizer vaccines including primary shots for five-year-olds to 11-year-olds and boosters for those 12 and older. You do not need an appointment but one can be scheduled on the DOH website. Just a reminder, for any constituents that have children under the age of 18, there will be a parental consent form that will be required for the vaccine. So I just want to make that announcement to all my constituents and everybody that's interested in getting vaccinated. I think it's important. As numbers show, 12 percent of the people that have passed away now from COVID, only 12 percent of those people have been vaccinated. The rest are not vaccinated. So I

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think it's important for us to get vaccinated to improve our chances of survival if we do get the COVID-19 infection. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you so much. Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes. I forgot to mention that – and I want to thank Commissioner Hamilton for flagging this for me, but the Fire Department is to honor a fallen firefighter on January 12th at 1:12 pm and this is a dedication to Isaac Garcia. It was his ten-year anniversary last year and Commissioner Hamilton had written a resolution recognizing him and now they are actually making the training tower at the burn unit in Agua Fria in District 2 at the Agua Fria fire station the Isaac Garcia memorial training tower. So if any of you would like to join us.

And then I do just want to say that Agua Fria has been feeling very encroached upon recently with all the development at South Meadows and especially what's happening on Caja de Oro Grant Road. It has been a huge concern to the village. In the past one of the developers had promised to do some commercial development so there could be some stores along South Meadows and that seems to be falling by the wayside and the City is allowing overly dense development with the roads not being overly developed at the same time and so this is a big concern to the village. I just want to share that with the constituents and let other people in the county know how concerning that is.

And I totally support Commissioner Roybal. Everybody needs to get vaccinated. Your life is much more possible and please take the opportunity. The vaccine is free and get vaccinated. Thank you, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. I would actually like to go back to the Fire Department honoring a fallen firefighter. As Commissioner Hansen said, this is his ten-year anniversary. Isaac Garcia was one of our own. He worked with the County but he started up in Glorieta which is in my district and was an amazing person, and it's hard to image ten years have gone by. That was very tragic. January 12th is picked because his badge number was 112. And so tomorrow is 1/12 and they're going to actually do the plaque and memorialize it at 1:12 in the afternoon, if anybody is attending, just to know the time. And this is in Commissioner Hansen's district. That training tower is a valuable County resource so it's pretty cool that they're naming it after him.

I want to chime in with Commissioner Roybal thanking Anjali Bean. I am not all surprised that she got a very, very special offer. She was a really contributor and treasure to the County and I enjoyed working with her incredibly. A good contribution and I'm very sad she's leaving but what can you do but wish her the best? I'm very impressed with what she'll continue to contribute to all of us and to New Mexico and really wish her the best.

And then I also want to mention that traditionally, I for a few years now have been doing Coffee with the Commish on Saturday mornings. And I think that's actually turning into not a great idea for people's schedules. So we are switching Coffee with the Commish to the third Wednesday of every month. So our very next one will be February 16th starting at 5:30.

I also wanted to thank – I noticed several Commissioners have mentioned strategic planning and I think everybody here thinks that's been an incredibly valuable

thing that we started when we started out and have been carrying forward. Not that it was never done before. It was something that this Commission thought was really important. That kind of thing has to be a living document, and the commitment of the County to do that is illustrated by having hired somebody specifically for that purpose. So I was very grateful to have time with Cindy McGee and our Deputy County Manager to chat about what they're doing and I'm actually very, very charged up about the approach they're taking to start out the process and the information gathering and analysis. So we of course can't really tell what we'll be able to do in terms of being in person or not, but I'm very, very much looking forward to seeing that process continue. And that's all I have.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Yes, I'm sorry. I should have mentioned this earlier. I just wanted to recognize a few employees with the County as well. I'm sure there are a few others that I don't know about but these are a few others that I'm told Pablo Sedillo retired. Also Richard Chan with Public Works. I want to thank them for their work for Santa Fe County. And also I think recently Mr. Ryan Ward actually left the County as well. So I just want to thank all of them for their dedicated service to Santa Fe County and just wish them the very best in their future endeavors.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Excellent. Thank you so much for that.

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

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I'd like to go first to our County Clerk.

KATHARINE CLARK (County Clerk): Thank you, Madam Chair. I just did want to alert everyone that primary election season is upon us. Already. And you may see folks out there trying to gather signatures. The idea is that they need registered voters from their own party to get on the ballot for the pre-primary. You aren't voting for that person but it is very challenging for candidates to get signatures these days. And so as sort of a good civil service it's good to sign so that way there's a competitive primary or pre-primary process, all part of the democratic process. So if you happen to see petition signatures and you see that candidate is part of your party, you could help them out because it is very challenging during these times of omicron to get signatures and we want to see an active and vibrant primary.

And we expect candidates for statewide and for the federal offices to file February 1st. The pre-primary process is in February. And then for our County offices, that will be the second week of March. So it's coming up very soon.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you very much. Tessa Jo or Daniel, are there other County elected officials on Webex who have anything to relate to the constituents?

MS. MASCARENAS: Yes, Madam Chair. The County Treasurer is on line.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Welcome, Treasurer Manzanares.

JENNIFER MANZANARES (County Treasurer): Good evening, Madam

Chair, Commissioners. Happy New Year. A couple of things from the Treasurer's Office. We did receive a high volume of tax payments already so we're processing as quickly as we can and as a follow-up to Commissioner Garcia's conversation earlier with Yvonne, I have sent an email to Yvonne, Commissioner, and also to your staff as well to follow up on the audit findings. So I was listening. I wasn't able to jump in quickly enough but Yvonne did a great job of covering that. But I do look forward to seeing everyone at the Investment Committee meeting at the end of the month on the 27th. So looking forward to that.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Excellent. And is the Sheriff on, or the Assessor, or anybody else?

MS. MASCARENAS: No, Madam Chair. They do not appear to be.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Okay. Great. Thank you so much.

9. C. Election of Board of County Commissioners Chair for 2022

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Yes. Thank you, Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you, Madam Chair, and thank you for taking the helm today. I think I explained the situation, why I decided I shouldn't be there in person today. But I just want to thank all of my fellow Commissioners in believing in my leadership and appointing me actually to serve for two consecutive years as the Chair for Santa Fe County. We've been through a lot during this pandemic that we're still dealing with now. I think it started probably two months after the first year that I was elected to be the chairman for the Commission and as a whole, there's been a lot of challenges and difficult decisions, but I just want to thank my Board and I want to give a special thanks and thoughts to Commissioner Moreno and his family. I spoke three years during the seven years that I've been on the Commission as the chair and it's been a great honor to serve the Commission, staff, and my constituents in this capacity. So I just want to thank everybody, wish everybody a happy new year in case I haven't yet. God bless. And I'd like to make a motion that Commissioner Hamilton becomes the new chair for 2022.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I second.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. We have a motion and a second. Is there any discussion?

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

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Well, thank you very much. It will be my honor to serve.

9. D. Election of Board of County Commissioners Vice-Chair for 2022

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you, Madam Chair. I do want to

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congratulate you. To serve as the chair and I'm very honored to serve with all of my Commissioners. I think we have two Commissioners who haven't had the opportunity to serve as chair and I think Commissioner Garcia has been on the Board the longest of the two Commissioners and I know both of them are very capable but I would like to make a motion to appoint Commissioner Garcia as the vice chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I second. Thank you very much. So we have a motion and a second.

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

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Congratulations, Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you, Madam Chair. Appreciate that. Thank you for the nomination, Commissioner Roybal, and thank you for serving as chair for the last past year.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Yes, thank you very much, Commissioner Roybal.

9. E. **Appointments of County Commissioners and Staff to Boards and Committees, Including the Following Entities: Buckman Direct Diversion, Santa Fe Metropolitan Planning Organization, North Central New Mexico Economic Development District, North Central Regional Transit District, Santa Fe Solid Waste Management Agency, Santa Fe County Investment Committee, Santa Fe County Audit Committee, the Estancia Valley Economic Development Association, Northern Rio Grande Heritage Area, the New Mexico Northern Area Workforce Development Area CEOs, the New Mexico County Insurance Authority Board of Directors, the New Mexico County Insurance Authority General Membership, and Coalition of Sustainable Communities New Mexico**

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Tessa Jo, take it away.

MS. MASCARENAS: Thank you, Madam Chair, Commissioners. As you all are aware, on an annual basis you all determine representatives for several boards, committees and entities which are listed on the agenda. So I'm not sure whether you'd like to go through each committee individually or if you'd like to remain on the same committees, just discuss the changes you'd like.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Respectfully, obviously I'm totally open to whatever the Commissioners want. I would like to suggest that what I understand, most of the appointments, people are interested in retaining those. I certainly am. So maybe we can discuss exceptions.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Hansen and then Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Thank you. So, yes. I would like to basically stay on all the same committees I'm in but I would like to – at the moment I

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serve as the chair of the Buckman Direct Diversion, and I would like to suggest that Commissioner Hughes become the alternate to the Buckman Direct Diversion. And I don't think I have any other changes.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: So right now, Commissioner Roybal is the alternate. Commissioner Roybal, do you want to chime in here?

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you, Chair Hamilton. I did hear from a little bird that Commissioner Hughes – I appreciate Commissioner Hansen bringing that forward although being the chair or not being the chair doesn't really put that position forward. But I did hear from a little bird that Commissioner Hughes was interested in serving on the BDD as an alternate. Is that correct, Commissioner Hughes?

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Yes, Madam Chair, Commissioner Roybal. I am interested as long as that is okay with you.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you, sir. Honestly, I've served on the BDD. I've served as the vice chair, the chair, and as an alternate, the whole time that I've been a Commissioner and it's a great board. I enjoy reading what's happening and getting the agenda from the BDD and reading that and keeping up to date. And honestly, as a Commissioner, as a community member, I can still get all that information. And so I think it's admirable – I think everybody here knows that this is my last year so I would definitely entertain another Commissioner coming forward to sit as alternate on this board. So absolutely. I'm leaning towards stepping aside and let you go ahead and serve as the alternate.

I do know that right now, in looking at the numbers, Commissioner Hughes and Commissioner Garcia only have three appointments and there's 20 appointments so technically there should be probably four primary appointments to every Commissioner. So I would ask if Commissioner Garcia and Commissioner Hughes have three each. And so if there's other boards that you would be interested in sitting as a primary that's something for you to consider or at least consider in the future because I think it's really well represented for us to all serve on an equal amount of boards. I think that right now I think that Commissioner Hamilton and myself are in four primary. Commissioner Hansen, I think sits on six as a primary. But once again, Commissioner Garcia and Commissioner Hughes both sit on three. So I think it's something to look at and think about in the future because I think it's really great to have – I sit on a board where all of us have great knowledge and expertise in different areas, so I just want to say the more participation by Commissioners the better we are. So I appreciate it and absolutely, Commissioner Hughes, if you'd like to sit as alternate on the BDD I'm totally fine with that, sir.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Okay.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. So we have that one down. Are there other – Commissioner Hughes, first, are there other things that you're not on that you were particularly interested in?

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Thank you, and thank you, Commissioner Roybal, because I think if I can serve as the alternate then perhaps when Commissioner Hansen and Hamilton's terms are up I would be ready to step in as one of the two regulars, one of the full representatives to the Buckman Direct Diversion committee.

Other than that I'm pretty happy with my committees, so I don't think that I need to add another one at this point.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Just for clarification, Commissioner Hansen and I are also primary on SWMA and you're the alternate. Is that not true anymore? I'm the alternate already.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: No, three of us sit on SWMA.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: I think we're all three –

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Oh, fabulous. Okay, great. That clarifies that. I should have known that.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: And the alternate is Commissioner Roybal.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Okay. So the other thing we have to discuss is the Investment Committee because that's automatically the chair and the vice chair, right. So that changes it. So many alternates do we have on Investment? Because I thought we actually added two starting last year.

MS. MASCARENAS: Madam Chair, we have two alternates.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: And so those two alternates were Commissioner Hansen and Commissioner Hughes, right? Is that good to stay that way? Excellent. Otherwise, wanting to stay with what I've got. So with those changes, could I entertain a motion for everybody retaining their appointments?

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: So moved, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Second.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I got a motion and a second and I didn't even manage to get it all out. That's great. Are we clear for the record it's the same appointments with the specific changes we discussed? Great. So we have a motion and a second.

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

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Wow. That was pretty expeditious. Thank you all for incredibly good consideration.

11. MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

- A. Executive Session. Limited Personnel Matters, as Allowed by Section 10-15-1(H)(2) NMSA 1978; Board Deliberations in Administrative Adjudicatory Proceedings, Including Those on the Agenda Tonight for Public Hearing, as Allowed by Section 10-15-1(H)(3) NMSA 1978; Discussion of Bargaining Strategy Preliminary to Collective Bargaining Negotiations Between the Board of County Commissioners and Collective Bargaining Units, as Allowed by Section 10-15-1(H)(5); Discussion of Contents of Competitive Sealed Proposals Pursuant to the Procurement Code During Contract Negotiations as Allowed by Section 10-15-1(H)(6); Threatened or Pending Litigation in which Santa Fe County is or May Become a Participant, as Allowed by Section 10-15-1 (H)(7) NMSA 1978; and, Discussion of the Purchase, Acquisition or Disposal of Real Property**

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or Water Rights, as Allowed by Section 10-15-1(H)(8) NMSA 1978, including:

- 1. Solid Waste Convenience Center Locations and Disputes**
- 2. Breach of Settlement Agreement and Related Agreements Related to Annexation**

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Mr. Shaffer.

MR. SHAFFER: Madam Chair, we'd be looking for a motion to go into executive session to discuss threatened or pending litigation in which Santa Fe County is or may become a participant as allowed by Section 10-15-1(H)(7) NMSA 1978, and discussion of the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights, as allowed by Section 10-15-1(H)(8) NMSA 1978, including, one, the solid waste convenience center locations and disputes, and two, breach of settlement agreement and related agreements related to annexation.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: So moved.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Second.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. So I have a motion and a second to go into executive session. Madam Clerk, could we get a roll call vote?

The motion to go into executive session passed by unanimous roll call vote as follows:

Commissioner Garcia	Aye
Commissioner Hamilton	Aye
Commissioner Hansen	Aye
Commissioner Hughes	Aye
Commissioner Roybal	Aye

[The Commission met in executive session from 5:30 to 6:20.]

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I thank everybody for their patience while we were in executive session. I would entertain a motion to come out of executive session.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I move that we come out of executive session and the only thing that we spoke about was the items that County Attorney Shaffer mentioned and nothing else and those were the only people in the room.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Second.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. I have a motion and a second.

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The motion passed by unanimous [4-0] voice vote. [Commissioner Roybal was not present for this action.]

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Resolution No. 2022-003, a Resolution Adopting Projects for Inclusion in Santa Fe County's Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2023-2027; Authorizing Submittal of Plan to the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration, and Replacing Resolution 2021-076

MAGGIE MOORE (Growth Management): I have before you a resolution to adopt three projects for inclusion in Santa Fe County's ICIP, Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan for fiscal years 2023 through 2027. The request is to amend Resolution 2021-076 to include additional projects into the ICIP. The additional projects include the Santa Fe Opera wastewater system upgrade project, the Clerk's warehouse improvements, and Esperanza Shelter's capital request.

And so the background on this request is that the ICIP is submitted annually to the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration. Back in August 31, 2021, the BCC adopted Resolution 2021-076 which adopted a list of projects for the 2023 cycle, and this is a subset of Santa Fe County's long-range capital planning framework, community requests, and capital needs as identified in the ICIP. They're included in our five-year capital improvement plan and considered along other capital maintenance and fixed asset needs for funding through the County, state and federal resources.

Kind of going further back, the process that we're following from August 2019, the BCC adopted Resolution 2019-103 which established a planning and assessment process used for each stage of capital planning whereby projects are proposed, reviewed and prioritized along with the County's population goals and other priorities identified in our strategic plan. Since the BCC adopted resolution 2021-076 in August the three additional projects have been requested, scoped, reviewed and prioritized through our Capital Planning Committee and Scoping Committee process.

The Capital Planning Committee met last week on January 6th and recommends that these three projects are included into the 2023 through 2027 ICIP.

And again, those projects are listed. We've included an amended ICIP list in your packet and those are the Santa Fe County Clerk warehouse improvements, a total of \$1,401,010. The second project is the Santa Fe County Opera wastewater treatment system at \$3.6 million. And then the Esperanza Shelter capital request for solar at \$162,000. I'd be happy to take any questions about those projects.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. So are there questions?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: We'll go down the line.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Okay. I want to thank you very much for getting the Esperanza Shelter solar on here. This is something that I've been working on for quite some time. Not only will it provide electricity to the shelter but it will be able for them to spend more of the money on domestic violence and help people in real need that have really – this pandemic has definitely increased. So thank you very much. I think

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this is a really important project. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Madam Chair. Just a quick question. So I think these are all three very worthy projects. I'm just a little bit new to this process, so is it my understanding that so that we have here 60 projects but there's probably a much longer list that you started from, right? That these were culled down to the most important project. Is that correct?

MS. MOORE: That would be correct. Yes.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Okay. All right. Thank you. That's all.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Good. Commissioner Garcia.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you for bringing these projects forward. Esperanza Shelter, is that the existing Esperanza Shelter or is that the administrative component of Esperanza?

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: It's the administrative component.

MS. MOORE: Yes, the admin.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So that facility, that roof is already not good anymore? That's about 12 years old, 15 years old.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Commissioner Garcia, so we got money to put a new roof on their administration building. This is a unique situation where I believe the land is owned by the City of Santa Fe but we own the building. The home where they keep people is in the village. This is for the admin building that is on Rufina.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you. Just for clarification, the City – we did work on that. The City did actually deed that property over to the County so the County does own that property. But I was just wondering, to my eyes that facility is to my eyes fairly new but that's fine that it can go on the list.

Madam Chair, I'd like to see if my fellow colleagues here could actually support me in a couple – maybe one project actually. That is for some traffic calming devices, which is a capital project and it is actually within the La Cienega area. It's something that's very tangible. You can touch -- So what I would like to start is to ask for money for that and see if we can just get some seed money to the village or the residents of La Cienega can start a plan on that and I'd like to know if you can help me out with it.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: I guess my first question is has this been through the review process at all?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: No.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Commissioner Garcia, Madam Chair, I think this is definitely a worthy project but I also believe that there are a lot of worthy projects and it is really important that we abide by the process of going through the policies and having staff rate it so that we know how much it's going to even cost. Because we don't even have any estimates. And I am fully willing to support you once it goes through the process, because I believe that it is very necessary in the Village of La Cienega. But I would like it to go through the process.

I also had wanted to add another project on here but unfortunately the project got sold before we could even add it on.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Okay. So then I have some other questions on these three projects here. I'm going to have a lot of questions in regards to what our requests are from the legislative session this year. And it is my request, here's what I

want to know, how this is going to work. We added three more projects to our 60+ list. We have these requirements that came forward at our top five priorities that we all chose. We have actually projects that are short money, which possibly as the Commission I talked low-hanging fruit and I need to know where our senior center is in Cerrillos, where the Madrid water suppression system – Paul, that you know about. Also I need to know what's happening with the Madrid fire station expansion. There's about four or five other projects that have been possibly shortened with money. So are we going to ask for all these projects? Or are we going to ask for one of the five? Are we going to ask for these three additional projects, because these aren't on any of our lists; all of a sudden they came up.

And so I have a question regarding those three or five different things. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. Maggie or Paul, can you –

MS. MOORE: Thank you. Can you restate the question, please?

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Yes. So are we going to ask for these three projects to the legislative session or they're just getting on the list?

MS. MOORE: Thank you, Commissioner and Chair. I think that, yes, we're asking today that we add them to our ICIP, which is submitted to the legislature for consideration for capital funding. So I think it's a yes and a yes.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: So Hvtce Miller and Tessa Jo are going to go ask for these additional projects for the request? Does anybody know?

PAUL OLAFSON (Community Development Department):

Commissioner, I believe, if I can paraphrase your question, what you're asking is we have the list of 60. However, there's a shorter list of priorities per district or Commissioner. And are we going to add these to that shorter list of priorities? My understanding is that is not the intention but by putting them on the larger list it still makes them eligible for funding if the legislature so chose.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Because, Madam Chair, speaking to Legal Council Services from the state legislature, it's not required that any project that they fund over there be on the ICIP plan this year. So I just want to let everybody out there know that that is actually from the majority leader and actually from the Speaker's office. So just so we all know, we're all clear, that any project that anybody goes over there and asks for additional dollars does not have to be on this plan.

So another thing I would like to ask is Gary, can you actually please meet me tomorrow or Thursday so we can just go over the shortfall of projects if we do have any? So that way we can go ask Speaker Egolf of Senator Rodriguez for shortfalls in their district for projects that we've been awaiting construction or design. Because if there's some shortfalls, \$20,000, \$50,000, \$300,00, \$500,000, as one of my priorities is, and it's short about \$572,000, as you know, Gary, is actually the low-water crossing in La Cienega behind the Downs. So that's my priority that we're going to go ask through several legislators for that shortfall.

But I would just like to know, you don't have to answer here today, is what shortfalls do we have from other projects out there. Because if that – if those individuals have some money for capital, tangible stuff in their districts, now's the time to go get, for lack of a better term, the low-hanging fruit, right?

GARY GIRON (Public Works Director): Madam Chair, Commissioner,

yes. We'll set up a meeting with you quickly. P. J. Montano is actually on the line right now, so we'll work to get you that information, and then obviously, we'll work back through the committee to make sure that any of that goes through the Manager. But we will exam those issues and discuss any shortfalls that we have with you.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you. So is there any other discussion on this? Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I would like to move to adopt a resolution adopting projects for inclusion in Santa Fe County's Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan for the fiscal years 2023 through 2027 authorizing submittal of the plan to the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration, and replacing Resolution 2021-076.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: Madam Chair, do we need to have a public hearing before we pass the resolution.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Yes, we do. Thank you very much.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: Sorry. That's quite all right. I was remiss in not stopping you. So this actually, if I'm not mistaken – is this the second public hearing on the ICIP? It's just the first. Just one. Okay. Only one is needed and this is it. So this is a public hearing and I'm opening public comment. Is there anybody from the public online? On Webex? Who wants to speak to this issue? Tessa Jo, do you know whether anybody was still on Webex at all?

DANIEL FRESQUEZ (IT): Madam Chair, I do not see any indication of any public comments on this, but if you want to announce it.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: So, yes. If there's anybody on Webex or calling in or present – but I don't see anybody present, live, that isn't staff – who wants to speak to this issue, please unmute yourself and make your presence known. It's like a séance. If you're out there make your presence known.

MS. MASCARENAS: Madam Chair, if I may, just to answer Commissioner Garcia's question from earlier.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Yes.

MS. MASCARENAS: The three items that were added to the ICIP, it's my information, with your approval, that they would be requested as capital outlay during this year's session on behalf of the individual organizations and the Clerk's Office, and Santa Fe County would serve as the fiscal agent for those. So those would be additions to our capital outlay requests with your approval.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Yes. So I can ask a third time. Is there anybody from the public who wishes to speak to this issue? Hearing none I'm going to close public comment and would entertain a motion at this time. Commissioner Hansen.

COMMISSIONER HANSEN: I make the same motion that I moved before. A resolution adopting projects for inclusion in Santa Fe County's Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan for the fiscal years 2023 through 2027 authorizing submittal of the plan to the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration, and replacing Resolution 2021-076.

COMMISSIONER HUGHES: I'll second.

COMMISSIONER ROYBAL: I'll second, Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Discussion.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Commissioner Garcia, under discussion.

COMMISSIONER GARCIA: Yes. I just want my colleagues to remember when we do get money for these three projects, there's seven, ten, fifteen other projects before these projects, correct? Because we all have the list of projects waiting in line, sewer lines. We have all this other stuff waiting in line but if we're going to add some more projects to it, that's awesome. We can get all the money we can from the capitol there. But we do have projects in line before these ones come forward. Thank you, Madam Chair.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Thank you, Commissioner Garcia. So I have a motion and a second.

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

12. CONCLUDING BUSINESS

- A. Announcements**
- B. Adjournment**

Commissioner Hansen moved to adjourn and Commissioner Roybal seconded. With no further business to come before this body, Vice Chair Hamilton declared this meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.



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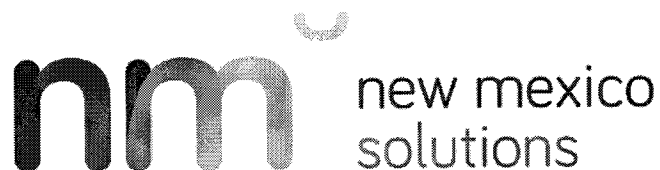
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Santa Fe Behavioral Health Crisis Triage Center



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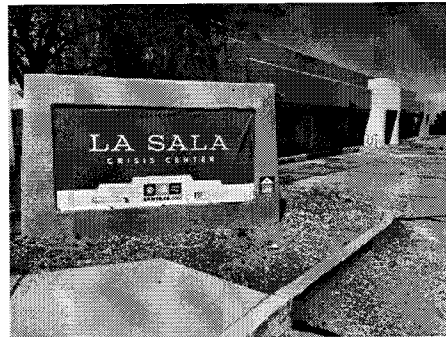
La Sala Development & History

- ▶ 2018 Galisteo Street approved as a location
- ▶ 2019 SF County Behavioral Health Strategic Plan
- ▶ 2020 Leadership Team Begins
- ▶ April 1 2020 NMS Begins Mobile Crisis Services
- ▶ 2020 La Sala Construction Begins
- ▶ 2020 COVID-19 Pandemic Hits
- ▶ July 2021 On Site Mobile Crisis Begins
- ▶ July 29, 2021, Kickoff celebration for CTC
- ▶ August 2021, CTC Licensed by NM DOH



What happens at the Crisis Center?

- ❖ Santa Fe area residents experiencing behavioral health challenges can find a safe place to stabilize, rest and engage with readily available behavioral health providers
- ❖ The Center allows an immediate, walk-in access point for navigation and collaborative linkage to partnering community resources and services
- ❖ The Center serves as a supportive resource for families and caregivers in finding information and assistance in times of crisis



What is the Living Room Model?

- ▶ The Living Room model provides a community center that offers people experiencing a mental health crisis an alternative to hospitalization in a non-clinical, relaxed setting
- ▶ When people experience a mental health crisis they are often faced with the decision to go to the emergency department or to try to manage the crisis themselves. In the ED, clients must navigate the interaction in a chaotic medical setting, and may experience increased distress or agitation, frustration, long wait times and even potential minimization of symptoms. "Living Rooms" embrace the Recovery Model and offer people experiencing mental health crises a calm and safe environment.

Services include:

- ▶ A safe place in which to stabilize, rest and relax
- ▶ Support from peer counselors with personal experience in manage mental illness and recovery
- ▶ Intervention from professional counselors including teaching de-escalation skills and developing safety plans
- ▶ Linkage with referrals for emergency housing, healthcare, food and mental health services
- ▶ Identification of and referral to community resources



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Appropriate Referrals

- ❖ The resident must be 18 years and older and able to consent to treatment.
- ❖ The resident is seeking Behavioral Health support in midst of crisis.
- ❖ The resident is able to refrain from violence toward self or anyone else.
- ❖ The resident is not reporting a level of active psychotic symptoms that would prevent them from participating in treatment.
- ❖ The resident may be experiencing suicidal thoughts but is able and willing to participate in treatment.
- ❖ The resident is not actively physically aggressive towards others.
- ❖ The resident cannot be so intoxicated or impaired due to substance use that they cannot participate in treatment.
- ❖ The resident is medically stable.

Crisis Center Services

- ▶ Immediate therapeutic stabilization and counseling support
- ▶ Short-term transitional case management and navigation
- ▶ Peer support services
- ▶ Non-emergent Nursing services
- ▶ Clinical assessment and treatment planning
- ▶ Psychiatric assessment when appropriate
- ▶ Limited on-site pharmacy through partner Zia Pharmacy
- ▶ Navigation space for community partner agencies such as Santa Fe County LEAD, SFFD MIHO, HUGS, etc.
- ▶ Short term respite housing (hotel vouchers)
- ▶ Transportation to emergency housing or services from CTC

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Current and Future Hours

- ▶ CURRENTLY – PHASE 2 – MONDAY-FRIDAY 9am-5pm
- ▶ Actively hiring all staff positions in order to move to Phase 4;
9am to 10pm, Monday through Saturday
- ▶ Hours will be developed with demonstrated crisis utilization patterns and needs of community partners in Santa Fe
- ▶ We also provide the 24/7 Mobile Crisis Response Team service, designed to support law enforcement and first responders during active behavioral crises in the community. MCRT providers may in some cases open the Crisis Center after hours to serve community individuals in crisis

Staffing Structure

- ▶ Kate Field, LPCC, Crisis Center Director
- ▶ 2 Case Managers
- ▶ 1-2 Independently Licensed Therapists
- ▶ 1 Certified Peer Support Worker
- ▶ 1 Nurse Manager
- ▶ Contract ARNP
- ▶ Supportive additional NMS staff from Albuquerque as needed
- ▶ Additional staffing includes on-call clinicians for 24/7 MCRT support
- ▶ Currently hiring all positions for evening and weekend CTC hours expansion

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Crisis Center Encounters

- ❖ Since July 2021, we have provided the following services to-date:
 - ❖ In-person at Crisis Triage Center: 91
 - ❖ Mobile Crisis Response in-person in the community: 48
 - ❖ Telephonic Crisis Interventions: 147 (an important measure of services during pandemic restrictions)
 - ❖ Daily work consists of intensive, transitional case management, ongoing consultation, care coordination, supportive counseling and collaboration with agencies and private community members and their families
- ❖ Collaborative Partners who have received orientation and are actively engaged in care coordination include: Christus St. Vincent, Presbyterian Healthcare, Santa Fe Fire Department Mobile Integrated Health Office, Esperanza, Casa Familia, Interfaith Community Shelter, The Lifelink, Santa Fe County Fire COOP, Santa Fe County LEAD, La Familia, Casa Milagro, Santa Fe Area Homelessness and Housing Collaborative, The Mountain Center, 988 Crisis Learning Community, Santa Fe County Sheriff's Department, PMS Santa Fe Community Guidance Center, NAMI Santa Fe, Healthcare for the Homeless, St. Elizabeth's Shelters

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Words from Persons Served

"Our office consistently collaborates with La Sala to provide both crisis response and a safe and calming alternative destination. The community is fortunate to have this service. The space is welcoming, and the staff is kind and knowledgeable. Having a robust and innovative public safety response is the best way to support our unique city during these challenging times. We look forward to building out more services with La Sala going forward."

—Nicole Auli, LCSW,
City of Santa Fe Fire Department
Mobile Integrated health Office

"I have received great services . . . the people there are compassionate, caring, and supportive, and always willing to help me. . . I am so grateful they are here to support people in crisis." —current client



Had a great experience with la sala, the county crisis center today!!!! Very effective intervention.

Seems like potentially a game changer having that walk-in space.

Yes!!!!!!

We didn't have to go through a traumatic encounter - instead walked with the person through choices that resulted in a higher level of care, safer situation for today (a hospital stay). Not sure what tomorrow will hold, but this def felt good.

La Cienega Valley Association
Public Comment to the Santa Fe County Board of Commissioners
January 11, 2022
Preserving Our Rural Way of Life
lacienegavalley.com

I. LCVA Community Priorities:

- a. Roads: Speeding, Traffic and Safety Egress –Community Informed Engineering Plan for Community-Wide and Traffic Calming
 - i. Egress and Speeding on Paseo C'de Baca (Pending ICIP)
 - ii. Bridge Calle Debra crossing (ICIP) – Flood Safety Issue
 - iii. Arroyo Hondo crossing (ICIP) – Flood Safety Issue
- b. Fire Safety
 - i. LCVA Board Approved - Chief Martin Vigil will provide Ready, Set Go Wildfire Preparedness Trainings for LCVA community – Bilingual Requested – Former Commissioner Grill and LCVA President will volunteer to support efforts.
 1. Are there programs to help clear out the brush? What additional fire mitigation support is there from the County Fire Department?
 2. Illegal dumping along the creeks and arroyos – Creates fodder for fires and exacerbates flooding. What additional support is there for clean-up and illegal dumping enforcement?
 - ii. Enforce requirement to connect to County water system for development approved per the La Cienega Watershed Condition) after 1991-1992 (See Subsequent Ordinances (See Article XIV Traditional and Contemporary Zoning District of the Santa Fe County Land Development Ordinance 1996-10)
 - iii. Resurrect and Follow Library Plan.
 1. Provide activities and the La Cienega Community Center for senior activities and establish an Event Calendar for the community center.
 2. Identify outdoor location for youth activities such as soccer, baseball and basketball.
 - iv. Continued acknowledgement and pursuance of decision making with respect to the Traditional Historic Community that encompasses La Cienega and La Cieneguilla

Las Lagunitas Fire - May 2020



(Photo courtesy of Robert Romero)

Paseo C'de Baca Fire - December 2021

(Note: freezing temperatures)



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HB42	<i>Herrera (D41)</i> PUBLIC PROJECT REVOLVING FUND LOANS (Endorsed by the New Mexico Finance Authority Oversight Committee) Authorizes the New Mexico Finance Authority to make loans for the 90 public projects listed below from the Public Project Revolving Fund for building, equipment, infrastructure, debt refinance, education technology, School transportation, broadband infrastructure, road, land acquisition, water, wastewater, water rights, special assessment district, airport and public transportation, energy efficiency, public improvement district, public recreation, economic development, and solid waste projects:	01/07/2022	HPREF
HB43	<i>Garratt (D29)</i> CHARTER SCHOOL FACILITIES FUNDING AND APPROPRIATION (Very similar to 2021 SB318; 2019 SB245) Provides for notice to charter schools of district-owned land available for lease, lease-purchase or purchase. Allows for grants from the Public School Capital Outlay Fund for charter school lease payments. Creates the Charter Facility Fund to pay off lease-purchase arrangements. Establishes a process for charter school participation in local district bond elections. Appropriates \$10 million (nonreverting) from the Public School Capital Outlay Fund to the Public Project Revolving Fund for FY 2023 and subsequent years to provide loans to charter schools to renovate, construct, purchase or expand facilities or pay off charter school lease-purchase agreements.	01/07/2022	HPREF
HB44	<i>Thomson (D24)</i> SEXUAL MISCONDUCT POLICIES FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES (Similar to 2021 HB142 and 2019 HB113) Requires the Higher Education Department and all public and private postsecondary institutions that receive state scholarship funds to adopt detailed, trauma-informed policies and procedures for investigating allegations of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and harassment or stalking. Amends the Public School Code to require the Public Education Department to develop similar policies and procedures for all schools, and modifies high school graduation requirements with a mandate for specific content about informed consent to sexual activity in health education courses required for graduation.	01/07/2022	HPREF
HB45	<i>Ferrary (D37)</i> PROGRAM UNITS FOR BOARD-CERTIFIED LICENSED SCHOOL EMPLOYEES (For the Legislative Education Study Committee; identical to 2021 HB171, 2020 HB90, 2019 HB412) Amends the Public School Finance Act to provide that, beginning with the 2022-2023 school year and subsequent school years, the determination of program units for school funding will be based on the number of "licensed school employees who hold certification by the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards."	01/07/2022	HPREF
HB46	<i>Chasey (D18)</i> FAMILY REPRESENTATION AND ADVOCACY ACT (Identical to 2021 SB127 as SJC substituted) Creates the Family Representation and Advocacy Act, establishing the Office of Family Representation and Advocacy and the Family Representation and Advocacy Oversight Commission, to provide for the highest quality legal representation for parents and children in child welfare cases and eligible adults under the Fostering Connections Act. Provides for appointment,	01/07/2022	HPREF

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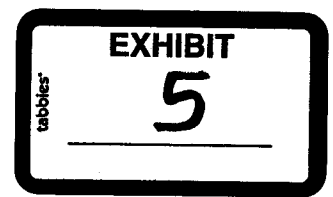


Senate 1/7/22 – 1/11/22

DESCRIPTION	Last Action	Status
<p><i>Soules (D37)</i> NMSU CENTER FOR DRYLAND RESILIENCE Makes a \$14.995 million appropriation (GF) to the boards of regents of NMSU for use in FYs 2023 through 2027 to establish a Center for Dryland Resilience as a collaborative effort with ENMU, NMIMT and UNM. No more than \$2.999 million shall be expended in any one fiscal year for the purposes listed below.</p>	01/08/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Sedillo Lopez (D16)</i> NONDISCLOSURE OF SENSITIVE PERSONAL INFORMATION (For the Legislative Health and Human Services Committee) (Similar to 2021 HB124 and SB75; related to 2020 HB108 and SB107). Cited as the "Nondisclosure of Sensitive Personal Information Act," adds provisions to the Governmental Conduct Act that prohibit any state employee from intentionally disclosing sensitive personal information to anyone outside the agency except under certain specified conditions. Prescribes penalties for such disclosure.</p>	01/11/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Sedillo Lopez (D16)</i> NONDISCLOSURE OF SENSITIVE PERSONAL INFORMATION (For the Legislative Health and Human Services Committee) (Similar to 2021 HB124 and SB107; related to 2020 HB108 and SB107). Cited as the "Nondisclosure of Sensitive Personal Information Act," adds provisions to the Governmental Conduct Act that prohibit any state employee from intentionally disclosing sensitive personal information to anyone outside the agency except under certain specified conditions. Prescribes penalties for such disclosure.</p>	01/11/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Cervantes (D31)</i> JUDICIAL AND MAGISTRATE RETIREMENT AND COMPENSATION (Related to 2020 SB280) Amends the Judicial Retirement Act and the Magistrate Retirement Act to increase the service credit multipliers for calculating pension for district judges, magistrates and appellate justices; sets annual salaries for state Supreme Court justices to equal that of New Mexico federal magistrate court judges; and appropriates \$35 million (GF, nonreverting) to the Judicial Retirement Fund and \$10 million (GF, nonreverting) to the Magistrate Retirement Fund.</p>	01/08/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Lopez (D11)</i> FAMILY REPRESENTATION AND ADVOCACY ACT (Identical to 2022 HB46 and 2021 SB127 as SJC substituted) Creates the Family Representation and Advocacy Act, establishing the Office of Family Representation and Advocacy and the Family Representation and Advocacy Oversight Commission, to provide for the highest quality legal representation for parents and children in child welfare cases and eligible adults under the Fostering Connections Act. Provides for appointment, qualifications, removal and duties of the director including establishment of an appellate division and regional offices. Provides for membership, powers and duties of the commission. (2022:HB46)</p>	01/08/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Sedillo Lopez (D16)</i> PROHIBITS LIFE SENTENCE WITHOUT PAROLE FOR YOUTHFUL OFFENDER (For the Courts, Corrections and Justice Committee) (Similar to 2021 SB247) Prohibits the imposition on minors convicted of serious crimes from being sentenced to life imprisonment without the possibility of release or parole. Applies to current and future prisoners.</p>	01/07/2022	SPREF

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<p><i>Hemphill (D28)</i> FUNDS FOR OUTDOOR LEARNING PROGRAM Appropriates \$500,000 (GF) to the Public Education Department for use in FY2023, divided as follows: an outdoor learning specialist and assistant to be housed at PED (\$200,000) and to promote activities and materials focused on outdoor learning opportunities and for public school teacher training and support on outdoor learning (\$300,000).</p>	01/11/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Stewart (D17)</i> PREFILED SM: PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT TASK FORCE Prefiled SM (Identical to 2022 HM3) Contains a 15-point preamble citing the need for a paid family and medical leave program in New Mexico and calls upon the Workforce Solutions Department to convene a task force to develop recommendations for a Paid Family and Medical Leave Act that includes a paid Family and Medical Leave Trust Fund administered by the department. The task force will include members from: (2022:HM3)</p>	01/08/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Soules (D37)</i> UNM: QUANTUM MATERIALS TECHNOLOGIES PROGRAM COLLABORATIVE Makes a \$15 million GF appropriation to UNM board of regents for use in FYs 2023 through 2027 to establish a quantum materials technologies program in collaboration with NMSU, NMIMT and the federal research laboratories within the state. Funds will be used to develop curricula, faculty and technologies for the development and use of quantum materials and to develop workforce training programs in collaboration with the community colleges in the state in the use and maintenance of quantum materials technologies.</p>	01/08/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Steinborn (D36)</i> LOBBYIST REPORTING CHANGES (Identical to 2021 SB311) Adds a definition of "advertising campaign" to the Lobbyist Regulation Act; requires lobbyists to report the total compensation and expenses paid to a lobbyist by each employer, including personal living and office expenses paid for or reimbursed by a lobbyist's employer.</p>	01/08/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Pope (D23)</i> RESTORE RESIDENT VETERAN PROCUREMENT CERTIFICATION PROCESS Preserves a current section of the Procurement Code, Sec. 13-1-22, set to be repealed on July 1, 2022, that provides the process by which the Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD) awards resident veteran business and resident veteran contractor certification.</p>	01/08/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Tallman (D18)</i> TAX DEVIATION AND TAX EXPENDITURE REPORTING (Almost identical to 2021 SB98; similar to parts of 2019 SB151) Amends the Local Economic Development Act and the Tax Administration Act to require preparation by TRD of a tax expenditure budget by each October 15 for presentation to the Governor, Revenue Stabilization and Tax Policy Committee and the LFC. Carries a \$342,000 GF appropriation.</p>	01/07/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Soules (D37)</i> GEOTHERMAL GROUND-COUPLED HEAT PUMP TAX CREDIT CHANGES (Duplicate of 2022 HB35; related to 2021 SB350) Both the personal income and corporate income tax versions of the geothermal ground-coupled heat pump tax credit expired December 31, 2020. Bill revives both credits for purchase and installation of these pumps after January 1, 2022, but before December 31, 2032, and makes the credits refundable. (2022:HB35)</p>	01/07/2022	SPREF
<p><i>Soules (D37)</i> NEW SOLAR MARKET DEVELOPMENT INCOME TAX CREDIT CHANGES (Duplicate of 2022 HB34) Enhances the recently enacted new solar market development income tax</p>	01/07/2022	SPREF



Proposed State Budget

Governor's overall budget proposal: \$8.4 billion.

Legislative Finance Committee's overall budget proposal: \$8.46 billion.

Governor's public school spending proposal: \$3.8 billion.

Legislative Finance Committee's public school spending proposal: \$3.821 billion.

Governor's proposed minimum wage for state employees: \$15 an hour.

Legislative Finance Committee's proposed minimum wage for state employees: \$13.50 an hour.

Governor's proposed Medicaid budget: \$7.26 billion.

Legislative Finance Committee's proposed Medicaid budget: \$7.9 billion.

Governor's proposed budget for the Department of Public Safety: \$139.8 million.

Legislative Finance Committee's proposed budget for Department of Public Safety: \$173.1 million

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