

1 **CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-73**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

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5 Councilor Chris Rivera

6 Councilor Renee Villarreal

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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **UPDATING THE TERMS OF RESOLUTION NO. 2021-17 TO EXTEND THE**
12 **COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY TASK FORCE’S TERM THROUGH THE END**
13 **OF CALENDAR YEAR 2022.**

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15 **WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 2020-29 established the Community Health and Safety Task
16 Force (“Task Force”); and

17 **WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 2021-17 extended the duration for which the Task Force
18 would continue meeting until the end of the calendar year 2021; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the Task Force has determined that additional time is needed to complete the
20 community outreach responsibilities of the Task Force as established in Resolution No. 2020-29.

21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
22 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the terms governing the Community Health and Safety (“CHS”) Task
23 Force are hereby updated as follows:

24 **Section 1. PURPOSE:** the purpose of the CHS Task Force is to examine ways in
25 which the City’s community health and safety services can work together as complementary parts

1 of an overall strategy for the benefit of public health and safety of all residents of Santa Fe.

2 **Section 2. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** The CHS Task Force shall
3 accomplish the following tasks:

4 A. Assess SFPD's and SFFD's internal operations, policies, procedures and
5 practices, with attention to data-informed local and national research. Some aspects that may be
6 assessed, depending on the task force identified priorities, include, but are not limited to:
7 examining SFPD's use of force policies, professional standards and ethics, officer and department
8 trainings, equipment and weapons, staffing, workloads, calls for service, 9-1-1 call handling and
9 dispatch services, among other matters;

10 B. Assess ways the SFPD and SFFD can connect with all facets of the community to
11 provide safety and offer services while engendering trust and mutual respect;

12 C. Assess the ways the SFFD, Emergency Management, Community Services, and
13 the SFPD can provide mutual support in achieving their shared missions to keep the residents of
14 Santa Fe healthy and safe;

15 D. Examine City programs, such as MIHO, THRIVE, CONNECT and others to find
16 existing initiatives that can be building blocks for future cross-department collaboration;

17 E. Explore types of calls for service that could be better handled or responded to by
18 human service or social science field professionals;

19 F. Provide an opportunity for a broad cross-section of the Santa Fe community to
20 give advice and offer their experiences, expertise and ideas that will help improve the quality and
21 consistency of community health and safety;

22 G. Examine such other matters as the co-chairs and members of the Task Force may
23 deem relevant to their mission or related to the general purpose of the Task Force, which may
24 include exploring innovative approaches to community health and safety, reimagining the current
25 structures and systems in which the City currently operates, and examining root causes of

1 identified problems; and

2 H. Provide quarterly status reports and recommendations to the Governing Body.

3 **Section 3. MEMBERSHIP; OFFICERS; TERMS:**

4 A. *Membership.* The CHS Task Force membership shall consist of eleven to fifteen
5 members appointed by the mayor with the approval of the Governing Body. Two of the members
6 shall be city councilors and the remaining shall be members of the general public with experience
7 or knowledge in community health, public safety, restorative justice, and/or social or racial justice
8 and community work, who reside within the municipal boundaries of the City of Santa Fe; at least
9 four of the general public members shall be selected from each of the City districts, with five to
10 nine members serving in an at-large capacity, with a balance of representation from all districts.

11 B. *Officers.* The appointed city councilors may serve as co-chairs of the Task Force
12 or members of the CHS Task Force may decide if they want to select another Task Force member
13 or members to serve as chair or co-chairs.

14 C. *Terms.* Members shall serve until they complete their duties and responsibilities as
15 set forth above.

16 D. *Compensation.* Members shall not receive compensation for their service on the
17 CHS Task Force.

18 **Section 4. VACANCIES:** Vacancies on the CHS Task Force shall be filled in the
19 same manner as initial appointments.

20 **Section 5. MEETINGS; DURATION:**

21 A. The CHS Task Force shall meet at least once per month and shall conduct public
22 meetings to discuss and develop recommendations related to the duties and responsibilities
23 described above.

24 B. In order to be successful, the CHS Task Force needs to safely meet and engage
25 with its members and segments of the population who have been historically or are currently

1 disenfranchised, experienced personal trauma, and/or who may not feel comfortable speaking
2 openly to the public about their lived experiences with law enforcement. Therefore, it is imperative
3 that the CHS Task Force members feel comfortable expressing their viewpoints among their fellow
4 members in a safe and supported environment.

5 C. The CHS Task Force may hold its meetings without observing Robert’s Rules of
6 Order in order to facilitate a comfortable forum for conversations with members of the community
7 that feels safe and where Task Force members and community members can be transparent and
8 open about their experiences, expertise, and observations. The CHS Task Force may hold
9 occasional public meetings to provide regular updates to the public and offer opportunities for
10 public engagement.

11 D. The CHS Task Force shall host a series of community conversations to gather
12 insight into the concerns and ideas of community members to ensure that the city’s health and
13 safety strategies are guided by community input.

14 E. The CHS Task Force shall convene a series of focus groups around the city to learn
15 how health and safety issues affect communities, families, and individuals, and how current City
16 policies can be improved. Focus groups should represent specific constituencies that are affected
17 by the city’s current health and safety policies. Focus groups may be held without following the
18 Open Meetings Act. The focus groups will enable selected task force members to engage
19 with members of the community in a space that feels safe and where selected Task Force members
20 and community members can be transparent and open about their experiences, expertise, and
21 observations.

22 F. Unless further extended by the Governing Body, the CHS Task Force shall
23 conclude its work on or before December 31, 2022. The City shall appropriate funding to
24 accomplish the provisions of paragraphs D. and E. above.

25 **Section 6. STAFF LIAISON:** The City Manager shall appoint an appropriate staff

1 member to serve as the liaison to the Task Force.


2 PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 8th day of December, 2021.

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ALAN WEBBER, MAYOR

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10 KRISTINE MIHELICIC, CITY CLERK

11 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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25 *Legislation/2021/Resolutions/2021-73 CHS Task Force Time Extension*