

City of Santa Fe, New Mexico

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

Resolution No. 2015-____ Community Protection Initiative

SPONSOR(S): Mayor Gonzales Councilor Rivera, Ives, Dimas, Bushee and Lindell

SUMMARY: The proposed resolution directs the City of Santa Fe Fire Department to explore the options for establishing a comprehensive plan for a long-term Community Protection Initiative ("CPI") and report back to the Governing Body its findings and recommendations, including the fiscal impact for establishing and maintaining such a program.

PREPARED BY: Rebecca Seligman, Legislative Liaison Assistant

FISCAL IMPACT: No

DATE: December 11, 2014

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution
FIR

**ACTION SHEET
ITEM FROM PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING OF 12/16/14**

ISSUE: Proposed resolution directing the City of Santa Fe Fire Department to explore the options for establishing a comprehensive plan for a long-term community protection initiative ("CPI") and report back to the governing body its findings and recommendations, including the fiscal impact for establishing and maintaining such a program

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ACTION: Recommended approval

SPECIAL CONDITIONS OR AMENDMENTS:

STAFF FOLLOW UP:

VOTE	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN
CHAIRPERSON DIMAS	X		
VICE-CHAIRPERSON HARRIS	X		
MEMBER MIKE MIER	X		
MEMBER NANCY OWEN-LEWIS	ABSENT		
MEMBER PETER MIZRAHI	X		
MEMBER MIKE BOWEN	ABSENT		
MEMBER ERIC JOHNSON	ABSENT		
MEMBER DAVID TRUJILLO	ABSENT		
MEMBER JOE ARELLANO	X		

DISK fc1/fcmissue

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

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2015-____**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

4
5 Mayor Javier Gonzales Councilor Chris Rivera
6 Councilor Peter Ives Councilor Bill Dimas
7 Councilor Patti Bushee Councilor Signe Lindell
8

9
10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **DIRECTING THE CITY OF SANTA FE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO EXPLORE THE**
12 **OPTIONS FOR ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR A LONG-TERM**
13 **COMMUNITY PROTECTION INITIATIVE (“CPI”) AND REPORT BACK TO THE**
14 **GOVERNING BODY ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, INCLUDING THE**
15 **FISCAL IMPACT FOR ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING SUCH A PROGRAM.**
16

17 **WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Fe Fire Department provides quality emergency medical
18 services to the residents of and visitors to the city of Santa Fe; and

19 **WHEREAS**, statistics show that the burden on the City of Santa Fe emergency response
20 system has risen consistently and dramatically over the last decade; and

21 **WHEREAS**, there is documented evidence that the burden on the medical and public health
22 systems has also risen dramatically over the last decade; and

23 **WHEREAS**, in Santa Fe, 0.3% of the City’s residents are responsible for 18% of total
24 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) calls; and

25 **WHEREAS**, EMS-based community health initiatives undertaken in communities

1 throughout the United States have been shown to improve health outcomes for vulnerable patient
2 populations, including low income families, seniors, and the homeless, many of whom rely heavily on
3 the emergency medical system to treat medical problems that could have been avoided with a
4 minimum of basic preventative care; and

5 **WHEREAS**, EMS is the unique domain of practice that represents the intersection of health
6 care, public health, and public safety and represents an expansion of the traditional notion of
7 emergency medical services as simply an emergency response system; and

8 **WHEREAS**, proactive prevention, community health outreach, and other “high impact”
9 services such as those provided by community paramedics have been demonstrated to reduce
10 healthcare costs for emergency system “high utilizers” by as much as 84 percent; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the contributions of promotoras and other community-based health workers to
12 the individual and community health of disenfranchised populations is increasingly being recognized
13 and leveraged by healthcare providers and insurers throughout New Mexico; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the prompt and measurable improvement in health outcomes and reductions in
15 healthcare costs arising from EMS-based community health make such programs ideal candidates for
16 public/private partnerships including Social Impact Bonds and shared savings arrangements with
17 health insurers and emergency departments; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Fe Fire Department launched a community health pilot
19 program called the Community Protection Initiative (CPI) in May, 2014 and that program has
20 demonstrated significant benefit to the health of the community by serving patients in critical need of
21 medical and community support; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Fire Department personnel, through the pilot program, have undertaken
23 significant efforts to define how to best serve the needs of Santa Fe on a long-term basis; and

24 **WHEREAS** to develop a long-term CPI, staff needs to explore such issues that include, but
25 are not limited to:

- 1 • developing community health protocols;
- 2 • designing community health programs that would meet the needs of the community;
- 3 • meeting with community stakeholders;
- 4 • attracting highly qualified personnel who have expressed interest in joining a long-term
- 5 CPI;
- 6 • examining community health programs in other jurisdictions;
- 7 • preparing a comprehensive plan that articulates the manner and costs involved in fully
- 8 developing a long-term program; and

9 **WHEREAS**, emergency medical service providers may find it increasingly effective to
10 redirect certain patients from a hospital emergency room to more appropriate facilities, or to provide
11 specific and directed services without a transport to a facility; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the Affordable Care Act supports the idea of creative solutions to healthcare
13 delivery through many initiatives; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the Affordable Care Act authorizes new forms of Medicare and Medicaid
15 payments to create medical care systems that are more accessible to patients and accountable for
16 reducing overall costs of healthcare; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the changes in healthcare resulting from the Affordable Care Act have the
18 potential to transform emergency medical service organizations; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the Governing Body believes that, given the right support, the Fire
20 Department's Community Protection Initiative would help protect against the loss of life and promote
21 a healthier and happier lifestyle in the city of Santa Fe.

22 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
23 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that Fire Department staff is directed to:

- 24 1. Continue and refine its examination of a comprehensive community health initiative
- 25 that would best serve the needs of the City.

1 2. Collaborate with other City departments and community partners that would make
2 this program successful and sustainable.

3 3. Within sixty (60) days of adoption of this resolution, report back to the Governing
4 Body its findings and recommendations, including the fiscal impact for establishing and maintaining
5 such a program.

6 PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2015.

7
8 _____
9 JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

10 ATTEST:

11
12 _____
13 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

14
15
16 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

17 
18 _____
19 KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY

20
21
22
23
24
25 *M/Melissa/Resolutions 2013/Community Protection Initiative_AM120314*

City of Santa Fe Fiscal Impact Report (FIR)

This Fiscal Impact Report (FIR) shall be completed for each proposed bill or resolution as to its direct impact upon the City's operating budget and is intended for use by any of the standing committees of and the Governing Body of the City of Santa Fe. Bills or resolutions with no fiscal impact still require a completed FIR. Bills or resolutions with a fiscal impact must be reviewed by the Finance Committee. Bills or resolutions without a fiscal impact generally do not require review by the Finance Committee unless the subject of the bill or resolution is financial in nature.

Section A. General Information

(Check) Bill: _____ Resolution: X
(A single FIR may be used for related bills and/or resolutions)

Short Title(s): A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY OF SANTA FE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO EXPLORE THE OPTIONS FOR ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR A LONG-TERM COMMUNITY PROTECTION INITIATIVE.

Sponsor(s): Mayor Gonzales, Councilors Rivera, Ives, Dimas, Bushee, Lindell

Reviewing Department(s): Fire Department

Persons Completing FIR: Erik Litzenberg Date: 12/19/14 Phone: 505-955-3110

Reviewed by City Attorney: *Vally A. Brennan* Date: 12/19/14
(Signature)

Reviewed by Finance Director: *[Signature]* Date: 12-19-2014
(Signature)

Section B. Summary

Briefly explain the purpose and major provisions of the bill/resolution:

The purpose of this resolution is to establish generalized support for the Community Protection Initiative (CPI), and to direct staff to continue to refine the CPI and explore collaborative partnerships for a report back to the governing body after 60 days.

Section C. Fiscal Impact

Note: Financial information on this FIR does not directly translate into a City of Santa Fe budget increase. For a budget increase, the following are required:

- a. The item must be on the agenda at the Finance Committee and City Council as a "Request for Approval of a City of Santa Fe Budget Increase" with a definitive funding source (could be same item and same time as bill/resolution)
- b. Detailed budget information must be attached as to fund, business units, and line item, amounts, and explanations (similar to annual requests for budget)
- c. Detailed personnel forms must be attached as to range, salary, and benefit allocation and signed by Human Resource Department for each new position(s) requested (prorated for period to be employed by fiscal year)*

1. Projected Expenditures:

- a. Indicate Fiscal Year(s) affected – usually current fiscal year and following fiscal year (i.e., FY 03/04 and FY 04/05)
- b. Indicate: "A" if current budget and level of staffing will absorb the costs
"N" if new, additional, or increased budget or staffing will be required
- c. Indicate: "R" – if recurring annual costs
"NR" if one-time, non-recurring costs, such as start-up, contract or equipment costs
- d. Attach additional projection schedules if two years does not adequately project revenue and cost patterns
- e. Costs may be netted or shown as an offset if some cost savings are projected (explain in Section 3 Narrative)

Finance Director: _____

_____ Check here if no fiscal impact

Column #:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Expenditure Classification	FY 14/15	"A" Costs Absorbed or "N" New Budget Required	"R" Costs Recurring or "NR" Non-recurring	FY _____	"A" Costs Absorbed or "N" New Budget Required	"R" Costs -- Recurring or "NR" Non-recurring	Fund Affected	
Personnel*	\$16075	A		\$				
Fringe**	\$			\$				
Capital Outlay	\$			\$				
Land/ Building	\$			\$				
Professional Services	\$			\$				
All Other Operating Costs	\$			\$				
Total:	\$16075			\$				

* Any indication that additional staffing would be required must be reviewed and approved in advance by the City Manager by attached memo before release of FIR to committees. **For fringe benefits contact the Finance Dept.

2. Revenue Sources:

- a. To indicate new revenues and/or
- b. Required for costs for which new expenditure budget is proposed above in item 1.

Column #:	1	2	3	4	5	6
Type of Revenue	FY _____	"R" Costs Recurring or "NR" Non-recurring	FY _____	"R" Costs -- Recurring or "NR" Non-recurring	Fund Affected	
_____	\$		\$			
_____	\$		\$			
_____	\$		\$			
Total:	\$		\$			

3. Expenditure/Revenue Narrative:

Explain revenue source(s). Include revenue calculations, grant(s) available, anticipated date of receipt of revenues/grants, etc. Explain expenditures, grant match(s), justify personnel increase(s), detail capital and operating uses, etc. (Attach supplemental page, if necessary.)

Salary noted on the expense table will be absorbed in the current budget.

Section D. General Narrative

1. Conflicts: Does this proposed bill/resolution duplicate/conflict with/companion to/relate to any City code, approved ordinance or resolution, other adopted policies or proposed legislation? Include details of city adopted laws/ordinance/resolutions and dates. Summarize the relationships, conflicts or overlaps.

None staff is aware of

2. Consequences of Not Enacting This Bill/Resolution:

Are there consequences of not enacting this bill/resolution? If so, describe.

Yes. We will have less formalization to form collaborations and write grants for funding.

3. Technical Issues:

Are there incorrect citations of law, drafting errors or other problems? Are there any amendments that should be considered? Are there any other alternatives which should be considered? If so, describe.

None

4. Community Impact:

Briefly describe the major positive or negative effects the Bill/Resolution might have on the community including, but not limited to, businesses, neighborhoods, families, children and youth, social service providers and other institutions such as schools, churches, etc.

This resolution will formalize our attempt to grow the Community Protection Initiative (CPI) that we have been piloting since May 2014. The resolution will give us more formal authority to search for collaborations with not-for-profit, private, and public sector organizations to better serve our community through the CPI. It will also enhance our ability to write compelling grants. Results of the CPI might include better delivery of care, a more robust medical care system, and more efficient and fiscally responsible delivery of medical care.

Form adopted: 01/12/05; revised 8/24/05; revised 4/17/08