

City of Santa Fe, New Mexico

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

Resolution No. 2015-___

Leasing

SPONSOR(S): Councilor Maestas

SUMMARY: The proposed resolution supports legislation amending NMSA 1978, § 72-6-4 lessee's application, use before approval.

PREPARED BY: Rebecca Seligman, Legislative Liaison Assistant

FISCAL IMPACT: No

DATE: August 12, 2015

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution
FIR

1 CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

2 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-__

3 INTRODUCED BY:

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5 Councilor Joseph M. Maestas

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10 A RESOLUTION

11 SUPPORTING LEGISLATION AMENDING NMSA 1978, § 72-6-4 LESSEE'S
12 APPLICATION, USE BEFORE APPROVAL.

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14 WHEREAS, the Office of the State Engineer (OSE) has interpreted the application
15 process for water rights leases to be the same as that used for emergency applications;

16 WHEREAS, under the present practice, the OSE can approve these applications and the
17 applicant can use the water prior to public notice, an opportunity to protest, and a hearing;

18 WHEREAS, there are instances in which this administrative procedure is efficient and
19 cost effective, but in other instances, this process is being abused to divert thousands of acre-feet
20 of water for a longer period of time prior to public review and due process;

21 WHEREAS, in the 2015 Regular Session of the Legislature, Senator Griggs introduced
22 Senate Bill 665;

23 WHEREAS, SB 665 proposed to amend NMSA 1978, § 72-6-4 to provide a balance
24 between an efficient administrative process for short-term leases that do not involve significant
25 quantities of water and longer-term leases that involve large quantities of water;

1 **WHEREAS**, in Resolution 2015-26, the City of Santa Fe supported the legislature's
2 effort to revise the water right leasing statute; and

3 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
4 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the Governing Body supports legislation relating to amending NMSA
5 1978, § 72-6-4 regarding a lessee's use of water rights prior to approval.

6 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the State
7 legislative delegation serving the City of Santa Fe.

8 PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2015.

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11 JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

12 ATTEST:

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15 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

16 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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19 KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY

**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 SUPPORTING LEGISLATION AMENDING NMSA 1978, § 72-6-4 LESSEE'S APPLICATION, USE BEFORE APPROVAL.

Sponsor(s): Councilor Maestas

Reviewing Department(s): City Attorney's Office

Persons Completing FIR: Rebecca Seligman Date: 08/12/15 Phone: 955-6501

Reviewed by City Attorney: Kelly A. Brennan Date: 8/13/15
(Signature)

Reviewed by Finance Director: [Signature] Date: 8-14-2015
(Signature)

Section B. Summary

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

The proposed resolution supports legislation amending NMSA 1978, § 72-6-4 lessee's application, use before approval.

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: _____

X Check here if no fiscal impact

Column #:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Expenditure Classification	FY _____	"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*	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Fringe**	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital Outlay	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Land/ Building	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Professional Services	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
All Other Operating Costs	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Total:	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

* 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.)

N/A

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 identified

2. Consequences of Not Enacting This Bill/Resolution:

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

None identified

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.

No

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.

Through the adoption of Resolution 2015-26, the City of Santa Fe supported the legislature's effort to revise the water right leasing statute. This would further support legislation relating to amending NMSA 1978, § 72-6-4 regarding a lessee's use of water rights prior to approval.