

1 CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

2 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-22

3 INTRODUCED BY:

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5 Councilor Peter Ives
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10 A RESOLUTION

11 SUPPORTING PROPOSED STATE LEGISLATION, SENATE BILL 279 (SB 279) AND
12 SENATE BILL 280 (SB 280) – RELATING TO WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES.
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14 WHEREAS, the 60 day session of the 2015 Legislative Session began on January 20, 2015;
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16 WHEREAS, SB 279 and SB 280, have been introduced for consideration by the 52nd
17 Legislature - State of New Mexico - First Session, 2015; and

18 WHEREAS, SB 279 would create a “sustainable building tax credit” to be available for and
19 encourage the construction of a sustainable building or renovation of an existing building into a
20 sustainable building; and

21 WHEREAS, SB 280 would create a “water harvesting income tax credit” to provide an
22 incentive for homeowners and business to collect and store harvested water for future use; and

23 WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe aspires to become the water conservation capital of the
24 nation; and

25 WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe has invested in a robust and diverse portfolio of water

1 sources and the city has many options available to meet the water supply needs of its residents; and

2 **WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Fe, the region of Northern New Mexico and the State of New
3 Mexico continue to explore ways to manage residential consumption of water and power and to
4 inspire the residents to care for our natural resources; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the city has an Emergency Water Regulation Ordinance, 25-5 SFCC 1987 that
6 imposes major water restrictions to reduce demand that could cause economic hardship; and

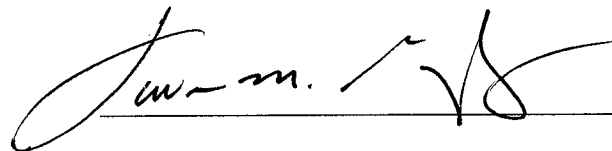
7 **WHEREAS**, it has been reported to the City of Santa Fe Public Utilities Committee that our
8 region is in the fourth consequent year of record drought and heat; and

9 **WHEREAS**, as it has been reported to the City of Santa Fe Public Utilities Committee, the
10 City of Santa Fe's reservoir levels are at record lows.

11 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
12 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the Governing Body hereby supports the passage of Senate Bill 279
13 (SB 279) and Senate Bill 280 (SB 280) relating to water conservation measures to create a
14 "sustainable building tax credit" and "water harvesting income tax credit".

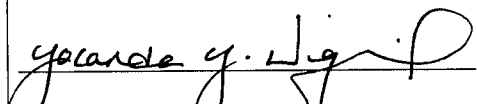
15 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this
16 resolution to the City of Santa Fe lobbyist and the City of Santa Fe State Legislative Delegation.

17 PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 25th day of February, 2015.

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20 JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

21 ATTEST:

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24 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

 For

KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY