



1 serving as an overflow site for the Monica Roybal Center and is mostly 6<sup>th</sup> grader students; and

2           **WHEREAS**, many experts believe and teens have indicated that a dedicated teen center in  
3 Santa Fe will lower drug and gang-related crime, increase graduation rates and provide opportunities  
4 for a better skilled job force; and

5           **WHEREAS**, TC19, a group of youth advocates, is committed to collaborating with the City  
6 of Santa Fe and the community at large, including businesses and nonprofit organizations, to create a  
7 world class teen center in Santa Fe; and

8           **WHEREAS**, the Quality of Life Steering Committee, a group of community organizers is  
9 also committed to collaborating with the City of Santa Fe and the community at large, including  
10 businesses and nonprofit organizations, to create a world class teen center in Santa Fe; and

11           **WHEREAS**, four out of the five largest public schools in the community exist in the far  
12 southwest section of our city; and

13           **WHEREAS**, youth population city-wide has decreased, however youth population under 18  
14 has increased by 22%, in the far southwest section of Santa Fe; and

15           **WHEREAS**, 44% of children under the age of 18 live in the far southwest section of Santa  
16 Fe; and

17           **WHEREAS**, Tierra Contenta may continue to absorb much of the City's growth during the  
18 next ten years; and

19           **WHEREAS**, safe, reliable and affordable transportation to and from youth facilities  
20 continues to be identified by youth and their caregivers as a barrier; and

21           **WHEREAS**, a successful teen center should meet the following criteria:

- 22           • Easily accessible to teenage youth;
- 23           • Within walking distance of a comprehensive high school;
- 24           • Located in an area that is within walking distance for a significant portion of Santa Fe's  
25           youth;

- 1 • Free transportation services available for youth to provide access to and from the teen
- 2 center;
- 3 • Staffed by people deeply committed to serving Santa Fe youth;
- 4 • Safe space that welcomes all youth;
- 5 • Opportunities for off-site excursions and activities with free transportation provided;
- 6 • Tutoring and other educational support;
- 7 • Access to latest technological resources;
- 8 • Space for youth to hang out;
- 9 • Entertainment center to show movies, host live performances, etc.;
- 10 • Workforce development opportunities;
- 11 • Employment opportunities;
- 12 • Other resources as maybe identified by youth.

13 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**  
14 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that staff is directed to propose to the Governing Body an operational plan  
15 and programming options for the establishment of a teen center that would benefit the youth of Santa  
16 Fe, along with the community at large. The operational plan and programming options shall include,  
17 without limitation, the following:

- 18 1. Services and activities to be provided;
- 19 2. Numbers of clients to serve, cost, strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats;
- 20 3. Whether it is possible for a new teen center to be established in the current Zona del  
21 Sol space;
- 22 4. If the Zona del Sol space is not feasible, then propose what would be needed to  
23 create a new teen center at the site, including the infrastructure costs;
- 24 5. Possible private/public partnerships for operations and capital expenses;
- 25 6. Transportation options that would make a teen center at the Zona del Sol site or any

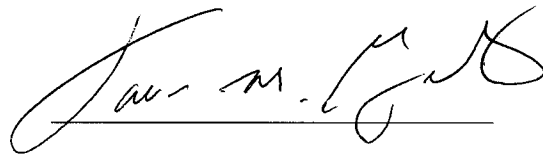
1 other proposed site easily accessible for youth.

2 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in addition to the above, staff is directed to:

- 3 1. Propose an operational plan and programming options for early childhood development
- 4 programming and teen center programming in the Hopewell/Mann Neighborhood;
- 5 2. Review the cost analysis that was done in 2010 that related to the establishment of a teen
- 6 center at Tino Griego Pool.

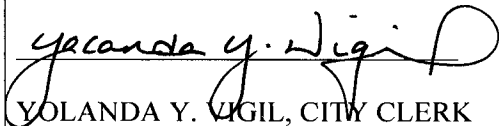
7 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that there is an ambition to open the Teen Center by  
8 2019, and staff is directed to present the plan, programming options and fiscal impact to the  
9 Governing Body within 90 days of adoption of this resolution.

10 PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

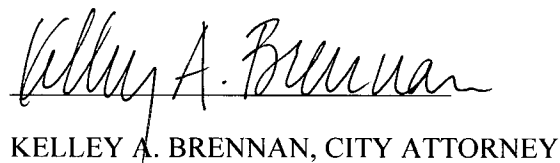
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12 JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

13 ATTEST:

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15 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

16 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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18 KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY