

1 CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

2 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-38

3 INTRODUCED BY:

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5 Mayor Javier M. Gonzales

6 Councilor Peter N. Ives

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10 A RESOLUTION

11 REQUESTING THAT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND THE U.S.
12 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ADOPT IN FULL THE
13 *SCIENTIFIC REPORT OF THE 2015 DIETARY GUIDELINES ADVISORY COMMITTEE.*

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15 WHEREAS, Resolution 2008-5 was a joint City/Council resolution that established the
16 Santa Fe City and County Advisory Council on Food Policy (“Council”); and

17 WHEREAS, the purpose of the Council is to integrate all City and County departments with
18 non-profit organizations and food and farming businesses in a common effort to improve the
19 availability of safe and nutritious food at reasonable prices for all residents, particularly those in need;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, the Council recommends food policies for the City government to adopt and
22 implement that are related to direct service of food; lobbying and advocacy before state and federal
23 legislatures and agencies; referral to social services; and economic development and education on
24 nutrition and health; and

25 WHEREAS, Resolution 2014-100 adopted the Council’s Food Plan, *Planning for Santa Fe’s*

1 *Food Future: Querencia, A Story of Food, Farming, and Friends* (“Plan”), which was developed by
2 the Council as a guiding policy document to ensure that a safe, healthy, and affordable food supply
3 will be available to all residents; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Plan’s recommendations are aligned with existing policy documents such as
5 the *Sustainable Growth Management Plan*, the *2014 Santa Fe County Economic Development Plan*,
6 and the *County Health Action Plan*; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Health and
8 Human Services review and amend the National Dietary Guidelines every five years, and have
9 recently released the *Scientific Report of the 2015 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee*
10 (“Guidelines”); and

11 **WHEREAS**, the new nutritional recommendations of the Guidelines have a multi-sector
12 impact in the fields of health, nutrition, poverty, farming, the environment, and policy; and

13 **WHEREAS**, at least 14.9% of individuals living in Santa Fe County can be classified as
14 “food insecure”, meaning they live in a household in which access to food adequate to support a
15 healthy lifestyle is limited or uncertain, and these individuals are therefore at a higher risk for diabetes
16 and obesity because the only foods they can afford are high in calories and poor in nutrients; and

17 **WHEREAS**, obesity increases the risk of numerous diseases including cancer, heart disease,
18 stroke, and type 2 diabetes, and the percentage of adults in Santa Fe County who are obese increased
19 from 14.5% in 2004 to nearly 20% in 2010; and

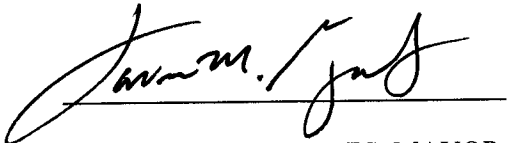
20 **WHEREAS**, the Guidelines would have a positive impact by increasing access to healthy
21 foods for food insecure families and would help decrease the prevalence of obesity and diet-related
22 diseases such as heart disease, stroke, and type 2 diabetes; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the recommendations in the Guidelines – especially those pertaining to
24 nutrition, increased access to healthy foods for low-income individuals, and environmental
25 sustainability and food – align with the goals and recommendations laid out in the Plan.

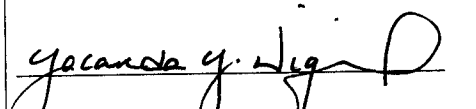
1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
2 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the Governing Body hereby requests that the Secretary of the U.S.
3 Department of Agriculture and the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
4 adopt the guidelines and recommendations in full as listed in the *Scientific Report of the 2015 Dietary*
5 *Guidelines Advisory Committee.*

6 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that staff is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to
7 the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Secretary of the U.S. Department of
8 Health and Human Services by the federal comment deadline of May 8, 2015, 11:59pm EST.


9 PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 29th day of April, 2015

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12 JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

13 ATTEST:

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16 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

17 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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20 KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY

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25 *M/Legislation/Resolutions 2015/2015-38 Dietary Guidelines*