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Parks and Open Space Advisory Commission The Barn at Frenchy's Field Corner of Osage and Agua Fria Tuesday March 16, 2010 3:00 -5:00 p.m.

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 - Bette Booth: Graffiti / Youth Involvement / Prairie Dogs
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MEETING MINUTES FOR THE PARKS AND OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Wednesday, March 16, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the City of Santa Fe Parks and Open Space Advisory Commission was called to order by Bette Booth, Chair on this date at approximately 3:07 pm at Frenchy's Field, Agua Fria Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

Members Present

Bette Booth, Chair Tom Agard Oralynn Guerrerortiz Joe Lehm Sandra Taylor Patrick Torres (later) Marg Veneklasen

Members Absent

Daniel Coriz Anna Hansen (excused)

Staff Present

Fabian Chavez, Parks Director, City of Santa Fe Jesse Esparza, Parks Department Bob Wood, Parks Department

Others Present

Margaret Alexander Charmaine Clair, Stenographer

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES-February 26, 2010

Mr. Agard moved to approve the Minutes of February 16, 2010 as presented. Ms. Taylor seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Under Strategic Planning, Mr. Agard would comment about prairie dogs.

Ms. Veneklasen entered the meeting at this time.

Ms. Guerrerortiz moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Mr. Lehm seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

City of Santa Fe

Strategic Planning - Next Steps: Action Item

Chair Booth said she heard from a good source the Mayor was thinking about streamlining committees because of the number of approvals needed and staff time.

Mr. Chavez said different reports asked how money could be saved and how the City could be more efficient and was part of the Strategic Plan. The issue was the number of committees with the expense and overlap and like interests of projects with similarities.

Chair Booth said the thought was to combine POSA (Parks and Open Spaces Commission) with BTAC (Bicycle Trails Advisory Committee.) She said she wasn't sure the Mayor knew what the commission did and some feedback from visitors at meetings hadn't been positive. She thought the Mayor should know what the commission's vision was.

Mr. Torres entered the meeting at this time.

She said the commission's priorities for the next three to five years should be discussed with the Mayor and what the commission recommended to the City as the civil society advisory board. The commission should also think about whether to add that to the end of the editorial.

Comments about the two committees being combined are summarized as follows:

- Both BTAC and POSA have a lot going on. It would be nice if communication was better and the two could be connected as far as trails to parks.
- It could be positive for communication but meetings could be long and that should be considered.
- People possibly hadn't realized what the commission had (on their agenda) and thought 15 minutes could be tacked onto a BTAC/Parks meeting.
- One hand needed to know what the other was doing.
- The commission should bring the Mayor up to date annually.

The commission discussed what should be recommended to the Mayor:

- The Mayor should know who the commission was, what constituencies they represented, what they had done and their priorities for the future.
- The key issue was the \$30 million bond issue passed by the public and the insight of how the money was used.
- The commission should plan for the future; their vision had grown and other needs were recognized and they had input from the public.
- People hadn't realized they were losing Santa Fe and what would have happened if the bond hadn't passed and Fabian Chavez wasn't there.
- The commission should be specific about the future and that they worked toward another regional park at Tierra Contenta and implemented a survey of organized leagues to determine their needs. That was true of three or four constituencies; the youth leagues, skate board, soccer leagues, tennis etc.
- Communication should be a priority and the great things Parks had done and their proactive communication with the public.

- The commission should get their message out regularly. A media plan was discussed and how the New Mexican could be a part. A meeting with Constituent Services or Carla Lopez could be set up to do something quarterly. Someone could be invited to the meeting to work on that.
- The Mayor should be asked what his priorities were and if the commission should plan for a new bond as the current bond wrapped up. He should be asked if he agreed that a regional Park would be appropriate.

Mr. Agard said he had drafted a letter to go out and updated the survey (Exhibit 1.)

Chair Booth agreed to draft the plan. Ms. Taylor, Mr. Agard and Ms. Guerrerortiz agreed to accompany her to the meeting. Mr. Torres would be an alternate.

Ms. Veneklasen moved that a committee go to the Mayor to provide an update. Ms. Taylor seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Taylor said the media plan might be the next My View to tell the public what the commission was doing next.

Chair Booth said a paragraph was added about the future. She read that portion of the editorial to the commission. They agreed it should remain in the editorial and would be signed the Parks Advisory Board and Chair Booth.

Ms. Guerrerortiz moved that the editorial be published in the newspaper. Mr. Torres seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

Parks Division Update

Mr. Chávez said 70-80% of the public supported the Parks Department activities and were positive comments. He said the others he directed to send emails to the Mayor etc.

Ms. Taylor congratulated the person who pruned the crabapple trees. She said it was the best pruning of small decorative trees ever.

Mr. Chavez said the department was trying to do a lot of pruning. It was difficult that people thought Parks had no training and hadn't realized that a large portion of employees were temporary and how much of a challenge training was.

Mr. Chavez presented a Parks Update. A summary follows:

Franklin Miles Park – would start next week. A storm water drainage plan had to be submitted. The fields would be open for baseball and league use but the park itself wouldn't open until the end of May because of places that would be fenced off to re-seed.

He said 25-30 prairie dogs came back from adjoining properties to the area and would have to be monitored by the contractor. Parks would cover holes and burrows in the playing field area.

Frenchy's and Larragoite -a preconstruction conference would be held the following week to lay out the work and sequence. It would be coordinated with the solar lights. The poles for the lights would be brought from Albuquerque and installed.

At Larragoite the children's play area and the tennis courts would be redone. Prairie dogs would have to be relocated and the contractor would hire a subcontractor to remove them.

Sunny Slope Meadows – construction would start next week and should be ready in 30 days.

Los Acequia- old construction was pulled that wasn't ADA compliant. The master plan would be taken to the neighborhood group to show the deficiencies and suggest what could be done within the budget. If the neighborhood wanted to make changes those elements would have to go back to the designer.

Patrick Smith Park- was almost complete except for fabrication and wood shingles.

Paco Del Rio-six of eight portions went out for design. In the next month the first set of documents would be seen and go to bid. Sections 1 and 2 would be done in-house and areas would be regrassed with native grass.

Ragle Park- was 95% construction document ready. They were waiting for a lighting plan and the engineer's documents that would show how the water features work and then would go through the City departments for approval. A concern with contamination was being worked on.

Galisteo Tennis Courts-the courts were demolished with the notion a playground would be put in. Parks had a call from the neighborhood and told demographics had changed and the playground might not be wanted. A neighborhood meeting to discuss the issue would be called to let them know what was planned. If something different was wanted they had to stay within the budget.

MRC -work was started on larger areas in the ball field, play areas, soccer areas and the concession stand. The locker room/bathroom area was just completed for the rugby field area from legislative appropriation money not Parks bond money.

Ashbaugh Park- for the most part the public liked what was going on. The disc golf people represented themselves and asked for enhancements and the costs would be looked at. The playground would be in the center of the park. There might not be enough Parks bond money to get everything. The construction document moved forward and the design and costs would be brought back to the commission.

Ms. Guerrerortiz told Mr. Chavez about a request from a disc golfer she met with. A sign at Arroyo Chamiso had faded and he asked if that could be re-done. Map directions were given to Mr. Chávez for follow up.

NEW BUSINESS

• La Tierra Torture Mountain Bike Race – Margaret Alexander: Action Item (Exhibit 2)

Ms. Alexander handed out information about the La Tierra Torture Race on May 1 and 2 and a press release that described the race and its history. The race was sanctioned which meant racers received points and professional status and teams from many states and Mexico were in the race.

She said the Trails Alliance of Santa Fe was a volunteer organization and had contributed over \$17,000 to charities over five years. Volunteers were always needed and they would like more women and youth involved. They maintain soft surface trails in Santa Fe, trained crew leaders in intensive two day workshops and the previous summer had fixed miles of rough spots on the Dale Ball Trails. The organization had been funded for two years by the City and County of Santa Fe and the Santa Fe Conservation Trust. It was now completely volunteer and needed support.

She said press releases sent last year to northern and southern New Mexico newspapers weren't picked up by anyone. This year the press release was re-written but they had no idea the avenues used to promote.

The commission discussed the promotion of the organization. Liz Roybal, Leroy Pacheco and Carla Lopez were suggested as contacts. The reporter that covered the BMX and the Convention Center Visitor's Bureau was also suggested.

Chair Booth said she would send all of her media contacts to Ms. Alexander. She said the connection between the race and tourism had been discussed and she thought tourism should promote that. She wanted Mr. Coriz to get involved and more connection between the BMX and bike community. She suggested that a sign for volunteers be put on the trail.

Ms. Alexander said when their calendar was ready and she would bring city/trail related events to POSA to get the word out.

• Youth Perspectives on Skate Parks - Ryan Lawless

Chair Booth explained that Ryan Lawless was asked to meet with Mr. Lehm for an update of everything for the skaters. Ryan had mentioned the skaters group had suggestions and wanted to come to the meeting so she invited them to attend after they talked with Mr. Lehm.

Mr. Lehm said it was unfortunate Ryan wasn't present because he was caught up. He offered to meet with the skaters afterwards to give them an update.

Chair Booth explained Mr. Lehm was brought on to the commission to help the connection with the skate board community and would always be in the know. The group should go to him first if they had questions.

Carlos Caldwell, one of the skaters, said they were discussing the old park would be destroyed.

Chair Booth said that wouldn't happen. She said Mr. Lehm could update them in great detail. She said that was the kind of communication needed and they should discuss how to communicate because things would continue to change.

Ms. Guerrerortiz gave the skaters input on the next skate park in Tierra Contenta. She said public meetings would be held by the end of summer and skaters should get the word out so together they could influence the designers of what would go in.

REPORTS:

Joe Lehm: Bike Paths And Connections / Skate Parks

Mr. Lehm said he met with Brian Drypolcher, the project coordinator for the River Park that included the downtown park. He said it would take two cycles of City Council for the proposal; one to approve the process and one for the RFP. The set back was discouraging but the good news was the company that would design the park would also build it. The downtown skate park goal was to get started by fall and finish by winter.

Carlos Caldwell said the skaters used Facebook a lot. He suggested a page be set up so the skaters knew what was expected and in place. He said they had heard future effort would be put into another park on 599 and that said to him "let's put them somewhere far away from everyone else." He said it wasn't an easy location to get to and he would rather see something designed really well and something everyone could enjoy.

• Tom Agard: Organized Youth Sports / Workforce Development / Trails to Schools

Mr. Agard said a resolution went through Council (Exhibit 3.) He attended a webinar on February 24 and the following week met to implement the information on Safe Routes. On April 26 surveys would start and would give a baseline for the numbers to the resolution that had been passed.

He said the trail connection was changed and the biggest change was a 10 foot sidewalk in front of the school. He thought the prairie dog issue more important and begged them to move forward with Chapter 14, prairie dog ordinance to allow Parks to take action to protect the welfare of citizens.

Ms. Guerrerortiz said she heard that aspect of the ordinance wouldn't be touched and the Mayor wasn't willing to do anything with the issue.

Mr. Agard said there was no proposal to change the ordinance at that point. He said Parks hands were tied when it came to an incident. He said the plague was a serious illness and a great deal of time was spent to prepare a report that went to the City Manager and he didn't know where it was at that point.

Mr. Chavez said the report was not just a Parks issue. The report was currently in Planning and Land Use. He wasn't sure where it would go next or if it would resurface.

Chair Booth said the issue should be discussed and was very controversial. She suggested they first get through the meeting with the Mayor.

• Community Gardens - Jessie Esparza

Ms. Esparza said she would facilitate the meeting that night.

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• Disc Golf -Ms. Guerrerortiz

Ms. Guerrerortiz said she met with Jim Squires who got money in 2006 to put in the course at Arroyo Chamiso. She said they wanted to expand and thought if they could get several courses a tournament could be held in Santa Fe.

She said they were interested in Tierra Contenta because of the hills and valleys. The installation costs for the Arroyo Chamiso was under \$20,000 because Parks employees had helped. She asked Mr. Chavez if Parks staff could help with installation again; or should they hire outside contractors.

Mr. Chavez said it would depend. He suggested they go through the same process and come to the master plan meetings. He said the disc golf parks were inexpensive to put in and it could go either way. It could be part of the master plan; or it could be a combination of things and an add-alternate.

He said he had no construction money and none was foreseeable. He said if they understood some could be done with Parks workers and volunteers over a year or so, that was one option; the other would be a request for the coming CIP cycle. He said for something that small it could fly through.

Oralynn Guerrerortiz- Tierra Contenta Master Plan

Ms. Guerrerortiz said the *Southwest Activity Node* was held up because of transfer of ownership of the land and a redesign of roads related to a development. The RFP could be done in a month or so.

Colonial Presmara Park was out for RFP for design. Mr. Chavez added that Tierra Contenta Plaza was going in and would be built this summer and Phase II would have a sculpture garden.

Patrick Torres: Community Gardens /Tree City

Mr. Wood said Tree City USA status was obtained and there had been one meeting. They would meet that evening to go over some of the other aspects such as funding, tasks, goals, mission statement etc.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

DATE AND TIME FOR NEXT MEETING:

April 20, 2010 at Frenchy's Barn at 3 p.m.

ADJOURN:

Ms. Guerrerortiz moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Taylor seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

Approved by:

Bette Booth, Chair

Submitted by:

Charmaine Clair, Stenographer

EXHIBIT 1 Parks and Open Spaces March 16, 2010

In this very tight budgeting cycle, The Parks Commission requests our Governing body to support and advocate for expanding workforce development and training initiatives for the City of Santa Fe Parks Department.

Workforce development provides:

A CAREER PATH: Workforce training and development is an outline for advancement through qualitative standards for positions and what must be achieved to reach them, and making available the training necessary to get there. The outline is a career path, a succession plan, with stepping stones allowing our workforce to see what is required for advancement. Through this effort we enable our workforce to take pride and ownership of their positions with the city.

EFFICIENCIECIES WITHIN THE WORKFORCE: Having employees cross-trained in critical areas allows for a more fluid use of staff. With multiple people trained in key areas we build a strong, broadly diverse group from which to build highly specialized crews. Overlapping of job skills builds a culture of community and teamwork.

EMPLOYEE RETENTION: Workforce development makes for a stable work environment by encouraging advancement through training and education. Not only do employees take ownership of their position but we as a city retain our community of employees by generating a stable environment in which they may grow and excel as life-long learners.

QUALITY OUTPUT: Through training and development initiatives we identify excellence and what is required and expected of our workforce and in the end we get a product, a healthy tree that has been pruned properly, well maintained playground equipment, safer streets and sidewalks. We build a workforce through self fulfillment and recognition of a job well done.

ACCOUNTABILITY: Employee development is a shared obligation between the city and its employees for the city to provide for them the opportunity and direction for advancement. It is also an employee's obligation to the community, to be able to explain their actions and be capable of being held accountable for them.

Therefore the City of Santa Fe Parks Commission is requesting the adoption by our governing body of a sustainable plan for the funding and management of workforce development and training within the parks department.

As the city of Santa Fe looks forward to planning for additional park space it is important that we gather as much information as possible about park usage today and the demands that will need to be meet in the future. Please find enclosed a survey from the Santa Fe Parks Advisory Commission. Please fill it out and return in the enclosed envelope.

We also would like to express an open invitation to your group or organization to give a short presentation (10 minutes) about your activities in the parks. It is important that the advisory commission understand how your activity engages the City of Santa Fe Parks. The planning stage for a new regional park is just now beginning, therefore, it is critical that you express any concerns or requirements your activity may need today or in the future.

We strongly encourage your participation and look forward to hearing from you.

Santa Fe Parks Advisory Commission Usage Survey 2010

- 1. Please give a brief description of your sport or activity.ie: soccer, water skiing, etc.
- 2. Please describe any equipment that is used, i.e.: baseball, running shoes, specialized bike or skateboard, etc.
- 3. Describe the type of field or space you require, i.e.: football field, grassy area, concrete track or structure etc.
- 4. Please give a brief history of your sport or activity in Santa Fe.
 - a. Where did the sport or activity start in Santa Fe.
 - b. Describe the kind of growth your sport or activity has experienced over time.
- 5. How many fields are you using?
 - a. Are you sharing the space or fields with other activities or sports? If so describe.
 - b. Is there a season of play or usage? Spring Summer Fall Winter

	Are you affiliated with a National or International Organization? Please describe and give contact information or website.
7.	Does the Organization carry insurance for your activity?
8.	Is there parental involvement? Yes No
	What are your funding sources? Registration fees, donations, sponsorship, other describe:
10.	Are you using any municipal funds for your activity? Yes No
11 .	Does your organization offer any specialized training or organization of the organization
12.	Demographics
	a. How many participants are registered with your activity?
	D. What genders participate in your activity? Male, Female, Both
	What is the age span of the participants? From age to age
(d. How many coaches, trainers, volunteers

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EXHIBIT 2
Parks and Open Spaces
March 16, 2010

FOR IMM

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LA TIERRA TORTURE CONTRIBUTES \$17,500 TO LOCAL CHARITIES

2010 Race Registration Now Available Online for May 1-2 Event

Santa Fe, NM (March 4, 2010)—<u>La Tierra Torture</u> mountain bike race, Santa Fe's premier spring mountain bike event, has contributed \$17,500 to local charities in four years of racing. This year's race, expected to give thousands more to worthy non-profits, is set for May 1 and 2.

La Tierra Torture's beneficiaries include the <u>Santa Fe Conservation Trust</u>, which has received nearly \$10,000 in support from the race, as well as <u>St. Vincent Hospital Foundation</u> and <u>Atalaya Search and Rescue</u>.

"The goal of La Tierra Torture is to showcase Santa Fe mountain biking for local and regional racers, and to give back to charities that are integral to our community," said race committee director Jan Bear, who has helped organize La Tierra Torture since 2006. "Of course, we have a lot of fun too."

Last May's race attracted 225 racers—including some from as far away as Mexico—to the La Tierra trail system in the city's northwest quadrant. The extensive trail network offers mountain bikers thrilling singletrack in a scenic setting.

The 2010 event will again include short track and cross-country races. New for 2010 is a raffle to win a fully custom steel bicycle frame (mountain, road or commuter) from O'Leary Built Bicycles, a \$1,000 value. Each ticket costs \$10; only 100 tickets will be sold.

Online registration is now available at the race website or http://www.newmexicosportsonline.com/events/details.aspx?id=121. The first 100 registrants will receive a free event jersey. On-site registration will be available on Saturday, May 1, at the race venue, accessed via Camino de los Montoyas.

Race winners take home cash prizes or bike goodies.

La Tierra Torture is sanctioned by USA Cycling. Race sponsors are <u>Dahl Plumbing</u>, Atalaya Search and Rescue, <u>Team Santa Fe</u>, <u>New Mexico Bike & Sport, BTI, Mellow Velo</u>, O'Leary Built Bicycles, <u>New Mexico Sports and Physical Therapy</u>, <u>El Gancho Fitness Swim and Racquet Club</u>, <u>REI</u> and <u>Hammer Nutrition</u>.

For more details, visit http://www.latierratorture.com





SHORT TRACK

Saturday, May 1, 2010

CROSS COUNTRY

Sunday, May 2, 2010

La Tierra Torture includes two days of racing! Be among the first 100 racers to register for both days and get a free VOmax custom jersey!

Location: La Tierra Trails in Santa Fe's Northwest Quadrant.

Schedule: Saturday Short Track: Cat 3: 12pm start (20 minutes). Cat 2:

12:45pm start (25 minutes). Pro/Cat 1: 2pm start (30 minutes).

Sunday Cross Country: 9am start, classes and age groups staggered.

Prizes: Cash prizes for Pro and Cat 1, three deep. Cool schwag prizes for Cat 2 and 3, three deep. Overall points winners for both days will get special prizes.

NEW FOR 2010: Enter a raffle to win a fully custom steel bicycle frame (choose mountain, road or commuter) from O'Leary Built Bicycles (<u>olearybuiltbicycles.com</u>), a \$1,000 value. \$10 per ticket; only 100 tickets will be sold. Proceeds benefit non-profits supported by La Tierra Torture, including Santa Fe Conservation Trust.

Registration: Three ways: 1) Online via http://newmexicosportsonline.com; 2) Online via latierratorture.com (download a paper registration and mail it in); 3) Late registration on site, Saturday, May 1, from 10am to 5pm. THERE IS NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION ON SUNDAY!

Fees: Before May 1: ST+XC=\$50 for seniors (19+), \$25 for juniors (18 & under); ST only=\$20 seniors, \$10 juniors; XC only=\$40 seniors, \$20 juniors. On May 1: ST+XC=\$70 seniors, \$35 juniors; ST only=\$30 seniors, \$15 juniors; XC only=\$50 seniors, \$25 juniors. USAC one-day license: \$5. A one-day license is required for each day; a USAC annual license is \$60 (\$30 if add-on to existing road license). Both available on site.



Mission

The Trails Alliance of Santa Fe is a volunteer organization working in cooperation with public land managers to help plan, build, and maintain non-motorized trails in the Santa Fe area. We strive to provide a fun and engaging program to educate, train, and manage volunteers to restore, maintain, and promote quality, safe, and sustainable trails to benefit the community and its visitors.

Goals

- Maintain and build sustainable trails.
- Promote and practice trail user education, etiquette, respect.
- Support land management agencies.
- Provide information about area trails and trail resources.
- Promote the benefits and importance of trails to the community.

History

The Alliance began in 2008 as a pilot program with support from Santa Fe County, the City of Santa Fe, and the Santa Fe Conservation Trust. During the 2008 and 2009 seasons, volunteers accomplished trail maintenance primarily on the Dale Ball Trail System, and the Alliance provided basic training for volunteers and crew leader trainings.

2010 Season

The Alliance is launching a revamped all-volunteer program with the goal of supporting the following trail managers: Santa Fe County, City of Santa Fe, Santa Fe National Forest, New Mexico State Parks, National Park Service, and Bureau of Land Management.

www.trailsallianceofsantafe.org
Find us on www.facebook.com & www.meetup.com (coming in April 2010)

EXHIBIT 3 Parks and Open Spaces March 16, 2010

1	CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
2	RESOLUTION NO. 2009-11
3	INTRODUCED BY:
4	Councilor Dominguez
5	Councilor Calvert
6	Councilor Bushee
7	Councilor Trujillo
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10	A RESOLUTION
11	SUPPORTING THE FEDERAL "SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS" PROGRAM BY
12	WORKING WITH THE SANTA FE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT TO IDENTIFY AND
13	PROVIDE NECESSARY SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS TO ACCESS PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
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15	WHEREAS, fewer than 15 percent of all school trips are made by walking or bicycling;
16	and
17	WHEREAS, school-age children are experiencing obesity, juvenile diabetes, and asthma
18	at epidemic proportions; and
19	WHEREAS, regular physical activities, such as walking or biking to school, can have a
20	significant impact on a child's physical and mental health; and
21	WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe desires to cooperate and work with the Santa Fe Public
22	Schools and recognizes the need to assist in identifying barriers to safe access to public schools; and
23	WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe can assist with infrastructure improvements deemed
24	necessary to create safer access to schools, including, but not limited to roadway improvements,
25	sidewalk improvements, better and more visible signage and trail connections that provide clearly

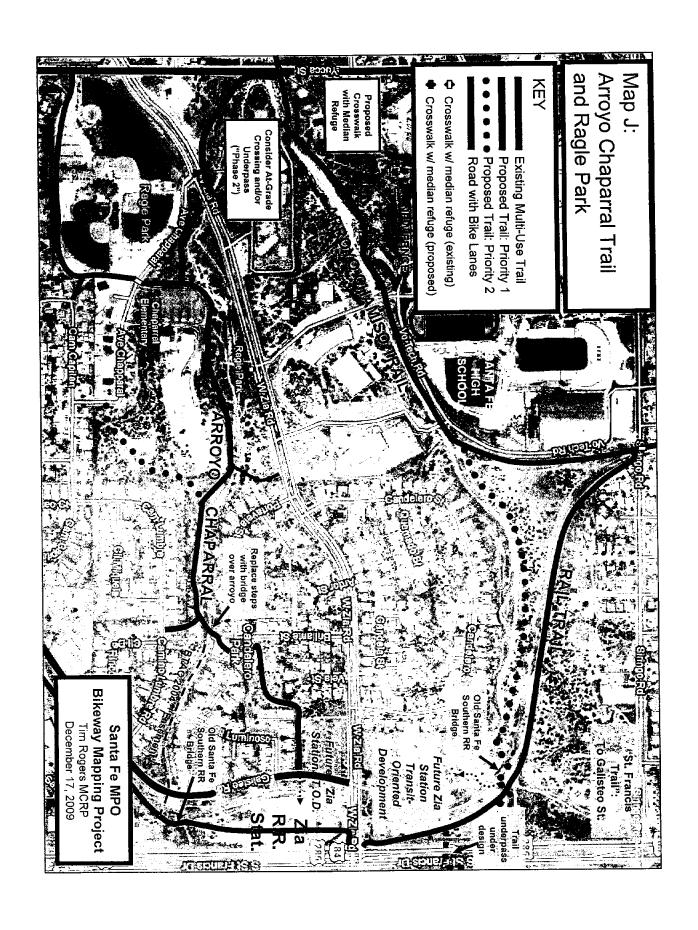
1 visible, safe and reliable access to schools; and 2 WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe acknowledges the value and importance of requiring 3 new land development proposals to provide appropriate locations for new schools that will be 4 situated in such a way as to promote and maximize safe access to the future school site for all 5 children who will be using the school; and 6 WHEREAS, the City understands the importance of informing school users of the safest 7 access to and from a public school and thereby supports school district efforts at informing 8 students, parents and staff of appropriate methods and procedures for accessing schools; and 9 WHEREAS, the City will assist in applying for federal money available to help evaluate 10 the best means to improve non-motorized transportation safety around schools and supplement 11 the cost of providing additional safety improvements near schools. 12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE 13 CITY OF SANTA FE that the Governing Body actively supports the Federal "Safe Routes To 14 Schools" Program and will actively work with the Santa Fe Public Schools to obtain federal 15 money to identify safety issues in accessing public schools and to help supplement local and state 16 funding for improvements such as educational programs, sidewalks, trails and signage as well as 17 related road improvements. PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 28th day of January, 2009. 18 19 20 21 DAVID COSS, MAYOR 22 ATTEST: 23 24

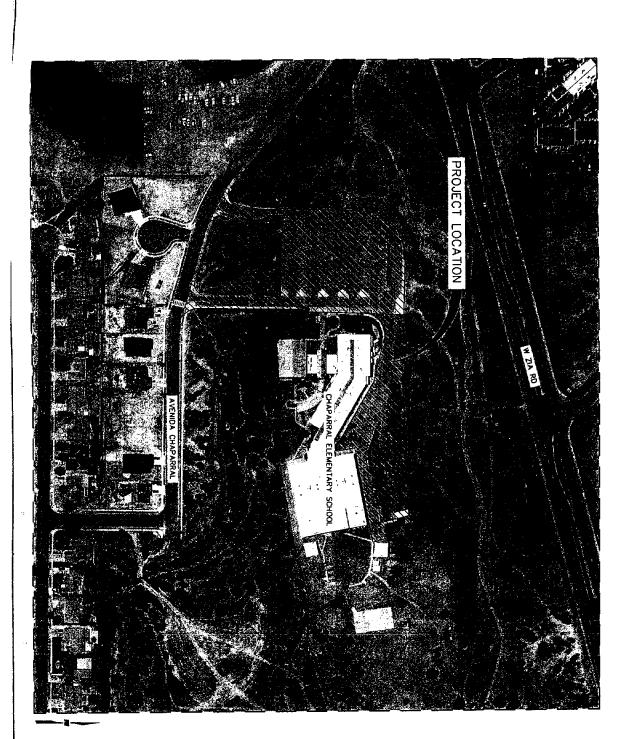
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Jp/ca/jpmb/2009 res/safe routes to school





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