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CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015 - 57

INTRODUCED BY:

Councilor Peter N. Ives

Mayor Javier M. Gonzales

A RESOLUTION

REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2007-31 REGARDING THE MEMBERSHIP, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SUSTAINABLE SANTA FE COMMISSION; REESTABLISHING THE SUSTAINABLE SANTA FE COMMISSION BY REDEFINING THE SCOPE, PURPOSE AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SUSTAINABLE SANTA FE COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Santa Fe Task Force was created by Resolution 1998-50; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 1999-36 changed the name of the Sustainable Santa Fe Task Force to the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission and clarified the commission's compliance with adopted procedures for the formation of committees, task forces and ad hoc committees and commissions set forth in Resolution 1984-56; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body adopted Resolution No. 2006-55 endorsing the U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body, through the adoption of Resolution 2014-85, the

1 Governing Body declared its intention of having 50% percent of its energy come from renewable
2 sources by 2025 and becoming carbon neutral by the year 2040; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the Governing Body, through the adoption of Resolution 2015-30, the City
4 of Santa Fe Renewable Energy Planner was directed to draft a comprehensive 25-year
5 sustainability plan to annually reduce Santa Fe's carbon emissions and energy consumption
6 through a variety of strategies in order to achieve the City's goal of becoming carbon neutral by
7 2040 by collaborating with other City staff and environmental, energy, sustainability and other
8 climate related stakeholders in the community; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the governing body now wishes to repeal Resolution No. 2007-31
10 regarding the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission in order to redefine the scope, purpose, and
11 responsibilities of the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission.

12 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
13 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that Resolution No. 2007-31 and all prior resolutions regarding the
14 Sustainable Santa Fe Commission are repealed, and the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission is
15 reestablished as follows:

16 A. NAME. The Commission shall be called the Sustainable Santa Fe
17 Commission.

18 B. PURPOSE. The Commission shall advise the Governing Body on the
19 programs, policies and projects that will help to improve the City's environment as well as the
20 health and quality of life of the people of Santa Fe; encourage the City's economic growth; and
21 ensure the long-term sustainability of the City's future.

22 C. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. The Commission shall:

23 1. Work with city staff to develop a 25-year sustainability plan with a set of
24 goals that will benefit the environment, enhance social justice, and benefit all the people
25 of Santa Fe, and an implementation strategy to achieve those goals.

1 2. Report to the Governing Body on an annual basis to report its progress
2 towards achieving the plan's goals, including a cost/benefit analysis of these stated goals.

3 3. Work with city staff to develop recommendations to the Governing Body
4 about the types of programs, policies and projects that will reduce the City's negative
5 impacts on the environment, minimize unfunded mandates, avoid disproportionate
6 impacts on disadvantaged populations, and promote affirmative benefits for those same
7 populations.

8 D. MEMBERSHIP; OFFICERS. The Commission shall consist of nine members
9 appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council. Members shall reside in Santa Fe
10 County and their expertise and profession must be in the environment, energy, water, land use,
11 waste management, recycle, and/or other sustainability related fields, and have worked in their
12 profession for a minimum of five years; and to the extent possible, represent the diversity of the
13 community related to culture, gender, age, and geography. The Commission shall elect a
14 chairperson and vice chairperson. The chairperson shall appoint sub-committees and sub-
15 committee chairpersons as needed.

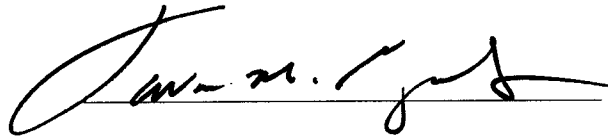
16 E. TERMS. Of the initial appointments, four of the members shall be
17 appointed for one year terms and five shall be appointed for two year terms. Subsequent terms
18 shall be for two years to maintain staggering of terms. The limitation to the number of
19 consecutive terms a member may serve shall be three. The chairman shall serve for a one year
20 term. After three consecutive unexcused absences a Commission member shall be automatically
21 removed and notified thereof by the chairman. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as
22 initial appointments and shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term. Any member of the
23 Commission may be removed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council, with or
24 without cause.

25 F. MEETINGS. A quorum shall be at least five members. The Commission shall

1 meet at least once per month and shall conduct all meetings in accordance with adopted city
2 policy and procedures.

3 G. STAFF. The City Renewable Energy Planner shall serve as the primary
4 liaison to the Commission. Depending upon the issue, other City staff may also be required to
5 assist the Commission.

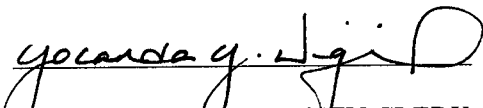
6 PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 10th day of June, 2015.

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9 JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

10 ATTEST:


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13 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

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15 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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18 KELLEY BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY

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