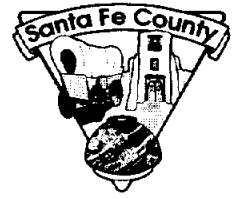




# Agenda



Santa Fe City and County, Advisory Council on Food Policy  
July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015, 9AM-11AM  
Angel Depot Conference Room, 1222 Siler Road, Santa Fe, NM

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA—July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015  
Prioritization and Agenda Order

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015

E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

F. PRESENTATIONS/TRAINING  
*Discussion of Chair transition, led by Governance Committee.*

G. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

H. INITIATIVES AND ACTIONS

1. Policy Committee

- a. Food Plan Committee
  - i. Meeting update on Food Plan meeting with WLUFs Sub-Subcommittee on Food.
- b. Food Production and Land Use Committee
  - i. Meeting update.
- c. Procurement
- d. Education and Outreach
  - i. Meeting update
  - ii. Discussion of Food Day event planning.
- e. Governance Committee
  - i. Membership updates.
- f. State & National Issues
  - i. Recap of 7/17/15 NM Human Services Department SNAP Hearing.

2. Executive Committee

- a. Update on City RFP and funding discussion

I. ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR

J. ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL

K. ADJOURNMENT

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

DATE 7/15/15 TIME 3:15p

SERVED BY Sue Perry

RECEIVED BY [Signature]  
*5 minutes*

*2 minutes/person*

*45 minutes*

*1 hour*

*5 minutes*

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**SANTA FE CITY AND COUNTY  
ADVISORY COUNCIL ON FOOD POLICY**

**THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2015**

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K. ADJOURNMENT	Adjourned at 10:57 a.m.	11

**SANTA FE CITY AND COUNTY**  
**ADVISORY COUNCIL ON FOOD POLICY**

**1222 Siler Road, Santa Fe, NM 87501**

**THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2015**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Santa Fe City and County Advisory Council on Food Policy was called to order by Susan Perry, chair on this date at approximately 9:00 a.m. at the Angel Depot, Conference Room, 1222 Siler Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Roll call indicated a lack of quorum, but was established later as follows:

**Members Present**

Susan Perry, chair  
Tony McCarty, vice chair  
Emigdio Ballon (arrived later)  
Patricia Boies  
Cydney Martin  
Erin Ortigoza (arrived later)  
Pamela Roy  
David Sundberg  
Lynn Walters

**Members Excused**

John Alejandro  
Maria De Anda  
Susan Odiseos  
Mark Winne

**Members Absent**

**Staff Present**

Ms. Morgan Day, Coordinator

**Others Present**

Lani Ersfeld, Southside Farmer's Market  
Mary Schruben, Rancho Siringo Neighborhood Association  
Carl Boaz for Charmaine Clair, Stenographer

*Chair Perry began with informational items while awaiting a quorum.*

**E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR-**

Lani Ersfeld from the Southside Farmers Market introduced herself.

## **F. PRESENTATIONS/TRAINING**

*Discussion of Chair transition, led by Governance Committee*

Chair Perry said the #1 issue was the status on the chair position and Mark Winne has agreed to co-chair for a year. She said she will continue as chair with Mr. Winne. She said one or two members are asked to consider being a co chair in a year or so.

She explained that the agenda, resolutions and requests, etc. must go through a city employee, which would be either her or Mr. Alejandro. She said Mr. Winne will partner with her on the duties and lead most of the meetings when he is present, otherwise she will chair the meeting. She thanked everyone for participating and for their comments and said she appreciates all of the team support.

Chair Perry said she will do an orientation with Mr. Sundberg and Ms. De Anda and provide them with the Food Policy Council manual. She will include updates when received, of all of the committee mission statements. She said to document the way the Food Council does things has been of value and she will prepare a check list that anyone can use.

*Ms. Boies arrived and quorum was established. Chair Perry returned to the agenda order.*

## **C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/Prioritization**

**Mr. Sundberg moved to approve the agenda as published. Ms. Walters seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.**

## **D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 25, 2015**

Page 4, the fifth paragraph from the bottom beginning in the second sentence: "The program plan is for the senior truck van to deliver a bag of groceries should be *"the Senior Services van to deliver a bag..."*

*Under Others Present: Mary Schruben represents the Rancho Siringo Neighborhood Association.*

**Mr. McCarty moved to approve the minutes of June 25, 2015 as amended. Ms. Boies seconded the motion which passed by unanimous voice vote.**

## **G. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Ms. Day said she attended the hearing on the proposed changes to SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) work requirements and heard testimony from those helped by SNAP. She took the letter to the Governor with the updated statistics on the Double-Up Bucks Program. She will send a copy of the Governor's remarks to everyone.

Ms. Day said that Mr. Winne also sent remarks made by a gentleman who testified before Congress on the benefits of SNAP and how the proposal by HSD (Human Services Department) makes it harder for people to retain the benefits.

Ms. Boies said she testified on behalf of the Community Services Department (CSD) and the Health Policy and

Planning Commission. Ms. Boies said every organization and individual that spoke was in a strong, often passionate opposition. She said a lot of connections were made about the lack of jobs available and she was impressed with the turnout. She was concerned because Ms. Roy said the meeting and loss process was almost a fait accompli.

Ms. Roy said prior to the Farm to Table and the New Mexico Farmers Market Association presentation the HSD Secretary and the Center for Law on Poverty and talked. The HSD Secretary made statements that were concerning that he later backed out of. She said she understood they had provided two roundtable discussions with tribal communities and Secretary Ernest had said the tribal communities did not have a clear understanding of what this could mean.

She said appreciates the Center for Law on Poverty responding to say they do have a very clear understanding. They provided that in a resolution by the Intertribal Pueblo Council (?) to make clear that the tribal communities are strongly opposed to the proposal.

She said she submitted the letters from the NM Food and Agriculture Policy Council and Farm to Table.

Mr. McCarty said Kitchen Angels received a call from HSD asking if they would accept a thousand volunteers.

Ms. Roy said she picked up a list of the companies in New Mexico who said they would consider providing employment opportunities. The list has about 250 companies in the state and 17 in Santa Fe, including Kitchen Angels. She said when you think about 70,000-80,000 people looking for a job and 250 companies that said they would provide employment, the disparity is huge. She said that does not include the people also looking for jobs that are not part of the SNAP program.

Ms. Walters asked how much training the training companies were receiving.

Ms. Day said the bigger issue is the HSD lacks the staff to handle the caseload as SNAP currently exist and this adds ages 16-18 and 50-60 years of age.

*Mr. Ballon entered the meeting at this time.*

Chair Perry thanked everyone who participated. She said this has brought the dialogue into the public and hopefully people in government are looking at this. She said how can they ask more people to participate if the point is made that HSD can't currently provide staff capacity.

Ms. Day said she has worked closely with the subcommittees and there is some confusion over the website, especially on how the copies of the Food Plan/digital format are available and where. She is cleaning the [santafefoodpolicy.org](http://santafefoodpolicy.org) up and making it easier to navigate. She requested members send pictures her pictures with their bios and let her know if they have updates or anything to add. She will send a reminder.

She said another issue with the website when people Google Santa Fe Food Policy Council the website comes up. Now when a search is done the first two pages are from Farm to Table. She said she is working to get those deactivated or resolve the issue to eliminate confusion.

Chair Perry said the PDF link will be helpful [to the Food Plan] and a short term plan is to print a short run

because there will be edits.

Ms. Roy noted there is \$1200 for publications. She said she reviewed the events budget and suggests they figure out what is needed for a large event and anything else and expend the county funds for printing.

Ms. Boies asked if the document could be presented to the Food Council before the short run.

Ms. Day agreed. She said she has various documents with edits and isn't sure what is accurate or current. She said it would be helpful if members send her all of their edits on the draft.

Chair Perry said this is more about making sure the organizations and partner names are included and correct and viewing the document for accuracy, not rewriting the paragraph.

Ms. Roy suggested they separate the snapshot pages. She had to cut-and-paste to use in a different document.

## **H. INITIATIVES AND ACTIONS**

1. Policy Committee
  - a. Food Plan Committee
    - Meeting update on Food Plan meeting with WLUFs Sub-Subcommittee on Food.

Chair Perry said at the last meeting the Food Plan Committee was combined with the subcommittee of food security, etc. and the Mayors Climate Action Task Force. She said at the larger meeting they looked at what the intersection is between the city issues, the Food Plan and the Task Force initiatives.

She said she, Ms. Walters, Ms. Day and Commissioner Holian met and came up with four recommendations:

1. To look at a full-time Food Coordinator position that is jointly funded by the city and county as part of their ongoing budget.
2. Transportation and routes that align with food sites to have direct routes for people to get to what is available, like the farmers market.
3. To support a joint use agreement between the city and county public schools such as community gardens; how they are set up and staffed and used year round, etc.
4. To create a permanent Southside Farmers Market and
5. To create a task force to look at ways to assess, conserve and encourage agricultural lands in the city that culminates in recommendations for an update to the General Plan.

Chair Perry said the task force committee will prepare an annual report card presentation to the city/county in October. She hopes to coordinate that with the Education and Outreach committee and what they are doing with the Food Plan. They want to keep the city and county apprised of what is happening.

Ms. Roy said recommendation #5 to create a task force could translate into the current Urban Ag' Committee. Chair Perry agreed and said there would be people with the skills and interest.

Ms. Day said Commissioner Holian suggests with the Urban Agriculture subcommittee, to note that the zoning doesn't work to support agriculture within the city and the new development codes are not aligned with sustainable choices and a sustainable community the city would like. She said the idea is to create a task force

or, at the very least activate what needs to be done to relook at the code.

Chair Perry agreed. She said making an official statement almost provides a way that the joint committee can nudge the city forward in that direction.

Ms. Day said the next meeting of the task force will be in August. She will share a draft of the recommendations with members to get their feedback. Commissioner Holian wants to meet again before the document is finalized and they bring it to the Water/Land Use/Food Security subcommittee and will tell them when they are on the agenda to present the document to the task force.

*Ms. Ortigoza entered the meeting at this time.*

- b. Food Production and Land Use Committee
  - Meeting update

Ms. Roy said Land Use met to work with the SFCT (Santa Fe Conservation Trust), the Land Conservancy and the County Assessor's Office on agriculture valuation and a tax exemption greatly reduced from residential. She asked Ms. Ortigoza to discuss the outreach meetings.

Ms. Ortigoza said since last year they have been working with communities to transition their plans into the new zoning plan work. Several communities have issues with preserving agricultural land in its integrity with water, the acequia systems, etc. She said with that and their personal stories they are starting to understand from the taxation perspective how that affects the ability to keep land in production and the costs and incentives. They are still trying to create incentives for keeping farmlands in production in addition to taxation.

Ms. Roy thought the short-term ideas will come from interacting more with the communities and will be a greater part of the agricultural overlay aspect of the county's work. She said it is educating everyone. She hoped there would be medium and long-term ideas that affect the state legislation.

Ms. Ortigoza said there are overlaps between the Planning, Land Use and the Tax Assessor's office. There are zoning districts used commonly in the traditional communities and a minimum density of three quarters of an acre per dwelling. She said there is potential for many of the traditional communities with arable farmland to subdivide below one acre. She said that is a disconnect with their potential build out and level that the land could be taxed for agriculture. She said that is more of a long-term goal, but a real number issue.

Mr. Ballon said in looking at the Land Use Committee report, you see what the land use is in the city. He said the food policy comes from people who would be part of the city and they need to have the experience and ability to make suggestions for that type of community. He said in the past the FPC has discussed GMOs and he doesn't know the outcome. He said it is very important to know the FPC final decision about the GMOs.

Ms. Ortigoza said there was a request at the last meeting to resurrect the resolution the FPC was working on that was initially aimed at GMO concerns. The county is interested in having food security and quality of life in the forefront as they go into the process. She said they could cycle the resolution through the Land Use Committee as it was in the last draft and then add to that as necessary and resubmit it.

Mr. Ballon said he would encourage the FPC to go to any level they can for education. He said they can

continue to talk like politicians, but it is important to him to have action.

Mr. Ballon said in the city, the county and schools we talk about gardens in the schools and having food from the table, but sometimes we can discuss for hours. He said if we don't have action we have nothing. He said we have to ask what the action will be and what can be done at different levels. He said he comes to this meeting to help farmers all over the state that are not using this forum.

Ms. Roy said what is missing at the Land Use table is the Tesuque Pueblo. She said Ms. Origoza brought the Pojoaque Community Plan as an example, for them to learn from; their discussion around agriculture, community and water, etc. She said she would love Mr. Ballon's advice on how to approach and integrate the voices of the tribal communities into the work.

Ms. Martin invited everyone to Food Day from 11-4 at IAIA (Institute of American Indian Arts) 28<sup>th</sup> of October.

Ms. Roy said they have a dynamic committee and things are happening now around agricultural lands and have changed so much that the state statute no longer matches. She said this committee has a will to explore those changes and will take time and probably be 2017 before things are affected at the state level.

Ms. Origoza said speaking to Mr. Ballon's point an example is property in Pojoaque Valley where a decision will be made that evening if there will be a rural commercial overlay that affects historic farmlands. She said that is a type of formative decision for the trajectories the parcels are taking and there is action. She said many people at the table are working on community plans.

Mr. Sundberg asked in protecting historical farmland, if there is a plan to make it easier to create farmland and cultural spaces for future generations.

Ms. Origoza said that was discussed. They are looking at ways to connect the younger generation with the generation who has the ability, but is aging out. There are several ideas; putting things into conservation easements or transfer development rights, because that changes the value of the property and makes it more affordable. She said the county is working on a transfer of development rights program now that would be suitable for preserving farmlands at lower costs. They are working with the land link to feed information of property owners with land that can no longer farm it but want to keep it in production.

Ms. Roy said they will also have the USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) Natural Resources Conservation Service describe resources they provide. She said many of the young people that come into farming apply for federal programs like the NRCS Season Extension Program for drip irrigation and then link up with the Santa Fe Farmers Market micro loan program to create a cause-share match. She said FPC wants to capture that innovation and discuss how to educate people on programs and services that are valuable, especially to young families who want to farm.

Ms. Day said the Urban Agriculture Program has a good team with Mr. Alejandro at the head. The council is providing expertise regarding the legal understanding about the code, zoning, land use issues and agriculture uses. Ms. Roy and Poki Piottin are on the council as well as Noah Burke in the Land Use Department who is providing knowledge on ordinances, best practices, etc. to make it easier for people to engage in farming in a commercial way and Hannah Reisley White who works with the Interstate Stream Commission.



Ms. Day said the committee has met every week. They looked at ordinances and resolutions and have now taken a step back to ask why we want this for the community; why it is needed and important. They are looking at more than what you cannot do, but at best practices as part of the education and outreach; the specifics, using the Food Plan as a guide that need to be addressed in ordinances or by creating incentives, etc. specific to Santa Fe.

She said at the last meeting of the food security subcommittee they went through each goal of the Food Plan to determine their relevance for urban agriculture programs/ordinances. They looked at the agricultural land and where agriculture is happening. She said they now have a good picture of what is happening and the challenges and are trying to be proactive and create policies that will help engage in that.

Ms. Day said Mr. Alejandro is pulling other city's urban agriculture policies and programs and they have looked at Boston that made it easy for everyone to understand their ordinance. The Boston document could be used as a template to have at least an executive summary type of document within 2 months.

Ms. Roy added that Mr. Alejandro has a tight timeline and they would like to have topics for conversation at the Food Day event.

Ms. Day said typically the meeting is at Market Station offices on Thursdays from 4-6 p.m.

Mr. Ballon asked if Ms. Day would also provide him with the information of their past meetings and if possible, he would like to come to some meetings. She offered to let Mr. Alejandro know to add Mr. Ballon to the email list.

#### c. Procurement

Ms. Roy said they presented on the progress of the schools that received state funding at the HHS (Health and Human Services) Legislative Interim Committee hearing Thursday in Las Cruces. The Public Education Department has awarded all of the school food authorities the funds and two out 280 declined. She said now the schools are contacting farmers.

She said Betsy Cull will present at the FPC next month (Ms. Day clarified that Ms. Cull has not yet confirmed but Alana is definite). Ms. Roy said they will talk about what state funding means for Santa Fe Public Schools (SFPS).

She said she participated in a meeting with other agencies, the Department of Agriculture, the Public Education Department, HSD, etc. who will have a strategic planning meeting in November and discuss New Mexico Grown Fresh Fruits and Vegetables for School Meals. They will look at infrastructure, transportation, distribution and producers and in the interim work with production groups and farmers' organizations to organize the location of the farmers and their needs. The Department of Agriculture is providing a small grant around the strategic planning. She said Procurement helped drive that. They were also able to present on the Double-Up Bucks with the NM Farmers Marketing Association.

#### d. Education and Outreach

- Meeting update
- Discussion of Food Day event planning

Ms. Martin said they discussed the Food Day event proposal. She provided the following updates:

- The event will be held on October 16, World Food Day at the County Fairgrounds because of space, parking and cost and it is on the south side. The proposal is included in the packet.
- The committee discussed doing a report card and a resolution and wants to partner with other organizations.
- The current plans are to have local farmers, Healthy Kids, Santa Fe Public Schools and New Mexico Grown. There will be a local food sourcing and a launch of the Urban Ag' Initiative; something on food preservation and a Grow and Learn panel and people talking about the Food Plan. The County Extension will do canning and how to prepare a meal using food bought from SNAP. The Master Gardeners will be there and there will be a Harvest Celebration Pot Luck.
- The panel will start at 1 p.m. and other events start at 5 p.m. when people get off of work. The potluck starts about 6:30 and there will hopefully be music.
- There are speakers and people with tables and a documentary would be shown: *Bringing Food Home*.
- There would be a need for a lot of volunteers. The Food Council is asked to engage on the day of the event and help with the preparation prior to the event.

Ms. Day asked members to think about the best people to have at the table for discussions and the type of panel that reflects the Food Plan, the FPC and the community of the city and county. She said another meeting of the Education and Outreach committee will be scheduled to develop a list of stakeholders to be sure they are a part of the initial planning discussion. She said it would be good for them to bring ideas for educational activities that are fun and engaging.

Mr. Ballon said it is important when doing work, like volunteer work, to have a history. He said people will remember that those at the table had very good ideas. He said it is important, based on the history, to support these types of events because the FPC has a voice and the voice has to say we are fighting to stop the hunger in Santa Fe. He said their job is to educate our Representatives and Congress, etc.

He said he has not been very active in this and the council has to make this a more permanent and frequent action. He is trying to organize the Harvest Festival in the Pueblo and support the elders and give to the children. He said it is hard work and they are trying to do many things. He thought a member from FPC could come and talk. He said in the meantime we talk about sustainable areas, and are using solar energy and introducing the use of water, etc.

Ms. Day said that is why they are excited about this event. She said it is important for everyone in the community, not just those facing hunger or the people already doing the work to end hunger. This is a celebration of the growers and those who toil outside in hard conditions to produce food. The event is also to recognize people working in the city and county and with nonprofit organizations. She said his point is well made and she hoped this would be another step toward that type of outreach.

Ms. Roy asked if World Food Day was the place and time to share the Seed Sovereignty Resolution. She said they have four tribal communities within the county borders. Mr. Ballon said it would be.

Ms. Day said an idea was side field trips the following Saturday, the 17<sup>th</sup> inviting people when they are at the panels to places in the community doing incredible things or that have a lot to teach. She said there is potential to work with people in the tribal community as well.

Ms. Walters said having the event Friday; she thought who will come other than those who always come.

Ms. Day said that was a concern. They don't want to take away from the Farmer's Market traffic, etc. and the idea is it would be good if the event was close to another international day.

Mr. Sundberg added they were also trying to draw the people who do that kind of work into the informational during the day and later in the day have the things the general public would be involved in. He thought the general public would not be interested in the educational discussions versus Master Gardeners, etc.

He said his idea is to have local chefs who support local foods do a potluck, potluck. He said several chefs he talked to would like to participate. The potluck will highlight local harvested foods and chefs will bring a dish. The initial thought is a pay-as-you-can, but they haven't worked out the details. He said the idea is to buy food as much as possible from local farmers and producers and create the dishes.

The next meeting is August 21, 2015 at 9 a.m. at the County Extension.

Mr. McCarty said the FPC First Annual Food Hero Awards hasn't been mentioned yet. They don't have a process for the nominations yet and members should think about that.

Ms. Boies said assuming they go with World Food Day on October 16, to tie into the regularly scheduled BCC (Board of County Commissioners) meeting on October 13 that would be the time to do the report card on the Food Plan. She said she envisions a BCC resolution that declares Food Day at that time and everything would be rolled into one. She said she assumes Commissioner Holian will spearhead this.

Ms. Day said she has talked with Commissioner Holian and the Commissioner mentioned there might be some help from the county regarding resources. She said she wants to speak with the Mayor or Mr. Alejandro about taking this to the public and working with the county and city PIO (Public Information Office).

Chair Perry asked that there be a sign-up sheet. She said she expects everyone on the Food Policy Council to help. She offered to facilitate communication with the city as well as helping in other ways.

Ms. Schruben said City Council meets on October 14 and would be a good day to have this on their agenda.

- e. Governance Committee
  - Membership update

Chair Perry said all of the Food Council seats are filled. She found that the City Clerk did not have the details on the terms of members and those are being updated.

- f. State & National Issues
  - Recap of 7/17/15 NM Human Services Department SNAP Hearing

Ms. Roy said she will present at the state level to the Healthy Kids, Healthy Community Initiative and was asked to discuss the way communities work on food systems. She said 10 counties and four tribal communities have been working on food systems and the Department of Health plans to expand that to 20 counties and up to a dozen tribal communities.

Ms. Roy said San Ildefonso Pueblo is one of the two tribal communities and they want to learn more about the Santa Fe Food Policy Council. She provided them with contact information.

Ms. Roy said at the state level the SNAP education will transition from the DHS to DOH (Department of Health) who plans to integrate SNAP education programs into the school environment.

Ms. Martin said her educators are funded by SNAP and NMSU (New Mexico State University) and there have been tight regulations on what they could do and whom they could teach and they have had turnover.

Ms. Roy said NMSU Cooperative Extension Office is still a partner and they will provide more educational opportunities and be more creative with the program. She asked Ms. Ersfeld to provide information about the Southwest Farmers Market.

Ms. Ersfeld said USDA has National Farmers Market Week and have named the Santa Fe Farmers Market as the keystone farmers market. She said they will do a presentation Saturday, August 1 that starts about 9 a.m. and farm tours have been scheduled. She encouraged everyone to come.

Ms. Roy said that will be a great way to showcase the Double-Up Food Bucks Initiative and New Mexico was the first to receive state funding. She said the National Conference of State Legislators is doing a white paper that will be available in a month.

She said she presented to the Western Association of State Departments of Agriculture. She asked them to sign the legislation from the National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition and they will take it to the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture as a policy issue. She said the hope is that the House will take up the Farm to School Act issue before recess and the Senate will pick that up after recess.

2. Executive Committee
  - a. Update on City RFP and funding discussion

Chair Perry said they have reported that FPC is receiving the same amount of funding from the city as last year and part of the discussion is finding a better way to get funding for the FPC through the city and county. She said she mentioned the idea of the Food Coordinator position in the Food Plan Committee meeting and that is in the works. She asked that members share if something comes through as a possible funding source.

She said the Mayor is working on a resolution that will ensure every child in the city has a hot meal. She said again, the Food Policy Council is involved and is meeting with partners and involved in those discussions.

#### **I. ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR-** There was none

#### **J. ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL**

Ms. Roy noted the application for the Santa Fe Community Foundation grant is in Ms. Day's In Box. She said the FPC should keep their eye on the push to combine all of the state food and nutrition programs into one agency.

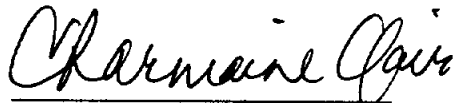
**J. ADJOURNMENT**

*Having no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.*

Approved by:

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Susan Perry, Chair

Submitted by:



Charmaine Clair, Stenographer