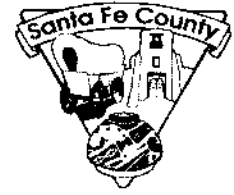




Agenda



Santa Fe City and County, Advisory Council on Food Policy
August 23, 2018, 9AM-11AM

Kitchen Angels Conference room, 3221 Siler Road, Santa Fe, NM, 87507

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA , August 23, 2018
Prioritization and Agenda Order- *5 minutes*
- D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 26, 2018
- E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR- *5 minutes*
- F. PRESENTATIONS: Erin Ortigoza, Senior Planner Santa Fe County:
Agrigate 20 minutes
- G. Staff Communications *5 minutes*
- H. INITIATIVES AND ACTIONS *55 minutes*
 - 2. Policy Committees
 - a. Food Production and Land Use Committee
 - i. Meeting updates
 - ii. US Farm Bill Recommendations from SFFPC
 - b. Food Plan Committee
 - i. Updates: meeting with Julie Sanchez and Nick Schiavo from SF City Youth and Family Services under Community Services Division..
 - c. Education and Outreach
 - i. Meeting updates.
 - ii. Council Commitment for monthly topics and communications – update.
 - d. State & National Issues
 - i. State Legislature updates
 - ii. Farm Bill update-effects on state and Federal level/Federal funding for Senior Programs
 - iii. National Issues
 - e. Governance Committee
 - i. Updates
 - 3. Executive Committee *5 minutes*
 - 4. Items from the Chair *5 minutes*
- J. ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL *5 minutes*
- K. ADJOURNMENT

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 SANTA FE CITY AND COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON FOOD POLICY
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**SANTA FE CITY AND COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON FOOD POLICY
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A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Santa Fe City and County Advisory Council on Food Policy was called to order by David Sundberg, Co-Chair, at 9:07 am on Thursday, August 23, 2018, at the Kitchen Angels Conference Room, 1222 Siler Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

David Sundberg, Co-Chair
Sue Perry, Co-Chair
Kierstan Pickens
Patricia Boies
Emigdio Ballon
Mark Winne
Rebecca Baran-Rees
Tony McCarty
Tracey Enright
Erin Ortigoza
Caroline Flores

MEMBERS ABSENT

Sherry Hooper, Excused
Gino Rinaldi

OTHERS PRESENT

Pam Roy, Farm To Table
Helen Henry, Farm To Table
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION A motion was made by Ms. Baran-Rees, seconded by Ms. Boies, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Corrections to the July minutes were as follows:

Page 1, the address of Kitchen Angels is 1222 Silar Road, Lisa Randall's last name is spelled Randall, Tracey's first name is spelled Tracey.

Page 2, after is misspelled, page 3 it should be AgriGate, page 3 it should say she is, page 4 it should be departments, page 6 change Patricia to Ms. Boies, page 7 remove and from paragraph 1 under C, page 8 it should be World Hunger Day, Cherly's last name is spelled Jamison, page 9 it should be initiatives, page 10, paragraph should read Ms. Enright said the senior bill will put money in the budget to fund fresh food in senior centers. On page 10, the Senator's last name is spelled Stefanics.

On page 3, add to Co-Chair Perry said so what you would like us to send is a profile of what we do that is connected to food. Delete the sentence she is excited about it. On page 4 add that Ms. Hooper said the Mayor is, in effect, asking to end poverty.

On page 4 the word is information, not intervention. On page 5 add to 8th paragraph Ms. Roy said in our meeting we discussed ways.....and we discussed universal screening. On page 7 the word is typical, not typically, on page 5 first should not be capitalized. On page 8, paragraph 14, add our work as a Council. On page 9, paragraph 6, add with City Department Heads and key players in the Public Education Departments. On page 9, paragraph 11, the word should be created.

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. McCarty, seconded by Ms. Perry, to approve the minutes as amended.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

F. PRESENTATION - ERIN ORTIGOZA, AGRIGATE

This item was moved to the Food Production and Land Use Committee report.

G. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Staff Communications were included throughout the agenda.

H. INITIATIVES AND ACTIONS

1. POLICY COMMITTEES

A. FOOD PRODUCTION AND LAND USE COMMITTEE

Co-Chair Sundberg said we will have Ms. Ortigoza's presentation at this time.

Ms. Ortigoza said she was very excited to show her film which encapsulates the work we are doing through the County Planning Division.

Ms. Ortigoza's film was shown.

Everyone congratulated and applauded for Ms. Ortigoza's film and her work.

Ms. Ortigoza said we put so much into that project. The film is really about relationships with the people in the film and what they do and why they do it. Developing relationships is critical and necessary to find out what they are farming and why and what is working now. To assume a black and white stance is detrimental to all that we do. You have to connect and see why they are doing what they are doing. The story telling protocol proved to be the next level of having momentum happen. This kind of filming sets a stage for a conversation and people speaking from their authentic place. When people see that they are more willing to talk after that. That is the undercurrent of what we are trying to build in the AgriGate. We would like to do another film focused on food buying. There is a restaurant in Cerrillos where they buy local. We would like to talk about that.

Ms. Baran-Rees said it is beautifully done.

Ms. Ortigoza said we have made progress with the website. She passed around a mock up of the home page explaining it is still in flux right now. We will be focusing on the film for now. The map feature and resources will have drop downs to click on. It will be really simple. We will have current events listed at the bottom that we will keep current. The map is the meat and potatoes of what we are building. This is a searchable database that is mapped. There will be a "help me find" section with categories such as local food producers and food buyers which will populate the map with what you are looking for. You will be able to find out who does it, where and how. The information for growers will have a directory of buyers with the requirements of the buyers and how they pay their vendors. For buyers, there will be a directory of farmers and who they are and what they do. We don't want to get it cluttered. We want it to be simple. The push is getting participation. We want to have 5 to 10 examples to show when launching this to ask for participation.

Mr. Winne asked will this be on YouTube.

Ms. Ortigoza said the video will be on YouTube. We are getting to the point

where we will figure out our social media plan. We have a ton of support in the County. When the timing is right we will figure out the launch strategy for that. She has been making presentations and giving out videos.

Co-Chair Perry said it would be wonderful to show this at a City Council meeting along with Councilor Villarreal's Resolution. This speaks so well for itself.

Ms. Baran-Rees said we should show it at the Legislature.

Co-Chair Perry said it covers what sustainability is about in a simple way. It is brilliant. When you are going to farmers and encouraging them to put information together for the website do you have a form for them to complete for input.

Ms. Ortigoza said yes, it is a Word document. We will have a place on the website where they can enter their information. It comes to her where she will review and edit it and enter the information into the system.

Ms. Boies asked what is the timeline for launching the website.

Ms. Ortigoza said around 3 months. There will be a lot of movement on this in the fall.

Ms. Roy asked do you still need our stories.

Ms. Ortigoza said yes. We need the content. The more you can help by giving content that would be really good. For our buyers, we would like to have Kitchen Angels on here as an initial buyer. She will send Tony what she has from before so he can review and edit it.

Ms. Ortigoza said she would like to have Harry's Roadhouse included as a buyer.

Co-Chair Sundberg said we would love to.

Ms. Ortigoza said send stories and pictures. Who you are, what you do, why you do it.

Mr. McCarty asked can he send a video.

Ms. Ortigoza said yes.

Ms. Flores said she needed additional information for Southwest so she can explain why she would like to get them on the site.

Ms. Ortigoza gave her a DVD of the film.

Ms. Ortigoza said there is not a link to the video at this time.

Ms. Boies asked how long is the film

Ms. Ortigoza said 5 minutes. Adam and 12 FPS were awesome. He has a drone that he used for filming. He is a huge asset. His way of telling a story visually is magical.

Ms. Baran-Rees asked how many extra DVDs do you have.

Ms. Ortigoza said she can make a lot. She wants to give one to all the Council members. She will give one to all the participants in the video as well. We just ordered another 50 and she will bring some to the next meeting.

Ms. Baran-Rees asked does Kierstan have any thoughts about stories from the Farmers Market.

Ms. Ortigoza said once we break the seal we will get a ton of stories. They are also doing their own directory. When we have everyone collectively telling their story we don't have to say a lot else. It is a very powerful tool in a lot of different ways. It is a different approach.

Mr. McCarty said it is the most exiting thing he has seen since he started.

Ms. Ortigoza asked for any other thoughts.

Mr. Winne said it is visually stunning and a great story. One criticism he has is that he did not get a call to action. He is used to having these things be about "we want you to do something." It is implied but not explicit. If there was a way to be a bit more forward in that way he thinks that would be good.

Ms. Ortigoza said it was a balance point. We wanted it to be a story and not an infomercial. The call to action is to tell your story. We don't want to put anymore pressure on people other than that. It was created to promote the website. We can add additional language to the website to make a more important ask. We didn't want to make it too forceful. She hears his point and as we work on this we will continue to think how to engage with people on this.

Co-Chair Sundberg said he thinks you have a lot of asks in it. Growers, kids, restaurants, this can be used as a tool for each group. That is the convincing factor of it. Someone watching it who does not know about it can decide what piece of it is important to them.

Ms. Ortigoza said we tried to make it versatile so you can pull the message you need from it. We could do a whole film on schools or land use.

Ms. Baran-Rees said it has this powerful effect of conveying the critical nature of this work from a multitude of perspectives. It has that capacity to be something for everyone.

Ms. Boies said it is beautiful. She appreciates that you talked with and filmed people from throughout the county. She did not see any Pueblo or Indian Land examples and wondered about that.

Ms. Ortigoza said it was thought about. We had thought of trying to get to Tesuque Farm, but that did not come together. It would be great if we could engage with them for the profile for AgriGate.

Ms. Roy said it is impeccable work Erin. In part the onus is on us and our role in this. It touches on all of the Food Plan. How can we engage more directly in this incredible tool that helps us guide priorities. It is amazing. How can we participate as a Food Policy Council. Thank you for sharing that the original concept came from this group.

Ms. Ortigoza said there have been plenty of years of neglect in these communities of people going out to them. It takes a while to gain trust.

Ms. Ortigoza said we don't want this to get outdated. If we have relationships and are checking in with them on a regular basis we can keep current. We will continue to go out and talk to them.

Ms. Baran-Rees said if the County sees this as valuable maybe they will make a commitment to staff someone to do that.

Ms. Ortigoza said or get more staff. We are making more awareness instead of just knowing there is a farm and hoping they can get a buyer. They can target what they do.

Co-Chair Perry said we are taking a very traditional way of making a living and taking care of the earth and helping to pull them into the 21st Century as to their work and connections. She loves your approach to this. It will help people get why it is so important to help farmers not to have to give up the work they love, but be successful in the area we live in.

Ms. Boies said the grassroots approach is exactly what we are working on as well with the Accountable Health Community project. We are embarking on a story telling project engaging people who are being served. The true worth of the network is people talking to people. That goes back to the indigenous sources.

Co-Chair Perry said the Department of Health is about community programs led

by people doing outreach with other folks. She is excited at a lot of levels and that this kind of model is where we are moving.

Ms. Flores said she is astounded that a farmer said he is having trouble finding workers. She feels that piece is missing here on the Spanish speaking community.

Ms. Ortigoza said the labor connection and work share and volunteer labor we heard a lot about. That is a good point for connection and awareness.

Ms. Baran-Rees said maybe there could be a place on the map for a farm to say they need help.

Ms. Ortigoza said we will have what you need for the farms. That will be shown.

Ms. Ortigoza said she had to leave meeting.

Ms. Roy said she wanted to acknowledge the County Planning Department for their work and for hiring the right person to do the work. The passion can't say enough. She hopes they all get the acknowledgments they deserve. You might want to share this with the Association of Counties.

Ms. Ortigoza said that would be a great opp. She will continue to present as opportunities arise. She will send out another email requesting stories and information.

Co-Chair Sundberg said thank you for the presentation.

Ms. Ortigoza left the meeting.

B. FOOD PLAN COMMITTEE

Co-Chair Sundberg said as we discussed at the last meeting the Mayor requested that we look into child hunger. We had a meeting early this month with Julie and Lisa from Community Services and Nick Schiavo. Nick is incredible at governance and what is happening in City government and Julie is super tied in. She sent us several reports regarding poverty, needs assessments, the County Gap Analysis and other information. First we need to get some money. Clearly we can't do this work ourselves. It will take someone we hire to give a full encompassing view of Santa Fe's youth hunger. Pam has reached out to Rosemary Romero.

Ms. Roy said she is a consultant to many different initiatives and has been for much of her life. She has worked on health, human resources, water, agriculture issues and other issues that are important to us for many years as a facilitator and on strategic plans and development. She is very interested. What would be helpful is to hone in a bit more on what that role looks like and if she is the appropriate person for one or both

projects. She is also a former City Councilor and understands the role of the City and County and understands policy. We will see where it goes. She did tell her that the Mayor asked for a business plan framework.

Mr. Winne asked what is the thinking on all of these reports. Review them and synthesize them and come up with recommendations on child hunger.

Co-Chair Sundberg said to create an asset map. Community Services is working on that now. It could potentially be a good tool for resource providers. They could use that to show what is available now. Then we can create a map going forward to show what it would take to end childhood hunger in 4 years. The City is planning to do a gap analysis as well and bring into play navigators to touch everyone who gets services to guide them to where they need to go. We can create a report to get to the Mayor and if he wants to he can execute it.

Co-Chair Perry said if he wants to move forward we need to come up with a metric so he can see if he is making a difference.

Ms. Baran-Rees said she wonders if it would be worth having a follow up meeting with the Mayor or his Chief of Staff and see how they see this would be utilized in the long term. These are critical needs, but does the Mayor have the political bandwidth to move on it. This is a herculean task. We have to write a grant to pay someone and have someone to do it. She wants to know they want to move on it with some kind of time frame.

Co-Chair Sundberg said that goes to Mark's comments from the last meeting.

Mr. Winne said lets have the right methodology rather than jump into something. Implementation is going to be the key here. He bets there is someone who is pretty savvy who could tell you what the gaps are without spending tens of thousands of dollars. Going to Mayor first is a good idea to talk about methodology and outcomes before we get into something that becomes another report that goes nowhere.

Ms. Baran-Rees said he could do something like calling the departments together and saying he wants them to follow up and empower them to do so.

Ms. Boies said this is a lot of work. It sounds like we are going to be getting a consultant to pull this together. We are not an implementing Body nor are we staff. We need to understand what the City staff commitment is to actually gather, study and produce this. She oversaw the Gap Analysis the County did. Just working with her to come up with that was huge.

Ms. Roy said the City already has some really amazing things to build on and an incredible relationship with the County to be able to see how things can work well. Maybe a next step is to see if Julie would be willing to pull the partners who are part of

her grant program together to focus on childhood hunger and do a facilitated asset mapping. That is one aspect of it. You also have Aspen Solutions who are working with all the groups doing programmatic work through the City to pull pieces together so there may already be those resources that exist. Maybe take that as the next step and see where that lands from that collective first step. Then go back to the Mayor and let him know that the City has a lot to offer already.

Mr. Winne said if the Mayor would appoint a task force made up of agencies with a stake in this and the County and the Council, with staff as the chair for guidance, they could come up with the recommendations. It feels like why are we doing what City government should be doing.

Ms. Baran-Rees said it sorts of feels like an arbitrary thing and we were there and received the task.

Ms. Roy asked do we have to go that far yet to create an organized effort.

Mr. McCarty said he agrees with Mark. We need a fresh approach to this. This is the same old thing that has been done. List of all the studies recently finished. He recommends a task force be formed with an entrepreneur to sit on that so perhaps a new approach could be found. You already have what the Mayor asked for. We have the business plan. We don't need to get into the programmatic business end of it. If this was given to someone like Tracey or Ed Shaper, who have done huge projects in different areas of industry, they could make it work.

Co-Chair Perry said you are right. We are a Policy Advisory Council.

Mr. McCarty said this is great work. Give this to the Mayor as what you have done in response to his task.

Mr. Winne asked are we missing something here.

Co-Chair Sundberg said he doesn't think so. Most of the conversation has been the discovery part. Nick was great about saying transportation is a huge part of this. They are finishing the Transit Plan now. He said we need to jump into that. It was nice to have him in the know to navigate the City bureaucracy. He agrees on why we are doing the work. Maybe the next step is to give him this.

Co-Chair Perry said she thinks Tony is right. We have the consultants who have worked in this area for quite a while. They have it all in their heads.

Ms. Roy said when the Mayor made this suggestion we felt the first thing to do was to go to City staff who have been working on this for some time. Does Mr. Shaper facilitate.

Mr. McCarty said no.

Mr. Winne said his suggestion is to prepare a memo back to the Mayor outlining our recommendations on this.

Co-Chair Sundberg said lets try to get a meeting with him and give him our recommendations.

Mr. Winne said there is something to be said about having something in writing.

Co-Chair Perry said if we going to do that we should have the Chief of Staff at the meeting as well. She could actually take a look at the operational part of it. He will not be implementing this himself. It seems having the Chief of Staff in the room could help guide the conversation in terms of City action.

Ms. Roy said she recommends staff working on this directly, Julie and Nick, be there as well. She would not want to meet without them. Patricia with your work on this it is important to have you there as well.

Ms. Boies said it would be good to have us give something in writing to the Mayor before we have another meeting. For clarity.

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. Winne, seconded by Ms. Baran-Rees, to prepare a memo requesting a meeting with the Mayor and Chief of Staff indicating that we feel this is a City responsibility and we are willing to play a role, but recommending a Mayoral Task Force on ending childhood hunger be created to work on this that includes City agencies, County agencies and relevant non government organizations.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ms. Roy asked what is the timeline on that.

Co-Chair Sundberg said we will work on it at the next Food Plan meeting.

Co-Chair Sundberg said the second piece is procurement within City government. We are keeping in touch with Councilor Villarreal. She is really interested in pushing forward a Resolution by the Governing Body. Ms. Perry forwarded a piece from the Albuquerque Journal to the Mayor talking about Mayor Keller's work in Albuquerque. We have had nice emails back and forth with the Mayor. He seems quite interested in this.

Co-Chair Perry said the Mayor asked for a baseline for local procurement. She said it would be really helpful to have him direct staff who are in food intensive departments to provide for FY 2017 the invoices and vendors for invoices for their

purchases to do a baseline for him. He was very positive in his emails.

Ms. Roy said she offered to send him the 2 reports done on food procurement in agencies, hospitals and corrections facilities. That would be a good baseline and they have solid recommendations in them.

Mr. Winne asked would it be helpful to gather research information from Mayor Keller's office to share with our Mayor and Councilor Villarreal.

Ms. Roy said she left a message with his economic development director who is the person focused on it. She has not heard back yet. His vision comes from the food audit when he was State Auditor.

Mr. Winne said we could get information on some of his practical things that would be easy to implement.

Ms. Enright said she and Pam met with Senator Stefanics and she is a real champion for getting fresh foods and vegetables for seniors. She would like us to come up with 3 ideas for Legislation by September or October. Her previous legislation will be a starting point and the foundation for this. We had a great meeting. Pam did a great job around finding other energy for the task.

Ms. Roy said we will be working on looking at options and existing programs and how we can potentially build on those and further the benefit to our community with partners who have a potential structure. Scott, who was recommended by Sherry, joined she and Tracey at the meeting. We need to look at this through a broader lens.

Ms. Boies asked is she still planning to pursue the legislation from last year.

Ms. Enright said this is putting some shape to that. It is a way to get clarity about how it will happen and the kind of programs we want. It is putting more flesh on it.

Ms. Roy said and sharing where similar programs are now. We shared that Santa Fe County is piloting this right now. We want to coordinate the efforts. She is really receptive to that and making a realistic and successful program. She is a willing legislative champion. We thought through other Legislators who may be interested in this as well.

C. EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

Mr. McCarty reported that our speaker dropped out and we got Sydney Martin who did the program at the last moment. We do need to commit to these on a regular basis. We are hoping Patricia will step in for September.

Ms. Boies said she will let him know. She can talk about accountable communities. If she can do it she will.

Co-Chair Perry said it is an opportunity to share what the County is doing. You could come back when you have more to add to it. So many people don't know what you all are doing.

Mr. McCarty said for October email him if you want to speak for World Food Day.

Ms. Roy said it is National Farm to School month as well. She asked if she could do the program as well.

Mr. McCarty said he will ask if it would be possible to do 2 radio shows in October. We moved Erin to November. We have December open. If anyone has ideas send to him, Helen or Tracey.

Ms. Baran-Rees said we could talk about the bill.

Mr. McCarty said we did reach out to the Food Depot and their advocacy committee. We also have the revised version of our talking points. Once it is complete we will send it out to you for your ideas.

Co-Chair Perry said Richard Eeds still gets confused about the name of our Council and who is on it. If you hear him say the wrong thing be mindful of catching that.

Mr. McCarty said he will remind him of that.

Ms. Enright said if anyone has anything for social media let her know. Our most popular tweet was "Get To Know Your Local 1farmer."

Ms. Boies said the Neighbor to Neighbor Food Drive for the Food Depot is coming up. You may want to add that.

Co-Chair Perry said you could remind people about their gardens and that any amount they want to donate from their garden is welcome for Feeding Santa Fe as well. They welcome that. Since we are in harvest season and we had an amazing fruit season gather that and drop it off if it is going to go unused.

Mr. Winne asked did you ever get any coverage about the change in the vending machines at City Hall.

Ms. Enright said we did a post about that and can do another one.

Co-Chair Perry said this is roaring along. They are getting ready to put one

across from the City Council Chambers and other sites in the City. When she has locations she will send Tracey an update.

Ms. Baran-Rees said the women who started this healthy vending machine business are community heroes. They are powerhouse people.

Co-Chair Perry said it is such a pleasure to work with them and she loves it that this will help support their life with their kids.

Mr. McCarty said it sounds like a perfect topic for an Eeds show. Email him the information.

Co-Chair Perry said they started doing this because they saw the kind of food kids were bringing to school. It would be a good story for Eeds.

D. STATE AND NATIONAL ISSUES

Ms. Roy said we have already talked about the State senior initiatives. We are working on legislation for a statewide program of fresh fruits and vegetables. We are looking at funding, adding an educational component and who is responsible. It is encouraging that there is so much interest and engagement and commitment. We asked Governor Martinez to create a proclamation for New Mexico Farm to School Month and to have a meeting with her staff on these initiatives. We are focusing also on what other initiatives we can, as a Council and City and County, support that is food and agriculture focused.

Ms. Roy said the New Mexico Food Council is meeting on October 31st and it will be a meeting with presentations. We will have a statewide meeting and invite everyone to come in the morning to build on issues and then will come back to the City and County for resolutions of support.

Ms. Roy reported the Farm Bill is on the ramp up again. The House passed their version. Our work as a Council is important. We had the City and the County put forward Resolutions with areas of emphasis around certain programs. Those Resolutions have highly benefitted us. The House version is very conservative. It cuts SNAP and includes work requirements. The Senate Bill has many of the things we are interested in included. We are working with other groups and coalitions who have been focused on what our priorities are. Our Congressional Delegation has been very supporting and integral. Now this work goes to a Conference Committee that is structured from the House and Senate Agriculture Committees. Congresswoman Lujan Grisholm is on that committee so as a State we have a key role. She has drafted a letter that is in the packet that she would like you to look at and approve. She received the letter. It gives a snapshot of programs included and effected.

Ms. Baran-Rees said this letter is lobbying.

Ms. Roy said she wanted to educate where we are at on issues. A letter like this can be to educate our Congressional leadership.

Ms. Baran-Rees asked is there a prohibition on lobbying for the Council.

Ms. Enright said once there is mention of a specific bill it is lobbying.

Ms. Baran-Rees asked as a Food Council is that ok.

Ms. Boies said we have to recommend that our Board of County Commissioners support the legislation.

Co-Chair Perry said we have done it that way for the City as well.

Ms. Roy said the City and County did Resolutions and we advocated for a program in a letter previously.

Ms. Baran-Rees said there are ways of writing this and not speaking to the bill. Advocacy rather than lobbying. Issue education.

Co-Chair Sundberg asked do you recommend rewriting this.

Co-Chair Perry said we want to find a way to support this, but do the right thing.

Ms. Boies said lets do some wordsmithing.

Ms. Flores left the meeting.

Ms. Boies said we can tie into the Resolutions that have already been passed.

Ms. Baran-Rees said then this letter could be sent by other organizations as well.

Ms. Roy said so it will focus on the Resolutions and leave out the words Farm Bill.

Co-Chair Sundberg said yes, so then we are supporting what the City and County already did.

Ms. Roy said in the second paragraph we will add "Santa Fe County passed resolutions" and in paragraph 3 we will change it to say "we reiterate the priorities of the" and we will remove "as pertains to the Farm Bill."

Co-Chair Sundberg said "we reiterate" not "we would like to reiterate."

Mr. Winne said he would like to see the inclusion of a reference to CFP in this for full funding.

Ms. Roy said we will do that and for \$9 million. It will be a final bullet.

Co-Chair Perry said remove the "specific ask that you include permanent funding" paragraph.

Co-Chair Perry asked are you going to rewrite this and we will vote on it next time.

Ms. Roy said we need to vote on it now.

MOTION A motion was made by Ms. Baran-Rees, seconded by Mr. McCarty, to approve the revised letter.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ms. Roy asked would you like this letter to go to our Congressional Delegation.

Everyone said yes.

E. GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Co-Chair Perry said she has had a discussion with the City Clerk and asked that someone not as busy as Gino be assigned to our Council from the City. The Clerk will follow up on that. We want Senior Services represented.

Co-Chair Perry left the meeting.

Ms. Roy said she is going to ask Teresa Casados if she would like to address the Council.

2. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No Report.

I. ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR

None.

J. ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL

Mr. McCarty invited everyone to go see the B-52s.


Mr. McCarty said Kitchen Angels is going to be working on building a Santa Fe Food and Community Project if you have any ideas. We are going to have a series of salon discussions about the food future and present. The first one is in October. He will send the information out to the full Council.

K. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council the meeting adjourned at 11:02 am.



David Sundberg, Co-Chair



Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer