



Agenda



Santa Fe City and County, Advisory Council on Food Policy
 October 26, 2017, 9AM-11AM
Tesuque Pueblo
Intergeneration Center
Activity Room 103
Location: Tesuque Pueblo Road 804

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
 DATE 10/18/17 TIME 9:30am
 PREPARED BY Sue Perry
 APPROVED BY [Signature]

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –October 26, 2017
 Prioritization and Agenda Order 5 minutes
- D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –September 28, 2017
- E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR 45 minutes
 Tesuque Pueblo Governor and Council Welcome and discussion of programs.
- F. PRESENTATIONS: Council discussion and summary of Food Forum and next steps 45 minutes
- G. Items from the Chair: None
- H. Staff Communications: See presentations
- I. INITIATIVES AND ACTIONS 15 minutes
 - 2. Policy Committees: Announce upcoming committee meeting dates. No committee reports this meeting.
 Brief discussion of SF Food Policy Council’s role in Mayoral and City Council Candidates Forum, sponsored by the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission, November 14, 2-4pm, City Council Chambers
- J. Tesuque Pueblo Agricultural projects and demonstrations-Tour
- K. ADJOURNMENT

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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 Co-Chair Sue Perry at 9:00 am on Wednesday, October 26, 2017 at the Tesuque Pueblo Intergenerational Center, Activity Room 103, Tesuque Pueblo Road 804, Tesuque Pueblo, New Mexico.

B. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Susan Perry, Co-Chair
David Sundberg
Kierstan Pickens
Susan Odiseos
Erin Ortigoza
Pamela Roy
Patricia Boies
Carolina Flores
Emigdio Ballon

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mark Winne, Co-Chair
Tony McCarty, Excused
John Alejandro, Excused
Cydney Martin, Excused

OTHERS PRESENT

Governor Mark Mitchell
Lt. Governor Travis Vigil
Councilman Daniel Hana
Councilman Galen Moyer
Councilman Gerald Mitchell
Katherine Vigil
Dr. La Luz
Pam Walker
Helen Henry

Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

Chair Perry recognized Dr. La Luz, Director of Health and Wellness for the Tesuque Pueblo.

Dr. La Luz welcomed the Food Policy. He said this facility is new and a very active center that is well utilized. He is very interested in what this Council is doing. Food is the very essence of everything. Please let him know if he can be of any service.

Mr. Ryan Swazo Hinds introduced himself as a Tribal Councilman and biologist with the Environment Department.

Ms. Vigil said good morning and welcome to our facility. We serve all community members here. We do a lot of patient case management such as picking up medications and making and transportation to appointments. We work with all the departments including the library of this faculty. She has been here for 4 years and it is great to work here.

The Food Policy Council introduced themselves.

Ms. Roy thanked Emigdio for working with the Governor to make this happen. It is a privilege to be here.

Governor Mitchell said good morning and welcome. When your request came before Council we usually do not allow outsiders, but working with farms and organic farms is very important to us. We are fighting for our water rights now. It is important to use water for everything we are doing. When it comes to feeding our people we are trying to go back to the old ways. So much is happening in the world and it is impacting our people. Number 1 is diabetes. We want our people educated on consuming good food and practicing what our ancestors did. We put in our farm as much produce as we can and each of us have our own properties and plant our own crops. He looks forward to hearing your agenda and what goals and objectives you all have. Our Tribal Government has its own goals and objectives. We work a lot with the City and County and City Council. We want to improve relationships, but our number 1 goal is to get our people healthy by way of education and the correct foods and amount of foods to eat. However, when it comes to feast that is a different story. He asked if any of the Councilmen have comments.

Lt. Governor Vigil said he appreciates the initiative of this organization to move forward with Emigdio and his program. We are happy to have you here. We support them 100%. He hopes the Council can have a good session here and have good things come out of it. We hope to see you soon.

Councilman Mitchell said welcome to our Pueblo. Hopefully we can collaborate.

Councilman Moyer said it is good to meet you all. He has heard a lot about this organization from Emigdio. You are doing good work. It is good you are here and can tie in to the work we are doing on the farm and feeding our elders. We think of them first before distributing food to anyone else. Look forward to hearing more.

Mr. Ballon said thank you Governor, Lt. Governor and Council for opening the doors to us. The Governor is trying to ensure good health for the Pueblo. We are going this direction. After this we will go see all the work we are doing. Thank you again Governor and Council for your hospitality. He is from the outside too and thank you for this.

Chair Perry said thank you for allowing us to come here and learn from you. We are fans of what you are doing.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. Sundberg, seconded by Ms. Odiseos, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES SEPTEMBER 28, 2017

Mr. Pickens said on page 3, Lani is the correct spelling.

Ms. Roy said on page 10, 3rd paragraph, it should say Ms. Roy.

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

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

F. PRESENTATIONS: COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND SUMMARY OF FOOD FORUM AND NEXT STEPS

Ms. Roy said in your packet is a capture of notes that she did to summarize the

points made and suggestions from the Forum. Also you will find a document where Elizabeth Martin captured the forum through the recording. Helen provided a summary of the surveys done so far. For those who have not completed a survey we would like to have one from everyone. If you want to do it on paper take one of these.

Ms. Roy said Mark asked her to provide a summary which she sent out. From the outcomes of the day she thinks we met our target. Our goal was local food procurement and economy and what that looks like. She heard from health providers that we are working towards progress. Our goal around helping people understand what procurement looks like and the policy around it seems sometimes daunting. People said they really got the reality around that and what it means to agriculture. Erin's presentation was stellar about where we get our food and how we need to support farmers. People seemed to gain a lot from Auditor Keller's presentation. It was clear in helping us to know what it means to help our agencies buy local food which included a report baseline on food. Commissioner Hansen stayed for the whole thing and went to the reception. She would like to work on a Resolution with us to focus on local food procurement with the County. Councilor Villarreal was almost there the whole time. She and the Mayor are very interested in following up with us with something similar to that. We have great work ahead of us. There were good examples from communities around the country and what it looks like in terms of policy. Those were some of the outcomes of the day. Having a couple of focused goals helped. Also Sue and Patricia's present on the connection with health was well received. Connecting where food came from and how we access it and the relationship with the health of the community was valuable. The Governor said it perfectly. There is great importance in connections and in Ms. Vigil's work here. She is looking forward to hearing more from you all. Some of the take aways. She sent personnel notes to all of the speakers, the Mayor and Councilors and our sponsors. The restaurant gifted the event and offered to us another meeting there. We are so grateful to be here. It is truly a privilege and an honor to have a meeting here. To Erin and Patricia's work anything we can do to integrate what we want to do. The planning ahead of time and the work over months to put this event on showed. 67 people participated. We want to make sure we follow up and integrate that interest and intent into our committees. Thank you Pam for the article and to *Green Fire Times* and *SF Edible* for being there.

Chair Perry said the question is what action steps should we be focusing on to do something with all this information. The idea is that we work with our committees to follow up. Also because it was not as interactive as we would have liked the fact that we had some Commissioners and Councilors who were there was valuable in pulling them in on the issues. Auditor Keller's talk from someone in leadership was great. He brought the information down to a local level.

Ms. Odiseos said the whole process and what we have been doing the past few months is awareness about us and what we do. She commends this group. It is an important part of our work

Mr. Sundberg said for him the best take aways were the statistics. We should see if they can make a national report on that by the end of the year. One of the best things we can do from a Policy standpoint is distill these numbers down to simple numbers and take that to leaders and leaders of departments. He hopes we can pull out the growth factors on that. These numbers are spot on and a massive amount of money. Apply that to the missing infrastructure. If we invest that money in local companies then private investment in capital will follow.

Mr. Sundberg said he would like to know from the Pueblo what impact the investment in farming has had on the community in terms of keeping jobs and capital staying in the community.

Governor Mitchell said 3 people are the full staff for the Farm. When you go up there they are the guys doing everything. The rest of us have our own plots. The end result is when they do have the produce it usually goes to seniors first and then to others. The overall capital program started in the 80s so he does not know the total amount of resources it takes. Our objective is making sure that instead of us going out and purchasing food we have it here and can subsidize it for the schools. That was our thought process in doing this. Resources and funding is all coming from Tribal funds at this point and we are driving what these gentleman are doing. Teseque Pueblo dropped a bill in Washington called the Seed Sovereignty Bill . Unfortunately that bill was watered down and did not hold anything after. We are trying to safeguard our seeds from generation after generation. We have our own policies and procedures that we can disclose and cannot disclose. As we move forward in working with our Farm Department our objective is to bring awareness world wide. We are looking at sustaining ourselves going back to what our ancestors did. Back then there was no diabetes. Now there is. The foods consumed then were not processed and were good for them.

Councilman Hana said our main return on investment is our community not a dollar figure. We are working with our schools. Our kids are safe out in the fields. They are close to home and they see what their land can produce. It gives the elders the ability to remember the fields way back in the day and they are reassured that this will not be lost and is still being taught. That is priceless and a good return on investment. In our fields our youth don't have to worry about pesticides or anything. That is our priceless return on investment. Teaching people across the world.

Chair Perry said she expected that would be what you are looking for. When kids are anchored in their community it is important to grounding.

Councilor Hana said he wishes we could invest more into the farms; however, the way the economy is we have to do what we have to do to survive. Growing food is part of that.

Governor Mitchell said he had to leave. He has another meeting that was already set. Thank you all for inviting us and vice versa. We hope through Emigdio to continue

to get updates on what you are trying to do. The City of Santa Fe is sitting on our ancestral homeland. There are place names within the City that we all know of. Hopefully we can foster a better relationship. Pueblo people are farmers first and we still practice that. We are doing this because we are in water rights litigation and have been for 50 some years and we are trying to prove and show that we are using our water the way we are supposed to use it, but it is a complex issue. We are a sovereign government within the United States. We have to continuously educate folks about the dos and don'ts. With us everything has to come through Tribal Council for approval. We are willing to work side by side to accomplish our goals as well. The bottom line is food education, health and wellness of our people continuing our long history of farming and using the land and passing that along to our younger generation so they continue to do that. Our major goal is to curb and stop diabetes. Education and food is the only way to do that. They need to learn how to take care of themselves. There is a worldwide push for that. It is complex for us. We have our own seed bank and success stories. The Hopi Nation is doing the same kind of thing. Worldwide we know there is a seed bank up north. Our objective is to take care of our own seeds that have been passed down. There are a lot of complex issues out there. It all boils down to what we are eating today. We need to go back to what our ancestors did. We all feel that is the right way of doing things. To inform you we are keeping our Tribal religion going. It does call for wild game and we practice that as well. It is not about a trophy animal it is putting food on the table. We hope your meeting is prosperous and that you meet your goals and objectives. Emigdio will give us the end result and we look forward to crossing paths in the future. We are interested in your Council. We reach out government to government. Teseque is striving forward. Thank you.

Councilman Hana said November 12th is our Feast Day. You are all invited. There will be traditional foods and dancing.

Chair Perry said thank you very much. Is there anything else on the Food Forum.

Ms. Ortigoza said she thought we had a lot of great things. One thing that stood out to her was that she was glad procurement representatives were there to hear the examples Betsy put out. It is good to know there are opportunities for the County to piggy back on. We can move that forward in a good way while not have it feel intimidating to employees to have to create a new system.

Mr. Ballon said it was very interesting for all the members of the Council to hear what the Governor said and the way they are thinking. When we are talking about growing locally and globally in the Pueblo we try to make the community sustainable. It takes so much. When we plant one fruit tree and the tree costs \$15 to \$20 . You can produce lots of apples and that investment pays off if they are all used. We are looking at the possibility of storage or transport going directly to people in the community. It is so important to check in with the community. If they are producing their own food they are going to be independent. It is a very wonderful example to come over here. This is the first time he saw so many members of the Council and the Governor making this

connection. He hopes to continue the relationship with Teseque and other Pueblos. The Council needs to see what situation is in each place to make connections with people. Thank you for coming here.

Ms. Boies said this will be helpful when we get moving on the pilot program for the senior program with the County. We can put emphasis on that now and use it as a model for the future. We as an organization have more power than we know.

Mr. Sundberg said he heard a lot of comments from people that they need more information on Erin's project. That is a new concept. How does the bank work. How does that promote more local agriculture but maintain the traditions and more open space.

Ms. Ortigoza said clarity on that program is a huge thing we are working on. Over the next year we will be doing lots of education. It preserves the opportunity to farm. It does not mandate farming.

Ms. Pickens said Simon Brackley from the Chamber said their focus is on infill rather than sprawl. This program is a way to break down silos.

Ms. Ortigoza said we are working with the development community so that farms can sell, but we need buyers for them. No one will get compensated if no one is ready to buy.

Ms. Roy said she is really grateful for what the Governor just shared. She would love to follow up with Emigdio on programmatic things and really about everything happening on the Pueblo. She would love to learn how government programs support some of the nutrition programs on the Pueblo and if there is a place to help further tie in what you do here. You can provide food from the farm directly into senior centers and schools. Are there areas you see for tie ins. Auditor Keller said incentivize. Are there programs that exist in the City and County. It is an interesting way to look at it. Are there other programs in the City and County that help to encourage food production.

Ms. Ortigoza said we are not incentivising but encouraging is what we are doing. She doesn't know about incentivising. Maybe an agriculture incentive. Encouraging is the important piece for us. We could have a possible pilot project working with the acequia and proposed management of land and land management with partners showing the path from taking land from scrub to cover crops and use water. A lot of it is clarity.

Ms. Roy said she had 2 calls in the last month from next generation folks who own land in Nambe who are doing just that. They wanted information on crops they can do. She is thinking about more opportunity. To your point Sue, next steps is food production and land use further work. Any of the policies related to this work and progress work on that and update the food plan report. Wednesday, November 15th is

the next meeting of that Committee. To Patricia what would be helpful is to work with you and Erin and Commissioner Hansen on how to build on these efforts. Think about how to structure her Resolution.

Ms. Ortigoza said we hesitated to do a Resolution initially. What would be helpful is a Resolution that sets a general concept for procurement, but focuses on this pilot of something tangible to focus on.

Ms. Boies said let's talk about that in another meeting.

Chair Perry said the Food Plan Committee meets next week. Governance is the third Monday.

G. ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR

None.

H. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

None.

I. INITIATIVES AND ACTIONS

1. POLICY COMMITTEES

Chair Perry said she was contacted about doing a forum with Sustainable Santa Fe.

Ms. Roy said we discussed recently about helping to host a candidates forum for Mayor. The sustainable Santa Fe Commission Chair asked if we would be interested in pairing up with them to do that. They planned on a November 14th candidates forum from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Because both of our Councils or Commissions are publically appointed we are not allowed to host those meetings. She asked the Green Chamber to do that and they are going to.

Chair Perry said we should put it in our calendars to be there.

Ms. Roy said the forum will be in the City Council chambers she thinks. We need to come up with a couple of questions to ask the candidates pertinent to our issues. If anyone is interested in working on that let her know.

Ms. Vigil said she had to leave. She stated that with the program she works with they did a senior garden project last year. We started out with 7 seniors and ended up

with 4. The purpose was to promote healthy food and lifestyle. They enjoyed being out there. They all shared stories of how they grew up. Emigdio helped us. The following year we put it into our CHR scope of work and got the funding federally through our IHS contract. The senior program also has state funding and we can use it toward this. We included the library. We did another project this year. This year we started with 15 and ended up with 13. We take them through the whole thing, getting fields ready, planting seeds in the greenhouse and so forth. It is hard work. Once they get into the harvest and how we do transplanting and direct seeding they are so excited. When everything comes out they are so happy. They go there and get food. We planted lots of flowers, melons from traditional seeds, corn, squash, cucumbers, lettuce, peas, carrots, and so on. They really enjoyed being out there. It is a social activity as well. What was so nice was us all out there together and when something came up and someone has the first melon everyone cheers. They are looking forward to next year. Traditional farming is what we are pushing. Now we have a tractor. Her grandfather used to be a farmer and he did huge fields on his own. There would be a huge field of corn, one all beans and one all chili and when harvest time came the corn was piled high and elders would sit all day peeling corn and telling stories. She grew up in that environment. Our children do not understand that part and how hard it is to work in the fields. We have a summer program where 45 to 60 kids come. We include the farming program in that. They go up there and see how things are done to connect the youth and elders. Her grandson was in the fields since age 2. Now he is 6 and he knows how to plant and water and take care of the seeds. He tells the teacher at the school how to do it. She is really proud. Hopefully when she gets too old he will take over. Maybe with this kind of healthy food and lifestyle and exercise being out there we can address diabetes. When she takes the elders out there she wants to limit them to an hour, but they don't want to leave. They enjoy it.

Chair Perry said thank you for sharing that.

Ms. Odiseos said at Feeding Santa Fe we became acutely aware of disability and obesity so we do not accept any donations of sweet or fat items.

Ms. Vigil asked how many Pueblos will you be involving in this Council. Several are doing food producing.

Ms. Odiseos said we are providing food bags at Teseque, Santa Clara and San Ildefonso though Emigdio.

Chair Perry said she suggests we go on tour.

Ms. Flores asked one thing from Erin's presentation. Is there any research on how much needs to be grown to meet the needs for agency procurement.

Ms. Ortigoza said there was a study done on the demand side. We don't have exact numbers for the production side. We do have an understanding that in general

the supply does not meet the existing demand. We want to focus on encouraging those interested to explore more wholesale farm methods for production and help them transition. That is an identified area of focus.

Ms. Roy said there is an executive summary of a report in your packets about procurement. It speaks to what is procured by agencies. She has a call in to Dr. Patrick at NMSU. They did a smaller report that spoke to production and how it could potentially meet procurement. He has done additional research as well. She is hoping to get that for us.

Ms. Pickens said there were discussions about this Forum being a series. She is in preliminary conversations with Erin now to do training early next year. How to scale up peer to peer training wholesale. Secondly this will be the opportunity to bring all those wholesale buyers into the same room with growers.

Ms. Roy said she is excited about the aggregate.

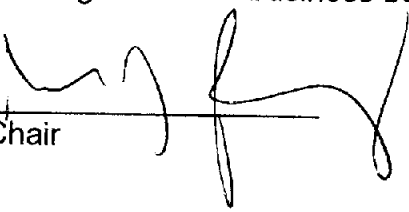
Ms. Ortigoza said on Monday we are going to go out to a ranch to get footage on ranchers on public lands experiences. We have 23 minutes of solid good stories. We have got a lot of different ways to use our footage in the future.

J. TESUQUE PUEBLO AGRICULTURE PROJECTS AND DEMONSTRATIONS TOUR

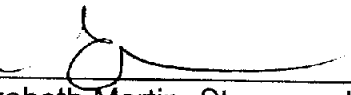
The meeting adjourned to go on the tour.

K. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Council the meeting adjourned at 10:35 am.



Sue Perry, Chair



Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer