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CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-113

INTRODUCED BY:

Councilor Calvert
Councilor Wurzbarger
Councilor Chavez
Councilor Bushee

A RESOLUTION

**ENDORING A TRANSITIONAL TRANSPORTATION VOUCHER PROGRAM FOR
SANTA FE RIDE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS.**

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe, like many communities across the country, has experienced reduced tax revenues due to the current economic climate; and

WHEREAS, the revenue loss necessitated transit division service reductions in both Santa Fe Trails and Santa Fe Ride program operations; and

WHEREAS, effective November 2nd 2009, Santa Fe Ride Program hours of operation will be reduced to match Santa Fe Trails hours of operation; and

WHEREAS, the elderly and/or disabled participants of the Santa Fe Ride Program will no longer have Santa Fe Ride service available twenty-four hours per day three-hundred sixty-five days per year; and

WHEREAS, many Santa Fe Ride program participants and advocates for the elderly and disabled attended the Transit Advisory Board Meeting on September 1, 2009, and the City Council Meeting on September 9, 2009, at which they petitioned that a “safety net” of sorts be

1 put in place for program participants that would serve occasional transportation needs of program
2 participants when the Santa Fe Ride Program will be closed; and

3 **WHEREAS**, many petitioners suggested that if such a “safety net” were to be instituted,
4 a modest increase in fares would be acceptable to fund such a program.

5 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
6 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that:

7 1. Santa Fe Trails staff shall develop a transitional transportation voucher program
8 for the remainder of FY 2009/10 and bring the proposal to the Governing Body for consideration.
9 The program shall provide every Santa Fe Ride program participant vouchers for two (2) trips,
10 delivered by Capital City Cab, during hours when the Santa Fe Ride Program does not operate
11 service. For FY 2009/10, this program shall be funded by receipts from the non-recurring
12 revenue stream stemming from a natural gas tax rebate made available through the alternative
13 energy tax incentive program.

14 2. In the final quarter of FY 2009/10, Santa Fe Trails staff shall poll Santa Fe Ride
15 Program participants to gauge public opinion as to whether the transitional voucher program shall
16 be continued beyond FY2009/10 and funded by increasing fares for premium “on-demand” trips
17 (trips delivered the same day rather than as a result of a reservation made the previous day). The
18 result of the poll of Santa Fe Ride Program participants, and current statistics on program usage
19 during FY2009/10, shall be brought back to the Transit Advisory Board for consideration.

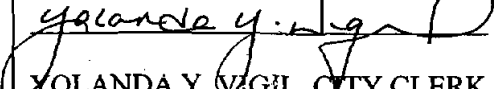
20 PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 10th day of November, 2009.

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24 DAVID COSS, MAYOR
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1 ATTEST:

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4 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

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6 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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9 FRANK D. KATZ, CITY ATTORNEY

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