

1 CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

2 RESOLUTION NO. 2008-64

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A RESOLUTION

11 REQUESTING THAT THE TRANSIT DIVISION STAFF ESTABLISH A NO-COST BUS
12 PROGRAM THAT WOULD SERVE THE TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OF SANTA
13 FE'S YOUTH, 18 AND UNDER; AND REQUESTING THAT THE MAYOR'S YOUTH
14 ADVISORY BOARD, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES STAFF
15 AND TRANSIT DIVISION STAFF MODIFY EXISTING ROUTES TO BETTER
16 ACCOMMODATE YOUTH, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION DESIGNATED STOPS
17 AND APPROPRIATE SCHEDULES.

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19 WHEREAS, there is a need to make the Santa Fe Trails Transit System ("Transit
20 System") more accessible for youth under the age of 18; and

21 WHEREAS, the 2007-2008 Needs Assessment Report of the Children and Youth
22 Commission cited transportation as a need for teens who would participate in more Children and
23 Youth funded activities if they had transportation to and from the programs; and

24 WHEREAS, with additional Transit System routes and no-cost bus passes, youth could
25 become more involved in Children and Youth funded programs, academic activities, extra

1 curricular activities, sports and employment; and

2 **WHEREAS**, the rising cost of gasoline makes it difficult for youth to be involved in such
3 programs and activities; and

4 **WHEREAS**, use of the Transit System would give youth a sense of independence
5 because they wouldn't have to rely on their parents to provide transportation; and

6 **WHEREAS**, families would save gas, money and time if their youth are using the
7 Transit System; and

8 **WHEREAS**, by making use of the Transit System as a young person, bus riding could
9 become a lifelong habit as well as an example for other family members to use the Transit
10 System; and

11 **WHEREAS**, currently the Transit System offers discounted fares for youth between the
12 ages of five through 17 as well as a three month (June, July and August) Y.E.S. (Youth Enjoying
13 Summer) pass for youth between six and 17; and

14 **WHEREAS**, year round no-cost bus passes would benefit the needs of youth in our
15 community.

16 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
17 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the Transit Division staff establish a no-cost bus program that would
18 serve the transit needs of all of Santa Fe's youth, 18 and under.

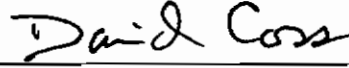
19 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor's Youth Advisory Board, with the
20 assistance of Community Services staff and Transit Division staff modify existing routes to better
21 accommodate youth, taking into consideration designated stops and appropriate schedules.

22 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that such recommendations should also include
23 a process, developed by Transit staff, which designates the steps and documentation that would
24 be required in order to obtain a no-cost bus pass.

25 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the process for adopting such routes and no-

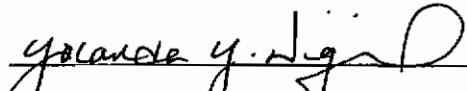
1 cost bus passes shall comply with all applicable state laws and federal regulations.

2 PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 30th day of July, 2008.


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5 DAVID COSS, MAYOR

6 ATTEST:

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9 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

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11 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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14 FRANK D. KATZ, CITY ATTORNEY

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