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SANTA FE SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 15, 2012

City Councilor's Conference Room

200 Lincoln Avenue

4:00 p.m.

955-6707

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - a. May 16, 2012
 - b. June 13, 2012
- III. Report of the Liaison
- IV. Acceptance of a Resolution that Santa Fe establish a Sister City Relationship with the City of Livingstone, Zambia
- V. Report of the Committees
- VI. Report of Chair
- VI. Adjournment

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Sister Cities Committee
August 15, 2012**

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Approval of Minutes <u>May 16, 2012</u> Correction: Page 2 – Change Osaka to Lusaka. Carol Robertson Lopez was excused. <u>June 13, 2012</u>	Mr. Olivas moved to approve the minutes of May 16, 2012 as amended, second by Ms. Lopez, motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Mr. Olivas moved to approve the minutes of June 13, 2012 as presented, second by Mr. Case, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.	2
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Acceptance of Resolution that Santa Fe establish a Sister City Relationship with the City of Livingston, Zambia	Ms. Robertson Lopez moved to approve Acceptance of Resolution that Santa Fe establish a Sister City Relationship with the City of Livingston, Zambia, second by Mr. Case, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.	3
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Sister Cities Committee

MINUTES

August 15, 2012 – 4:00 to 5:00 pm
City Councilor's Conference Room
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Sister Cities Committee was called to order at 5:05 pm by the Acting Chair, Rudy Fernandez. Roll Call constitutes a quorum.

I. Roll Call

Members Present

Rudy Fernandez, Acting Chair
Arthur Olivas
Jeff Case for Bernard Rubenstein
Kim Song
Carol Robertson Lopez

Members Absent

Gilbert Delgado, Chair, Excused
Bernard Rubenstein, Excused
Ling Tong

Staff Present:

Julie Bystrom

Others Present:

Anna Serrano for Frances Lucero, Stenographer

II. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Lopez moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Mr. Olivas, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

III. Approval of Minutes

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IV. Staff Liaison Report – Julie Bystrom

- New Contract is in place for the association in the amount of \$15,000.
- The month has been very busy with the groups from Africa, South Korea and the 10 students from Japan.
- The Sorrento group could not make it at the last minute. Mayor Coss wrote a letter with a new invitation to visit Santa Fe. The Mayor suggested that the Committee stay away from scheduling during Folk Art week in order to give our visitors more dedicated attention. During an event as Folk Art, it does not provide quality time for our visitors.
- There are two groups scheduled to visit in October; Mayor and Businessmen and Educational Group. The Educational Group is being scheduled for the Spring.
- Zambia was wonderful. Incredible trip which provided a visit with the Prime Minister. Everyone traveled by Van to Livingstone.

V. Acceptance of Resolution that Santa Fe establish a Sister City Relationship with the City of Livingston, Zambia

Ms. Lopez stated that she has a strong working relationship with the City Manager and staff and elected officials from Livingston. The City Manager of Livingston is a very powerful woman and wears her ceremonial attire to meetings. Ms. Lopez had the opportunity to meet the librarian and visit the library which fills up quickly, every seat was taken when she visited. Group also toured the Fire Department and Fire Chief Mukuni collaborated with them. They are also establishing a structured city court process. Jeff Case has started an educational exchange.

Mr. Case stated that it is very expensive to go there; you need to fly to Germany than purchase a ticket at a place located by an un-established area called Victoria Falls. There are health problems in the area; children need to get their shots. There are educational exchanges and discussions related to their school.

Julie said that their population is 120,000 and their homes are two and 3 story buildings with low ceilings. Julie stated that the people that go there to visit are the same people that would love to come and visit Santa Fe. UNESCO will hold their next world tourism conference there. Mayor Coss has some ideas on what to incorporate in to a plan for the Livingstone exchange related to the Library and the Fire Department. It will be important to create a group on our end to discuss these ideas. Mr. Olivas suggested that a core group be created for continued consistency on exchange of information.

Ms. Robertson Lopez moved to approve Acceptance of Resolution that Santa Fe establish a Sister City Relationship with the City of Livingston, Zambia, second by Mr. Case, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

VI. Committee Reports

Kim Song: A group from Korea came to Santa Fe last July to evaluate a possible sister city relationship. Mr. Lee was actively pushing for this relationship from the Korean side. Their question is; after they form a relationship with Santa Fe, then what?

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Arthur Olivas: A group of 10 students and 3 chaperons came to Santa Fe from Siena, Japan. Mrs. Ocumoto led the group and Mayor Coss hosted a reception where gifts were presented. There was discussion about a drum group from Santa Fe visiting them for their Festival the first week in April, 2013. Arthur will stay in contact with them to assure a contact for the drum group.

There has been discussion about a sister schools relationship with Spain and Italy. Sherry did not think it was a good idea as other schools would drop out. Siena has 6 schools.

Jeff Case: Cuba, Chine. Ling and Jeff went to the Waldorf School and they are interested in hosting a delegation. They would have Chinese language classes and establish relationships with teachers in the community.

Carol Robertson Lopez: Shared the concern of the Sister Cities Committee staying involved. She asked if they were invited to the recent signing. Mr. Olivas attended the signing for Icheon.

Staff Comments:

Julie informed the committee that Deborah will be introduced as the Interim Director. Clarity is needed between the Sister Cities Committee and the Association.


The Acting Chair informed the committee that he had received a call from the City Manager of Paragua who would like to be here for Fiesta week.

VII. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Sister City Committee the Acting Chair called for adjournment at 5:05 pm.

Signature Page:

Rudy Fernandez, Acting Chair



Fran Lucero, Stenographer