

Agenda



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MINUTES OF THE SANTA FE CITY/COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON FOOD POLICY **Angel Depot Conference Room** April 25, 2013

Α. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Santa Fe City/County Advisory Council on Food Policy, was called to order by Katherine Mortimer, Chair, on April 25, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. in the Angel Depot Conference Room, 1122 Siler Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

B. **ROLL CALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Katherine Mortimer, Chair Emigdio Ballon Maria Bustamante-Bernal Susan Perry Pamela Roy Elisabeth Salinas Lynn Walters Steve Warshawer Mark Winne

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MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Tony McCarty

OTHERS PRESENT

Erin Lloyd Ortigoza, Coordinator, Food Policy Council Tim Cannon, Santa Fe County Planner Elizabeth Martin for Melessia Helberg, Stenographer

VISITORS

Peter Dowling, WP/Native Farmers Almanac Project Adam Morin, WP/Native Farmers Almanac Project Jeff Quinn, WP/Native Farmers Almanac Project Kathryn Roosa, WP/Native Farmers Almanac Project

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Lynn Walters moved, seconded by Katherine Mortimer to approve the Agenda as presented.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

Ms. Roy said we have some presentations that are not listed on the agenda.

Chair Mortimer said this can be done under Items from the Council.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - MARCH 28, 2013

The following correction was made to the minutes:

Patricia Boles should be shown under Others Attending.

MOTION: Pamela Roy moved, seconded by Elisabeth Salinas, to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 28, 2013, as amended.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Chair Mortimer said we have a number of guests and asked them to introduce themselves.

Mr. Morin introduced himself, Jeff Quinn, Peter Dowling and Kathryn Roosa. He said they are students from the West Park Polytechnic Institute and they are working with the Institute of American Indian Arts to develop a Native Farmers Almanac, and right now they are getting a feel for what the Council is doing. He said they want to be able to link the farmers with food policy and legislation which will affect them, which they can support and they don't know about.

Chair Mortimer asked for their mailing information, and they said they had given this information to Ms. Martin. She said if they want to be on the Council's mailing list to please give her their email addresses.

Mr. Morin said they noted that this meeting is listed at 8:30 on the Farm to Table website, so they got here very early, and suggested that should be changed at the website. He said they have to leave shortly to catch a bus to get to a meeting at 10:00 a.m. id and have to leave shortly to catch a bus.

Chair Mortimer said any communication from the group with the Council can happen between meetings, and thanked them for coming.

F. PRESENTATIONS/TRAINING

There were no presentations/training.

G. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Ms. Ortigoza said she has been working with Elena on findings which we will discuss later in the meeting. She said they are first interested in establishing a calendar that we could work with. She said it would be a calendar to reference our meetings, task force meetings, meetings of the City Council and the County Commission. She said as soon as we know we're going to be on an agenda she can send out an email to everyone to look at the calendar, and if approved, it can be put on the calendar. She will set up the calendar so everyone can upload their own events into the calendar. She said it would not require that everyone check their gmail account, it just requires you open an account so the user name/password would allow you to check the calendar.

Susan Perry said she has gmail with the Community College, and asked if she can use that one, or does she need another.

- Ms. Ortigoza said she can use hers unless there already is a calendar associated with it.
- Ms. Ortigoza said she is still feeling out the system, because she doesn't have a gmail account, but she understands all you need is to have a gmail account that we can then link to the calendar. She said if anyone is interested in helping to set up this system, to let her know.

Chair Mortimer said she has a outlook calendar and she isn't looking forward to having another calendar, and will just add things to her calendar as she receives gmails.

- Ms. Ortigoza said it hopefully will provide a double system with calendar and email.
- Ms. Perry said she believes an integrated calendar is good.
- Mr. Warshawer said he just wants to make sure this is an internal calendar, and for Council members regarding Council-related activities. It is not an external calendar that we are publishing for public access..
- Ms. Ortigoza said they have discussed this, and whether we can have an internal calendar which doesn't need to made public.

Chair Mortimer said it is an internal calendar. She said we can discuss things by email, but we can't make any decisions without publishing notice.

Ms. Ortigoza said she realizes a lot of work needs to be done on the website and she will working on that very soon.

Ms. Walters said one thing we could do would be to add a password protected page on the website if that is allowed and the calendar could be there, as well as agendas and documents which would cut down the email situation.

- Ms. Perry said she thinks that would be better.
- Ms. Ortigoza asked if that would be preferable instead of looking into the gmail calendar.

It was the consensus among the group that this would be preferable.

Mr. Winne asked Ms. Ortigoza, once this is set up, to send prompts to the members of the Council, to remind them that there is something there.

Chair Mortimer said there is another guest who she overlooked introducing.

Ms. Salinas introduced Tim Cannon, Senior Planner at the County, who will be presenting information on the Land Development Code which is in process. She said the Land Use Committee met with the Planning Division staff twice to talk about that document and how it might more directly and effectively promote agriculture.

H. INITIATIVES AND ACTIONS

1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

a. REPLACEMENT SUGGESTIONS FOR EMERGENCY FOOD SERVICE

Chair Mortimer said we have talked several times about filling vacancies for an emergency food services member and a community member. She asked if there has been any progress in this regard.

Mr. Winne asked, by emergency food services, if are we talking about the food pantry, food banks and such.

Chair Mortimer said theoretically, it is Ms. Hooper's position, and there is no more explanation about this position other than those three words.

Mr. Winne said then we're not talking about emergency management, like Mr. Vigil's job.

Chair Mortimer said she doesn't believe so. However, she doesn't know exactly what "emergency food services" means, since no background is given.

Ms. Perry said it has to be someone connected with emergency food service, and asked about Andrew Phelps.

Chair Mortimer said food isn't his specialty.

Ms. Salinas said last time there was a suggestion that someone was going to talk to Adelante.

Chair Mortimer asked who was going to do that.

The Council discussed this, and it was thought perhaps Elena was going to speak with Adelante.

Chair Mortimer asked Ms. Ortigoza to follow up on this.

Ms. Ortigoza said she would do so. She would like to put this as an action item on the next agenda so that we move forward on this.

Chair Mortimer said it wouldn't be something for a vote, rather a suggestion to the City or County for appointment..

Ms. Ortigoza said the Council also talked about a representative from the Estancia Basin, and that came up at the Upstream session as well. She would like to follow up on this.

Ms. Salinas said she had suggested that, noting the Estancia Basin has a water task force, and perhaps Mr. Warshaw, or someone else, might want to look through this list. She will send that list to Mr. Warshaw for review.

Chair Mortimer asked Ms. Ortigoza to follow up on this item.

b. REPLACEMENT SUGGESTIONS FOR COMMUNITY MEMBER

Mr. Winne asked about the government representatives.

Chair Mortimer said that is in process, commenting there actually are three vacancies on the Council.

2. POLICY COMMITTEE

a. ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE – FOOD PLAN UPDATE

A copy of the Food Plan for the City and County of Santa Fe, provided by Ms. Ortigoza, is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "1."

A copy of *Upstream Grants Program 2013 Milestones Chart*, dated April 15, 2013, is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "2."

Ms. Ortigoza reviewed the information in Exhibit "1." Please see Exhibit "1" for specifics of this presentation.

Ms. Ortigoza said the Upstream process has prompted and given a framework through which we can start laying out specifics, and we are now moving through the milestones for developing the plan. She said these two documents are overlapping in an interesting way. She said she would like to talk about the milestones in the Upstream Update.

The Council commented and asked questions as follows:

- Chair Mortimer said while these are somewhat related, one is "what are we doing on the plan," the
 other is "what of the things we're doing on the plan will be funded through the Upstream Grant.
 - Ms. Ortigoza said at this point, a lot of stuff in the plan is going to be funded, is potentially funded.
- Chair Mortimer said this is good, but said she thinks the plan is separate from looking at what will be funded. She said if you are saying that we'll work in part to keep the plan we're working on right now as the mapping.
- Mr. Warshawer said he would like to hear what Ms. Ortigoza has to say that relates to building our understanding of the plan in process, as part of this agenda item the food plan is the agenda item and asked if there is a second area of focus that is food plan deliverables. He said it would be better to learn about them in continuity with the other one.
 - Ms. Ortigoza said 16 interviews have been scheduled, which will be part of our primary data sourcing process, noting they have started this process, and 3 of them already are done. She said they already have been working on the secondary data compilation, and are continuing to wrap up that process in regards to the contextual body of the plan. The remaining part of that is going to be looking for policies in Santa Fe County related to food. She said she will finish that process to have resources.
- Mr. Ballon asked what actually is the plan, in talking about collecting data and such, and if the data will be "the basis for what you are making these kind of requests."
- Chair Mortimer said that will be the form Elena has given us in the past.
 - Ms. Ortigoza said an overall summary of the reasons we are doing the food plan is to learn about all of the ways food [inaudible] in the County and that would be transportation and [inaudible] and agriculture, where we get our food, access to it, appropriate foods as well, and where those gaps are, and the policy implications to things that we find out. She said, for example, if we find that a bus route doesn't get them to a grocery store available in a way that gets families to groceries. She said a policy example is that we would like that bus route changed."

Ms. Ortigoza said as we're working with the county on various issues, we want to find different ways we can provide incentives for people to farm, garden, to maintain a food supply, and if it is relevant in the County, or make it more relevant, or make a little bit more appropriate for these times and into the future for possible use of land and water. She asked Mr. Ballon if this helps to answer his question.

- Mr. Ballon said when we start collecting data, he believes we have to be very specific when we do something in the plan, indicating it is the most effective, how we can approach the situations, and how each member of this Council can participate or help. He said it is not only the work of one single person. He said we have to work together at the table.
- Ms. Roy asked if it would be helpful to have a roundtable discussion at one of our meetings about these areas of interest, commenting she is trying to follow up on Mr. Ballon's request. She said we all have things to officer. She asked if there is sufficient time to get information to stimulate our thinking in the process.
 - Ms. Ortigoza said she thinks it would help to ground the plan in the council and, then it starts to reflect everyone at this table and their ideas and approaches.
- Ms. Roy asked if that could be done at the next meeting.
 - Ms. Ortigoza said the next meeting is good because there is a timeline, and by the June 27th meeting, they might have a draft. The next meeting would be a good opportunity to touch base about the progress..
- Ms. Roy asked if that would give time to get the Council's input.
 - Ms. Ortigoza said, yes on the rough draft.
- Mr. Winne said it would be helpful to hear the overview now.
 - Ms. Ortigoza reviewed Exhibit "2," highlighting information as follows.
 - Ms. Ortigoza said based on our current process, we are working through, based on assessment and previous research done, and we have identified a few areas. Elena has created a methodology and developed a set of questions for interviews [inaudible here because of noise overlay]. She said they are in the process of finishing up a lot of secondary research which would be looking at existing reports, looking at current literature and creating a list of County policy so we can build on work that is already going to be done.
 - Ms. Ortigoza said based on the primary research for doing that, we are beginning to ask questions of that targeted group of folks and beginning to get a larger picture of what is happening, what the needs are throughout the County to support a viable food system. She said once that data is here, they will be initiating that process, looking at that data. She said this is also in conjunction

with the milestones. She said she and Elena are responsible for the work being done with the research. She said in the transition, once we compile all the data, they will be framing it in a way that they will be asking the Council for recommendations, noting the Council has a high level of expertise. She said they want to facilitate the process of turning this back to the Council to get feedback on what policies should be created.

Ms. Ortigoza said the next step would then be to take the policy recommendations and build a report.

 Chair Mortimer said we need to let everybody know that the Upstream Grant will be paying for some of this.

Ms. Ortigoza said the contextual piece will be started very soon, and in that they include case stations from the national level and then tying into the local level. She said the mapping piece is happening. She said the policy recommendations will be the core of the recommendations, and once the draft has been presented, we will begin to look at translating the policy recommendations into an implementation strategy. She said they will be looking at building and strengthening relationships in the community, facilitating workshops to leverage the needs highlighted through the plan, presenting a timeline, and potentially a document which would be an addendum to the food plan. She said this process will take them to the end of the year. She said during that time they will be looking at developing some stronger community outreach strategies which need to be identified and information to be brought to the public. She said they think this would be a good time to bring community outreach into our work as a policy board, noting this is Milestone E. At this point they are envisioning a revitalized social media campaign and having a presence at the appropriate events.

Chair Mortimer asked that would include the Legislature and Ms. Ortigoza said yes.

Ms. Ortigoza the last milestone recognizes the staff capacity of the Council, noting at that point we no longer will have the Americorps internship. So they are recommending, down the road, that the Council consider contracting with a person to handle external outreach. It would be complementary to what she does, but it would be a team approach to work on the internal functions and with this Policy Council.

Ms. Ortigoza said there is a due date of June 27th to adopt this. They will be working on revisions throughout the month of July and August, with a final draft document for Council review by the end of August.

- Mr. Winne said Ms. Ortigoza mentioned that they conducted a couple of interviews.
 - Ms. Ortigoza said yes, Elena has.
- Mr. Winne asked if she has a sense of how those went, and if they were useful.

Ms. Ortigoza said she sent her an email saying she has scheduled 12 more, and now we just have 60 to go, noting Elena seems to be excited about it so far. Ms. Ortigoza said she will be starting to participate in the interview process so she can better understand it more and reflect on the value. However, she hasn't seen the questions, so she doesn't know what that process is so far, but it is happening.

- Mr. Warshaw asked if it would be micromanaging the process for the Council to see either the questionnaire or a list of people who are being interviewed.
 - Ms. Ortigoza said the list has already been sent out, and the questions can be sent out as well.
- Mr. Warshaw said it might be good to review the list with an eye to any changes that need to be done, and Ms. Ortigoza agreed.
- Mr. Winne asked if they are really going to do 60 interviews.
 - Mr. Roy and Ms. Ortigoza said yes.
- Ms. Roy said she wouldn't want to lob too much more to her. She said it is good for us to have that information, but we don't want to try and change everything that has been put in place.
- Ms. Perry said she is curious to see the questions.
- Ms. Roy said it would help us gear us up on how to answer the questions.
- Mr. Warshawer said he is not proposing to expand the scope of work, just to manage it. If there
 are 60 people, and for some reason we identify people who are not as effective, could we suggest
 other rising stars to add in their place.
- Mr. Winne said he prefers quality over quantity, given the time frame and the need to process the information. He wants to be able to cull as much good stuff as possible from this work.

Ms. Ortigoza agreed, saying we also will be planting seeds for future relationships with these folks. She said Elena is trying not to overload herself in scheduling these interviews.

b. FOOD PRODUCTION AND LAND USE COMMITTEE i. COUNTY SUSTAINABLE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE

A copy of a document dated April 25, 2013, for the Food Policy Council Meeting, is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "3."

Elizabeth Salinas briefly reviewed the information in Exhibit "3," and said the Land Use Subcommittee met with the County Planning Division twice to talk about the evolving County Sustainable Land Development Code, which has a strong commitment to promoting agriculture.

Steve Warshawer noted they are going from a Code where agriculture was allowed everywhere and there were no real restrictions, to a system where agriculture will be limited, controlled and specified. He said they were in an odd *de facto* way a food first County. He said what they said in those meetings was to give us something to show that abandoning that historic and quietly functional status for an extremely structured and regulated one is a good deal for food and farming. The old system was not a fixed scheme zoning system, so it was fluid, it was cumbersome, it was painful, it was awkward but it was fluid. The new system could be cumbersome, painful, awkward and fix, and what they are trying to do is to stand up for the place of food in our County's land use pattern so that shift doesn't first undermine the potential to produce and consume food in our County.

Mr. Warshawer said he is alarmed that we could be facing a Code that literally sends us backward rather than forward. He said, "So, to me, as a member of Council, I think that losing ground in agriculture through the implementation of the new Code would be something that we would be categorically unable to accept. So our role in this process is to ensure that agriculture and food are defended and this trade-off from open to fixed, actually enhances, rather than harm, agriculture and food opportunities."

Mr. Warshawer said we are all friends to we get to the political paddle over what gets voted on, so we want to create, with the help of our friends in the Planning Department, we want to respect that Elizabeth is being very accurate the fact that these ideas are floated in no way suggests that they will go forward.

Tim Cannon said, "I am the who is drafting the zoning map. And before drafting a zoning map you have to come up with list of zoning categories, and the zoning categories are typically revised by the County Attorney's Office. He said the amount of crop land in Santa Fe county is dwindling. The definitive source for the data on the amount of crop land in any given county is the United States Department of Agriculture. They do a census of agriculture every 5-10 years. And if you look at their figures for about 1987 and you look at the figures for 1997, the amount of crop land, particularly irrigated agriculture agricultural land in the County dropped about 50% in 10 years."

Mr. Cannon continued, "The counties have the exact same regulatory scheme during that entire time, so what you can conclude from that is that the County's regulations have nothing to do with that drop in agriculture. That drop in agriculture acreage is being caused by the land economics and the decisions of individual farmers. People in Pojoaque, or up here in Chimayo are just, for some reason, deciding to stop farming their land. They can't make a living off it. Or, they're sick and tired of doing it they tell me, their children don't want to do it, and a lot of times they can make a lot more money if they just subdivide their land. And rather than making \$10,000 or \$20,000 a year, they can subdivide their land and get a big lump-sum payment of \$100,000 or more, mostly from rich retirees from other parts of the country I think."

Mr. Cannon continued, "So that is what is causing the decline in agricultural acreage, and nothing to do with the County discouraging the raising of crops and the raising of cattle. Under the new zoning

scheme, it would be the same thing. You can raise crops or graze cattle anywhere, but that doesn't say that you have to continue doing that. A person who decides they don't want to grow beans any more, or feed cows, if they decide not to do it there is nothing the government can do to stop them from doing that. Well the government could, hypothetically, but there's no point."

Mr. Cannon continued, "Well, let me explain the existing scheme in Santa Fe County. I wish I had brought the existing zoning map. What you have right now, is what's called hydrologic zoning, or zoning with the County divided into 4-5 hydrologic zones, basically based on groundwater availability. The highest groundwater availability is in 'here,' and down 'here' in the Estancia Basin. And basically you go at a base density of 1 unit per 10 acres, and then you could give a bonus density up to four times that much if you limited the water consumption for growing in this little 1/4 afy well unit. And it goes all the way out to what is called the Homestead Zone, which is most of the dry grazing ranch land in the peripheral and [inaudible] parts of the County where the base density is 1 unit per 160 acres. And there again, you can get a bonus density of 1 unit per 40 acres if you limit the water consumption to 1/4 afy. That existing zoning scheme assumes though that when you base an area on [inaudible] the groundwater would be pumped down and all the wells would go dry in about 100 years. Where it's based on sustainable and definite recharge [inaudible]."

Mr. Cannon continued, "And then, in addition, there are the traditional community areas of Pojoaque, Chimayo, La Cienega, Agua Fria, that have a different zoning scheme. These are traditionally the most highly populated areas in the County. They are already are developed, essentially at a density of 1 unit per acre, so you can build at a density of 1 unit per 3/4 acre up to 3 units per acre if you have central water and sewer."

Mr. Cannon continued, "Under the new County scheme, what we would be doing is rolling back the densities in the Homestead Zone to the base density of 1 unit per 160 acres. We would be rolling back the densities in these basin areas to, I would say, 1 to 10, 1 to 20 and then in some areas where you are connected to a major water system, you can go to higher densities. The idea is that we would no longer approve that you just pump the groundwater down until the wells go dry. You have to connect to a central system if you're going to develop to any higher densities than what you could sustain with groundwater supplies. And the traditional community areas would stay pretty much the same, which is 1 unit per 3/4 acre on septic tanks [inaudible]."

The Council commented and asked questions as follows:

Mr. Winne asked when you say, "rolling back density," I assume what you are trying to say is you want to limit growth.

Mr. Cannon said the big problem in Santa Fe and the rest of the west is what is called the ranchette cycle of development where most of the people from out of state come in and they want to buy 2.5 to 10 acre lots. That's what's happening in San Marcos, on the Madrid Plateau, Eldorado, Las Campanas and the areas around it, and it just gobbles up an immense amount of land. Can you imagine people living at one unit per 5 acres compared to 5 units per acre. 5 units

per acre is 25 times the density of 1 unit per 5 acres, so you would have to consume 25 times as much land at 1 unit per 5 acres as you do for 5 units per acre. And that is what has happened in Santa Fe County, and in Arizona.

Mr. Warshawer asked if they are trying to concentrate the growth.

Mr. Cannon said they are trying to stop that ranchette style development. He said the County Attorney came up with a fixed density scheme which mostly accomplishes that. He said, "What my supervisor, Robert Griego suggested we do, is come up with a bonus density scheme where maybe, if you preserve open space out 'here' which is San Cristobal Ranch and over 'here,' with the Lone Mountain Ranch, and in other areas that are mostly rural, if you protect some large definitive open space, you could go up to the bonus densities which would be cluster development. What the scheme doesn't address at this point is anything you would do to protect traditional acequia based irrigation. There is nothing that addresses fences or requirements or anything that would encourage people to protect acequia irrigated farm lands in quantity and miles in La Cienega and other places like that."

- Ms. Salinas said, "So Tim, the idea of the clustering provision and allowing an increase in density in these areas of large densities, is that by creating open space agriculture might be an allowable use in those set aside areas. [Ms. Salinas' remarks here are completely inaudible due to a noise overlay in the hall.] And that is being kicked around as an item of discussion, yes."
- Ms. Roy asked if anyone with land in those areas would be given a tax incentive for that to happen, or would it just be a regulation that ends up, "Oops, that's where you are now. That's the question."
- Ms. Salinas said, "What Tim says is that they have identified criteria by which they could qualify for a density bonus."
 - Mr. Cannon said, "You are eligible for what's call an agricultural land classification under the State property tax law and you are taxed at a lower rate. I think in Santa Fe County they require that you have at least one acre under cultivation or grazing, and you have to have some proof that you are actually getting revenue from it."
- Mr. Warshawer said what Tim is describing is called a special method evaluation for agriculture which is State law. It sets certain criteria where you are taxed at a much reduced value. He said that doesn't get at the question of how density bonuses and cluster development influence agriculture, which is a different question. He said these are different questions, but the conversation comes out very differently if we're coming from the perspective of defense, i.e. protecting against further losses or offense, i.e., this is a food first County, we're encouraging food production. He said at every meeting, every opportunity and every conversation, we believe this is a food first County. He said when they started talking to the people at the County 2-3 years ago that food production is the highest and best use of land. This is the agenda we want to advance.

- Mr. Warshawer said we have a challenge before us because Code is about development, and farming and food as the best use of land is almost an anathema to the real estate based wealth and growth accumulation of our culture. We have to find a way to get these together into the same conversation or we don't have the same kinds of answers possible, even when we ask the right questions.
- Ms. Salinas said a land development code is a giant document. She said the draft we have is about 600 pages, and in our case, an entirely new approach to regulating activities that occur on land. So, there's a lot of different levels at which we might address these concerns. She said what we're talking about now are for conceptual approaches or incentives to promote agriculture. But there will be questions that come up when the individual property owner says, "Okay, I want to put a greenhouse on my land and I want a little grower's stand, what happens." She said the answer to that question is going to require a very fine grain look over the Code, what are it's features.
- Ms. Salinas said each of the zoning districts are associated with a list of allowable uses which receive administrative approval, and also conditional uses which would require a lot more effort on the part of the applicant. She said there are agricultural uses that are generally permitted by right. Production of crops is one, water houses, waste lagoons, high impact agricultural uses are permitted of the right, probably only in our rural zones. It would require traditional approval in difficult process.
- Ms. Salinas said today we are talking about some of the new, conceptual approaches to looking at agricultural [inaudible]. She said one thing Erin announced at the last meeting is that we wanted to get hypothetical development application ideas where we sort of tell the story of the approval process to construct a little store, for example. It is hard to anticipate all of the various ways in which this new Code might hinder or enhance agricultural opportunities, without looking at in terms of examples. She said this is still an assignment to get specifics for the narrative which will come back to the Council.
- Chair Mortimer said some long-time farmers are leaving because, as much as they wanted and tried to stay in New Mexico, the price of land is too high. She said they are leaving the state in droves because they cant afford to buy land here and the people they lease from are trying to get more money from their land by selling instead of leasing. Or, they are making the situation for farming so difficult they are forcing out their tenants, so they can convert the land to some sort of development and get more out of the land.
- Ms. Perry asked what percentage of farmers are leasing rather than owning land. [There was no audible response to her question]
- Mr. Winne said, regarding Steve's point about this being a hypothetical food first county, zoning is one way to approach that question and farmers leaving. He said zoning is a policy statement in the sense that we believe that food comes first and we have an obligation to produce as much food as possible. He is trying to get at the bigger policy picture and understands that this is in fact

an imperative. He sad zoning has one role to play in advancing that policy, but it isn't the "be all and end all," but that there are other forms of incentives that the county might have to develop to support, maintain and enhance that food first policy. He said he feels a little constrained and frustrated when we hear that farming is no longer commercially viable around here and it's easier to sell to the dude from Dallas than to continue to grow chiles. So, we need a bigger policy concept, such as the purchase of development, for example, or other infrastructure marketing systems to make farming more commercially viable. He said he would be frustrated if he had to sit and figure out how to hold onto agriculture by simply looking at density regulations. He said, "I feel for you."

- Ms. Salinas said the Sustainable Growth Management, the County's policy, the overarching document, does sort of state this very strong commitment. She said there are a lot of resolutions on the books and support for agricultural enhancement among the Commissioners. She said there is a lot of programmatic work within the County to support agriculture. She said Open Space added agriculture to its mission, and initiated the first conservation easement for agricultural activities, and has a line item budget available for that activity. She said but the interest here is making sure we aren't encoding barriers.
- Mr. Winne said it sounds like the problem is more the barriers, if the problem is the retention of agriculture.
- Mr. Warshawer said the attention to details is really exemplary and important, and if we want to do activity X at location Y, would it work, is it supposed to work, and why that's really important. The ultimate test of the Development Code is, does the activity mix that it engenders meet a sort of desirable and best case scenario, which is understood. He said he thinks we are also looking for how are we doing both. He can give scenarios which help to deal with the detail nuances district by district, line by line. The bottom line to him is if somebody doesn't facilitate a "shotgun wedding" between the development community and the agriculture community, we aren't going to have any farms left. He said the TDR and PDR programs are a form of shotgun wedding when implemented correctly. He said we have been looking to avoid that and trying to be nice and et everybody have their way, but everybody can't have their way. He said this is a system that requires compromise.
- Mr. Warshawer continued, "In some way or another, getting the folks who are really conversant with all of the barriers that prevent farms from remaining operation and sustainable in the room with the developers, when the Code comes out we will be faced with a "thumbs up or thumbs down type of situation, and with saying we can tolerate this, but it doesn't fix anything, or this doesn't do what we need and we are going to continue to see a diminution and loss of agricultural opportunity and food production. He said, "If the whole council is behind it, then we take a different position. He said if someone to farm and keep farming and they have to put grandma in a nursing home, put junior in college, build a home, any or all of the above, how do they do it."
- Ms. Roy said she completely agrees with Steve. She is thinking about how we might be able to create a process. She thanked Tim Cannon and Elizabeth Salinas for walking us through this.

She asked if we could do a staged situation where we, as a policy council, could have a good part of a day to sit down to discuss this, commenting this is a lot to ask of the membership.

- Ms. Roy said she wants to know how to change use, for example, on her land, and the list of rules and things she needs to address to get something done. She said she understood them to say each areas of color has a different set of guidelines or rules. She said this kind of discussion would be helpful for us to understand. She noted Mr. Cannon brought up the Homestead Act which is predicated on something that happened over 100 years ago in the sense of the way he sees the land use and agricultural use. She said the presentation helped her to get a framework of how we see that today. She would like to look at the guidelines in each zone. She likes the County's thinking in terms of preservation and density and such.
- Ms. Roy would like to set a date to do that so we can move toward a conversation with the developers, water users and such.
- Chair Mortimer said that a function of the Food Production and Land Use Subcommittee, and if there are other people who are interested in joining in we can plan for that.
- Ms. Roy said she would like to have everyone in one room to have one of these conversations...
- Chair Mortimer said she relies on the Food Production and Land Use Subcommittee to get into the
 weeds and then give her the summary. She said she doesn't have time to get into a meeting on
 every topic.
- Mr. Warshawer said the food plan is becoming the mechanism by which we advance our agenda, so that's the framework doing the food plan research and then ultimately creating a County Food Plan is our strategy for how to build and advance an agenda. He said as he read through some of that stuff, he can see how all the policies relating to a point will come out of a food plan as well. The only thing he sees is that it's really limited to a smaller group to be the subject matter expert and brains on this. He said there will be a point where we come up with technical stuff that nobody is necessarily going to be able to stand behind the same way, if they haven't gone through the process somewhat. He said there is a balance between when stuff is this interrelated and there is a balance between relying on a subcommittee and certain level of expertise, and bringing everyone along together. That's why these folks are here today, to bring us all along together.
 - Mr. Cannon asked if the Council has seen the Rio Arriba County Farmland for Agricultural Retention.
- Ms. Salinas said she hasn't, but she can get that, noting Rio Arriba has a regulatory approach.
 - Mr. Cannon said that could be a springboard for all the work in Santa Fe County or what is needed to be changed to make it work here.

- Ms. Roy said it's a good idea to look at this and other county ideas, as well as the Bureau of Reclamation Initiative which was to assess water and land use as it pertains to foods and farming.
- Mr. Warshawer said a subsidiary issue is protecting agricultural water rights, and the Rio Arriba County ordinance is heavily reliant on that approach.
- Ms. Salinas said Rio Arriba County is creating county wide water bank, to put acequias into use
 when they not irrigating. She said it is a thorny subject. She said, "We will all communicate with
 you as we progress.
- Mr. Warshawer said, "I've been asking you guys to organize this shotgun wedding since the beginning. If we can't get the County to do it, we've got to do it. And I'm going to go on record right here as saying, if we don't have some indication that County Planning or somebody in the County is going to help facilitate a conversation between agricultural interest and development interest, then this Subcommittee of the council has got to take that lead. And so, I would like to be held accountable to that commitment. I will miss the next meeting, but by the meeting that, if there isn't positive to say about it, then I'm not fulfilling my responsibility."
- Ms. Roy said, she completely agrees with him, but she would like to have our ducks in a row a little more before we have that kind of meeting.
- Mr. Warshawer said he thinks we can have exploratory conversations with the right people from the development community which would help us to develop a path forward to approach the broader development community when it is appropriate. He said from that we could understand the language and facilitate an invitation to the more mainstream development community. He has been counting on Planning to help us with this, commenting it would be better for Planning to do it. However, if Planning can't or won't for whatever reasons, it has to be done and we need to make it happen.
- Ms. Roy asked, for instance, someone like Ted Harrison.
- Mr. Warshawer agreed, saying we need to contact whatever management is left from the Oshara development.
 - Mr. Winne suggested we get someone from the Acequia Association.

c. UPSTREAM GRANT:

. CORE CAPACITY ASSESSMENT TEST REPORT OF FINDINGS

Chair Mortimer said we are almost out of time and there are a number of items left and those will be postponed to the first meeting in May.

d. PROCUREMENT

This item is postponed to the first meeting in May.

e. EDUCATION AND OUTREACH – REVIEW PAMPHLET INSERTS

Ms. Roy said the \$100,000 appropriation from the State was passed by the Legislature, and they are working with the Public Education Department to develop guidelines for those funds which will roll out July 1, 2013.

Ms. Roy talked about upcoming activities, noting she appreciates Ms. Mortimer's work on the Sustainability Awards and Earth Day. She said we had the interview with Human Services at the City for the \$10,000, and that went extremely well, noting Elena did a great job presenting. She said she also signed the funding that went to the City from the County in the amount of \$8,500 which should be available to us within the next week.

Ms. Roy said the Local Food Funds and Jobs Act has been introduced in the House and the Senate which covers a lot of our priorities. She said are requesting that our Congressional Delegation sign on as cosponsors of that legislation. She asked if she can list the Santa Fe Food Policy Council support in making that request.

Chair Mortimer said Resolutions were passed by the City and County in support, and she can do that.

f. CITY-COUNTY GMO LABELING AND PROHIBITION OF CULTIVATION RESOLUTION IMPLEMENTATION.

Ms. Ortigoza said a task force has been formed, and they have another meeting on Monday 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., and action will be around establishing peer reviews, and preparing peer review data, and such and talked about the work to date.

Ms. Ortigoza said Mark has volunteered to speak with local grocers to start talking about the labeling and what that would look like in their framework. She said they spoke with Albertsons and Whole Foods.

Ms. Perry thanked Ms. Ortigoza for what she has sent out. She said it completely changed her information base.

Ms. Ortigoza said she would like to invite a professor from UNM to come here to speak to us, noting he is well informed on this, commenting she saw his power point.

Ms. Perry said, "I vote for him to come."

e. FARM BILL

This item is postponed to the May meeting.

I. ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR

There were no items from the Chair.

J. ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL

Ms. Perry said she would like to expand our meeting to 11:00 a.m., because we have so much to deal with.

Chair Mortimer asked the Council's thought, noting previously the Council shortened the meetings because people thought 2 hours was too long. She said we can take an on-line poll about the meeting length.

Ms. Ortigoza said Ms. Roy was going to talk about the Santa Fe grant of \$10,000 to the Council.

Ms. Roy reiterated that they met with the City Human Resources Committee and it went quite well.

Ms. Ortigoza said she sent out an email about goal areas, and asked the Council to provide feedback to her, and she can then do the draft letter to the County Commission for Ms. Salinas to edit.

K. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to come before the Council and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:40 a.m.

Katherine Mortimer, Chair

Melessia Helberg, Stenographer

Food Plan for the City and County of Santa Fe

We will be mapping the existing state of our food system in Santa Fe County; Food Retail Access Points, Growers and Producers, Market Infrastructure, Non-Retail/Emergency Food Access, and Land Resources. We will also develop series of Relational Maps that highlight how these various sectors currently interact, and in such show socio-economic relationships with food environment, potential markets, and production capacity for the future.

Community Mapping Exercise

Food Retail Access Points: Where do we purchase food?

- Grocery Stores (coded for those that accept WIC/SNAP)
- Farmers markets
- Community Supported Agriculture distribution sites
- · Roadside stands and informal markets

Producers and Growers: Where does our food grown?

- Farms (coded for season extension/water saving tech)
- Ranches and animal production
- Community Gardens
- School Gardens

Infrastructure: How does our food get to our table?

- Aggregation Points
- Distribution Routes
- Processing Points (commercial kitchens, processing plants, factories)

Non-Retail Access: Where can access emergency food and food assistance?

- Food Pantries and Food Banks
- Non-Profits/Organizations/Agencies offering food assistance
- Feeding Kitchens and Meal Service (senior centers)
- Commodity Box pick up (tribal partners)
- School and Summer Meal programs

Relational Maps

- Food access, Production, and Infrastructure (shows market reality and potential)
- Retail, Non-Retail Food, Transit routes, and Demographics (shows socio-economic reality)
- Land (soil, grade, etc.), Natural Resources, and Land Use/Zoning (shows land capacity)

Eshibit "1"

Group: Santa Fe Food Policy Council
Date: April 15, 2013

Instructions: Identify milestones based on your Upstream Goals. Mark an "x" in the box under the calendar months to indicate when you would like to achieve your Year I goals for 2013. Fill out the information for the budget related to the milestones. Assess your current capacity to achieve your milestones and what's needed to help you reach your milestones. Please see the guide on page 7 for key terms and definitions.

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Upstream Grants Program 2013 Milestones Chart

Group: Santa Fe Food Policy Council Date: January 2, 2013

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Definitions

Capacity Assessment

Milestone: Indicators of success around the goals set related to your Upstream work.

Status: Progress to date made around the milestone.

Responsibility: The name of the person(s) responsible for ensuring the completion of the milestone.

Readiness: Preparedness to take on the work associated with the milestone.

Priority: The importance of achieving the milestone to your group.

Upstream Needs: Services, trainings, and/or learning opportunities needed to help achieve the milestone. TA = Technical Assistance.

Measures: Evaluation tools or questions used to account for your success.

Assets: Positive things your group has going for it that will help achieve the milestone.

Constraints: Barriers or impediments to achieving the milestone.

Action Steps: Immediate or future actions needed in order to move the work associated with the milestone forward.

Capacity Building Budget

Total Costs: Total costs associated with capacity building activities related to the milestone.

Upstream Grant: Amount of the \$10,000 that is or will be applied towards the milestone (if any).

Upstream Set Aside Funds: Funding request (pending or secured) from the additional \$5,000 per group available for logistics, meeting expenses, travel, and joint training opportunities.

Santa Fe County Planning Division

Food Policy Council Meeting

April 25, 2013

Issue Background:

The Food Policy Council Land Use Subcommittee has expressed concern that the draft Sustainable Land Development Code (SLDC) doesn't sufficiently encourage agricultural production. The Council has requested that the Santa Fe County Planning Division identify incentive-based approaches to promoting agriculture in the draft code and for implementing Sustainable Growth Management Plan (SGMP) policy including:

Key to Sustainability 13: Develop incentives and other mechanisms for density transfers to allow large property/ranch owners to transfer density for preferred development patterns. (SGMP, p. 28)

Policy 14.2: Support the practicality of agricultural uses to include financing tools to support viability of agriculture. (SGMP, p. 86)

Strategy 14.2.1: Create a transfer of development rights program for agriculture and ranch lands. (SGMP, p. 86)

Policy 14.4: Support agricultural options to include flexible mixed use zoning for agriculture and ranching.

Strategy 15.3.2: Identify incentives that support farming and ranching in coordination with the County Agricultural Extension Office. (SGMP, p. 87)

Policy 15.5: Support and incent local agricultural production. (SGMP, p. 87)

Strategy 15.5.2: Allow the option for community gardens to be considered as part of the open space requirements for new development. (SGMP, p. 87)

Policy 16.3: Develop and implement compatible acequia protection standards. (SGMP, p. 87)

The Santa Fe County Planning Division has identified three approaches to promoting agriculture that may be appropriate for inclusion in the County's draft SLDC. None of these approaches are currently in the draft SLDC but these are ways that have been identified to implement the policies in the SGMP. It is not clear whether they will be approved for inclusion in the final Sustainable Land Development Code.

The Santa Fe County Planning Division would like to review these approaches to get input on whether these options are sufficient or appropriate approaches to encouraging agriculture production and to discuss options on how they might be altered or refined to more effectively promote agricultural production in the County.

Exhibit "3"

Approaches:

Approach: Bonus zoning densities to promote development clustering and open space protection

Basic Description: Under this approach, development in certain portions of the County's rural residential zoning districts (see map) could receive density bonuses in exchange for setting aside minimum percentage of a lot area for agriculture production or open space and/or hooking up to water and sewer utilities depending on base zoning districts and other area characteristics.

Where it Would Apply: See map. This approach would primarily address large ranches and other large properties under single ownership.

Approach: Traditional Irrigated Agricultural Land Preservation Overlay Zone

Basic Description: Under this approach, the County would identify traditional irrigated lands as an "overlay zone" or an area in which single applications for development could receive density bonus by setting aside a minimum land area for agricultural production. Lots which are at least 1.5 acres and which agree to set aside a minimum of one acre for agriculture production would be allowed to construct an addition dwelling unit on the remaining buildable area of the lot (i.e. receive a density bonus) or could transfer that dwelling unit to a qualifying development. Density bonuses would result in development rights of 3 dwelling units for every 1 acre set-aside of consolidated contiguous land. Lots in the overlay zone which agree to a minimum 1 acre set aside could also transfer development rights outside of the overlay zone though an owner-initiated process. The County would need to do further analysis to identify areas that can support higher densities outside of the overlay zone and would need to develop appropriate design standards and utility standards.

Where it Would Apply: This approach would primarily address lands in the County's traditional communities. The overlay zone might consist parcels that contained irrigated lands as identified by the Office of the State Engineers Santa Fe River Hydrographic Survey of 1972. Only sites that are 1.5 acres or greater will be eligible to receive density bonuses.