



# Agenda

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**Parks and Open Space Advisory Commission  
The Barn at Frenchy's Field  
Osage and Agua Fria Streets  
Tuesday June 18, 2013  
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Review and Approval of Minutes: April 16, 2013 and May 21, 2013
4. Approval of the Agenda
5. Old Business:
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  - b. 2008 Bond Audit: Public Discussion and Action Item
6. New Business
  - a. Reallocation of Parks funds for Salvador Perez: Discussion and Action Item
  - b. Proposal for a 36 hole Disc Golf Course at the MRC Ryan Flahive, Santa Fe Disc Golf:  
Discussion and Action Item
7. Possible Reports from POSAC Commissioners
  - Oralynn Guerreortiz: District 1, Tierra Contenta parks and trails connections.
  - Joe Lehm: District 1, Skate Parks, Wheel-friendly Trail connections
  - Daniel Coriz: Youth, BMX, motocross & pump track building and maintenance.
  - Pat Torres – Extension, Tree City, Community Gardens
  - Anna Hansen - District 3 / Bicycle MPO Implementation, Art in the Parks, Acequia trail connections to parks, especially Ashbaugh
  - Melissa McDonald: Water conservation, young families.
  - Sandie Taylor: District 2 / Parks History/ Tree City
  - Bette Booth: District 3, BTAC/ POSAC Coordination, Parks on the City Web site, Youth involvement, Prairie dogs, Parks and Trails Co-management, Planning for the Future.
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**MEETING MINUTES  
FOR THE  
PARKS AND OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMISSION**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the City of Santa Fe Parks and Open Space Advisory Commission was called to order by Anna Hansen, Chair on this date at approximately 3:00 p.m. at Frenchy's Field, Osage and Agua Fria, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call indicated a quorum as follows:

**Members Present**

Anna Hansen, Chair  
Bette Booth  
Daniel Coriz  
Oralynn Guerrerortiz (arrived later)  
Joe Lehm  
Sandra Taylor  
Melissa McDonald

**Members Absent**

Patrick Torres (excused)  
Nic Smith (excused)

**Staff Present**

Robert Wood, IPM Manager  
Ben Gurule, Parks Director

**Others Present**

Marilyn Banes, OSFA	Barbara Harrington
Polly Dement	Bob McCarthy
Barbara Belding	Marg Veneklasen
Ryan Flahive	
Charmaine Clair, Stenographer	

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES- April 16, 2013**

**Ms. Booth moved to approve the minutes of April 18, 2013 as presented. Ms. McDonald seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.**

**May 21, 2013**

Page 3, The 2008 bond- "work is being done at Cathedral Park" should be at Candelero Park. For clarification the May meeting agenda showed the Approval of the *March* minutes and should have been the Minutes of April 16, 2013.

**Ms. McDonald moved to approve the minutes of May 21, 2013 as amended. Mr. Lehm seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.**

## **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Ms. Booth moved to approve the agenda as published. Ms. McDonald seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Parks Department Update including Water Report: Ben Gurule

Mr. Gurule thanked Bette Booth and said she has done a tremendous job and he hopes to continue to work together. He also welcomed Anna Hansen and said he looks forward to working with her.

Mr. Gurule provided a parks update. A summary follows:

**BMX track**- a PSA (Professional Services Agreement) approved Great Outdoors as a consultant and they will assess the track for safety and the concerns brought by Travelers Insurance. A meeting on June 21 with the Legal Department would be held to provide clear direction to the consultants. Mr. Coriz and members of his committee would be invited. How the grant money would be used is not yet known.

The consultants will provide a report and recommendations that would either determine upgrades needed to the site that would satisfy Travelers Insurance and allows the track to reopen; or guide the procurement of a consultant to design improvements to operate the track under a nonprofit manager. He said Mr. Pino would craft the RFP for the MX manager or third party operator.

Mr. Gurule said there is an offer to work with Mark Brooks Mobile Promotions Group who currently is doing a Kawasaki demo at the site. The demo is sponsored by a mobile promotions group who has satisfied the self-insured requirements of the Risk Management Department, the City Manager and the City attorneys.

Ms. Taylor asked if the insurance carrier had specific concerns.

Mr. Gurule said the City considered approval because this was not motorcycles, but side by sides driven by "professional" drivers and the City would be "off the hook 100%" if something goes wrong.

Ms. Booth said a question is if the issue is liability, how the promoters could get insurance. She asked if it would be possible to meet with the promoters about that to help move things forward.

Mr. Gurule said he understood the event is an opportunity that could be used as a stepping stone or a model and is one more piece of how to eventually get the track open.

Ms. Booth said Kate Noble (Economic Development) is following up on getting local users invited to participate.

Mr. Coriz said he would like feedback from Kawasaki about the track and thought that important for the insurance. Mr. Gurule said he would introduce Mr. Coriz to the security people and promoters.

Mr. Gurule continued with the update: The Plaza- in an effort to maintain the health of the turf the Parks Department is alternating triangles. The Challenge New Mexico events held the previous weekend were successful and there was no damage and Chris Ortega is working with the police department to discourage loitering, and skaters/bicycles, etc. at the Plaza.

West DeVargas- the event was a huge success and the issues that remain would be worked on with the contractors. The crew is working with Carlos Caldwell and Ms. Booth to be proactive with graffiti and vandalism. Mr. Gurule would seek approval on Mr. Caldwell's suggestion to provide him with materials so he could stop to cover anything abrasive immediately.

Ragle- The contract would be wrapped up in June and a ribbon cutting is possible in July/August. The sculpture and lighting is in good shape and a punch list on other issues would be done.

Franklin Miles Park- the pocket gopher infestation on the ball fields is a concern and traps are set and Ragle Park has the same situation.

*Ms. Guerrerortiz entered the meeting at this time.*

MRC- preparation is being done for the Fourth of July fireworks sponsored by the Boys and Girls Club.

San Ysidro- a park that a developer is building, is nearly complete and dedication to the Parks Department would probably be in July or August. Mr. Gurule explained that Fabian Chavez was a consultant to the developer and the Parks Department has been involved since the preliminary drawings and a staff member has been present at all of the progress meetings.

Parque del Rio- the work is continuing and moving forward.

The Petry Statue- the pecan mulch would be replaced and the benches stained. The unveiling is planned June 24<sup>th</sup> in the morning.

Ft. Marcy- the scoreboard purchased by the Kiwanis is up. The infrastructure was paid from reallocation funds from the Transit money. Work is continuing on the concession and grandstand and the PA system would be functional by the end of the week.

Casa Alegre - a park meeting would be held at Frenchy's at five o'clock on June 25 to discuss crime and vandalism and other issues at the park.

Amelia White- Parks is working to clear up concerns with vegetation management and irrigation.

The Leagues- the new ordinance was approved by the Governing Body and includes two cleanup/maintenance days and language asking the leagues to clean up after every game.

Graffiti Task Force- Lawrence Padilla with Zia Community Services will assess the program and provide a report to the City Manager and Governing Body. Chris Ortiz, and others are working directly with Mr. Padilla and Constituent Services would be included so everyone that receives complaints on graffiti would be involved.

Chair Hansen said she and Councilor Bushee organized a neighborhood meeting for Casa Alegre because of the amount of crime over the last couple of months. The meeting would include the chief of police along with the Parks, Land Use and Public Works Departments, etc. Neighborhood watch information would be available at the meeting.

Mr. Gurule said he read that the meeting is for the general area. He asked who would send the notices regarding the meeting. Chair Hansen replied she would, along with the City.

Ms. Booth asked on the skate park, if Mr. Gurule could set up a meeting with the project manager, so there could be input into the RFP process. Mr. Gurule responded that the project is in the implementation plan and scheduled to be done between July and December and he would contact Ms. Booth and Mr. Lehm, etc.

Ms. Booth provided update on the Northwest Quadrant grand opening. She said Leroy Pacheco had called a meeting with a small group but had not included POSAC and BTAC. Councilor Bushee asked for the meeting to be shut down and the item would be on the BTAC agenda for tomorrow.

Water Report: Robert Wood (Exhibit 1)

Mr. Wood gave a summary of watering in the parks and showed a list of 93 locations within the Parks Department, of which 51 (55% of the City) is on a computer control system that could be monitored and turned on and off from a central control.

He provided statistics as follows:

- Water costs have gone up 48 percent.
- The ET (evaporative transpiration) historically is 13.9 inches; in 2012 ET was 21.9 inches with rainfall at 5.32, which is 37% of the norm and an increase in evaporation of 63 percent.
- The water budget for a park is built on a tier basis and after 120 thousand gallons the City pays a higher rate. The average use of water to keep a park alive is 42 inches a year.
- Long term indicators suggest a lack of precipitation and a long drought.
- To prepare for the drought the City has to take advantage of every drop and is looking at ways to do that economically. Weather Track is one tool available; the system has 45,000 automated rain stations across the United States that collect data of ET, rainfall, dew points, etc. Another tool is Smart Controllers and the advantage is that technicians could check the system from their Smart Phones for the water usage of each park.

Mr. Gurule said Parks currently irrigates three times a week from 10 p.m. to 10 a.m. He introduced Tim Cavalier to talk about irrigation technology.

Mr. Cavalier said to water a park on ET first requires thinking about how the water is applied. There are formulas to show how much water has evaporated under different situations such as rainfall, wind speed, humidity etc., and that formula determines the ET number.

The ET numbers are all based on turf information and parks have different types of turf and medians have a different requirement. The different factors have to be inserted for all of the stations before the ET could be used. Parks has 100 controllers with multiple valves and every station would need to be identified as to what is being irrigated as well as other variables.

Mr. Cavalier said another option is the Weather Station. The City could have one or multiple weather stations and could save water, but would have to do a lot of manual work for each park; before a park's variables are considered, the irrigation systems have to be as sufficient as possible and Parks would need to ensure the irrigation systems are in good repair and then do a water audit.

He said the water audits are time-consuming and labor-intensive and more complicated than just turning on the Weather Station and tying it in to the system.

Mr. Gurule said if an audit were done the irrigation systems, even the new systems, would probably be below standards. He said although Parks uses modern technology on irrigation heads and they were installed professionally and had the best possible designers, etc.; a system the size of Franklin Miles has flaws.

He said Franklin Miles Park has \$2.2 million and the entire amount would have to be spent just on the irrigation system.

Ms. McDonald asked to meet with Mr. Wood and Mr. Gurule regarding her questions. She thought it would be valuable to proceed with the audits because they would give a better picture of the water efficiency. She suggested looking at the parks with the highest water [use.] She said the City Quail Program has a group of volunteers who are trained to do audit work and could help with the labor.

Mr. Gurule agreed that the audits would be good and the first step would be to ensure the systems are fully functional, which is a basic goal of Parks. He said an audit would motivate the supervisor to ensure everything is fully operational.

Ms. McDonald said she worked with Parks in the Quail class and the staff was exceptional and skilled in terms of water efficiency. She said she would like to discuss the idea of working surface water management into the water efficiency strategy because there are surfaces that could be used better with minor grading incorporated into a maintenance schedule. She would like that to be built in to the front end of the planning stages.

Ms. McDonald offered to be a representative of POSAC to discuss those areas and said she is also interested in the billing concept. She asked if the concept had been proposed to the City. Mr. Wood replied they would work with Water Conservation and Councilor Ives.

Ms. Booth suggested a water committee be formed that could follow up and work on the issue.

Chair Hansen asked Ms. McDonald if she would head the committee. Ms. McDonald replied she would and the first step would be to discuss who should be on the committee.

b. 2008 Bond Audit: Public Discussion and Action Item

Mr. Gurule said he would welcome an audit, but thought the audit should be done when all of the parks and trails are complete. He provided a brief report on the 2008 bond Parks and Trails as follows:

*Rancho del Sol*- needs punch list items done

*Candelero*- needs punch list items and should be completed in the next two weeks; native seeding would be done in July.

*Torreón*- the trail millings need to be compacted; the parking lot is scheduled in late July.

*MRC*- irrigation upgrades would be done in August.

*Peralta Park*- benches should be installed by mid-July.

*For the Trails portion*- Eric is working on the trails projects and would not be complete until August/September.

Mr. Gurule said an audit would be justifiable once everything is complete and the money has been spoken for and the balances could be seen.

Chair Hansen said before an audit could be done there has to be a final report and there is no final report.

Ms. Booth said the Commission looked at doing an audit since the beginning and is part of the POSAC mandate to recommend an audit. She said POSAC promised to do an independent audit and review annually and that has not been done. She said an audit is not done on a *report*; an audit is done on financials and the final audit needs to be done.

Ms. Booth said one main reason to do an audit is because the Commission promised and she believes in keeping her word. She said a second reason is because the City needs to know how much money is left in the bond in order to reallocate the money.

She said the City is required to do an annual comprehensive financial report on all City expenditures. She said although the bond is part of the expenditures, the bond is not mentioned in the annual report. Her understanding is that 48% of the City's expenditures are generally looked at as a "sample", which may or may not include the bond. She said there has been a general audit, but the Commission promised and needs an audit specifically on the 2008 Bond monies.

Ms. Booth said the main reason to do an audit is to keep the public's trust and show (which she believes the audit would) that the bond monies were spent on the parks and trails in accordance with the master plan.

She said Parks staff and Mr. Pino are all supportive of an audit and she also has a letter from Charlie O' Leary from the Conservation Trust. She said Mr. O'Leary wants the Commission members to know that the Trust is supportive of the audit and offered his help.

**Ms. Booth moved the adoption of the following resolution:**

Whereas, Resolution #2007-2.2 that created the Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Commission mandates that "The commission shall provide ongoing advice regarding all parks and open space related issues";

Whereas, the expenditures of the 2008 Parks and Open Spaces Bond monies are in the final stages and an audit is needed to identify exactly how much funding is available for re-obligation;

Whereas, an independent third audit specifically of the Bond monies was promised as part of the 2008 Parks and Trails Bond campaign;

Whereas funding for a third-party independent audit can be provided from the Bond monies;

Whereas the annual Comprehensive Accounting Financial Report focuses on all City expenditures, not the 2008 Parks and Trails Bond and there is a need for an audit specifically on the Bond monies;

Whereas a third-party independent audit/accounting of the 2008 Parks and Trails Bond is needed to ensure public trust for future parks bonds;

Therefore:

**The Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Commission recommends to the City Council that before any monies are re-obligated, a third party independent audit/accounting of the 2008 Parks and Trails Bond will be conducted and shared with the public, providing information on how the Bond monies were allocated, including: were all bond monies spent specifically and exclusively to improve Parks and Trails, as per the Bond language? How much of the Bond monies were spent on City staff salaries? How did expenditures and activities in each park compare to those proposed in the Bond Master Implementation Plan?**

**Ms. Guerrerortiz seconded the motion.**

Chair Hansen opened the floor to Public Comment at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** (Revised Agenda Order)

Barbara Belding said the issue is not *when*, the issue is *if* and those who voted for the bond voted for the monies in the bond and the expenditures to be audited.

Marilyn Bane said she would second that for a specific reason; the public was burned from the County standpoint when they were promised parking if the bond was done. She said now they are not getting parking and in a sense this holds the City's feet to the fire to say: if you're going to sell the bond based on certain criteria, the City should live up to that or explain why they are not. She said that was a commitment made to the public in terms of passing the bond and the City should live up to that.

Marg Veneklasen said she is an Emeritus member of this wonderful committee and they (POSAC) has worked harder than any she has seen. She left because she couldn't spend that amount of time on the issues, but was part of the committee when the bond issue was passed and the audit was approved.

Polly Dement- said the audit should be looked at as a tool; which gets to the timing to do the audit sooner than later, so the results could be used. She urged the audit be done as *soon as possible*.

Barbara Harrelson- said the City's credibility is on the line and its ability to govern effectively. She wanted the audit to be done sooner rather than later. She said if the audit isn't done there would be more skeptical taxpayers and voters in the next bond.

Bob McCarthy- said that at this stage of the bond process, this is a good time to see what has been done and have a good basis for reallocation of funds.

Mr. Lehm thanked Ms. Booth for going through the annual document. He asked if any of the 236 pages of the annual report came close mentioning the bond issue.

Ms. Booth said the bond is referred to regarding how construction or parks and trails was funded; but is not specifically mentioned.

Ms. Taylor asked Ms. Booth if she has concerns about the motion that calls for an audit, but doesn't say when. She said with all due respect, the City isn't known for moving with alacrity.

Ms. Booth said the motion recommends "before monies is re-obligated." She said Mr. Pino said Parks is very supportive of the audit because of the allocation issue; how could the City allocate funding if it isn't known how much money there is.

**The motion to recommend an audit was unanimously passed by voice vote.**

Ms. Booth asked Chair Hansen how the recommendation would be communicated to City Council.

Chair Hansen said it would be in the minutes that POSAC recommended the audit and then be up to City Council. She said this is an advisory commission.

Ms. Booth said that the Commission has written letters in the past. She asked if Chair Hansen would do that.

Chair Hansen said she would provide the minutes with the motion to City Council of what took place at the meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Reallocation of Parks funds for Salvador Perez: Action Item-

Mr. David Pfeifer, the Facilities Division Director for the City of Santa Fe said he would withdraw his request for reallocation based on the Commission's previous motion.

- b. Proposal for a 36 hole Disc Golf Course at the MRC, Santa Fe Disc Golf: Discussion and Action Item- Ryan Flahive

Mr. Ryan Flahive, president of the Santa Fe Disc Golf, a state nonprofit association, said the association is interested in growing the disc golf sport. Consistently the sport has about 60 players weekly and is drawing new players and the number of PGA sanctioned events in New Mexico this summer has tripled.

Mr. Flahive said the rationale for a new disc golf course is in alignment with the mission of the parks, trails and the Watershed Division. A number of different events could be hosted at the course; a tournament with 18 holes and 36 holes could facilitate up to 180 players and bring significant amounts of income into the community. Recreationally the sport is very accessible for all ages and abilities.

Disc Golf has low capital costs and minimal maintenance costs and the disc golfers maintain the park and keep the course clean. Play is year-round and environmentally friendly and uses environmentally friendly equipment, etc.

Mr. Flahive explained the equipment: the streamlined Frisbees (the copyrighted name) are called "golf discs" by the sport and do different things; some go short, some far, some go left or right, etc. The game is similar to golf using a certain number of throws to get into the basket.

Equipment includes baskets, which are mostly 24 chains and put into the ground with concrete and a sleeve with a collar that locks them. Rubber tee pads that could be commercial or horse stall mats. Signs would display rules, safety, direction, etc. and a central kiosk would have an overview map and warnings about flying discs along the walking paths.

Mr. Flahive provided estimated costs: 36 commercially available tee pads are about \$2400; the horse stall mats about \$1500. High-end graphically designed signs run about \$3000 but could be done cheaper. Signs are currently being looked at for Ashbaugh Park and would give an idea of sign costs for this course. The chain baskets run about \$8500 (for 18) and include labor, concrete sleeve, collar and locks.

Mr. Flahive said his questions for the Commission are: 1-If the Commission is interested in the course and would they prefer 18 or 36 holes. 2-How much money is available through the City and how much

needs to be raised. 3-Could the land in question hold events using temporary baskets; as a good way to test the layout? An option suggested was using the land around Marty Sanchez Links (MSL) as a temporary site. 4-What is the next step?

The Commission discussed the ADA accessibility: Mr. Gurule said the City does have to comply or use the 50% rule; for each standard bench put in, an accessible bench must be added. Mr. Wood wasn't sure that ADA could be accommodated in certain courses.

Ms. Taylor suggested Mr. Flahive check how the national organization handles ADA accessibility.

Ms. Booth supported the course in two stages. She thought the course would bring in younger demographics and a connection with the convention center that wants to bring people in at low season. Chair Hansen agreed and said MRC was a great place and the course could create a tournament destination and draw people from the rest of the country.

Ms. McDonald said she appreciated Mr. Flahive's awareness of the erosion problem and mentioned the problems at the St. Johns course that was not done well. She commended the City for doing parks that are low water [use] like skate parks and BMX parks.

**Ms. Booth moved that POSAC support the concept of the disc golf course and encourages the Parks Department to work with Mr. Flahive on the best layout for a temporary course with the best accessibility and the least erosion.**

**Ms. Guerrerortiz seconded the motion. She added a friendly amendment for the temporary course to be developed at the MRC and staff be encouraged to find funding to build the course in two phases. Ms. Booth accepted the friendly amendment. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.**

Mr. Gurule was asked to provide the amount of available funds at MRC at the next meeting.

## **REPORTS**

Ms. Guerrerortiz said the County is working on the development of Romero Park on Caja del Rio and the river and a survey sent out asked what features people would want in the park. She said the contractor (Claudia Horn) wants to meet with BTAC, COLTPAC, etc. and she was asked to help facilitate that.

Chair Hansen said she and Ms. Booth have tried to set up a meeting and COLTPAC is willing, but the meeting gets lost at BTAC. She suggested they just move forward with the meeting with COLTPAC.

Ms. Guerrerortiz asked Chair Hansen to set the meeting date and get back to her.

Ms. Booth said Ms. Horn contacted her because an inventory of the parks has to be done within 3 miles of Romero Park. She sent Ms. Horn the POSAC inventory of the parks. She said Ms. Horn would be in touch with Chair Hansen.

Mr. Lehm said he would be interested in attending the Romero Park meeting.

- Joe Lehm- Skate Parks; DeVargas Park;

Mr. Lehm said the parade was a huge hit and had 30 skateboarders leading the rodeo with dads and moms skating with their kids as well as a couple of bikes and scooters.

He thanked Create Santa Fe for getting in a younger demographic. He said the Plaza, the bandstand and the Railyard is great and family-friendly, but this crowd was a young, happening, hip-hop crowd and the party went on until midnight.

Mr. Lehm made recommendations on the sprinkler heads, which are too tall and could get broken and the "death gravel;" pea gravel that finds its way to the skate park. He explained when a wheel hits the gravel it becomes dangerous. He said the gravel is a never-ending problem.

Mr. Gurule said the sprinkler heads would be lowered and he would take a look at the gravel.

Mr. Lehm said he met Randall Marco from Solid Waste at the event and they had a great discussion about recycling containers. Mr. Marco said he would like to be on the POSAC agenda and make suggestions about effective locations for the recycling containers.

Ms. Booth thought the grand opening was amazing and having the event so visible could change people's minds and attitudes about skateboarding.

- Daniel Coriz: BMX/Motocross/Pump Track

Mr. Coriz said there was a list of items asked for in the beginning of the Northwest Quadrant Master Plan and a majority did not happen; IMBA's (International Mountain Biking Association) report included the items as well. Volunteers have been making up what hasn't been provided. He added that they are also trying to get ready for the Trail Jam in July.

Mr. Gurule told Mr. Coriz he would set up a meeting for him with Margaret.

- Melissa McDonald: Water Conservation

Ms. McDonald said she went to a Sustainable Community Conference and has a written report and would present a thorough report next month. (Exhibit 2) She said really important is the cooling stations, tree information and water harvesting and she is working on a Quail class for passive water harvesting that she hopes Parks staff would facilitate.

- Anna Hansen: District 3 /Art in the Parks

Chair Hansen said she would like a celebration at Ragle Park.

Chair Hansen said as a person who works in the community she was asked by Mayor Coss to serve as chair. She added that she is extremely grateful that Bette Booth is still on the Commission and that they will still have her expertise. She said Ms. Booth's work is beyond what she herself could imagine doing and she would continue to depend on Ms. Booth for many things, as the Commission has done over the last six years.

**DATE AND TIME FOR NEXT MEETING:** July 16, 2013

Mr. Lehm noted that he would not be present for the July meeting.

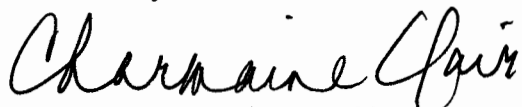
**ADJOURN:**

*Having no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.*

Approved by:

  
Anna Hansen, Chair

Submitted by:

  
Charmaine Clair, Stenographer

May 1, 2002                \$3.94 per 1,000 gallons  
May 1, 2003                \$4.09 per 1,000 gallons

**EMERGENCY DROUGHT SURCHARGES (STAGE 2, 3 OR 4)**

Ordinance 2000-30 adopted June 28, 2000, (effective June 28, 2000)

**Residential Surcharge**

\$15.00 per 1,000 gallons for usage above 12,000 gallons per month

\$25.00 per 1,000 gallons for usage above 20,000 gallons per month

**Note: 12,000 changed to 10,000 effective June 1, 2002**

**Commercial Surcharge**

\$2.00 per 1,000 gallons on all usage

**Water Shortage Emergency Declared**

Stage 1 (no surcharges)                June 7, 2000

Stage 2                                      June 28, 2000

Stage 3                                      August 9, 2000

**Note: Resolution 2000-49 August 9, 2000 suspended enforcement of Stage 2 & 3 surcharges on water usage pending resolution of billing and customer service issues until October 31, 2001.**

Downgraded to Stage 2                February 14, 2001

Downgraded to Stage 1                April 11, 2001

Stage 2                                      March 13, 2002

Stage 3                                      April 10, 2002

Downgraded to Stage 2                May 5, 2003

Stage 2 ends                              December 31, 2006

**NEW RATE STRUCTURE**

Ordinance 2006-53 (SFCC 1987 § 25-4), adopted August 28, 2006, (effective January 1, 2007)

**Note: Replaces both seasonal surcharges and drought emergency surcharges**

**Commodity Charge for all Customers**

<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>First tier</b>	<b>Second tier</b>
January 1, 2007	4.09 per 1,000 gallons	14.64 per 1,000 gallons

<b>RESIDENTIAL TIERS by METER</b>			
<b>Meter Size</b>	<b>Months</b>	<b>Tier 1</b>	<b>Tier 2</b>
All Meter Sizes	September - April	0 - 7,000 gallons	Over 7,000 gallons
	May - August	0 - 10,000 gallons	Over 10,000 gallons
<b>MULTI-FAMILY TIERS per DWELLING UNIT</b>			
<b>Meter Size</b>	<b>Months</b>	<b>Tier 1</b>	<b>Tier 2</b>
All Meter Sizes	September - April	0 - 7,000 gallons	Over 7,000 gallons

	May - August	0 - 10,000 gallons	Over 10,000 gallons
<b>COMMERCIAL TIERS by METER</b>			
<b>Meter Size</b>	<b>Months</b>	<b>Tier 1</b>	<b>Tier 2</b>
5/8" or 3/4"	September - April	0 - 7,000 gallons	Over 7,000 gallons
	May - August	0 - 10,000 gallons	Over 10,000 gallons
1"	September - April	0 - 14,000 gallons	Over 14,000 gallons
	May - August	0 - 20,000 gallons	Over 20,000 gallons
1 1/2"	September - April	0 - 28,000 gallons	Over 28,000 gallons
	May - August	0 - 40,000 gallons	Over 40,000 gallons
2"	September - April	0 - 56,000 gallons	Over 56,000 gallons
	May - August	0 - 80,000 gallons	Over 80,000 gallons
3"	September - April	0 - 112,000 gallons	Over 112,000 gallons
	May - August	0 - 160,000 gallons	Over 160,000 gallons
4"	September - April	0 - 203,000 gallons	Over 203,000 gallons
	May - August	0 - 290,000 gallons	Over 290,000 gallons
6"	September - April	0 - 448,000 gallons	Over 448,000 gallons
	May - August	0 - 640,000 gallons	Over 640,000 gallons
8"	September - April	0 - 798,000 gallons	Over 798,000 gallons
	May - August	0 - 1,140,000 gallons	Over 1,140,000 gallons

### 8.2% Rate Increase for Five Years

Ordinance 2009-2 (SFCC 1987 § 25-4.2), adopted January 28, 2009, (effective March 1, 2009)

#### All Customers Commodity Charge

<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>First tier</b>	<b>Second tier</b>
March 1, 2009	4.43 per 1,000 gallons	15.84 per 1,000 gallons
January 1, 2010	4.79 per 1,000 gallons	17.14 per 1,000 gallons
January 1, 2011	5.18 per 1,000 gallons	18.55 per 1,000 gallons
January 1, 2012	5.60 per 1,000 gallons	20.07 per 1,000 gallons
January 1, 2013	6.06 per 1,000 gallons	21.72 per 1,000 gallons

*Note: Monthly fixed fees for all meter sizes increase by 8.2% each year*

Western Adaptation Alliance (WAA)  
Report on the Regional Climate Leadership Academy, June 3 – 5, 2013

The Western Adaptation Alliance (WAA) was formed in 2011 to address global climate changes and create adaptation strategies especially focusing on arid and semi-arid environments. The WAA includes 11 local governments across 5 states:

- Colorado (Aspen, Boulder, Denver, Fort Collins)
- Arizona (Flagstaff, Phoenix, Tucson)
- Utah (Salt Lake City, Park City)
- Nevada (Las Vegas)
- New Mexico (Santa Fe)

In 2012, the Western Adaptation Alliance (WAA) and Institute for Sustainable Communities (ISC) came together and partnered to produce the first Regional Climate Leadership Academy for Adaptation & Reliance. The Academy was designed to be a three-part series primarily focused on climate adaptation, communication, and implementation. The first gathering was hosted in Denver, CO. This was the second in Phoenix, AZ.

This year's topics included

- Framing Tradeoffs in Adaptive Urban Water Management
- Water Supply and Demand in the Face of Climate Change
- Wildfire/Forest Management & Watershed Protection
- Advancing Adaptation Planning
- Preparing for and Dealing with Health Impacts of Climate Change
- Stormwater Management, Green Infrastructure and Rainwater Harvesting
- Water Conservation & Efficiency : Promising Practices
- Building Economic Resilience
- Wastewater Reclamation Innovations
- Land Use/Growth and Water Demand
- Natural Area Protection
- Resilient Business Models for Water Service Providers

Santa Fe's Team included:

Katherine Mortimer, Sustainable Santa Fe Programs Manager / Sustainable Santa Fe Commission  
Claudia Borchert, Water Resources Coordinator  
Esha Chiochio, Climate Solutions Coordinator / SF Watershed Association  
Melissa McDonald, Vice Chair City of Santa Fe Water Conservation Committee  
Grace Perez, City of Santa Fe Water Conservation Committee

Santa Fe was highlighted in a case study for the city's Living River Initiative. Claudia Borchert presented on a panel for Adaptive Urban Water Management and Katherine Mortimer spoke about Green Building Codes.

**What's next?**

There is much we can do as a city and citizens of the region. The city is currently working on an adaptation plan with the Santa Fe Watershed Association. We were asked to put forth two to three ideas as short-term action items. We suggested:

- 1) Explore the creation of a network of citizen Water Advisory Board within the WAA to further the exchange of ideas
- 2) Explore adding water harvesting components to the water conservation's QWEL program for greater water savings
- 3) Create a triple bottom-line mechanism in our city's fiscal impact process

Obviously, there is much more that can be discussed. We look forward to continuing our efforts.