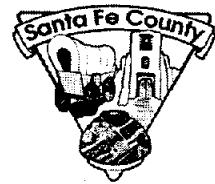




# Agenda



Santa Fe City and County, Advisory Council on Food Policy

Thursday, March 27, 2014, 9:00 to 11:00

Angel Depot Conference Room  
1222 Siler Road, Santa Fe, NM

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

DATE 3/18/14 TIME 3:03p

PREPARED BY Sue Perry

REVIEWED BY 5 minutes

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, Prioritization Agenda Order
- D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 6, 2014 5 minutes
- E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR 2 minutes/person
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  - 2. Erin on vacation: April 8th through April 15th, back on the 16th
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    - d. Education and Outreach
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      - ii. Draft Scope of Work for Santa Fe County Branding/Marketing Campaign Vote to Approve
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**SANTA FE CITY AND COUNTY  
ADVISORY COUNCIL ON FOOD POLICY  
1222 SILER ROAD, SANTA FE, NM 87501**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2014**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Santa Fe City and County Advisory Council on Food Policy was called to order by Susan Perry, Chair on this date at approximately 9:00 a.m. at the Angel Depot, Conference Room, 1222 Siler Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Roll call indicated a quorum as follows:

**Members Present**

Susan Perry, Chair  
Robert Griego  
Emigdio Ballon (arrived later)  
Patricia Boies  
Maria Bustamante-Bernal (arrived later)  
Tony McCarty  
Katherine Mortimer  
Susan Odiseos  
Lynn Walters

**Members Absent**

Steve Warshawer (excused)  
Pamela Roy (excused)  
Mark Winne (excused)

**Staff Present**

Erin Lloyd Ortigoza  
Alena Paisano

**Others Present**

Charmaine Clair, Stenographer

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ Prioritization**

Ms. Mortimer said Mr. Warshawer e-mailed her and asked to postpone the vote on the resolution for Health-Agriculture-Economy.

**Ms. Mortimer moved to postpone the vote on the health, agriculture and economy draft resolution. Mr. Griego seconded the motion for discussion.**

Chair Perry said members could decide whether to vote when the item is discussed.

Mr. McCarty said this was discussed last month and suggestions were made. He asked if the suggestions had been incorporated into the resolution.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said they were as deemed appropriate. She said there is more clarification and things were removed from the *whereas* statements. She said Commissioner Holian is impressed with the draft and would schedule a meeting to continue discussion on the language, etc.

Ms. Odiseos asked if anyone had reached out to find out Mr. Warshawer's points. She said she doesn't like missing a deadline, but was concerned about not trying to bring him in.

Chair Perry said she received e-mails and is concerned about the balance between substance and the way in which she was communicated with. She said members could postpone the vote, but would mean the deadline would not be met with the County.

Mr. Griego said the Commissioner (Holian) would sponsor the resolution. He thought a vote from the Food Council was not a requisite. Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza added there is a need to show the support of the Food Council.

Mr. McCarty said he did speak with Mr. Warshawer on the phone and invited him to join the meeting via conference call.

Ms. Mortimer said Mr. Warshawer also reached out to her and Mr. Griego. She said his concerns are valid and he has a perspective and a level of knowledge. She said his manner could come from his frustration, because he often feels he is a lone wolf in his ideas and opinions. She said that frustration is not unique, at times.

Ms. Mortimer said she doesn't feel comfortable voting on the draft resolution at this time. She said Mr. Warshawer explained to her that the way in which this is written underlines one of the other key components: the outreach to all 'ag' in the County in education. She said if a component of the agricultural community is alienated inadvertently; an opportunity to work with them would be missed.

Chair Perry thought after reading the draft that it did look at how people do agriculture and does support them. She agreed the Food Council wants to reach out to everyone.

Ms. Mortimer said from the big 'ag' and working partnership perspective, a part of the agricultural community is reluctant to deal with government and urban Santa Fe.

Ms. Mortimer said there is opportunity to put money into the budget for the five GMO things and at this level the devil is in the details. She said it is important to hear what others have to say and look at the work at the national level at the same time.

She noted that Mr. Warshawer sent comments from the National Organic and the National Sustainable Agricultural Coalition on enhancing agricultural co-existence. She said her intent is to say this is not ready for a vote.

Chair Perry asked if a problem to send something to Commissioner Holian that is not supported as a council.

*Mr. Ballon entered the meeting at this time.*

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said this work is Commissioner Holian's "baby". She said her understanding is that the Commissioner needs to be in the loop. She noted that this was never presented as the *final* solution and the next steps were to discuss refining the document.

Mr. Griego said the resolution would be Commissioner Holian's resolution and may look different when it comes out. He wasn't sure there was a need for a final vote. He said the goals could still be met.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza voiced concern about the scope of work in the budget. She said hearings begin in April and Mr. Griscom would justify the scope of work before the Committee for the branding and marketing campaign. She said he has requested a sense of the Food Council support.

Ms. Mortimer said from a staff perspective this is already in the budget. She said there are the five conceptual points and those are things that the budget is drafted from.

Ms. Boies asked the connection between the scope of work and the resolution.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said the idea is that the resolution is passed at an official level in the County which would provide a precedent for a tangible scope of work to be referenced. The resolution is to get something specific that works under the umbrella of considerations that have been identified as agriculture, economy, environment and public health; and to be clear those are linked through the resolution; and to have a tangible approach for progress on those areas of the industry.

Ms. Boies said she doesn't see that in the language. She said the only action part of the resolution directs staff concerning the Santa Fe Sustainable Land Development code and mechanisms.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said she didn't think the actual scope needs to be specified, because it has not been finalized or approved by the County.

Ms. Boies said she only now made the connection that the *therefore be it resolved #2- Santa Fe County is in favor of developing market opportunities...* is the umbrella the scope of work is under. She said it is not stated anywhere explicitly.

Ms. Mortimer said if one component is to develop the economy etc. in the education and outreach farmer to farmer communication; that would be thwarted because of the way this is worded. She said it is important to get the language right, even if that means putting the vote off for a meeting.

Mr. Griego said this wouldn't impede the process. The meeting with the Commissioner to review the document could still happen, with or without the vote.

Mr. McCarty said this is the historic action; they bring something forward and then someone says: "I can't do this. We have to halt the process".

Ms. Mortimer said she was originally on the GMO task force, but had not been included in any of the development. Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza replied that she thought Ms. Mortimer wanted to be on temporarily.

Mr. Griego asked to clarify who is on the GMO task force.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said Mr. Winne and herself. She said Elizabeth was and now Mr. Griego.

Mr. Griego said he doesn't feel he has been on the GMO task force. He participated in the meeting with the Commissioner as staff liaison.

Chair Perry said a goal before the next meeting is to list all subcommittees and their chairs and members. She said anyone who wants to be on a subcommittee is welcome and wanted.

*Ms. Bustamante-Bernal entered the meeting at this time.*

Ms. Odiseos said she had a concern that Mr. Warshawer had reached out to some members, but put nothing in writing to articulate his concerns. She said she wasn't comfortable voting in favor of the resolution.

**Ms. Mortimer restated her motion: to approve the agenda with an amendment to remove the word "vote". Mr. Griego was the second on the motion.**

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza asked if possible to vote on the scope of work and not vote on the resolution, since the scope is based on the Food Council recommendations and refers to the marketing and branding campaign. Ms. Mortimer explained that the work item is a separate item and no changes would be made to e.(ii.).

**The motion to remove the word "vote" from item e. (i.) on the agenda was passed unanimously by voice vote**

Mr. McCarty asked that Item H be heard after item K, time permitting. The Food Council agreed by consensus.

#### **D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- March 06, 2014**

**Ms. Odiseos moved to approve the minutes of January 23, 2014. Mr. McCarty seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.**

Roberto Chenet should be spelled Roberto Chené in the document.

Page 5: *Richar* should be Richard.

**A friendly amendment was made to make the stated spelling changes and was accepted by Ms. Odiseos and Mr. McCarty. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.**

#### **E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

*Tom Guthrie* said he is a member of the community and a cultural anthropologist doing research of small scale agriculture and industry.

*Ava Angelo* said she is an AmeriCorps intern with Ms. Mortimer. She is present because of a passion for food justice. She said she is also trying to plant seeds for anti-racist training; to understand the externalized and internalized white supremacist systematic thinking and actions specifically seen within the food system.

*Pokei Piottin* an urban farmer in Santa Fe said he received a grant from McCune [Foundation] to map the existing available land for farming. He is looking for a creative way to reach landowners to develop available properties and would be looking for properties with domestic, commercial or irrigation water rights.

*Richard Welker* said he is a citizen especially interested in an urban agricultural ordinance.

*Mary Shruben* a citizen was present.

**F. PRESENTATIONS/TRAININGS-** There were none

**G. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Update on ground rules

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said she sent something reflecting the discussion at the last meeting and received no additional suggestions. She offered to have the ground rules printed on the agenda for the next meeting, if everyone was okay with them.

2. Erin on vacation: April 8th through April 15th, back on the 16th

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said she will be on vacation April 8 through the fifteenth and wanted to reference the outline of the scope of work for 2014-15 and clarify staff roles. She said she would work more hours per week and Ms. Paisano's percentage of hours each month would change.

Ms. Paisano explained she would drop to 20 hours a month, but would still be involved and continue advocacy from the local to the state level and support Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza.

Ms. Bustamante-Bernal said her husband is willing to help with the workload.

Ms. Mortimer said the FPC should look at increasing staff hours in the budget for the coming year.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said the annual City RFP is due Monday and she would ask for a substantial increase from both the City and County. She missed the County deadline, but is working to see if possible for this year.

Ms. Mortimer said FPC should look for other dollars from foundations, etc. for the following year and do what is necessary for local government support. She said as they are asked to do more, the government would have to understand that could not happen without the administrative support.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said Ms. Martin with Upstream is interested in supporting her. She said Ms. Martin has built alternative funding options into the workload and introduced her to potential grants that are similar to Upstream.

Mr. Ballon said that is good to look at, but they should also look for people to volunteer.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza agreed. She said the outreach process would be used to build and actualize partnerships with people that do the work and on projects that they could work together on.

Ms. Paisano said she has a couple of updates: she is working on procurement and a statewide assessment on supply and demand for institutional buying; Thornburg Foundation is providing support and NMSU is a partner. NMSU is doing a farmer-census survey to learn what farmers are growing and what the potential is to transition. Part of her work is to help farmers understand the institutional requirements. The work would provide a platform for the goals in the Food Plan, because so many are around schools and senior centers.

Chair Perry said to engage farmers, etc. in the system at every level there has to be a system that is friendly and helps people to connect with the system to sell their food. She said the value of good government partnerships with nonprofits is that they could develop a system and people interested would have someone to call.

Mr. McCarty congratulated Ms. Paisano on the recurring funding. Ms. Paisano said part of the goal with the Farm to Cafeteria Program is to look regionally and get people to think about food security in the Southwest.

## **I. INITIATIVES AND ACTIONS**

### **1. Policy Committee**

#### **a. Food Plan**

##### **i. Community Building Events: Tesuque, Pojoaque, Seed-Saving Conference**

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said there are four dates for April outreach for the Food Plan currently scheduled:

4/1 and 4/24: she would attend the Cooking with Kids session at Salazar and Sweeney Elementary.

4/5: she and Chair Perry would attend a conference at Okay Owingeh Pueblo

4/30 (tentatively): she would work with Richard at Pojoaque Pueblo to kick off the Espanola Farmers Market

She said for May, she is interested in working with members with ties in the communities such as Ms. Boies for Edgewood. She also will talk with Mr. Griego and Ms. Odiseos about Chimayo and La Cienega for events in May/June. She is working with Mr. Ballon on the Tesuque date and plans to reach out to communities in the Southwest area and partner with the Quality of Life Initiative; possibly working with high schools.

Ms. Mortimer said Santa Fe was designated a green city through the Earth Day Network and the City will receive two years of technical assistance. They would commit to holding community conversations on Earth Day this year and the next.

She said an event is scheduled at the Southside library on Earth Day, Tuesday April 22 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and includes the Quality of Life. A younger audience is targeted. She said it would be great to have the Food Plan there.

Chair Perry said the FPC could hook on to events that are planned. She said they might be reaching out in ways that wouldn't look like what they thought, but that would be okay if they have an impact.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said they would participate in a rotation of three, 30 minute sessions at the Seed Conference. She would incorporate ideas on how to access affordable, healthy food on the go. Also the FPC survey would be tailored to provide feedback that is specific to the goals of getting, growing and learning about food.

Ms. Boies suggested a calendar where dates of scheduled events could be noted and be part of the advance planning that is included in the agenda. Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza added she could print the calendar (soon be online).



Mr. Ballon said he wasn't sure of the dates of the Pojoaque Seed Sowing Conference, but also there is the State Land Office event in April as part of the seed event.

Mr. Griego added that the Rio Arriba Food Policy Council has their annual event in April and is a good opportunity to coordinate with them.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said the conference has passed and she attended. The focus was on the food hub in Espanola. She said she drafted documents to get feedback, but she realized that a certain structure is needed for feedback at the event.

Mr. McCarty asked the date for the facilitation training. He said he would like to do the training before the Pojoaque training on the 30th of April. He was told there are no dates set yet.

Ms. Paisano offered to talk with Lucy. She said staff has already done three community events and conducted over 70 interviews. She wants to be sure that at least one sheet is done to say how outreach has been done, because it helps to build trust and celebrate wins. She said after she coordinates with Lucy and Roberto, she would prepare one sheet showing the process.

b. Upstream Process

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said Ms. Martin has acknowledged that the Food Policy Council is actively working on and heading toward the achievement of established milestones. She said alternative funding options were discussed and Ms. Martin would provide her with resources for financial sustainability.

c. Food Production and Land Use Committee

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said Ms. Roy prepared a report that outlines the high points and the work. The focus is to look at ways to explore agricultural assessments in the County. She noted that the next Land Use subcommittee meeting is scheduled April 7 and she would have updates then.

Ms. Paisano added that Commissioner O'Malley has been working with Bernalillo County on their exemption and Eric Griego has momentum with the Food Forward Initiative in Bernalillo with producers. She plans to attend a meeting March 31 in Albuquerque on the topic and would come back with outcomes.

d. Education and Outreach

i. Website development update

Ms. Mortimer said this has been discussed and the subcommittee is supporting the outreach plan. She said they should turn their attention to the website, so as they refer people the website reflects what they have worked on.

Ms. Bustamante-Bernal said her husband offered to help with that.

Chair Perry thanked Ms. Mortimer for working with Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza on the questionnaires.

e. City-County GMO Task Force

i. Draft Resolution Vote to Approve: Health-Agriculture-Economy

Chair Perry said this was previously discussed. She suggested that since members had talked about Mr. Warshawer's concerns and originally he was on the Land Use Committee, he should be re-invited, so he feels a part of that.

Ms. Mortimer said she apologized if she said she would be on the GMO task force. She said a subcommittee with only one Food Council member and one staff member is not a subcommittee. She said Mr. Warshawer would be critical for the subcommittee and Mr. Griego should be invited as well; especially with so much focus on the County.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said she would officially invite Ms. Mortimer, Mr. Warshawer and Mr. Griego to be on the subcommittee with her and Mr. Winne.

Mr. Griego said in regard to the resolution, Ms. Boies' point about two *therefore resolve* sections: item number two, under the first *now therefore be it resolved*; should tie directly to the scope of work. He said it should be more explicit one way or the other to make that connection.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza asked if the resolution was passed and the scope of work was not, would that affect that the work is reflected in the resolution.

Chair Perry said they may not pass the scope of work, but that would not negate the resolution. Ms. Mortimer suggested the subcommittee handle that issue.

#### ii. Draft Scope of Work for Santa Fe County Branding/Marketing Campaign Vote to Approve

Ms. Paisano asked about outlining timelines and the need to specify six and 12 months. Ms. Mortimer suggested an "estimated time line."

Mr. McCarty asked where "*Santa Fe Food Policy Council is proposing...*" came from. He was told they were fleshed out of the general recommendations, which were approved and are reasonable to present to the County with a price tag of 50,000 dollars.

Mr. Griego clarified that a scope of work was submitted to the County with a budget process based on that. He said if the budget line item is approved, the County would go through an RFP process. He said the item is in the budget as written and if changes are made, he isn't sure where they would go.

Ms. Boies said her understanding is the \$50,000 line item is in the Economic Development Department Budget and everything had been discussed. She asked what the line item in the budget said.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said "the Santa Fe Agricultural Marketing/Branding Campaign" with this referenced as an attachment of support. She said also a draft budget was submitted. *[Mr. Griego clarified that the Economic Development Department is within the Growth Management department.]*

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said she met with David Griscom and he thought it helpful to have the Food Council approval.

Mr. Griego said this would go through a process and any additional changes would need clarification. The BCC has approved the budget item and would work with the FPC. He added that he would abstain from a vote as a member of the County staff.

Mr. Ballon said he wanted to see the position of the FPC clearly on GMOs, because there is movement against the plantings of some corporations. He said the document mentions certain situations.

Ms. Mortimer said it does, but doesn't state a policy or an opinion; where mentioned, it talks about the discovery process of gathering information relating to land ownership, water usage, type of seed/feed, etc. and the *right to know*. She said the document does not result in a response where a person would feel attacked.

Mr. Ballon said he doesn't have any problems with it, but he thought it important to know the FPC position. He said as a policy member he needs to know, so he can say this is our opinion when in other meetings.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza suggested a discussion on that next month when Mr. Warshawer is present. She said she is hearing that the existing resolution is too explicit in the support of non-GMO and alienates farmers using GMO seed. She also hears that Mr. Ballon wants clarity on the FPC position. She said FPC hasn't taken a position yet.

Mr. Ballon said he has a background on this kind of situation and it would be good to discuss. He said, like the Food Policy Council they advise people on what is good and bad and it is important to say what they think.

**Ms. Mortimer approved the draft scope of work for the Santa Fe County Branding/Marketing Campaign. Ms. Odiseos seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote. Ms. Boies and Mr. Griego abstained as County employees.**

f. State & National Issues

Ms. Paisano said the legislative session outcome is funding for the New Mexico Grown Produce for school meals and the funding is reoccurring. She said Farm to Table is looking at how to encourage their agencies to see it as a big win. She said the challenge is funding statewide; there is distribution and reporting problems that make it hard for some schools to access. Their goal is to implement the funding equitably across the state.

Ms. Paisano said some water initiatives were funded. Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza added that the Food Hub Initiative in Espanola was funded \$290,000 for infrastructure and development of the building. (Mr. Guthrie explained that the \$290,000 was not entirely for the Food Hub; it was also for green houses/hoop houses and computers in county facilities related to the promotion of agriculture.)

Ms. Paisano said the State Food Policy Council meeting is April 3 at the NMSU Agricultural Building in Albuquerque from 10:30 to 2:00 and lunch is provided. She said it would be good for members to attend.

Ms. Mortimer said there is a regional gathering as part of the Western Adaptation Alliance. Last year the conference was on water and this year it is in Santa Fe on May fifth through seventh. The topic is enhancing the resilience of sustainable food systems through adaptive water management in the American West.

Ms. Mortimer explained that each city brings a team of six to seven people and there is cross communication and work with experts. As a team they answer questions about what was learned and leave with a plan.

2. Executive Committee
  - a. 2014 Scope of Work

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said a staff suggestion for subcommittee work is a request of written submissions on products such as resolutions, the Food Plan or letters to the BCC. She explained that staff receives great thoughts, but they are often abstract. She said she would ask the task force members to write the policy statement for the resolution. That would help to get specific "home" work that would come back and be expanded upon and then could be submitted.

Mr. McCarty said if members participate they will feel engaged and get their ideas into the proposals. Chair Perry added that the Food Council does a good job of establishing the subcommittees and their chairs and current subcommittee members. She said having a minimum number of people would set them up structurally and helps everyone feel included and they could participate in things they have a passion for or a concern.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said she has learned that the terms for some members have expired. She would be contacting them. She would also follow-up with Ms. Boies on the County position process. Chair Perry suggested that even members who don't have to go through an official process should sign the commitment again.

- b. Replacement Suggestions for Community Member: Final Call

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said no additional suggestions had been received.

Mr. McCarty said he followed up with the mayor and his new person (Noah Burke) in charge of Mayor Gonzales' policy. He said he had to educate them, because they had never heard of the Food Policy Council. He sent information on the webpage and a draft of the Food Plan.

Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza said she would move forward with the nominations received (Pokei Piottin and Richard Welker) and invite them to apply.

Ms. Paisano said she wanted to reiterate cultural diversity at the table. She said this is the community member slot for people that might not have professional affiliation. She suggested a last effort be made to ensure a person wasn't out there who could better represent the City culturally.

Chair Perry said that had been asked for, but not received. Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza added that any community member could apply. She said she encourages the two gentlemen to apply and if another application is received in the meantime, all of that could be factored.

The Food Council discussed an announcement in the New Mexican and a press release and the website. Ms. Paisano offered to take charge of that initiative with help from the City/County on the language.

- c. Proposed Honorary Youth Positions

Chair Perry said she is buried and has to put this on hold. She said additionally there is a new Mayor who is just getting oriented. She explained the position would be for a person between 16 and 20 years old and is for the

year, not just the school year. Ms. Paisano said outreach would provide opportunities to interface with young people.

**J. ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR – Nothing New to add**

**H. CHECK IN: "Share a recent win relating to food"**

Chair Perry said the win on the recurring funding for the initiative is one she is happy about.

Ms. Bustamante-Bernal said she would start getting things from farmers in April. Ms. Lloyd Ortigoza added a win for her was that she finished the 6000 ft.<sup>2</sup> greenhouse and would sell to Ms. Bustamante-Bernal.

**K. ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL**

Ms. Boies said she had mentioned her work on the County's Health Action Plan and Community Health Profile, which is referenced in the resolution. She said she likes that the resolution brings things together.

She said the Health Action Plan and the Community Health Profile and input received over the last few months is ready to be voted on by the HPPC. She said the number one priority is to get people enrolled in the Centennial Care, which is the new Medicaid and health insurance and she is doing outreach to help people understand the Health Insurance Exchange. She said people could contact her if they have questions.

She listed the other priorities: 2) to reduce drug abuse 3) to reduce alcohol abuse 4) to reduce low birthrate babies tied to prenatal care 5) mental health and 6) to increase consumption of healthy food. She said she tied in the most relevant goals of the draft Food Plan and the Plan is referred to and has links to the website. She said the Health Plan would be presented to the BCC in about a month and she would keep everyone posted.

Chair Perry thanked her for all of her work on the health plan.

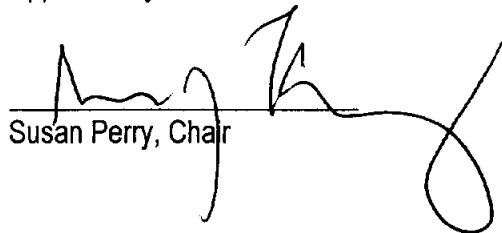
Ms. Odiseos said collaborations are important and Smiths on Pacheco has come to her aid; the local food bank has not delivered in the last two weeks. She said Smith's doesn't make money on what they have done for her and their community and civic responsibility is beyond measure.

The Food Council members discussed the Check-in question and by consensus agreed the question would be relegated to the end of the meeting, time permitting.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

*Having no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.*

Approved by:

  
Susan Perry, Chair

Submitted by:

*Charmaine Clair*

Charmaine Clair, Stenographer