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Seeking Members for the Santa Fe Women's Commission

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Santa Fe, October 9, 2019 – The Santa Fe Women's Commission was established by resolution 2019-24 from Mayor Alan Webber in 2019 to identify opportunities to improve City of Santa Fe programs and policies and to strengthen the quality of life of women and girls in Santa Fe so that they can thrive, personally and professionally. The Commission is now seeking candidates to fill member roles.

Members of the Women's Commission will be responsible for providing a gender equity lens through which the City's programs, policies, services, ordinances, budgets and practices are viewed. The Commission may make recommendations on topics that directly impact women and girls within the City. The Commission may also seek and recommend opportunities to partner with other organizations, community members, and agencies to ensure women and girls have equal opportunity and representation in decision-making roles.

The definition of "women" or "women and girls" as it relates to this resolution shall consistently include and refer to women and girls, transgender women, self-identifying women and girls, and gender nonconfirming individuals, including in the composition and the mission of this Commission.

Membership will be comprised of seven (7) members appointed by the Mayor with approval from the Governing Body. Each district shall be represented by one (1) member, with three (3) members selected at-large. Two (2) alternates may be appointed with approval from the Governing Body, alternates may vote only in absence of a permanent member. The Commission shall be comprised solely of women as defined above. Special attention shall be made to ensure that women of color are represented to reflect the demographic makeup of our City. Additional considerations shall be made to ensure that the membership reflects a range of ages and professional and community backgrounds. Members <u>must</u> reside within municipal boundaries of the City of Santa Fe.

The Commission shall meet at least once per quarter or as determined by the majority of the Commission members. The meetings will be open to the public. Interested applications may apply by submitting a letter of interest and a resume to:

Yolanda Vigil City Clerk's Office 200 Lincoln Ave Or by email: <u>yyvigil@santafenm.gov</u> Deadline to apply: 5:00 PM, November 22, 2019