

1 **CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-__**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

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5 Councilor Roman “Tiger” Abeyta

6 Councilor Carol Romero-Wirth

7 Councilor Jamie Cassutt

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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **ADOPTING A NEW VERSION OF THE GOVERNING BODY PROCEDURAL RULES.**

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13 **WHEREAS**, the Governing Body operates pursuant to the City’s Charter, laws, and
14 according to procedural rules it re- adopted by Resolution in 2016; and

15 **WHEREAS**, except as stated in the procedural rules, all matters of the Governing Body’s
16 procedures are governed by the most current edition of *Robert’s Rules of Order*; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the procedural rules were originally adopted in 2004 and they have been
18 amended and re-adopted six times since that date; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the Governing Body has determined that there is a significant need to
20 improve opportunity for public participation, better describe the process for introducing and
21 reviewing legislation, clarify ambiguity, and remove rules that are no longer relevant; and

22 **WHEREAS**, to address the identified needs, the Governing Body proposes establishing
23 certain new rules, clarifying existing rules, and generally providing a more understandable way of
24 conducting official business in public meetings; and

25 **WHEREAS**, the Governing Body’s procedural rules should provide a framework that

1 provides transparency to the public about the Governing Body's method of conducting regular
2 business; and

3 **WHEREAS**, staff conducted significant research regarding the procedural rules of other
4 jurisdictions' governing bodies to inform the proposed procedural rules, attached as Exhibit A.

5 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
6 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that a new version of the Governing Body's Procedural Rules, attached as
7 Exhibit A, are hereby adopted.

8 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that that previous versions of the Governing Body
9 Procedural Rules are hereby replaced and no longer applicable to questions of procedure.


10 PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2021.

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14 ALAN WEBBER, MAYOR

15 ATTEST:

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18 KRISTINE MIHELIC, CITY CLERK

19 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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22 ERIN K. McSHERRY, CITY ATTORNEY
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25 *Legislation/2021/Resolutions/Adoption of New Governing Body Procedural Rules*