

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

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2019-47**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

4
5 Mayor Alan M. Webber

6 Councilor Carol Romero-Wirth

7 Councilor Renee D. Villarreal

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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF GLOBAL CITIZENS, LED BY YOUNG PEOPLE**
12 **WHOSE FUTURES ARE THREATENED, TO PRESSURE WORLD LEADERS TO**
13 **ADDRESS THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY WE FACE; URGING THE PUBLIC AND**
14 **PRIVATE SECTOR TO WORK TOGETHER TO ADDRESS THE EFFECTS OF**
15 **CLIMATE CHANGE; AFFIRMING THE CITY’S COMMITMENT TO TAKE**
16 **CLIMATE CRISIS ACTION; AND URGING SANTA FE RESIDENTS TO SUPPORT**
17 **EFFORTS TO BRING CLIMATE CHANGE TO THE FOREFRONT OF ISSUES**
18 **REQUIRING ACTION FROM OUR POLITICAL LEADERS.**

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20 **WHEREAS**, Senator Edward J. Markey (D-Mass.) and Representative Alexandria
21 Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.) released their resolution calling for “Recognizing the duty of the Federal
22 Government to create a Green New Deal” on February 7, 2019 to create an equitable blueprint for
23 addressing climate change that creates jobs and stimulates the economy; and

24 **WHEREAS**, on May 31, 2006, the Governing Body adopted Resolution No. 2006-54
25 endorsing the U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement; and

1 **WHEREAS**, on October 8, 2014, the Governing Body adopted Resolution No. 2014-85
2 declaring the Governing Body’s intent for the City of Santa Fe to become carbon neutral by the
3 year 2040; and

4 **WHEREAS**, on April 8, 2015, the Governing Body adopted Resolution No. 2015-30
5 directing staff to draft a new sustainability plan for the City with the goal of becoming carbon
6 neutral by the year 2040; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Mayor Alan Webber has declared his goals of making Santa Fe the most
8 family-friendly, user-friendly, and the most sustainable city in America; and

9 **WHEREAS**, on May 23rd Greta Thunberg and 46 youth activists from around the world
10 called for a global climate strike on September 20th; and

11 **WHEREAS**, local youth leaders from the City of Santa Fe and other northern NM
12 communities have answered the call and issued their own demands for a just and immediate
13 transition requiring urgent action at all levels of government in NM as well as mass participation
14 from all people of NM; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the term “just transition” is a framework for a fair shift to an economy that
16 is ecologically sustainable, equitable, and just for all its members; and

17 **WHEREAS**, strategies using a just transition framework were first forged by a “blue-
18 green” alliance of labor unions and environmental justice groups who saw the need to phase out
19 the industries that were harming workers, community health, and the planet, while also providing
20 just pathways for workers into new livelihoods; and

21 **WHEREAS**, justice requires that the leadership of frontline communities, which have
22 historically borne the brunt of the extractive fossil-fuel economy, is centered in the planning and
23 implementation of an emergency mobilization effort to restore a safe and stable climate at all
24 levels of government and that they benefit from the transition to a renewable energy economy;
25 and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Governing Body adopted the City’s Sustainable Santa Fe 25-Year Plan
2 in October, 2018 which includes all of the goals of the proposed federal Green New Deal and
3 more, with a local lens focusing on the unique challenges and opportunities in the City; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the City now has two full-time professional sustainability staff dedicated to
5 implementing the 25-Year Plan; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the City is participating in a U.S. Green Building Council pilot program
7 called LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) for cities to demonstrate progress
8 towards adopted goals and identify strategic actions moving forward; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the City has set the goal of becoming carbon neutral by 2040 in order to
10 play its part in reducing the effects of climate change in our community; and

11 **WHEREAS**, according to a study in by John Cook in *Environmental Research Letters*¹,
12 approximately 97% of climate scientists agree that climate change is happening and that it is
13 substantially human-caused; and

14 **WHEREAS**, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
15 (NOAA), the top 10 hottest years on record have all occurred in the last 20 years, with the last 5
16 years occupying the top 5 spots; and

17 **WHEREAS**, ground- and satellite-based records of global surface temperature change
18 show linear increases from 1979 to 2009; and

19 **WHEREAS**, there is a global movement to pressure world governments to act on climate
20 change on Friday, September 20th and Friday, September 27th; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the United Nations will hold an emergency climate summit in New York
22 City on Monday, September 23rd; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the City actively supports the efforts of citizens around the world to
24 pressure national, regional, and local governments to aggressively tackle climate change and the

¹ J. Cook, et al, "[Consensus on consensus: a synthesis of consensus estimates on human-caused global warming.](#)" *Environmental Research Letters* Vol. 11 No. 4, (13 April 2016)

1 adverse effects it brings to the world as a whole.

2 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
3 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the Governing Body hereby:

4 1. Joins other counties and cities of the United States in supporting the Global
5 Climate Strike on Friday, September 20, 2019;

6 2. Declares that a climate emergency threatens the region, state, nation, civilization,
7 humanity, and the natural world; and

8 3. Commits to taking bold action to facilitate a just transition to carbon neutrality by
9 2040 and calls upon our state and federal governments to do the same.

10 4. Commits to keeping the concerns of vulnerable communities central to the just
11 transition and climate emergency mobilization effort planning processes and to inviting and
12 encouraging such communities to actively participate in order to advocate directly for their needs.

13 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** that the efforts by global citizens to pressure
14 leaders to address the effects of climate change are hereby supported.

15 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Governing Body urges the public and private
16 sector to work together in any way possible to address the threat of climate change in our
17 communities.

18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Governing Body urges residents of Santa Fe to
19 support bringing climate change to the forefront of issues that require urgent action from our
20 political leaders.

21 PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 11th day of September, 2019.

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25 ALAN M. WEBBER, MAYOR

1 ATTEST:

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4 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

5 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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8 ERIN K. McSHERRY, CITY ATTORNEY

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25 *Legislation/2019/Resolutions/2019-47 Addressing Climate Change*

CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
PROPOSED AMENDMENT(S) TO RESOLUTION NO. 2019-47
Addressing Climate Change

Mayor and Members of the City Council:

I propose the following amendment(s) to Resolution No. 2019-47:

1. On page 1, line 11 after “CITIZENS” *insert* “, LED BY YOUNG PEOPLE WHOSE FUTURES ARE THREATENED,”
2. On page 1, line 12 *delete* “EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE” and *insert* “CLIMATE EMERGENCY WE FACE” in lieu thereof
3. On page 1, line 14 after “CHANGE;” *insert* “AFFIRMING THE CITY’S COMMITMENT TO TAKE CLIMATE CRISIS ACTION”
4. On page 2, line 7 *insert* the following new paragraphs:

“WHEREAS, on May 23rd Greta Thunberg and 46 youth activists from around the world called for a global climate strike on September 20th; and

WHEREAS, local youth leaders from the City of Santa Fe and other northern NM communities have answered the call and issued their own demands for a just and immediate transition requiring urgent action at all levels of government in NM as well as mass participation from all people of NM; and

WHEREAS, the term “just transition” is a framework for a fair shift to an economy that is ecologically sustainable, equitable, and just for all its members; and

WHEREAS, strategies using a just transition framework were first forged by a “blue-green” alliance of labor unions and environmental justice groups who saw the need to phase out the industries that were harming workers, community health, and the planet, while also providing just pathways for workers into new livelihoods; and

WHEREAS, justice requires that the leadership of frontline communities, which have historically borne the brunt of the extractive fossil-fuel economy, is centered in the planning and implementation of an emergency mobilization effort to restore a safe and stable climate at all levels of government and that they benefit from the transition to a renewable energy economy; and”
5. On page 3, line 9 after “SANTA FE” *insert* the following:

“that the Governing Body hereby:

 1. Joins other counties and cities of the United States in supporting the Global Climate Strike on Friday, September 20, 2019;
 2. Declares that a climate emergency threatens the region, state, nation, civilization, humanity, and the natural world; and
 3. Commits to taking bold action to facilitate a just transition to carbon neutrality by 2040 and calls upon our state and federal governments to do the same.
 4. Commits to keeping the concerns of vulnerable communities central to the just transition and climate emergency mobilization effort planning processes and to inviting and encouraging such communities to actively participate in order to advocate directly for their needs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT”

Respectfully submitted,

Renee D. Villarreal, Councilor

Approved as to Form:

Erin K. McSherry, City Attorney

ADOPTED: _____ X _____

NOT ADOPTED: _____

DATE: _____ 9/11/19 _____

Yolanda Y. Vigil, City Clerk

City of Santa Fe Fiscal Impact Report (FIR)

This Fiscal Impact Report (FIR) shall be completed for each proposed bill or resolution as to its direct impact upon the City’s operating budget and is intended for use by any of the standing committees of and the Governing Body of the City of Santa Fe. Bills or resolutions with no fiscal impact still require a completed FIR. Bills or resolutions with a fiscal impact must be reviewed by the Finance Committee. Bills or resolutions without a fiscal impact generally do not require review by the Finance Committee unless the subject of the bill or resolution is financial in nature.

Section A. General Information

(Check) Bill: _____ Resolution: X


(A single FIR may be used for related bills and/or resolutions)

Short Title(s): Addressing Climate Change

Sponsor(s): Mayor Webber

Reviewing Department(s): Environmental Services

Persons Completing FIR: Shirlene Sitton Date: 8/2/19 Phone: _____

Reviewed by City Attorney:  Date: Aug 19, 2019
(Signature)

Reviewed by Finance Director:  Date: Aug 19, 2019
(Signature)

Section B. Summary

Briefly explain the purpose and major provisions of the bill/resolution:

This Resolution supports efforts of citizens to pressure world leaders to address the effects of climate change.

Section C. Fiscal Impact

Note: Financial information on this FIR does not directly translate into a City of Santa Fe budget increase. For a budget increase, the following are required:

- a. The item must be on the agenda at the Finance Committee and City Council as a “Request for Approval of a City of Santa Fe Budget Increase” with a definitive funding source (could be same item and same time as bill/resolution)
- b. Detailed budget information must be attached as to fund, business units, and line item, amounts, and explanations (similar to annual requests for budget)
- c. Detailed personnel forms must be attached as to range, salary, and benefit allocation and signed by Human Resource Department for each new position(s) requested (prorated for period to be employed by fiscal year)*

1. Projected Expenditures:

- a. Indicate Fiscal Year(s) affected – usually current fiscal year and following fiscal year (i.e., FY 03/04 and FY 04/05)
- b. Indicate: “A” if current budget and level of staffing will absorb the costs
“N” if new, additional, or increased budget or staffing will be required
- c. Indicate: “R” – if recurring annual costs
“NR” if one-time, non-recurring costs, such as start-up, contract or equipment costs
- d. Attach additional projection schedules if two years does not adequately project revenue and cost patterns
- e. Costs may be netted or shown as an offset if some cost savings are projected (explain in Section 3 Narrative)

Finance Director: _____

X Check here if no fiscal impact

Column #:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Expenditure Classification	FY _____	“A” Costs Absorbed or “N” New Budget Required	“R” Costs Recurring or “NR” Non-recurring	FY _____	“A” Costs Absorbed or “N” New Budget Required	“R” Costs – Recurring or “NR” Non-recurring	Fund Affected

Personnel*	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Fringe**	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital Outlay	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Land/ Building	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Professional Services	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
All Other Operating Costs	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Total:	\$ _____			\$ _____				

* Any indication that additional staffing would be required must be reviewed and approved in advance by the City Manager by attached memo before release of FIR to committees. **For fringe benefits contact the Finance Dept.

2. Revenue Sources:

- a. To indicate new revenues and/or
- b. Required for costs for which new expenditure budget is proposed above in item 1.

Column #:	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Type of Revenue	FY _____	“R” Costs Recurring or “NR” Non-recurring	FY _____	“R” Costs – Recurring or “NR” Non-recurring	Fund Affected

_____	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
Total:	\$ _____		\$ _____		

3. Expenditure/Revenue Narrative:

Explain revenue source(s). Include revenue calculations, grant(s) available, anticipated date of receipt of revenues/grants, etc. Explain expenditures, grant match(s), justify personnel increase(s), detail capital and operating uses, etc. (Attach supplemental page, if necessary.)

N/A

Section D. General Narrative

1. Conflicts: Does this proposed bill/resolution duplicate/conflict with/companion to/relate to any City code, approved ordinance or resolution, other adopted policies or proposed legislation? Include details of city adopted laws/ordinance/resolutions and dates. Summarize the relationships, conflicts or overlaps.

This Resolution relates to previous Resolutions adopted by the Governing Body that address the topic of climate change, carbon neutrality, and sustainability.

2. Consequences of Not Enacting This Bill/Resolution:

Are there consequences of not enacting this bill/resolution? If so, describe.

The Governing Body will not lend its support to current efforts to pressure leaders on climate change issues.

3. Technical Issues:

Are there incorrect citations of law, drafting errors or other problems? Are there any amendments that should be considered? Are there any other alternatives which should be considered? If so, describe.

None identified.

4. Community Impact:

Briefly describe the major positive or negative effects the Bill/Resolution might have on the community including, but not limited to, businesses, neighborhoods, families, children and youth, social service providers and other institutions such as schools, churches, etc.

This Resolution continues the Governing Body’s record of supporting events and issues around climate change, carbon neutrality, and sustainability.