

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF SANTA FE COUNTY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009- 205**

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**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A COUNTY TRANSPARENCY POLICY**

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**WHEREAS**, County government should be transparent because transparency promotes accountability and provides information to the public about County government; and

**WHEREAS**, County government should be participatory and the County should work to make residents' everyday interactions with County government easier and more transparent by delivering information and services.

**IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED, AS FOLLOWS:**

Santa Fe County will solicit public feedback to identify information of greatest use to the public. The County will take appropriate action, consistent with law and policy, to disclose information as quickly as possible in forms the public can readily find and use. When members of the public need information about the County, the County will strive to provide consistent information whether it is accessed by web, phone, email, brochures, or in-person. County departments will establish means for public input and feedback.

Santa Fe County will continue to offer access to information through:

**Paper:** Documents are available from the Public Records Custodian.

**Public Facilities:** County information will be made available in public libraries, community centers, senior centers, and County satellite offices.

**Summaries:** The Public Information Officer will ensure that brief summaries of meetings of the Board of County Commissioners are compiled and made available to the public in a timely manner.

**Spanish Translation:** The County will work to systematically translate information into Spanish.

**Special Needs Accessibility:** The County will strive to provide persons with disabilities or other special needs access to public meetings and information.

Audio and Video: The County will broadcast and record public meetings live on local radio (KSFR, KDCE, and KSWV) and tv stations (SFG-TV) and make meetings available via recorded Podcasts. The County has entered into an agreement with the City of Santa Fe to broadcast County meetings (live and recorded) and other informational programming on SFG-TV (Comcast Channel 28).

Digital: The County website will contain relevant, useful information (e.g. archives of previous meetings, meeting minutes, ordinances, meeting calendars and agendas, budget information, newsletters, and an Annual Performance Report detailing County expenditures) that is easily accessible. The County will webcast all public meetings in real time and maintain a presence on social media networks (e.g. Twitter and Facebook).

In Person: The County Speakers Bureau provides County officials or staff members to speak to community groups.

Public Information Officer (PIO): The County PIO will be available to assist the public with access to County information and will oversee the information accessibility and transparency improvement process.

Santa Fe County will continue to work with the local community to increase its level of transparency and improve access to information.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED THIS 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2009.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF SANTA FE COUNTY

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Mike Anaya, Chair

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ATTEST.

*Valerie Espinoza*  
Valerie Espinoza, County Clerk

Approved as to form:

*Stephen C. Ross*  
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