

SANTA FE COUNTY
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

October 26, 2010

This regular meeting of the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners was called to order at approximately 11:30 a.m. by Chair Harry Montoya, in the Santa Fe County Commission Chambers, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and State Pledge led by Justin Salazar, roll was called by County Clerk Valerie Espinoza and indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

Members Present:

Commissioner, Harry Montoya, Chair
Commissioner Virginia Vigil, Vice Chair
Commissioner Kathy Holian
Commissioner Liz Stefanics
Commissioner Mike Anaya

Members Excused:

[None]

V. INVOCATION

An invocation was given by Andria Duran of the Human Resources Department.

VI. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- A. Amendments**
- B. Tabled or Withdrawn Items**

KATHERINE MILLER (County Manager): Mr. Chair, there weren't any amendments to the agenda other than on item XI. B. It was just a note that the place has changed for the dedication of the Agua Fria Park, that it would be done at the Nancy

Rodriguez Community Center instead of the park itself. I just wanted to state that it would be done when you take the lunch recess, so it may not be in order. It will just be when you take lunch.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Oh, okay. So no other changes?

MS. MILLER: No other changes.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Move for approval.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Motion by Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Second.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Second by Commissioner Stefanics.

Discussion?

The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.

VII. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Consent Calendar Withdrawals

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: I would like to discuss item XII. C.7.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair, I would like to withdraw XII. B. 1 and XII. B. 9, please.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: XII. B. 1 and XII. B. 9. Okay. Commissioner Vigil, do you have any?

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: None.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Stefanics? Okay, I had XII. B. 2 and XII. B. 10.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: I move for approval with withdrawals.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. I have a motion by Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Second.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Second by Commissioner Stefanics.

The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.

XII. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Findings of Facts

- 1. CDRC Case # S 08-5210 Sandstone Pines Estates. Anasazi MV JV LLC, Applicant, Melvin Varela, Agent, Request Preliminary and Final Plat and Development Plan Approval for a 12-Lot Residential Subdivision on 42.99 Acres. The Property is Located in Glorieta, North of I-25, South of State Road 50, within Section 1 and 2, Township 15 North, Range 11 East (Commission District 4). (APPROVED 3-2)**

2. **CDRC Case # V 09-5270 Bryan Berg Variances. Bryan Berg and Kristin Carlson, Applicants, Request Approval of Five Variances of Article VII, Section 3 (Terrain Management), Article V, Section 8.2 (Road Design), and Article III, Section 2.3 (Site Planning Standards for Residential Use) of the Land Development Code: 1) to Allow the Height of a Residence to Exceed 18 Feet and to Allow the Overall Height (From Highest Parapet to Lowest Natural Or Finished Cut Grade) to Exceed 30 Feet; 2) to Allow the Slope of the Driveway to Exceed 11%; 3) to Allow a Retaining Wall Greater Than 10 Feet in Height ;4) to Allow Disturbance of Slopes Greater Than 30%; and 5) to Allow a Finished Floor Elevation to Exceed 5 Feet Above Natural Grade. The Property is Located at 11 Mountain Top Road, within the Overlook Subdivision, within Section 16, Township 16 North, Range 10 East (Commission District 4). (APPROVED 5-0)**

B. Miscellaneous

1. Request Approval of Amendment No. 5 to Contract No. 27-0732-PFMD/RM Between Santa Fe County and Gerald Martin, Ltd. for Construction Management Services for the First Judicial Courthouse Project to Exclude Gross Receipts Tax and Replace the “Basic Compensation” and “Reimbursable Expenses” Articles (Community Services Department) **ISOLATED FOR DISCUSSION**
2. Resolution No. 2010-___. A Resolution of Support for County Participation in the 2010-2011 New Mexico Department of Transportation Local Government Road Fund Cooperative Agreement for Pavement Rehabilitation and Improvements of County Roads Verano Loop, Verano Court, Verano Drive, Verano Lane, Verano Place and Verano Way in Santa Fe County, New Mexico Under the Capitol Cooperative Agreement Project No. SP-5-11 (137)(Public Works) **ISOLATED FOR DISCUSSION**
3. **Resolution No. 2010-191. A Resolution of Support for County Participation in the 2010-2011 New Mexico Department of Transportation Local Government Road Fund Cooperative Agreement for Pavement Rehabilitation and Improvements of County Road Verano Loop, in Santa Fe County, New Mexico Under the Capitol Cooperative Agreement Project No. SB-7795(988)11 (Public Works)**
4. **Resolution No. 2010-192. A Resolution of Support for County Participation in the 2010-2011 New Mexico Department of Transportation Local Government Road Fund Cooperative Agreement for Pavement Rehabilitation and Improvements of County Road Verano Loop in Santa Fe County, New Mexico**

Under the Capitol Cooperative Agreement Project No. CAP-5-11 (458) (Public Works)

5. **Request Approval to Enter Into a Professional Service Agreement with CHRISTUS St. Vincent Hospital in the Amount of \$300,000 to Subcontract Sobering Services.**
 6. **Request Approval of the Accounts Payable Disbursements Made for All Funds for the Month of September 2010 (Finance Division)**
 7. **Request Approval of Amendment No. 5 to Memorandum of Agreement Between Santa Fe County and the City of Santa Fe for the Trails and Open Space Projects Funded By the Joint Regional GRT, Increasing the Funding for the Foothills Trails System By \$258,330 Which Will Increase the Total Amount Under the Agreement to \$1,788,330 (Community Services Department)**
 8. **Resolution No. 2010-193. A Request to Approve the 2011 Employee Calendar (Human Resources Department)**
 9. **Requesting Approval of an Agreement Between NMCPSCO/CWA Local 7911 on Behalf of the Covered Bargaining Unit Members of the RECC and Santa Fe County Regarding One Economic Issue Pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreement ISOLATED FOR DISCUSSION**
 10. **Request Authorization to Enter Into a Indefinite Price Agreements with Moore Medical, Henry Schein and Midway Medical Supply for the Purchase of Medical Supplies for Santa Fe County ISOLATED FOR DISCUSSION**
 11. **Request Approval of a Property Lease Agreement with LAC Minerals, LLC for Property Located in Cerrillos, NM for \$2,750.00 Per Year to Be Used By Santa Fe County Public Safety Agencies as an Electronic Communications Site.**
- C. **Budget Adjustments**
1. **Resolution No. 2010-194. A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the Capital Outlay GRT Fund (213) to Budget Cash Carryover for a Memorandum of Understanding Between Santa Fe County and the City of Santa Fe for the Airport Road Safety Project /\$313,000 (Finance Division)**
 2. **Resolution No. 2010-195. A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the Law Enforcement Operations Fund (246) to Budget Project Agreement Amendment Between Santa Fe County and the New Mexico Department of Transportation for the Impaired Driving Demonstration Program / \$87,650 (County Sheriff's Office)**
 3. **Resolution No. 2010-196. A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the Law Enforcement Operations Fund (246) to Budget a Grant Awarded Through the New Mexico Department of**

- Public Safety, From the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant 2008 Supplemental Funding for the Region III Program / \$41,689 (County Sheriff's Office)**
4. **Resolution No. 2010-197. A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the Law Enforcement Operations Fund (246) to Budget a Grant Awarded Through the New Mexico Department of Public Safety, From the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant 2010 Funding for the Region III Program / \$106,511 (County Sheriff's Office)**
 5. **Resolution No. 2010-198. A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the Federal Forfeiture Fund (225) to Budget Federal Forfeiture Revenue Received for the Region III Program / \$2,372.98 (County Sheriff's Office)**
 6. **Resolution No. 2010-199. A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the Road Projects Fund (311) to Budget a Grant Awarded Through the New Mexico Department of Transportation for County Road 98 Improvements / \$961,500. (Public Works Department)**
 7. **Resolution No. 2010-__ . A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the GOB Series 2009 Fund (335) to Budget Cash Carryover for the South Meadows Road Extension Project (\$392,921.66) and for County Road 42 Improvements (\$10,000). (Public Works Department) ISOLATED FOR DISCUSSION**
 8. **Resolution No. 2010-200. A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the EMS – Healthcare Fund (232) to Budget a Grant Awarded By the University of New Mexico Health Council Evaluation Project to Fund Maintenance of Monthly MCH Council Reporting / \$2,500 (Community Services Department/Health)**
 9. **Resolution No. 2010-201. A Resolution Requesting a Budget Decrease to the Emergency Medical Services Fund (206) to Budget Cash Carryover From Fiscal Year 2010 and to Adjust the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget to the Actual Distribution Amount for Each Fire District for an Overall Decrease of \$1,303 (Community Services Department/Fire)**
 10. **Resolution No. 2010-202. A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the Fire Operations Fund (244) / Various Fire Districts to Budget Cash Carryover From Forestry and Movie Lot Reimbursement Revenue Received in Fiscal Year 2010 for Expenditure in Fiscal Year 2011 / \$44,609. (Community Services Department / Fire)**
 11. **Resolution No. 2010-203. A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the GOB Series 2009 Fund (335) to Budget Cash Carryover for the Rancho Viejo Substation / \$2,000,000 (Community Services Department/Fire)**

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of September 28, 2010 BCC Minutes

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Move to approve.
CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Motion by Commissioner Anaya.
COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Second.
CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Second by Commissioner Stefanics.
Discussion?

The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.

VIII. B. Approval of October 5, 2010 Special BCC Minutes

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Move to approve.
CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Motion by Commissioner Vigil.
COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Second.
CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Second by Commissioner Stefanics.

Discussion?

The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.

IX. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None were presented.

X. MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN –NON-ACTION ITEMS

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: This is the point on the agenda where if there is anyone who would like to address the Board on any non-agenda items please come forward.

VALERIE ESPINOZA (County Clerk): Mr. Chair, I have asked for Denise to give a brief overview of the election.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Thank you, Valerie. Denise.

DENISE LAMB (Elections Bureau Director): Good morning, Commissioners. I just wanted to report to you that about an hour ago we past 10,000 early voters in Santa Fe County and we have issued over 8,000 absentee ballots, many of which have been returned. So I believe that probably by election day I would imagine that somewhere around 30 or 40 percent of our voters will have already cast their ballots.

The other issue is I've been in discussion with Commissioner Holian about the road to the Glorieta Fire Station and I don't know if you all are aware of that but that road is I guess in fairly bad repair and it is one of our polling stations. There is no other public building available and we're kind of in a bind because I guess the right-of-way belongs to the railroad; it's not a County Road that goes into that fire station. So I don't know if you have heard anything else but I thought you might want to let the Commissioners know.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Well, we're still in negotiations with BNSF to see whether we can get a temporary permit to be able to do something with the road. Perhaps – Robert Martinez I see is here and maybe he can give us the very latest update on those negotiations.

ROBERT MARTINEZ (Public Works Director): Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian, yesterday I spoke with Mr. Lara from BNSF Railroad out of Albuquerque to see if he could give us permission to blade the road while we're in the process of submitting an application for either a temporary occupancy or a license that's good for 25 years. He would not be able to commit to giving us permission to blade it. I do have a call in to their land management company to see if they will allow us to go ahead and blade it while we're in the process and I'm waiting back for a response from the lady from the land management company.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Okay. Thank you, Robert. And Denise, I just wanted to ask, when do you need to bring the equipment out to the polling place?

MS. LAMB: They're starting today to deploy equipment. I expect them to be in that part of the county tomorrow. I believe that them getting in with the trucks that they use for the building equipment probably won't be an issue but I do worry about the voters on election day. I did alert the presiding judge and let her know that we are working as hard as we can on this problem. But I just wanted the Commissioners to know that it is an issue in case any of you get any telephone calls from anybody.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Denise. And the other thing that I wanted to add is that I think that we do have a Plan B in talking to Robert. Yesterday he said that the County does have a van and so we could possibly ferry people to the station who don't have a vehicle that can make it up there.

MS. LAMB: Okay. I think that's a good Plan B, and I want to thank Robert for all of his help. He's always very helpful to us.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: And I want to thank Robert too. This has been a particularly thorny problem.

MS. LAMB: Yes.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Commissioner Vigil.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Denise and Valerie, thank you so much for all the hard work you and your staff are putting into the early voting and the absentee voting. That's quite a volume of people to deal with. I've seen the staff that you've placed in the positions, Val. They're behaving very highly professionally and voters very much appreciate that. I've heard from a couple of them so thank you for staying on track and keeping voting a friendly activity for our voters. And if there's anything that the Commission can do to help you to help you through this time be sure and let us know.

MS. LAMB: Thank you, Commissioner. We do stress when we have our precinct board schools to all of our poll workers that our goal is to keep the voters returning to the polls. We want them to feel confident that their elections are being conducted in an open, fair, free and transparent manner in Santa Fe County. We've tried to accommodate their needs whenever possible. There are some people who we're not able to accommodate their needs because they registered to vote too late for whatever reason, or didn't get their application in. Sometimes people are very upset, and understandably so. But in all situations where we can accommodate a voter and uphold the provisions of the election code we're happy to do so.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: And another question, Mr. Chair, Denise. The canvassing board has a meeting scheduled. Would you repeat that date and time?

MS. LAMB: Yes. The meeting is scheduled for the Friday after the election, which I don't have my calendar. It's the 5th. And I believe it's at 3:00. I think it's at 3:00. And then you will have another meeting the following Friday to declare the results. As you recall, the first meeting you open the canvass, direct us to prepare the results on your behalf and then the following week we come in, present the canvass to you and you declare the final results.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: I hope to be there but if you could send a reminder that would be very helpful. Or maybe even an outlook calendar.

MS. LAMB: I'd be happy to do that.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: I have 3:30. So maybe you want to –

MS. ESPINOZA: Mr. Chair, it's actually at 1:00. It's already scheduled for 1:00 on the 5th.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: I have 11:00 on the 12th. Has that time changed?

MS. ESPINOZA: It's on our calendar for 1:00. So if it's at 11:00 we can schedule it for 11:00.

MS. LAMB: I know that Ambra sent me an email this morning to schedule publication on that, but I have to tell you I was so busy this morning I didn't have a chance to read it yet.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Mr. Chair, there's still plenty of time, if you just send us an outlook reminder. We'll put it correctly on our calendar, once you know what the noticing time is.

MS. LAMB: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Holian can't make it at 1:00 on the 5th.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, at 1:00 on November 5th I'm in the RTD board meeting.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: I thought that was an issue and that's why we changed it to 3:30. I'm not sure.

MS. LAMB: We can find out for sure. I'll go check with Ambra in the office and find out. [Times were later established to be 3:30 on the 5th and 11:00 on the 12th.]

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. And then Denise, I just had one question. In terms of the numbers, how did that compare to previous elections or previous gubernatorial –

MS. LAMB: They're a little higher than the previous gubernatorial election. Of course midterm elections don't compare in any way to presidential and I don't know if anything compares to the last presidential election. The last presidential election, you might recall, we were voting 1,500 people a day in this business. And we had our biggest day yesterday and we had 527, which is a third of what we had in the presidential election. It appears to be slightly higher than the last election, but you might want to recall in the last election the governor was in his second term and there was a replacement candidate for the Republican gubernatorial candidate so I'm not sure that the voters were particularly enthusiastic. They seem to be a little more enthusiastic this time.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Thank you, Denise.

MS. LAMB: Thank you, Commissioners, and thank you for all your support that we need so desperately when we run these huge elections like this. We really appreciate all the help that you give us.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: All right. Thank you.

XI. MATTERS FROM THE COMMISSION

A. Resolution No. 2010-204 Resolution Dedicating the Agua Fria Park in Honor of the Maria Albina Romero Family (Commissioner Vigil)

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Thank you, Mr. Chair. First of all, I'd like to recognize everyone that is here who are a part of the Maria Albina Romero family. Would you please stand. And I wish I had your independent names. Frank, can you come up to the podium and identify everyone individually? And I think that David and Elizabeth may have a list there if you forget anyone's name. Elizabeth, maybe you want to co-announce with him.

FRANK TERCERO: Good morning, County Commissioners. The family present here are Filemon Romero, the oldest of the clan, Melinda Romero Pike, Amarante Romero. Then we have the daughters. We have Eva May, Thelma Lopez, Arline Tercero, my wife, Jonathon Tercero, one of my sons. Then I'll let you do Robert.

ELIZABETH VIGIL: Robert Kingsberry, Darlene Gonzales Kingsbury, Pamela Garcia, Danny Narvaiz, Liz and Dave Pike.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Thank you very much for being here today. Mr. Chair, it is really a rare opportunity that a Commissioner has the honor that I have today. I represent a traditional historic village as do some of you, the Agua Fria traditional historic village itself has so much richness in its history and culture but the reason that it does is because there are people like the Romeros who have contributed so strongly to that richness and the culture. I'm going to go ahead and read the resolution. We will take formal action on the resolution for the naming of the park. I have a second resolution that identifies Melinda Romero Pike as the official historian of the Agua Fria Village. Then we will be recessing to go to the Nancy Rodriguez Center in which we'll have an informal ceremony and we'll unveil the plaque that will be placed there and also

Tortilla Flats, I believe, has made a donation for lunch there, including the family of the Romeros have also donated a nice lunch of posole and enchiladas and we'll gather there for the breaking of the bread in celebration of this. We're hungry; we're ready to go.

I need to recognize Rita Maes who put all of this together, Mr. Chair, and thank her very much. So with that, I'm going to start with reading this resolution. Again, humbly and honorably, I state,

Whereas, Agua Fria Park was established for the purpose of creating a site in the Agua Fria Traditional Historic Village for friends, families and residents to participate in activities that promote recreation, sports, and outdoor exercise; and

Whereas, Agua Fria Park is an integral part of the village, serving to build an active and healthy community and protecting the ecological beauty of open space for families and friends to gather; and

Whereas, Agua Fria is a traditional historical community dating from the 13th century when the Pindi Indians first inhabited the area; and

Whereas, in the early 19th century, Jose Jacinto Gallegos and his wife, Florentina Dominguez were among the first Spanish settlers in Agua Fria which contained several natural springs, woodlands and perpetual flowing river; and

Whereas, Jose Jacinto and Florentina had five children, Maria Albina, Nestor, Deluvina, Elias, and Celso; and

Whereas, around 1865 their eldest child, Maria Albina married Jose Antonio Romero y Saiz and nine children were born: Juanita, Jose Angel, Donaciano, Emerterio, Carlota, Manuelita, Emiliano, Luis, and Rebecca; and

Whereas, the historical home of Maria Albina Romero served as a village center. This historical home was generously offered as a clinic for visiting doctors, housing for clergy when they came to minister at the San Isidro Mission, a polling place, and was always available for any community need. Most recently, from the turn of the 20th century to 1953, the present day home served as a general store which carried the community during the depression, much to the thankfulness of the Romero family; and

Whereas, Melinda Romero de Pike, Amarante Romero, Filemon Romero, Librado Romero and Tillie Romero de Ramirez, direct descendents of Maria Albina Romero have honored her legacy with great, outstanding contributions for the preservation and enhancement of Agua Fria Village; and

Whereas, it is the desire of the Board of County Commissioners to honor the children, the descendents and the great-grandchildren of Maria Albina Romero for their generous and charitable contributions that they have made to Agua Fria Village.

Now, therefore be it resolved that the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe, that the Agua Fria Park, located at Caja del Oro Grant Road be dedicated and known as Romero Park in honor of Maria Albina Romero and the descendents of her family.

With that, Mr. Chair, I move we approve.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Second.

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: Motion by Commissioner Vigil, second by Commissioner Anaya. Discussion?

The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.

XI. C. Resolution No. 2010-205. A Resolution Relating to Naming Melinda Romero Pike the Official Historian of Agua Fria Village in Santa Fe County (Commissioner Vigil)

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I just want to preface this particular resolution by saying I've had a very short tenure as Commissioner but any time I need to know anything about what happened in Agua Fria my source is the Romero Family and it is in particular Melinda. Melinda is not only looked to by Commissioners, both present and past, but journals, journalists, writers, authors, students, consult with her when it comes to historical knowledge of the Village of Agua Fria.

For some reason or another she has maintained a phenomenal part of her very being and it's probably because it's in her heart that she maintains knowledge, documents history, and disseminates it to anyone who asks. And nowadays she's even drafting some documents that will personally memorialize a lot of the experiences she has had and what has happened to the village. With that, Mr. Chair, I read the following resolution.

Whereas, for over 40 years Melinda Romero de Pike has been promoting the history, heritage and culture of Agua Fria Village; and

Whereas, Melinda's personal efforts and passion have helped to uphold Agua Fria Village's distinction of a historical village worthy of preserving its unique traditional lifestyle; and

Whereas, her countless writings have detailed the rich history, heritage and culture of Agua Fria Village and document customs, traditions and ancestors of the village; and

Whereas, Melinda has made a significant contribution to Agua Fria Village and Santa Fe County by preserving Agua Fria's past and upholding the strong tradition of this community; and

Whereas, Melinda serves on the Santa Fe River Commission and is a passionate advocate for a living river in Santa Fe; and

Whereas, Melinda continues to be an active and much sought after unique resource of the valuable historical and cultural information and traditions.

Be it resolved that the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners hereby – and I think this is a first, Mr. Chair, names Melinda Romero de Pike as the official historian of Agua Fria Village.

With that, Mr. Chair, I move this resolution be passed.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Second.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: We have a motion by Commissioner Vigil, second by Commissioner Holian. Any discussion?

The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.

XI. OTHER MATTERS FROM THE COMMISSION

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: I have none, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Vigil.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: None.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. First of all I would like to thank Angela Thorndike. She brought the mobile health van out to Glorieta this last week for a flu shot clinic. Apparently 32 people out there got their flu shots and she actually identified a case of severe hypertension. So somebody got medical care that would not otherwise have gotten it. So anyway, I would like to thank her very much. And also, I think that on Wednesday, November 17th the mobile health van will be there again and it parks at the Glorieta Baptist Church, which is very easy to get to.

Secondly, I'd like to bring up a concert that is happening. It is sponsored by the Quivira Coalition. Quivira is an organization that promotes ranching that is good for the land and makes money. Every year they have a conference. This year the theme of their conference is The Carbon Ranch; Using Food and Stewardship to Build Soil and Fight Climate Change. And I think it's really important to note that ranches have a very important role to play in fighting climate change. And you might not really think about that but it is estimated that if we did improved land management, that is management of farms and ranches and forest, we could actually take carbon out of the atmosphere. So one of the ways that ranches can do that, and farms for that matter, is that they can take waste trees and weeds and grasses and things like that and they can actually turn it into carbon and then they can bury it. They can bury it in the soil where it will be taken out of the atmosphere essentially forever.

And the way that you do that is you create this thing called biochar, and interestingly enough, the Native Americans who were here well before the Europeans were here did this all the time. What they would do is they would chop down a tree, they'd dig a trench, they would light the tree on fire, and then they would cover it over with dirt. So what happens then is you take most of the oxygen away and the tree smolders away and after quite a bit of time it turns into pure carbon. Now, it's buried in the soil at that point. Now, the Indians of course, or the Native Americans, didn't really care about taking carbon out of the atmosphere but what they discovered was if you planted your crops near that tree, that carbonized tree, they would grow much better and you'd get a much higher yield.

We can sort of see this now in ranches where you could do things like that with weeds or waste trees. People are always cutting down trees in ranches so they can improve the grasslands and it would do two things. It would take carbon out of the air and bury it forever, and they would improve the grass. So that brings up the other thing that ranches can do to help with our carbon problem and that is to create healthy grasslands. And it turns out that grass is almost as good as trees at taking carbon out of our atmosphere. And of course with a tree it lasts for a long time, but grass you have a new crop every year. So it can actually, by growing healthy grasslands, you can actually really help with our carbon problem.

If we ever get carbon trading in place it's possible that ranchers could actually make some money selling those services. And I'm sure most ranchers would be very happy to get a little extra income. So in any event this conference is November 10th

through 12th. It's in Albuquerque and anybody who's interested can google Quivira Coalition on the web. Quivira is spelled Q-U-I-V-I-R-A and I just wanted to let people know that we have this very, very interesting and timely conference coming up.

And the third thing, real quick, I just wanted to make the other Commissioners aware that the Espanola transfer station has been completely shut down now for solid waste. There were some violations and I believe the NMED shut it down, so the director contacted Randall Kippenbrock who is the director of our SWMA, our solid waste facility, Caja del Rio, and asking whether we would be willing to take solid waste from Espanola at least. I think it might be a good idea if we did accept it because right now, the amount of waste that's coming into our solid waste transfer station is down. We could get money for doing this. It would help the bottom line for us.

Now, if we were to do this, this is how the process would work. First SWMA would have to pass a resolution saying that they would accept the waste, but then both the City and the County would also have to pass the same resolution. So that's all. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. First on the SWMA issue, at the Intergovernmental Summit that was held this year, thanks to Hvtce and Commissioner Montoya, it was discussed that SWMA could be an economic development venture, and both Espanola, some of the tribes and Los Alamos were interested in partnering and becoming customers. So I do think that that's something that should be pursued.

But what I'd like to do is recognize our Santa Fe actors who were in *Bless Me, Ultima*, which was held here a few weeks ago and all three performances were sold out. It started down at the Vortex Theater in Albuquerque, not to be confused with the movie that's being filmed here in Santa Fe. And this group that started, that did this play down at the Vortex, then got a grant from the New Mexico Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts to tour New Mexico. But Santa Fe was not on its list. So Juanita Sena Shannon, first of all, took the time to help raise the money to bring the cast and the play here. All three Santa Fe performances were sold out and I'd like to mention the Santa Fe actors. Juanita Sena Shannon served as *Ultima*. Angela Jaramillo as the author. Oscar Rodriguez as Tenorio, and Oscar is Julia Valdez' husband. Rudy Fernandez as Progenicio and the priest. Ava Lena was Muerte, and Tommy Roman as the horse. And I'd like to congratulate them. They were packed houses. People were standing waiting to get into this play and I'd like to thank our Santa Fe actors very much.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner Stefanics, and just a quick note on that, that's kind of a fable, fiction, but it's actually based on my wife's family who was born and raised in the Puerto de Luna area and is a relative of Rodolfo Anaya also the author of *Bless Me, Ultima*. So I'm looking forward to the movie.

I just had a couple of things. One was I just want to encourage people to go vote. There's been some groups out there that have been trying to persuade people not to go vote and to me that's just a travesty when you look at the freedoms that we have in America and that we don't even take advantage of our right to vote. So I just want to encourage people, please, please, go vote early or for sure on November 2nd.

The other thing is that the president of the National Association of Counties has an initiative in terms of county government works. I know that we're working a little bit on it through our staff in terms of putting together kind of a public address, campaign if you will or public campaign to inform the people, the residents of Santa Fe County of what it is that County government does for you and how it is effective in doing what it does for you. So I think this is a really good initiative that president Glenn Whitley from Tarrant County, Texas undertook as part of his presidency for the National Association of Counties.

The other thing – I don't know. Some people may have received a letter which is in my opinion erroneous in its information. It was a message sent – it came to my household talking about the Sustainable Land Use Development Plan that we're currently undergoing and have been working through for the last almost two years in an attempt to I think panic people in terms of saying we're going to be raising the cost of new homes and we're going to be devastating our already ailing economy, shifting expenses from the County to the residents. Things that are real erroneous, false and misleading and I just ask people to not heed the message that is being sent through this mailer and that you, if you have any questions, please contact your Commissioner. Please contact staff, and we certainly can answer any of the questions that we feel that on November 9th we're going to be ready to take action on the work that has been done up to this point. So it's kind of disconcerting that we're getting this type of information being spread erroneously in my opinion.

And then the last thing I have, if I could ask staff, maybe Robert, to give me an update on the Pojoaque transfer station road and the negotiations that have been going on there and kind of where we are with that, Robert.

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, as far as the transfer station road, we do have a meeting scheduled with the Pojoaque Pueblo. I believe Lisa set it up for the first part of November. We have placed the project on the County ICIP for funding from the legislature. I believe the engineer's estimate that was forwarded to me from Southwest Designs is around \$750,000. So we are hopeful that we can get some funding for it. We don't know if we'll get any at all but we don't have any designated funding for this road at this time.

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: Okay. So this will be a follow-up meeting to the original one that we had where we discussed what was needed in terms of plans, engineering design and that sort of thing?

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, that is correct. And possibly to give the Pueblo an update on the status of the transfer station. I believe Pego in Utilities is working on the transfer station.

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: Okay. All right. Thank you, Robert. Appreciate it. Okay, we could tackle a couple of more items that were pulled off of Consent.

XII. B. 1. Request Approval of Amendment No. 5 to Contract No. 27-0732-PFMD/RM Between Santa Fe County and Gerald Martin, Ltd. for Construction Management Services for the First Judicial Courthouse Project to Exclude Gross Receipts Tax and Replace the “Basic Compensation” and “Reimbursable Expenses” Articles (Community Services Department)

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I just want to note first that it looks like there's no increase in the amount that will be paid to the contractor, but I do sort of want to get an update on where things were in the construction project on the courthouse.

PAUL OLAFSON (Community Projects Division): Mr. Chair, Commissioners, a brief update is we are still working with the contractor on the remediation phases. We are almost completed pending final soil removals, excavation of contaminated soils below grade, then we are also in the process of finalizing design for a liner system. I believe we presented that to the Commission a couple of meetings ago. As we are finalizing that design we are also looking at the way the liner fits under the building. We are doing some design revisions on that and as we bring that forward we anticipate then that we will complete the excavation, the remediation phase and begin the construction phase.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Paul. And do you have any estimate on when the construction might begin?

MR. OLAFSON: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian, we're looking now, with the revisions to the liner system and making sure it's tight, we're looking at approximately January for the actual erection construction.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Okay. Thank you. And I just want to reiterate that I want it to be done carefully and right.

MR. OLAFSON: Mr. Chair, Commissioner, that's exactly why we're taking the time to do it correctly the first time.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: It is important to take the time. Thank you, Paul, and I move for approval.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Second.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Motion by Commissioner Holian, second by Commissioner Stefanics. And I just had one question, Paul. If the overall cost is not changing, the only things that are changing in there are the basic compensation and reimbursable expenses? Are they moving line items within there or what exactly?

MR. OLAFSON: Mr. Chair, that's correct. Because of the time change from the original timeframe of the contract to the extended period due to the remediation activities we're adjusting line items within the services to fit a longer time frame. So one service didn't require as much and another service did, so we're just moving the monies to different lines.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Commissioner Stefanics.

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COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you. Two things. The first question is if we start construction in January, how far are we behind our original schedule?

MR. OLAFSON: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, that would place us approximately 20 months, if my math is correct.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. The reason I ask this question is because there is an upside to this. It was brought to my attention through an independent attorney in the community who used to work for the State Department of Environment, who said, do you know what a great service Santa Fe County is doing in cleaning up that site? And I'd like to remind the public taxpayers that if we had not gotten into this project, we had not worked with the State in remediating the site we would have a very, very contaminated very large city block in our midst. So although we are behind I would just like everybody to know that there is public sentiment that they appreciate the fact that we are cleaning up the site. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Any other discussion?

The motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Before we recess, I just got a note for Clerk Valerie Espinoza. It is 3:30, the canvassing on the 5th. So 3:30 on the 5th and 11:00 am on the 12th. So thank you, Valerie. We will recess now till 1:30.

XI. B. During the Lunch Recess, Members of the Board Will Reconvene at the Agua Fria Park to Dedicate the Park in Honor of the Maria Albina Romero Family (Commission)

[The Commission recessed from 12:15 to 2:25.]

XII B. 2. Resolution No. 2010-206. A Resolution of Support for County Participation in the 2010-2011 New Mexico Department of Transportation Local Government Road Fund Cooperative Agreement for Pavement Rehabilitation and Improvements of County Roads Verano Loop, Verano Court, Verano Drive, Verano Lane, Verano Place and Verano Way in Santa Fe County, New Mexico Under the Capitol Cooperative Agreement Project No. SP-5-11 (137)(Public Works)

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Let's call this meeting back to order. Great lunch.

Robert, my question is how did we determine which roads were going to get paved with these funds?

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, we've been working off of our road improvement plan that was adopted by this Board back in 2006. So on that plan we originally had over 100 projects and we're down to about, I believe, probably about 25

percent projects are left. So we've been working down the list. And another reason why Verano Loop was chosen for this project is because it needs to be a school bus route. So these roads are in need of repair. We've been patching over the last ten years. They're beyond patching, So Public Works chose this project for the LGRF for this year.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. And this is in which district?

MR. MARTINEZ: This is in Commission District 5. This is in Eldorado.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Oh, in Eldorado. Okay. And then in terms of the match, they're requiring match of \$22,000? Where's that coming from?

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, the match is coming from the quarter percent GRT outlay for roads. You'll see there's three resolutions. They're all part of the LGRF program but they're different funding sources, so that's why they're broken up into three different projects. But they're all for the Verano Road, Loop, Court, and the other Veranos that are off of the main road.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Thank you. Move for approval.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Second.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: I have a motion and second. Any further discussion?

The motion passed by unanimous [4-0] voice vote. [Commissioner Vigil was not present for this action.]

XII. B. 9. Requesting Approval of an Agreement Between NMCP SO/CWA Local 7911 on Behalf of the Covered Bargaining Unit Members of the RECC and Santa Fe County Regarding One Economic Issue Pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreement

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Bernadette, I was just wondering, how did it change from what it was previously?

BERNADETTE SALAZAR (Human Resources Director): Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian, what changed was we did negotiate another tier for the union employees at the RECC, which would give them about nine extra hours of annual leave per year if they have ten or more years of service with the RECC.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Okay. Thank you. Move for approval.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Second.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. I have a motion by Commissioner Holian, second by Commissioner Anaya. Discussion? Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you. When I read this I wanted to go back to why we have different steps for different categories of employees.

MS. SALAZAR: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, it all depends on the negotiating session with each bargaining units. We have five separate bargaining units within the County, so each union negotiates for its own contract.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So if we have five different bargaining units and we have a group that's not in a bargaining unit, how many different plans do we have?

MS. SALAZAR: We have five different plans –

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: But I'm talking about all the different steps. So how many are similar and how many are different?

MS. SALAZAR: They're all pretty much similar, however, there's some differences. For example, non-union is comparable to AFSCME, is comparable to RECC, with the exception of the number of hours worked due to the shift schedules at the RECC. The Sheriff's union is a little bit different. So they're pretty comparable as far as the amount of hours accrued for each pay period.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Any other discussion?

The motion passed by unanimous [4-0] voice vote. [Commissioner Vigil was not present for this action.]

XII. B. 10. Request Authorization to Enter Into a Indefinite Price Agreements with Moore Medical, Henry Schein and Midway Medical Supply for the Purchase of Medical Supplies for Santa Fe County

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. On this I had a couple of questions. Tila, this is going to cover what departments within Santa Fe County?

TILA RENDON VARELA (Purchasing Division): It will cover the Fire Department, Corrections Department, and mainly the Health Department.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. And we got better prices than what we were paying on the previous contract?

MS. VARELA: Well, previously we were piggybacking on another government entity's contract and we were exceeding the \$100,000 per year. So we decided it would be in the best interest of Santa Fe County to go out and do our own bid.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: So we wound up getting a better price as a result of going out to bid?

MS. VARELA: Essentially the same price. There were a few prices that were better. The discounts were better.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. So this is an example of us following what we put together in terms of our Code of Conduct and everything we have in place to ensure that there's not the sort of issues that were being kind of promulgated prior to us enacting this ordinance.

MS. VARELA: Yes, sir.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: This resolution. Okay. So that's a good thing to know so that people are also aware that we are doing what we need to do in terms of our due diligence and making sure we follow our procurement processes. Okay. I move for approval.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Second.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Motion by me, second by Commissioner Holian. Any other discussion?

The motion passed by unanimous [4-0] voice vote. [Commissioner Vigil was not present for this action.]

XII. C. 7. Resolution No. 2010-207. A Resolution Requesting an Increase to the GOB Series 2009 Fund (335) to Budget Cash Carryover for the South Meadows Road Extension Project (\$392,921.66) and for County Road 42 Improvements (\$10,000) (Public Works Department)

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Robert, my question is why are we moving this money when the road's not completed?

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, as far as the contract that we had with Mountain States Construction, the road has been completed and you'll see \$10,000 that's going to remain in 42. Public Works will finish making some improvements that are estimated to cost \$10,000. The \$392,000 is in excess of what the construction costs for County Road 42 so that is being moved into another bond project which is South Meadows.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So how are we going to finish the repairs on 42, the erosion that's been caused on that road?

MR. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, the maintenance items that we need to address in phases 1 and 2 of County Road 42 will be addressed through our maintenance budget. Bond money cannot be used for maintenance purposes; it can only be used for improvement.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chair. Move for approval.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Motion by Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Second.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Second by Commissioner Stefanics. Any other discussion?

The motion passed by unanimous [4-0] voice vote. [Commissioner Vigil was not present for this action.]

XIII. STAFF AND ELECTED OFFICIALS' ITEMS

A. Finance Division

1. Review and Discussion of the Quarterly Financial Report

TERESA MARTINEZ (Finance Director): Mr. Chair, you have before you a detailed report that has both charts and graphs incorporated with the verbiage if you will. What we attempted to do was address the major funds for the County and speak to the major revenue sources and the cost-saving measures that we've implemented and how they've impacted our expenditures.

The good news is that we're operating at a positive variance, so that means that our balanced budget is being true to form. Now, revenue shifts monthly. Some months are over budget; some months are under budget, but over all we are over budget slightly. Not by much. A couple hundred thousand dollars when it relates to GRT and then a little bit more for property tax. So I'll go ahead and go into each of the major funds if you will.

The general fund, we began with a format of net activity, just outlining for you if it was a positive or a negative outcome. For the general fund, in the first quarter we have total expenditures of \$5.8 million and total revenue collections of \$5.6 million. So we had a net shortfall, if you will, of \$200,000. We summarized that some revenues are seeing increases and some revenues are seeking decreases. Revenues such as liquor licenses, animal licenses, development permits, animal pound fees, landfill fees, rental fees and other review fees are actually seeing increases – slight increases, but they're still increases. So that's helping stay on budget.

With regard to decreased collections we've seen other fees like microfiche fees, map sales, investment income forecast is down definitely from what we've been collecting. Grant reimbursements are down and they're typically a quarter behind. So when we compare our revenue collections to the prior year for the same time period we are one percent down from the same time last year. So that's not too bad.

We had lesser gross receipts tax collections than last year. Our fines and forfeitures are slightly down, and our investment income is down. So we're going to keep an eye on the investment income and the earnings that we have with regard to that.

So overall, the revenue sources are basically sticking to the budgets that we had forecast in the trend analysis that we had completed.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Stefanics

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Do you want to have questions throughout or at the end?

MS. MARTINEZ: Throughout is fine.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. I have a question about the investment income. I know that with gross receipts taxes you had ratcheted down the expectation, so that just didn't happen with the investment income when we were planning?

MS. MARTINEZ: With the investment income, Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, we brought it down just a bit. We usually fluctuate between \$2.5 and \$3 million. We're pretty close to what we had last year although the interest earnings are just down. So we overshot our budget on that one.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. If we're down by a half million now I think we need a projection for the rest of the year. Because if we're going to stay flat, or possibly even go down further then we just want to know how that's going to impact the bottom line.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, we agree with you on that point and we'll also let you know that we're working to give the Treasurer a cash flow analysis so that he can make investments timely in line with when we may have big payments on some of our larger projects. And I know that we have some money sitting in a universal savings account right now that earns a lower interest rate. So as soon as we finish the cash flow analysis we'll have a timeline as to when we'll need the money and that will help, but I don't think it will solve our problem. We've already started looking at this and we forecast we'll have to budget this downward.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. And Mr. Chair, I know you're going to go on for this but in advance I'd like to thank the Assessor's Office and the Treasurer's Office for the income that we're going to be looking at on the next section. Thank you.

MS. MARTINEZ: What we did then is we broke down the major revenue sources. If you look at property taxes, they're actually better than budget. We did, however, since the start of this recession, see our first month that had a downward trend if you will. We collected less than we had forecasted in our budget. Our collections are 58 percent greater than the prior year's collections for this same time period and a good part of that can be attributed to the fact that the Treasurer's Office has two temporary people that are currently working the delinquent taxes. So thanks to their efforts our property taxes are holding their own. So that's good.

With regard to GRTs, the GRTs are one month up, one month down. July was down; August was up. September was down; October caught us up. So the GRTs are fairly close to budget. When we look at the countywide gross receipts tax, they're right on budget. So we, if you will recall, estimated a five percent downturn for this fiscal year and we're basically on budget for the countywide. The unincorporated are slightly under budget and they're coming in each month less than budget. So cumulatively we have a total GRT budget of \$37 million and we are just above budget by a couple hundred thousand dollars.

So far, our trends in our forecast relative to GRT are holding their own. So the revenue with regard to the major revenue sources, which include property taxes and GRT are very close to budget. So we don't have any issues with regard to our revenue collections as of yet.

With regard to the expenditures, the general fund total expenditure amount of \$5.8 million, and again, the largest share of that can be attributed to salaries and benefits, which total \$3.6 million. Overall, countywide, if you reduce the transfers out, the capital expenditures and the debt service requirement, salaries and benefits make up about 50 percent of our total budget. So you can see that for each expenditure category, for the first quarter of the year what we'll do is we'll look at our budget status reports and make sure that nothing exceeds the 25 percent level. And I'm happy to tell you that there's not a single category that is over budget. Overall, we are under budget by a significant amount, which is good in the sense that our cost-saving measures are assisting us in keeping that

positive expense variance. So with regard to the general fund, things are good right now. So revenues are holding their own, our expenditures are holding their own, and we have a positive variance because of the two.

Then we'll go into the troubled funds. If you recall, in fiscal year 2010 we classified several funds as troubled funds. We classified them as troubled funds because they basically are very reliant on a gross receipts tax as their major source of revenue, or still need the use of cash to balance their budget.

We'll begin with the Corrections Department. Overall, Corrections is actually on task with the assistance of operating transfers. The first quarter revealed total expenditures of \$3.27, almost \$3.3 million. We had total revenue collections, relative only to the care of prisoners, at \$524,000. So if you take the two core expenditures versus the revenue generated by the two facilities, we would have had a net shortfall of \$2.7 million. But you have to recall that we have a correctional GRT, we have operating transfers that come in from the general fund, from other health funds, and they help sustain the operations. And if you'll recall, with the recession, we moved to the point where we did operating transfers on a quarterly basis, versus the past practice of moving the money all up front at the start of the year. And the intent for that as we finished the fiscal year was that if they didn't need the full amount of the transfer we would only transfer what they needed at year-end to make their operations whole. So when we transfer over, I think it's the \$3.3 million for Corrections they'll have a positive variance of just over \$100,000.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Teresa, With the Corrections fund, can you give me an estimate of how much of their operating budget comes out of the general fund? And do you have an estimate for what it might be for the entire year coming out of the general fund?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian, if I'm not mistaken we have an operating transfer from the general fund, I believe at just under \$9 million for the fiscal year 2011 budget. For the entire year.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: And we're staying on track with that so far?

MS. MARTINEZ: We're on track with that so far.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Okay. Thank you, Teresa.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair, and this is a more general question, whether it's for Teresa or Annabelle or the County Manager or the County Attorney, but is the trend for Corrections to be self-sufficient or subsidized? And I'm talking about for local governments.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, in my opinion I think it would be subsidized. And as you recall, we switched it to an enterprise fund. I think it's very difficult for the operations to fully sustain themselves. But that's based on my opinion and the experience I've had here in Santa Fe County.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay, so Mr. Chair, that leads me to my next question. If we have a dedicated source of revenue, but it's not going to totally or fully fund that service – so I'm going to call it a service, why would we not take it out of the enterprise fund category? Because one of the things that happens here is when we

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discuss enterprise we want to know how it can make more money. We've done this with solid waste, and so on and so forth. So I just want to know, if we're never going to make this fully paying for itself, independent, etc. why do we continue to call it enterprise?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, we recognized that we would never make it fully an enterprise fund so it was in the previous fiscal year that we reclassified it to a special revenue fund and in doing that we had to create a separate debt service fund to cover the debt. So it is no longer an enterprise fund and that's why the County as an entity, we have recognized that it cannot be an enterprise fund and would require to be subsidized by other funding sources. So we don't carry it as an enterprise fund.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. So, Mr. Chair, in my mind, that means that we should be discussing Corrections a little differently. Instead of talking about how much money they're losing the County we should be including it with the rest of the services. And this isn't letting Annabelle off the hook here, but it's looking at it a different way. Because since I've been here less than two years we've constantly harped about how Corrections is over budget, over budget, over budget. And they're not bringing in enough money. So if they're never going to bring in enough money I think we just have to recognize that and treat it differently. That's just a comment.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, I think that we are slowly migrating in that direction in that we recognize that on an annual basis it will need assistance from the various funds that are available to do that. And then I was working with Annabelle to try to come up with the best contracts that we can go out there and possibly recruit. However, there's just not a lot of beds to recruit at this time.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Well, the last thing I would just through out, Mr. Chair, and I guess this is more for Katherine is that we might find that a smaller operation, smaller Corrections operation versus a larger Corrections operation would be more self-sustaining. And I think that we might just want to study that, to look at whether or not the greater number is the most cost efficient. And I'm not ready to say either way but we might just want to look at that. Thank you. That's all.

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, if you look at the revenue collections we broke it down basically by the administration component and the medical component don't have a means to generate revenue so they're basically reliant on the other programs within the Corrections Department or other funding sources. When you look at the adult facility we have a total care of prisoner revenue for fiscal year 2011 of \$2.7 million. Our quarterly expectation would be \$687,000. For the first quarter we brought in \$290,000. When we look at electronic monitoring we have a total fiscal year 2011 budgeted revenue of \$150,000. Quarterly expectation would equate to \$37,500, and we actually brought in \$15,000 for the first quarter.

The Youth Development program has a total revenue budget of \$1 million with a quarterly expectation of \$250,000, and actually came closest by collecting \$217,000. So our revenue estimations are short for the first quarter, but with the assistance of the operating transfers that are dedicated to support the Corrections fund they are actually at a positive variance. So obviously, we will continue to work with Annabelle to see what contracts if any are out there for care of prisoner revenue, and then continually watch the expenditure levels.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Teresa, what are some of the measures that are being done to watch the expenditure levels?

MS. MARTINEZ: Well, a lot of them are initiated by the cost-saving measures that we did Countywide, so travel restrictions apply to Corrections, cell phone reductions have happened where feasible. All of the reductions that have happened to anything that has a public safety component. We've always gone in with a mindset that we can't compromise the public safety service delivery. But they've been able to cut a little bit with regard to cell phones, a little bit with regard to supplies. I think a stricter eye on what they're spending their money on and never compromising the public service. But we've looked at contractual services. Travel has been a big one. We're really restricting travel to only those that are impacting the facility and their ability to deliver the service. So a recent travel that we're processing for them would include the chemical agents weapon travel.

So I think just salaries are a part of it too. You have a very cyclical nature with a facility of that type where you have high vacancies periodically and then you fill the positions and then you have vacancies. So some of the salary savings helped control that as well. So I think a little bit of everything.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Now, I know that with the previous period when we were going through our budget planning we were asking everyone to come with budget reductions, essentially. Did we ever get anything from Corrections?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, we did. I can't remember the exact amount now. I want to say that we got close to the \$400,000 that we were looking at, but a lot of that was comprised of some of the freezes of the salaried positions that we were able to freeze collectively.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I'm jumping ahead a little bit but I notice here that the total budget for the Corrections Department is projected to be \$20,820,000. How does that compare with last year.

MS. MARTINEZ: I believe last year was at \$22 million.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Okay. Thank you.

MS. MARTINEZ: We included an additional chart that basically breaks down for you the expense variance and the cash variance. If you look at the blue line and the red line when they're compared to each other, that actually says this is budgeted expense, blue, and red indicates the actual level of expenditure. So you can see we have a positive variance, which means they're coming in under budget at \$665,000.

Now if you look at the cash variance, that actually means total sources compared to total uses, and in this particular case they have a negative variance, but again, that's attributable to the fact that we have not posted the operating transfers for the first quarter yet. So collectively, after the transfers they're to the better. So they're not at a shortfall. But they need the transfers to occur in order to be at a positive variance. So I think the combination of the watching of the expenditures and the assistance from the other funds is assisting.

We included just for your review, and I won't really speak to it unless you have particular questions, we broke down the revenues and the expenditures by major source on the pie chart so you can see how that's broken down.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. On the pie chart of total expenditures for the Corrections fund, I notice that you have debt service at zero, but I know we do have debt service. Is that in some other fund?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian, no, it's just that our payments for debt service don't occur till February. So you won't see activity there till that time.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Okay. Thank you.

MS. MARTINEZ: I'll go ahead and move on to the Fire operations fund. Fire was labeled as a troubled fund, again, because it's reliant on a GRT and it also has a use of cash to balance its budget for the fiscal year. And when we looked at the revenues and we looked at the expenditures we probably could unclassify it if you will as a troubled fund. We haven't done that yet because it has a couple of threats, but it's actually doing fairly well. If you look at the total expenditures for the first quarter it was \$1.8 million. They had revenue collections of \$2.5 million. So they had a positive variance or a positive surplus for the first quarter of \$700,000. They are staying in troubled status mainly because we still use cash to balance the budget and then forward thinking to fiscal year 2012 we have to determine if Fire will help the general fund sustain the RECC operations. So that's a possible threat to this fund, therefore it stayed in the troubled status. But overall, revenue collections are surpassing the level of expenditures for fire.

If there are no questions I'll go ahead and move on to the RECC. RECC is classified as a troubled fund mainly because it does not have a continual revenue source or funding source. It's reliant on GRTs and it's also reliant on GRTs that support other County functions within Santa Fe County. So if you look at the total expenditures for the first quarter they materialized at a level of \$619,000. They actually had revenue collections of \$194,000. The \$194,000 is high for this time of year and is really directly related to the collection of a shared portion of reimbursement by the City of Santa Fe for a capital expenditure that had occurred previously. So that made us whole.

The operations witnessed revenue collections of \$194,369. Of that the City reimbursed us to the tune of \$187,000. If you look at the RECC, they have a total budget of \$3.4 million and we also included for your revue the expense variance versus the cash variance. And again, the operating transfers have not occurred yet so once the operating transfer is brought in this will be a better picture for the RECC.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: We have discussed the RECC and the revenues for this as not being adequate. And I'm wondering at this point, and I think I'm going to ask Katherine first. Have you thought of anything we should do here? We've brought this up more times than I can remember and said to Steve Ross, our County Attorney that we should renegotiate this with the attorney. We don't have enough money for the RECC. So do you have any ideas of what we could do here?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, I think it's an issue that, because the RECC was set up as a joint City-County operation and now the County fully shoulders the responsibility other than capital outlay, which I don't think has been

done for a couple of years either. That payment from the City was for a past year expenditure. So I think your point that you might want to look at renegotiating it because it's not really a very balanced approach for this fund and sustainable over the long term because we're shouldering the cost of the entire entity with the County's revenues.

So I think we probably should address that with the City and look at how they intend to go forward. They still are a part of the board, yet they're not contributing to any of the operations.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So, Mr. Chair, Teresa, or Katherine or whoever can answer this, if the RECC budget is \$3.4 million, let's say \$3.5 million, what revenues or receipts from the City will we see this year towards that \$3.5 million?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, I think they'd be very minimal because we've done no capital expenditures so I don't know that we'd see any from the City this fiscal year.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay, but you're saying though that we received \$187,722 from the City of Santa Fe.

MS. MARTINEZ: That was a capital expenditure that occurred in a previous year, so we shared that cost 50-50. So they're reimbursing us for an expense that we had incurred, and in this fiscal year the \$3.4 million that you're looking at is the operating budget and we front the entire operating budget as it is right now.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: But Mr. Chair, isn't part of the revenue from one of the taxes supposed to go into this that the City is sharing with the County?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, we have two revenue sources that could sustain this type of operation. We have the emergency medical services GRT, which currently supports this, and then we have the emergency communications center and emergency medical services GRT which we know as the fire tax, which currently supports 100 percent fire. And that was the way we structured it in this budget cycle. But they are fully sustained by – we basically balanced the budget this fiscal year by the use of cash from the emergency medical services, as well as any forecasted GRT collections that were available for this fiscal year.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So, Mr. Chair, Teresa, what percentage of the RECC expenditures is actually covered with revenues? 25 percent?

MS. MARTINEZ: Probably. I don't know that for certain and I can check it but it's not going to be much higher than that.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, when you say revenues, really we have general fund and the RECC tax is the only funding source for this and they're just transfers into this fund. So they don't actually generate any revenue from any other entity to speak of, do they?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, actually they do. They have a couple of joint powers agreements and they have some small charges for copies and stuff like that, for tapes. But –

MS. MILLER: Very small, right?

MS. MARTINEZ: Right. But I'm counting the transfer from the emergency medical services GRT as a revenue source.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So Mr. Chair, Teresa, you're saying that the tax itself, it would be about the 25 percent.

MS. MARTINEZ: I don't know for certain. I'll check the number for you because it also supports other functions.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I think I'm just bringing this up, Mr. Chair, to say that we need another revenue source or we need to look at this somewhat differently. We are taking care of a good number of calls from our municipalities. We just don't have enough money for this, so I'll lay that on the table. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Vigil.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Thanks. Thanks, Teresa, for your report thus far. The question I have is related to it and it has a lot to do with negotiations and leveraging we might have with the City. What is the current contract cost to the City for us to house their inmates? Do you know that?

MS. MARTINEZ: I don't know for certain. I want to say it's between the \$55 to \$62 rate. It's the lower of the rates.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Okay. And there was a point in time when it was more than that. I think that got negotiated down quite a bit. How often does that get negotiated?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Vigil, I don't know. I think typically we do those every couple of years. I know we were a little bit behind with regard to our contracts, so I would think at a minimum every two years they should be reviewed, but I can't verify that that has occurred.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Okay. Is that a cost for service? Is that a fair cost?

MS. MARTINEZ: No.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Because we really brunt a lot of that cost, don't we, for City inmates?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Vigil, for all inmates our charges are nowhere near the cost it takes. We had forecast as the cost I think in our of our earlier sessions conservatively at \$105 a day.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Okay. Do you know what the status is of any potential for federal contracts?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Vigil, we are working on looking at the US Marshals contract for Corrections because there may be some opportunities there and then also with Bernalillo County as to whether there's a possibility for some inmates.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: It seems to me that when you look at revenue sources one of the things we need to look at is whether or not we're actually charging the appropriate amount for the services we provide when we enter into these agreements, and also to look for the possibility of further sources through federal inmates or as you said the US Marshal, which is also the case for our youth detention facility, correct? Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: I think that one of the things that we need to in the future especially be cognizant of and the Commission and staff are going to have to make a decision as to what direction we're going to go, but this emergency medical service tax, gross receipts tax that we passed was passed really with the City saying okay, this is what we need for you to do, this is what we need for you to pick up and we agreed

that okay, we'll pick up the costs that would cover the generation of the revenue which hasn't really fulfilled its promise or obligation of what we thought was going to be generated. We passed the tax because the City said if you don't support us getting out of the RECC well then we're not going to support you passing this tax.

That happened – when was it? It 1998 whenever the other gross receipts tax was passed that we have for open space and water and wastewater projects. The same thing happened at that time that if we didn't give them half of the revenues that were generated well then they weren't going to support the tax at that point either. The bottom line is what we've done is supplemented their budget by passing these taxes that have in the long term hurt us because we can't fulfill our obligations.

So I really feel that – and we have discussed it in the past in terms of going back to the City and renegotiating the RECC budget and that whole agreement in terms of them needing to start fulfilling some of their past – what they have in the past in terms of their obligations. So this isn't a point in time where we can afford to continue to give away the farm, so to speak. So that would be my suggestion. Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, on this point. If Santa Fe County – well, we do even have the luxury of not operating an RECC?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, yes, but it comes with a penalty from the perspective of state funds for equipment from the E-911 fund, which is based upon consolidating PSAPs, so from an equipment perspective you wouldn't be able to get money from the state for that, but you do have the legal authority to dissolve it and go back to individual PSAPs.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So, Mr. Chair, what I'm really asking those is rather than individual, is there ever any other entity that we could join or ask to take over our service?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, the only other one I'm aware of is State Police and Ken might have some other information on that but the only other dispatch in this area, and I wouldn't recommend this from that perspective is the State Police. I think we'd want them to join the RECC rather than the other way around, but actually going back to doing just the county is probably the most reasonable option relative to changing the RECC. So you do have that option.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Well, we're bringing up a couple of different scenarios of how it could be structured and perhaps this is something to be studied before we get into the FY12 budget. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Teresa.

MS. MARTINEZ: We'll go ahead and move forward with the health programs. The first quarter expenditures for the Health Department materialized at \$2.1 million and total revenue collections of \$2.9 million. The Health program is very reliant on gross receipts taxes to sustain its operations and they also have the DWI grants. In fiscal year 2011 \$5.4 million in cash reserves was used to sustain the health programs and we obviously, forward thinking to fiscal year 2012 can't continue to operate in this fashion, so this is some of the areas that we're talking about: budget priorities and recommendations or strategies for fiscal year 2012 and future years as well.

The revenues materialized at a level of \$2.9 million and of that, \$2.2 million, almost \$2.3 million is representative of gross receipts tax collections. We expended a

total of \$2.1 million and it's important to note that the larger share of that was for the sole community provider commitment that we have of \$1.3 million. They have operating transfer requirements to support other programs at almost \$5 million, and salaries and benefits make up about 19.6 percent of their total budget, and overall, they expended 11 percent of their budget for this first quarter, or \$2.1 million of the total budget of \$18 million.

So again we have a positive expense variance here and we have positive cash variance for this fund. We do want to make it very clear though, planning for fiscal year 2012 the Board and management have to really begin strategizing and thinking of priorities for 2012, and do we keep things at the current service level? Is it Health that we reduce? Or do we reduce other programs to sustain Health at the level that it's at? So these are major budget strategies that we have to start focusing and moving in the direction of.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: On the sole community provider I became aware recently that the State of New Mexico provided some extra money to CHRISTUS St. Vincent Hospital. Are we ever apprised of that when that happens?

MS. MARTINEZ: Mr. Chair, I don't know that I know what you're speaking to so I'll look to Becky to see if we were informed of that. I know of some federal stimulus dollars that will be coming and helping offset the County's anticipated level but I don't know about state to hospital.

REBECCA BEARDSLEY (DWI Coordinator); Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, I can't tell you for certain. I know at times we have been apprised when they have been given state funding and there have been other times when we found out about it in a roundabout way, so I can't tell you for sure whether we always do or always don't.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Well, Mr. Chair, the reason I'm bringing this up is I was at a meeting at the Human Services Department when they told me that they found some extra money to give to CHRISTUS St. Vincent, and they didn't tell me how much. But if there are new funds going to CHRISTUS St. Vincent then we need to be aware of the amount in relation to what they're asking us. We have an obligation to a certain amount, not over that amount. And it would be nice if we had some sort of arrangement, gentlemen's agreement, gentlewomen's agreement, something with the state to apprise us of something that's happening like that. So maybe we could work out some kind of relationship with that department to find that out.

MS. BEARDSLEY: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, I know in the past when we have made arrangements, and I presume you're talking about the sole community provider amount that we negotiate.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Yes.

MS. BEARDSLEY: Okay. When we talked with the Medical Assistance Division in the past, they work it based on a formula and unfortunately there isn't anything other than the state telling us we can adjust us that would cause us to be able to adjust the amount that we've actually negotiated at the beginning of the year.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: That's not what I'm talking about, Mr. Chair. I'm saying that when the state gives a hospital that's in our jurisdiction extra

money we need to know it. And they said to me in a meeting they found extra money to give CHRISTUS St. Vincent. We need to know what amount that is and we need to have some kind of agreement with the state that they alert your department or Finance or the County Manager or somebody here. Because that affects what we should or should not be giving to the hospital.

MS. BEARDSLEY: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, thank you for that clarification. I'll talk to Steve Shepherd and see if there's something we can do with the state so that we are kept in the loop with any of that information.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you very much.

MS. MARTINEZ: And the last thing we did is we gave you an update on the fiscal year 2011 budget cuts. This has not changed a whole lot from the last time I made a presentation to you. What we did is we showed you what we had approved by Board action with regards to reductions. Then we showed you what that revised estimated savings is as a result of possibly having to fill some positions that were frozen and possibly not relinquishing as many take-home vehicles. Things of that nature.

We're forecasting that – initially we said we would save \$3 million. I think that was Roman's cuts in June, and we're showing that that's probably going to be revised closer to \$2.5 million. And then the Board directives showed that if we included those we'd be at a total of almost \$3.6 million in cuts; we think we're going to be closer to \$2.8 million, resulting in a shortfall of \$800,000.

Now, at this time, we're monitoring it, we're watching it. We're comfortable in that we do not feel that additional cuts are necessary, and I want to point out that we're operating on very lean budgets already, so when Santa Fe County moves in the direction of cuts, that next level of cuts would be an impact on program reduction, elimination and ultimately staff or people. So our recommendation at this time is that we do have additional property taxes that have materialized, one, because of some increase in value, two because of efforts of the Treasurer's Office. Our GRTs are holding their own and are slightly over budget. We do know that we have to watch investment income and what we are predicting at this point is that we'd like to continue with our cost-saving measures, control the expenditures as we have been controlling them and continue to watch the revenues.

We will continue with the hard freezes. No additional positions have materialized at this point that we've had to look at and examine. We are, if a position becomes available through attrition, we are evaluating it. The justification process is occurring so that they have to come and justify why they need to fill that position. So we believe that if necessary we could go into a further freeze or delay the hiring of additional people.

So at this time our recommendation is to obviously keep the control measures we have in place and look towards a collection of the property tax revenues in December and January which are our major source of revenue and our heavy collection time, and see if they materialize a budget. At that point, if they fall under budget then we'll come back to the Board and we'll have recommendations for other areas. But I want to caution that other areas are beginning to impact employees when we reach that appoint. So at this time we are not recommending a study session until after the property tax collections have materialized and we know if we're in trouble or if we're staying on budget.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair.

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CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. First of all I'd like to thank you, Teresa, for the comprehensive report that was put together. I appreciated the breakouts. I do believe that when we go into any further discussions about budget we should make sure that we have input from our new and/or sitting Commissioners, depending upon the time of year that it is, and that we also should have some alerted notice as to how it relates back to the results of the survey that we did with the public. So that if we were considering a service or a program that had ranked high or low among the public that that would be correlated, so that we were aware of what we were doing. And we'll probably remember some of it – the survey results – but if we were just alerted to that when we get to that point that would help. Thank you very much, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Other questions for Teresa? I guess I'll just add I agree with Commissioner Stefanics and Katherine, maybe you and Teresa can meet with the new Commissioners because I believe that time is of the essence in terms of beginning to plan already. It's never too soon to plan for the fiscal year 2012 budget and certainly I can give some feedback to both of you also in terms of what I feel maybe should be some of the priorities for 2012 but certainly won't be totally dependent on my recommendations. And I would ask all of the Commissioners to begin doing the same in terms of what do we see as critical priorities for 2012 in our budget. It's not probably going to grow any more than what it is this year.

I really want to give kudos to Victor Montoya, our Treasurer. He has come through with some significant collections that have certainly helped in terms of this time of crisis. So I think what we invested in the staff down there has certainly paid off. More than paid off. Thank you, Teresa. Appreciate the update.

XIII. B. Community Services Department

1. Presentation, Discussion and Possible Direction Regarding the Implementation of the Countywide Emergency Communications Project Including Property Lease Agreements for Secure Electronic Communication Sites and Approval to Utilize State of New Mexico Contracts/Agreements for the Purchase and Installation of Radio Equipment, Antenna Towers and Equipment Shelters. (Community Services/Fire) [Exhibit 1]

STAN HOLDEN (Fire Chief): Mr. Chair, Commissioners, we appreciate this opportunity to stand before you and provide quite a bit of information, we believe, and ask for your approval to utilize some state contracts in order to proceed.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Stan, I have a quick question before you get started. Are these approvals that you're requesting going to exceed \$100,000 in terms of purchases?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, sir.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: We have a new ordinance in place.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, sir, and that's why we're here, because of the direction that we received from the Commission some months ago regarding such purchases and using the common term "piggybacking" with other agency contracts. And the other agency contract that we're looking at utilizing is the state contract for procuring electronic communications and towers and such equipment.

I have a short power point presentation?

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, do we have a handout on this?

CHIEF HOLDEN: It should be coming up on your screens but I have –

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: No, I'm talking about a hard copy.

CHIEF HOLDEN: I have some.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, I have a short power point presentation here that I think will take about ten minutes to go through that explains some of the efforts that the Fire Department has made in preparation for this project.

In May of 2007 we initiated a countywide emergency communications needs analysis study that was based and funded by the Homeland Security grant that we received and we had some matching funds that also came to the Fire Department budget. This study was intended to identify the major weaknesses and deficiencies that existed in our current communications infrastructure, many of which we were very familiar with as a Fire Department and Sheriff's Department because of the brown-out or black-out zones that we had in numerous areas around the county.

In September 2008 we began a strategic planning process utilizing this study to overhaul the existing system and in November 2008 we began to do some immediate emergency repairs that had been identified as part of this study. And then in January 2009 we did a wave propagation study which would help us identify specific sites throughout Santa Fe County that we could utilize to improve the communications system.

In April 2009 we began discussions with specific agencies regarding some electronic site locations that we had identified, specifically, the State Department of Information Technology, Homeland Security, Lack Minerals, who operates the gold mine down in Cerrillos, the Town of Edgewood, the City of Santa Fe, and New Mexico water down in Edgewood. And then in September 2010 the emergency repairs that we had begun almost a year and a half earlier were completed at the Tesuque site, the state pen site, the Nambe site and the Edgewood site.

This slide shows some of the problems that we were experiencing. If you look at the upper left hand corner of this slide you'll see equipment that is not rack-mounted that is sitting on top of cabinets. This equipment had been in place and been utilized from early 1970s I've been told and we were reliant upon car batteries as the back up system for this equipment. The picture just below that shows two mobile radios. Mobile radios are those radios which typically you would see in a vehicle, like a fire truck or a police car, and it's attached to an AC/DC converter to power that unit and that unit sets up on top of a metal box in one of the sites. This equipment was not grounded properly and there are numerous other problems that we were experiencing there as well.

The picture in the middle is the existing commercial site, typically known as Tesuque Peak. This shows the number of communication towers that sit up on top of

Tesuque Peak and the varying degrees of communications equipment that are mounted on these towers. This contributes significantly to the interference that the Sheriff's Department and the Fire Department have been experiencing over the years with our radio transmissions. We share this site, because it is a commercial site, with a number of private agencies and public agencies, including television stations and radio stations.

And the picture to the very far right depicts a 100-foot tower. That's actually a private ham radio tower with an antenna on top. It's located at the Nambe Fire Station site. That is a private, intended to be non-public utilization tower. Typically something you might see in someone's back yard. There are numerous guy wires that come off of that structure because it is too tall and is not self-supporting. And we've had a number of problems at that site as well.

So as part of the phase 1 proposal to try to correct all these problems we've moved forward with a new engineered design for the new system, to make sure first of all we can provide a basic infrastructure for basic radio communications for public safety agencies. We wanted to fix existing weaknesses and design flaws that we were experiencing as public safety agencies and we also wanted to make sure it was expandable so that we could accommodate all the numerous changes that have been forthcoming from the FCC and others regarding narrow-banding and the digital technology. All the equipment that we had used previous to 2008 were based on analog technology, not digital technology.

So specifically, in phase 2 what we're looking at allowing is a broadband capability for public safety agencies which will allow, for instance, the Sheriff's Department to stream pictures of individuals to their mobile data terminals. So if they're making a traffic stop and there's a warrant out for someone's arrest, the deputy will be able to look at their screen and actually have a photograph from which they can operate from. And it improves the safety to our public safety officers, specifically to deputies in the field by having that type of technology available.

In the fire service it also allows for pre-plans for fire structures to be broadcast to the responding fire truck. So as part of the response an actual plan of attack will come up on the screen as they're responding to the scene that would show the type of structure, have a photograph of the structure, will have a pre-plan with the location of the hydrant closest to that structure, will have the construction type of the structure and will have a systematic design about how we're supposed to move forward in attacking that structure if it was on fire.

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: Commissioner Vigil has a question.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Re the broadband, Stan, I just wanted to know, the grant fund that Rio Arriba County and northern Santa Fe County received from the federal government, and the commitment that Santa Fe County has for broadband with our business park, how much will that help emergency communications? Is that too limiting or not? Is it a beginning for you all?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Vigil, it's not really going to be much of any assistance early on. We can see in the future, in the long term that it could be beneficial, but in the immediate future we don't see any benefit forthcoming. Once this program, once this project is to phase 3, which I'll get into next, it will allow for multiple lines of communication using broadband technology, not only with public

safety agencies but with all departments and all operations of Santa Fe County throughout the county utilizing this infrastructure that we're putting into place in phase 1. Broadband technology from a Fire Department or public safety standpoint requires some type of connectivity to the actual responding unit in the field and the overwhelming majority of that today occurs over radio frequency transmission and reception. So we're still very much RF dependent. And as a result we need these electronic communication sites to assist us in being able to meet that need, to have radio communication in the field.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Thank you, Stan. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: Stan, on that point, what do you mean by it won't help with the immediate needs? How, in comparison, is this going to immediately help as opposed to what we're working on with the broadband initiative in northern Santa Fe County?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, specifically, this phase 1 has to do with replacing all the old, antiquated equipment and radio design that we've been using since the 1960s. So we're looking at improving all of the existing radio frequency technology, for instance moving away from those radios that I showed you that some of them are tube based. The technology is not even to the point of being digital today. And all of that is being forced to a large extent by the FCC but also because the old tube-type technology is not as reliable as digital. But when we move from an analog system as a society, and you all experience this on your cell phones, it used to be when we would drive down the road on an analog cell phone you would begin to hear static and you knew the call was about ready to drop. But you could still talk for maybe two or three more miles as you were driving down the road. That was analog technology. Today, if you're using digital technology and you're on that same road, as soon as it becomes staticky the call drops. And that is because the propagation of that electronic wave over the analog technology was more like this. So it fell off towards the end. With digital technology it's more like this.

When you lose the digital signal it's gone now. And if you listen to the cellular phone companies, that's why they needed more electronic sites. That's why they needed more towers and communication sites wherever they were located, so that you wouldn't drop that call. What happens with digital technology is so if it gets passed from one cell tower to the next cell tower to the next cell tower. And for the Fire Department and Sheriff's Department being dependent on that analog technology was good for us because it allowed us to continue to have fairly reliable transmissions using VHF signal propagation, because the wave fell off gently. But now with the forced mandate by the FCC that we all, even public safety has to move to digital, narrow-banded transmission. That technology drops off just like that.

As a result we also need higher towers, more towers, more electronic sites, to be able to cover the same area. I hope that answers your question.

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: So broadband's not going to help at all then, at least according to that description.

CHIEF HOLDEN: No, sir. Not for the RF site. In phase 3, when we're talking about as a County moving to a broadband spectrum it will improve everyone's communication a great deal because what we will be able to do in phase 3 is utilize computer technology in the field, utilizing connectivity through the broadband to go back

through the RF band to get back to the Sheriff deputy care in the field. There's a slide here later on that I think will help explain that a little bit.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Well, the only reason I was surprised to hear that is because everything that I've been hearing is that this was going to improve our emergency communication and emergency response dramatically.

CHIEF HOLDEN: It will. It will eventually, but not in the immediate – not in phase 1, not in phase 2. When we get to phase 3 it's really going to be –

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: So how long is phase 1 and phase 2 going to be? Is there a timeline in here?

CHIEF HOLDEN: There's not a timeline. It's money dependent. Some of that I'm looking for direction from you. From my standpoint, we're behind the power curve significantly. This is something that I identified in 1998 as a significant issue. We did not have a funding source so quite frankly I've been banking money every budget year for the last several years for this project specifically, which benefits the Fire Department, the Sheriff's Department and the roads department, or Public Works, as the three primary public safety agencies in Santa Fe County. These are all fire funds that we're talking about expending and they're all 222 or the old County fire protection excise tax, monies that we've saved up to implement this project.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: The other thing is that this is a three-year project with this new broadband. You're probably more aware of it than I am, Commissioner Holian, in terms of the timeline on that project. So that's why I'm asking how this fits in with that potential three-year timeline because if we're – I don't know of any identified sources right now where we could replace 1960s and 1970s equipment from but maybe there's something out there. But I'm just saying as this goes along we need to make sure that we're working and complying with that broadband already, the broadband initiative.

CHIEF HOLDEN: We are. We are. That's the whole design of this system.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Because that's probably going to be done before we're going to be able to replace the – unless again something dramatically happens with the budget and we're able to purchase and take care of some of these things. But I see that happening probably quicker than what this may potentially happen. And I'm just saying that we need to make sure that we're going on both tracks.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, I totally understand. But we do have the money to do phase 1 now. The money is existing; it's in our budget; the budget has already been approved. The direction that I was seeking today specific to that money was permission to allow us to use state contracts to move forward with phase 1 of this project. And the whole – I want to assure you before we move on that the whole system has been designed to make sure that it is compatible with broadband. That's the whole intent of the project.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. I understand that you're saying that you've saved money or put money back. Is this in a dedicated capital fund for fire?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, ma'am.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So it's not being used for anything else in the County?

CHIEF HOLDEN: No.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. On the second point, about the procurement, I feel rather strongly that this morning we made another County entity go back to the procurement process and unless my colleagues feel otherwise, I'm not sure why we would not do that here. So, thank you.

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: Any comment? Commissioner Vigil.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: The way I understood the transaction that we discussed this morning, Stan, you probably feel a little bit in the dark about this is under our new ethics ordinance we have required anything over \$100,000 to go out to RFP. However, it wasn't really clear when we had the discussion whether or not there were exemptions and I'm not sure whether this would be an exemption and need to be complied with. So, Katherine, if you have any comment on that I'm open to it.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Vigil, the ordinance does require departments to go out to bid unless they request a waiver. And Stan is formally requesting a waiver from that requirement for this particular equipment. The situation this morning that waiver had not been requested through the Commission or through my office.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Okay. So that sort of settles that question. When we're having this discussion what's really being begged as a question is why aren't we just going to broadband and why are we sort of bandaiding what we currently have to get to broadband. Because we already do have the potential for building on it. So do we need this phase? Can we dedicate these dollars to move forward towards broadband? Because I think probably what I'm hearing you say is the broadband that we are currently involved in does not have the capacity nor is it compatible with the system we have. So why aren't we working towards developing more broadband compatibility if that's the ultimate goal?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Vigil, that's exactly what we're doing, but in order to get there we have to have radio communication in the field between the RECC and the individual units in the field. That happens over radio frequency broadcast, not over broadband communication.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: So at no point in time would broadband allow for radio two-way communication?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, but if you'll allow me to go through the presentation I can show you graphically how we're going to get to that point. Because we're going to use some technology when we're going from one point to another point, electronic site to electronic site, utilizing broadband technology. But from the closest police officer to the closest tower is still going to be done with a handheld radio or a mobile radio in the car.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHIEF HOLDEN: So the next slide, let me finish this one point here at the very bottom. So my point has been that the system that we're moving forward with, that we designed, is expandable and will allow us to tap into the broadband connectivity. We forecast that to happen in phase 3 where we would have multiple fixed County sites

utilizing broadband technology – radios, telephone, internet, intranet – through either DS3 backbone or some other type of fiber backbone that's connected back at the RECC. Getting back to the RECC is like going home on the public safety side, so that we're reaching back to that hub to get back into the broadband community.

This slide shows you how that happens. At each of the proposed sites, down at Edgewood, at Gold Mine, at Nambe and at Tesuque Peak, what happens is that those field units communicate with those specific tower sites, and then those transmissions are conveyed back to Tesuque Peak, which is the highest point in Santa Fe County, and then relayed through, in this proposal, a microwave point-to-point connection between the Tesuque Peak site and the RECC.

What you see depicted there are small red lines and small blue lines. That depicts the communication that's going over the RF frequency, the radio frequency, from those tower sites to Tesuque Peak. The very broad blue and red lines that you see from Tesuque Peak to the RECC are drawn that way to indicate that because of the microwave connection between those two sites, the pipe that we're using is much larger. And that's so in phase 2, when we begin to be able to push out broadband type connectivity to the officers in the field or to a fire truck that that connection point that we're establishing now will allow for that much information to be pushed through there. But it also takes a small portion of that pipe to relay the RF transmission that is happening in the field between the RECC and Tesuque Peak. I hope that makes sense.

I understand it is very confusing but I just want to assure you that we, as the Fire Department and the Sheriff's Department and Public Works we want to make sure that what we're putting into place is something that's going to last and be expandable utilizing the latest technology. The system that we have today is not capable of that. The system that we're looking to put into place in phase 1 is expandable and buildable to where we want to go.

This is just a system, an electronic engineered designed about how what I just conveyed to you in the previous slide happens.

And this is the type of equipment that we're asking you to allow us to purchase off of the state control. They are Motorola quantar base stations and repeaters. They're antennas. They're microwave dishes. There's one 100-foot tower and two 30-foot towers and combiners. Those combiners, what they do is they bring in different types of signals and are able to make a connection back to the point-to-point so that we can get the signal back to the RECC.

This is an example of a communications shelter. This is where the equipment is stored. They are concrete-reinforced, HVAC controlled, weather-tight facilities. This just shows you different views of those facilities.

And the reason that we want to utilize these types of facilities is so that when we're building out this project the size and the capabilities of these buildings, these shelters, are sufficient size to accommodate what we see coming forth in the future as far as broadband connectivity.

So there are a number of sites in the county. We have focused on these very basic sites that first and foremost the County Fire Department, the County Sheriff's Department and Public Works needs in order to talk to the RECC. First and foremost there's the Edgewood electronic site. At this site we'll have a 30-foot, three-sided

galvanized self-supporting tower with antennas, a communications shelter with backup emergency power, that we currently do not have, and the new quantar base station's repeaters and the combiners that we should you in the previous pictures.

The Nambe Fire Station site, we want to replace this ham radio tower with a three-sided galvanized self-supporting tower, and we want to replace the existing two repeaters with this new quantar repeaters and antennas, that will also have emergency backup power.

This is the Gold Mine site. This is just a depiction. There is nothing on this site as of today, but it would also have a communications shelter and a 30-foot tower on which we will have all the antennas mounted, and the equipment will be in that shelter.

And this is the Tesuque Peak electronic site from DOIT, the Department of Information Technology. Currently, the Sheriff's Department, Roads and Fire are in a commercial, private site that I showed you earlier with all those different towers and different communication devices on those towers. As you can see, the state site is much cleaner. There's not nearly as many pieces of apparatus or antennas on this tower. They have plenty of room in their communication shelter or building for us, and they've agreed to allow us in. And so we would propose to replace all the old radios that I showed you in previous slides with quantar base stations, a new microwave link between Tesuque Peak and the RECC, and that will also allow us to decrease our reliance on the existing commercial site significantly. So we'll be on a government controlled site instead of a privately owned and controlled site.

This shows – this is not a very good slide for me on this side of the podium because I can't see it very well. It's kind of blending in, but hopefully in your handouts maybe you can see it. This shows each breakdown, the cost of each communications site. At the very bottom of page 3 it will have the total of \$650,000 for the build-out of phase 1 of these five sites.

So I know you've had plenty of questions as we were going through that. I'm sure you still have questions. It's not an easy topic. It's not a very easy thing to understand. I'm certainly aware of that. But I'm happy to try to answer any other questions you might have.

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: Questions? Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Thank you, Mr. Chair, staff. So phase 1 would be to put up the Nambe, Gold Mine, Edgewood, Tesuque Peak and the RECC towers.

CHIEF HOLDEN: That's correct.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: And would they operate after phase 1?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, sir. The basic infrastructure system will operate for public safety at that point.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So what's the next phase?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Anaya, the next phase would be broadband connectivity, and that would be where we would, instead of sending a radio frequency signal from Edgewood, for instance, to Tesuque Peak, we will send that signal via a microwave dish. So from Nambe to Tesuque would be a microwave dish. From Gold Mine to Tesuque Peak would be a radio dish. So that allows in the very simplest terms, instead of having a very small pipe sending signals back and forth between those

towers you have a very large pipe to send that signal back and forth. That's where the expandability comes into play.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So each one of the sites will get a broadband conduit.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: You tie that into the broadband.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Okay. So you're asking for approval of phase 1 for now.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: And that phase 1 costs \$670,000?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: And you'll be able to use existing radios that we have in our vehicles?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Existing narrow-band capable radios. Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So the radios that we have, are they narrow band?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So we'll be able to use those and tie them in directly and it will be able to operate.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: And how long will this first phase last? Or take?

CHIEF HOLDEN: From start to finish, the completion of the project in phase 1, we expect to be finished by spring of 2011. With phase 1.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Okay. And how much do we pay now to use the existing towers?

CHIEF HOLDEN: The existing towers, specifically at the commercial site, we spent about \$12,000 to \$14,000 a year for Fire. I think another \$10,000 a year for the Sheriff's Department, and much less than that for the roads department but I don't remember exactly. Roads only has one repeater at that location.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: So we'll be able to save that money when we transfer over.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: And in terms of expansion, what types of expansion are you talking about? Other agencies? Possibly? That would pay us? Or do we not want to go there?

CHIEF HOLDEN: If they're government agencies we would certainly consider that, but we would prefer not to have private agencies within our government infrastructure. We want to try to keep it protected and isolated for public use, for government use. The expandability that I'm speaking of specifically, in phase 3, for instance, we could take the Stanley transfer station and the individual at the Stanley transfer station, because of the connectivity, would be able to either talk on a radio or talk on a cell phone, the County system cell phone, or a telephone, or a computer back into the County's intranet system. So we'd be able to reach out to the farthest, most remote

sites in Santa Fe County in many cases where currently we have no communication system available, much less broadband. In phase 3.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: In phase 3 we'd be able to do that?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Sounds good to me, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTTOYA: On that point?

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Yes. The question is how will we be able to connect with the Hyde Park area, based on the phases here? Is this going to improve communications to that? That is really – when you talk about gaps, we've had recent incidents that have become very apparent that Hyde Park area is a gap.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Vigil, that's the whole intention of the Gold Mine site is to reach into what we call the shadow areas of Tesuque Peak. Hyde Park is probably the most highly known, but we have many others that we don't really want the public to know where some of those sites are, but as you're headed out to Glorieta from Tesuque Peak, a lot of that area is shadowed, which means that communications are shadowed. Because from that portable radio, what you're trying to do is reach back up, almost straight up to Tesuque Peak and it's almost impossible. So what would happen in this scenario, because of the Gold Mine site the transmission will actually go back to Gold Mine, which is direct line of sight to Gold Mine, and then go from Gold Mine to Tesuque Peak, then down to the RECC.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Will there be gaps after the Gold Mine site?

CHIEF HOLDEN: There will be. There will be some sites that we're still going to have difficulty reaching into and we'll require additional sites. One of the things that we're looking at now is because of Chimayo and some of the areas in Cundiyo, because of the steep canyon walls we're not able to get out. Those areas will still remain as black-out areas. But instead of having today 70 percent, once we're complete we'll be in the mid to high 90s. But there will still be areas in Santa Fe County that we will not be able to communicate back when we're completed. Just a factor of geography.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: It would seem to me because we do know there are known gaps that is information that the public should know about, because it's exactly those kinds of problems we have when there are gaps and accidents occur that we're not able to address. So if there's a way that that knowledge would be made available I think we'd be creating a huge service to the public and a preventive service for hikers, outdoors activities. I myself would like to know where I would not be able to communicate for emergency purposes and would probably want to avoid it.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Vigil, I was strictly speaking from a law enforcement perspective, not from a public safety perspective. So, yes, you're right, and I understand that.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTTOYA: Commissioner Stefanics and then Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you. Katherine, do we have the money set aside for this?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, yes, we do.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. I understand the public safety issue of not identifying where criminals could go and do whatever they're doing without being in communication range, and I understand Commissioner Vigil's comment. And that's really why I'm supportive of activities that would move us ahead with communication, because I think that the people in the county, as long as we're going to do the RECC we need to provide a good service. I think that if I were to go along with piggybacking on state contracts and purchase agreements I would want our Attorney's Office to identify those companies and make sure that there are not complaints or lawsuits with any of those companies before we would enter into any business with them.

Now, just because something is on a state price agreement or state contract doesn't mean that there aren't problems, and I just want to make sure that we would do due diligence before we would just jump and spend money. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. This equipment seems to be fairly specialized to me. Are there that many different companies that actually even produce this kind of equipment?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian, there are a few companies, but what we have found in the state of New Mexico is that very few companies do this type of business in the state of New Mexico. The state contracts that have been awarded we've utilized numerous times in the RECC, any time we get state funding, to upgrade our systems in the RECC. It's these companies that do that work and we have a long history of working with these companies. To date, I've not had any experience in the 14 years that I've been here negative but as Commissioner Stefanics is clear that does not mean that some other agency in the state may not have had issues or problems. But it is very specific equipment and it's not stuff that a lot of companies do. As a matter of fact, these companies that we utilize here in the state provide services throughout the country. They're traveling all the time, erecting towers or installing communications equipment and other communications centers across the country.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Okay. Thank you, Chief. Also, I had a question about the Glorieta area. You did mention that. Is this going to help the Glorieta area?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian, significantly.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Great. Thank you. Well, I certainly am willing to go along with the state contract. It seems to me that this is specialized enough and we've had a lot of experience with those companies. So that's just my opinion. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Stan, how long have we been in the new facility in the RECC?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, I think we moved in in 2001.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: 2001. So in 2001 we moved in with all of the 1960s and 1970s equipment?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, I want to make sure that I'm clear. We're not talking specifically about the RECC's infrastructure. We're talking about the Fire Department and the Sheriff's Department and the roads department infrastructure. Those two systems have been separate from the very beginning. And we did that specifically to

make sure that each agency was responsible for their backbone infrastructure equipment. In other words, County monies are not expended on the Santa Fe Police Department radio systems.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: So none of this will be used for RECC equipment.

CHIEF HOLDEN: No, sir. And in terms of operability, how long is this equipment projected to be able to be in use?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, we're using 1960s and 70s stuff now. I could easily see this stuff lasting 20, 25 years before – but because it's all computer technology driven anymore, I can't give any assurance to the Board that 15 years from now something may change to make it obsolete and require it to be changed out again. But my experience has been that once you put a system like this in place, because it's all sort of backroom equipment that a lot of people don't have experience with and they don't put their hands on on a regular basis, it lasts a whole lot longer. It's not like a handheld radio in the field. It's protected equipment. It's in the backroom and typically only radio technicians and electronic technicians are the ones that are utilizing it.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. And you mentioned that you have the \$671,000. What was the source again?

CHIEF HOLDEN: The source was fund 222, which is the old County fire protection excise tax, the one which we were not successful getting renewed two years ago.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: And how long have we had that there? Since 1998 then?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Little by little, yes, sir. I've been banking it and putting it aside for this project.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Not the entire amount. I don't want to mislead you. But each year we would have a little bit that would fall to cash and we would simply move that over and identify it for this project.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: So if you've been planning this for that long, why now all of a sudden do we want to circumvent the process that we just asked every other department to comply with in terms of putting everything out to bid over \$100,000, and we've known that this is going to be something that has been in line for purchase for some time. Are we in such a hurry to do it now?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Quite frankly, Mr. Chair, this project was on line and moving forward long before the Commission took that action, and it was only recently that I was reviewing the ordinance and talking to Teresa and Finance and Procurement and discovered that this project would change, because I thought that because we were utilizing the state contract that it was a little bit of a cleaner process than awarding or purchasing something just based on a purchase order.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. That's all the questions I have. Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. That sort of brings up an interesting point. Who will maintain this equipment? Will we have a maintenance contract with the company who installs it? Or will we maintain it ourselves?

CHIEF HOLDEN: That's a very good question, Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian. In the past we have not had maintenance contracts in place for this purpose and we've individually, based on problems that we've experienced, we've issued PO's to go out and address those problems. Because this is all new equipment I would not expect a high degree of failure and certainly a lot if not all the equipment will be on warranty for the first 12 months. And so that shouldn't be that big of a problem. But going forward we will certainly need a high level of expertise individuals to service these pieces of equipment.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: And do you think that those individuals would reside in the state or would they actually be employees of the company who we would contract with in the future if we needed to?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Holian, both Advanced Tower and Advanced Communications are companies that are in the state of New Mexico now. Motorola of course is an international company, but we're only purchasing fixed equipment, radio equipment from Motorola. But as far as the servicing, Advanced Communications is the one that does all of our servicing for the Regional Communications Center now.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Thank you, Chief.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Chief Holden, something that Commissioner Montoya was asking kind of raised this question in my mind, when he asked about where the funds had been collected from that you could utilize. Have any funds been diverted from the volunteer fire departments for equipment to be used for this fun?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, absolutely not.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. And if you had the go-ahead to do all of this work, and we had not just a flat operating budget next year but we had a decreased operating budget, and you knew that you couldn't come in and ask for one extra penny for anything around this. I'm not talking about maintenance. I'm talking about anything extra for operations or anything. You can sustain all of this new equipment without any extra operations money?

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, in the first year, I believe so. Second year, if there were some problems, I'm not sure I could answer that, quite frankly. But I would point to the fact that in phase 1 we're looking at expending \$675,000. That's the lion's share of this project, and that means we will have more than half still remaining in the budget, once phase 1 is completed. Phase 2 we're estimating, the point-to-point connectivity with the microwave dishes from Edgewood, Gold Mine, Nambe, back to Tesuque Peak, could be in the neighborhood of \$150,000 to \$200,000. Phase 3 would be a little bit more expensive but frankly phase 3 would be, in my estimation – not the Fire Department and the Sheriff's Department's responsibility. That would be a Countywide decision that the Board and the County Manager and the Finance Director would have discussions on. At what point do we bring on the Stanley transfer station, or the La Cienega transfer station? That would be not a public safety expense. I hope that answers your question. In phase 3.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So, Mr. Chair and Chief Holden, today you're asking for phase 1 direction. Not phase 2 or phase 3.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, that's correct. Just phase 1.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Vigil.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Mr. Chair, and this is a highly technical issue. I'm actually going to ask Duncan to come up because I need more of a broadband perspective based on the initiative that Santa Fe County has undertaken working with the north-central district and the broadband commitments that we have, the capacity that might be able to be reached, based on the work that the broadband initiative has put in. Do you see this phasing in complementary with the future vision for our broadband capability?

DUNCAN SILL (Economic Development): Mr. Chair, Commissioner Vigil, what Chief – I only caught half of his presentation, but what Chief Holden was presenting today, basically is a critical component of the overall broadband solution for the region. So what's happening up north with the investments that we're getting from the federal stimulus funds will actually in turn enhance some of that capacity. There is a term – Chief, I apologize if I'm being redundant here. There's a term in the industry that refers to radio over fiber. The money that we're getting up north is the actual optical fiber that we're going to lay as part of the infrastructure network for northern New Mexico, some of which will benefit directly the public safety and law enforcement systems in several of the regional partners, and I think in particular Tesuque Pueblo being the closest to us.

There will be an opportunity that we could work with regional partners and state agencies, both on the public safety/law enforcement but also with the Department of IT, DOIT, to look at some of the redundancy and stability of the system. Radio over fiber actually offers that capacity. So I hope that in a general nutshell explains that. In my opinion it does offer an enhancement.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: It certainly does. My concern of course would be that we're just baby-stepping and not keeping up with the technology, but I'm hearing that this actually will provide an enhancement for any initiative that we undertake under broadband. And my concern would be not to make anything that we're investing in obsolete.

MR. SILL: There is an ongoing dialogue about interoperability amongst the various agencies. The State of New Mexico is certainly very active in working with local regions in that regard and I think that on an ongoing basis what I would encourage and recommend is that we start to really look at the coalescence of public safety versus private activities in regard to building a broadband infrastructure. And certainly what Chief Holden is proposing today, in my limited opinion, I don't see an interference with future applications.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair. Stan, the lesson to be learned is the longer your presentation, the more questions that we prepare. I certainly am in agreement with moving forward with phase 1. I'm very glad that we'll be

able to address some of the emergency response that we haven't been able to in the past, so I'm looking forward to that. Thank you, Mr. Chair. Thank you, Stan.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: I guess the question would be then do we want to allow this to go through State of New Mexico contracts or do we want it to go through our new ethics ordinance policy.

COMMISSIONER VIGIL: My statement was to allow for the waiver. That we should move forward via the recommendation of staff.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Commissioner Anaya.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: I agree.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Given the complexity of this I'm for that as well.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: All right. Commissioner Stefanics, your and my opinion don't matter anymore.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Well, I had indicated I would be okay with it as long as there had been some vetting of the companies. To make sure there weren't any complaints or lawsuits.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: And then I would just add conflicts to that also. Certainly. Okay.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: But I think that part of my comment is that if there is a problem with any of these then we should bring them back to the Commission. If there are lawsuits pending between any of these companies and people who have done business with them I think it behooves us to not proceed until we discuss it.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. So we'll move forward.

CHIEF HOLDEN: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Thank you, Stan.

XIII. C. Matters From the County Manager

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, I guess I just have a couple of things. Some of you have probably, if not all of you received an email or a request concerning the use of the County Fairgrounds for the bluegrass festival. We've been working on this issue. Some of the issues and the reason we didn't just go back to renew that with the festival committee was that last year, for the actual rent on the facility there was a problem with damage to the facility and maintenance and things that needed to be taken care of that were not covered in that cost. And so we had rental damages, we had issues with non-conforming use by the renters. There is a need for oversight for evening and weekend use by some County staff that isn't covered in any fees that we have. There's a lack of updated infrastructure for larger events – water, wastewater and electrical.

Then we also need to look at determining some guidelines for uses such as meetings versus revenue generating events, versus social events. And then bringing the rents close to market rate, particularly for those type of events – there's a big difference between the quilters club, 4-H and the blue grass festival. The bluegrass festival charges a large admission, has a lot of public going through there. So it wasn't so simple as just

saying yes to them and we've actually had staff working on this issue to examine means to make the facility more marketable and options for upgrades to accommodate these more extensive events and also more regular use of the facility and ways to actually generate additional revenue to make sure that we can upgrade the facility to maintain it and cover all the costs associated with using them for public events.

And then we need to revise the existing policies to allow for renting the facility for private commercial events, evening and weekend parties and large-scale festival events, that type of thing. And then also – and balance that with continued use of the facilities for non-profit and community uses such as county fair, youth agricultural events and activities and small meetings during regular business hours. Right now we don't have policies and procedures in place to make those distinctions.

So we have an internal group working on drafting a policy and resolution and we hope to have an initial draft by November 5th, and then reviewing that draft policy to address any concerns and vetting it through all the different departments. And then providing a draft policy for staff review and BCC review the week of November 22nd, and then providing hopefully a policy for BCC approval on December 14th.

So I just wanted to give you that update because I know that they're pushing for – can't you just tell us we can use the facility, but there are a lot of issues surrounding it. It wasn't a matter of just saying yes or no to that one entity. And make sure we've communicated back to them that that's the issue. It's not that we're saying no, it's just that we need to get some better policies in place for the different types of uses of this facility. So I wanted to let you know that because I've received emails and I think some of you have received emails and I've also been stopped at the grocery store, saying, can't you let us use it? And I said we are working on that and hope to come up with a proposal that works for all the different types of events. So if there's no questions on that –

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: The only question I have, Katherine, is when you're talking about oversight, you're talking about oversight regardless of the event.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, yes. Obviously certain events would require different type of oversight. As I said again, the quilters club is there and they're quietly just quilting in the room during regular business hours is probably a way different type of oversight than a three or four-day event that goes over the weekend, where there's no staff around. That type of thing.

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: And you'll come up with something where either they're required to provide that or we're going to hire and maybe charge them.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, yes. That's what we're trying to address. All the possible types of oversight that might be required. We've had damage done, I think it was the Boy Scouts shot up the side of one of the buildings with BB guns and it was not something anybody thought would happen but then that was the event. The cost to use it didn't cover nearly the damage that was done in their own practices event. So it's that kind of thing that we're going to make sure that we have provisions to cover any of that type of damage or any oversight, if security needs to be there and that might be charged to the entity if it's an event that has a large group of paying public coming in. That type of issue.

CHAIRMAN MONTROYA: Okay. Thank you.

MS. MILLER: And then I have another item. This has come up before but the CDBG grant that the County currently has for Valle Vista. The CDBG policies and procedures from the state only allow one open grant at a time, and we've had a \$500,000 grant for Valle Vista wastewater initiative for a couple of years which has prevented us from being able to apply for any other grants. That project that I think initially was estimated to be around \$3 million, we got a \$500,000 grant and we had maybe \$2.7 million towards it, and then it turns out it's actually going to be something more like \$4 million. So Patricio has come back and proposed the lift station, which I believe he briefed you on in a previous Commission meeting, and that proposal would run about \$1.2 million.

I wanted to make sure before I sent a letter to DFA that I made sure you were aware of it and understood the purpose for doing it. It is a letter returning the grant that we currently have. Because as it stands we can't use it. It's preventing us from actually applying again. We will try to reapply for the lift station. We may or may not get it, but we're going to at least try to return the grant that we have, reapply this funding cycle, and see if we can get something toward the lift station. But as it stands right now we're not able to use that grant and it's preventing us from even applying for any additional grants.

So I have a draft letter ready to send back to DFA so that they could reallocate those funds to other projects and I just want to make sure that you're aware of that and there aren't any concerns with me doing that.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, I have a question.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Katherine, even though the ultimate purpose of the project would be the same but the use of the money would be different, there's no allowance for that?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, we tried to see – we did actually meet with the CDBG Director and DFA staff to see if it could be reallocated to the lift station and they said because it would not fall within the purview of the grant that has been given they can't redirect it to the lift station project. But that was our first attempt, was trying to – I think we had two or three meetings with them to try to see if we could do that and we were told that we would not be able to use it.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Katherine, the lift station would have been related to the wastewater system, right?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, that is true, but they said it would not be an allowable change to the grant. And I believe that both Patricio and Joseph met with them as well as other staff. Do you know? Were you in that meeting?

PATRICIO GUERRERORTIZ (Utilities Director): Mr. Chair, we did try several times to readjust the scope and try to accommodate and even though as you say the ultimate effect is the same, we're going to be managing the wastewater generator of the Valle Vista community, the grant had been given to us, had been awarded on the basis of a very restrictive description. They even talked about a type of technology that would be used for the treatment, so it was narrow, to say the least. So what I tried to explain, and I did meet with the people at CDBG a couple times, we sent a letter, we explained exactly what we're trying to do, and how the lift station would be actually something that

we could put together in a much shorter period of time. They were also restricted to not being able to change the scope this time because all the communities would have had complaints about it. Santa Fe County was awarded the grant on that very restrictive description of the project.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. I guess my only concern would be that typically, and you know the history better than I do, Katherine, but they usually average \$300,000 to \$500,000 per allocation every time they dole these out. Is that still consistent?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, the maximum grant from the CDBG is \$500,000 and then they also will fund them in phases and they try to get a complete phase. It depends on what you apply for but the average runs \$300,000 to \$500,000.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Oh, so you could do it in phases then, where you say phase 1, the lift station, phase 2, the line.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, yes. And actually, the CDBG staff encourages that so that you spend your grant and then come back for your next allocation. Because they do try to get that money expended and also spread it out as much as they can. That's why the CDC, the Community Development Council limited it to \$500,000 per grant and only one open grant at a time.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Thank you.

MS. MILLER: So, Mr. Chair, we will be sending, I will send that letter to release that grant and we will reapply and I'll let you know how that goes.

And then the one other item and Mr. Chair, you had mentioned it, and it was that mailer that went out by the Association, Property Owners Association. We did take a look at it because I too, and Steve saw that and almost every statement in it is factually incorrect. So we do have responses to each one of those statements and can provide you all copies of that so if anybody does ask you, for instance, says that it would raise taxes. There's nothing in the plan itself that specifically raises taxes at all. It's not a violation of property rights and I'll give you the staff responses on all of those statements so that you would have that in case somebody does ask you about that. That's all I have.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Good. Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair, thank you. Katherine, and you might defer to Steve or you might have the answer, I would like to clarify task forces versus work groups. When some of us here on the Commission want a group of people to get together to work on something we don't want to necessarily incur extra costs to the County. So is there specific language or a specific structure that needs to be used so that it doesn't fall within a legal group that needs to be reimbursed?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, yes, and it's not necessarily the title. We say, oh, if it's a committee, a task force or a work group. It's typically if it's a policy making committee and if for instance a Commissioner is part of that committee then the AG has looked at that as potentially a policy making type committee and therefore subject to the Open Meetings Act and so on and so forth and all those things that – posting of the meetings, etc. So we are working on giving you some guidelines of the type of differences between ones that would be subject to the Open Meetings Act and per diem, etc. hopefully to give you some guidelines of when you do want to put together some kind of working group or task force, where it would end up

under the charge that you give that group, stay as more of an informal group versus a public meeting type group.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Well, Mr. Chair, I would suggest we need those guidelines as soon as possible since a couple of us asked for some groups in the last couple of meetings, and it was not my intent to incur extra costs for the County but it was my intent to garner advice or comment from the public. So I would be interested in your providing some kind of guidelines for the group. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Anything else? Katherine, I just have a couple. Maybe if we could get an update on the Rancho Viejo Fire Station. I know they had to go out to rebid, and just kind of where the status is on that. And then last week we did a visit to the adult corrections facility, and we had done one, I believe it was February and had actually I think authorized and requested that some equipment be purchased and I think the funding had been identified and I was just wondering why it hasn't been purchased yet. And maybe we could find that out.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, on the issue of the equipment I think I know what you're referring to on some of the items when we did the walk-through, some panels and things like that, and my understanding is the budget does exist. I talked to Annabelle about that and we are working on moving forward on that. I would like to say that could potentially also be another exception to the procurement ordinance in the sense that it would probably be a request to order off of a state contract for efficiency purposes. So I think Annabelle just left but on that issue I did speak to her about it and she said we do have the budget and she would like to move forward on that. So we may be bringing that back.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: So we do have the budget. There's no question that the funding is there to purchase the equipment.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, for certain equipment, and I will get back with you with what we do have and what we don't have. We're working on it, but I think specifically for the panels we do have the budget for.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay.

MS. MILLER: And then also you wanted an update on the Rancho Viejo and we have one.

MR. OLAFSON: Mr. Chair, Commissioners, the Rancho Viejo Fire Station, we are in the process of finally closing out the initial contract we entered into. We are now in the process of working with Procurement and Legal to develop the new bid documents. We're looking for a new construction bid and construction management services for this project. We met last week and we agreed on the timeline to proceed and the direction to proceed and we are moving forward with that.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. So any idea as to when the bid may go out again? The RFP?

MR. OLAFSON: Mr. Chair, I can't give you a direct time. I think we can probably say within 60 days. We're identifying it as a need to move forward and a need to move it quickly.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Could we have a comment about the – I understand there's a public meeting tomorrow night about the Rail Trail, and I don't know that we need any description today but could staff please give us by email a description of what you're proposing so that in particular I have a group of constituents who are going to appear and who will either like it or not like it. And I'd like to know what it is. Thank you.

MR. OLAFSON: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, we will certainly let you know what it is beforehand and also give you an update after the meeting.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you.

XIII. D. Matters From the County Attorney

1. Executive Session

- a. Discussion of Pending or Threatened Litigation**
- b. Discussion of Limited Personnel Issues**
- c. Discussion of the Purchase, Acquisition or Disposal of Real Property or Water Rights**
- d. Discussion of Bargaining Strategy Preliminary to Collective Bargaining Negotiations with a Bargaining Unit**

MR. ROSS: Mr. Chair, we need a closed executive session to discuss all the items on the list. It doesn't need to be lengthy it's just there are several items that fall into a couple categories.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I move that we go into executive session to discuss pending or threatened litigation, limited personnel issues, purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights, and discussion of bargaining units.

COMMISSIONER ANAYA: Second.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. I have a motion by Commissioner Stefanics.

Pursuant to NMSA Section 10-15-1-H (7, 2, 8 and 5) the motion passed upon unanimous roll call vote with Commissioners Anaya, Holian, Stefanics, Vigil and Montoya all voting in the affirmative.

[The Commission met in closed session from 4:30 to 5:50.]

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I move that we come out of executive session having discussed pending or threatened litigation, limited personnel issues, purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property and discussion of bargaining units. In

attendance was our County Manager, our Deputy County Manager, our County Attorney and our Deputy County Attorney, and the five Commissioners.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Second.

CHAIRMAN MONTOYA: Okay. Motion by Commissioner Stefanics, second by Commissioner Holian.

The motion passed by unanimous [3-0] voice vote. [Commissioners Anaya and Vigil were not present for this action.]

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Montoya declared this meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.

Approved by:



Board of County Commissioners
Harry Montoya, Chairman

ATTEST TO:



VALERIE ESPINOZA
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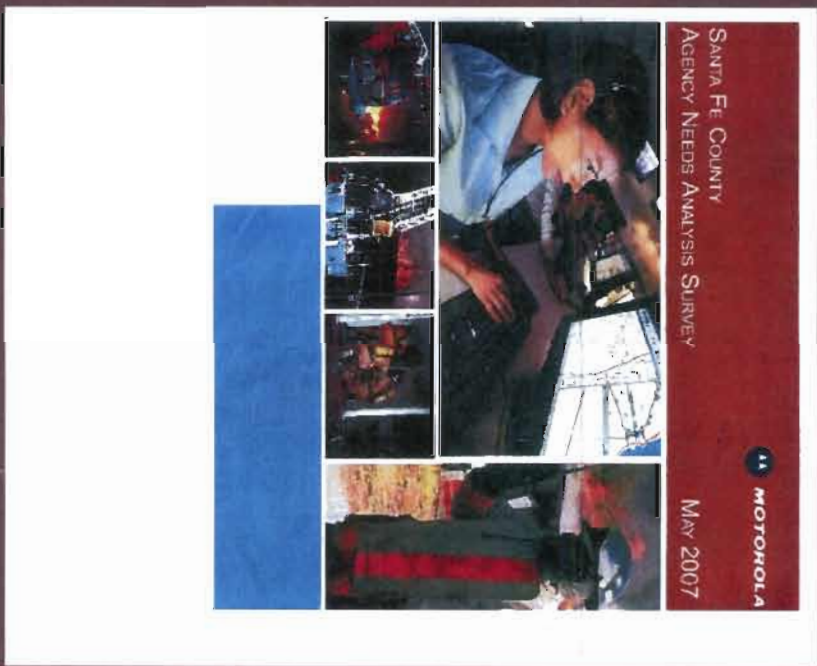
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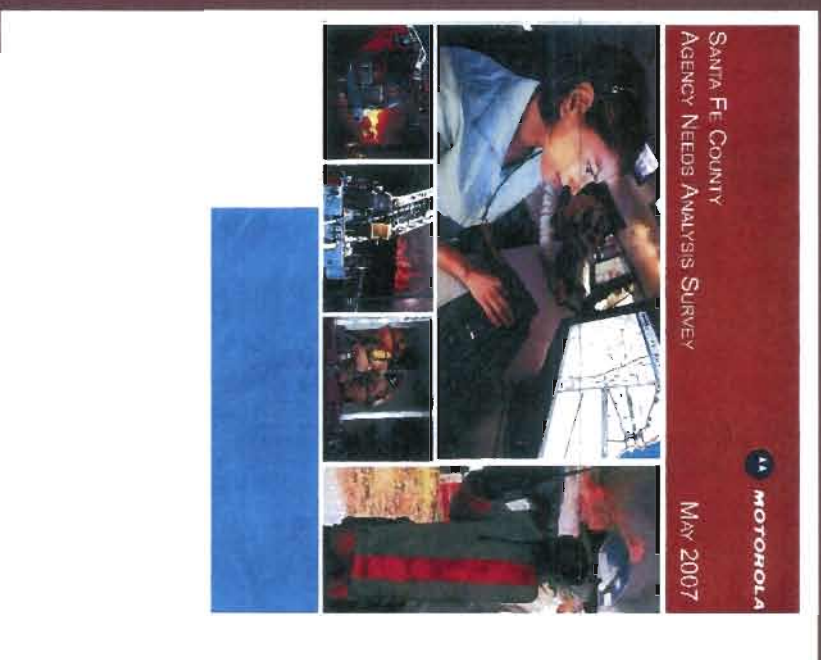
May 2007 - Countywide Emergency Communications Needs Analysis Study Begun and Completed in February of 2008

Study Funded by Homeland Security Grant for Public Safety Communication Needs and matching Fire Funds

Study identified the Major Deficiencies and Weaknesses of Existing Communication Infrastructure and Made Recommendations on Needed System Improvements

Public Safety Communications Infrastructure Improvement

SANTA FE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT



September 2008 - Strategic

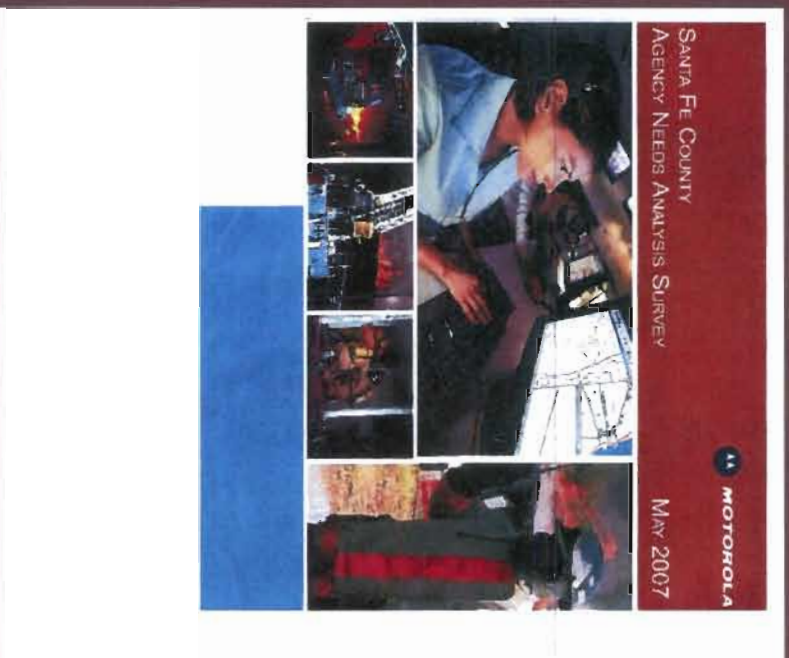
Planning Process utilized to plan for major overhaul of existing system

November 2008 - Immediate
emergency repairs were made to
equipment and infrastructure

January 2009 - Wave Propagation
Study conducted to assist in
determining locations for new
Electronic Communication Sites

Public Safety Communications Infrastructure Improvement

SANTA FE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT



April 2009 - Electronic Site
Discussions began with State DoIT,
Homeland Security Emergency
Management, LAC Minerals, Town of
Edgewood, City of Santa Fe, and
New Mexico Water

September 2010 - Emergency
Repairs Completed at Tesuque
Peak, State Pen, Nambé and
Edgewood Sites.

Public Safety Communications Infrastructure Improvement

Santa Fe County Emergency Communications Project

- Dead Zones
- Frequent Failures
- Poor Reception
- Reliance on Equipment 60's & 70's
- Poor Design
- Tower Ice
- Lack of Interoperability
- Interference
- Downtime



Some Examples

Communication Issues for Fire/SO/Public Works

Santa Fe County Emergency Communications Project

Phase I

A New Engineered System

Provides Basic Infrastructure for Radio Communication for Public Safety Agencies

Fix Existing Weaknesses & Design Flaws

Expandable Design to Accommodate FCC Mandated Change to Narrow-banding And Digital Technology

An Engineered System

Santa Fe County Emergency Communications Project

Phase II

A New Engineered System

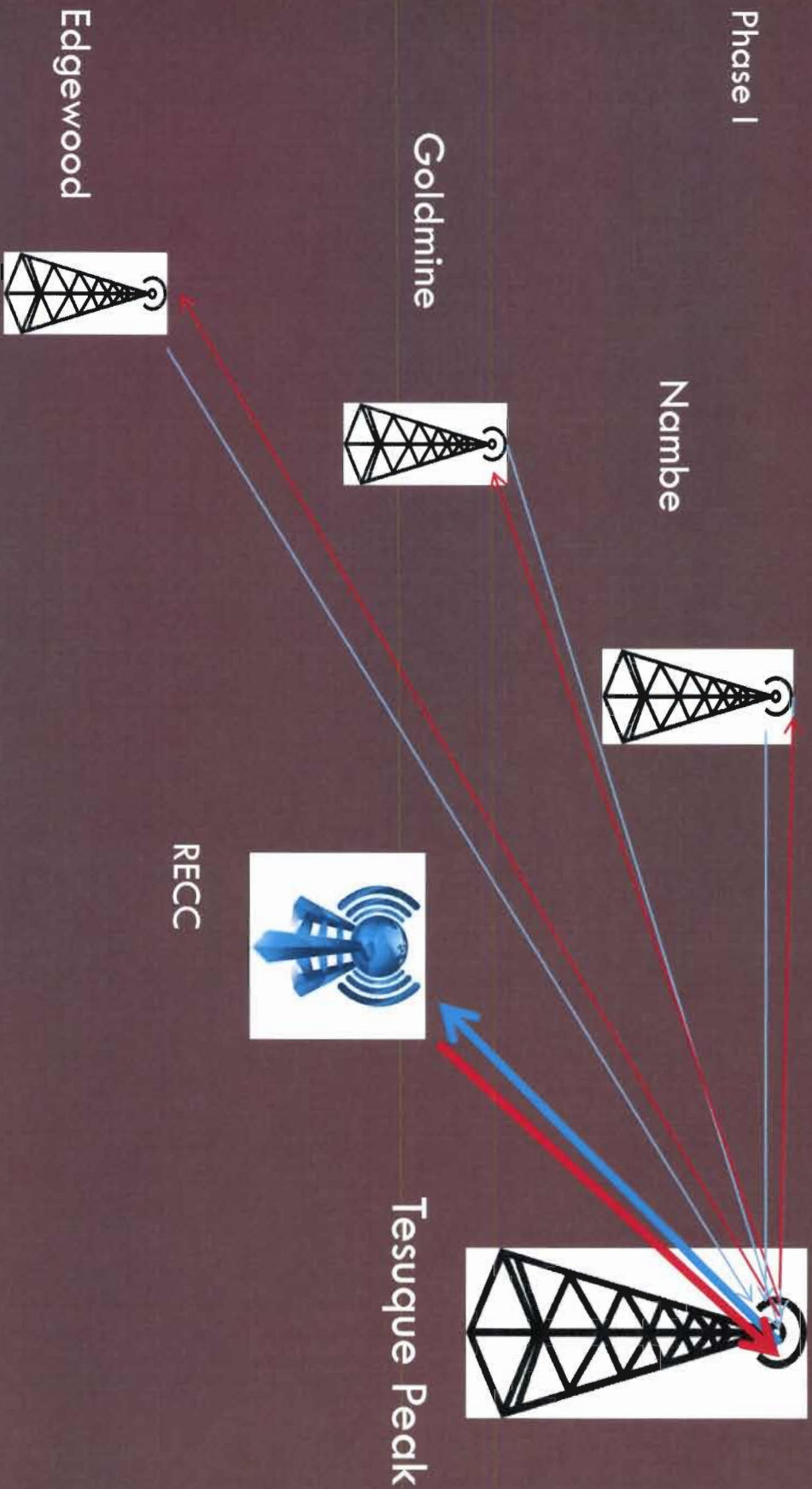
Allows Broadband Capability for Public Safety Agencies

Improves Reliability to 99.9999%

Expandable Design to Accommodate future (Phase III) connectivity to fixed county sites for all forms of broadband technology (Radio, Telephone, Internet, Intranet) w/ DS3 (fiber) connectivity

An Engineered System

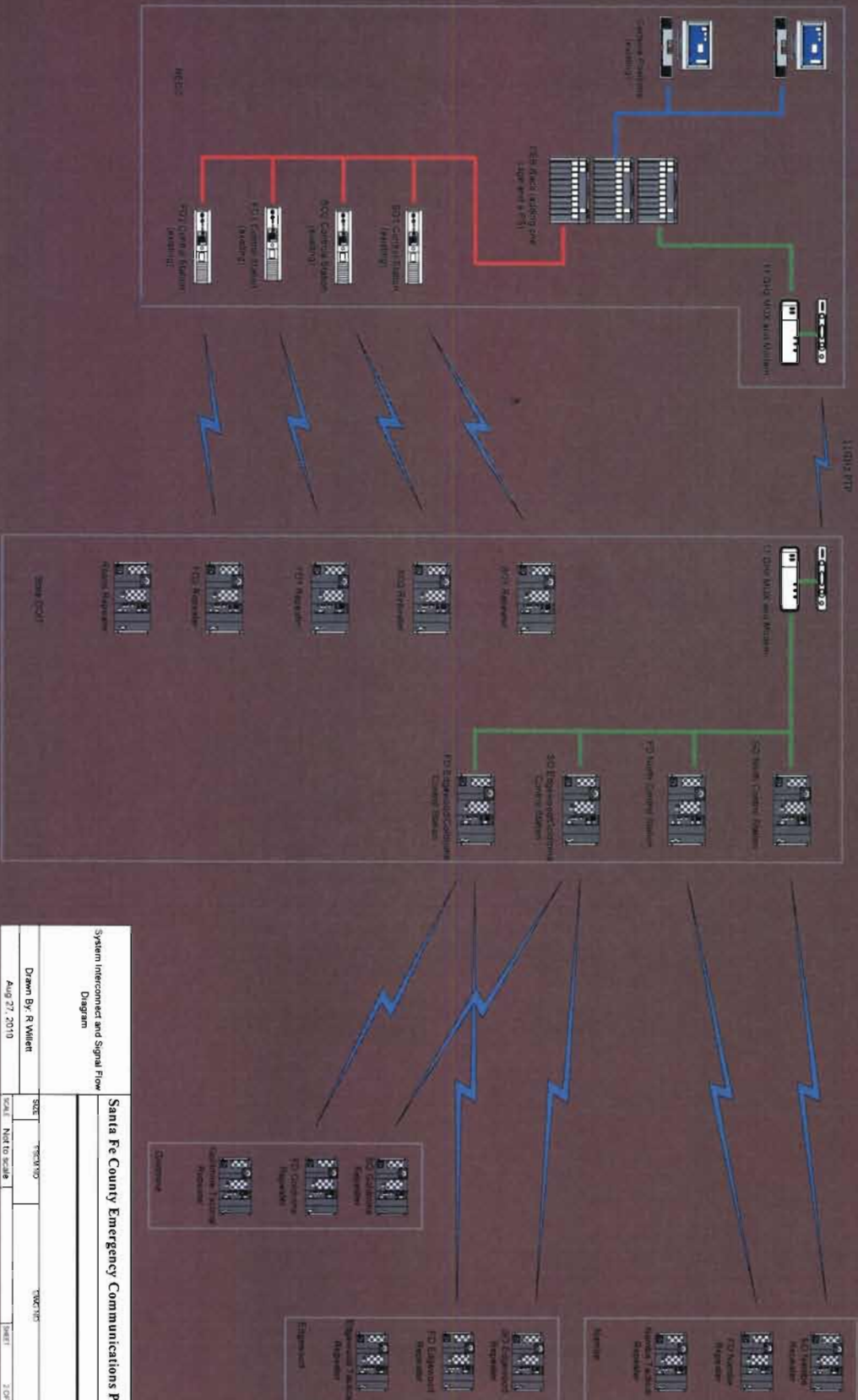
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New Design

Public Safety Communications Infrastructure Improvement

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System Interconnect and Signal Flow Diagram

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An Engineered System

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Motorola Quantar
Base Stations and
Repeaters

1 – 100' Tower and
2 – 30' Towers



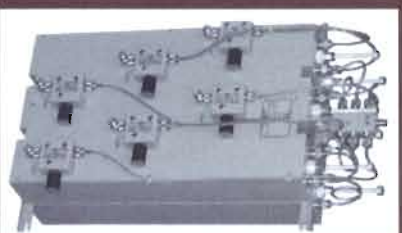
Microwave Dish



Combiner



Tower Mounted Antennas



New Design

New Equipment Pictures

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Concrete
Reinforced
HVAC Controlled
Weather Tight
Communications
Equipment Shelter



Side View of Communication Equipment Shelter

SANTA FE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT

Concrete Reinforced
HVAC Controlled
Weather Tight
Communications
Equipment Shelter



Rear (HVAC) Side of Communication Equipment Shelter

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Concrete Reinforced
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Equipment Shelter



Door Side of Communication Equipment Shelter

SANTA FE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT

Edgewood Electronic Site

Infrastructure Improvements Include:

- 30 Foot Three Sided Galvanized Self-supporting Tower and Antennas
- Communication Equipment Shelter with backup emergency power
- New Quantar Base Stations, Repeaters and Combiner

County Government Controlled equipment and access point

Edgewood Electronic Site

SANTA FE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT

Nambe Fire Station Electronic Site

Infrastructure Improvements Include:

New Three Sided Galvanized Self-supporting Tower

New Quantar Repeaters and Antennas with Emergency Backup Power

County Government Controlled equipment and access point



Nambe Fire Station Communications Site

SANTA FE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT

Goldmine Communication Site

County Government Controlled Site



Communication Shelter, 30 Ft. Tower and Communication Equipment

Goldmine Road Communications Site

SANTA FE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT

Goldmine Road Electronic Site

Infrastructure Improvements Include:

- Communications Equipment Shelter and emergency backup power & generator
- 30 Foot Three Sided Galvanized Tower
- New Quantar Repeaters

County Government Controlled equipment and access point

Goldmine Road Communications Site

SANTA FE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT

Tesque Peak Electronic Site

Infrastructure Improvements Include:

- Utilization of State Controlled Communication Equipment Building including Emergency Power
- New Quantar Base Stations and Repeaters
- New Microwave Link From Site to RECC
- Allows County to Decrease Reliance on Existing Commercial Site while allowing One Channel Redundancy for Fire & SO

State Government Controlled Site with County Owned Equipment and Access Point



Tesque Peak Communications Site

Santa Fe County Emergency Communications Project

Site	Vendor	Description	State Contract #	Contract Value
Tesugue				
Upgrade Existing Tower Site				
Motorola		5 Motorola Quantar Repeaters, 4 Motorola Quantar Base Stations, Antenna, Coaxial Cable, Installation and Testing	90-000-00-00027	\$135,854.40
Advanced Communications & Electronics, Inc.		Decoders, Coaxial Cable, Connectors, Grounding Hardware, Antennas	60-000-00-00138	\$12,962.49
Advanced Tower Services, Inc.		EMR 5 Channel Transmit Combiner and 5 Channel Receiver Multiplexer for Santa Fe County Sheriff, Fire and Roads frequencies	00-000-00-00022	\$27,359.56
Total For Tesugue Site				\$176,176.45
Microwave Link				
Microwave Link From RECC to Tesugue				
Motorola		Microwave Radio Equipment, Installation and Testing	90-000-00-00027	\$57,644.00
Advanced Communications & Electronics, Inc.		Antenna Mounts, Standoffs and Grounding Hardware	60-000-00-00141	\$3,265.24
Total For Microwave Link				\$60,909.24

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Site	Vendor	Description	State Contract #	Contract Value
Nambe				
Provide New Repeaters, Tower and Upgrade Site				
	Motorola	3 Motorola Quantar Repeaters, Antenna, Coaxial Cable, Installation and Testing	90-000-00-00027	\$54,664.65
	Advanced Communications & Electronics, Inc.	Batteries, Multicoupler/Combiner, Coaxial Cable, Antenna, Mounting Hardware, Grounding	60-000-00-00138	\$31,653.60
	Advanced Tower Services, Inc	Labor and Materials to Erect New 100' Self Supporting Tower	00-000-00-00022	\$62,881.10
Total For Nambe Site				\$149,199.35
Edgewood				
Provide New Tower, Communications Shelter and Backup Generator				
	Advanced Tower Services, Inc.	Furnish Labor and Materials to Install New Communications Shelter, 50' Self Supporting Tower and Backup Generator	00-000-00-00022	\$101,924.90
Total For Edgewood Site				\$101,924.90

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Equipment List With State Contract Listing/Price

Santa Fe County Emergency Communications Project

Site	Vendor	Description	State Contract #	Contract Value
Gold Mine				
		Provide New Repeaters, Tower, Communications Shelter and Backup Generator		
	Motorola	3 Motorola Quantar Repeaters, Antenna, Coaxial Cable, Installation and Testing	90-000-00-00027	\$51,843.35
	Advanced Communications & Electronics, Inc.	Batteries, Multicoupler/Combiner, Coaxial Cable, Antenna, Mounting Hardware, Grounding	60-000-00-00138	\$29,210.54
	Advanced Tower Services, Inc.	10'x12' concrete communications shelter, 30' self supporting tower and backup generator	00-000-00-00022	\$101,924.90
		Total For Gold Mine Site		\$182,978.79

Total For Tesuque, Microwave link, Nambe, Edgewood and Goldmine Sites

\$671,188.73