

**MINUTES OF THE SANTA FE COUNTY  
COUNTY OPEN LAND TRAILS AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (COLTPAC)  
Santa Fe County Administration Complex  
100 Catron Street, Santa Fe, NM 87501  
Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.  
Via Webex**

**1. OPENING BUSINESS**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Santa Fe County Open Land, Trails and Parks Advisory Committee (COLTPAC) was called to order on the above date at approximately 6:00 p.m. by Chair Rubén Cedeño.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Roll Call indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

**Members Present**

Rubén Cedeño, Chair (District 3)  
Jan Cohen (District 5)  
Morika Hensley (At-Large)  
Sue Murphy (District 2)  
Matt Picarello (District 4)  
Jean Pike (At-Large)  
Apple Snider (At-Large)

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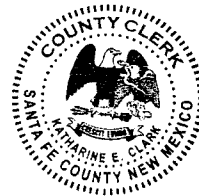
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Katharine E. Clark  
Deputy *Dorothy Romero* County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

**Members Absent/Excused**

Linda Siegel, Vice-Chair (At-Large)  
Sandra Madrid Massengill (District 1)

**Staff Members Present**

Maria Lohmann, Open Space/Trails Planner  
Paul Olafson, Planning Projects Manager  
Daniel Fresquez, Webex Host



**C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Member Murphy moved, seconded by Member Pike, to approve the Agenda as published. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote with Members Cohen, Hensley, Picarello, Pike and Snider voting in favor and none voting against.**

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- **February 3, 2021**

Chair Cedeño asked for a correction in the statement on page 2 on acquisition of the property, 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph, from Chavez to Jane Calvin Sanchez Land Grant.

**Member Picarello moved, seconded by Member Hensley to approve the minutes of February 3, 2021 as amended. The motion was approved by voice vote with Members Cohen, Hensley, Cohen, Picarello, Pike, and Snider, with none voting against.**

## **2. MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN**

Joanne Garcia spoke about the potential sale of the South Meadows Open Space to Homewise for a charter school and her Neighborhood Association's opposition to having it cease to be open space. She gave a list of reasons why the sale should not be approved by the BCC and wanted an opportunity to voice those concerns to them. She asked for support from COLTPAC in her endeavor.

In the hour-long discussion, Committee members asked many questions, to which Mr. Olafson said Staff did not have sufficient information about it and he pledged to do research to get the information and documents sent to the Committee members by email.

Chair Cedeño and other members requested a special meeting be held as soon as possible to work on a way to support the neighborhood association's endeavor to keep the property as open space.

It appeared that the BCC had considered this possibility at a regular meeting in July and the neighborhood association had not been contacted about it being on the agenda, so they were not present and had no knowledge of this happening until the first week of May.

Ms. Lohmann agreed to work with Chair Cedeño while Mr. Olafson completed research on the issue and to call a special meeting when the research was finished.

## **3. INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **A. Review process for Acquisition of Property through Donation**

Ms. Lohmann referenced 2009-06, the document she emailed to the Committee members (which Member Hensley and Chair Cedeño said they did not receive). He hope was that the Committee could help streamline the process with an easier application form and simpler evaluation/recommendation process. She explained that this process was created when the County had \$10 million with which to purchase properties for the County and no longer had money to

purchase but still could acquire property through donations by the property owners. After the discussion to understand the purpose and intent, the Committee asked to have the documents sent to all members again.

Mr. Olafson agreed to work on a draft for a future meeting to streamline the process and possibly produce a preapplication process to lead to higher level and direction more easily.

#### 4. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE

Member Cohen was pleased with the good news that the Legislature approved a ban on trapping on all public lands in New Mexico that is good for ten years.

#### 5. NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting: Scheduled for Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at 6 pm.

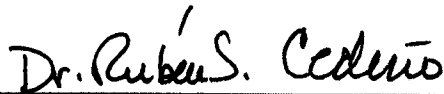
The Committee discussed the possibility of having a special meeting much sooner to deal with the South Meadows Open Space issue. Chair Cedeño suggested Wednesday, June 2 as a tentative date.

Ms. Lohmann agreed to find a date that works with our schedules and notify all members and Ms. Garcia.

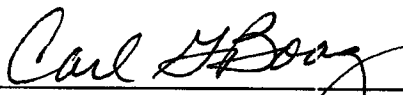
#### 6. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Member Cohen and second by Member Picarello the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Approved by:

  
Rubén Cedeño, Chair

Submitted by:

  
Carl Boaz for Carl G. Boaz Inc.

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