1	CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
2	RESOLUTION NO. 2025-38
3	INTRODUCED BY:
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5	Mayor Alan Webber
6	Councilor Jamie Cassutt
7	Councilor Alma Castro
8	Councilor Amanda Chavez
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10	A RESOLUTION
11	IDENTIFYING CITY PROPERTY AT 2395 RICHARDS AVENUE AS A LOCATION FOR
12	A MICRO COMMUNITY TO PROVIDE SHELTER AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR
13	INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN SANTA FE.
14	WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe ("City") recognizes homelessness as a public priority
15	requiring coordinated and innovative shelter responses; and
16	WHEREAS, in April 2023, the Governing Body adopted Resolution No. 2023-16, which
17	supported creating Safe Outdoor Spaces and directed the City Manager to pursue contracts for
18	shelter infrastructure, land, and operators to serve people for whom traditional shelter options are
19	not viable; and
20	WHEREAS, Safe Outdoor Spaces—also called "Micro Communities"—are comprised of
21	individual, non-congregate, secure, units, with access to restrooms, meals, laundry, case
22	management, and 24/7 supervision, designed to provide a safe and stable environment for persons
23	experiencing chronic homelessness; and
24	WHEREAS, the City's "Point-in-Time Count" and daily outreach and emergency services
25	data confirm a persistent and visible population of unsheltered individuals in Santa Fe with complex

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behavioral health, substance use, and trauma-related needs; and

WHEREAS, Micro Communities serve a crucial public health and public safety function by reducing the spread of disease, decreasing emergency service calls, improving neighborhood conditions, and reducing the number of people living unsheltered in parks, arroyos, and public spaces; and

WHEREAS, the City conducted a site feasibility analysis through the Office of Affordable Housing and evaluated city-owned parcels of land, with input from local homelessness and housing services experts; and

WHEREAS, 2395 Richards Avenue is a City property located next to Fire Station 7 and the Genoveva Chavez Community Center ("City Property") that City staff and local experts recommend as well suited for a Micro Community of up to fifty (50) units; and

WHEREAS, the City Property is suited for a Micro Community because it can house up to fifty (50) units, is not abutting schools, daycare or playgrounds, is accessible to Emergency Medical Service vehicles and trash pickup, and is approximately a third of a mile from the main road, while still being located close to two City bus routes (numbers Four and Six); and

WHEREAS, the City has a contract with LifeLink for operating the Micro Community at Christ Lutheran Church ("Operations Contract"), providing on-site services, 24-7 security, supervision, and coordination with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Operations Contract provides services supporting up to two Micro Community locations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2023-16, the City requires Good Neighbor Agreements between the service operator and neighbors that includes terms about cooperation, communication protocols, standards for tenancy, and dispute resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Micro Community should be for family-use and, for this reason, the Micro Community should be a drug-free zone; and

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1	WHEREAS, the Governing Body would like regular updates about the activities
2	at the Micro Community; and
3	WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes the Micro Community on the City
4	Property to be for family use.
5	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
6	CITY OF SANTA FE that the City should establish a Micro Community on the City Property that
7	will prioritize and be tailored to the needs of families with children and youth.
8	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager and City Manager-designated City
9	staff may take all intermediate necessary steps required to establish a Micro Community on the
10	City Property, such as land use permitting, site preparation, and community engagement, and any
11	other administrative steps necessary to operate the City Property as a Micro Community.
12	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City shall prohibit alcohol and drugs, other than
13	medication prescribed by a physician, to be used or present at the Micro Community, making the
14	Micro Community a drug-free zone.
15	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager or City Manager designated City
16	staff shall provide the Governing Body a bi-annual update regarding the Micro Community that
17	may include information on services provided at the Micro Community, the number of residents
18	transitioned into permanent housing, and any challenges experienced in operations of the Micro
19	Community.
20	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that for the Micro Community to continue operations
21	after three (3) years, the Governing Body must reauthorize it.
22	PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 11th day of June, 2025.
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24	Alan Webber (Jun 16, 2025 09:37 MDT)
25	ALAN WEBBER, MAYOR

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5	ANDRÉA SALAZAR, CITY CLERK
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8	Erin McSherry (Jun 16, 2025 09:36 MDT)
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