

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

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-72**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

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5 Councilor Peter N. Ives Mayor Javier M. Gonzales
6 Councilor Renee D. Villarreal Councilor Signe I. Lindell
7 Councilor Joseph M. Maestas
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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IDENTIFY, LOCATE**
12 **AND FUND THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC RESTROOMS IN THE HISTORIC**
13 **CORE OF SANTA FE; IDENTIFY OTHER AREAS THAT WOULD BENEFIT FROM**
14 **PUBLIC RESTROOMS; IDENTIFY ANY POTENTIAL FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR**
15 **BUSINESSES WHO MAKE THEIR RESTROOMS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC;**
16 **AND REPORT BACK TO THE GOVERNING BODY WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF**
17 **ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION.**

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19 **WHEREAS**, the historic downtown area of the City of Santa Fe has limited public
20 restrooms available for tourists and residents; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the lack of sufficient public restrooms has been the subject of complaints
22 from visitors and residents who support the Santa Fe economy through hotel stays, dining and
23 shopping throughout the City; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the downtown area would be much more welcoming to visitors and
25 residents if public restrooms were available for use, allowing residents and visitors to spend more

1 time in the area, providing a boost to our tax base; and

2 **WHEREAS**, by Resolution 2014-49 the Governing Body expressed its desire to bring
3 more people to the downtown plaza to increase a sense of community, and provide economic
4 benefits to downtown area merchants and vendors; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the lack of bathrooms in the downtown area has required local businesses
6 to provide bathrooms, incurring increased costs for utilities and maintenance, all due to a lack of
7 public restrooms in the area; and

8 **WHEREAS**, attempts in the past to make restrooms available to the public have
9 ultimately proved unsuccessful; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the City can benefit from looking to other cities in how they have dealt with
11 the issue of public restrooms in the heavily trafficked areas of their cities.

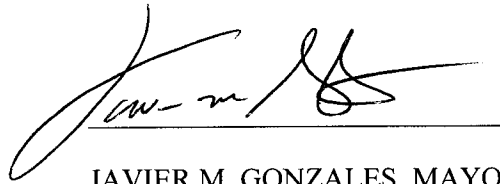
12 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
13 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the City Manager is directed to propose a plan to identify locations
14 for, and a plan to fund, construction of public restrooms in the historic core of Santa Fe, and to
15 work with local businesses to make restroom facilities more accessible to the public.

16 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Manager shall identify other such area
17 that would benefit from the presence of public restrooms, including the Sheridan Street
18 transportation hub.

19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Manager shall identify any potential
20 financial incentives for businesses who make their restrooms available to the public.

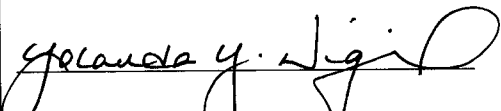
21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Manager shall report back to the
22 Governing Body within six months of adoption of this resolution regarding the location and
23 funding of public restrooms.

24 **PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 28th day of September, 2016.
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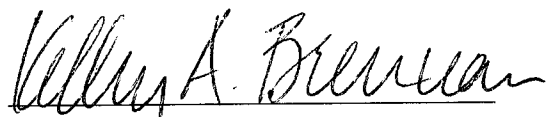

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YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


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