

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

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-56**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

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5 Mayor Javier M. Gonzales

6 Councilor Peter N. Ives

7 Councilor Christopher M. Rivera

8 Councilor Mike Harris

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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO INITIATE A PLANNING AND FEASIBILITY**  
12 **STUDY FOR THE FUTURE OF THE SANTA FE CITY LIBRARY SYSTEM.**

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14 **WHEREAS**, libraries are living, vital places in all communities that see even higher  
15 usage in hard economic times; and

16 **WHEREAS**, libraries are the perfect example of democracy in action, the only service  
17 that provides for every member of the community; and

18 **WHEREAS**, libraries are adapting to a world where in addition to printed books and  
19 materials, electronic resources and technology are increasingly important; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the last Community Needs Assessment and Master Plan for the city library  
21 was performed in 1998-1999; and

22 **WHEREAS**, citizens of the City of Santa Fe would benefit from a 21<sup>st</sup> century library  
23 system that was designed to meet current and future needs; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the City library system already provides considerable contribution to  
25 education and literacy in the community, but could offer more with additional space and

1 resources for homework help centers, entrepreneurial support centers, early childhood  
2 programming, makerspace, digital learning programs, and free meeting spaces; and

3 **WHEREAS**, a community-based strategic plan would identify specific needs and issues  
4 as well as future funding requirements.

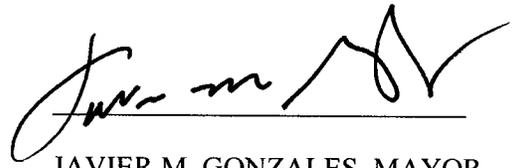
5 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**  
6 **CITY OF SANTA FE** directs the City Manager to initiate a planning and feasibility study for the  
7 future of the City of Santa Fe library system.

8 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the study shall include the following:

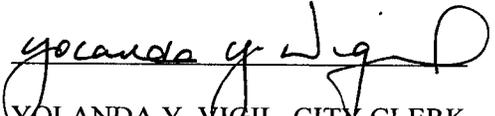
- 9 1. An RFP for a consultant with expertise in community-based strategic planning for  
10 libraries.
- 11 2. A committee to work with City staff to include members of the Library Board and  
12 Friends of the Library Board, as well as library staff and community citizens. This  
13 committee will assist in developing an RFP to select a consultant/firm to gather data  
14 on the City of Santa Fe library system for comparison to the library systems in other  
15 similar communities around the country.
- 16 3. The consultant will provide such research and work, including but not limited to:
  - 17 a) Setting up local outreach and town hall meetings to gather and assess  
18 community needs and ideas.
  - 19 b) Create surveys for various parts of the community to participate in.
  - 20 c) Create and access information from focus groups.
  - 21 d) Creating a planning, assessment and feasibility strategic plan for the  
22 Santa Fe Public Libraries.

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24 **PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017.  
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JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY