

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

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2019-12**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

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5 Councilor Renee D. Villarreal

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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **IN SUPPORT OF THE RIO GRANDE TRAIL MASTER PLAN.**

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13 **WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Fe (“City”) supports trail systems throughout the state of
14 New Mexico and values the outdoor opportunities a coordinated effort can bring to the State and
15 the cities and towns throughout New Mexico; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the mission of the Rio Grande Trail Commission is to plan, design, and
17 construct a recreation trail that runs parallel to the Rio Grande and extends the length of New
18 Mexico from Texas to Colorado, called the Rio Grande Trail (“RGT”); and

19 **WHEREAS**, the RGT will traverse a diversity of majestic New Mexico landmarks and
20 natural and cultural landscapes including six state parks, two national wildlife refuges, and three
21 national monuments; and

22 **WHEREAS**, the RGT will also travel through multiple governmental jurisdictions
23 including at least 10 cities and 22 counties, including the City of Santa Fe and Santa Fe County;
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25 **WHEREAS**, the City acknowledges the Tribal lands along the Rio Grande and supports

1 continued communication and coordination with Tribal governments throughout the RGT
2 planning process; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the RGT will provide an excellent potential for economic development and
4 recreation for New Mexico and the communities and small businesses along the trail; and

5 **WHEREAS**, in 2016 more than 5 million people visited New Mexico state parks, and
6 outdoor recreation contributed \$3.8 billion dollars of annual economic impact throughout the
7 State; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Santa Fe currently enjoys various outdoor trail opportunities in and around
9 the City, as well as recreational opportunities provided by the proximity to the Rio Grande.

10 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
11 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the Governing Body:

12 1. supports the efforts of the RGT Commission to develop the Rio Grande Trail
13 Master Plan that will guide the development of the border to border trail;


14 2. supports efforts related to the RGT to include the connection of City and County
15 trails to the main RGT trail system;

16 3. will participate in the larger marketing and economic development efforts related
17 to the RGT trail;

18 4. supports educational efforts about the cultural and natural resources, and the
19 recreational opportunities of the RGT; and

20 5. will partner with the Rio Grande Trail Commission where feasible.

21 PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 27th day of February, 2019.

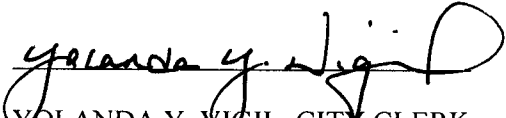
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ALAN M. WEBBER, MAYOR

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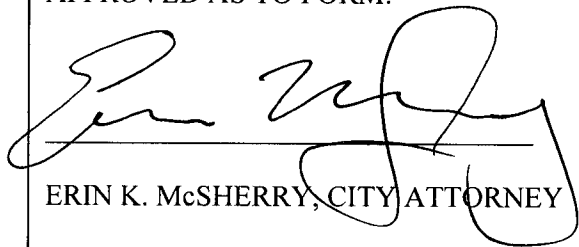
YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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ERIN K. McSHERRY, CITY ATTORNEY

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