

**City of Santa Fe, NM**  
**Regular Committee**  
**Wednesday, June 17, 2020**  
**05:00 PM – Quality of Life Committee**  
**Virtual - youtube.com/cityofsantafe**

**\*\*AMENDED\*\***

**AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 3, 2020 QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING**

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Committee Review:

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2. Amendment #4 to Home Repair Contract
  - a. Homewise Home Repair (CDBG) – Contract amount \$ 75,000 (Current balance - \$ 25,716.44)

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**7. THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY AND COVID-19. (MARCELA DIAZ, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SOMOS UN PUEBLO UNIDO) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY)**

**8. MATTERS FROM STAFF**

**9. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE**

**10. MATTERS FROM THE CHAIR - Next meeting: July 1, 2020**

**11. ADJOURN**

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**COMMITTEE REVIEW**

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Finance Committee: 6/15/2020

Governing Body (Scheduled): 06/24/2020

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**RECEIVED AT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE**

**DATE: June 10, 2020**

**TIME: 2:28 PM**

**SUMMARY OF ACTION**  
**QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, June 17, 2020 – 5:00 PM**

ITEM	ACTION	PAGE
1.CALL TO ORDER	The meeting of the Quality of Life Committee was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chair Romero-Wirth via virtual meeting ( <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofsantafe">https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofsantafe</a> ) Wednesday June 3, 2020.	1
2.ROLL CALL	A quorum was established with roll call.	1
3.APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA	Approved	1-2
4.APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA	Approved	2-3
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM June 3, 2020 QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING	Approved	4
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<p>1. Amendment #1 to Mortgage Principal Reduction Contracts</p> <p>a. Habitat for Humanity – (AHTF) – Contract amount \$80,000 (current balance is \$40,000)</p> <p>b. Housing Trust – (AHTF) – contract amount \$157,500 (Current balance - \$76,000)</p> <p>c. Homewise (CDBG) – Contract amount \$188,000 (Current balance - \$163,308.61)</p> <p>2. Amendment #4 to Home Repair Contract</p> <p>a. Homewise Home Repair (CDBG) – Contract amount \$ 75,000 (Current balance - \$ 25,716.44)</p>		

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9. MATTERS FROM STAFF	None	16
10. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE	Discussion	16
11. MATTERS FROM THE CHAIR	None	16
12. NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2020		16
13. ADJOURN	With all business complete, the Quality of Life Committee adjourned at 7:55 p.m.	17

**MINUTES OF THE QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
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**VIRTUALLY ATTENDED (<https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofsantafe>)**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Quality of Life Committee was called to order at 5:02 pm by Chair Romero-Wirth via virtual meeting (<https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofsantafe>) Wednesday June 17, 2020.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Roll call indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

**Members Present:**

Councilor Carol Romero-Wirth, Chair  
Councilor Christopher Rivera  
Councilor Jamie Cassutt-Sanchez  
Councilor Renee Villarreal  
Councilor Michael Garcia

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:**

Councilor Singe Lindell  
Christine Chavez, Water Conservation  
Jennifer Faubion, Council Liaison  
Alexandra Ladd, Director of Affordable Housing  
John Romero, Acting Public Works Director  
Randy Randall, Director of Tourism  
Marcella Diaz, Somos Un Pueblo Unidos  
Linda Vigil, Stenographer

**NOTE:** All items in the Committee packet for all agenda items are incorporated herewith to these minutes by reference. The original Committee packet is on file on the City of Santa Fe Website.

**3. APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA**

Councilor Villarreal would like to postpone item 6d because it was improperly noticed. The revised Resolution was uploaded yesterday to the web and packet material, but the caption is not the topic they will discuss specifically. She does not feel 24 hours is enough time for the public to review. This topic has had curiosity and emotion.

Chair Romero-Wirth explained she spoke to the City Clerk and the City Attorney. The only thing required by the Open Meetings Act is that they caption they will be discussing 72 hours in advance.



The City Clerk states the caption on the agenda was published well in advance. The caption has changed a bit. The first caption mentions the closing of San Francisco and created a structure for other street closures. The one in front of them takes away the naming of a particular street. It has not changed, it is narrowed. They have done things according to the rules.

Councilor Villarreal appreciates it being reviewed with legal, however it still doesn't feel it captures the item they are actually hearing tonight. The new caption mentions streets generally and does not reflect that. She will still move to remove it due to personal postponement. There are opportunities to review it next week.

Chair Romero-Wirth states because it doesn't say St. Francisco Street it can still be named under the guidelines of the Resolution. It was noticed to the public.

**MOTION:** Councilor Villarreal moved to approve the agenda as amended with a second from Councilor Garcia for discussion purposes.

Councilor Garcia agrees with the concerns of getting the packet information late. It is unacceptable especially on a case when constituents express concern. It is not out of compliance but it sets a dangerous precedent. There are challenges but to send the Resolution within 24 hours is unacceptable.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez asked if the caption they have now is the one posted on Thursday.

Chair Romero-Wirth states it is the one on the agenda:

*Consideration of Resolution No. 2020-\_\_ : A Resolution Supporting the Closure of West San Francisco Street and Establishing a Framework for the Closure of Other Streets to Vehicular Traffic for a Certain Period During 2020.*

Chair Romero-Wirth states the title on what they have is:

*Consideration of Resolution No. 2020-\_\_ : A Resolution Establishing a Framework for the Closure of Other Streets to Vehicular Traffic for a Certain Period During 2020.*

Again, she spoke to the City Attorney's Office and essentially, they said they would be talking about green and blue, which was placed and noticed. Green may still happen but they will focus on blue. She understands that the packets were late, they are all under pressure. They got it last night, it took maybe ten minutes to read. That is all that is required there are some municipalities that do not pass out packets until the day of the meeting.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez shares the frustration. It would be nice to allow the public to review it in advance.

Chair Romero-Wirth states it is not a public hearing they can get some clarity. Staff is present and can provide more information about the Resolution.

Councilor Rivera states if San Francisco can be included, then why remove it. Was there a reason?

Chair Romero-Wirth did not get into it she was focused on the caption and what the actual Resolution says.

Councilor Rivera states this is how it was introduced and created frustration. Why the change, certain people will assume that it will be discussed tonight.

Chair Romero-Wirth explained it could still be closed but it is one of many of streets to be closed if they meet the guidelines.

Mr. Guillen explained what was introduced is subject to change he understands the public's concern. There was not a final version. Once they had it, it was more general and not particular to any street.

Councilor Rivera understands Councilor Villarreal's motion but he would rather discuss it before it goes to Public Works and City Council. He would like to be able to give some input.

Councilor Villarreal explains the Chair stated they are all trying to do many things right now, therefore they should take the time to do things well. They can extend it to make the right decisions. She wants to be able to have more transparency. They need to do it right for the public and the business owners.

Chair Romero-Wirth explained they have done nothing wrong.

Councilor Rivera asked if this will postpone it until the next meeting or just this meeting and it continues on its track?

Councilor Villarreal states it would be generally until the next meeting but there is a self-imposed period. It can go through Public Works and they can have discussions on Wednesday at the Council meeting.

Councilor Rivera how do they voice their concerns if they move it forward. They could move it forward as is without any direction or input.

Chair Romero-Wirth stated they have noted before if they postpone it, they waive their right to give input. If approved, it moves forward. They were in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

Councilor Rivera has concerns would like his concerns addressed before it goes to Public Works.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Councilors Villarreal and Garcia voted in favor to remove the item, which did not pass. Councilors Rivera, Cassutt-Sanchez and Chair Romero-Wirth voted against the removal, which passed.

**MOTION:** Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez moved to approve the agenda with a second from Councilor Rivera.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Councilors Cassutt-Sanchez, Rivera, Garcia and Chair Romero-Wirth voted in favor, which passed. Councilor Villarreal voted against, which did not pass.

#### **4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

All items were pulled for discussion with the exception of Item 6 e.

**MOTION:** Councilor Rivera moved to approve the consent agenda with a second from Councilor Villarreal.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Councilors Rivera, Garcia, Cassutt-Sanchez, Villarreal and Chair Romero-Wirth voted in favor, which passed.

#### **5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 3, 2020 QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MOTION:** Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez moved to approve the minutes of June 3, 2020 with a second from Councilor Garcia.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Councilors Rivera, Garcia, Cassutt-Sanchez, Villarreal and Chair Romero-Wirth voted in favor, which passed.

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Ms. Ladd can provide a presentation if needed.

Councilor Garcia did not think a presentation was necessary. On page 42 of the action plan there is an end date of June 20, 2021. Is that when the homeless shelter services will cease at midtown.

Ms. Ladd explained that is the contracting end date, they want it in place for the duration of the year. They plan to help beyond the shelter the six months they can partially fund it for six months. Ms. Ladd states Ms. Wheeler is also here to answer any budget questions.

Councilor Garcia asked with this the transition they should be out by the end of the calendar year.

Ms. Ladd explained they would have spent it all. They are not sure what it will look like in six months. However, the coalition stepped in there is a timeframe to be able to look at what they will need. The shelter showed them they can help and their lives were changed. About 120 people have gone through the shelter. They did not have to be safe while on the crowded streets. If anything, they have been talking to the collaborators like the County, NMDOH, and Christus. Prior to having this, if someone had to leave the hospital they were released not being fully recovered. They are working toward a collaborative solutions so that at the end of the six month the City wont be operating it. It can be a long term solution to people who are in housing situations.

Councilor Garcia asked about the proposed budget regarding the support from the City, will they be hiring staff. The proposed classified, as front desk are they going to be new hires or current employees that transition.

Ms. Ladd explained they would be new employees. This would expand their capacity.

Ms. Wheeler explained the grant will allow new hires, the front desk staff will be City employees whose jobs are on pause for now.

Councilor Garcia thanked them for the clarification.

**MOTION:** Councilor Garcia moved to approve the request with a second from Councilor Villarreal.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Councilors Rivera, Garcia, Cassutt-Sanchez, Villarreal and Chair Romero-Wirth voted in favor, which passed.

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Councilor Villarreal asked if there is an active Conservation Committee.

Chair Romero-Wirth explained there are several Resolutions in place that govern it. It gets complicated. It was created in 2002 and there changes up to 2016. They want to make it one Resolution and allow three 2-year terms. Now, there are too many members that come off terms and it really is difficult to fill those positions. They want more longevity and time to search for them.

Councilor Villarreal asked how all the Resolutions are different.

Chair Romero-Wirth explained they all ask the Committee to do more. You would have to review all the Resolutions it would be best to consolidate them.

Ms. Chavez states the experience and term limits changed.

**MOTION:** Councilor Villarreal moved to approve with a second from Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Councilors, Rivera, Garcia, Cassutt-Sanchez, Villarreal and Romero-Wirth voted in favor, which passed.

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Councilor Villarreal asked if this is contingent to the other Resolution.

Mr. Randall explained that it applies to the current restaurants that can use the park lets and sidewalks. This is important to the restaurants to use the sidewalk and parklets to expand their floorplan.

Councilor Villarreal asked Mr. Randall to discuss the approval of sidewalks an parklets and parking spaces as being allowed now.

Mr. Randall explained it is approved through an obstruction permit at Public Works. The parklets are the use of the parking spaces in front of the facility.

Councilor Villarreal wanted the public to be aware of that.

**MOTION:** Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez moved to approve with a second from Councilor Garcia.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Councilors Rivera, Garcia, Cassutt-Sanchez, Villarreal and Chair Romero-Wirth voted in favor, which passed.

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Chair Romero-Wirth asked Mr. Brown to discuss the introduction.

Mr. Brown explained the idea has ignited curiosity, frustration and fervent opposition. They want to create economic opportunities for businesses, restaurants and merchants. Their intention is to

create a nimble framework for street closures. To help bring some vibrancy after people have been sheltering in place for so long. Right now they can only work at 50% capacity.

They have been adhering to the State Health Order. They have been handing out 30,000 face coverings at the visitor centers and food distribution centers. They want to offer regular efficiencies to benefit the community. They want to offer regulatory efficiency to create an outdoor experience. They are open to any other ideas for street closures.

Councilor Rivera asked if the Resolution is open to any business not just restaurants.

Mr. Randall stated that is correct.

Councilor Rivera asked if any business on any street would apply, could they close the whole area potentially.

Mr. Randall states that is why Public Works is involved. To ensure that traffic continues, the intent is not to create major interference. The consideration for this Resolution would be

Councilor Rivera stated there was a petition from the businesses on San Francisco.

Mr. Randall states they were on individual sheets and he will make sure they get a copy.

Councilor Rivera asked which streets are to be closed?

Mr. Romero states they will not allow it on any arterials or connectors. It is a case-by-case scenario engineering judgement. They will coordinate with the Santa Fe Fire Department to make sure it will not affect their response time. Those areas they look to keep open are the arterials and connectors.

Councilor Rivera stated they have had emails on Don Gaspar and Shelby, how would they decide.

Mr. Romero explained from the traffic operational standpoint there isn't a lot of property to access those streets with the exception on the First National Bank. They have another entrance on another street. The areas that utilize West San Francisco are La Fonda and the Cathedral there are other reasonable routes. Water Street would be more difficult to close. There is a parking lot and access points. That would cause them to leave Water street open for access.

Councilor Rivera asked which businesses get the thrive and the others that need to stick to what they are doing.

Mr. Romero states that is the unfortunate thing, it is in their job description. They issue obstruction permits even exclusive of all this discussion and they have to make those decisions on a daily basis. They are used for construction etc. they exercise consistency if they approve one area and not another. They will be able to explain why one got it and one didn't.

Councilor Rivera gave the example of Whole Hog on Guadalupe Street who does not have a patio, they could petition and potentially get the approvals? That street may be considered an arterial?

Mr. Romero explained that is an arterial they would deny that full closure or partial use of the right of way they would allow the parklet to be used. That potential may not be feasible but closing the road may not be feasible.

Councilor Rivera asked if the requests can come from anywhere in the City?

Mr. Romero states yes they are open to reviewing this.

Councilor Rivera asked if this would include home businesses.

Mr. Romero has not considered it, if it is a business he would have to review with land use.

Councilor Rivera asked if this passed would Mr. Romero be the final authority.

Mr. Romero stated after The Fire Department, Land Use and the property owners he would be the final approval.

Councilor Rivera asked if applied for and approved there would be no public hearing.

Mr. Romero stated that is correct.

Councilor Rivera wanted to state for the record if San Francisco was to close Don Gaspar he would want them to open Palace to give people an opportunity to drive close and have the Sandoval Garage have parking free if they decide to do that.

Councilor Garcia asked about cruise nights. Are there dates established?

Mr. Randall states there are not any specific dates yet.

Councilor Garcia states with a proposal like this there is opportunity and they have to do it right. How do they look at it strategically, and the what is the best impact on the surrounding businesses. They have received many emails on Don Gaspar.

Councilor Garcia states the focus is not San Francisco but it is still possible he likes Councilor Rivera's idea of opening Palace. Then there are concerns. Is San Francisco not a major artery he thinks it gets the most traffic. Has there been a study?

Mr. Romero states he would have to review the count maps with MPO. It is not based on volume but purpose and need. Mr. Romero gave the example of an arterial and secondary streets. In the downtown area the arterials would be Guadalupe, Paseo de Peralta, and Sandoval.

Councilor Garcia do they know the most travelled streets downtown.

Mr. Romero states he will find that information while they continue for the sake of time.

Councilor Garcia states he would rather look to close streets with the less vehicle traffic. He wants to ensure they are working the local businesses. However, the local businesses have to understand that those roads are highly used. How is business now due to the Governor's orders. He would like see if there are capacity issues. He has not seen long lines, they are not policing the capacity or there isn't an issue. He understands they want to open up for possible outdoor dining. He wants them to move forward and not cause disruption and making it beneficial. He states they will need to have systems in place. At the end of the day if they move it forward he wants it to be successful without more challenges. Should San Francisco be the highest travelled street he would like an exception to remove it from the Resolution. Those highly travelled streets should be granted exceptions.

Mr. Randall states they want to help add to the floor plan and add an outdoor environment. Outdoor dining is more popular, people are reluctant to eat indoors. Some hotels were filled to the 50% this last weekend. During the week they are running between 10-20%. The retail has a flow. If the restaurant wants to extend their alcohol service, the space has to be contiguous to their property. The proposed closure is temporary. This would all go away after October 31, 2020. They would recognize the needs of the restaurants.

Mr. Randall is supportive of excluding any street. It should be written into the Resolution. The first business who came to him with concern was Pasqual's. He would like to know the concerns of the businesses on Don Gaspar. They got all the businesses on Don Gaspar to sign off on the petition. Pasqual's is a 27 year old business, and they could very well close from this.

Councilor Garcia asked how do they deal with potential leasing the street. If they are expanding the footprint do they charge for space on the street or curb? How do they foresee that.

Mr. Randall states it has been brought up by the restaurants. The 50% won't be lifted until the vaccines are out. Once they can use their full footprint but after they should be charged, it would be a revenue source. It is unfortunate they do not have a high concentrate of restaurants they are all scattered.

Councilor Garcia states they should consider this and amend it have it add once the 50% mandate expires then they can bring forth a new Resolution.

Mr. Randall maybe once the capacity is raised to 100% capacity. The whole idea is when they are back at full capacity this could sunset.

Chair Romero-Wirth read aloud a clause on page 3 that discusses the time frame, and the for be it resolved clause that mentions extending it. An amendment will need to be done to add 2020 to that clause or tie it to the Governor's orders.

Councilor Garcia explained page 2, line 16 could state determined by the City Manager.

Chair Romero-Wirth states in these Resolutions the rules should be spelled out in the for be it resolved sections.



Councilor Rivera states the whereas on page 2 is relative to the Resolution from 2014-49.

Chair Romero-Wirth states that is one, it was the People to the Plaza Resolution.

Mr. Romero found the counts, for the Lensic hotel development. On Sandoval there was 7,000 cars a day and on San Francisco Street it was 1,700 cars a day.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez asked Mr. Romero if a street wasn't an arterial or secondary it could be on the list for street closure. In the downtown area could they ever get to a point of a critical mass. If enough of the side streets decided to close would it affect traffic flow to the downtown area.

Mr. Romero states there is that potential the example of San Francisco Street and Water they could only close one or the other. Having them all closed, would be approaching critical mass.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez states as this moves through it would be useful to see what the streets are and what are impacting the flow. It would be interest to to see the streets what streets would be more beneficial. If they are closing a street that affects one or two business versus fifteen businesses.

Mr. Randall stated they would need the support of the businesses. There is some interest of closing Marcy between Marcy and Washington after 5 p.m. They would move furniture out in the street. Timely closing puts more on the restaurants to set up and tear down. If they are willing to do that, it would work. The Rufina area states they are missing the traffic from Meow Wolf. If they can close it they can attract people there.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez asked if the final approval would come from the City Manager or Council?

Mr. Romero explained he would be the ultimate approval to approve it. It would have passed through all committees. They are already in the summer city. As Rich Brown mentioned they are trying to make the process as nimble as they can. They can get real data traffic from this.

Mr. Randall states they have to make an investment of furniture for outdoor use. If they are making that investment it is important to give them the maximum amount of time to amortize that cost.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez hopes to bring back some jobs. Are there indications for them to open and summer is a lot of what they make for the year.

Mr. Randall knows the restaurateurs the ability to have outdoor will be more beneficial than indoor dining. Many stats think outdoor dining is safer than indoor dining. Expanding the outdoor floorplan will result in an increase traffic to the restaurants.

Mr. Brown states the small business that have applied for the small business loans have to employ their employees in order to get it. They really want to get them back to work. Many have changed the amount for operations.

Mr. Randall states the October date was aligned with the State recommendations for alcohol service.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez asked if they were to close San Francisco it would limit access to the plaza for ADA compliance. How will they address this?

Mr. Romero states as far as moving the spaces they would look at relocating them as when they have major festivals. If the roads are closed and they want to shop outside of the plaza where the sidewalks aren't in great shape they can use the roads to get around.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez asked about the history of cruise nights.

Councilor Rivera explained the community events were held in conjunction with the SFPD.

Chair Romero-Wirth printed the People to the Plaza Resolution and read aloud that related issue. They could still designate Cruise night, they could also designate part of the plaza to be open on those nights.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez states that analysis would be useful. The majority emails she has received are in favor of closing Don Gaspar and Shelby. However she agrees, they may not have violated the Open Meetings Act she wished there had been more time for people to see what has been considered. She has asked business owners. Overall they would need to look at it more. She is concerned with the restaurant employees. The outdoor idea would be helpful to their health. She would like to see more configurations.

Councilor Villarreal asked about the procedures for the public. She wants to be clear it wasn't about not considering any streets for closure. She has spoken to owners of restaurants the communication just dropped off with her on what is being considered. It puts her in a compromising position. She is open to the dialogue of the street. Streets were never part of the conversation. Don Gaspar and Shelby makes sense to close because they are narrow.

Councilor Villarreal didn't know about San Francisco street until she saw it in the newspaper. She has only heard from one business owner and hasn't seen the petition. They need to be correct. She is trusting staff when they look at streets. She wants to understand better how to keep the plaza accessible on one side and include that language. If they cannot stroll the plaza they should still be able to access the plaza. Who designates the cruise nights?

Mr. Randall states he has never heard of the committee for it.

Chair Romero-Wirth states this is another example of several Resolutions. Perhaps they may want to designate a person for that.

Councilor Villarreal asked what are the cruise times and how will they be established and which streets were temporarily closed. She feels the language should be changed and one street and where to place that, cruise days and times, they need language for the temporary basis and make it contingent on the Governor's Orders on occupancy. Will there be Handicap parking?

Mr. Romero states it depends on the closure itself. It is on a case by case basis. They will take that into consideration if they are relocating a stall.

Councilor Villarreal also wants the safety of the workers to be mentioned. The modifications for the businesses is going to be cost prohibited. She wants them to be transparent. An amendment is going to be challenging.

Chair Romero-Wirth asked Mr. Romero if the final authority he will have is going to be his capacity as Public Works Interim Director or as the Traffic Engineer?

Mr. Romero explained that currently all right of ways are through the engineering division. He is currently that designee. He has been delegated the authority.

Chair Romero-Wirth read aloud the Resolution as it is currently written and how the City shall apply the framework. Who will the burden be on the business or is that what the city will do?

Mr. Randall states it is on the businesses of those in favor of the closure.

Chair Romero-Wirth states the emergency response routes won't be affected, will Mr. Romero will head that up. Mr. Romero states that is correct.

Chair Romero-Wirth wants to make sure the deliveries and parking for businesses would also be in Mr. Romero's purview. Mr. Romero states that is also correct.

Chair Romero-Wirth asked how they define a major artery.

Mr. Romero defines an arterial or major collector per the MPO reclassification map.

Chair Romero-Wirth is San Francisco classified as one?

Mr. Romero states it is not.

Chair Romero-Wirth states she would hate for a business to have the burden of doing the work and then their streets be defined as an artery. If they can have an accessible list for them it would be helpful. She would want to make sure there is still a portion of the plaza open. Perhaps they have clear language that some access to the plaza should be required at all times.

Councilor Villarreal suggests they add as amendments in the next version.

Councilor Rivera asked if the Ordinance stipulates the reasons the permit can be issued. Mr. Romero will research as they continue discussions.

Councilor Rivera asked Mr. Randall if he had a sense from the owners, if the weather changes and a restaurant already had reservations for the outdoor seating or move them inside?

Mr. Randall states he has a sense that in Vail, it backs up into the restaurant. When that happens there is a lot of cancellations. At Osteria he has customers move upstairs.

Councilor Rivera asked about times for closure.

Mr. Randall explained they could have 10 am to 2 pm which would be beneficial. There are restaurants on both sides of San Francisco. They can utilize the designated fire lanes.

Councilor Rivera would like them to get a sense of that time. Then they can place that in the Resolution.

Mr. Romero read aloud the Chapter 23 related to road closures that is in the City Code. It directs them to the Public Works Department and authorizes the engineers to authorize closure.

Councilor Rivera asked if the permit is good for a certain amount of time. Mr. Romero states it doesn't dictate a time but the Department does. They allow reasonable construction times. Mr. Romero states the Resolution would establish a time limit.

Councilor Rivera asked that there be some communication with the restaurants who are only open in the morning, and they close the roads at 10 am. Will that give them time to benefit from this?

Mr. Randall explained the fire lane could prohibit them from selling alcohol. They made a requested that the fire lane be contiguous but that was not approved.

Councilor Rivera wants to assure they study the closures, Palace is a tricky intersection. There have been incidents there before.

Chair Romero-Wirth apologized to those waiting to present.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez wants to make sure the business owners extended outside need to be in compliance with the social distancing parameters and think about the space.

Chair Romero-Wirth asked Mr. Guillen where this Resolution goes next. Mr. Guillen states it goes to Public Works and then on to City Council.

Chair Romero-Wirth they are all in agreement of moving it on in concept and want to see changes listed. Or would they like to move it on with no action.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez states knowing it comes back and with the understanding they will see amendments.

Councilor Garcia explained in the motion they should include the recommendations in the changes. These are critical components that are moving it along.

Chair Romero-Wirth asked Mr. Guillen if he would numerate the changes or if he has an idea he can proceed with the new draft.

Councilor Garcia asked them to enumerate the changes in the motion.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez wants to approve items with amendments that Mr. Guillen has noted.

**MOTION:** Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez moved to approve the consideration of the Resolution to be amended with a second from Councilor Garcia. Mr. Guillen will make the following changes:

*a clause to ensure at least one street remains open; that it be specific as to cruise dates and times and who designates those; it will not close a major artery or collector; the year 2020 be inserted after October 31; a clause for the importance of workers; there be an appropriate end time; there be specifications from business regarding their plot on the street and what it would look like*

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Councilors Cassutt-Sanchez, Garcia, Rivera and Romero-Wirth voted in favor, which passed. Councilor Villarreal abstained until the modifications can be reviewed.

**e. Request for Approval of Amendments to extend the Term of Performance on four (4) Housing Contracts through June 30, 2021 (Alexandra Ladd, Director, Office of Affordable Housing, [agladd@santafenm.gov](mailto:agladd@santafenm.gov) ; 505-303-9868):**

**1. Amendment #1 to Mortgage Principal Reduction Contracts**

- a. **Habitat for Humanity – (AHTF) – Contract amount \$80,000 (current balance is \$40,000)**
- b. **Housing Trust – (AHTF) – contract amount \$157,500 (Current balance - \$76,000)**
- c. **Homewise (CDBG) – Contract amount \$188,000 (Current balance - \$163,308.61)**

**2. Amendment #4 to Home Repair Contract**

- a. **Homewise Home Repair (CDBG) – Contract amount \$ 75,000 (Current balance - \$ 25,716.44)**

*This item was approved on consent.*

**7. THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY AND COVID-19. (MARCELA DIAZ, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SOMOS UN PUEBLO UNIDO) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY)**

Ms. Diaz reminded the member that some presenters will be speaking Spanish. However, they can use the translator function. Ms. Marcella Diaz, Maria Reina Tercero, Maria Lara, Zulema Chavero, Jacqueline Rodriguez, Rayos Burciaga and Greta Barrita with Somos Un Pueblo Unido will present slides.

Ms. Tercero discussed the Somos Organization and the issues they work on. During COVID-19 they have been involved in wage theft, economic relief and health and safety.

Ms. Lara discussed the importance of the immigrant community in Santa Fe. Nearly 13 percent of the immigrants live in Santa Fe County. Most are members of the hospitality, restaurants, healthcare, home healthcare, landscaping, retail and construction. The majority of immigrants who have lived in Santa Fe are tax payers.

Ms. Diaz discussed the impact of COVID on the immigrant community. The impact of health, economic and the lack of the federal relief, the impact of essential workers, the accurate census count, the impact on families and children. COVID-19 has posed a problem with the mail to get the census out.

Jaqueline Rodriguez discussed the workers center at Somos. Many employers have had no access to unemployment for undocumented workers. Many do not qualify for the Federal stimulus check. The local resources are declining. The importance of the elected officials to know the immigration status of the workers who contribute to the economy.

Ms. Diaz explained the folks who have been contacting them are referrals from the SF Connect program. This is a great resource. The funding for rental assistance are drying up this is when they need to figure out the reserves.

Ms. Diaz discussed the taxes the immigrant community pays and yet the federal stimulus bypassed them. Santa Fe has a high concentrated amount of immigrants and this is going to be hard when they try to recover from this economic crisis. Ms. Diaz discussed the NM Voices for Children program that has data. A total of \$3,470,691 bypassed the City of Santa Fe.

Ms. Zulema Chavero discussed the survey about the challenges from essential workers. There is a lack of information on the testing, workers' rights and safety. There is wage theft and layoffs. Many of the workers are facing retaliation.

Ms. Greta Barrita discussed the challenges she her family faces. She has been in Santa Fe for 12 years. She has worked as a cook and now they have to work hard to catch up. Families like hers are unprotected. It is important to have good credit in this country. Her family are hard working in this hard situation her husband's hours were cut without explanation.

Ms. Rayos Burciaga discussed Somos response to the pandemic. They have had Facebook Live events with City and Community members. They have shared resources, and support for those who applied for unemployment. They have worked with the Governor's Office to distribute more information about testing.

Ms. Diaz discussed the free COVID testing with NMDOH. They do not have dates yet but will likely use school parking lots. Status will not be a factor. It is important for them to promote this to the immigrant community.

If anyone tests positive and hospitalization is needed, the State will find help for the cost and resources. Also, most essential workers do not know that the employers need to allow time off for isolation and recovery.

There will be another Facebook Live event on June 19, 2020 in conjunction with the NMDOH.

In conclusion, they need City allies to sign on to help cash assistance to mixed status families. They provide more information in Spanish. They would like more policies for essential workers.

Councilor Villarreal thanked them all for being here and letting them know what is going on in the community. Have the eviction issues have arisen because of the pandemic?

Ms. Diaz explained people are calling now saying they owe three months behind and they will start to see this more often. If they don't have a SSN there aren't any legal resources to help fight the evictions.

Councilor Villarreal is curious on the Resolution for the face covering requiring them to be worn. How is that affecting the workers. She wants to make sure to communicate that the employees need a break from it, it isn't feasible to wear it all day.

Ms. Diaz discussed grocery store ordinance requires breaks, the hand washing breaks that are not obligatory yet. Just like Ms. Chavero mentioned the workers they only rely on the employers direction.

Councilor Villarreal wants to know how the City can help.

Councilor Garcia thanked them all and appreciates the information.

Councilor Rivera thanked them. Are they requesting anything from the State during the special session, can the City help support them?

Ms. Diaz states they have identified a program and a proposal to use CARES Act money for cash assistance. The City could pass a Resolution with the administration showing the impacts.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez thanked them.

#### **8. MATTERS FROM STAFF**

None.

#### **9. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE**

Councilor Rivera stated the Public Safety Committee hasn't been able to meet. Can they have the SFPD present at the next meeting. Chair Romero-Wirth would be open to that, they can work on that agenda item.


#### **10. MATTERS FROM THE CHAIR**

None.

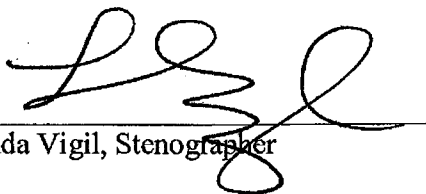
#### **11. NEXT MEETING: JULY 1, 2020**

## 12. ADJOURN

With all business complete, the Quality of Life Committee adjourned at 7:55 p.m



Councilor Romero-Wirth Chair



Linda Vigil, Stenographer