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1	CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
2	ORDINANCE NO. 2013–35
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5	AN ORDINANCE
6	RELATING TO CHAPTER VI SFCC 1987, BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND
7	COMMISSIONS; CREATING A NEW SECTION 6-5 SFCC 1987 TO ESTABLISH THE
. 8	CITY OF SANTA FE AUDIT COMMITTEE.
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10	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE:
11	Section 1. A new Section 6-5 SFCC 1987 is ordained to read:
12	6-5 [NEW MATERIAL] AUDIT COMMITTEE
13	6-5.1 Creation; Purpose.
14	A. There is created the city of Santa Fe audit committee, an advisory committee.
15	B. The purpose of the audit committee is to advise the city manager, the finance
16	committee and the governing body regarding financial audits and investigations and related policies
17	and procedures in order to promote transparency, accountability, efficiency and effectiveness of city
18	government for the citizens of Santa Fe.
19	6-5.2 Powers and Duties. The audit committee shall, to the extent possible under the city
20	charter:
21	A. Ensure that all audits, internal and external, conform to generally accepted
22	governmental auditing standards;
23	B. Ensure that the internal auditor position and internal audit functions are independent
24	in accordance with generally accepted governmental auditing standards;
25	C. Review applications for and make recommendations to the city manager for hiring of

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the governing body in completing the audit committee's purpose and who are qualified by training,

experience, and ability to exercise sound and practical judgment regarding the duties and

responsibilities of the audit committee. Of the five members no less than one member shall be a certified public accountant, no less than one member shall either be a lawyer or have a law enforcement background, and one member shall be a management consultant. Members shall reside in the state of New Mexico.

- B. *Chairperson*. The municipal judge, with the approval of the city council, shall appoint the initial chairperson. The chairperson shall designate the vice chairperson. The chairperson shall serve as chairperson for a period of one year. Following one year of service, the chairperson shall be elected (or reelected) by the members of the Committee. The chairperson may appoint subcommittees and sub-committee chairpersons as needed.
- C. Terms. Two of the members shall be appointed for two year terms and three shall be appointed for three year terms. Subsequent terms shall be for three years to maintain staggering of terms; limited to no more than four (3) year terms. The members shall serve at the pleasure of the governing body and may be removed at any time with or without cause.
- D. Vacancies: Vacancies on the audit committee shall be filled in the same manner as initial appointments and shall be for the remainder of the term of the vacant position.

6-5.4 Meetings; Staff.

- A. Meetings. A quorum of the audit committee shall be at least three members. The audit committee shall conduct all meetings in accordance with adopted city policies and procedures and shall use Robert's Rules of Order in conducting its meetings. The audit committee shall meet at least quarterly or as needed to accomplish the duties and responsibilities of the committee.
- B. Staff. The internal audit department shall serve as the primary liaison to the committee unless otherwise designated by the city manager. Depending upon the issue, other city staff may also be required to assist the committee.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 30th day of October, 2013.

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25	M/Melissa/Ordinances 2013/2013-35 Audit Committee