CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-__

INTRODUCED BY:

Mayor Michael Garcia

Councilor Paul Bustamante

Councilor Pilar Faulkner

Councilor Jamie Cassutt

A RESOLUTION

IDENTIFYING SPECIAL COMMITTEES THAT HAVE SUNSET BECAUSE THEY HAVE COMPLETED THEIR ASSIGNED WORK AND SUNSETTING OTHER STANDING COMMITTEES WHOSE PURPOSES HAVE BEEN ASSUMED THROUGH OTHER MEANS: THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE SUSTAINABLE SANTA FE COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe ("City") code, SFCC 1987, Section 2-1.13 (A), provides that "standing committees" are advisory committees that are "appointed by the mayor with the approval of the city council, whose work is to be generally continuous and a part of the fundamental concerns of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, SFCC 1987, Section 2.-1.14 provides that a special committees are ad hoc advisory groups that facilitate policy-making and are comprised of councilors and citizens-at-large, or entirely of citizens-at-large that automatically dissolve with the submission of their final report, or when the special committee's task is completed; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2015-42 established the Parks and Recreation Committee as well its subcommittees, known as "Marty Sanchez Golf Course" and the "Municipal Tree Board", and Resolutions 2015-61 allowed members of the Committee serving at the time that Resolution 2015-42 was adopted to continue serving as interim members until new members were appointed, and Resolution 2017-14 amended the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee's membership to include up to three county representatives; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Committee has not met since 2019, and the authorities of the Quality of Life and Public Works and Utilities City Council Standing Committees include providing advice and oversight of City infrastructure and recreation programs; and

WHEREAS, the Marty Sanchez Golf Course subcommittee and the Municipal Tree Board have continued to meet and function as valuable bodies; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 1998-50 established the Sustainable Santa Fe Task Force, Resolution 1999-36 changed the name of the group to the "Sustainable Santa Fe Commission", and Resolutions 2002-4, 2007-31, and 2015-57 changed the membership requirements and duties of the Task Force;; and

WHEREAS, most recently, in 2015, the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission was tasked with developing a 25-year sustainability plan; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission developed the 25-year plan, which the Governing Body adopted in Resolution 2018-65, and the Commission has not met since the Governing Body adopted the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to recognize the sunset of special committees that have completed their work and to sunset standing committees whose purposes are being addressed through other means to ensure that existing committees are those designed to provide constructive and useful recommendations and information to the Governing Body from which the Governing Body may take action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE that the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission, which is a special committee, has sunset as a matter of law, and that the Parks and Recreation Committee shall hereby sunset as a matter of policy.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this _____day of _____, 2026.

ATTEST:

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GERALYN F. CARDENAS, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Marcos D. Martinez
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