

Santa Fe City and County, Advisory Council on Food Policy
Thursday January 9, 2025
9:00AM-11AM

In-Person; Santa Fe Farmers' Market Institute:1607 Paseo De Peralta, Santa Fe, NM 87501

A. CALL TO ORDER 9:03am

B. ROLL CALL

Nate Crail - Present

Maria Sanchez-Tucker - Excused

Eric Renz-Whitmore - Present

David Sundberg - Present

Susan Perry - Present

Emigdio Ballon - Not present

Tejinder Ciano - Not present

Said Assali - Present

Jasmine Meyer - Present

Peter Ives – Present

No quorum - yet

Staff

Pam Roy

Helen Henry

Guests

Harrison Gibson

Shauna Woodworth, Cooking With Kids

James Martinez - Santa Fe County Senior Services

JoDee Powers

Hvtch Miller, Santa Fe County

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –January 9, 2025

Prioritization and Agenda Order

Move items C and D to later in the meeting when we have a quorum present.

Peter moved to approve the agenda as amended

Said seconded

All approved

D. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES –December 12, 2024

Peter moved to accept the minutes as is

Said seconded

All approved

E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

F. INITIATIVES AND ACTIONS

1. Food and Agricultural and Water Initiative Priorities - review *

Peter said that we've done the resolutions which have been approved. We need to follow up to make sure that the lobbyists have this at the top of their list as well as doing other kinds of followup.

2. Legislative Update- Pam Roy SFFPC Coordinator and Hvtce Miller, Santa Fe County, Intergovernmental Outreach Coordinator

Pam went over the priorities/initiatives that the NM Food & Ag Policy Council has put together. James confirmed that the NM Grown program has really been working for SF County. They received \$32,000 this year and are just getting started. Pam talked about how the NM Grown program works - how it supports institutions and farmers and ranchers. She also went over other programs that support food and farming, particularly the issues around water. The NM Food & Ag Policy Council has created a statement around water. There will also be a bill this session for pollinators.

Some of the agencies have the NM Grown program in their budget. Some programs are contingent on federal funding and there is a need to stabilize the funding. Other programs will help build out nutrition support and also provide support for farmers to implement capability-building. The Approved Supplier program is an important cornerstone of this work.

Peter had questions about how the farm bill continuation did not fund certain programs. Pam said that we will probably not have a farm bill in the near future, but we continue to work with national coalitions and our congressional delegates to make progress. There are many new legislators at both the state and federal level who will need to learn about the value of these programs.

The food assistance programs partially rely on funding from the Inflation Reduction Act, which ends this July. This type of food assistance is critical. One of the things that we have prioritized in our advocacy is that farmers/ranchers should get a fair price for their products.

We discussed having the SFFPC sign on to the NMFAPC's legislative priorities and then we can get that information out.

Hvtce said that the branding is important for the materials so we should have the City and County logos on the materials.

Pam and Helen went over resources that we have for advocacy, meetings and events.

3. Calendar of Round House events and meetings
4. Federal Farm Bill Update

G. PRESENTATIONS: None

H. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

I. ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL
 Member check-in

J. ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR

1. New interim Chair, Peter Ives

David is stepping down as a Co- Chair but will remain on the Council. Peter will step in as Co-Chair.

We want to do in-person meetings about every quarter.

2. New member update

3. Next Meeting:

 February 13, 2025: (Hybrid)

4. Topics for future presentations

L. ADJOURNMENT 10:29am

These notes were taken contemporaneously and may contain errors and omissions.

Signed by *Helen Henry* Helen Henry.

I verify that these notes have been approved by a quorum of members of the Santa Fe Food Policy Council.

Signed by Susan Perry, Co-chair or, Peter Ives, Interim Co-chair
