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To: Michael Garcia, BPAC Chair

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Cc: Lucrecia Diaz, BPAC Clerk

ITEM:

Discussion and Establishment of Scope and Official Name for BPAC’s Ad Hoc Committee on Motorist Accountability in Collisions Involving Cyclists (Romella Glorioso-Moss, BPAC Staff Liaison, rsglorioso-moss@santafenm.gov)

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY:

At the September 11, 2025 BPAC meeting, the Chair established an Ad Hoc Committee to develop a fact-based white paper outlining policy recommendations for enhancing motorist accountability in collisions involving cyclists. While the committee has been formed, its official name and scope of work have not yet been formally defined.

During communications from the public at the last BPAC meeting, Khal Spencer, former BPAC Chair, suggested that the focus of the white paper might be broadened beyond cyclists to include all vulnerable road users, such as pedestrians and other non-motorized travelers. This comment highlighted the potential for the committee’s work to take a more inclusive approach to roadway safety and accountability.

Establishing a clear and appropriately titled committee name, along with a well-defined scope, will help guide the committee’s efforts and ensure alignment with BPAC’s broader goals of improving safety and accountability for all roadway users. The scope will clarify the committee’s objectives, deliverables, and timeline for developing the white paper, as well as its coordination with staff and other stakeholders.

Recommendation:

That BPAC discuss and approve:

1. An official and concise name for the Ad Hoc Committee; and
2. A defined scope of work outlining the committee’s purpose, objectives, and expected outcomes.

Possible Discussion Points:

A. Committee Name Options:

- Ad Hoc Committee on Motorist Accountability and Vulnerable Road Users
- Ad Hoc Committee on Roadway Safety and Accountability
- Ad Hoc Committee on Safe Streets and Motorist Responsibility
- Ad Hoc Committee on Vulnerable Road User Protection

B. Scope Considerations:

- Determine whether the white paper will focus exclusively on cyclists or all vulnerable road users (pedestrians, micromobility users, etc.)
- Identify key policy areas to research, such as enforcement, education, roadway design, and reporting/response protocols
- Establish timeline and milestones for draft and final white paper delivery
- Outline coordination with city staff, law enforcement, and other stakeholders
- Determine desired outcomes: policy recommendations, actionable strategies, or guidance for legislation/regulations