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CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-__

INTRODUCED BY:

Councilor Paul Bustamante

Councilor Pilar Faulkner

Councilor Alma Castro

A RESOLUTION

ENSURING THE AVAILABILITY OF NARCAN FOR CITY OF SANTA FE TRANSIT, LIBRARY, AND RECREATION STAFF; REQUIRING TRAINING FOR APPROPRIATE EMPLOYEES TO RECOGNIZE OPIOID OVERDOSES AND ADMINISTER NARCAN; AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO IDENTIFY AND ALLOCATE FUNDING TO MAINTAIN THE SUPPLY OF NARCAN NASAL SPRAY AND TRAINING OF NARCAN.

WHEREAS, the use of opioids, including but not limited to hydrocodone, oxycodone, Fentanyl, carfentanil, tramadol, methadone, and heroin can be fatal or cause severe side effects; and

WHEREAS, according to the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) “[d]rug overdoses are one of the leading causes of injury death in adults.”; and

WHEREAS, in 2024 the CDC reported fifty-three thousand three hundred thirty-six (53,336) total deaths from drug overdoses in the United States; and

WHEREAS, according to the New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH), New Mexico’s drug overdose death rate has more than tripled since 1990, and has also been one of the

1 highest in the nation for the majority of the last two decades; and

2 **WHEREAS**, NMDOH reported from 2019 to 2023 a total of four thousand three hundred
3 (4,380) people reportedly died from a drug overdose in New Mexico, and in Santa Fe County there
4 were three hundred fifty-three (353) deaths; and

5 **WHEREAS**, drugs, including but not limited to heroin, cocaine, opioids, and Xanax are
6 being laced with Fentanyl, and whole pharmaceutical Fentanyl is fifty to one hundred (50 to 100)
7 times more potent than morphine; and

8 **WHEREAS**, according to the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, illicitly
9 manufactured Fentanyl can contain even higher concentrations than whole pharmaceutical
10 Fentanyl, increasing the chances of overdose, with six out of every ten pills laced with Fentanyl
11 containing a potentially lethal dose; and

12 **WHEREAS**, opioid overdoses can occur rapidly and often require immediate intervention,
13 and timely administration of Naloxone can reverse the effects of an overdose and restore breathing
14 within minutes; and

15 **WHEREAS**, harm reduction is a proactive and evidence-based approach to reduce
16 overdoses and overdose deaths as well as the harm associated with drug use at both the individual
17 and community level; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Naloxone, also referred to as Narcan, is a medication that reverses the effects
19 of a drug overdose, and is a safe, non-addictive medication that has no effect if opioids are not
20 present and has been widely used to prevent overdose deaths; and

21 **WHEREAS**, public spaces such as buses, libraries, and recreation centers are frequently
22 accessed by diverse populations and may be locations where overdoses occur or where individuals
23 experiencing an overdose can be encountered; and

24 **WHEREAS**, training City of Santa Fe (“City”) staff to recognize the sign of an opioid
25 overdose and administer Narcan enables non-medical personnel to respond promptly and

1 potentially save lives in emergency situations; and

2 **WHEREAS**, expanding access to Narcan and training on the use of Narcan can reduce
3 emergency medical costs and prevent loss of life; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the City currently receives donations of Narcan Nasal Spray from the New
5 Mexico Department of Health and provides it to City departments, including the Fire Department
6 and Transit Division; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the City wishes to ensure the continuous availability of Narcan Nasal Spray
8 for buses, libraries, and recreation centers regardless of whether the City is receiving donations or
9 funding for Narcan; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the City is committed to maintaining access to Narcan to protect public health
11 and safety regardless of the availability of outside resources.

12 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
13 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the City Manager shall ensure that Narcan is available to employees of
14 the City of Santa Fe’s Transit Division, libraries, and recreation centers.

15 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appropriate City employees shall be trained to
16 recognize opioid overdoses and administer Narcan.

17 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Manager shall identify and allocate funding
18 sources, as needed, to ensure the continuous availability of Narcan Nasal Spray and related
19 trainings for City personnel, including during periods when outside resources are not available.

20 PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

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24 MICHAEL J. GARCIA, MAYOR
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1 ATTEST:

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4 GERALYN F. CARDENAS, CITY CLERK

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8 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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10 *Marcos Martinez*

10 [Marcos Martinez \(May 4, 2026 10:03:15 MDT\)](#)

11 MARCOS D. MARTÍNEZ, CITY ATTORNEY

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25 *Legislation/2026/Resolutions/Increasing Availability of Narcan at Certain City Facilities and Buses*