



AGENDA

COMMUNITY HEALTH AND
SAFETY TASK FORCE
MARCH 30, 2021
5:30 PM
ATTEND VIRTUALLY

SPECIAL PROCEDURES FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY TASK FORCE MEETING

Attendance: In response to the State's declaration of a Public Health Emergency, the Mayor's Proclamation of Emergency, and the ban on public gatherings in excess of those permitted in the current Public Health Order, the Community Health and Safety Task Force meeting will be conducted virtually.

Viewing: The Task Force will conduct this meeting closed to the public. See Resolution 2021-XX (https://www.santafenm.gov/document_center/document/12862) for details.

The agenda and packet for the meeting will be posted at <https://santafe.primegov.com/public/portal>.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. Approval of March 2, 2021 Community Health and Safety Task Force Minutes.
5. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**
 - a. Discussion of the Community Health and Safety Enabling Resolution Changes.
6. **MATTERS FROM THE TASK FORCE**
7. **NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, April 20, 2021**
8. **ADJOURN**



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MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Start Time: 5:40 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Councilor Renee Villarreal
Councilor Chris Rivera
Member Emily Kaltenbach
Member Marcela Diaz
Member Mary Louise Romero-Betancourt
Member Michael Vigil

Members Excused:

Member Monica Ault
Member Mary Ann Maestas

Others Attending:

Jennifer Faubion, Council Liaison
Sunshine Muse, Facilitator

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Member Vigil moved, seconded by Councilor Villarreal, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE: The motion was approved on the following Roll Call vote:

For: Councilor Villarreal, Councilor Rivera, Member Kaltenbach, Member Diaz, Member Romero-Betancourt, Member Vigil



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Against: None

Abstain: None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approval of February 2, 2021 Community Health and Safety Task Force Meeting Minutes.

MOTION: Member Vigil moved, seconded by Councilor Villarreal, to approve the minutes as presented.

VOTE: The motion was approved on the following Roll Call vote:

For: Councilor Villarreal, Councilor Rivera, Member Kaltenbach, Member Diaz, Member Romero-Betancourt, Member Vigil

Against: None

Abstain: None

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- a. Discussion of Proposed Community Health and Safety Task Force Resolution Amendments, Action Items, and Next Steps.

6. MATTERS FROM THE TASK FORCE



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7. NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, March 16, 2021

The present Task Force members agreed to cancel the next meeting and resume on April 6, 2021 due to time constraints of members due to the NM State Legislative Session.

9. ADJOURN

End Time: 6:37 PM

Liaison

Chair

Chair

1 **CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-__**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

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5 Councilor Chris Rivera

6 Councilor Renee Villarreal

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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **UPDATING THE TERMS OF RESOLUTION 2020-29 TO EXTEND THE DURATION OF**
12 **THE COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY TASK FORCE THROUGH THE END OF**
13 **CALENDAR YEAR 2021, ALLOW ADDITIONAL TASK FORCE MEMBERS, CHANGE**
14 **THE TASK FORCE COMPOSITION, EXEMPT THE TASK FORCE FROM CERTAIN**
15 **OPEN MEETINGS ACT REQUIREMENTS, AND OTHER CHANGES AS NECESSARY.**

16 **WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Fe (“City”) recognizes the national movement that is taking
17 place across the country calling for communities to assess, improve and reimagine ways in which
18 social justice, law enforcement and community health and safety must come together on behalf of
19 all people; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the City’s Police Department (“SFPD”), Fire Department (“SFFD”),
21 Community Services Department, and Emergency Management Department all contribute to the
22 City’s mission of community health and safety;

23 **WHEREAS**, the City has developed certain community programs, such as the Mobile
24 Integrated Health Office (MIHO), THRIVE, formerly known as the LEAD – Law Enforcement

1 Assisted Diversion – program and most recently CONNECT¹ that are examples of innovative ways
2 the City can improve the lives of the community through collaboration, cross-departmental
3 community service, and more appropriate and effective types of responsiveness to various kinds of
4 calls for help or assistance and at the same time represent important and useful building blocks for
5 additional innovative approaches; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the City’s residents and leadership are in broad agreement about the need for
7 thoughtful and inclusive self-examination of the ways in which traditional approaches toward
8 public safety have been provided, acknowledging the call for racial and social justice, recognizing
9 the historical **and current** injustices that **have too often led lead** to violence and inequities in
10 communities of color ; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Fe seeks to continuously improve its provision of services
12 and evolve its practices to best ensure equitable treatment of community members and a
13 community-health driven practice of public safety.

14 **WHEREAS**, the City recognizes inequity in force and violence as an issue of concern to
15 members of Santa Fe’s communities that impacts the safety, public health, and quality of life of our
16 residents; and

17 **WHEREAS**, task forces and advisory committees do not have the power to adopt policy
18 on their own; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the New Mexico Open Meetings Act (“OMA”) governs “policymaking
20 bodies” but not advisory bodies making recommendations to policymaking bodies; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 2020-29 established the Community Health and Safety Task
22 Force (“Task Force”) and, by default of the City of Santa Fe Committee Rules and Procedures,

¹ A network of navigators at clinics, community organizations, and city and county programs. Navigators are community health workers, volunteers, or social workers who link people to services and resources in our community. Agencies in the network are connected through a shared technology platform enabling navigators to send and receive secure electronic referrals, address residents’ social needs, and improve individual and community health.

1 needed to adhere to the OMA; and

2 **WHEREAS**, many members of the Task Force and those participating in the conversations
3 felt uncomfortable discussing deeply personal issues in a public setting; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Task Force reserves the right to decide who among their members they
5 prefer to serve as chair(s) of the Task Force; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Task Force has discussed the possible need for additional members in
7 order to complete the work required of the Task Force; and

8 **WHEREAS**, exempting the Task Force from the requirements of OMA may allow the
9 Task Force to better gather information and provide more informed recommendations to the
10 Governing Body.

11 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
12 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that a Community Health and Safety (“CHS”) Task Force is hereby created.

13 **Section 1. PURPOSE:** the purpose of the CHS Task Force is to examine ways in
14 which the City’s community health and safety services can work together as complementary parts
15 of an overall strategy for the benefit of public health and safety of all residents of Santa Fe.

16 **Section 2. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** The CHS Task Force shall
17 accomplish the following tasks:

18 A. Assess SFPD and SFFD’s internal operations, policies, procedures and practices,
19 with attention to data-informed local and national research. Some aspects that may be assessed,
20 depending on the task force identified priorities, include, but are not limited to: examining
21 SFPD’s use of force policies, professional standards and ethics, officer and department trainings,
22 equipment and weapons, staffing, workloads, calls for service, 9-1-1 call handling and dispatch
23 services, among other matters;

24 B. Assess ways the SFPD and SFFD can connect with all facets of the community to
25 provide safety and offer services while engendering trust and mutual respect;

1 C. Assess the ways the SFFD, Emergency Management, Community Services, and
2 the SFPD can provide mutual support in achieving their shared missions to keep the residents of
3 Santa Fe healthy and safe;

4 D. The CHS Task Force shall host a series of community conversations to gather insight
5 into the concerns and ideas of community members to ensure that the city's health
6 and safety strategies are guided by community input.

7 E. The CHS Task Force shall convene a series of focus groups around the city to learn
8 how health and safety issues affect communities, families, and individuals, and how current City
9 policies can be improved. Focus groups should represent specific constituencies that are affected
10 by the city's current health and safety policies.

11 F. Examine City programs, such as MIHO, THRIVE, CONNECT and others to find
12 existing initiatives that can be building blocks for future cross-department collaboration;

13 G. Explore types of calls for service that could be better handled or responded to by
14 human service or social science field professionals;

15 H. Provide an opportunity for a broad cross-section of the Santa Fe community to
16 give advice and offer their experiences, expertise, and ideas that will help improve the quality and
17 consistency of community health and safety;

18 I. Examine such other matters as the co-chairs and members of the Task Force may
19 deem relevant to their mission or related to the general purpose of the Task Force which may
20 include exploring innovative approaches to community health and safety, reimagining the current
21 structures and systems in which the City currently operates, and examining root causes of
22 identified problems; and

23 J. Provide periodic reports and recommendations to the Governing Body.

24 **Section 3. MEMBERSHIP; OFFICERS; TERMS:**

25 A. *Membership.* The CHS Task Force membership shall consist of eleven to fifteen

1 members appointed by the mayor with the approval of the Governing Body. Two of the members
2 shall be city councilors and ~~nine~~ the remaining shall be members of the general public with
3 experience or knowledge in community health, public safety, restorative justice, and/or social or
4 racial justice and community work, who reside within the municipal boundaries of the City of Santa
5 Fe; at least four of the general public members shall be selected from each of the City districts, with
6 five to nine members serving in an at-large capacity, with a balance of representation from all
7 districts.

8 B. *Officers.* The appointed city councilors shall may serve as co-chairs of the Task
9 Force, or members of the CHS Task Force may decide if they want to select another Task Force
10 member or members to serve as chair or co-chairs.

11 C. *Terms.* Members shall serve until they complete their duties and responsibilities as
12 set forth above.

13 D. *Compensation.* Members shall not receive compensation for their service on the
14 CHS Task Force.

15 **Section 4. VACANCIES:** Vacancies on the CHS Task Force shall be filled in the
16 same manner as initial appointments.

17 **Section 5. MEETINGS; DURATION:**

18 A. The CHS Task Force shall meet at least ~~twice~~ once per month⁷ and shall conduct
19 public meetings to discuss and develop recommendations related to the duties and responsibilities
20 described above.

21 B. In order to be successful, the CHS Task Force needs to safely meet and engage
22 with its members and segments of the population who have been historically or are currently
23 disenfranchised, experienced personal trauma, and/or who may not feel comfortable speaking
24 openly to the public about their lived experiences with law enforcement. Therefore it is imperative
25 that the CHS Task Force members feel comfortable expressing their viewpoints among their fellow

1 members in a safe and supported environment.

2 C. The CHS Task Force shall hold its meetings without observing the Open Meetings
3 Act or Robert’s Rules of Order in order to facilitate a comfortable forum for conversations with
4 members of the community that feels safe and where they can be transparent and open about their
5 experiences, expertise, and observations. The CHS Task Force shall hold occasional public
6 meetings to provide regular updates to the public and offer opportunities for public engagement.

7 D. Unless further extended by the Governing Body, the CHS Task Force shall
8 conclude ~~no more than six (6) months from the date the members are appointed~~ their work by
9 December 31, 2021. The City shall appropriate funding to accomplish the provisions of paragraphs
10 D. and E. above.

11 **Section 6. STAFF LIAISON:** The City Manager shall appoint an appropriate staff
12 member to serve as the liaison to the Task Force.

13 PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this ___ day of _____, 2021.

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17 ALAN WEBBER, MAYOR

18 ATTEST:

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21 KRISTINE MIHELICIC, CITY CLERK

22 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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25 ERIN K. McSHERRY, CITY ATTORNEY

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Legislation/2021/Resolutions/CHS Task Force Amendments

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Community Health and Safety Task Force 5:30 – 7:30 pm

1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 5:30-7:30

November 17, 2020
December 1, 2020
December 15, 2020
January 5, 2021
January 19, 2021
February 2, 2021
February 16, 2021 (cancelled)
March 2, 2021
March 16, 2021 (cancelled)
April 6, 2021 (rescheduled to March 30)
April 20, 2021
May 4, 2021
May 18, 2021

June 1, 2021
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Federal Holidays

Veterans' Day – November 11, 2020
Thanksgiving – November 26, 2020
Christmas – December 25, 2020
New Year's Day – January 1, 2021
Martin Luther King Day – January 18, 2021
Presidents' Day – February 15, 2021
Memorial Day – May 31, 2021

Independence Day – July 4, 2021
Labor Day – September 6, 2021
Indigenous Peoples Day – October 11, 2021
Veterans Day – November 11, 2021
Thanksgiving Day – November 25, 2021
Christmas – December 25, 2021