

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SANTA FE COUNTY**

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-111

**A RESOLUTION CREATING AN ARTS, CULTURE AND ENTERTAINMENT
(ACE) TASK FORCE AND CHARGING THAT TASK FORCE WITH
DEVELOPMENT OF AN ARTS, CULTURE AND ENTERTAINMENT POLICY**

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County is a place where the arts, culture and entertainment are highly valued, where artists, musicians, entertainers, filmmakers, skilled crafts people choose to live, and where nationally recognized events occur;

WHEREAS, the County's artistic, cultural and entertainment organizations are key components of our vibrant community and further enhance the quality of life, and whose continued existence should be encouraged and supported;

WHEREAS, the unincorporated Traditional Communities and the Contemporary Communities of Santa Fe County are the specific places where many of the artistic and cultural events take place and these unique places do not always have the physical and organizational capability to undertake and evolve such events;

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County government has no formal policy in place concerning the arts, culture and entertainment, and the County's efforts to help foster the arts, culture and entertainment have been *ad hoc* and poorly coordinated to date; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County desires to better coordinate the County's efforts to foster arts, culture and entertainment activities, and to create an advisory task force whose primary focus is to make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners, develop an arts, culture and entertainment policy to better coordinate the County's economic development efforts, and to assist communities, arts, cultural and entertainment organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County, as follows:

1. An Arts, Culture and Entertainment Task Force is hereby created;
2. The Arts, Culture and Entertainment Task Force shall be advisory to the Board of County Commissioners.
3. The Board of County Commissioners shall establish a representative group of nine participants who live or conduct business in Santa Fe County and who are engaged with the arts, cultural activities and entertainment events either as participants, organizers or funders;

4. The Board of County Commissioners shall appoint one member from each Commission District and four members at large for a total of nine members;
5. The Board of County Commissioners should appoint an initial chairperson;
6. The Task Force shall do the following:
 - A. With the help of County staff, the Task Force will survey and assess all existing arts, culture and entertainment activities and organizations in the local communities. This assessment will examine the role of ACE activities and their effectiveness on County economic development and in relation to the County Economic Development Plan and overall Business Plan;
 - B. Study and assess ACE activities in relation to community development and infrastructure needs of the local communities where these activities play a vital role in the economic health and sustainability of these places;
 - C. Identify existing legislation, policies and programs which affect ACE activities and evaluate their effectiveness;
 - D. Identify all funding sources and other resources including Lodger's Taxes, grants, 1% for the arts programs, and bonding options which might be designated for ACE activities;
 - E. Research ACE activities in the cities of Santa Fe, Espanola and Edgewood and in the Pueblos of Tesuque, Pojoaque, Nambe, Santa Clara and San Ildefonso and discuss ways to coordinate activities with these government entities;
 - F. Develop policy options, action items and specific project proposals for the Board of County Commissioners on matters concerning arts, culture and entertainment activities and related community development issues and a future role that the County might play;
 - G. The Task Force will be appointed for one fiscal year and will be staffed by the Planning and Development Division of the Growth Management Department.
 - H. Upon completion of the work of the Task Force, the BCC will consider the creation of a permanent committee to continue and implement this work.

APPROVED, ADOPTED AND PASSED THIS 24th day of June, 2008.

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SANTA FE COUNTY**

By: _____
Jack Sullivan, Chair

ATTEST:

Valerie Espinoza, County Clerk

Approved as to form:

Stephen C. Ross, County Attorney