

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-1805

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A 1/16 OF 1% INCREASE IN THE EXCISE TAX TO FINANCE OPERATION OF THE SAN JUAN COUNTY CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS CENTER, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED BY SAN JUAN COUNTY

WHEREAS, the San Juan County Consolidated Communications Center dispatches police, fire, and emergency medical units for the cities of Farmington, Bloomfield, and Aztec, the County, and other state and federal law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, the cost of operating the consolidated communications center is funded by the County through a countywide gross receipts tax; and

WHEREAS, the gross receipts taxes currently imposed are not sufficient to fund the operation of the consolidated communications center and to supplement the emergency medical services provided by San Juan Regional Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, a 1/16 of 1% gross receipts tax is authorized by State statute but not currently imposed to be utilized for the combined communications center, emergency medical services, and behavioral health services; and

WHEREAS, police, fire, and emergency medical units serve thousands of people who are visiting the area who will share in the costs of providing the services if the cost of operating the communications center and emergency medical services is funded by a gross receipts tax on commercial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the imposition of a gross receipts tax to fund the cost of operating the communications center and emergency medical services would benefit the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of San Juan County and visitors to the area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Farmington, New Mexico supports the County's efforts to fund the cost of operating the San Juan County Consolidated Communications Center and emergency medical services provided by the County through a 1/16 of 1% increase in gross receipts taxes.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of June, 2021.



Nate Duckett, Mayor

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ATTEST:



Andrea Jones, City Clerk