

1 **WHEREAS**, one of the most commonly voiced transportation concerns from the public
2 regards the perceived danger of bicycling and walking in Santa Fe. Public input has repeatedly
3 requested improved conditions and facilities for bicyclists and pedestrians; and

4 **WHEREAS**, according to national highway statistics more than one quarter of all trips
5 are one mile or less – and almost half are less than five miles. Most of those trips are now made
6 by car. Streets that provide travel choices give people the option to avoid traffic congestion and
7 increase the overall capacity of the transportation network; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the National Institute of Medicine recommends fighting childhood obesity
9 by changing ordinances to encourage construction of sidewalks, bikeways, and other places for
10 physical activity. A report of the National Conference of State Legislators found that the most
11 effective policy avenue for encouraging bicycling and walking is Complete Streets; and

12 **WHEREAS**, facilities that follow Complete Streets principles complement and enhance
13 ongoing Share the Road awareness and planning efforts by the City of Santa Fe Bicycle and
14 Trails Advisory Committee as well as safety education and enforcement initiatives such as
15 pedestrian safety awareness campaigns directed by Santa Fe Trails, the Santa Fe Walks study,
16 New Mexico Bicycle Coalition training courses, Safe Kids NM, and programs such as Santa Fe
17 Crossing Guards, and Safe Routes to School.

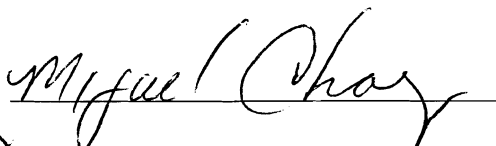
18 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that bicycle, pedestrian, equestrian and
19 transit needs should be given full consideration in the planning and development of
20 transportation facilities in the Santa Fe metropolitan planning area. Bicycle, pedestrian,
21 equestrian, and transit facilities should be established by ordinance in conjunction with the
22 construction, reconstruction, or other change of any transportation facility in accordance with
23 Complete Streets principles. The Santa Fe MPO staff will work with City and County land use
24 and public works departments, Regional Planning Authority staff, and related advisory

1 committees to collaboratively designate common Complete Streets specifications that are
2 consistent across jurisdictions for regionally significant roadways.

3 **PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 16th day of August, 2007.**

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5 **SANTA FE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

6 **POLICY BOARD**

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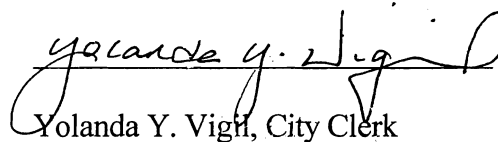
9 Jack Sullivan, Chair

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14 Valerie Espinoza, County Clerk

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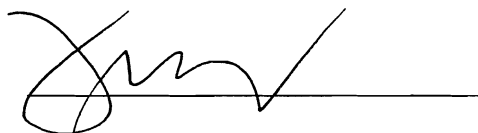
14 Yolanda Y. Vigil, City Clerk

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16 **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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19 Stephen C. Ross, County Attorney

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19 Frank D. Katz, City Attorney