

SOCORRO COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION
RESOLUTION №. 2012-29

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE
CITY OF SOCORRO LANDFILL PERMIT

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Sections 4-37-1 *et seq.* provides that counties may adopt those resolutions and ordinances, not inconsistent with statutory or constitutional limitations placed on counties, to discharge those powers necessary and proper to provide for the safety, preserve the health, promote the prosperity and improve the morals, order, comfort and convenience of the county and its inhabitants; and,

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Sections 4-56-1 through 4-56-3 authorizes the county to establish and maintain, manage and supervise a system of storage, collection and disposal of all refuse; and,

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2006 the Board of County Commissioners of Socorro County Adopted Ordinance 2006-01, the Socorro County Solid Waste Management Ordinance, in order to provide and manage of system of storage, collection and disposal of all refuse in Socorro County; and,

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2006-01 recognizes that the City of Socorro's landfill is the only landfill available within Socorro County's jurisdiction and the Ordinance incorporates the landfill as a necessary integral part of the County's refuse system; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Socorro is seeking a 20-year permit to construct, operate and close a municipal and special waste landfill from the New Mexico Environment Department; and

WHEREAS, Socorro County partners with the City of Socorro to fund the operation of the landfill; and

WHEREAS, Socorro County relies solely on the City of Socorro Landfill for solid waste deposit services for the entire County and its residents; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Socorro has designed the landfill to maintain compliance with siting criteria and has developed financial assurance estimates to include provisions for the existing disposal area, all future waste cells, closure and post-closure care as well as contingencies; and

WHEREAS, failure to obtain a permit and closure of the landfill would result in a major financial hardship to Socorro County and its residents as waste would be shipped out of county for proper disposal and a significantly increased cost;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Socorro County Board of County Commission fully supports the issuance of a 20-year permit to the City of Socorro to construct, operate and

close a municipal and special waste landfill and strongly urges the New Mexico Environment Department to issue said permit.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 24th day of January, 2012.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Absent

DANIEL P. MONETTE, CHAIR
DISTRICT IV

P. Jaramillo

PAULINE JARAMILLO, VICE-CHAIR
DISTRICT I

Phillip Anaya

PHILLIP ANAYA, COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT III

Absent

RUMALDO J. GRIEGO, COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT II

Juan Jose Gutierrez

JUAN JOSE GUTIERREZ, COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT V

ATTEST BY:

Rebecca E Vega

REBECCA (BECKY) VEGA, COUNTY CLERK

