

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
CITY OF RIO COMMUNITIES
RESOLUTION 2016-63**

RIO METRO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Regional Transit District Act, N.M. Statutes, Chapter 73, Article 25 [Sections 73-25-1 to 73-25-18 NMSA 1978], governmental units may create a regional transit district by contract. This district is authorized to exercise the functions conferred by the provisions of the Act including the establishment of a regional transit system that is compatible with established state and local transportation plans that transports or conveys passengers within a region by means of a high-occupancy vehicle, including automobile, truck, bus, van or railcar;

WHEREAS, the purpose of a regional transit district is to:

- A. Serve the public by providing for the creation of regional networks of safe and efficient public transit services;
- B. Allow multijurisdictional public transit systems to reduce the congestion of single-occupant motor vehicle traffic by providing transportation options for residents;
- C. Decrease automobile accidents by reducing traffic congestion on freeways and streets;
- D. Reduce noise and air pollution produced by motor vehicles;
- E. Prolong and extend the life of New Mexico's existing roadways by easing the traffic burden;
- F. Provide residents with a choice of transportation alternatives so that seniors, youth, low-income and mobility-impaired residents and others unable to drive or afford motor vehicles continue to have full access to the goods, services, jobs and activities of the community;
- G. Improve the New Mexico economy by increasing workforce and citizen access to education and higher paying jobs;
- H. Prolong and extend petroleum resources; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rio Communities Governing Body supports the purpose and goals stated above

WHEREAS, In accordance with Mid-Region Transit District Governmental Unit Contract Section 11-A – Adding or withdrawal of parties to the contract upon a two-thirds affirmative vote of the RMRTD Board Membership shall be required before the governmental unit may join the District.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the City of Rio Communities supports membership in the RIO METRO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT (RMRTD) and requests that a vote for the inclusion or adding of The City of Rio Communities to the District.

Resolved: In the Regular Board Session this 12th day of April 2016.

City of Rio Communities Governing Body

Mark Gwinn,
Mayor

Margaret (Peggy) Gutjahr,
Councilor Mayor Pro-tem

William (Bill) Brown,
Councilor

Arturo R. Sais,
Councilor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth (Lisa) Adair,
Municipal Clerk