## TORRANCE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSONERS RESOLUTION NO. 2020- 3 /

## A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SOUTHERN TORRANCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2020

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has developed an economic development plan for southern Torrance County, funded in part by a grant from the Local Government Planning Fund of the New Mexico Finance Authority, and prepared by Sites Southwest under a Professional Services Contract, RFP TC-FY20-01, as approved, adopted and passed by the Board of County Commissioners August 28, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Sites Southwest met with southern Torrance County community stakeholders and representatives on three separate occasions on November 19, 2019, in Torreon, November 20, 2019, in Estancia, and December 9, 2019, in Encino to assess unique characteristics and challenges in each community in southern Torrance County and completed a Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT) analysis and exercise with community stakeholders and representatives at these meetings; and

WHEREAS, Sites Southwest subsequently met again on January 14, 2020, in Estancia with southern Torrance County community stakeholders and representatives to discuss economic development generally, tourism, agriculture, and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Sites Southwest met with the County Fair Board and toured the County Fairgrounds to identify the long-term vision and implementation strategy for that vision at the County Fairgrounds; and

WHEREAS, Sites Southwest submitted a draft economic development plan to the Torrance County Grant Coordinator that meets the State of New Mexico's Local Economic Development Act (LEDA) requirements and meets the requirements set forth in the grant application Scope of Work and in the Sites Southwest contract Scope of Work; and

WHEREAS, Sites Southwest submitted the draft of the Southern Torrance County Economic Development Plan 2020 for public and Board input on May 27, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the draft of the Southern Torrance County Economic Development Plan 2020 was made available for public comment through August 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS,** Sites Southwest incorporated public input into the final version of the Southern Torrance County Economic Development Plan 2020 that provides a working document for the County and community stakeholders and representatives.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Torrance County Board of County Commissioners hereby approves the Southern Torrance County Economic Development Plan 2020.

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**DONE** THIS 12th DAY OF August, 2020.

APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Kyan Schwebach, Chair

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Javier Sanchez, Vice Chair

Kevin McCall, Member

ATTEST:

Linda Jaramillo, County Clerk

Date: 8-12- 2020