



**VALENCIA COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-³²_____**

**AMENDING THE 2019 POLLING PLACE RESOLUTION 2019-32 FOR THE 2020
PRIMARY ELECTION AND PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION**

WHEREAS, the Valencia County Board of Commissioners met in a special meeting, at the Valencia County Administration Building, 444 Luna Avenue, Los Lunas, New Mexico 87031 on Friday, April 24, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.; and,

WHEREAS, on 5th day of June, 2019, pursuant to the New Mexico Statutes Annotated 1978, Section 1-3-2 (2019), in Resolution 2019-32, the Board of County Commissioners designated the location of election day polling places in the county for the conduct of any statewide election conducted in calendar years 2020 and 2021; and,

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2020, in cause № S-1-SC-38228 the New Mexico Supreme Court ordered that a "writ of mandamus shall issue directing the Secretary of State and County Clerks of New Mexico to mail an application for an absentee ballot to every major party registered voter in New Mexico who has not already submitted an absentee ballot application for the 2020 primary election and conduct in-person voting for the upcoming primary election, whether on election day or during early voting, in compliance with the Election Code and all applicable Executive Orders and Public Health Orders issued by the Governor of New Mexico and Secretary of the New Mexico Department of Health;" and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Order and due to the contagion of the SARS-CoV-2 virus and the very real potential for poll workers and voters to contract the COVID-19 disease through the in-person voting process absentee ballot applications are being sent to all registered members of the three major political parties; and,

WHEREAS, because all eligible voters are being encouraged to vote by mail and to reduce the number of needed poll workers, for the June 2nd, 2020 Primary Election and Presidential Primary Election the number of election-day polling places should be reduced to the minimum required by law; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to:

Section 1-3-4(B) (3): "each voter convenience center shall be a consolidated precinct composed of no more than ten precincts;" *and*

Section 1-1-12(B): ". . . in a statewide election, references to "precincts" in the voting process shall be applicable to consolidated precincts."

Section 1-3-5(B): “. . . No precinct shall be created, divided, abolished or combined or the boundaries adjusted less than four months prior to a statewide election, except by order of the district court.”; *and*

Section 1-11-1: “The county clerk shall, at least twenty-one days prior to a statewide election, give notice of the election.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners amends the 2019 Polling Place Resolution only for purposes of the June 2nd, 2020 Primary Election and Presidential Primary Election and designates the following election day polling locations for the 2020 Primary Election and Presidential Primary Election, as follows:

Voting Convenience Centers

Location & Address

Voter Convenience Centers (VCC):

(All voters in the county may vote at these locations, regardless of where they live.)

VCC2- Belen Community Center 305 Eagle Ln. Belen, NM 87002

VCC4- Bosque Farms Public Library 1455 W Bosque Loop Bosque Farms, NM 87068

VCC6- Del Rio Senior Center 351 Rio Communities Blvd., Belen, NM 87002

VCC22- Manzano Vista Fire Department 311 El Cerro Mission Rd., Los Lunas, NM 87031

VCC13- Pueblo of Isleta Veterans Center 4001 Hwy 314 Los Lunas, NM 87031

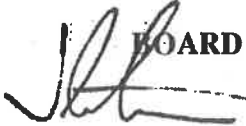
VCC21- Valencia County Administration Offices 444 Luna Avenue Los Lunas, NM 87031

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that following adoption of this *Resolution* by the Board of County Commissioners, the County Attorneys are hereby authorized to seek approval of the District Court of the new consolidated precincts, adjusted consolidated precincts, or abolished precincts or consolidated precincts for purposes of the voting process in the 2020 Primary Election and Presidential Primary Election only.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall include the amended polling locations provided for in this *Resolution* in the *Notice of Election* that is posted no later than Tuesday, May 12, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the Secretary of State and inform the Secretary of State when the District Court has approved the amended polling locations provided for in this *Resolution*.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 24th day of April 2020.



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