

Grant County

Resolution Number R-20-32

A Resolution Amending the 2019 Polling Place Resolution for the 2020 General Election

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2019, pursuant to the New Mexico Statutes Annotated 1978, Section 1-3-2 (2019), in Resolution R-19-38, 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, 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 November 3rd, 2020 General Election the number of election-day polling places should be reduced to the minimum required by law; *and*

WHEREAS, pursuant to:

Section 1-3-7(A): "No less than one polling place shall be provided for each precinct";

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 November 3rd, 2020 General Election and designates the following election day polling locations for the 2020 General Election, as follows:

Precinct Numbers

Location & Address

Voter Convenience Centers (VCC):

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

24,25,26,27,28
29 & 34

Bayard Community Center
290 Hurley Ave.
Bayard, NM

1,2,11,22,30
33 & 37

Grant County Fair Grounds Exhibit Building
16 Arena Rd.
Cliff, NM

5,7,9,10,15,
16 & 23

San Lorenzo Elementary School
3655 Highway 35
San Lorenzo, NM

8,13,17,20,
36 & 39

GC Administration Building
1400 Highway 180 East
Silver City, NM

12,14,18,19,21
32 & 38

Silver City Woman's Club
1715 Silver Heights Blvd
Silver City, NM

Mail Ballot Election Precincts:

(Ballots will be mailed to voters 28 days before the election; may also vote at a VCC.)

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Sapillo Creek

4

Sapillo Creek

6

Red Rock

31

Hachita

35

Mule Creek

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that following adoption of this *Resolution* by the Board of County Commissioners, the County Manager shall direct the County Attorney 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 General Election only;

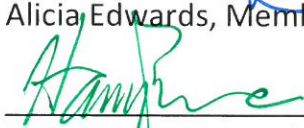
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall include the amended polling locations provided for in this *Resolution* in the *Notice of Election* that is posted no later than Tuesday, October 13, 2020; and

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 20 day of August, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:


Chris Ponce, Chair


Alicia Edwards, Member


Harry Browne, Member

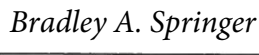

Gerald W. Billings, Jr., Member


Javier Salas, Member

ATTEST:


Marisa Castrillo, County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


County Attorney



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF GRANT
SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

FILED IN OPEN COURT

DATE 9/13/20 04:30 PM

Jennifer E. Delaney
DISTRICT JUDGE, DIVISION II

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE PETITION
OF THE GRANT COUNTY CLERK, OF THE
COUNTY OF GRANT, NEW MEXICO,
FOR A COURT ORDER CONSOLIDATING THE
DESIGNATED POLLING PLACES IN THE
COUNTY OF GRANT FOR THE PURPOSES OF
THE VOTING PROCESS IN THE 2020 GENERAL
ELECTION ONLY.

Cause No. D-608-MS-2020-007
Honorable Jennifer Delaney

**ORDER ON PETITION TO CONSOLIDATE THE DESIGNATED
POLLING PLACES FOR THE PRECINCTS IN THE COUNTY OF
GRANT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE VOTING PROCESS IN THE
2020 GENERAL ELECTION ONLY**

THIS MATTER, having come before the Court on the Petition of the Grant County Clerk, following Grant County Resolution R-20-32, adopted on August 20, 2020, by the Board of County Commissioners of Grant County, New Mexico, and pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-3-4, for an order consolidating the designated polling places/voter convenience centers of the precincts in the County of Grant for the purposes of the voting process in the 2020 General Election only; and the Court having been fully advised in the premises, FINDS:

1. That it is in the best interests of the voters of the County of Grant to consolidate the designated polling places/voter convenience centers of the precincts in the County of Grant for the purposes of voting in the 2020 General Election only.
2. That it is in the best interests of the voters of the County of Grant to remove certain designated polling places/voter convenience centers of the precincts in the County of Grant for the purposes of voting in the 2020 General Election only.

3. That it is in the best interests of the voters of the County of Grant that any voter of the County should be allowed to vote on a regular ballot at any polling place/voter convenience center in the County of Grant.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that:

1. The designated polling places/voter convenience centers for the precincts in the County of Grant for the 2020 General Election only are as follows:

<u>Precinct Numbers</u>	<u>Location and Address</u>
24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, & 34	Bayard Community Center 290 Hurley Avenue Bayard, New Mexico
1, 2, 11, 22, 30, 33, & 37	Grant County Fair Grounds Exhibit Building 16 Arena Rd. Cliff, New Mexico
5, 7, 9, 10, 15, 16 & 23	San Lorenzo Elementary School 3655 Highway 35 San Lorenzo, New Mexico
8, 13, 17, 29, 36, & 39	GC Administration Building 1400 Highway 180 East Silver City, New Mexico
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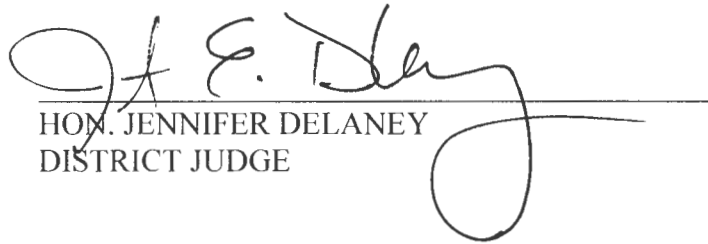
2. The following precincts will be mail ballot election precincts:

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| A. | 3 & 4 | Sapillo Creek |
| B. | 6 | Red Rock |
| C. | 31 | Hachita |
| D. | 35 | Mule Creek |

3. The following polling places/voter convenience centers for the precincts in the County of Grant are hereby removed for the purposes of the 2020 General Election only:

- A. Tyrone Community Center, 50 Malachite Ave., Tyrone, NM;
- B. National Guard Armory, 1990 U.S. Highway 180, Santa Clara, NM;
- C. Hurley Community Center, 312 Carrasco Ave., Hurley, NM; and
- D. Pinos Altos VFD, 4759 Highway 15, Pinos Altos, NM

4. Any voter of the County shall be allowed to vote on a regular ballot at any of the designated polling places/voter convenience centers in the County of Grant.


HON. JENNIFER DELANEY
DISTRICT JUDGE

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