

**RESOLUTION OF
THE GALLUP CITY COUNCIL**

RESOLUTION No. R2020-_____

**Approving grant application submission and if awarded, implementation of a
US Department of the Interior (DOI) Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) WaterSMART
Drought Response Program: Drought Resiliency Project Grant (#BOR-DO-20-F002)
*Ground Water Well Professional Services & Design***

WHEREAS, the Water and Sanitation Department staff will prepare a federally-authorized *Ground Water Wells Professional Services & Design* (#BOR-DO-20-F002) WaterSMART Drought Response Program: Drought Resiliency Project grant application between the USBR and the City of Gallup to increase the production capacity and reliability of city water supplies in response to the delay in the delivery of surface water to the Gallup Regional Water System;

WHEREAS, the *Ground Water Wells Professional Services & Design* grant will fund the siting, hydrology, design and construction oversight phases costing approximately \$4 million for new City of Gallup potable water wells which will provide water supply to the Gallup Region Water System in place of the anticipated surface water supply.

WHEREAS, Staff estimates that the proposed *Ground Water Wells Professional Services & Design* grant project completion time period will be completed within three years of signed contract award. After final construction, these two (2) potable water wells will be designed to produce approximately 350 acre-feet (AF) each year, helping to provide water supply in lieu of surface water and to protect our residence from COVID 19 and other pandemic diseases especially, during times of drought;

WHEREAS, the *Ground Water Wells Professional Services & Design* grant proposal project costs are estimated at four million dollars (\$4 million) for this project to be completed in three years. The U.S. DOI - USBR share is calculated at \$750,000 per year over a period of three years, for a total cost share of \$2.25 million. The City of Gallup cost share will be 50% matching funds that will come from either a Water & Sanitation Department budget adjustment, New Mexico Water Trust Board Loan/Grant or other funding source;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the City of Gallup does hereby approve this grant submission, and if awarded, implementation of the *Ground Water Wells Professional Services & Design* USBR grant Funding Opportunity application and partnership between the City of Gallup and the US DOI Bureau of Reclamation.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 14th day of July, 2020, in a duly called meeting of the Gallup City Council at which a quorum was present, at Gallup, New Mexico, by a vote of _____ in favor, _____ opposed, and _____ abstaining.

BY: _____
Louie Bonaguidi, Mayor
City of Gallup

ATTEST: _____
Alfred Abeita, City Clerk