

## RESOLUTION NO. 2018-1660

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAYOR TOMMY ROBERTS FOR HIS EXCELLENT AND DEDICATED SERVICE AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON FROM 2010 TO 2018

WHEREAS, Tommy Roberts was first elected as mayor in March of 2010 and immediately immersed himself into the business of the City, dedicating many hours and having an "open door" policy for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Roberts was re-elected in 2014, serving as Mayor for eight years; and

WHEREAS, he previously served as Councilor for District 4 from March 1998 to March 2006; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Roberts provided leadership during a period of difficult economic times for the City; but he and the Council worked to authorize, guide, and fund without raising taxes for the purpose of funding a number of City facility construction projects, including:

- construction of seven nested T-hangars at Four Corners Regional Airport
- construction of the new Fire Station No. 1 and Fire Administration building
- remodel of Farmington Civic Center Exhibit Hall
- expansion of Farmington Museum at Gateway Park
- construction of the new Farmington Regional Animal Shelter
- construction of the new Lakewood Detention Pond
- construction of Porter Arroyo Detention Pond
- construction of phase one of the Villa View Detention Pond
- construction of the new Joint Intervention Program (JIP) Treatment Facility
- constructing, acquiring, and equipping energy conservation and efficiency improvements within City buildings
- expansion of the wastewater treatment plant
- renovation and expansion of the Farmington Civic Center
- approval of project and funding for the Brookside Water Park
- approval and funding of the Main Street Complete Streets infrastructure and place-making project

WHEREAS, the Mayor supported an expansion and improvement of the City's street and road system and, together with the Council, authorized and funded the Calle Norte Trail reconstruction, the San Juan Boulevard and Scott Avenue intersection reconstruction, the English Drive extension and Panther Trail construction to Piedra Vista High School, the reconfiguring of the left turn lanes on English Drive at E. Main Street and E. Main Street at 30<sup>th</sup> Street, the 20<sup>th</sup> Street sidewalk enhancements, and various other street improvement and extension projects; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Roberts worked very hard to establish and maintain good relations with neighboring cities, counties and tribal governments, creating the Minority Issues Roundtable, conducting the Mayor's Border Town Summits, serving on the New Mexico Municipal League's Tax Task Force and Budget Committees, and worked with San Juan County and the cities of Bloomfield and Aztec on a number of city/county projects and programs; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor lobbied the New Mexico Legislature on behalf of the community, but especially on issues regarding the Four Corners Regional Airport, PNM's Integrated Resource Plan, Hold Harmless legislation, and Farmington Electric Utility matters; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Roberts worked tirelessly to address the problem of homeless inebriates living within Farmington and oversaw the opening of the Joint Intervention Program (JIP) and Sobering House; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has been dedicated to improving the economic vitality of the downtown corridor through his work with the Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency since its inception in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Roberts' administration has also seen the City's utilities flourish and improve with the expansion of the wastewater