

**CITY OF ESPAÑOLA
RESOLUTION 2018-40**

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR AND COMMITMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTED DIVERSION ("LEAD") PLANNING TASK FORCE AND POLICY COORDINATING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the incidents of property and nuisance crimes are of major concern to the citizens of City of Española,

WHEREAS, the City of Española and its citizens want to improve-public safety and public order;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Española recognizes that the underlying problems related to property crimes are associated with persons who are addicted to drugs and alcohol and is intent on breaking the cycle of drug use, crime, delinquency and incarceration;

WHEREAS, it is time to take a fresh approach to the drug abuse problem in our community;

WHEREAS, there is a need to explore and discuss multidisciplinary approaches to treating addictions that lead to criminal activity, a need to increase the availability of pre- and post- incarceration treatment resources and a need to increase recovery support services; and

WHEREAS, interventions that connect low-level drug offenders with services may cost less and be more successful at reducing future criminal behavior than processing these individuals through the criminal justice system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Española agree to support and assign staff to participate in Rio Arriba County's Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD). Program Planning Task Force and Policy Coordinating Committee, which is the governing body for the Program.

SIGNED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 18th DAY OF DECEMBER 2018.



Javier E. Sánchez, Mayor, City of Española

ATTEST: 
Melissa Velasquez, City Clerk

