INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS RESOLUTION NO. 19-25

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LOS ALAMOS COUNTY UTILITIES MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW MEXICO ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT FOR FUNDING FOR LIGHT DUTY ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Incorporated County of Los Alamos ("County") is an incorporated county of the State of New Mexico as provided in Section 5 of Article 10 of the New Mexico Constitution; and

WHEREAS, County, pursuant to Article 10, Section 5 of the State Constitution, is granted all powers of municipalities and is a home-rule jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Los Alamos adopted a Charter which created as a standing department, the Department Public Utilities ("Department"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Utilities, under the authority and approval of the County Council, has adopted ordinances and rules related to operations of the Department; and

WHEREAS, County, as local public body of the State of New Mexico, seeks to decrease its carbon footprint and has adopted a County-wide policy to be carbon neutral by 2040; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Utilities adopted, as part of a strategic policy, the following resource recommendation adapted from the 7 July 2015 "Future Electrical Energy Resources" report: "Support replacement of petroleum-fueled motor vehicles with all-electric vehicles. Consider locating more electric vehicle charging stations around the County or at LANL."; and

WHEREAS, the Department intends to purchase, install and maintain electric vehicle charging stations to achieve the above strategic initiative; and

WHEREAS, on July 15, 2019, the New Mexico Environment Department ("NMED") opened the Light Duty Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment ("LDEVSE") Program (the "Program") for grant and funding applications; and

WHEREAS, the Program provides funding for the reimbursement of eligible costs for the purchase, installation and maintenance of LDEVSE; and

WHEREAS, the Program is funded through the Volkswagen[™] Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement for State Beneficiaries (the "Trust") and administered by Wilmington Trust, N.A.; and

WHEREAS, County intends to submit applications to the Program for funding the purchase, installation and maintenance of LDEVSE on four (4) County-owned properties (the "Project").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE Incorporated County of Los Alamos:

Section 1. That the County Utilities Manager ("Utilities Manager") and necessary employees are hereby directed and authorized to prepare and submit the necessary applications to NMED for its review of the Project for the purchase, installation and maintenance of LDEVSE in the County, and are further authorized to take such other action as may be requested by the NMED and the Trust in their consideration and review of the applications and to further proceed with arrangements for funding the Project.

Section 2. The County Council further provides authorization for the Utilities Manager to allocate funding for the parts of the Project that receive approvals by NMED and the Trust.

Section 3. All acts and resolutions in conflict with this Resolution are hereby rescinded, annulled and repealed.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 29th day of October, 2019.

COUNCIL OF THE INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS

Sara C. Scott Council Chair

ATTEST:

Naomi D. Maestas Los Alamos County Clerk