

January 7, 2022: Letter to Editor, Santa Fe New Mexican: Re: City Procedural Rules

City should adopt procedural rules

The Santa Fe City Council and Mayor Webber will consider a proposed update to its Procedural Rules this month. Members of the League of Women Voters of Santa Fe County have reviewed the changes and additions to the rules. We find that these rules provide clarity for the roles, responsibilities, and processes of the council. If they are enforced rigorously, they will not only promote civil discourse and transparency but will make city government more efficient. The league met with the sponsors of the resolution and we thank them for their time and attention to our questions and comments. We appreciate their research into best practices of governing bodies around the country; we also commend the sponsoring team for their patience and thoroughness in the iterative process used to write and revise the rules. The league strongly supports adoption of the new procedural rules.