

## RESOLUTION NO. 01-16

### A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DECISION OF THE NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATORY COMMISSION CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW TELEPHONE AREA CODE FOR THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

**WHEREAS**, the New Mexico Public Regulatory Commission ("PRC") recently made a difficult decision to require a new telephone area code for the Albuquerque/Santa Fe/Los Alamos metropolitan areas; and

**WHEREAS**, the decision has come under fire from a number of business and political leaders from the affected areas; and

**WHEREAS**, these individuals have attacked the decision on the ground that the area code change will be disruptive and costly to businesses located in the affected area; and

**WHEREAS**, this argument is not persuasive because if the decision was reversed, it would certainly be disruptive and costly to businesses located in the rural areas of the state as well; and

**WHEREAS**, it could be shown that the economy of the populous Albuquerque/Santa Fe area is healthy and growing and would better withstand the effects of the change than will the economies of most other areas of the state; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council believes that the PRC's decision was not only courageous, but was also in the best interests of the state as a whole.

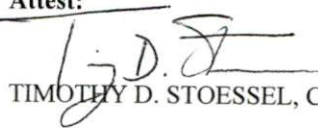
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY, THE CITY COUNCIL OF ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO** that the City of Roswell supports the decision of the New Mexico Public Regulatory Commission assigning the state's new telephone area code to the greater metropolitan Albuquerque, Santa Fe and Los Alamos areas as the best decision for all the people of the State of New Mexico.

**PASSED, APPROVED, SIGNED AND ADOPTED** this 31st day of May, 2001.

CITY SEAL

  
BILL B. OWEN, Mayor

Attest:

  
TIMOTHY D. STOESSEL, City Clerk