



**ORDINANCE 22-20**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT TO PROVIDE WATER UTILITY SERVICE TO THE TAOS REGIONAL AIRPORT**

**WHEREAS**, the New Mexico State Legislature appropriated funds to the New Mexico Economic Development Department (NMEDD) for economic development projects statewide pursuant to the Local Economic Development Act (LEDA); and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of LEDA is to provide public support for economic development to foster, promote and enhance local economic development effort; and

**WHEREAS**, LEDA allows for the application of LEDA funds to provide new, or improvements to, water supply systems, wastewater treatment, power transmission, internet connectivity, roads, highways or rail infrastructure on government owned property in a municipality with a population of less than sixty thousand; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has adopted Ordinance 15-03 the Town of Taos Economic Development Ordinance which established the Town's Economic Development Plan that promotes economic development within the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, in order for the Town to submit an application to the NMEDD for LEDA funding to support extending the Town's water system at the Taos Regional Airport, including connecting the system to the water system owned and operated by El Prado Water and Sanitation District, the Town must adopt an ordinance approving the application and authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Governing Body of the Town of Taos, meeting in Regular Session on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022, and after having held a public hearing on the matter, the following ordinance is hereby adopted, approved, and ratified:

**Section 1. The Town of Taos Code shall hereby be amended to include the following sections:**

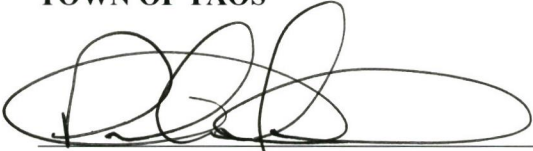
**4.20.150: LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT**

The Town is authorized to submit applications to the New Mexico Economic Development Department (NMEDD) for Local Economic Development Act (LEDA) funding to support providing additional water utility service. The Town is further authorized to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the NMEDD for the receipt and transfer of the aforementioned LEDA grant funding.

**ORDAINED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022 by the following vote:

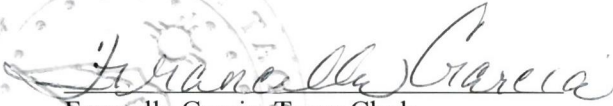
Mayor Pro Tem Darien Fernandez	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Nathaniel Evans	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Corilia Ortega	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Marietta Fambro	<u>yes</u>

**TOWN OF TAOS**



Pascualito M. Maestas, Mayor

**ATTEST:**



Francella Garcia, Town Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**



Christopher Stachura, Town Attorney

