

RESOLUTION 2008-08

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A REQUEST TO THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INITIATE A TRAFFIC STUDY AND TAKE
APPROPRIATE ACTION ON U.S. HIGHWAY 90 AND RIDGE ROAD**

SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR SIMON WHEATON-SMITH

WHEREAS, U.S. Highway 90 is a State owned and maintained roadway which passes through heavily traveled areas within the municipal boundaries of the Town of Silver City; and

WHEREAS, there is increasing school, residential, as well as landfill traffic using the cross street of Ridge Road; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Silver City recognizes that the Department of Transportation is charged by the State to maintain U.S. Highway 90 in a safe condition, with due consideration for those who use and are affected by said highway; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Silver City has determined, after public input and staff investigation, that vehicular traffic to and from Ridge Road conflicts with traffic on U.S. Highway 90, increasing the potential for serious harm to both person and property; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has the responsibility of taking reasonable steps to protect the health, welfare, and safety of its inhabitants and visitors;

BE IT *RESOLVED*, THEREFORE, that the Town Council of the Town of Silver City petitions the State of New Mexico, Department of Transportation, to make the necessary modifications to the referenced portion of U.S. Highway 90 at Ridge Road which would likely result in an increase of public safety, including appropriate signage

and roadway modifications intended to alert motorists that they were entering congested areas. The Town Manager is hereby charged with delivering this resolution to the appropriate authorities, and to impress upon those authorities the needs described herein.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of February, 2008.

(Seal)

/s/
James R. Marshall, Mayor

Attest:

/s/
Ann L. Mackie, Town Clerk