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October 29, 2013

Councilor Dan Lewis
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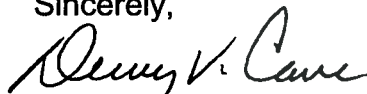
Dear Councilor Dan Lewis:

The Mid-Region Council of Governments (MRCOG) has been charged with establishing a Paseo del Volcan Corridor Steering Committee to develop a strategy for the eventual construction of this corridor (see attached letter from Councilor Lewis). You have been identified as a key stakeholder and we would like your involvement as a committee member.

The first Steering Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 20, 2013 from 8:00 – 10:00am in the MRCOG Board Room (809 Copper Ave. NW, Alb., NM). We will provide refreshments and use this first meeting to brief the committee on the status of this corridor and strategize on how we move forward.

We look forward to working with you and all the committee members and making the Paseo del Volcan a viable future corridor for our region.

Sincerely,


Dewey V. Cave
Executive Director

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August 15, 2013

Dewey Cave
Executive Director
Mid-Region Council of Governments
809 Copper Ave., NW
Albuquerque, NM 87102

Dear Mr. Cave,

I am writing to request that the Mid-Region Council of Governments (MRCOG) establish a steering committee to plan and advocate for the development of the Paseo del Volcan Corridor. The committee's duties would be threefold. Members would advocate for the project to federal, state, regional and local agencies for the purpose of acquiring funding. They would work with the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) to identify a phasing schedule for the project and help to resolve any right-of-way and access issues. Finally the committee, working with MRCOG staff, would initiate an economic development plan for the Paseo del Volcan corridor.

The committee should be comprised of elected officials and staff from stakeholder agencies including Bernalillo County, Sandoval County, the City of Albuquerque, the City of Rio Rancho and the NMDOT. Additionally, the committee should include several representatives from private property owners with land holdings in the corridor and members of the New Mexico Legislature whose districts would be transected by the roadway. Because of the importance of this project for economic development I ask that the committee also include a representative from Albuquerque Economic Development Inc. Of course, should there be anyone else you would like to see serve on this committee I would be open to that suggestion.

My preference is to hold the committee's first meeting in early October of 2013. This will allow the necessary time to prepare a capital request for the 2014 Session of the New Mexico Legislature, and to review the possibility of placing funding for the project on the 2014 ballot for State and County capital questions. If you need assistance with this request please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to working with you on this project.

Sincerely

Dan Lewis,
City Councilor-District 5
Albuquerque City Council