

Neighborhood News

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Richard J. Berry
Mayor of Albuquerque

Message from the Mayor:

Fall is upon us and I know I am looking forward to that crisp in the air and to see Albuquerque skies ornamented with the beautiful sight of colorful hot air balloons. This September we celebrate the State Fair's 75th Anniversary abundant with music, food and fun. This past year the City of Albuquerque held many great events like the four successful Summerfests, the rollout of blue recycling bins and the start of a successful get active initiative, Step UP! Albuquerque. Step it UP! encourages everyone to get moving by logging their steps on our website in a quest to get family, friends and coworkers healthy. Learn more about getting and keeping fit at <http://www.stepitupabq.com/>.

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you a new and exciting component of our successful Albuquerque Heading Home Program. Albuquerque Heading Home is targeted at making homelessness rare, short-lived and non-recurring. This organization has two years of success under its belt with almost 250 individuals housed!

In partnership with Lockheed Martin and Sandia National Labs, Albuquerque Heading Home is now focusing its efforts on female veterans. The program is coined Vets Heading Home with a special attention paid to housing, mental health services, employment, childcare and transportation. Lockheed Martin and Sandia National Labs have committed to donating \$20,000 to the program while local volunteers including Kyla Thompson, Thelma Domenici and Dorthy Rainosek have vowed to match the donation 4:1, making the grand donation total \$100,000.

These veterans have put their lives on the line to protect our lives and freedoms. It is paramount that these female veterans are taken care of when they return state side. Albuquerque continues to work on becoming a city where all are cared for and welcomed. This program furthers that mission in making sure that everyone gets the help they need and that no one slips through the cracks.

Albuquerque is made up of great neighborhoods which make it truly a great place to live. Thank you for all that you do.

Best Regards,

Mayor Richard J. Berry

“Dedicated to Providing Information About City Government and Increasing Communication Between Neighborhood and/or Homeowner Associations.”



APD Crime Prevention

Submitted By Steve Sink



Crime Prevention Auto Theft Prevention

Auto theft is a problem for all Americans but the citizens of New Mexico face a particular issue that affects our auto theft rate. Due to the fact that we are adjacent to an International Border we are always ranked high on the list for theft rates. Typically vehicles are stolen for one of four reasons. They are used to joy ride, sell for parts, commit a crime or driven across the border for resale. Also more than 2/3 of all auto thefts take place at night between the hours of 1a.m. and 5 a.m. and over half occur in residential areas including apartment complexes. You can take a variety of steps to insure that you are not a victim of auto theft. Observe the following tips to reduce the chances of your vehicle from being stolen.

- Always roll up your windows, lock the doors and take the key even if you will be away for a short time.
Never leave your car running in front of a convenient store or other public area including in front of your house.
Park your vehicle in a garage (if possible) or in an area with adequate lighting and good natural surveillance.
If you put your vehicle in for repairs or in a commercial lot only leave the ignition key.
Keep valuables in the trunk or out of site.
Purchase stereo equipment and other electronic devices that can be removed.
Theft Prevention Device: After years of false alarms people have stopped paying attention to alarms.
A kill switch is a simple toggle device that shuts off the engine's ignition system.
Steering wheel locks are visible from outside

- the car and prevent the steering wheel from being turned more than a few degrees.
Collars are devices that prevent the steering column from being stripped.
Brake locks prevent the brake from being engaged and therefore the transmission cannot be removed from the park position.
Wheel locks prevent the vehicle from being moved in any direction.
Etching vehicle parts with your VIN number can also be a deterrent.

Carjacking has become an easy way to steal vehicles, especially newer model large luxury cars and sport utility vehicles that have alarms and state-of-the-art anti-theft devices. As with any crime, criminals are looking for the path of least resistance. Avoid being a victim of this type of crime by observing the following tips.

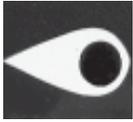
- Always drive with windows rolled up and doors locked.
Be aware of your surroundings when stopped at a traffic signal, parking lot, gas station, etc.
When stopped at a signal leave space in front of you to allow for evasive action and be prepared to carefully drive away.
Take note of people approaching your vehicle for any reason.
Prior to entering your car - if someone is loitering near the area, keep walking and seek help.
Be alert at a drive-up ATM.
If all else fails - don't resist.

The goal in preventing auto theft is to establish multiple layers of protection for your vehicle. Thieves are looking for the path of least resistance. Although no method is foolproof, consider where you park, theft prevention devices and etching. However, spending money on anti-theft devices does not help if drivers don't follow the basic precaution of locking their cars, taking the key and activating the anti-theft device.

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APD Crime Prevention

Submitted By Steve Sink



Vehicle Identification Number Window Etching Event

Window etching of your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) is an excellent deterrent to auto theft. In a matter of minutes the VIN can be permanently fixed in a corner of each window. Placing the VIN on each window can discourage thieves from dismantling your automobile and reselling the parts which is one of the primary reasons our vehicles are stolen.

The next VIN Etching Event, sponsored by the Albuquerque Police Department, is scheduled for the following date, time and location.

Saturday, September 28, 2013
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Home Depot
200 Eubank Boulevard SE



The window etching is **FREE**. Citizens must provide current vehicle registration.

Planning Department

Submitted By Catalina Lehner

Project #1001620, 13EPC-40136: Proposed Text Amendments to the Zoning Code – The Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) will consider text amendments to Zoning Code Section 14-16-4-1(B)(3), Amendment Procedure.

The Amendment Procedure section would be amended to establish a fee for “original plan approval by the Planning Director.” Fees are already established for original approval of site development plans that go through a Public Hearing process such as EPC or Development Review Board (DRB). However currently there is no fee for approval of a site development plan that is not done in a Public Hearing, i.e., administratively (by Staff). Recent sector development plans have tended to move from site plan approvals by the EPC and/or DRB in favor of administrative (Staff) approval. Also sometimes an SU-1 or SC zoned site allows new development to be approved administratively. The same fee for approval at a Public Hearing (\$385) is proposed for administrative approval. The proposed text amendments would apply City-wide.

Please contact Catalina Lehner-AICP, Senior Planner at **505-924-3935** for more information.

Albuquerque Fire Department

Submitted By Melissa Romero



Cooking brings family and friends together provides an outlet for creativity and can be relaxing. But did you know that cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home injuries? By following a few safety tips you can prevent these fires.

It’s time for Fire Prevention Week and from October 6-12, 2013 the Albuquerque Fire Department is joining forces with the non-profit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) to remind local residents to ‘Prevent Kitchen Fires.’ During this year’s fire safety campaign, firefighters and safety advocates will be spreading the word about the dangers of kitchen fires most of which result from unattended cooking — and teaching local residents how to prevent kitchen fires from starting in the first place.

According to the latest NFPA research cooking is the leading cause of home fires. Two of every five home fires begin in the kitchen — more than any other place in the home. Cooking fires are also the leading cause of home fire related injuries.

Among the safety tips that firefighters and safety advocates will be emphasizing:

- Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling, broiling or boiling food.
- If you must leave the room even for a short period of time turn off the stove.
- When you are simmering, baking, or roasting food check it regularly stay in the home and use a timer to remind you.
- If you have young children use the stove’s back burners whenever possible. Keep children and pets at least three away from the stove.
- When you cook wear clothing with tight-fitting sleeves.
- Keep potholders, oven mitts, wooden utensils, paper and plastic bags, towels and anything else that can burn away from your stovetop.
- Clean up food and grease from burners and stovetops.

ABQ RIDE

Submitted By Rick De Reyes

Busy Summer for ABQ RIDE Brings Money and Completion of a Final Bus Shelter; Culminates in a Shuttle for the N.M. State Fair



August 2013 began by throwing a spotlight on the public private partnership between the City of Albuquerque's Transit Department and Lamar Advertising and how this partnership continues to pay off. After receiving more than \$120,000 last year over its minimum annual guarantee in advertising revenue from Lamar, ABQ RIDE received another \$80,000 from the company this year.



ABQ RIDE has a contract with Lamar, a national advertising company to sell advertising on city buses and most bus shelters. The contract stipulates Lamar pay ABQ RIDE a percentage of advertising revenue with a minimum annual guarantee. This revenue helps reduce the funding ABQ RIDE receives from the City's General Fund. This year's \$80,098, when combined with last year's check for \$124,085, means that in the past two years, ABQ RIDE has received over \$200,000 (\$204,183) over its minimum annual guarantee from Lamar.

"Taxpayers once again benefit because the money from this agreement helps offset some of ABQ RIDE's costs," said Mayor Richard J. Berry. "And we anticipate even more benefits from this contract for years to come as our local economy continues to improve."

Last year Lamar successfully completed a program in which it purchased and installed 49 bus shelters and used ad revenue from these shelters to pay for the program. After the completion of this program last year, Lamar began directly paying ABQ RIDE a percentage of its annual advertising revenue above the minimum annual guarantee.

"Lamar is proud to be a partner of ABQ RIDE and provide this service for the City," said Casey Sexton, Vice President/Territory Manager of Lamar Advertising. "Our goal is to consistently deliver results for both the City and the advertising clients that benefit from this marketing platform."

"This revenue sharing agreement between the two groups continues to be a win-win situation for Albuquerque," said Bruce Rizzieri, Director of ABQ RIDE. "The Transit Department is able to offset expenses by using its buses as advertising platforms and Lamar is able to consistently show its advertising to a large part of the metro area."

On August 29, 2013 ABQ RIDE and the City's Department of Municipal Development dedicated the last of 414 bus shelters in Albuquerque paid for by 2009 Federal Stimulus money distributed by the Federal Transit Administration. A stop on Rainbow Road NW across from Volcano Vista High School that includes such amenities as a shelter, bench, solar lighting and a concrete pad connected to the sidewalk.

But actually the idea for a shelter at this location came from a class of gifted third graders at nearby Tierra Antigua Elementary School. Last May, as part of a class studying how to participate in government they wrote to the City and asked it to improve what was then a solitary bus stop on the #162 Ventura Commuter route.

"The result of these students taking an interest in their community and writing the City was that they helped get the ball rolling on the project," said Mayor Richard J. Berry. "It also demonstrates the daily cooperation between our city departments to get things done in this case the cooperation between the Municipal Development and Transit Departments."

"After receiving the class letter, we looked at several factors, including available right-of-way and the potential transit ridership in this area," said Bruce Rizzieri, Director of Transit and ABQ RIDE. "Both the Departments of Municipal Development and Transit then determined this was indeed a good location for a shelter."

"These students identified an issue that could improve our community and took action as concerned citizens to bring it to our attention," said Michael Riordan, Director of Municipal Development. "Now what was once just a bus stop sign on the shoulder of the road is now a fully-accessible ADA shelter with shade."



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Since 2009, the Municipal Development and Transit Departments have worked together with local contractors to install these locally fabricated, ARRA shelters (for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009) throughout the metropolitan area. At an average cost of \$22,900 each they are not only keeping bus riders out of the elements but have also helped create or sustain over a hundred job months in Albuquerque. Indirectly, the shelters may have also accounted for over a hundred other jobs.

As time approached for the annual New Mexico State Fair, ABQ RIDE again was providing economical and timely service to the State Fair. From its four Park and Ride facilities, ABQ RIDE serve the Fair with four bus routes, including Rapid Ride routes #766 and #777, Route #66 and Route #157 to drop off and pick up fairgoers at Central and Louisiana and at other bus stops adjacent to the fairgrounds.

A FREE, weekend shuttle at the Fair will also be provided on Friday, Saturday and Sundays during the run of the Fair. ABQ RIDE operated a FREE shuttle from Noon to 11:30 p.m. on the Fair's two weekends. It picks up fairgoers inside Gate 9 (near the corner of Louisiana and Central) and shuttles them to the Admission booths inside the State Fair grounds.

Fairgoers used four ABQ RIDE Park and Ride lots for regular bus service to the State Fairgrounds: the Uptown Transit Center Park and Ride facility, located just south of Coronado Shopping Center, the Northwest Transit Center (Coors Bypass and Ellison), the Central and Unser Transit Center (Central and Unser) and the Park and Ride at Wenonah and Tramway.

Animal Welfare Department

Submitted By Desiree Cawley



City Offers Free Spay/Neuter; Animal Shelters are Improving

It has never been easier to have your pet spayed and neutered, and it's one of the most important steps you can take as a responsible pet owner.

Every year, thousands of dogs and cats are born into short lives of suffering and death in Albuquerque because people did not spay or neuter their pets. There are simply not enough homes for the animals that are born because of this type of neglect.

The City's Animal Welfare Department is offering surgeries at no charge for the pets of low income and moderate income Albuquerque residents. For information about scheduling a

surgery, call 311 or 505-768-2000. Details are available on the city's website at <www.cabq.gov/pets/programs-services/spay-neuter>.

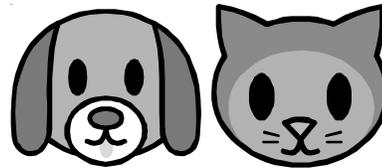
The Animal Welfare Department also works with programs that can arrange for the FREE spay or neuter of street cats in your neighborhood to humanely control the cat population. For information, contact New Mexico Animal Friends at 505-881-7297, option 3 or the Best Friends Animal Society at 505-440-3441.

Spaying and neutering provide health benefits in addition to preventing litters. Spaying helps prevent uterine infection and breast cancer which is fatal in about 50 percent of dogs and 90 percent of cats. Neutering can prevent testicular cancer if done before six months of age. Neutering also reduces roaming and nuisances such as foul odors in spraying by cats. It can reduce aggressiveness and fighting among both dogs and cats.

Under most circumstances, it is against the law in Albuquerque to own a dog or cat that is not spayed or neutered.

The Animal Welfare Department has been working hard to upgrade important services such as the spay/neuter programs, while also improving the results at city animal shelters. Through the end of July euthanasia during 2013 was down 55 percent compared to only two years earlier.

Improvements at city shelters have included greater success with adoptions, vigorous efforts to place animals with rescue groups, much better use of marketing and special events, improved efforts to ensure the quality of adoptions and a foster care program that has helped save hundreds of young kittens as well as other animals with special needs.



The City of Albuquerque does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, disability, age, gender, Vietnam Era or disabled veteran status, sexual orientation or medical condition in employment or in the provision of services. If you have a disability and will need special assistance to benefit from any of the meetings, hearings or workshops, etc., appearing in this newsletter, contact the office sponsoring the event two weeks prior to the date of the meeting you plan to attend. When ever possible, TTY phone numbers will be listed. TTY users may call any phone number listed in this publication via Relay New Mexico at 1-800-659-8331.

**Parks and Recreation,
Open Space Division**

Submitted By Kent Swanson

**Fall Volunteer Opportunities with the City Open
Space Division**

Ours is a city of contrasting landscapes, with vast desert scrublands giving way to the lush river forest of the Rio Grande *bosque* and piñon/juniper foothills leading to the majestic Sandia Mountains. These special places help to define who we are as a city.

During the month of October, join the City of Albuquerque Open Space Division and other local organizations for two special events that serve to celebrate and protect our unique local landscapes.

19th Annual Dia Del Rio - October 19, 2013

Join the Open Space Division, the Open Space Alliance, Bernalillo County Open Space, REI and other local organizations for a variety of conservation projects that nurture and protect the *bosque* and river, including trail work, re-vegetation and trash clean up. There will be activities appropriate for all ages.

WHEN: Saturday, October 19, 2013 from 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Please arrive promptly at 8:30 a.m. to sign in and enjoy snacks provided by our other generous sponsors. At the end of the event make sure to stick around for a *fabulous prize drawing!*

WHERE: The Bernalillo County Durand Open Space in the South Valley. 4812 Isleta Boulevard SW (south of Gun Club Road SW on Isleta Boulevard SW). Parking is limited so PLEASE CARPOOL!

BRING: Gloves, sun protection, plenty of water and a sack lunch. Free snacks will be provided during morning sign in.

REGISTER: Register online with REI at <www.rei.com/albuquerque> or by calling 505-247-1191. *The first 80 people to pre-register will receive a free t-shirt the day of the event, courtesy of REI!*

Other Ways to Help on Dia del Rio:

Do you live near the bosque? Or do you have a favorite area near the river?

Organize your own clean up the day of the event. Open Space will provide trash bags and haul off the collected trash. Call 505-452-5216 or e-mail <kswanson@cabq.gov> to sign up your group for your own cleanup.

Make a Difference Day - October 26, 2013

Make a Difference Day is a national day of community service held annually at the end of October. Each year volunteers throughout Albuquerque work to help improve the quality of life in our community through service projects.

The Open Space Division and our partner organization the Nicodemus Wilderness Project participate in Make a Difference Day by organizing a variety of conservation activities that take place at the Piedra Lisa Open Space located at the end of Candelaria Road NE. Projects include trail maintenance, trail building, trash cleanup, graffiti removal, etc.

This day of spirited volunteerism is an enjoyable event for the whole family.

When: October 26, 2013 starting at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 12:30 p.m.

Where: The Sandia Foothills parking area east of Tramway Boulevard NE on Camino de la Sierra NE, just south of the east end of Candelaria Road NE.

Registration for this event is required and space is limited. Please register at <www.centerforprofitexcellence.org/mdd>.

The Nicodemus Wilderness Project is a worldwide organization based in Albuquerque and are the adopters of the Piedra Lisa Open Space. Their mission is "to protect wildlife and our environment and to build future conservation leaders by engaging youth in environmental stewardship projects worldwide".

Their program helps to elevate young people (especially at-risk and low income kids and teens) into leadership roles by engaging them in environmental stewardship projects. For more information see <www.wildernessproject.org>.

For more information about Make a Difference Day please call 505-452-5213 or e-mail <jsattler@cabq.gov>.

See the Open Space Division website at <www.cabq.gov/openspace> for more ways you can help protect your favorite Major Public Open Space!



Planning Department

Submitted By Dalaina Carmona

Annual Reports Due to ONC

Just a reminder: As of this publication date, all recognized and unrecognized neighborhood/homeowners associations and coalitions need to submit a **“Yearly Annual Report Form for Neighborhood, Homeowner Associations and Coalitions”** in order to maintain their “R” recognized and/or “active” status on our list.

We will need the original Annual Report and a **copy of the announcement** of your Annual Meeting submitted to our office **before** your Annual Report will be approved for the year. Please make sure that you have the correct contact information (i.e., addresses, name, phone numbers and e-mail address) listed for your officers on your Annual Report. Please call Dalaina at **505-924-3914** if you have any questions.



Please mail to: Office of Neighborhood Coordination
Attn: Dalaina Carmona
600 Second Street NW
Room 120, (Basement Level)
Albuquerque, NM 87102



Annual Meeting

January
February
March
April
May
June
July
August
September
October
November
December

Due to ONC

April 1
May 1
June 1
July 1
August 1
September 1
October 1
November 1
December 1
January 1
February 1
March 1

FYI: If you post your “Annual Meeting” date on your NA Marquee please **take a picture** as that will be your proof of notification to ONC when filing your Annual Report Form.



Please **PRINT** all information clearly.

Office of NM Attorney General

Submitted By Phil Sisneros

Internet Safety

More than half a million children under age 18 live in New Mexico. The following tips are offered to help keep youth safe while online.

The family computer should be placed in a common room in the home. This allows parents or other responsible adults to monitor computer activity. Since children may have access to computers outside the home it is important to set rules for using the Internet. Report the following to <Cybertipline.com> or **1-800-843-5678**:

1. Your child receives inappropriate images via e-mail, IM or cell phone or is asked to meet in person someone they only know online;
2. Experiences cyber bullying online or on their cell phone.
3. Personal computers are not the only way kids can live chat with people they do not know. Game consoles are sometimes connected to the Internet for live chat with friends and strangers while game playing.
4. Know your children’s online names and passwords to their computers and smartphones.
5. Blocking software can make the Internet safer for children. Some options include blocking chat rooms and downloads; filtering specific websites; recording users keystrokes and more.

More tips are available in our Internet Safety Guide, available at Attorney General’s Office locations in Albuquerque, Santa Fe and Las Cruces or visit our website at <nmag.gov> and click on “Publications.”



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Sunday, September 22 •Autumn begins 	NO Meetings in October: •District 6 Coalition •District 8 Coalition Tuesday, October 1 •SWAN – 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 2 •DRB – 9 a.m. •Westside Coalition – 7 p.m. Thursday, October 3 •District 7 Coalition – 7 p.m.	Thursday, October 10 •EPC Public Hearing – 8:30 a.m. •POC – 4 p.m. •South Valley Coalition – 6:30 p.m. Monday, October 14 •Columbus Day Tuesday, October 15 •ZHE – 9 a.m. Wednesday, October 16 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m. •District 4 Coalition – 7 p.m. •National Boss Day	Thursday, October 17 •AAB – 9 a.m. •East Gateway Coalition – 6:30 p.m. Monday, October 21 •City Council – 5 p.m. Tuesday, October 22 •BOA – 9 a.m. Wednesday, October 23 •DRB – 9 a.m. Wednesday, October 30 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. Thursday, October 31 
Tuesday, September 24 •BOA – 9 a.m.	Wednesday, October 3 •EPC Case Distribution – 3 p.m.	Thursday, October 16 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.	Thursday, October 31 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m.
Wednesday, September 25 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m.	Wednesday, October 9 •DRB – 9 a.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m. •City Council – 5 p.m.	Thursday, October 16 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.	Thursday, October 31 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m.
Thursday, September 26 •District 8 Coalition – 7 p.m.	Wednesday, October 9 •DRB – 9 a.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m. •City Council – 5 p.m.	Thursday, October 16 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.	Thursday, October 31 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m.

2013 CALENDAR/LEGEND

AAB - Airport Advisory Board, Aviation Department Executive Conference Room
ACCC - Albuquerque Citizens Corp. Council, 1615 University Boulevard NE (Association of General Contractors Building Branch), 505-610-9563
ADC - Albuquerque Development Commission - Hearing Room (Basement Level), Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW
BOA - Board of Appeals, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second Street NW
City Council - Vincent E. Griego Council Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall
District 4 Coalition - North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center, Community Room, 7521 Carmel Avenue NE
District 6 Coalition - EXPO NM, Alice B. Hopes Pavilion on San Pedro NE and Copper NE
District 7 Coalition - Grant Middle School, Library, 1111 Easterday NE
District 8 Coalition - Holiday Park Community Center, 11710 Comanche Road NE
DRB - Development Review Board, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW
East Gateway Coalition - Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center, 501 Elizabeth Street SE
EPC - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW
EPC Pre-Hearing - Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW, Third Floor, Conference Room
EPC Study Session - Planning Department, Plaza del Sol, Hearing Room, (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW
LUCC - Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission, Plaza del Sol, Hearing Room (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW
POC - Police Oversight Commission, City/County Building, Lower Level, 1 Civic Plaza, Fifth and Marquette
SEPC - Special Events Permitting Committee - 6th floor, Cultural Services Department Conference Room, City Hall, Fifth and Marquette
SVCNA - South Valley Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, Sheriff's Department South Area Command, 2039 Isleta Boulevard SW
SWAN - South West Alliance of Neighbors, Alamosa Multi-Purpose Center, 6900 Gonzales Road SW
Westside Coalition - Don Newton/Taylor Ranch Community Center, 4900 Kachina Drive NW
ZHE - Zoning Hearing Examiner Offices - Plaza Del Sol Building, 7th Floor, 505-768-4503; ZHE Hearings are held in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW

EPC Hearing Notice

Neighborhood Alert – Be aware that public comments at EPC Meetings have a time limitation due to the length of the EPC Hearings. The **48-Hour Rule of the EPC**: All written materials and other documents shall be submitted to the Planning Department no later than **9 a.m.** on the **2nd Tuesday** of the Public Hearing Week. For an Appeal Hearing – no communication with EPC is allowed within five days of the Public Hearing.

In order to make maximum use of the following information – please note:

- Scan the entire list to see if your neighborhood association has a case this month.
- The name and phone number of the developer/agent is listed so that you can easily contact them should you have any questions.
- The assigned staff planner is identified with each agenda item should you need additional information (*i.e., check on the actual placement of your case on the agenda*). All staff may be reached at **505-924-3860**.
- On the day of the EPC Public Hearing, call the Planning Department at **505-924-3860** and the receptionist will give you the status of the EPC Public Hearing.
- Staff Reports are available at the Planning Department beginning at **3 p.m.** on the **1st Thursday** prior to the EPC Public Hearing.

On the 1st Thursday of each month, the EPC has a **Study Session** to review the applications scheduled for the all-day Public Hearing which occurs on the **2nd Thursday of each month**.

As with the Public Hearing, **the public is invited** to attend the Study Sessions, however, **Study Sessions do not provide an open forum. Discussion is limited to staff and the EPC.** Study Sessions regularly begin at **3 p.m.** in the Planning Department Hearing Room, Plaza Del Sol Building. Please call the Planning Department at **505-924-3860** to confirm the Study Session schedule will happen at the times listed, as time adjustments are made occasionally.

The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **October 10, 2013** at **8:30 a.m.** in the **Planning Department Hearing Room**, (basement level), **600 Second Street NW** for the following cases:

Citywide

All Neighborhoods and/or Homeowner Associations and Coalitions; 13EPC-40136, Project #1001620; City of Albuquerque, Planning Department at **505-924-3860**; The proposed text amendments to the Zoning Code Section 14-16-4-1(B)(3), Amendment Procedure; The Amendment Procedure section would be amended to establish a fee for “original plan approval by the Planning Director.” Fees are already established for original approval of site development plans that go through a public hearing process such as EPC or Development Review Board (DRB). However, currently there is no fee for approval of a site development plan that is not done in a public hearing, i.e., administratively (by Staff). Recent sector development plans have tended to move from site plan approvals by the EPC and/or DRB in favor of administrative (Staff) approval. Also sometimes an SU-1 or SC zoned site allows new development to be approved administratively. The same fee for approval at a public hearing (\$385) is proposed for administrative approval; Catalina Lehner at **505-924-3935**, e-mail: <clehner@cabq.gov>.

Northeast

East Gateway Coalition (neighborhood/homeowner association/coalition); 13EPC-40138, Project #1009813 (case #'s); Approximately .524 acres located on the east side of Eubank Boulevard NE between Lomas Boulevard NE and Hotel Avenue NE (location of request); K-21 (**zone atlas page #**); Steven Reinhart, Saucedo Chavez PC at **505-991-3586**, agent for Hotel Circle New Mexico Property, LLC (**applicant or agency and phone #**); Requests a Zone Map Amendment from SU-1/PDA to SU-1/PCD for Bubba’s Convenience Store to have a full service convenience mart selling alcoholic beverages for off-premise consumption (**action requested**); Chris Gloré at **505-924-3357**, e-mail: <cgloré@cabq.gov>. (**City staff planner**)

Northwest

Rio Grande Blvd., Los Duranes, North Valley Coalition; 13EPC-40141, Project #1001568; Approximately 1.8 acres located on the west side of Rio Grande Boulevard NW between Los Anayas NW and Zickert Road NW; E-12; Ed Haddaway and Barbara Forshay at **505-842-8117**; Requests a Zone Map Amendment from R-1 to RA-2 to be consistent with the rest of the property; Lorena Quintana-Patten at **505-924-3940**, e-mail: <lpatten-quintana@cabq.gov>.

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OPEN SPACE VISITOR CENTER

September

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
connecting people to place

2013




Mayor Richard J. Berry

Wood sculpture, tin punch arts, pottery are all a means of taking the resources that are provided by the New Mexico landscape and carving, piercing or shaping them into something that communicates beauty, pride and skill. More simply put, these are "colloquial goods."

Urban Farm and Harvest Festival

This year, it is more important than ever to celebrate our rich agricultural history. Please join us! FREE
Sunday, September 15th 10 am - 4 pm

- 10:30 Plants Over 1,000 Years, Baker Morrow
- 11:00 Music with HAPPY GLAND BAND
- 12:00 Seed Saving, Isaura Andaluz
- 12:00 Tin Punch Workshop
- 12:00 Pink Elephant Theater
- 1:00 Music with PAWN DRIVE
- 1:30 Wildlife Rescue
- 2:30 Music with LAST CALL
- 3:00 Food Forest Gardening

Beekeeping, Goat Raising, Spinning & More!

Colloquial Goods: Traditional New Mexican Arts

On Display through October 29th
Opening Reception
September 7th 3:00-5:00 pm
Open Space Gallery

Frog Effigy
Michael Kanteena



Food Forest Course Series

To capture self reliance and resilience, food forest gardens are designed to create environments that mimic the same types of ecosystems found in natural forests. Food forest gardens are filled with plants providing not only food, but also many other types of valuable products for people while also expanding habitat for wildlife and bees. This series is designed for those new to food forestry.
Sundays from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

September 29 Session One:
Intro to Food Forestry:
Benefits and Basics (\$35)

October 6 Session Two:
Food Forestry Foundations:
Wild Forest Biomimicry (\$35)

October 13 Session Three:
Food Forest Design, Part One

October 27 Session Four:
Food Forest Design, Part Two (Part one required)
(\$130 for Parts 1 & 2)

Urban Beekeeping Series

\$60 per class on a drop-in basis.

Fall Hive Management
Sunday, September 8th 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Making Wax Products
Sunday, October 6th 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Traditions Garden Lecture Series
To be announced soon - call 897-8831 for info

Trail Watch Volunteer Training

Saturday, September 7th
10:00 am - 12:30 pm
Learn about opportunities in Open Space lands and see how you can make conservation a part of your life.
Jolynn Maestas, jmaestas@cabq.gov

Rio Grande Vision

The next outreach meeting with the Mayor is scheduled **September 4th** at the Albuquerque Museum from 6-8PM. The Rio Grande Vision needs your input.
<http://abqtheplan.cabq.gov/>

Bosque Wild Guided Nature Walk

Sunday, September 1st 9:00 am FREE
The bosque is the year-round oasis in our high desert environment and offers habitat for a large variety of birds, mammals, insects, amphibians, reptiles & plants. First Sundays.
Register at 897-8831.

6500 Coors Blvd NW Albuquerque, NM 87120
between Montano and Paseo del Norte at the end of Bosque Meadows Rd.
Tuesday - Sunday • 9:00 am - 5:00 pm • **Reservations: 897-8831 • www.cabq.gov/openspace**

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NM State Association of Parliamentarians

Submitted By Janice Strand



“Taking a Serious Look at the Bylaws”

How long has it been since your organization has actually taken a serious look at the bylaws???

Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11th Edition states, “The contents of a society’s bylaws has important bearing on the rights and duties of members within the organization – whether present or absent from the assembly – and on the degree to which the general membership is to retain control of, or be relieved of detailed concern with, the society’s business. Except as the rules of a society may provide otherwise, its assembly (that is, the members attending one of its regular or properly called meetings) has full and sole power to act for the entire organization and does so by majority vote. Any limitation or standing delegation of the assembly’s power with respect to the society as a whole can only be by provision in the bylaws – or in the corporate charter or separate constitution, if either of these exists.” (page 566)

Parliamentarians recommend that bylaws be reviewed every five to seven years. A committee of persons who have a special interest in the rules of the society should be appointed after a motion is adopted to review the bylaws. The motion could state, “I move that a special committee of ___ (five to seven recommended) members be appointed to review the bylaws of this organization during the next ___ (two to three recommended) months, with monthly reports at regular

business meetings, and notice of amendments to be made available to all members 30 days before the _____ (can be annual or a named month) meeting.” This is a complete motion that gives directions for all of the details involved in review and amendment.

Plan to attend a **FREE** educational program on bylaws ...to learn the details of amending bylaws!! See below.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend the October meeting of the Albuquerque Parliamentarian Unit on Monday, October 14 at 6:30 p.m. at Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center, 7521 Carmel NE (North of Paseo Del Norte and west of Wyoming). The educational program, **FREE** to the public, conducted from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. by Julia McIntosh, Registered Parliamentarian, will be “Amending Bylaws – The Process”

On Monday, November 11, Daniel Ivey-Soto, Professional Registered Parliamentarian, will present “Evaluating Bylaws...The Terminology is Key”. These two programs will help your organization through the review and amendment of bylaws!

The Albuquerque Parliamentarian Unit (APU) offers short twenty-minute parliamentary programs to organizations. Contact Darlene Couchman, APU President at **505-821-2421** or <couchman@zianet.com> to schedule a program or contact Jan Strand, Treasurer of the New Mexico State Association of Parliamentarians at **505-821-5227** or <jan_str@msn.com>.

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La Luz Landowners, La Luz Del Sol, Taylor Ranch, Westside Coalition of NA’s; 13EPC-40137, Project #1003859; Approximately 15 acres located on the east side of Coors Boulevard NW between Montano Road NW and Learning Road NW; E-12; City of Albuquerque, Planning Department at **505-924-3860;** Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit for the EPC Interpretation of Condition 1, Site Development Plan for Building Permit for Project #1003859/04EPC-01844; Carmen Marrone at **505-924-3814,** e-mail: <cmarrone@cabq.gov>.

Southwest

Huning Castle, Downtown, North Valley Coalition; 13EPC-40139, 40140, Project #1004677; Approximately 3.37 acres located on the south side of Central Avenue SW between San Pasquale Avenue SW and Laguna Boulevard SW; J-13; Mullen Heller Architecture, PC at **505-268-4144,** agent for Jay Rembe and the Country Club Partners, LLC; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit and for Subdivision for the renovation of three existing buildings, two new multi-use buildings and one new residential complex; Chris Glore at **505-924-3357,** e-mail: <cglore@cabq.gov>.



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