

**CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE**

August 19, 2013

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____ TO R-13-172

AMENDMENT SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR Benton

1. Exhibit A to R-13-172, attached hereto, is adopted with the following modifications:
 - a. On page D-17, in the “Community Activity Centers – Developing” list, add “Ladera” on the line after “International Sunport Station Area” and before “Mesa del Sol” and identify the “Related Plan Policy” as “Established Urban Area.”
 - b. On page D-17, in the “Community Activity Centers – Developing” list, delete the line for “Quail Ranch.”
 - c. On page D-21, restore “4TH STREET / Bridge Blvd. – Osuna Rd.” under Major Transit Corridor, and return the limits of the “4TH STREET” Enhanced Transit Corridor to Osuna Rd. – Alameda Blvd. instead of Bridge Blvd. – Alameda Blvd. (See, also 2.b below)
 - d. Remove all formatting (e.g., underlining and red font) from the attached Exhibit A red-line, including the “NOTE” section at the bottom of page D-1 and the dates in the header.
2. Replace Figures 30 and 32 in Exhibit B to R-13-172 with the attached maps, which contain the following changes:
 - a. Return 4th Street from Bridge Blvd. to Osuna Rd. to a designated Major Transit Corridor.
 - b. Remove the Quail Ranch activity centers.
 - c. More clearly delineate the boundaries of the Volcano Heights Developing Major Activity Center.
 - d. Add the Ladera Developing Community Activity Center at Coors/St. Joseph’s.
 - e. Identify all designated Corridors (Major Transit, Enhanced Transit, and Express) as “existing” rather than “proposed,” except for University Blvd. south of Gibson and Isleta Blvd. south of Rio Bravo, which should remain designated as “Proposed Enhanced Transit Corridors.”
 - f. Remove the Enhanced Transit Corridor designations from segments of Gibson Blvd. and Wyoming Blvd. within the Kirtland Air Force Base boundary, and from Southern Blvd. between Eubank Blvd. and Juan Tabo Blvd.

3. On page 2, line 15 of the enacting resolution, insert “and add a new Figure 32 (Activity Centers & Transportation Corridors)” before “with Exhibit B.”

Explanation: This amendment does a number of things:

- Parts 1.a and 1.b of this amendment make changes to Appendix D to the Comprehensive Plan that are consistent with proposed changes in Parts 2.d and 2.b, respectively, of this amendment.
- Part 1.c will bring consistency between Appendix D and a proposed change to the Centers & Corridors maps (Figs. 30 and 32) contained in Exhibit B to this resolution and reflected in part 2.a of this amendment.
- Part 2.a would return the designation of 4th Street from Bridge to Osuna to “Major Transit Corridor” instead of downgrading it to “Enhanced Transit Corridor,” which the Transit Dept. had initially recommended doing to reflect the current level of service that is being provided on 4th St. Upon further consideration, specifically given the adoption of the Rank 3 North Fourth Corridor Plan, Transit concurs that leaving the designation of 4th St. as a Major Transit Corridor is appropriate.
- Part 2.b simply removes the Quail Ranch activity centers since Quail Ranch was annexed by the City of Rio Rancho in 2003.
- Part 2.c would identify a specific proposed boundary for the Volcano Heights Developing Major Activity Center rather than having a very general area identified.
- Part 2.d would designate the Ladera Developing Community Activity Center at Coors and St. Joseph’s. This recommended change was approved by the Council as an amendment to the West Side Strategic Plan in 2007 (R-07-255) and is now being incorporated into the Comp Plan. Council staff has confirmed with Planning staff that it was simply an oversight that this addition was not made in the Planning Department’s original submittal.
- Part 2.e clarifies the status of designated corridors. In the version of Figures 30 and 32 considered and recommended by the EPC, proposed changes to corridor designations, such as upgrading San Mateo from an Enhanced Transit Corridor to a Major Transit Corridor, are shown in dashed lines, suggesting they are “Proposed” rather than “Existing” corridors (per the legends). In conferring with Planning and Transit staffs, it was clarified that it was not the intent to designate corridors as “Proposed,” just to identify proposed changes to the existing map. Essentially, part 2.e of the amendment will change the dashed lines to solid lines to accurately reflect how corridors are being designated through this legislation. The exceptions are that University Blvd. south of Gibson and Isleta Blvd. south of Rio Bravo will still be identified by a dashed line, indicated that they are, indeed, “Proposed” rather than “Existing” transit corridors.
- Part 2.f. removes Enhanced Transit Boulevard designations from segments of road within the Kirtland Air Force Base boundary and outside

- City and County jurisdiction, and from Southern Blvd. between Eubank and Juan Tabo, where there are no plans for Enhanced Transit Services.
- Part 3 of this amendment clarifies that a new figure – Figure 32 – is being added to the Comp Plan. Figure 32 essentially contains the same information as Figure 30 but doesn't show the "Development Areas" in order to make the Activity Centers and Transportation Corridors more legible, as explained in Finding 7 of the resolution.