

# Neighborhood News

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**Richard J. Berry**  
Mayor of Albuquerque

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## **Please Join the Conversation. Engage in a Citywide Dialogue About Policing in our Community**

Mayor Richard J. Berry, the Albuquerque City Council and the community need your input. Introducing two new ways you can help the City of Albuquerque continue to improve public safety and build stronger community and police relationships.

### **Join Your Area Community Policing Council (CPC)**

Just visit <[www.cabq.gov/cpc](http://www.cabq.gov/cpc)> to sign up to apply for selection to a community policing council which will meet monthly with local officials and law enforcement to discuss operations and best practices for improving local policing within your area command and citywide.

### **Sign Up to Be Part of a Citywide Dialogue on How to Improve Policing and Community/Police Relationships**

Visit <[www.cabq.gov/community-outreach](http://www.cabq.gov/community-outreach)> and sign up to be a participant in a series of community meetings that will focus on advancing police community relations, enhancing public safety and addressing issues that affect quality of life in Albuquerque. These working meetings are designed to gather input, craft solutions and build better relationships between the Albuquerque Police Department and those we serve.



**APD Crime  
Prevention**

*Submitted By Steve Sink*



**National Night Out 2014**

On **Tuesday, August 5**, neighborhoods throughout Albuquerque are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the **31st Annual National Night Out** (NNO) crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch and co-sponsored locally by the Albuquerque Police Department, APD Crime Prevention Unit and the Office of Neighborhood Coordination, will involve approximately 10,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world.

Event registration information will be sent to all Neighborhood Watch Block Captains and Neighborhood and Homeowner Association representatives in early July. The letter will direct callers to the City of Albuquerque Citizen Contact Center at **311** to register. **Please do not call 311 till you receive notification in early July.**

If you are not a City of Albuquerque Association or not an established Neighborhood Watch and you want to participate, please call **311** in mid-July to register your event. If you have questions about National Night Out, contact Steve Sink, Albuquerque Police Department Crime Prevention Manager at **505-924-3600** or <ssink@cabq.gov> for assistance.

National Night Out is an excellent opportunity for you and your neighbors to socialize, renew acquaintances, welcome new neighbors and meet law enforcement officers in your area. Plan to join us once again for another fun and enjoyable citywide celebration **by calling 311 after you receive notification in July.**

**APD Foothills Area Command**

*Submitted By Jill Garcia*



**Fraud, Cons, Scams and Identity Theft  
Workshop: How to Protect Yourself**

Thursday, August 28, 2014 at 6 p.m.  
Foothills Area Command Substation  
12800 Lomas Boulevard NE



Featured Speakers:  
APD White Collar Crimes Detectives  
and Jill Garcia, Crime Prevention  
Specialist, APD/Foothills

Please RSVP to: Jill Garcia at **505-323-4644** or by e-mail to <jgarcia@cabq.gov>.

This event is **FREE**, but due to limited seating an RSVP is required so we can accommodate you.

**Cultural Services Department, Special Events**

*Submitted By Bree Ortiz*

**Freedom 4th**

Friday, July 4, 2014 from 4 p.m. – 10 p.m.

*Balloon Fiesta Park*

Come celebrate this Fourth of July with the City of Albuquerque at the Balloon Fiesta Park! This **FREE** all ages event hosts one of the largest firework shows in the state. With live entertainment featuring a national headliner Wynonna & the Big Noise, food vendors, a local Microbrew Garden, a car show and **FREE** kids' activities. Have dinner with a spectacular view of the main stage and fireworks at the exclusive Firecracker Café (ticket information online).



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**Cultural Services Department, Special Events**

*Submitted By Bree Ortiz*



**Route 66 Summerfest**

Saturday, July 19, 2014 from 2 p.m.– 10:30 p.m.

*Central Avenue in Historic Nob Hill*

Mayor Richard J. Berry, Nob Hill Main Street and the New Mexico Jazz Festival invite you to the annual Route 66 Summerfest! This mile long stretch of **FREE** fun located on Central Avenue in Historic Nob Hill will feature up to 25 music artists including national headliner Arrested Development. Shop with great local vendors and artists in the Mother Road Market. Enjoy great dining with local food trucks, have a blast at the **FREE** kids' activities located in the Kid Zone and Youth Central, as well as the Old Route 66 Car Show and unwind with a drink at Cork & Tap.

For more information visit <[CultureABQ.com](http://CultureABQ.com)> or call 311.

**Animal Welfare Department**

*Submitted By Desiree Cawley*

**Animal Welfare Department  
Strives to Help Keep Pets  
Where They Belong...In Their  
Homes.**



The Albuquerque Animal Welfare Department wants to help people keep their pets. To this end, we have developed a program called Operation Keep Your Pet to help citizens find solutions to the reasons they might consider surrendering their animal to the shelter. Keeping a pet helps both that animal and those already living in the shelter. The truth is there aren't enough homes for them all. The City shelter is consistently at or over-capacity with animals in need of a forever home. Surrendering an animal to the shelter should be viewed only as a last resort.

Many animals brought to the shelter are unplanned litters of puppies and kittens. While this is a consistent problem in our community and communities nationwide there is a solution! Spaying or neutering your pet is the number one way you can help all animals including those already living in the shelter. Remember, each puppy or kitten surrendered to the shelter takes away a potential home for another animal. Moreover, the health and behavior benefits of spay/neuter make an even stronger case. The City offers no charge spay/neuter services to low to moderate income citizens. Other organizations in the area offer low-cost programs as well. Visit our website for spay/

neuter resources: <[cabq.gov/pets](http://cabq.gov/pets)> or call 311 or 505-768-2000 for information about scheduling a surgery.

Animals are often surrendered for behavior problems such as housetraining and litter box issues, escaping the yard, destructive behaviors and a lack of manners. The City has created a "hotline" for behavior concerns so that citizens can reach out for solutions before it comes to the point of surrender. Email <[behaviorhelpline@cabq.gov](mailto:behaviorhelpline@cabq.gov)> and a behaviorist will respond quickly.

We often receive animals because their owner is moving into a new place that won't allow pets. Moving is stressful even in the best of circumstances, so give yourself extra time to find a residence where pets are permitted. Offer to introduce your pet to your new landlord, provide vet records and training certificates. References from past landlords can help show your new landlord that you are a responsible pet owner.

If you are moving to a new state your pet can go with you! See that your pet is wearing an ID tag with current information, including your cell phone number. Find pet friendly hotels along your route and reserve rooms ahead of time. Make every effort to confine your pet in a room while you are loading up the moving van. The hustle and bustle can frighten an animal and confinement can help reduce some of the stress and prevent accidental escape. On driving day see that your animal is in a secure, well-ventilated carrier. Larger dogs should be leashed and under control at all times. Give lots of potty breaks and fresh water along the way.

When options have run out consider finding your dog or cat another home instead of surrendering him to the shelter. This is less stressful for the animal, allows you to play a part in uniting him with a new family and makes additional space available for other pets more immediately at risk. Take photos and show off your pet's most endearing qualities. Write a story about your pet including the reason your pet needs a new home, the kind of home he or she would do well in, some funny behaviors and the thing you love most about your pet. Ask people you know and trust like friends, family, co-workers and neighbors. Evaluate potential adopters. Ask questions to help ensure that he will be well cared for, take your time in considering your pet's new owner and follow-up on the adoption to see how your pet is doing in his new home. Make sure if your animal is already spayed or neutered before rehoming. This will make someone more likely to want to give your pet a new home and help solve the overpopulation problem.

No owned animal should have to spend one single day in a strange and confusing place with unfamiliar people, smells and animals. It is a very stressful experience for an animal to have to be walked away from his owner and all he knows. Therefore, surrendering an animal to the shelter should be viewed only as a last resort. Do right by your pet, keep him! You'll both be glad you did.

**ABQ RIDE**

Submitted By Rick De Reyes



**New Logo and New Buses Grace ABQ RIDE's Fleet and 66 Late Night Reprising Friday and Saturday Service During Summer Months**

Starting in June, Albuquerque residents will be seeing a new kind of ABQ RIDE bus; a brand new bus sporting an entirely different look from what's currently on the street. Its hallmarks are a new, bright paint scheme with an homage to local landmarks and a new ABQ RIDE logo to match.

On Thursday, May 15, 2014, Mayor Richard J. Berry and ABQ RIDE Director Bruce Rizzieri unveiled that new look and logo on one of ABQ RIDE's new buses at Civic Plaza in Downtown Albuquerque. The new vehicles are *New Flyer Xcelsior*®, 40-foot, heavy duty buses, fueled by compressed natural gas ("CNG"). They are part of a 21 bus purchase in January, 2014 from *New Flyer*.

"The new look of the ABQ RIDE buses represents an evolution in modern public transportation services, while still honoring Albuquerque's history by depicting locales that have made us internationally famous," said Mayor Richard J. Berry. "We believe the revamped logo will appeal to a new generation of Transit riders."

Eight scenes from around Albuquerque are featured on the new buses: The Kimo Theater, the Alvarado Transportation Center, the Sandia Peak Tramway, Balloon Fiesta, San Felipe de Neri Church, the Petroglyphs National Monument, Route 66 and a UNM Lobo. The sides of these buses also depict maps lines and points that during nighttime travel become captivating, reflective highlights.



The *New Flyers*, with all their different components, cost about \$485,000 apiece. They were paid for with a split of 83% Federal money and 17% local funding. Each new bus can seat a total of 39 passengers and can accommodate up to two wheelchairs.

Approximately 85% of ABQ RIDE's fleet is comprised of *New Flyer* buses (116 out of 137 buses in the fleet). Not only is this ABQ RIDE's first *Xcelsior*® model, it's also ABQ RIDE's first *New Flyer* buses built with a CNG propulsion system. The new *Xcelsior*® will gradually replace about half of ABQ RIDE's *Series 300* buses. The 300's were originally purchased in 1996-1997 and also burn compressed natural gas.

"This purchase offered the best bus available for the most economical price," said Bruce Rizzieri, Director of ABQ RIDE. "Not only is it a cost effective purchase but passengers will notice a lot of enjoyable features from the imaginative paint scheme to the smoother ride."

On May 30, 2014, ABQ RIDE reprised an old program, *66 Late Night* which extends weekend service on Central Avenue. It makes it that much easier going to and staying later at fun spots along Central Avenue during summer weekends.



The *66 Late Night* extends by one hour service on the #66-Central with the last trips ending at approximately 1:30 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays until September 20, 2014.

You can save a lot of money by riding the #66 on the summer weekends and leaving your car behind," said Bruce Rizzieri, Director of ABQ RIDE. "That's because *66 Late Night* can take you to almost any of Albuquerque's summer hot spots."

*66 Late Night* uses Route #66 Central buses, which run from ABQ RIDE's Park & Ride at Tramway and Wenonah all the way to the Central and Unser Transit Center. Riders along Central can access four of Albuquerque's main entertainment districts Old Town, Downtown, Nob Hill and East Central by using the #66 and do so at later hours.

*66 Late Night* runs every 30 minutes, with the last pickups through Downtown at about 1 a.m. The fare is \$1 per trip.

"66 Late Night is one of the affordable ways you can keep your family entertained this summer," said Rizzieri. "It is one of the services that ABQ RIDE operates to make sure the travel needs of Albuquerque's residents are met."

For complete schedule information on *66 Late Night*, you can go to <[www.myabqride.com/routes-and-schedules](http://www.myabqride.com/routes-and-schedules)>.

**Department of Family and Community Services**

*Submitted By Marie Chavez*

**Office of Neighborhood Revitalization  
Home Owner Rehabilitation Program  
700 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Suite 'A'  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102  
505-767-5825**

With summer upon us, it's time to check our homes for any needed repairs that the winter weather may have caused and for any upcoming repairs that may be expected. If you are a homeowner and your home is in need of repair, the City of Albuquerque may be able to help. Many homeowners are struggling to make necessary repairs to their homes that can result in serious structural damage or health and safety hazards in the future. Most repairs, if not addressed immediately end up costing us more money and require additional repairs that could have been avoided.

The Home Owner Rehabilitation Program provides 0% interest loans to qualified homeowners. These loans allow homeowners to address code violations that make homes unsafe, unhealthy and sometimes unlivable. Some of these loans are forgivable and some may need to be paid back depending on the homeowner's level of income.

**What Home Improvements are Eligible?**

Repairs include, but are not limited to:

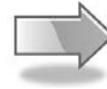
- Electrical, Heating or Plumbing Installations.
- Hot Water Heaters.
- Roofs.
- Replacement Windows.
- Structural Damage.
- Insulation.
- Handicap Accessible Bathrooms.

**Who is Eligible?**

Generally, you may qualify for a housing rehabilitation loan if:

- You own and occupy a home within the municipal boundaries of the City of Albuquerque and you have lived in the house as your primary residence for at least one year prior to application.
- Your home has code violation(s).
- Your property taxes are paid up-to-date.
- Your household income does not exceed the federal guidelines.

If your income falls within these limits, you may qualify for the City of Albuquerque's Home Owner Rehabilitation Program!



Family Size	2014 Income
1.....	\$33,500
2.....	\$38,300
3.....	\$43,100
4.....	\$47,850
5.....	\$51,700
6.....	\$55,550
7.....	\$59,350
8.....	\$63,200

The 2014 Income Guidelines will be in effect until the US Housing and Urban Development issues the 2015 Guidelines which normally occurs in March of each year.

The Office of Neighborhood Revitalization staff will examine your income and property to determine if you and your house qualify for housing rehabilitation loan assistance.

Funds are currently available however, they are limited. We suggest you contact the Home Owner Rehabilitation Program at your earliest convenience for further information to determine if you are eligible to participate in this Program.

**Planning Department**

*Submitted By Stephani Winklepleck*

**Good information for associations to get the word out to their neighborhood**

*(Courtesy of the Inez Neighborhood Association Newsletter).*

If you have new owners and/or renters in the neighborhood - here are some reminders to keep your association looking good:

- Ⓜ Call **311** for "large item pickup" of an item(s) you want to go. Don't just put it on the curb.
- Ⓜ Solid Waste Management Department asks that trash/recycling carts be off the street 12 hours after pickup. They often get hit by traffic or vandals.
- Ⓜ Control your weed today or they'll be at a neighbor's tomorrow.
- Ⓜ Resist doing long-term parking of cars/RV's/trailers and large junk items in yards out front.
- Ⓜ If you have a dead tree – cut it or ask your landlord to do before it becomes the cause of a fire.

**Albuquerque  
Fire  
Department**

*Submitted By Melissa Romero*



**City of Albuquerque Fire Restrictions**

The City of Albuquerque imposed Stage II Fire Restrictions on June 2, 2014. An Open Burn Ban will also be in effect within the municipal areas of the city.

Although rain has recently fallen, extreme fire conditions exist throughout the Albuquerque Metro Area as evidenced by current and predicted fuel conditions, fire behavior, weather and drought. Stage II Restrictions are necessary to decrease the likelihood of human-caused wildfires in order to protect the public's health and safety and valuable natural resources.

The fire restrictions apply to all Open Space areas within the municipal boundaries of the City of Albuquerque to include the West Mesa Grass Lands, the Bosque and the Open Space Areas of the Sandia Foothills.

**Stage I & II Restrictions prohibit:**

- Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, charcoal, coal or stove fire.
- Smoking.
- Possessing, discharging or using any kind of fireworks or other pyrotechnic device.
- Possessing or using a motor vehicle off any publicly designated roadways, except when parking in developed parking lots or at developed trailheads.
- Operating a chainsaw or spark emitting equipment.
- Operating any internal or external combustion engine.
- Welding or operating acetylene or other torch with an open flame.
- Camping or overnight stay.

All Open Space areas within the municipal boundaries remain open. Those enjoying the Open Space areas are required to remain on established trails, paths and levee roads.

**Open Burn Ban**

Open burning has been banned in public and private outdoor areas within the municipal boundaries of the City of Albuquerque. Examples include but are not limited to:

1. Open burning.
2. Bonfires.
3. Recreational Fires.
4. Use of Model Rockets.
5. Open Flame Devices.

Burning may be done in enclosed chamber devices such as cooking/outdoor grills.

**Penalties and Enforcement**

Any person found violating the fire restrictions ordinance shall be charged with a petty misdemeanor. Upon conviction, each violation shall be punishable by a fine up to five hundred dollars (\$500) and/or imprisonment up to ninety (90) days.

The Albuquerque Fire Department and the Albuquerque Police Department's Open Space Officers are responsible for enforcing the Fire Restriction Ordinance. AFD and APD Open Space Officers will be increasing their patrols beginning June 2, 2014, until conditions improve.

**Reporting Suspicious Activity**

The Bosque, Foothills, Open Space Areas and the Sandia Ranger District are your lands. You have a stake in what happens on them. Illegal activities can take place anywhere and at anytime but usually occur later in the evening or on the weekends. If you see an activity that you think is suspicious we encourage you to report it.

- What to look for when reporting suspicious activity:
- Any spark or light in the Bosque, Foothills, Open Space Areas or Sandia Ranger District.
- Camping or Smoking.
- Anyone damaging any Open Space site or trail or deliberately setting a fire.

If you witness suspicious activity, call **505-242-COPS**. When you report a tip provide information such as:

1. Description of the person(s) and of their vehicle.
2. Registration or distinguishing logo (car rental identifier, license plate).
3. What they are doing, when and where.

Do not approach them! If there is a fire or someone is in danger, call **911**.

**Cultural Services Department**

*Submitted By Dana Feldman*

**ABQ BioPark Master Plan**

Please join us Monday, June 30 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the ABQ BioPark Zoo for the final public information session on the ABQ BioPark Master Plan.

Portions of the plan will be on display and members of BioPark staff and the Master Plan team will be on hand to answer your questions about the planning process.

Admission to the zoo is free on this day, so come out with your family to see some of the exciting things in store for your ABQ BioPark. For more information, visit [www.abqbiopark.com](http://www.abqbiopark.com) or call **311**.

Planning Department

Submitted By Linda Rumpf



Czech Route 66 Association visit to ABQ

In May members of the Czech Route 66 Association spent a few days in Albuquerque as part of a cross-country tour of Route 66. In addition to having a great time riding motorcycles and enjoying our local culture they filmed a documentary about Route 66 which is a big tourist destination for European travelers.

In Albuquerque the group spent some time at the Enchanted Trails RV Park and Trading Post owned by local Route 66 aficionado Vickie Ashcraft. On Sunday morning May 25, the Czechs were greeted by some Albuquerque locals and received an escort from a local car club to their next stop in Moriarty.

The Route 66 Economic Impact Study (2011) conducted by Rutgers University found that travelers spend an estimated aggregate of \$38 million dollars per year on Route 66 in the U.S. Many of those dollars are spent on lodging, camping, food and drink, airfare, automotive expenses and entertainment. The study says, "The Mother Road nurtures the economic pocket book of jobs, income and wealth as we all the heart."

With tourism as one of New Mexico's key sources of revenue it makes sense to invest in Route 66. Along Route 66, Albuquerque is known for Historic Old Town, the KiMo Theatre, Nob Hill and Museums. Plus we have great events and attractions such as The Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta, the ABQ BioPark and of course green chile.

We learned from the Czechs that Route 66 is still a great destination for tourists who come to our city and stay in our motels eat in our restaurants and enjoy our culture. In Albuquerque we are looking at ways to revitalize the Route and roll out the red carpet to visitors as well as locals.

The City Planning Department is working on the Route 66 Action Plan, a long-term plan to bring the 'Mother Road' back to Albuquerque and promote it as a destination for visitors as well as a great place to live, work and play.



The Plan focuses on five keys areas and what we can do as a community to share this great asset.

- Historical Legacy
- Infrastructure and Transportation
- Public Spaces
- Business and Development
- Promotion and Tourism

The Route 66 Action Plan has been presented to the Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) and they have recommended it the City Council. The Plan will be presented to Council in early Fall.

For more information, please visit our website at <[abqtheplan.gov](http://abqtheplan.gov)>or contact the Planning Department at <[theplan@cabq.gov](mailto:theplan@cabq.gov)> or 505-924-3342.

Mark your calendar!

Route 66 Summerfest, Saturday, July 19, 2014, 2 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Central Avenue in Historic Nob Hill (Central Ave will be closed to traffic from Girard to Washington)

Mayor Richard J. Berry, Nob Hill Main Street and the New Mexico Jazz Festival invite you to Route 66 Summerfest in Nob Hill! This mile-long stretch of FREE fun located on Central Avenue in Historic Nob Hill will feature up to 25 musical acts (100+ musicians) on three stages. There is plenty to do for the whole family: The Mother Road Market featuring local handmade arts and crafts, food trucks, kids' activities located in the Kidzone and Youth Central, a Canine Cabana, Cork and Tap with local beers and wines and the Old Route 66 Car Show which includes the famous Neon Cruise.

For more information, please visit the website at <<http://rt66central.com/rt66summerfest.html>>.

## Neighborhood News June/July 2014

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<p><b>Tuesday, June 24</b> •BOA – 9 a.m.</p>	 <p><b>NO MEETINGS IN JULY:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•AHA</li> <li>•City Council</li> <li>•DRB (July 2 - ONLY)</li> <li>•District 4 Coalition</li> <li>•District 6 Coalition</li> <li>•District 7 Coalition</li> <li>•Westside Coalition</li> </ul>	<p><b>Friday, July 4</b> •Independence Day - City Offices Closed</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	<p><b>Wednesday, July 16</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m.</p>	
<p><b>Wednesday, June 25</b> •DRB – 9 a.m.</p>		<p><b>Tuesday, July 1</b> •SWAN – 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, July 9</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Thursday, July 17</b> •AAB – 8:15 a.m. •East Gateway Coalition – 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ENJOY YOUR SUMMER!!!</b></p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <hr/> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>		<p><b>Thursday, July 3</b> •EPC Case Distribution – 3 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Thursday, July 10</b> •EPC Public Hearing – 8:30 a.m. •South Valley Coalition – 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Tuesday, July 22</b> •BOA – 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>Wednesday, July 23</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>Thursday, July 24</b> •District 8 Coalition – 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Wednesday, July 30</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m.</p>

### 2014 CALENDAR/LEGEND

- AAB** - Airport Advisory Board, Aviation Department Executive Conference Room
- AHA** - Albuquerque Housing Authority, Carnis Salisbury Building, Manuel Cordova Conference Room, 1840 University Boulevard SE, **505-764-3915**
- 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
- 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 Office - Plaza Del Sol Building, 3rd Floor, **505-924-3894**; 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 Thursday, July 10, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in the Planning Department Hearing Room, (basement level), 600 Second Street NW for the following case:

Northeast

Altura Addition, Netherwood Park, District 7 Coalition of NA’s (neighborhood/homeowner association/coalition); 14EPC-40036, Project #1001178 (case #'s); Approximately 1.49 acres located on the south side of Cutler Avenue NE and Morningside Drive NE between I-40 Freeway and Menaul Boulevard NE (location of request); H-17 (zone atlas page #); McClain Architecture and Design at 505-266-2142, agent for Roy Solomon (applicant or agency and phone #); Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit to develop the site as a micro-retail venue offering high-quality, boutique goods and services known at the Green Jeans Development (action requested); Vicente Quevedo at 505-924-3357, e-mail: <vquevedo@cabq.gov>. (City staff planner)

No neighborhood and/or homeowner associations, North Valley Coalition, District 7 Coalition of NA’s; 14EPC-40037, Project #1010096; Approximately 2.3928 acres located on the south side of Vassar Drive NE between I-25 Freeway and Pathway Avenue NE; G-16; Tierra West, LLC at 505-858-3100, agent for Southwest Regional Council of Carpenters; Request a Zone Map Amendment from SU-1 to M-1 for the Carpenter’s Training Center to combine the proposed two tracts for future use; Lorena Patten-Quintana at 505-924-3940, e-mail: <lpatten-quintana@cabq.gov>.

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**Planning Department**

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Dear Neighborhood and/or Homeowner Association Representatives:

As you know the Office of Neighborhood Coordination (ONC) has been publishing the “*Neighborhood News*” Newsletter each month for the past 27 years (beginning in 1987 – when the office was formed).

**Beginning with the July/August 2014 issue of the “*Neighborhood News*” Newsletter it will be available online and not be mailed to neighborhood representatives unless specifically requested.\***

The newsletter is currently posted each month and we have the past year (2013) of newsletters archived online as well. To view the “*Neighborhood News*” Newsletter each month (after the 20<sup>th</sup>) here is the URL - <<http://www.cabq.gov/planning/residents/neighborhood-newsletter>>

The June/July 2014 issue this will be the last printed copy that you as a neighborhood and/or homeowner association representative will receive.

\* If you would still like to receive a hard copy of the “*Neighborhood News*” Newsletter, please send - via an e-mail message to **BOTH** Dalaina Carmona at <[dlcarmona@cabq.gov](mailto:dlcarmona@cabq.gov)> and to Stephani Winklepleck at <[swinklepleck@cabq.gov](mailto:swinklepleck@cabq.gov)> –**OR**– if you don’t have access to a computer – please notify the Office of Neighborhood Coordination that you’d like to continue to receive a hard copy of the newsletter and we will continue to send you a “hard copy” each month.

**Our office will need your e-mail or written response by Thursday, July 10, 2014** in order for us to know your preference of receiving the newsletter. Please keep in mind if you choose the website option **NO HARD COPY** will be mailed to you.

If you have any questions or concerns, please direct them to Matthew Conrad, Associate Director, Planning Department at **505-924-3340**, e-mail: <[mattconrad@cabq.gov](mailto:mattconrad@cabq.gov)>.



## **Parliamentary Pointers**

### **Quorum**

“Do we have a quorum?” asks an organization member. “What is our quorum?” asks another member. “What is a quorum?” asks a new member, unfamiliar with meeting rules.

Webster’s New World College Dictionary, 4<sup>th</sup> edition, 2000 states that a quorum is “the minimum number of members required to be present at an assembly or meeting before it can validly proceed to transact business.”

*Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition*, p. 21 states: “The minimum number of members who must be present at the meetings of a deliberative assembly for business to be validly transacted is the quorum of the assembly. The requirement of a quorum is a protection against totally unrepresentative action in the name of the body by an unduly small number of persons.”

The quorum for a monthly meeting, board meeting or executive committee meeting is usually stated in the bylaws. The bylaws may state a definite number that constitute a quorum. Occasionally bylaws state that a percentage of the membership constitutes a quorum. The disadvantage of this is that if membership fluctuates, the number must be computed dependent upon present membership.

The decision that must be made when establishing a quorum is.... What is the number of members that can be expected to be present and make decisions for the membership? There are organizations that have over 100 members but few turn out for monthly/yearly meetings. The quorum can be 10 or 20 people if that is the largest number that can reasonably be depended upon to be present at a meeting.

Bylaws cannot be suspended; therefore, if the quorum is to be changed, the bylaws must be amended. This is done by giving notice in a meeting announcement or at the meeting before the amendment is to be adopted. It is recommended that the motion to amend be made to “strike out” the stated quorum and “insert” the recommended quorum.

In the absence of a quorum, there are four actions that can be taken.

1. The meeting be adjourned.
2. A member can make the motion to *Fix the Time to Which to Adjourn*. If adopted, this motion makes it possible to have an adjourned meeting to carry out the agenda of this meeting; the adjourned meeting would follow the same agenda set for this meeting. The adjourned meeting must be held before the next regular meeting would be scheduled.
3. The chairman/president can state that there will be a recess until enough members arrive to have a quorum.
4. Steps can be taken to obtain a quorum; members can be called and reminded of the meeting. Business can be transacted when a quorum is reached.

Information can be reviewed in *Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition*, (RONR) pp. 347-349.

Parliamentary Pointers will appear each month. If you have a parliamentary question that could be covered or would like a “Smart Meeting” presentation on a specific topic at your meeting (by an NMSAP member, for a negotiated fee) contact Jan Strand, PRP, Treasurer of the New Mexico State Association of Parliamentarians at **505-821-5227** or <[jan\\_str@msn.com](mailto:jan_str@msn.com)>.

Check the website of the New Mexico State Association at <[www.nmsap.com](http://www.nmsap.com)>.



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