

Neighborhood News

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Richard J. Berry
Mayor of Albuquerque

Message from the Mayor:

It has been a fast seven months since my administration began and I am proud to say I have enjoyed every minute of serving the citizens of Albuquerque.

I wanted to share some of the important initiatives and accomplishments since I have become your Mayor.

Public safety has been an important priority since day one and our property crime program since it started in January has made Albuquerque a bad place to be a criminal. It's known as "Our City; Our Property; and Our Plan," and it's designed to bring tougher enforcement and prosecution of property crime offenders.

We have placed suspects and fugitives on billboards and in the Albuquerque Journal. We're seeking federal prosecution for property crimes involving firearms. Everyone who is arrested no matter how small the crime is fingerprinted. We offer cash incentives for people who turn in property crime offenders.

And it's working. We caught a four-time felon who had been involved with forgery and identity theft. This arrest came as a result of our ads and billboards. As part of our "Friday's Heroes" Program where we honor public safety members who perform their jobs above and beyond the call of duty, we have recognized officers who have caught repeat property crime offenders.

One APD officer arrested a suspect who had already committed at least three burglaries in the same day. Another "Friday's Heroes" involved two Albuquerque police officers who chased down a property crime suspect while on their bikes.

An additional priority has been economic development. We introduced our economic growth and job creation initiative called Thrive!ABQ. Thrive!ABQ is a three-prong approach to knock down barriers in government, encourage buying locally and make doing business with the city easier.

Albuquerque First encourages the city and other institutions to spend more of their dollars locally – to "grow the garden" of our existing businesses and industries. We have the latest software to help register new city vendors quickly and easy. We will increase local purchasing by the city and "buy local" from companies inside city limits. We will continue to align with major partner institutions such as Sandia Labs, Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque Public Schools and the University of New Mexico.

Albuquerque Easy makes it easier to do business with the city and easier to do business in the city. A program called **FasTrax** in our Planning Department allows builders to receive permits quicker by paying a premium. This means third party reviews can speed the permitting procedure. Businesses can also submit plans to the proper agencies electronically to make great business ideas a greater success.

Albuquerque Recruits involves targeting industries to relocate to Albuquerque and building on the strengths of industry that are already a winning formula in the city such as technology, film, tourism and clean energy.

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Increasing Communication Between Neighborhood and/or Homeowner Associations.”

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I am excited we recently had the grand opening of the Albuquerque Business Center that has resources, programs and communications that will help you start a business successfully or keep your business running at its highest level possible.

Financial responsibility is part of my plan to make sure your tax dollars are spent wisely. We developed a balanced budget for the 2011 fiscal year that called for a reduction in the cost of city government while avoiding tax hikes, furloughs or layoffs of city employees.

While this was a difficult decision it was necessary to keep city workers employed during these tough economic times without dramatic cuts to city services. We will continue to deliver quality basic services to you.

As you can see we have been busy improving the city and improving the quality of life for all citizens of Albuquerque. I will keep striving for excellence in public service and I can not do it without your help and support. So please join me in our goal to make Albuquerque the best it can be.



APD Crime Prevention
Submitted By Steve Sink



How To Start A Neighborhood Watch

1. You or a neighbor decides to host an initial Neighborhood Watch meeting.
2. Whoever is going to host the meeting calls the APD Crime Prevention (CP) Office at **505-924-3600** to provide their name, address and phone number. After making the call the CP Office will send a “starter packet” that will include among other items a form to collect information from your neighbors.

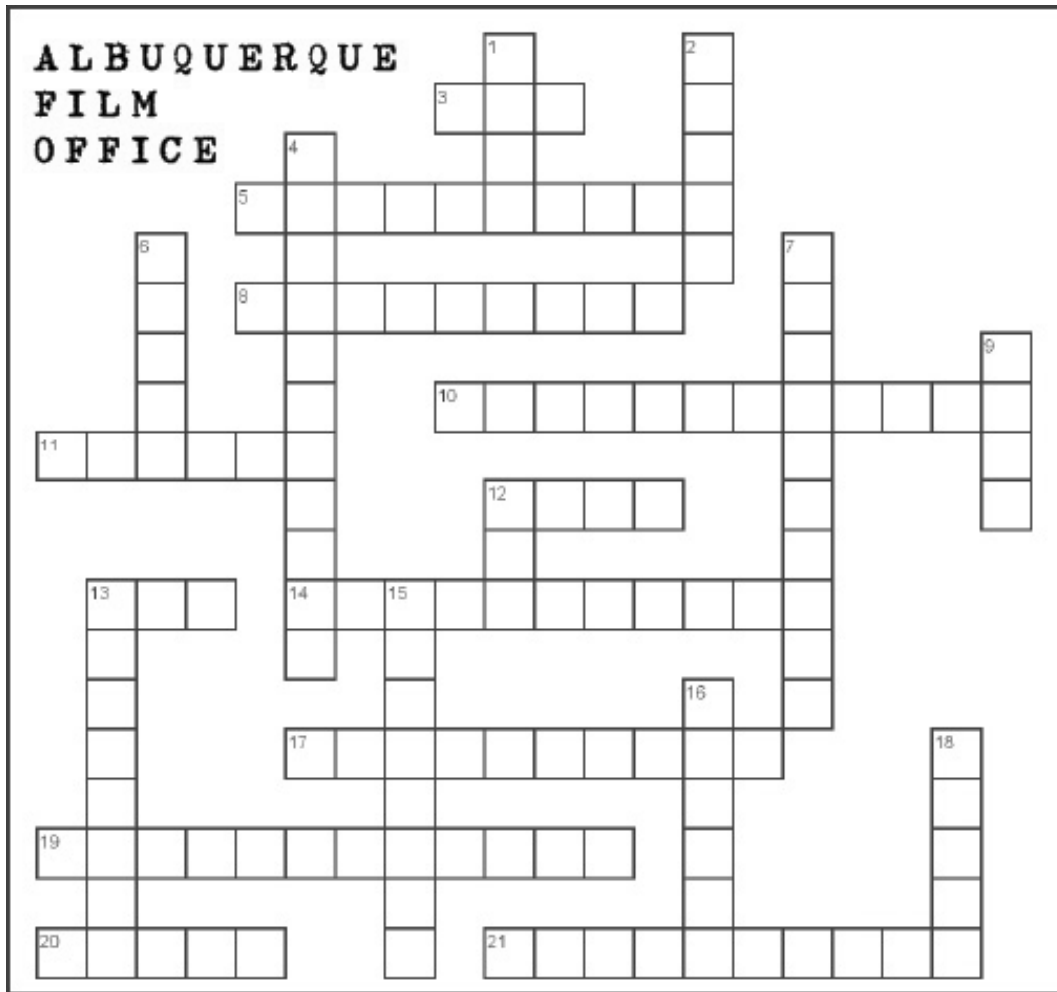
3. The host or designee goes up and down the block contacting the neighbors and recording their name, address and phone number on the form. (Note: At least 50% of the homes on the block must be represented at the Neighborhood Watch meeting to qualify for sign placement.)
4. The host then sends the completed list back to the CP Office in the self-addressed envelope provided in the starter packet.
5. After the CP Office receives the list from the interested party a Crime Prevention (CP) Specialist will contact the host to set up a date and time for the Neighborhood Watch meeting.
6. The CP Specialist will then assist you with invitations for each person whose name appears on the list. Fliers will also be given to the host to be distributed to neighbors as a “last minute” reminder.
7. At the meeting the host provides chairs and simple refreshments.
8. The CP Specialist will conduct the meeting and towards the end facilitate the group’s selection of a Block Captain who will function as the neighborhood leader and will serve as a contact person for the Albuquerque Police Department.
9. The Block Captain is responsible for contacting new neighbors and for providing updated information to the CP Office (Block Captain replacement, etc).
10. The block is now organized and may collectively purchase Neighborhoods Organized Against Crime (NOAC) Street Signs. The signs may be ordered (by the Block Captain only) through the Crime Prevention Office. The Block Captain may also join the Albuquerque Block Captains Association (ABCA). The block can also officially participate in the annual National Night Out celebration held the first Tuesday of August each year.

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ABQ Film Office
Submitted By Jesse Herron



DOWN

- 1 Tommy Lee Jones starred in "In the Valley of _____."
- 2 George Clooney came to ABQ to film "The Men Who Stare at _____."
- 4 Emmy-winning TV show filmed in ABQ.
- 6 Mary McCormack stars in the USA Network TV Show, "In Plain _____."
- 7 Official state question of New Mexico.
- 9 Albuquerque has plenty of qualified film _____.
- 12 Easier way to spell Albuquerque.
- 13 Albuquerque has 310 days of this.
- 15 ABQ doubles for Munich, Germany in this comedy.
- 16 "Due Date" star, _____ Downey Jr.
- 18 This star has filmed numerous movies in ABQ, Tommy Lee _____.

ACROSS

- 3 Denzel Washington starred in "The Book of _____."
- 5 ABQ doubles for Phoenix and Houston in this movie starring Jeff Bridges.
- 8 SNL movie comes out this summer.
- 10 This "Easy Rider" star was honored at the first Albuquerque Film Festival.
- 11 "Lights! Camera! _____!"
- 12 She was in Albuquerque filming "The Eye." Jessica _____.
- 13 Starring Jackie Chan, "The _____ Next Door."
- 14 #1 City to live and make movies according to MovieMaker Magazine.
- 17 Christian Bale was in ABQ for 6 months filming "_____ Salvation."
- 19 The City of Albuquerque has this attitude toward filmmakers.
- 20 First name of the actor who starred in "Swing Vote."
- 21 Largest film studios in North America.

Answers at filmABQ.com

Planning Department

Submitted By Russell Brito

Los Duranes Sector Development Update

Councilor Debbie O'Malley has initiated a community planning effort for the Los Duranes Sector Development Plan. The community selected and the City hired Community By Design, a planning firm based in Taos to help meet the goals of the planning process. The consultant, city staff and neighborhood representatives have had several planning meetings and also took a bike tour of the Los Duranes Sector Plan area. The city staff planner is Andrew Garcia and he can be reached at **505-924-3356**.

The Los Duranes Sector Plan is tentatively scheduled to be completed in the Fall of 2010.

Los Duranes is one of the oldest neighborhoods in the Albuquerque area and has a rich history of traditions, culture and heritage. Many of the original families still reside in the neighborhood. There is a sense of history from these early generations of families and their agricultural traditions and settlement patterns that is at risk of loss to new development and urbanization. This unique community is attracting new residents who are seeking this same sense of traditional neighborhood qualities yet are also causing some change in the settlement patterns and conversion of agricultural lands that they are seeking to enjoy. The City and neighborhood residents have acknowledged this phenomenon and are working on solutions to reconcile these changes. The Los Duranes Sector Plan is viewed as a tool to manage the future growth and development that retains the historic neighborhood qualities. Some objectives of the Los Duranes Sector Development Plan will be to:

- Maintain the rural historic character of the neighborhood.
- Preserve and maintain the irrigated agricultural lands and acequias that still serve the area.
- Protect the narrow roadways and traditional neighborhood street patterns.
- Maintain and respect the ownership and traditional land uses of the older families.
- Create guidelines and standards for new development that are in harmony with the neighborhood character.
- Achieve a level of neighborhood ownership and excitement around the Los Duranes Sector Development Plan boundary.

Through the community participation process the creation of the Sector Plan for Los Duranes will reflect its opportunities and assets and provides an aspiration for the neighborhoods future. The Los Duranes Sector Plan update will:

- Recommend and identify future land uses and revitalization projects in the area based on the

community input and market study that reflect the traditional settlement pattern.

- Evaluate transportation, traffic and pedestrian issues and recommend proposed improvements in the area to increase walkability and pedestrian safety.
- Prepare neighborhood sustainability principles that may include but not limited to water conservation and harvesting , renewable energy production, agricultural and food production, affordable housing, multi-modes of transportation and community facilities and gathering places.
- Prepare land use/development standards, guidelines and strategies that provide incentives for implementation of the plan.
- Recommend projects for the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and identify other funding sources for the implementation of the plan.

Planning Department

Submitted By Catalina Lehner

Text Amendments to the Zoning Code

Project #1001620, 10EPC-40039: Proposed Text Amendments to the Zoning Code – At its regularly scheduled public hearing on August 12, 2010, the Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) will consider text amendments to the Zoning Code to remove the requirement for Carbon Monoxide (CO) studies, known as Air Quality Impact Analyses (AQIAs), found in Section 14-16-3-14 of the Zoning Code and to revise associated sections of the Zoning Code to reflect the change.

The development requirement for CO studies (AQIAs), created in 1990 when CO levels were much higher does not provide a public benefit. Since the last local violation of the Federal 8-hour CO standard in 1991, local CO levels have been steadily in decline and now measure less than half the Federal standard as documented in the Federally-approved Limited Maintenance Plan (LMP) for CO. Only one area in the nation (Clark County, NV) is currently in non-attainment status for a Federal CO standard. The downward national trend in CO levels is also due to improved vehicle technology and cleaner fuels. Because other air pollutants (ex. ozone) are not tied to land use like CO is, land development requirements would not be appropriate air pollution control strategies.

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



Planning Department

Submitted By Juanita Garcia

Is Your House About to Expire?

The Comprehensive City Zoning Code was adopted on March 27, 1959. With the adoption of the code many properties became nonconforming or commonly known as “grandfathered.” The Zoning Code defines nonconforming as a structure or use of structure or land which does not conform to this article and which was in conformity with any zoning ordinance in effect at the time it was created.

The nonconforming regulations of the Zoning code allows for nonconforming uses and structures to remain for a certain period of time (amortization period). Some uses or structures are allowed to remain nonconforming for the life of the use or structure while others are required to comply with current regulations after a number of years.

The amortization periods for the following residential uses are set to expire on March 27, 2012:

- Residential zones where only one dwelling unit is allowed and two or more exist. (i.e. a duplex on R-1 zoned property).

The City of Albuquerque initially gave 40 years for these properties to comply and was originally required to comply by March 27, 1999. However, extensions were given and a procedure was developed to allow property owners to address this issue through a public hearing process.

The Status Established Building Review Procedure, Section 14-16-4-13 of the Zoning Code, allows property owners to submit an application and present evidence regarding their property to a hearing officer to determine if the nonconforming status can remain for the life of the use/structure. Don’t wait! This hearing process can take several months.

If you have a nonconforming property or you are aware of nonconforming properties within your neighborhood that need to complete this process, please do not hesitate to contact Juanita Garcia at **505-924-3823** or juanitagarcia@cabq.gov to obtain more information or answer any questions you may have.

Remember: please do not let your house expire.

Planning Department

Submitted By Russell Brito

A Sector Plan for the International District

The City of Albuquerque, Strata Design Consultants and Councilor Rey Garduño will begin a Sector Planning process for the area from San Mateo to Wyoming and Lomas to the southern

City limits. This area is being referred to as the International District. The plan will replace the outdated La Mesa and Trumbull plans and also covers the area from San Mateo Boulevard to Louisiana Boulevard. This plan will deal with zoning, land use, streets, landscaping and architecture. Through the plan process it is possible to change zoning, land use, as well as requirements for landscaping and building design.

The first planning meeting was held on July 8 at the Cesar Chavez Community Center.

Maggie Gould is the project manager. She can be reached at **505-924-3910**. E-mail: mgould@cabq.gov.

Downtown Neighborhood Area Sector Development Plan Update

The purpose of this community planning effort is to update the Downtown Neighborhood Area Sector Development Plan which was adopted in 1976. The current planning effort began in August 2009 when the community selected and the City hired Consensus Planning as consultants. Two community meetings were held in January and February to discuss the community’s vision for the area and to create the goals and objectives that frame the plan. The planning team staff, Consensus Planning and the Steering Committee is currently writing the first draft of the update to the plan. We hope to present the first draft to the wider community at the end of the summer.

Petra Morris is the project manager. She can be reached at **505-924-3897**. E-mail: pmorris@cabq.gov.

Volcano Cliffs, Volcano Heights Town Center, Volcano Trails Sector Development Plans

In 2004, Albuquerque City Council initiated a planning process for Volcano Cliffs and a larger area referred to as “Volcano Heights.” The Volcano Heights Sector Development Plan did not, however, have the support of the Volcano Cliffs Property Owners Association and the plan was appealed and remanded to the City in 2008/9. In 2010, at the direction of City Councilor Dan Lewis and Planning Director Debbie Stover and in consultation with the area property owners a new approach was developed. Three separate but related Sector Development Plans were developed - Volcano Cliffs, Volcano Heights Town Center and Volcano Trails. An open house will be held on Tuesday, July 20 from 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Don Newton Taylor Ranch Community Center in order to present the drafts of the three plans to the wider community.

Petra Morris is the project manager. She can be reached at **505-924-3897**. E-mail: pmorris@cabq.gov.

**Albuquerque
Fire
Department**

*Submitted By
Melissa Romero*



Bosque Fire Prevention

The Bosque is our city’s most beautiful recreational attraction and we must all be responsible for it’s vitality. In the last couple of months we have had two fires in the Bosque destroying acres of trees and brush. The weather has been hot and dry which increases the chance of wildfires.

AFD and APD bike patrols, walking patrols and engine patrols have started along the Bosque and were in place through the Fourth of July to ensure that citizens are able to enjoy our Bosque without the fear of fire destroying it. But we need your help - please be aware of the increased fire danger and be active in preventing further damage to our Bosque.

Fire restrictions permanently in place along and in the Bosque are:

1. **No Smoking.**
2. **No Fireworks.**
3. **No Open Fires (e.g. campfires, BBQs).**
4. **No Camping.**

**Department of Municipal
Development**

Submitted By Mark Motsko

**Mayor Berry Announces \$91M
in Infrastructure Projects
Created During First Six
Months in Office**

Using the construction improvements on Fortuna Road NW as a background, Albuquerque Mayor Richard J. Berry announced today the City of Albuquerque’s Department of Municipal Development has entered into approximately \$87 Million Dollars in construction/vendor contracts, and \$4 Million in consultant contracts.

“Since December 1, 2009, I’ve continued to push the Department of Municipal Development to generate quality basic services with core public works projects.” Mayor Berry said. “Using the federal government’s calculation, we’re creating approximately 28 jobs for every million dollars of work. All together it adds up to just under 2500 jobs created.”

Fortuna Road improvements are being made in conjunction with APS as they are rehabilitating the West Mesa High School Parking Lot.

“We asked the City to work with us on their project as we rehabilitated our parking lot” APS Superintendent Winston Brooks said. “We came to an accord and now both projects are being constructed together.”

Acting Director of Municipal Development Michael Riordan says now more than ever taxpayers are getting more bang for their buck.

“Bids for construction projects are coming in lower which allows the City to stretch those capital dollars further and get more projects completed,” Riordan said. “Under the guidance of Mayor Berry, we’re doing this at the same time construction is down 25% in the private sector and the State of New Mexico has reverted \$22 Million Dollars in capital outlay.”

In the near future, Mayor Berry will be breaking ground on major construction projects across the City of Albuquerque.

Animal Welfare

*Submitted By
Rick De Reyes*



**Animal Welfare Changing Some
Fees to Reflect Tougher
Economic Times and More
Emphasis on Value of Pets**

For more than a year Animal Welfare has been charging some of the lowest adoption fees for pets in New Mexico. However, after months of a study by an

in-house task force Animal Welfare decided to change the fee structure for pet adoption. Effective July 1, 2010, adoption fees for puppies, kittens, dogs and cats changed as well as fees for some other animals.

“We made the changes in order to cover more of the cost of caring for our animals in these tough economic times,” said Barbara Bruin, director of Animal Welfare. “We also want to make the point that our pets have value. People need to make an investment in their care and well-being.”

The new fee structure is as follows:

Dogs:

- Puppies under 6 months: \$60.
- Canines 6 months - 3 years: \$50.
- Canines older than 3 years: \$40.

Cats:

- Kittens under 6 months: \$40.
- Felines 6 months to 3 years: \$30.
- Felines older than 3 years: \$20.

Senior Citizens 50+ and all veterans with proper identification and documentation will get a \$10 discount from the above fees.

The adoption fees still include the spaying or neutering of the pet, microchipping, pet license, rabies license, all necessary vaccinations and a free wellness check from a participating area veterinarian. Comparable services outside of the Animal Welfare Department could total up to more than \$500.

Under the new fees, first time reclaims will be **FREE** if a pet is “in compliance” which means the animal is microchipped, has a current City license and is spayed or neutered. Otherwise, the reclaim fee will be the same as the adoption fee.

Subsequent reclaim fees will remain the same:

- 2nd impound-\$35.
- 3rd impound-\$45.
- 4th and subsequent impounds-\$60.

For a more in-depth look at permit fees changes, residents can find them at <www.cabq.gov/pets/rules-tools/licenses-fees-traps>.



City Council

Council staff may be reached at 505-768-3100. The agenda for an upcoming council meeting may be checked by calling 505-768-3100 after 1 p.m. on the Friday immediately prior to the council meeting. The City Council's fax number is 505-768-3227. Agendas, Action Items and Summaries are available on the Council's webpage at <www.cabq.gov/council/counsched.html>.

Your City 2010-2011 Councilors: (L to R, back row) Dan Lewis, District 5; Brad Winter, District 4; Debbie O'Malley, District 2; Rey Garduno, District 6; (L to R, middle row) Isaac Benton, District 3; Michael Cook, District 7; (L to R, seated) Don Harris, District 9; Ken Sanchez, President, District 1; Trudy Jones, Vice President, District 8

Submitted By Diana Trujeque

The Albuquerque City Council will be in recess until August 2, 2010. No City Council, Finance and Government Operations Committee (FGO), Land Use, Planning and Zoning Committee (LUPZ), and Public Safety Committees will be held during the month of July. Committee schedules will resume August 2, August 9 and August 11, August 26, 2010 respectively.

Parks and Recreation

Submitted By Kimberly Selving

Advancing the Coexistence of Wilderness and Civilization -- A Film About the Wild Wolf

- What: Stories, scientific facts and a short preview of a documentary discussing the Wild Wolf of New Mexico.
Where: Open Space Visitor Center, 6500 Coors Boulevard NW (Between Montano Road NW and Paseo del Norte NW at Bosque Meadows Road NW).
When: Saturday, July 31, 2010 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Contact: Joshua Willis, Parks and Recreation Department, Open Space Division, 505-897-8831, or by e-mail to: <jrwillis@cabq.gov>, or visit our website at: <www.cabq.gov/openspace> or <www.wildwolffilm.com>

Elke Duerr is a filmmaker, story teller and teacher based in Albuquerque. She is doing outreach in schools and the community to present a documentary she has been working on; "Stories of Wolves - The Lobo returns to New Mexico."

"The Mexican Gray Wolf is facing extinction for the second time. There are only about 42 animals left in the wild in Southern New Mexico and Arizona. "Little Red Riding Hood" and "The Three Little Pigs" have conjured up a certain image of the wolf in our dominant culture, misconstruing the facts about this animal. Yet the wild wolf is gaining popularity in the hearts of many people reflecting a more positive attitude towards this animal." Elke will present along with her documentary a "Wolf Trunk". The participants will see life size wolf tracks, wolf fur and get acquainted with the scientific process of radio collaring used to track the wolves' movements. Of particular importance will be a discussion of our own relationship to the wolf and why we might want wolves to remain part of our wilderness and cultural heritage.

Contact Information: Elke Duerr 2011 Matthew Ave. NW #10 Albuquerque, NM 87104 505-288-9183 <www.wildwolffilm.com>



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, July 31, 2010 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Target Store 9371 Coors Boulevard NW (Coors Boulevard NW and Irving NW)

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



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Tuesday, July 20 •ZHE – 9 a.m. •GARTC – 4:30 p.m.	Monday, August 2 •City Council – 5 p.m.	Monday, August 9 •GABAC – 4:30 p.m.	Tuesday, August 17 •ZHE – 9 a.m. •GARTC – 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, July 21 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •ADC – 3 p.m.	Tuesday, August 3 •SWAN – 6 p.m.	Wednesday, August 11 •DRB – 9 a.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m. •District 6 Coalition – 7 p.m.	Wednesday, August 18 •DRB – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m. •ADC – 3 p.m. •District 4 Coalition – 7 p.m.
Thursday, July 22 •District 8 Coalition – 7 p.m. •East Gateway Coalition – 6:30 p.m.		Thursday, August 12 •EPC Public Hearing – 8:30 a.m. •POC – 4 p.m. •South Valley Coalition – 6:30 p.m.	Thursday, August 19 •AAB – 9 a.m.
Tuesday, July 27 •BOA – 9 a.m.	Wednesday, August 4 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •District 7 Coalition – 7 p.m. •Westside Coalition – 7 p.m.	Monday, August 16 •City Council – 5 p.m.	Tuesday, August 24 •BOA – 9 a.m.
Wednesday, July 28 •DRB – 9 a.m.			Wednesday, August 25 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m.
	Thursday, August 5 •EPC Study Session – 3 p.m.		

2010 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 (formally known as the LEPC)
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 - Fire Station 20, 7520 Corona Avenue NE
District 6 Coalition - Cesar Chavez Community Center, 7505 Kathryn Avenue SE
District 7 Coalition - Sandia High School, Teacher's Lounge, 7801 Candelaria Road NE
District 8 Coalition - James Joseph Dwyer Police Memorial Substation, 12700 Montgomery Boulevard 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
GABAC - Greater Albuquerque Bicycling Advisory Committee, City Hall, Room 302
GARTC - Greater Albuquerque Recreational Trails Committee - Locations vary, call 505-768-5308 for information
LUCC - Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission, Plaza del Sol, Hearing Room (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW
North Valley Coalition - Los Griegos Community Center, 1231 Candelaria Road 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
SWAN - South West Alliance of Neighbors, Alamosa Multi-Purpose Center, 6900 Gonzales Road SW
SVCNA - South Valley Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, Rio Bravo Senior Center, 3910 Isleta Boulevard SW
Westside Coalition - Don Newton/Taylor Ranch Community Center, 4900 Kachina Drive NW
ZHE - Zoning Hearing Examiner Offices - 200 Third Street NW, Suite 735, 505-924-3918; 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 **August 12, 2010 at 8:30 a.m.** in the **Planning Department Hearing Room**, (basement level), **600 Second Street NW** for the following cases:

Citywide

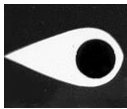
All Neighborhoods; 10EPC-40039, Project #1001620; City of Albuquerque, Planning Department at **505-924-3860**; The City's Planning Department will consider text amendments to the Zoning Code to remove the requirement for Carbon Monoxide (CO) studies, known as Air Quality Impact Analyses (AQIAs), found in Section 14-16-3-14 of the Zoning Code, and to revise associated sections of the Zoning Code to reflect the change. The development requirement for CO studies (AQIAs) created in 1990 when CO levels were much higher does not provide a public benefit. Since the last local violation of the Federal 8-hour CO standard in 1991, local CO levels have been steadily in decline and now measure less than half the Federal standard as documented in the Federally-approved Limited Maintenance Plan (LMP) for CO. Only one area in the nation (Clark County, NV) is currently in non-attainment status for a Federal CO standard. The downward national trend in CO levels is also due to improved vehicle technology and cleaner fuels. Because other air pollutants (ex. ozone) are not tied to land use like CO is land development requirements would not be appropriate air pollution control strategies; Catalina Lehner at **505-924-3935**, e-mail: <clehner@cabq.gov>.

Northeast

Bel-Air, no neighborhood coalition (neighborhood/homeowner association/coalition); 10EPC-40038, Project #1002249 (case #'s); Approximately 1.17 acre(s) located on the southwest corner of Claremont Avenue NE and Carlisle Boulevard NE between Menaul Boulevard NE (**location of request**); H-16(**zone atlas page #**); Mike Jackson at **480-292-0247**, agent for SRI Holdings, LLC (**applicant or agency and phone #**); Requests Amendment to the Site Development Plan for Building Permit to allow for the modifications to the east building façade of the American Mattress building to add signage and windows and to allow the addition of Jack in the Box and American Mattress signage to the existing Wal-Mart Monument sign (**action requested**); Randall Falkner at **505-924-3933**, e-mail: <rfalkner@cabq.gov>. (**City staff planner**).

Southeast

University Heights, no neighborhood coalition; 10EPC-40037, Project #1008365; Approximately .168 acre(s) located west side of Harvard Drive SE between Silver Avenue SE and Lead Avenue SE; K-16; Augustine or Susan Grace at **505-379-3671**; Request a Zone Map Amendment from SU-2 for Church and Related Facility to P for continued parking lot on subject property; Randall Falkner at **505-924-3933**, e-mail: <rfalkner@cabq.gov>.



APD Crime Prevention
Submitted By
Steve Sink



National Night Out 2010

On **Tuesday, August 3**, neighborhoods throughout Albuquerque are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 27th 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.

If your block or neighborhood wants to participate in this years NNO and join together with other citizens in our community to send a message to criminals that you are fighting back against crime, gangs and drugs, call the **Citizen Contact Center at 311 by Friday, July 30, 2010 at 5 p.m.** When you call, please provide your name, address, phone number, neighborhood association (if known) and the exact location of the event, if other than the address listed. We will compile a list of interested blocks and neighborhoods for elected City Officials, Police Area Commands, Crime Prevention personnel, and other City representatives so they can attend as many individual events as possible.

The Albuquerque Police Department will make every attempt to have an officer attend your event. However, due to the large number of expected events, the possibility of a high volume of calls for service and unplanned emergencies might prevent an officer from arriving. If this should occur we apologize in advance but will continue to support your efforts and appreciate the time and dedication you have shown to make your neighborhood a safer place to live.

National Night Out is an excellent opportunity for you and your neighbors to socialize, renew acquaintances, welcome new neighbors and to join fellow citizens in our community's fight against crime and our pursuit of a high quality of life. Plan to join us once again for another fun and enjoyable citywide celebration. We look forward to hearing from you by **Friday, July 30, 2010 at 5 p.m. to register.** If you have any questions about the event please do not hesitate to call the **APD Crime Prevention Unit at 505-924-3600** for further information.

Environmental Health Department

Submitted By *Therese Martinez-Loner*

DO YOU KNOW WHAT OUR UV INDEX IS?

2 or less: Low 3-5: Moderate 6-7: High
8-10: Very High 11: Extreme

Our UV Index is generally in the **extreme** range all summer long, because of the altitude & high desert climate. Protect your eyes, skin & respiratory health. Follow these steps:

- Avoid the sun between 10 AM & 4 PM when the sun is directly overhead & the ground-level ozone level is highest
- Wear sunglasses with UV protection
- Wear sunscreen when you will be in the sun & reapply every 2 hours; protect your face & lips with sunscreen!
- Wear a hat, shirt and sunscreen and seek shade!

Visit www.epa.gov/sunwise/uvindex.html



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www.cabq.gov/airquality www.cabq.gov/aircare

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NM State Association of Parliamentarians

Submitted By Janice Strand

The Motion to Commit or Refer a Motion to a Committee

The subsidiary motion to Commit or Refer is a motion ... "used to send a pending question (a motion) to a relatively small group of selected persons - a committee - so that the question may be carefully investigated and put into better condition for the assembly to consider." (Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 10th Edition, p. 160)



Example: A motion is made and amended ...and the group still has questions about what should be included in the motion. There is discussion/debate about many aspects of the motion. When the group sees that there is not enough information to go on with processing the motion it would be a good idea to make the subsidiary motion to refer the main motion (possibly with a pending amendment) to a committee (a standing committee or a special committee) for further study; the motion to Commit could even include the charge to bring the motion back to the next meeting with a proposed amendment or with further information to clarify the questions presented.



The person making the motion to Commit would state: "I move to commit the pending motion (...and the pending amendment...which would not have been adopted) to a special committee of four persons to be appointed by the president and that the committee report back at the next meeting with recommendations."

**The motion could even include the names of the persons to be appointed to a special committee.

Rules for the use of Commit/Refer

- 1. Can be applied to a main motion, with any amendments that may be pending.
2. Is out of order when another has the floor.
3. Requires a second.
4. Is debatable. The debate can extend only to the desirability of committing the main motion and to the appropriate details such as when to report back. The debate on motion to commit cannot go into the merits of the main motion.
5. Is amendable as to which committee to be committed to.



- 6. Requires a majority vote.
7. May be adopted by unanimous consent.

**The president/chairman should rule a motion to Commit as "out of order" or "dilatatory" if the purpose seems to be to defeat the purpose of the main motion.

** A new statement in the 10th Edition of Robert's Rules.... Once a committee to which a motion has been referred commences its deliberations the committee is free to consider and recommend for adoption, any amendment to the motion so referred, without regard to whether or not the assembly prior to the referral, considered the same or a similar amendment and either adopted or rejected it.

Again, if you would like to use a motion form at your meetings (secretaries love them!!), please e-mail Jan Strand; the e-mail address is listed below.

Adapted from Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 10th Edition, (RONR)



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, Vice President of the New Mexico State Association of Parliamentarians at 505-466-1326 or e-mail to <jan_str@msn.com>.





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