

# Neighborhood News

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Martin J. Chávez  
Mayor of Albuquerque

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

In my three terms as the Mayor of this great city, I had the opportunity to work with and meet many wonderful and passionate people. None are more passionate about our city than you the neighborhood leaders and advocates. Together we've built bridges, cleaned up our streets and moved Albuquerque to the forefront among the greatest cities in the nation.

The vibrant culture and extravagant beauty that is synonymous with the Duke City has begun to make an impression on those outside of New Mexico. Our elaborate bike and walking trails invite outdoor enthusiasts and encourage Albuquerqueans to get out and enjoy the over 300 days of sunshine that greet us each year. Our ever-advancing bus system has allowed for us to make strides in reducing our carbon footprint and given tens of thousands of residents an alternative to single occupancy vehicles. What we've done for our four legged friends has made us one of the most animal friendly communities in the nation and one of the best cities to own a pet. With the implementation of our 311 Call Center we've managed to keep an efficient system of reporting concerns, from litter and graffiti to city event times and locations and in turn maintaining a clean and enjoyable Albuquerque.

I made it a point to always accomplish what I promised. Whether it was building the Montano Bridge or growing the number of police protecting our neighborhoods, I was not content until the job was finished. As I look around our city it gives me pride to know that our communities are equipped with multigenerational centers, skate parks and soccer fields. It is tools such as these that allow for communities to flourish and progress. With the opening of Warehouse 508 we've given our youth a positive and safe environment where they can enjoy the arts and entertainment while staying out of trouble. By giving our youth the utensils to excite them about learning music or the arts we are ensuring a promising future for our city and I'm proud to have been a part of it.

It is only with dedicated neighborhood activists like you that our community can continue to prosper. We are blessed to have such a thriving and active neighborhood associations from across our city that has made the welfare and quality of life in our City their number one priority. I strongly believe that Albuquerque is the greatest city in this Nation and with your continued hard work and support it's only going to get better. It was with great conviction and pride that I have been able to serve as your Mayor. I thank you for allowing me the opportunity and may God bless you and your families.

Sincerely,

Martin J. Chávez  
Mayor

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



**APD Crime Prevention**

*Submitted By Steve Sink*



**Halloween Safety**

The time for monsters, super hero’s and ghosts has arrived again. Halloween is a wonderful part of the changing seasons and we should do every thing possible to ensure the night remains a wonderful experience for our children. Most folks are aware of the need for cautionary steps on this haunted evening particularly in regard to altered treats and safety. Unfortunately, there are dangers associated with this annual goblin festival. The following tips should be considered by all adults and children as a guide to protect our little cherubs during a night of trick-or-treating.

**For Parents:**

- The safest place is a sponsored event at a mall, school, church or neighborhood event.
- Accompany young children on the route.
- Send older children out with friends, a watch and flashlight.
- Agree to the route and an expected arrival time prior to departure.
- Always check your children’s treats prior to consumption.

**For Children and Parents:**

- Wear light-colored clothing or costumes.
- Use make-up instead of a mask for better visibility.
- Make a map of the route for you and your parents.
- Carry a flashlight or light stick.
- Stay in your own neighborhood.
- Be respectful of other people and their property.
- Stop only at well-lighted houses.
- Have a parent check the treats before you eat them.
- Start early and end early.
- Use sidewalks or walk facing traffic.
- Always keep a safe distance between you and moving vehicles.
- Stop, look and listen at corners or before crossing the street and walk - don’t run.
- Don’t go between parked cars or crisscross back and forth across the street.
- Never go inside a stranger’s house or apartment no matter what anyone says.
- Don’t carry sharp instruments and never carry a lighted candle or open flame.

Any incident involving injury or violations of the law should be reported to the Albuquerque Police Department by calling **911** (Emergency) or **505-242-COPS** (Non-Emergency).

**Albuquerque Fire Department**

*Submitted By Melissa Romero*



**Holiday Fire Safety (Part 1 of 2)**

The Albuquerque Fire Department is committed to making this holiday season safe and joyous for all the citizens of Albuquerque.

We want everyone to recognize the importance of fire safety in our homes. It is critically important to be highly alert to the fire dangers that exist during the holiday season and throughout the year. Here are some safety tips:

**Fireplaces and woodstoves**

- Have a certified chimney sweep clean and inspect your chimney and fireplace or creosote build-up, cracks, crumbling bricks and obstructions.
- Place fireplace or wood stove ashes outdoors in a covered metal container at least 3 feet away from anything that can burn.
- Don’t burn trash including gift wrapping. The wrapping may ignite suddenly and cause a flash fire.

**Portable heaters** need at least 3 feet of empty space between the heater and everything else like furniture, curtains, papers and people.

- Make sure the heater is UL approved and has a tip-over shut off function.
- Check the cord and make sure it is not frayed. If frayed, it is time for a new heater.
- Never use extension cords with portable heaters. It is a common cause of fire.
- An Adult must always be present when a space heater is used around children.
- ALWAYS turn off portable heaters when family members leave the house or are sleeping.

**Smoke Alarms**

Working smoke alarms alert you to a fire and more than double your chances of surviving a fire.

- Install smoke alarms in every home on every level outside each sleeping area and in each bedroom.
- Test your smoke alarms each month to make sure they are working.
- Replace batteries twice a year when daylight savings occurs.
- Replace smoke alarms every ten years or sooner if broken.
- When the smoke alarm sounds, get out fast!

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**Cultural Services**

*Submitted By Thomas C. O'Laughlin*

**Albuquerque Now: A Two-Part Exploration of New Art**

**Fall - October 11, 2009 - January 3, 2010 and Winter - January 24 - April 18, 2010**

The Albuquerque Museum is pleased to present *Albuquerque Now*, an exhibit of recent works from a wide variety of Albuquerque artists who are living in the city and surrounding area or are originally from the city and are working elsewhere. "There is a wealth of artistic talent in this community, which supports the ranking of Albuquerque as a top arts destination," explains Museum Director, Cathy Wright. The exhibition which opened the evening of October 10 will serve as a snapshot of *Albuquerque Now*, a glimpse at some of the most skilled and exceptional artists working today.

A total of 150 artists varying in age from mid-twenties to over eighty years old will be represented by one work each in *Albuquerque Now*. Ranging from traditional to experimental, their works include a wide variety of media including painting, ceramics, photography, jewelry design, installation, drawing, video, sculpture, fiber, furniture and even tattoo art.

Due to the wealth of gifted artists in our area, *Albuquerque Now* will be divided into two distinct consecutive installations. Each *Albuquerque Now* show stands alone, without themes or hierarchy, but full of variety. The first installation, titled *Fall*, will be on view October 11, 2009-January 3, 2010. It will be followed by the *Winter* installation, which will be on display January 24-April 18, 2010.

"The more I discover about Albuquerque, the more I appreciate the real, visceral, integral and experimental feel of the art scene here. Some of our most significant artists possess a pioneering enthusiasm...there's something about the appeal of New Mexico and the Southwestern lifestyle that allows people to be who they are without preconceived expectations."

This is how Andrew Connors, Curator of Art, summarizes the recent developments that are taking place in the Albuquerque art scene. The community's increasing support for the arts, along with the growing number of galleries, art enthusiasts, art students, and collectors serve to raise public awareness of

the gifted artists in our midst. *Albuquerque Now* is an opportunity to view the wide variety of works from these artists and experience the deeply rooted artistic brilliance of our community.

**Screening: Thursday, October 22 - 6 p.m.**

See a public screening of an episode from the upcoming season of the award-winning PBS documentary, *Art:21 — Art in the Twenty-First Century*. This episode presents four artists whose works or personal stories transport viewers to imaginary worlds and altered states of consciousness. With works that seem at times hallucinatory, irreverent and sublime each of these artists pursues a vision first held in the mind's eye. Jeff Koons, Mary Heilmann, Florian Maier-Aichen and Cao Fei are featured. An after hours event, no admission required.

**Curator's Conversations: Wednesdays, November 4 and December 2 - 11 a.m.**

Join Andrew Connors, Curator of Art, for engaging discussions on select works in the exhibition, *Albuquerque Now: Fall*. A **FREE** Wednesday event, no admission required.

The Albuquerque Museum of Art and History, 2000 Mountain Road NW, **505-243-7255**, <[www.cabq.gov/museum](http://www.cabq.gov/museum)>.

Museum admission: \$4 Adults (\$1 discount to NM residents w/ID), \$2 Seniors (65+), \$1 Children 4-12. Children 3 and under are **FREE**.

**Cultural Services**

*Submitted By Eric Werner*

**Twinkle Light Parade Challenge!**

Calling all Neighborhood Associations! The City of Albuquerque's Cultural Services Department is issuing a challenge to you. A parade challenge! The City will be hosting its annual Twinkle Light Parade on Saturday, November 28, 2009 to kick off the holiday season. The parade will start at 5:15 p.m. at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Central Avenue and head west on Central Avenue ending at the Rio Grande Botanic Gardens (approximately two miles). We have added a new category this year and that is where you come in.

New for 2009 is the Neighborhood Association Float Category. We want to find out, once and for all, which Neighborhood

Association is home to the best float builders in Albuquerque. Awards will be given to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners in this category, and the overall winner will receive the soon to be coveted 2009 Neighbor's Cup, which comes complete with bragging rights. At least until it comes time to contend for the 2010 Cup. The winner will also be eligible to win the Parade's Best in Show award, as well as Best in Theme, both of which come with cash prizes, \$300 and \$200 respectively. This year's parade theme is TBD.



Applications and entry instructions will be emailed to each Neighborhood Association in the City and they will also be available on the City's website at <[www.cabq.gov](http://www.cabq.gov)>. Only one entry per Neighborhood Association, so please work together. For more information, please call **505-768-3556**, or **311**, NM Relay or **711**. Applications must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday, November 13, 2009.

**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, October 24, 2009** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Target Store, 6100 Paseo Del Norte NE (Paseo Del Norte @ I-25)

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



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**Affordable Housing - \$10,100,000** approved by 58.65% of the voters to provide resources towards construction and rehabilitation of high quality, permanently affordable housing for low to moderate working families and senior citizens.



**Charter Amendments**

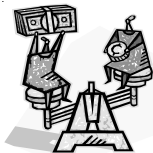
**Proposition 1 - Elections** was passed by 66.93% and will summarize and indicate where to find all provisions in the City Charter that pertain to governing elections in Albuquerque.

**Proposition 2 - Salaries** passed by 53.35% of the voters. This proposition creates a Salary Commission that will determine the salaries of the Mayor and the City Councilors.

**Proposition 3 - Clerk** was passed by 66.49% of the voters. This amends the City Charter so that the City Clerk will serve the term that coincides with the Term of the Mayor.

**Proposition 4 - Petitions** passed by 63.52% of the voters. This proposition will authorize the City Clerk to correct clerical errors and delete portions in a proposed amendment that have been ruled invalid if approved by the City Attorney and City Council.

**Proposition 5 - Budget** was approved by the voters by 70.54%. This amends the budget process to provide that the Mayor prepare the biennial capital improvements budget for the submission to the Council, setting specific dates for the City Council action on the Mayor's annually proposed Operating Budget.



**Proposition 6 - Ethics** was approved by 61.32% of the voters. This will amend the City Charter to provide that the

enforcement of the Open and Ethical Elections Code will be a civil process and take the City Attorney out of the Enforcement Process.

**Proposition 7 - Zoning** was passed by 56.29% of the voters to add a new article that provides that the City Council will be the City's ultimate planning and zoning Authority.

**Proposition 8 - Disputes** passed by 65.04% of the voters. This proposition adds a new Article to the City Charter that by Ordinance the City Council will establish a process for addressing disputes between the City Council and the Mayor over their respective duties under the Charter.

**Proposition 9 - Signatures** passed by 71.53% of the voters. This amends the City Charter so that the number of required signatures from registered City voters to become a candidate for Mayor is three thousand (3,000) and to become a candidate for City Council is five hundred (500).



**Proposition 10 - Attorney** passed by 66.85% of the voters. This amends the City Charter so that the City Attorney will serve the term that coincides with the Term of the Mayor.



Transportation Infrastructure Gross Receipts Tax - The continuation of this tax was approved by 58.76% of the voters. This tax will address road rehabilitation, road deficiencies, road maintenance, trails and bikeways. It will also be used for Transit.

**NM State Association of Parliamentarians**

*Submitted By Janice Strand*

**Policies and Procedures**

Policies and Procedures expand on the bylaws and are more easily amended. Amendment can be carried out at a regular meeting with no notice and a majority vote. Procedures that are open to change are best contained in this document and often include:

- Specific functions of the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.
- Specific duties of each officer.
- Specific duties of each committee (including specific instructions for the Nominating Committee and Teller Committee).
- Procedures for financial accounts, authorized check signatures and audits.
- Standing rules for regular monthly meetings.
- Procedures for conducting an election.
- Specific procedures for the Annual Meeting (including standing rules).
- Procedures for special projects.
- Procedures for recognition and awards.
- A calendar of Dates to Remember for deadlines and projects of the organization.
- Forms used by committees and project chairmen.

Policies and procedures are written by a committee that includes officers, committee chairmen, and members having knowledge of procedures used and knowledge of the history of the organization. The document is adopted at a membership meeting with a majority vote. Copies are often made available as a manual containing the bylaws and the policies/procedures; copies are distributed to all officers and to members serving on committees.

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, contact Jan Strand, Vice President of the New Mexico State Assn. of Parliamentarians at **505-466-1326** or by e-mail to: <[jan\\_str@msn.com](mailto:jan_str@msn.com)>.



**A Message From  
Your City Council**

*Submitted by Elaine Romero*

**2009 Municipal  
Election Overview**

On October 6th, Albuquerque voters participated in the Municipal Elections. City Council Seats for Districts One, Three, Five, Seven and Nine were decided upon. Terms for the elected Councilors will begin on December 1, 2009. Citizens also voted to approve the 2009 General Obligation Bonds, Charter Amendments and to renew the One-Quarter Cent Transportation Tax.

**City Council Elections**

In the District One City Council race incumbent Ken Sanchez ran unopposed and was re-elected to represent his district for another term. In the District Three race incumbent, Isaac Benton was elected. In the District Five race Dan Lewis was elected to his first term as City Councilor. In District Seven, Michael Cook was elected to his first term as City Councilor. In the District Nine incumbent Don Harris was elected to a second term. Councilors will be sworn in along with newly-elected Mayor Richard "R.J." Berry at a ceremony at the Albuquerque Convention Center on December 1, 2009.



**General Obligation Bonds**

**Public Safety** - \$8,444,000 approved by 63.81% of the voters. Projects include \$2,000,000 for apparatus replacement, \$500,000 fire station rehabilitation, \$3,200,000 for the Sixth Area Command,

**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](http://www.cabq.gov/council/counsched.html)>.

**Your City 2009-10 Councilors:** (L to R, back row) Isaac Benton, President, District 3; Michael Cadigan, District 5; Rey Garduño, District 6; (L to R, middle row) Sally Mayer, District 7; Trudy Jones, District 8; Ken Sanchez, District 1; (L to R, seated) Don Harris, District 9; Brad Winter, District 4.; Debbie O'Malley, District 2

\$2,500,000 for Marked Police Vehicles, \$10,000 for Shawn McWethy Substation, \$150,000 for District 7 APD facilities renovation and \$84,000 for 1% Public Art.

**Senior, Family, Community Centers and Community Enhancement Project Bonds - \$22,736,000** approved by the voters by 64.30% to improve, rehabilitate and construct City owned community centers. Some of the projects are Holiday Park, Westgate, Los Duranes, Mesa Verde and Pat Hurley Community Centers. Bear Canyon and North Domingo will also be included as part of the Senior Centers rehabilitation.

**Parks and Recreation - \$34,405,000** approved by 63.67% of the voters. Projects include construction and rehabilitation of Pat Hurley Park, Martinez Town Park, Ventana Ranch Park, Bull Head and Sandia Vista Parks, Rancho Encantado, Seville and Chantilly Parks. Swimming pool renovations, Ladera Golf Course, and Open Space are other projects that will benefit from this bond.

**Energy and Water Conservation Public Facilities and System Moderation Bond - \$16,257,000** approved by 60.94% of the voters. This money will be used to modernize, make or upgrade energy and water efficient equipment. As well as acquire land, vehicles and equipment for public buildings, facilities and systems.

**Library Bonds - \$5,101,000**, approved by 60.94% to feasibility studies for the Northwest library and Council District 6 library, design of Public Library at Central and Unser and roof repair at the Main Library. It will also contribute to library materials citywide.

**Street Bonds - \$31,435,000** approved by 65.00% of the voters. This will pay for road improvements, including medians, sidewalks, lighting, bridge repair and major paving rehabilitation. Some of the major projects will include East Gateway Sector Plan, Unser Boulevard Reconstruction, West Central Redevelopment Area and widening of several Boulevards and Streets.

**Public Transportation Bonds - \$7,828,000** was approved by 55.58% of the voters to maintain, enhance and acquire vehicles, equipment and land for public transportation facilities, including Bus Shelters and Park and Ride Developments.





**Storm, Sewer System Bonds - \$13,837,000** was approved by 65.60% of the voters. This includes Council District Three Storm Drain Improvements, Fortuna Storm Drain, South Broadway and Updated Storm Drainage Master Plan.

**Zoo, Biological Park, Museum and Cultural Facility - \$9,797,000** was approved by 68.00% of the voters to improve and acquire artifacts, exhibits and furnishings including Tingley Beach, Asia/Tigers at the Zoo, the Japanese Garden and the KIMO Theater rehabilitation.



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<p><b>Wednesday, October 21</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•DRB – 9 a.m.</li> <li>•EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.</li> <li>•ADC – 3 p.m.</li> <li>•<b>District 4 Coalition</b> – 7 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday, October 27</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•BOA – 9 a.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Wednesday, October 28</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•DRB – 9 a.m.</li> <li>•SEPC – 9 a.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Monday, November 2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•ACCC – 5:30 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Wednesday, November 4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•DRB – 9 a.m.</li> <li>•PAB – 10 a.m.</li> <li>•City Council – 5 p.m.</li> <li>•<b>Westside Coalition</b> – 7 p.m.</li> <li>•<b>District 7 Coalition</b> – 7 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Thursday, November 5</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•AAB – 9 a.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Monday, November 9</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•GABAC – 4:30 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Wednesday, November 11</b></p> <p><b>Closed - City Holiday</b></p> <p><b>Veteran's Day</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•AQCB – 5:15 p.m.</li> <li>•<b>District 6 Coalition</b> – 6:30 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Thursday, November 12</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•GWPAB – 8:30 a.m.</li> <li>•DRB – 9 a.m.</li> <li>•TAB – 9 a.m.</li> <li>•Feedback Forum – 11:45 a.m.</li> <li>•EPC Study Session – 3 p.m.</li> <li>•POC – 4 p.m.</li> <li>•<b>South Valley Coalition</b> – 6:30 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Monday, November 16</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•City Council – 5 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday, November 17</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•ZHE – 9 a.m.</li> <li>•GARTC – 4:30 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Wednesday, November 18</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•DRB – 9 a.m.</li> <li>•SEPC – 9 a.m.</li> <li>•ADC – 3 p.m.</li> <li>•LUCC – 3 p.m.</li> <li>•<b>District 4 Coalition</b> – 7 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Thursday, November 19</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•EPC Public Hearing – 8:30 a.m.</li> <li>•<b>District 8 Coalition</b> – 7 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday, November 24</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•BOA – 9 a.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Wednesday, November 25</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27</b></p> <p><b>City Offices Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday</b></p>
			

### 2009 CALENDAR/LEGEND

**AAB** - Airport Advisory Board, Aviation Department Executive Conference Room  
**ACCC** - Albuquerque Citizens Corp. Council, 1615 University Blvd. NE (Association of General Contractors Building Branch), 505-610-9563 (formally known as the LEPC)  
**ACTMI** - Advisory Committee on Transit for the Mobility Impaired - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE  
**ADC** - Albuquerque Development Commission - Hearing Room (Basement Level), Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW  
**AQCB** - Air Quality Control Board, Council Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall  
**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 NE  
**District 6 Coalition** - Cesar Chavez Community Center, 7505 Kathryn SE  
**District 7 Coalition** - Sandia High School, Teacher's Lounge, 7801 Candelaria NE  
**District 8 Coalition** - James Joseph Dwyer Memorial Substation, 12700 Montgomery 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 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  
**FF** - Feedback Forum, 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  
**GWPAB** - Ground Water Protection Advisory Board - Room 302 City/County Building, 400 Marquette NW  
**LUCC** - Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission, Plaza del Sol, Hearing Room (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW  
**PAB** - ParaTransit Advisory Board - Alvarado Transportation Center, 100 First Street SW  
**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 Neighborhoods Associations, Rio Bravo Senior Center, 3910 Isleta Boulevard SW  
**TAB** - Transit Advisory Board - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE  
**Westside Coalition** - Don Newton/Taylor Ranch Community Center, 4900 Kachina 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**

Publication of EPC hearing notices in the *Albuquerque Journal* will now occur on the **Wednesday - 22 days prior** to the public hearing on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month**. The hearing notice includes the time, place and date of the hearing along with a brief description of each application on the agenda. Previously, hearing notices were published 15 days before the public hearing. The reason for this change is to meet the advertising requirements for EPC study sessions which occur on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. Rather than advertising the hearing and study session separately, a single notice will be prepared to advertise both. Contact the Planning Department at **505-924-3860** if you have questions.

**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 Dept. no later than **9 a.m.** on the **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 Hearing, call Planning at **505-924-3860** and the receptionist will give you the status of the Hearing.
- Staff reports are available at the Planning Office beginning at **3 p.m.** on the **Thursday** prior to the EPC Hearing.

**On the 2nd 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 **3rd 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 Plaza del Sol Hearing Room. Please call the Planning Department at **505-924-3860** to confirm the Study Session schedule as adjustments are made occasionally.

Please note that the **Pre-Hearing Meeting** will be held on **October 21, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Planning Conference Room, Third Floor. The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **November 19, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.** in the **Plaza del Sol Hearing Room (basement level), 600 Second Street NW** for the following cases:

**Northeast**

**Cibola, Onate, District 8 Coalition of NA's (neighborhood/homeowner association/coalition); 09EPC-40058, Project #1007880 (case #'s);** Approximately .424 acre(s) located on the southwest corner of Menaul Boulevard NE and Tramway Boulevard NE (**location of request**); H-22 (**zone atlas page #**); Arch + Plan Land Use Consultants at **505-980-8365**, agent for Manzano Meadows, LLC (**applicant or agency and phone #**); Requests a Zone Map Amendment from O-1 (1-A) P-R (2-A) to the same for relocating the zoning boundary 20 feet south to accommodate a new addition to an existing building (**action requested**); Carol Toffaleti at **505-924-3345**, e-mail: <cgtoffaleti@cabq.gov>. (**city staff planner**)

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