

CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

TWENTY FIFTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. O-22-17 ENACTMENT NO. O-2022-018

SPONSORED BY: Isaac Benton by request

1 **ORDINANCE**

2 **DESIGNATING BARELAS COMMUNITY CENTER AS A CITY LANDMARK.**

3 **WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3-22-3 NMSA 1978 of the Historic District**
4 **and Landmark Act the City Council, the governing body of the City of**
5 **Albuquerque, has the authority to adopt zoning districts designating certain**
6 **areas as historical areas and to adopt and enforce regulations and restrictions**
7 **within such district relating to the erection, alteration and destruction of those**
8 **exterior features of buildings and other structures subject to public view from**
9 **any public street, way or other public place; and**

10 **WHEREAS, the authority conferred by the Historic District and Landmark**
11 **Act is consistent with the authority of the City Council to amend the Zone Map**
12 **for the physical development of areas within the planning and platting**
13 **jurisdiction of the City as authorized by Section 3-19-3, NMSA 1978, and by the**
14 **City of Albuquerque's home rule powers; and**

15 **WHEREAS, the protection, reuse, and enhancement of significant historic**
16 **buildings and districts are goals of the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County**
17 **Comprehensive Plan; and**

18 **WHEREAS, the property owner, consents to the designation of the property**
19 **as a City of Albuquerque Landmark; and**

20 **WHEREAS, the Barelas Community Center has historic and cultural**
21 **significance through its listing on the New Mexico Register of Cultural**
22 **Properties and the National Register of Historic Places; and**

23 **WHEREAS, the Landmarks Commission, in its advisory role on historic**
24 **preservation matters has recommended City Council approval of the landmark**
25 **designation.**

26 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF**

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1 ALBUQUERQUE:

2 SECTION 1. That the Barelvas Community Center be designated a City of
3 Albuquerque Landmark.

4 SECTION 2. FINDINGS ADOPTED. The City Council adopts the following
5 Findings as recommended by the Landmarks and Urban Conservation
6 Commission:

7 (A) This is a request by the property owner to designate the property at
8 801 Barelvas Road SW, specifically described as Tract 127, Map 40, Rio Grande
9 Park Addition as a City Landmark. The approximately 2.6 acre property is
10 located on Barelvas Road SW between Barelvas Road SW and 8th Street SW and
11 is zoned NR-PO-A.

12 (B) The subject site contains the Barelvas Community Center, a Spanish-
13 Pueblo Revival building, built in 1942, and designed by A.W. Boehning.

14 (C) The City of Albuquerque is the owner of the property and initiated this
15 application for landmark designation.

16 (D) Part 14-16-6-7(C) of the Integrated Development Ordinance of 2021
17 (IDO) provides procedures and criteria for evaluating the suitability of a
18 property for landmark designation.

19 (E) The Barelvas Community Center has historical significance and
20 integrity, is suitable for preservation, and has educational significance. As
21 detailed in the staff report, the Barelvas Community Center was constructed by
22 Barelvas residents and workers enrolled in the National Youth Administration
23 program. The materials and workmanship characteristic of the Spanish-Pueblo
24 revival style of architecture are evident in the building's current appearance.

25 (F) The Barelvas Community Center has been both a physical landmark
26 and a center of recreational, cultural and educational activity for the Barelvas
27 community since its dedication in 1942 and remains as such today.

28 (G) The Barelvas Community Center meets the criteria for designation of a
29 city landmark in that it is listed on the New Mexico Register of Cultural
30 Properties and the National Register of Historic Places.

31 (H) The Barelvas Community Center meets the criteria for designation of a
32 city landmark in that it represents the work of A.W. Boehning, a local architect

1 whose body of work in a variety of architectural styles includes several
2 buildings on the National Register of Historic Places.

3 (I) The Barelás Community Center meets the criteria for designation of a
4 city landmark in that it offers a substantially unchanged example of a
5 regionally inspired revival style that drew from Spanish Colonial and Native
6 American pueblo building traditions. Its' detailing, plan, method of
7 construction and materials clearly reflect what is described as Spanish-Pueblo
8 Revival style of architecture.

9 (J) The Barelás Community Center meets the Review and Decision
10 Criteria in the Integrated Development Ordinance for designation of a city
11 landmark in that it meets criteria #2, #3, #4, #5, and #10.

12 (K) The features of the Barelás Community Center that help convey its
13 significance and should be preserved include the building itself – The U-
14 shaped adobe building with integrated courtyard wall and enclosed courtyard.

15 (L) The architectural features of the secondary adobe wall – the stucco
16 covered adobe wall that steps in height from south to north near the east of
17 the property line.

18 (M) The architectural features of the flagpole – the pole with a masonry
19 base outside the front courtyard.

20 (N) The architectural features of the free-standing gateway sign. The pipe
21 framed sign with scroll lettering. The sign reads: "BARELAS COMMUNITY
22 CENTER".

23 (O) The architectural features of the 100 x 25-foot auditorium that include
24 a series of six (6) murals depicting Southwest Native American imagery that
25 decorate the walls.

26 (P) The architectural features of a substantial fireplace constructed of
27 exposed porous lava rock along the long west wall of the auditorium.

28 (Q) The architectural features of the small stage with wood surround that
29 is featured along the shorter north wall of the auditorium.

30 (R) The architectural features of the kitchen located in the north wing. The
31 kitchen space retains original upper and lower wood cabinetry and a
32 freestanding island of similar construction.

1 **(S) The Federal Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation**
2 **shall be incorporated into the specific development guidelines for the Barel**
3 **Community Center by reference.**

4 **SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.** If any section, paragraph, sentence,
5 clause, word or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or
6 unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not
7 affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance. The Council
8 hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section,
9 paragraph, sentence, clause, word or phrase thereof irrespective of any
10 provision being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.

11 **SECTION 4. OFFICIAL ZONING MAP.** The City Planning Department shall
12 update the Official Zoning Map to reflect the adopted City Landmark
13 designation for the Barel Community Center, located at 801 Barel Road
14 SW.

15 **SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall take effect five days
16 after publication by title and general summary.

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1 PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF May, 2022
2 BY A VOTE OF: 9 FOR 0 AGAINST.

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Isaac Benton, President
City Council

APPROVED THIS 19 DAY OF May, 2022

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Timothy M. Keller, Mayor
City of Albuquerque

ATTEST:



Ethan Watson, City Clerk

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