

CITY of ALBUQUERQUE
SIXTEENTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO _____ ENACTMENT NO. _____

SPONSORED BY:

1 RESOLUTION
2 REQUIRING A TRANSPORTATION FEASIBILITY STUDY OF THE 4TH STREET
3 AND MONTANO ROAD INTERSECTION; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION;
4 REPEALING BILL NO. R-04-161.

5 WHEREAS, the intersection of 4th Street and Montano Road is a
6 crossroads linking the North East Heights, the North West Mesa, the Central
7 Valley and the North Valley; and

8 WHEREAS, 4th Street is the original Route 66 and later became United
9 States Highway 85 the first road linking together the states of the Rocky
10 Mountain States with the Border of the Republic of Mexico; and

11 WHEREAS, the City has embarked on several planning efforts to revitalize
12 4th Street; and

13 WHEREAS, the intersection of Montano and 4th Street is operating beyond
14 design capacity during peak hours with traffic lines extending east to Edith
15 Boulevard, west to Rio Grande Boulevard, south to Griegos Road and north to
16 Guadalupe Trail; and

17 WHEREAS, the Administration has proposed widening the intersection to
18 accommodate for existing traffic and additional traffic expected with the
19 expansion of Montano to four Lanes between 4th Street and Coors Boulevard;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, in two town hall meetings the residents of the area objected to
22 this proposal contending it will break up the continuity of the 4th Street
23 corridor and will not adequately reduce congestion at the intersection.

24 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
25 ALBUQUERQUE THAT:

26 Section 1. Bill No. R-04-161 hereby is repealed.

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1 Section 2. A study is to be conducted of the intersection at 4th Street and
2 Montano Road that is to include a purpose and objectives, intersection
3 history, agency coordination, public involvement and outreach, decision
4 chronology and time line, intersection problem and needs, evaluation criteria
5 and methodology, development, analysis, and description of alternatives, and
6 a financial analysis of the alternatives.

7 Section 3. The study shall include an evaluation of lane options for
8 Montano, including High Occupancy Vehicle lanes and bus lanes. This
9 evaluation shall consider the relationship of a reversible lane on the Montano
10 Bridge with the design, operation, and signalization of Montano Road and the
11 Montano Road and 4th Street intersection. This work shall be carried out
12 concurrently with the corridor plan for North 4th Street and the Near North
13 Valley Sector Plan.

14 Section 4. The study shall include a collaboration among staff with the
15 Department of Municipal Development, the Metropolitan Redevelopment
16 Agency of the Planning Department, the Mid-Region Council of Governments,
17 and the City Council Services Department.

18 Section 5. The completed study is to be transmitted to the Council within
19 seven months of the enactment date of this legislation.

20 Section 6. The amount of \$150,000, is hereby appropriated from the
21 Unreserved Fund Balance of the General Fund to the City Council Service
22 Department for the purpose of providing the study.

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