



**City of Albuquerque
Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency**

Tim Keller, Mayor

January 26, 2021

To: Albuquerque Development Commission

From: Jonathan Teeters, Project Manager

Subject: MRA Project Integration of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Purpose: The purpose of this memo is to respond to requests by ADC Commissioners regarding if and how the Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency (MRA) integrates encouragement for energy efficiency and/or renewable energy generation into project RFPs, project funding, and other operational aspects of MRA work.

MRA Project Requests for Proposals: Each project the MRA supports via provision of land and/or financial resources is different. This is one reason MRA projects encourage but do not require energy efficiency and renewable energy inclusion. Currently RFPs issued by MRA address energy efficiency and renewable energy in two aspects of the process:

First: The Project RFP Criteria asks respondents to address how the project address the two areas.

- Energy Efficiency - Indicate in detail if and how the project will create, produce or use renewable energy and renewable energy technology. Include any waste and/or energy reduction measures that will be a part of the project. If the project is expected to receive any third-party verification, identify the certifying organization and the expected certification level.”

Second: RFP response evaluations assess how the project addresses the two areas with respect to project design, which accounts for up to 10 points of a possible 100 overall for any project.

- The Project incorporates sustainable design features and renewable energy elements.
- The Project incorporates renewable energy and other measures to reduce carbon footprint.

MRA Bonds: The evaluation of any MRA Bond request by the ADC includes five criteria that must be met for a project to qualify. Energy efficiency and renewable energy are only addressed in Criteria III: Community Benefit, indicating that a project may meet the criteria by:

- Create[ing], produce[ing] or use[ing] renewable energy and renewable energy technology.

###