

# CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

## TWENTY-THIRD COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. F/S O-18-45 ENACTMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORED BY: Ken Sanchez, by request

1 ORDINANCE  
2 AMENDING CHAPTER TWO, ARTICLE SIX OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF  
3 ALBUQUERQUE RELATING TO THE COMMISSION ON AMERICAN INDIAN  
4 AND ALASKA NATIVE AFFAIRS.  
5 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF  
6 ALBUQUERQUE:

7 SECTION 1. SECTION 2-6-6-1 IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:  
8 INTENT.

9 The City of Albuquerque acknowledges and affirms tribal sovereignty and self-  
10 determination for tribal governments. It is the purpose of §§ 2-6-6-1 et seq., to  
11 recognize and formalize the government-to-government relationship between  
12 the City of Albuquerque and its adjacent tribal communities and to promote  
13 the health, safety, and general welfare of its citizenry through the creation of a  
14 Commission on American Indian and Alaska Native Affairs. The Commission  
15 serves as the forum for government-to-government relations and as an  
16 advocate for American Indian/Alaska Native affairs within the City of  
17 Albuquerque and the surrounding area, including, but not limited to, matters  
18 of employment, education, economy, health, environment, homelessness,  
19 government, and access to services in the City.

20 SECTION 2. SECTION 2-6-6-2 IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:  
21 CREATION.

22 There is hereby created the “Commission on American Indian and Alaska  
23 Native Affairs” of the City, consisting of members as set forth below. Except  
24 as provided in §§ 2-6-6-1 et seq., the qualifications, appointment and conduct  
25 of the members of the Commission and the organizational structure of the  
26 Commission shall be governed by § 2-6-1-1, et seq. ROA 1994.

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1       **SECTION 3. SECTION 2-6-6-3 IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:**  
2       **TERMS AND APPOINTMENT.**

3       The Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint nine (9)  
4       members of the Commission. The Mayor shall endeavor to appoint one (1)  
5       member representing each of the following sectors of the City: education,  
6       health, workforce/employment, environment, government and culture. The  
7       remaining three (3) positions shall be at-large positions. If a representative  
8       from a sector cannot be identified, then a member shall be appointed from the  
9       broadest base of the community at large.

10       The Commission may create advisory sub-committees from the community  
11       to provide input to the Commission to ensure that their issues are being  
12       addressed.

13       Recognizing the sovereignty and self-determination of the adjacent tribal  
14       nations, the Commission shall also include one (1) member from each of the  
15       following: Sandia Pueblo, Isleta Pueblo, Santa Ana Pueblo, Laguna Pueblo, the  
16       To'hajiilee chapter of the Navajo Nation, and the All Pueblo Council of  
17       Governors, each of whom shall be chosen by the Pueblo, Chapter, or Council  
18       and not subject to appointment by the Mayor or the advice and consent of  
19       Council. The Mayor may choose to have any one or more of the tribally-  
20       selected members serve in a dual role as one of the Mayor's nine  
21       appointments.

22       The term of office of each member of the Commission shall be three years  
23       from the date of appointment.

24       The Commission will interact, collaborate, and engage with the City Native  
25       American Liaison on a continuous basis to ensure American Indian/Alaska  
26       Native concerns, challenges, and resolutions are being advocated and  
27       implemented.

28       **SECTION 4. SECTION 2-6-6-4 IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:**  
29       **POWERS AND DUTIES.**

30       The Board shall:

31       (A) Consult with tribal governments prior to taking actions that affect  
32       federally recognized tribal governments and shall assess the impact of City  
33       programs on tribal communities.

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1 (B) Take appropriate steps to remove impediments to working directly and  
2 effectively with tribal governments.

3 (C) Bring American Indian/Alaska Native concerns to the City's attention by  
4 educating the City on the challenges, concerns, and resolutions of American  
5 Indian/Alaska Native citizens of Albuquerque; and by evaluating the social,  
6 economic, environmental, health, educational, and governmental challenges  
7 affecting American Indian/Alaska Native peoples.

8 (D) Encourage employment opportunities of Indians in the City's public and  
9 private sectors.

10 (E) Work with the American Indian/Alaska Native community to increase  
11 awareness of and access to services and programs in the City of  
12 Albuquerque; and advise the Mayor regarding the number of American  
13 Indian/Alaska Native citizens accessing City services.

14 (F) Support economic development for Indian entrepreneurs.

15 (G) Make recommendations to the Mayor for placement of American  
16 Indian/Alaska Natives on City boards, committees, and commissions.

17 (H) Provide an opportunity for the presentation and exchange of ideas in  
18 respect to American Indian/Alaska Native affairs of the City by all interested  
19 persons.

20 (I) Submit annually a written report of its activities and an evaluation of the  
21 effectiveness of §§ 2-6-6-1 et seq. to the Mayor and the City Council with  
22 recommendations for changes.

23 SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, paragraph, word or  
24 phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid, or unenforceable  
25 by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the  
26 validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance. The Council hereby  
27 declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section,  
28 paragraph, sentence, clause, word or phrase thereof irrespective of any  
29 provisions being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.

30 SECTION 6. COMPILATION. Sections 1 through 4 of this ordinance shall  
31 amend, be incorporated in and made part of the Revised Ordinances of  
32 Albuquerque, New Mexico, 1994.

1           **SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect five days**  
2 **following publication by title and general summary.**

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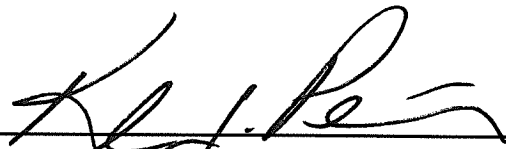
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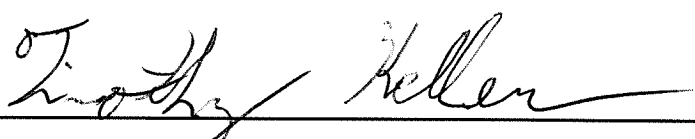
1 PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 4<sup>th</sup> DAY OF March, 2019  
2 BY A VOTE OF: 8 FOR 0 AGAINST.

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9 Klarissa J. Peña, President  
10 City Council

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14 APPROVED THIS 12 DAY OF March, 2019

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18 Bill No. F/S O-18-45

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23 Timothy M. Keller, Mayor  
24 City of Albuquerque

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27 ATTEST:

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30 Katy Duhigg, City Clerk

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