

N eighborhood ews

September 2017



National Night Out in Albuquerque



Above:
Huning Highland Neighborhood



Above:
Monte Largo Neighborhood



Above:
Molten Rock Neighborhood



Above:
Siesta Hills Neighborhood

The September edition of the Neighborhood News is dedicated to the hard work and efforts of our neighborhoods and residents, and the great job they did for National Night Out on Tuesday, August 1! Scenes from across Albuquerque will be featured throughout this month's newsletter.

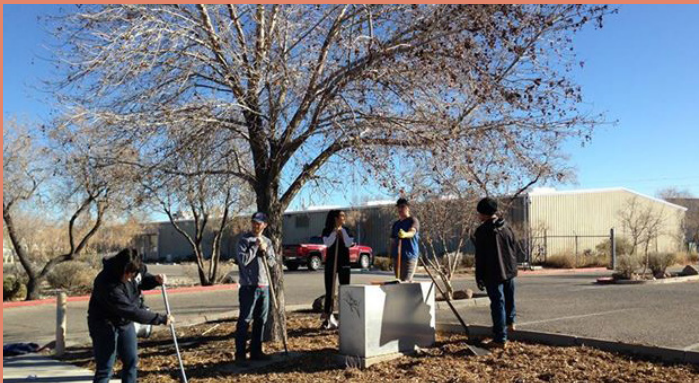
Neighborhood Association of the Month

The Sawmill Area Neighborhood Association (SANA) is located near Old Town, in one of the most historical areas of Albuquerque.

Founded in 2002, SANA encompasses the area bounded by Rio Grande Boulevard on the west, 12th Street on the east, Mountain Road on the south, and I-40 on the north.

Made of a mix of residential, commercial, and industrial areas, this neighborhood association is focused on neighborhood safety and civic pride. In May 2017, the neighborhood was awarded the Bernalillo County Neighborhood Outreach Grant, which allowed them to complete the SANA Beautification Project.

The Project consisted of distribution of wood chips in adjacent rights-of-way and areas with no sidewalks, to provide a more aesthetically pleasing area, and also to assist with pedestrians in those areas. Flowers were also added to the terrain.



"We distributed wildflower seeds and grass seed packets to over 250 residents and organizations, said Julie Henss, SANA President. "We're so proud that many areas are sprouting flowers and greenery not seen there before."

2017 General Obligation Bond Program



The City's 2017 General Obligation Bond election questions, including all projects for each bond question, are available on the City's web site at:

www.cabq.gov/2017gobondprogram, and on the Office of Neighborhood Coordination (ONC) Resource page at: <http://www.cabq.gov/office-of-neighborhood-coordination/resources-for-neighborhoods>

These G.O. Bond questions will be voted upon by the public during the upcoming Municipal Election, on Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2017.

If you have any questions, would like a hard copy, or would like a presentation on the capital program, you may contact Mark Motoko, Strategic Program Manager at 505-768-3830 or e-mail: mmotoko@cabq.gov.



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Route 66 West/ Westgate Heights
Neighborhoods



Above:
Vineyard Estates Neighborhood



Above:
Loma Del Rey Neighborhood



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Victory Hills Neighborhood



Above:
Anderson Hills Neighborhood



Above:
Comanche Foothills Neighborhood

ABC-Z Update



IMPROVING PLACE FROM PLANNING TO ZONING

The Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) will be heard twice in September by the Council's Land Use, Planning, and Zoning Committee (LUPZ). The IDO is intended to replace the City's 1970s zoning code and the City's 60+ Sector Development Plans.

Councilors on the LUPZ committee will take public comments, consider staff responses, recommend changes to the IDO draft, and vote on a recommendation to the full Council about whether to adopt the IDO. Please note the change of date and location for the second hearing below.

- Hearing #2: Wed., September 13, 5 p.m., Vincent E. Griego Chambers to respond to public comments and propose amendments to the draft IDO
- Hearing #3: Wed., September 27, 5 p.m., Vincent E. Griego Chambers to take public comments and finalize LUPZ recommendations to change the IDO draft.

The LUPZ Draft of the IDO and updated zoning conversion map are posted on the project website. Hard copies are available

for checkout from the Planning Department by contacting Carol Toffaleti at (505) 924-3345 or cgtoffaleti@cabq.gov. You can also review them at ABC Libraries, City community centers, multigenerational centers, and senior centers.

Council will take and consider your written comments at any time. To be included in staff responses for consideration by Councilors at the third IDO hearing by the LUPZ committee, please submit written comments by Wednesday, September 20 at 5 p.m.

Send comments to Crystal Ortega, Clerk of the Council

- By email: cortega@cabq.gov
- By mail: P.O. Box 1293, Albuquerque NM 87103
- By map: <https://abc-zone.com/ido-zoning-conversion-map>

The project website at: www.abc-zone.com

includes answers to several Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) raised by the public, and numerous other project resources.



Above:
San Blas Neighborhood



Above:
Saltillo Neighborhood



At left:
Dona Rowena
Neighborhood



At right: Embudo-Vista Del
Mundo-Supper Rock
Joint Neighborhood



At left:
Vecinos del Bosque
Neighborhood



Above:
Los Volcanes Neighborhood



Above:
Towne Park Neighborhood



Above:
Vista Bella Neighborhood



Above:
Presidio Homeowners Association



Above:
Princess Jeanne Neighborhood



Above:
Valley Gardens Neighborhood

Question of the Month

Question:

What is the function of a Neighborhood Association?

Answer:

A neighborhood association (NA) is a group of residents, neighbors, property owners and business owners who work together to effect change and improvements within their neighborhood, such as neighborhood safety and crime prevention, beautification, and social activities.

An NA is made up of elected board members, usually consisting of a president, a vice-president, a secretary, and a treasurer, but there can be other elected positions, as well; and members.



An NA is usually run by bylaws, which are drafted and voted upon by the board, and generally holds monthly, quarterly or annual meetings to vote on actions that affect the neighborhood. Some NAs ask their members to pay dues, but this is not always the case.

In other words, NAs come in all shapes and sizes, but the common element they all share is that they want to work together to address issues that affect them as a neighborhood. Working together as a group is always more effective, and NAs often work closely with city councilors, city departments, law enforcement, and the Office of Neighborhood Coordination (ONC) to find resources, have questions answered, and connect to other groups within Albuquerque.

A neighborhood association is different from a homeowner's association (HOA). An HOA is a legal entity made up of homeowners and property owners with authority to enforce rules and regulations that focus on housing and building rules and regulations, and safety issues. HOA membership is almost always mandatory and set by rules tied to property ownership in a particular area.

Joining an NA not only amplifies your voice, but helps create a community with a shared vision and goal. When neighbors come together and get to know each other, their neighborhood is a safer, more vibrant, and enjoyable place to live.

For information on neighborhood associations and the resources available, visit the Office of Neighborhood Coordination's website at: www.cabq.gov/neighborhoods



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Las Lomitas
Neighborhood



Above:
Raynolds Addition
Neighborhood

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