



City of Albuquerque

Planning Department

Richard J. Berry, Mayor

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To: Potential Developers for City-Owned Property on 4th and Coal

From: Rebecca Velarde, Metropolitan Redevelopment Manager

Subject: City Procurement Process and the Barelás Community Coalition

On January 20, 2014, the Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency (the “MR Agency”) of the City of Albuquerque (the “City”) released a Request for Proposals (“RFP”) for City-owned property on the southwest corner of 4th Street and Coal Avenue in Downtown Albuquerque. The MR Agency subsequently held a site tour for potential developers on February 5, 2014. The deadline to submit proposals to the MR Agency is May 2, 2014.

The MR Agency recently became aware that the Barelás Community Coalition (the “BCC”) has been meeting with potential developers for the site in order to select a developer to support in the RFP process. Though the BCC is well within its rights to meet with and support potential developers for the site, the MR Agency wants to clarify that the BCC’s process is entirely separate and apart from the City’s RFP selection process. As outlined in the RFP, the City’s ad hoc committee will score proposals based on the Evaluation Criteria in Exhibit H, may conduct interviews following the initial review, and make a recommendation to the Albuquerque Development Commission (“ADC”). Then, the ADC will select the developer for the site.

While the City encourages proposals that satisfy a perceived need in the Barelás Neighborhood, as outlined in the “Satisfaction of Neighborhood Goals” evaluation criterion, it is not necessary to receive the BCC’s endorsement in order to receive the maximum number of points for this criterion. The ad hoc committee will evaluate the proposals strictly upon the information provided in each proposal.

The City encourages any and all potential developers to submit proposals to the City to redevelop the site, and the City will follow its procurement and scoring process as outlined in the RFP. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Hyer at chyer@cabq.gov or (505)924-3927.