

Neighborhood News

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Richard J. Berry
Mayor of Albuquerque

Mayor Richard J. Berry Signs Bonds for Paseo Del Norte/I-25 Interchange

City Contributing Majority of Funds for the \$93 Million Project



Proposed reconstruction project to reduce traffic congestion and improve safety and air quality in one of New Mexico's busiest transportation corridors.

The Paseo Del Norte/I-25 Interchange Project came another step closer to construction as Mayor Richard J. Berry signed the bond documents officially securing the bonds to fund the project.

The Paseo/ I-25 Interchange Reconstruction Project is meant to reduce traffic congestion and improve safety and air quality in one of New Mexico's busiest transportation corridors. The project includes six major improvements:

1. A two lane free flow ramp to improve the eastbound-to-southbound traffic movement in the morning peak travel time (7 a.m. - 9 a.m.).
2. A two lane flyover ramp to improve the northbound-to-westbound traffic movement in the evening peak travel time (4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.).

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Increasing Communication Between Neighborhood and/or Homeowner Associations.”



**APD Crime
Prevention**

Submitted By Steve Sink



Travel Preparation and Safety

There are traditional times each year that many of us choose to travel to see family and friends as well as enjoy a vacation. Generally when we go on trips we are less likely to focus on our surroundings and safety. Most of the security resources you can depend on at the office or at home are nonexistent when you travel. Your greatest resource is yourself – your willingness to take precautions, vary your routes, keep a low profile and be alert to suspicious behavior and circumstances. The following tips for securing your residence and travel safety should be observed before and during a trip.

Securing Your Residence and Preparing for Travel – Reduce Criminal Opportunity:

- Ask a trusted neighbor to watch your residence and report suspicious activity.
- If possible have a trusted friend or family member stay at your home.
- Install automatic timers on lights, TV’s and radios to give the impression someone is home.
- Do not have mail and newspaper delivery stopped. If you have a rollout trash dumpster, have a neighbor place it in the street on pick up day and return it that evening. Also, ask them to park a vehicle in the driveway when ever possible and collect your mail and newspapers.
- Be extra cautious about locking all doors and windows.
- Make sure trees and shrubs are trimmed to allow for good natural surveillance of your property.
- Make arrangements to have exterior lights on each night.
- Each entrance should have solid core or metal doors and deadbolt locks.
- All primary window locks should be operational and secondary locks should be installed.

- Let neighbors, family and friends know when you plan to return from a trip.

Travel and Hotel/Motel Safety:

- Always be aware of your surroundings and trust your instincts.
- Lock all personal items in the trunk or away from view – roll up windows, lock doors and take your keys.
- Park in well lit areas with a lot of activity. Park as close to an entrance as possible.
- Rooms should have solid core or metal doors and an eye viewer. Change rooms if these items are worn out or not functioning properly.
- Always verify who’s at your door. If you are not expecting a visitor call the front desk if the person claims to be with the facility and do not open the door to strangers or solicitors.
- If you observe suspicious behavior notify hotel/motel personnel or call the police.
- Look for establishments that have the unit doors and walkways enclosed as well as electronic card access verses the outdated door key.
- Turn on the TV or radio when you are away from the room and leave a light on.
- Request a room closest to the main office – avoid end units. Higher floors are preferred.
- Identify emergency exits and discuss hotel/motel safety and security with family members.
- Keep valuables in the hotel/motel safe or leave them at home.
- Carry a minimum amount of luggage and never leave them unattended.
- Carry only those personal items necessary for a particular trip. Use traveler’s checks or credit cards when ever possible. Leave local credit cards at home.
- Avoid carrying a purse whenever possible. Place money and credit cards in a front or jacket pocket. If you must carry a purse, carry it close to your body with flap facing inward and place strap around your shoulder (never wrap it around your body or neck).
- Don’t display your room key or leave them in places they can be easily stolen.

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3. A reconfiguration of the Jefferson Street and Paseo Del Norte intersection to improve east-west traffic flow while maintaining local access.
4. Bicycle and pedestrian improvements to provide a critical bike system link across I-25 and to connect existing paths in the area.
5. Freeway access improvements for traffic originating from the area east of the Paseo Del Norte/I-25 Interchange.
6. I-25 mainline improvements between the Alameda Boulevard and Jefferson Street Interchanges for safety and traffic flow.

Because of the City of Albuquerque's high credit ratings and excellent reputation among investors, the City was able to price its bonds at 2.86%, which is below current market levels.

The funding will be released to the city and turned over to the New Mexico Department of Transportation who is managing the design and construction of the project. In addition to the funding from the city, Bernalillo County is contributing \$5 million, the State \$30 million and the remaining funding is coming from the Federal Government.

"I would like to thank the voters for supporting this critical project that is going to create jobs, ease traffic congestion, enhance safety and provide an economic boost to the City of Albuquerque," said Mayor Richard J. Berry. "The fact that we were able to secure a competitive interest rate and save the taxpayers money speaks volumes about the City's financial situation and where we are headed after some tough economic times."

For more information about the Paseo del Norte/ I-25 project, check out our website or follow us on Facebook or Twitter.

Legal

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Submitted By Shannon Beaucaire

Give Us Your Feedback

The ADR Office would like to hear feedback from you about the Land Use Facilitation Program and Community Mediation Program.

We want to make sure our service is meeting your needs. We would like to meet with your group or with you individually to get your input. We can come to you, in the evening or whatever time is convenient for you.

Please contact Shannon at **505-768-4660** to arrange a date and time.

**Cultural Services Department,
Special Events**

Submitted By Alec Jamerson

**Albuquerque Renaissance Faire
Saturday, April 27, 2013
from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Albuquerque Balloon Museum
505-768-6020**

Join the City of Albuquerque and the Society for Creative Anachronism on Saturday, April 27 for the Albuquerque Renaissance Faire! Enjoy a Royal Feast, music, fencing, arts and activities all recreated from the Middle Ages. The event will take place at The Anderson-Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Museum from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission:

Adults: \$7

Children 12 and under: **FREE**

Admission is included with an online purchase of the Royal Feast.

Purchase tickets now at <<http://holdmyticket.com/event/133648>>.

For more info call **311**, visit <<http://www.cabq.gov/culturalservices/balloonmuseum/events/albuquerque-renaissance-faire/>> or <<http://Facebook.com/abqspecialevents/events>>.

**Albuquerque
Fire
Department**

Submitted By Melissa Romero

Stage I Fire Restrictions

The City of Albuquerque Fire Restrictions are currently at Stage I and are aimed at preventing the start of wildfires based on human activities that are known to be high risk. At a minimum, Stage I Restrictions are in effect throughout the year in Open Space Areas. Let's work together to prevent increasing the restriction level and/or closures of Open Space Areas by protecting our beautiful natural resources from wildfire.

Stage I Fire Restrictions **PROHIBIT** the following activities in Open Space Areas:

- Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, open flame, campfire or stove fire.
- Smoking except in enclosed vehicles.
- Possessing, discharging or using any kind of fireworks or other pyrotechnic device.
- Possessing or using a motor vehicle off any publicly designated roadways, except when parking in developed parking lots or at developed trailheads.
- Operating a chainsaw or other equipment powered by an internal combustion engine.
- Operating any piece of spark-emitting equipment.
- Operating any internal or external combustion engine.
- Welding or operating an acetylene or other torch with an open flame.
- Camping or overnight stay.

Open Space areas include those lands zoned or designated as Open Space in the City's adopted Plan for Major Public Open Space and acquired by the City; Bosque or Bosque Areas; the Rio Grande State Park; wildlands areas and wildlands/urban interface areas; major named arroyos; lined or unlined drainways; retention dams and retention pond areas and abutting rights-of-way or easements which have been publicly acquired; and any open lands for which the City has assumed control or management responsibility by lease, easement or legal agreement.

Penalties and Enforcement: Any person found violating the fire restrictions ordinance shall be charged with a petty misdemeanor. Upon conviction each violation shall be punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) or by imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. The Fire Marshal's Office and the Albuquerque Police Department's Open Space Officers are responsible for enforcing the Albuquerque Fire Restriction Ordinance.

City Clerk's Office

Submitted By Amy Bailey

Regular Municipal Election

On Tuesday, October 8, 2013 the City will hold a Regular Municipal Election. Albuquerque voters will elect a Mayor and City Councilors for the five odd-numbered council districts, plus District 2 along with any Bonds, Propositions or Questions placed on the ballot.

Candidates for both Mayor and City Council must circulate petitions in order to collect the required number of signatures to place their names on the ballot. Mayoral candidates will circulate petitions until April 28, 2013 and must collect 3,000 valid signatures. City Council candidates will circulate petitions May 1, 2013 through June 28, 2013 within the council districts where they seek office. City Council candidates must collect 500 valid signatures.

The Clerk will begin mailing absentee ballot applications to requesting voters in July. Those voters who are successful applicants for absentee ballots will begin to receive their ballots in the mail after September 3, 2013.

Early voting will begin in selected Voting Centers on September 18, 2013. The City Clerk will announce the locations of Early Voting and Election Day Voting Centers in July.

If you are not registered to vote, please visit <www.bernco.gov/clerk> for voter registration information.

Please visit <www.cabq.gov/clerk/elections> for further information on candidates, ballot measures and all other election related information.

ABQ RIDE

Submitted By Rick De Reyes

Second Round of Public Meetings Planned for Central Avenue Bus Rapid Transit Concept



Starting May 2013, the Transit Department, ABQ RIDE will continue to explore Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Service along Central Avenue through a second round of Public Input Meetings.

Cities throughout the United States are implementing BRT service as a key means of enhancing their respective transportation networks and as a component of urban corridor redevelopment plans. A BRT system provides more timely service than a regular bus line through the use of dedicated lanes at least for a significant portion of the route and strategically located stations that are not just stops.

During the first round of Public Meetings in November and December 2012, citizens heard about and gave feedback on what constitutes Bus Rapid Transit. Some of its hallmarks are:

1. Boarding platforms level with the floor of the bus, easing and speeding the boarding process.
2. Off bus fare collection enabling riders to purchase tickets outside the bus reducing waiting time to get on the bus.
3. A smart signal system allowing buses to communicate with traffic signals and reducing delays.

In this second round of Public Meetings, Transit will present two basic alternatives for how Bus Rapid Transit could be constructed on Central Avenue within the existing curb lines and discuss the balance between transit and the other functions of the street. Transit is seeking public input on such things as:

1. What dedicated lane configuration would work best.
2. The impacts these approaches may have on Central Avenue.
3. What considerations contribute to good station locations.

The six Public Input Meetings are scheduled as follows:

- **Tuesday, May 7, 2013 - 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** - Old Main Library – Special Collections, Botts Hall – 423 Central Avenue NE.
- **Wednesday, May 8, 2013 - 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** - Mesa Verde Community Center – 7900 Marquette Avenue NE.

- **Tuesday, May 14, 2013 - 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** - Loma Linda Community Center – 1700 Yale Boulevard SE.
- **Wednesday, May 22, 2013 - 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** - Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center – 501 Elizabeth Street SE.
- **Tuesday, May 28, 2013 - 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** - Alamosa Community Center – 6900 Gonzales Road SW.
- **Wednesday, May 29, 2013 - 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** - Albuquerque Museum of Art and History, Ventana Salon – 2000 Mountain Road NW.

Look for notices on <www.myabqride.com> ads in the Albuquerque Journal and other media with dates, locations and times of future meetings. We value your input. That’s why we hope to see you at one of these meetings to help a growing city plan for a future with even better transit services.

Parks and Recreation, Open Space Division

Submitted By Kent Swanson

National River Cleanup Day

National River Cleanup Day is your chance to help clean the Rio Grande and protect one of our City’s most important natural resources.

When: Saturday, May 11, 2013 from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Where: Rio del Norte Picnic Area at the Central Avenue Bridge Central Avenue NW and Tingley Drive SW.

Registration: Register for National River Cleanup at <www.rei.com/albuquerque> or by calling **505-247-1191**.

Parking: The event hub is on the northeast side of the Central Avenue Bridge. Parking is available at the BioPark overflow parking area. Parking spaces are limited, so please carpool!

Donated Lunch and Prize Drawing: All registered volunteers are invited for a delicious donated meal and prize drawing starting at 12:30 p.m.

Contact: For more information about this or other volunteer opportunities in Open Space, please contact Jim Sattler or Kent Swanson at **505-452-5200** or e-mail <jsattler@cabq.gov>. Event website <<http://www.cabq.gov/parksandrecreation/programs-lessons/open-space/volunteer/national-river-cleanup>>.

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River Cleanup Day Activities:

1. Community Bosque Cleanup at the Central Avenue Bridge: Cleanup activities for all ages in the bosque along the Central Avenue Bridge including trash pickup and graffiti removal.
2. Organize your own Bosque Cleanup: Have a favorite area of the bosque? Consider hosting a cleanup of your own! The Open Space Division will supply trash bags and dispose of the collected trash. Those wishing to organize a cleanup must contact the Open Space Division at **505-452-5200** or e-mail <kswanson@cabq.gov>.
3. Clean the river in your own boat: People with their own rafts, kayaks and canoes are encouraged to clean up the river on this day. You must provide your own transportation and shuttle for your boat. The Open Space Division will provide you with trash bags and will dispose of the collected trash. Call the Open Space Division at **505-452-5200** or e-mail <kswanson@cabq.gov> to register. You must follow all NM State Parks boating regulations to participate.

Clean the River in a Guided Raft: On the day of the event, Kirtland Outdoor Recreation will provide a limited number of guided rafts that will help remove trash from the river. Rafts are available on a first come first serve basis and space is limited. Arrive early at the Central Avenue Bridge to reserve a space on the rafts. Children 7 years and older may ride on the rafts, but children under 18 must have a parent/guardian (at least one parent per 4 children) with them.

Cooney, Watson & Associates

Submitted By Patti Watson



**Time-of-Day Watering Restrictions Began Monday, April 1, 2013
No Sprinklers Between 11 a.m.-7 p.m.;
Water Waste Fines Doubled**

It was April Fool’s Day, but time-of-day watering restrictions are no joke.

On Monday, April 1 customers of the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority were prohibited from using sprinkler irrigation between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Those who water during prohibited times face doubled water waste fines (see schedule) for each violation because the service area is under an official Drought Watch. Fines are based on the number of violations received by the individual customer in the past five years.

Violation	Doubled Fine Under Drought Watch
1 st violation	\$40
2 nd violation	\$100
3 rd violation	\$200
4 th violation	\$600
5 th violation	\$800
6 th violation	\$1,200
7 th violation	\$1,600
8 th violation	\$2,000
9 th violation and beyond (per violation)	\$4,000

Forecasters predict that drought conditions for central New Mexico may continue through the entire summer.

During the previous fiscal year the Water Authority assessed 225 violations for time-of-day watering restrictions about one-fifth of the total number of violations assessed. Yuhas said she expects that number to increase in 2013 because the Water Authority has added several staff members to patrol the Albuquerque area 24/7 for water waste violations.

The Water Authority also assesses fines for other types of water waste and recommends that businesses and residents take the following precautions:

- Make sure sprinklers are not overflowing or over spraying onto sidewalks, driveways and other hard surfaces;
- Check sprinklers to make sure they are working correctly. Property owners are required to repair malfunctions within 48 hours to avoid fines;
- Instead of washing your car at home use a commercial car wash. If you do wash your car at home use a shut-off nozzle and contain all water on your own property;
- Clean dry waste off sidewalks and driveways with a broom or power blower instead of a hose; and
- If you are draining a pool, spa or other water storage device, use the sanitary sewer cleanout. A cleanout is usually located within 10 feet of a typical home, between the building and the municipal sewer line.

“This year more than ever it’s important for us to all do our part to save water,” Yuhas said. “We encourage anyone who sees water waste in the community to call **505-768-3640** or report it online at <www.abcwua.org>. Also we encourage everyone to visit our new website <www.itsadrought.com> for tips on dealing with the drought.”

Water conservation and rebate information are also available by calling **505-768-3655**. Time-of-day watering restrictions will remain in effect until October 31, 2013.

Planning Department

Submitted By Carrie Barkhurst

Downtown 2010 Sector Plan Text Amendment

The City Planning Department is proposing text amendments to the Downtown 2010 Sector Development Plan (DSDP) to help clarify specific language in the Plan that is either unclear or inconsistent with other City requirements. The proposed amendments do not affect established zoning or uses and are basically a “cleanup” of the 2000 Plan. These text amendments are a Planning Department led initiative and were developed by Planning Staff with review by the Downtown Action Team (DAT), Code Enforcement and primary users of the DSDP.

The DSDP was adopted May 1, 2000 and provides an expedited review process that requires Administrative Approval of permitted uses, by zone, with EPC Review Required for select uses. Since its adoption, the Planning Department has received numerous applications for new development and redevelopment projects. In applying the current review and approval process several questions have been raised by both applicants and Planning Staff that require further clarification.

The amendments consist of the following:

- 1) Clarification of the process for approving minor changes or deviations from the Building Types and/or Standards.
- 2) Clarification that R-3 and C-2 Uses are allowed, while the other zoning regulations for each zone (setbacks, density, etc.) do not apply.
- 3) Clarification of building height, step-backs and recommended parking configurations where there are internal inconsistencies.
- 4) Revision of the Approval Process flowchart to better depict the current process. The Approval Process section will also be relocated to the front of the document in the Development and Building Process section so that the entire development process is addressed together.
- 5) Incorporation of the 2005 Demolition Review Ordinance, §14-12-9, which is consistent with existing policies and standards.

The Environmental Planning Commission will consider these amendments on May 9, 2013. The hearing begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Basement Hearing Room at Plaza del Sol Building, 600 Second Street NW. The application will then be forwarded to the City Council with the Planning Commission’s recommendation. The City Council will consider the amendment at a future date.

This application can be reviewed at the City Planning Department Offices in downtown Albuquerque at the Plaza del

Sol Building. If you would like to provide comments to the Environmental Planning Commission contact Carrie Barkhurst at **505-924-3879** or <kcbarkhurst@cabq.gov>. Comments should be received at least 48 hours in advance of the public hearing on May 9, 2013.

Parks and Recreation

Submitted By Kimberly Selving

Fifth Annual Recycled Art Fair and Revived! Lost, Found and Reinvented Objects of Art Gallery Exhibit

*A celebration of Spring Clean-Ups in the Foothills
and the phenomenon of upcycling*

The Open Space Visitor Center invites you to experience the growing phenomenon of UPCYCLING at the Fifth Annual Recycled Art Fair.

The words “sustainable” or “green” are in our daily lexicon these days. They can evoke inspiration or a commitment to change one’s lifestyle. If overused these terms can teeter dangerously on the precipice of inspiring something entirely different “green fatigue.” We at the Open Space Visitor Center have the cure for this affliction - the Fifth Annual Recycled Art Fair. You will be given a breath of fresh air by the works of UPCYCLE ARTISTS on display in two forums:

Fifth Annual Recycled Art Fair, Open Space Visitor Center April 27-28, 2013 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Artists sell their wares at this two day event.

Revived! Lost, Found and Reinvented Objects of Art: April 6, 2013 - May 28, 2013. Open Space Visitor Center, Main Gallery.

See firsthand how these artists have given new life to discarded items. For the past four years upcycle artists have been giving us hope and promise by their thoughtful transformations.

Upcycling differs from Recycling in that recycling can involve a resource hungry process for transforming materials from one state to a reusable state. We can learn from these skilled and creative individuals to make our daily life less wasteful and more enjoyable.

Saturday events: Music with Juniper Hill and Andy Moss’ Celtic Trio, Arts and Crafts workshops (plantable stationary), over 40 upcycle vendors and educational booths.

Sunday events: The Solid Waste Management Department on hand to answer questions about recycling in Albuquerque, Music, Rachel Carson storyteller (National Endowment for the Humanities), kids’ activities, games and prizes, Raffle, Arts and Crafts Workshops (papermaking) and upcycle artist vendors and educational booths. For more information, please call **505-897-8831** or visit <www.cabq.gov/openspace>.

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<p>Tuesday, April 23 •BOA – 9 a.m.</p> <p>Wednesday, April 24 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m.</p>	<p>Wednesday, May 1 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •Westside Coalition – 7 p.m. •District 7 Coalition – 7 p.m.</p> <p>Thursday, May 2 •EPC Case Distribution – 3 p.m.</p> <p>Monday, May 6 •City Council – 5 p.m.</p> <p>Tuesday, May 7 •SWAN – 7 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday, May 8 •DRB – 9 a.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m. •District 6 Coalition – 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Thursday, May 9 •EPC Public Hearing – 8:30 a.m. •POC – 4 p.m. •South Valley Coalition – 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>Sunday, May 12 Mother's Day</p> <p>Wednesday, May 15 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m. •District 4 Coalition – 7 p.m.</p> <p>Thursday, May 16 •AAB – 9 a.m.</p> <p>Monday, May 20 •City Council – 5 p.m.</p>	<p>Tuesday, May 21 •ZHE – 9 a.m.</p> <p>Wednesday, May 22 •DRB – 9 a.m.</p> <p>Thursday, May 23 •District 8 Coalition – 7 p.m.</p> <p>Monday, May 27 Memorial Day - CITY OFFICES CLOSED</p> <p>Tuesday, May 28 •BOA – 9 a.m.</p> <p>Wednesday, May 29 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •City Council – 5 p.m. ** tentative meeting date, if needed</p>



2013 CALENDAR/LEGEND

- AAB** - Airport Advisory Board, Aviation Department Executive Conference Room
ACCC - Albuquerque Citizens Corp. Council, 1615 University Boulevard NE (Association of General Contractors Building Branch), 505-610-9563
ADC - Albuquerque Development Commission - Hearing Room (Basement Level), Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW
BOA - Board of Appeals, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second Street NW
City Council - Vincent E. Griego Council Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall
District 4 Coalition - North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center, Community Room, 7521 Carmel Avenue NE
District 6 Coalition - EXPO NM, Alice B. Hopes Pavilion on San Pedro NE and Copper NE
District 7 Coalition - Grant Middle School, Library, 1111 Easterday NE
District 8 Coalition - James Joseph Dwyer Police Memorial Substation, 12700 Montgomery Boulevard NE
DRB - Development Review Board, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW
East Gateway Coalition - Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center, 501 Elizabeth Street SE
EPC - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW
EPC Pre-Hearing - Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW, Third Floor, Conference Room
EPC Study Session - Planning Department, Plaza del Sol, Hearing Room, (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW
LUCC - Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission, Plaza del Sol, Hearing Room (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW
POC - Police Oversight Commission, City/County Building, Lower Level, 1 Civic Plaza, Fifth and Marquette
SEPC - Special Events Permitting Committee - 6th floor, Cultural Services Department Conference Room, City Hall, Fifth and Marquette
SVCNA - South Valley Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, Sheriff's Department South Area Command, 2039 Isleta Boulevard SW
SWAN - South West Alliance of Neighbors, Alamosa Multi-Purpose Center, 6900 Gonzales Road SW
Westside Coalition - Don Newton/Taylor Ranch Community Center, 4900 Kachina Drive NW
ZHE - Zoning Hearing Examiner Offices - Plaza Del Sol Building, 7th Floor, 505-768-4503; ZHE Hearings are held in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW

EPC Hearing Notice

Neighborhood Alert – Be aware that public comments at EPC Meetings have a time limitation due to the length of the EPC Hearings. The **48-Hour Rule of the EPC**: All written materials and other documents shall be submitted to the Planning Department no later than **9 a.m.** on the **2nd Tuesday** of the Public Hearing Week. For an Appeal Hearing – no communication with EPC is allowed within five days of the Public Hearing.

In order to make maximum use of the following information – please note:

- Scan the entire list to see if your neighborhood association has a case this month.
- The name and phone number of the developer/agent is listed so that you can easily contact them should you have any questions.
- The assigned staff planner is identified with each agenda item should you need additional information (*i.e., check on the actual placement of your case on the agenda*). All staff may be reached at **505-924-3860**.
- On the day of the EPC Public Hearing, call the Planning Department at **505-924-3860** and the receptionist will give you the status of the EPC Public Hearing.
- Staff Reports are available at the Planning Department beginning at **3 p.m.** on the **1st Thursday** prior to the EPC Public Hearing.

On the 1st Thursday of each month, the EPC has a **Study Session** to review the applications scheduled for the all-day Public Hearing which occurs on the **2nd Thursday of each month**.

As with the Public Hearing, **the public is invited** to attend the Study Sessions, however, **Study Sessions do not provide an open forum. Discussion is limited to staff and the EPC.** Study Sessions regularly begin at **3 p.m.** in the Planning Department Hearing Room, Plaza Del Sol Building. Please call the Planning Department at **505-924-3860** to confirm the Study Session schedule will happen at the times listed, as time adjustments are made occasionally.

The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **May 9, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.** in the **Planning Department Hearing Room**, (basement level), **600 Second Street NW** for the following cases:

Northeast

Barelas, Broadway Central Corridors Partnership, Inc., Citizen’s Information Committee of Martineztown, Downtown, Huning Highland Historic District Assoc., Martineztown Work Group, Raynold Addition, Santa Barbara-Martineztown Assoc., South Broadway, Downtown Action Team, North Valley Coalition (neighborhood/homeowner association/coalition); 13EPC-40106 and 40112, Project #1000184 (case #'s); Approximately 0.16 acres located at 200 Broadway Boulevard NE (**location of request**); K-14 (**zone atlas page #**); Rick Davis at **505-268-2773 (applicant or agency and phone #)**; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit Amendment and a Zone Map Amendment for the Banner Square Addition (The Library) (**action requested**); Catalina Lehner at **505-924-3935**, e-mail: <clehner@cabq.gov>. (**City staff planner**)

Northwest

West Old Town, North Valley Coalition; 13EPC-40107 and 40108, Project #1001902; Approximately .198 acres located at 2416-2420 Carson Road NW; J-13; William Kleischmidt Architects at **505-761-0000**, agent for Frederick Eberle; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit and Subdivision for changing two existing R-1 lots into three new SU-1 lots for three new single family residential homes on each lot; Carrie Barkhurst at **505-924-3879**, e-mail: <kcbarkhurst@cabq.gov>.

Barelas, Broadway Central Corridors Partnership, Inc., Citizen’s Information Committee of Martineztown, Downtown, Huning Highland Historic District Assoc., Martineztown Work Group, Raynold Addition, Santa Barbara-Martineztown Assoc., South Broadway, Downtown Action Team, North Valley Coalition; 13EPC-40109, Project #1008098; J-14, K-13-14; City of Albuquerque, Planning Department at **505-924-3860**, agent for the City of Albuquerque; Requests an Amendment to the Downtown 2010 Sector Development Plan area that clarify the development review process; Carrie Barkhurst at **505-924-3879**, e-mail: <kcbarkhurst@cabq.gov>.

Southwest

Downtown, Huning Castle, North Valley Coalition; 13EPC-40110, Project #1004677, Approximately 3.13 acres located on the southwest corner of Central Avenue SW and Laguna Boulevard SW between Central Avenue SW and Chacoma Place SW; J-13; Mullen Heller Architects at **505-268-4144**, agent for Rembe Country Club, LLC; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit for ten buildings and related site work; Chris Hyer at **505-924-3927**, e-mail: <chyer@cabq.gov>.

Parks and Recreation Department

Submitted By J. Paul Hyso



WHERE: CNM Workforce Training Center
5600 Eagle Rock Avenue NE.
(Classroom holds 250 – No reservations,
first-come, first-seated policy.)

WHEN: **Drought Water Smart Classes**
Saturday, May 4 – 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday, May 8 – 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Saturday, May 18 – 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.
Saturday, June 1 – 9 a.m.
Saturday, June 15 – 9 a.m.
Saturday, July 13 – 9 a.m.
Saturday, July 20 – 9 a.m.
Saturday, Aug. 3 – 9 a.m.
Saturday, Aug. 10 – 9 a.m.
Saturday, Sept. 14 – 9 a.m.

Basics of Drip Irrigation Classes

Saturday, June 1 – 10:30 a.m.
Saturday, June 15 – 10:30 a.m.
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Saturday, July 20 – 10:30 a.m.
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Cooney, Watson & Associates

Submitted By Doug Stine



**Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility
Offers FREE “Drought Water Smart” and
“Basics of Drip Irrigation” Classes**

WHO: Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility
Authority website <www.itsadrought.com>.

WHAT: Two **free** classes that provide practical
information and guidance in drought efficient
irrigation.

WHY: **Drought Water Smart Classes** provide
suggestions on how to best support your
landscape during the current extended drought
and when to water, how often and how long to
run an irrigation system (*Water Authority
customers can receive a \$20 credit on their
water bill for attending the class.*)

Basics of Drip Irrigation Classes teach
participants how a basic drip irrigation system
works, including how long and how often to
operate it, how to maintain it and how to install a
drip system to match specific landscape needs.
(*There is no water bill credit for attending this
class.*)

Special Accommodations/ADA: If you are hearing or sight
impaired, notify Smart Use, LLC at **1-888-1722** or
<PenelopeSmartUse@yahoo.com>.



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Mid-Region Council of Governments

Submitted By Steve Hawley

Public Input Sought for Potential UNM/CNM/
Sunport Transit Alignments

The Mid-Region Council of Governments is hosting three public meetings to discuss the latest findings of the UNM/CNM/Sunport Transit Study. The overall goal of the study is to improve north/south transit service and identify land use and parking recommendations that could improve access to local destinations. A “long list” of potential transit routes was presented in January and February and since then the project team has been evaluating the routes and working with residents and stakeholders to identify the most viable options. The potential alignments will be presented at the following meetings:

Tuesday, April 30, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Loma Linda Community Center, 1700 Yale Boulevard SE.

Wednesday, May 1, 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

UNM Student Union Building, Lobo Room A/B.

Thursday, May 2, 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

CNM Student Resource Center, Room 204.

This feedback will help the project team select the final set of alternatives to evaluate and develop ideas on land use strategies. More information is available at <www.mrcog-nm.gov> (under “Special Studies”) and at <www.facebook.com/transitstudy>. For questions, please contact Tony Sylvester at 505-247-1750 or <tsylvester@mrcog-nm.gov>.

To request Americans with Disabilities Act related accommodations for a meeting, please contact Cheryl Wagner with Parsons Brinckerhoff by Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at 505-878-6560.

NM State Association of
Parliamentarians

Submitted By Janice Strand



”Revisiting Decisions Hastily Made!”

April is Parliamentary Law Month!! Many Albuquerque association members gained new skills by attending the “Smart Meetings” seminar offered by the New Mexico State Association of Parliamentarians on Saturday, April 6, 2013.

The Albuquerque Parliamentarian Unit (APU) offers short twenty-minute parliamentary programs to organizations.

Contact Darlene Couchman, APU President at 505-821-2421 or <couchman@zianet.com> to schedule a program.

“I’m not sure that was the right decision” can be heard after a meeting involving decisions that followed lengthy discussion. When members have not had time to fully research issues leading to decisions the motion voted on may not be complete or may not be correct. There are several ways to re-visit such decisions. At the same meeting the motion is adopted or at a later meeting, it is possible to do one of three procedures. The possible procedures are:

1. Amend Something Previously Adopted
2. Rescind
3. Reconsider

These procedures can become rather complicated under specific circumstances but the general directives of each will be covered separately.

Amend Something Previously Adopted allows an “assembly to change an action previously taken”. This is carried out when “it is desired to change only a part of the text [of a motion], or to substitute a different version.” (*Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised*, 11th Edition, page 305). If this procedure is to be carried out at a later meeting, notice of the intent to offer this motion at the next meeting can be given at the earlier meeting. Giving notice affects the vote needed to adopt the motion at the later meeting.

The motion to *Amend Something Previously Adopted* must be seconded and is debatable; debate can address the merits of the motion which it is proposed to amend. If previous notice has been given any amendment to this motion to amend has limits. At this point, it is wise to have a parliamentarian’s help!! Knowing that a motion to *Amend Something Previously Adopted* will be used in a meeting, a parliamentarian can prepare both the person making that motion and the chairman who will be presiding! This will put both of them at ease.

When previous notice was given at the previous meeting the vote required for adoption is a majority vote. With no notice, a two-thirds vote is required to adopt the motion to *Amend Something Previously Adopted*.

The motion to *Rescind* will be covered next month.

Parliamentary Pointers will appear each month. If you have a parliamentary question that could be covered or would like a “Smart Meeting” presentation on a specific topic at your meeting, contact Jan Strand, Treasurer of the New Mexico State Assn. of Parliamentarians at 505-466-1326 or <jan_str@msn.com>.



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