# Meeting Minutes District 4 Coalition March 19, 2025

**In attendance:** Academy North, Alameda North Valley Association, Arroyo Del Oso North, Albuquerque Meadows, Cherry Hills, Bear Canyon, Heritage East, Knapp Heights, North Domingo Baca, Quail Springs, Quintessence, Vista Del Norte

Friends of D4C: Irene MinkeGuests: Pat Stetson, Mayor Tim KellerGuest Speakers: Carrie Prothero division manager at the 311 Call Center.

- Meeting called to order by Co-President Lorna Howerton at 6:30 PM
- Introduction of all attendees around the table

**Approval of Minutes from February 19th, 2025:** Motion to approve February minutes made by Bob Stetson, seconded by Judie Pellegrino. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Consent agenda for March 19th, 2025** Motion to amend the agenda to add Jim Souter to the committee reports as Metro Parks Advisory Board made by Judie Pellegrino second made by Bob Stetson. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Brook Bassan Councilor Report**

State Legislative session is almost over. Capital outlay received: 200k for Vista Del Norte, not what Brook was hoping for but happy to take what she can get. 4.02 million for the aquatic center, 50k for the shooting range on the West side, for public safety and law enforcement agencies- used for training of all police across the state. 250k for Alameda Little League. R73 did pass- this is the resolution, the companion from councilors Grout and Rogers to change the fee structure for O-69-24. It was amended, so if someone appeals one of these matters, and the appeal fails, then the person that is appealing has to pay \$1,000 to the appellate. If it is a low income or someone that resides on a certain level of the socioeconomic vulnerability index then they would not have to pay. They are working on the CIP(Capital Implementation Plan) - goes on the bond that will go on the ballot for voters, April 7th it will be heard again and more changes are expected because it was a mess of a meeting. More changes are expected. 5 million dollars for the aquatic center will be in the package. In the April 7th meeting there will be discussion on Opioid funding and how to put it to use, from the Opioid settlement.

- **Q&A:** Why was the meeting over the CIP such a mess? BB: the mayor sends down his proposal and the council decides what they do and do not like. They propose changes, and send back the mayor. This year the mayor's proposal was very "packaged" (ie it was a grand total per department, like all of Parks and Rec instead of one park)
- Income limit on the R73? Councilor Bassan said she would update the coalition on the income limits.
- Still 3 companies that are still installing fiber optics in district 4. We are the first district that is going through this so there is a lot of learning as we go through it. They are trying to figure out if there is a way for these companies to dig fewer times, rather than digging 3 times. Department of Technology and Innovation is the dept you call if there have been multiple digs on the same street.

<u>Guest Speaker Carrie Prothero:</u> The non-emergency Albuquerque line. They are the liaison for waste management or the Transportation depart. One of the largest frustration points is with the resolution of something that has been reported. A lot of times they are not the ones writing the resolution, it is coming from the depart. Ways to communicate, the App C click Fix, email, through X(twitter), it is the first 311 in the nation that is using alexa technology. There is no seniority in reporting or platform for reporting, cases are numbered as they come in. **Q&A:** <u>Operation hours</u> Mon-Sat 6a-9p Sun 9a-6p(limited services on Sunday). Difference between 242-Cops and 311- cops will be police situations that are non emergency situations. For police situations 311 will recommend that you call from your personal number, the transfer to the police will only have contact information of 311. How many agents do you have? 34. 311 employs a total of 50. The biggest call drivers are, transit (for buses), solid waste, and animal welfare. You get 2 large pick up items a year. Contact information on the city web page

## Neighborhood Association Roundtable:

<u>Arroyo Del Oso:</u> Annual meeting in February. Not many issues with the fiber optic companies.

Knapp Heights: Annual meeting this Saturday 3/22.

<u>Quintessence</u>: Annual meeting April, they have a second company digging right now. They have had some issues with Fiber Optics, dirt, rocks, and landscaping electric boxes.

Nor Este: New alternate David Cappel.

<u>Bear Canyon:</u> Moving annual meeting to the end of July. Co-presidency now in place. Fiber Optics issues: 2 gas lines and 2 water lines hit and now the sewer lines are backing up. <u>Academy North:</u> Vanessa, New elected president. One of the fiber optics companies (Vexus) hit two gas lines in the neighborhoods, one was pretty bad and the resident was evacuated and it took more than a week to remediate, road blocked and someone from NMGAS was on site 24/7 taking tests every 4 hours. Another one at an intersection and it was much smaller. They have not resumed digging in the neighborhood.

**<u>Heritage East</u>**: Easter party in the Rotary Park. They started the newsletter again. Multiple water and sewer lines broken from the fiber optic companies.

<u>Cherry Hills</u>: morning of 7th of March. FBI, police, and fire department involved. FBI swat team to serve a warrant. House has been cleared, but is a mess. Annual meeting on Saturday the 22nd

<u>Vista Del Norte</u>: Rouge turkey in the neighborhood. Jim Souter was named to the Metro Parks Advisory Board.

\*\*Mayor Tim Keller dropped in, notes below\*\*

**North Domingo Baca**: General meeting semi-annual end of March. EZEE Fiber has finished with minimal problems. One on Trisha with a broken water line without water for 3 days. NDB has donated \$300 to the legal fight against O-69-24

**Irene Minke- Friend of D4C**: 2 companies-VEXUS hit a gas line, residence in hotels for multiple days and then hit a powerline PNM was out at 10pm working on it.

<u>Alameda North Valley Assn.</u>: Working with North Valley regarding the New Mexico United soccer stadium, that is proceeding. Working with ICC regarding O-69-24.

Albuquerque Meadows: Pat Stetson gave report: Passed out the letter to representatives and senators, and there was great feedback on the letter. Rent is currently around \$1,030.00/month and there are talks about rent going up to \$1300/month. 3-4% increase and some years it would not go up. At the Roundhouse: 3 bills- 442- Rent stabilization bill- made it through the first two committees and it is sitting on the house floor where they have the expectation it is going to die. 426- house senate, made it through the house floor to the senate judiciary committee 3/19 they were told it was going through. 418- never made it past the first committee meeting. Resident Owned Communities (ROC) America is an organization to possibly help them purchase their land.

Quail Springs Neighborhood Association: nothing to report Vineyard Estates: Board Meeting was held on 3/5/25.

The annual meeting is scheduled for 4/24 .The invited guests include: Councilor Brook Bassan, APD NEAC Officers, Crime Prevention Specialist and Public Lands Interpretive Association. VENA donated \$500.00 for attorney fees associated with the Appeal filed byNorth Valley, West Side and District 4 Coalitions against Ordinance 0-24-69. Ezee Fiber's excavating in the area is causing damage to some neighborhood lawns. A board member recommended taking pictures of the damage. The member also recommended inviting Ezee Fiber to a VENA meeting to discuss and resolve neighbors' concerns.Speeding on Ventura and around the neighborhoods appears to be getting worse. VENA will request APD discuss speeding issues at its annual meeting. VENA looks forward to working with the newly confirmed MPRAB board member, Jim Souter, on Vineyard Park issues and concerns.

#### Mayor Tim Keller

For 10 years crime and homelessness were all going up, per-capita income and population were all flat. 18 months ago things started to change. For 10 years we were the worst in the nation for auto theft, now we are 8th worst. Changed how the city fights crime, they spent 50 mil.in technology. Radios, gun shot detective, 10,000 cameras(doubling Summer 25), speeding tickets. The city is using technology so officers can focus on violent crime. Almost 100% arrest rate for violent crime, but what happens after that is a revolving door and an issue with the criminal justice system. The Community safety department is close to 100K call, that APD did not have to take. Response time is 3 hours for the community safety department. The Gateway 24/7 emergency drop off, Gateway is a system. Recovery Gateway & medical sobering for addiction. ABQ houses 1,000 a night. Still over 4000 on the street.

Lieutenant Silva: 2p-12a. Saturday-Tuesday
Crime stats in that last 30 day period February - March
Larsony: 109
Auto burglary: 34
Residential: 13
Commercial: 17
Auto theft: 52
Criminal penetration: 3
Traffic stops: 30 days 292 traffic stops made

An abandoned hotel on Pan American is being cleared and addressed. It looks like they are busting the gate with a vehicle to get in the building. Work to clear it up has started.

#### Officers Reports

**Co-President Lucy Murillo/Lorna Howerton** - Provided written report prior to meeting. See report attached below. Also, Co-President Howerton wanted to commend Albuquerque Meadows for all their efforts and hard work at the Round House and let them know the D4 Coalition will continue to support all future efforts.

Vice-President Kathy Economy- Nothing to report

**Treasure's Report Judie Pellegrino** - \$25 Nor Este. Current balance is \$714.45. Ellen was reimbursed for the mailbox.

Secretary's report Aubrey Gladwell - Nothing to report.

<u>Committee Reports</u> Hospitality Report- No Report **Zoning and Development** - Ellen Submitted her report prior to the meeting and her report is attached below.

**North Domingo Baca** - Tom has asked Judie to be on an advisory committee for recertification of the Center. She will report as soon as there is progress. "Save The Date" events at the Center...Santa Fe National Cemetery trips are planned for Apr 9, May 14 and June 11 with Railrunner. Sign up at the front desk. (you must be a member of the NDBMC). "Senior Tech Connect" event on April 11...

**Metro Parks & Rec-** The objective is to seek feedback from the neighbors. First board meeting Tuesday April 4th and he would like to take feedback and issues from district 4 regarding our parks in our district. Park rangers, patrolling our parks in the district as a test program.

## New Business:

The fight continues against O-69-24. It is going to be lengthy and very expensive.

Board recommends that we donate to the fight against O-24-69 Motion made by Steve Wentworth for D4C to donate \$300 towards the legal actions against O-69-24 and seconded by Kathy Economy. Discussed: what are our expenses remaining for the remainder of the year? Website dues coming in June around \$70 and post office box of \$244, no other major expenses expected for 2025. The vote was 14 FOR and 0 opposed. Motion passed.

Steve Wentworth made a motion for D4C to donate \$400 towards the legal actions against O-69-24 and Steve Wentworth would match the additional \$100 donated making the total donation of \$500. Judie Pellegrino seconded the motion. Discussion: the members believed that everyone agreed unanimously on the \$300 donation and that we should keep the reserves in the bank account, just in case. This fight is going to be a long one and if we are able to make another donation in the future we can vote on it, but making the \$400 donation when the \$300 was voted for unanimously just did not make sense at this time. The vote was 1 in favor and 13 opposed. Motion did **not** pass.

Reimbursement was made to Ellen Dueweke for the PO box in the amount of \$244.

Next meetings will be April 16th, 2025 @ 6:30 pm

Perry Chapman Motion to Adjourn meeting seconded by Paul Fuggiti @ 8:24pm



#### I. February 27, 2025 Pizza with APD

The pizza event was sponsored by Walgreens and Alto Pizzeria. APD's Lt. Silva and officers, APD's Crime Prevention Specialists, D4C Co President, Walgreens management staff and local residents attended the event. Pizza and drinks were provided. Similar events will be held during the summer months at various other business locations.

2. February 27, 2025

Fiber construction in Carrington and Vineyard Neighborhoods. Residents remain frustrated about "lack of notice" to residents, orange paint marked lawns, and excavation by fiber companies in the area.

3. March 3, 2025, D4C Board of Directors Meeting

Officers and Members-at-Large met to finalized the D4C March 19<sup>th</sup> agenda.

Bob Stetson, on behalf of Albuquerque Meadows, requested support on HB 442-rent stabilization-remedies for landlord noncompliance, HB 418-provisions in rental agreements/sales restrictions and HB 426-requiring sale of property notices to residents.

A motion was made to support and send letters to Legislators on HB 442, 418, 426. The motion passed unanimously. Letters to be sent by Steve Wentworth, Member-at-Large, to:

Senator Heather Jean Berghmans, District 15 Senator Nicole Tobiassen, District 21 Representative Marian Matthews, District 27 Representative Elizabeth Diane Torres-Velasquez, District 30 Representative Nicole Chavez, District 31

A motion was made to reimburse \$244.00 to Ellen Dueweke for payment of D4C's annual P O Box fee. The motion passed unanimously.

4. February 23, 2025, Neighborhood Theft-Beware!

A Carrington neighbor moving out of the neighborhood, had a new lawn blower (still in box) stolen from the garage. The garage door was open, residents were inside the home and a repairman was on the rooftop at time of theft. The theft occurred around 2:30PM. The incident was reported to APD, online. Crime Specialist, Angie Casias, requested an officer patrol the neighborhood when in the area. The patrol car request will expire on March 11<sup>th</sup>.

Thank You D4C Members for all your support and hard work in representing your neighborhoods!

## **Development Committee Report for February 2025**

2-3-25 – 9201 San Mateo NE. Tierra West application to subdivide old Honeywell property from one lot to two lots. Wildflower Area NA notified.

2-17-25 – 6734 Akademeia Loop NE. Pulte Homes site plans for another house at Estates at Academy. Cherry Hills notified.

2-19-25 – 4401 Alameda Blvd NE. SignPlex installing 3 illuminated sign cabinets on the new restroom facility for Albq Intl Balloon Fiesta Park. Wildflower Area NA notified.

2-25-25 – 6704 Akademeia Loop NE. Pulte Homes site plans for another house at Estates at Academy. Cherry Hills notified.

2-25-25 – 6925 Alameda Blvd NE. New wall sign by JSN Design Build LLC for Allaso Olivine. I don't know if Nor Este was notified. I never got a response from my email query.