

MINUTES - DISTRICT 4 COALITION JANUARY 17 2024

In attendance: Alameda North Valley, Arroyo del Oso, Cherry Hills, Highlands North, Knapp Heights, Nor Este, North Domingo Baca, Quail Springs, Quintessence, Vineyard Estates, Vista del Norte.

Guest Speakers: Doug Small, Director of Public Affairs, Mayor's Office (for Shawn Nashboo)
Michael Archuleta, Emergency Operations Coordinator, Office of Emergency Management (for Roger Ebner)
Dave Simon, Director, Parks & Recreation Department
Ryan Nelson, Interim NE Area Commander, APD

Meeting called to order by President Mark Reynolds at 6:33pm.

Approval of Minutes from November 15th, 2023: Motion to approve made by Dan Regan, seconded by Jim Souter. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Consent agenda for January 17th, 2024 Motion to approve by Lucy Baca, seconded by Goldialu Stone. Motion passed unanimously.

CITY COUNCILOR REPORT: Brook is excited about the three newly elected City Councilors. They seem excited and motivated, and she looks forward to working with them. The first Council meeting was held a week ago. The next meeting will be on Monday (1/22/24). The Council elected Councilor Dan Lewis as President, Councilor Rene Grout as Vice President and Councilor Klarissa Peña was elected as Chair of the Committee-of-the-Whole. Committee appointments are forthcoming.

The groundbreaking ceremony for the Aquatic Center occurred on January 10th. Governor Lujan Grisham, Mayor Keller, Director Simon, Director Small, two State Senators and two State Representatives were among those in attendance. The Request for Proposals for construction of the first phase went out today.

Brook will lobby the State Legislature for funding for Alameda Little League, Vista del Norte and the Aquatic Center.

New EPC D4 Representative candidate Jared Licar will be introduced on Friday, 1/19/2024.

Dan Regan noted that several letters were submitted to the EPC regarding the IDO proposed changes, but those letters were not posted until 4:00 PM on 1/17/24. (EPC Meeting scheduled for 1/18/24) There are approximately 25-40 pages of letters that were posted today. Councilor Bassan agreed to follow up with the Planning Department to ensure that the EPC is aware of these letters.

Guest Speaker Doug Small discussed some of the projects for which the City of Albuquerque will request \$22 million in funding. See full list attached to these minutes.

Guest Speaker Ryan Nelson discussed signal jammers for the new speed cameras. The jammers themselves are illegal but finding someone to prosecute those cases is another matter.

No 'shots fired' increases recorded in the NE heights but there aren't many shot detectors in this area.

You can call APD and tell them you may have caught a crime in progress on your home cameras. You can also inform APD that you have cameras at your home. Community Connect Camera Registry.

Two guests attending the D4C meeting discussed their concern regarding shootings in their neighborhood. They collected "casings" and offered them to the Commander. He provided an overview of APD's investigation process/technique on investigating recovered casings. He also cautioned that all casings do not necessarily solve crimes. Casings need to be linked to specific crimes.

Commander Ryan encourages the public not to confront offenders since they may be armed. He reminded everyone that nothing in your home or on your property is worth your life.

Doug Small stated that funding for more 'shots fired' sensors is part of the City's request to the Legislature this year. The City's goal is to have these sensors all over the city.

Guest Speaker Michael Archuleta discussed what the Office of Emergency Management does – they oversee the www.ABQAlert.com – mass notification system – you can opt in to be notified of the types of alerts you want information about. They also run the CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) and the NERT (Neighborhood Emergency Response Team) programs. People attend training and gain tools and instructions on what to do in case of emergency. Mr. Archuleta stated that people need to be prepared to be without services (no power or water) or emergency assistance (fire or police) for 96 hours or possibly longer in case of a widespread emergency and people need to know what to do and how to do it in order to take care of themselves and others. Currently there are approximately 190 CERT trained members in the community. More information at: www.cabq.gov/emergency

OFFICER REPORTS: Distributed with the meeting agenda prior to the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Distributed with the meeting agenda prior to the meeting. Additions: Dan Regan reported that the IDO is under review. The Inter-Coalition Coalition (ICC) is available to provide additional information regarding proposed IDO changes. Contact Dan if interested in receiving information on changes proposed in the IDO.

Question was asked if the Coalition should do something for outgoing EPC member Bob Stetson to thank him for his years of serving on the EPC?

NEIGHBORHOOD ROUNDTABLE

Arroyo del Oso – they will have their annual meeting next month.

Knapp Heights – their annual meeting will be in March.

Nor Este NA – No report

Cherry Hills – Pulte homes has two homes built on the old Hoffmantown Church property.

Alameda North Valley – No report.

Vista del Norte – Jim Souter expressed appreciation for Brook and her efforts on behalf of D4C. They have met with Shawn Nashboo, who will attend their Board meeting later this month.

Quintessence – No report

Vineyard Estates NA – No report

Quail Springs – new President and Representative named for D4C.

North Domingo Baca – semi-annual meeting 3/26/24. They had tried to get a rep from OEM to their meetings in the pasts but had been unsuccessful. There is now a locked gate on the north side of North Domingo Baca Park, by the dog park and tennis courts. Parks & Rec wants a volunteer to unlock the gate every morning – they will provide someone to lock it at night.

Highlands North – No report

NEW BUSINESS - Motion to re-elect the current slate of officers and at-large Board members was made by Steve Wentworth. Seconded by Judie Pellegrino. Motion passed unanimously.

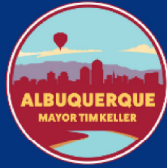
Jim Griffie reported on statistics for the new D4C website. To date there have been 245 visits to the site. The most frequently visited pages were MEETINGS (104 visits), NEWS & EVENTS (69), MEMBERSHIP (40), and ABOUT US (30).

Mark stated that someone is needed to fill the Secretary position that has been vacant for several months. Please contact him if you are interested.

Dues/donations are now due. \$25 is the suggested donation amount. New Membership Applications need to be filled out every year.

Motion to adjourn made by Dan Regan, seconded by Willie Orr. Meeting adjourned at 8:07PM.

Respectfully submitted
Mildred Griffie
Acting Secretary
District 4 Coalition



CITY ALBUQUERQUE 2024 TOP LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

The City of Albuquerque acknowledges the importance of this moment as the 2024 Legislative Session approaches—an ideal opportunity to drive meaningful change. Our strategic investment of state capital outlay funds aims to strengthen our local economy and improve infrastructure, directly benefiting residents. These funds will bolster public safety, build solutions for housing and homelessness, and improve quality of life for families.

Public Safety Capital Investments

Expand Real Time Crime Center and Police Technology

\$22 Million Capital Request

The expanded Real Time Crime Center has been crucial for the Albuquerque Police Department's crime-fighting efforts. To extend its impact, APD aims to create a comprehensive Fusion Center across the metro area, integrating systems and funding investigative units for improved crime prevention and apprehension resources.

Public Safety Field Technology

\$10 Million Capital Request

The City of Albuquerque has leveraged past investments in field technology to significantly boost APD's response efficiency. This funding proposal seeks to build upon these achievements with technology including cameras, license plate readers, and an extended gunshot detection system, reinforcing support of law enforcement efforts.

State Highways and Roads Safety Investments

\$14 Million Capital Request

This funding aims to improve safety and aesthetics on Metro area State highways and roads. It includes landscaping, safety fencing, and acquiring cleaning equipment to maintain road cleanliness and safety, fostering a secure and appealing environment for residents and travelers.

Housing and Homelessness Capital Investments

Affordable Housing Construction

\$20 Million Capital Request

Albuquerque faces a severe housing crisis with a 20% surge in rent and home prices since 2021. Half of renters, especially those with lower incomes, spend over 30% of their income on rent. This shortage affects the city, which lacks 13,000 to 28,000 housing units. The Housing Forward Initiative, launched last year, aims to create 5,000 additional units to bridge this critical supply gap.

Housing Navigation Centers Expansion

\$10 Million Capital Request

This funding request aims to expand overnight capacity for 200 individuals while renovating existing facilities to aid those affected by homelessness due to health or economic challenges, facilitating their recovery or fresh start. Building upon the success of the Family Housing Navigation Center, which has housed over 1,100 individuals since December 2020, this funding would enable the construction and enhancement of additional spaces to continue this model and address the issue of 2,394 individuals experiencing homelessness in Albuquerque.

Placemaking Capital Investments

Rail Yards

\$25 Million Capital Request

This funding request prioritizes preserving the 27-acre Rail Yards site, aiming to remediate and stabilize the area for community use. It will specifically support upgrades to the Boiler Shop, including infrastructure enhancements and security features, preparing it for economic development opportunities like the New Mexico Media Arts Academy.

Quality of Life Capital Investments

Rail Trail

\$30 Million Capital Request

The Rail Trail, a symbolic pedestrian route reflecting Albuquerque's rich history and diversity, aims to link Downtown, Old Town, and the Rail Yards, promoting community access to safe pathways. This funding request, totaling \$30 million, will facilitate the trail's completion in segments: \$5 million for the Downtown Crossing, \$20 million for the "Eco" and "Hispanic Heritage" Sections connecting Old Town to key cultural sites, and \$5 million for the Barelmas Section, linking the Rail Yards to the Bosque bike trail via the National Hispanic Cultural Center.

