

-Meeting called to order by President Mark Reynolds at 6:30 PM

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

Friends of D4C: Irene Minke

Guest Speakers: Deputy County Assessor Ken Scott, some invited Senate and House candidates within the District 4 boundary.

Approval of March 20, 2024 Minutes: Motion to approve made by Bob Stetson, seconded by Steve Wentworth. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of May 15, 2024 Consent agenda: Motion to approve Consent Agenda by Willie Orr, seconded by Bob Stetson. Motion passed unanimously.

CITY COUNCILOR REPORT:

Councilor Bassan was unable to attend due to chairing the Land Use Planning and Zoning meeting. She sent an update on current items plus an update on the Aquatic Center. Both documents are incorporated into these meeting minutes.

Guest Speaker Deputy Assessor Ken Scott: Deputy Assessor Scott discussed various ways to reduce property valuation – head of household exemption, veteran’s exemption. Deputy Scott provided his contact number, 505-222-3700.

The 30 day free protest period expired on 5/1. Not getting a valuation notice does not excuse you from paying any taxes due. Go online to see valuation notice for your property.

Guest Speakers – Senate and House candidates: spoke briefly to introduce themselves and state their legislative priorities:

Heather Berghmans, Craig Degenhardt – Senate District 15
Nicole Tobiassen, Athena Christodoulo, Phil Snedeker, John C. Morton – Senate District 21
Greg Seeley, Gregory Gallegos – House District 27
Elizabeth Torres-Velasquez - - House District 30
Sarahjane Allen – House District 31

A big Thank You to Steve Wentworth, who obtained the candidate list, sent out the invitations to the candidates and introduced everyone to the group!

Officer Reports

Submitted with agenda prior to meeting

Committee Reports

Hospitality – none

Zoning and Development – ONC does not notify non-recognized neighborhood and homeowners associations.

North Domingo Baca – there is a box for donations to Roadrunner Food Bank in the lobby, approved by Tom Gallagher, Center Manager. Judie will look into having a sign on the donation box “hosted by D4C.”

EPC – none. Mark will ask Brook to liaise with Jarrod Likar to come to our meetings occasionally.

Neighborhood Round Table

Cherry Hills - none

Knapp Heights – Requested speed study done but during Spring Break. Can’t do another one for 5 years.

Arroyo del Oso – recent crime statistics shared. The police are working on auto thefts in and near apartment complexes. If a crime is witnessed, people need to call those in so that the police department knows where to concentrate their efforts. Crime Watchers program – can get a report on any police activity within a .5 mile radius of the address you provide.

Albuq. Meadows – Representative Marian Mathews has been very helpful in fighting an unfair rent increase. Biannual rummage sale brought in \$2700. Residents are happy with their local community policing efforts, although there have been some problems with homeless coming over the perimeter fence along San Pedro

Alameda North Valley – continuing to fight with the City on the soccer stadium at Balloon Fiesta Park – issue goes from LUHO to EPC and back again....

Quail Springs - annual garage sale this coming Saturday on Quail Springs Place – north of Alameda between Louisiana and Wyoming; 1 block south of Oakland

VENA - General Meeting was held on 4/24/24, Brook, Doug Small and Shawn Nashboo attended.

Quintessence – just had their annual meeting; all current Board members decided to stay on for another term.

Highland North – annual meeting will be held on 5/30

Vista Del Norte - working on a couple of ongoing issues with the City.

Nor Este – new church at Alameda and Wyoming is having its grand opening on Sunday May 19th – Citizen’s Church

North Domingo Baca – semiannual meeting held in March. There are no for sale or for rent signs in the area. Keep an eye out for squatters on for sale/rent properties

Irene Minke reported that the new Arroyo del Oso school is a 2 story structure; the old school still has not been torn down.

New Business

Steve Wentworth requested that a statement from Michael Weiner be put on the D4C website. Mr. Weiner did not attend the candidate meet & greet due to an oversight by Steve. We would add a disclaimer stating why this particular candidate’s statement was being put on the website and be clear we are not endorsing him by doing so.

Jim Griffee suggested making the website a standing committee. He will include a report for each meeting.

Guest John Adams Ingram spoke on some of the history of the Aquatic Center and mentioned the petition to build the indoor pool first and encourage everyone to support it.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by David Willems, seconded by Willie Orr. Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Officer Reports for May 2024 and APD Area Command Reports

President's Report

None

Vice President's Report

None

Secretary's Report

None

Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance as of 3/1/24 was \$539.68. Deposits: one deposit of \$25 on 3/4. Expenses: none in March or April. Ending balance as of 4/30/24 is \$564.68. Upcoming expenses: D4C website domain renewal, SSL security for website, website hosting – all for one year. Total \$\$73.24

APD Northeast Area Command Reports

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Committee Reports

Hospitality

No Report

Zoning and Development

3-21-24 – 7412 Malaga Drive NE. Homeowner Travis Carpenter requesting a variance for a 6 foot wall around his yard. The property is within the North Wyoming NA boundaries. He sent notice to Cherry Hills NA and Academy North NA. Suzanna Flores from ONC said it is because North Wyoming is no longer recognized by the city, and so the IDO then requires notification be sent to any NA within 1,320 feet. So Cherry Hills and Academy North were properly notified. One Cherry Hills board member commented that it was interesting that we receive notification of something that does not affect us and is of no interest to us, but the city was not required to notify us of the dog park that is being developed at Heritage Hills Park which is literally in our backyard.

3-23-24 – 7748 Calle Comodo NE. Homeowner James Sullivan requesting a variance for his backyard kitchen which is too close to his property line. He just bought the house and the kitchen was already built. He asked the affected neighbors about it, and they were both okay. Vista del Norte NA was properly notified.

3-28-24 – 6721 and 6728 Akademeia Loop. Site plan for two more houses at Pulte Homes' Academy Estates. Cherry Hills NA properly notified.

4-3-24 – 8040 Academy Drive NE. Signart notification of new signage at on Smith's at Sycamore Plaza. Cherry Hills NA was properly notified.

4-8-24 – 8901 Holly NE. Architectural Signage Design Group notification of new sign for Allaso Vineyards. Vineyard Estates NA was properly notified.

4-12-24 – Notice of Decision issued regarding approval of Master Development Plan and Major Amendments of Site Plan for Balloon Fiesta Park. Everyone was properly notified.

4-16-24 – 7425 Jefferson St. NE. Fastsigns notification of new wall sign for New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority. Location is within boundaries of Alameda North Valley Assoc., but because it is no longer recognized by the city, the applicant is not required to notify them. D4C was properly notified.

4-17-24 – Elizabeth Meek, president of Vineyard Estates NA, forwarded me and Mildred (as well as Nor Este NA contacts and 3 city planning personnel) email correspondence with Modulus Architectural Land Use Planning LLC asking that the preapplication meeting regarding the multifamily project at that intersection be facilitated. The applicant contacted the city and was told it was not required. I offered D4C support and/or assistance, but did not receive a response. Vineyard Estates NA and Nor Este NA appear to have been properly notified. However, I was unable to find that I had received the original notification from the applicant.

4-18-24 – 7330 San Antonio Drive NE. Dutch Bros Coffee applying for development of a new drive through coffee restaurant. The site currently has a closed gas station building on it. It will be right across the street from the new Human Bean drive through coffee restaurant at 7301 San Antonio. I shared the info provided to me with the developers of the Human Bean because I thought it was their business. I also gave Dutch Bros some unsolicited advice that they were putting a morning stop location on the wrong side of the street (traffic is going mostly westbound

in the morning), and that the construction of their competition was already almost completed across the street on the westbound side of the street. They thanked me for my advise and said they wanted to proceed. Cherry Hills NA was properly notified.

5-2-24 – Jim Griffie asked Vanessa Baca for some clarification regarding notification requirements in the IDO for recognized and unrecognized neighborhood associations. He was advised that applicants are required to send development notices to recognized coalitions per the boundaries of their member associations whether recognized or not. But while member associations of a recognized coalition do not have to be recognized, if they are not recognized, they will not receive notifications. So now we need to decide if we are obliged to pass on development notifications to our unrecognized associations.

North Domingo Baca (Judie Pellegrino)

No report

EPC

No Report..



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May 10, 2024

Progress is occurring with the North Domingo Baca Aquatic Center, and I would like to provide an update. The current prepared dirt site, including what looks like a long sidewalk is really the top of more than 200 3'- 4' wide by 40' deep concrete piers and is the retaining wall engineered to support the integrity of the location. This is the first sub-grade retaining wall I have experienced, and it is necessary to move forward on this development. A Request for Proposal (RFP) is the beginning of the procurement process to determine which contractor will build this incredible and sizable project. The RFP has occurred, and it is my understanding the selection for construction of this project is likely going to be awarded to Bradbury Stamm. The Administration is currently in negotiations with Bradbury Stamm to determine next steps, and value engineer the design to achieve the desired results of building the indoor natatorium first. Full funding is required to begin construction any capital project in Albuquerque. This means we need all the quoted dollar amount to begin building the indoor natatorium and/or outdoor recreation pool. Once construction begins, which will hopefully be this year, it will take approximately 12-18 months to build.

The indoor natatorium is the priority for all involved, including constituents, the Administration and myself, while ensuring completion of the entire project is the goal.

This project began as a promise for a public pool in the Northeast Heights over 20 years ago. What was a dream of a providing a basic pool has turned into the design of a state-of-the-art facility providing aquatics for young children, families, athletes, those with disabilities, and seniors. It will increase quality of life, safety, recreation, athletics, and therapy while benefitting our local economy for all.

This long-awaited project has been a priority of the district since before I first campaigned five years ago. I have made more progress on this long awaited, and voter approved project than has ever occurred in Albuquerque history. Although things always take longer than estimated, I remain optimistic and dedicated to seeing this project to finality.

For those who want to help...

Instead of signing petitions that only explain a portion of the benefits and desires of the North Domingo Baca Aquatic Center, and reading partial truths and misinformation on social media, help me build more collaboration with Bernalillo County and Albuquerque Public Schools. Use your motivation and energies increasing the potential for funding and ensuring we achieve our end goal...which is to build a full aquatic center for our entire community.

Sincerely,

Brook Bassan
Albuquerque City Councilor Dedicated to District 4

From: "Bassan, Brook" <bbassan@cabq.gov>

Date: May 10, 2024 at 10:53:11 AM MDT

To: "Emillio, Dawn Marie" <dawnmarie@cabq.gov>

Subject: D4C Update

1. Council is currently reviewing the Mayor's proposed budget, which needs final Council approval by the end of the month. There will be a Committee of the Whole meeting on Thursday, May 16th where the Chair should have a proposed Committee Substitute to present, and Councilors may add additional amendments. Once passed at committee, the bill will proceed to the next Council meeting where additional amendments may be moved, and there will hopefully be final approval.
2. I am not at the Coalition meeting because we are having a LUPZ (Land Use Planning and Zoning) meeting at the same time. Although there are multiple agenda items, the big topic is the IDO (Integrated Development Ordinance) annual update. Last month's LUPZ meeting included presentations and discussion about proposed amendments. I anticipate we will vote on the proposed amendments at the meeting we are currently conducting, concurrent with D4C.
3. There are four Charter amendments being proposed to be placed on the ballot for voter approval. These are worth keeping an eye on, and reaching out with your opinion.
4. Councilor Grout and I have introduced a bill to amend our Immigrant Friendly City policy. It would allow city staff and resources to be used to contact federal authorities if a person is arrested and charged with a violent felony, human trafficking, or trafficking of narcotics. It would not allow city resources to be used to identify and work with ICE for any individual. We will hear this bill at FGO (Finance Government Operations) committee on Monday, May 13th. This is an online meeting on Zoom, available for all to attend. There will be a committee substitute proposed with some changes. Depending on the discussion, it will

move to full Council or remain in committee for more work and conversation. We are not trying to rush this proposal or target immigrants. We welcome immigrants to our city, but want to make sure to change the criminal friendly, sanctuary city reputation we have developed in order to protect all of our community.

5. There have been some vocal, not all correct, communication about the North Domingo Baca Aquatic Center. I have created a letter for you all to have for your use.

I am sorry we missed this meeting and will see you all soon.

Sincerely,

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D4C Website Report – May 2024

Prepared by: Jim Griffiee

Account Updates

The D4C website hosting has been renewed for another year. The cost are higher than last year because last year we were afford new account promotional discounts. Those discounts have now lapsed. Here is the breakout of the cost.

Domain Name registration	\$15.16 (up from \$7.66 the first year)
Site Hosting	\$44.88 (up from \$22.88 the first year)
Secure Socket Layer (SSL) Certificate .	<u>\$13.20</u> (up from <u>Free</u> the first year)
Total	\$73.24 (up from \$30.54 the first year)

Website Update/Enhancement Plans

- Update the site to Wordpress version 6.5.2.
- Add an ABOUT US subpage for standing committees and the appointed chair person.
- Considering adding a MEMBERSHIP subpage listing current member associations/groups with some standard format and information content. If anything other than static information, the member will need to take ownership of maintaining the content. How that might work is still under investigation.
- Requesting recommendations from the membership on what additional D4C related resources to add to the RESOURCES webpage.

Website Page Visit Counts

Web Page	Jan – Mar	April
HOME PAGE	224	51
ABOUT US	23	8
Board of Directors	16	4
Bylaws & Boundary	17	7
Contact Us	13	6
MEMBERSHIP	60	11
MEETING AGENDA/MINUTES	95	14
NEWS & EVENTS	42	13
RESOURCES	15	6
PHOTO GALLERY	16	9
Candidate Forum	1	2
Ground Breaking	2	1