# Please join City Councilor Isaac Benton and

Mark White, Attorney & Planning Consultant

For a Presentation on the Proposed

# FORM-BASED CODE

You can access the Form-Based Code on the City Council website: <a href="https://www.cabq.gov/council/FormBaseCode.html">www.cabq.gov/council/FormBaseCode.html</a>>

Hard copies are available in the City Council office for \$10.00.

The FBC (O-07-116) was introduced at City Council on November 5, 2007, and will be heard at the Environmental Planning Commission on December 20, 2007.

Please R.S.V.P. to Norma Byers (768-3173 or <nbyers@cabq.gov>)

When: Saturday, December 8, 2007, 9 a.m. - 12 noon
Where: Albuquerque Convention Center, Taos-Cochiti Room
Who: All neighborhood associations in the city and members
of the general public are invited
Why: To learn about the Form-Based Code and
have an opportunity to ask questions

# Cultural "Spirits"

November/December 2007

# NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

A Publication Of The Office Of Neighborhood Coordination



Albuquerque Samba School Marches in the Marigold Parade

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#### NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS/NEW OFFICERS

The Office of Neighborhood Coordination "welcomes" new presidents of neighborhood associations and says a "special thank you" to outgoing presidents. Thank you for your hard work, dedication and commitment to improving the quality of life in your neighborhood.

Neighborhood "Welcome" to "Thanks" to **Incoming President Outgoing President Association** Mary Lou Spells Hodgin Frank Thomas Monte Largo Hills Irene Brown Christine M. Hearn Thomas Paulsen North Eastern Assoc. Edward Glenn Osuna Park Jackie Loftus Laura Bernd Sandia High School Area Lawrence Ashby II Betty Rosenberg Tanoan Comm. Assoc. William D. Farmer Jay Vinson

#### NEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION(S)

The Rancho Encantado Homeowners Association is located in City Council District 5, Police Beat - 131/WS and County Commission District 1. The contacts for this association are Colin Semper and Blane Wilson. Welcome Aboard!!

The Kiva-Monte Park Neighborhood Association is located in City Council District 7, Police Beat - 422/NE and County Commission District 3. The contacts for this association are Marlo Clown and Gabriel Nims. The Kiva-Monte Park Neighborhood Association became recognized on November 16, 2007. Welcome Aboard!!

The Watershed Neighborhood Association is located in City Council District 1, Police Beat - 139/WS and County Commission District 1. The contacts for this association are Vic Segura and Gerald Parra. The Watershed Neighborhood Association became recognized on November 16, 2007. Welcome Aboard!!

Just a Reminder: As of this publication date, all recognized and unrecognized neighborhood/homeowners associations and coalitions need to submit an "Neighborhood Association Annual Report for Recognized, Coalition and Homeowners Report Form" in order to maintain their "R" and/or "active status" on our list. We will need the original Annual Report AND a copy of the announcement of your Annual Meeting submitted to our office before your Annual Report will be approved for the year. Please make sure that you have the correct addresses listed for your officers on your Annual Report. Please see the dates below to find out when your reports are due in our office and who to send them to. Thank you.

Please call Dalaina at 505-924-3906 for further information. Annual Reports for the following months are due:

September Annual Reports are due: December 1, 2007
October Annual Reports are due: January 1, 2008
November Annual Reports are due: February 1, 2008

ATTENTION: When submitting your yearly Annual Report please mail to our physical street address below:

Planning Department/Office of Neighborhood Coordination

**Attention: Dalaina Carmona** 

600 Second Street NW, Rm. 120 (Basement Level)

Albuquerque, NM 87102

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If you have a disability and will need special assistance to benefit from any of the meetings, hearings or workshops, etc., appearing in this newsletter, contact the office sponsoring the event two weeks prior to the date of the meeting you plan to attend. When ever possible, TTY phone numbers will be listed. TTY users may call any phone number listed in this publication via Relay New Mexico at 1-800-659-8331.

# **Across The City**

#### Words of Wisdom

Submitted By The Gardeners' Guild

# There is still time for Winterizing — What is it and what to do?

While we all know winter is coming, the recommendation to "winterize" is short on details. For those who haven't grown up gardening, the term can be downright mystifying. Here is a list of those tasks to undertake while temperatures cool down and plants begin to sleep.

- 1. Keep watering! Root systems are still growing and developing additional reach for the winter and following years. Many plants love the fall temperatures for the rest it provides, following the summer scorch. The stress of growing is reduced when conditions are moderate and plants will fair well with a good watering every week until daily temperatures fall regularly below 60 or 65 degrees. A good watering at least once a month through the winter is also very important for perennials and trees, especially with the dry season predicted.
- 2. Rake it up. Look for piles of debris that invite insects to hunker down in your yard for the winter. Dry areas with good oxygen will make for unwanted homes to pests that emerge next spring. Lawn clippings, disturbed dried leaves and other organic matter can be good mulch, but don't "pile" it on. Best idea is to compost these materials first and use it after compost worms have processed it into fertilizer. Rake out those remaining weeds.
- **3. Remove the dead.** This includes "dead heading" (removal of dead flower heads) of spent blooms from perennials to pare back plants for the lean and mean season. Roses can be pruned for shape and size, but must be pruned to prevent winter damage. For trees, prune dead branches only. Pruning living ones may stimulate growth at the worst time, exposing the tree to freezing. Taking away the dead wood will remove another favorite living space for bad bugs. Spent foliage from bulbs can be removed, especially if brown as the leaves have already given their remaining energy as fuel for next year.
- **4. Amend the soil.** Add a high phosphorus fertilizer, like soft rock phosphate (SRF), which is less available to plants in very dry soils. Addition of phosphorus helps the plant's immune system, in photosynthesis, and nitrogen transport to plants. High levels of phosphorus can also deter weeds. SRF also rejuvenates the soil with major minerals like calcium and trace minerals too.
- **5.** Condition the soil, with less labor. Use manure as compost and your choice of mulch at a top layer to speed recovery of troubled soil. Be sure to keep layers away from woody plant stems and tree trunks. See the mulch article at <www.gardenersguild.org/mulch.htm> to get more details.







## **Metro Court**

Submitted By Janet Blair



## The Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court Annual Employee Training Conference

Held each year in October, the conference provides breakout sessions and training opportunity for court employees to hone their skills and sharpen their talents. This year, the theme was "Cruisin' Through the Court at 35 MPH," a take off on keynote speaker Brian Blasko's presentation, "Cruisin' thru Life at 35 MPH". Court employees from different divisions made presentations about the functions of their operations and also presented a skit, taking a typical DWI offender through both a criminal and civil process.

Employee of the Year at Metropolitan Court was just one of



the awards
presented at the
annual training
conference. Court
Administrator
Brian Gilmore and
Chief Judge Judith
Nakamura made
the presentation to
Candy Gallegos,
center, of Finance.

"Philosophy of Law" presented by the court's General Counsel Raymond Mensack was one of the conference break-out sessions.





IT's (Information Technology)
David Torres gets his blood
pressure taken at the health
fair that was part of the
conference, held at the Hilton
Hotel.

(Photos courtesy of Janet Blair and Tabatha Roybal)

# **NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP**

## **Cultural Spirits**

Submitted By Susan Vigil, Planning Department Intern

Some of America's oldest, most honored traditions are grown from transplanted people. Thanksgiving is known as a unification of Native American feast days combined with the immigrants' gratitude for the gifts of this country. Culture and families are kept alive by our love for one another. The 400,000 souls joined by the valley of Albuquerque formed from the 400,000 souls that were here before - the Sandia and Isleta people, shepherds, conquistadores, mechanics, scientists, cowgirls, New Yorkers, Germans and finally or all along, Mexicans who bring us the Ceremony of Remembering - El Dia de los Muertos. The Day of the Dead, November 1 on the Catholic calendar, asks the questions: Do we exist once our physical life has come to end? What if we exist forever? How do we connect to our ancestors, their many lives creating my one? Gourd water drums, Itzkuintii (clay flutes), Huehuetl drums, shakers, rasps and conch shell trumpets - artifacts of the Aztec origins of El Dia cacophony rings in the festivities deftly played by storyteller Michael Heralda at celebrations on November 2 at the South Broadway Cultural Center. Michael's album titled "Miccailhlti - The Journey to Mictian" reveals the stories of El Dia del los Muertos. He reminds us that from great sound comes great silence, that the dead are with us especially on this day and we honor them. Rodalla, a 12-member troop also performed at the South Broadway Cultural Center for the celebrations, remembering traditional New Mexican ballads and dances.

Both the South Broadway and National Hispanic Cultural Centers overflowed with altars - ofrendas - to the dead. Bright orange marigolds, zempazuchitl - the flowers of the dead photographs of passed loved ones, their treasured objects and words of wisdom and a rainbow of paper prayers and flowers were displayed with great care. According to the Deputy Consul of Mexico, Alberto Bernal Acero, the holiday is so well followed in provincial Mexico that people spread trails of marigolds from their homes to their loved ones graves. In their best clothes, they picnic on pan de muerta - a special cake made for the day - at the graves of their passed friends and family. They will often stand vigil over the graves throughout the night in a ring of candles. It is a joyful opportunity to connect with loved ones.

At the beginning of the century Mexican artist, Posada popularized El Dia del Los Muertos, writing newspaper comics called Calaveras that make jokes about the dead. Catrina, a well dressed, sophisticated skeleton sprang from his head. Decorating sugar skulls also called calavares that represent past family members is also popular. Children go door-to-door, begging "midda me calaveras."

The riches of our country overflow by the significance brought by this new/old festival. As the storyteller Michael Heralda best described, "We all come from one people - for others El Dia de Los Muertos may awaken the eyes of insight that lies buried within them, buried for many, many, years and generations."

**FFNCF** 

La Parada Mercantile, nestled in an historic Albuquerque Stagecoach, off Fourth Street, invites children to their



pottery strewn courtyard to decorate sugar skulls. Molded clav Catrinas from Mexico on display.

The National Hispanic **Cultural Center** demonstrates spirit with a water fall of prayers to the dead. The National Hispanic **Cultural Center** presented Aztec Dancers, sidewalk drawings and altars.





South Valley Marigold Parade, Aztec Dancers. Other participants included, The Peace and Justice Center. **Chevrolet Thrift** Master, Maple Street Dancers, SCA **Darbuka Drumers** 

and Dancers, Maple Street Dancers, Albuquerque Samba School, The Cradle Project, Christine Duncan Community Charter School, skateboarders, and familias.

The South Broadway Cultural **Center presented** the grandparents altar created by East San Jose Elementary School.



#### NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued



From The Manager's Desk

#### Thank You!

First, let me begin by thanking those of you who participated in the National Night Out event that was held in August. We had a very successful night. Winners have been announced and prizes will be awarded very soon.

As we begin to prepare for next year's event we will do a lessons learned exercise to make sure we are reaching out and including as many neighborhoods as we possibly can in our City.

I would like to begin to increase the neighborhood's understanding of the Ordinance O-92 as it applies to the actual notification process. In recent months there has been some confusion from various neighborhood representatives. There are a number of misunderstandings concerning what constitutes correct notification and what does not. Please know that this office makes every effort to conform to the letter of the law in each land use development case. As you can imagine, if the Office of Neighborhood Coordination made an exception in one case we then might be expected to make exceptions in additional cases during the coming year. **O-92** is available on the city web page at <cabq.gov/planning/nbrcoord/> or a copy can easily be mailed to you. If you have questions or just might need someone to come out and explain this to you or your association, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Last but not least the city and landowners who want to make changes on their property mail out certified letters to the affected neighborhood associations. Neighborhood associations are always interested in what changes are being

made in their neighborhood. Remember, change affects all of us - even the smallest change. If you or someone on your board is responsible for picking up mail that is sent to the association, especially if you have a post office box, it is important that the mail be picked up on a very regular basis. If your neighborhood association has been notified within the time limits that were applied by the appropriate board, commission or hearing officer there is little to nothing that can be done if you try to either ask for a deferral or even a withdrawal of the application. Some developments that are planned for the very near future will have major impacts on neighborhoods throughout the city. Since you will be impacted, it is important that your views and those of your neighborhood be heard by the appropriate governing board or agency.

Just a friendly reminder that staff from the Office of Neighborhood Coordination is making every effort to attend your annual association meetings. Over the course of this year, I will be sending emails to the contacts that are listed for the association asking that you please notify us with the time, date and location of your annual meeting. Normally, this is the meeting where your new officers are elected. We are making every effort we can to attend as many meetings as we possibly can. This gives staff an opportunity to interact with the board and the members of the neighborhood association. If you have that information, send me an e-mail at <pmontoya@cabq.gov> or call me at 505-924-3408.



## Soroptimist International – Duke City Club Now Accepting Nominations

The Soroptimist International – Duke City Club, a volunteer group of professional women whose mission and core purpose is to improve the lives of women and girls, is now accepting nominations for their annual *Women's Opportunity Award*.

The Women's Opportunity Award is a \$1,000 cash grant that gives women the resources they need to improve their education, skills and employment prospects. Eligible applicants must be women who provide the primary financial support for their families, and who are enrolled in or have been accepted to a vocational/skills training program or an undergraduate degree program.

"The local Soroptimist Club is honored to assist women reclaim their dreams of a better life," states Club President, Kathi Brown. "We want to recognize women who are motivated to achieve their educational and career goals."

Each year, Soroptimist Clubs in 19 countries and territories assist women in overcoming personal difficulties and bettering their lives through education and skills training. The women granted the award may use the cash assistance to offset costs associated with their efforts to attain higher education, including books, childcare and transportation. The local program recipient will then become eligible for the regions and national awards. Currently, each Soroptimist region grants one first-place award of \$5,000 and those recipients are then eligible to receive one of the three \$10,000 finalist awards.

The deadline for submissions is Saturday, December 15, 2007 and applications can be obtained by calling Soroptimist International Duke City Club at 505-797-8032 or by visiting <a href="https://www.soroptimist.org">www.soroptimist.org</a>.

## **NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued**



A Message From The Mayor

Martin J. Chávez Mayor of Albuquerque

#### Let's Make A Difference!

Recently, I had the honor of welcoming home our brave firefighters who once again made us proud, this time by answering the call from those in California devastated by fire. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all who are going through this very difficult time.

In the spirit of helping others, I would like to remind everyone that we would love to hear from you on how we are doing. Being your Mayor has been the greatest honor of my professional life and the reason I decided to run in the first place in order to serve my community in the best way possible.

City staff will provide you with the fastest possible turnaround time for any issues or questions you may have. If your call requires a service request, we will get your request to the proper department for response and action. We will also provide you with a confirmation number to track the progress of your request.

If we may be of service to you in anyway, or you want to just let me know how you feel about a particular issue or situation in Albuquerque, simply contact **311** and ask for the Mayor's office. I really hope to hear from you soon!

We have many updates to share with all of our neighborhoods. Just recently, for example, the City of Albuquerque proclaimed November 2 as YMCADay. The Northeast Heights branch celebrated a grand re-opening and welcomed all citizens.

In October, we participated in "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes", the international men's march against sexual assault and gender violence. There were 45 walks scheduled nationwide and Albuquerque was very well represented! I would like to thank those who participated in this event and I look forward to seeing everyone again next year.

As we move forward, I would like to invite everyone to visit one of our animal shelters. There are many wonderful pet companions to choose from at the Eastside, Westside and Lucky Paws (in the Coronado Mall) Shelters.

If you are interested in helping Albuquerque's 4 legged citizens, the Animal Services Department Volunteer Program has a variety of options for anyone wanting to help homeless, stray, or abused animals either directly or indirectly.

You can make a difference and save the lives of some wonderful dogs and cats! Just call **311**and they will provide all the information you need to get started.

Finally, I am very happy to announce that we will once again be providing two of Albuquerque's seniors an early holiday gift this year. We have teamed up with Southwest Airlines to give two airline tickets to deserving seniors who otherwise would not be able to travel to see their loved ones for the holidays.

I firmly believe that volunteering is an essential part of community life. As the holiday season rapidly approaches, please give serious consideration on how you can help make a difference in your community. For more information please contact the Mayor's office of Volunteerism and Engagement (MOVE) at 505-767-5815 or simply by calling 311.



## Mayor Martin J. Chávez Invites You to Adopt a City Shelter Pet

#### All Adopted Animals Include:

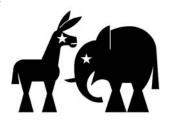
- Spay or Neuter Procedure
- Microchip
- Current Vaccinations
- City Rabies License

All this for only \$59 for Dogs and \$39 for Cats!!

Please visit the Eastside Shelter at 8920 Lomas NE, the Westside Shelter at 11800 Sunset Gardens SW or Lucky Paws in Cornado Mall. <www.cabq.gov/pets>

## Bernalillo County Needs You!

The Bernalillo County Bureau of Elections would like to be part of your neighborhood association meetings. The County Clerk's Office would like the opportunity to register people to vote and recruit Poll Officials to work future elections. The County Clerk would also be available to attend meetings to answer any questions you may have. This would be a great opportunity to get neighborhoods involved in the election process. You may also visit our website at <www.bernco.gov/clerk> or call us at 505-468-1225 or 505-468-1218 for more information.







A Message From Your City Council

#### "Changes"

At the end of November, the City Council will bid a very fond farewell to retiring City Councilors Martin Heinrich, District 6, and Craig Loy, District 8. Both councilors have served a full four-year term on the Council and contributed much to their respective districts, as well as the entire city, during their time in office.

Put simply, Councilors Heinrich and Loy will be missed. We congratulate them on a job well done and wish them all the best in their future endeavors. The things they have accomplished for District 6, District 8 and the city at large will be remembered and appreciated well into the future.

The Council office wishes to use this opportunity to thank Councilor Heinrich and Councilor Loy for all that they have done in the past four years and remind you of just a few of their many achievements.

#### A Recap of Legislative Efforts

Councilor Heinrich sponsored a number of major pieces of legislation during his term. In addition to his efforts to promote sustainable practices (High Performance Building Ordinance co-sponsor), preserve open space (Gutierrez Canyon), and encourage redevelopment in District 6 (Nob Hill-Highland Sector Plan), he was the sponsor of two particular pieces of legislation that will have a lasting impact on the people of Albuquerque. First, recognizing the connection between the availability of ephedrine and pseudo-ephedrine products and the prevalence of the methamphetamine problem in Albuquerque, Councilor Heinrich introduced an ordinance to restrict the sale of ephedrine products in stores and create a penalty for facilities

#### **City Council**

Council staff may be reached at **505-768-3100**. The agenda for an upcoming council meeting may be checked by calling **505-768-3100** after 1 p.m. on the Friday immediately prior to the council meeting. The City Council's fax number is **505-768-3227**. Agendas, Action Items and Summaries are available on the Council's webpage at **<www.cabq.gov/council/counsched.html>**.

Back Row, L to R: Craig Loy, District 8; Michael Cadigan, District 5; Debbie O'Malley, District 2; Ken Sanchez, District 1; Brad Winter, District 4. Front Row, L to R: Isaac Benton, District 3; Sally Mayer, District 7; Martin Heinrich, District 6; Don Harris, District 9.

that violate the requirements of the ordinance. The bill gained the support of the full council and passed by a unanimous vote.

Another highlight of Councilor Heinrich's term was passing legislation to provide a phased-in increase in the minimum wage in Albuquerque. At the time of its passage in April 2006, only three other cities in the country had adopted a wage ordinance affecting private businesses. Albuquerque's minimum wage ordinance went into effect on January 1, 2007 and will stay ahead of the new federal minimum wage, which was increased for the first time in a decade in July 2007. Councilor Heinrich feels that this was one of his most important legislative undertakings because of the long-term benefits it will provide to hard-working Albuquerque families.

Councilor Loy, a retired Captain and Area Commander of the Albuquerque Police Department, focused his efforts as a councilor on legislation and projects that would improve public safety and, generally, make District 8 and the City of Albuquerque a nicer, safer place to live. He sponsored legislation to restrict cruising in a motor vehicle in certain areas, broaden the nuisance abatement ordinance to include more state offenses for which property owners can be held responsible and submit to the voters an amendment to the City Charter to change the requirements for a recall, which was approved by voters in October 2007.

# Contributing through Capital Improvement Projects

In addition to their legislative responsibilities, Councilors Heinrich and Loy have contributed much in the way of funding and support for capital improvement projects in Districts 6 and 8. Councilor Heinrich has left his mark on Dis-

trict 6 through improvements at neighborhood parks, pedestrian enhancements such as the installation of bulbouts in Nob Hill, and funding a library study that will bring a new library to the district in the near future.

Asked about what he wants to be remembered for Councilor Loy said that he is most proud of the work he's done to improve parks and other infrastructure in District 8. Major park improvements, including the installation of new equipment at neighborhood parks and the creation of recreational trails, and median land-scaping projects top the list of Councilor Loy's accomplishments. He feels that these capital improvement projects have made a real difference in the appearance of District 8 and he hopes that the residents of District 8 are able to enjoy the improvements for a long time to come.

#### **Other Notes**

Councilor Heinrich served as President of the 16<sup>th</sup> Council, from December 2005 to December 2006. He is pursuing the Democratic nomination for New Mexico's First Congressional District seat and hopes to continue his public service to the people of Albuquerque and New Mexico in Washington, D.C.

Councilor Loy has been active in the establishment of the Community Schools Partnership, which is a City of Albuquerque/Albuquerque Public Schools initiative to create a community education model that combines public and private resources to better serve the educational needs of the community. Upon retiring from the Council, he looks forward to spending more time with his family, especially his granddaughter.



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Tuesday, November 27	Monday, December 3	Thursday, December 13	=		
•BOA − 9 a.m.	•City Council – 5 p.m.	•GWPAB – 8:30 a.m.	City Offices Closed		
Wednesday,	Wednesday, December 5	•TAB – 9 a.m.	Wednesday,		
November 28	•DRB – 9 a.m.	•Feedback Forum	December 26		
•DRB − 9 a.m.	•PAB – 10 a.m.	– 11:45 a.m.	•LEPC – 9 a.m.		
•EPC Pre-Hearing	Thursday, December 6	•EPC Study Session	•SEPC – 9 a.m.		
– 1:30 p.m.	•AAB – 9 a.m.	– 3 p.m.	•EPC Pre-Hearing		
•LEPC – 9 a.m.	Thursday, December 7	•POC – 4 p.m.	– 1:30 p.m.		
•SEPC – 9 a.m.	•North Valley Coalition	Monday, December 17	Thursday,		
•ZHE – 9 a.m.	-6:30 p.m.	•City Council – 5 p.m.	December 27		
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	•SEPC – 9 a.m.	•ADC – 3 p.m.			
	•LUCC – 3 p.m.	Thursday, December 20			
	•AQCB – 5:15 p.m.	•EPC Hearing – 8:30 a.m.	·>> · ▼ ⟨		
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#### 2007 CALENDAR LEGEND

AAB - Airport Advisory Board, Aviation Department Executive Conference Room

ACTMI - Advisory Committee on Transit for the Mobility Impaired - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE

ADC - Albuquerque Development Commission - Hearing Room (Basement Level), Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW

AQCB - Air Quality Control Board, Council Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall

BOA - Board of Appeals, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second Street NW

City Council - Council/Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall

District 4 Coalition - Fire Station 20, 7520 Corona NE

District 6 Coalition - Cesar Chavez Community Center, 7505 Kathryn SE

District 7 Coalition - Sandia High School, Teacher's Lounge, 7801 Candelaria NE

District 8 Coalition - James Joseph Dwyer Memorial Substation, 12700 Montgomery 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 SE

EPC - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second Sreet. NW, Basement Level

EPC Pre-Hearing - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW, Third Fl. Conference Room

EPC Study Session - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW, Third Floor Conference Room

FBF - FeedBack Forum, Planning Department, Plaza del Sol, Hearing Room, (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW

GABAC - Greater Albuquerque Bicycling Advisory Committee, City Hall, Room 302

 $GARTC - Greater\ Albuquer que\ Recreational\ Trails\ Committee-Locations\ vary,\ call\ 505-768-5308\ for\ information$ 

GWPAB - Ground Water Protection Advisory Board - Room 302 City/County Building, 400 Marquette NW

LEPC - Local Emergency Planning Committee - 11510 Sunset Gardens SW, 505-833-7300 or <www.lepcabqbernco.org> for more info.

LUCC - Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission, Plaza del Sol, Hearing Room (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW

North Valley Coalition - Los Griegos Multi-Service Center, 1231 Candelaria NW

PAB - ParaTransit Advisory Board - Alvarado Transportation Center, 100 First Street SW

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 Neighborhoods Associations - South Valley BSCO Sheriff's Substation, 2039 Isleta SW

SWAN - South West Alliance of Neighborhoods, Alamosa Multi-Service Center, 6900 Gonzales SW

TAB - Transit Advisory Board - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE

Westside Coalition - Don Newton/Taylor Ranch Community Center, 4900 Kachina NW

ZHE - Zoning Hearing Examiner, 200 Third Street NW, Suite 735, 505-924-3918

#### **EPC Hearing Notice**

Publication of EPC hearing notices in the *Albuquerque Journal* will now occur on the **Wednesday - 22 days prior** to the public hearing on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month**. The hearing notice includes the time, place and date of the hearing along with a brief description of each application on the agenda. Previously, hearing notices were published 15 days before the public hearing. The reason for this change is to meet the advertising requirements for EPC study sessions which occur on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. Rather than advertising the hearing and study session separately, a single notice will be prepared to advertise both. Contact the Planning Department at **505-924-3860** if you have questions.

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 Dept. no later than **9 a.m.** on the **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 Hearing, call Planning at 505-924-3860 and the receptionist will give you the status of the Hearing.
- Staff reports are available at the Planning Office beginning at 3 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the EPC Hearing.

On the 2nd 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 3rd 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 Plaza del Sol Hearing Room. Please call the Planning Department at 505-924-3860 to confirm the Study Session schedule as adjustments are made occasionally.

Please note that the **Pre-Hearing Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday**, **November 28**, **2007** at **1:30** p.m. in the Planning Conference Room, Third Floor. The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **Thursday**, **December 20**, **2007** at **8:30** a.m. in the **Plaza del Sol Hearing Room** (basement level), **600** Second Street NW for the following cases:

#### Citywide

All Neighborhoods; 07EPC-40084, Project #1001620; The Planning Department of the City of Albuquerque, is proposing an Ordinance (*Bill No. O-07-116*) Form Based Code to create an alternative to our suburban zones and building code to allow the mixture of uses and the development of areas that are oriented toward pedestrians rather than automobiles. This type of zoning was called for in O-02-39, which adopted the *Planned Growth Strategy*. The new zones in the *Form Based Code* would be applied for through a zone map amendment process; Russell Brito at 505-924-3337 and Carmen Marrone at 505-924-3814.

#### Northwest

Laurelwood, Ladera West, Parkway, Tres Volcanes (neighborhood association); 07EPC-40078, Project #1003275 (case #'s); Approximately 19.98 acres located on the east side of Unser Boulevard NW between Hanover Road NW and Ladera Drive NW (location of request); H-9 (zone atlas page #); Consensus Planning Inc. at 505-764-9801, agent for Sun Cal Companies, Inc. (applicant or agency and phone #); Requests a Amendment to the El Rancho Atrisco Phase III Sector Plan Map; Zone Map Amendment from SU-1 Office and Commercial to SU-1 commercial for a proposed Neighborhood Shopping Center (action requested); Anna DiMambro at 505-924-3924 (city staff planner).

#### Southeast

**No Association(s)**; **07EPC-40076**, **Project #1006819**; Approximately 4.42 acres located on the east side of Broadway Boulevard SE between Wesmeco Drive SE and Bethel Avenue SE; M-14; Don F. Ahern at **702-858-2025**, agent for APTUS Architecture; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit for a proposed combined rental/retail facility for Ahern and Ace Hardware; Randall Falkner at **505-924-3933**.

**Silver Hill, Spruce Park, Sycamore**; **07EPC-40079, Project #1002270**; Approximately .49 acres located on the south side of Central Avenue SE between Ash Street SE and Maple Street SE; K-15; Tom Lucero at **505-843-9283**, agent for Manny Aka; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit for a family dining restaurant establishment – "*The Cube Restaurant*"; Carol Toffaleti at **505-924-3345**.

University Heights; 07EPC-40081 and 40082, Project #1006925; Approximately .3 acres located on the east side of Cornell Drive SE between Silver Avenue SE and Lead Avenue SE; K-16; Consensus Planning Inc. at 505-764-9801, agent for Werner Gilchrest, LLC; Requests an Amendment to the Sector Development Plan Map from SU-2/DR to SU-2 SU-1 for detached multifamily and a Site Development Plan for Building Permit for single family residential; Mary Ellen Hennessey at 505-924-3891 and Jennifer Donofrio at 505-924-3343.

#### Southwest

**Downtown, Huning Castle; 07EPC-40073, 40074 and 40075, Project #1004677**; Approximately 3.86 acres located on the south side of Central Avenue SW between Laguna Boulevard SW and San Pasquale Avenue SW; J-13; C. David Day at **505-515-1333**, agent for Jay Rembe; Requests an Site Development Plan for Subdivision; Amendment to the Site Development Plan for Subdivision and Amendment to the Sector Development (Zone Change) from SU-2/SU-1 Albuquerque Little Theatre and SU-2/CLD to SU-2/SU-1 CLD with Special Regulations for a proposed mixed use development for local retail and office; Catalina Lehner at **505-924-3935**.

**No Association(s)**; **07EPC-40083**, **Project #1000650**; Approximately 1.05545 acres located on the southeast side of Coors Boulevard SW and Lamonica Road SW; P-10; George Rainhart Architects and Associates at **505-884-9110**, agent for New Mexico Educators Federal Credit Union; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit for a proposed New Mexico Educators Federal Credit Union with drive-up and interior walk-up facilities; Carol Toffaleti at **505-924-3345**.



# CITY SCOOP

# **News From City Departments**



# **APD Crime Prevention 505-924-3600** *Submitted By Steve Sink*



#### **Personal Safety**

#### Away From Your Residence:

• Always be aware of your surroundings and trust your instincts • Be aware of other people around you and make note of their behavior • Walk with authority and purpose · Have your keys ready when approaching your vehicle (and residence) and do not have several items in your hands. If you are shopping, periodically take purchased items to the car and lock them in the trunk or away from view. • Lock all personal items in the trunk or away from view - roll up windows, lock doors and take keys. • Park in well lit areas with a lot of activity. Park as close to the entrance as possible. • Avoid carrying a purse whenever possible. Place wallet and/or money and credit cards in a front pocket or jacket pocket. Carry only items necessary for a particular outing. • If you must carry a purse, never leave it open; carry it close to your body with flap facing inward; and place strap around your shoulder (never wrap it around your body or neck). • If you carry a defensive object (pepper spray, etc.) have proper training first. •Use personal body alarm, whistle, etc. • Notify a trusted neighbor or family member where you are going and when you are expected back. • If you notice a suspicious person or activity in a parking lot near your car, return to the store and ask for an escort and notify security or store management.

#### In Your Vehicle:

•Keep all doors locked. • Place purse and other valuables out of sight (when traveling and parked). • Don't travel in curbside lane, especially at a stoplight. • Be aware of your surroundings when stopped at a light – be aware of people approaching your car. • Don't stop too close to the car in front of you. Allow enough space to "pull around." • If you are followed, drive to a safe, active, and well lit location (don't drive home) and quickly leave your vehicle and go inside to call the police and request assistance or stay in the locked vehicle and draw attention. • Use a cell phone to call the police, but don't let it distract your driving. • Avoid any confrontation while driving, no matter how minor.

#### At Your Residence:

- Get to know your neighbor and establish trusted relationships. Encourage them to watch out for you, your family and your residence. Consider starting a Neighborhood Watch Program. Make sure the lighting on the exterior of the residence illuminates the entire area. Each entrance should have solid core doors and deadbolt locks with a minimum of a one-inch throw. All primary window locks should be operational and secondary locks should be installed.
- Trim all bushes down and up from the ground. Trim trees up 6-8 feet from the ground. Place lights, radios and TV on timers to give the appearance someone is home when away. Stop mail and newspaper delivery and have a trusted neighbor pickup and place/remove trash carts in the typical location when away. Also, ask them to keep an eye on your residence. Let neighbors, family and friends know when you will return from a trip.

## **Animal Welfare Department**

Submitted By Dee Miller, RVT and the staff at AWD

## "Tootsie - the Amazing Terrier"

On a cold January day, a small tan and white terrier was dropped off at the Eastside shelter as a stray. The Veterinary staff examined her and discovered she had a fracture of her right hind leg. She was such a little sweetie; they decided to send her to Town and Country Veterinarian Clinic for X-rays to determine the extent of the damage. They indeed found a fracture, surgically repaired the leg and sent her back to the Eastside Veterinarian facility for post-op care.

The Veterinarian staff named her "Tootsie" and fell in love with her. It was going to take several months for this type of fracture to heal, so the staff took turns nursing her back to health. This little terrier was really a circus clown and she touched everyone's heart at the clinic.

When it was determined she was healed and ready for a forever home, she was sent to "Lucky Paws". She was lucky enough to catch the eye of the manager of Western Warehouse which is next door to "Lucky Paws". His family adopted her and is enjoying this little comedian as much as, if not more than the staff at the Veterinary Clinic.

We all miss her and have fond memories of how she touched our lives and how she reminds us to take time and give a little broken dog a new start on life.

# **Change Your Life While Changing the Lives of Countless Animals**

Submitted By James Hallinan Animal Welfare Department

The Animals at the Albuquerque Animal Care Centers need you! Become an Animal Volunteer and start saving lives and making new friends. The Volunteer program is extremely flexible and fits every personality and time schedule. Volunteers work as much or as little as they like and never have to make a schedule with us. Great opportunities include dog walking, socializing cats, finding happy homes for animals, bathing, grooming, cleaning, community outreach and helping with special events. A volunteer's interaction with an animal drastically increases that pet's chance of finding a happy home. Please call **505-379-9396** to sign up for the next Volunteer



Orientation or to learn more about the program visit <www.cabq.gov/ pets>. The homeless dogs and cats of Albuquerque are counting on you!!



#### **Cultural Services**

Library Division



#### Library Storytimes and Early Childhood Literacy Workshops

The Library System is bustling with special programs and activities for children and families all year round. But we would like to take a minute to remind you about one of our classic family oriented programs – storytime.

Storytime is a great way for children to be introduced to the library, books and reading. It also provides them with the opportunity to socialize with other children. Many of our storytimes incorporate rhymes, songs and fingerplays, which help children develop early literacy skills in a fun and joyful environment.

Whether you have a 2 month old, a 2 year old or a 5 year old, you can find a library storytime that is right for you. Visit us on the web at **<www.cabq.gov/library>** for a complete listing of library storytimes and other programs for children and families.

If your interest lies in learning how to teach your child to become a successful reader and learner, then you may be interested in scheduling an Every Child Ready to Read workshop. The Library System offers Every Child Ready to Read workshops for the parents and caregivers of 0-2 year olds, 2-3 year olds and 4-5 year olds. These are free one hour classes that can be given at many locations throughout Albuquerque. During the workshop you will learn how to help your child develop pre-reading skills, vocabulary and language skills.

If you would like to schedule an Every Child Ready to Read workshop for your community group, school, business or other association, please call **505-768-5103**.

Submitted By Linda Hubley, Manager Events and Operations

# Twinkle Light Parade - Think Green! Saturday, November 24, 2007

You're Invited to be a Part of Albuquerque's Brightest Holiday Event in Downtown Albuquerque!

The **Twinkle Light Parade** will light up the night starting at 5:15 p.m. from the corner of Third Street and Central Avenue. The parade will head west on Central Avenue, and continue to the Rio Grande Botanic Garden, approximately two miles in length. The festivities will continue at the River of Lights where spectators can enjoy the magic of hundreds of thousands of twinkling lights and dazzling holiday displays.







## Albuquerque Art Business Association

The Albuquerque Art Business Association (AABA) invites you to their monthly Artscrawl events, Albuquerque's gallery tours ongoing since 1990.

**Friday, December 7**: First Friday Artscrawl, Citywide. Details at the website. Details available at **<www.ArtscrawlABQ.org>**.

To receive Artscrawl news, sign up for the free E-news at the website or for regular mail notices leave your name and address at **505-244-0362**.

#### **Rail Yard Acquisition**

While no formal development plans have yet been made the long-awaited acquisition of the 27-acre rail yard site has ensured the preservation of this historic Albuquerque landmark. The development of the site will assist in the revitalization of the Barelas neighborhood bringing jobs and mixed-use development - retail and residential - for the Barelas area. The site will also include a new home for the Wheels Museum. The City acquired the property for approximately \$8.5 million.



Inside One Of The "Ginormous" Rail Yard Buildings



Members Of The Wheels Museum and The NM Steam Locomotive Railroad Historical Society Agree With Mayor Chávez and Councilors Benton, Sanchez and Heinrich, "This Is A Very Good Day For The City of Albuquerque".

#### Legal

Submitted By Naomi Parada Alternative Dispute Resolution

# How Can My Neighbors and I Prepare For a Facilitated Meeting?

There are four steps that can help you and your neighbors have a productive facilitated meeting.

**Step 1**: Notify the people in your association about the facilitated meeting.

Work with the facilitator to obtain the date, time and location of the facilitated meeting. The facilitator may have a handout that you can e-mail to your neighbors or post around the neighborhood. The more people present to share their thoughts, questions and concerns, the more effective the meeting will be.

**Step 2**: Let the facilitator know who is interested in the application and who should be invited to the facilitated meeting.

Facilitators receive a list of contacts from the Office of Neighborhood Coordination. However, if you are aware of someone who may not have been included on the list, let the facilitator know their contact information.

**Step 3**: Learn about the application from the Applicant/ Agent, Planning Department and the Office of Neighborhood Coordination.

Learn what specifically the Applicant is requesting. Once you identify the specific request, it would be helpful to write down your questions and concerns **before** the facilitated meeting. Also, let the facilitator know your concerns. The facilitator can then ensure that all topics are addressed at the meeting and see if any City personnel need to be present to answer specific questions.

**Step 4**: Ask your questions, voice concerns and work with the applicant at the meeting.

To offer the greatest opportunity for discussion use the information shared at the meeting to discuss possible resolution to concerns and obtain answers to your questions.

It is critical to work closely with your facilitator. The facilitator gathers information before, during and after the facilitated meeting through discussions, interviews, e-mails or phone conversations to ensure the meeting is productive and accurate of the issues discussed at the meeting.

If you have any questions or concerns about facilitated meetings, please contact the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) office at **505-768-4500**.



**ABCWUA** – Water Reclamation Division Submitted By Brynda Gutierrez

#### A Fat Free Diet For The Sanitary Sewer System

'Tis the season for cooking many rich goodies, and what makes them rich is generally oil, butter and shortening. Although these items are great in goodies they are detrimental to the sewer lines and the treatment process at the Southside Water Reclamation Plant (SWRP).

Grease and oils produced by cooking should not be poured down the drain; flushing grease with **hot water is not the solution**; grease is simply moved down the sewer pipes and may cause backups further down the collection system. As grease hardens, it plugs lines and can cause sewer backups. Sewer backups can cause expensive damage to your home and odor problems in your neighborhood. Grease also causes operational problems at the Southside Water Reclamation Plant (SWRP). The SWRP is not designed to treat cooking grease.

#### **Options for Managing Used Cooking Grease Include:**

For grease that hardens, pour grease into a heat resistant container with a heat resistant lid and dispose of with regular trash. Make sure the grease hardens before disposal into solid waste.

If you have grease or fat that does not harden, for example **from a deep fryer**, there are a few companies that take grease for recycling. Please call before taking the used grease to these companies.

#### AAA American Waste Removal

505-345-3965 505-344-0177

Converting grease to biodiesel fuel is becoming more and more common if you have a large amount of grease, you can visit Good Grease listserv. Good Grease - often has posting from people looking for waste oil to convert to biodiesel fuel to use for fuel in their cars - you could post an offering as well.

#### <a href="http://www.goodgrease.com/">http://www.goodgrease.com/>

The sanitary sewer system belongs to all of us, and we are responsible for its health. Be a good neighbor and implement a fat free diet for our sewer system. *Please do not pour grease or any kinds of fat down the drain*.



#### Legal

Submitted By John Dubois, Assistant City Attorney

#### Why Doesn't The City Do Something About My Neighborhood Association?

"We live in a world that has narrowed into a neighborhood before it has broadened into a brotherhood".

Lyndon B. Johnson,
 President of the United States

"In a neighborhood, as in life, a clean bandage is much, much better than a raw or festering wound".

— Edward Koch, Mayor of New York City

It has been my privilege to work with the Office of Neighborhood Coordination for about five years now. It is long enough to begin to discern temporal patterns in the questions that flow from Neighborhood Associations to the Office of Neighborhood Coordination and to the Legal Department. About every two years, we get a rash of questions or requests concerning the internal operations of a few Neighborhood Associations. In this article, I will answer some the most common questions we get.

# The Relationship Between the City of Albuquerque and Neighborhood Associations

**SAMPLE QUESTIONS**: Why won't the City make my Neighborhood Association do \_\_\_\_\_\_?; or, I want the City to tell my Neighborhood Association they have to do \_\_\_\_\_. How soon can you do this?

ANSWER: The City of Albuquerque does not create or regulate Neighborhood Associations. The City only recognizes or refuses to recognize pre-existing private Neighborhood Associations based on the criteria set forth in the Neighborhood Recognition Ordinance, § 14-8-2-1, et seq.. A 'recognized' Neighborhood Association remains a private organization, and the City has no authority to micro-manage your organization. Even if your organization does something or fails to do something that violates the City's recognition criteria, the City's only remedy is to remove the organization from our list of recognized Neighborhood Associations. The City cannot sue the Neighborhood Association to make it comply. The City cannot get an injunction and keep you from meeting as a Neighborhood Association. The City can only inform you that your Neighborhood Association is no longer recognized under the Neighborhood Recognition Ordinance.

#### The City of Albuquerque and Legal Advice to Neighborhood Associations

**SAMPLE QUESTIONS**: Can my Neighborhood Association legally do \_\_\_\_\_\_?; or My Neighborhood Association is doing \_\_\_\_\_\_. Is that legal? Can you make them stop?

**ANSWER**: The City does not provide legal advice to Neighborhood Associations, gun clubs, book clubs, auto associations or any other private organization. As to how to run your organization, you must turn to your own bylaws, your own parliamentarian, or your own legal counsel for advice. However, the City is happy to guide you as to the legal requirements for 'recognition' as set forth in our ordinance.

# The City of Albuquerque, Neighborhood Associations And Other Laws or Authorities

**SAMPLE QUESTIONS**: Does my Neighborhood Association have to follow the Open Meetings Act?; or, My Neighborhood Association is not following **Robert's Rules of Order**. Isn't that illegal? Can you cite them or arrest them?

ANSWER: Neighborhood Associations do not need to follow the state Open Meetings Act, N.M.S.A. 1978, §§ 10-15-1 et seq., in order to be 'recognized' by the City of Albuquerque. In fact, the Open Meetings Act does not apply to private organizations, even if public officials are attending the meeting. You do not need to follow Robert's Rules of Order, 10th ed. (Cambridge, Mass.: Perseus Publishing, 2000), in order to be 'recognized' by the City of Albuquerque as a Neighborhood Association. However, following the state Open Meetings Act or using Robert's Rules of Order does not preclude a Neighborhood Association from being "recognized" by the City of Albuquerque. The City's recognition criteria simply do not speak to these issues. If your organization's bylaws state that your particular Neighborhood Association will follow Robert's Rules of Order, but the officers's of your organization refuse to do so, there is nothing the City of Albuquerque can do about it.

**SAMPLE QUESTIONS**: The Treasurer of my Neighborhood Association refuses to show us the accounting books. We fear she may have embezzled our money. What does the City intend to do about that?; or The President of my Neighborhood Association is showing favoritism to particular members, and he constantly lies at meetings. Can the City please investigate and bring appropriate impeachment proceedings?

ANSWER: If you have reason to believe a crime has been committed, such as theft or embezzlement, do not waste time calling the Office of Neighborhood Coordination or the City Legal Department, call the Albuquerque Police Department! If you have reason to believe an officer of your Neighborhood Association is engaged in misconduct short of a crime, do not call the City at all. Your bylaws or the advice of a private attorney should be able to guide you as to what remedies you have or what actions you can take regarding misconduct of an officer of your private organization.





Submitted By John Stomp

#### San Juan-Chama Water Project Update

November brings continued construction on the San Juan Chama Drinking Water Project. We're heading into the holidays, as work on one pipeline, the Volcano Pipeline-North Segment, is wrapping up and work is ongoing on the final pipeline, the Burton Pipeline. There will be a break, however, as most of the construction crews will be enjoying the Thanksgiving weekend, November 22-25, with their families.

#### Northeast Quadrant of Albuquerque

# Marquette Avenue NE between Alvarado Drive NE to San Mateo Boulevard NE

As part of the Burton Pipeline project, crews are installing a large diameter pipeline and a new 6" waterline on Alvarado Drive NE between Roma Avenue NE and Marquette Avenue NE and on Marquette Avenue NE between Alvarado Drive NE and San Mateo Boulevard NE. Paving is tentatively scheduled to be completed by the end of December, weather permitting. While the crews are working, the road is expected to be totally closed in approximate three-block segments, except to local traffic. Access will be maintained to residents and businesses. Final curb and gutter placement scheduled to be completed following paving.

# Hermosa Drive NE from Marquette Avenue NE to Central Avenue NE

As work continues on the Burton Pipeline in this area, crews will first install temporary water lines and connect water services to homes on Hermosa Drive NE from Marquette Avenue NE to Copper Avenue NE before beginning installation of a large diameter pipeline. A small crew with small equipment will do the preliminary work and will only partially close the road during the first phase. Once temporary services have been connected, the areas where this work has occurred will be temporarily "patch-paved" and reopened. Access will be maintained to all homes and businesses. This work is expected to last until mid-November, with crews returning to this area in early to mid-December to start the installation of the large diameter pipeline.

#### Northwest Quadrant of Albuquerque

#### Atrisco Drive NW at St. Joseph's Avenue NW

Crews are performing final pipeline testing at the intersection of Atrisco Drive NW and St. Joseph's Drive NW and will pave this area of the roadway after the testing has been completed, in approximately early November, as part of the wrap-up activities on the Volcano-North Segment pipeline. Traffic may be shifted intermittently if necessary with one lane of traffic open in each direction from 7 a.m.- 4 p.m. daily.

#### Atrisco Drive NW North of Milne Road NW

Crews are performing final pipeline testing on Atrisco Drive NW north of Milne Road NW as part of the Volcano-North Segment pipeline. Once testing is completed, the road will *be* 

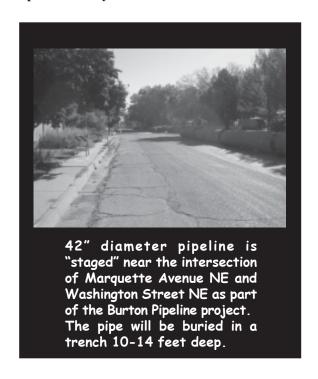
prepared for repaving from curb-to-curb in early to mid-November. Through early to mid-November, the southbound lane of Atrisco Drive NW will be closed, with traffic shifted into the northbound lanes and one lane of traffic open in each direction from 7 a.m. - 4 p.m. daily. Motorists are encouraged to access Unser Boulevard NW by using Western Trail NW.

#### Enjoy Free Water At Your Next Neighborhood Event!

Curious about what the purified San Juan-Chama Water will taste like? You can request free water for your neighborhood association or homeowner's association event. Just visit <**www.abcwua.org>** and fill out the request form. The water is being given out because the San Juan-Chama water comes from a different source and process than we're used to and some people can taste the difference. We want to make sure everyone has an opportunity to taste this water, so that the difference will not be a surprise when the project becomes fully operational in 2008.

#### For More Information or to Schedule a Presentation

If you would like to schedule a presentation on the San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project for your neighborhood or homeowners association, please call Patti Watson or Shannon Zamarrón at 505-293-2000. For more information about the project, visit our website at <www.sjcdrinkingwater.org>. If you would like to be added to our drinking water project information list, call 505-242-ROAD (505-242-7623) or e-mail cpattiw@cooneywatson.com>.







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