

New Development - Clayton Heights/ Lomas Del Cielo and the BMX Pavilion

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**Loma Linda Community Center
1700 Yale SE**

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“Dedicated to Providing Information About City Government and Increasing Communication Between Neighborhood Associations.”



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 Association

Rancho Sereno
 Parkway
 Heritage Hills
 Glenwood Hills South Casa Grande

“Welcome” to Incoming President

Ken Cox
 Hank Dominguez
 Hugh Killin
 Linda Manning

“Thanks” to Outgoing President

Jeff Melvin
 Bonita Powe-Morgan
 Peggy Carnett
 Paul Grosvenor

NEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION(S)

The *Coronado Terrace Homeowners Association* is located in *City Council District – 9, County Commission District – 5, Police Beat – 522/FH*. The contacts for this association are *Debbie Kinahan* and *John Repik*. **Welcome Aboard!!**

Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission (LUCC)

LEGAL NOTICE TO ALL PARTIES AND CITIZENS IN INTEREST: Notice is hereby given that the Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing at **1p.m. on Wednesday, November 8, 2006** in the **third floor Conference Room** of the **Plaza Del Sol Building**, located at **600 Second Street NW**, to discuss the following:

The Order Of The Legal Ad Is Not Necessarily The Order Of The Agenda

- Project # 100510106-LUCC-01239** Decision for a Certificate of Appropriateness
Jose and Josephine Padilla request approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations and an addition to **1025 Eighth Street NW**, a contributing property in the Eighth and Forrester Historic Overlay Zone described as Lot 14, Block D of the Park Addition zoned R-1 (J-14).
- Project # 100513106-LUCC-01237** Decision for a Certificate of Appropriateness
City of Albuquerque requests approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations and addition to Fire Station #2 at **301 High Street SE** a contributing property in the Huning Highland Historic overlay Zone described Lots 1, 2 and 3 of the Huning’s Highland Subdivision zoned SU-2/MR (K-15).
- Project # 100517506-LUCC-01402** Decision for a Certificate of Appropriateness
Amy Tanler requests approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations at **214 San Pasquale NW** a contributing property in the Old Town Historic Overlay Zone described as Tract 56, MRGCD Map 38, zoned R-3 (J-13).
- Project # 1004369-LUCC-01404** Adoption of Specific Development Guidelines
 Adoption of Specific Development Guidelines for the El Vado Motel, a designated City Landmark, at **2500 Central SW**, described as Lots 24 thru 39, Block 3 of the Westpark Addition zoned C-2 (J-12).
- Project # 100436906-LUCC-01404** Decision for a Certificate of Appropriateness
Richard L. Gonzales requests approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for Demolition of the El Vado Motel, a designated City Landmark, at **2500 Central SW**, described as Lots 24 thru 39, Block 3 of the Westpark Addition zoned C-2 (J-12).

For more information contact the Planning Department at 505-924-3891.
 Maryellen Hennessy, Senior Planner, Landmarks and Urban Conservation

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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.

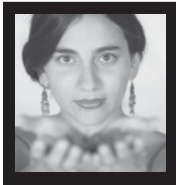
Cash For Your Association!
Interested in beautifying your neighborhood?
 The Clean City Division of the Solid Waste Management Department and the Office of Neighborhood Coordination of the Planning Department, have annual **\$200 stipends** available to non-profit groups, such as neighborhood associations, Girls/Boys Scouts and individual APS campuses who wish to “Adopt An Area” within their vicinity. Call Clean Cities at **505-857-8060** for more information.

Across The City

National Hispanic Cultural Center
 Submitted By *Danny L. Lopez*
 Marketing and Public Relations Director



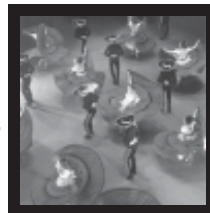
**Celebrate Performing Arts this October
 Latin Diva Series at the
 National Hispanic Cultural Center**



Music
 Marta Gómez
 Albuquerque - **October 21**
 Las Vegas - **October 26**
 Taos - **October 28**



Dance
**Ballet Folklórico
 de México**
 de Amalia Hernandez
October 25



Theatre
Tale Of The Wailing Woman
 Cuento de la Llorona
October 27-29

For information, call the National Hispanic Cultural Center at **505-724-4771** Tickets available at all Ticketmaster outlets and <Ticketmaster.com>.

Roadrunner Food Bank Needs You!

Submitted By MOVE

From **November 11-19, 2006** Roadrunner Food Bank will need hundred of volunteers. Volunteers are needed for two-hour shifts between 2 and 7 p.m. on **Saturday, November 18**. They will unload food from Letter Carriers' vehicles at various post offices throughout the community. Volunteers are needed to staff the food collection truck at American Home on the corner of Carlisle Boulevard NE and Menaul Boulevard NE during the **week of November 11-18**, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. (shifts available). Hundreds of volunteers will be needed on "Sortin' Sunday," **November 19**, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Volunteers will sort food drive donations at Roadrunner Food Bank. Volunteers should be able to stand for long periods of time. Minimum age is 10 years of age.

Contact: Stephanie Silver at **505-247-2052, ext. 101** or e-mail her at <stephanie@rrfb.org>.



Duke City Marathon - Sunday, October 22, 2006

To Residents and Businesses of Downtown Albuquerque, the Huning Castle and Barelmas Neighborhood Associations:

On **Sunday, October 22, 2006**, 3500 runners and walkers of the Duke City Marathon will be in your area and we want you to be aware of certain street closures.

From 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., the following streets will be closed to traffic:

- 3rd Street NW from Marquette Avenue NW to Central Avenue NW
- Central Avenue NW from Third Street NW to Lomas Boulevard NW
- Laguna Boulevard SW from Central Avenue SW to Kit Carson Avenue SW
- Alcalde Court SW from Kit Carson Avenue SW to Tingley Drive SW.

APD Officers will be controlling traffic at intersections, and if you must cross the race course, please ask for an Officer's assistance. Officers are authorized to permit the crossing of vehicles whenever possible at the intersections of Laguna Boulevard SW and Park Avenue SW, and San Pasquale Avenue SW and Chacoma Place SW.

To facilitate the commute Sunday morning, Second Street NW will remain open for North/South traffic and Lomas Boulevard NW will remain open for East/West traffic. Access to the I-25 Interstate is available on Lead Avenue SE going South and on Lomas Boulevard NE going North.

Thank you for your cooperation.
 Duke City Marathon Board of Directors
 <www.dukecitymarathon.com>

Metropolitan Court Swears In 19th Judge

Submitted By Janet Blair

Communications Information and Public Outreach



The Honorable Linda S. Rogers took the oath of office administered by New Mexico Appellate Judge Roderick Kennedy on October 5, 2006. The ceremonies took place in the Metropolitan Court rotunda. Looking on is the judge's mother, Dr. Patricia C. Wilkins. Judge Rogers will hear a docket in the newly-created Criminal Division XIX for the court.



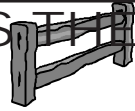
She is a 1990 graduate of the University of Colorado School of Law. Most recently, Judge Rogers worked in the Second Judicial District Attorney's Office in the Probation Violation Division.

Get to Know your Metro Court

This is election season, and many voters are interested in learning more about the operations of Metropolitan Court. If your organization would like to invite a judge or judges in as guest speakers, please call Janet Blair at **505-841-9897**.

NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP

ACROSS THE FENCE



New Development - Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo and The BMX Pavilion

Submitted By Susan Vigil

There's that store again. I've passed it a thousand times, accompanied by the flickering thought of what I might find inside: a majestic piece of art, a rare candied apple pie, or perhaps a delicious coat. Travelers to New Mexico feel this same sense of excitement. They've made it to their enchanted destination, a land of spices and clouds. Why then, don't we make sure their expectations are realized?

This is the question staring at Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo Neighborhood Association. Tucked within a cross section inscribed by the Albuquerque International Sunport, the University of New Mexico and City sports arenas, Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo is in consensus over the need to present a welcoming prize to their area's visitors. Repeatedly, Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo is chosen for the location of recreational events and sports facilities. On **October 28, 29 and 30, 2006**, to the thunderous applause of Albuquerque's bicycle race enthusiasts, the exciting Albuquerque Velodrome/BMX Pavilion will come to life to host its first races.

The huge velodrome structure and complex will be a haven for international bicycle athletes and edgy BMX cyclists. The facilities will include a premier, Olympic style training track which will include medical facilities, a performance center, indoor velodrome track and outdoor BMX track. It is expected to host 50,000 out of town visitors annually, introduce 25 to 30 full time jobs to Albuquerque, and host 200 competitions a year. We owe this spectacular sports scene addition to Albuquerque's fair weather and high altitude, as well as the city government's velodrome vision.

Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo welcomes the character enhancements brought by the Isotopes, Lobos, new velodrome sports facilities, as well as the airport visitors lodging in hotels along Yale Boulevard NE. Marcia Boyer, President of the Kirtland Community Association said, "We are glad to see more structured events for children. This is another advance in keeping kids off the streets". Kirtland Community will publicize the BMX Nationals at their next association meeting. They see the facility as having a positive impact on their neighborhood, especially for the youth.

With an array of fiery red hair, Isabel Cabrera, the president of Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo, regally describes a neighborhood of traditional homes and families. Her parents lived here before the sports stadiums were built and now her grandchildren play at the Loma



Here We Come!

Linda Community Center. In the excitement over Lobos vs. Aggies, and international racing championships, it's easy to forget there is a community living in Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo. The amiable relationship between Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo and UNM is an example of a diplomatic compromise between two concerned interests.

UNM stadiums have 4,000 parking spaces to be overfilled by 45,000 sports enthusiasts at any given game. The neighborhood allows parking along their streets while UNM provides surveillance for the overflow parking. The velodrome introduction of BMX events mostly performed by youth and children highlights the neighborhood's demands for pedestrian management. Pedestrian Management was a bill sponsored by Councilor Eric Griego several years ago to increase signaling, medians and sidewalks in the area. This bill died at the financing stage. On the flipside, in order to accommodate Albuquerque Sunport arrivals, UNM clients, and sports enthusiasts, the City of Albuquerque will be installing a state of the art electric rail system along Yale SE from Avenida Cesar Chavez SE to Gibson SE and west on Gibson SE from the airport.

These metropolitan developments cast a promising glow over the neighborhood. However, they also raise a perplexing contradiction - there is little, if any, retail, artistic markers, or amenities developed in the Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo area. Travelers arriving from the Philippines and Germany, perhaps light headed in the 5,000 feet

Rocky Mountain air, might think they are hallucinating when they see the 33 acres of vacant and brown dirt lots which Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo is currently sporting. In a city of Albuquerque's caliber, metropolitan redevelopment action is "long overdue for the revitalization of the area" chides Isabel. Happily the process of redevelopment designation is well underway, headed by City of Albuquerque planners Richard Asenap and Ralph Mims from the Planning Department's Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency. The second community meeting to discuss this action is planned for **Wednesday, October 25, 2006, 6:30 p.m.** at the Loma Linda Community Center. Primary issues to be addressed by the MRA are housing density, commercial and tourist economic development, community parks and the design of a gateway feature welcoming visitors to the neighborhood. Developers regularly propose multiple unit apartment buildings in Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo. "We defiantly do not approve of the huge apartment developments - what Yale needs is all kinds of retail: New Mexico shops, modern, clean, attractive retail and banking establishments" states Isabel. Currently, there are only two restaurants in this area and no New Mexican food opportunities. After football, baseball, and basketball games the areas two eating establishments are consistently rushed.

The Metropolitan Redevelopment Area work includes the design of new streetscapes. "The actual visual effects of the streetcar project will be great out here," says Isabel, her eyes filling with images of outdoor diners and cafes, supplied with fresh produce from a new Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo community garden. From Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo, the whole Albuquerque skyline is visible - the bosque, the three sisters and the lights of downtown. What vision does Albuquerque and its visitors want to see when looking back towards Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo neighborhood?



(Regrettably - corrections to September's "Across the Fence" - Bel-Air Neighborhood Association feature:

There are 1200 Households in the Bel-Air Neighborhood boundaries, Miraposa Park covers 3 acres).

NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued



From The Manager's Desk
Don Newton, Interim ONC Manager

Moving Home

The latest indication of when the Office of Neighborhood Coordination will move back to our "home" in the Garden Level of Plaza Del Sol is in two weeks. We are most pleased with this news. Ten weeks of a close knit crew being spread out has been quite hectic. Thanks again for your patience. We sustained some damaged furniture in our front office. That area will have a new look with new furnishings.

On The Street

I have attended countless evening meetings in the last two and a half months, sometimes two per night - Neighborhood Association meetings, Coalition meetings and Land Use Facilitation meetings, etc. The pace has been fast and furious. My attendance was not to see how fast time can go by but rather a mission to get information from the "you" at the ground level. I was searching for ideas and suggestions from "you" on how ONC can serve you better. As I expected, many great suggestions were given. Suggestions included improvements to our annual report forms, workshops/mini workshops, the notification process, the Neighborhood News and more. Several of your suggestions have been put into action, some are in process and others need time to be researched and/or implemented.

Internal Association Conflicts

ONC has been dragged into numerous association conflicts; e.g., intense disagreements between board members that almost destroyed the neighborhood association. Two most significant culprits were groups that were not following their own by-laws and were selectively using Robert's Rules of Order. ONC strongly suggests the

importance of faithfully following Robert's Rules Of Order and your association's by-laws. Future articles will specifically address ONC's role in advising your association/coalition in conflict resolution.

Neighborhoods Pull-Off Mini-Workshops

Future Neighborhood News editions will often contain a multiple page section of training materials for you to use. This edition is timely: Parliamentary Procedure and Robert's Rules of Order (including Roberta's Rules!). Special thanks to Roger Mickelson, Four Hills Village Association for one of the handouts. Topics will include: The 3 R's of Volunteering - Recruitment, Retention and Recognition, Board of Director Training, President's/Vice President's Training and Crime Prevention Training to name a few.

Yours in the Neighborhood,
Don

Land Use and Zoning Workshop
Saturday, November 4, 2006
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Sunset Room, 7th Floor
Plaza Del Sol Building

This newly revised workshop is designed to increase your knowledge and understanding of the aspects of the City's Zoning and Housing Codes, Land Use Matters, Facilitation Issues and the various hearing boards as they relate to neighborhoods and larger community areas. The Office of Neighborhood Coordination (ONC) utilizes the Planning Department division managers, senior staff members and other department staff to provide this informative training on how the ONC interfaces with both hearing boards and neighborhood associations on various projects.

You may register by Noon the day before EACH workshop by calling ONC at 924-3914 or online at:

<<http://www.cabq.gov/planning/nbrcoord/neighborworkshop.html>>. Even though the workshop is FREE, it is important that you register so we have enough packets for everyone.

Attention Readers:

Are Your Association By-Laws Accurate and Current?

In our April/May 2006 issue we listed ALL recognized and unrecognized neighborhood/homeowner associations by the date of the "last received copy of by-laws" that had been sent to ONC and the dates of when each association should hold their "Annual General Meeting".

We have received only a few amended by-laws. It's not too late! Please remember any/all amendments to your by-laws must be signed by the President and Secretary of your association and a letter of what was amended must be sent to the Office of Neighborhood Coordination before they can be approved.

The reason for this request is that ONC is double-checking the boundaries of ALL recognized and unrecognized neighborhood/homeowners associations that are currently "active" with our office. ONC provides the boundary information to the Albuquerque Geographic Information Systems (AGIS) so they can put them on "official" City maps.

As per the City of Albuquerque's Ordinance O-92, ONC provides this information to applicants and developers who must notify recognized neighborhood associations with regard to upcoming projects.

If we do not receive your amended by-laws by 2006 we will assume that the current boundaries listed in the by-laws filed with our office are correct.

Please send amended by-laws to:
COA/Planning/ONC, Attention:
Dalaina Carmona, 600 Second Street
NW, Room 120 Albuquerque, NM
87102.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Dalaina at 505-924-3906 or e-mail message to <dlcarmona@cabq.gov>.

Thank you for your cooperation.



NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued



**A Message From
The Mayor**

Martin J. Chávez, Mayor

Modern Streetcar System

Hundreds of people turned out to support the City's plans to implement a Modern Streetcar System in the heart of Albuquerque during a series of public meetings held last month. Representatives from ABQ RIDE, the Department of Municipal Development and the consulting firm of HDR presented key features of the planned project. This system will move people along the Central Avenue corridor between the BioPark and Nob Hill, and from the University of New Mexico to the Albuquerque International Sunport with proposed stops near the Central New Mexico Community College, Isotopes Park, University Stadium and The Pit.

Modern Streetcars will allow Albuquerque to continue moving forward as a premier destination city by creating more walkable communities, connecting neighborhoods, stimulating the local economy, and providing a direct route from the Sunport to the Alvarado Transportation Center. While there, people can connect to the Rail Runner and the City of Albuquerque Public Transit System.

During my re-election campaign, I made a commitment to make the idea of Modern Streetcar a reality if elected. I have now challenged the Department of Municipal Development and the Transit Department to ensure this system is operating by the Fall of 2009.

Like many other cities, Albuquerque's population will continue to grow in the coming years. Right now we only have 3,000 miles of collector roadways. In 20 years there will only be another 300 miles proposed, so we can't build our way out of traffic. The Modern Streetcar will help us increase the capacity on our roadways.

While the Modern Streetcar is a means

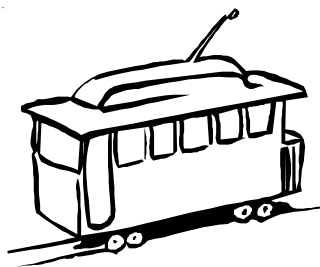
for transportation, it is also a re-development tool. Once the tracks are laid down, they will be there to stay, reassuring business owners that pedestrian traffic will help their businesses grow.

Central Avenue was chosen as a location for the Modern Streetcar system for several reasons. One, it is important to begin this mass transit system in a corridor where we have proven transit ridership. In the last month alone, we have registered more than 350,000 passenger boardings on Central Avenue, proving this is the most utilized transit route in Albuquerque. Also, this route connects major residential areas with several large commercial, educational and healthcare centers. In addition, there is a lot of re-development potential along this corridor.

The Streetcars will share a lane with traffic although, which lane has yet to be determined. Proposed stops will include sheltered canopies, benches, bike racks and message/wayfinding signage. The Streetcars will be 66 feet long, 8 feet wide and have a passenger capacity of approximately 150 passengers. The maximum speed limit will not exceed 45 mph.

Once the Modern Streetcar begins operating, we will be able to re-allocate many of the buses on that stretch of roadway to other places throughout the city. So an expansion of public transportation will be noticed citywide.

Anyone interested in additional information about the Modern Streetcar Project can visit ABQ RIDE's website at www.cabq.gov/transit/modernstreetcar.html or call 311.



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up and running by the end of October. Councilor Mayer hopes to better track constituent concerns and provide an easily accessed update for the residents of District 7.

Fall brings about preparation for the upcoming legislative session in Santa Fe. Councilor Mayer is working closely with our state elected officials to resolve a very local problem. The expectation is that with a unified effort the city will be able to find solutions to the Community Residential Programs (CRP). These programs are appearing in every City Council District in the city. They are affecting the quality of life in some neighborhoods and draining valuable time and manpower from APD in others. The introduction of legislation at the state level will hopefully allow the city to get a handle on this fast growing problem. As with most groups, some CRP's are properly licensed and registered and some are not. It is the desire of all party's involved; the well administered CRP's, the state agencies that regulate them, the city and the neighborhoods to protect the rights of the CRP residents and their neighbors while decreasing the demands made on city services.

District 8, Craig Loy. A retired Albuquerque Police Department captain, Councilor Loy has focused on public safety and traffic issues. Legislation he has successfully sponsored includes installation of red light cameras, placement of speed trailers and purchase of speed detection vans. (While admittedly controversial, the red-light cameras have proven effective. APD notes a demonstrated decrease in the number of traffic citations issued for running red lights since the cameras installation.) He has sponsored a far-reaching amendment to the Nuisance Abatement Ordinance to ensure more effective management of nuisance properties throughout the city and a bill requiring safe disposal of cigar and cigarette butts. In District 8 he continues to emphasize median landscaping, sidewalk safety and park improvements. He is working with District 8 constituents and the city's Planning Department to create a district-wide sector plan.

District 9, Don Harris. Don Harris has been a resident of Albuquerque for nearly fifteen years. Before being an attorney in private practice, Mr. Harris was a New Mexico Assistant Attorney General for several years. Then continued his career as an Assistant City Attorney for about two years with the Albuquerque Police Department. During this time, he worked with the Safe City Strike Force. He also worked on land use matters and drafted numerous legislative proposals. Councilor Harris has made East Central improvements one of his top priorities.

City Council

This month's Council article provides an update on the recent and current activities of individual City Councilors. For additional information on these and other activities contact your Councilor's policy analyst at 505-768-3100 or for further contact information refer to: <www.cabq.gov/council/>

District 1, Ken Sanchez. Councilor Ken Sanchez in joint efforts with the constituents of District 1 and the City of Albuquerque, to ensure the safety of all, has been identifying areas that need street improvements. 86th SW and Central SW as well as 98th SW to Dennis Chavez SW are under construction. Skyview SW in Valley Gardens will soon be repaved. Plans for many areas including Ladera SW and 86th SW through Sage SW are being reviewed.

The West Mesa Aquatic Center was opened this summer. The West Mesa Community Center will be opened by the end of 2006. Lauerlwood Park will also undergo improvements soon.

Councilor Sanchez is available every third Thursday of the month from 2 - 4 p.m. at Los Volcanes Senior Center to speak with citizens in person. He can be reached by phone at 505-768-3183.

District 2, Debbie O'Malley. At the October 16, 2006 council meeting, Councilor O'Malley introduced legislation that will impose design standards on any new retail development coming to Albuquerque with 55,000 square feet or more in size.

The purpose of the ordinance is to apply design standards to large "Big Box" development proposed in the City to ensure they are properly located and compatible with the surrounding area and community character, and that such development does not negatively affect the City and property owners in the future.

The design standards will focus primarily on building design/aesthetics, parking layout and traffic flow. This ordinance is written with neighborhoods in mind, requiring new large retail development to use good design principles that promote pedestrian-friendly environments, blend with the community while meeting the retail needs of the neighborhood and stimulating the economy.

The affordable housing legislation sponsored by Councilors O'Malley and Benton was adopted by a 6-2 vote. Mayor Chavez signed it into law on September 1, setting into motion a new system that will create funds geared toward helping low-income people get safe quality housing. The legislation calls for \$10 million every two years

from the city's capital program - voters will be asked to approve the use of the \$10 million each time beginning with the October 2007 election. To read more about this legislation visit the city's website at <www.cabq.gov/council/>.

District 3, Isaac "Ike" Benton held a series of meetings with his neighborhood associations during the month of September at which he provided updates on everything from legislation he has been working on to major projects being proposed for the district. Councilor Benton's efforts in the City Council have resulted in the passage of some key pieces of legislation, including a resolution to address storm system deficiencies that caused flooding problems throughout District 3 last summer (R-06-123) and a bill to reserve 3% of the Capital Improvements Program for energy conservation and renewable energy projects (O-06-34). A number of important municipal projects, such as the Downtown Events Center and Modern Streetcar, were announced recently and will affect many residents in District 3, so Councilor Benton used the opportunity to share more information about these and other projects with his constituents and address any concerns they had. The councilor will use the feedback he received at the meetings to develop future legislative and spending priorities.

District 4, Brad Winter. On September 18, the City Council passed C/S O-06-36, amending the City Charter, the Code of Ethics and the Election Code; and the Public Purchases Ordinance. The bill, sponsored by Councilor Winter, bans all "anonymous contributions," defines "valuable gifts" in the current ordinance as \$100.00; requires disclosure of travel expenses of trips costing \$1,000 or more; clarifies a number of terms in the current ordinance that have no definitions; provides for training for Ethics Board members; bans gifts from those who do business or who seek business from the city and from employees and those seeking to be employees; disqualifies officials from participating in a matter when the official will benefit financially from the matter; and allows City staff and the Office of Internal Audit to be used by Board to investigate. Further, it prohibits the use of public funds to promote one's campaign (this applies to all campaigns not just city campaigns); use of city employees in campaigns (they can do so voluntarily on their own time, but can't use city time and can't be approached during work hours to contribute or support); can't use official position to influence support for a candidate; and if an employee complains about being improperly approached no adverse action can be taken against them.

District 5, Michael Cadigan. R-06-86, the Volcano Heights Sector Development Plan was adopted by the Council by an 8-1 vote. The plan applies to 3,500 acres in Volcano Heights on the City's westside. It provides for buffers between the Petroglyph National Monument and more City-owned Open Space as well as protection for the Monument. Densities are lowered the closer building gets to the Petroglyphs and City Open Space. The plan creates a good job/housing balance and pedestrian friendly town and village centers, which will reduce transportation congestion on the westside. The plan supports creating special legal and financial mechanisms for placement of local infrastructure. The Volcano Heights plan protects the natural environment and view lines.

District 6, Martin Heinrich. In addition to other legislation, City Council President Martin Heinrich sponsored a bill to create "Quiet Zones" at each of the City's railroad crossings in order to ensure safety at railroad crossings and to alleviate the required sounding of loud horns by trains as they pass through the City. He also sponsored legislation to purchase 67 acres of extremely sensitive open space land, one of the last remaining areas that wildlife use to cross between the Sandia Mountains and the Manzano Mountains. In addition to his legislative work as City Councilor, Councilor Heinrich has also worked closely with neighborhoods in District 6 to fund and bring the Nob Hill/Highland Sector Plan Update (Nob Hill, Highland and SE Heights neighborhoods) to completion and also to fund and initiate a community-oriented update of the Near Heights Metropolitan Redevelopment Area Plan and Sector Plan (all or parts of South Los Altos, Trumbull Village, Fair West, South San Pedro, Elder Homestead, Siesta Hills and La Mesa neighborhoods). He is also excited to have helped initiate various construction projects aimed at improving the landscaping and pedestrian-friendliness of the central transportation corridors through District 6.

District 7, Sally Mayer. In an effort to improve our constituent service, Councilor Mayer has incorporated a complaint tracking system on her District 7 website <<http://www.cabq.gov/council/ccdist7.html>>. When a constituent complaint is received in the office, it will be forwarded to the webmaster, who will post it with the name of the agency responsible for the particular area, the agency contact person, the date the complaint was received, the desired outcome, how long the problem has been outstanding - from time complaint was received, and what the solution is. The new system should be

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<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, October 23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •City Council* – 5 p.m. *(tentative) 	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, November 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •AAB – 9 a.m. •DRB – 9 a.m.** •District 7 Coalition – 7 p.m. •Westside Coalition – 7 p.m. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, November 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GWPAB – 8:30 a.m. •TAB – 9 a.m. •EPC Study Session – 4 p.m.** •POC – 4 p.m. •SVCNA – 6:30 p.m. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, November 21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GARTC – 4:30 p.m. 	
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, October 24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BOA – 9 a.m.** 	<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, November 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •North Valley Coalition – 7 p.m. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, November 13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GABAC – 4:30 p.m. •SWAN – 6:30 p.m. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, November 22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •DRB – 9 a.m.** •SEPC – 9 a.m. 	
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, October 25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •DRB – 9 a.m.** •LEPC – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing ** – 1:30 p.m. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, November 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •City Council – 5 p.m. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, November 15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •DRB – 9 a.m.** •ADC – 3 p.m. •District 4 Coalition – 7 p.m. 	<p style="text-align: center;">November 23 and 24 Thanksgiving Holiday City Offices Closed</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">**Please call the Planning Department at 505-924-3860 to confirm locations of hearings for boards and commissions.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, November 7 Election Day - Vote!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, November 16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •EPC Hearing – 8:30 a.m.** •District 8 Coalition – 7 p.m. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, November 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •City Council – 5 p.m.* (*tentative) 	
	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, November 8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •DRB – 9 a.m.** •SEPC – 9 a.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m.** •AQCB – 5:15 p.m. •District 6 Coalition – 7 p.m. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, November 20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •City Council – 5 p.m. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, November 28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BOA – 9 a.m.** •ZHE – 9 a.m.** 	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, November 29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •LEPC – 9 a.m. •DRB – 9 a.m.** •EPC Pre-Hearing** – 1:30 p.m.

2006 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 St. 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, 600 Second Street NW, Basement Level
- EPC** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second St. NW, Basement Level
- EPC Pre-Hearing** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second St. NW, Third Fl. Conf. Room
- EPC Study Session** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second St. NW, Third Fl. Conf. Room
- FBF** - FeedBack Forum, Planning Department, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second St. NW, Hearing Room, Basement Level
- GABAC** - Greater Albuquerque Bicycling Advisory Committee, City Hall, Room 302
- GARTC** - Greater Albuquerque 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.lepcbqbernco.org> for more info.
- LUCC** - Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second St. NW, Basement Level
- North Valley Coalition** - Los Griegos Multi-Service Center, 1231 Candelaria NW
- POC** - Police Oversight Commission, City/County Building, Lower Level, 1 Civic Plaza, 5th and Marquette
- SEPC** - Special Event Permitting Committee - 6th floor, Cultural Services Department Conference Room, City Hall, 5th 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** - Taylor Ranch Community Center, 4900 Kachina NW
- ZHE** - Zoning Hearing Examiner, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second St. NW

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 **3rd 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 2nd 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 **4 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, October 25, 2006 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Planning Conference Room, Third Floor. The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **Thursday, November 16, 2006 at 8:30 a.m.** in the **City Council Chambers** (note temporary location change) for the following cases:

Northeast

Eldorado Heights, Glenwood Hills, S.Y. Jackson (neighborhood association); 06EPC-01435 and 01436, Project #1005185 (case #'s); Approximately three (3) acre(s) located on the north side of Montgomery Boulevard NE between Tramway Boulevard NE and Shiloh Place NE (**location of request**); F-22 (**zone atlas page #**); Consensus Planning at (**505**) **764-9801**, agent for W Investments, LLC (**applicant or agency and phone #**); Requests approval of a Zone Map Amendment from C-2 to SU-1 for PRD and an EPC Site Development Plan for Subdivision to *construct thirty-two (32) single-family, attached townhouses (action requested)*; Petra Morris at **505-924-3343 (city staff planner)**.

No Associations; 06EPC-01441 and 01443, Project #1004801; Approximately ten (10) acre(s) located on the east side of Jefferson Street NE between Bear Arroyo and Jefferson Street NE; E-17; Tierra West, LLC at **505-858-3100**, agent for Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 1; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Subdivision and a Zone Map Amendment from SU-1 for Boys Club and IP to SU-1 for IP Uses *for proposed retail and/or commercial development*; Stephanie Shumsky at **505-924-3933**.

Towne Park; 06-EPC-01446, Project #1000572; Approximately twenty-four (24) acre(s) located on the north side of Chico Road NE between Morris Street NE and I-40 Freeway; K-21; Consensus Planning at **505-764-9801**, agent for Centex Homes; Requests approval of a Zone Map Amendment from SU-1 for PRD/SU-1 for IP to SU-1 for IP/SU-1 for PRD *for a proposed two hundred fifty-six (256) dwelling units consisting of eighty-seven (87) town homes and one hundred sixty-nine (169) condominiums for "The Presidio"*; Catalina Lehner at **505-924-3935**.

Northwest

Downtown, Sawmill Area; 06EPC-01442, Project #1005189; Approximately two (2) acre(s) located on the south side of Mountain Road NW between 14th Street NW and Brother Mathias Place NW; J-13; Garrett Smith, Ltd., at **505-766-6968**, agent for Little Brothers of the Good Shepherd; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Building Permit *for improvements to the facilities to include eighteen (18) new residential dormitories and three (3) apartments for the monastery residents*; Maggie Gould at **505-924-3910**.

Los Duranes; 06EPC-01445, Project #1001726; Approximately one (1) acre(s) located on the west side of San Bernardino Road NW between Lilac Avenue NW and Rice Avenue NW; H-13; Hewitt Engineering and Environmental Consultants at **505-899-3195**, agent for Wayne Lujan; Requests approval of a Zone Map Amendment from RA-2 to R-1 *for development of a three (3) lot, single-family residential subdivision*; Maggie Gould at **505-924-3910**.

Barelas, Broadway Central Corridors, Citizen's Information Committee of Martineztown, Downtown, Huning Castle, Huning Highland Historic District, Plaza Vieja, Raynolds Addition, Santa Barbara-Martineztown, Sawmill Area, South Broadway, Wells Park, West Park, Downtown Action Team; 06EPC-01451, Project #1002515; *Text Amendment to the Downtown 2010 Sector Development Plan to prohibit adult amusement establishment and adult stores*; Russell Brito at **505-924-3337**.

Los Poblanos; 06EPC-01432, Project #1005183; Approximately one (1) acre(s) located on the north side of Montano Road NW between 4th Street NW and Guadalupe Trail NW; F-14; John L. Martinez, Marlene Randall and Veronica G. Gibilaro at **505-342-0139**; Requests approval of Zone Map Amendment from R-1 to SU-1 for O-1 for *Corporate Offices for Northern New Mexico Foods, Inc., d.b.a. – Dos Hermanos Restaurant*; Petra Morris at **505-924-3433**.

Barelas, Broadway Central Corridors, Citizen’s Information Committee of Martineztown, Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo, Downtown, Huning Highland Historic District, Kirtland Community, Mountain View, Raynolds Addition, Santa Barbara-Martineztown, San Jose, Silver Hill, South Broadway, Spruce Park, Sycamore, Downtown Action Team; 06EPC-1462, Project #1005195; *The City of Albuquerque Planning Department requests an Text and Map Amendment of the South Broadway Sector Development Plan to add SU-2/RY (Rail Yard), a mixed use zone of light industrial, commercial and residential uses*; Ed Boles at **505-924-3342**.

Southeast

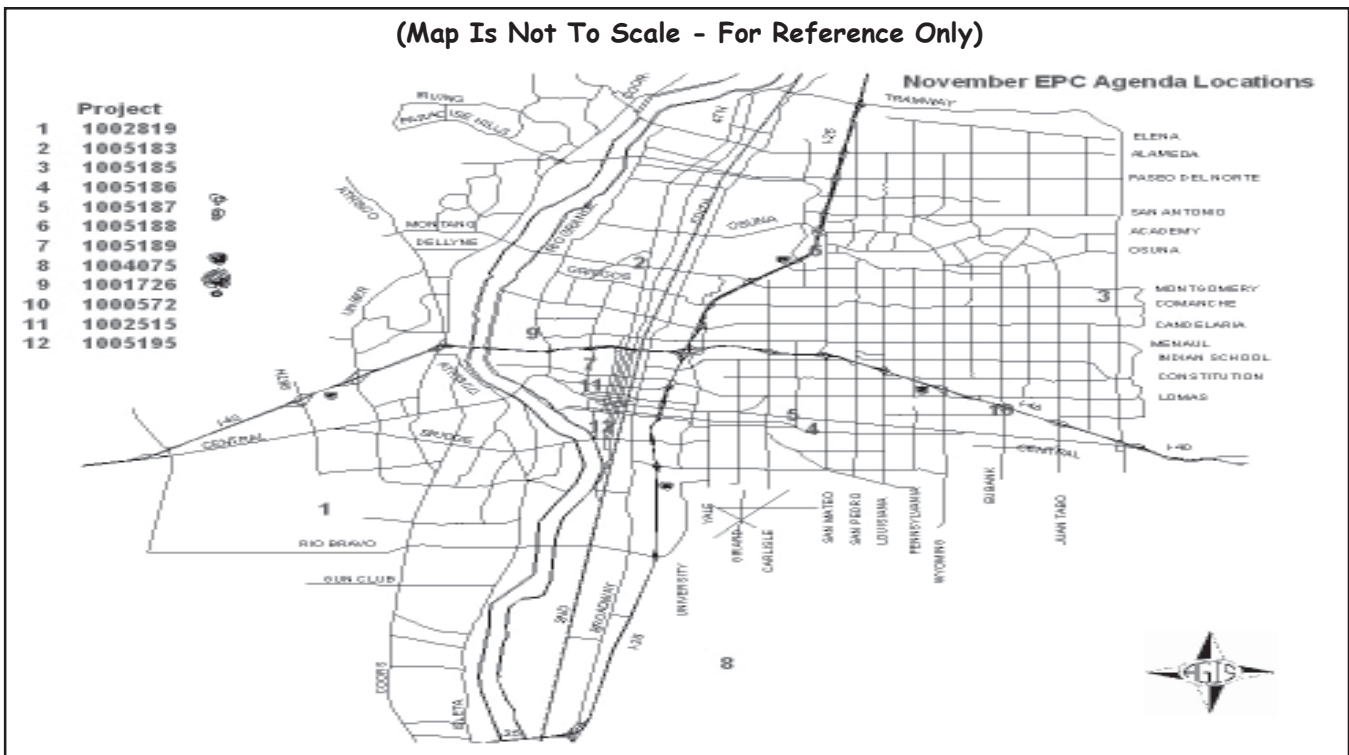
Highland Business and Neighborhood; 06EPC-01437 and 01438, Project #1005186; Approximately three (3) acre(s) located on the north side of Silver Avenue SE between Jefferson Street SE and Madison Street SE; K-17; Consensus Planning at **505-764-9801**, agent for Cielo at Silver Avenue; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Building Permit and a Zone Map Amendment from C-2 to SU-1 for PRD for a proposed twenty-seven (27) townhouses and sixty (60) lofts/condominiums for the *“White Department Store Redevelopment”*; Stephanie Shumsky at **505-924-3933**.

Highland Business and Neighborhood; 06EPC-01439 and 01440, Project #1005187; Approximately three (3) acre(s) located on the north side of Central Avenue NE between Adams Street NE and Jefferson Street NE; K-17; Consensus Planning at **505-764-9801**, agent for Cielo at Copper Avenue; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Building Permit and a Zone Map Amendment from C-1/C-2 to SU-1 for Mixed Use for a proposed twenty (20) townhouses and seventy-two (72) lofts and 8,500 square feet of commercial for the *“American Inn Redevelopment”*; Stephanie Shumsky at **505-924-3933**.

Mountain View; 06EPC-01444, Project #1004075; Approximately three thousand (3,000) acre(s), located on the east side of Broadway Boulevard SE between University Boulevard SE and the Isleta Pueblo Grant; Q-16; Denish+Kline Associates at **505-842-6461**, agent for Forest City Covington NM, LLC; Requests approval of an EPC Sector Development for the *Mesa Del Sol, Level B Plan*; Catalina Lehner at **505-924-3935**.

Southwest

Westgate Heights; 06EPC-00464, Project #1002819; Approximately twenty-nine (29) acre(s) located on the south side of Gibson Boulevard SW between 98th Street SW and the Amole Arroyo Drainage R-O-W; N-9; Consensus Planning at **505-764-9801**, agent for Diamond Mesa; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Building Permit for residential units, less than four hundred seventy-four (474) units and an added playground and play area in the *“Diamond Mesa” subdivision*; Carmen Marrone at **505-924-3814**.



CITY SCOOP

News From City Departments



APD Crime Prevention

505-924-3600

Submitted By Steve Sink



Halloween Safety

The time for monsters, super-hero's and ghosts has arrived again. Halloween is a wonderful part of the changing seasons and we should do every thing possible to ensure the night remains a wonderful experience for our children. Most folks are aware of the need for cautionary steps on this haunted evening, particularly in regard to altered treats and safety. Unfortunately, there are dangers associated with this annual goblin festival. The following tips should be considered by all adults and children as a guide to protect our little cherubs during a night of trick-or-treating.

For Parents:

- The safest place is a sponsored event at a mall, school, church or neighborhood event.
- Accompany young children on the route.
- Send older children out with friends, a watch and flashlight.
- Agree to the route and an expected arrival time prior to departure.
- Always check your children's treats prior to consumption.

For Children and Parents:

- Wear light-colored clothing or costumes.
- Use make-up instead of a mask for better visibility.
- Make a map of the route for you and your parents.
- Carry a flashlight or light stick.
- Stay in your own neighborhood.
- Be respectful of other people and their property.
- Stop only at well-lighted houses.
- Have a parent check the treats before you eat them.
- Start early and end early.
- Use sidewalks or walk facing traffic.
- Always keep a safe distance between you and moving vehicles.
- Stop, look and listen at corners or before crossing the street and walk, don't run.
- Don't go between parked cars or crisscross back and forth across the street.
- Never go inside a stranger's house or apartment, no matter what anyone says.
- Don't carry sharp instruments and never carry a lighted candle or open flame.

Any incident involving injury or violations of the law should be reported to the Albuquerque Police Department by calling **911** (Emergency) or **505-242-COPS** (Non-Emergency).



A Marketplace with an ARTitude

Saturday, October 28, 2006

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center
501 Elizabeth SE
Albuquerque, NM 87123

Join us for holiday shopping, arts, crafts, quilt show, door prizes, cookie walk, musical chairs, football throw, potato sack races, jumper, Twinkles the Clown, Clan Tynker performers, Mustang car show, Greyhound Companions of New Mexico, demonstrations, entertainment, food, and fun for the whole family! Don't miss out on our 2nd annual community event!

For more information call **505-275-8731**.

Welcome to Planet 50+

Albuquerque's Department of Senior Affairs has dropped the sign-up age at the city's network of seven centers to 50 and is kicking off a new slate of classes starting this month designed to appeal to Boomers.

The classes include everything from fly-fishing and digital photography to feng shui and macrobiotic cooking. Topics were suggested by Boomers who said they were interested in convenience, volunteer opportunities, fitness, travel and a creative – even quirky – twist to crafts and practical topics.

Mayor Martin Chavez said the new program – called Planet 50-Plus – is “destined to attract more seniors to stay healthy and active.”

“About 35,000 Albuquerque-area Boomers are in their nifty 50s, and they want fun and meaningful activities – on their own terms,” said Blanca B. Hise, department director. “How could it be any different for a generation that grew up in the 60s and 70s?”

Senior Affairs has been paving the way for younger seniors by adding state-of-the-art fitness facilities to its centers at Palo Duro and Manzano Mesa, and planning another at Los Volcanes on the Westside. In addition, computer classes and high – speed Internet are now available at the centers and one center in the North Valley offers wireless access. To accommodate working 50-somethings, some centers will remain open longer and on Saturdays.

“For a \$13 annual fee, membership in Planet 50+ is one of the best deals in town,” said Hise. To become a member of 50+, sign up at any center. For more information about the classes or other programs, call **505-764-6400** or e-mail the department at <seniorinformation@cabq.gov>.

Office of Emergency Management

Submitted By Scott Maddux

Albuquerque Citizen Corps Coordinator

Emergency Preparedness and Albuquerque Citizen Corps

The flooding in Albuquerque, Belen, Hatch and many other locations around the state served as a stark reminder of how quickly a sudden, unexpected emergency can disrupt normal life. We cannot prevent emergencies, but there are things we can do to be prepared. Emergency preparedness for yourself or your loved one does not have to be complicated. Think of it as a simple, three step process.

Step 1 - know the basics. Learn what kinds of risks your community faces. Here in the Albuquerque metro area our three biggest risks are wildfire, flash flooding, and hazardous material spills. Ask yourself these questions: •Where are the shut-off valves for your household utilities (gas, electricity, water)? Do you know how to use them?

- In an emergency, local phone service may be down for an extended period. Have you designated someone out-of-area as your emergency contact? Do your loved ones know who that contact will be?
- Neighbors helping neighbors can be critical in an emergency. Do you know your neighbors? Do they know you and any special needs you may have?

Step 2 - have emergency supplies ready. We recommend enough supplies to last 72 hours. However, it may be wise to include a week's worth of supplies, in case of a major disaster. This should include water, food, flashlight, portable radio, spare batteries, first aid kit, some cash, and an emergency contact list.

For your "evacuation bag" you will need a backpack or travel bag, preferably one that rolls, and that has room for many of the items from your "stay at home" supply list. The "evac" bag should contain basic hygiene items, extra pair of prescription glasses, change of clothing, rain slicker, walking shoes, sleeping bag, water, important personal documents including a copy of your emergency contact list, current medications list, and a written prescription. Think about what other items you might need given your situation. For example, if you own a pet, include an extra supply of pet food.

Step 3 - make a personal emergency response plan. What special needs do you have, and how will they be met in an emergency? If you have limited mobility or are disabled, you may be able to register with your local fire department or Office of Emergency Management. If you are receiving health care services at home, ask your home health provider about emergency procedures for any equipment you may be using. If you live in a retirement community, assisted living facility, or adult family home, learn about emergency planning and procedures. How will they keep you informed? What will the facility or community expect of you and your fellow residents?

Completing your emergency readiness checklist will take time and attention. We think it is effort well spent for the peace of mind knowing that you have a plan in case of a disaster. Once you have finished your own checklist, you become a valuable resource to friends and neighbors in helping them formulate their own emergency plans.

All these preparations do not have to be done alone. Help is available through the Office of Emergency Management and your Albuquerque Citizen Corps.

Albuquerque Citizen Corps' main objectives are to educate the public on safety, help citizens take an active role in protecting them

selves from harm, and teach citizens what to do in the event of a crisis. We also match the needs of first responders with the skills and abilities of volunteers to make their families, their homes, and their communities safer from the threats of disasters and crime.

There are three programs within the Albuquerque Citizen Corps that provide training and certification that allow volunteers to provide critical on scene support to our professional first responders. These programs include:

- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
- Medical Reserve Corps
- Neighborhood Watch-USA on Watch

For more information on how you can get involved call **505-833-7293**, or e-mail Scott Maddux <tmaddux@cabq.gov>, Selena Chavez <sachavez@cabq.gov> or Brian Fields <bfields@cabq.gov>. Information on many preparedness initiatives can be obtained at the following web sites: <www.ready.gov>, <www.fema.gov>, <www.cabq.gov/emergency>, <<http://www.citizencorps.gov>>

Environmental Health - Animal Care Division

Submitted By Anna M. Sanchez

Marketing Manager for the City Animal Care Center

Attention Pet Owners

On October 10, 2006, the new Humane and Ethical Animal Rules and Treatment (H.E.A.R.T.) Ordinance went into effect for Albuquerque residents. The H.E.A.R.T. Ordinance will impact pet owners with the following changes:

All dogs and cats over the age of six months **must be** spayed or neutered, with a 6-month grace period granted until **April 10, 2007**. Low cost spay and neuter options can be found at <www.cabq.gov/pets/spayneuter.html>. An intact animal permit may be purchased for \$150 and must be renewed each year.

All dogs and cats must be microchipped to aid in reuniting pets with their owners. Public microchipping is being offered at various Animal Care Center events at a price of \$15 and no cost is available for low income or seniors over 65 years of age. Please check our website for information on these public events. Each year thousands of stray animals are brought to the Animal Care Center with no identification.

Albuquerque residents may now own up to six pets, no more than four can be dogs. Households with more than six animals will require a special permit.

What if my animal is brought into the Animal Care Center as a stray and is unaltered? Will I be able to reclaim without surgery?

- Animals released from the Animal Care Center will be required to be spayed or neutered. An exemption may be granted for age or medical reasons.
- No animal may leave the Animal Care Center intact unless an intact animal permit was purchased prior to being impounded.

Those wishing to adopt from the Animal Care Center must be at least 18 years of age and meet the requirements of a qualified adopter.

For more information on the H.E.A.R.T. Ordinance or about the City of Albuquerque Animal Care Center, go to <www.cabq.gov/pets> or dial **311** or **505-768-2000**.





Submitted By John Stomp

Construction Continues On Nine San Juan – Chama Drinking Water Projects In October

As fall arrives in Albuquerque, construction is continuing on seven water transmission pipelines, a Raw Water Pump Station and a Water Treatment Plant for the San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project.

Northeast Quadrant Of Albuquerque

Candelaria Road NE between Edith Boulevard NE and Second Street NE

As part of the East Valley pipeline, construction is continuing westward on Candelaria Road NE toward the railroad tracks and toward Second Street NW. Crews were scheduled to pave Candelaria Road NE from Edith Boulevard NE to Arno Street NE the first week of October. They are also working on tying in storm drains at Candelaria Road NE and Arno Street NE and will then begin work on the storm drain at Commercial Street NE. Sometime this month or in November, crews will tunnel under the railroad tracks to lay pipeline. This work will take place over a 24-hour period to minimize inconvenience to train traffic. While construction continues on Candelaria Road NE, traffic is shifted to the south side of the road, with two eastbound lanes and one westbound lane of traffic maintained at all times. Motorists may experience some delays and can use Menaul Boulevard NE as an alternate route.

Chappell Drive NE between Singer Avenue NE and Renaissance Boulevard NE

Construction is continuing on Raw Water Pipeline #2. Through early October, Chappell Drive NE has two-way traffic between Singer Avenue NE and Renaissance Boulevard NE. There is a total closure of Chappell Drive NE between the I-25 Frontage Road and Renaissance Boulevard NE. Motorists should expect delays and can use Jefferson Boulevard NE as an alternate route. Sometime this month, crews are expected to install a new bridge to support the new pipeline, which includes a bike path and pedestrian walkway in the center. This work will be done on a Sunday to minimize inconvenience to local traffic.

Edith Boulevard NE between Carmony Lane NE and the Alameda Lateral

At night, as part of the East Valley Pipeline crews are laying pipeline on the east side of Edith Boulevard NE between Carmony Lane NE and the Alameda Lateral. Traffic will be shifted to the west side of the roadway, as needed, with one lane of traffic open in each direction. This phase of the project is expected to be completed by late this month or early next month.

Palomas Drive NE and Cutler Avenue NE; Prospect Avenue NE; Cagua Drive NE

As part of the Charles Wells Pipeline, crews will begin work at the intersection of Palomas Drive NE and Cutler Avenue NE in early October, working from south to north on Palomas Drive NE. Once they reach the intersection of Palomas Drive NE and Prospect Avenue NE, they will turn east on Prospect Avenue NE, working toward Cagua Drive NE. Once they reach the intersection of Prospect Drive NE and Cagua Drive NE, they will turn north on Cagua Drive NE, working toward Phoenix Avenue NE. This portion of the project is expected to last through November. Work will take place on a block-to-block basis, with the block under construction closed to through traffic but open to local residences. Access will be maintained to all local businesses and residences.

Phoenix Avenue NE and Chama Street NE

Also as part of the Charles Wells Pipeline, the intersection of Phoenix Avenue NE and Chama Street NE is closed. Phoenix Avenue NE is completely closed to Alcazar Street NE. In addition, Chama Street NE is closed for 200 feet north of Menaul Boulevard NE. Traffic on Menaul Boulevard NE is not affected. Motorists can use Claremont Avenue NE, Mesilla Street NE, and Menaul Boulevard NE as alternate routes. This work is expected to last through late December 2006.

San Pedro Drive NE between Arvilla Avenue NE and Phoenix Avenue NE

Crews are laying pipeline on the east side of San Pedro Drive NE, heading south from Arvilla Avenue NE toward Phoenix Avenue NE as part of the Charles Wells Pipeline. Only one lane of southbound traffic is allowed on San Pedro Drive NE during construction, which is expected to last through mid-November 2006. Northbound motorists can use Louisiana Boulevard NE or San Mateo Boulevard NE as alternate routes.

San Pedro Drive NE between Palomas Drive NE and San Francisco Road NE

As part of the Coronado Pipeline, crews began laying pipeline on the east side of San Pedro Drive NE from Palomas Drive NE, heading south toward San Francisco Road NE in early October. Traffic on San Pedro Drive NE will be shifted to the west side of the road, with one lane of traffic open in each direction. Motorists may experience some delays, and can use Louisiana Boulevard NE or the northbound I-25 frontage road as alternate routes. This phase of the project is expected to last through early to mid-November.

Northwest Quadrant Of Albuquerque

Campbell Road NW East of Rio Grande Boulevard NW

As part of the West Valley Pipeline, crews are wrapping up work on Campbell Road NW east of Rio Grande Boulevard NW. In early October, they will install curb and gutter and irrigation for the landscaped bump outs on the south side of Campbell Road. They will pave the roadway and install landscaping. During working hours (7 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday) crews will maintain one driving lane for both directions of traffic or flaggers will be on-site to direct traffic in one direction at a time. Motorists should expect delays. During non-working hours, one lane of traffic will be maintained in both directions on the south side of the road. The work on this side of Campbell Road NW is expected to be completed in late October or early to mid-November.

Campbell Road NW between Rio Grande Boulevard NW and Glenwood Road NW

Crews are continuing the installation of a 66" pipeline on the north side of Campbell Road NW. During working and non-working hours, one lane will be maintained for eastbound traffic only. Westbound traffic will be detoured north on Rio Grande Boulevard NW, west on Candelaria Road NW, and south on Glenwood Road NW. Flaggers will be on hand to control eastbound traffic along Campbell Road NW near the construction zone as needed. Residents should expect delays.

Campbell Road NW west of Glenwood Drive NW

The contractor is continuing installation of an 8" waterline along with south side of Campbell Road NW to the river. During working hours, crews will maintain two lanes of traffic west of Trellis Drive NW or will have flaggers on-site to direct traffic in one direction at a time. Residents should expect delays. During non-working hours, one lane of traffic will be maintained in both directions along the non-working side of the road.

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North of Paseo del Norte NW between Second Street NW and Fourth Street NW

Crews are continuing to lay pipeline north of Paseo del Norte NW between Second Street NW and Fourth Street NW as part of Raw Water Pipeline #1. They are also planting trees along the right-of-way on the north side of Paseo Del Norte NW. No traffic impacts are expected.

Raw Water Pump Station (Northwest corner of Bachechi Open Space)

Construction is continuing on the Raw Water Pump Station. Traffic on Rio Grande Boulevard NW may be occasionally delayed for short amounts of time in mid-September to allow concrete trucks to enter and exit the construction area. While no other traffic impacts are expected area residents and visitors to the Alameda Open Space may notice ongoing construction activity.

Unser Boulevard NW between Western Trail NW and Montano Road NW

As part of the Volcano Pipeline-North Segment, crews will continue laying pipeline heading north on Unser Boulevard NW between Western Trail and Montano Road. The northbound lanes of Unser Boulevard NW will be closed. One lane of traffic will be open in each direction in the southbound lanes. Motorists should expect delays and can use Coors Boulevard NW as an alternate route. This portion of the work is expected to last through early to mid-November.

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 Jackson** at **505-293-2000**. For more information about the project, visit our website at www.sjcdinkingwater.org. If you would like to be added to our drinking water project information list, call **505-242-ROAD (242-7623)** or e-mail pattiw@cooneywatson.com.

Cultural Services

Submitted By Leslie Venzuela

**October at The Albuquerque Museum
Biennial Southwest**

The first regional juried exhibition of its kind presenting more than one hundred contemporary art works from New Mexico, Texas and Arizona. On display through January 7, 2007.

- Saturdays in October - Family Art Workshops - 1 – 2:30 p.m.** All supplies are provided. Free with Museum general admission. •**Register now for Museum School Art Classes.** For more information call the Education Division at **505 243-7255**. •**Adventures in Art ages 3-5 - Four-class series -** October 5, 12, 19 & 26, Thursdays 10 – 11:30 a.m. Fee \$20 . •**Six-class series -** November 2, 9, 16, 30 and December 7 & 14, Thursdays 10 – 11:30 a.m. Fee \$30. •**Saturday Art Studio - ages 6-10 - Six-class series -** November 4, 11, 18 and December 2, 9, & 16, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Fee \$39.

Currently on Display

Five Decades of Posters by Puerto Rican Artists - This exhibit looks at the development of poster making as a popular graphic art form in Puerto Rico. On display through October 29. **Pastel Society of New Mexico Signature Exhibition -** See select works created by members of the Pastel Society of New Mexico through

October 29. **The Sewell Family: Old Town and the Tourist Pottery Market** The story of the Sewell family’s role in the preservation of the Old Town Armijo properties, and the subsequent revival of the local tourist pottery market. On display through August 2007. **Albuquerque Commemorado –** Albuquerque Commemorated from its history collections and photograph archives The Albuquerque Museum presents artifacts that, brought together for the first time, commemorate people, places and events in our city’s history. **Common Ground: Art in New Mexico -** Common Ground is a permanent art exhibition highlighting a significant amount of museum-owned works from the late 19th century to the present day. It is displayed chronologically giving visitors a glimpse into the evolution of art in New Mexico. **Four Centuries: A History of Albuquerque -** A permanent exhibition of local history depicting four hundred years of the history of Albuquerque and the Rio Grande Valley region. Look over early maps, arms and armor and weaving. Learn about trade routes, colonial life and statehood era relics.

Hollywood Comes To WRD

Submitted By Brynda Gutierrez



The Water Reclamation Division (WRD) was abuzz with excitement on September 27 and 28, 2006. The reason for the excitement was that a production company was shooting a film titled “Ben and Casey, A West Texas Children’s Story” at WRD. The independent film directed by Brad Isaacs, stars Lara Flynn Boyle, Denise Richards, Val Kilmer, and Matthew Modine.



Film Crew & Gear

Hollywood scouts were looking for a large enclosed building to shoot a scene titled “Night Rain”, and WRD’s



Hollywood’s “Nightmare”
Vactor Building

Vactor Building fit the bill. Sixty production people transformed the Vactor Building into a nightmare sequence.

The premise of “Ben and Casey, A West Texas Children’s Story” involves two children

from two different abusive homes who run away from their homes and, by accident, meet in Texas. The children decide to go to Baltimore, Maryland to start a new life. Along the way, the children are “married” by a pig farmer, and are involved in different trials and adventures. The story evolves until they are adults. The film will have a limited release, but could be distributed nationally if it does well in limited release. The Water Utility will receive compensation from the producers of the film for using the Vactor Building in the film.





ABQ RIDE Reports Record Ridership
Submitted By James Faught

Have you noticed the full buses moving around town lately? During August 2006, ABQ RIDE reported ridership was at an all time high for one month (without a special event) with more than 848,000 passenger boardings.

“These numbers are truly amazing,” said ABQ RIDE Director Greg Payne. “Commuters in Albuquerque are putting their cars aside and choosing to save money by using public transportation. Now our biggest challenge is trying to meet the growing demand of new passengers with the limited resources we have available.”

During the month of August, ABQ RIDE experienced a 27% increase in passenger boardings over the same time last year. Even more notable was a 43% increase in ridership over two years ago and a 50% increase over three years ago.

On August 19, ABQ RIDE began a new routing structure and expanded the overall system by 5%. This included increased service to the busiest bus routes and new service to underserved areas. For the first time, Rapid Ride began running on a 22-minute schedule on Sundays. After the new schedules took effect, the average weekday ridership increased by 7%, Saturday ridership increased by 2% and Sunday ridership increased by 8%.

“Albuquerque is in the middle of a transit revolution,” said Payne. “We are changing the face of public transportation in our city. We have six new Rapid Ride vehicles ordered and expected to arrive by the end of the year to help accommodate more passengers.”

For the first time, ridership on the Central Avenue corridor including Rapid Ride and the Route 66, passenger boardings exceeded 350,000 for the month of August. Rapid Ride alone had recorded 143,795 passenger boardings for it’s all time highest month. The Route 66 Central buses recorded 208,777 boardings.

The increase in ridership can be attributed to several factors. One factor is likely due to high gas prices, while other factors are likely due to increased service and targeted marketing campaigns, such as “Dump the Pump”.

All of the bus routes are listed on the ABQ RIDE website at <www.cabq.gov/transit>. On the website, visitors can estimate how much money they spend each year on their commute and calculate how much money they can save by riding the bus. Passengers can also call the ABQ RIDE customer service center at **505-243-RIDE** for assistance in planning their route.

**Albuquerque Veloport,
 BMX Pavilion
 Hosts BMX Nationals**

Mayor Martin Chávez is pleased to announce that the Albuquerque Veloport, BMX Pavilion will be the site of the Ameri-

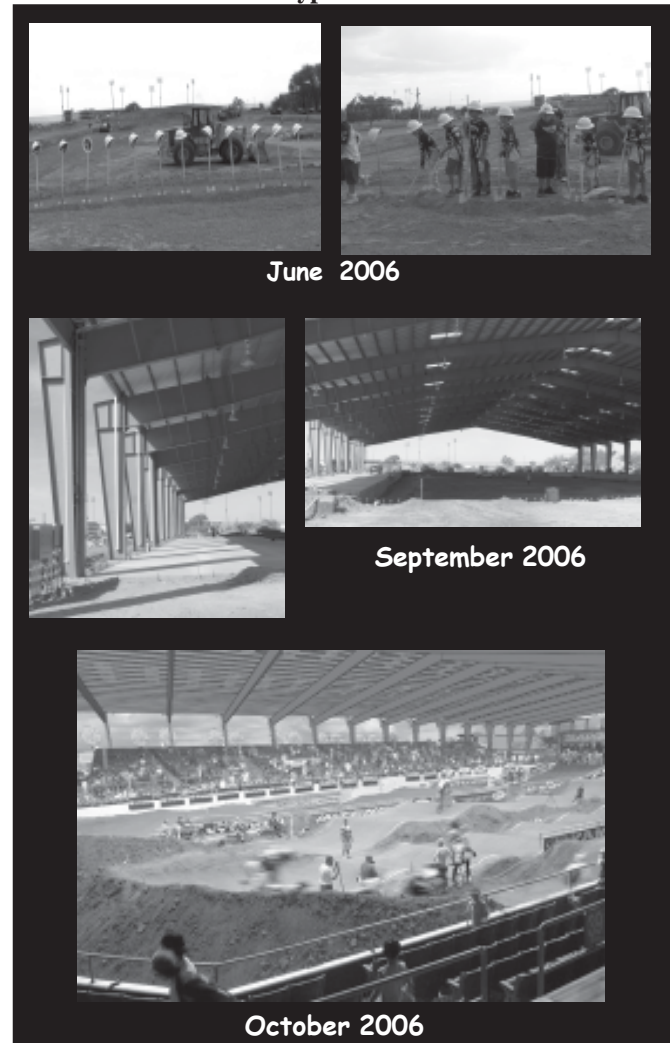
can Bicycle Association’s (ABA) Fall Nationals BMX races this month.

The ABA Fall National BMX races will be held in Albuquerque from **October 27 - 29, 2006**. There will be 5,000 racers from all over the US competing for \$10,000 in prize monies. The races start on Friday evening and run through Sunday afternoon. **Admission to all races is free to the public.**

The BMX Pavilion, although still under construction, is the only high altitude fully covered cycling facility in the US dedicated solely to BMX racing.

The BMX Pavilion is Phase I of the Albuquerque Veloport complex. When completed, the Albuquerque Veloport will be a world-class high altitude training and racing destination for all disciplines of cycling. The Veloport will bring together BMX, track, road and mountain bikers. Albuquerque Veloport is part of the New Mexico Sports Complex, which features basketball, baseball, football, track, soccer, tennis and cycling at Albuquerque’s high altitude, year round high desert climate.

Catch the action - join us **October 27 – 29, 2006** for *national* BMX racing in Albuquerque! Details on registration, ages and race heats available at <<http://www.ababmx.com/index.php?page=default/races&type=nationals>>.



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