

The 2007 General Obligation Bond election questions, including all projects for each bond question, is also available on the City's web site: <<http://www.cabq.gov/cip>>. You may also access the full 2007-2016 Decade plan at the same site. If you have any questions, or would like a presentation on the capital program, please contact Barbara Taylor, Manager Capital Planning at 768-3849 or <btaylor@cabq.gov>.

2007 General Obligation Bond Program by Purpose

Public Safety Bonds

Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$12,184,000 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, study, construct, modernize, automate, renovate, rehabilitate, recondition, landscape, furnish, enhance and otherwise improve, and to acquire land, vehicles, apparatus, and equipment for, police and fire department facilities?

Fire Station Rehabilitation	\$750,000
Fire Apparatus Replacement	\$1,000,000
Fire Station 2 Rehabilitation	\$858,000
Radio Frequency Infrastructure, Phase II	\$1,250,000
Marked Police Vehicles	\$3,000,000
Sixth Area Command Headquarters	\$5,100,000
Shawn McWethey Sub Station	\$5,000
District 7, APD Facilities Renovation / Upgrade	\$100,000
1% for Public Art	\$121,000
TOTAL	<u>\$12,184,000</u>

Senior, Family, Community Center, and Community Enhancement Project Bonds

Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$14,090,000 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, construct, demolish, equip, renovate, rehabilitate, expand, repair, study, landscape, streetscape, enhance and otherwise improve, and to acquire land for, City-owned community centers including those for families, youth, senior citizens, and economic development; and for community enhancement projects?

Renovations, Additions and Security Improvements: Existing FCSD Facilities	\$500,000
North Domingo Baca Park Multigenerational Center	\$6,300,000
Multi-Generational Community Center - Council District 8	\$1,000,000
Thomas Bell Gymnasium	\$300,000
Far Northwest Albuquerque Community Center	\$500,000
Wesstcorp Incubator	\$500,000
Jeanne Bellamah Gymnasium	\$1,800,000
New York MRA	\$700,000
Senior Center Rehabilitation / Renovation	\$750,000
District 1, Community / Senior Center Enhancements	\$50,000
District 2, Community / Senior Center Enhancements	\$100,000
District 3, Community / Senior Center Enhancements	\$300,000
District 6, Community Center Improvements	\$100,000
District 9, Community / Senior Center Enhancements	\$250,000
Renovation of Downtown Cultural Facility for Teens	\$800,000
1% for Public Art	\$140,000
TOTAL	<u>\$14,090,000</u>



Parks and Recreation Bonds

Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$37,491,000 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, construct, rehabilitate, renovate, expand, furnish, landscape, study, protect, enhance and otherwise improve, and to acquire land, vehicles and equipment for, park and recreational facilities, including public parks and facilities within those parks, swimming pools, tennis courts, open space, medians, bikeways, bosque lands, and trails?

Community Park Development	\$3,000,000
Neighborhood Park Development	\$1,250,000
Pat Hurley Park	\$2,750,000
Park Improvements and Amenities, District 8	\$150,000
East Gateway Park (La Luz de Amistad Park)	\$1,000,000
Roadrunner Little League Improvements	\$50,000
Sandia Vista Park Improvements	\$200,000
Ventana Ranch Regional Park	\$1,500,000
Dog Park in District 7	\$100,000
Vista de Estrella Park	\$250,000
Vehicle Set-Aside - DMD Park Design	\$300,000
North Domingo Baca Park	\$2,750,000
Swimming Pool Facility Development & Renovation	\$2,500,000
Park Renovation, Water Conservation, Tree & Amenity Replacement	\$2,000,000
Recreation Facility Renovation	\$750,000
Shooting Range Park Improvements	\$600,000
Tijeras Canyon Open Space Acquisition	\$500,000
Open Space Land Acquisition, Fencing, & Protection	\$5,500,000
Bosque Restoration & Revitalization	\$200,000
Jerry Cline Recreation Center	\$1,350,000
Vehicle & Equipment Set Aside - Parks & Recreation Department	\$500,000
Petroglyph National Monument Trails Management Plan	\$60,000
Balloon Fiesta Land Acquisition	\$3,000,000
Therapeutic Pool Feasibility Study	\$50,000
Golf Course Equipment & Improvements	\$1,000,000
District 1, Park Improvements and Amenities	\$420,000
District 2, Park Improvements and Amenities	\$400,000
District 3, Park Improvements and Amenities	\$200,000
District 4, Park Improvements and Amenities	\$1,000,000
District 5, Ventana Ranch Regional Park	\$650,000
District 5, Chamiza Elementary Soccer Field	\$300,000
District 6, Park Improvements and Amenities	\$365,000
District 6, Shooting Range Park	\$25,000
District 7, Park Improvements and Amenities	\$450,000
District 8, Park Improvements and Amenities	\$500,000
District 9, Park Improvements and Amenities	\$500,000
Albuquerque Bicycle Park, Phase II	\$1,000,000
1% for Public Art	\$371,000
TOTAL	<u>\$37,491,000</u>

Energy Conservation, Public Facilities, and System Modernization Bonds

Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$13,972,000 of its general obligation bonds to equip, improve, acquire, design, survey, develop, construct, rehabilitate, renovate, maintain, expand, furnish, equip, enhance, modernize, make energy-efficient, upgrade, and otherwise improve, and to acquire land, vehicles and equipment for, public buildings, facilities, and systems?

City Building Improvement & Rehabilitation (DMD)	\$600,000
Replacement Vehicles (DMD)	\$100,000
New Roofs for City Facilities	\$300,000
Security Improvements & Rehabilitation	\$100,000
Los Angeles Landfill Remediation	\$450,000
Animal Care Service Center Improvements	\$5,000,000
Phase II Bio-Disease Management Montessa Park Laboratory Facilities & Rehabilitation	\$800,000
Environmental Sustainability Program (EHD)	\$300,000
Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) - Phase 2	\$1,000,000
Wireless Network Infrastructure	\$170,000
3% for Energy Conservation (F/S O-06-34)	\$4,614,000
Albuquerque Geographic Information System	\$300,000
Vehicle Replacement: FCSD	\$100,000
1% for Public Art	\$138,000
TOTAL	<u>\$13,972,000</u>

Library Bonds

Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$3,081,000 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, construct, reconstruct, renovate, rehabilitate, modernize, preserve, automate, upgrade, landscape and otherwise improve, and to acquire books, media, and equipment for, public libraries?

Library Materials	\$2,000,000
Library Automation	\$500,000
Special Collection Library: Renovation / Historic Preservation	\$400,000
Library Building Improvement	\$100,000
District 5, Taylor Ranch Library	\$50,000
1% for Public Art	\$31,000
TOTAL	<u>\$3,081,000</u>



Street Bonds

Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$45,193,000 of its general obligation bonds to study, design, develop, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, renovate, automate, modernize, sign, enhance, landscape and otherwise improve, and to acquire land and equipment for municipal streets and roads, interstate roadways and interchanges, medians, trails, bikeways, walkways, sidewalks, railroad crossings, and bridges?

Fourth Street Corridor Improvements	\$500,000
West Central MRA Project	\$1,000,000
Reconstruction of Lead and Coal Avenues - Council District 6	\$2,000,000
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Reconstruction Major Streets	\$1,500,000
Reconstruction Major Intersections	\$1,500,000
Advance Trans. Planning & Eng. (Streets)	\$300,000
Advance Right-of-Way Acquisition (Streets)	\$500,000
Major Paving Rehabilitation	\$5,500,000
Intersection Signalization	\$1,500,000
Safety & Intersection Improvements	\$500,000
Bridge Repair	\$500,000
NW Arterial Roadway Improvements	\$1,500,000
SW Arterial Roadway Improvements	\$1,500,000
Traffic Sign Replacement / Lighted Street Signs / Pavement Markings	\$2,500,000
Sidewalk Improvements	\$750,000
Street Lighting	\$250,000
Public Works Funding (Sts) / LOS Study	\$500,000
East - West River Crossing Planning and Location Study	\$250,000
Golf Course Road Medians	\$1,500,000
Albuquerque Traffic Management System	\$400,000
Replace Street Maintenance Heavy Equipment	\$500,000
Atrisco Drive, SW	\$600,000
Neighborhood Traffic Improvements	\$250,000
Median Renovation & Water Conservation	\$500,000
Median Landscaping & Interstate Enhancements	\$2,975,000
Medians: Wyoming, Paseo del Norte to Burlison	\$750,000
Medians: San Mateo, Central to Zuni	\$150,000
Medians: Candelaria, San Mateo to Eubank	\$750,000
Medians: Central, Tramway to Eubank	\$625,000
Medians: Council District 8	\$500,000
Medians: Coors, Central to Bridge	\$500,000
Barelas Pedestrian and Traffic Calming Improvements	\$250,000
Replace / Install Missing Sidewalks - Council District 2	\$250,000
86th and Sage Street Improvements	\$750,000
72nd and Ladera Landscaping	\$150,000
Fortuna Road Improvements	\$500,000
Trails and Bikeways	\$1,850,000
Pedestrian Improvements, District 6, East Central	\$1,000,000
Paseo / I-25 / Jefferson Roadway Improvements	\$250,000
12th Street & Menaul Improvements	\$390,000
1% for Impact Fee Waivers	\$1,570,000
District 1, Street Projects	\$525,000
District 2, Street Projects	\$500,000
District 3, Landscaping, Sidewalks, Medians	\$400,000
District 3, Street Projects	\$100,000
District 6, Street Projects	\$510,000
District 7, Street Projects	\$450,000
District 8, Street Projects	\$500,000
District 9, Street Projects	\$250,000
1% for Public Art	\$448,000
TOTAL	<u>\$45,193,000</u>

Public Transportation Bonds

Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$7,323,000 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, construct, rehabilitate, renovate, expand, recondition, modernize, automate, study, furnish, enhance and otherwise improve, and to acquire land, vehicles, and equipment for public transportation facilities?

Revenue Vehicles Replacement / Expansion (Transit)	\$2,750,000
West Side Park & Ride Improvements	\$1,250,000
West Side Transit Facility	\$500,000
Bus Shelter Rehabilitation/Upgrade	\$2,000,000
Transit Facility Rehabilitation	\$200,000
Maintenance Equipment Upgrade (Transit)	\$250,000
Transit Security Equipment Upgrade	\$50,000
Nob Hill Parking Structure - Location & Financial Feasibility Study	\$100,000
Parking Facilities Rehabilitation & Upgrade	\$150,000
1% for Public Art	\$73,000
TOTAL	<u>\$7,323,000</u>

Storm Sewer System Bonds

Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$10,403,000 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, renovate, expand, enhance, study, monitor and otherwise improve, and to acquire land and equipment for the storm sewer system?

District 3 Storm Drain Improvements	\$4,000,000
NPDES Storm Water Quality	\$350,000
Advanced Planning and Engineering (Hydrology)	\$300,000
Hotel Circle / Morris North of Lomas	\$1,300,000
San Pedro Storm Drain, North Albuquerque Acres	\$1,000,000
Coal Storm Drain Rehab. and Extension	\$1,100,000
Storm Drainage Rehabilitation	\$450,000
Pump Station Rehabilitation	\$1,000,000
Kinley, Broadway to Edith	\$800,000
1% for Public Art	\$103,000
TOTAL	<u>\$10,403,000</u>

Zoo, Biological Park, Museum, and Cultural Facility Bonds

Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$6,136,000 of its general obligation bonds to study, design, develop, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, renovate, repair, refurbish, modernize, maintain, expand, enhance and otherwise improve, and to acquire artifacts, exhibits, furnishings and equipment for, the municipal zoo, botanic garden, aquarium, and City-owned museums and cultural facilities?

Aquarium Expansion, Phase II	\$1,800,000
Asian Experience / Tiger Habitat	\$1,750,000
Japanese Garden / Sasebo Exhibition	\$750,000
Renovation and Repair (BioPark)	\$500,000
Tingley Beach, Phase II	\$975,000
Albuquerque Museum Development	\$200,000
South Broadway Cultural Center	\$100,000
1% for Public Art	\$61,000
TOTAL	<u>\$6,136,000</u>



Affordable Housing Bonds

Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$10,100,000 of its general obligation bonds in support of the Workforce Housing Act to provide resources towards the construction and rehabilitation of high quality, permanently affordable housing for low to moderate working families, including affordable senior rental?

Affordable Housing Landbanking	\$10,000,000
1% for Public Art	\$100,000
TOTAL	<u>\$10,100,000</u>



South San Pedro Enterprises

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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**Jack and Jill Race Toward The Fun
In A Park Named For Them
In The South San Pedro Area**

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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
Association**

Cibola Loop
Crestview Heights
Lee Acres
North Valley Coalition

**“Welcome” to
Incoming President**

Scott Salvas
Lynn Carneal
Shaun Ward
Chris Nymah-Weller

**“Thanks” to
Outgoing President**

Colleen White
Linda McCreary
Claude Morelli

- *Prospectors Ridge Association of Residents* regained their “R” recognized status on August 29, 2007.
- *Pueblo Alto Neighborhood Association* regained their “R” recognized status on September 18, 2007.

NEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION(S)

None at this time

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 924-3906 for further information. Annual Reports for the following months are due:

July Annual Reports are due: October 1, 2007
August Annual Reports are due: November 1, 2007
September Annual Reports are due: December 1, 2007

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
The Sawmill/Wells Park
MRA Education Committee
 Invites You To The
2nd Annual Carnuel Parade and Fiesta



Come Join the Parade!
Submitted By Angelica Solares

The Sawmill/Wells Park MRA Education Committee invites you to the **2nd Annual Carnuel Parade and Fiesta**, Saturday, September 29, 2007 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Carnuel Parade and Fiesta is a celebration of the area's rich history and culture highlighting the significance of Carnuel Road (known today as Mountain Road) and the role it has played in the beginnings of Albuquerque. The Parade will start at Wells Park Community Center and will travel west on Mountain Road ending with a Fiesta at Tiguex Park. Local artisans, performers, and vendors will take part in the festivities. Bring the kids - spend the afternoon with us and have some good old wholesome fun!

For more information, please contact Angelica Solares at **505-764-0359** or angelicasclt@comcast.net or Wade Patterson at **505-242-6367 x119** wade@harwoodartcenter.org



2006 Carnuel Parade

Words of Wisdom

Submitted By The Gardeners' Guild

IS THIS YOU? Most Frequently Encountered Projects For Fall. Below are three featured projects to demonstrate how easy they can be.

First year for a winter veggie garden:

It needn't be complicated. Growing fresh vegetables can be uplifting and uncomplicated!

Pick a spot, convenient to your daily routine, that receives strong sun in winter. This will be south and west facing exposures. Growing next to a light wall that reflects the sun will also raise the temperatures to help plants make it through each night.

Sun + Three ingredients are necessary to care for your cool season edibles:

1. An insulation layer to keep the cold out and the heat in. Depending on your location, you may have to use two layers for areas with colder temperatures. One of these layers should be a clear plastic.

2. A bed or area with looser, turned soil. It will also provide extra insulation and prevent freezing of roots. This area must be small enough for your insulation layer to cover completely. Fabric staples or tent stakes can help this stay in place over the bed.
3. Regular water over a mulched layer of straw, pecan shells, or shredded old newspaper (for the truly green). The mulch will add insulation and help to moderate temperatures. Watering in the morning versus evening will reduce the risk of freeze.

Select your varieties: lettuces, carrots, beets, arugula, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, kales, collards, kohlrabi, radishes, onions, turnips, cress, chervil, mustards, endive, purslane, swiss chard and probably spinach. Grow as prescribed on seed pack.

Yes, all of this can grow through winter with simple preparations. Check your available materials at home and head to Gardeners' Guild if you have additional questions or supply needs. Many things will work as an insulating sheet and frame.

Reclaiming Yard From Home Renovations... Is it chaos? Or has the major debris been removed? That is indeed the hardest part. **Don't be discouraged.** It's good news that the kitchen or bathroom (or entire house) has reached a stage of completion. After the remnants are hauled off, select the area that is in most desperate need of help and start there. Is it close to the house? You'll be using this space more day to day, and is a good investment of time. Does the family need a prepared, safe space to spend time? Leveling and mulching an area can make a space functional and improve the visual landscape with limited cost. Would you like to garden over the winter? Choose a space, small and manageable, and proceed as described above. **Don't hesitate to ask!** Walk-in consultations at Gardeners' Guild will get you going projects just like these.

Bad Soil - AKA Already Dreading Next Spring. Believe it or not, there IS an easy solution for this problem. Sheet mulching NOW + six months time. Really. The cost is relatively low, and involves the work of procuring three different types of plant/pooh mulches and laying them in deeper layers. If your space is large, there will probably be delivery fees involved, \$75 or so for a large load (10-15cu yds). Estimate roughly that this is sufficient for 10000 square feet. Gardeners' Guild recommends Soilutions and Western Organics in the South Valley for good prices and great assistance. Price lists and samples are kept on-hand at the GG supply shop too. **Advantages:** reduced evaporation, increased activity in the soil, increased available nutrients, better soil texture and more!

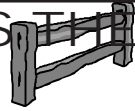
More than you ever wanted to know about Sheet Mulching can be found here. agroforestry.net/overstory/overstory96.html. Also consider attending Plants of the Southwest class on Fall Cover Crops: Saturday, September 15, 2007, 12 noon. Learn which cover crops are useful for your fall and winter gardens. Enjoy beautiful greenery while improving your soils fertility.

One more suggestion, PLANT something. Don't wait for spring! In fall, the weather is usually cool and sunny, with enough time for plant roots to get established. Trees go in even later, and without the stress of temperamental spring winds. Put on a long sleeve shirt a select your perennial for the bare spot (in almost every yard) this year. For additional tips on planting trees, go to arborday.org/trees/ninethings.cfm.

Gardeners' Guild Resource Center
 Open Wednesday - Saturday 11 a.m. -7 p.m.
 Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 3222c Central SE Albuquerque, NM 87106
505-268-2719 or www.gardenersguild.org

NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP

ACROSS THE FENCE



South San Pedro Enterprises

*Submitted By Susan Vigil
Planning Department Intern*

The southeastern round of our city is defined abruptly by the walls of Kirtland Air Force Base. Albuquerque's form runs long beside Gibson, vibrant in a myriad of mixed use ways. Carouseling traffic through the Lovelace Health Care Center, entrances onto and off the base, high-density apartments, single-family housing and retail crowd the area's streets. San Mateo, Central, Gibson and Louisiana frame a nucleus potentially known as the South San Pedro Neighborhood Association. Sprouting in the fertility available to the area, economic revitalization is eminent.

South San Pedro NA board member for over eight years, Johanna Tighe is a vivacious businesswoman and civil servant. She ran for Albuquerque City Council District 6 representative and won 2nd place in voter's hearts. Without the pressures of Council duty, she was able to coordinate the design of Jack and Jill Park meeting with the community, its youth, elderly and families. A few months ago, Johanna moved her Farmer's Insurance Office outside South San Pedro boundaries. She now acts as an ex-officio member of the association only, however, retains her responsibilities as chairwoman of STEPS, a Sirolli Institute Model of economic development.

Two years ago, after receiving a grant from the City of Albuquerque Economic Development Department, District 6 Neighborhood Associations created STEPS, The Southeast Team for Entrepreneurial Success. The idea is to nurture and cultivate community talents with more than just money. It is people not process orientated. To initiate Sirolli training, the City requested that the District 6 Coalition raise \$30,000 and then donated an additional \$40,000 to their \$100,000 a year budget. The money is used primarily to employ Steve Whitman, STEPS business facilitator. Each member of the STEPS board introduces the facilitator to ten people. "You never know who will be useful," asserts Johanna, "that's why you network". Johanna and the STEPS board members further assist STEPS with fundraising from contributors such as Lovelace Health Care, Public Service Company of New Mexico, Griffin and Associates, First Community Bank and U.S. NM Federal Credit Union.

Dream enterprises find flesh and bone under the direction of STEPS. A nurse with herbal wisdom wanting to produce herbal healing teas was directed to the South Valley Small Economic Development Center's Commercial Kitchen. STEPS convened a group of advisors on wholesale pricing and marketing for an entrepreneurial jewelry designer. A gracious blend of community/government/business cooperation and the Interfaith Bible Church started Integrity Labor, partnering with the City to hire Trumbull Village residents for landscaping and home repair.



**High Tech Aircraft
Approaching Kirtland AFB**

STEPS facilitated these negotiations. "We have really good involvement," praises Johanna "and really good people - it's ongoing."

As newly elected president of South San Pedro NA, John Ames oversees current economic and community incentives, such as the Albuquerque Eastside Weed and Seed Program and the Near Heights Metropolitan Redevelopment Area (MRA) Expansion. The South San Pedro area borders on the Near Heights MRA - colorfully distinguished by the Ta Lin International Marketplace, its multi-cultural artwork and imported Chinese dragon. The Near Heights MRA is undergoing a proposed expansion of its boundaries through the South San Pedro area. Ralph L. Mims, City of Albuquerque Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency Redevelopment Planner is orchestrating both the original Near Heights MRA and its proposed expansion (505-924-3472 or <rmims@cabq.gov>). Some of the community member's visions for the expansion include light manufacturing and engineering, retail such as a fruit stand, and accessible physicians's and attorney's offices.

As president of the South San Pedro NA, John will oversee neighborhood evolutions

urged by the Kirtland Air Force Base Technology Center. The Technology Center is an exciting project spanning 92 acres on the south side of Gibson between Carlisle and San Mateo. New Mexico receives more per capita investment from the federal government in research and development than any other state. In the Honorable U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman's words, "We've always been trying to do a better job using federal investment in research and development that occurs here to create private sector jobs. The science and technology parks help us to do that."

Kirtland Technology Park will take up to 25 years to complete, covering 4 million sq/ft of land. Beginning in the next two years, Phase 1 requires 3-5 years for completion, building out over 40 acres. It is projected to employ 15,000 people eventually, including 2,000 non-military persons. Enhanced use leases allow the structures to be built on federal land according to a government provision which allows the federal government to rent excess tracts of land to public/private entities. Lessees of the land include New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology with 8.3 acres for teaching, research and office facilities. Hunt Development Inc., the developers of ABQ Uptown, intends to build another one million sq/ft into mixed-use office space, a hotel, restaurants, an assisted living center catering to VA veterans, three parking structures and additional retail. Kirtland will employ the technology park to streamline technology for war fighters and other weapons. Jim Dobbie of Hunt's Southwest Development Division states "A key component of this is a military contractor can have a public presence with a pedestrian access through the fence to a secure facility". Access into production businesses such as fiber optics, robotics, nano-technology, photo-voltaic, laser technology and software development flourishing in New Mexico's other five technology parks.

South San Pedro reaches out to Kirtland at different points in their history. Bob Bailey, a businessman at Willow Village Center, coordinated an Albuquerque Tri-centennial Celebration with Kirtland Air Force Base. There are major forces working in the area, aiding its growth. Johanna predicts, "It will grow-Kirtland people will be key and so will STEPS and the Neighborhood Associations. Its not going to be any one group - it will take them all to bring it all together."

NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued



From The Manager's Desk

General Obligation Bond Question on October 2, 2007 Ballot

The Capital Implementation Program division administers the process by which capital improvement projects are planned, selected and proposed for adoption by the City Council. The capital plan covers a ten-year period, and is reviewed and updated biennially.

Under guidelines promulgated by the Mayor and adopted by the City Council on April 3, 2006, city departments developed and extensively reviewed projects and programs to arrive at the 2007-2016 Capital Improvements Program. Projects approved by the City Council for the general obligation bond election to be held on Tuesday, October 2, 2007 have been grouped into ten ballot questions.

If these ballot questions are approved by the voters, the City Council will make corresponding fund appropriations, during the first quarter of 2008. At this time, implementing agencies throughout the City will begin to take action on the authorized Capital Improvements Projects.

General Obligation Bonds of the City are paid from property tax revenues. New bonds are issued as older bonds are retired, thus keeping the City's debt service levy at a fairly constant level. The city receives only about 30% of the property taxes paid by the typical Albuquerque homeowner or business. The remaining 70% goes to other governmental and educational agencies.

A complete listing of projects is included in this newsletter. Additional information is available on the City website: under the Capital Implementation Program.

In addition, each City Council district receives a \$1 million dollar set-aside. Each councilor is responsible for determining the needs within the council district. Therefore, it is important that you meet with your councilor and express needs within your neighborhood. These funds can be used for such things as median improvements, playground equipment, park improvements, street improvements and much, much more.

Planning

Submitted By Manjeet Tangri, Advance Planning Division

Great Streets Facility Plan - Update

Great cities have great streets. Great streets are streets that are safe, vital, walkable and provide places for social interaction. The City's Planning Department is developing the Great Streets Facility Plan to facilitate certain segments of the city streets become great streets.

At the end of July, the Planning Department received the preliminary draft from the consultant. However, it required reorganization and additional work. The Planning Department is working with the consultants and we anticipate the draft will be distributed to the Technical Advisory Committee by the end of October 2007. After the Technical Advisory Committee's comments have been incorporated, the Plan will be placed on the City's website and submitted to the EPC in January 2008 for the February Public Hearing. The public comments will be taken at the EPC hearing.

For further information, call Manjeet Tangri, Project Manager in the Planning Department at 505-924-3356.



Neighborhood Workshop Corner

2007 ONC

Workshop Schedule

Neighborhood Association Patrol Training APD Training Academy Saturday, October 20, 2007

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Community Policing is a philosophy that recognizes the mutual dependence and shared responsibility of the police and the community in making Albuquerque safer and more livable. Neighborhood Association Patrols are not in and of themselves community policing, but one tool that may be selected by neighborhoods to maintain or improve safety in the neighborhood.

Land Use and Zoning Workshop Saturday, November 3, 2007

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Plaza del Sol Hearing Room

This 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 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.

Please Remember . . .

Registration for all workshops closes at 12 noon the day before the training.

Please pre-register.

Call 505-924-3914

To accommodate all workshop participants, you must be pre-registered to attend these workshops. Registration includes your name, address, telephone number and association. We appreciate your consideration and cooperation.

NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued



A Message From The Mayor

Martin J. Chávez Mayor of Albuquerque

Getting the Good, Green Word Out

Everyone With A Carbon Footprint Must Be a Part of the Solution

Elected and appointed officials from around the state converged on Albuquerque recently to take part in a critical discussion about municipal best practices.

The Best Green Practices Summit brought together top notch panels and policymakers for some give and take about global climate change, human involvement in it, and what we can all do as cities, counties, sovereign tribal governments, regional authorities and in our own neighborhoods to change the way we do business.

The sessions were all presented by experts and geared to inspire local action and support initiatives that will contribute to a reduction in our environmental impact.

The Summit was followed by a Congressional Hearing, chaired by our own Senator Jeff Bingaman, on "Fast Tracking Energy and Climate Change Technology Promoting Business Solutions to Global Climate Challenge." It was my honor and privilege to testify before Chairman Bingaman's field hearing and to get a chance to touch on just how good for business it can be to take an environmentally friendly approach at city hall.

At a very real level, we have demonstrated that investing in green technologies can have immediate, tangible payback in the form of energy savings so substantial it translates into windfall revenue after just a few years. Our conversion from conventional

streetlights to LED (light emitting diodes) is a prime example in this regard, cutting our relevant power costs by about 90%.

But beyond that, it has also been Albuquerque's experience so far that the more aggressively we pursue sustainable policies, the more favorably we are viewed as a choice hub for new business or existing business expansion by the industries and employers who provide the very best in clean, high wage jobs.

One recent example is Advent Solar. This company produces a superior photovoltaic solar cell utilizing an innovative which is less resource intensive. The technology is home grown - coming from Sandia National Laboratories.

In years gone by, technologies such as this, even though they got their start here, went elsewhere once they got their legs under them. Not this time, however, as they have set up manufacturing right here on the southside of town at Mesa del Sol.

A current example of our increasing attractiveness to green industry is the recent decision of the Tesla, the electric car company, to build their new 'Whitestar' four passenger sedan here. If someone had told me in my first term that an auto manufacturer was choosing us as their new home, I would have thought that someone was joking - but no more. Today, in good part because of our sustainability initiatives, this is an unfolding reality and is set to be built on the city's Westside.

We have recently found ourselves named one of the most "film-friendly" places to make movies and enormous capital and high paying jobs have begun to flow into town.

Cabot Corporation, which had only a tiny presence here just two years ago, is now growing by leaps and bounds on the north side of town with their fuel cell micro-powders and unique manufacturing processes.

Albuquerque in 2006 won the World Leadership Award in the "Utilities" category for our sustainable water initiatives. This summer we took top honors in Los Ange-

les during the U.S. Conference of Mayors as the "Greenest City in America".

At the same time our economic vitality and prospects have never been better. Two trends happening together are no coincidence.

WOW 2007

Mayor Martin J. Chávez declared the 2007 War On Weeds and City Administrators took to Civic Plaza, then to the buses and then to the streets pulling weeds and picking up trash on Friday, September 7, 2007. Administration crews picked up and bagged over 17 tons of weeds and litter! A good time was had by all and our City looks better - thanks!





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/counciled.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.

A Message From Your City Council
Highlights Of Legislation Passed By City Council
September 5, 2007

O-07-65 which was approved unanimously at the September 5, 2007 Council meeting makes parking illegally in a handicapped parking space a civil violation subject to fines and possible towing and impoundment of the violator's vehicle. The bill, which was sponsored by Councilor Mayer provides for low income individuals to have the option of service to the City in lieu of payment of a fine.

O-07-72, sponsored by Councilor Heinrich establishes a process by which archaeological sites within the city might be identified and protected. The bill creates the position of city archaeologist and amends certain other ordinances in order to ensure ground disturbing activities will be inspected for possible archaeological resources. The bill was unanimously passed at the September 5, 2007 Council meeting.

O-07-81 establishes an "Independent Office of Hearings" to be run by a Chief Hearing Officer. Currently city hearing officers are city employees who are under the supervision and control of an administrative department. Under this bill the Independent Office of Hearings would be independent of administrative supervision, removing concerns about undue influence. The bill was sponsored by Councilor Winter and was the result of extensive public comment at his Red Light Camera Town Hall last spring.

O-07-90 and **O-07-91** are related to gangs and anti gang activity. Both bills passed at the meeting of September 5, 2007 and were sponsored by Councilor Sanchez. The first ordinance provides that it is a crime to commit any one of a list of violent felonies in furtherance of gang activity. The penalty for violating this ordinance is that the guilty party must register under the second ordinance. The second ordinance provides for the registration of persons found guilty under the first ordinance. A person must pro-

vide name, occupation, date of birth and other vital information when registering and this information is placed on a City website. After two years or completion of a gang intervention program the person is dropped from the registry.

O-07-95, sponsored by Councilor Harris, was unanimously adopted on September 5, 2007. Under the provisions of this Ordinance, an electronic copy may be made of the computer database of a public record on a currently available electronic medium for a person if the person agrees to pay a reasonable fee based upon the actual cost of materials. There shall be no fee for making an electronic copy of the computer database and personnel time to research and retrieve the electronic record. The records custodian shall notify the requesting party of the material costs and obtain the requesting party's consent to such charges prior to beginning the search, retrieval and copying. Providing an electronic record pursuant to this section shall not be considered the creation new records for purposes of the Inspection of Public Records Act, Section 14-2-1 et seq., NMSA 1978. The electronic copies shall be provided only in non-revisable format.

O-07-98 was sponsored by Councilor Winter and adopted by the Council on September 5, 2007 meeting. The intent of this ordinance is to ensure that all persons are provided the greatest possible information regarding the affairs of government and the official acts of public officers and employees by providing the public with a process for obtaining public records. Providing persons with such information is an essential function of a representative government and an integral part of the routine duties of public officers and employees. The bill requires that the City establish, through the Office of the City Clerk, a procedure to allow prompt telephone and direct access between City employees and the public including members of the media. It also requires that City employees be made available by telephone and direct access to provide information to City Councilors and City Council staff. There shall be no requirement that employees receive

prior approval from any supervisor prior to being made available. City Councilors and City Council staff shall not be required to provide prior justification for any request for information.

O-07-73, sponsored by Councilors Benton, Cadigan and Heinrich was passed unanimously at the Council meeting of September 17, 2007. The bill adopts the 2006 International Energy Conservation Code and creates the Albuquerque High Performance Building Ordinances and establishes certain environmentally sensitive practices in construction. Some provisions include that when installed in a new building by a builder, clothes washers, freezers, refrigerators and dishwashers shall be Energy Star certified.




Legislation also passed included a resolution requiring the City to develop a master plan for a bio-zone preserve within and adjacent to the Tijeras Arroyo; an ordinance requiring the administration to implement the Four Hills Speed Hump Evaluation Study; amendments to the University of Albuquerque and Westside Strategic Plans and a resolution calling on the United States Congress to rescind the Iraq Resolution and pass a resolution calling for the orderly withdrawal of American troops from Iraq to commence immediately.

Once legislation has passed, the Mayor has ten days after transmittal of the bills in which to sign the legislation. If he does not sign nor veto the legislation, it goes into effect after the ten day period.

In addition, passed at the September 17, 2007 meeting, **R-07-296** sets the official list of **City Council Meetings from November 2007 through December 2008**. The dates are as follows:

2007: November 5 and 19; December 3 and 17.

2008: January 7 and 23; February 4 and 20; March 3 and 17; April 7 and 21; May 5 and 19; June 2 and 16; August 4 and 18; September 3 and 15; October 5 and 20; November 3 and 17; December 1 and 15.

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Tuesday, September 25 •BOA – 9 a.m.	Monday, October 1 •City Council – 5 p.m.	Monday, October 8 •GABAC – 4:30 p.m.	Wednesday, October 17 •DRB – 9 a.m. •ADC – 3 p.m. •District 4 Coalition – 7 p.m.
Wednesday, September 26 •DRB – 9 a.m. •LEPC – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •ZHE – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.	Wednesday, October 3 •DRB – 9 a.m. •ParaTransit Advisory Board – 10 a.m. •District 7 Coalition – 7 p.m. •Westside Coalition – 7 p.m.	Wednesday, October 10 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m. •AQCB – 5:15 p.m.	Thursday, October 18 •EPC Hearing – 8:30 a.m.
Thursday, September 27 •District 8 Coalition – 7 p.m. •SWAN – 6 p.m.	Thursday, October 4 •AAB – 9 a.m. •North Valley Coalition – 7 p.m.	Thursday, October 11 •GWPAB – 8:30 a.m. •TAB – 9 a.m. •Feedback Forum – 11:45 a.m. •EPC Study Session – 3 p.m. •POC – 4 p.m. •SVCNA – 6:30 p.m.	Tuesday, October 23 •BOA – 9 a.m.
		Monday, October 15 •City Council – 5 p.m.	Wednesday, October 24 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •ZHE – 9 a.m. EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.
		Tuesday, October 16 •GARTC – 4:30 p.m.	Thursday, October 25 •SWAN – 6 p.m. •East Gateway Coalition – 6 p.m.
			Wednesday, October 31 •LEPC – 9 a.m. •DRB – 9 a.m.

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 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
- East Gateway Coalition** - Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center, 501 Elizabeth SE
- 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 Recycling 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.lepcabqbernco.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
- PAB** - ParaTransit Advisory Board - Alvarado Transportation Center, 100 First Street SW
- 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** - 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 **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 **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, September 26, 2007 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Planning Conference Room, Third Floor. The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **Thursday, October 18, 2007 at 8:30 a.m.** in the **Plaza del Sol Hearing Room (basement level), 600 Second Street NW** for the following cases:

Northeast

Albuquerque Meadows, Del Rey, Jade Park, North Wyoming (neighborhood association); 07EPC-40048 and 40049, Project #1003916 (case #'s); Approximately 58.52 acre(s) located on the south side of Derickson Avenue NE between San Pedro Drive NE and Louisiana Boulevard NE (**location of request**); D-18 (**zone atlas page #**); Dekker Perich Sabatini at **505-761-9700**, agent for Del Rey Investments, LLC (**applicant or agency and phone #**); Requests Amendment to the Zone Map from SU-1 for Mobile Home Park to SU-1 for Planned Development Area (PDA) and a Site Development Plan for Subdivision for the Monterra Del Rey for a proposed mixed housing types and sizes to accommodate a diverse group of potential residents, offering five (5) different housing types on multiple lot sizes (**action requested**); Carol Toffaleti at **505-924-3345 (city staff planner)**.

Holiday Park, Eldorado Heights, Big Bend; 07EPC-40055, Project #1006824; Approximately 3 acre(s) located on the south side of Comanche Road NE between Yosemite Drive NE and Mountainside YMCA; G-22; Dekker Perich Sabatini at **505-761-9700**, agent for YMCA of Central New Mexico; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit for a proposed project which will consist of four (4) additions to the Mountainside Branch of the YMCA; Carol Toffaleti at **505-924-3345**.

Highland Business and Neighborhood Association, Pueblo Alto; 07EPC-40057, Project #1006825, Approximately .6179 acre(s) located on the north side of Lomas Boulevard NE between Jefferson Street NE and Madison Street NE; J-17; Edward Ritzgerald Architects at **505-268-9055**, agent for Urban Assets, LLC; Requests a Zone Map Amendment from C-2 P to C-2 for proposed dwelling units with the potential combined home/office uses; Anna DiMambro at **505-924-3924**.

Northwest

Ladera West, Las Lomas, Laurelwood, Parkway, Quaker Heights, Taylor Ranch, Tres Volcanes, Ventana Ranch, Villages of Parkwest, Volcano Cliffs Property Owners; 07EPC-40045, Project #1004905; Volcano Cliffs Subdivision; C-8-11, D-4, D-8-10 and E-4; Dave Heil, VCPOA, Inc., at **505-228-7189**, agent for Volcano Cliffs Property Association; Requests Text Amendment to the Volcano Heights Sector Development Plan; Russell Brito at **505-924-3337**.

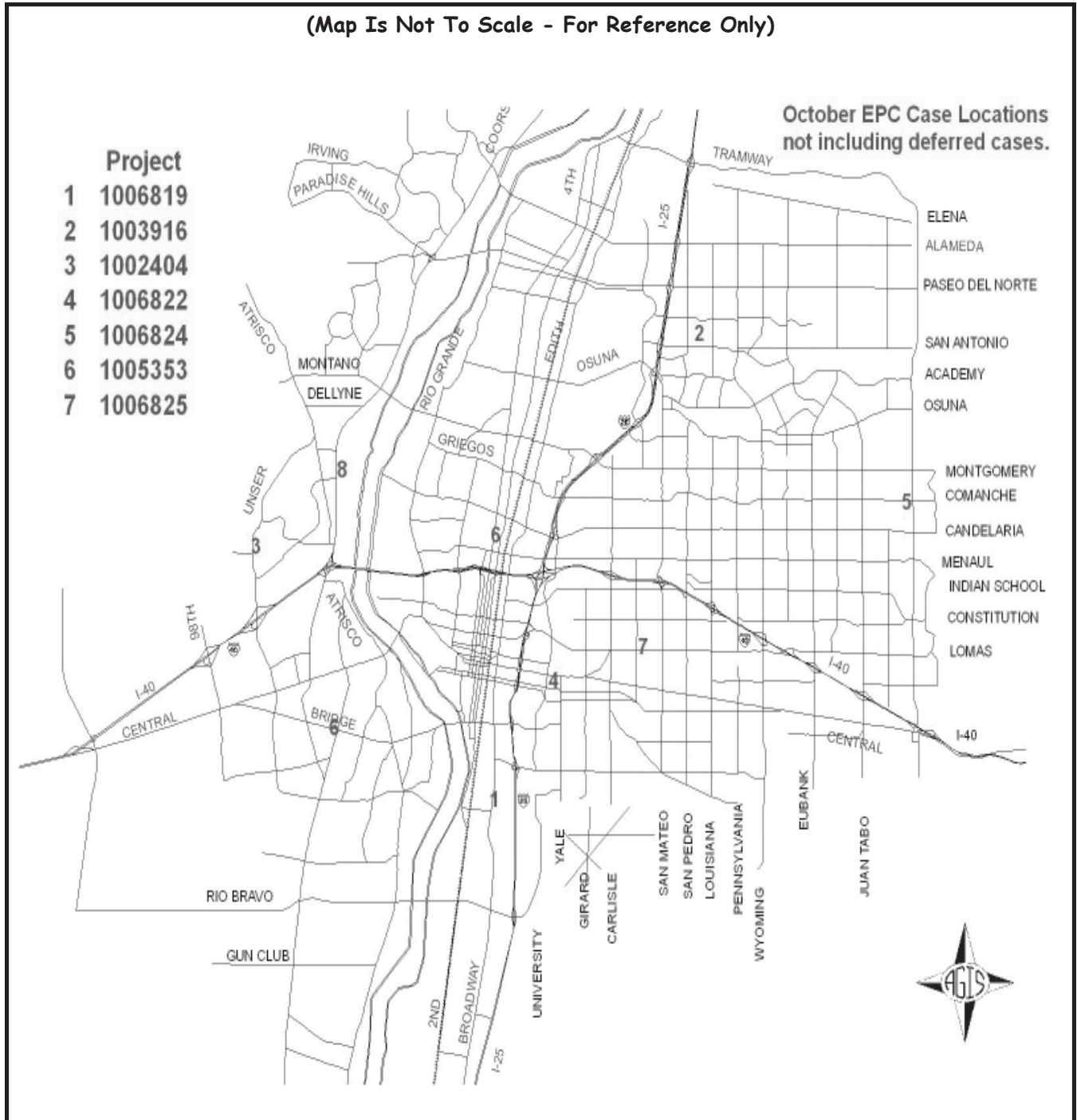
Ladera West, Las Lomas, Villages of Parkwest; 07EPC-40050 and 40051, Project #1002404; Approximately 7.08 acre(s) located on the east side of Unser Boulevard NW between Vista Oriente Street NW and Ladera Channel; H-9; George Rainhart Architects and Associates at **505-884-9110**, agent for Peterson Properties; Requests a Site Development Plan for Subdivision and Building Permit for the proposed *Unser Professional Park, Phase II*; Anna DiMambro at **505-924-3924**.

Near North Valley, North Fourth Camino Real Merchants; 07EPC-40056, Project #1005353; Approximately .4 acre(s) located on the west side of Third Street NW between Claremont Avenue NW and Phoenix Avenue NW; H-14; Mark Page at **505-681-4885**, agent for Gary Alcocer; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit for handicap accessibility of the sidewalk over the driveway entrance; Anna DiMambro at **505-924-3924**.

Southeast

No Association(s); 07EPC-40047, Project #1006819; Approximately 4.41 acre(s) located on the east side of Broadway Boulevard SE between Wesmeco Drive SE and Bethel Avenue SE; M-14; APTUS Architecture at **702-839-1200**, agent for Don F. Ahern; Request a Zone Map Amendment from SU-2 HM to SU-2 NCR for a proposed rental/retail facility for Ahern and Ace Hardware to rent equipment and purchase hardware items; Catalina Lehner at **505-924-3935**.

Silver Hill; 07EPC-40053 and 40054, Project #1006822; Approximately .37 acre(s) located on the south side of Gold Avenue SE between Terrace Street SE and Buena Vista Drive SE; K-15; Consensus Planning, Inc. at **505-764-9801**, agent for 2001 Gold Avenue, LLC; Request a Zone Map Amendment from SU-2 PR to SU-2/SU-1 PRD, a Site Development Plan for Building Permit and an Amendment to the University Neighborhoods Sector Development Plan Map indicating this property to be SU-1 for PRD for a proposed four (4) level, fifty-one (51) modern homes; Catalina Lehner at **505-924-3935**.



CITY SCOOP

News From City Departments



APD Crime Prevention

505-924-3600

Submitted By Steve Sink



Scam, Fraud and Con Games

Can you spot a con artist or con game? Most of us think we can – that we're too smart to fall victim to one of the leading crimes in our country today. The sad reality is, generally it's not that easy. Con artists rob all kinds of people of millions of dollars every year. Cons, scams, and frauds attempt to victimize us with false promises of miracle cures, financial security, and fabulous prizes. Remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. Follow these tips to help prevent you from becoming a victim.

- Never give a caller your Social Security number, credit card information, bank account number, or phone card over the phone. It's illegal for telemarketers to ask for these types of numbers to verify a prize or gift.

- Beware of 900 numbers. If you call a 900 number to claim a "prize," you might end up paying for the call. Understand all charges prior to making the call.

- Don't allow an aggressive con artist to pressure you into making a quick decision. Demand information in writing by mail. Also, get a second opinion. Ask family, friends, and/or neighbors what they think about the offer.

- You have the right and the power to say **NO**. If the caller makes you wary, be assertive and end the conversation. They often prey on the trusting, polite nature of people and the excitement over receiving a prize or bargain. You can prevent a crime and financial loss by saying no and hanging up the phone.

- Don't buy health products or treatments that promise quick cures or a single product that cures many illnesses. • Look closely at offers that come in the mail. Con artists often use official-looking forms and language. You are not obligated to respond to an offer you did not initiate.

- If you have lost a loved one and you receive a call asking for payment for something they ordered or purchased prior to their death, do not make payment until investigating. • Beware of cheap home repair work especially if it is initiated by door-to-door soliciting. The con artist may do an incomplete job, use less than appropriate materials and untrained workers, or simply take your deposit and never return. Never pay with cash. Never accept offers from someone who "just happened to be in the neighborhood." Always check their credentials, work history, and licenses prior to contracting services.

- If someone rips you off or you detect a fraud or con game, report the contact with police, the Consumer Protection Office, and/or the District Attorney's Office.

- Don't be embarrassed to make the call. Very few frauds are reported, which leaves the con artist free to victimize others. • Remember – If some one is attempting to gain information about you and you did not initiate the call or contact, consider it the beginning of a scam and discontinue the conversation. If you want information about a service or purchase, you make the initial contact.

What to do if you are a victim of a theft or lose your purse or wallet:

- Cancel credit cards immediately – keep account numbers and toll free numbers handy. • File a police report immediately to prove diligence on your part. • Call the three national credit-reporting organizations immediately to place a fraud alert on your name and Social Security Number: Equifax - **1-800-525-6285**; Experian - **1-800-397-3742**; Trans Union - **1-800-680-7289**; Social Security Administration also has a fraud line at **1-800-269-0271**.

Cultural Services

Submitted By Connor O'Laughlin, Assistant Director

Celebrate the Corrales Harvest Festival at The Albuquerque Museum's Casa San Ysidro

Saturday, September 29 and
Sunday, September 30, 2007
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Visitors to the 2007 Corrales Harvest Festival will get a glimpse into how New Mexico residents lived three hundred years ago at Casa San Ysidro, The Albuquerque Museum's historic house located in the Village of Corrales.

There will be traditional New Mexico Arts demonstrations and vendors on site during this two day event. Activities include weaving demonstrations, horno bread baking, and the making of filigree jewelry and retablos.

On both days at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. there will be entertainment by the *Puppet Playhouse*. At 12 noon on Saturday see flamenco dancing by *Pasión Flamenco*. Children will have fun making ramilletes (paper flowers), there will be a petting zoo and the historic rooms of Casa San Ysidro will be open for public viewing.

Visitors can park in the Village of Corrales and take hay wagons to Casa San Ysidro. To drive to the historic house take Highway 528/Alameda Blvd. to Ellison Drive, go north three miles, turn right on Mission Valley Drive, and then left on Old Church Road. Casa San Ysidro is located just around the bend.

For more information call **505-898-3915** or **311** and/or visit us on the web at www.cabq.gov/museum. Casa San Ysidro is owned and operated by The Albuquerque Museum, a division of the Cultural Services Department, City of Albuquerque.

Albuquerque Police Department

Community Policing Division
Submitted By Karen Fischer

With the start of the 2007 school year the City of Albuquerque is releasing a new Green version of the Slow Down sign with the message "Speed Strictly Enforced" printed on the sign as a reminder that the Albuquerque Police Department does aggressively enforce traffic laws in our city.

The City of Albuquerque's "Slow Down Albuquerque" campaign is a positive traffic awareness campaign to help Albuquerque's citizens be aware of their own driving habits, while reminding others to slow down on our City streets.

While citizens often complain to the City about cars speeding through their neighborhoods, many citizens would have to admit that they too have driven fast down city streets. There are 1,500 of the new "Slow Down Albuquerque" yard signs available, and they are free to all interested citizens at the following Albuquerque Police Department locations:

Valley Area Command

408 Second Street NW – 505-761-8800

Southeast Area Command

800 Louisiana Boulevard NE – 505-256-2050

Foothills Area Command

12800 Lomas Boulevard NE – 505-332-5240

Northeast Area Command

8201 Osuna Road NE – 505-823-4455

Westside Area Command

6404 Los Volcanes Road NW – 505-831-4705

The hours of operation for the these Area Commands are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Citizens are advised to call these locations to make sure that yard signs are still available before they go to pick up a sign. If this campaign proves to be popular, we will print more signs for additional distribution.

By taking one of these yard signs we are asking citizens to post the sign in their yard and to make a personal commitment to not speed on Albuquerque streets.

And, if you do speed, remember that the Albuquerque Police Department does "Strictly Enforce" our speeding laws, so it is best to "Slow Down Albuquerque".



Environmental Health

Animal Services Division

Submitted By Anna Martinez, Marketing Manager

Submit Your "Mutt" Shot Animal Care Center Photo Contest

To celebrate October's Adopt A Shelter Dog Month, the City of Albuquerque's Animal Care Center is holding a **Submit Your Mutt Shot Amateur Photo Contest**. Photo entries must be of dogs or puppies who have been adopted from the Eastside, Westside or Lucky Paws Animal Care Center locations.

Entrants may submit photos for any or all categories:

Cutest Dog
Most Talented Dog
Happiest Looking Dog
Funniest Looking Dog
Best friends (Dog and person/other pet)
Dog/Owner Look-alikes

Rules of Entry:

You must be the photographer or have the photographer's written consent to submit the photo.
You may enter as many categories as you like.
Do not add any borders or other alterations to the photo.

How to Enter:

Email – Photo may be emailed to muttshots@cabq.gov. Photo must be of good, clear quality (black and white or color) in a jpeg format, not to exceed 1 MB. Subject of your email should be Mutt Shots Photo Contest and the email should have the following information: your name, your dog's name, adoption date, location of adoption (East/Westside or Lucky Paws), phone number, mailing address, and animal ID number (if you remember).

Hardcopy of Photo - Photos may be dropped off at the Eastside Animal Care Center at 8920 Lomas Blvd to the attention of "Mutt Shots" Contest Judging Committee. Photo should not be larger than 5 x 7, good, clear quality (black and white or color). Please include the below information form with your photo.

Prizes:

Each category will receive first, second and third place winners. First place winners will receive an \$100 gift certificate to PetCo and a prize pack, second and third place winners will receive a \$25 gift certificate to 3 Dog Bakery to spoil their dog!

By submitting your photo, the City Animal Care Center has the right to use your photo for promotional purposes. Employees of the Environmental Health Department are ineligible to enter the contest. **Photo entries will not be returned.**

Send your entry in soon - the deadline for photo submissions is **Monday, October 22, 2007**. The winning photos will be posted on our website. Visit the City of Albuquerque Animal Care Center to adopt a dog during Adopt A Shelter Dog Month. Dogs/puppies will be \$59 throughout the month of October. To see pictures and descriptions of our adoptable or lost pets visit www.cabq.gov/pets.

Water Utility Authority

Submitted By Brynda Gutierrez



What the Heck Is a Grease Trap?

Commercial food producers, such as restaurants, cafeterias, and delis produce products that generate fats, oil, and grease. Fats, oil and grease are a problem because:

- Fats, oil, and grease accumulate in pipes and plumbing fixtures.
- Fats, oil, and grease can cause odor problems in food establishments.
- Fats, oil, and grease accumulation has the potential to cause sewer backups.
- Fats, oil, and grease are not removed at the Southside Water Reclamation Plant and can lead to operational problems in the treatment system.
- Fats, oil, and grease do not easily decompose.

Commercial food producers should have a grease trap or a grease interceptor. Grease bearing fixtures such as dishwashers, sinks, and floor drains are plumbed to a grease trap. This is a requirement of the **Sewer Use and Wastewater Control Ordinance** as well as in the Uniform Plumbing Code which is part of both the City and County Building Codes.

Grease trap sizes are based on the amount of wastewater discharged from a food producer. Grease traps can be located inside or outside a food producer's establishment. The traps are usually baffled to slow down flow, and prevent grease from floating off the top.

Traps should be pumped by a licensed hauler when the depth of trap approaches 25% of the total depth of the liquid in the trap. Cleaning traps is critical to their efficiency.

Some establishments use enzymes for treatment of grease; however, this is not an effective treatment for grease. Enzymes temporarily break down grease which later congeals in the collection system causing sewer backups. Enzymes do help with odors that are produced from grease. Introducing air into grease traps reduces odors, and solids, and is an effective means of enhancing grease trap efficiency.

Some food establishments may not even be aware that they have or should have a grease trap. The Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority's Pollution Prevention (p2) Program will be checking grease traps at food producers.

For more information about maintaining grease traps, or other questions about licensed grease haulers or grease traps please contact the p2 Program at **505-873-7058** or **505-873-7032**.



Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Library System

Submitted By Riann K. Powell

What's Going On at Your Library This Fall?

September and October are chock full of exciting new Library programs for adults and families. All programs are free and open to the public.

Adults! Beginning computer classes have resumed at the Cherry Hills Library. Learn keyboard basics, intro to MS Word, Excel and more! For information call **505-857-8321**. Interested in quilting? Meet teacher Carol A. Bell at the Taylor Ranch Library on **Saturday, September 29, 2007** where she will talk about the past, present and future of quilting and display many colorful works. Call **505-897-8816** to learn more. Wonder about what paperwork you need to hold on to? How to care for a loved one long distance? How to survive single in a world made for pairs? Then check out a series of life skills workshops with author Linda Thompson at various libraries in October. Visit the Library's website at www.cabq.gov/library for a schedule of these programs. Join the state's largest book club! The Big Read, a collaboration between the Library System, Bernalillo County and the National Hispanic Cultural Center, is taking place throughout the month of September. For more information on associated events and how you can participate visit the Library's website.

Teens! We need your help to develop exciting teen programs and your input on what books and comics you want to see at the Library. Join our Teen Advisory Board and help with these decisions and more. For more information call the Cherry Hills Library at **505-857-8321**. Are you interested in becoming an author? Do you have questions about the writing process? Meet Author Carolyn Meyer at the Lomas Tramway Library on **Saturday, September 29, 2007**. She'll talk about historical fiction and the writing process. P.S. – bring your parents along – they'll love this program, too! Call **505-291-6295** to learn more. Getting ready to take the ACT? The Cherry Hills Library is hosting an ACT prep class on **Saturday, October 13, 2007**. Call **505-857-8321** for more information. Have questions about your homework? Check out Live Homework Help, a free online tutoring service with live tutors available to help you in math, science, social studies and other subjects. To access LHH log on to the Library's website at www.cabq.gov/library.

Kids! Would you like a patient, attentive friend to read to? Practice reading with a cute and friendly therapy dog. The Library is hosting Read to the Dogs at two additional branches, giving you an opportunity to visit one of many libraries on a Saturday to read to a furry friend. For a list of Libraries hosting Read to the Dogs as well as program dates and times visit the Library's website at www.cabq.gov/library. Every month the Los Griegos Library hosts Make-It-and-Take-It craft programs. In September you can make an Origami Accordion Book and in October make a Paper Plate Black Cat. Call the Los Griegos Library at **505-761-4020** for dates and times. And don't forget to visit the Library's website for the schedule of our weekly storytimes.



San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project Update

Construction activity is beginning to wind down on a number of San Juan-Chama Drinking Water pipelines this month, but there is still activity in the northeast heights and northwest areas of Albuquerque.

Northwest Quadrant of Albuquerque

Marquette Avenue NE between San Mateo Boulevard NE and Hermosa Drive NE

Crews are continuing to install temporary water lines and connect water services to homes before beginning installation of a large diameter water line as part of the Burton Pipeline project. 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 paved and reopened. Access will be maintained to all homes and businesses. This work is expected to last from mid-to-late August through October 2007.

Northwest Quadrant of Albuquerque

Campbell Road NW at the Bosque

Through mid-October, crews are repairing a section of pipeline on Campbell Road NW, west of Alejandro Lane NW near the Bosque trail along the west side of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District overflow channel. While no road impacts are expected, there is an excavation in this area that is barricaded and construction vehicles will be in the area to make the appropriate repairs. This work is being done as part of wrap-up on the West Valley pipeline.

Rio Grande Boulevard NW between Alameda Boulevard NW and north of Ortega Road NW

From September 19-26, 2007 crews will be working on a potable waterline tie-in on Rio Grande Boulevard NW just north of Ortega Road NW and south of Alameda Boulevard NW as part of the Raw Water Pump Station project. Traffic will be narrowed to one lane in one direction as a time, with flagmen on-site to direct traffic as necessary. This work will be performed at night – from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Motorists can use Ortega Road NW, El Pueblo Road NW, and Fourth Street NW as alternate routes.

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 next neighborhood association or homeowners 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.

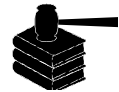
For More Information or to Schedule a Presentation

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.sjcdinkingwater.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 <pattiw@cooneywatson.com>.



Metro Court

Submitted By Janet Blair



New Warrant Enforcement Plan Goes Into Effect At The End Of September

Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court and the Albuquerque Police Department will be working together again on another Operation Warrant Enforcement (OWE). The officers will be on the streets from the last week of September to the beginning of October, arresting defendants who have failed to appear at their scheduled court hearings.

“The APD officers will be working overtime tracking down people who have not made their court appearances a high priority,” said Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court Chief Judge Judith Nakamura. “This could end up being a very uncomfortable reality check for the defendants who are arrested. Some people feel their bench warrants will never catch up to them. We would like to change that perception.”

The officers will be seeking approximately 500 individuals whose cases had bench warrants placed on them in the last six months. The officers will be working for about ten days on the project, which the court runs approximately every quarter. It is funded through the collection of bench warrant fees of \$100 each that are levied by law on those arrested.

Those with bench warrants who would like to clear them should come to the courthouse at 4th and Lomas NW or call Customer Service at **505-841-8151** for instructions.



Albuquerque

Community Emergency Response Team

Submitted By Joan Jones, Pat Hurley Neighborhood Association

Volunteers Needed: Local government prepares for everyday emergencies. However, there can be an emergency or disaster that can overwhelm the community's immediate response capability. While adjacent jurisdictions, State and Federal resources can activate to help, there may be a delay getting to those who need them. The primary reason for **CERT** training is to give people the decision-making, organizational, and practical skills to offer immediate assistance to family members, neighbors, and associates while waiting for help. While people will respond to others in need without the training, the goal of the CERT Program is to help people do so effectively and efficiently without placing themselves in unnecessary danger.

CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) is based on a simple observation: in major emergencies, professional emergency services are overloaded immediately. For example, the Albuquerque New Mexico Metro area has approximately 215 sworn fire fighters and approximately 360 sworn police officers on duty on any given day. That is approximately 575 first responders for a community of 729,000 people; adequate for normal emergencies, rescues and crimes. However, if a mass emergency traps or injures just 2% of the areas inhabitants, there are instantly 14,580 victims; many with major injuries. Telephone lines and connections may fail from overload. Roads, electricity and other services may fail, hampering emergency services, and interfering with fuel and material supplies. The benefit of having trained volunteers to assist our local first responders is quite clear.

If only professionals responded to an emergency that created over 14,500 victims, three quarters of the victims could die while waiting for rescue. Most of these deaths could be prevented by simple rescue and first-aid procedures. In these environments, **CERT** volunteers are far more effective than untrained civilians. With 40 hours of training, a volunteer emergency responder becomes qualified to perform about 95% of needed emergency services. This means that 95% of the rescues, life-saving triage and first-aid procedures can be completed in the "golden day," the first 24 hours when rescues and first-aid are most likely to succeed.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT): CERT Program educates citizens about the hazards they face in their communities and trains them in lifesaving skills. If needed following a disaster, these citizen-responders use their training as part of a neighborhood or workplace team to help others when professional responders are overwhelmed or not immediately available. CERT training promotes a partnering effort between emergency services and people they serve. Once trained, CERT members will be integrated into the emergency response capability for the City of Albuquerque.

CERT Teams are trained in the following areas:

- Disaster Preparedness
- Disaster Psychology/Team Organization
- Fire Suppression
- Medical Operations, Triage and First Aid
- Light Search and Rescue •Terrorism Awareness

Target Audience:

- Neighborhoods •Businesses •Communities of Faith
- Scouting Organizations •School Staff/Students •Clubs/Organizations •Amateur Radio Emergency Services

Highlights of Albuquerque's CERT Program

- Albuquerque's CERT Program is a disaster preparedness initiative of Mayor Martin J. Chávez
- Program is managed by the Office of Emergency Management
- Albuquerque CERT Program Coordinator is Ernest Maestas **505-833-7248**
- 1st CERT class graduated 15 citizens on February 18, 2006
- 2nd CERT Class graduated 32 students on May 13, 2006
- 3rd CERT class graduated 25 students on October 14, 2006
- 4th CERT class graduated 19 students on February 24, 2007
- 5th CERT class graduated 19 students on May 5, 2007

Upon graduation, citizens are provided with a certificate, provided with a **CERT** ID badge and given a backpack with emergency response equipment.

CERT Community Support: Since May 2006, the Albuquerque Community Emergency Response Team has supported the Albuquerque Community/Metropolitan area in providing over 1700 hours of volunteer support:

Habitat for Humanity; Albuquerque Isotopes Public Safety Day; Kirtland AFB Airshow; Bosque Fire Patrol; Emergency Operations Training; Belen, NM Flood Response; Albuquerque Snowstorm; Albuquerque Public Schools School to World; 7 Bar Elementary School Science Fair; National VOAD Conference; Isotopes Public Safety Day; Albuquerque/Bernalillo County LEPC All-State Conference; EG Ross Elementary School Health Fair; 19th Annual Rio Grande Valley Celtic Festival and Highland Games; Bosque Fire Patrol; Albuquerque Fire Department Fireworks Hotline; National Ad Council/Radio Disney Move It Kids Tour; Del Norte Baptist Church Kids Safety Fair; Albuquerque Isotopes Emergency Management Night; Westside – South Valley National Night Out; MMRS Full Scale Exercise; New Mexico State Fair – Fire Fighters Day.

The Albuquerque **CERT** Program is taking applications for those individuals **ages 17-70**, who are interested in signing up for the next class. Classes begin **November 13 and run through December 8, each Tuesday and Thursday from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m., and Saturdays from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.** at the Albuquerque Fire Academy, 11510 Sunset Gardens SW. If you are interested in taking the class and becoming a member of the Albuquerque CERT Program, please contact the Team Coordinator at **505-833-7248** or visit the website at www.cabq.gov/emergency/cert. What's best about taking **CERT** Class – it's **free!**



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