


CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Office of the Mayor

Mayor Timothy M. Keller

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

April 30, 2024

TO: Dan Lewis, President, President, City Council

FROM: Timothy M. Keller, Mayor 

SUBJECT: Project # PR-2023-009663 / SI-2023-01928 - Community Planning Area Assessment Report – Central Albuquerque CPA

This memo serves to transmit the Central Albuquerque (ABQ) (Community Planning Area (CPA) Assessment Report to the City Council for its acceptance. The Central ABQ CPA Assessment Report is the fourth CPA report to be transmitted to Council.

BACKGROUND

The Comprehensive Plan establishes 12 CPAs in the City, outlines a process to engage stakeholders in an assessment of each CPA, and establishes performance metrics to gauge progress toward the vision and goals. The results of planning efforts for each CPA, when completed, are contained in a CPA Assessment Report.

The Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) requires that CPA assessment recommendations accepted by the City Council be included in updates to the Comprehensive Plan and the IDO. IDO §14-16-6-3(E) Community Planning Area Assessments establishes parameters for CPA assessments, which inform updates to planning policies, zoning regulations, technical standards, and capital improvement priorities.

CPA assessments provide an opportunity to generate community-based recommendations for a given area. Though they inform updates and amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and the IDO, the CPA assessments themselves are not part of the ranked planning system.

REQUEST

The request to Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) was for review and recommendation regarding the CPA Assessment Report for the Central Albuquerque CPA. The Central Albuquerque CPA is located generally south of I-40, west of I-25, and east of the Rio Grande.

The Central Albuquerque CPA Assessment Report generally furthers applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and policies that pertain to land use, urban design, and economic development as elaborated in the EPC’s Official Notification of Decision.

ENGAGEMENT

The cornerstone of the CPA assessment process is engagement of community members, residents, businesses, and other stakeholders. The Central Albuquerque CPA planning effort included a range of opportunities for input, discussion, and consensus-building. Thousands of comments and survey responses were collected from residents, business owners, service providers, and community leaders to inform development of the report and its recommendations.

EPC ROLE AND PROCESS

Pursuant to IDO §14-16-6-3(E)(7), the EPC has an advisory role in the CPA Assessments. The EPC’s task is to review and recommend to City Council whether to accept recommendations in the CPA assessment reports. Pursuant to IDO §14-16-6-3(E)(7), the assessments shall be forwarded to the City Council for review and acceptance. This is a legislative matter.

The EPC reviewed the report during one properly-noticed public hearing. At its March 21, 2024 hearing, the EPC discussed the report, heard public testimony, and voted to forward a recommendation of Approval to the City Council.

CONCLUSION

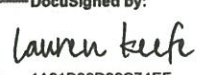
The EPC is forwarding a recommendation of Approval to the City Council of the Central Albuquerque CPA Assessment Report. The Official Notification of Decision contains the EPC’s findings and recommended conditions.

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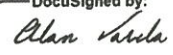
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Cover Analysis

1. What is it?

An executive communication (EC) to transmit the Central ABQ Community Planning Area (CPA) Assessment Report, which EPC recommended that the City Council accept, to the City Council. The CPA assessment process is a community-based, long-range planning effort to enable residents, business owners, property owners, neighborhood associations, community groups, and other stakeholders to determine the future vision for their community and prioritize actions to get there.

2. What will this piece of legislation do?

The CPA assessment report recommends new, place-specific policies that should be adopted into the Comprehensive Plan. The Action Plan documents specific projects and programs the City and other partners should undertake to achieve community priorities.

3. Why is this project needed?

CPA assessments generate community-based recommendations for new or revised policies for the Comp Plan, new or revised regulations for the Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO), and new or revised projects or partnerships with City Departments.

The Comprehensive Plan includes CPA assessments in Chapter 14 Implementation as Strategic Action 4.3 to implement the City's vision, goals, and policies.

Council Resolution R-22-42 (Enactment #R-2022-061) establishes the order of CPA assessments. The Central ABQ CPA Assessment Report is the third of 12 CPA Assessments.

The Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) establishes parameters for CPA assessments in §14-16-6-3(E) Community Planning Area Assessments. The IDO requires that CPA assessment report recommendations accepted by the City Council be included in policy updates to ranked plans (e.g. the Rank 1 Comprehensive Plan or a Rank 2 Facility Plan) and/or regulatory updates in the IDO annual update.

4. How much will it cost and what is the funding source?

N/A- no funding is required.

5. Is there a revenue source associated with this contract? If so, what level of income is projected?

No. N/A.

6. What will happen if the project is not approved?

This is a report documenting that includes recommendations for new policies and regulations. If it is not accepted, the City will still have the opportunity to consider the recommendations during the next Integrated Development Ordinance or Comprehensive Plan update.

7. Is this service already provided by another entity?

No.

FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

TITLE: Central Albuquerque Community Planning Area (CPA) Assessment Report R: O:
 FUND:
 DEPT:

- No measurable fiscal impact is anticipated, i.e., no impact on fund balance over and above existing appropriations.
- (If Applicable) The estimated fiscal impact (defined as impact over and above existing appropriations) of this legislation is as follows:

	2024	Fiscal Years 2024	2025	Total
Base Salary/Wages				-
Fringe Benefits at				-
Subtotal Personnel	-	-	-	-
Operating Expenses				-
Property			-	-
Indirect Costs	-			-
Total Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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Amount of Grant	-			-
City Cash Match	-	-	-	-
City Inkind Match	-	-	-	-
City IDOH *15.30	-	-	-	-
Total Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

These estimates do not include any adjustment for inflation.
 * Range if not easily quantifiable.

Number of Positions created 0

COMMENTS ON NON-MONETARY IMPACTS TO COMMUNITY/CITY GOVERNMENT:

This executive communication would facilitate City Council's acceptance of the Central Albuquerque Community Planning Area (CPA) Assessment Report, the product of a two-year community-based planning effort for the area located east of the Rio Grande, west of I-25, and south of I-40 to the southern City limits.

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The final version of the Central Albuquerque CPA Assessment report is located here:

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The Zoom video and audio recordings of the March 21, 2024 EPC hearing where the Central ABQ CPA Assessment report was heard are located here:

Video: <https://sfftp.cabq.gov/link/2nVjb7HXWZo/>

Audio: <https://sfftp.cabq.gov/link/USu7r149BA8/>

A transcript of the meeting, automatically generated by Zoom, is located here:

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