# CITY of ALBUQUERQUE TWENTY-SIXTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. <u>R-24-103</u> ENACTMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORED BY: Joaquin Baca, by request

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#### RESOLUTION

2 APPROVING THE DOWNTOWN 2025 METROPOLITAN REDEVELOPMENT AREA

**3 FOR PROPERTY TAX INCREMENT FINANCING** 

WHEREAS, the State of New Mexico has enacted the Metropolitan
Redevelopment Code (herein the "Code"), Chapter 3, Article 60A, Sections 1 - 49
NMSA 1978, as amended, which authorizes the City of Albuquerque, New Mexico
(herein the "City") to prepare and amend metropolitan redevelopment plans to
undertake and carry out metropolitan redevelopment projects; and

9 WHEREAS, the City has adopted the Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency 10 Ordinance (herein the "Ordinance") ROA 1994, Chapter 14, Article 8, Part 4, as 11 amended, which creates the Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency (herein the 12 "MRA") and delegates from the Albuquerque City Council (herein the "Council") 13 to the MRA the exercise of certain metropolitan redevelopment project powers 14 set forth in the Code; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Mexico has amended certain provision of the Code, Chapter 3, Article 60A, Sections 19 – 24, NMSA 1978 (herein the "Tax Increment Law"), effective on January 1, 2025, which authorizes the City to designate Metropolitan Redevelopment Areas (herein the "MR Areas") for tax increment financing from property tax increment for a period of up to 20 years; and

21 WHEREAS, the Tax Increment Law authorizes the City to designate a portion 22 of property tax increment for the purpose of funding a metropolitan 23 redevelopment project, after a metropolitan redevelopment plan is approved; 24 and

WHEREAS, the City enacted Resolution R-24-46 (Enactment no. R-2024-016)
 recognizing the authority of the MRA to carry out tax increment financing as
 permitted by the Tax Increment Law; and

WHEREAS, the City enacted Council Bill 0-24-22 (Enactment no. O-2024-045)
amending the Ordinance and authorizing MRA to carry out tax increment
financing as permitted by the Tax Increment Law; and

7 WHEREAS, the Council, after notice and public hearing as required by the 8 Code, duly passed and adopted Resolution R-03-294 (Enactment no. R-2003-9 160), which designated the Downtown Metropolitan Redevelopment Area and 10 established its geographic boundaries as the area generally bounded by 11 Marble/Slate/Lomas Boulevard on the north, the BNSF Rail Road/Broadway 12 Boulevard on the east, Coal Avenue on the south, and Tenth/Ninth/Seventh 13 Streets on the west; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution R-03-294, Section 4, the Council resolved that the
entire Downtown Metropolitan Redevelopment Area is specifically included for
purposes of tax increment financing; and

WHEREAS, Council, after notice and public hearing as required by the Code,
duly passed and adopted Resolution R-04-50 (Enactment no. R-2004-044), which
approved the Downtown 2010 Metropolitan Redevelopment Area Plan (the "MR
Area Plan"); and

WHEREAS, Council, after notice and public hearing as required by the Code,
duly passed and adopted Resolution R-17-213 (Enactment no. R-2017-102),
which amended the MR Area Plan and adopted it as the Downtown 2025 MR Area
Plan; and

25 WHEREAS, the Downtown 2025 MR Area Plan includes Policies and 26 Implementation Actions to make the Downtown MR Area New Mexico's premier 27 pedestrian-oriented "urban place;" and

28 WHERAS, the Downtown 2025 MR Area Plan provides that tax increment 29 financing may be used to fund programs, infrastructure, and facilities, and 30 provides that the MRA shall use redevelopment powers as authorized by the 31 Code to support and encourage residential development in the Downtown MR 32 area; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown 2025 MR Area Plan identifies multiple strategies for
 revitalization of the area, including but not limited to the development of high density urban housing, diversification of commercial and retail activity, and
 public infrastructure and safety improvements; and

5 WHEREAS, investment in and redevelopment of the Downtown 2025 MR Area 6 is critical to the sound growth and economic health of the City, and this 7 investment will not otherwise occur without the designation of the area for 8 property tax increment financing; and

9 WHEREAS, the Downtown 2025 MR Area includes approximately 478 taxable
10 parcels and comprises a total area of approximately 321 acres.

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY 12 OF ALBUQUERQUE:

SECTION 1. The entire Downtown 2025 MR Area is included for purposes ofProperty Tax Increment Financing (TIF).

SECTION 2. This area encompasses approximately 321 acres and 478 taxable
parcels, and is generally bounded by Marble/Slate/Lomas streets to the north,
the BNSF Rail Road/Broadway Boulevard to the east, Coal Avenue to the south,
and Tenth/Ninth/Seventh streets to the west.

19 SECTION 3. Pursuant to the Tax Increment Law and Resolution R-24-46 20 (Enactment no. R-2024-016) the City hereby dedicates 75% of the City's portion 21 of the property tax increment from parcels assessed by Bernalillo County, New 22 Mexico (herein the "County") within the Downtown 2025 MR Area TIF for the 23 purpose of funding the metropolitan redevelopment projects therein for a period 24 of 20 years from the date of the notification provided pursuant to Section 4 25 hereof.

26 SECTION 4. On or after January 1, 2025 the Metropolitan Redevelopment 27 Agency shall notify the County Assessor of the approved Downtown 2025 MR 28 Area TIF and provide a list of parcels to be included in the TIF for property tax 29 increment financing:

a) For a period of 20 years from the date of the notification.

b) Authorizing 75% of City's portion of the property tax increment from
 parcels assessed by the County within the designated area to be

transferred to the appropriate designated metropolitan redevelopment area
 fund, for metropolitan redevelopment activities in the designated area.
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3 SECTION 5. The Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency shall recommend to the 4 County that up to 75% of the County's portion of the property tax increment from 5 parcels assessed within the Downtown 2025 MR Area TIF be transferred to the 6 designated metropolitan redevelopment area fund within the City, through a 7 County-adopted resolution, and is encouraged to work with the County to adopt 8 such a resolution.

9 SECTION 6. The Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency is hereby authorized to
10 request a fund be created by the appropriate City financial staff for the purpose
11 of receiving exclusively all TIF funds from the Downtown 2025 MR Area TIF.

SECTION 7. INCORPORATION. The Albuquerque Code of Resolutions §1-12-15(D) is hereby amended as follows:

(D) The entire Downtown 2025 MR Area is specifically included for purposes
of tax increment financing, as provided by the Tax Increment Law, pursuant to
adopted resolutions R-24-XX and R-24-XX.

17 SECTION 8. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, paragraph, sentence, 18 clause, word or phrase of this resolution is for any reason held to be invalid or 19 unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not 20 affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this resolution. The Council 21 hereby declares that it would have passed this resolution and each section, 22 paragraph, sentence, clause, word or phrase thereof irrespective of any 23 provisions being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.



## CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE Albuquerque, New Mexico Office of the Mayor

October 25th, 2024

#### **INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

TO: Dan Lewis, President, City Council

FROM: Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

#### SUBJECT: Approving the Downtown 2025 Metropolitan Redevelopment Area for Property Tax Increment Financing

This legislation proposes the use of Property Tax Increment Financing (TIF) for the Downtown 2025 Metropolitan Redevelopment Area. The City of Albuquerque is authorized under state law to implement property tax TIFs within designated Metropolitan Redevelopment Areas (MR Areas) to stimulate economic growth and redevelopment. State statute requires that the City Council approve property tax TIF collection via resolution.

The Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency (MRA) is tasked with administering this financing tool, which allows a portion of year-to-year increment in property tax revenues from the area to be redirected toward redevelopment projects. For up to 20 years, 75% of the City's portion of property tax increments generated in this area will be allocated to the metropolitan redevelopment fund, to support infrastructure, housing, commercial diversification, and public safety projects within the boundary area. Tax increment financing generates funding for an area without directly raising taxes.

Additionally, the legislation encourages the County of Bernalillo (County) to also allocate 75% of their portions of property tax increments to the TIF fund, which the County would need to enable through their own legislative body. The City's MR department is committed to working with the County through that process.

Mayor Timothy M. Keller

Approving the Downtown 2025 Metropolitan Redevelopment Area for Property Tax Increment Financing

Approved:

Approved as to Legal Form:

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Interim Director

#### **Cover Analysis**

#### 1. What is it?

This legislation approves Property Tax Increment Financing (TIF) for Albuquerque's Downtown 2025 Metropolitan Redevelopment Area. It allows a portion of the incremental (year to year) tax revenue within this designated area to be used for redevelopment projects, administered by the City's Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency (MRA). The TIF district aims to stimulate economic growth by funding improvements in infrastructure, housing, and public amenities. Tax increment financing is a new and innovative way to generate funding for an area that does not require raising taxes.

## 2. What will this piece of legislation do?

The bill designates the Downtown 2025 Metropolitan Redevelopment Area for property tax increment financing for a period of 20 years. It redirects 75% of the City's portion of property tax increments within the area into a redevelopment fund to support various redevelopment activities. The MRA will manage these funds to carry out infrastructure improvements, residential development, and commercial diversification in the downtown area.

## 3. Why is this project needed?

The project is needed to revitalize Albuquerque's downtown, an area identified for significant economic development. The Downtown 2025 Plan outlines goals to create a pedestrian-friendly urban environment, increase housing density, and diversify commercial activity. Without redevelopment investment, the area's growth and economic health are expected to stagnate, limiting opportunities for sustainable urban development. This project will allow the City to generate additional funds for redevelopment projects without increasing taxes.

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

The approval of the Downtown MR Area TIF will not will not require additional funding sources, nor will it have a net negative impact on the financial resources.

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

Yes, the revenue source is the property tax increment generated within the Downtown 2025 Metropolitan Redevelopment Area. The bill allocates 75% of the City's portion of this tax increase for 20 years. The projected income will vary based on economic activity in the area, but the TIF structure is designed to capture the incremental growth in tax revenues.

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

If the project is not approved, Albuquerque's downtown may miss out on critical redevelopment funding. The area's economic growth and revitalization efforts would likely stagnate without the financial incentives provided by TIF.

## 7. Is this service already provided by another entity?

No, the Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency is uniquely authorized to implement tax increment financing for designated redevelopment areas in Albuquerque.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS**

TITLE: APPROVAL OF THE DOWNTOWN 2025 METROPOLITAN REDEVELOPMENT AREA I	FOR	
PROPERTY TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	R:	O:
	FUND:	275
	DEPT:	DFAS

[x] No measurable fiscal impact is anticipated, i.e., no impact on fund balance over and above existing appropriations.

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(If Applicable) The estimated fiscal impact (defined as impact over and above existing appropriations) of this legislation is as follows:

				Fis	cal Years				
		2025			2026	2027		Total	
Base Salary/Wages									-
Fringe Benefits at									25
Subtotal Personnel			-		-		-		-
Operating Expenses					-				-
Property					-		-		-
Indirect Costs			-		-		-		-
Total Expenses	\$		-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
[X ] Estimated revenues not affected	Personal second								
[] Estimated revenue impact									
Revenue from program									0
Amount of Grant					-		-		
City Cash Match									
City In-kind Match									
City IDOH			-		-		-	 	-
Total Revenue	\$		-	\$	-	\$ 	-	\$	-

These estimates do not include any adjustment for inflation.

\* Range if not easily quantifiable.

#### Number of Positions created

**COMMENTS:** At this time the fiscal impact cannot be accurately anticipated. The approval of the tax increment finance (TIF) instrument for redevelopment projects will not have a net negative impact on revenues. On the contrary, it will increase revenues as the TIF area begins to redevelop. However, until the baseline data for current tax collection can be established by the County and the State, the anticipated revenues cannot be accurately calculated.

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

The approval of the tax increment finance (TIF) instrument for funding redevelopment projects in the Downtown MR Area will provide a method for financing projects in the designated area to improve infrastructure, economic development (business and jobs creation), and additional housing for the area. The approval of TIF will bring for additional amenities and other benefits to the community that live, work and recreate in the area.

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