

**CITY of ALBUQUERQUE
TWENTY-FIRST COUNCIL**

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-14-69 ENACTMENT NO. R.2014-076

SPONSORED BY: Dan Lewis, by request

1 RESOLUTION
2 AMENDING THE WEST SIDE STRATEGIC PLAN TO UPDATE THE VOLCANO
3 MESA ROAD NETWORK, RECOGNIZE THE VOLCANO HEIGHTS MAJOR
4 ACTIVITY CENTER, AND DESIGNATE A NEIGHBORHOOD ACTIVITY CENTER
5 IN VOLCANO CLIFFS.

6 WHEREAS, the City Council, the governing body of the City of
7 Albuquerque, has the authority to adopt and amend plans for the physical
8 development of areas within the planning and platting jurisdiction of the City
9 authorized by Statute, Section 3-19-1 et. Seq., NMSA 1978, and by its home
10 rule powers; and

11 WHEREAS, the City Council adopted an amendment to the Rank 2 West
12 Side Strategic Plan in February 2011 to create a new community planning area
13 – Volcano Mesa – for an area of approximately 3,532 acres, bounded generally
14 by Paseo del Norte to the north and the Petroglyph National Monument to the
15 west, south, and east; and

16 WHEREAS, the Rank 2 West Side Strategic Plan’s Volcano Mesa
17 Amendment establishes the policies to direct growth within the three Rank 3
18 Sector Development Plans – Volcano Cliffs, Volcano Trails, and Volcano
19 Heights; and

20 WHEREAS, the Volcano Mesa Amendment provides opportunities for a
21 variety of housing options and densities surrounding Village Centers or Major
22 Activity Centers to promote a balance of jobs and housing, as well as service
23 and retail opportunities within walking and biking distance of residential
24 neighborhoods; and

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1 WHEREAS, the Rank 1 Comprehensive Plan's update in 2013 designated
2 Volcano Heights as a Major Activity Center, as recommended by the Rank 2
3 West Side Strategic Plan's 2011 Volcano Mesa Amendment; and

4 WHEREAS, the Rank 2 West Side Strategic Plan's 2011 Volcano Mesa
5 Amendment recommended designating the Village Center in Volcano Cliffs as
6 a Neighborhood Activity Center; and

7 WHEREAS, the road network set out in the Volcano Mesa Amendment was
8 reviewed, revised, and refined throughout the process of adopting the three
9 Rank 3 plans, which were adopted in succession beginning in May 2011 with
10 Volcano Cliffs and ending in August 2013 with Volcano Heights; and

11 WHEREAS, an amendment is needed to reconcile the road network within
12 Volcano Mesa to incorporate updated street designations for Volcano Cliffs
13 and Volcano Heights and additional intersections on Paseo del Norte and
14 Unser Boulevard; and

15 WHEREAS, amendments to the West Side Strategic Plan are consistent
16 with the applicable goals and policies of the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County
17 Comprehensive Plan, the Facility Plan for Major Public Open Space, the Facility
18 Plan: Electric System Generation and Transmission, the Northwest Mesa
19 Escarpment Plan, and the Comprehensive Zoning Code.

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
21 ALBUQUERQUE:

22 Section 1. The City Council adopts the following findings:

23 1. The Volcano Mesa community planning area comprises 3,532
24 acres of land surrounding Unser Boulevard and is bounded generally by
25 Paseo del Norte to the north and the Petroglyph National Monument to the
26 west, south, and east.

27 2. Volcano Mesa is partially developed as single-family residential
28 lots in Volcano Trails and Volcano Cliffs. Some roads and utilities are being
29 developed in Volcano Cliffs as part of the Special Assessment District (SAD)
30 228, managed by the Volcano Cliffs Property Owners Association.

31 3. Volcano Mesa includes areas designated as Developing Urban,
32 Established Urban, or Reserve by the Rank 1 Albuquerque/Bernalillo County
33 Comprehensive Plan (Comprehensive Plan). The West Side Strategic Plan

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1 amendments implement and further the applicable Goals and Policies of the
2 Comprehensive Plan as follows:

3 A. Amendments to the transportation standards help protect
4 the livability and safety of residential neighborhoods and match street design
5 to community identity (II.B.5 Policy k and II.C.9 Policies b and e).

6 B. Amendments pertaining to the Volcano Heights Major Activity
7 Center and Volcano Cliffs Neighborhood Activity Center establish the
8 appropriateness and character of activity centers in relation to surrounding
9 development and match these designations with appropriate land uses,
10 building design, road design, and transportation systems to enhance
11 community identity and character (II.B.7 Policy e and II.C.9 Policies c and e).

12 4. The amendments implement and further the established goals and
13 policies of the Rank 2 West Side Strategic Plan by

14 A. Amendments pertaining to the Volcano Heights Major
15 Activity Center and Volcano Cliffs Neighborhood Activity Center encourage
16 the designation of activity centers with appropriate land uses, building
17 design, and transportation systems (Policies 1.1, 1.9, 1.14, 1.16, and 1.18)

18 B. Amendments pertaining to the transportation network help
19 provide adequate access and transportation choices for all users within
20 Volcano Mesa (Policies 3.110, 3.111, and 3.112).

21 Section 2. Amendments to the West Side Strategic Plan, attached hereto
22 and made a part hereof, are adopted as part of this Rank 2 Plan with land use
23 control pursuant to the Comprehensive City Zoning Code and as a policy
24 guide to the implementation of the Rank 1 Albuquerque/Bernalillo County
25 Comprehensive Plan as cited above.

26 Section 3. All development activities within the Volcano Mesa boundaries
27 shall be guided by the policies established in the West Side Strategic Plan.

28 Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This resolution shall take effect five days
29 after publication by title and general summary.

30 Section 5. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section paragraph, sentence,
31 clause, word, or phrase of this resolution is for any reason held to be invalid
32 or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall
33 not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this resolution. The

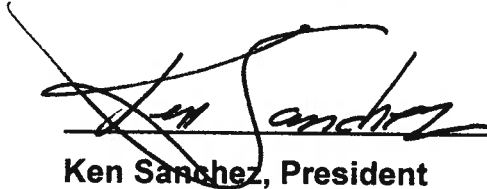
1 Council hereby declares that it would have passed this resolution and each
2 section, paragraph, sentence, clause, word or phrase thereof irrespective of
3 any provisions being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.

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1 PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF September, 2014
2 BY A VOTE OF: 6 FOR 1 AGAINST.

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4 Against: Garduño
5 Excused: Harris, Winter
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10 Ken Sanchez, President
11 City Council
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14 APPROVED THIS 30th DAY OF September, 2014
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22 Richard J. Berry, Mayor
23 City of Albuquerque
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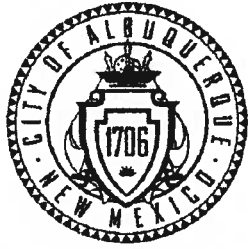
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26 ATTEST:

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29 Trina M. Gurule, Acting City Clerk
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City of Albuquerque

Office of the City Clerk

Richard J. Berry, Mayor

Trina Gurule, Interim City Clerk

Interoffice Memorandum

October 1, 2014

To: CITY COUNCIL

From: TRINA GURULE, INTERIM CITY CLERK

Subject: BILL NO. R-14-69; ENACTMENT NO. R-2014-076

I hereby certify that on September 30, 2014, the Office of the City Clerk received Bill No. R-14-69 as signed by the president of the City Council, Ken Sanchez. Enactment No. R-2014-076 was passed at the September 15, 2014 City Council meeting. Mayor Berry did not sign the approved Resolution within the 10 days allowed for his signature and did not exercise his veto power. Pursuant to the Albuquerque City Charter Article XI, Section 3, this Resolution is in full effect without Mayor's approval or signature. This memorandum shall be placed in the permanent file for Bill No. R-14-69.

Sincerely,

Trina Gurule
Interim City Clerk