

# CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

## TWENTY SECOND COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-17-250 ENACTMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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1 RESOLUTION  
2 CREATING A CRUISING TASK FORCE TO EXPLORE OPTIONS AND MAKE  
3 RECOMMENDATIONS TO PROMOTE RESPONSIBLE CRUISING IN THE CITY  
4 OF ALBUQUERQUE.

5 WHEREAS, the City of Albuquerque has a Cruising on Public Streets  
6 Ordinance that allows for the City Council to limit cruising calling it “a threat  
7 to the public health, safety, and welfare through congestion created by the  
8 repetitive, unnecessary driving of motor vehicles;” and

9 WHEREAS, cruising, when done responsibly, is deeply ingrained in the  
10 Culture of the Southwest and woven into the cultural fabric and heritage of the  
11 City; and

12 WHEREAS, responsible cruising may not be a threat to the health, public  
13 safety and welfare of Albuquerque, but the Council acknowledges that not all  
14 cruisers are responsible; and

15 WHEREAS, it is important that the issue of cruising, both responsible and  
16 irresponsible, be studied by those most affected by it, with the goal of  
17 encouraging responsible cruising and discouraging irresponsible cruising.

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF  
19 ALBUQUERQUE:

20 Section 1. A ten (10) member Cruising Task Force is established.

21 Section 2. The Task Force shall be made up of the following members:

22 A. Three merchant representatives appointed by the Council with  
23 knowledge and interest in issues and community impacts associated with  
24 cruising;

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1 B. Three car club representatives appointed by the Council with  
2 knowledge and interest in issues and community impacts associated with  
3 cruising;

4 C. One City staff member from the Albuquerque Police Department;

5 D. One City staff member from the Municipal Development Department;

6 E. One City staff member from the Planning Department;

7 F. One City staff member from the Council Services Department.

8 Section 3. This Task Force shall explore: a) specific forms of behavior  
9 among cruisers that are acceptable and those that should not be tolerated  
10 within City limits; b) general expectations of responsible cruisers, such as  
11 members of car clubs; c) options for encouraging responsible cruising; d)  
12 options for efficient law enforcement methods that incorporate community  
13 policing policies in cooperation with the cruising community; e) and any other  
14 relevant and helpful options relating to this issue. This Task Force shall  
15 prepare a list of recommendations for the Mayor and Council's consideration  
16 by no later than April 1, 2018.

17 Section 4. This Task Force is a fact finding and recommending body and  
18 not a final policy making body; accordingly, any meetings of this Task Force  
19 are not subject to the New Mexico Open Meetings Act.

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