

**CITY of ALBUQUERQUE
TWENTY-SECOND COUNCIL**

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-16-10 ENACTMENT NO. R.2016.010

SPONSORED BY: Isaac Benton

1 RESOLUTION
2 ADOPTING THE DOWNTOWN ARTS & CULTURAL PLAN AND ESTABLISHING
3 THE BOUNDARY OF THE DOWNTOWN ARTS & CULTURAL DISTRICT.

4 WHEREAS, the City of Albuquerque Downtown area has been designated
5 by the State of New Mexico MainStreet Program an Arts and Cultural District;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, in 2011, the City Council accepted a \$35,000 grant from the New
8 Mexico State Economic Development Department’s MainStreet Program for
9 the purpose of developing a Downtown Arts and Cultural Plan; and

10 WHEREAS, adopted City policies have long called for a downtown that
11 celebrates the mixture of vintage and midcentury modern buildings, local
12 businesses and cultural amenities; and which is safe, easily accessible, active
13 24 hours, and pedestrian oriented; and

14 WHEREAS, the Downtown Albuquerque Arts & Cultural District Steering
15 Committee engaged key stakeholders and the public to identify opportunities
16 in the district and create a Downtown Arts and Cultural Plan: “Multitude of
17 Riches: A Blueprint for the Creative Development of Downtown Albuquerque,”
18 hereinafter referred to as “the Plan”; and

19 WHEREAS, the Plan provides a vision for cultivating the growth of arts,
20 cultural and creative activity in downtown Albuquerque; and

21 WHEREAS, the Plan produces an implementation guide intended to
22 promote partnerships between local government, private and commercial
23 entities, non-profit organizations, interested citizens, and business owners;
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25 WHEREAS, the Plan establishes four priorities generated by the community
26 and industry experts: development of leadership capacity to implement the

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1 Plan, branding and marketing Downtown’s cultural assets, continued
2 development of arts and culture-related business activity and physical
3 improvements such as streetscapes and beautification; and

4 WHEREAS, the Plan outlines strategies and objectives aimed at achieving
5 those priorities and goals; and

6 WHEREAS, the Plan outlines a list of recommended Capital Projects that
7 would support the development of the Arts and Cultural District.

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
9 ALBUQUERQUE:

10 SECTION 1. The City Council hereby adopts the Downtown Arts & Cultural
11 District boundary, as also adopted by the New Mexico Arts Commission in
12 2012, as shown in Exhibit A, attached hereto. The district covers
13 approximately 5.5 square miles in the Downtown core, generally bounded by
14 Broadway Blvd., 10th Street, Coal Ave. and Lomas Blvd.

15 SECTION 2. The City Council hereby adopts the Downtown Arts & Cultural
16 District Plan, as shown in Exhibit B, attached hereto.

17 SECTION 3. 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.

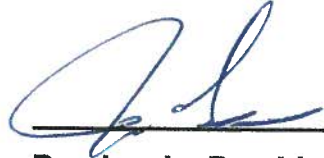
24 SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This resolution shall take effect five days
25 after publication by title and general summary.

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1 PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF February 2016
2 BY A VOTE OF: 8 FOR 0 AGAINST.

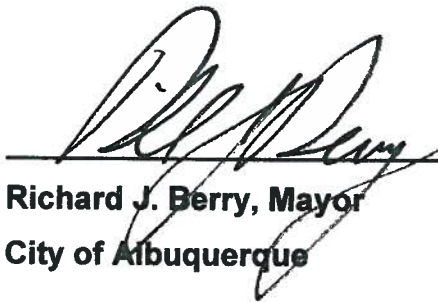
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4 **Excused: Lewis**

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8 Dan Lewis, President
9 City Council

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11 APPROVED THIS 4th DAY OF March, 2016

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20 Richard J. Berry, Mayor
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24 **ATTEST:**

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27 Natalie Y. Howard, City Clerk

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