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1       **WHEREAS**, according to the National Library of Medicine, enteroviruses,  
2 hepatitis A virus, rotaviruses, parvovirus-like viruses, astroviruses,  
3 caliciviruses, adenoviruses and coronaviruses may be present in human  
4 feces; and

5       **WHEREAS**, the New Mexico Department of Health has issued multiple  
6 Health Alerts regarding ongoing drug-resistant Shigella infections in the  
7 Albuquerque area, mainly affecting the homeless population, that can be  
8 transmitted through contact with human feces; and

9       **WHEREAS**, the presence of human feces in public spaces poses a  
10 significant health and sanitation risk to the community; and

11       **WHEREAS**, human feces poses a significant risk to water quality when  
12 washed into storm drains or waterways

13       **WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management  
14 also notes that properly disposing of human feces is important to avoid  
15 polluting water sources, minimizing the chances of spreading disease, and  
16 maximizing the rate of decomposition; and

17       **WHEREAS**, failure to promptly address and rectify this matter may result in  
18 public health hazards and damage to the community’s reputation; and

19       **WHEREAS**, to protect the public health and general welfare of residents,  
20 The City desires to create a program for the disposal of human feces on all  
21 properties in the City limits.

22       **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY**  
23 **OF ALBUQUERQUE:**

24       **SECTION 1.** The City Administration shall develop and administer a  
25 program to collect feces that is believed to come from a human, including:

- 26       **A.** Engaging with and supervising a contractor who specializes in  
27       removing and disposing of potentially hazardous material;
- 28       **B.** Directing the contractor to clean up human feces, on both public and  
29       private property;
- 30       **C.** Coordinating with 311 to create a mechanism through which residents  
31       can report human feces and the contractor can then be dispatched to  
32       the location; and

1 D. In conjunction with the contractor, track where human feces is found  
2 and the number of instances the contractor cleans up such waste.

3 SECTION 2. The following appropriation is made from the available fund  
4 balance program from Fiscal Year 2023:

5 GENERAL FUND – 110

6 Environmental Health Department

7 Contract to administer an infectious waste program \$100,000

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**FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS**

TITLE: DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO CREATE A PROGRAM FOR THE DISPOSAL OF HUMAN FECES ON PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE.

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 FUND: 110  
 DEPT: EHD

- 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:

	Fiscal Years			
	2024	2025	2026	Total
Base Salary/Wages				-
Fringe Benefits at				-
Subtotal Personnel	-	-	-	-
Operating Expenses	100,000	-	-	100,000
Property	-	-	-	-
Indirect Costs	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Estimated revenues not affected				
<input type="checkbox"/> Estimated revenue impact				
Revenue from program				0
Amount of Grant		-	-	
City Cash Match				
City Inkind Match				
City IDOH	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

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

Number of Positions created

**COMMENTS:** This appropriates \$100,000 from the General Fund from the available fund balance to the Environmental Health Department for a professional services contract to respond to constituent calls to pick up human feces.

**COMMENTS ON NON-MONETARY IMPACTS TO COMMUNITY/CITY GOVERNMENT:**  
 This service is necessary to reduce the spread of viruses that are transmitted through contact with human feces.

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