

# CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

## NINETEENTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_ ENACTMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORED BY:

1 RESOLUTION  
2 RELATING TO CAPITAL PROJECTS; CREATING A TRAFFIC AND  
3 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROJECT ON RAINBOW BOULEVARD AND UNIVERSE  
4 BOULEVARD WITHIN THE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE TAX FUND  
5 340; DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE LIGHTING, SAFETY AND  
6 STREET IMPROVEMENTS; APPROPRIATING AND DESIGNATING FUNDS IN  
7 THE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE TAX FUND 340.

8 WHEREAS, adjacent to Rainbow Boulevard between Universe Boulevard  
9 and Paseo Del Norte the Tierra Antigua Elementary School and the Tony  
10 Hillerman Middle School have recently opened their doors, and Volcano Vista  
11 High School is now fully open to grades, 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>. In addition the  
12 Albuquerque Public Schools have opened a Sports Complex behind Tony  
13 Hillerman Middle School; and

14 WHEREAS, these facilities generate a significant volume of pedestrian and  
15 automotive traffic to both Rainbow and Universe Boulevards including  
16 hundreds of student pedestrian crossings where there are few, if any,  
17 pedestrian safety improvements. The motor vehicle traffic to and from the high  
18 school includes not only bus and parental traffic, but also a large number of  
19 young and inexperienced drivers, which has resulted in traffic delays and  
20 traffic safety issues on both Rainbow and Universe where these student  
21 drivers must enter and exit Volcano Vista High School at non-signalized  
22 intersections on Universe Boulevard. The combination of a lack of roadway  
23 lighting and the numerous school activities at night has created a danger to  
24 both participants and the area residents traveling on Universe. Subsequently  
25 multiple traffic accidents have occurred that might have been avoided with  
26 additional traffic and pedestrian safety improvements; and

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1 WHEREAS, funds appropriated specifically to Council District 5 to fund  
2 road deficiencies and unspent and unappropriated balances of Transportation  
3 Infrastructure Tax for Road Deficiency funds are available to pay for safety  
4 improvements.

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF  
6 ALBUQUERQUE:

7 Section 1. The following project is created and the following  
8 appropriations and designations are hereby made within the Transportation  
9 Infrastructure Tax fund:

10 TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUND – 340  
11 DMD/Streets/Transportation Tax  
12 Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Improvements Rainbow  
13 and Universe Boulevards \$200,000

14 The scope of this project is to design, engineer, construct, install,  
15 equip or otherwise provide for traffic and pedestrian safety improvements on  
16 Rainbow and Universe Boulevards between where Rainbow and Universe  
17 intersect and where each of these roadways intersect with Paseo Del Norte.  
18 Improvements can include, but are not limited to, lighting, traffic signals,  
19 signage, traffic calming devices, and pedestrian crossing facilities.

20 District 5 Road Deficiencies  
21 The scope of this project is expanded to designate \$50,000 of the  
22 unencumbered balance within project 7100250 for the design, engineering,  
23 construction, installation, equipping or otherwise providing for traffic and  
24 pedestrian safety improvements on Rainbow and Universe Boulevards  
25 between the intersection of Rainbow and Universe and the intersections of  
26 those roadways with Paseo Del Norte including, but not limited to, lighting,  
27 traffic signals, signage, traffic calming devices, and pedestrian crossing  
28 facilities.

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