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CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

Office of the Mayor

One Civic Plaza NW, Albuquerque, NM 87103
Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM August 27, 2026

TO: Klarissa J. Peña, President, City Council

FROM: Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

SUBJECT: Mayor's appointment of James P. Hunter to the Library Advisory Board.

I am submitting for your advice and consent the following name for appointment to the Library Advisory Board in accordance with the City of Albuquerque Ordinance 10-6-1.

APPOINTEE NAME	**TERM**
James P. Hunter Albuquerque, NM 87110	July 31, 2029

James Hunter is a nuclear engineer by profession with a passion for problem-solving and building community. He has called Albuquerque home since 2015 and loves raising his two young children in this city. You can find James volunteering to coach his kid's soccer team, serving on the board of local non-profit Zia Family Focus Center, fostering dogs, or trying- and usually failing- to win a weekly brewery trivia night. A lifelong learner, James is passionate about creating safe, inclusive spaces for people of all ages and backgrounds because everyone is welcome at the library!

A resident of Council District 7, James Hunter will serve the remainder of an unexpired term as the Council District 7 representative; His first term will expire on July 31, 2029

Current Membership

	Representing	Name	Term
1.	At Large	Lam N. Ho	7/31/2028
2.	At Large	Shari King	7/31/2028
3.	Bernalillo County	Lizza Harrison	5/26/2028
4.	Bernalillo County	Ginny L. Sterpka	5/13/2027
5.	Bernalillo County	Marianne Garin Presser	3/23/2029
6.	Bernalillo County	Janet Saiers	4/8/2027
7.	Council District 1	Alec Claude Mullet	7/31/2027
8.	Council District 2	Jennifer Black	7/31/2028
9.	Council District 3	Vacant	
10.	Council District 4	Marie Elizabeth Eszenyi	7/31/2028
11.	Council District 5	Vacant	
12.	Council District 6	Moriah Baca	7/31/2028
13.	Council District 7	Vacant	
14.	Council District 8	Madelynne A. Johnson	7/31/2026
15.	Council District 9	Nicole S. Finch	7/31/2027
16.	Library Foundation	Julia Clarke	At Pleasure

Samantha Sengel

Samantha Sengel, Chief Administrative Officer

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Date

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE
CITY COUNCIL

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: **Timothy M. Keller, Mayor**

FROM: **Tammy Fiebelkorn, City Councilor, District 7**

SUBJECT: **Appointees for District 7 Vacancy on the Library Advisory Board**

DATE: 7/21/2026

In Accordance with § 10-6-1, I am pleased to submit for your consideration the names of two constituents who are qualified to serve as the District 7 representative on the Library Advisory Board. The two appointees for consideration are as follows. I have attached their resumes to this correspondence.

Mrs. Ruth M. Allen:

Ruth Allen is an educator with close to a decade of classroom experience and a deep commitment to early childhood literacy. She taught first grade in Albuquerque Public Schools and holds a Master's degree in Education with a specialization in Instructional Leadership from Wayland Baptist University, along with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from the University of New Mexico. She is a licensed New Mexico teacher, kindergarten through eighth grade, with a TESOL endorsement.

Allen also brings direct public library experience from her time in the Chicago area, where she worked in youth services at the Arlington Heights and Des Plaines public libraries. In those roles she led weekly story times for infants and young children, planned monthly library events, and built welcoming spaces for learners of every background, including English language learners and students with special needs. A mother of two, she is eager to help the Albuquerque Public Library System become a driving force for improving children's literacy across New Mexico.

Mr. James P. Hunter:

James Hunter is a licensed professional engineer and manager at Sandia National Laboratories, where he leads a technical department and has built a career directing complex projects, developing teams, and mentoring staff. Before joining Sandia, he served as a naval officer responsible for large teams and high stakes operations. He holds a Master's degree in Nuclear Engineering from Pennsylvania State University and a Bachelor's degree in Nuclear Engineering from Purdue University.

A resident of Albuquerque since 2015, Hunter is raising two young children here and visits library branches across the city with his family. He coaches his children's soccer team, fosters dogs, and serves as Treasurer on the board of the local nonprofit Zia Family Focus Center. He sees libraries as essential community institutions that provide access to knowledge, support lifelong learning, and offer safe, inclusive spaces for people of all ages and backgrounds. He is especially interested in supporting strategic planning, advocating for funding and resources, and helping promote library programming to the wider community.