

# CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

## TWENTY-FIRST COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-14-60 ENACTMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORED BY: Isaac Benton

1 RESOLUTION

2 REAFFIRMING THE POLICY OF THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE THAT THE  
3 CONSTRUCTION OF A ROUNDABOUT AT RIO GRANDE AND CANDELARIA IS  
4 A CITY PROJECT; AMENDING ATTACHMENT 1 OF RESOLUTION-13-128 TO  
5 INCREASE FUNDS FOR THE RIO GRANDE BOULEVARD AND CANDELARIA  
6 SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.

7 WHEREAS, in 2008 the City of Albuquerque completed a study to improve  
8 intersection safety at the Intersection of Candelaria Road and Rio Grande  
9 Boulevard, and proposed a roundabout as the most effective solution; and

10 WHEREAS, in 2009 the City of Albuquerque received a grant of Federal  
11 Highway Safety Improvement Program Funds (HSIP) to construct the  
12 roundabout, as project CN: A300650 and completed 95% of the design by  
13 2012; and

14 WHEREAS, in 2010 the City Council added the project to the list of  
15 Transportation Improvement Projects that are awarded federal grants; and

16 WHEREAS, in 2014 the City applied for and was awarded an extension of  
17 the HSIP Grant for \$1,760,000 and includes required matching funding  
18 provided by the New Mexico Department of Transportation; and

19 WHEREAS, the City completed an updated study of the intersection in July  
20 2013 that recommended interim measures, continuing monitoring of the  
21 intersection and that a roundabout not be excluded from consideration as it  
22 remains a superior safety measure; and

23 WHEREAS, there have been 11 crashes at the intersection of Rio Grande  
24 and Candelaria since data was collected for the updated intersection study,  
25 two since December of 2013 resulting in multiple injuries; contributing factors  
26 were disregard for the traffic signal, improper turns and speeding; and these

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1 factors are safety issues that cannot be mitigated by the proposed interim  
2 measure of a turn signal but can be mitigated by a roundabout, which is a  
3 nationally-recognized proven crash safety countermeasure.

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

6 Section 1. The City of Albuquerque reaffirms as policy the roundabout  
7 programmed for the intersection of Rio Grande Boulevard and Candelaria  
8 Road as a Transportation Improvement Project listed in Attachment 1 of R-13-  
9 28, the adopted list of Transportation Improvement Program projects.

10 Section 2. Attachment 1, of R-12-13-28 for Project Identification Number 63  
11 in the column titled "Estimated Project Cost" the funding is increased to  
12 \$1,760,000; in the column titled "Recommended Federal Funding Level for  
13 Consideration in the 2014-2019 TIP" the funding level is increased to  
14 \$1,760,000.

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