

CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

TWENTY SECOND COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-17-233 ENACTMENT NO. _____

SPONSORED BY: Isaac Benton

1 RESOLUTION
2 ESTABLISHING THAT NO NEW RECOGNIZED OR NON-RECOGNIZED
3 NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS SHALL BE CREATED UNDER THE
4 EXISTING NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION RECOGNITION ORDINANCE
5 UNLESS IN COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN INTERIM PROCEDURES WHILE THE
6 NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION RECOGNITION ORDINANCE IS UPDATED.
7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
8 ALBUQUERQUE:

9 SECTION 1. STATEMENT OF POLICY. The City's Neighborhood
10 Association Recognition Ordinance (NARO) provides a vehicle for the City to
11 recognize neighborhood associations for the purpose of notifying
12 associations about proposed City actions that may impact their neighborhood,
13 including capital improvement projects and land use hearings. However, as
14 they are currently written, the provisions of the NARO do not have the scope
15 or enforceability mechanisms to prevent the formation of new neighborhood
16 associations that may create discord within the community and divide
17 neighborhoods, which is contrary to the intent of the program. As such, the
18 Council finds that it will be necessary to update and improve the NARO and
19 create an orderly neighborhood recognition process that guides the formation
20 of associations that best represent their communities. As an interim step in
21 this process, the Council finds that it is necessary for the City to temporarily
22 stop creating new neighborhood associations under the existing NARO.

23 SECTION 2. INTERIM PROCEDURE. No new recognized or non-recognized
24 neighborhood associations (hereinafter both referred to as associations) shall
25 be established in the City unless in compliance with the following interim
26 guidelines:

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- 1 1. Proposed new associations shall not overlap with existing
- 2 associations;
- 3 2. Should a proposed new association contain an area that overlaps with
- 4 the boundaries of an association that has been designated inactive by
- 5 the Office of Neighborhood Coordination within the twelve (12) month
- 6 period prior to the application of the proposed new association, the
- 7 inactive association shall have a period of sixty (60) days to reestablish
- 8 their previous status. If the previously active association is successful
- 9 in reinstating their active status, the new association's boundaries will
- 10 not be allowed to include the area within the previously active
- 11 association;
- 12 3. The proposed new association must adopt by-laws that, in their entirety,
- 13 ensure an inclusive, democratic and representative association,
- 14 including provisions that make the right to full membership, meeting
- 15 attendance, voting and serving on the board available to all persons
- 16 residing, owning property or owning a business within the boundaries
- 17 of the proposed association.

18 SECTION 3. SUNSET. This resolution expires upon the sooner of the next
19 enactment to amend the NARO in relation to the establishment of
20 neighborhood associations or January 1, 2019.

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