

# CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

## TWENTY THIRD COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-18-52 ENACTMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORED BY: Isaac Benton

1 RESOLUTION

2 ADOPTING THE RIO GRANDE COMPLETE STREETS PLAN, MAKING THE  
3 RECOMMENDATIONS WITHIN THE PLAN POLICY PRIORTIES FOR THE RIO  
4 GRANDE CORRIDOR BETWEEN SAN PASQUALE AVENUE AND INTERSTATE  
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6 WHEREAS, Rio Grande Boulevard (“the corridor”) is a critical corridor in  
7 the City’s transportation network; and

8 WHEREAS, the corridor abuts Old Town, one of the City’s most important  
9 cultural and historic attractions; and

10 WHEREAS, the corridor supports many users, including motorists, public  
11 transit users, pedestrians, and bicyclists; and

12 WHEREAS, the corridor is designed in such a way that some sidewalks are  
13 too narrow for comfortable pedestrian movement, the roadway is wide enough  
14 to allow speeding, and it is difficult for pedestrians to cross the corridor; and

15 WHEREAS, in 2015 the City engaged in a participatory public process with  
16 a professional transportation engineering consultant to recommend  
17 improvements to the corridor to benefit all users; and

18 WHEREAS, in 2016 a draft of the plan, encompassing Rio Grande  
19 Boulevard between Interstate 40 and Alhambra to the south, was produced  
20 and provided to the surrounding community for input; and

21 WHEREAS, the input and recommendations from the community was taken  
22 into consideration in the final draft of the plan that was produced and  
23 presented to the surrounding community in 2017; and

24 WHEREAS, the Rio Grande Complete Streets Plan (“the Plan”) is attached  
25 to this legislation as “Exhibit A”; and

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1 WHEREAS, the Plan offers recommendations for both short-term and long-  
2 term projects to make the corridor a functional, inviting place for all users; and

3 WHEREAS, adoption of the Plan will help prioritize improvements along the  
4 corridor; and

5 WHEREAS, the Plan is consistent with the recommendations and policy  
6 guidance in the City's Complete Street Ordinance, O-14-27; and

7 WHEREAS, the recommendations in this plan further several goals and  
8 policies within the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan,  
9 particularly in the Transportation (Ch. 6) and Urban Design (Ch. 7) Chapters.

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF  
11 ALBUQUERQUE:

12 SECTION 1. The City Council hereby adopts The Rio Grande Complete  
13 Streets Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit 1, to guide development, maintenance  
14 and upgrading of transportation facilities in the public right-of-way of the  
15 boundary outlined in the Plan.

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