
CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE
CITY COUNCIL

6-27-19

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

FROM: Stephanie M. Yara, Director of Council Services



SUBJECT: Transmittal of Legislation

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. R-19-146 Amending The Boundary Of The East Gateway Metropolitan Redevelopment Area To Designate An Additional Area For Inclusion Within The MRA, Making Certain Findings And Determinations Pursuant To The Metropolitan Redevelopment Code, And Authorizing And Directing The Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency To Update The Metropolitan Redevelopment Plan For The East Gateway Metropolitan Redevelopment Area Consistent With This Resolution (Harris), which was passed at the Council meeting of June 17, 2019, by a vote of 9 FOR AND 0 AGAINST.

In accordance with the provisions of the City Charter, your action is respectfully requested.

CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

TWENTY THIRD COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-19-146

ENACTMENT NO. R-2019-045

SPONSORED BY: Don Harris

1 RESOLUTION

2 AMENDING THE BOUNDARY OF THE EAST GATEWAY METROPOLITAN
3 REDEVELOPMENT AREA TO DESIGNATE AN ADDITIONAL AREA FOR
4 INCLUSION WITHIN THE MRA, MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND
5 DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO THE METROPOLITAN REDEVELOPMENT
6 CODE, AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE METROPOLITAN
7 REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO UPDATE THE METROPOLITAN
8 REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE EAST GATEWAY METROPOLITAN
9 REDEVELOPMENT AREA CONSISTENT WITH THIS RESOLUTION.

10 WHEREAS, Section 3-60A-8 NMSA 1978 of the Metropolitan Redevelopment
11 Code (Sections 3-60A-1 through 3-60A-48 NMSA 1978) states: "A municipality
12 shall not prepare a metropolitan redevelopment plan for an area unless the
13 governing body by resolution determined the area to be a slum area or a
14 blighted area, or a combination thereof, and designated the area as
15 appropriate for a metropolitan redevelopment project"; and

16 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 30-60A-8 NMSA 1978 of the Metropolitan
17 Redevelopment Code, the Council caused to be twice published in the
18 Albuquerque Journal, a newspaper of general circulation in the metropolitan
19 redevelopment area hereinafter identified, with the last publication no less
20 than 20 days before any hearing on this matter, a notice containing a general
21 description of the proposed metropolitan redevelopment area and the date,
22 time and place where the Council will hold public hearings to consider the
23 adoption of this resolution and announcing that any interested party may
24 appear and speak to the issue of the adoption of this resolution; and

25 WHEREAS, in 2007 the City of Albuquerque ("City") and the Metropolitan
26 Redevelopment Agency engaged in a study of blighted areas within the City,

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1 and submitted findings and recommendations concerning the area generally
2 described as the Central Avenue corridor from Wyoming Boulevard to
3 Tramway Boulevard with Interstate 40, which comprise the present “East
4 Gateway Metropolitan Redevelopment Area” (the “East Gateway MRA”); and

5 WHEREAS, since 2007 when the original East Gateway MRA boundary was
6 established, the boundary line intersected an existing commercial property
7 generally located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Juan Tabo
8 Boulevard and Interstate-40, only partially including the property in the MR
9 Area; and

10 WHEREAS, the northern portion of the commercial property (“Subject
11 Property”) that was not included in the original East Gateway MRA does meet
12 many of the criteria for blighted conditions that were identified in the East
13 Gateway MRA Designation; and

14 WHEREAS, the Subject Site suffers from having a substantial number of
15 deteriorating structures, deterioration of site or other improvements,
16 significant number of declining or closed commercial or mercantile
17 businesses, and having low levels of commercial or industrial activity or
18 redevelopment, and its underutilization impairs the growth and economic
19 vitality of the East Gateway Area and the City; and

20 WHEREAS, based on the foregoing the Subject Site suffers from and is
21 contributing to blighted conditions, and the rehabilitation, conservation,
22 redevelopment or development, or combination thereof of the Subject Site is
23 necessary in the interest of the public health, safety, morals or welfare of the
24 City and its residents; and

25 WHEREAS, the Singing Arrow Park and the Rancho de Carnue
26 Archeological site suffer from deterioration, obsolete or impractical planning
27 and platting, underutilization and low levels of activity or redevelopment
28 which impairs or arrests the sound growth and economic health and well-
29 being of the East Gateway area and the City.

30 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
31 ALBUQUERQUE:

32 Section 1. Because of its blighted conditions and the findings outlined in
33 the Recitals (which are incorporated by reference into the body of this

1 resolution) the Subject Site is hereby included within the East Gateway MRA,
2 and the boundary of the East Gateway MRA is hereby amended to include the
3 Subject Site with an address of 601 Juan Tabo Boulevard NE, more
4 specifically as depicted on the attached Exhibit 'A' and described as:

5 The area bounded by Juan Tabo Boulevard to the east, Copper Avenue to the
6 north, and the westernmost property line of the property located at 601 Juan
7 Tabo to the west.

8 Section 2. The Singing Arrow Park and the Rancho de Carnue
9 Archeological site are hereby included within the East Gateway MRA, and the
10 East Gateway MRA boundary is hereby amended to include the Singing Arrow
11 Park and the Rancho de Carnue Archeological site, more specifically depicted
12 in Exhibit B and described as: TRACT A PLAT OF TRACT A SINGING ARROW
13 PARK LOCATED WITHIN CANADA VILLAGE SECOND UNIT CONT 15.9407 AC,
14 *2-A REPLAT OF LOT 2 BLK 1 CORRECTED PLAT OF CANADA VILLAGE
15 SECOND UNIT, and PORTION OF TRACT 'K' REPLAT OF BLK 'K' DORADO
16 VILLAGE OF LOTS 1 & 2 BLK.

17 Section 3. The Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency is hereby authorized
18 and directed to prepare updates or amendments to the East Gateway
19 Metropolitan Redevelopment Plan or Plans for the East Gateway Metropolitan
20 Redevelopment Area which, without limitation, shall seek to eliminate the
21 problems created by the blighted conditions at the Subject Site, and shall
22 conform to any general plan for the City as a whole, and shall be sufficient to
23 indicate the proposed activities to be carried out or encouraged in the area
24 and the Plan's relationship to defined local objectives respecting land uses,
25 improved traffic patterns and controls, public transportation, public utilities,
26 recreational and community facilities, housing facilities, commercial activities
27 or enterprises, and other public improvements.

28 Section 4. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, paragraph, sentence,
29 clause, word, or phrase of this resolution is for any reason held to be invalid
30 or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall
31 not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this resolution. The
32 Council hereby declares that it would have passed this resolution and each

section, paragraph, sentence, clause, word, or phrase thereof irrespective of
any provisions being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.

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1 PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF June, 2019
2 BY A VOTE OF: 9 FOR 0 AGAINST.
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9 Klarissa J. Peña, President
10 City Council

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13 APPROVED THIS 2 DAY OF July, 2019
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17 Bill No. R-19-146

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22 Timothy M. Keller, Mayor
23 City of Albuquerque
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29 Katy Duhigg, City Clerk
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