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1 operational grants for Transit, Aviation, Public Safety and Health & Social  
2 Service programs; and

3 WHEREAS, many federal grant opportunities exist for municipalities in  
4 addition to the familiar recurring programs, that can provide support for  
5 issues of poverty, homelessness, education, public safety, and economic  
6 development, among others; and

7 WHEREAS, the grants.gov website is a valuable resource for researching  
8 and applying for available federal grant opportunities, and provides a secure  
9 and reliable source to apply for federal grants; and

10 WHEREAS, it is prudent for the City to pursue additional federal grant  
11 opportunities; not only to supplement funding available for services, but also  
12 to create, and maintain effective partnerships with federal grantor agencies;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, the City's federal grant awards are managed by individual City  
15 departments, with technical accounting assistance from the Department of  
16 Finance and Administration's (DFAS) Grant Administrator and staff; and

17 WHEREAS, the creation of a centralized City grant management unit that is  
18 responsible for the entire grant process, from procurement of the grant to the  
19 final reporting and close-out of the grant, may provide better results and  
20 efficiencies for the City.

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF  
22 ALBUQUERQUE:

23 Section 1. The Mayor, through the Department of Finance and  
24 Administrative Services, Purchasing Division, is directed to establish a vendor  
25 pool, or hire additional staff, to provide grant writing services for all City  
26 Departments by June 15, 2020. Selection of the vendor pool shall be  
27 completed through a competitive request for proposals (RFP).

28 Section 2. That funds in the amount of \$150,000 are hereby unreserved  
29 from the General Fund (110) and appropriated to the Department of Finance  
30 and Administration, Accounting Division in Fiscal Year 2020.

31 Section 3. The Mayor, through the Department of Finance and  
32 Administrative Services, Office of Budget and Management, is directed to  
33 complete a feasibility study for the creation of a centralized Grant

1 Management Unit for the City that provides grant writing services, assistance  
2 with program management, and accounting and financial reporting support to  
3 all City departments. The study shall include consideration of the size of the  
4 Grant unit, whether each of the services required are best provided by City  
5 staff or outside consultants, and the fiscal impact of establishing the Grant  
6 unit. The final report on the feasibility study shall be submitted to the City  
7 Council by March 1, 2021, in anticipation of the Fiscal Year 2022 operating  
8 budget process.

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2 BY A VOTE OF: 9 FOR 0 AGAINST.


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Patrick Davis, President  
City Council

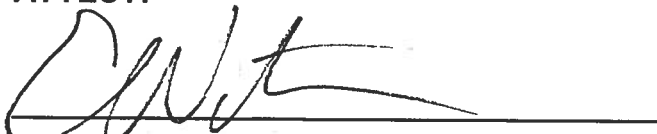
APPROVED THIS 29 DAY OF May, 2020

Bill No. R-20-50



Timothy M. Keller, Mayor  
City of Albuquerque

ATTEST:



Ethan Watson, City Clerk

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