

**CITY of ALBUQUERQUE
TWENTY FOURTH COUNCIL**

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-21-143 ENACTMENT NO. _____

SPONSORED BY: Don Harris

1 RESOLUTION

**2 ADOPTING THE JUAN TABO CONNECTIVITY STUDY, MAKING THE
3 RECOMMENDATIONS WITHIN THE STUDY POLICY PRIORITIES FOR JUAN
4 TABO BOULEVARD IN THE VICINTY OF EUBANK BOULEVARD, SOUTHERN
5 BOULEVARD AND THE TIJERAS ARROYO.**

**6 WHEREAS, Juan Tabo Boulevard (“Juan Tabo”) connects many residential
7 areas with the larger roadway network; and**

**8 WHEREAS, there are no direct east-west connections south of Southern
9 Boulevard to Eubank Boulevard; and**

**10 WHEREAS, Eubank Boulevard provides access to many major employers
11 located at Kirtland Airforce Base, Sandia National Laboratories, and Sandia
12 Science and Tech Park; and**

**13 WHEREAS, the lack of connectivity results in heavy cut through traffic for
14 some residential neighborhoods and puts pressure on the main intersections;
15 and**

**16 WHEREAS, there are significant physical barriers to creating an additional
17 east- west connection; and**

**18 WHEREAS, Juan Tabo Connectivity Study considered five alternatives,
19 plus a No-Build Alternative; and**

**20 WHEREAS, the study held two public meetings and were in contact with
21 the following stakeholders: Kirtland Air Force Base, Sandia National
22 Laboratories, Sandia Science and Tech Park, Albuquerque Public Schools,
23 State Land Office, Eastside Developers, Inc., Four Hills Community LLC, South
24 Pointe Village MHC Inc., Albuquerque Metropolitan Flood Control Authority
25 (AMAFCA), City of Albuquerque Open Space, Sage Land Consultants, Mid-**

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1 Region Council of Governments, Public Service Company of New Mexico
2 (PNM); and

3 WHEREAS, the study scored each of the alternatives on the following
4 criteria: Traffic, Cut-Through, Safety, Utilities, Right-of-Way, Cost,
5 Development, Bio-Zone, and Landfill; and

6 WHEREAS, the Study concluded that none of the five roadway alternatives
7 scored higher than the No-Build Alternative; and

8 WHEREAS, the Study recommended that if the No-Build Alternative is
9 selected to move forward, the following list of possible projects could be
10 considered to improve the study area:

- 11 ○ Improve existing infrastructure – the existing roadway network can
12 be analyzed, and improvements can be identified to increase the
13 capacity
- 14 ○ Multi-use path – construct a multi-use path instead of a roadway to
15 create a direct walking/biking route from Juan Tabo Boulevard to
16 Eubank Boulevard
- 17 ○ Transit – work with ABQRide to add transit stops along Juan Tabo
18 Boulevard and takes riders to Eubank Boulevard
- 19 ○ Ride-Share Program – work with KAFB and Sandia National
20 Laboratories to implement a ride-share program to carpool to work
- 21 ○ NTMP Willow Wood Project – implement the City of Albuquerque
22 Neighborhood Traffic Management Program project that looked at
23 diverting cut-through traffic from the Willow Wood Community. The
24 project analyzed different alternatives one being the vacation of
25 right-of-way and installing a gate at Tony Sanchez and Gibson
26 Boulevard; and

27 WHEREAS, adoption of the Study will help guide improvements to
28 connectivity and existing infrastructure in the vicinity of Juan Tabo Boulevard,
29 Eubank Boulevard, Southern Boulevard, and the Tijeras Arroyo; and

30 WHEREAS, the Juan Tabo Connectivity Study (“the Study”) is attached to
31 this legislation as “Exhibit A”; and

1 WHEREAS, the recommendations in this plan further several goals and
2 policies within the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan,
3 particularly in the Transportation (Ch. 6) and Urban Design (Ch. 7) Chapters.
4 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF**
5 **ALBUQUERQUE:**

6 **SECTION 1.** The City Council hereby adopts The Juan Tabo Connectivity
7 Study, attached hereto as Exhibit A, to guide considerations of improvements
8 to connectivity and existing infrastructure in the vicinity of Juan Tabo
9 Boulevard, Eubank Boulevard, Southern Boulevard, and the Tijeras Arroyo.

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