



CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

Office of the Mayor

One Civic Plaza NW, Albuquerque, NM 87103

Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

April, 28, 2021

TO: Cynthia D. Borrego, President, City Council

FROM: Timothy M. Keller, Mayor *TK*

SUBJECT: Mayor's appointment of Dr. Jonathan Wolfe to the Balloon Museum Board of Trustees

I am submitting for your advice and consent the following name for appointment to the Balloon Museum Board of Trustees in accordance with the City of Albuquerque Ordinance 10-4-5-1.

APPOINTEE NAME

Dr. Jonathan Wolfe
2917 Campus Boulevard NE
Albuquerque, NM 87106

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July 31, 2023

Jonathan Wolfe is a New Mexico native who attended Escuela del Sol, Monte Vista, and the Albuquerque Academy. After earning his Bachelor's degree at Johns Hopkins and his Ph.D in visual neuroscience at University of Pennsylvania, he returned to Albuquerque to follow his passion - flying hot air balloons. As a scientist, artist, educator and entrepreneur, he formed the Fractal Foundation in 2003, a nonprofit whose mission is to inspire interest in science, math and art. He is the creator of the award winning planetarium show First Friday Fractals, in partnership with the NM Museum of Natural History and Science, which has sold out over 500 times. He is also the creator and pilot of the crowd-favorite Flying Fractals hot air balloons, which are digitally printed high resolution art balloons featuring the images of mathematical equations. These balloons are the largest, highest resolution images every produced, and serve as inspiring beacons of the beauty of math and science. They are rapidly becoming icons of Albuquerque, helping make it the Fractal Capital of the World.

A resident of Council District 6, Dr. Wolfe will represent that district on the Board, and his first term will expire July 31, 2023.

Representing	Name	Term
1. Anderson Family Appointee Ex-Officio	Mr. Michael L. Anderson	
2. Abruzzo Family Appointee Ex-Officio	Mrs. Nancy Abruzzo	
3. Anderson-Abruzzo Int'l Balloon Museum Foundation	Mr. Troy Alan Bradley	07/31/2021
4. At Large	Mr. Scott S. Appelman	07/31/2021
5. At Large	Mr. Sidney (Sid) M. Gutierrez	07/31/2020
6. At Large	Mrs. Cindy Hernandez-Wall	07/31/2017
7. Council District 1	Mr. Jeffrey Huss	07/31/2021
8. Council District 2	Mrs. Nora Tocci	07/01/2024
9. Council District 3	Ms. Gina L. Montoya	07/01/2023
10. Council District 4	Mr. Ron Behrmann	07/01/2022
11. Council District 5	Mr. Robert Bacon	07/31/2021
12. Council District 6	Vacant	
13. Council District 7	Mr. Peter Cuneo	07/31/2019
14. Council District 8	Ms. Angela M. Romero	07/31/2018
15. Council District 9	Vacant	

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Sarita Nair, Chief Administrative Officer

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Date