CITY of ALBUQUERQUE TWENTY FOURTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO	R-21-187	ENACTMENT NO.	3-2021-054
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SPONSORED BY:

Isaac Benton and Brook Bassan, by request

1 RESOLUTION CONCERNING A BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF 2 ALBUQUERQUE AT THE NEXT REGULAR LOCAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 2, 3 2021; SUBMITTING TO A VOTE OF THE QUALIFIED, REGISTERED ELECTORS 4 AT SUCH REGULAR LOCAL ELECTION A QUESTION RELATING TO THE 5 ISSUANCE OF GROSS RECEIPTS TAX REVENUE BONDS IN THE PRINCIPAL 6 AMOUNT OF UP TO \$50,000,000 TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY FOR, AND TO 7 DESIGN, DEVELOP, ERECT, CONSTRUCT AND OTHERWISE IMPROVE A 8 PUBLIC STADIUM FOR MULTIPLE USES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, 9 PROFESSIONAL SOCCER EVENTS; PROVIDING THE FORM OF THE BOND 10 QUESTION AND THE DESIGNATION CLAUSE FOR SUCH QUESTION ON THE 11 BALLOT; PRESCRIBING OTHER DETAILS IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH 12 REGULAR LOCAL ELECTION AND BONDS; AND RATIFYING ACTION 13 14 PREVIOUSLY TAKEN IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. 15

WHEREAS, the City Council (the "Council") of the City of Albuquerque (the "City") in the County of Bernalillo and State of New Mexico, has determined that it is necessary and in the best interests of the City and its inhabitants to issue gross receipts tax revenue bonds in the principal amount of up to \$50,000,000 for the purpose to acquire property for, and to design, develop, erect, construct and otherwise improve a public stadium for multiple uses, including, but not limited to, professional soccer events (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Council has the power to submit the question of issuing gross receipts tax revenue bonds to the qualified electorate of the City pursuant to applicable laws of the State of New Mexico, the City Charter and the City's

25 home rule power pursuant to Article X, Section 6 of the New Mexico

26 Constitution; and

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- WHEREAS, the Council hereby determines and declares that the Project for 1 which the question of issuing the City's gross receipts tax bonds (the "Bond 2
- Election Question") as set forth herein will be for public purposes; and 3
- WHEREAS, a regular local election is scheduled to be held in the City of 4
- Albuquerque on Tuesday, the 2nd day of November, 2021, and shall include the 5
- 6 **Bond Election Question.**
- BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF 7
- 8 **ALBUQUERQUE:**
- Section 1. All action, not inconsistent with the provisions of this 9 Resolution, heretofore taken by the Council and the officers of the City directed 10
- toward the Bond Election Question and the Project, including, without limiting 11
- the generality of the foregoing, the calling and holding of an election to 12
- authorize the issuance of the gross receipts tax revenue bonds (the "GRT 13
- Bonds") to finance the Project, be, and the same hereby is, ratified, approved 14
- 15 and confirmed.
 - Section 2. At the next regular local election to be held in the City on November 2, 2021 (such regular local election being sometimes referred to herein as the "Election"), there shall be submitted to the City's qualified electors the Bond Election Question set forth in Section 5 hereof.
 - The City's qualified electors are eligible to vote on candidates, Section 3. questions and Bond Election Question being submitted at the Election.
 - All persons desiring to vote for any candidate or on any Section 4. questions being submitted at the Election must be registered to vote. Any person who is otherwise qualified to vote and who is not currently registered to vote may register at the office of the Bernalillo County Clerk, 1st Floor, 415 Silver Ave. SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico, or at the office of any duly appointed deputy registration officer, as authorized by law.
 - This Resolution and the Bond Election Question shall be Section 5. submitted to the Bernalillo County Clerk to conduct the Election in accordance with the Local Election Act, Section 1-22-1 through -20, NMSA 1978, as amended. The Bond Election Question shall be in substantially the following form:

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1	THE GROSS RECEIPTS TAX
2	REVENUE BONDS FOR MULTI-USE
3	PUBLIC STADIUM
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5	Shall the City of Albuquerque acquire property for, and to design
6	develop, erect, construct and otherwise improve a public stadium fo
7	multiple uses, including, but not limited to, professional soccer events
8	to be financed by up to \$50,000,000 of its gross receipts tax revenue
9	bonds?
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11	FOR AGAINST
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13	Section 6. The election on the Bond Election Question shall be held and
14	conducted in accordance with the Bond Election Act and the Election Code of
15	the City Charter.
16	Section 7. The Bond Election Resolution shall be published in the English
17	and Spanish languages at least once a week for four consecutive weeks by four
18	insertions, the first insertion being published between fifty (50) and sixty (60)
19	days before the day of the Election in a newspaper or newspapers which are of
20	general circulation in the City and which otherwise qualify as legal newspapers
21	in the City.
22	Section 8. For further information concerning this Election, consult the
23	Office of the County Clerk, 1st Floor, 415 Silver Ave. SW, Albuquerque, New
24	Mexico.
25	Section 9. The officers of the City be and they hereby are authorized and
26	directed to take all action necessary or appropriate to effectuate the provisions
27	of this Resolution.
28	Section 10. Should the Bond Election Question receive approval of a
29	majority of votes cast at the Election, the City is committed to development of a
30	community benefits agreement related to the Project.
31	Section 11. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Resolution
32	shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or

unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provisions shall not

affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution. The Council hereby declares that it would have passed this resolution and each section, paragraph, sentence, clause, word, or phrase thereof irrespective of any provision being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.

Section 12. All resolutions and ordinances, or parts thereof, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency. This repealer shall not be construed to revive any resolution or ordinance, or parts thereof, heretofore repealed.

Section 13. The city anticipates that, as it retires and refinances outstanding bonds backed by state share gross receipts tax revenue during this fiscal year, it will begin to realize year-over-year savings in its annual debt service obligations, which will free up funds to apply toward bonds for new capital projects in the city with no net impact on current debt service obligations. It is the intent of the City to utilize some of this capacity for funding the development and construction of new youth and amateur soccer fields west of the River.

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