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## City of Albuquerque Office of the Mayor

Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

**Interoffice Memorandum** 

March 11, 2020

To: Pat Davis, President, City Council

From: Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

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Appointment of Ethan Watson to the Position of City Clerk

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Ethan Watson is a native of Albuquerque, New Mexico who graduated from the University of New Mexico School of Law in 2011 and received a Bachelor's Degree from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia in 2006. Ethan is currently the Acting City Clerk and was previously the Deputy City Clerk for Open Government in the Clerk's Office. In that role, he implemented Mayor Keller's new vision for processing of public records requests, and built a team to assist all City Departments in handling request for public records. Prior to working in the Clerk's Office, Mr. Watson was an attorney in private practice where he represented public entities across the state in a variety of areas including election law, the Inspection of Public Records Act, and the Open Meetings Act.

In addition to his work promoting open government, Mr. Watson participates in various organizations within the community. He is serving in his second term as the president of the Albuquerque Bar Association.

I ask you for your support in confirming this highly qualified individual to the position of City Clerk. He has a strong background in open government and has built a strong team in the Clerk's Office around public records.