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CITY of ALBUQUERQUE
TWENTY FOURTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-20-27 ENACTMENT NO. _____

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RESOLUTION

Establishing The Order Of Community Planning Area Assessments For 2021-2025 And
Establishing A Capacity Building Process For 2020 (Benton, Jones)

ESTABLISHING THE ORDER OF COMMUNITY PLANNING AREA ASSESSMENTS FOR 2021-
2025 AND ESTABLISHING A CAPACITY BUILDING PROCESS FOR 2020.

WHEREAS, in Spring 2020 a public health emergency was declared in New Mexico that
limited physical contact between people and limited the size of gatherings of people; and

WHEREAS, this fundamentally changes how the Community Planning Area (CPA)
assessments will be conducted; and

WHEREAS, not all members of the public have access to or are comfortable with online
formats for engagement and information sharing; and

WHEREAS, the CPA assessment process is intended to be an open and inclusive public
process; and

WHEREAS, the original proposed start date for the CPA assessment was June 2020; and

WHEREAS, this start date is revised to February 2021 in order to maximize social distancing
in this public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, the CPA assessment order shall be decided prior to the start of each 5 year
cycle; and

WHEREAS, the Albuquerque-Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan (Comp Plan) designates
12 Community Planning Areas (CPAs) within City boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Comp Plan establishes a 5-year cycle of long-range planning with each CPA for 4 years and then updating the Comp Plan on the 5th year; and

WHEREAS, the CPA assessments are intended to provide opportunities to generate community-based recommendations for new or revised policies for the Comp Plan, new or revised regulations for the Integrated Development Ordinance, and new or revised projects or partnerships with implementing City Departments; and

WHEREAS, CPA assessments will provide opportunities to explore content from former Sector Development Plans and ensure that relevant content still supported by the community is adequately carried over into the new land use and zoning framework; and

WHEREAS, CPA assessments will provide opportunities for communities that never had Sector Development Plans, or whose Sector Development Plans were out of date, to have regular opportunities to engage in long-range planning; and

WHEREAS, the Comp Plan directs the Planning Department to analyze the need for planning in each CPA to recommend to City Council the order of assessments based on objective data that can be compared across the 12 CPAs to determine which CPAs are experiencing high development pressure, have limited access to services, and have residents that may have limited access to resources and low indicators of wellbeing and opportunities for positive change; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Department performed a needs analysis with data from the American Community Survey (ACS) 2013-2017, which is the most recent data available at the geography of the 12 CPAs, as well as relevant data from City Departments, such as building permits, variances, buildings that have been substandard for a year or more, park locations, and transit stops/stations; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Department also considered logistical factors in adjusting the order to optimize staffing and leverage community meeting spaces; and

WHEREAS, the Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) codifies the cycle of CPA assessments in Subsection 14-16-6-3(E) and requires that recommendations resulting from the assessments be forwarded to the Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) for review and recommendation and to City Council for review and acceptance; and

WHEREAS, the IDO requires that CPA assessment recommendations accepted by City Council be included in updates to Ranked Plans and the annual IDO update at least every 5 years; and

WHEREAS, the Comp Plan establishes that City Council make the final determination of the

order of the 12 CPA assessments.

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

SECTION 1. The City Council directs the Planning Department to conduct the Community Planning Area assessments in the order shown in Exhibit X.

The order for the CPA Assessments is as follows:

- **Year One (2021)**
 1. **Near Heights (February - May)**
 2. **Southwest Mesa (March - June)**
 3. **Central ABQ (August - November)**
- **Year Two (2022)**
 4. **West Mesa (February - May)**
 5. **Northwest Mesa (March - June)**
 6. **East Gateway (August - November)**
- **Year Three (2023)**
 7. **Near North Valley (February - May)**
 8. **North I-25 (March - June)**
 9. **Mid Heights (August - November)**
- **Year Four (2024)**
 10. **Foothills (February - May)**
 11. **North Albuquerque (March - June)**
 12. **Mesa del Sol (August - November)**
- **Year Five (2025) Comprehensive Plan Update**

SECTION 2. The first cycle of CPA assessments shall begin in February 2021 and shall end in November in 2024. Planning staff shall focus on building capacity and developing awareness within the 12 Community Planning Areas in 2020, in preparation for the CPA assessments to begin in February 2021. Capacity building will occur online, via telephone, and via mail, and will commence in person when it is deemed safe to do so.

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