Staff Report

Agent: Consensus Planning Inc.
Applicant: City of Albuquerque
Request: Zoning Map Amendment – EPC
Legal Description: the westerly portion of Springer Transfer continuing Tract C, except a portion to the Right of Way
Location: between Mountain Rd. and Kinley Ave.
Size: Approximately 0.8 acre
Existing Zoning: NR-PO-C
Proposed Zoning: NR-PO-A

Summary of Analysis
The request is for a Zoning Map Amendment from NR-PO-C to NR-PO-A for an approximately 0.8-acre site. The subject site currently serves as a non-city Park.

The applicant has adequately justified the request pursuant to the IDO zone change criteria in 14-16-6-7(G)(3). The proposed zoning would be more advantageous to the community overall because it furthers a preponderance of applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and policies and there are no major conflicts.

The subject site is in an Area of Consistency and is not located along a Major Transit Corridor or in an Activity Center.

The following neighborhood organizations were notified: ABQ Core Neighborhood Association (NA), Barelas NA, Citizens Information Committee of Martineztown, District 6 Coalition of NAs, District 7 Coalition of NAs, Downtown Neighborhoods Association, EDo NA Incorporated, Huning Highland Historic District Association, Martineztown Work Group, Near North Valley NA, Netherwood Park NA, North Campus NA, North Valley Coalition, Reynold’s Addition NA, Santa Barbara Martineztown NA, Silver Hill NA, South Broadway NA, Spruce Park NA, Sycamore NA, The Lofts @ 610 Central SW Owners Association Incorporated, Wells Park NA, University Heights NA, and Victory Hills NA. Property owners were also notified as required. As of this writing, Staff has not been contacted and there is no known opposition. Staff recommends approval.

Staff Recommendation

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I. INTRODUCTION

Surrounding zoning, plan designations, and land uses:

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Request

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The applicant requests a Zoning Map Amendment from NR-PO-C to NR-PO-A (Non-residential – Park and Open Space, Sub-zone A: City-owned or Managed Parks Zone District).

The subject site serves as a park and open space and is bounded by single-family residential development and a religious institution.

EPC Role

The EPC is hearing this case because the EPC is required to hear all zone change cases, regardless of site size, in the City. The EPC is the final decision-making body unless the EPC decision is appealed. If so, the Land Use Hearing Officer (LUHO) would hear the appeal and make a recommendation to the City Council. The City Council would make then make the final decision. The request is a quasi-judicial matter.

Context

The approximately 0.8-acre site is located between Mountain Rd. and Kinley Ave. in the Martineztown neighborhood.

The subject site is surrounded by single-family residential to the north, south, and west. East of the site lies a religious institution.

History

The subject site was part of the Martineztown/ Santa Barbara Sector Development Plan adopted by the City of Albuquerque in 1990. The Sector Development Plan area is bounded by Menaul Blvd on the north, Lomas Blvd on the south, the Santa Fe Railway tracks on the west and Interstate 25 on the east. The plan area is approximately 600 acres.
Martineztown/Santa Barbara is one of the Albuquerque’s oldest neighborhoods. It began as an agricultural settlement in the early to mid-1800’s. Don Manuel Martin founded the community when he relocated his family from the Old Town area to the open pasture land on the edge of the east mesa sand hills. Early development followed the typical pattern of Spanish valley settlements with long, narrow parcels running perpendicular to the Acequia Madre de los Barelas, The Bernalillo Road, now Edith Blvd, followed the acequia along its east side.

Arrival of the railroad in the 1800s created modern-day Albuquerque and brought many changes to Martineztown/Santa Barbara. The railroad era signaled a gradual change from agricultural to wage-based employment. Many area residents secured employment with the railroad and with other commercial operations that developed in and around the neighborhood. Among the early businesses were two wool-scouring mills, one of which opened in 1895 at the corner of Mountain Road and the Santa Fe Railway tracks. A number of smaller, neighborhood-oriented businesses were also established, including grocery stores, barber shops and general stores. Four dance halls operated in the area during the 1920s and 1930s.

Martineztown/Santa Barbara is fairly well served by park facilities. Over the 1980’s two major City recreation facilities have been developed within the neighborhood. Martineztown North Park includes a children’s playground, basketball court, fenced and lighted softball field and a large open area. Vietnam veterans park located north of Mountain Road and Interstate 25, is Albuquerque Public School land which has twenty-five-year lease from storm drainage and park. The park includes two lighted softball diamond and a landscaped pedestrian area. In addition to these recently developed facilities, the Santa Barbara Park provides a small, neighborhood-oriented park environment and playground on Edith between Kinley and Rosemont Streets.

In 2021 the City of Albuquerque offered the winning bid to purchase a park in the Santa Barbara and Martineztown area. The property was auctioned by the Archdiocese of Santa Fe to raise funds as part of its pending bankruptcy. The city had leased the property, near Edith and Rosemont NE, from the archdiocese and has operated it as a park since the late 1960s.

Roadway System
The Long-Range Roadway System (LRRS) map, produced by the Mid-Region Metropolitan Region Planning Organization (MRMPO), identifies the functional classification of roadways.

The LRRS map classifies Walter St. NE and Edith Blvd. NE as a local minor Street.

Comprehensive Plan Designations
The subject site is not located within any Centers or along any Corridors as designated by the Comprehensive Plan.

The subject site is located within an Area of Consistency.

The subject site is part of the Central ABQ Community Planning Area (CPA). The Central Albuquerque is the location of the original Old Town settlement with surrounding agricultural lands, the New Town development during the railroad era (now known as Downtown), and the original residential subdivisions, many of which have been designated as historic neighborhoods.
Overlay Zones

The subject site is within the boundaries of the Martineztown/Santa Barbara Area Character Protection Overlay Zone, CPO-7(14-16-3-4(H).

The purpose of the Character Protection Overlay (CPO) zone is to preserve areas with distinctive characteristics that are worthy of conservation but are not historical or may lack sufficient significance to quality as Historic Protection Overlay (HPO) zones.

Trails/Bikeways

The Long-Range Bikeway System (LRBS) map, produced by the Mid-Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (MRMPO) identifies existing and proposed routes and trails.

Edith Blvd NE. currently has no bike route. According to the Long-Range Bikeway System a bike lane to run along Edith Blvd. NE has been proposed.

Transit

Bus route 5 Montgomery-Carlisle serves the area Monday through Sunday with a peak frequency of 25 minutes and an off-peak frequency of 25 minutes. There is service on the weekends with a peak frequency of every 40 minutes on Saturday and 65 minutes on Sunday.

Public Facilities/Community Services

Please refer to the Public Facilities Map, which shows public facilities and community services located within one mile of the subject site.

II. ANALYSIS of APPLICABLE ORDINANCES, PLANS, AND POLICIES

Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO)

Definitions

Adjacent: Those properties that are abutting or separated only by a street, alley, trail, or utility easement, whether public or private.

Non-residential Zone District: Any zone district categorized as Non-residential in Part 14-16-2 of this IDO.

Open Space: In lowercase letters, a generic term for any outdoor space or amenity intended to retain access to open air and sunlight, regardless of location, ownership, or management responsibility. Open space is required through various means in order to provide a psychological and physical respite from development densities. Open space is intended to create healthy places that balance density vs. openness and urban vs. natural environments. For City-owned open space, see Open Space Definitions for Major Public Open Space.

Park: Publicly or privately-owned land that is maintained for active or passive recreational use and for the use and enjoyment of the general public or the residents or occupants of a development. This use includes areas consisting of vegetative landscaping and/or areas improved for outdoor sports and recreation. Structural improvements are generally limited to those that facilitate the use of the land as a park. Incidental activities and structures include, but are not limited to, playgrounds, maintenance facilities, swimming pools, restrooms and dressing rooms, concessions, caretaker’s quarters, and parking.
Zoning

The subject site is currently zoned NR-PO-C (Non-residential Park and Open Space sub-zone C: Non-City Parks and Open Space), IDO 14-16-2-5(F) which was assigned upon the adoption of the IDO. The purpose of the NR-PO zone district is to protect the natural character of designated private and public parks and open space for public recreation, use, and enjoyment. Primary uses are open space and related recreation facilities, picnic and other shelters, and service/maintenance facilities. Allowable uses are shown in Table 4-2-1.

The request is to change the subject site’s zoning into NR-PO-A (Non-Residential – City-owned or Managed Parks, Zone District). The purpose of the NR-PO zone district is to protect the natural character of designated private and public parks and open space for public recreation, use, and enjoyment. Primary uses are open space and related recreation facilities, picnic and other shelters, and service/maintenance facilities.

Both zones are designated as Park/ Open Spaces but have different subzones. Subzone C areas are non-city parks and open space and are privately owned and maintained. Subzone A areas are city-owned parks or managed parks by the city.

Albuquerque / Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan (Rank 1)

The subject site is located in an area that the 2017 Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan has designated an Area of Consistency. Areas of Neighborhoods designated as Areas of Consistency will be protected by policies to limit densities, new uses, and negative impacts from nearby development. While these areas may see some infill development and new uses, new development or redevelopment will need to be compatible in scale and character with the surrounding area.

In this case, the Goals and policies below were included by the applicant in the justification letter. Staff finds them all but one applicable. Applicable Goals and policies are listed below. Staff analysis follows in bold italic text.

Chapter 5: Land Use

Goal 5.1- Centers and Corridors: Grow as a community of strong Centers connected by a multi-modal network of Corridors.

The subject site is within 660 ft of a major transit corridor. The request would provide the surrounding community a park/ open space that would promote walkability and would be connected by multi-modal network of corridors. The request furthers Goal 5.1- Complete Centers and Corridors.

Sub-Policy (a) 5.1.1 Desired Growth: Create walkable places that provide opportunities to live, work, learn, shop, and play.

The subject site currently serves as a private park. The request would provide the surrounding community a public park/ open space that would create walkable places that provide opportunities to learn and play. The request generally furthers Sub-Policy(a) 5.1.1- Desired Growth.
Goal 5.2- Complete Communities: Foster communities where residents can live, work, learn, shop, and play together.

The subject site is currently surrounded by residential single-family homes and a religious institution. The request would designate the site as a public open space zone and would provide the surrounding community a place where residents can live, learn and play together. The request furthers Goal 5.2- Complete Communities.

Policy 5.2.1- Land Uses: Create healthy, sustainable, and distinct communities with a mix of uses that are conveniently accessible from surrounding neighborhoods.

The request would allow the subject site to become part of the City’s network of Open Spaces, therefore creating and expanding more opportunities that would be conveniently accessible to the residents of the Santa Barbara/Martineztown neighborhood. The request would convert a privately-owned park into a public park. The request furthers Policy 5.2.1 – Land Uses.

Sub-Policy (a)- 5.2.1 Land Use: Encourage development and redevelopment that brings goods, services, and amenities within walking and biking distance of neighborhoods and promotes good access for all residents.

The request would redevelop a privately-owned park into a public park that would bring amenities such as basketball courts and an open space that is within walking and biking distance of the Martineztown neighborhood providing good access to all residents. The request furthers Sub-Policy(a) 5.2.1- Land Use.

Sub-Policy (e)- 5.2.1 Land Use: Create healthy, sustainable communities with a mix of uses that are conveniently accessible from surrounding neighborhoods.

The request would create healthy sustainable communities with a mix of uses such as a public park that would provide a designated area for outdoor activities that would be located in a centralized urban area and would be conveniently accessible to the surrounding neighborhoods. The request furthers Sub-Policy(e) 5.2.1- Land Use.

Policy 5.6.1- Community Green Space: Provide visual relief from urbanization and offer opportunities for education, recreation, cultural activities, and conservation of natural resources by setting aside publicly-owned Open Space, Parks, trail corridors, and open areas throughout the Comp Plan area.

The request would allow the subject site to become part of the City’s network of Park/ Open Spaces, therefore providing visual relief from urbanization and offer opportunities for education and recreation to the residents of the Santa Barbara/Martineztown neighborhood by converting a privately-owned park into a public one. The request furthers Policy 5.6.1 – Community Green Space.
Policy 5.6.3 - Areas of Consistency: Protect and enhance the character of existing single-family neighborhoods, areas outside of Centers and Corridors, parks, and Major Public Open Space.

The request would protect and enhance the character of the existing Santa Barbara/Martineztown single-family neighborhood by transitioning the park use from private to public. The park has been part of the neighborhood for many years, the request would enhance the community by providing public access to the community and keeping the character of the area consistent. The request furthers Policy 5.6.3 – Areas of Consistency.

Chapter 10: Parks & Open Space

Goal 10.1- Facilities & Access: Provide parks, Open Space, and recreation facilities that meet the needs of all residents and use natural resources responsibly.

The subject site is located within the Santa Barbara/Martineztown neighborhood the request would provide parks that would meet the need of the residents in the Martineztown neighborhood. The request would preserve the existing privately-owned park and would expand and provide an accessible Park/Open Space amenity to all residents. The request furthers Goal 10.1- Facilities & Access.

Policy 10.1.1- Distribution: Improve the community’s access to recreational opportunities by balancing the City and County’s parks and Open Space systems with the built environment.

The request would improve the community’s access to recreational opportunities by balancing the City and County’s parks and Open Space systems with the built environment, by converting a privately-owned park into a public one that would be added to the City’s network of parks and open spaces. The request furthers Goal 10.1- Facilities & Access.

Goal 10.2- Parks: Provide opportunities for outdoor education, recreation, and cultural activities that meet community needs, enhance quality of life, and promote community involvement for all residents.

The request to NR-PO-A is categorized as a City-owned Park/Open Space. The request would enhance the quality of life for residents within the surrounding Martineztown neighborhood, by providing outdoor recreation that would meet the needs of the community, enhance quality of life and promote community involvement by providing a location for recreation and outdoor activities. The request furthers Goal 10.2- Parks.

Policy 10.2.1- Park Types: Plan and implement a system of parks to meet a range of needs at different scales, including small neighborhood parks, community parks, active parks, regional parks, and linear parks.

The request would implement a system of parks that would meet the needs of the Santa Barbara/Martineztown neighborhood which is a small neighborhood. The request addresses the need and scale by providing the neighborhood with a park that is compatible in size to the surrounding area. The request furthers Goal 10.2.1- Park Types.
Chapter 13: Resilience & Sustainability

Policy 13.5- Community Health: Protect and maintain safe and healthy environments where people can thrive.

The request would protect and maintain a safe and healthy environment where people can thrive by providing the community with a public park that would provide outdoor amenities in a safe location within the neighborhood. The request furthers Policy 13.5- Community Health.

Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) 14-16-6-7(G)(3)-Review and Decision Criteria for Zone Map Amendments

Requirements
The review and decision criteria outline policies and requirements for deciding zone change applications. The applicant must provide sound justification for the proposed change and demonstrate that several tests have been met. The burden is on the applicant to show why a change should be made.

The applicant must demonstrate that the existing zoning is inappropriate because of one of three findings:
1. There was an error when the existing zone district was applied to the property.
2. There has been a significant change in neighborhood or community conditions affecting the site.
3. A different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the Comprehensive Plan or other, applicable City plans.

Justification & Analysis
The zone changes justification letter analyzed here, received on July 5, 2022, is a response to Staff’s request for a revised justification (see attachment). The subject site is currently zoned NR-PO-C (Non-residential Parks and Opens Space subzone: C). The requested zoning is NR-PO-A (Non-Residential –Park and Open Space, Zone District) with Sub-zone A: City owned or Managed Parks. The reason for the request is to reflect the current ownership and management of these properties by the City of Albuquerque. The subject site is in an Area of Consistency.

The applicant believes that the proposed zoning map amendment (zone change) meets the zone change decision criteria in IDO 14-16-6-7(G)(3) as elaborated in the justification letter. The citation is from the IDO. The applicant’s arguments are in italics. Staff analysis follows in plain text.

A. Criterion 6-7(G)(3)(a) The proposed zone change is consistent with the health, safety, and general welfare of the City as shown by furthering (and not being in conflict with) a preponderance of applicable Goals and Policies in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended, and other applicable plans adopted by the City.

Applicant Response: The proposed Zoning Map Amendment furthers criteria 6-7(G)(3)(a) by maintaining the health, safety, and general welfare of the City, which is demonstrated by the request’s consistency with the following Comprehensive Plan goals and policies:
Staff: Consistency with the City’s health, safety, and general welfare is shown by demonstrating that the request furthers applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and policies and does not significantly conflict with them.

Applicable citations: Goal 5.1 Centers and Corridors; Goal 5.2 Complete Communities; Policy 5.2.1 Land Use; Policy 5.6.1 Community Green Space; Policy 5.6.3 Areas of Consistency; Goal 10.1 Facilities & Access; Goal 10.2 Parks; and Policy 13.5. Community Health.

The applicant’s policy-based response satisfactorily demonstrates that the request furthers a preponderance of applicable Goals and policies regarding land uses, parks and open spaces and resilience and sustainability and does not present any significant conflicts with the Comprehensive Plan. Therefore, the request is consistent with the City’s health, safety, and general welfare. The response to Criterion A is sufficient.

B. Criterion 6-7(G)(3)(b) If the subject property is located partially or completely in an Area of Consistency (as shown in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended), the applicant has demonstrated that the new zone would clearly reinforce or strengthen the established character of the surrounding Area of Consistency and would not permit development that is significantly different from that character. The applicant must also demonstrate that the existing zoning is inappropriate because it meets any of the following criteria:

1. There was typographical or clerical error when the existing zone district was applied to the property.
2. There has been a significant change in neighborhood or community conditions affecting the site that justifies this request.
3. A different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan, as amended (including implementation of patterns of land use, development density and intensity, and connectivity), and other applicable adopted City plan(s).

Applicant response: This zone change meets sub-criteria 3 as the addition of a public park is advantageous to the community for health, environmental, and cultural reasons as outlined by the ABC Comprehensive Plan. The historic and cultural aspects of the Santa Barbara neighborhood and the community value of the existing park on the subject site make it advantageous to the community to rezone it to NR-PO-A thereby preserving the space for community use. The site is located in an area of consistency and the addition of the NR-PO-A zone classification helps to protect and enhance the characteristics of the surrounding communities.

Staff: The subject site is located in an Area of Consistency. The applicant has demonstrated that the new zone would clearly reinforce and strengthen the established character of the surrounding area by maintaining its use and strengthening the established character of the park by converting its use from private to city-owned or managed.

The applicant’s policy-based analysis (see response to Criterion A) demonstrates that the request would further a preponderance of applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and policies and therefore would be more advantageous to the community than the current zoning. The response to Criterion B is sufficient.
C. Criterion 6-7(G)(3)(c) If the subject property is located wholly in an Area of Change (as shown in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended) and the applicant has demonstrated that the existing zoning is inappropriate because it meets any of the following criteria:

1. There was typographical or clerical error when the existing zone district was applied to the property.
2. There has been a significant change in neighborhood or community conditions affecting the site that justifies this request.
3. A different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan, as amended (including implementation of patterns of land use, development density and intensity, and connectivity), and other applicable adopted City plan(s).

**Applicant Response:** The property is located in an Area of Consistency; therefore, 6-7(G)(3)(b) is the applicable policy for this request.

**Staff:** The subject site is located wholly in an Area of Consistency, so this criterion does not apply. The response to Criterion C is sufficient.

D. Criterion 6-7(G)(3)(d) The requested zoning does not include permissive uses that would be harmful to adjacent property, the neighborhood, or the community, unless the Use-specific Standards in Section 16-16-0 associated with that use will adequately mitigate those harmful impacts.

**Applicant Response:** Permissive uses in NR-PO-A zones are advantageous to creating complete communities. These uses range from community centers, schools, stadiums, and farmers’ markets. Permissive uses that could be viewed as harmful to adjacent residents such as an event facility, race track, or sports field could not be established on the subject property due to the size of the parcel, development standards set forth by the IDO, and other realistic constraints that would make its construction impossible. Primary permissive uses such as a high school which is not allowed in the NR-PO-C zone could be advantageous to the community although it could not be developed on the specific site due to the size of the property. Similarly, Balloon Fiesta Park activities could not occur on the subject site even though it is primary permissive in the NR-PO-A zone.

**IDO section 4-3(C)(7)(a) NR-PO-A or Other Zone District with a City-owned or City-operated Park states Parks and recreational facilities, including associated community buildings, lighting, parking areas, trails, play areas, playgrounds, exercise stations, basketball courts, restrooms, drinking water facilities, picnic shelters, storage sheds and enclosures, and any other structures or improvements approved by the City Parks and Recreation Department are allowed.**

**Figure 1. Allowable Uses for NR-PO-A compared to NR-PO-C**

- **A=Permissive Accessory**
- **T=Temporary**
- **CA=Conditional Accessory**
- **P=Permissive**
- **C=Conditional Primary**
- **Blank Cell=Not Allowed**
- **CV=Conditional if Structure is Vacant for 5 years or more**
Staff: The applicant compared allowable uses in the existing NR-PO-C zone district and the proposed NR-PO-A zone district. Uses that would be allowed such as stadium, high school, and race track would be unachievable due to the small size of the parcel and development standards required by the IDO, therefore the request will not result in harm. The response to Criterion D is sufficient.

E. Criterion 6-7(G)(3)(e) The City's existing infrastructure and public improvements, including but not limited to its street, trail, and sidewalk systems meet any of the following requirements:

1. Have adequate capacity to serve the development made possible by the change of zone.
2. Will have adequate capacity based on improvements for which the City has already approved and budgeted capital funds during the next calendar year.
3. Will have adequate capacity when the applicant fulfills its obligations under the IDO, the DPM, and/or an Infrastructure Improvements Agreement (IIA).

4. Will have adequate capacity when the City and the applicant have fulfilled their respective obligations under a City-approved Development Agreement between the City and the applicant.

Applicant Response: This request meets sub-criteria 1 as Santa Barbara Park has adequate existing infrastructure consisting of sidewalks and park amenities (basketball court, green space).

Staff: The subject site is adequately served by existing infrastructure (requirement 1) and will have adequate capacity for the purposes of this request to serve as a Park or Open Space in the future. The response to Criterion E is sufficient.

F. Criterion 6-7(G)(3)(f) The applicant’s justification for the Zoning Map Amendment is not completely based on the property’s location on a major street.

Applicant’s Response: The purposed zone map amendment is being justified based on the advantages it provides for the community rather than its location on a major street.

Staff: The subject site is not located on a major street. The justification is based on the public recreation use and public access it will provide the community. The response to Criterion F is sufficient.

G. Criterion 6-7(G)(3)(g) The applicant’s justification is not based completely or predominantly on the cost of land or economic considerations.

Applicant’s Response: The purposed zone map amendment is being justified based on the advantages it provides for the community rather than the cost of land.

Staff: The request is not based on the cost of land or economic consideration, but for providing access and connectivity to an already existing Park and Open Space (Santa Barbara) for the community. The applicant has demonstrated that the new zone would clearly reinforce or strengthen the established character of the surrounding Area of Consistency and would not permit development that is significantly different from that character. The response to Criterion G is sufficient.

H. Criterion 6-7(G)(3)(h) The zone change does not apply a zone district different from surrounding zone districts to one small area or one premises (i.e. create a “spot zone”) or to a strip of land along a street (i.e. create a “strip zone”) unless the requested zoning will clearly facilitate implementation of the ABC Comp Plan, as amended, and at least one of the following applies:

1. The subject property is different from surrounding land because it can function as a transition between adjacent zone districts.

2. The subject property is not suitable for the uses allowed in any adjacent zone district due to topography, traffic, or special adverse land uses nearby.

3. The nature of structures already on the subject property makes it unsuitable for the uses allowed in any adjacent zone district.

Applicant Response: The proposed NR-PO-A zoning for the subject property will create a differing zone from the surrounding properties but in doing so it will help to facilitate the goals of the ABC Comp Plan. Changing the zone to NR-PO-A allows for a new public park and/or recreation space in the respective neighborhood. The zone map amendment request meets criteria 1 functioning as a transition space and helping to increase walkability, providing visual relief from the urban
environment, protecting natural resources, as well as promoting community healthy and complete neighborhoods.

Staff: The subject property is different from surrounding land because it can function as a transition between zone districts NR-PO-C and NR-PO-A. The request would create a transition from the surrounding zones MX-M, MX-T and MX-L into a public park that would be accessible to the Santa Barbara/ Martineztown neighborhood thus clearly facilitating criterion 1. The response to Criterion H is sufficient.

III. AGENCY & NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS

Reviewing Agencies

City departments and other agencies reviewed this application. Few Agency Comments were received and there were no objections to the proposed ZMA. Agency comments begin on p.30.

Neighborhood/Public

Notification requirements are found in 14-16-6, in the Procedures Table 6-1-1 and are further explained in 14-16-6-4(K), Public Notice. 9. The affected, registered neighborhood organizations are ABQ Core Neighborhood Association (NA), Barelas NA, Citizens Information Committee of Martineztown, District 6 Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, District 7 Coalition of NAs, Downtown Neighborhoods NA, EDo NA Incorporated, Huning Highland Historic District Association, Martineztown Work Group, Near North Valley NA, Netherwood Park NA, North Campus NA, North Valley Coalition, Raynolds Addition NA, Santa Barbara Martineztown NA, Silver Hill NA, South Broadway NA, Spruce Park NA, Sycamore NA, The Lofts @ 610 Central SW Owners Association Incorporated, Wells Park NA, University Heights NA, and Victory Hills NA were notified as required. Property owners within 100 feet of the subject site were also notified as required.

A pre-application neighborhood meeting was held as facilitated on Monday April 27, 2022 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm via Zoom. Questions and comments were made by neighbors regarding the request, which were answered during the meeting. There was no unresolved issues or concerns (see attached Facilitated meeting report).

As of this writing, Staff has not been contacted and is not aware of any opposition.

IV. CONCLUSION

The request is for a Zoning Map Amendment for an approximately 0.8-acre site legally described as the westerly portion of Springer Transfer continuing Tract C, except a portion to the Right of Way, located between Mountain Rd. and Kinley Ave. (“the subject site”).

The subject site is currently zoned NR-PO-C (Non-residential Park and Open Space sub-zone C: Non-City Parks and Open Space) bounded by single-family residential homes and a religious institution.
The applicant is requesting a zone change to NR-PO-A (Non-residential – Park and Open Space, Sub-zone A: City-owned or Managed Parks Zone District) to reflect the current ownership and management of the subject site by the City of Albuquerque.

The applicant has adequately justified the request based upon the proposed zoning being more advantageous to the community than the current zoning because it can function as a transition between zone districts NR-PO-C and NR-PO-A. The request would create a transition from the surrounding zones MX-M, MX-T and MX-L into a public park that would be accessible to the Santa Barbara/Martineztown neighborhood and would further a preponderance of applicable Goals and policies.

The affected neighborhood organizations were notified as required and property owners within 100 feet of the subject site were also notified as required. A neighborhood meeting was held on April 27, 2022. Staff is not aware of any support or opposition as of this writing.

Staff recommends approval.
1. The request is for a Zoning Map Amendment for an approximately 0.8-acre site legally described the westerly portion of Springer Transfer continuing Tract C, except a portion to the Right of Way, located between Mountain Rd. and Kinley Ave. (“the subject site”).

2. The subject site is currently a privately-owned park and is bounded by single family residential homes to the north south and west, and a religious institution to the east. It is zoned NR-PO-C (Non-residential Park and Open Space sub-zone C: Non-City Parks and Open Space).

3. The applicant is requesting a zone change to NR-PO-A (Non-residential – Park and Open Space, Sub-zone A: City-owned or Managed Parks Zone District) to reflect the current ownership and management of these properties the subject site by the City of Albuquerque.

4. The subject site is in an area that the Comprehensive Plan designated an Area of Consistency. It is not located along a Major Transit Corridor or located in a Center as designated by the Comprehensive Plan.

5. The Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan and the Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) are incorporated herein by reference and made part of the record for all purposes.

6. The request furthers the following, additional goals and policies from Comprehensive Plan Chapter 5: Land Use:

   A. **Goal 5.1- Centers and Corridors:** Grow as a community of strong Centers connected by a multi-modal network of Corridors.

      The subject site is within 660 ft of a major transit corridor. The request would provide the surrounding community a park/ open space that would promote walkability and would be connected by multi-modal network of corridors.

   B. **Sub-Policy (a) 5.1.1 Desired Growth:** Create walkable places that provide opportunities to live, work, learn, shop, and play.

      The subject site currently serves as a private park. The request would provide the surrounding community a public park/ open space that would create walkable places that provide opportunities to learn and play.

   C. **Goal 5.2- Complete Communities:** Foster communities where residents can live, work, learn, shop, and play together.

      The subject site is currently surrounded by residential single-family homes and a religious institution. The request would designate the site as a public open space zone and would provide the surrounding community a place where residents can live, learn and play together.

   D. **Policy 5.2.1- Land Uses:** Create healthy, sustainable, and distinct communities with a mix of uses that are conveniently accessible from surrounding neighborhoods.

      The request would allow the subject site to become part of the City’s network of Open Spaces, therefore creating and expanding more opportunities that would be conveniently accessible.
to the residents of the Martineztown neighborhood. The request would convert a privately-owned park into a public park.

E. Sub-Policy (e)- 5.2.1 Land Use: Create healthy, sustainable communities with a mix of uses that are conveniently accessible from surrounding neighborhoods.

The request would create healthy sustainable communities with a mix of uses such as a public park that would provide a designated area for outdoor activities that would be located in a centralized urban area and would be conveniently accessible to the surrounding neighborhood.

7. Policy 5.6.1- Community Green Space: Provide visual relief from urbanization and offer opportunities for education, recreation, cultural activities, and conservation of natural resources by setting aside publicly-owned Open Space, Parks, trail corridors, and open areas throughout the Comp Plan area.

The request would allow the subject site to become part of the City’s network of Park/ Open Spaces, therefore providing visual relief from urbanization and offer opportunities for education and recreation to the residents of the Martineztown neighborhood by converting a privately-owned park into a public one.

Policy 5.6.3- Areas of Consistency: Protect and enhance the character of existing single-family neighborhoods, areas outside of Centers and Corridors, parks, and Major Public Open Space.

The request would protect and enhance the character of the existing Martineztown single-family neighborhood by transitioning the park use from private to public. The park has been part of the neighborhood for many years, the request would enhance the community by proving public access to the community and keeping the character of the area consistent.

8. The request furthers the following policy from Comprehensive Plan Chapter 10: Parks and Open space:

A. Goal 10.1- Facilities & Access: Provide parks, Open Space, and recreation facilities that meet the needs of all residents and use natural resources responsibly.

The subject site is located within the Martineztown neighborhood the request would provide parks that would meet the need of the residents in the Martineztown neighborhood. The request would preserve the existing privately-owned park and would expand and provide an accessible Park/ Open Space amenity to all residents.

B. Policy 10.1.1- Distribution: Improve the community’s access to recreational opportunities by balancing the City and County’s parks and Open Space systems with the built environment.

The request would improve the community’s access to recreational opportunities by balancing the City and County’s parks and Open Space systems with the built environment, by converting a privately-owned park into a public one that would be added to the City’s network of parks and open spaces.

C. Goal 10.2- Parks: Provide opportunities for outdoor education, recreation, and cultural activities that meet community needs, enhance quality of life, and promote community involvement for all residents.
The request to NR-PO-A is categorized as a City-owned Park/ Open Space. The request would enhance the quality of life for residents within the surrounding Martineztown neighborhood, by providing outdoor recreation that would meet the needs of the community, enhance quality of life and promote community involvement by providing a location for recreation and outdoor activities.

D. **Policy 10.2.1- Park Types:** Plan and implement a system of parks to meet a range of needs at different scales, including small neighborhood parks, community parks, active parks, regional parks, and linear parks.

The request would implement a system of parks that would meet the needs of the Martineztown neighborhood which is a small neighborhood, the request addresses the need and scale by providing the neighborhood with a park that is comparable in size to the surrounding area.

9. The request furthers the following goals and policies from comprehensive Plan Chapter 13: Resilience & Sustainability:

   **Policy 13.5.2- Healthful Development:** Encourage public investments and private development that enhance community health.

   The request would provide access to Open Space within an existing residential community and adjacent to an employment center, therefore continuing to enhance the health of the surrounding community.

10. The applicant has adequately justified the request pursuant to the Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) Section 14-16-6-7(G)(3)-Review and Decision Criteria for Zoning Map Amendments, as follows:

   A. **Criterion A:** Consistency with the City’s health, safety, and general welfare is shown by demonstrating that the request furthers applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and policies and does not significantly conflict with them.

   Applicable citations: Goal 5.1 Centers and Corridors; Goal 5.2 Complete Communities; Policy 5.2.1 Land Use; Policy 5.6.1 Community Green Space; Policy 5.6.3 Areas of Consistency; Goal 10.1 Facilities & Access; Goal 10.2 Parks; and Policy 13.5. Community Health.

   The applicant’s policy-based response satisfactorily demonstrates that the request furthers a preponderance of applicable Goals and policies regarding land uses, parks and open spaces and resilience and sustainability and does not present any significant conflicts with the Comprehensive Plan. Therefore, the request is consistent with the City’s health, safety, and general welfare.

   4. B. **Criterion B:** The subject site is located in an Area of Consistency. The applicant has demonstrated that the new zone would clearly reinforce and strengthen the established character of the surrounding area by maintaining its use and strengthening the established character of the park by converting its use from private to city-owned or managed.

   The applicant’s policy-based analysis (see response to Criterion A) demonstrates that the request would further a preponderance of applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and
policies and therefore would be more advantageous to the community than the current zoning

C. Criterion C: The subject site is located wholly in an Area of Consistency, so this criterion does not apply.

D. Criterion D: The applicant compared allowable uses in the existing NR-PO-C zone district and the proposed NR-PO-A zone district. Uses that would be allowed such as stadium, high school, and race track would be unachievable due to the small size of the parcel and development standards required by the IDO, therefore the request will not result in harm.

E. Criterion E: The subject site is adequately served by existing infrastructure (requirement 1) and will have adequate capacity for the purposes of this request to serve as a Park or Open Space in the future.

F. Criterion F: The subject site is not located on a major street. The justification is based on the public recreation use and public access it will provide the community.

G. Criterion G: The request is not based on the cost of land or economic consideration, but for providing access and connectivity to an already existing Park and Open Space (Santa Barbara) for the community. The applicant has demonstrated that the new zone would clearly reinforce or strengthen the established character of the surrounding Area of Consistency and would not permit development that is significantly different from that character.

H. Criterion H: The request would create a transition from the surrounding zones MX-M, MX-T and MX-L into a public park NR-PO-A that would be accessible to the Santa Barbara/Martineztown neighborhood

11. The applicant’s policy-based response adequately demonstrates that the request furthers a preponderance of applicable Goals and policies regarding Land Use, Parks & Open Space and Resilience & Sustainability and does not present any significant conflicts with the Comprehensive Plan. Therefore, the request is consistent with the City’s health, safety, morals, and general welfare.

12. The affected neighborhood organizations are the ABQ Core Neighborhood Association (NA), Barelas NA, Citizens Information Committee of Martineztown, District 6 Coalition of NAs, District 7 Coalition of Ns, Downtown Neighborhoods Association, EDo NA Incorporated, Huning Highland Historic District Association, Martineztown Work Group, Near North Valley NA, Netherwood Park NA, North Campus NA, North Valley Coalition, Raynolds Addition NA, Santa Barbara Martineztown NA, Silver Hill NA, South Broadway NA, Spruce Park NA, Sycamore NA, The Lofts @ 610 Central SW Owners Association Incorporated, Wells Park NA, University Heights NA, and Victory Hills NA, which were notified as required. Property owners within 100 feet of the subject site were also notified as required.

13. A pre-application neighborhood meeting was held as facilitated on Monday April 27, 2022 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm via Zoom. Several questions and comments were made by neighbors regarding the request, which were answered during the meeting. There was no unresolved issues or concerns.
14. As of this writing, Staff has not been contacted and is unaware of any opposition.

RECOMMENDATION - RZ-2022-000034, July 21, 2022

APPROVAL of Project #: 2021-007160, Case #: RZ-2022-00034, a zone change from NR-PO-C to NR-PO-A, the westerly portion of Springer Transfer continuing Tract C, except a portion to the Right of Way between Mountain Rd. and Kinley Ave. (“the subject site”). based on the preceding Findings.

Leroy Duarte
Current Planner

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CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE AGENCY COMMENTS

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Zoning / Code Enforcement
No adverse comments

Long Range Planning

Metropolitan Redevelopment
No adverse comments

Transportation Development Review Services
No adverse comments.

CITY ENGINEER

Hydrology

Transportation Development Services
No adverse comments

MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (DMD) TRANSPORTATION
The Transportation has no objection to the Zoning Map Amendment for this item.

POLICE DEPARTMENT/PLANNING
No adverse comments

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
Project # PR-2022-007160 RZ-2022-00034– Zoning Map Amendment (Zone Change)
No comment at this time.

TRANSIT DEPARTMENT
No adverse comments.

PARKS AND RECREATION

ABC WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY (ABCWUA)

1. RZ-2022-0034
   a. No adverse comment to the proposed zone changes
   b. For information only:
      i. Please send a request for availability for the site as soon as development is known. The request can be made at the link: https://www.abcwua.org/info-for-builders-availability-statements/. The request shall include a City Fire Marshal approved Fire 1 Plan, a zone map showing the site location, and the proposed Utility Plan.
ALBUQUERQUE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Project #2022-007160

a. EPC Description: RZ-2022-00034—Zoning Map Amendment (Zone Change).
b. Site Information: Springer Transfer, Tract C.
c. Site Location: 1226 Walter Street NE, located on Walter St. NE between Mountain Road and Kinley Ave.
d. Request Description: Request for a zone change to NR-PO-A (Non-Residential—Parks and Open Space—Major Public Open Space, City Owned or Managed Public Park). This project, #2022-7160, the previous two projects #2022-7158 and #2022-7159, and the following three projects, #2022-7161, #2022-7162, and #2022-7163 are part of a multi-part application for a zone change to convert currently vacant parcels of land, owned by the City of Albuquerque, to Open Spaces and Parks. Elementary, middle, and high schools are a conditional primary and permissive use in the NR-PO zones, per City of Albuquerque Zoning codes.
e. APS Comment: The land at issue, “Santa Barbara Park,” is located next to Albuquerque High School and consists of a green space with existing basketball courts and public amenities. All zone amendments with this type of geographic placement should seek prior discussion with APS.

ALBUQUERQUE METROPOLITAN ARROYO FLOOD CONTROL (AMAFCA)

No adverse comments to the zone map amendment. This site is allowed limited discharge into the Corrales Acequia, any future proposal for the site must account for the limited discharge requirement.

COUNTY OF BERNALILLO

No adverse comments.

MID-REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (MRCOG)

PR-2022-007160

No adverse comments.

MID-REGION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MRMPO)

MRMPO has no adverse comments.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NMDOT)

MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

PNM COMPANY

There are PNM facilities abutting and/or in easements around the
It is the applicant’s obligation to determine if existing utility easements or rights-of-way are located on or adjacent to the property and to abide by any conditions or terms of those easements.

Any existing easements may have to be revisited and/or new easements may need to be created for any electric facilities as determined by PNM.

**PETROGLYPH NATIONAL MONUMENT**

**AVIATION DEPARTMENT**

**KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE**
Figure 1: Sign posting looking north from Walter St. to the subject site.

Figure 2: Looking north within subject site
Figure 3: Looking south within subject site.

Figure 4: Looking east within subject site.
Figure 5: Looking west within subject site.
HISTORY
EXISTING ZONING
Please refer to IDO Section 14-16-2-5(F) for the NR-PO-C Zone District

PROPOSED ZONING
Please refer to IDO Section 14-16-2-5(B) for the NR-PO-A Zone District
APPLICANT INFORMATION
### Administrative Decisions
- Archaeological Certificate (Form P3)
- Historic Certificate of Appropriateness – Minor (Form L)
- Alternative Signage Plan (Form P3)
- Minor Amendment to Site Plan (Form P3)
- WTF Approval (Form W1)
- Decision by EPC, LC, ZHE, or City Staff (Form A)
- Archaelogical Certificate (Form P3)
- Historic Certificate of Appropriateness – Minor (Form L)
- Master Development Plan (Form P1)
- Decision by EPC, LC, ZHE, or City Staff (Form A)
- Adoption or Amendment of Comprehensive Plan or Facility Plan (Form Z)
- Adoption or Amendment of Historic Designation (Form L)
- Amendment of IDO Text (Form Z)
- Amendment to Zoning Map – EPC (Form Z)
- Amendment to Zoning Map – Council (Form Z)
- Amendment by EPC, LC, ZHE, or City Staff (Form A)

### Decisions Requiring a Public Meeting or Hearing
- Site Plan – EPC including any Variances – EPC (Form P1)
- Historic Certificate of Appropriateness – Major (Form L)
- Demolition Outside of HPO (Form L)
- Wireless Telecommunications Facility Waiver (Form W2)
- Amendment to Zoning Map – EPC (Form Z)

### Policy Decisions
- Adoption or Amendment of Comprehensive Plan or Facility Plan (Form Z)
- Adoption or Amendment of Historic Designation (Form L)
- Amendment of IDO Text (Form Z)
- Amendment to Zoning Map – EPC (Form Z)
- Amendment to Zoning Map – Council (Form Z)

### Appeals
- Decision by EPC, LC, ZHE, or City Staff (Form A)

### APPLICATION INFORMATION
- **Applicant:** City of Albuquerque
- **Address:**
- **City:** Albuquerque
- **State:** NM
- **Zip:**
- **Phone:**
- **Email:**
- **Professional/Agent (if any):** Consensus Planning
- **Address:** 302 8th St NW
- **City:** Albuquerque
- **State:** NM
- **Zip:** 87102
- **Phone:** (505) 764-9801
- **Email:** cp@consensusplanning.com

### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST
- Zone Map Amendment to NR-PO-A (City Owned or Managed Public Park)

### SITE INFORMATION
- **Lot or Tract No.:** Please see attached
- **Subdivision/Addition:** MRGCD Map No.: UPC Code:
- **Zone Atlas Page(s):** J-15
- **Existing Zoning:** NR-PO-C
- **Proposed Zoning:** NR-PO-A
- **# of Existing Lots:** 1
- **# of Proposed Lots:** 1
- **Total Area of Site (acres):** 0.7059 acres

### LOCATION OF PROPERTY BY STREETS
- **Site Address/Street:** Please see attached
- **Between:** and:

### CASE HISTORY
- List any current or prior project and case number(s) that may be relevant to your request.

### Signature:
- **Printed Name:** Jim Strozier
- **Date:** 5/5/22
- **Applicant or Agent:** ☐ Applicant or ☑ Agent

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Form Z: Policy Decisions

Please refer to the EPC hearing schedule for public hearing dates and deadlines. Your attendance is required.

A single PDF file of the complete application including all plans and documents being submitted must be emailed to PLNDRS@cabq.gov prior to making a submittal. Zipped files or those over 9 MB cannot be delivered via email, in which case the PDF must be provided on a CD.

☑ INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ALL POLICY DECISIONS (Except where noted)

 Interpreter Needed for Hearing? □ yes, indicate language:

☑ Proof of Pre-Application Meeting with City staff per IDO Section 14-16-6-4(B)

☑ Letter of authorization from the property owner if application is submitted by an agent

☑ Traffic Impact Study (TIS) form (not required for Amendment to IDO Text)

☑ Zone Atlas map with the entire site/plan amendment area clearly outlined and labeled (not required for Amendment to IDO Text) NOTE: For Annexation of Land, the Zone Atlas must show that the site is contiguous to City limits.

☑ ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

☑ ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT OF FACILITY PLAN

☐ Plan, or part of plan, to be amended with changes noted and marked

☐ Letter describing, explaining, and justifying the request per the criteria in IDO Sections 14-16-6-7(A)(3) or 14-16-6-7(B)(3), as applicable

☐ Required notices with content per IDO Section 14-16-6-4(K)(6)

☐ Office of Neighborhood Coordination notice inquiry response, notifying letter, and proof of first class mailing

☐ Proof of emailed notice to affected Neighborhood Association representatives

☐ Buffer map and list of property owners within 100 feet (excluding public rights-of-way), notifying letter, and proof of first class mailing

☐ AMENDMENT TO IDO TEXT

☐ Section(s) of the Integrated Development Ordinance to be amended with changes noted and marked

☐ Justification letter describing, explaining, and justifying the request per the criteria in IDO Section 14-16-6-7(D)(3)

☐ Required notices with content per IDO Section 14-16-6-4(K)(6)

☐ Office of Neighborhood Coordination notice inquiry response, notifying letter, and proof of first class mailing

☐ Buffer map and list of property owners within 100 feet (excluding public rights-of-way), notifying letter, and proof of first class mailing

☑ ZONING MAP AMENDMENT – EPC

☑ ZONING MAP AMENDMENT – COUNCIL

☑ Proof of Neighborhood Meeting per IDO Section 14-16-6-4(C)

☑ Letter describing, explaining, and justifying the request per the criteria in IDO Section 14-16-6-7(F)(3) or Section 14-16-6-7(G)(3), as applicable

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☑ Sign Posting Agreement

☑ ANNEXATION OF LAND

☐ Application for Zoning Map Amendment Establishment of zoning must be applied for simultaneously with Annexation of Land.

☐ Petition for Annexation Form and necessary attachments

☐ Letter describing, explaining, and justifying the request per the criteria in IDO Section 14-16-6-7(E)(3)

☐ Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Notice of Decision

I, the applicant or agent, acknowledge that if any required information is not submitted with this application, the application will not be scheduled for a public meeting or hearing, if required, or otherwise processed until it is complete.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________

Printed Name: ________________________ □ Applicant or □ Agent

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Staff Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________

Effective 5/17/18
UPC List:

WLY POR SPRINGER TRANSFER CO TRACT C
EXC POR TO R/W 0 656 AC:
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Pre-application notes are for informational purposes only and are non-binding. They do not constitute an approval of any kind. Additional research may be necessary to determine the exact type of process and/or application required. Factors unknown and/or thought of as minor at this time could become significant as a case progresses.

Request:

Basic Site Information

Current Use(s): City owned/managed Public Park
Size (acreage): 0.7509
Zoning: NR-PO-C
Overlay Zone(s): Martinez Town/Santa Barbara CPO-7

Comprehensive Plan Designations

Development Area: Consistency
Corridor(s): N/A
Center N/A
Near Major Public Open Space (MPOS)? No

Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO)

Please refer to the IDO for requirements regarding dimensional standards, parking, landscaping, walls, signage, etc. https://www.cabq.gov/planning/codes-policies-regulations/integrated-development-ordinance

Proposed Use(s): City Owned Park – Zone change to NR-PO-A

Use Specific Standards:

Applicable Definition(s): Park – Publicly or privately-owned land that is maintained for active or passive recreational use and for the use and enjoyment of the general public or the residents or occupants of a development. This use includes areas consisting of vegetative landscaping and/or areas improved for outdoor sports and recreation. Structural improvements are generally limited to those that facilitate the use of the land as a park. Incidental activities and structures include, but are not limited to, playgrounds, maintenance facilities, swimming pools, restrooms and dressing rooms, concessions, caretaker’s quarters, and parking.

Sensitive Lands: Please see IDO Section 14-16-5-2 for information about required analysis, development standards, and changes to process that may result if this Section applies.

Notice

Neighborhood Meeting Offer Required? Yes (see IDO Table 6-1-1). If yes, please refer to: 6-4(B) and 6-4(C)
https://www.cabq.gov/planning/urban-design-development/neighborhood-meeting-requirement-in-the-integrated-development-ordinance

Process

Decision Type(s) (see IDO Table 6-1-1): Policy Decision

Specific Procedure(s)*: 6-7(G) Zoning Map Amendment – EPC

*Please refer to specific procedures for relevant decision criteria required to be addressed.

Decision Making Body/ies: EPC Is this a PRT requirement? Yes

Handouts Provided

- [ ] Zoning Map Amendment
- [ ] Site Plan Amendments
- [ ] Site Plan- EPC
- [ ] Site Plan- DRB
- [ ] Site Plan- Admin
- [ ] Variance-ZHE
- [ ] Conditional Use
- [ ] Subdivision
- [ ] Site History/Research
- [ ] Transportation
- [ ] Hydrology
- [ ] Fire
If you have additional questions, please contact Sergio Lozoya slozoya@cabq.gov at (505) 924-3349 to schedule a follow-up meeting.
March 30th, 2022

City of Albuquerque
Planning Department
600 2nd St. NW
Albuquerque, NM 87102

Re: Letter of Authorization for Zone Map Amendment

To Whom It May Concern:

Consensus Planning, Inc. is hereby authorized to represent me, the City of Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Department in all matters relating to the Zone Map Amendment from R-1A, R-1B, R-1D, NR-LM, NR-PO-C to NR-PO-A for the following properties: Truman, Santa Barbara, Walker Property, Genevas Arroyo, Kapnison Property, and Todos Santos. The properties are made up of 26 lots legally described as the following:

1. **Truman site**: 3333 Truman Street Northeast
2. **Santa Barbara Park**: 1226 Walter St NE
3. **Walker Property**: All lots within the blocks of Summer Ave NW, Rosemont NW, 6th St. NW, and 5th St. NW
4. **Genevas Arroyo**: Eastern and western portions of a strip of land between University Blvd SE and Buena Vista Blvd SE
5. **Kapnison Property**: Fraction of Lot 2 located in northeastern section Tract 11 between San Mateo Blvd. NE and Balloon Fiesta Pkwy. NE

Sincerely,

City of Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Department

By: _________________________________________
Printed Name: David Simon
Title: Director
### Project Title: COA_ZMA_Park

### Building Permit #: 

### Hydrology File #: 

### Zone Atlas Page: J15

### DRB#: 

### EPC#: 

### Work Order#: 

### Legal Description: WLY POR SPRINGER TRANSFER CO TRACT C EXC POR TO R/W 0 656 AC

### City Address: 1226 WALTER ST NE ALBUQUERQUE NM 87102 1622

### Applicant: Consensus Planning

### Address: 302 8th St NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102

### Phone#: 505 764 9801

### Fax#: 

### E-mail: frank@consensusplanning.com

### Development Information

#### Build out/Implementation Year: 

#### Current/Proposed Zoning:

### Project Type: New: ( ) Change of Use: ( ) Same Use/Unchanged: ( ) Same Use/Increased Activity: ( )

### Proposed Use (mark all that apply): Residential: ( ) Office: ( ) Retail: ( ) Mixed-Use: ( )

#### Describe development and Uses:

Zone map amendment to reflect current ownership and management of the parcels. No construction or development.

### Days and Hours of Operation (if known): n/a

### Facility

#### Building Size (sq. ft.): n/a

#### Number of Residential Units: n/a

#### Number of Commercial Units: n/a

### Traffic Considerations

#### Expected Number of Daily Visitors/Patrons (if known):* n/a

#### Expected Number of Employees (if known):* n/a

#### Expected Number of Delivery Trucks/Buses per Day (if known):* n/a

#### Trip Generations during PM/AM Peak Hour (if known):* n/a

### Driveway(s) Located on: Street Name

### Adjacent Roadway(s) Posted Speed:

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**Roadway Information (adjacent to site)**

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**Relevant Web-sites for Filling out Roadway Information:**

- City GIS Information: [http://www.cabq.gov/gis/advanced-map-viewer](http://www.cabq.gov/gis/advanced-map-viewer)

**TIS Determination**

**Note:** Changes made to development proposals / assumptions, from the information provided above, will result in a new TIS determination.

- Traffic Impact Study (TIS) Required: Yes [ ] No [ ] Borderline [ ]
- Thresholds Met? Yes [ ] No [ ]
- Mitigating Reasons for Not Requiring TIS: Previously Studied: [ ]
- Notes:

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[Signature]  2/28/2022
TRAFFIC ENGINEER  DATE
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**Submittal**

The Scoping Form must be submitted as part of any building permit application, DRB application, or EPC application. See the Development Process Manual Chapter 7.4 for additional information.

Submit by email to the City Traffic Engineer mgrush@cabq.gov. Call 924-3362 for information.

**Site Plan/Traffic Scoping Checklist**

Site plan, building size in sq. ft. (show new, existing, remodel), to include the following items as applicable:
1. Access -- location and width of driveways
2. Sidewalks (Check DPM and IDO for sidewalk requirements. Also, Centers have wider sidewalk requirements.)
3. Bike Lanes (check for designated bike routes, long range bikeway system) [check MRCOG Bikeways and Trails in the 2040 MTP map]
4. Location of nearby multi-use trails, if applicable [check MRCOG Bikeways and Trails in the 2040 MTP map]
5. Location of nearby transit stops, transit stop amenities (eg. bench, shelter). Note if site is within 660 feet of premium transit.
6. Adjacent roadway(s) configuration (number of lanes, lane widths, turn bays, medians, etc.)
7. Distance from access point(s) to nearest adjacent driveways/intersections.
8. Note if site is within a Center and more specifically if it is within an Urban Center.
9. Note if site is adjacent to a Main Street.
10. Identify traffic volumes on adjacent roadway per MRCOG information. If site generates more than 100 vehicles per hour, identify v/c ratio on this form.
July 5, 2022

Mr. Tim MacEachen, Chair
Environmental Planning Commission
City of Albuquerque Planning Department
600 2nd Street NW
Albuquerque, NM 87102

RE: Request for a Zoning Map Amendment

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The purpose of this letter is to request a Zoning Map Amendment – EPC for a parcel of land at 1226 Walter Street NE totaling 0.7059 acres. The property is legally described as, Westerly Portion Springer Transfer Continuing Tract C Except for Portion to Right of Way

The property is currently zoned NR-PO-C. The request is to rezone the parcel to NR-PO-A to reflect the current ownership and management of the lot by the City of Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Department. This request meets the applicability criteria in IDO section 14-16-6-7(G), therefore the request is subject to review and approval by the Environmental Planning Commission as a Zoning Map Amendment – EPC and does not require City Council approval.

THE REQUEST

The applicant, the City of Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Department, seeks a Zone Map Amendment for approximately 1 acre of land consisting of one parcel located at 1226 Walter Street NE. The property is located within the Santa Barbara Martineztown neighborhood. The purpose of the zone map amendment is to reflect the correct ownership and management of the lot by the City of Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Department. The request is seeking to change the zoning of the parcel from NR-PO-C to NR-PO-A.

SITE HISTORY

Aerial imagery shows this site remained vacant until sometime between 1961 and 1996 when Santa Barbara Park was established. The park functioned as a private amenity for the surrounding community owned and operated by the Archdiocese. The Archdiocese auctioned the land in 2021 and the City of Albuquerque offered the winning bid and assumed full ownership of the historic park.
SITE OVERVIEW + LAND USE AND ZONING

**Site Overview:**
- **Current Zone Designation:** NR-PO-C
- **Proposed Zone Designation:** NR-PO-A
- **Size of Site:** 0.7059 acres
- **Current Conditions:** Existing park facility with basketball courts and green space
- **Surrounding Conditions:** Residential housing, San Ignacio Church, New Mexico Workforce Solutions, Carpet Direct commercial warehouse
- **City Development Area:** Consistency
- **Community Planning Area:** Central Albuquerque
- **Character Protection Overlay:** CPO-7 Martineztown/Santa Barbara
- **Transit Corridor:** Mountain Road Major Transit Corridor
- **Boundary Streets:** Walter Street NE, Edith Boulevard NE

**Zoning and Land Use:**
- The Santa Barbara Park location is currently zoned NR-PO-C, (Non-City Parks and Open Space) which allows for privately owned parks and outdoor recreation.
- Currently, there is a Non-City owned park with basketball courts and open green space on the site.
- The property is within 660 feet of Mountain Road Major Transit Corridor in addition to being near the Downtown Center and the UNM Activity Center.

**TABLE 2. Santa Barbara Park Surrounding Zoning & Land Use**

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Zoning Map Amendment – EPC

INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE JUSTIFICATION CRITERIA

The following explanation summarizes how the request for a Zoning Map Amendment meets the IDO criteria pursuant to IDO Section 14-16-6-7(G) Zoning Map Amendment – EPC.

6-7(G)(3) An application for a Zoning Map Amendment shall be approved if it meets all of the following criteria:

6-7(G)(3)(a): The proposed zone change is consistent with the health, safety, and general welfare of the City as shown by furthering (and not being in conflict with) a preponderance of applicable Goals and Policies in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended, and other applicable plans adopted by the City.

Applicant response: The proposed zone change is consistent with the health, safety, and general welfare of the City by aligning with a majority of applicable Goals and Policies as outlined in the ABC Comprehensive Plan. The zone change request coincides with placemaking initiatives, community green spaces, water, and natural resource conservation, desired growth, equitable distribution of amenities, land use, and walkability. Please refer to subsequent sections for in-depth policy analysis.

ALBUQUERQUE/BERNALILLO COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

This request is aligned with the scale, character, and current land uses for each neighborhood. Approval of the requested zone change to NR-PO-A is advantageous to the surrounding communities as conveyed by the ABC Comprehensive Plan. The following section provides an analysis of the relevant ABC Comprehensive Plan goals and policies that confirm the advantages of the proposed zone change for the surrounding communities.

Goal 5.1 Centers & Corridors: Grow as a community of strong Centers connected by a multi-modal network of Corridors.

Applicant Response: This request helps the city grow as a community of strong Centers connected by a multi-modal network of Corridors because the Santa Barbara site is within the Mountain Road Major Transit Corridor. Chapter five of the Comprehensive Plan explains walkability is a key aspect of the Corridor as it provides a safe attractive environment for pedestrians. Parks and green spaces help to increase walkability and add to the attractiveness of a community by providing a public amenity within walking distance to nearby neighborhoods.

POLICY 5.1.1 Desired Growth: Sub Policy (a):

a) Create walkable places that provide opportunities to live, work, learn, shop, and play.

Applicant Response: This Zone Map Amendment creates walkable places that provide opportunities for play and recreation by correctly zoning the subject property to NR-PO-A thereby allowing the previously private park to become a public park which will increase access to outdoor spaces for neighborhood residents and improve walkability within the Mountain Road Major Transit.
There is currently adequate infrastructure at the Santa Barbara site that helps to facilitate walkability, community play, and leisure.

**Policy 5.1.10 Major transit corridors Sub Policy (b):**

b) Minimize negative impacts on nearby neighborhoods by providing transitions between development along Transit Corridors and abutting single-family residential areas.

Applicant Response: Santa Barbara Park which was a privately owned park is located within 660 ft of the Mountain Road Major Transit Corridor. The addition of a public park zone designation would provide a transition between development along or near the Major Transit Corridor and the surrounding single-family residential neighborhood by providing a buffer between more intense development and housing.

**Goal 5.2 Complete Communities: Foster communities where residents can live, work, shop, and play together.**

Applicant Response: This request helps to foster communities where residents can live, work, shop, and play together because the addition of the NR-PO-A zone to the neighborhood provides a public amenity where residents can play together and take part in outdoor recreation or leisure activities. Public amenities including parks and green spaces are a key element to creating complete communities that provide residents with increased health, wellness, and quality of life benefits through walkable accessible outdoor spaces.

**POLICY 5.2.1 Land Uses: Create healthy, sustainable, and distinct communities with a mix of uses that are conveniently accessible from surrounding neighborhoods.**

a) Encourage development and redevelopment that brings goods, services, and amenities within walking and biking distance of neighborhoods and promotes good access for all residents.

e) Create healthy, sustainable communities with a mix of uses that are conveniently accessible from surrounding neighborhoods.

Applicant Response: This Zone Map Amendment creates healthy, sustainable, and distinct communities with a mix of uses that are conveniently accessible from surrounding neighborhoods.

The Santa Barbara neighborhood has two major cemeteries located within its boundaries and currently only one NR-PO-A parcel. The addition of the NR-PO-A zone designation for the subject property helps to create equitable distributions of public parks towards the southern edge of the Santa Barbara neighborhood.

This Zone Map Amendment meets sub-criteria policy (a) because by correctly zoning the parcel to NR-PO-A it will encourage development that is consistent with the scale of the Santa Barbara neighborhood it will bring a public amenity within walking distance to nearby residents and surrounding neighborhoods.
This Zone Map Amendment meets sub criteria policy (e) because by correctly zoning the parcel to NR-PO-A it will increase the quality of life and overall health and wellbeing of residents and provides equitable access to an outdoor amenity that helps to create sustainable communities with a mix of uses.

**Goal 5.6 City Development Areas:** Encourage and direct growth to Areas of Change where it is expected and desired and ensure that development in and near Areas of Consistency reinforces the character and intensity of the surrounding area

Applicant Response: The Zone Map Amendment reinforces the character and intensity of the area by providing a public amenity that is consistent with the scale of the neighborhood. The Santa Barbara Park has been a private community amenity for over 40 years and is part of the neighborhood landscape. Correctly zoning the Santa Barbara Park to NR-PO-A will help to maintain the distinct character of the community. The Zone Map Amendment limits the density and development of new uses in Areas of Consistency by preserving approximately 1 acre of land for public use which then encourages new infill development into Areas of Change where it is desired.

**POLICY 5.6.1 Community Green Space:** Provide visual relief from urbanization and offer opportunities for education, recreation, cultural activities, and conservation of natural resources by setting aside publicly-owned Open Space, Parks, trail corridors, and open areas throughout the Comp Plan area.

Applicant Response: This Zone Map Amendment provides visual relief from urbanization and offers opportunities for recreation and cultural activities by correctly zoning Santa Barbara Park to NR-PO-A which is specifically designed for public parks. The existing park acts as a relief from urbanization and is connected by an established bike route on the west side of the site on Edith Boulevard as well as existing sidewalk infrastructure making it easily accessible by multi-modal transportation.

**POLICY 5.6.3 Areas of Consistency:** Protect and enhance the character of existing single-family neighborhoods, areas outside of Centers and Corridors, parks, and Major Public Open Space.

d) In areas with predominantly single-family residential uses, support zone changes that help align the appropriate zone with existing land uses.

Applicant Response: This Zone Map Amendment helps to protect and enhance the character of existing single-family neighborhoods by correctly zoning the subject property to NR-PO-A which is consistent with the appeal and scale of the neighborhood and facilitates the overall health and well-being of the area. The Santa Barbara Neighborhood is one of the oldest neighborhoods in Albuquerque and is characterized by its winding streets and irregular lot sizes. Santa Barbara Park has been in the neighborhood for over 40 years and its preservation helps to maintain the distinct characteristics and amenities of the area.
This Zone Map Amendment meets sub-criteria policy (d) because the public park zone designation helps to align the site with the city’s ownership, surrounding residential neighborhood, and surrounding land uses. Public amenities are seen as advantageous to communities and help to facilitate connected complete neighborhoods.

**Goal 7.2 Pedestrian-Accessible Design:** Increase walkability in all environments, promote pedestrian-oriented development in urban contexts and increase pedestrian safety in auto-oriented contexts.

Applicant Response: This Zone Map Amendment increases walkability where the Santa Barbara Park site is located by utilizing an existing park facility that is near housing in the surrounding neighborhoods.

**Goal 10.1 Facilities & Access:** Provide parks, Open Space, and recreation facilities that meet the needs of all residents and use natural resources responsibly.

Applicant Response: This Zone Map Amendment provides a public park and recreation facility that meets the needs of all residents by correctly zoning a previously privately owned park to NR-PO-A. The Santa Barbara Park is a small neighborhood park within a residential area that will help provide access to public green space and recreation which can be viewed as responsible use of natural resources. The NR-PO-A zone designation is important because it takes a previously privately owned park that has been in use and treasured by the community for over 40 years and makes it accessible to the public thereby preserving the park and greater neighborhood character.

**POLICY 10.1.1 Distribution:** Improve the community’s access to recreational opportunities by balancing the City and County’s parks and Open Space systems with the built environment.

a) Protect and maintain a high-quality, accessible system of recreation facilities and sites sufficient to serve all areas.

Applicant Response: This Zone Map Amendment improves community access to recreational opportunities by increasing public land and equitable access in a residential neighborhood. The southern portion of the Santa Barbara neighborhood is not served by a public park as the existing Santa Barbara Park is zoned NR-PO-C for private use. The requested zone change helps to improve the balance of public parks and community spaces with the built environment in this neighborhood.

This Zone Map Amendment meets sub-criteria policy (a) by protecting the character of a previously privately owned park and rezoning it the NR-PO-A for public use which protects and maintains a high-quality accessible recreation facility. The subject site is serviced by existing bike lanes, bike routes, and sidewalk infrastructure that connect it to nearby NR-PO-A parks such as Wells Park, Martineztown Santa Barbara Softball courts, and Martineztown Park.
Goal 10.2 Parks: Provide opportunities for outdoor education, recreation, and cultural activities that meet community needs, enhance the quality of life, and promote community involvement for all residents.

Applicant Response: This Zone Map Amendment will provide an opportunity for outdoor recreation, education, and cultural activities that meet community needs, enhance the quality of life, and promote community involvement by increasing the network of public parks throughout the city and reserving the subject property for uses that are geared toward the public good. Quality of life is increased for residents when they have access to public amenities and green spaces and currently, the southern portion of the Santa Barbara neighborhood does not have access to a public park as the existing park is zoned NR-PO-C. The increased quality of life for residents can be realized through the rezoning of the subject site to NR-PO-A.

POLICY 10.2.1 Park Types: Plan and implement a system of parks to meet a range of needs at different scales, including small neighborhood parks, community parks, active parks, regional parks, and linear parks.

Applicant Response: This Zone Map Amendment helps to implement a system of parks that meet a range of different scales by correctly zoning a previously privately owned park to NR-PO-A thereby repurposing it as a small public neighborhood park and adding to the park system. The Santa Barabara neighborhood has been established since at least the 1850s which aids in its distinct character and irregular lot sizes. The small size and scale of the existing Santa Barbara Park compliment the character and historic nature of the neighborhood and by rezoning the subject site to NR-PO-A helps to add to a system of varying public parks.

Goal 13.5 Community Health: Protect and maintain safe and healthy environments where people can thrive.

Applicant Response: This Zone Map Amendment helps to protect and maintain safe and healthy environments where people can thrive by correctly zoning the subject property to NR-PO-A which will increase the health and well-being of residents by improving air quality, preserving green space, promoting walkability, providing relief from urbanization, and increasing property values.

6-7(G)(3)(b) If the subject property is located partially or completely in an Area of Consistency (as shown in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended), the applicant has demonstrated that the new zone would clearly reinforce or strengthen the established character of the surrounding Area of Consistency and would not permit development that is significantly different from that character. The applicant must also demonstrate that the existing zoning is inappropriate because it meets any of the following criteria:

1. There was a typographical or clerical error when the existing zone district was applied to the property.

2. There has been a significant change in neighborhood or community conditions affecting the site.
3. A different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan, as amended (including implementation of patterns of land use, development density and intensity, and connectivity), and other applicable adopted City plan(s)

Applicant response: This zone change meets sub-criteria 3 as the addition of a public park is advantageous to the community for health, environmental, and cultural reasons as outlined by the ABC Comprehensive Plan. The historic and cultural aspects of the Santa Barbara neighborhood and the community value of the existing park on the subject site make it advantageous to the community to rezone it to NR-PO-A thereby preserving the space for community use. The site is located in an area of consistency and the addition of the NR-PO-A zone classification helps to protect and enhance the characteristics of the surrounding communities.

6-7(G)(3)(c) If the subject property is located wholly in an Area of Change (as shown in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended) and the applicant has demonstrated that the existing zoning is inappropriate because it meets any of the following criteria:
1. There was a typographical or clerical error when the existing zone district was applied to the property.
2. There has been a significant change in neighborhood or community conditions affecting the site that justifies this request.
3. A different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan, as amended (including implementation of patterns of land use, development density and intensity, and connectivity), and other applicable adopted City plan(s).

Applicant Response: The property is located in an Area of Consistency; therefore, 6-7(G)(3)(b) is the applicable policy for this request.

6-7(G)(3)(d) The requested zoning does not include permissive uses that would be harmful to adjacent property, the neighborhood, or the community unless the Use-specific Standards in Section 16-16-0 are associated with that use will adequately mitigate those harmful impacts.

Applicant Response: Permissive uses in NR-PO-A zones are advantageous to creating complete communities. These uses range from community centers, schools, stadiums, and farmers’ markets. Permissive uses that could be viewed as harmful to adjacent residents such as an event facility, race track, or sports field could not be established on the subject property due to the size of the parcel, development standards set forth by the IDO, and other realistic constraints that would make its construction impossible. Primary permissive uses such as a high school which is not allowed in the NR-PO-C zone could be advantageous to the community although it could not be developed on the specific site due to the size of the property. Similarly, Balloon Fiesta Park activities could not occur on the subject site even though it is primary permissive in the NR-PO-A zone.

IDO section 4-3(C)(7)(a) NR-PO-A or Other Zone District with a City-owned or City-operated Park states Parks and recreational facilities, including associated
community buildings, lighting, parking areas, trails, play areas, playgrounds, exercise stations, basketball courts, restrooms, drinking water facilities, picnic shelters, storage sheds and enclosures, and any other structures or improvements approved by the City Parks and Recreation Department are allowed.

*Figure 1. Allowable Uses for NR-PO-A compared to NR-PO-C*

A=Permissive Accessory  T=Temporary  CA=Conditional Accessory  
P=Permissive  C=Conditional Primary  Blank Cell=Not Allowed  
CV=Conditional if Structure is Vacant for 5 years or more

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*These uses would not be developable on this property due to its small size.*
6-7(G)(3)(e) The City's existing infrastructure and public improvements, including but not limited to its street, trail, and sidewalk systems, meet any of the following criteria:
1. Have adequate capacity to serve the development made possible by the change of zone.
2. Will have adequate capacity based on improvements for which the City has already approved and budgeted capital funds during the next calendar year.
3. Will have adequate capacity when the applicant fulfills its obligations under the IDO, the DPM, and/or an Infrastructure Improvements Agreement (IIA).
4. Will have adequate capacity when the City and the applicant have fulfilled their respective obligations under a City approved Development Agreement between the City and the applicant.

Applicant Response: This request meets subcriteria 1 as Santa Barbara Park has adequate existing infrastructure consisting of sidewalks and park amenities (basketball court, green space).

6-7(G)(3)(f) The applicant’s justification for the Zoning Map Amendment is not completely based on the property’s location on a major street.

Applicant’s Response: The purposed zone map amendment is being justified based on the advantages it provides for the community rather than the property’s location on a major street.

6-7(G)(3)(g) The applicant’s justification is not based completely or predominantly on the cost of land or economic considerations.

Applicant’s Response: The purposed zone map amendment is being justified based on the advantages it provides for the community rather than the cost of land.

6-7(G)(3)(h) The Zoning Map Amendment does not apply a zone district different from surrounding zone districts to one small area or one premise (i.e. create a “spot zone”) or to a strip of land along a street (i.e. create a “strip zone”) unless the requested zoning will clearly facilitate implementation of the ABC Comp Plan, as amended, and at least one of the following applies:
1. The subject property is different from the surrounding land because it can function as a transition between adjacent zone districts.
2. The subject property is not suitable for the uses allowed in any adjacent zone district due to topography, traffic, or special adverse land uses nearby.
3. The nature of structures already on the subject property makes it unsuitable for the uses allowed in any adjacent zone district.

Applicant Response: The proposed NR-PO-A zoning for the subject property will create a differing zone from the surrounding properties but in doing so it will help to facilitate the goals of the ABC Comp Plan. Changing the zone to NR-PO-A
allows for a new public park and/or recreation space in the respective neighborhood. The zone map amendment request meets criteria 1 functioning as a transition space and helping to increase walkability, providing visual relief from the urban environment, protecting natural resources, as well as promoting community healthy and complete neighborhoods.

**Conclusion:** The requested zone change to NR-PO-A for the property listed within this letter will provide numerous benefits for the community and environment as outlined in the above goals and policies. On behalf of the City of Albuquerque, we respectfully request the Environmental Planning Commission’s approval of this Zoning Map Amendment.

Sincerely,

James K. Strozier, FAICP
Principal
STAFF INFORMATION
June 28, 2022

TO: Jim Strozier & Avery Frank, Consensus Planning

FROM: Sergio Lozoya, Leroy Duarte - Current Planners
       City of Albuquerque Planning Department

TEL: (505) 924-3352

RE: NR-PO-A Zone Changes

We’ve completed a first review of the proposed zoning map amendment (zone change). We would like to discuss the request and have a few revisions to the justification letter. We’re available to answer questions about the process and requirements. Please provide the following:

⇒ A revised zoning change justification letter pursuant to the zone change criteria (one PDF copy) by:

   **July 5, 2022.**

   Note: If you have difficulty with this deadline, please let me know.

1) Introduction:

   A. Though We’ve done our best for this review, additional items may arise as the case progresses. If so, we will inform you immediately.

   B. It is our understanding that you have submitted 5 (five) separate requests for a Zone Map Amendment to 5 separate subject sites. Each of these requests will require individual justification letters, Staff Reports, and be presented separately at the EPC.

   C. This is what we have for the legal descriptions:

   **Genevas (PR-2022-00007158_RZ-2022-00032) (Sergio Lozoya)**

      1. Easterly Portion of Strip of Land in Southeast ¼ Continuing
      2. Westerly Portion of Strip of Land in Southeast ¼ Albuquerque Grant


      1. Fraction of Lot 2 Located in the Northeast ¼ Northeast ¼ Section 11 Tract 11N R3E also known as, Tract F Heirs of Filiberto Gurule Tract Continuing 4.56 Acres +/-
      2. Fraction of Lot 2 Located in the Northeast ¼ Northeast ¼ Section 11 Tract 11N R3E also known as Tract F Heirs of Filiberto Gurule Tract Continuing 4.55 Acres +/-


      1. Northernly Portion of Tract D Correction Plat of the bulk land Plat of La Cuentista Subdivision (tracts A thru E) 1 acres.
Todos Santos (PR-2022-007161_RZ-2022-00035) (Leroy Duarte)

1. Tract B Vacation & Replat Comprised of Portion of El Rancho Atrisco De Los Santos & Tract 7-A-2 El Rancho Atrisco Phase 2 to Ladera West Unit 3 Continuing 4.1236 acres

2. Tract C Plat of Tract C Lots 1-A Thru 25-A Inclusive and Lots 133-A Thru 145-A Inclusive El Rancho Atrisco De Los Santos Continuing 5.6542 Acres

Truman (PR-2022-007162_RZ-2022-00035) (Sergio Lozoya)

1. Tract A Plat of Tract A Block 63 & Lippett Park Bel-Air Subdivision 1.1 acres

2) Process:
A. Information regarding the EPC process, including the calendar and current Staff reports, can be found at:
   http://www.cabq.gov/planning/boards-commissions/environmental-planning-commission

B. Timelines and EPC calendar: the EPC public hearing for July 21, 2022. Final staff reports will be available one week prior, on July 14, 2022.

C. Note that, if a zone change request is denied, you cannot reapply again for one year (for the same zone district).

D. Agency comments will be distributed as staff receives them. I will email you a copy of the comments.

3) Notification & Neighborhood Issues:
   Notification requirements for a zone change are explained in Section 14-16-6-4(K), Public Notice (IDO, p.378). The required notification consists of: i) an emailed letter to neighborhood representatives indicated by the ONC, and ii) a mailed letter (first-class) to property owners within 100 feet of the subject site.

   A. It appears that notification offering the pre-application facilitated meeting is complete.

   B. A facilitated meeting was held Via Zoom on 4-28-22 and several questions and comments were made. Is that correct?

   C. The notification to property owners appears to be complete for all sites. Thank you for providing photos of the certified mail receipts and a list of the neighbors within a 100’ buffer.

   D. The sign posting period is 15 days prior and after the EPC hearing date from Wednesday July 7, 2022 to August 4, 2022.

   E. Have any neighborhood representatives or members of the public contacted you so far?

4) Project Letter:
A. Each letter should demonstrate how the ZMA review and decision criteria, 6-7(G)(3) are met per each individual subject site. E.g., the policy analysis needs to be specific to each site.

B. Please expand on the history and context of each of the subject sites provide case history if any.

5) Zone Map Amendment (zone change)- Overview:

A. The task in a zone change justification is to choose applicable Goals and policies from the Comprehensive Plan and demonstrate how the request furthers (makes a reality) each applicable Goal and policy. **Furthering is shown by providing explanations using “because” statements and tailoring the response to match the wording of the Goal or policy.**

B. Please revise or add goals/policies that align with zone map request pursuant to each individual site.

C. Policies that partially further the goal will not be included in staff findings, please review goals and policies.

D. Policy 5.1.1- Desired Growth: The request is for a zone map amendment, nothing is being created. Instead touch on points that pertains to existing walkable paths, spaces, etc.

E. Goal 5.6- City Development Areas: Be specific about each site and explain their own characteristics and intensities.

F. Policy 5.2.1 Land Uses Sub Policy (n): Be specific with each site and specific as to what neighborhoods you are addressing.

G. Policy 5.6.1 Community Green Space: Be specific as to what community green spaces you are talking about, each site has different types of communities and characteristics of green spaces.

H. Policy 5.6.3 Areas of Consistency: Elaborate on the character you are referring to.

I. Goal 10.1 Facilities and Access: Elaborate as to how this zone map amendment meets this goal criteria. These parks exist and already exist, maybe elaborate on the change from private to public meets this goal. If there are future plans for the site(s) explain if not then I would leave out the last sentence that describes parcels being developed to meet the needs of residents.

J. Policy 10.1.1 Distribution: Elaborate why this would protect and maintain the network of green space; i.e. *by keeping the space vacant this would reinforce the character and connection of open networks* ....

K. Goal 10.2 Parks: Explain how this goal will be achieved and how the quality of life will be achieved.

L. 10.2.1 Park Types: Please be specific as to how and what types of parks will be meet the needs, i.e. for Balloon Fiesta Park elaborate on that subject and use that for Goal 13.5 Community Health as well.

M. 6-7(G)(3)(b): Explain what cultural reasons you are referring to for each site (if applicable)

N. 6-7(G)(3)(d): Discuss downzones and include harmful uses individually.
O. 6-7(G)(3(e)): Explain this criterion follows Option 1 and use same language.

Q. 6-7(G)(3)(h): If no spot zones are being created do not mention spot zones.
NOTIFICATION
Dear Applicant:

Please find the neighborhood contact information listed below. Please make certain to read the information further down in this e-mail as it will help answer other questions you may have.

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You will need to email each of the listed contacts and let them know that you are applying for an approval from the Planning Department for your project. Please use this online link to find the required forms you will need to submit: https://ido.abc-zone.com/integrated-development-ordinance-ido?document=1&outline-name=6-1%20Procedures%20Summary%20Table

The Administrative Decision form you need for notifying neighborhood associations can be found here: https://documents.cabq.gov/planning/online-forms/PublicNotice/Emailed-Notice-Administrative-Print&Fill.pdf

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Once you have emailed the listed contacts in each neighborhood, you will need to attach a copy of these emails to a copy of this e-mail from the ONC to your application and submit it to the Planning Department for approval.

If your application requires you to offer a neighborhood meeting, you can click on this link to find required forms to use in your e-mail to the neighborhood association(s): http://www.cabq.gov/planning/developingneighborhoodmeetingrequirementsinislandedvelopmentordinance

If your application requires a pre-application or pre-construction meeting, please plan on utilizing virtual platforms to the greatest extent possible and adhere to all current Public Health Orders and recommendations. The health and safety of the community is paramount. Please find the neighborhood contact information listed below. Please make certain to read the information further down in this e-mail as it will help answer other questions you may have.

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Public Notice of a Proposed Project in the City of Albuquerque
for Policy Decisions Mailed to a Property Owner

Date of Notice*: 5/5/22

This notice of an application for a proposed project is provided as required by Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) Subsection 14-16-6-4(K) Public Notice to:

Property Owner within 100 feet*: See attached

Mailing Address*: See attached

Project Information Required by IDO Subsection 14-16-6-4(K)(1)(a)

1. Subject Property Address* See attached
   Location Description

2. Property Owner* City of Albuquerque

3. Agent/Applicant* [if applicable] Consensus Planning

4. Application(s) Type* per IDO Table 6-1-1 [mark all that apply]
   ✔ Zoning Map Amendment
   □ Other: 

   Summary of project/request1*:
   Zone Map Amendment to NR-PO-A (City Owned or Managed Public Park)

5. This application will be decided at a public hearing by*:
   ✔ Environmental Planning Commission (EPC)
   □ City Council

   This application will be first reviewed and recommended by:
   □ Environmental Planning Commission (EPC)
   □ Landmarks Commission (LC)
   □ Not applicable (Zoning Map Amendment – EPC only)

   Date/Time*: EPC Hearing June 16th @ 8:30 am

   Location*: https://cabq.zoom.us/j/2269592859

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1 Attach additional information, as needed to explain the project/request.
2 Physical address or Zoom link
[Note: Items with an asterisk (*) are required.]

Agenda/meeting materials: [http://www.cabq.gov/planning/boards-commissions](http://www.cabq.gov/planning/boards-commissions)

To contact staff, email devhelp@cabq.gov or call the Planning Department at 505-924-3860.

6. Where more information about the project can be found*3:
   Please call or email frank@consensusplanning.com 505 764 9801

**Project Information Required for Mail/Email Notice by IDO Subsection 6-4(K)(1)(b):**

1. Zone Atlas Page(s)*4 [Please see attached]

2. Architectural drawings, elevations of the proposed building(s) or other illustrations of the proposed application, as relevant*: Attached to notice or provided via website noted above

3. The following exceptions to IDO standards have been requested for this project*:
   - [ ] Deviation(s)
   - [ ] Variance(s)
   - [ ] Waiver(s)

   Explanation*:
   ____________________________________________________________
   ____________________________________________________________
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4. A Pre-submittal Neighborhood Meeting was required by [Table 6-1-1]: [✓ Yes] [☐ No]

   Summary of the Pre-submittal Neighborhood Meeting, if one occurred:
   Please see attached
   ____________________________________________________________
   ____________________________________________________________
   ____________________________________________________________
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* Address (mailing or email), phone number, or website to be provided by the applicant

Additional Information:

From the IDO Zoning Map:

1. Area of Property [typically in acres] __________________________________________
2. IDO Zone District ____________________________________________________________
3. Overlay Zone(s) [if applicable] ________________________________________________
4. Center or Corridor Area [if applicable] __________________________________________
   Current Land Use(s) [vacant, if none] ____________________________________________

**NOTE:** For Zoning Map Amendment – EPC only, pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-6-4(L), property owners within 330 feet and Neighborhood Associations within 660 feet may request a post-submittal facilitated meeting. If requested at least 15 calendar days before the public hearing date noted above, the facilitated meeting will be required. To request a facilitated meeting regarding this project, contact the Planning Department at devhelp@cabq.gov or 505-924-3955.

Useful Links

   Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO):
   https://ido.abc-zone.com/

   IDO Interactive Map
   https://tinurl.com/IDOzoningmap

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# OFFICIAL PUBLIC NOTIFICATION FORM
FOR MAILED OR ELECTRONIC MAIL NOTICE
CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

## PART I - PROCESS

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- Pre-Application meeting required: [✓] Yes  [☐] No
- Neighborhood meeting required: [✓] Yes  [☐] No 4/27/22
- Mailed Notice required: [✓] Yes  [☐] No
- Electronic Mail required: [✓] Yes  [☐] No

- Is this a Site Plan Application: [☐] Yes  [✓] No  **Note:** if yes, see second page

## PART II – DETAILS OF REQUEST

- Address of property listed in application: Please see attached
- Name of property owner: City of Albuquerque
- Name of applicant:
- Date, time, and place of public meeting or hearing, if applicable:
  - EPC Hearing June 16th @ 8:30 am  [https://cabq.zoom.us/j/2269592859](https://cabq.zoom.us/j/2269592859)
- Address, phone number, or website for additional information:
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## PART III - ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED WITH THIS NOTICE

- [✓] Zone Atlas page indicating subject property.
- [☐] Drawings, elevations, or other illustrations of this request.
- [✓] Summary of pre-submittal neighborhood meeting, if applicable.
- [✓] Summary of request, including explanations of deviations, variances, or waivers.

**IMPORTANT:** PUBLIC NOTICE MUST BE MADE IN A TIMELY MANNER PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 14-16-6-4(K) OF THE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE (IDO).

PROOF OF NOTICE WITH ALL REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS MUST BE PRESENTED UPON APPLICATION.

I certify that the information I have included here and sent in the required notice was complete, true, and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

_______________________________  (Applicant signature)    _______________________ (Date)

**Note:** Providing incomplete information may require re-sending public notice. Providing false or misleading information is a violation of the IDO pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-6-9(B)(3) and may lead to a denial of your application.

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CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE, PLANNING DEPARTMENT, 600 2ND ST. NW, ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87102 505.924.3860

[www.cabq.gov](http://www.cabq.gov)  
*Printed 11/1/2020*
PART IV – ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED FOR SITE PLAN APPLICATIONS ONLY

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   □ Not applicable (Zoning Map Amendment – EPC only)
   Date/Time*: EPC Hearing June 16th @ 8:30 am
   Location*2: https://cabq.zoom.us/j/2269592859

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1 Attach additional information, as needed to explain the project/request.
2 Physical address or Zoom link
Agenda/meeting materials: [http://www.cabq.gov/planning/boards-commissions](http://www.cabq.gov/planning/boards-commissions)
To contact staff, email devhelp@cabq.gov or call the Planning Department at 505-924-3860.

6. Where more information about the project can be found*:
   Please call or email frank@consensusplanning.com 505 764 9801

Project Information Required for Mail/Email Notice by [IDO Subsection 6-4(K)(1)(b)]:

1. Zone Atlas Page(s)*: Please see attached

2. Architectural drawings, elevations of the proposed building(s) or other illustrations of the proposed application, as relevant*: Attached to notice or provided via website noted above

3. The following exceptions to IDO standards have been requested for this project*:
   - Deviation(s)
   - Variance(s)
   - Waiver(s)

   Explanation*:
   n/a

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4. A Pre-submittal Neighborhood Meeting was required by [Table 6-1-1]: Yes ☑ No ❌

   Summary of the Pre-submittal Neighborhood Meeting, if one occurred:
   Please see attached

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3 Address (mailing or email), phone number, or website to be provided by the applicant
[Note: Items with an asterisk (*) are required.]

Additional Information:

From the IDO Zoning Map:

1. Area of Property [typically in acres] ________________________________
2. IDO Zone District ____________________________________________________
3. Overlay Zone(s) [if applicable] _________________________________________
4. Center or Corridor Area [if applicable] ________________________________

Current Land Use(s) [vacant, if none] ________________________________________

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NOTE: For Zoning Map Amendment – EPC only, pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-6-4(L), property owners within 330 feet and Neighborhood Associations within 660 feet may request a post-submittal facilitated meeting. If requested at least 15 calendar days before the public hearing date noted above, the facilitated meeting will be required. To request a facilitated meeting regarding this project, contact the Planning Department at devhelp@cabq.gov or 505-924-3955.

Useful Links

   Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO):
   https://ido.abc-zone.com/

   IDO Interactive Map
   https://tinyurl.com/IDOzoningmap

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Available here: https://tinurl.com/idozoningmap
Dear Neighbors,

This email is a notification that Consensus Planning has submitted six Zoning Map Amendment – EPC applications on behalf of the City of Albuquerque for parks properties. These applications will change the zoning for these sites (see attached zone atlas pages) to NR-PO-A (Non-residential City-Owned Parks and Open Space). Also attached are meeting notes from the pre-application neighborhood meeting that was held to discuss these changes.

These applications will be considered by the EPC at the June 16, 2022, at 8:30 AM via Zoom. You may join the Zoom meeting using the following information:

Join Zoom Meeting: https://cabq.zoom.us/j/2269592859
To call in: (301) 715-8592
Meeting ID: 226 959 2859
Additional information, including a copy of the staff report and meeting agenda will be available on the EPC webpage approximately one week before the hearing: 
https://www.cabq.gov/planning/boards-commissions/environmental-planning-commission/epc-agendas-reports-minutes

If you have any questions or need additional information please reach out to Jim Strozier at cp@consensusplanning.com or myself at frank@consensusplanning.com. We can be reached by phone at (505) 764-9801.

Sincerely,

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Background Summary:
This was a Pre-Application meeting for an EPC zone change, which allows property owners to request a different zone from the one currently assigned. The Zone Map Amendments seek to change the current zoning of several properties to reflect the current ownership and management by the City of Albuquerque. All the affected properties are owned by the City. The city seeks to change the zoning to NR-PO-A (City-Owned or Managed Public Park). This action will allow greater transparency by having the zoning match the ownership and use.

Five of the six subject areas (Truman, Santa Barbara, Walker, Genevas, and Todos Santos) are situated in or adjacent to existing residential neighborhoods. The remaining site, Kapnison is not adjacent to existing residential neighborhoods but is situated near the Balloon Fiesta Park which if approved would help increase the size of the park.¹

The proposed Zone Map Amendment has several advantages for the community including but not limited to the placemaking initiatives, water and natural resource conservation, community green space, efficient development patterns, preserving areas of consistency, equitable distribution of amenities, walkability, and improving quality of life.

Outcomes:
1) Areas of Agreement:
   a) No opposition for the contemplated EPC zone changes to City Park was voiced.

2) Unresolved Issues & Concerns
   a) None noted

¹ See attached Agents’ Parks Proposed Zone Map Amendments PPT presentation
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Meeting Specifics:

1) Agent’s Presentation

a) The city zoning code is now called the Integrated Development ordinance (aka IDO). One of the key things that it includes is the process that any property owner, including in this case the City of Albuquerque has to go through in order to change the zoning on a specific piece of property and there are specific criteria that that you have to meet in order to justify a change in zoning. Participants received notification of this meeting because their neighborhood association is within a certain distance of the subject properties.

b) This is for 6 properties that the city owns and has acquired that are specifically identified to be neighborhood. They total approximately 24 acres, so they're not huge properties. We are proposing to change them from whatever zoning they are today mostly residential. To NR-PO-A (City Owned or Managed Public Park) to reflect the current ownership and management of the properties. As you might imagine, many of these properties are located within a neighborhood. One of the main reasons that the City has asked us to help them do this is that right now when you look at the city zoning map or the city's online version of that zoning now, you would not know that these properties were designated to be a park. They currently are shown as being zoned R-1 for single family homes. And yet they're not. So part of the purpose of this effort is to make sure that when someone looks at that zoning map that they can actually see that this is a park. There's other ways to figure that out if you're good at using the system but this will be much easier for people to see right away.

c) Truman

- Current Zone: R-1B (Residential Single-Family Medium Lot)
- Size of Site: 1.056 acres (1 parcel)
- Current Conditions: Boys and Girls Club and parking lot
- Nearest Streets: Monroe St NE, Cherokee Rd NE, Truman St NE, and Headingly Ave NE.
- Development Patterns: Area of Consistency*
  * land uses are limited in an attempt to preserve the character of the existing neighborhood

The Truman property is also one parcel just over an acre in size. It’s actually a parcel that is immediately adjacent to an existing City park property so the property to the west is zoned NR-PO-A. This property is zoned R-1-B. It is surrounded by other R-1 properties and there are a lot of houses in this area. This zone amendment will basically just expand that existing park by a little over an acre.

d) Santa Barbara

- Current Zone: NR-PO-C (Non-City Parks and Open Space
- Size of Site: 0.7059 acres (1 parcel)
- Current Conditions: Santa Barbara Park
- Nearest Streets: Edith Blvd NE and Walter St NE.
- Development Patterns: Area of Consistency*
  * land uses are limited in an attempt to preserve the character of the existing neighborhood

The Santa Barbara parcel is just under an acre to the east. It’s a small parcel, what I would probably describe as a future pocket park. It's in an interesting little area, because it's a higher intensity zoning – MXM is a mixed-use zone; MXT is mixed-use transitional. Albuquerque High School is right there.

e) Walker

- Current Zone: R-1A (Residential Single-Family Small Lot)
- Size of Site: 2.1613 acres (all lots within the block)
- Current Conditions: Vacant lots surrounded by single and multi-family residential and mixed uses.
- Nearest Streets: Summer Ave NW, 5th St NW, Rosemont Ave NW, and 6th St NW.
- Development Patterns: Area of Consistency*
  * land uses are limited in an attempt to preserve the character of the existing neighborhood
The Walker property is in the north end of downtown, and that consists of 18 different residential lots that the City acquired, and it is an entire block. Those blocks downtown are relatively small, so it's just a little over 2 acres, but it's an entire block and is just north of the Wells Park. Wells Park Community Center is located just to the south of that and is already zoned NR-PO-A. There is a little bit of open space in the park area. I believe there's a basketball court, and some grass areas as part of that park. I think this is in the Wells Park neighborhood and the City is working with that neighborhood to come up with a plan as to what that park is actually going to look like. But once again very centrally located in that neighborhood. A lot of houses surround that, especially as you go west of 6th Street.

f) Geneva
- Current Zone: R-1D (Residential Single-Family Large Lot)
- Size of Site: 4.811 acres (2 parcels)
- Current Conditions: Vacant lots surrounded by single and multi-family residential and mixed uses.
- Nearest Streets: University Blvd SE and Buena Vista Dr SE
- Development Patterns: Area of Consistency*
  *land uses are limited in an attempt to preserve the character of the existing neighborhood

The Geneva property is 2 parcels, and that is down in the south part of the city. It's a linear parcel, this is this is the royal. There is a drainage ditch. I would anticipate that this could become a trail corridor through this neighborhood. There's a mobile home park; there's some residences around it. This is off of University Blvd. SE and Buena Vista SE. It’s N. of Gibson Blvd., so in an older part of town. It's pretty big piece; it's almost 5 acres, but it's a long skinny piece.

g) Kapnison
- Current Zone: NR-LM (Non-Residential Light Manufacturing)
- Size of Site: 9.11 acres (2 parcels)
- Current Conditions: Vacant lots surrounded by public parks and light manufacturing.
- Nearest Streets: San Mateo Blvd. NE and Balloon Fiesta Parkway NE.
- Development Patterns: Area of Consistency*
  *land uses are limited in an attempt to preserve the character of the existing neighborhood

The Kapnison property is the 2nd largest of these properties. It includes 2 parcels, is slightly over 9 acres of land, and it's in the very north end of the city just west of I-25. It is immediately adjacent to Balloon Fiesta Park. The City has been acquiring additional properties around Balloon Fiesta Park. And so this is basically at the north end of the park. And one of the key things about this piece is that does provide a connection to that and the dead end of San Mateo. This is in an industrial area. Besides the Balloon Fiesta Park everything around this, to the north and east, over to I-25, and to the south is all zoned industrial, but it'll be part of Balloon Fiesta Park.

h) Todos Santos
- Current Zone: R-1A & PD (Residential Single-Family Small Lot & Planned Development)
- Size of Site: 9.77 acres (2 parcels)
- Current Conditions: The site is a utility easement surrounded by residential uses
- Nearest Streets: Todos Santos St NW, San Benito St NW, Vista Alegre NW, Ouray Rd NW.
- Development Patterns: Area of Change*
  *land uses are limited in an attempt to preserve the character of the existing neighborhood

The Todos Santos property is the property on the west side of Albuquerque. It's basically a wide utility corridor that goes right through the middle of a neighborhood. This has actually got 2 different zones on it: R-1, which is single family residential and PD – Planned Development. It’s basically a large wide utility easement that runs between the middle of this neighborhood. There are power lines in there, and most likely this will become some sort of linear park, probably with the trail, and hopefully, some other amenities that the city can develop in this area.
i) When I mentioned that the IDO has criteria for changing the zoning, Basically, what that means is that we need to put together a justification letter. One of the key aspects of that justification letter is to look at the city's comprehensive plan and look at how this fits in to some of those goals and policies that the city has put in place with that comprehensive plan. Creating healthy, walkable communities is a big part of our comprehensive plan, enhancing the character of existing single-family neighborhoods, improving community access to these types of facilities, and in general providing relief from urbanization and providing more green and open space within the communities.

2) Neighbors’ Response Neighbor questions and comments are in Italics. Q = Question; C = Comment

a) Q: Is there any information as to when those purchases happened that could be shared with everybody after the meeting?
   A: We can. I think we can get that information My understanding is that all of these properties have been purchased or acquired in some manner by the city since the IDO was adopted in 2018, so sometime in the last 4 years these properties were acquired.

b) Genevas

i) C: That parcel is so narrow, and somebody said there's an arroyo there. It’s next to Lowell Elementary.
   A: That’s AMAFCA (Albuquerque Metropolitan Arroyo Flood Control) drainage. Water might run underneath the roadway and the parcels via buried pipes.

ii) Q: Is the empty property to the east of Lowell Elementary privately owned or is that publicly owned?
    A: That’s the recreational field associated with the school.

iii) Q: In the information that you sent out for this meeting, there was some mention of some of the properties we would be considering were private parks?
    A: Santa Barbara Park was owned privately, so it's zoned R-PO-C, which is the zone designation for privately owned park. The city has purchased that, and now going to be a public park.
    Q: So, nothing that we're considering is in the hands of private citizens at this point?
    A: No, it’s all owned by the City.

c) Todos Santos

i) Q: Any idea what they plan on doing with it?
   A: Rincondada Park is very close by. I don't really know the answer, but the City has several linear parks like this and I would guess that it's going to include a trail and could include what they call a “park course”, which is little exercise stations along trail. It could have a little pocket area with some play equipment, or something like that, but probably won’t be a traditional park. That'd be my guess.

ii) C: The area that moves to the east at the southeast of the bottom of the park area – that almost looks like It's got some arroyo-like characteristics.
    A: That's a drainage ditch which feeds into the Ladera Golf Course.
    - As a point of clarification, when we say the city purchased these properties, probably a better word to use is that they somehow acquired them. It could be that this was owned by an HOA and given to the city. In the case of the open space properties that we talked about on Monday night, I'm pretty sure that all of those were purchased by the Coty. The City has sought them out, and they prioritizes acquiring them, and they've gone out, and they've bought them. In the case of some of these park properties like Santa Barbara, it could be that the church and the neighborhood association realized that they couldn't take care of them anymore, or didn't have the resources, and probably approached the city and said, “Would you take this over?”
    C: I appreciate that clarification.
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d) Kapnison
i) C: It looks like there's either a walking trail or some type of ditch that goes through it.
A: Yes, I think so. This is an old dirt road that goes through there. And, as we all know, if we go
to the Balloon Fiesta, they’re constantly dealing with issues of parking and staging and that is just
a constant part of doing what they do. I don't know what they plan to do with this particular
property, but I’m going to guess, since it's not really connected to the park portion of the Balloon
Fiesta, that this could be additional parking or staging area would be my guess.

e) Truman
Agent comment: There's a park there's a community center to the west. There's an existing
neighborhood park immediately adjacent to this. So, once again, I bet the Boys and Girls Club either
worked out some sort of deal with the city. There are some kind of courts already there – I’m guessing
pickle-ball courts.

f) Walker
i) Q: Is the Walker parcel the one where Rosemont Street separates the new acquired property from
the existing park? I wonder if they’re considering, removing Rosemont Street to create one large
park without a road running through?
A: I don't know the answer to that. They certainly could do that. That would involve a separate
process to actually vacate that street. Compared to a private developer, for instance, the existing
street is already owned by the City, and the City owns the land to the north and to the south of the
street, so they probably have a little more flexibility as to what they do with that street ultimately
as part of their master planning.
C: I would suggest that would be a nice idea, and they could take out paving and add green space;
that would be wonderful.
A: It probably has utilities in it. We can certainly share that with the with the City Parks folks.
ii) Q: They have a lot of homeless people in this area. I'm wondering how a park in this area is going
to be protected from homeless people camping out there like they do at Coronado Park. Do you
take that into consideration?
A: I am sure that has been very much front and center with the conversations that they have had.

Neighbors’ Requests of the City Regarding Process

a) Q/C: Is it possible that going forward a part of the purchasing of property or reception of property
given to the city that a part of that process is that they have to get the zone change for the deal to be
finalized? I understand we've got a new IDO 4 years ago, and everybody's trying to figure out where
they need to fit so that life can go on, and things can be built, but it seems like there's a better way to
do this
i) 126 people were notified by email of this meeting, 10 registered, 3 showed up. I don’t know that
this can be called a real public meeting at which issues were discussed.

Neighbor recommendation to the City: Going forward from this point, as the City either purchases,
or a acquires in some form, property that they will cause to become park property, part of the process
of purchasing or acquiring is that at that time they have to change the zone. That means that
everybody who surrounds the property gets a notice saying the property is being acquired and re-
zoned, and giving those neighbors the opportunity to give their input about it. Doing it in this more
timely way may also feel more pertinent to the neighbors and they would be more interested in coming
out to talk about it and be more engaged in what’s happening with the properties in the area of their
neighborhood.
A: I wanted to offer a slightly different perspective about the low turnout for these meetings. I don't
know about the circumstance for all of these projects, but speaking about the Walker property, I know
that the Walker property has been vacant, and I believe that it was the neighborhood who worked with
the City to get the City to acquire the property because it was for sale, and they have been working
with that neighborhood very actively to get that property purchased. It is one property that I know that the City actually did purchase, and the neighborhood has been working with them. The City has been working with those neighbors now to come up with the master plan as to what they're going to do with the park. So I'm going to guess that no one from Wells Park signed up for this meeting, because they already know everything about that property and they've been very actively involved with the City and they know it's going to be a park. Additionally, this is a little bit different than a lot of the projects that we do, because in this case, with the existing zoning a park is allowed to be built in any zone. I don't discount your comment that maybe it would be better if the City did these one at a time as they purchased a property, and for whatever reason they didn't do that, but I think these may be some explanations of why in some of these areas the immediate neighbors did not choose to attend this meeting – because they've already been included in discussions leading up to this. I know that the City has held quite a few public meetings and gotten a lot of public input about Truman park. I think that also speaks to the community involvement in that process.

b) **Neighbor recommendation to the Agent and the City:** Going forward from this point, when notification of one of these meetings goes out, it will be very helpful if that includes the degree of prior conversations with the neighbors in the vicinity of the project, so that we have a sense of how much engagement has already taken place, which will help inform our decision about whether or not we need to have or attend that meeting.

A: When sending out meeting notices, it's always a delicate balance between inundating people with too much information and making sure they have the information they need to know. I appreciate that feedback because we constantly talk about that when we're putting these notices together. So we will definitely take that to heart

c) **C:** I appreciate that the city is always looking for ways to add more green space, and I know in the Parks and Recreation Department and Solid Waste everybody is so overworked right now.

**Neighbor recommendation to the City:** When the city acquires more Open Space and properties to be used for parks, they need to add to their budget for the maintenance and care of those areas.

### Action Items:

a) Agent will provide neighbors with information about the dates the City acquired these properties.

b) Agent will extend to the City Parks folks the neighbor’s suggestion that the City vacate Rosemont Street, remove the pavement, and add green space to create one large park without a road running through.

### Anticipated Application and Hearing timetable:

- **EPC Application** will be filed May 5, 2022
- **EPC Hearing** will be held June 16, 2022.

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