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Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee (GAATC) Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 9, 2025 | 4:00 – 6:00 PM

- **Call to order**
 - The Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee Meeting of June 9, 2025, was called to order by Alex Applegate at 4:04pm.
- **Introductions**
 - **Committee Members Present**
 - Alex Applegate (Chair)
 - Luciana Roça (Vice Chair)
 - Adrian Carver
 - Dr. Naomi George
 - Frank Horine
 - Leila Murrieta
 - **Committee Members Absent**
 - Sebastian Bentley
 - **Staff Members Present**
 - Tara Cok (MRCOG)
 - Eli Kosko (Parks and Recreation Department)
 - Albert Lee (Sustainability)
 - Robert Messenger (Planning)
 - Paul Olson (DMD)
 - Whitney Phelan (Parks and Recreation Department)
 - Jenae Robertson (TYLin)
 - Debbie Wolfe (Bernalillo County)
 - Agnes Vallejos (Department of Senior Affairs)
 - **Visitors Present**
 - Dianne Cress (Bike ABQ)
 - Peter Rice (Downtown ABQ News)
- **Review and Approval of June 9, 2025 Meeting Agenda**
 - Chair Applegate then asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Member George moved to approve the agenda. Member Murrieta seconded. Motion approved 6-0-0
Yes: 6
No: 0
Abstain: 0



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- **Review and Approval of May 12, 2025 Meeting Minutes**
 - Chair Applegate then asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Member George moved to approve the agenda. Member Carver seconded. Motion approved 6-0-0
Yes: 6
No: 0
Abstain: 0
- **Public Comments**
 - None
- **Discussion / Action Items**
 - None
- **Presentations**
 - **Age-Friendly Action Plan**, Department of Senior Affairs, City of Albuquerque, Agnes Vallejos, Strategic Program Manager
 - Background: What is “Age-Friendly Albuquerque”?
 - Practices and policies that enable people of all ages and abilities to engage within their communities
 - It improves quality of life, it is good for economic growth, and improves access and mobility
 - New Updates:
 - Housing:
 1. Advance policy and rulemaking for housing accessibility
 2. Increase awareness of housing opportunities
 3. Support programs that promote aging safely and securely in place
 4. Expand diverse housing options
 - Transportation:
 1. Advance policy and rulemaking for transportation accessibility
 2. Increase awareness of transportation improvement efforts
 3. Pursue programming that is innovative for improving mobility options throughout the city
 - Civic Participation & Employment:
 1. Improve access to improvement
 2. Encourage all ages to be actively engaged in the community and expand opportunities to work for pay or volunteer work
- **Staff Reports**
 - Municipal Development (DMD), Paul Olson



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- Engineering Division
 - Buena Vista Bike Boulevard plan set open house:
 - Wednesday, July 9th from 5:00 to 7:00PM, located at Heights Community Center
- Council Services
 - No staff present
- Parks and Recreation, Whitney Phelan
 - Open Space is going to be holding a series of events throughout the summer on Sharing Our Open Spaces and Trails
 - Focused on Open Space
 - Opportunities to give input, and talk about potential updates to trail etiquette
 - The event will be held on:
 - June 14, from 10am -1pm at Milne Gutierrez
 - August 23, from 10am -1pm at Elena Gallegos (Kiwanis Area)
 - September 27, from 10am -1pm at Indian School
- Senior Affairs, Agnes Vallejos
 - No updates
- Planning, Robert Messenger
 - No updates
- ABQ RIDE
 - No staff present
- Sustainability, Albert Lee
 - Transportation Climate Strategy Workshop results:
 - A shared understanding of the Regional Transportation Network was developed
 - Participants voted on top strategies for the Comprehensive Climate Action Plan; the top 5 climate strategies were:
 - 1) Expand public transit 2) Increase active transportation 3) Build dense communities 4) Develop electric vehicle infrastructure and 5) Promote micromobility
 - More information at: resilientfuturesnm.org (go to “Get Involved” tab for recordings, downloads, and meeting notes)
- Bernalillo County, Debbie Wolfe



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- 12 Project Updates will be forwarded to members of GAATC
- Highlights:
 - Bike Safety Plan is up for final draft and will be presented to the County in August 2025
 - Coors Boulevard Pedestrian Safety - (Gun Club Rd to Blake Rd) 30% design with multi-use trails on both sides; two midblock crossings with HAWK signals.
- 3 Main Highlights for Trails:
 - Alameda Drain Trail Phase 4 - (El Pueblo to Alameda Blvd) under construction
 - Alameda Drain Trail Phase 6 - (Alameda Blvd to 4th St NW) cancelled due to lack of connectivity. Pueblo of Sandia did not want the trail to enter their land; NMDOT rejected all of the county's alternatives to provide connectivity.
 - Frost Road Trail Phase 2 - (Candy Ct to Vallecitos Rd) construction later this year
- MRCOG, Tara Cok
 - No updates
- NMDOT District 3
 - No staff present
- **Next Meeting:** July 14, 2025 4 – 6 pm
- **Adjourn 5:30pm**



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Project Updates from Bernalillo County Public Works

Pedestrian & Bicyclist Safety Action Plan Update Final Draft – will be presenting to County Planning Commission in August.

Alameda Drain Trail phase 4 (El Pueblo to Alameda Blvd) – under construction

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4th St NW Road Diet - (Ortega Rd to Alameda Blvd) completing design. Need additional funding for HAWK signal at Ortega Rd.

Bridge Blvd phase 2 – completed with buffered bike lanes and wider sidewalks

Bridge Blvd phase 3 – 30% design; will be finalizing design over coming year; no construction funding; have applied for RAISE and CMAQ; applying for **SS4A implementation grant** due at the end of June.

Blake Rd phase 2 – (Isleta Drain Trail to Foothills Rd) construction this fall with bike lanes, sidewalks, and traffic calming.

Sunset Rd phases 2/3 – (Bridge Blvd to Gonzales Rd) right-of-way maps and final design will include sidewalks and sharrows.

Isleta Blvd phase 1 – (Malpais Rd to Luchetti Rd) construction late this year with sidewalks and buffered bike lanes.

Coors Blvd Pedestrian Safety – (Gun Club Rd to Blake Rd) 30% design with multi-use trails on both sides; two midblock crossings with HAWK signals.

Frost Rd Trail phase 2 – (Candy Ct to Vallecitos Rd) construction later this year.

TPF Grant – applying for **2nd St NW phase 1** (4th St NW to Sheriff Posse Tr) includes protected bike lanes and sidewalks and would've provided necessary connectivity for Alameda Drain Trail.