

**Observer Corps Report – Albuquerque City Council meeting  
20 Oct/05 Nov 2025  
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All nine councilors were present at the 20 Oct and 05 Nov meeting. Councilors: Louie Sanchez – District 1, Joaquin Baca – District 2, Klarissa Peña – District 3, Brook Bassan – District 4, Dan Lewis – District 5, Nichole Rogers – District 6, Tammy Fiebelkorn – District 7, Dan Champine – District 8, Renée Grout, District 9.

**General Public Comment**

Speakers were allowed two minutes for comment. Nine members of the public spoke in favor of **ranked choice voting** at the 20 Oct meeting, calling on the council to revisit this issue and propose pertinent legislation. Speakers noted that run-off elections are costly and that voter turnout decreases for the run-off. No speakers spoke in opposition to ranked choice voting.

**Affordable Housing**

At the 20 Oct meeting, City Council unanimously voted to approve a supplemental agreement to the Casitas del Camino Development Agreement between the City of Albuquerque and the Albuquerque Housing Authority to provide \$2M of pass-through grant funds from the State of New Mexico. The project is located at 112 60<sup>th</sup> St NW to 232 60<sup>th</sup> ST NW and Knotts Landing Court and encompasses an 88-unit affordable, multi-family rental housing development serving households that are at or below 60% Area Median Income (AMI). [EC-25-499](#)

**Traffic Code**

At the 05 Nov meeting, City Council unanimously passed legislation to amend the traffic ordinance, which had not been updated in 50 years. The amendment focuses on traffic signals and crossings for vulnerable road users (bicyclists and pedestrians). [O-25-98](#)  
The legislation's sponsor, Councilor Fiebelkorn, stated the changes are the direct result of efforts by the family of Kayla Vandlingham, who was killed in a bicycle accident in August. The family spoke at the meeting in support of these changes.

City Council also unanimously passed a companion resolution requiring city Administration to design and implement a public education campaign to inform residents of these changes to traffic laws. The resolution also calls on the Administration to report on the status and recommended improvements of striped crosswalks and signals by 01 May, 2026. [R-25-196](#)

They mayor signed both bills on 18 Nov.