

INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS RESOLUTION NO. 18-02

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT AND FUNDING COMMITMENT BY THE INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS FOR THE LOCAL MAINSTREET PROGRAM, AS PARTNER WITH LOS ALAMOS MAINSTREET, A PROGRAM OF THE LOS ALAMOS COMMERCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (LACDC) TO EXPAND THE BORDERS OF THE LOS ALAMOS MAINSTREET DISTRICT TO INCLUDE THE COMMERCIAL AREA IN THE NEIGHBORING COMMUNITY OF WHITE ROCK, WITHIN LOS ALAMOS COUNTY, THROUGH A NON-CONTIGUOUS BOUNDARY, AS PART OF A COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROGRAM AND APPROVAL OF LACDC'S PURSUIT FOR COMPETITIVE FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the New Mexico MainStreet Program is part of the New Mexico Economic Development Department offering technical assistance and services to Los Alamos MainStreet; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico MainStreet Program requires a resolution of support from the municipality to accompany an application by the local MainStreet organization, for expansion of the Los Alamos MainStreet District borders to include the commercial area of the community of White Rock, within Los Alamos County (White Rock);

WHEREAS, the Incorporated County of Los Alamos (County) wishes to expand downtown revitalization in White Rock as part of its community economic efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Los Alamos MainStreet Futures committee and the Los Alamos MainStreet Board of Directors recommend the addition of White Rock into the Los Alamos MainStreet District; and

WHEREAS, the proposed inclusion of White Rock into the Los Alamos MainStreet District supports the vision and goals of the County Council (Council), the Los Alamos Comprehensive Plan, and the Economic Vitality Strategic Plan, which include the goals to diversify the economic base, recruit and retain new businesses and talent, increase quality of life benefits, provide new housing options and boost tourism; and

WHEREAS, the expansion of the Los Alamos MainStreet District to include White Rock is consistent with the economic transformation goals approved by the New Mexico MainStreet program, as well as the Los Alamos MainStreet Futures committee; and

WHEREAS, White Rock will benefit from the programs implemented by Los Alamos MainStreet, including the Small Project Grant program, offering financial assistance to downtown businesses for events in the District and interest-free Façade Improvement Loans;

WHEREAS, White Rock has the potential to reclaim its status as a unique place of character and commerce for the County and its residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to economically benefit from a strong and vibrant downtown economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, THAT:

Pending the New Mexico MainStreet Office's approval of the application submitted by LACDC, dba Los Alamos MainStreet, to expand Los Alamos MainStreet District to include a designated area of White Rock, the same constraints and opportunities afforded the Los Alamos MainStreet District, per the Biennial Memorandum of Understanding 2017-2019, will apply to the White Rock section, as detailed below:

1. The County supports and will collaborate with the Los Alamos MainStreet Program in the vision, principles and values of comprehensive commercial district revitalization through the National Trust Main Street Center's *MainStreet Four Point Approach*®.
2. The County will provide, to the extent permitted by New Mexico law and subject to approval by County Council, financial assistance to the Los Alamos MainStreet Program to accomplish community economic development in the downtown which benefits all the residents of the community.
3. The County will act as fiscal agent for any Capital Outlay Funds received from the state or federal governments and their agencies as agreed upon between the Los Alamos MainStreet Program and the County.
4. The County will provide, to the extent permitted by New Mexico law and subject to a budget approved by County Council, financial support through the contracting process with the Los Alamos MainStreet Program to work on the County's behalf in community economic development efforts. The level of support will be determined annually through the County's budgeting and contracting process.
5. The County hereby gives approval for the County to collaborate with LACDC, dba Los Alamos Main Street, to pursue competitive funding opportunities presented by the State or other public sources (i.e., Capital Outlay Grants), if and when they are made available, as permitted by New Mexico law and subject to budget approval by County Council, for development and implementation of community economic development improvement projects.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 30th day of January, 2018.

**COUNCIL OF THE INCORPORATED
COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS**

David Izraelevitz, Council Chair

ATTEST: (SEAL)

**Naomi D. Maestas
Los Alamos County Clerk**