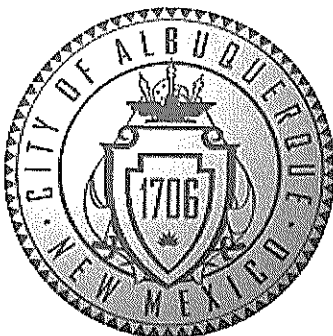




# CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

## Office of the Mayor

One Civic Plaza NW, Albuquerque, NM 87103

Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

### INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

July 15, 2026

**TO:** Klarissa J. Peña, President, City Council

**FROM:** Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

**SUBJECT:** Mayor's Appointment of Erik M. Harriger to the Biological Park Board

I am submitting for your advice and consent the following name for appointment to the Biological Park Board in accordance with the City of Albuquerque Ordinance 10-2-2-1

#### APPOINTEE NAME

Erik M. Harriger  
Albuquerque, NM 87120

#### TERM

March 1, 2029

Erik is a lifelong Albuquerque resident and graduate of the University of New Mexico, where he earned both a bachelor's degree in Economics and Statistics and an MBA in Operations Management. He currently serves as an Economist with the New Mexico Tourism Department, where he analyzes leisure and hospitality trends, supports economic impact analyses, and develops data resources that inform tourism and economic development efforts. His previous experience includes data analysis roles with the Albuquerque Police Department and PNM Resources, demonstrating a strong background in public service, analytics, and sustainability.

Erik is seeking appointment to the Biological Park Board to apply his expertise in tourism, economic development, and data driven decision making to support the BioPark's long term success. A lifelong admirer of New Mexico's natural landscapes and wildlife, he is committed to advancing policies that strengthen the BioPark as a destination for residents and visitors while preserving its mission of conservation, education, and environmental stewardship.

A resident of Council District 1, Erik Harriger will fill a vacancy and serve as the representative for District 1; his first term will expire on March 1, 2029.

## Current Membership

|     | Representing            | Name                          | Term       |
|-----|-------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|
| 1.  | City Council District 1 | Vacant                        |            |
| 2.  | City Council District 2 | Vacant                        | 03/01/2026 |
| 3.  | City Council District 3 | Vacant                        |            |
| 4.  | City Council District 4 | Rachel E. Hawkins             | 03/01/2025 |
| 5.  | City Council District 5 | Vacant                        |            |
| 6.  | City Council District 6 | Vacant                        |            |
| 7.  | City Council District 7 | Harper Correia-Kuehn          | 03/01/2026 |
| 8.  | City Council District 8 | Dr. Colin Barnett             | 03/01/2026 |
| 9.  | City Council District 9 | Vacant                        |            |
| 10. | At-Large                | Dr. Kristina Chongsirirwatana | 03/01/2025 |
| 11. | At-Large                | Vacant                        |            |
| 12. | At-Large                | Valarie L. Thietten           | 03/01/2027 |
| 13. | BioPark Society Rep.    | Michael E. Guier              | 03/01/2027 |



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## CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE CITY COUNCIL

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Tim Keller, Mayor

**FROM:** Councilor Stephanie Telles, City Councilor, District 1

**SUBJECT:** Appointee for District 1 Vacancy on Biological Park Board

**DATE:** June 25, 2026

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In accordance with § 10-2-2-2, I am pleased to submit for your consideration the names of two constituents who are qualified to serve in the District 1 vacancy on the Biological Park Board. The two appointees for consideration are as follows. I have attached their resumes to this correspondence.

**Ms. Donna Lucero** – I would love to serve on this board as I have such a love of the zoo/Biopark. I have a love of photography as well and have taken various photos of animals at the zoo. Taking those photos even further....I have had four of those photos tattooed on my body. I have Bucky the giraffe, Maya the jaguar, Kiska the polar bear and a penguin whose name I am not aware of. I have done most of the behind the scenes tours and am a Biopark society member. Not to mention, I participate in Run for the Zoo every year. The zoo is one of my favorite places and a very special place for me. I would love the opportunity to serve on this board to help support the zoo and its future growth and ongoing success and prestige.

**Mr. Erik M. Harriger** – Dedicated public servant motivated to promote the general welfare of New Mexico through economic research, business development, collaboration, and advocacy for sustainability. Currently serving the mission to equitably diversify New Mexico's economy through hospitality and tourism.