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Parks and Recreation Department
City of Albuquerque

Project Location: **Whataburger – Volcano Rd. & 98th St.**
DRB Project Number: **PR-2019-002402**

Bowman Consulting is in receipt of the comments dated January 5, 2022, issued by City of Albuquerque for the Whataburger restaurant at NEC of Volcano Rd. & 98th St, Albuquerque, NM 87121. Please see below for the responses to the comments:

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Comment 1: 98th St NW and Volcano Rd St NW are classified to require street trees per IDO Section 5-6(D)(1)(a). Street trees should be spaced generally 25-ft on center.Trees must be recommended by the Official Albuquerque Plant Palette per IDO Section 5-6(D)(1)(b) (Official Albuquerque Plant Palette and Sizing List-2018-07-03.xlsx (cabq.gov)). The Parks and Recreation Department (PRD) is a partner with the Nature Conservancy who developed a Climate Ready Tree List for Albuquerque here: NMFO Climate-Ready Trees Lists (nature.org), and it is recommended to use trees on this list. Please revise the Yaupon Holly and Shumard Red Oak.
Response: Shumard Oaks revised to Chinkapin Oaks. Yaupon Holly revised to Vitex Chaste Tree.

Comment 2: Per IDO Section 5-6(C)(5)(e)Organic mulch is required as ground cover under trees within a 5-foot radius around the tree trunk, but not directly against the trunk. In these areas, weed barrier fabric is prohibited. (please revise detail to be similar to #7 in figure.)
Response: Note 7 of tree planning detail on sheet LP-2 revised.

Comment 3: Please make sure to review IDO Landscape section 5-6 for amount of shrubs. Festuca arundinacea is not recommended for ground cover. Please review: Grasses – Plants Of The Southwest or review City specs regarding revegetation or contact City for alternatives.
Response: Required shrub quantities added to landscape calculations table. Fescue turf blend revised to Buffalograss (warm season grass).

If you have any questions or require additional information, please call me at (972) 497-2992, or send an email to kaddo@bowman.com.

Thank you,

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