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Albuquerque Press Club, *Weekly Alibi* to Host Mayoral Candidate Forum

Albuquerque (September 25, 2017) – Seven of the eight candidates for the City of Albuquerque’s mayoral race will participate in a meet and greet and a public social hour at the Albuquerque Press Club on Tuesday, September 26.

The meet and greet—open exclusively to working members of the press—is scheduled from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. and will be followed by a social hour at 6 p.m. The social hour is open to the public. This event is cohosted by the Albuquerque Press Club and *Weekly Alibi* and will feature appearances by seven of the eight candidates vying for the open mayoral slot. Attending candidates include Ricardo Chaves, Brian S. Colón, Wayne Johnson, Timothy Keller, Dan Lewis, Augustus “Gus” Pedrotty and Susan Wheeler-Deichsel. Michelle Garcia Holmes is unable to attend the forum due to a previous engagement.

“*Weekly Alibi* is excited to partner with the Albuquerque Press Club to host this exciting event for the 2017 mayoral candidates,” said Devin D. O’Leary, managing editor and film editor of *Weekly Alibi*. “The 2017 mayoral race is obviously a vital decision for Albuquerque voters, and we hope this event helps disseminate information about the candidates and provides voters a chance to visit with candidates in person.”

“Since 1965, the Albuquerque Press Club has served as a valuable resource for journalists of New Mexico,” said Kevin Fuller, board president of the Albuquerque Press Club. “Hosting this event showcasing Albuquerque’s mayoral candidates is right in line with our mission as an organization, and we couldn’t be happier to open up our doors to the candidates, press and the public.”

The 2017 Albuquerque mayoral election is a nonpartisan election and takes place on Tuesday, October 3, 2017.

Questions may be directed to Albuquerque Press Club President Kevin Fuller at 505-681-9823.

WHO: Members of the press and the public

WHAT: 2017 Albuquerque Mayoral Candidate Meet and Greet & Social Hour

WHEN: Tuesday, September 26th at 4:30 p.m. (Press Meet and Greet from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., open to public at 6 p.m.)

WHERE: Albuquerque Press Club, 201 Highland Park Circle SE, Albuquerque, NM 87102

WHY: To provide the public with access to and information about mayoral candidates.

About the Albuquerque Press Club: Founded in 1965, the Albuquerque Press Club is a member-owned nonprofit organization featuring professional press and non-press members. The Albuquerque Press Club—housed in an historic building built in 1903—is a private club with a disparate membership that hosts personal and private events for members. The Albuquerque Press Club is an affiliate of the National Press Club with reciprocity agreements with press clubs across the country and the world. Learn more at www.abqpressclub.com.

About Weekly Alibi: *Weekly Alibi* is a free weekly news, arts, culture and entertainment newspaper published in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The newspaper, currently celebrating its 25th year of continuous publication, contains information about news, culture and entertainment related events within New Mexico's largest city, and is distributed to free at over 700 locations across the Albuquerque and Rio Rancho metropolitan areas. The publication is a member of the Association of Alternative Newsmedia as well as the National Newspaper Association. Learn more at www.alibi.com.

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