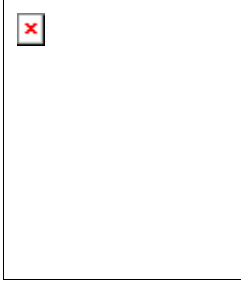


Sex offender working for City of Albuquerque

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Throughout the David Siebers saga, Albuquerque Mayor Martin Chavez has vowed to make the city the toughest in the nation on sex offenders.

Now Mayor Chavez has been alerted to a registered sex offender on the city's payroll.

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36-year-old **Edward Tim Gonzales**, convicted last year of criminal sexual contact of a minor, works in the Transportation Department in a supervisory capacity.

City officials say they don't know how Gonzales's conviction slipped through the cracks, but that a sex offender with the city's employment ranks will not be tolerated.

A spokesperson for Mayor Chavez says the city conducts background checks for sex offenses on employees who work with seniors or children.