

Village of Los Lunas



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Council Approves Potential Village Projects for Upcoming Years

The Village Council has approved the local Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP). This plan details improvements and projects planned over the next four years and includes anticipated costs as well as potential funding sources for projects. A project may be on this list for a specific year but might be moved up or down depending on funding.

The council would like to obtain partial or total funding for the following projects in 2008-2009:

- West side fire station which has an estimated cost of \$1.25 million.
- Water system improvements to meet arsenic requirements, \$7 million.
- Reconstruction of the intersection of NM Highway 314 and Main Street on the south side, \$3.66 million.
- Westside park and tennis complex, \$500,000.
- Expansion of Senior Center on Don Pasqual, \$500,000.

The projects are in the order of importance as

voted on by the council. The council also voted projects for succeeding years. The top projects for other years are:

2009-2010: Interstate 25 interchange and bridge, westside fire station equipment, water well number seven, street overlays and east side recycle center.

2010-2011: Morris Road extension, landfill purchase and/or construction, property acquisition, Chavez lift station, and westside soccer complex.

2011-2012: sludge site improvements; westside recreation center; municipal amphitheater; and NM 314 and Main Street north reconstruction.

2012-2013: east side fire station, westside water line and booster pumps, storm water management, westside skate park and northern loop corridor construction.

When any of these projects are completed or even worked on is dependent upon obtaining financing. Funding comes from a variety of sources including grants, legislative appropriations, loans, and bonds.

Mayor Receives Achievement Award

Los Lunas Mayor Louis F. Huning and Belen Mayor Ronnie Torres received Lifetime Achievement Awards from the Mid-Region Council of Governments at its annual meeting held at Sandia Hotel and Resort August 10.

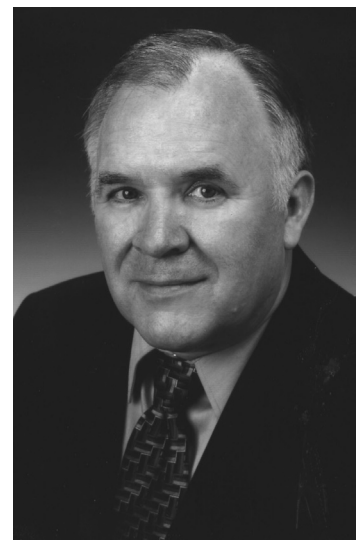
Huning has been mayor of Los Lunas since 1982 when the village population was about 1,000. The December 2006 estimated population was 14,489.

Additional housing, jobs and retail have been established in the village during Huning's tenure. Most recently Merillat Corporation Inc. opened its doors in Los Morros Industrial Park.

New businesses continually open to serve the needs of residents and visitors to Los Lunas. Grocery stores, specialty shops, restaurants and many other businesses serve the needs of residents and visitors.

The village offers many services including special events at the now 15 parks in the municipality. The village is constantly improving the community infrastructure under Huning and the council.

Huning is married to the former Nancy Mountain. They have two children who are now attending New Mexico State University.



Mayor Louis Huning

Take The Rail Runner!

The Rail Runner is no longer running on week-ends from Belen to Highway 550 in Sandoval County but it stops in Los Lunas three times northbound in the morning, once in early afternoon northbound and three times southbound Monday through Friday.

The village does offer some transportation to the Rail Runner station located at Juan Perea and Court-house Roads.

Call the Transportation Department at 352-3595 for information about riding the village vans.



2007 GARBAGE PICKUP DAYS



The remaining 2007 special pickup days are:

HOLIDAY OBSERVED	REGULAR TRASH PICKUP DAY	WILL BE PICKED UP ON
Columbus Day	Monday Oct. 8	Friday Oct. 5
Veterans Day	Monday Nov. 12	Friday Nov. 9
Thanksgiving Day after	Thursday Nov. 22	Wednesday Nov. 21
Thanksgiving	Friday Nov. 23	Monday Nov. 26
Christmas		
Holiday	Tuesday Dec. 25	Wednesday Dec. 26
New Year's	Tuesday Jan. 1 2008	Wednesday Jan. 2 2008

Attend A Council Meeting!

The Los Lunas Village Council meets twice a month in the council chambers in the Administration Building on the corner of Don Pasqual and Main Street.

Remaining meeting dates for 2007 are:

September 20 October 4 & 18
November 1 & 29 December 6 & 20

Meetings begin at 6 p.m. Once in a while meetings are rescheduled so check with village officials at 839-3840 to be sure a meeting has not been changed.

The agenda will be available at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the scheduled meeting from the bulletin board in the lobby of the Administration Building, at 660 Main Street NW, Los Lunas, NM; the Los Lunas Library located at 460 Main Street NE; and posted on the village website (address: www.loslunasnm.gov).

Utilities Director Completes Leadership New Mexico

Village Public Works Director Betty Behrend has completed the Leadership New Mexico School.

Behrend said she believes leaders should be open to learn from the ones they lead.

"I define leadership as the ability to inspire others to achieve set goals," said Behrend. "This is accomplished by conveying your perspectives, setting an example, and empowering others to go forward."

She participated in the Leadership New Mexico program because of her belief that strong partnerships will enhance understanding of problems facing New Mexico and the ability to take New Mexico forward.

Her vision for New Mexico is a state that is rich in tradition and culture and has the resources to provide opportunities for all residents to achieve economic and quality-of-life goals.

Behrend said, "I hope to utilize the knowledge and contacts gained through Leadership New Mexico to help lead New Mexico toward this vision."

Village administrator Phillip Jaramillo and Mayor Louis Huning have completed the Leadership course.

Community Tidbits

Are you being careful when you water so you don't waste our precious commodity? Water your plants, not the pavement.

Notice graffiti? Report it to the Village Parks and Recreation Department at 352-3584.

Safety should be the Number One Priority for everyone. That means driving safely so be sure you're concentrating on your driving, not your makeup, lunch or cell phone

The village is a great community. Show your respect for our community by treating it properly.

**PAY YOUR VILLAGE WATER
BILL ONLINE — Go To
WWW.LOSLUNASNM.GOV
AND FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS**

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Louis F. Huning Mayor
Councilors

*Cecilia CC Castillo Charles Griego
Gerard Saiz Robert Vialpando*

Municipal Judge Jeff Aragon
Village Administrator

Phillip Jaramillo Master Municipal Clerk
Chief of Police Nick Balido

MOBILITY PLAN BEING UPDATED

The Valencia County Mobility Plan is undergoing an updating.

The Mobility Plan is a long range transportation plan for the county completed in May 2006. The plan looks at past trends, current patterns and projected needs for the next twenty years. Specific infrastructure projects with cost estimates are included.

The plan is being updated due to more information including 2030 population estimates and employment forecasts, additional neighborhood input, more crash data, additional development information, rising costs and a new participant, the Town of Peralta.

Local governments are involved in the update as well as citizens. The Mid-Region Council of Govern-

ments (MR COG) provides the management and technical support for the plan.

The updating will be conducted from Summer 2007 to Summer 2008. The process includes workshops to identify proposed changes, a draft updated plan, public review and comment and the Valencia County Steering Committee and local government action.

The final products will include an updated prioritized list of transportation actions and projects for the county.

Loretta Tollefson of MR COG is coordinating the update process. Information about the updating is available at the MR COG website, www.mrcog-nm.gov or call Tollefson at MR COG 247-1750.

New Business Licenses Issued By The Village Since April 1

All addresses are Los Lunas and phone numbers are area code 505 unless otherwise noted.

A & J Mobile Services 10 Aspen Terrace 865-6738
AC Handcrafted Gifts P.O. Box 3055 565-8237
Accu Sharp 1612 Coplen Road 342-9663
Accurate Transcription 503 Appaloosa Drive 866-6583
AKKA Karate USA Los Lunas 526 Sun Ranch Village Rd SW 866-1280
April Perez 1450 Adela Lane 315-7626
Auto Pal 459 Hwy 314 889-2829
B & B A Running Stitch P.O. Box 134 363-9844
B & B Heating & Cooling LLC 532-1/2 Mission Avenue Albuquerque 345-0427
B & K Custom Homes 4600 Traceway NW Albuquerque 263-7625
Back Door Emporium 920 Main Street NE 866-5446
Bianca's Precision Cleaning 704 Wagon Trail St SW 866-4303
Botas Zuniga 04 Las Mananitas 573-7129
Brownlee Broadcasting Company 1400 Main St. Suite C 227-1957
B's Mobile Wash 21 El Tigre 710-0461
Building Automation & Controls Inc. 1521 Bosque Vista Loop NW 220-1611
Carmen's Ice Cream 19 Dama Road
Casa Salaz 835 Main Street #103 866-4466
Chance Construction Co. P.O. Box 1533 Hemphill TX 409 787-2615
Christina Welz P.O. Box 2214 850-9257
Clear Water Well Drilling 436 Verde Dr SW 865-0259
Coronado Company P.O. Box 1262 Peralta 331-6466
D & H Pump Services, Inc. P.O. Box 92407 Albuquerque 342-2024
EEC P.O. Box 528 Peralta 859-0881
El Paraiso Inc. P.O. Box 157 379-1399
Elegant At Home Window Fashions 623 Amistad Rd 866-0478
Esa Construction 3435 Girard NE Albuquerque 884-2171
Folders Plus 203 Sandoval Road 304-3502
Four Seasons SW Inc. 7401 Indian School Rd NE Albuquerque 881-6004
George Baca 102 Camino Los Chavez Belen 203-9619
Grill More 383 Dennis Drive NE 459-8877
Hip Hop Spot 2235-B Main Street 489-5517
Hope S. Romo 36 Osage Drive 565-8114
Hughes Enterprises 459 Highway 314 610-6823
Jerry's Flooring 21 Kelly Lane 866-1446
Joseph E. Mills Inc. 2209 Calle de Ortiz 865-5669
Joseph J. Leiva-Cynthia F. Lewis Hair Stylists 601 Main St. SE 250-7943

JS Home Health Care P.O. Box 2213 459-3634
KEBR Consulting LLC 20 Cactus Drive 865-9228
Laura C. Trujillo 29 Miguel Road 550-3261
Liste de Tecnologias LLC P.O. Box 2471 918-2545
LMG Enterprises 606 Calle Don Demetrio NE 865-6748
Lopez, Lourdes & Eaton 1225 Avenida Esplendida NW 565-8145
M.A. Chavez Enterprises 1367 Chavez Lane 565-9612
Mares Plumbing & Mechanical, Inc. P.O. Box 2302 Bernalillo 867-9805
Maria Darst SLP 5 Albert Lane 550-5574
Matthew Norman Surveying Co. 26 Pauls Place 865-2869
McCarty's World of Gifts 931 Cadron Avenue 991-2370
Medina Cleaning 761 Avenida Pastoral 565-3635
New Mexico Productions 6 Frances Road 565-8047
Pacheco Painting & Services 1166 Las Rosas 319-9679
Panda Express #1479 Main Street NW
Pelican Enterprises 1126 Los Claveles Drive 865-6519
Perez Ice Cream Vending 3201 El Caballero Drive SW Albuquerque 452-9666
Redbox 1 Tower Lane Suite 1200 Oakbrook Terrace IL 630 756-8000
Renteria Trucking 1120 Carrizo Street 565-1688
Robert McQueen 1011 Archuleta Court 363-8427
Robert Roha 1000 Cortez 865-1397
Rocky Mountain Motors 160 Nicky Lane Corrales 615-9437
S & R Fugitive Recovery Services P.O. Box 662 865-5330
Sam's 544 Main Street NW 550-1770
Simply Superior 1077 Lamb Ct. 319-3210
Skin Graphic Tattoos 1105 Santistevan Ct. 440-8165
Square "C" Contractors 15 Hob Rd. 610-8041
Star Cleaning USA P.O. Box 1626 261-1271
Su Casa Financial LLC 427 Trujillo St. NE 565-0390
Sunshine Services - Afar and Beyond NP 1338 Redondo Ct. 866-9552
Taqueria Guadalajara 223 Hwy 314 866-4040
The Glove Lady P.O. Box 12873 Albuquerque 620-2844
The New Beginnings LLC 6200 Seagull St NE Albuquerque 565-2528
The Wild Mustang Steak House Sun Ranch 565-1532
Tiger Lube Main Street SW 866-5823
Van's Courier & Delivery Service 3135 Comanche Rd NE Albuquerque 884-4389
Vivian Rodriguez P.O. Box 1504 Belen 730-0199

CLEAN UP WEEDS

Fall is clean up time for weeds. Many of us are faced with tackling weeds and overgrowth in residential yards, vacant lots, or encroaching upon public rights-of-way.

Overgrowth and weeds can become a breeding ground and harbor for rodents or insects such as mosquitoes. Overgrowth can also become a fire hazard.

Team work in the village is essential to combat the overgrowth problem. The Village's Planning and Zoning Department strives to work in partnership with residents, businesses, neighborhood associations, public service groups and other village departments to make Los Lunas a great place to live and work.

Call the Village's Planning and Zoning Department to discuss overgrown weeds or vegetation encroachment.

So let's all work together to cut our weeds, get rid of our junk, even in the public rights-of-way so our community can look clean and beautiful.



**Village of Los Lunas
Planning and Zoning
Department
660 Main Street NE
Main and Don Pasqual
839-3840**

WANTED

LOS LUNAS POLICE OFFICERS

The Los Lunas Police Department is accepting applications for the position of Police Officer.

Minimum requirements are:

- At least 21 years old
- High school diploma or GED
- No domestic violence or felony convictions
- No DWI convictions during the last 7 years
- Be able to pass a physical agility and written test

Certified officers are preferred but the village accepts non-certified applications.

Certified officers start at \$13.26 per hour on probation. Uncertified start at \$12.25 per hour.

Benefits include 100% insurance, 50% dental, annual and sick leave accrued on a monthly basis, 11 paid holidays with 20 and 22 year retirement plans.

There's more — bike patrol, criminal investigations, community policing, traffic enforcement, and S.W.A.T. as well as educational opportunities.

Pick up your application at the Los Lunas Police Department located in the Village Administration Building, Don Pasqual and Main Street, Monday through Friday 8 AM through 4 PM.

And remember — the Los Lunas Police Department is an equal opportunity employer.



Trek for Trash

ANNUAL COMMUNITY FALL CLEANUP Saturday, Sept. 29, 2007



**Front of Village
Administration Building
660 Main Street NW
(Main Street & Don Pasqual)
7:00 AM to Noon**

All cleaning supplies will be provided such as safety vests, bags, water, gloves, etc. Lunch will also be provided at noon for volunteers. Please come get involved, bring your friends and relatives and join the fun. Door prizes will be given out.

COME JOIN US AND CLEAN UP OUR COMMUNITY!