

Village of Los Lunas



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Rail Runner Station Plan Draft To Be Available

The Draft Village of Los Lunas Station Area Plan, the product of a yearlong public planning effort, is nearing completion.

Los Lunas residents are encouraged to review and comment on the document.

Copies of the draft are available for review at the Village Administration Building (Don Pasqual and Main Street), the Los Lunas Library (460 Main Street), and can be viewed on the Village of Los Lunas website at www.loslunasnm.gov/railrunnerdraft.

The Station Area Plan will guide future changes in the area within one-half mile of the Rail Runner station. Specifically, the plan proposes the creation of a vibrant new district surrounding the station.

This area will offer convenience to people living near the station and traveling through by all modes of transportation, including rail commuters, local transit riders, drivers, cyclists, and, especially pedestrians.

The plan envisions retail destinations at the heart of the station area, as well as a range of housing types and sizes to meet the broader needs of the station area, the Village, and the region.

The plan proposes strategies for improving the station area and accommodating new development, including recommendations for future zoning modifi-

cations, though the plan itself does not change existing zoning.

The Village currently has no intention or need to use eminent domain (condemnation of property) to implement the plan. In fact, the plan potentially improves property values by allowing more flexibility in how properties can be developed.

One of the goals of the plan is to make Los Lunas a more people-oriented, environmentally-friendly and vibrant village.

Key elements of the plan include:

- Land use and design guidance,
- Recommended transportation improvements to improve safety and convenience,
- Development standards to ensure that new development is appropriate to the architectural style and scale of Los Lunas, and
- Implementation priorities and responsibilities to help achieve the plan goals.

Local and regional planning staff developed the plan based on goals and needs identified by the public through two well-attended public open houses, input from the Village Council and Planning and Zoning Commission, and the input of an advisory committee

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The Transportation Center at the Los Lunas New Mexico Rail Runner station will be open this year.



March Cleanup Gets 85 Bags

People working in the village's March Cleanup collected 85 bags of trash. Areas cleaned included Main Street between Don Pasqual and Interstate 25, the field by Home Depot, Lambros Loop, near Main Street and South Los Lentos, Courthouse Road, and Main Street from Edeal Road to Highway 263.

Village Receives \$715,000 From 2008 NM Legislature

The village received the following appropriations from the 2008 New Mexico State Legislative Session:

- \$200,000 for the Los Lunas Westside Fire Substation;
- \$90,000 for the Fred Luna Senior Center;
- \$255,000 for the Daniel Fernandez Sports Complex; and
- \$170,000 for road improvements on Highway 314.

Road Work Continues

Work on Morris Road is expected to be completed in April and the new Valencia County Courthouse at the intersection of Morris Road and Highway 314 will be open to the public.

Design work is being completed on improvements to the Carson Park and Main Street intersection.

Additional traffic lanes are now in place at the intersection of Camelot Boulevard and Main Street. A new Walgreens Drug Store opens on this corner.

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

Partners in Education Gala

Friday May 2 6 p.m. To Midnight

Luna Mansion Main Street

\$50 per individual ticket

Table of 10 \$400

Certified and classified Employees of the Year, National Board Certified employees and retirees for the 2007-2008 academic year will be honored.

Call Jerah R. Cordova at 866-8288

for more information

Visit loslunasnm.gov/pie



Village of Los Lunas
Third Annual
Health & Wellness Fair
Friday April 18
9 AM to 2 PM
Daniel Fernandez Gym 
Highway 314 South Los Lunas

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.

Scheduled 2008 meeting dates are:

April 24

May 8 & 22 June 12 & 26

July 10 & 24 August 7 & 21

September 11 & 25 October 9 & 23

November 6 & 20 December 4 & 18

Meetings begin at 6 p.m. Once in a while meetings are canceled 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).

Always Time to Conserve Water

Sometimes it seems like spring and summer are special seasons to conserve water, but water conservation should be conducted all year round.

The Los Lunas Village Council passed an ordinance last year which prohibits any "person, firm, corporation, or government facility or operation from causing or permitting to occur any water waste or the flow of fugitive water onto adjacent properties or public rights-of-way."

Water waste is non-beneficial use of water. Such uses include water applied so it overflows the landscaped area being watered and runs onto adjacent property or public rights-of-way and washing vehicles, equipment or hard surfaces such as driveways when water is applied in sufficient quantity to result in excess flow from that surface onto adjacent property or the public right-of-way.

Restrictions now applicable in the village include:

- From April 1 through September 30 spray irrigation is allowed only from 6 p.m. to 10 a.m. on all properties.

- Shut off nozzles are required on any hoses used for hand watering, vehicle or equipment washing or other outdoor uses.

Any responsible party violating the waste water ordinance is subject to progressively higher penalty fees until the violation ceases, an extension of time for corrective measure is granted or an appeal is initiated in accordance with the provisions of the ordinance.

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made up of local residents and community leaders.

Watch these newsletters and the Village Council agendas for future events and details. If you have questions, contact Art Mondragon, the Village's Community Development Director, at (505) 352-7659. More information is also available at www.loslunasnm.gov.

VISIT THE VILLAGE WEBSITE
www.loslunasnm.gov

**Your
Mother's Day
& Graduation
Gifts** 
**Can Be Found
in Los Lunas**

*Lots of
Stores*

Summer Fest

JUNE 13, 14 & 15
CARNIVAL AUTO SHOW

WINE & MICROBREW TASTING
VENDORS ART SHOW

MORRIS ROAD AND HIGHWAY 314

FOR REGISTRATION OR INFORMATION CALL THE
VALENCIA COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AT 352-3596



GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP RECYCLING DAY

Saturday April 26 8:00 AM - Noon

RECYCLE, RESTORE, REUSE - Eliminate unwanted items from your property/home by bringing them in on recycling day and having someone haul it away.

ONLY the following items will be accepted - NO EXCEPTIONS!

Cardboard - all boxes must be flattened

Paper - must be bagged. Aluminum - must be bagged

Electronic Parts - DVD Players, Monitors, Computers, Printers, VCRs, Scanners, Fax Machines, Copiers

TV's - will be accepted but \$10.00 will be charged.

Staff will be available to direct traffic and assist unloading your recyclables. Remain in your vehicles at all times.

Entrance will be on Don Pasqual and exit will be through the westside of Police Station.

For More information About the Great American Cleanup Recycling Day Call Marie or Josie at 839-3842 or Check the Village Website www.loslunasnm.gov



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

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

Certified officers start at \$15.19 per hour on probation. Uncertified start at \$13.26 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.

Applications are being accepted until all positions are filled so now is your opportunity to help the citizens of Los Lunas while doing something you may have always dreamed of.

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

