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Robert Vialpando Will Serve As Mayor

The Los Lunas Village Council elected Robert Vialpando mayor at the April 9 meeting following the March 19 resignation of Louis F. Huning.

He will serve the remainder of Huning's term through March, 2010. Vialpando may chose to run for a four year term, 2010 to 2014, in the March municipal election.

The Village Council was scheduled to name a replacement for Vialpando on the council at its April 23 meeting.

The posts of mayor, municipal judge and councilors from Districts Two and Four will be up for election in March, 2010 and all registered municipal voters in the village limits can vote in the election.



Robert Vialpando

Candidates must file for office on Tuesday, January 5, 2010, between the hours of 8 AM and 5 PM.

If you are not registered to vote then contact the Valencia County Bureau of Elections at 866-2080.

Mayor Huning Resigns after 27 Years of Service

Mayor Louis F. Huning conducted his last village council meeting April 9, 2009, after serving as mayor of Los Lunas for 27 years.

Huning resigned as mayor at the March 19 council meeting citing his need to spend more time with his family and business as well as wanting to work on improving his health. He was diagnosed with Parkinson's several years ago.

First elected in 1982, Huning won re-election as mayor for six consecutive terms.

During his term the village grew from a population of about 3,425 to nearly 16,000.

Several central New Mexico mayors and New Mexico Secretary of State Mary Herrera issued proclamations in honor of Huning.

The proclamations included the following:

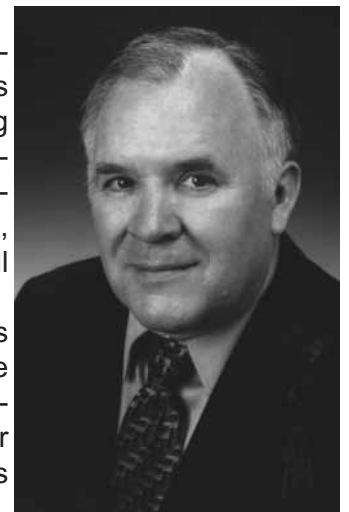
"Whereas Mayor Louis F. Huning made sure the Village of Los Lunas had the infrastructure to support the residential, commercial and industrial growth of

the community;

"Whereas Mayor Louis F. Huning made sure the Village of Los Lunas hired people who constantly helped the village develop into a community where people want to live, work and play;

"Whereas the improvements brought to Los Lunas by Mayor Louis F. Huning have included those in economic development, transportation, public buildings, parks and recreation as well as many other areas;

"Whereas Mayor Louis F. Huning has made sure that many of those improvements will continue for another generation of Los Lunas residents."



Louis F. Huning

Village Administrator Phillip Jaramillo To Leave End of April See Page 2 for story

Longtime Administrator Leaves Village April 30

Philip Jaramillo, who has been the village administrator for more than 20 years, will leave that post April 30.

In October, 1986, Jaramillo interviewed for and got the position of administering the day-to-day operations of the village. He has served in that capacity since.

Jaramillo has worked on village infrastructure, jobs, roads and a myriad of other projects that supported the growth to a population of about 16,000.

Being a small community next to the major metropolis of Albuquerque has provided Los Lunas the opportunity to grow and prosper and Jaramillo said he has enjoyed his work in that growth and prosperity.

Work Begins at Carson Drive and Main Street

Access and drainage improvement work begins this month at the intersection of Carson Drive and Main Street, also known as Highway 6.

Improvements on Carson Drive are scheduled during April and May while Main Street improvements will be done in June when school is not in session.

Main Street will be two lanes with some turn limitations to Carson Drive. The turn restrictions will be updated on a weekly basis and posted on the village's website — www.loslunasnm.gov.

Work crews will try to maintain adequate access, but safety will be the major consideration for the job site.

Don't Waste Water

From April 1 through September 30 spray irrigation is allowed in the Village of Los Lunas from 6 p.m. to 10 a.m. on all properties.

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

Information on the village's ordinance regarding no water waste can be found at Chapter 8.24 Water Waste Restrictions under About Us Municipal Codes at www.loslunasnm.gov.

Attend A Council Meeting!

The Los Lunas Village Council meets twice monthly in the council chambers located in the administration building at 660 Main St. NW.

Meeting dates for 2009 are:

April 23 May 7 & 21 June 4 & 18

July 9 & 23 August 6 & 20

September 3 & 17 October 8 & 22

November 5 & 19 December 3 & 17

Meetings begin at 6 p.m. Once in a while meetings are canceled or rescheduled so check with village officials at 839-3840 or check the village website at www.loslunasnm.gov.

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When asked what he would miss most about leaving his everyday job, Jaramillo said it would be the day-to-day contact with the employees.

For the immediate future, Jaramillo plans to spend time with his family which includes his wife, four children and several grandchildren.

Jaramillo has worked at the City of Las Vegas, New Mexico, the community where he grew up, and in Washington, D.C.



Phillip Jaramillo

High Fire Danger Means Burn Permits Required

Low humidity as well as windy and dry conditions are creating high fire danger throughout New Mexico so village residents must have a burn permit when burning within the village limits.

Village residents must contact the Valencia County Dispatch center non-emergency number at 865-2039 before each burn to confirm whether it is an approved burn day in the village.

Burn permits can be obtained at the Los Lunas Fire Department Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM.

Burn permits are free and valid for two weeks from the date requested. The permit states the times and materials allowed as well as other conditions pertaining to burning.

The Los Lunas Fire Department will patrol the village to make sure residents are burning safely and have a valid permit and have contacted the dispatch center.

People who burn without obtaining the permit can be cited. For more information contact the Los Lunas Fire Department at 866-2116.

Help Your Friends! Help Your Neighbors!

Shop in Los Lunas All The Time!

Help Keep Jobs in Los Lunas!

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Robert Vialpando **Mayor**

Councilors

Cecilia CC Castillo Charles Griego

Gerard Saiz

Municipal Judge Jeff Aragon

Police Chief Roy E. Melnick

Village Administrator Peter Fernandez



ELECTRONIC RECYCLING



At The Village of Los Lunas Transfer Station

8 AM - 11 AM 1:30 PM - 3 PM

EVERY TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY

**7480 MAIN STREET NW (ABOUT 3 MILES
WEST OF I-25 ON NM 6 ON THE NORTH SIDE**

CALL 352-7632 TO VERIFY SOMEONE

IS THERE BEFORE GOING OUT

THE FOLLOWING ELECTRONICS CAN BE RECYCLED AT NO CHARGE:

computers, monitors, computer peripherals (mice/keyboards), printers,
copiers, scanners, fax machines, phones, backup batteries, laptops,
gaming systems, batteries, VCR/DVD players and stereos.

TVs will be accepted for a \$6 disposal fee for 28" or smaller and \$11 for larger.

Take the money to the cashier at the east end of the Village Administration Building, Don
Pasqual and Main Street. Bring the receipt to the Transfer Station when you bring the TV.

Hard drives are wiped of information. Working computers are donated to non-profits or schools.
Everything else is disassembled and recycled through carefully chosen local and national recyclers
that comply with all local and federal laws and do not export.

Sponsored by

The Village of Los Lunas Resources AD and the New Mexico Recycling Coalition

Reminder about Village of Los Lunas Street Use Regulations

The following is part of the village ordinances covering street use regulations.

12.08.010 Obstructing street — Permission required. No person shall encumber or obstruct any street, avenue or alley, within the village, with any article or thing whatever, without permission from the municipal council. (Ord. 14 § 1,1931)

12.08.020 Widening or improving street — Permission required. No person shall lay off, open, widen, straighten, vacate, extend, establish or improve any street, avenue, alley within the limits of the village, without permission first obtained from the municipal council. (Ord. 14 § 3,1931)

12.08.030. Violation — Penalty. Any violation of the foregoing section shall be punished by a fine of not

more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the Village or County jail for not more than ninety days or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court. (Ord. 14 § 4,1931)

Use of Public Right-of-Way All public rights-of-way in the Village shall be maintained for the purpose of public safety for both pedestrian and vehicular traffic. Accordingly, the following uses and restrictions shall apply: **No basketball standards, recreation structures or other similar items that may entice children or others to play or gather within the right-of-way or public street shall be constructed or placed within or adjacent to the right-of-way. BASKETBALL GOALS MUST BE PLACED WITHIN THE PROPERTY LINES OF YOUR PROPERTY.**



4th Annual Health & Wellness Fair

Friday, April 24th 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Daniel Fernandez Youth Gym
South Highway 314



*50+ vendors/health participants will be on hand
(American Cancer Society, Human Services
Division, United Blood Services to name a few)*

Any questions, contact Debra Sanchez, Ginny Adame
or Rhonda Sanchez at 839-3840 for more information

GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP RECYCLE EVENT

SATURDAY APRIL 25 9 AM - 2 PM

The Village of Los Lunas & Tierra Bonita have partnered to
host a recycling day April 25 from 9 AM to 2 PM. Items accepted:

- Aluminum (must be bagged) • Appliances (no Freon)
- Batteries • Bicycles • Cardboard (boxes must be flattened)
- Cell Phones • Electronics (any type) • Glass • Metal
- Paper – (must be bagged) • Oil (must be free of water)
- TVs – Charge for 24” and smaller is \$5 and anything above is \$10
Televisions are the only items with a charge.

The event will be behind the Village of Los Lunas
Administration Building at Don Pasqual and Main Street.

Bins and other receptacles will be at the location for this
“drive-through” event. Volunteers will be available to assist.