

Village Council Approves 2014-2015 Interim Budget

The Village Council has approved an interim budget for the 2014-2015 year that begins July 1 which includes capital outlay projects, cost of living adjustments for employees, and a change in employee medical insurance coverage.

Capital outlay projects include improvements to Los Cerritos Road from Main Street to Highline Street; another section of Carson Drive; Courthouse Road; and Highway 314 south of Courthouse Road on both sides. Improvements will also be made to the Village's Sports Complex (soccer fields), as well as to the I-25 interchange.

Phase Two of the Village Transportation Center is scheduled to be completed in 2014-2015. Installation of new cassettes at the wastewater treatment plant is slated for 2014-2015. A \$1.9 million state appropriation will help pay for the cassettes.

Full time and part time permanent Village employees will receive a 1.5 percent cost of living adjustment

(COLA) to their wages.

The Village will continue to cover 100 percent of an employee's medical insurance, but employees will begin paying a percentage of their dependents' medical insurance coverage based on their salary level.

The Village's 2014-2015 general fund revenues are budgeted at \$14.6 million while general fund expenditures are budgeted at \$14.8 million, not including transfers, the balance coming from general fund reserves.

The Village's interim budget had to be submitted to the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) by the June 2 deadline for approval. The Village's final budget is due to DFA by August 1.

June Reminders

New Mexico temperatures are already climbing into the 90s and it will not officially be summer until June 21.

We are still in a drought so be very careful with anything that can cause a fire.

And a reminder that when you walk your animal you should clean up after that animal rather than leaving the animal's mess for someone else to find.

Trash Pickup Reminder

Village offices will be closed Friday, July 4, for Independence Day. That day's garbage pickup will be on Thursday, July 3.

Museum Offers Many Events

The Museum of Heritage and Arts is a very busy place this summer. Events include:

- Exhibit by artist Susan Brooke through July 12. She won Best of Show in the museum's first Juried Art Show in 2013 with her piece "Wanna be a Cowboy Like Gene and Roy."

- Chautauqua performers every Saturday during June at 2 p.m. speaking as part of the "Created Equal series," and discussing aspects of the Civil Rights movement.

- Historian and author Richard Melzer talks about Sanatoriums of New Mexico Sunday, June 29, at 2 p.m. Copies of his book about sanatoriums will be available.

Crafts for Kids is a Wednesday event for preschool to eight-year-olds. Classes are limited so call the museum, 352-7720, to see if there is room if you are interested.

More information about Summer 2014 events at the Museum is available online at loslunasnm.gov/museum.

The museum is located at Main Street and Luna Avenue, under the water tower, 352-7720.

Work Scheduled on Los Cerritos

Los Cerritos Road will be improved after the Village Council awarded the contract for the job to Desert Fox LLC for \$142,819.54.

Work includes sidewalk and pavement improvements as well as new striping.

The improvements will be done on Los Cerritos from Main Street/Highway 6 north to Highline Street.

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Local Flavor

Focus on Los Lunas Local Business

Leigh Van Gilst, CPA & Associates, A Premier Accounting Firm, has been serving Valencia County taxpayers and businesses for the past 13 years.

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The folks at Leigh Van Gilst are pleased to assist our community and their clients with the most current tax issues. Their goal is to ensure that clients receive quality service with a **smile!**

They are proud members of the Business Women of Valencia County and the Los Lunas Chamber of Commerce, which named them 2013 Business of the Year. Leigh Van Gilst CPA & Associates believes community involvement is very important.

Leigh Van Gilst CPA & Associates is located in beautiful downtown Los Lunas at 121A Don Diego SE. Call 865-1040 or visit the website: www.VanGilstCPA.com.



Teri's Sweet Garden opened its doors November of 2010 with the idea that an old-fashioned candy shop is just what Los Lunas needed.

Teri's is dedicated to bringing that "old fashioned" feeling to every customer.

Teri and her daughter, Emilie, enjoy seeing the smiling faces of kids and adults of all ages. The two make almost every candy in the shop whether it be from their imagination or the customer's.

Teri's Sweet Garden strives to be a hometown old-fashioned candy shop where you can feel at home while you browse for that special candy or maybe a kool-aid pickle!



Village of Los Lunas

Summerfest

JUNE 27, 28, 29

AT HERITAGE PARK

FRIDAY JUNE 27 — GATES OPEN 4 - 11 P.M.

OUTDOOR FRIDAY MOVIE MONSTERS INC. - STARTS AT DUSK

SATURDAY JUNE 28 — POLICE DEPARTMENT

FUN 5K AND 10K RUN STARTS AT 7:30 A.M.

CAR SHOW BEGINS AT 10 A.M.

BBQ COOK-OFF STARTS AT 10 A.M.

OUTDOOR SATURDAY MOVIE WIZARD OF OZ - STARTS AT DUSK

FREE AND MUCH MORE FREE

SUNDAY JUNE 29 — VILLAGE OF LOS LUNAS

VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT AT 10:30 A.M.

CARNIVAL EVERY DAY

FRIDAY 4 P.M. - MIDNIGHT

SATURDAY 1 P.M. - MIDNIGHT

SUNDAY FROM 1 P.M. - 11 P.M.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL STEPHANIE FLYNN

AT THE LOS LUNAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

352-3596 OR 615-6226

Attend A Council Meeting!

The Los Lunas Village Council meets twice monthly in the council chambers in the administration building at 660 Main St. NW, at the intersection with Don Pasqual.

Remaining scheduled 2014 meeting dates are

June 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. Inclement weather might cancel a meeting so check at 505 839-3840 or the village website at www.loslunasnm.gov.

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