



VILLAGE NEWS



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REVISED SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE

Village staff, the Planning and Zoning Commission, and citizens have spent more than a year working on revising the Village's 1983 ordinance.

The Village Council considered the revised Subdivision Ordinance at its Nov. 16 meeting.

The goal of the revisions is to ensure Los Lunas continues to be a development-friendly community with adequate regulations for developers.

Developers mostly use the Subdivision Ordinance, but others may use it to redesign property they own in the Village.

The revision focused on making the document current and up-to-date as well as easier to understand.

A subdivision ordinance regulates how changes are made to a size or shape of a property.

The subdivision ordinance is different from a zoning ordinance

which regulates the use of property. The Village has both ordinances.

If you have questions about the subdivision or zoning ordinance, contact Village Special Projects Planner Erin Callahan at callahane@loslunasnm.gov.

VILLAGE HOLIDAY EVENTS

Holiday events coordinated and presented by the Village Community Services Department are:

The Christmas Electric Light Parade

The Christmas Electric Light Parade starts at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, at Highway 47 and Lambros Loop and proceeds along Main Street to Don Pasqual. Anyone interested in participating in the parade can register on the village website at loslunasnm.gov.

Santa Claus at the Transportation Center

Santa Claus will be at the Los Lunas Transportation Center, at the corner of Highway 314 and

SEWER RATES

Water use during the months of October 2017 through February 2018 are used to calculate your new sewer rate average for the billing that begins with the March 2018 billing.

Review the usage on your statements and be sure to repair any leaks immediately.



Courthouse Road, Friday, Dec. 8 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to welcome Santa Claus.

Events that night include sipping on hot chocolate, snacking on cotton candy, climbing on the rock wall, meeting Santa, and receiving a free gift.

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NON-PERISHABLES NEEDED

The Los Lunas Fire Department members and volunteers are collecting non-perishable food items for holiday boxes for the less fortunate in the Village.

Remember that expired food cannot be given to those who need it.

You can drop items off at 465 Main St. SE.

Call Vivian Lujan 505 866-2116 or email vlujan@loslunasnm.gov for more information.

WATER PRESSURE ASSESSMENT

The Village is assessing existing water pressure issues to recommend possible improvements to the Village Council that would benefit existing water customers while preparing for future needs.

The need for the study is based on the rapid development of the municipality.

Water customers have expressed concern about available water pressure and fire-flow water capabilities.

Contact Public Works Director Michael Jaramillo at 505 352-7629 for more information.

REGISTER TO VOTE FOR ELECTION

Remember to register to vote in time to vote in the March 2018 municipal election.

All registered voters in the village limits may vote for the position of mayor and municipal judge.

Registered voters in Council Districts Two and Four will also vote for a village councilor in their districts.

Contact the Bureau of Elections at the Valencia County Clerk's office in the County Administration building on Luna Avenue or call 505 866-2080 about registering.

Happy Thanksgiving

Please remember to avoid

Drain Disasters

Be kitchen sink smart:

Water that contains fats, cooking oils, and grease can clog your drain, pipes and sewer system.

Use paper towels to wipe grease and food particles off of your pots, pans and plates, and then dispose of these in the trash.

Thank You.

 Village of Los Lunas
The Wastewater Treatment Plant
loslunasnm.gov

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The Los Lunas Police Department urges Village residents to help control crime by becoming involved with Neighborhood Watch.

The department held a meeting with citizens in early November to review the program and its benefits.

If you see something in your neighborhood you would like to report then go to the Village website, loslunasnm.gov, under DEPARTMENTS/POLICE DEPARTMENT, and then Neighborhood Watch.

The Neighborhood Watch form can be filled out anonymously, or otherwise, to be sent to the police department.

Or contact Sergeant Michael Romero at mromero@loslunasnm.gov or call 505 839-3855.

MODEL TRAINS

The Southwest Model Railroad Club will run model trains at the Museum of Heritage and Arts from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday Nov. 28-Dec. 9. Call 505 352-7720.

JUBILEE DONATION

The recent Jubilee Arts & Crafts Fair raised \$10,300 to benefit the Los Lunas Fire Department to help purchase a Bulls-Eye Laser Driven Fire Extinguisher Training System for indoor extinguisher and fire safety lessons.

Some 5,000 students received instruction last year using this system.



Accepting the donation presented by Jubilee's Lifestyle Director Mary Morton are Lt. Raymond Madrid, left, and Chief John Gabaldon, right.

SHOP IN THE VILLAGE

The Village has grown over the last decades and with that growth has come an increase in stores and restaurants.

When you are shopping for the holidays shop here in the Village.

Gross receipt tax and property tax revenue generate more than 50% of the village's general fund revenues.

The general fund pays for services such as police and fire departments, municipal court, library and museum, parks and recreation, community development, and streets.



Village Administration Office: 505 839-3840

TWO MORE RESTAURANTS

Wondering what's going on in front of Home Depot on Main Street?

Two restaurants are being built south of Home Depot on Main Street/Highway 6 – Burger King and Jersey Mike's Subs.

This will be the second Burger King for Los Lunas as there is one at Main Street and Highway 47.

Jersey Mike's Subs has six stores in Albuquerque.

COMPOSTING FACILITY STUDIED

The possibility of creating a composting facility at the Village Transfer Station is being studied.

A composting facility would primarily function as a means for converting green waste (plants, trees, etc.) from the Village and brown waste (water sludge or bio solids) from the wastewater treatment plant into bio solids for use as a soil amendment on Village-owned parks and other properties.

The study will evaluate the design and regulatory requirements for a composting facility as well as consider how such a facility fits into the Village's larger solid waste disposal program.

The transfer station is on Highway 6 west of Interstate 25.

For questions or more information, contact Public Works Director Michael Jaramillo at 505 352-7629.

WINTER KIDS CAMP

The Village will hold the first Winter Kids Camp December 18-22 and 27-29 at Daniel Fernandez Recreation Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Kids will participate in sports, arts and crafts and other activities. A field trip to the movies is also planned.

The program is available to kids from kindergarten through 12 years old with a \$30 cost.

For more information call 505-352-7662, email castillom@loslunasnm.gov or visit loslunasnm.gov/870/Winter-Camp.

RENEW YOUR BUSINESS REGISTRATION

Doing business in the Village?

Now is the time to purchase or renew your business registration, says Community Development Director Christina Ainsworth.

All businesses, multi-national or Mom and Pop, home-based or otherwise, pay the same fee, \$25. Renew or purchase your registration before Dec. 31.

GOODWILL COMING

Goodwill Industries begins construction soon on a store in Los Morros Business Park west of Interstate 25.

Goodwill
Industries of New Mexico 

BACK TO THE BASICS HAS TEA ROOM

Back to the Basics has a tea room after relocating to Highway 314 SW, phone 505 869-6901

Back to the Basics has been serving Valencia County 17 years, specializing in health products, alternative medicine, natural remedies, and more.

The store has vitamins and supplements plus its own line of 100% pure, cold-pressed, and undiluted essential oils.

There are bulk herbs, spices, and teas which can be purchased by the ounce or pound.

Enjoy a fresh hot cup of herbal tea in-house with local honey. Free WiFi is available in the relaxing and cozy atmosphere.

Back to the Basics is open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and closed on Sunday.



Enjoy tea at Back to the Basics.

LOS LUNAS CHAMBER MEETS

The Los Lunas Chamber of Commerce monthly luncheon will be held at Teofilio's Restaurant in Los Lunas on November 16th at 11:30 a.m.

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RUGS AND MORE AT SU CASA DECOR

Su Casa Décor features rugs but then there is so much more.

That more includes blankets, comforters, sheets, sofa covers, pillows and window/shower curtains. Mattresses will be added very soon.

The store is located at 127 Highway 314 NW just north of the intersection of Highway 314 and Main Street/Highway 6.

Su Casa Décor is open Mondays through Saturdays 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sundays 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Phone number is 505 301-7637.



Lots to choose from at Su Casa Decor.

AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY

For after hour emergencies for water or sewer in the Village of Los Lunas call 505-865-9130.

LOCAL EVENTS

Village Offices Closed

Thursday & Friday, Nov. 23 & 24 for the Thanksgiving weekend

Thursday Garbage Pickup
Wednesday, Nov. 22
Friday Garbage Pickup
Monday, Nov. 27

Los Lunas Public Library

460 Main St. NE

Adult Coloring Night
Every Tuesday 5-6:30 p.m.

Wii Games
Every Friday 3 p.m.

Attend a Village Council Meeting

Nov. 16 Dec. 7 & 21
660 Main St NW
Main Street and Don Pasqual
Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.

MUSEUM HAPPENINGS

The Village Museum of Heritage & Arts is now hosting the fifth annual art exhibit that provides local artists a venue to display their work.

That work reflects this year's theme, "The Way It Was." The display ends Saturday, Dec. 30.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, Richard Melzer, PhD., discusses "The Swastika in New Mexico."

The Historic Maps of New Mexico exhibit continues until Dec. 30. The maps on display show, the subtle, sometimes not so subtle, cartography changes of the state.

The museum is located at 231 Main St. SE, 505 352-7720.

www.loslunasnm.gov