

# County Manager's Monthly Update

LOS ALAMOS COUNTY

AUGUST- 2016

This update contains information about Los Alamos County, and is intended to keep you informed regarding key issues, the status of various capital projects, employee recognitions and significant events that have occurred during the past several weeks. This update is distributed on a monthly basis; however the County maintains a website at [www.losalamosnm.us](http://www.losalamosnm.us) where you can also check for periodic updates on the issues outlined below as well as other current topics. In the event that you have questions concerning the information in this update, or any other questions about Los Alamos County activities, please feel free to contact the County Manager at (505) 663-1750, or via [lacmanager@lacnm.us](mailto:lacmanager@lacnm.us).

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

### Retail/Commercial Interest

Economic Development, Planning and Public Works staff have been fielding maps, data and location requests from prospective retailers.

### Publicity Update

If you have forgotten what a great place Los Alamos, New Mexico is to live and/or work, just check out the following articles that extoll our community's amazing attributes:

[Los Alamos an outdoor mecca](#) *Albuquerque Journal Business Insider* (Aug 4 2016)

<http://nmmag.us/parkCentral> *New Mexico Magazine* (Aug 3 2016)

[Los Alamos gets boost for downtown revitalization](#) *Santa Fe New Mexican* (Aug 1 2016)

<https://doradomagazine.com/boom-town-take-trek-los-alamos-new-mexico/> *Dorado Magazine* (Aug 1 2016)

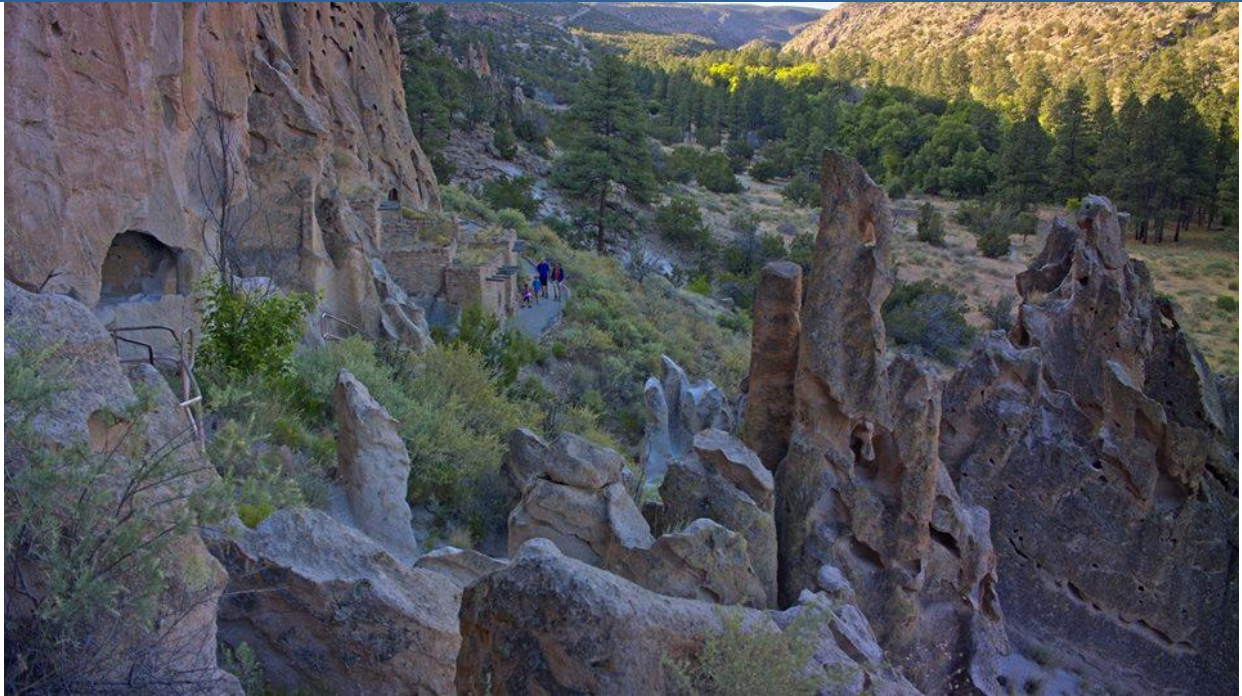
### Tourism: Los Alamos/Gateway to 3 National Parks Facebook Contest!

Los Alamos is leveraging the New Mexico Tourism Department's "Find Your New Mexico True Park" in a way that focuses on Los Alamos as the gateway to three national parks. This spark of genius started with the Manhattan Project National Historical Park partner group who partnered with Economic Development who brought in the social media strategy and expertise of tourism marketing services contractor Griffin and Associates who is placing weekly posts on [visitlosalamos.org](http://visitlosalamos.org)...and voilà! Los Alamos received kudos from the State on this one. We will be collecting Google analytics on this project at its conclusion, the day after Labor Day!

### Visit Los Alamos

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[#ParkOfTheWeek](#) Visit Bandelier National Monument, and enter the [#NewMexicoTRUE](#) [#FindYourPark](#) contest. It's easy, and one entry puts you in the running for the chance to win \$1000 cash prize! If you visit a Los Alamos Park (Bandelier, Valles, or Manhattan Project), you also are entered to win a BONUS prize from Los Alamos County—a 2-night stay for a family of four, food gift cards and a Bandelier Season Pass. Enter today at [www.nmtruepark.com](http://www.nmtruepark.com).



## Los Alamos ScienceFest



According to Los Alamos MainStreet's 2016 event report, the 2016 Los Alamos ScienceFest was the most successful to date. Held July 13-17 (4.5 days), the event included 39 sponsoring or partnering organizations, 27 activities and more than 11,000 attendees—a 16% increase over last year's event. Several local businesses and organizations benefitted from the critical mass in downtown Los Alamos, including Fuller Lodge Art Center, reporting gallery sales five times the typical summer weekend; a local hotel reported an occupancy rate of 92.2% during ScienceFest weekend, compared to the average of 62%; and Bradbury Science Museum beat their average 300 visitors per day, 3 out of four days with 421, 400 and 521!

### **Los Alamos Film Office Update**

**“Granite Mountain”:** While no filming for “Granite Mountain” occurred in July, the Los Alamos Film Office along with the Community Planning Department and the Traffic, Parks and Recreation divisions were in regular communication with the production to prepare for filming scheduled to occur in White Rock and Los Alamos during the month of August. The late return of the monsoon season has resulted in many changes for those processing permits and amended permits for new dates, time and locations. Thanks to our local citizens for their patience and all of the County employees who are responding quickly and positively! You are all behind Los Alamos' film-friendly reputation.

**“Godless”:** Scouts were on location at Pajarito to reserve locations for six-week western mini-series that will be filming at the end of September.

## **COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT**

### **Happening Now:**

The contract for the selected website vendor is still pending; as of July 26, it is with the vendor for review and signatures. At this point the kick off has moved out approximately one month, which potentially moves out the launch to late January or early February 2017 (the contract ends February 2017.) Work may proceed more quickly after the contractor is on board and updates on progress will be provided in future County Manager reports. The Visual Information Specialists have spent nearly half of their time in the last month working with the new brand, providing training sessions, updating the Identity Style Guide, preparing for the County Fair booth which will launch the brand with the community, and a variety of related work orders specific to departments who need assistance. This heightened activity is expected to continue to impact the workload for CPR for several months, as there are many items to be addressed both internally and now externally related to the roll-out of the brand. The other significant impact on the PIO's time has been public outreach activities and planning for the 12 Economic Development and Recreation Capital Projects. The division continues to support the ongoing work of the Manhattan Project Park committee each month, which will include assistance with brand application and proposed wayfinding signage efforts getting underway with one of the subcommittees. Outreach about Farmers' Market and the Council booth was also completed using CPR staff in July. CPR will assist Council at their booth at the County Fair August 13 in lieu of a booth in August at the market. Cone Zone updates continue every Friday. The press release on the first round of the Home Renewal Program were delayed last month until the committee could consider applications; however, it should be published by mid-August.

### **Coming Up:**

Work on the support elements for branding (the web-based marketing aspect and the brand action plan assistance) will be significant in August and September. Time is also expected to be spent on election outreach and workload will continue to be significant for the 12 capital projects/public outreach next month with advertising for the Sept. 20 council meeting and then the two Town Hall meetings (Oct. 19 and 22)



get underway. Public outreach encouraging voters to research both sides of the Sheriff charter item will begin this month and be launched end of September, just ahead of early voting options which open October 11. The Visual Information Specialist will begin working on Transit Guide edits, the August 31 APP art dedication in White Rock, the revised Visitor's Guide (map, photo assistance) and working with the vid-copter on capturing video and photos of Los Alamos for marketing and promotion. Discover Los Alamos photos continue for the Facebook page on Fridays and the Facebook page currently has 2,960 followers – an increase of nearly 300 followers since April. The PIO is also participating in the LANL Full Scale exercise on August 26, and the Joint Information Center will be stood up as part of the exercise while the PIO serves in the Emergency Operations Center. The emergency public information plan will also be updated within the next two months, as work continues to find optional locations for a County JIC (we currently use the LANL –operated Bradbury Museum, but this is not a good County option as we don't have access to that facility if LANL is not involved in an emergency.) Currently the Municipal Building (Chambers, Room 110) and Library basement are being explored for power, phones, accessibility, ability to stay on-line during any other disruptions to service, etc.

### **Communications Plan:**

The webpage project is part of the Communications Plan and progress was already noted above. That project will continue to be a significant impact on the PIO's time in August and continuing into expected migration activities then training (October and November) plus final launch and roll out plans in January or February 2017. The Instagram account has been set up and will be implemented starting with brand launch at the County Fair on August 13.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

### **EnerGov Software Update**

The Citizen Access Portal (CAP) – Phase 1 Rollout will include the Request and Code Search modules, and will go live on August 21, 2016. Public outreach on this new service will start on August 17<sup>th</sup>. These modules can be used by the citizen to report a potential code violation, as well as to search existing code cases. Additional phases will include the five-day commercial and residential building permits (re-roof, siding/stucco, windows/doors, demolition, and gas/wood stove/fireplace) as well as the Noise Ordinance Waiver Permits and the Inspection module. After these permits are released for on-line application, business license renewals will be added, and will be followed by new business license applications.

Looking forward, staff is scheduling Council previews of CAP and will be at the County Fair in August showing the capabilities to the public.

### **Building Safety Division**

As stated in the FY16 Budget Book, now that EnerGov is functional, staff is changing over to fiscal year reporting vs calendar year. The number of new permits issued in July remain steady with 56 new building permits with a total valuation of \$531,686. In July of 2015, staff issued 44 permits with a valuation of \$2,112,210. Included in the July 2015 permits was the new Unitarian Church valued at \$1.6 million. There are pre permit discussions underway for five to six new dwelling units expected to permit in the fall.

Three new dwelling units received their Certificate of Occupancy in the last month, as well as the new Pasta Paradisio and new Del Norte Credit Union in White Rock. A large scale commercial deck replacement project was completed in Quemazon in July.

## **Code Enforcement:**

For the month of July, Code Enforcement had new 76 cases. These represented a mix of signage violations, weeds, outdoor storage of materials, unhitched trailers in the street, inoperable vehicles and building without a permit. Three of the working 'without a permit' cases were identified due to unhitched trailer violations. There are currently eight cases in Municipal Court.

## **Housing and Special Projects Division**



### **Housing Rehabilitation Program (Home Renewal Program):**

The first round of loans for the program were approved in July. Of the applications submitted, nine were approved for county funding for a total of \$195,200. An additional two applications were determined to be over income for the County's program, however those were subsequently funded by the Los Alamos Housing Partnership (LAHP) out of their own separate fund. LAHP will now finalize a scope of work for each funded project and then put those out to bid beginning in August.

## **A-19 Development:**

Staff continued to coordinate with the Site A-19-A-1 Acquisition Group, LLC as they continue with their due diligence.

## **New Housing and Special Projects Manager:**

The County's new Housing and Special Project Manager, Andrew Harnden, started with the county on July 19th. As previously mentioned, Andrew comes to the county with many years of experience working in the affordable housing and planning fields both in this country and abroad. Andrew has begun working on the County's highest housing priorities, including vacant housing and the initiation of a homebuyer incentive program.

## **Planning Division**

### **Comprehensive Plan:**

Planning staff met with community members at the Los Alamos Farmers' Market on June 30<sup>th</sup> and July 28<sup>th</sup> to discuss the progress of the Comprehensive Plan. Most of the comments centered on the results of the statistically valid survey to which over 600 Los Alamos citizens responded. The respondents seemed to agree on most of the same topics of concern: the need for affordable housing; the desire that development not expand farther into the County; and that County open space land should remain protected.

### **Planning & Zoning Commission Activities:**

Council adopted the P&Z recommended rezoning of the two parcels that belong to the Historical Museum on Bathtub Row. The two parcels are the Oppenheimer home and the Hans Bethe home. The Museum will be able to proceed with their plans to expand the Historical Museum campus and to create a museum in the Bethe House that will tell the story of the role Los Alamos played in the Cold War.

Planning and Zoning had a breather with no meetings in the month of July. Staff anticipates that the next several months will see an increase in commission activity in drafting and reviewing the Comprehensive Plan. The meetings in August, September, and October will result in a draft document which will be reviewed by County Council.

## **Business License and Building Permit Review:**

- Planning Division staff reviewed and approved 14 business license applications and 34 building permits.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

### **Parks, Recreation and Open Space Division**

#### **Recreation Programs CMO Report:**

#### **Community Collaborations:**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Los Alamos RocknRoll Endurofest:** PROS staff has been working with several other County Divisions to support this annual community mountain biking event. Coordination includes ACT busses and trailers for the cyclists and their bikes; reservation of Community Park for tent camping; trail work and signage; and marketing.



#### **ScienceFest “The Secret City Unlocked”:**

PROS Division staff attended planning meetings, assisted in coordinating event logistics, and provided staff support throughout the weekend of events. A big shout out to the Roads and Streets Division for all of the pedestrian fencing set-up around the pond to create the Lyrics and Libations area in front of the stage and the Drone Zone on the west end of the park. Another shout out to Parks’ employee Salvador Valdivia for assisting Saturday and Sunday at Ashley pond to ensure the art installation Friday night went off without a hitch and for assistance all during the event on Saturday. Thank you to the Parks staff for their work at Main Gate Park and the new Main Gate façade.



New Main Gate Park Façade



Special Agent ID's



Robotics at Ashley Pond

### Los Alamos Little League:

From July 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Los Alamos County hosted the Southwest Juniors Regional Softball Girls Tournament. Players from Louisiana, Texas, and New Mexico gathered in Los Alamos for this annual tournament. The team from La Grange, TX won the overall tournament and advanced to the World Series. The Parks crews worked around the clock on field maintenance and PROS staff added a make-up Movie in the Park on Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup> (which was cancelled due to weather). Overall over 90 players plus family members and coaching staff visited Los Alamos.



Los Alamos Little League – Southwest Juniors Regional Tournament

### Recreation

#### **Mudfest 2016:**

This year 13 teams came out to play in the mud at the annual mud volleyball tournament on North Mesa. Luckily the weather held all day as teams battled back and forth to become the “Mud



Champions.” Along with the games there was music, dancing, and trivia throughout the day to keep the fun going. Thank you to the Los Alamos Fire Department and Parks staff for their support before and during the tournament.



### **Los Alamos Triathlons:**

Though there were several changes and challenges this year – date moved up to July 30<sup>th</sup>; moved the Kids Tri to the same day; became a USTA sanctioned event; one triathlon and three other running events scheduled on the same date – attendance and feedback remains high for the triathlons. Approximately 150 people registered for the LA TRI (2015 – 162) and 70 for the Kids Tri (2015 – 73), with several participants from Colorado and Texas in attendance. It was an early morning call for PROS and Traffic & Streets staff as well as for the many, many community volunteers who come out to support these events. Thank you to everyone, including the Los Alamos Police Department and Los Alamos Fire Brigade for ensuring the safety of our participants out on the course.



### **Movies in the Park:**

The PROS Division is wrapping up the Movies in the Park on August 3<sup>rd</sup> at Ashley Pond with a bang as the movie is presented by the Los Alamos Police and Fire Departments. Join LAFD, LAPD, and the PROS Division at the Pond at 7PM for some fun activities prior to the movie.

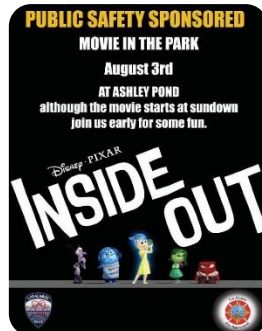


## **Fair & Rodeo Weekend:**

Is right around the corner from August 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>. Don't miss out on Fair exhibits at the Library, the Pool Tournament at the Betty Ehart Senior Center, the Arts & Crafts Fair at Fuller Lodge and much, much more! Visit the County's Fair & Rodeo webpage for a full calendar of events; the Fair & Rodeo Booklet; and vendor information.



Queen's Court Run



Movie in the Park



Fair & Rodeo Parade

## **Ice Rink**

### **Los Alamos Roller Derby:**

The Derby Dames hosted two more events in July at the Rink. On July 9<sup>th</sup> they hosted a double header with teams from Flagstaff, AZ and Albuquerque, NM. On July 30<sup>th</sup> they hosted a "Cake versus Pie" derby mashup with the Jr. Derby team and other teams from across the region.



July 9<sup>th</sup> Double Header



July 30<sup>th</sup> "Cake vs. Pie" Mashup

## **Golf Course**

The ACI Tournament, Atomic City Invitational Tournament, returned after a 6 year absence. This tournament was held over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend and had just at 100 participants. There were several social events in conjunction with the golf and it was a successful event with all looking forward to it again next year. The Men's ACI Champion was Eric Trujillo. The Women's was Chante Fiorna.



There were 3 tournaments that were Charity driven, Knights of Columbus, Big Brothers Big Sisters and Los Alamos Chamber of Commerce; all were well attended and have committed to returning next year.

The City Championship was also played in July with Ted Ball winning the Men's Championship with a score of 146 Gross, 2 over Par. Kay Linda Crawford won the Women's Championship with a wonderful score of 138 Gross, 6 UNDER Par!



We are preparing the West side of the patio on the restaurant to double size of the concrete PAD. This is so that a 20' x 40' Tent can be used to increase the seating capacity to allow larger groups, such as weddings, to be held in the restaurant area.





## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

### **Transportation Board**

The Transportation Board has two vacancies and recruitment efforts are currently underway. We would like to give a special thank you to Mr. Wayne Harding for serving on the board.

### **Airport Division**

#### **Airport Landfill Remediation:**



DOE has completed the remediation of the landfill at the airport. The County is considering options regarding the construction of the hangars on the concrete pad that was constructed as part of the remediation effort. The timeline for the construction of the hangars will depend on who is building the hangars and the funding sources for the construction.

#### **Runway Maintenance Project:**

Two bids were received for the crack sealing, seal coating and remarking of the runway and north and south aircraft parking aprons. There were two alternates to the bids. One alternate was for completing the seal coating of all three areas and the second alternate was to perform work only on the runway. Which alternate will be awarded will depend on the availability of FAA funding for the project. We are currently awaiting word from the FAA regarding which alternate they will fund and when the grant application should be submitted. 90 % of the funding for the project will be provided by a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration. Another 5% of the funding will be provided through a grant from the NMDOT – Aviation Division and the final 5% will be the responsibility of the County.

#### **West Area Development:**

The Airport recently received an environmental Categorical Exclusion (CATEX) from the FAA for the development of the west end of the airport as depicted on the Airport Master Plan. This is the first step in being able to move forward in the future with the construction of new hangars on the west end of the airport. The construction of these hangars will be dependent upon demand for the additional hangar space and there is no formal timeline for this development at this time. The CATEX is effective for three years, which means that some part of the development project must be started within the next three years in order for the CATEX to remain in effect. If no action is taken within the next three years the CATEX will expire and the airport will need to refile for another CATEX with the FAA.



## **Custodial Division**

The Custodial Division supported 188 events during the month of July which ranged from weddings to birthday parties. Staff also supported ScienceFest activities at Fuller Lodge.

The hardwood floors at the Old Red Cross building were refinished prior to the National Park Service moving in on July 25.



*Old Red Cross Building*



Before



Refinishing

After Refinishing

The old archive storage room on the 2nd floor of Fuller Lodge has been converted to a meeting room for Historical Society, Arts Center and Cooperative Extension usage along with public rental.

Our division was given accolades by the County Clerk's office for our support during elections.

## **Engineering & Project Management Division**

### **Fire Station 3:**

Architectural work continues to design a more substantial reroofing, including a wall system, window replacement and HVAC system to better insulate and control the temperature in the bunkrooms. Construction is contemplated for late 2016 through early 2017.

### **Fuller Lodge Phases 2-4 and Historical Museum**



R&M Construction continues to make steady progress on both facilities.

At Fuller Lodge, work on the new elevator is progressing steadily as crews address structural, plumbing and fire sprinkler conflicts. Work on the 2nd floor restroom renovations is continuing. The first coat of sealant has been placed on the Zia and Throne Room floors. The final coats are scheduled for the week of July 25. The contractor has begun work to replace the steps and retaining wall to the basement near

the kitchen. Much of the demo is completed and the contractor will begin work to replace them.



Work at the Museum continues to be challenging, but progress continues with the new air conditioning, heating, lighting and communication systems, along with flooring and interior display walls.

### **LAPD Dispatch Lighting Improvements:**

Design to improve the lighting needs of the dispatch area continues. Changes to the system will include removing the existing fluorescent lighting system and installing dimmable LED fixtures to customize lighting levels. Request for quotes have been sent to two of the on-call electrical contractors to perform the work. This work will begin in the fall.

### **Mesa Library HVAC Improvements:**

The current system is an evaporative cool system, while a less expensive system to install and operate it does not provide adequate cooling during times of high (30% plus) humidity. The system itself is limited in its cooling capacity due to its initial design. The design consultant will look at a several system options including review of initial and life-cycle costs and provide this analysis to staff for consideration.



The work is scheduled to occur in spring 2017 and continue throughout the summer to eliminate pipe freezing exposure during system shutdown.

#### **Knecht Street Improvements:**

Asphalt paving of Knecht St. and concrete placement of the trail connection is complete. Road striping, lighting, signage, manhole adjustments and valley gutter placement will continue to as the project nears completion.



#### **NMDOT NM502/Trinity Reconstruction Project:**

Engineering Staff continues to work with NMDOT as needed towards their effort to advertise the project for bids and begin construction in spring 2017.

#### **White Rock Complex & Senior Center Renovations:**

Crews with R&M Construction continue to make steady progress on renovations, including interior wall framing which is 75% complete, HVAC ducting and boiler piping is underway, excavation for the courtyard storm sewer is underway with utility trenching being done simultaneously. The fire protection supply line in Longview was successfully completed.





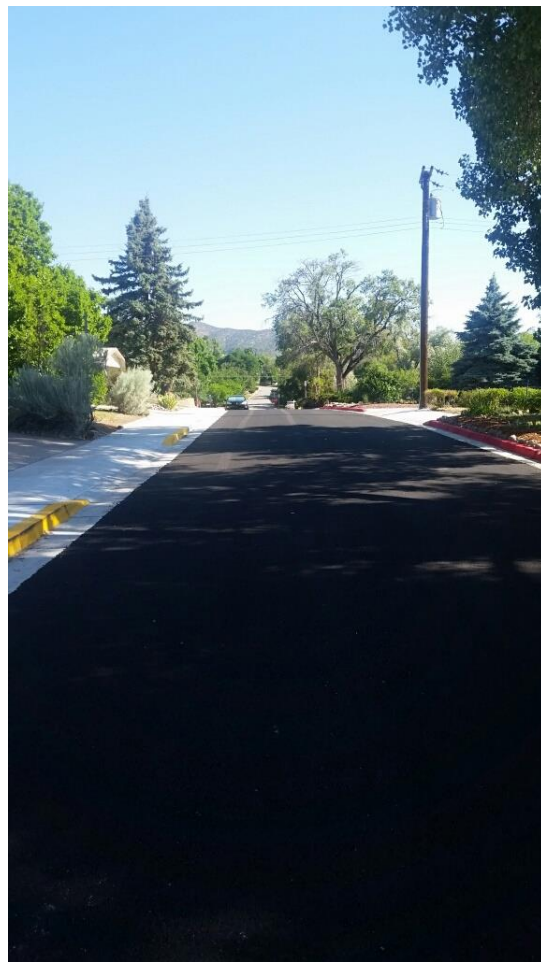
#### **Western Area Improvements Phase 4:**

On May 24th, Council approved the bid award to TLC Plumbing & Utility.

The contractor has completed construction of 40th Street. Work within the Denver Still area which includes 37th Street, 38th Street, 39th Street and Ridgeway is ongoing with the installation of 8" water line. Curb and gutter, sidewalk, drive pads and fillets at the intersections are following the installation of the waterline.

Construction is scheduled to be completed October 31st, weather permitting.





### Central Avenue Improvements – Phase 2:



On June 28<sup>th</sup> Council approved the contract award to Century Club Construction.

The project consists of the reconstruction of Central Avenue from 15th Street to 9th Street including sanitary sewer placement, road reconstruction and streetscape improvements including wider ADA accessible sidewalks, street and pedestrian lighting, landscaping, irrigation and street furniture.

The contractor began groundbreaking work on July 20th with the installation of an 8" sewer line and manhole on the south side of Central at 15th Street. The project has an anticipated construction completion date of October 28th, weather permitting. Parks crews have been removing trees on Central Avenue and transplanting within the County.



### **Canyon Rim Trail Project:**

Star Paving Company continues construction; crews are nearing completion with retaining wall installation which will extend a large portion of the project.

The project consists of a 10 ft. wide multiuse trail from Fire Station 6 to Smith's Marketplace and includes retaining walls and bridge spanning DP Canyon. The project is scheduled for completion in late 2016/early 2017, weather permitting.



### **WIPP/Supplemental Environmental Project Meetings:**

The New Mexico Environment Department, the U.S. Department of Energy and its contractors signed two settlement agreements resolving the February 2014 incidents at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant in Carlsbad and the associated activities at Los Alamos National Laboratory. The agreements provide for a set of Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs) in both the Carlsbad and Los Alamos communities that enhance and improve New Mexico's roads, water infrastructure and emergency response infrastructure. Philo Shelton, Public Works Director; Eric Martinez, County Engineer; and Bryan Aragon, Senior Engineer have been attending meetings to help develop work plans for the following projects that will be funded as part of the WIPP settlement in Los Alamos:

\$12 million to improve DOE-owned transportation routes used to ship transuranic waste to WIPP.

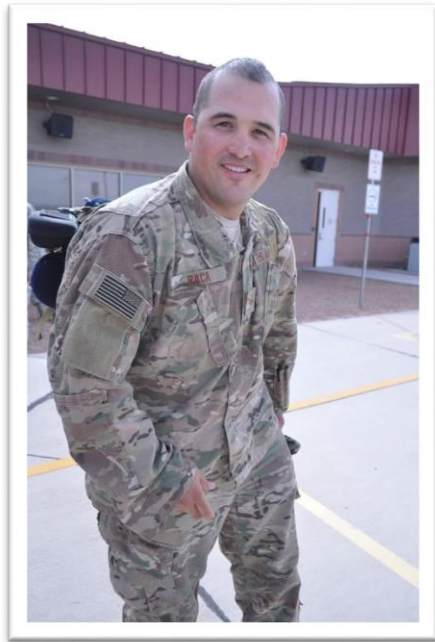
- Intersection of SR 4 and East Jemez Road
- East Jemez Road (east for approximately 4 miles)
- Security check point and Jemez Road
- NM 502 from MP 5.6 to MP 8.6
- NM 502/NM4 Interchange
- East Jemez Road ( guardrail repair/replacement)

\$7.5 million to design and install engineering structures in canyons in and around LANL to slow storm water flow and decrease sediment load to improve water quality allowing surface water management at the watershed scale.

\$2.5 million to fund increased sampling and monitoring capabilities for storm water runoff in and around LANL, with the results of the sampling and monitoring to be shared with the public and NMED.



## **Environmental Services Division**



### **Defending our Nation:**

We would like to welcome back and thank SSgt. Joseph Baca for his service to our Country as part of the NM Air National Guard. Joseph served in the Middle East for eight weeks with the 557<sup>th</sup> Red Horse squadron.

### **Environmental Sustainability Board:**

The Environmental Sustainability Board has two vacancies and recruitment efforts are currently underway. We would like to give a special thank you to Cliff Han and Sandra West for serving on the board. On, July 26, 2016, County Council reappointed John Bliss and Sarah Terrill to the board.

At the ESB meeting on July 21, 2016, the board approved a recommendation to revamp the brush and bulk item collection program that will be going forward to County Council in the near future.

### **Environmental Services Recruitment:**

Environmental Services currently has one vacancy; the recruitment efforts are underway for an equipment operator.

### **Household Hazardous Waste Collection Hours:**

The Eco Station has redefined collection hours for the collection of household hazardous waste to Friday and Saturday 9am to 3pm. Residents who pay for refuse services are eligible to bring in paints, old chemicals, aerosols and other unwanted household hazard waste. The County then manages and ensures the materials are properly disposed, recycled or reused.

## Science Festival:



The Environmental Sustainability Board hosted an educational booth at ScienceFest and shared information about the do's and don'ts of recycling, how to create a sustainably yard, and demonstrated the compost bins that are available to purchase at the Eco Station for \$60.



## Demonstration at Ponderosa Children's Montessori School:



Derrick Voight, Environmental Services Superintendent, visits Ponderosa Children's Montessori School and demonstrates how recycling truck collects recycle from businesses and households. The children ranged in age from 3 to 5 years old and they were very interested in learning how the truck worked.

**Summer 2016 Brush and Bulk Item Collection Schedule:**

The curbside collection occurs four times a year (spring, summer, fall and winter) in effort to assist residents with the disposal of bulk items and yard waste. Environmental Services is currently on schedule.

Area	Set out no sooner than	Collection starts
Barranca Mesa, Ponderosa Estates, Loma Linda & Hawks Landing	June 24	July 5
Quemazon, Sandia, Trinity, Orange & Nickel	July 1	July 11
North Mesa	July 8	July 18
Walnut, Yucca, Urban, Arizona, Town Site	July 15	July 25
Rover, Old Town, Meadow Lane, Aragon, Bryce Avenue	July 22	Aug. 1
La Vista, Canada Way, Canada Circle, Barcelona, Canyon Vista, Sierra Vista, Monte Vista, La Paloma	July 29	Aug. 8
La Senda & Piedra Loop	Aug. 5	Aug. 15

**Per Code Enforcement:**

Residents will be in violation of Los Alamos County Code Chapter 18 if any of the conditions below are demonstrated:

- Pile is set out when your area is not scheduled to receive collection.
- Pile contains non-accepted material.
- Pile is obstructed by obstacles.
- Pile is set out after designated pickup date

Residents may receive a citation into Municipal Court where they can face fines and charges up to \$ 500.00 or 90 days in Jail. For each day there is a violation a new citation may be issued.

**REMINDER:**

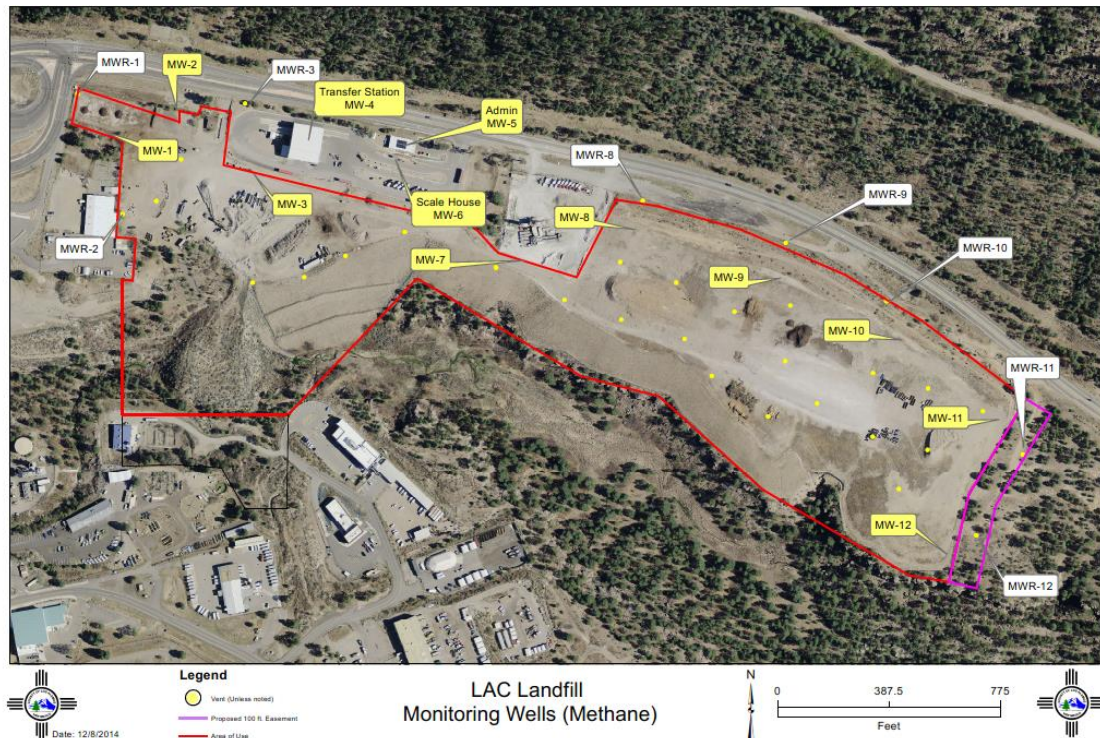
- Do not set out materials sooner than ten days before the first day of your scheduled collection date.
- Do not set out materials that are not accepted.
- One pickup per household, piles can be no larger than 8 cubic yards
- Set items close to the curb - avoid placing items under power lines or near cars or utility boxes
- All leaves and pine needles should be placed in paper yard waste bags
- Items that will be picked up: brush, Christmas trees, mattresses, and large appliances (excluding refrigerators), and large furniture
- Place trash in your trash roll cart

***Items that WILL NOT be collected: Refrigerators, freezers, televisions, glass, construction material, lumber, tires, concrete, railroad ties, fencing materials, or paints/chemicals.***



## Landfill Gas Update:

In general, the methane concentrations at the LAC landfill appear to be decreasing. MP-11R is above 100 percent LEL. However, the concentrations at MP-11R have consistently declined over that last 4 months. It measured 9% (percent methane gas in air) in July, 16% in June, 19% in May, and 36% in April.



## Facilities Division

Main Gate project has been completed.

Ranch School remodel has been completed and the National Parks Service has moved into the facility. – Crews are working on the access control to the restrooms at Ashley Pond.

Contractor installed access controls for four doors and installed the monitor at the Municipal Court

Thank you – Tim Martinez, Keith Yeske, Richard Branch, Leon Ortega, and Rick Garcia for all your help with the Main Gate Project.



*The permanent facade at Los Alamos Main Gate Park was completed in time for ScienceFest.*

## **Fleet Division**

Fleet employees are meeting with vendors to review contracts and submit orders for FY17.

Fire Department purchased a new bush chipper.



## **Traffic and Streets Division:**

With summer in full swing, there are many Los Alamos crews, private contractors and members of our community out working on the streets, sidewalks and paths in the County. Our office has issued 120 traffic, excavation and curb cut permits this year, the majority being issued in the last 3 months. Please remain vigilant while you are out on our streets and keep their safety in mind at all times. Thank you from the Traffic and Streets Division.

Crews from Traffic and Streets, Fleet, Parks, Transit and the Warehouse worked together for the 2016 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks event in White Rock. The preparations they set forth in advance helped them facilitate a safe and enjoyable experience for the public. In the lull between the morning set-up and the afternoon festivities, a beanbag ("Corn Hole") tournament was held in appreciation of the hard work put forth by county staff.





## Streets Division

The Guaje Canyon Road Mitigation Project was awarded to Los Alamos Landscaping and More, LLC, repairs began July 11<sup>th</sup>. This is a FEMA based project in conjunction with Los Alamos County.



Crack sealing operations have begun along Diamond Drive from the roundabout to Omega West Bridge. GM Emulsions was secured to perform this work based upon a pricing agreement competitively bid earlier this year.



Los Alamos County Streets Crews in coordination with Parks Crews have been working on the North Mesa ball fields in preparation for the Southwest Regional Little League Tournament. Lasting nearly a week, this tournament has been a great addition to County economic development. While Parks crews prepared the fields and stands, Streets crews installed new drainage and storm drains where water had historically pooled. Participants of the tournament indicated this is one of the nicest facilities they played at.





*Removed shrubs due to right of way obstruction at 401 Rover. Shrubs were also removed at 328 Rover.*



*Before and after photos of a trail on 45<sup>th</sup> Street.*



*Repaired and placed a sidewalk stone on Meadow Lane that a resident damaged when he pulled out shrubs with a wrecker.*





*Repaired and replaced curb, gutter, and sidewalk at 1400 Sage due to a utility break.*



*Crews repaired, replaced, and dressed back the sidewalk that was removed on Jeffrey Lane due to a water break.*

### **Traffic Division**

The Traffic Division Crews have been working on the Central Avenue lighting project a total of 30 light poles have been removed and transported to a vendor for powder coating.

Traffic Division Crews have been working with the Los Alamos Public Schools to get the school zone flashers ready for the upcoming school year. They are programming the equipment for morning arrival and afternoon release schedules. They have pressure washed curbs at school zones and safe routes in White Rock and Los Alamos, painted school zones and safe routes in White Rock, they started painting school zones & safe zones in Los Alamos, and installed school crosswalk signs at Chamisa School and Rover and Meadow. This is an ongoing process and will be anticipated to be completed before school starts in August.



Crews from Facilities and Traffic & Streets assemble the new signs for Main Gate Park in time for Science Fest 2016.

Thank you – Alipio Mondragon, Anthony Lucero, Bob Woodall, Ray Baca, Chris Montoya, Constantine Tsortiz, Joseph Blea, and Pete Vigil for all your help with the Main Gate Project.





## Welcome back!



We would like to welcome back and thank MSgt. Raymond Baca for his service to our Country as part of the NM Air National Guard. Ray served overseas with 201 Red Horse squadron.

## Transit Division

The Transit Division continues work to implement route and schedule adjustments to better serve the community. To date, several modifications have been made including:

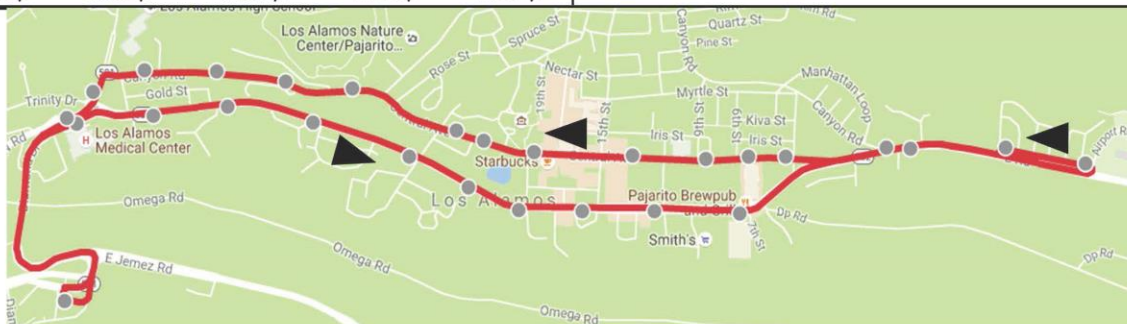
- Mar. 14 – Afternoon Express routes adjusted
- May 23 – Schedules rotated 5 minutes forward
- Jun. 27 – Running times, layovers, time points adjusted

On August 8th, the final route and schedule modifications will be implemented. On that date, Route M will begin operating between White Rock and the Transit Center, with service in White Rock provided in a counter-clockwise loop. Route 3 will begin providing service every thirty-minutes with the route shortened to serve the food co-op as the easternmost extent. These route and schedule revisions were developed through a public involvement process that included focus group meetings and a community-wide survey (conducted on paper and Open Forum) to gather ridership preferences specific to what routes and schedules the community desired. The public preferences expressed through the process were presented to the T-Board, on July 7th, along with a staff recommendation to adopt the route and schedule revisions indicated above, for implementation on August 8th.

Finally, the Transit Division is in the process of recruiting for key staff vacancies including that of Transit Division Manager and Management Analyst. More information on this effort will be forthcoming as candidates are interviewed, and selected, to fill these positions.

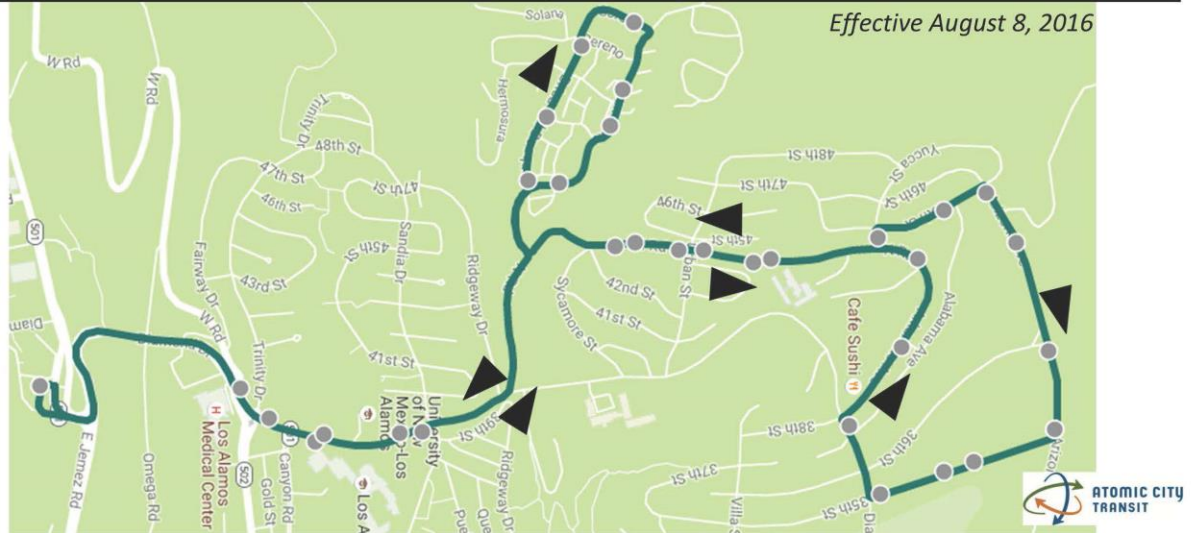
## Route 1: Downtown Circulator

<i>Outbound (to East Dr &amp; Airport from Transit Center)</i>					<i>Inbound (to Transit Center from East Dr &amp; Airport)</i>					
Depart Transit Center	Trinity & Diamond	Trinity & Oppenheimer	Trinity & 7th	Arrive East Drive & Airport	Depart East Drive & Airport	Central & 6th	Central & 15th	Central & Mesa Library	Canyon & Diamond	Arrive Transit Center
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<i>Peak service begins @ 11:00 AM from East Dr &amp; Airport Rd</i>					10:45 a	10:47 a	10:48 a	10:52 a	10:54 a	10:56 a
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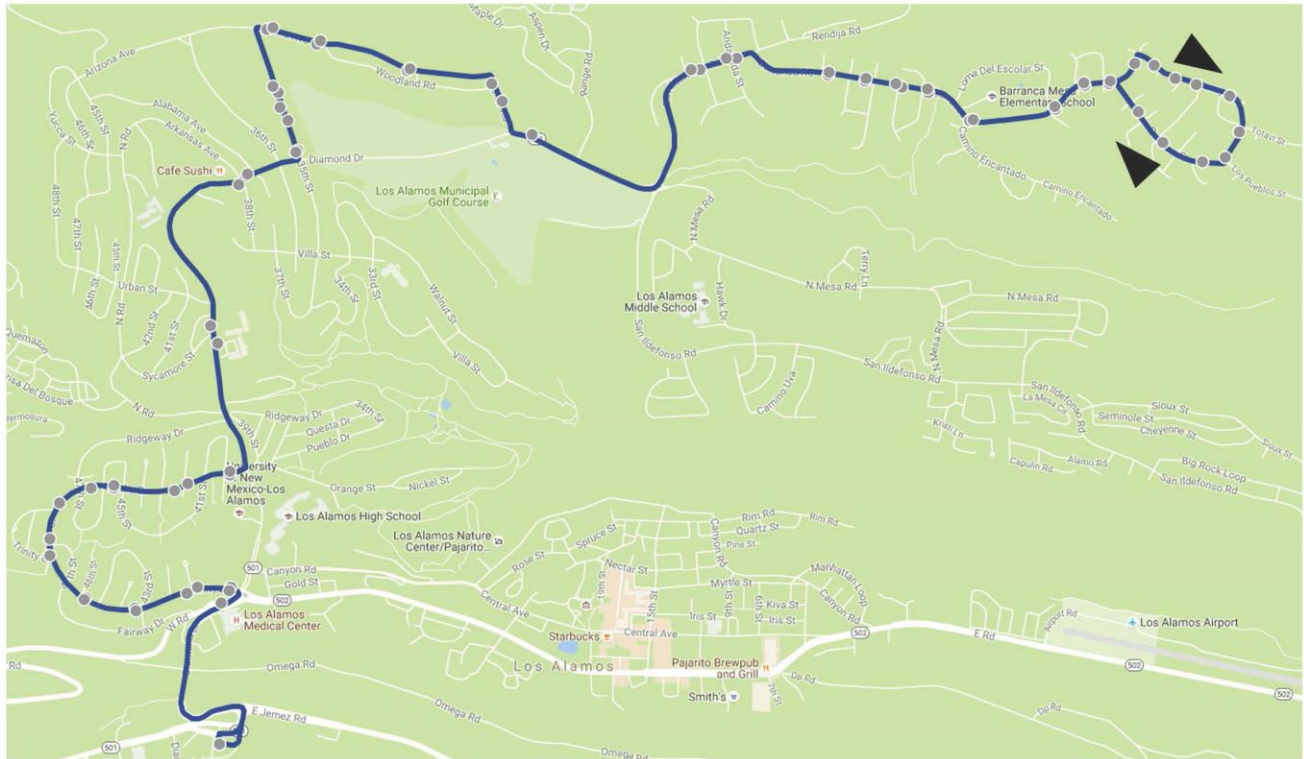
Route 4: North Community									
Outbound (to Arizona & 35th from Transit Center)					Inbound (to Transit Center from Arizona & 35th)				
Depart Transit Center	Diamond & Orange	Brisa Del Bosque & Quemazon	Yucca & North Road	Arrive Arizona & 35th	Depart Arizona & 35th	North Road & Yucca	North Road & Urban Park	Diamond & Sandia	Arrive Transit Center
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## Route 5: Barranca Mesa

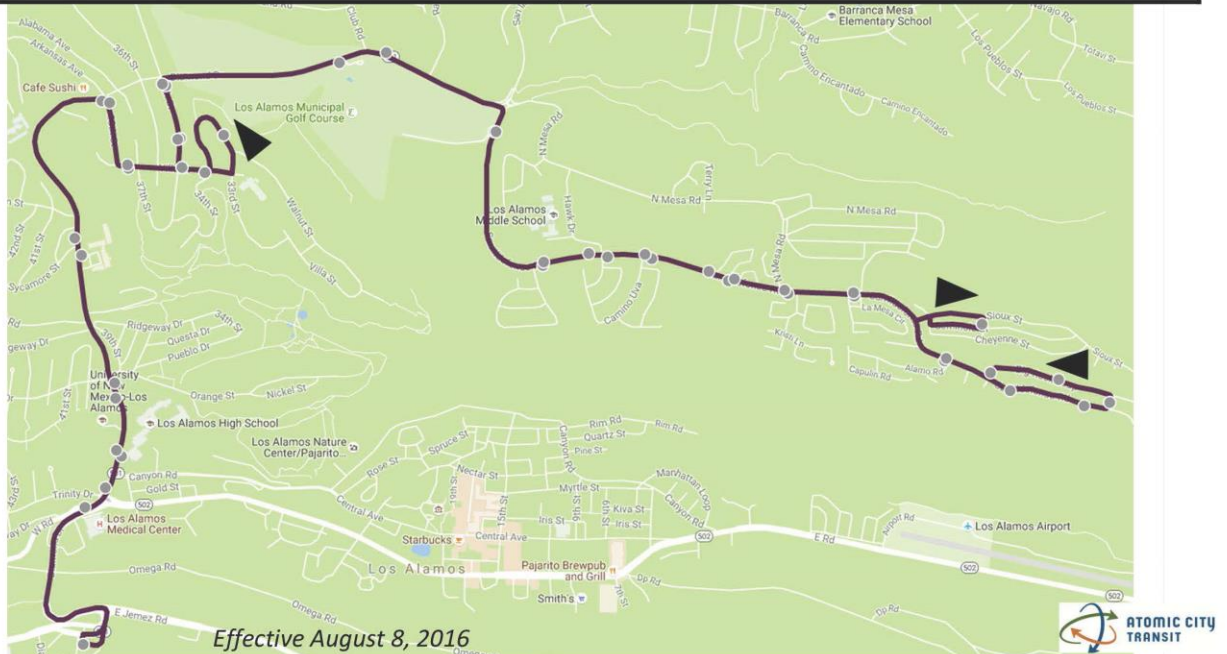
<i>Outbound (to Los Pueblos &amp; Navajo from Transit Center)</i>					<i>Inbound (to Transit Center from Los Pueblos &amp; Navajo)</i>				
Depart Transit Center	Sandia & 42nd	Arizona & 35th	Barranca & San Ildefonso	Arrive Los Pueblos & Navajo	Depart Los Pueblos & Navajo	Barranca & San Ildefonso	Arizona & 35th	Sandia & 42nd	Arrive Transit Center
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## Route 6: North Mesa

<b>Outbound (to Stoneview &amp; Big Rock from Transit Center)</b>					<b>Inbound (to Transit Center from Stoneview &amp; Big Rock)</b>				
Depart	Diamond	Villa	San	Arrive	Depart	San	Villa	Diamond	Arrive
Transit Center	& Sandia	& 33rd	Ildefonso & Hawk Dr	Stoneview & Big Rock	Stoneview & Big Rock	Ildefonso & Hawk Dr	& 33rd	& Sandia	Transit Center
<i>AM Peak service begins @ 6:35 AM from Stoneview &amp; Big Rock</i>					6:05 a	6:11 a	6:17 a	6:22 a	6:24 a
6:35 a	6:37 a	6:41 a	6:47 a	6:51 a	6:35 a	6:41 a	6:47 a	6:52 a	6:54 a
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<i>PM Peak service begins @ 3:05 PM from the Transit Center</i>					3:05 p	3:11 p	3:17 p	3:22 p	3:24 p
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6:05 p	6:07 p	6:11 p	6:17 p	6:21 p	<i>PM Peak service ends @ 6:21 PM when it arrives at Stoneview &amp; Big Rock</i>				
6:35 p	6:37 p	6:41 p	6:47 p	6:51 p					



## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

**Aug 13 – Council Booth at the County Fair, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Ashley Pond Near Central Avenue**

**Aug 16 – Contractor Meeting, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Fuller Lodge Pajarito Room**

**Aug 23 – Council Work Session, 6:00 p.m., Fire Station No. 3 – White Rock**

**Aug 25 – Comprehensive Plan at Farmers' Market, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., At the Market**

**Aug 26 – Manhattan Project National Historical Park – Committee Meeting, 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m., Conference Room 330 – Municipal Building**

**Aug 30 – Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Council Chamber, Municipal Building**

**Aug 31 – SR/4 San Ildefonso Pottery – Art in Public Places Dedication Ceremony, 3:00 p.m., White Rock Visitor Center**

## KUDOS & FYI

Letter to the Editor: Biggest 4th of July Thanks Ever!  
Submitted by Carol A. Clark on July 8, 2016 - 7:52am



**By STEVE BOERIGTER**  
**Kiwanis 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration Chair**

The 2016 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration at Overlook Park was the best ever. A good rain a few days earlier led to clear skies and green fields. While we had some brief periods of wind in earlier evening, the sky settled down for a great show. Seeing the skydivers, especially the big flag as the sun was setting was spectacular. Sim Balkey had a huge crowd dancing on the field. Based upon our unofficial receipts, this was the biggest Independence Day Celebration in Los Alamos history. Probably the single biggest Los Alamos community event ever!

While the dedication of fireworks team in Kiwanis might be obvious, much of the community is behind the event long before the first BBQ, football toss, or glow stick. We would like to thank our major sponsor, Los Alamos National Bank. LANB has been a major partner with the Kiwanis Club for more than two decades. Thank you to Franks Supply for donating the quiet and powerful generator that kept the Bouncy Toys going all day. We appreciate all our vendors for keeping the crowd nourished and refreshed. Next time you see them at Ashley Pond remember to say "thanks". A special thank you goes to the Los Alamos Holiday Inn Express for supplying lodging for the Ton-O-Fun crew. The Community Winds gave us classic Independence Day music.

We think we might have stuffed 8,000+ people into Overlook Park. That wouldn't happen without the major efforts from the Los Alamos County and Public Safety. Special thanks goes to Dan Erickson who coordinated all County efforts – and they were considerable! Traffic Division kept everyone moving better than ever before and Atomic City Transit got us in and out of the park with ease. Super special thanks to the Overlook Park team: Ray Villalobos and the rest of the staff from Parks Division. LA Police was able to help many and the Fire Department once again showed off the biggest flag ever seen in Northern New



Mexico. Finally, thank you all the dedicated Kiwanians for your time and energy. You continually demonstrate your dedication to the people of Los Alamos and the community of Northern New Mexico. You make this event possible.

The biggest thanks of all goes to you – the community. You make this a wonderful place to live. You help keep this and many other events going through your donations. You make it fun to get together and just celebrate life in America. The Kiwanis Club of Los Alamos hopes you will make plans now to be at Overlook next year. We'll have a fantastic fireworks display. But we know that's not why we celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. We live in America - and that's worth celebrating.

Daniel Erickson P.E  
Traffic & Street Manager  
Los Alamos County NM

7-22-2016

Dear Mr. Erickson:

Thank you replaced my street light bulb on 7-21-2016. It's ended two months confuse with 311 call & darkness at night. Thank you for being highly efficient.

I must Thank You for last Spring that you went the extra mile-work to help me with County's business, although it's not your department.

Thank you for your Kindness;  
Thank you for your high standard Customer care!

*"It not genius, nor glory, nor love that reflects the greatness of human soul; it is kindness."*

You delighted our day, and lighted our night.

Sincerely

"Dr. Lee" Li Liu DOM  
1461 Oakwood Loop  
Los Alamos NM 87544

<b>Accupuncture &amp; "Dr. Lee" DOM</b>		
Educated in China in Both Western & Chinese Medicine		
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Tel. 662-7299 Fax (505) 661-7299		"Dr. Lee" Li Liu - Doctor of Oriental Medicine PO Box 1502, Los Alamos, NM 87544

7-22-2016  
Dear Mr. Erickson:  
Thank you replaced my street light bulb. Thank you for your Kindness, and being highly efficient.  
You delighted our day, and lighted our night!  
Thanks, "Dr. Lee"

From: Williams, Chris  
Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2016 9:46 AM  
To: Andrus, Paul <[paul.andrus@lacnm.us](mailto:paul.andrus@lacnm.us)>  
Subject: FW: 183 Piedra Loop Stucco

WE don't get a lot of these. But it's nice when it happens.

-----Original Message-----

From: Joel [<mailto:jefarnham@comcast.net>]  
Sent: Wednesday, July 27, 2016 4:38 PM  
To: Williams, Chris <[chris.williams@lacnm.us](mailto:chris.williams@lacnm.us)>  
Subject: 183 Piedra Loop Stucco

Chris,

I wanted to take the opportunity to thank you for your professionalism and assistance with getting our home re-stuccoed. We were overwhelmed with the whole process, and quite frankly it left me numb.

I had reassurance that you were looking out for our best interests in getting quality work that met the county codes when I discussed this job with you. You also held the contractor accountable several times.

I know you have a thankless job and are not the most popular guy in the county, but I just wanted to let you know that I appreciate knowing that you would not let me get a sub-standard stucco job. I appreciate the time you take to explain and educate me on how I should construct my projects and how to deal with contractors. I truly feel that you are on my side and all Los Alamos residents for building construction.

I didn't get the chance to say how much your assistance meant to me at the time since I had workers swarming all over the house, I was negotiating back & forth with the contractor, and have a very vocal wife.

As far as I'm concerned, you are doing an excellent job and it's a job that I don't envy! Keep up the good work.

Thank you for caring,  
Joel Farnham

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Dear Mr. Burgess and County Council Members,

Los Alamos County Little League Softball would like to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation for the support, communication, professionalism and hard work by the Los Alamos County Parks Division staff in preparation for the 2016 Junior Softball Southwestern Regional Tournament that was held July 22<sup>nd</sup>-July 26<sup>th</sup> at the North Mesa Sports Complex.

Chris Wilson is a real treasure within the County government as he has a sincere interest in addressing the needs of community stakeholders. He has always maintained an open door policy with the recreation community and takes an active role in meeting with, listening to and addressing the needs of those involved. By Chris taking the time to meet with representatives from the league over the past month, we were able to voice our needs and concerns in preparation for the tournament and he and his staff addressed each one of them without hesitation. His background and experience also affords him the opportunity to voice alternatives to concerns we had and address them in a cost effective manner.

Jeff Humpton and his crew did a phenomenal job in preparing both Lou Caveglia Field and the upper field (Tee Ball Field) for the tournament. They scraped the sod off of the infield and replaced it with a quality infield dirt mix, installed new sod behind home plate, installed crusher fines behind both back stops to provide for a more stable base to walk on and eliminate risks of tripping and issues of mud, provided a temporary extension of the upper field dugouts to provide more space for the players and their equipment, replaced the 3' left field line fence on the upper field with a 6' high fence which addressed safety concerns we had in addition to providing for better visibility for spectators.



In addition, drainage issues to Lou Caveglia field (I believe this was performed by Public Works) were addressed, a handicap drop off area was established by Lou Caveglia along with the installation of two handicap accessible port-a-potty's close to Lou Caveglia Field which helped to serve our elderly patrons.

Coaches, players and parents all expressed how pleased they were with the facility. Prior to arriving, one team had concerns about the venue due to viewing the complex on Google Maps. However, upon arriving, they were extremely pleased with how nice the facility was. In addition, one coach said on Friday following Opening Ceremonies that this was their best tournament yet and it hadn't even started.

Please extend our gratitude and appreciation to the respective parties as this tournament would not have been possible without their effort and dedication in recent weeks.

Sincerely,

Robbie Harris

Vice President of Softball

Los Alamos County Little League