

FY21 Work Plan for Los Alamos County Boards and Commissions

(Fiscal Year 2021: July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021)

Board and Commission Name: Transportation Board

Prepared by: Transportation Board and County Staff

This work plan will be accomplished in the following time frame: July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

Chairperson: Kyle Wheeler

Members and terms:

Member	Start/End Dates	Term
David Schiferl	3/1/2019 - 2/28/2021	2
Kyle Wheeler	3/1/2019 – 2/28/2021	2
Steve Barretta	3/1/2019 - 2/28/2021	1
Sarah Nichols	3/1/2019 - 2/28/2021	1
Vacant	3/1/2019 - 2/28/2021	
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Department Director: Anne Laurent

Work plan developed in collaboration with Department Director? Yes

Staff Liaison: Anne Laurent

Administrative Support provided by: Louise Romero Council Liaison: Pete Sheehev

Reviewed by Council Liaison? Transportation Board Meeting February 6, 2020

- 1.0 Provide a brief Summary of your Board or Commission's activities over the past twelve months. Please describe your Board or Commission's accomplishments and identify constraints. List any "lessons learned" and identify the greatest challenges faced by the Board or Commission.
 - 1. Received public comment, reviewed, or monitored progress of the following issues/projects:
 - a. Los Alamos Tourism Strategic Plan and Wayfinding Analysis
 - b. Assignment of Transportation Board Liaison to the Tourism Implementation Task Force
 - c. Board and Commission Presentation to Council for 2019
 - d. North Mesa Improvements Project Phase 2
 - e. Airport Fence Project
 - f. Canyon Rim Trail Phase III Design
 - g. Canyon Rim Trail Underpass
 - h. Tsikumu Village Improvements Project
 - i. 35th Street Improvements Trinity Drive Road Diet
 - j. Crack Seal & Micro Seal Treatment
 - k. Los Alamos County Residential LED Streetlight Conversion Initiative
 - 1. Street ID Upgrade (Street Signs)
 - m. Installation of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons at the Diamond Drive Crossing
 - n. Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) East Jemez Road/NM 4 Intersection
 - o. Electric Bus Presentation
 - p. Reviewed and approved FY20 Snow & Ice Control Plan
 - q. Light pole replacement project on Canyon Road
 - r. Monitored Supplemental Environmental Projects
 - s. Los Alamos Airport Safety and Development Project
 - t. My Drive Initiative
 - u. Traffic Signal Controller Evaluation & Upgrade
 - v. Electric Scooters
 - 2. Greatest challenges:
 - a. Need to recruit two new board members.
- 2.0 Describe the future work plans for this Board or Commission using the following items and showing the relationship to those items: (Please remember that Council approval of this work plan does not constitute official Council approval of proposed projects, assignments, or anticipated recommendations included in this work plan that have budget implications.)
 - 2.1 List any special projects or assignments given to this Board or Commission by Council or the Department director:
 - 1. Review and monitor major construction and renovation plans for transportation facilities such as roads, streets, multi-use pathways, sidewalks and trails, airport, and public transit.

Host public meetings as requested and forward any submitted public comment throughout project completion to staff. Identifies ongoing and upcoming projects:

- a. A-19 Development
- b. NM 502 Improvements construction
- c. A-9 Affordable Housing on DP Road
- d. Pavement Rehabilitation (ongoing)
- e. Barranca Mesa
- f. Airport Fuel Farm
- g. Airport Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS)
- h. DP Road Improvements
- i. ADA Plan Updates as needed
- j. Department of Energy Supplemental Environmental Projects SRR and Truck Route
- k. Wayfinding for MainStreet District
- 1. Canyon Rim Trail Phase III
- m. Canyon Rim Trail Underpass
- n. Deacon Street
- o. A-12 and A-13 Intersection Improvements
- 2. Review Snow and Ice Control Plan annually and make recommendations.
- 3. Review projects to ensure adherence to current standards and policies to ensure/improve the safety and efficiency of all modes of transportation including:
 - a. The 2017 Bicycle Transportation System Plan
 - b. The Policy of the Design of Public Streets and Rights-of-way, (Res. No. 10-32; Nov 2010).
 - c. Complete Streets Checklist
 - d. Review of Public Works Design Standards
- 4. Host or attend public meetings as requested by Council or staff.

2.2 List the guiding documents/plans (with approval or revision dates listed) used by this Board or Commission.

- a. Bicycle Transportation System Plan; 2017
- b. Policy on the Design of Public Streets and Rights of Way, (Res. No. 10-32; Nov 2010)
- c. Los Alamos County Comprehensive Transit Study/Updated Service Plan
- d. Airport Master Plan, 2013.
- e. ADA Transition Plan 2017
- f. Complete Streets Plan 2017
- g. Pedestrian Transportation Plan 1998 Consider an update to the Transportation and Pedestrian Plans.

- 2.3 Other projects/assignments proposed by the Board or Commission: (Any projects or activities proposed in this section should be discussed with the Council Liaison prior to listing it in this work plan.) To assist with Council review of the work plans, please list the B&C's proposed projects or assignments in priority order.
- a. Attend 1-2 events a year in collaboration with the Transit and Airport Divisions to provide transportation related information and interact with the public.
- b. Have project public meetings in conjunction with monthly Transportation Board meetings.
- 3.0 Identify any interfaces for the goals/tasks in this work plan with County Departments and other Boards and Commissions. Specify the coordination required.
 - a. Continue working with Environmental Sustainability Board regarding the transportation component in the Environmental Sustainability Plan.
 - b. Maintain awareness and responsiveness to airport issues, including transportation to and from the airport. Transit's Route 1 services the Airport every 30 minutes Monday through Friday 6:15 am to 7:13 pm with direct access to the downtown area.
 - c. Identify common and/or interrelated issues/opportunities of interest that may exist between the Transportation Board and other county Boards/Commissions and propose collaborative work sessions or training.
 - d. Utilize Legistar to track Transportation Board motions and action items from initiation to completion.
 - e. Facilitate implementation of road and parking lot design standards that minimize untreated storm water run-off.
 - f. American League of Bicyclists Silver Level
 - g. Tourism Strategic Planning Effort David Schiferl (Primary) Kyle Wheeler (Secondary)
 - h. Planning and Zoning Parking
 - i. Upgrade to schools (access)
- 4.0 List any special public information or involvement meetings or efforts to be conducted by this Board or Commission:
 - 1. **In collaboration with the Transit Division** attend transportation related activities which shuttle service is provided to the community. The Transit Division provides shuttle service for the following activities:
 - Bike to Work Day
 - Nature Center /Earth Day
 - Fourth of July Celebration (new road for buses)
 - Halloween Shuttle
 - St. Patrick's Day Shuttle
 - New Year's Eve Shuttle
 - Senior Appreciation Night
 - Skiesta Shuttle
 - Ullr Fest
 - ScienceFest
 - Summer Concert Series
 - Safety Town

- 2. **In collaboration with the Airport Division** attend transportation related activities provided to the community. The Airport Division participates in the following activities:
 - Young Eagles
 - Public Airport Day
 - Taste of the Sky
 - AOPA Fly-In
- 3. **In collaboration with the Engineering Division** attend transportation related activities provided to the community. The Engineering Division participates in the following activities:
 - Bike to Work Day will be held in September 2020.
- 4. **In collaboration with the Traffic & Streets Division**, traffic control was provided for the following community events:
 - Light Parade
 - 4th of July Fireworks
 - ScienceFest
 - ChamberFest
 - Los Alamos County Rodeo
 - Triathlon
 - Summer Concert Series
 - Guinness Work Record Attempt for carving pumpkins
 - Trick or Treat on Mainstreet
 - Loma Linda Trick or Treating
 - LAPS Homecoming Parade
 - Trick or Treat on Mainstreet

5.0 List the current subcommittees for this Board or Commission.

- 1. Currently there are no subcommittees.
 - 5.1 For subcommittees with members that are not members of the parent board or commission:

List the subcommittee members and their terms.

Explain how sub- committee members are selected or appointed.

Provide a description of each subcommittee's charter or purpose.

Describe the expected duration for the subcommittee and their work

plan(s) demonstrating how they support the Board or Commission:

<u>Attachment A:</u> Provide a copy of your Board or Commission's "Purpose" and "Duties and Responsibilities" from Chapter 8 of the County Code:

Attachment B: Using the chart below, place an X in the column on the right if the Council Goal is related to the work of the Transportation Board:

Attachment A

ARTICLE XI. Transportation Board

Sec. 2-281. Purpose.

A transportation board is established to advise the county council and make recommendations regarding improvements in traffic conditions and all modes of transportation within the county. (Ord. No. 02-278, § 2. 10-3-2006)

Sec. 8-282. Duties and responsibilities.

The transportation board shall serve in an advisory capacity to the county council and shall have the following functions, responsibilities and duties:

- 1. Review and comment to council on transportation master plans for all modes of transportation;
- 2. For the purpose of collecting public input, review all major county construction and renovation plans for county transportation facilities (such as, but not limited to, roads, streets, bicycle paths, the airport, sidewalks, transit, and trails) with the purpose of ensuring that all modes of transportation (e.g., pedestrian, bicycle transit, low speed vehicles, and aviation, if appropriate) are adequately treated in such projects;
- 3. Review and provide input to council, not later than October 15, on any recommended changes to the snow and ice control plan;
- 4. Review all traffic and transportation matters submitted to the board by the council; and Advise council on ways and means for improving transportation and traffic conditions. For this purpose, when requested by staff or council, the board shall gather public input in ways appropriate to the circumstances, which may include public hearings dedicated to specific topics. (Ord. No. 02-278, § 2. 10-3-2006)

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Ongoing improvement in communication and transparency, environmental sustainability, planning for appropriate levels of County services and coordination with Los Alamos National Laboratory and regional partners are overarching goals that will be components of all our efforts. Increasing the Amount and Types of Housing Options This includes a variety of housing options for all segments of the community, from affordable to new options for those interested in downsizing or moving closer to central areas of the community. The 2019 Housing Market Needs Analysis identified that needs are distributed among all income ranges but that it is particularly acute for middle- and lower-income households. Protecting, Maintaining and Improving our Open Spaces, Recreational, and Cultural Amenities Los Alamos County open spaces and cultural attractions are greatly valued by the community and provide opportunities for recreational and economic growth; Χ appropriately allocating resources to ensure their health and sustainability is important to our citizens. **Enhancing Support and Opportunities for the Local Business Environment** This includes appropriate support for existing businesses, growing new businesses, Χ and supporting technology start-ups and spin-offs. Improve Utilization and Aesthetics of Vacant Buildings and Properties Land availability in Los Alamos County, and in particular the downtown areas, is limited and there is a desire to work towards better utilization, opportunities for new businesses, and improved aesthetics. **Supporting Social Services Improvement** Behavioral, mental and physical health and social services are important quality of life components; there are key areas where appropriate types and levels of county support could help address current needs. **Expand Transportation and Mobility Options and Address Parking Challenges** Work with regional partners and the Laboratory to consider holistic solutions for the needs and challenges facing Los Alamos and White Rock in the context of expanded housing and employment in the County and the desire to create a walk-, ride-, and Χ environmentally-friendly community. **Investing in Infrastructure**

Appropriately balancing maintenance of existing infrastructure with new investments in

county utilities, roads, facilities and amenities will help improve environmental stewardship, sustainability, and quality of life, while allowing for sustainable growth.