

CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES, NEW MEXICO
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 405 W. 3RD St.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rolf Hechler at 9:00 a.m., who presided and Angela A. Torres, City Clerk-Treasurer, acted as Secretary of the meeting.

B. INTRODUCTION:

1. ROLL CALL:

Upon calling the roll, the following Commissioners were reported present.

Hon. Rolf Hechler, Mayor
Hon. Amanda Forrister, Mayor Pro-Tem was absent
Hon. Destiny Mitchell, Commissioner
Hon. Merry Jo Fahl, Commissioner
Hon. Ingo Hoepfner, Commissioner

Also Present: Gary Whitehead, City Manager
Traci Alvarez, Assistant City Manager
Jay Rubin, City Attorney
Angela A. Torres, City Clerk-Treasurer
Jocelyn Holguin, Finance Director
Luis Tavizon, Chief of Police
Pat O'Hanlon, Librarian
Alona Neibergall, Human Resources
Andy Alvarez, Sanitation Director
Wes Myers, Sanitation Supervisor

There being a quorum present, the Commission proceeded with the business at hand.

2. SILENT MEDITATION:

Mayor Hechler called for fifteen seconds of silent meditation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Hechler called for City Manager Whitehead to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Commissioner Fahl moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. Roll call was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

C. PRESENTATIONS:

1. Copper Flat Mine Presentation:

Steven Crosby, Copper Flat Mine representative, reviewed the Copper Flat Mine presentation. (Presentation attached hereto and made a part hereof).

Commissioner Fahl: The information that you are giving us is exciting. I think changing the talons pond is really going to reduce people's concerns. I worked for some water districts that has 19 dams, so the concern about that breaching has always been in the back of a lot of people's minds, so your approach to dealing with it that way I think is very innovative. It's also exciting to see how many jobs that will create. I know a lot of people in this community who worked there when it was Quintana, and they are still here. I grew up in Hillsboro, so I remember those days, and I think that we all need to support that and what it can do for our community. I am thankful that you came here and talked to us today.

Steven Crosby, Copper Flat Mine representative: We'll talk more about that in the future, and we'll probably have some individual meetings at some point. We are going to generate a lot of revenue for this county and this city. We have a lot of plans. I am thinking about making a partnership with some manufacturers to manufacture a lot of the components that we are going to use right here in Sierra County. It's in a good location, and with some of the work that's going on with infrastructure here in the city, and housing, and stuff like that. We are right off the interstate as well, so there is an opportunity to develop some industry here. It's more than just building a copper mine. We build communities, and that's always been my approach to projects.

Mayor Hechler: What do you need from our community in the next two years. How do we solve the housing, for instance. What are going to be some of the requirements and where are you going to put all of these workers.

Steven Crosby, Copper Flat Mine representative: That's a good question. I spoke to several people about that and that's something that we're going to have to think about. We're going to have to have some sit-down conversations about that in the next few months. We need to talk about how we are going to accommodate that and what housing looks like. The industry has a lot of folks my age, and some maybe starting about 50 and up, so there is a missing gap in the lining because we also have a lot of younger folks who are coming into mining. They like to come to communities to work where there is housing and daycare and something to do, so that is something we definitely need to sit down and talk about.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 Minute Rule Applies):

Susan Carslstedt addressed the Commission with comments related to:

- I am appearing as the former Chair of the recycling committee, which is a subgroup of the bountiful alliance, a local non-profit organization. I wanted to share with you the name of the new Chair who we elected. His name is Coda Blue. He would have liked to be here today, but he had a conflict. I'm sure you will be seeing and hearing from him in the future.
- This Saturday we are hosting a recycled art show at Rio Bravo Fine Art Gallery. It opens for Art Hop on the 12th and it runs through the 25th of April. We have a history of doing a number of recycled art shows, and we have helped artists sell their work and get the community familiar with recycled art, meaning that it is made out of recycled materials. We are very familiar with the term circular economy that the previous speaker mentioned. That is part of putting a used-up commodity back into the economic stream.
- Part of my time on the recycling committee included two terms on the New Mexico Recycling Coalition. Thank you Andy for that nomination. That's a state non-profit board that deals with recycling.
- The other recent development is that we are now able to recycle mixed paper again. We had lost that capacity for a while because there wasn't a company willing to take it. Thanks partly for the efforts of Steve Green and Andy for getting us back into recycling those materials. We had an article in the last issue of the Sentinel to start educating the public that we can recycle that product again.

Steve Green addressed the Commission with comments related to:

- He addressed the Commission and City Manager Whitehead. He complimented City Manager Whithead by saying that he fits that chair brilliantly, and he hopes that he sits there for many, many years to the citizen's benefit.
- He wasn't out at the recycling yard, but Coda Blue was, and he was talking to Andy who I would like to thank for utilizing some pressure on our vendor up in Albuquerque who will now take mixed paper and shredded paper. So, what did they find in the dumpster at the yard with mixed paper? They found a garbage can in there. They found an igloo ice chest that had a pump inside that was used to spray pesticides. This is someone, or a group of people who understand what mixed paper is, and what it isn't. That's someone just giving the city the finger and saying I'm going to show you that I can get away with it. I'm not sure what our illegal dumping ordinance looks like, but what is the fine. Normally, we go \$50, \$100, \$150, but that's BS. Go on the highway. Illegal dumping is \$300. There is no excuse that we feel so sad for our citizens, that if they step out of line, we don't want to put it to them. You know what, if you don't want to pay the fine, read it. So, what we'd like to do with Andy's permission, and working with Andy, is put up signage on the bins, and also what the fine would be. They Mayor, a couple of sessions ago just toyed with the idea to maybe make up the loss on the recycling side of solid waste that we initiate a dollar a month fee. So, if we take \$75,000 as a loss, (for example) and \$25,000 as sales of merchandise,

how do we make up that difference? Well that difference can be made by \$1 a month, and we set goals, and the citizens see those goals, and when we hit them, we drop off the dollar a month fee because there would be no more reason because they have enabled us to hit our goal and we want them to be part of the process of moving the city forward as the gentleman talked about before.

Kyle Smith addressed the Commission with comments related to:

- I've got a degree in environmental studies and geography from the University of Colorado. I used to be certified for years. I actually support the Copper Flat Mine.
- Mayor Hechler, this is something that I have been trying to address since I've moved here which is housing. I have the answer to housing. I've told you a million times. The project at the end of Wyona was not the solution to housing. Neither is allowing park home model RV's to populate the downtown bath house. The solution to housing is restricting short-term rentals throughout town. We do not have a housing crisis. We have an affordability crisis. I want you all to do me a quick favor and write down a few simple terms for you to google later. Municipal restrictions on an Airbnb. Barcelona and Spain have passed them. I just got back from some of the best neighborhoods in Sacramento and you know what, there were no Airbnb's. There was a full neighborhood. I moved here 7 years ago, and there is no neighborhood. There are over 100 Airbnb's in downtown. We are selling ourselves out because the reason why people can't find homes is because of an affordability crisis caused by private investors buying 10 Airbnb's. That is never what the model was supposed to be for. So, yes, we have no housing for long term people because of Airbnb's.
- The next thing I want to address is the downtown traffic pattern. I've been advocating for years for exactly what they just did. It's been in print. I've talked to business owners about it. In 2013 when I got my degree I learned about this design. This design, if you have the bike lane where the drivers open their door, that's the old design. That doesn't work. What we have now is the way to go with a few subtle changes. So, we need to modify it and make it better. Not wipe it out and not get rid of the concept. Don't keep making these same mistakes. Don't go backwards, and don't put these park hill model homes where nobody can live in a 300 ft home. We have homes. Bed and breakfasts are not allowed in R3 without coming to you and getting a variance. We've got over 100 in town that haven't received a variance. Airbnb, Air bed and breakfast. That's the acronym. So, do your job and help me and everyone else live in a good neighborhood.

George Henson addressed the Commission with comments related to:

- I think that the sanitation costs are too expensive. It adds up to being a utility issue.
- On the screen is a master plan for flooding and I have a big problem at my house because some private guy built a bridge at the end of a dead end street that doesn't have a large enough hole for water to pass. I have pictures that shows that more water can pass because my side of the ditch is lower than the new construction side. At one point I thought, well it will only be a small flood, but now

we've seen so many of these torrential things happening. I'm assuming that I'd be completely wasted living where I live. So, that bridge needs to be changed. It's called McElroy drainage.

- The other issues are recycling. Mayor Hechler and Assistant City Manager Alvarez came and screwed me out of a whole bunch of recycling. I had a trailer full of steel that was going to go, but they emptied it out and put it in their dumpster. There were brand new solar panels and brand-new tires that went to the city's issues calling me a defamation of my character.
- I have several friends who are artists and who have said their plan isn't paying off. I saw that on the list of things with the arts benefits.
- I'm part of the rock county club so I know a little bit about copper flats.
- I had a 10-year effort to prove that I was an artistic person and that my studio needed protection. We had petitions and court cases.
- I want to support Diane Gunning. She is trying to stop the stupidity of the condos at my block, and I wish her well.

E. REPORTS:

City Manager Whitehead reported the following:

- We have a short report this morning. This is a new set up to try out. When we did the budget hearing. I enjoyed looking at the set up for conversation, and today we are trying a different set up for the cameras. We also added an additional mic to try and get a better output from the space as we move towards allowing the public to see us a little better. Once we outline this and it works well, we will potentially have to purchase the camera. I borrowed this one from the South Central Council of Governments. I purchased them when I was there. They are on loan for us to see how well the system works. We want to at some point get to a YouTube Channel where this will be a little more accessible to those who don't have Facebook and could see these a little sooner. We are looking for feedback. Angela will be taking feedback and we will hear from the public how well this looked and worked today, so we are looking forward to that.
- Last week we held a meeting with the New Mexico Department of Transportation. They agreed to make some changes to the downtown striping. The city did advocate to maintain the consistent plan that we have which is the road diet. It is to maintain and protect the speed and the safety issues. The Fire Department has identified an issue where they require a 20ft. zone around places to be able to operate. We had that in some areas, but in some areas we didn't so the New Mexico Department of Transportation has agreed to revisit it. There were a couple of plan that they had, so the intent is to continue to maintain the one lane and the bike path, and to create a buffer zone so that we work in that 20ft area that the fire department needs to try and accommodate everyone. There is a second plan to the New Mexico Department of Transportation strategy which is additional signs. That's coming. They are in design for that particular plan. It's going to take them a minute to get the money to re-stripe. The striping was about \$200,000. They had budgeted to do it again at the end of the year. We told them

that we would try it for a while and then change it. They are going to work. They are in design. We will have some more public meetings about that, but we expect a lag here to get those striping changed, and in the interim, the New Mexico Department of Transportation will identify spots downtown where we will eventually come out some more parking spots. If you go around the corner on Main, there is a set of cones there. The New Mexico Department of Transportation marked that so potentially a semi could get through there. It was very close there so that's out and they are going to find a few more spots. We will continue to work with public safety to identify all of those spots and it will be re-striped. So, that is in the works with the New Mexico Department of Transportation.

- There is a helicopter coming. The Veterans Park did sign off on one. I received a copy of the contract. We read through that and we are approaching it like we do everything here in teams. Commissioner Fahl is working on the contract and the time for display. We have some time to get that up. Members of the community worked with Las Cruces. We received the design plans for their mounting structure in Las Cruces. So, I've actively asked our Finance Department to draft a request for proposals so we can do a design build because we do have the plans. It sounds like the engineer is going to allow us to use those plans, but once we have that plan, we will move forward there.
- Thursday we will be meeting with the engineer to look at the art project downtown. We have a couple of projects, but we are bringing in an engineer to go and review that art project.
- We currently have 15 active leaks. We had about 23 last week. The crews worked really hard. They attacked the Veater area again. Another leak popped up which seems to be consistent in these repairs, and then the road department will get there and try to clean up that road. We are down to about 15 leaks, and the departments' goal is to have 10. They are working on a lot of areas. We were at the vacuum station yesterday with the engineer looking at ideas and goals for there. I think we are going to identify a few projects at the vacuum station that we can potentially do this year using our G.O. Bond money that we have to try and address that.
- Every week we have water updates for the engineering team. Traci puts the meetings together. There are 4 meetings that go on. They do these meetings in 30 minutes, so every 30 minutes we have a different project meeting. We have 4 projects on the table so we have 4 sets of meetings. Yesterday we were fortunate to meet with our USDA representative who came down and brought us the list of items that we need to complete before we can get WISP 1 to bid. I expressed to you when I came on that we thought that we were ready to go to bid in April. The staff has done everything they can and all of the information has been delivered to the USDA. However, that person changed so the new individual that is in the seat there has asked that we re-send some information that we have so team aggressively started pulling together some of that information yesterday. We have it, we just have to get it re-packaged and send it. So, we thought we would have April, but when we spoke to them on the phone it looks like late May. It is still kind of in that timeframe, so May or June we hope to

be released from USDA to go to bid. We are ready for WISP1 to go to bid as soon as we get released from USDA.

- We will be meeting this week with the Planning & Zoning board. I did carry those 4 items, so we are going to talk about reducing in R3. A person can build a structure as low as 450 square ft. We are going to talk about the size scope of those kind of things and we are going to talk about modular homes in zoning. We are also going to talk about Airbnb's and the tiny homes. So, we are going to try and start to discuss these things with Planning & Zoning.
- I received a lot of support for the golf course. A lot of people are coming in and offering their help. It is a challenge and an uphill climb. We have water there now. The crew is working to try and get that water out, but we are focused there.
- This afternoon I have a meeting with our Public Information Officer. We did make a hire. We have a new family moving to our community from Santa Fe so we're really excited. We've only met her on video for the interview so we are excited to see that. We hope that this will allow me to get our information out a little better and up the game where we can really talk about many of these items and issues. As it relates to the comments on recycling, that is going to be one of the charges that we are going to put with the PIO, is to potentially do some better signage to help Andy. They've got a lot to do, so if we can do some marketing and some signs with the fees for violating our ordinances and make that area a little bit better with some signage. That is kind of where the PIO can really help us and would be another hand for Andy.

Commissioner Fahl: Thank you to the crews for taking care of Veater. There are still cones up on Elm Street and I haven't seen any changes for a while, so have we figured out what the problem is there?

City Manager Whitehead: The problem there is that they are struggling to find the valve to turn that water off. We did the contract so we have Jesse on staff. I just don't think that Jesse has been able to get there and give them a date on that particular project. We've had turnover at the plant, and that is the challenge there. We just have to figure out how to get that turned off, repair that leak and get that patched. We are posting those leaks and we are trying to get that information on the website. We have one person running the water and wastewater department. We missed the post last week and we just got the new list this week.

a. Police Department Update:

Chief Tavizon reported the following:

- This morning, I would like to do something a little different. I have an Officer here that I am going to award a certificate to. I would like to take care of him because he has been in and out with calls for service so I don't want to delay him anymore. I want to publicly recognize Officer Alex Ortiz. He is one of our certified officers. He has been with us a little over a year. We sent him to the academy and he came back with flying colors. This is a lifesaving award. On March 3rd Officers were dispatched to a residence in our community for an infant who had

stopped breathing. Upon this officer's arrival on scene, his immediate actions and implementing live saving CPR to the infant, he was able to save that infants life. That baby is here with us today because of his courageous actions. So, I would like to present him today with a lifesaving award honoring him and thanking him for his service to the community. I would also like to present him with a lifesaving merit pin that he will wear on his lapel. Its rare that you get the opportunity to do such a thing and save a life. I am very fortunate that I not only have the officers that are doing it. This is the second year in a row that our officers have done CPR and saved a life, but I also have an instructor that teaches these officers on how to do that. She is currently in academy getting certified right now, so I am very fortunate to have that, and blessed so I thank them for their dedication to the community.

March 2025 Stats:

- We had 1,030 calls for service.
- We had one Animal Control Officer who is primarily working and then Tyler is filling in where he can to give him relief. They took 147 calls throughout the county.
- We responded to 21 motor vehicle accidents. None of those accidents were where the re-striping was done. They were all random throughout residential areas and private areas, and private properties such as Walmart and Bullocks, and stuff like that.
- We had 18 CYFD referrals.
- The officers conducted 55 investigatory follow ups for various instances.
- The sheriff's department did a phenomenal job in busting a big burglary ring. We are doing what we can to support them as our partner agency and ensuring that all of the reports that we've taken throughout the last couple of years have been given to them and all objects that were stolen were identified and provided to them. A majority of that has been recovered and they are in the process of giving it back to the rightful owners. So, I thank them for their hard work to out community. We have a great partnership with the sheriff's department so I am thankful for that.
- The officers did 2 DWI arrests.
- Our Code Enforcement Officer has worked 7 different cases with 7 different residences. We are working on doing some changes on some things once we get your approval and hopefully, we can get some of these properties in compliance in a civil way to where it is not too intrusive.
- Officers conducted 376 traffic stops and issued 80 citations, and had 25 arrests.
- I sent officers to background investigation courses for new hires and use of force investigations that way we can properly investigate any kind of use of force that our officers have which are best practices across the nation is what was taught in that course.

Mayor Hechler: I really appreciate your traffic stop ratio. That tells me that your officers are using discretion. They are stopping a lot of folks, but they are talking to folks. The first thing we do is stop the action. Whatever they did wrong, we want to stop that and in some of those cases you write citations, but I really appreciate the ratio. I think that is a good sign. Also, I have to lead a bike parade on Saturday, and I would sure like to see a couple of officers there to help me through the intersection with a bunch of kids, so I will be talking with you a little bit more about that.

City Manager Whitehead: I attended a meeting with the Police Department and the Sherriff regarding Code Enforcement. We were able to have about 45 minutes with the Magistrate Judge to talk about how he feels or sees our codes and the concerns and challenges that are presented. I thought we had a very good dialog and Judge Lee was very warm and open to the conversations. We are really trying to open doors and figure out how to get a handle on some of these things. The Chief and his crew did a great job presenting on behalf of the city so you should be really proud about their efforts to deal with something that is a very hard issue. So, thank you for that.

b. Department Head Reports:

Jocelyn Holguin, Finance Director presented the Finance Department report.
(Complete copy attached hereto and made a part hereof).

Alona Neibergall, Human Resources Specialist reported the following:

- We currently have 25 openings. 9 are seasonal positions. We have 4 pending hires. We are having issues with our drug and background checks right now. Our MRO actually went out of business. We have 4 interviews pending for the rest of this week and next week and next week. That leaves about 8 full time positions open. We currently have 21 applicants.
- I am working with Workforce Solutions for the youth programs. They work with ages 16 to 24. We provide the training and experience and evaluation of their work up to 240 hours and they provide the pay and the insurance. I've requested applicants for the Animal Shelter, Parks, Lifeguard and admin.
- We are currently in a pay study. Out of this pay study we are expecting to correct our pay classifications. Especially the lower paid positions. Once that is rolled out, they will help train us to keep that maintained, and also update our job descriptions. We are also going to re-introduce evaluations, and continue training.
- We've had two job fairs with the workforce here in our Civic Center in the last year.
- I post job openings on our website. On indeed, on the New Mexico Municipal League website and through Workforce Solutions.

Commissioner Fahl: It's a great job that you are connecting with Workforce Solutions and getting those kids those skills and allowing them that opportunity. Whoever's idea that was, that was a good idea.

Commissioner Mitchell: Alona and I have had conversations about this, some of our positions require a high school diploma or a GED in order to be eligible to be hired by the City of Truth or Consequences. I have a program now that is offering high school equivalency diplomas to ages 16 and up. It is a process that can be a month long or a year long depending on the students' comfortabilities. I want to throw that out there for those who are wanting to get a city job, but are lacking the information that there is a resource here in the community that they can utilize in order to increase their pay, and get a better job, or move on up. I've sent Alona some information on that so we have that information out there. I am looking forward to the summer and the seasonal positions. I have 28 student that are going to be looking at those positions.

Alona Neibergall, Human Resources Specialist: I printed up a bulletin with the information you sent me and I keep it on our job board, so if any applicants come in and says that they don't have a diploma or a GED, I give them that information.

Mayor Hechler: So, when I click on our website, the job positions come up right away. You actually have to turn it off in order to navigate, which is good, so I really appreciate that because it is right in your face. I am still concerned that we are advertising these jobs for \$12.50 an hour. I know that it is probably pre-mature, but I think it is counter productive when we do things like that. Can we offer anything up front before we have this study that goes through, or where are we with that?

Alona Neibergall, Human Resources Specialist: We should have the first numbers mid May.

Mayor Hechler: When we hire these lifeguards, for instance, we aren't actually going to hire for \$12.50 an hour, or are we?

Alona Neibergall, Human Resources Specialist: No. Those are in the seasonal positions so they would start at \$15.19.

Mayor Hechler: Good, because they are still advertised at \$12.50 an hour on the page. So, we probably need to update that if we can.

City Manager Whitehead: We can go correct that. So, for example, we hired a clerk for the Golf Course, and that job was posted at \$12.50, but in this particular case, we offered the candidate a choice. They could either take the \$12.50 because that's what the pay schedule has. That's what we have and that's what you allowed us to do with the benefits and becoming a permanent employee, or they can take the seasonal job. We used it, so I took one of the seasonal jobs off the table because that person wanted

the job with the benefits. Right now, we are kind of giving those in that space, the option to do one or the other where we have those available. Those jobs are just posted at that pay schedule. We are trying not to move things within the policies that you've set. We are trying to work within it. I've given Alona the ability to make that offer in that space, and again, if that person took that job, once we do the pay study and clean that up, then that person could re-apply once we post that job. We can't offer them a guarantee, but they would have the option to apply and go through that. It looks like we don't have a clear in-house process where somebody could say, hey I want to apply for that job. Everybody has to apply like they are a brand-new employee, so those might be some policies that we change in the future.

Pat O'Hanlon, Librarian, presented the library report. (Complete copy attached hereto and made a part hereof).

City Manager Whitehead: I had an opportunity to speak with representative Dow this week. She called to re-engage on several issues. She wanted a briefing on downtown and several things. She did inform me that the legislature did add that there is about \$40,000 for all of the rural libraries throughout the State of New Mexico. So, we might be getting some additional funding. We might be getting some additional funding. We just didn't know.

Andy Alvarez, Sanitation Director reported the following:

- In 2023 we recycled 1.97 tons of aluminum. In 2024 we recycled 2.17 tons. In 2023 we recycled 182.50 tons of cardboard. In 2024 we recycled 162.38 tons. In 2023 we recycled 187.75 tons of scrap metal. In 2024 we recycled 190.03 tons. In 2023 we recycled 3,581 lbs. of batteries. In 2024 we recycled 2,681 lbs. In 2023 we recycled 1,079 lbs. of electric motors. In 2024 we recycled 1,180 lbs. In 2023 we recycled 1,150 lbs. of electric cords/cables. In 2024 we recycled 2,374 lbs. We kept that from being buried in the land field.
- The numbers of waste and garbage we collect and bring to our Collection Center has increased. Back in 2022 inbound trash and received waste at the Collection Center was 8,628.13 tons. In 2023 we received 9,536.82 tons. In 2024 we received 10,185.99 tons so as you can see, we are growing. City Manager Whitehead and I have had discussions about it because we are growing and we need to start planning right away. When they just talked about the mine, they said that could bring around 1,200 more people coming in so we are going to need more housing. We have to provide recycling services and trash services for that.

Commissioner Fahl: I think as he said, we really need to start thinking about those things. You had said during the budget hearing that it takes 4 years to get permitting so we probably need to get on that right now so that we get more prepared for this projected growth. Even without the Copper Flat Mine, we would still need it. You have been telling us that, so that really emphasizes that we need to get prepared because we are not going to get there if we don't start now.

Mayor Hechler: It looks like we are increasing about 10% a year, so I can see where we are going to be in 5 years. So, you are right. We need to start looking into things now.

City Manager Whitehead: In our meetings, I really tasked Andy and the crew to find innovative ways to avoid items that we don't need to put into the tipping fees that we are paying for. Let's make sure that we are doing everything we can with recycling. This may or may not be popular, but there are ways that you can recycle things and bundle everything together. Andy has kind of briefed me, so we are looking at that to see if that is a cost savings. Is it easier for us to just bundle it and take less dollars on that end. You have to look at that from both sides. We avoid \$60 in tipping and we probably get a little bit less. Really challenge them to really be thoughtful, like how do we get from now until we have to expand that. When we talk about the construction, is there another way, or is there a project we could do in the short term to accept construction debris in a different manner, because that's not really refuge. If we could find a way to use and making sure that we're not putting green waste in there. We are just talking about all of the ways to avoid and stay as small as we can while we plan and get through whatever the next issue is. We'll talk more about it with budget, but again, we are pretty close to having that project paid off, so as we think about it, in the budget, it looks like the strategy was pretty solid right. We're still under what the target was. It's almost paid for, so we would have some time to develop what the next step is and potentially be able to borrow some money and find some grant money. We would have options in front us once we decide that. Andy and the team are doing a good job and I'm pushing on them a little bit to be thoughtful in those particular areas.

City Commission Reports:

Commissioner Hoepfner reported the following:

- The growth of the city is very exciting news, but before we grow, we need to work on our infrastructure, and concentrate very hard on that. What does it bring here when we are building new houses when each time there are pipes that are bursting all over. So, when it comes to funding and grants, we should look at the areas where we are planning to do construction in the future, and make sure that we are stabilizing all the pipes in those areas. We need to look at new developments and look into new ways of doing things and just say oh this is how we always did it, because there are more efficient ways of doing things.
- I am a fan of the striping downtown. I like it. Where I grew up, we had bicycle lanes. I understand that everything new is scary, but give it a chance. The state hasn't even had a chance to put the correct signage up yet.
- I am looking forward to the weather getting warmer.
- Everyone please check out the upcoming Art Hop.
- Our City Manager is working hard to listen and have an open-door policy so thank you for that.

Commissioner Mitchell reported the following:

- I have to disagree with Commissioner Hoepfner. I do not like the downtown striping, but I literally live between Broadway and Main, so no matter what I do or where I go, I have to navigate through it. However, I like the fact that traffic has slowed down. It's just really hard to navigate without the signage.
- Becca from Mainstreet couldn't be here today so she asked me to report a couple of things for her. They are having an open house at the T or C Brewery this coming Monday, April 14th to discuss Wayfinding in Sierra County and Truth or Consequences. They are having two different presentations. One is at 4:00 p.m. and one is at 6:00 p.m. They are also having an Earth Day pre-Fiesta litter pick up on April 26th at the Ralph Edwards Park from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The MainStreet business breakfast will be May 12th at 8:00 a.m. at Bikewyorks new opening downtown on Pershing Street.
- The Rio Grande Trail Commission is meeting this Friday, April 11th at the Civic Center from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- A final push and call for anyone wanting to help with Fiesta this year. We have 23 days, 6 hours, 29 minutes, and 19 seconds until Fiesta. We really do need volunteers to help in all capacities. This is our 75th Anniversary celebrating 75 years of Truth or Consequences and Fiesta. Our diamond anniversary. We have celebrity weatherman Steve Stucker as our Grand Marshal. We've got Metalachi. The worlds premiere of heavy meter mariachi band playing for us that Saturday night. We have the Fiesta Rodeo happening throughout the weekend and just so much going on. We meet every Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. at the MainStreet Office, 308 S. Pershing. We are just basically trying to get everyone involved in the community and come out and support Art Hop. I am going to try and find a bike and ride in the parade with some lights.
- There is a link on the city website to do the MainStreet Wayfinding survey if you can't be there in person to give your feedback and input. We encourage everyone to select what kind of signs you want to see.
- The national honor society kids will be hosting the waffle fundraiser for Fiesta on the Sunday morning of Fiesta at the Civic Center.

Commissioner Fahl reported the following:

- The donkey basketball game is coming up.
- I really want our community to show up to the Rio Grande Trail Commission meeting. It would be good to show this Commission that our community really supports recreation. We've had 50-60 people come to our meeting when we were talking about trails, and I would like all of those people to be there. Those people can help us and they also have money. We really need access to that to help our community grow.
- We had our Turtleback Trails planning meeting this week and we talked a lot about preparing for that and the grants that Jornada got and the future grants that we can perhaps get from the Recreation and Trails Plus System. One exciting thing that happened is the Department of Interior has changed the way they can do categorical exclusions. We believe that we will not have as many hurdles to move our walking trail back closer to the river once A05 goes up on

the mesa. That was going to be a big hurdle and it will also reduce the obstacles when we are going to start asking them to designate more hiking and horseback riding trails from Williamsburg towards the Caballo Mountains. You would have to go through NEPA, but with these changes, NEPA can take 5-10 years and those of us who have done that know. He says that we can even do a road map with a categorical exclusion and that is shocking news. That is really encouraging for us to develop more trails that way.

- May 7th through May 9th is the Dam Owners Conference, so I'll be gone for that. Some of the Commissioners wanted to go, but they're not going to be able to go. Gary, for next year's budget I would like for us to plan for Buster to go or somebody from our staff. It's good for the owners themselves to be there and get a more thorough understanding about our responsibilities, so let's try to put that in the budget for next year.
- The Hot Springs High School Scat Cats will be going to the New Mexico contest this weekend. I helped with their preliminary contest. One of the things that they have to do is an oral presentation pretending that they are a consulting company, and here is this piece of property, and here is what the owner wants to do with it, and then they have to come up with ways to take care of all of that. It's very challenging. We are lucky that we have 3 Seniors on that team, so I think that we will hopefully succeed again. The international contest will be in Canada in July, so send all of your good thoughts to our kids. The contest this year is going to be up by Zuni.
- I attended the Sierra County Recreation and Tourism Board meeting last week. It's always exciting and I think you guys will be amazed. Gina is the executive director for the Geronimo Trails Scenic Byways, and when she gives us the numbers of the people that go in that facility, you would be amazed. Local people, we don't really go in there, but it is amazing how many people take advantage of that place, so I encourage you guys to go in and add to her numbers. The information that they have in there is really good.
- Ingo, you talked about the housing development and this potential growth. I think that we as a community and as leaders really need to think about. When PreReal first came, John Masterson and I met with James to talk about the trail and their ownership of the wetland. He said, oh yeah, I'm going to bring X number of houses, and I said, just hold on a second. We know what our capacity is. We can't have 500 houses built on the system that we have now. Looking down the road and what they are projecting is that we really need to think about how many homes we can develop. We don't have a lot of land because we are surrounded by BLM land. We talked about our wells and how much potable water that we can provide, so thinking down the road, I think we all need to be cognizant what our capacity is, and what are some of things that are going to slow that growth and how do we overcome that so that we can grow and get those people to live here and have affordable housing, but is our infrastructure going to support that growth. So, we need to do that smarter. One my main concerns is our potable water. We have all of those wells but most of them don't pump enough water to provide us with what we need, so we really need to be thinking about that.

Mayor Hechler reported the following:

- We are in the process of doing a comprehensive plan. Addressing our housing capacity and the possibility of the Copper Flat Mines coming in. That should be a huge chapter in our comprehensive plan, so I am hoping that we make a note on that and cover that down the road.
- It was a highlight of my position as the mayor to be able to speak on March 24th about Carol Lynn Pleck. I wrote a speech because it was a dedication to a tower of her son which is a statute that we have at the Plaza area. Kendrick Ray Sprock was the artist that actually sculpted the statute. It is a nice addition to our plaza, and it was really a highlight for me to be able to help dedicate that.
- Thank you, Manager Whitehead, for allowing me to attend the valiant salary study. It was very interesting. It was nice understanding how we are going to go through the process and what that process is going to look like and how we are going to roll it out. I am really excited for that for our employees. I think that is going to be very important.
- I attended the hospital JPC meeting. Most of the meeting was in executive session, but I want to let you know that the hospital is still strong. We are doing a good job. We kind of had a hiccup and that is why we went into executive session, but we got through that with flying colors. The staff did a really good job at getting us over the hump there. We have solid leadership over there and I am very happy about how they addressed the issues.
- Thank you for allowing me to assist with the PIO interviews. We had 4 good candidates. 3 excellent candidates. We made a really good selection and I am hoping that we have a second hire there where we can bring somewhere else with the city, so good job with that.
- I attended the South Central Council of Governments meeting on March 28th. The big takeaway for me on that one is that they are looking for a new office, and they want to stay centrally located, so I think that they are going to stay in Elephant Butte or T or C, so if we have some property or some land, we should talk to Jay about it. They have some money allocated for it and they are ready to either build or to buy, so think about if we have an opportunity, maybe we can get them to move to T or C. Either way, as long as we keep them in the area, I think that is very important, so we will try to do that.
- I got an interesting call from the New Mexico State Environmental Department Chief of Tech Stuart. They are going to bring a group to our community that are going to help us find some water leaks. The technological thing about finding these water leaks is that these are not detectible above ground. They will have radar so, they can find these leaks underground for us. The previous group I talked to was going to find the leaks through satellite. I did a promotion for them and it went national on some things, but this second group that's going to come in is actually going to be spending some time on the ground and maybe we will spend some time on the ground in the Veater Street area. They can actually listen for leaks underground before they get detected above ground. It's a new technology and it's at no cost to us. They are reaching out to us because we've

had so many issues with our water leaks. I'm hoping that we get in contact with them and we will work with them when they come on board.

- I get to lead the Second Saturday Art Hop bike parade. I get to lead a bunch of kids and adults around the loop downtown and that is why I needed the Chief there. I know that there are a couple places where we cross traffic, and if that's the case then we'll want some officers there to maybe help us out so we can do so safely. Its all about that. It will be interesting. I haven't been on a bike in a while, but I'll practice a little bit before we get there. The purpose of it is to advertise and highlight the new bike lane.
- I also get to give a speech to the national honor society coming up. I am looking forward to that opportunity to meet some of our young folks and encourage them.

City Attorney Rubin reported the following:

- I'm glad the City Manager mentioned in his report, the meeting we had with Judge Lee at the Magistrate Court. It was a very good meeting and it was very educational. If you remember in the last couple of years, we allowed the Magistrate Court to assume jurisdiction of our Municipal Code and enforcement of our code. We went to the Supreme Court and process and that's what happened. Since that time the Magistrate Court in reviewing our Municipal Code, had some questions about the interpretation and about some of the procedures that have taken place and how they were enforced. The Animal Control ordinance was something that he had some questions on. The procedure in Magistrate Court is a lot different than Municipal Court. All of the years that I was representing the city in Municipal Court. We never were required to go through a jury trial. There was actually a state statute that stated, as long as the proposed sentence was less than a certain limit, you could also do it with a bench trial. Somehow I had it in my mind that because the Magistrate was going to be enforcing the Municipal Code, it would be the same thing, but actually, its not because what we agreed when we transferred the cases over to Magistrate Court, they then assume jurisdiction over our codes and it would go by the rules of the Magistrate Court that apply, and that's all set forth in state statute. It was actually an interesting meeting. I learned that the way things work and the way we did things at the Municipal Court is not necessarily how it works in the Magistrate Court. I need to complement Judge Lee for even calling the meeting because he was very contentious to make sure that we were all on the same page on how this works.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. **City Commission Regular Minutes, March 12, 2025**
2. **City Commission Regular Minutes, March 26, 2025**
3. **March 2025 Accounts Payable**
4. **Purchase report of items between \$20,000 and \$60,000**
5. **Take Home Vehicle Forms: Police Department**

There were no purchase reports of items between \$20,000 and \$60,000.

Commissioner Fahl moved to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted with items 1,2, 3 & 5. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. Roll call was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

G. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS/ZONING:

1. Discussion/Action: Resolution No. 37 24/25 Budget Adjustment Request.

Finance Director Holguin reviewed the budget adjustments provided in the packet. (Complete copy attached hereto and made a part hereof).

Commissioner Fahl moved to approve Resolution No. 37 24/25 Budget Adjustment Request. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. Roll call was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion/Action: Resolution No. 38 24/25 and Resolution No. 38 A 24/25 approving the required Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Certifications and Commitments.

Assistant City Manager Alvarez: This is our annual requirement. We have to submit for CDBG in order to qualify for funding. Within the plan it identifies citizen participation which is basically the open meetings act and making sure that we have meetings to the public. The Fair Housing Act has to also be followed, making sure that we are not allowing disclination of housing within the Municipality for any reason. Our residential anti displacement and relocation assistance is if our current CDBG project causes a resident to be displaced from their house then we would provide some type of housing. Right now, our projects are the Comp Plan and our Water Meter project. I don't anticipate any displacement for those projects. The Section 3 is the Housing and Urban Development Act that we will provide and offer a job opportunity to anybody of lower income, which of course we do that as well. And also, that we are following all of the state procurement requirements. These are the same plan and resolutions that you accepted last year.

Commissioner Mitchell moved to approve Resolution No. 38 24/25 and Resolution No. 38 A 24/25 approving the required Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Certifications and Commitments. Commissioner Hoeppepner seconded the motion. Roll call was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

H. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion/Presentation: Proposed FY 25/26 New Mexico True Cooperative Advertising Tourism Marketing Plan.

Joanie Griffin, Sunny 505 presented the Proposed FY 25/26 New Mexico True Cooperative Advertising Tourism Marketing Plan. (Complete copy attached hereto and made a part hereof).

City Manager Whitehead: Sticking with the budget we had last year. Again, this is lodgers' tax. We definitely have it, but I want to be really clear because when I was coming on there was kind of some concern that we are spending all of this money and we don't really know where it's going when in fact, to be fair, \$12,000 of this grant is for administration. \$12,000, it's not \$122,000. The rest of it is going to purchase items that are marketing. This year, Angela at the Clerk's Office has taken over Lodgers Tax at our request. We've been working really hard to bring her skillset up in that area. We are going to use the Lodgers Tax Board a little bit to oversee some of the stuff that is submitted. I'm going to let Angela drive the car here. She will meet with the board, and the Public Information Officer will also be involved in that. Once we see how that's going, and looking at the additional dollars based on the revenue, the revenue looked like it was up last year, so we are going to buy some new signs. I want to stay within that framework, but I think getting to that number if everybody feels like it's the right step, I think it's within our reach. So, we're going to go through a kind of slow process, and we'll give Angela time to get involved and get the Public Information Officer involved, and let board have some input. Ultimately, I know that I am responsible for signing off on those ads, and that will remain the same, but I am just looking for that guidance from a little broader cross section of the community with that. I'm fully supportive of the ones we do. Our portion is \$48,000 so we will actually be contributing to about \$63,000 which would be the total contribution to the Coop program. That's a pass through from us through Sunny 505, directly to the State, and the Elephant Butte and the County put in their portion.

Joanie Griffin, Sunny 505: We have a little bit of time, so if you want we can approve the lower budget and see how things go, because we want to start the Hot Springs advertising around November, so we do have a little bit of time if we want to come back in September and say, yes we have the money, let's go ahead and do it. We can do that too and then amend the contract or something.

Mayor Hechler: That's good to know. That will give us a little bit more time to study this to see what we want to do.

City Manager Whitehead: I just wanted to add that advertising and marketing is exempt from the procurement code, so you could enter into these contracts, and we can buy those markets. That doesn't mean that we're frivolous in what we do, but it does mean that you don't have to do an RFP. Joannie and I talked about potentially next year we would do an RFP, but again, we would be doing an RFP for \$12,000 for someone to

operate it, so what I'm hoping is that through lodgers tax, and through building a better relationship, everybody feels that the way we're doing it is a good process to continue moving forward.

Joanie Griffin, Sunny 505: And I think as long as the tourism department is doing 2 for 1, we can't beat that deal. I've been here every year since the pandemic. It was always a 1 for 1 for as long as I can remember, and then the pandemic hit and then they did the 2 for 1, and in 2021 everyone was still reeling from the pandemic, so they decided to do the 2 for 1. I'm making a liar of myself because every year, I'm like, I don't know if it's going to be here next year, and then they keep doing it, and when they did 2 for 1 this year, I'm like OMG I can't believe they are going it. Where we are getting with the tourism department, with \$122,000 we could not be in the same places with that kind of impact. So, as long as they are doing this, I think that we need to be fully on board with them, and they love us to which is really good. I think that we were the first community to sign on way back when New Mexico True was unveiled when Monique Jacobson was our Cabinet Secretary in 2012, so we are now 13 years in. We were one of the very first communities to sign up, and because of that they use us. When I'm in the Dallas airport, I see pictures of T or C. You don't see every community in the state, so that's good.

City Manager Whitehead: When we come back with the final budget, we will have a full recommendation from staff on the budget and the budget process.

No action was taken. Presentation Only.

2. Discussion/Action: FY 25/26 Sierra County Tourism Agreement.

Kim Skinner, Tourism Representative: Joanie, Gina and I have all worked on the coop grant and it started with New Mexico True under Monique Jacobson. The person she hired to do all of the facts and figures, and statistical information is Lancing Adams. He's now the Acting Cabinet Secretary. I met with the Deputy Secretary the other day at the media event at the golf course and I had lunch with her. She comes to Elephant Butte all the time. They are here. They do ATV's, the beach, golfing, and all that stuff, so when Joanie says that they like us, they've liked us for a very long time. With that being said, this is our annual contract for services. We've been doing this for 12 years. The website has to be a companion piece. Rolf calls it the leverage program which is New Mexico True. If you look at the application, it requires a robust Facebook, Twitter, and all of those things, plus a robust website. These folks actually, when we move forward and do the coop grant, they actually embed themselves into our social media, and our website. I know when we tell people that, they probably think that we are making this stuff up, but they really do. They are actually part of our administrators within our social media and our website. The social media website part is \$13,000 and the brochure, with no ads in it, and it represents all the lodging, dining, and all the things we have in Sierra County. There is no advertising, and it's updated every year. It is also available digitally on our website. That's \$3,000, and then we have another \$1,000 in there that is called Other. I want to

take a minute to talk about that. A couple of years ago, we were using fun and games which was the state person who is their contractor. They would take all of our brochures, and they would deliver them statewide. Coming out of Covid, they kind of disappeared about a year and a half ago. We thought that they were just ignoring us, so I called the tourism department, and they told me that they had just vanished. So, what they did was they gave us all the names of their contact people for all of their visitor centers and convention bureaus, and all of the places that they delivered to. Gina Kelley called all of these people, so we have a 1 to 1 relationship with these people, and she visits with them, and she asks them what they need. It's only \$1,000, and you know the postal service has gone up. After she tells you how many she is set at and we spent every cent as of last week, and now she got a request for 3 cases that she is boxing up tomorrow. I know I am just saying I'm keeping it at \$17,000, but if you have \$300 extra for postage that would be nice.

Gina Kelley, Geronimo Springs Scenic Byway: So far, this fiscal year, I have sent out 16,000 brochures. So, it's a pretty good investment for \$1,000.

Kim Skinner, Tourism Representative: When Fun & Games would pick the stuff up from LaRena, they would just ask us to give them X amount of cases and we would just give them cases, but Gina actually calls and visits with them, and she asks them what they want and what they are running out of. El Paso and Roswell are some of the other places. We are local people, and there are a bunch of us who do stuff for free. So, this is a really good smoking deal.

Gina Kelley, Geronimo Springs Scenic Byway: Roswell blows through our Hot Springs Brochures. I don't think anybody could possibly understand how much work the website is because we update it daily.

Commissioner Fahl: What brochures do people ask for in particular?

Gina Kelley, Geronimo Springs Scenic Byway: The Sierra County Travel Guide which you can refer to as the brochure, and restaurants are 100% current this week. Also, the Hot Springs, and the Geronimo Springs Scenic Byway map brochure. The Geronimo Springs Museum brochure. The Veterans Museum. This week I got a lot of requests for the murals of Truth or Consequences and the galleries of Truth or Consequences. Our biggest request is for the hot springs.

Kim Skinner, Tourism Representative: We don't just send out our stuff. We send out everybody's stuff. Angela and Katy get the receipts. As far as the website goes, there are 17 pages that Ruanna put together, so if you need more details on the website on how it's doing, Gary has copies of that.

Commissioner Fahl moved to approve the FY 25/26 Sierra County Tourism Agreement to add an additional \$500 for postage with a total of \$17,500. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. Roll call was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Discussion/Action: T or C Downtown Master Drainage Plan.

Andrew Gallegos, WH Pacific, reviewed the T or C Downtown Master Drainage Plan. (Copy attached hereto and made a part hereof).

Commissioner Fahl: When we start thinking of making these improvements, I've always been concerned about the outputs that leads directly to the river. Everything that's in those roads is getting down to the river, so I would like for us to think about some kind of filtration system before it gets in. I would think that if we make improvements that will be a requirement. We don't have a whole lot of land, but we do have that land right below that development at Wyona. Some of that is ours. I don't know how we are going to do that, but it's all running in there and if we are going to put money into fixing that at some point, we probably need to put some foresight into thinking how we are going to get some of that resolved. We don't want to be labeled as people who are doing non-point source pollution right out of own streets.

Commissioner Hoeppner: If you could go by Davis Fleck before you leave, there is an existing culvert there that is overflowing with the hot spring water. It's on Broadway and Daniels. I've lived here now 6 years, and I've been through a few rainstorms that were 3 ½ ft. When that happens the water table comes up completely. I can go into my back yard, and I am in a swamp. I have a small crack in my foundation because I get 10 gallons of water inside of my shop when it floods. Would it not be more feasible when we re-do the streets to have a slight decrease down to the river and instead of putting underground culverts, go 1ft to 1 ½ ft lower than the streets. Wouldn't it be more cost-effective to do that because of the water table that we have.

Andrew Gallegos, WH Pacific: I guess it would all depend on what's actually under the road, like water lines, sewer lines, as well as any other infrastructure because some of these roads had some storm drain pipes, so that would have to get investigated. Yes, that would give so much more capacity if you did lower the road entirely.

Craig Tom, WH Pacific: I just wanted to make it clear that whatever we are recommending, although it may not get you the 100 year storm resolution. It will take care of a lot of smaller storms. All of the nuisance flows and all of the things that you are talking about with flooding and your foundation, those kind of things can be taken care of with these improvements. So, it may not be one fix. It may be a combination of things. These improvements will get you to a satisfactory project, hopefully, and it will improve. I think if we look at it from that perspective these improvements will help the downtown area immensely.

Mayor Hechler: So, recognizing that we can't do all of these improvements all at once, is there a priority of what we should be doing first.

Andrew Gallegos, WH Pacific: What I would suggest is maybe re-grating those intersections that come off of North Broadway into the side streets because there are a

couple of roads to where that water has to overcome a higher elevation from the side streets before it can actually drain out. So, maybe just lowering those profiles on those side streets so we can get that water out.

Andrew Gallegos, WH Pacific: Unfortunately, the river controls the elevation. If it was lower, we would have more options for bigger storm drainpipes and other things that we could do, but since the water level is so high, that really constricts some of those options.

Commissioner Fahl: Even if we had all of the money in the world, trying to plan for a 100-year storm wouldn't even be possible because of our water table.

Commissioner Fahl moved to accept the T or C Downtown Master Drainage Plan as presented. Commissioner Hoepfner seconded the motion. Roll call was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Discussion/Action: Review, Approve and/or Allocate Funds to the Sierra County Arts Council for Marketing T or C & Sierra County as an Arts Destination.

City Clerk Torres: This is an application that was submitted to our Lodgers Tax Board from the Sierra County Arts Council. It is for their Southwest Contemporary New Mexico Field guide. They requested \$2,890 and the board approved the entire amount. So, we are requesting approval for this application.

Commissioner Mitchell made a motion to approve the Sierra County Arts Council application for the Marketing T or C & Sierra County as an Arts Destination in the amount of \$2890. Commissioner Hoepfner seconded the motion. Roll call was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Discussion/Action: Seeking support from the City Commission to designate a segment of County Rd. A05 as part of the Rio Grande Trail System.

OJ Hechler, Community Services Director: A few weeks ago, the Turtleback Trails Network met with a couple of members of the Rio Grande Trails Commission. Carl Colonias who is our outdoor recreation planner for the State of New Mexico who also oversees our trails plus grant. As well as a couple of members of Planned Collaborative who is a planning firm out of Albuquerque. In discussions in that meeting, we discussed something that would be tangible, and something that collates with the Rio Grande Trail master plan. What we came up with was to designate a segment of County Road A05 which is on the east side of the river as a segment of the Rio Grande Trail. I do have an attachment for you to review. With the Rio Grande Trail, we already have segments that

are at Elephant Butte that connect on the other side, and the idea is to combine that along County Road A05. There is approximately 3.79 miles of road. The road will not be altered. It will not be changed. It may however have some signage here in the future saying that it is part of the Rio Grande Trails. The Rio Grande Trail Commission's master plan is to run a trail all the way along the Rio Grande, all the way through New Mexico. The application has been sent to Ms. Vaughn, the County Manager. She has the application. This cannot be made official until the County Commission meeting on the 22nd, but we thought it would be important to get it in front of the City Commission to express our support. This ties in with our Turtleback Trails Network concept plan. So, the idea when we host this meeting Friday from 9-12 at the Civic Center, it is to gather as much excitement as we can. We got the right stakeholders there. Mr. Colonias and stuff like that. We need to really put out the red carpet and give him a good show. We need to show him what our ambitions are and what our goals are and see what happens here in the future. Amber at the County is willing to fill out the application, but it still has to go to the County Commission for approval.

Commissioner Fahl: As we talked about, the Turtleback Trail is to meet some of the needs of our community, but it will also foster more economic development through tourism. We believe the County will approve it. That's just another way to do that. They will put this on their website, and they will continue to promote us as a tourist destination, so it is a win, win, all the way around.

Commissioner Fahl moved to approve the support from the City Commission to designate a segment of County Rd. A05 as part of the Rio Grande Trail System. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. Roll call was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Discussion/Action: Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee/Stakeholder Selection Revision.

Assistant City Manager Alvarez: As you know from the previous meeting, we did a full selection for our Steering Committee. It is my understanding that we have a change in that selection.

Commissioner Fahl: After the last meeting when you guys so graciously selected my son Dick Landford. He is a various businessman, and he gives me suggestions all the time, so I thought he'd be great to serve on the Steering Committee because he has a lot of vision. After that meeting, there was a lot of flack on social media because it appeared like there was some sort of nepotism going on. I don't want any bad juju to be associated with this, and the perception sometimes becomes reality. So, between the two I would rather him serve on the committee so I think you should let me step down and let Destiny serve. She really wanted to be on the committee so I think we should just do that, so the Steering Committee doesn't have any bad reflections from the community, and it has some really worth well people serving on it.

Assistant City Manager Alvarez: We have a kickoff meeting for the Comprehensive Plan scheduled. I'll be sending out the flyers, as well as getting those posted. The meeting will be held on April 17th here in the City Commission Chambers. We are going to have two meetings. One will be from 12pm to 1pm and the other will be from 5:30pm-7:00pm. It's a public meeting for everyone to attend, and the engineers will be here as well to kick off the project.

City Manager Whitehead: I just wanted to remind everyone that the Steering Committee has no jurisdiction to enforce. It's really just to give feedback and the public comments, and to make sure that the engineering firm is going in the right direction.

Mayor Hechler made a motion to allow Commissioner Fahl to step down from the Comprehensive Plan Stakeholder Steering/Committee and to allow Commissioner Mitchell to step in, in her stead. Commissioner Fahl seconded the motion. Roll call was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Discussion/Action: Grant Agreement Amendment A222G2074.

Assistant City Manager Alvarez: The city received funding for the MainStreet Foch Street Improvement project. The purpose of this amendment is to extend the Grant Agreement expiration date from June 30, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

Commissioner Fahl moved to approve the Grant Agreement Amendment A222G2074. Commissioner Hoeppepner seconded the motion. Roll call was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Discussion/Action: Approval of Purchase Requisitions over \$60,000.

This item was removed from the agenda.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 1. Threatened & Pending Litigation (Ron Fenn vs. City of T or C) pursuant to 10-15-1(H.7).**
- 2. Threatened & Pending Litigation (Dianne Gunning vs. City of T or C) pursuant to 10-15-1(H.7).**

Commissioner Fahl made a motion to go into executive session at 12:31 p.m. to discuss Threatened & Pending Litigation (Ron Fenn vs. City of T or C) pursuant to 10-15-1(H.7) and Threatened & Pending Litigation (Dianne Gunning vs. City of T or

C) pursuant to 10-15-1(H.7). Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Hechler reconvened the meeting in open session at 1:11 p.m.

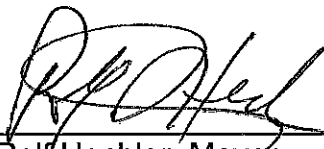
Commissioner Fahl certified that only matters pertaining to Threatened & Pending Litigation (Ron Fenn vs. City of T or C) pursuant to 10-15-1(H.7) and Threatened & Pending Litigation (Dianne Gunning vs. City of T or C) pursuant to 10-15-1(H.7) was discussed in Executive Session and no action was taken in executive session.

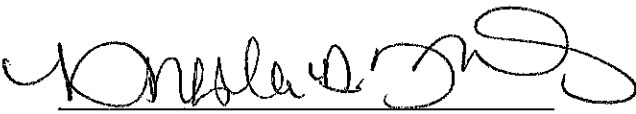
I. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Hechler adjourned the meeting at 12:31 a.m.

Passed and Approved this 14th day of May, 2025.




Rolf Hechler, Mayor


Angela A. Torres, CMC, City Clerk



Copper Flat Development Strategy



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THE COPPER FLAT MINE

NEW MEXICO COPPER CORPORATION (NMCC)

- Owner of Project Assets, Permittee, Developer, and Operator of Copper Flat Mine
- Organized as a New Mexico Domestic Profit Corporation in 2010
- Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of THEMAC Resources Group (Listed as TSXV:MAC)
- THEMAC Majority Shareholder (85%) is Tulla Group, an Australian Family (Maloney) Investment Group
- Tulla's Other Mining Investments Include Norseman Gold, Australia's longest continuously running gold mining operation producing over 5.5 million ounces of gold over 65 years in Western Australia.
- Tulla Is Fully Funding the Copper Flat Project and has invested ~\$80M in the Project to date.
- NMCC is committed to developing a long-term relationship with our neighbors in Sierra County and dedicated to providing the local community with significant opportunities for employment and economic development



Copper Flat Design Principles

1. RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF PROJECT-AFFECTED PEOPLE AND MEANINGFULLY ENGAGE THEM AT ALL PHASES OF THE PROJECT LIFECYCLE,
2. DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN A KNOWLEDGE BASE TO SUPPORT SAFE OPERATIONS THROUGHOUT THE PROJECT LIFECYCLE,
3. USE ALL ELEMENTS OF THE KNOWLEDGE BASE - SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, LOCAL ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL - TO INFORM DECISIONS THROUGHOUT THE FACILITY LIFECYCLE,
4. DEVELOP PLANS AND DESIGN CRITERIA FOR THE FACILITY TO MINIMIZE RISK FOR ALL PHASES OF ITS LIFECYCLE, INCLUDING CLOSURE AND POST-CLOSURE.
5. DEVELOP A ROBUST DESIGN THAT INTEGRATES THE KNOWLEDGE BASE AND MINIMIZES THE RISK OF FAILURE TO PEOPLE AND THE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL PHASES OF THE FACILITY LIFECYCLE,
6. PLAN, BUILD AND OPERATE THE FACILITY TO MANAGE RISK AT ALL PHASES OF THE FACILITY LIFECYCLE, INCLUDING CLOSURE AND POST-CLOSURE



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ENVIRONMENTAL

Copper Flat is being designed to support climate action, innovation, water and energy efficiency, circular economy, waste management, and biodiversity conservation.



NMCC is focused on achieving Social License by implementing world class ESG strategies during the Planning, Construction and Operation of the Copper Flat Mine.

GOVERNANCE

NMCC leadership is committed to compliance with ethical business policies, providing growth opportunities to community workers, and local contractors and suppliers.

SOCIAL

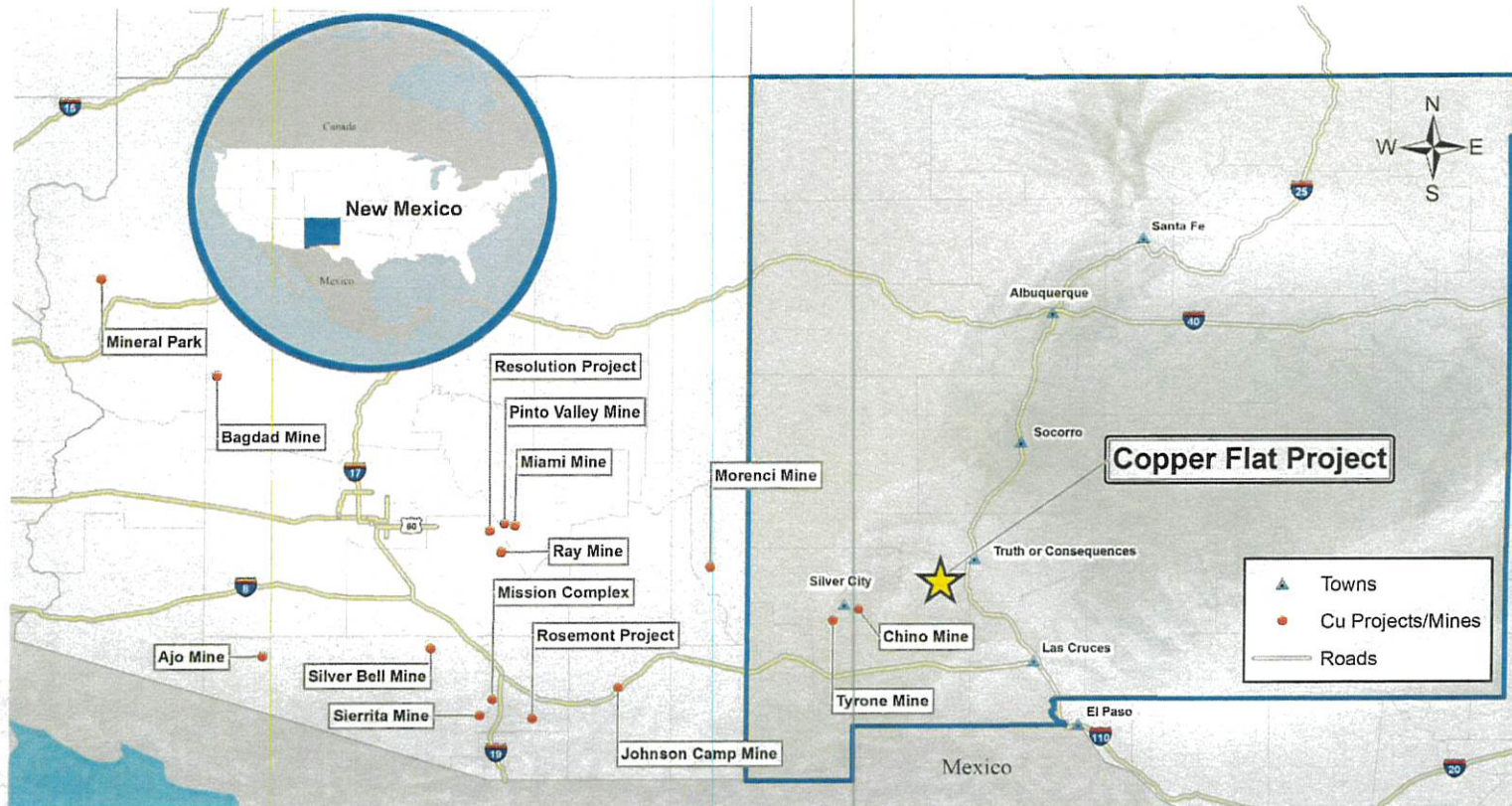
NMCC's team works with high safety standards providing safe work environments and well-being to employees and contractors, jobs opportunities for local, regional and indigenous people.

STRATEGIC ALLIANCES

The strategy of NMCC leadership is to align with partners that are actively engaged in strategies that support initiatives that drive global climate action.



Located in one of the world's most prolific copper mining regions



THE COPPER FLAT MINE

SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY BENEFITS ¹

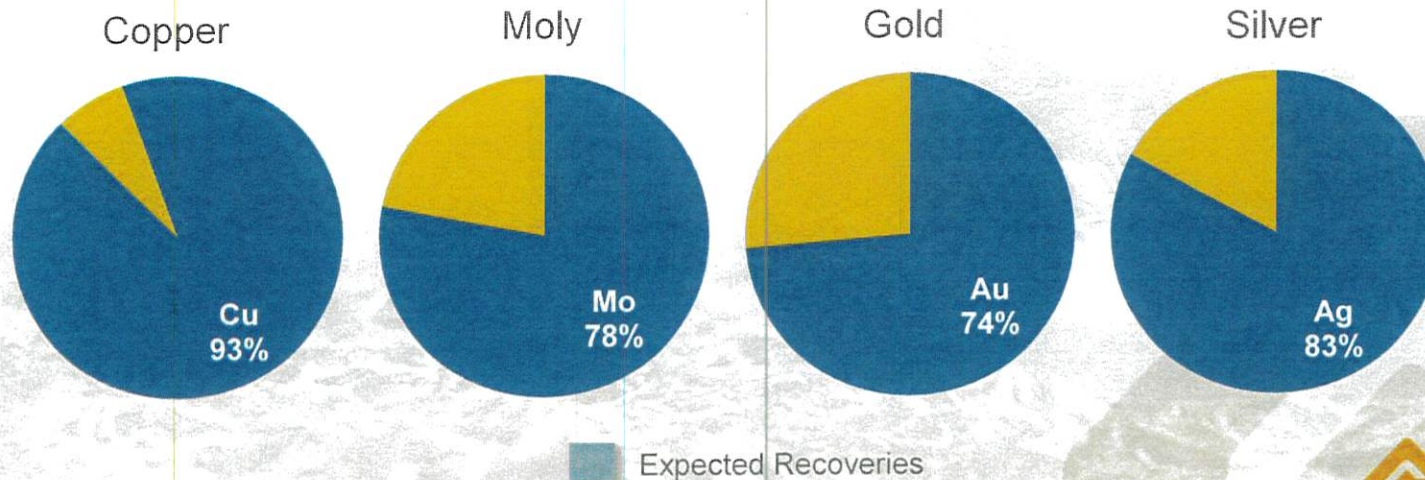
- Construction Jobs: 1,200 jobs total (direct, indirect, induced) in New Mexico
- Construction Economic Impact to State: Project adds ~\$80 Million to statewide labor income and adds ~ \$110 Million to the value of materials and goods produced within the State
- Construction Expenditures: \$60M Sierra County; \$64M State
- Operation Phase Jobs: 270 full time direct jobs at mine with individual wages from \$40k to \$75k + Benefits; 368 – 407 jobs total (direct, indirect, induced)
- Federal and State Taxes: ~\$200M (Ad Valorem, Severance, Income, Gross Receipts)
- Ongoing jobs, wages and tax benefits will continue during the 20+ year reclamation and closure and long-term monitoring phases

•¹ Arrowhead Center, *The Socioeconomic Impacts of THEMAC Resources Group Ltd. Copper Flat Mine Project in Sierra County, New Mexico*, August 15, 2012, updated to 2024 economics.



NEW MEXICO COPPER CORPORATION

- Common crushing and grinding practice and standard flotation reagents
- Copper concentrate has low impurities and is expected to yield clean 28% copper, 6 g/st gold and 160 g/st silver grade based upon lab as well as actual plant performance
- Molybdenum concentrate expected to yield 55% Mo
- Reserves: 675 Million Pounds Copper; 20 Million Pounds Molybdenum; Gold and Silver



Future of Copper Flat

Path to Production

- Completing Engineering
- Finalizing Permitting
- Financing
- Construction
- Operation
- Continued Exploration



COPPER FLAT PROJECT

State Permit Status

Permit/Approval	Authority	Status in October 2024
Air Quality Permit	NM Environment Department (NMED)	New Source Permit 0365-M3 issued June 2013.
Groundwater Discharge Permit	NM Environment Department (NMED)	Groundwater Discharge Permit DP-1840 issued December 2018.
Stage I and Stage II Abatement Plans	NM Environment Department (NMED)	Requirement satisfied by rolling conditions into DP-1840
Protection of Cultural Archeologic and Historic Resources	NM Department of Cultural Affairs - State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)	Field surveys complete. Guidance document signed with agencies December 2016. Field plan prepared per ready to submit.
State Highway Use Authority	NM Department of Transportation (NMDOT)	Transportation and road engineering studies complete and MOU regarding protections for State Highway 152 executed with NMDOT.
Mine Operating Permit	New Mexico Mining & Minerals Division (MMD)	Agency determined application and plan documents complete and approvable. Permit issue pending completion of reclamation financial guarantee.
Reclamation/Closure Plan and Financial Guarantee	NM Mining & Minerals Division (MMD) NM Environment Department (NMED)	Cooperating Agencies accept plan, assumptions and cost calculations. Final approval pending approval of reclamation financial guarantee.
Water Supply	New Mexico Office of the State Engineer (NMOSE)	Acquired 1051 acre-feet (AF) of perfected water right for mining use in 2021.
New Dam Permit (TSF)	New Mexico Office of the State Engineer – Dam Safety Bureau	Initiate with project detail design
Mine Registration	NM EMNRD - Mine Registration Reporting, and Safeguarding Program	Initiate with construction decision.
Landfill Permit	New Mexico Environment Department - Solid Waste Bureau (NMED SWB)	Initiate with construction decision.

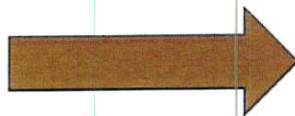
COPPER FLAT PROJECT

Federal Permit Status

Permit/Approval	Authority	Status in October 2024
Environmental Impact Study	US Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	Final EIS issued April 2019; BLM Decision agreeing with THEMAC Plan issued August 2019
Clean Water Act 404 Permit	US Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE)	ACOE determined NMCC Copper Flat Plans meet requirements for Nationwide Permit under CWA; approval issued February 6, 2020.
43 CFR 3809 Plan of Operations (PoO)	US Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	Plan of Operations reflecting EIS approved alternative accepted by BLM. Full approval comes with completion of reclamation financial guarantee.
Reclamation/Closure Plan and Financial Guarantee	US Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	BLM is cooperating agency with State Agencies. BLM has accepted plan, assumptions and cost calculations. Final approval pending NM approved reclamation financial guarantee.
National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)	US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	Initiate with construction decision.
Mine Registration	Mining Safety and Health Administration (MSHA)	Initiate with construction decision.
FCC License	Federal Communications Commission (FCC)	Initiate with construction decision.
Explosives Permit	Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (BATF)	Initiate with construction decision.

Conservation of Water

- Copper Flat was designed with a Conventional Tailings Dam
- Conventional Tailings Dam requires 6100 ac-ft
- Robust Design (EOR Golder/WSP)
- Significant infrastructure
- Post Mining Reclamation
- Manageable Risk



- Development of Copper Flat has shifted to Dry Stacked Tailings
- Currently finalizing Feasibility Design (WSP)
- Cake Stack Tailings requires 1050 ac-ft of water
- Largest in Americas
- Reduced Infrastructure
- Concurrent Reclamation
- Reduced Risk

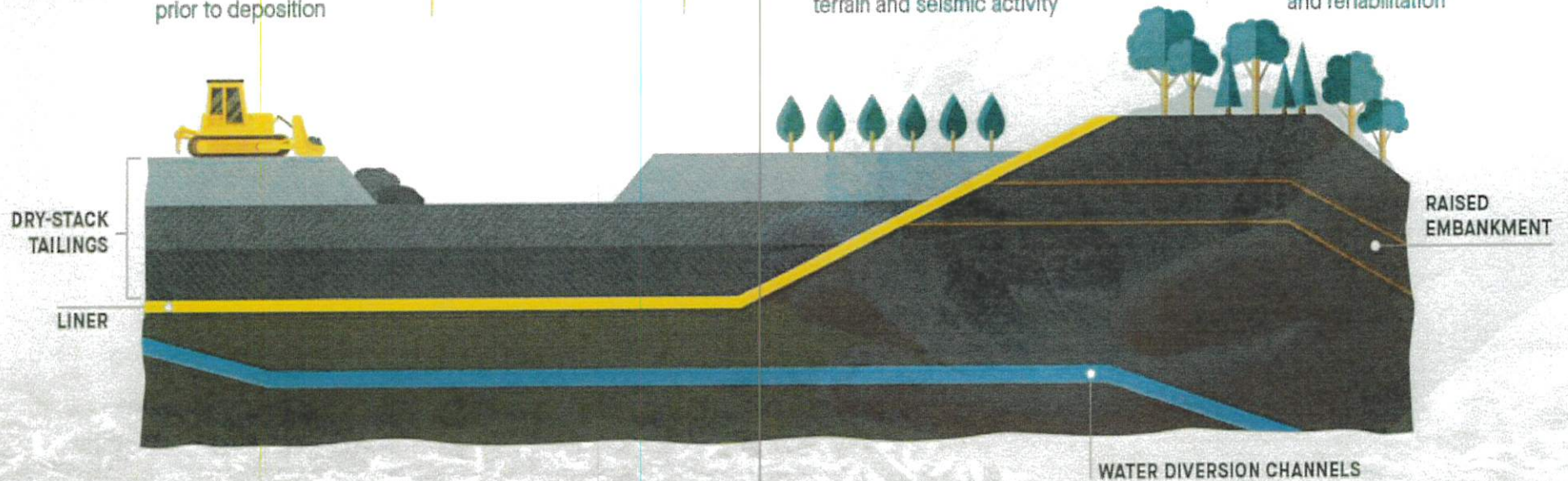
BENEFITS OF DRY-STACK TAILINGS MAY GENERALLY INCLUDE

Dewatering of tailings allows for high water recovery and recycling prior to deposition

Reduced operational footprint

Low water content produces stability advantages under adverse circumstances, including steep terrain and seismic activity

Conducive to concurrent and progressive reclamation and rehabilitation





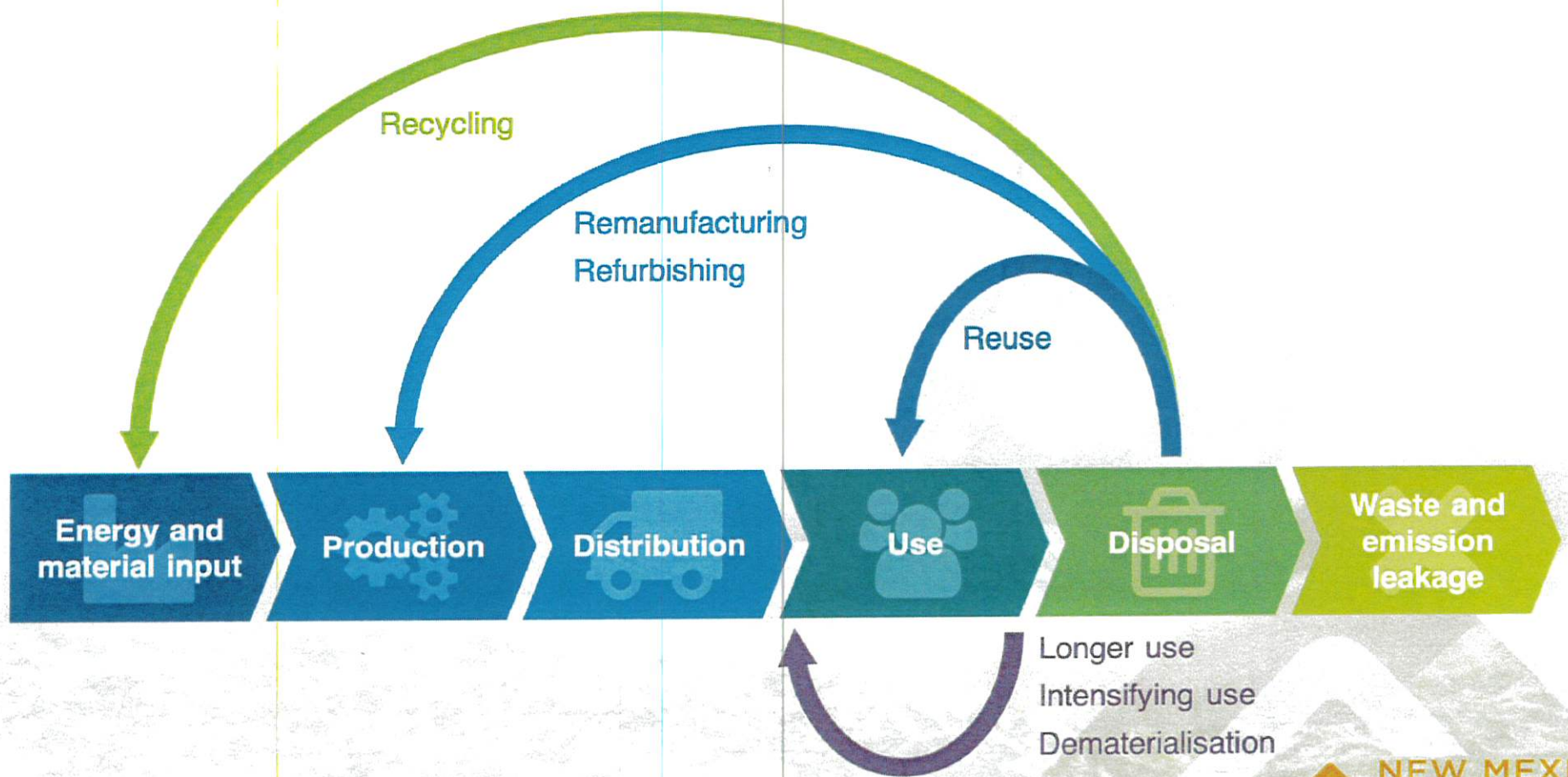
Dry Stack Operation Southern Peru

- WSP Designed
- Built in 2022
- 10K tonnes/Day
- Gold Tailings
- Compacted to 93%
- 92% Water Recovery at Plant



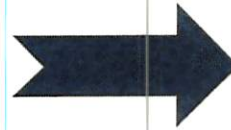
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The logo for New Mexico Copper features a stylized, geometric design in the background, consisting of overlapping shapes that form a larger, abstract 'C' or mountain-like structure. The text 'NEW MEXICO' is in a smaller, bold, sans-serif font, and 'COPPER' is in a larger, bold, sans-serif font, both in a dark color.



Reduction of Waste

- Mining Generates Waste
 - Worn Steel Wear Components (Grinding Balls, Liners, Etc....)
 - Wood From Shipping Containers
 - Non-Production related Water (Dust Control)
 - Energy (Electricity, Fuel)
 - Inefficient Operation



- Mitigation Strategy
 - Strategic partnerships with Suppliers for Recycling
 - Plastic shipping containers that can be Recycled
 - Biodegradable “green” chemicals for dust control
 - High Efficiency Motors, Electric Vehicles, Renewable Power sources
 - Leveraging AI and Smart Technology



Summary Slide

- Focused on Gaining and Maintaining Social License
- Innovative Solutions applied to Climate Action
- Stewards of NM most Precious Resource—Water
- Significant Investment in New Mexico (~500M USD)
- Providing Good Jobs for New Mexico
- Supplying much needed NM Copper to the USA



How can you help?





Thank you

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Truth of Consequence Downtown Master Drainage Plan



Downtown Master Drainage Existing Conditions and Potential Mitigation Commissioner Meeting

April 8th, 2025



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN

PURPOSE AND SCOPE



PURPOSE AND SCOPE STATEMENT

The purpose of the Downtown Master Drainage Plan Project is to analyze the two arroyos draining to the downtown area, evaluate existing drainage patterns, evaluate local flooding areas and develop and prioritize potential projects to mitigate flooding concerns to improve safety, and improve drainage infrastructure. This may be accomplished by upgrading existing drainage facilities or constructing new facilities.

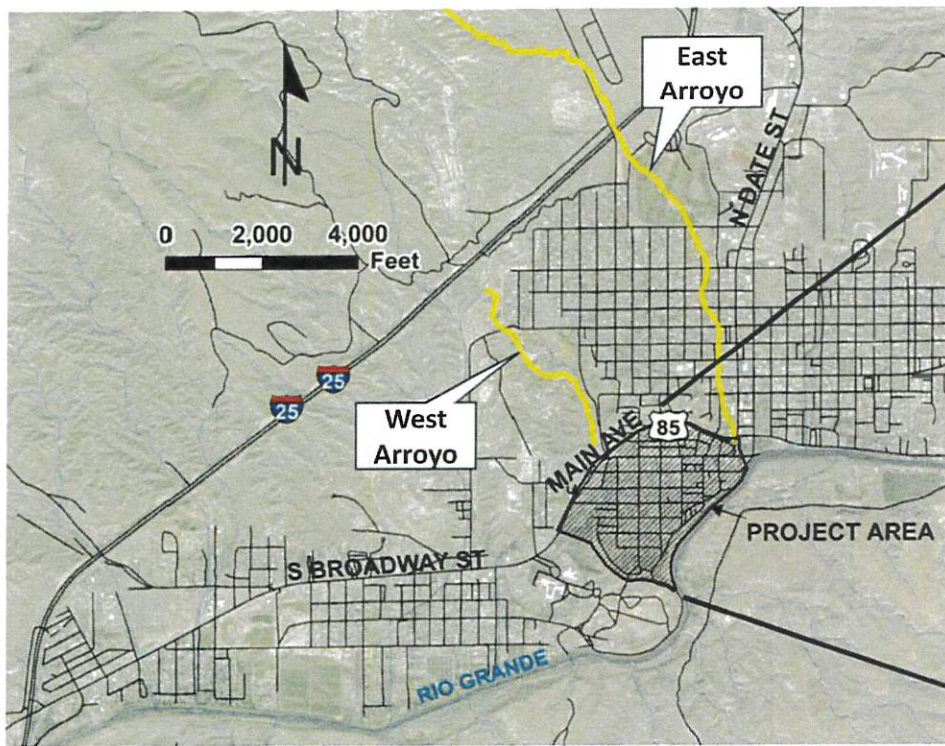
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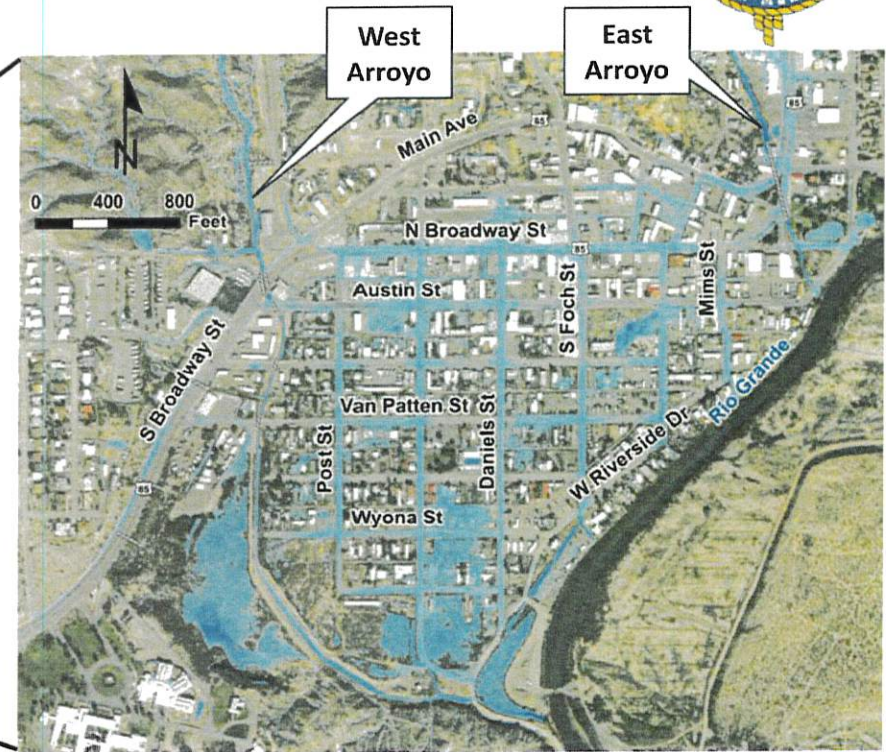
PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- Project Study Area Extent
- Hydrological Analysis (Existing Conditions)
- Hydraulic Results (Existing Conditions)
 - West Arroyo
 - East Arroyo
 - Downtown Street Drainage
- Project Schedule
- Suggestions of Improvement
 - West Arroyo
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 - Downtown Street Drainage
- Estimated Project Costs
- Questions or Comments

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN STUDY AREA



Study Area Extents



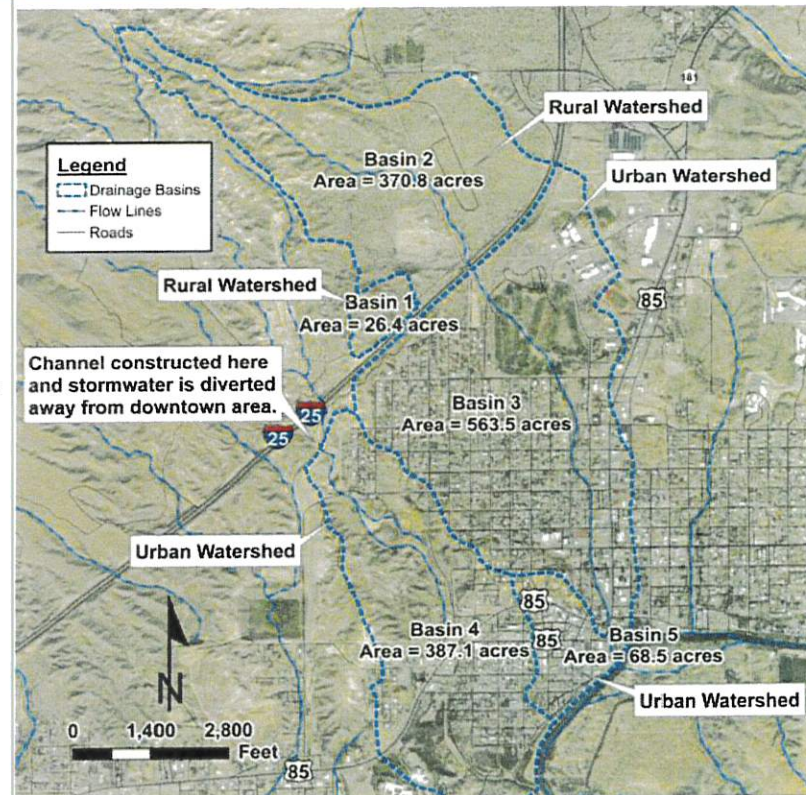
Downtown Section

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



HYDROLOGY EXISTING CONDITIONS

- New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) criteria used to estimate a 1-percent storm event or 100-year storm event peak flows in the T or C area.
- Estimated stormwater flow were modeled to map out flood areas in the T or C area downtown area.
- The results includes 100-year water depths shown with blue shading and blue 1-ft contour lines for the water depths.

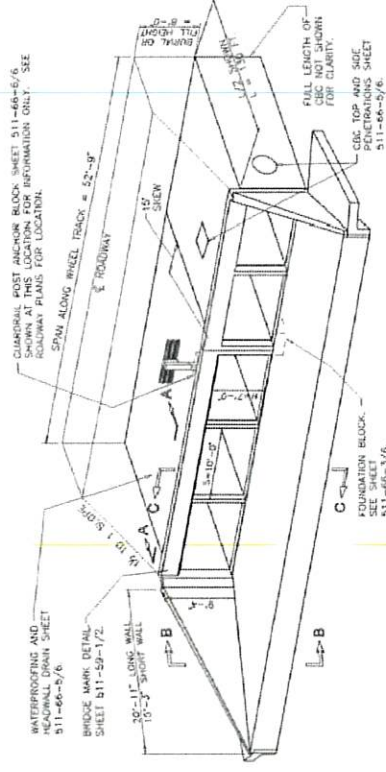
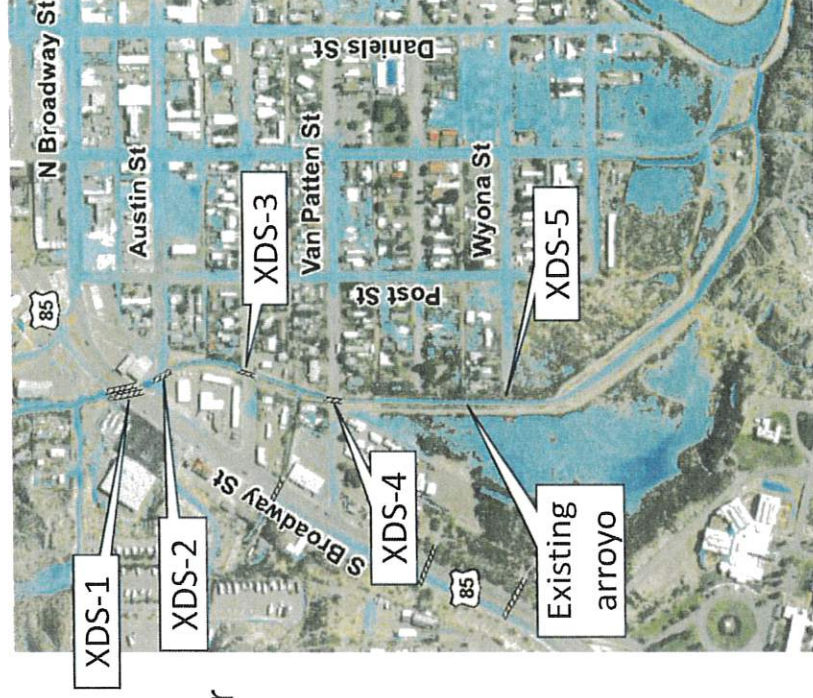


T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN WEST ARROYO EVALUATION



WEST ARROYO EXISTING CONDITIONS

- Series of concrete box culvert (CBC) along the west arroyo identified as XDS-#.
- Culverts are being analyzed for capacity if stormwater overtops roadways in a 100-year storm event.



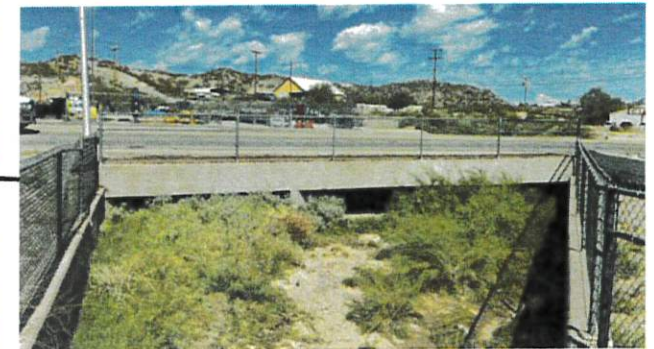
PERSPECTIVE OF 5 BARREL CBC

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN WEST ARROYO EVALUATION



XDS-1 WEST ARROYO EXISTING CONDITIONS

- 3 – 132'L x 13'W x 2'H Concrete Box Culvert (CBC)
- Sediment Buildup
- 3-feet of water depth upstream of CBC
- 4-feet of water depth downstream of CBC
- Culvert under a State Road with no access for maintenance.



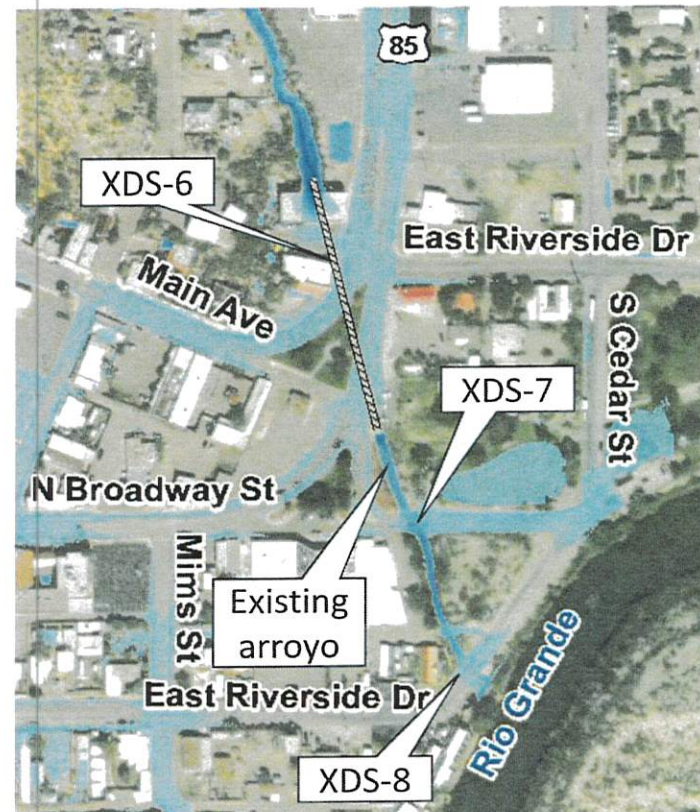
T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EAST ARROYO EVALUATION



EAST ARROYO

EXISTING CONDITIONS

- 1 concrete box culvert (CBC) along the east arroyo identified as XDS-#.
- 2 roads where stormwater flows over roadway before discharging into Rio Grande. Also identified these areas as XDS-#.

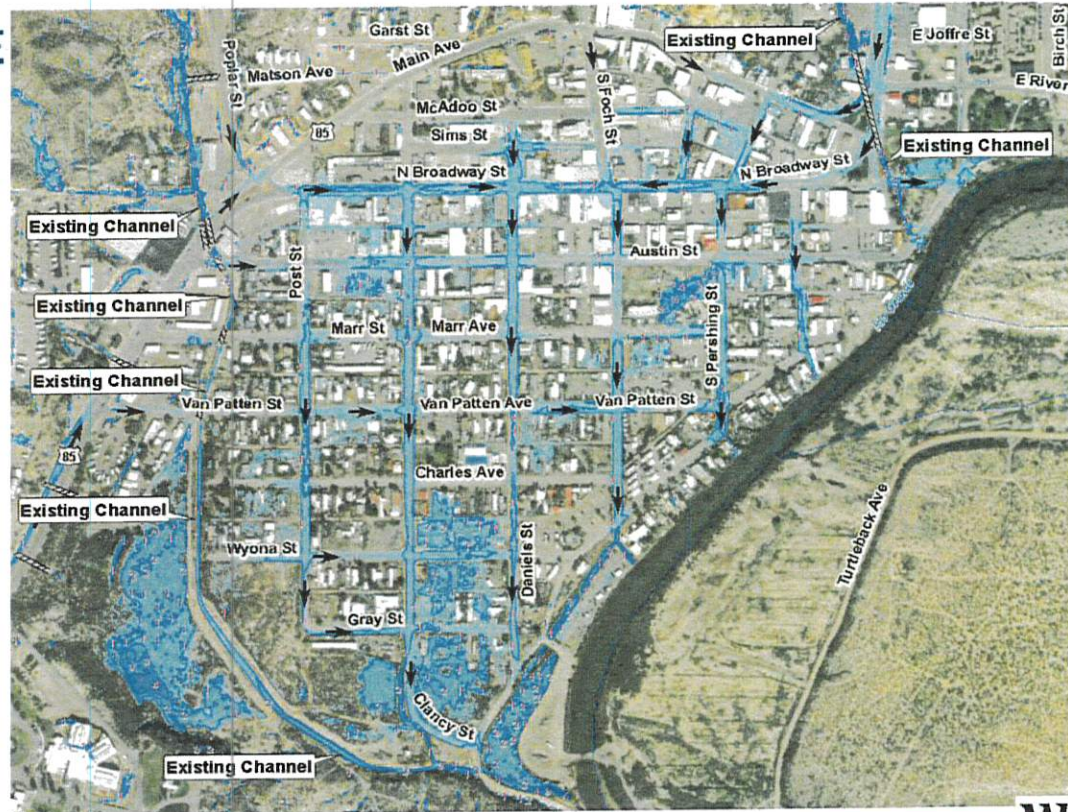


T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN ADDITIONAL EVALUATION OF ROADWAY DRAINAGE



DOWNTOWN STREET DRAINAGE EXISTING CONDITIONS

- Rainfall collects along the downtown area and conveys south in the streets eventually discharging into the Rio Grande.
- The drainage from the east and west arroyos have little impact to downtown flood areas.
- Streets in downtown area have little drainage infrastructure to address flooding.



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN ADDITIONAL EVALUATION OF ROADWAY DRAINAGE



NORTH BROADWAY STREET DRAINAGE EXISTING CONDITIONS

- N Broadway Street gives access to many local businesses while most of the flooding occurs along this roadway.
- The N Broadway St and Post St intersection receives the most perceived flooding here affecting the nearby business reaching water depths up to 1-foot.

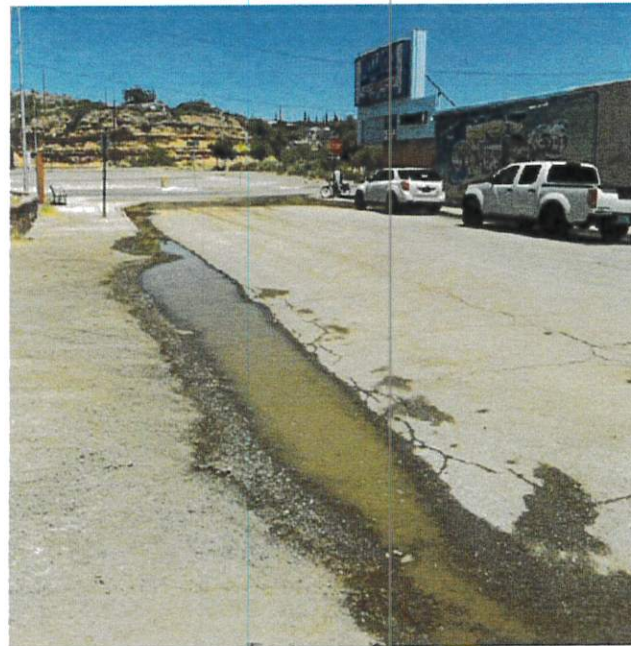


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N BROADWAY ST AND POST ST INTERSECTION EXISTING CONDITIONS

- This area is a low spot in the roadway. Stormwater drains east down N Broadway St.
- Pavement has been recently repaired and patched at this location. Photos shown are before maintenance.



Looking North To Intersection



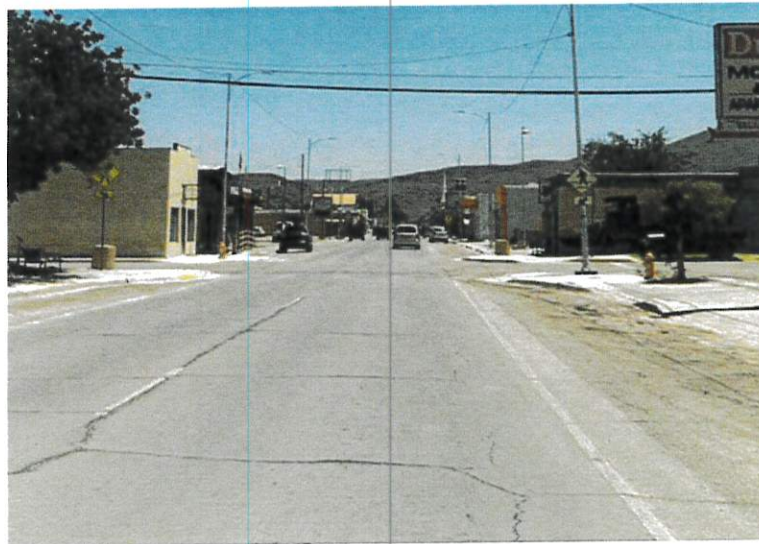
Looking South Down Post St

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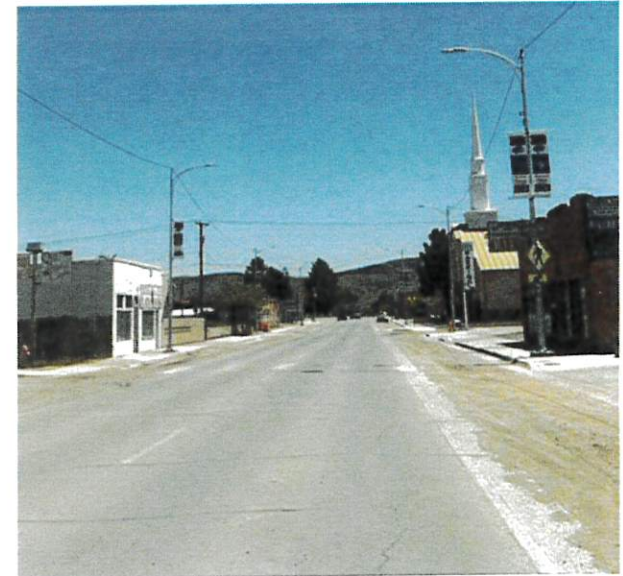


N BROADWAY ST AND EXISTING CONDITIONS

- New Mexico Department of Transportation repaved roadway surface in 2024.



Looking East Down N Broadway St



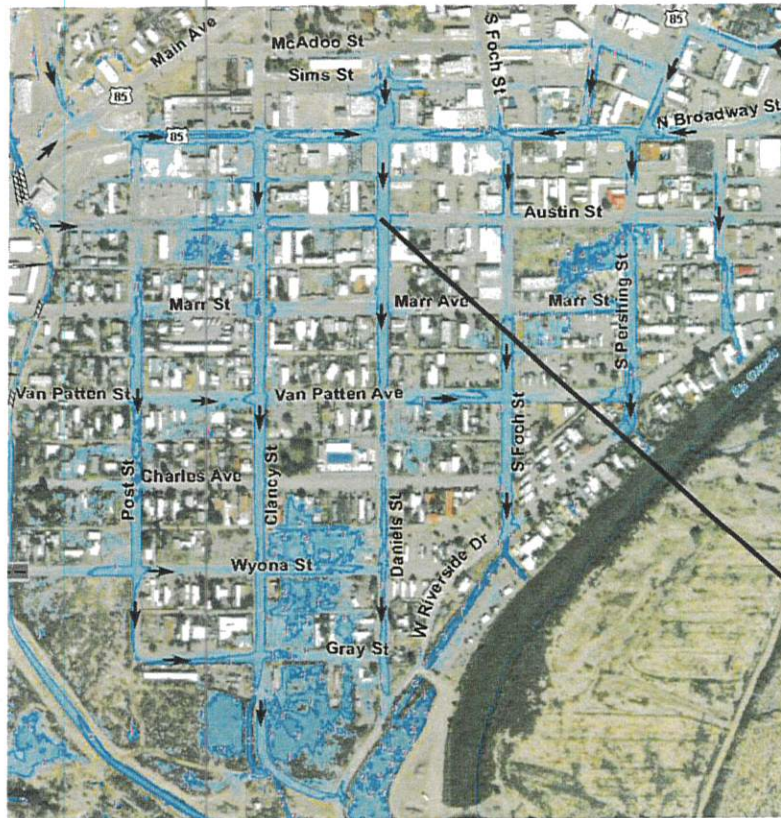
Looking East Down N Broadway St

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN ADDITIONAL EVALUATION OF ROADWAY DRAINAGE



DOWNTOWN EXISTING DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE

- Existing grate inlets along Date St intercepts flow before it drains into Main Avenue.
- Existing grate inlet at intersection of Austin St and Daniels St. The pipe connected to grate inlet was shallow and ran south.



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN ADDITIONAL EVALUATION OF ROADWAY DRAINAGE



EXISTING DRAINAGE AT THE RIO GRANDE

- Stormwater is conveyed as surface runoff down S Pershing St and Mims St from N Broadway St.
- Mims St and S Pershing St surface runoff outfalls into Rio Grande through existing concrete channels.



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN ADDITIONAL EVALUATION OF ROADWAY DRAINAGE



EXISTING DRAINAGE AT THE RIO GRANDE

- Stormwater is conveyed as surface runoff down Post St, Clancy St, Daniels St, and S Foch St from N Broadway St.
- S Foch St surface runoff outfalls into an existing concrete channel that feeds into an existing wetland.
- Clancy St and Daniels St surface runoff outfalls into earthen ditches into Rio Grande.



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN PROJECT SCHEDULE



CURRENT STUDY SCHEDULE

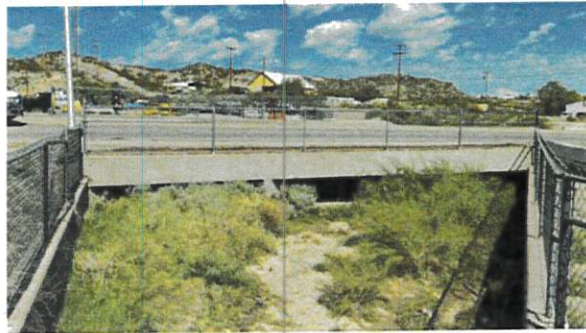
- Existing Conditions Analysis October 11, 2023 **(Complete)**
 - Public Meeting – October 11, 2023
 - Last Day for Public Comments – October 25, 2023
- Final Master Drainage Report Submitted to City – April 14, 2024 **(Complete)**
- Final Master Drainage Report Resubmitted to City – November 22, 2024 **(Complete)**
 - Meeting with City Mayor to Review Master Plan – June 21, 2024
- Meeting with City Manager Meeting – March 3, 2025 **(Complete)**
 - Updated City Manager with Master Plan.
 - City Manager Requested for Information and Information was Provided.
- Master Drainage Report Request For Approval
 - Commissioner Meeting – April 9, 2025
- Begin Preliminary Design – To Be Determined
- Anticipated Construction – To Be Determined

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN WEST ARROYO EVALUATION

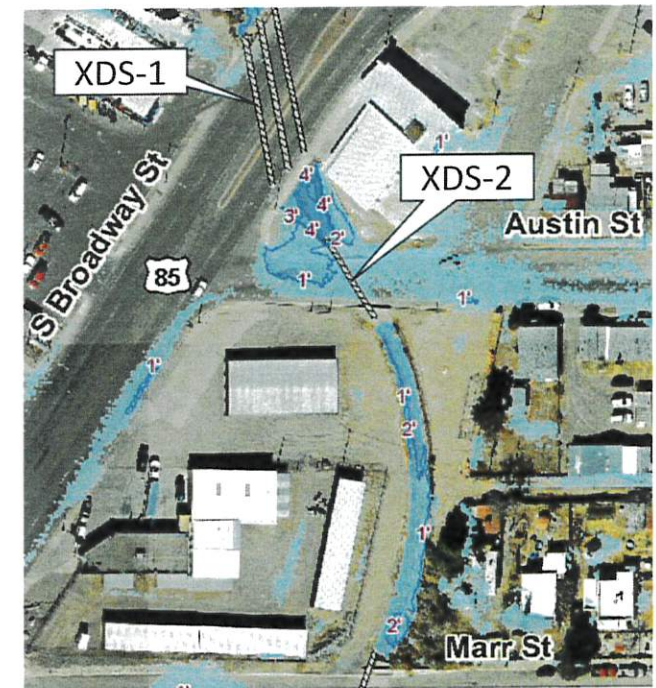


WEST ARROYO SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

- Maintenance
 - Cleaning
- XDS-1 concrete box culvert under S Broadway St/US 85 will require maintenance to remove sediment buildup. NMDOT responsible party for maintenance.
- XDS-2 concrete box culvert has a capacity issue where water is overtopping into roadway. Culvert will also require maintenance due to sediment coming upstream from XDS-1. Clearing out the culvert will increase its capacity.



Downstream of XDS-1



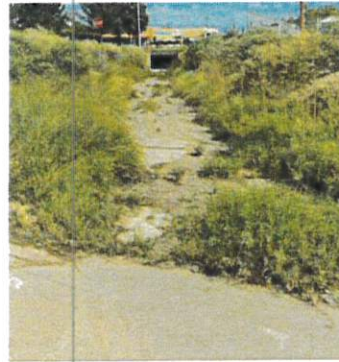
XDS-2 Plan View

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EAST ARROYO EVALUATION



EAST ARROYO SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

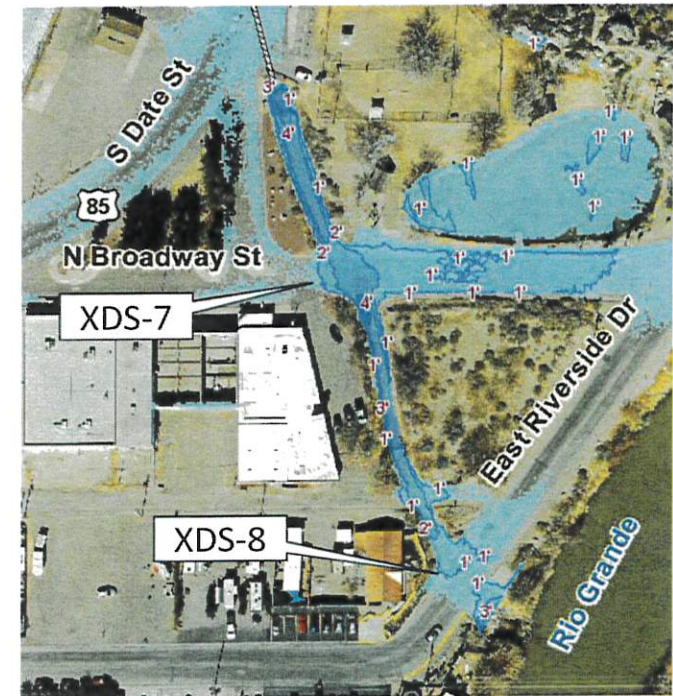
- Storm Drain Improvement
 - Placing of new culverts
- XDS-7 no culvert under N Broadway St. Installation of a culvert under roadway would require grading of ditch. Ditch property not owned by City. Requires land acquisition.
- XDS-8 no culvert under East Riverside Dr. Installation of a culvert under roadway would also require grading of ditch. Ditch property not owned by City. Requires land acquisition.
- Improvements not feasible due to land acquisition.



Upstream of XDS-7



Upstream of XDS-8



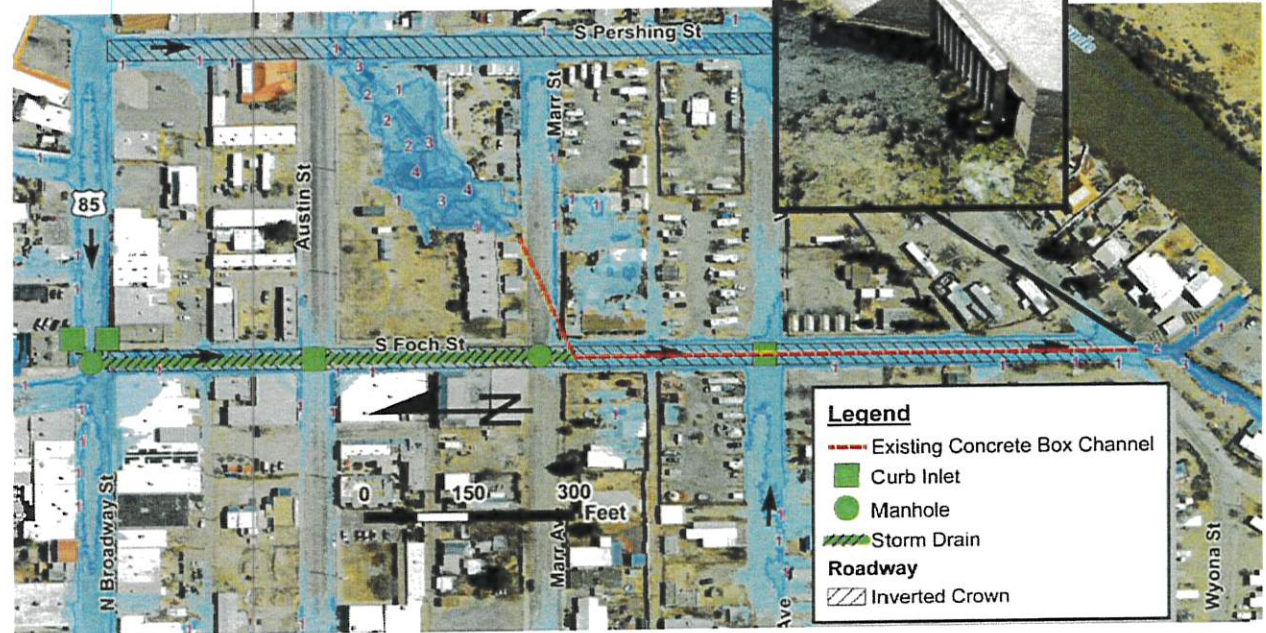
XDS-2 Plan View

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



DOWNTOWN T OR C SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

- Storm Drain Improvements
 - Placement of new drop/curb inlets as required.
 - Placement of new storm drain
- The roadways in the downtown area are very flat ranging in slopes of 0.2% - 0.8% in the roadways that are conveying stormwater to the Rio Grande (ie. Post St, Clancy St, Daniels St, S Foch St, S Pershing St and Mims St).
- S Foch St has an underground concrete box culvert that drains geothermal water from the museum down to the Rio Grande. It is approximately shown in red.

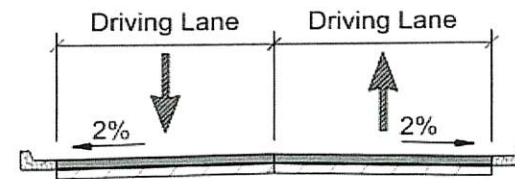


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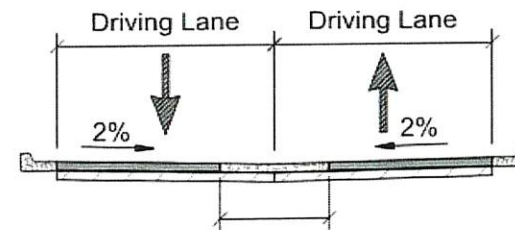


DOWNTOWN T OR C SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

- Drainage Improvements
 - Invert roadway crowns
 - Alter grading at intersection to drain N Broadway south.
- Invert crowns on Post St, S Foch St, S Pershing St, Mims St.
- A 6-ft valley gutter may also be required to improve water conveyance at inverted crowns.
- Clancy St and Daniels St are already inverted and can be improved by installing a 6-ft valley gutter to improve water conveyance.



EXISTING TYPICAL ROAD SECTION

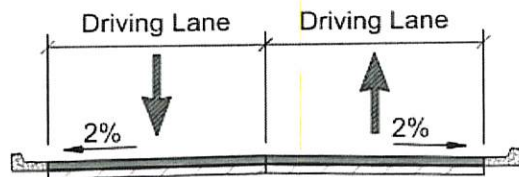


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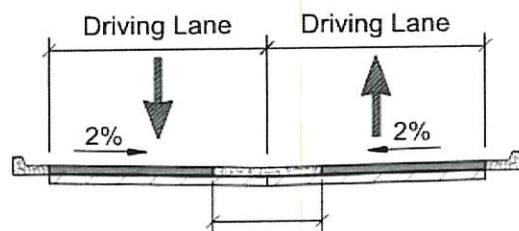
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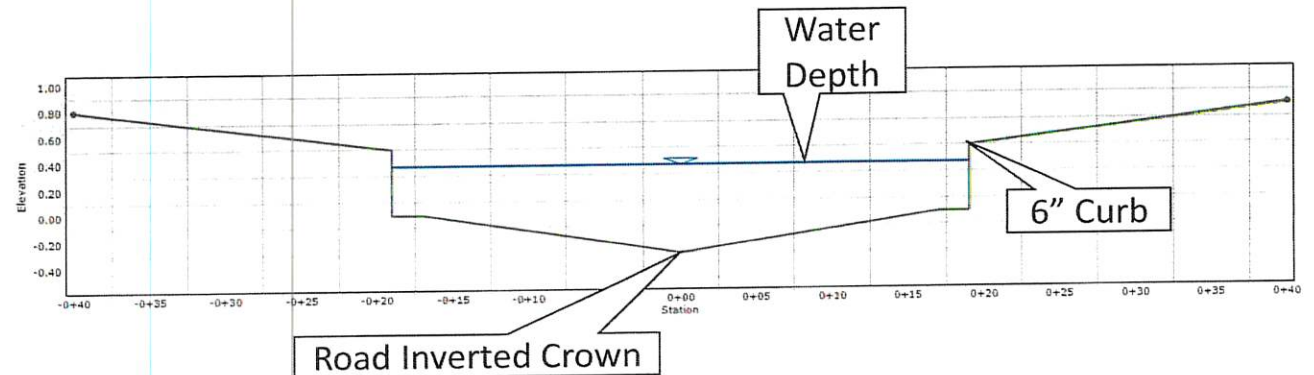
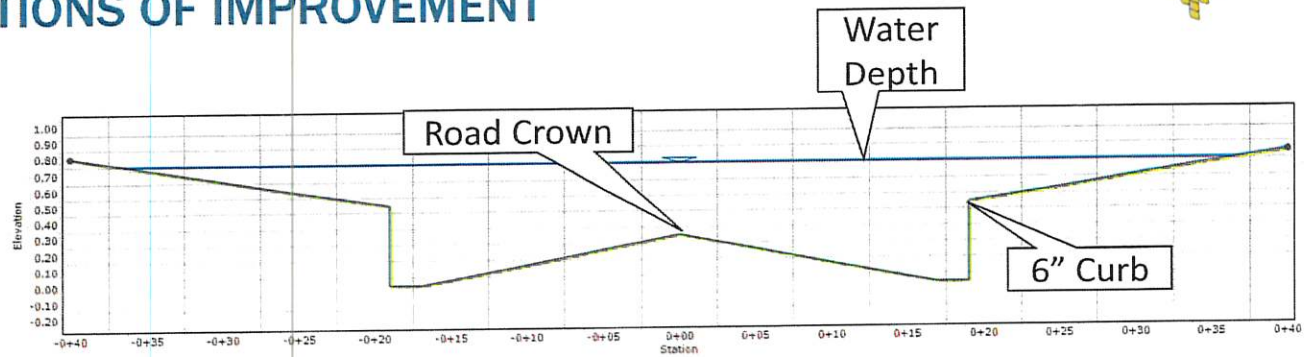
DOWNTOWN T OR C SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT



EXISTING TYPICAL ROAD SECTION



PROPOSED TYPICAL ROAD SECTION



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T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



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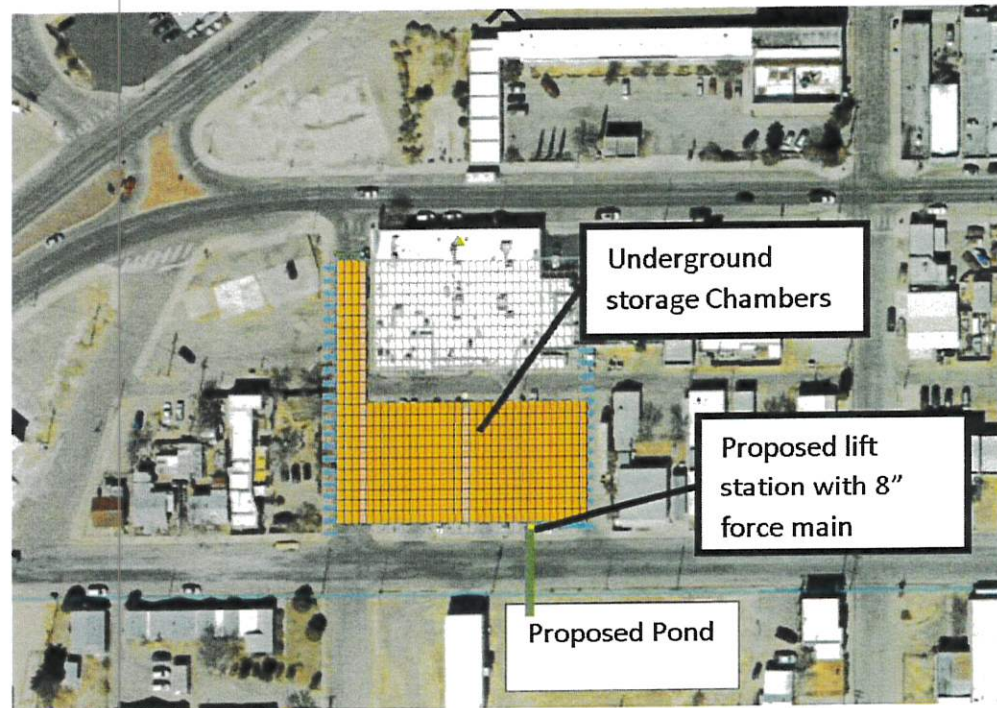


T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



DOWNTOWN T OR C SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

- N Broadway St/Post St Storm Drain Improvements
 - Placement of new drop/curb inlets as required.
 - Placement of underground storage chamber
- Footprint shown in yellow will collect most flood waters at N Broadway St/Post St Intersection.
- In case underground storage fills up during a heavy storm, a lift station can be placed on the downstream end of the underground chambers which would then pump to a surface detention pond.



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



DOWNTOWN T OR C SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

- N Broadway St/Post St Storm Drain Improvements
 - Underground storage allows collected water to infiltrate into surrounding ground.
 - Existing groundwater depth measured in January at 3.25 feet.
 - Option would need to measure the groundwater depth during the monsoon season.
 - Chambers have a total depth of 3.5 feet.
- N Broadway St/Post St Intersection experiences 1 acre-feet of stormwater. The storm drain improvements offer 1.05 acre-feet of storage..



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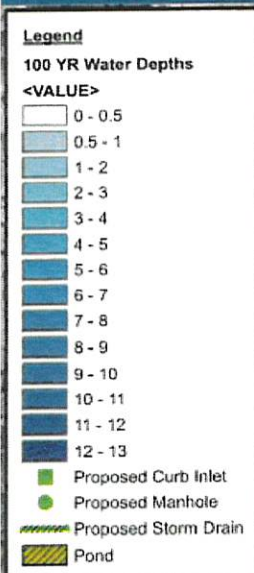
T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



CLANCY ST AND DANIELS ST STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS

- Storm Drain Improvements
 - Installing 30-inch equivalent arch pipe down Clancy St and Daniels St out falling to the Rio Grande.
 - Pipe capacity is approximately 9 cfs.

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



CLANCY ST AND DANIELS ST STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS WITH DETENTION POND

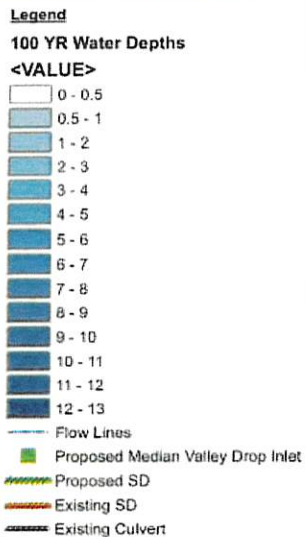
- Storm Drain Improvements
 - Installing 48-inch equivalent arch pipe Clancy St and Daniels St. to convey stormwater to a proposed surface pond.
 - The two pipes will have a combined capacity of 94 cfs which is approximately 25% of the surface flow in Clancy St and Daniels St.
- Detention Pond
 - Surface pond 3.5 feet deep including 2 feet of freeboard providing 4.2 acre-feet of storage.
 - Pond volume is 20% of total volume flowing down Clancy St and Daniels St.

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



**DANIELS ST
ROADWAY
DRAINAGE
IMPROVEMENT**

**S FOCH ST
STORM DRAIN
IMPROVEMENTS**



Existing Storm Drain unknown
size and outfall location.

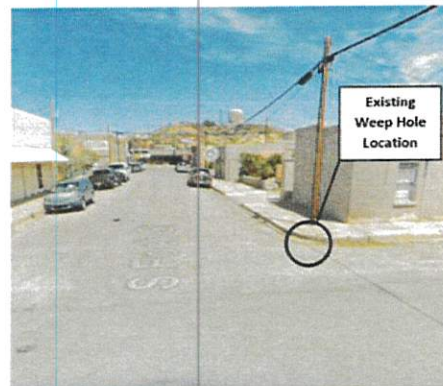
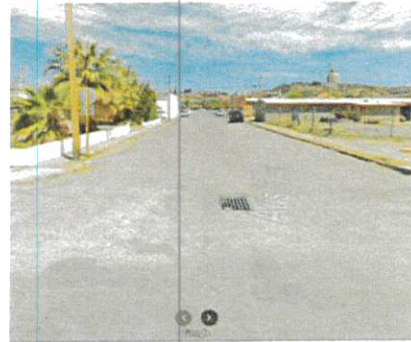
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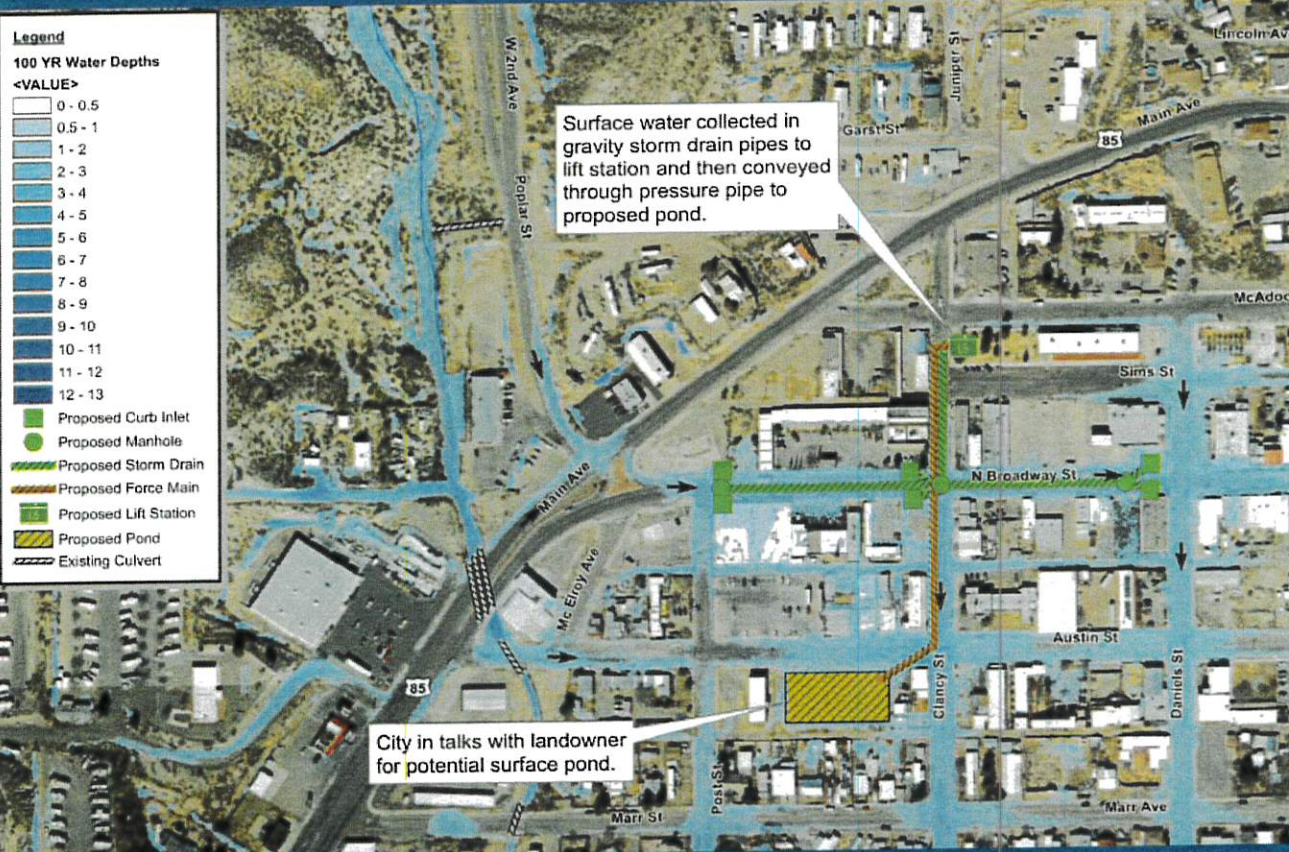


DANIELS ST AND S FOCH ST STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS

- Daniels St Storm Drain Improvements
 - Run slotted drainpipe in middle of road tying it to existing grate inlet at Daniels St/Austin St intersection.
 - Allows installation at shallow depths.
- S Foch St Storm Drain Improvements
 - Run slotted drainpipe in curb of road tying it to existing weep hole where this will be replaced with a new grate inlet.



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



N BROADWAY ST IMPROVEMENTS WITH DETENTION POND OR WATER TANK

- Storm Drain Improvements
 - Installing 24-inch concrete storm drains in N Broadway to convey to a proposed lift station near McAdoo St/Clancy St.
- Detention Pond
 - Receives stormwater from lift station.
 - Surface pond 4 feet deep including 2 feet of freeboard providing 0.91 acre-feet of storage.

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



IMPROVEMENT COSTS (CONSTRUCTION COSTS ONLY)

LOCATION	RECONSTRUCT ENTIRE ROAD	RECONSTRUCT ROAD TO AUSTIN ST	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION
POST ST	\$1,900,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (INVERT CROWN)
CLANCY ST	\$800,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (6-FT VALLEY GUTTER)
DANIELS ST	\$800,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (6-FT VALLEY GUTTER)
S FOCH ST	\$2,600,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (INVERT CROWN)
S PERSHING ST	\$1,500,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (INVERT CROWN)
MIMS ST	\$1,100,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (INVERT CROWN)
XDS-1	MAINTENANCE	NA	MAINTENANCE – CULVERT CLEANING
XDS-2	MAINTENANCE	NA	MAINTENANCE – CULVERT CLEANING
XDS-7/XDS-8	\$400,000	NA	CONSTRUCT CHANNEL AND CULVERT

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



IMPROVEMENT COSTS (CONSTRUCTION COSTS ONLY)

LOCATION	IMPROVEMENT COST	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION
N BROADWAY/POST ST	\$2,600,000	UNDERGROUND STORAGE AND LIFT STATION TO DETENTION POND
CLANCY ST/DANIELS ST	\$3,800,000	STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS
CLANCY ST/DANIELS ST	\$3,900,000	STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS WITH DETENTION POND
DANIELS ST	\$600,000	ROADWAY DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT
S FOCH ST	\$500,000	STORM DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS
N BROADWAY ST	\$1,900,000	STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS WITH DETENTION POND
N BROADWAY ST	\$3,100,000	STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS WITH WATER TANK

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?



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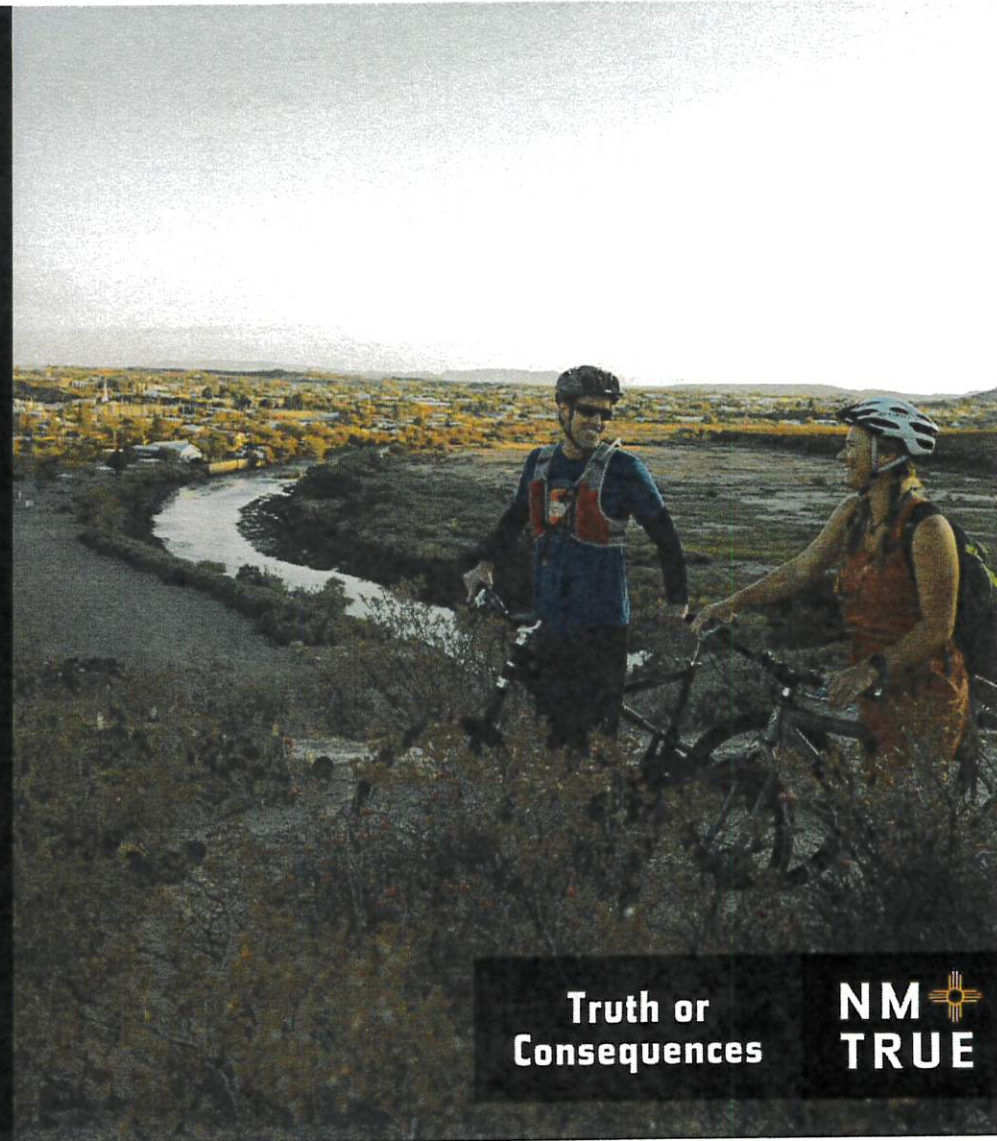
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CITY OF TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES

COMMISSION MEETING

April 9, 2025



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NEW VIDEOS PRODUCED AND ARE RUNNING:

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Truth or Consequences, New Mexico



Vintage Motel

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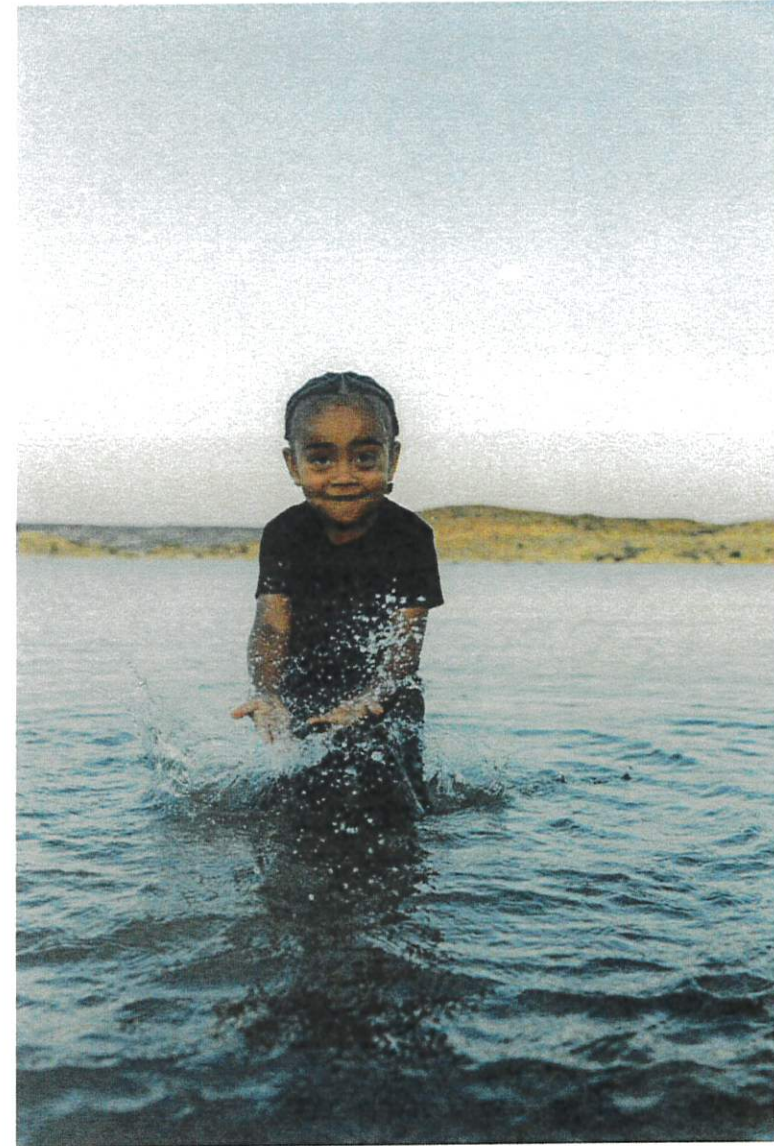
FY25 Highlights

RESULTS

WHAT WE BOUGHT:

\$195,000 with New Mexico True
(our cost was only \$50,000)

- Photo Shoot of hot springs district & downtown
- Managed Search (*Google Ad Words*) – for 6 months
- Facebook Static, Video, Intent to travel ads and remarketing – for 6 months
- Half-Page NM True Adventure Guide
(600,000 copies plus online)



FY25 Highlights

RESULTS

ADDITIONAL ADVERTISING:

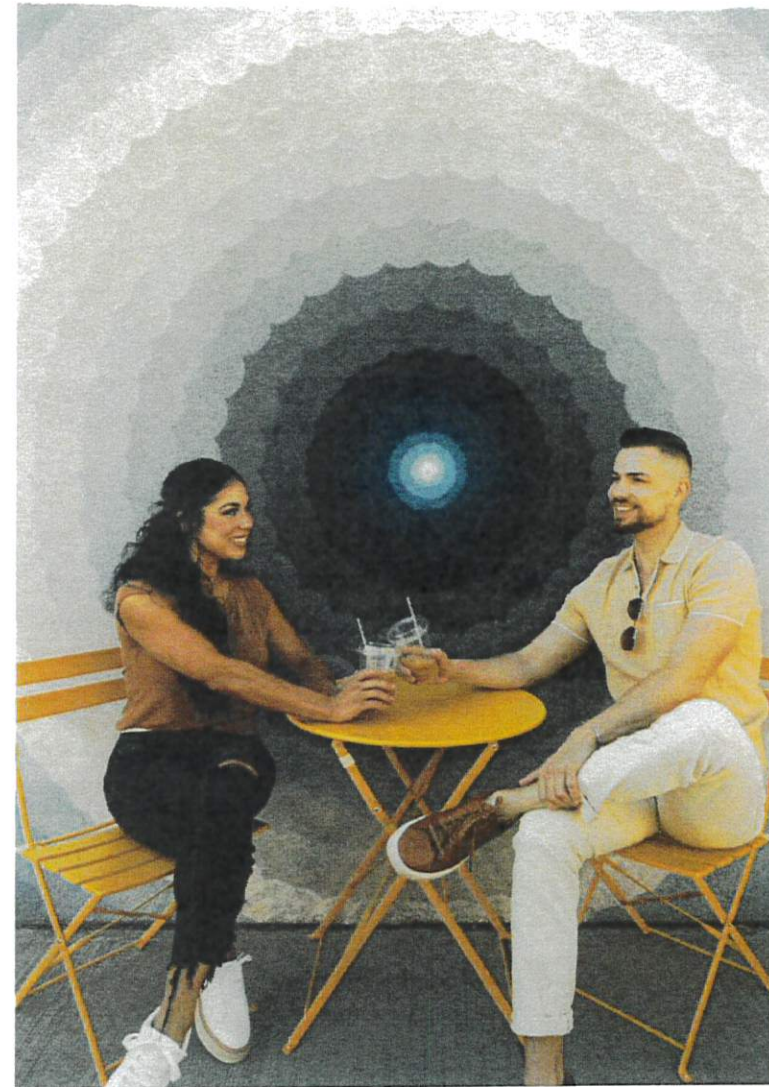
- Connected Streaming TV in Albuquerque and El Paso
- Network TV am news in Albuquerque and El Paso
- Programmatic Digital Media in Albuquerque and El Paso
- Targeted Print ads including New Mexico Magazine Retirement Issue, The Paper Road Trippin' Issue in Albuquerque, Albuquerque Journal summer and winter guides



Proposed Budget for FY26

\$190,269 with New Mexico True (*our cost \$48,423*)

- Managed Search (*Google Ad Words*) – for six months
- Facebook & Instagram Static ads, Facebook & Instagram Video ads, Sponsored Content Ads and YouTube ads – for six months
- New Mexico Travel Intender Ads – for six months
- Full-Page NM True Adventure Guide (*600,000 copies plus online*) – The New Mexico Tourism Department publishes a summer and winter edition
- New Mexico Magazine full-page ad and digital ads on their website – for three months
- 12-week digital billboard campaign in Albuquerque
- 12-week digital billboard campaign in El Paso



Proposed Budget for FY26

Additional Advertising

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| • SUNNY505 time for graphic design, grant management, production | \$12,000 |
| • Connected Streaming TV in Albuquerque & El Paso | \$24,000 |
| • Programmatic Digital in Albuquerque & El Paso | \$25,000 |
| • Albuquerque & El Paso Print Publications | \$13,000 |

Total TorC request:

\$122,423 + NMGRT

If there is additional budget:

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| • Network Television Advertising in Albuquerque & El Paso
promoting the hot springs. | \$25,000 |
| • Network Television Advertising in Albuquerque & El Paso
promoting summer activities. | \$25,000 |

Total with additional budget:

\$172,423 + NMGRT



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Library Department - activity, January 1 through March 31, 2025.

- Truth or Consequences Public Library has approximately 56,593 circulating items in our collection, with an estimated replacement value of \$8,591,630.
- During the first quarter (January through March) of 2025, the total number of people who visited the library was 5,385. We checked out 4,296 books and other library items, issued 144 new library cards, and we added 219 new items to the circulating collection.
- During this quarter, our pre-school Story Time programs, which we hold on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., have welcomed a total of 268 children and adults for crafts and reading.
- Our public computers were used in 841 individual sessions, with an average length of 29.5 minutes per session. While we do not have a system to track the actual number of people who use our wireless network, from observation we believe it is used as much, if not more, than our wired network, which can only be used while the library is open. Our wireless network is available to the public 24/7 -- no password required -- for the use of residents and visitors who have their own devices and/or who need Internet access during the hours the library is not open. It can be reached from anywhere in the library building, most of both parking lots, and from a section of Third Avenue.
- The redesign and reworking of our branch library, now located at 601 Sunset Street, is substantially complete, and we have started to see more people coming in to use it. We are currently working to update and improve our collections. Our focus, at present, is on the children's collection, large print books, and audiobooks. The Branch, like Main, has public computers, with both wired and wireless networks. The computer networks at the Branch are used in the same way as the networks at Main.
- Grants from the New Mexico State Library have been a great deal of help to us in funding the operations of our Library System. Our Annual Report to the State

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City Manager*

April 9, 2025

Dear City Mayor, Pro-Tem, Commissioners, City Manager and Members of the Public,

RE : DEPARTMENT REPORT

- We all recently participated in the Interim Budget Review. I appreciate your time and feedback and moving forward I have taken notes on what would be beneficial for future budget reviews.
- In the few months I have been with the City I have made changes to evaluate the budget to allow it to be more user friendly. It continues to be work in progress for next fiscal year.
- To recap for the Commission the public the Finance Department consists of the following team members.
 1. Jordan Javier, Chief Procurement Officer
 2. Alona Niebergall, Human Resources
 3. Kerin Salcedo, Finance Officer
 4. Mindee Holguin, Payroll Specialist
 5. Silke Kapela, Accounts Payable Specialist
 6. Michael Kozloski, IT Specialist
- We have been working diligently to ensure we follow the requirements for reporting to DFA and LGMBS

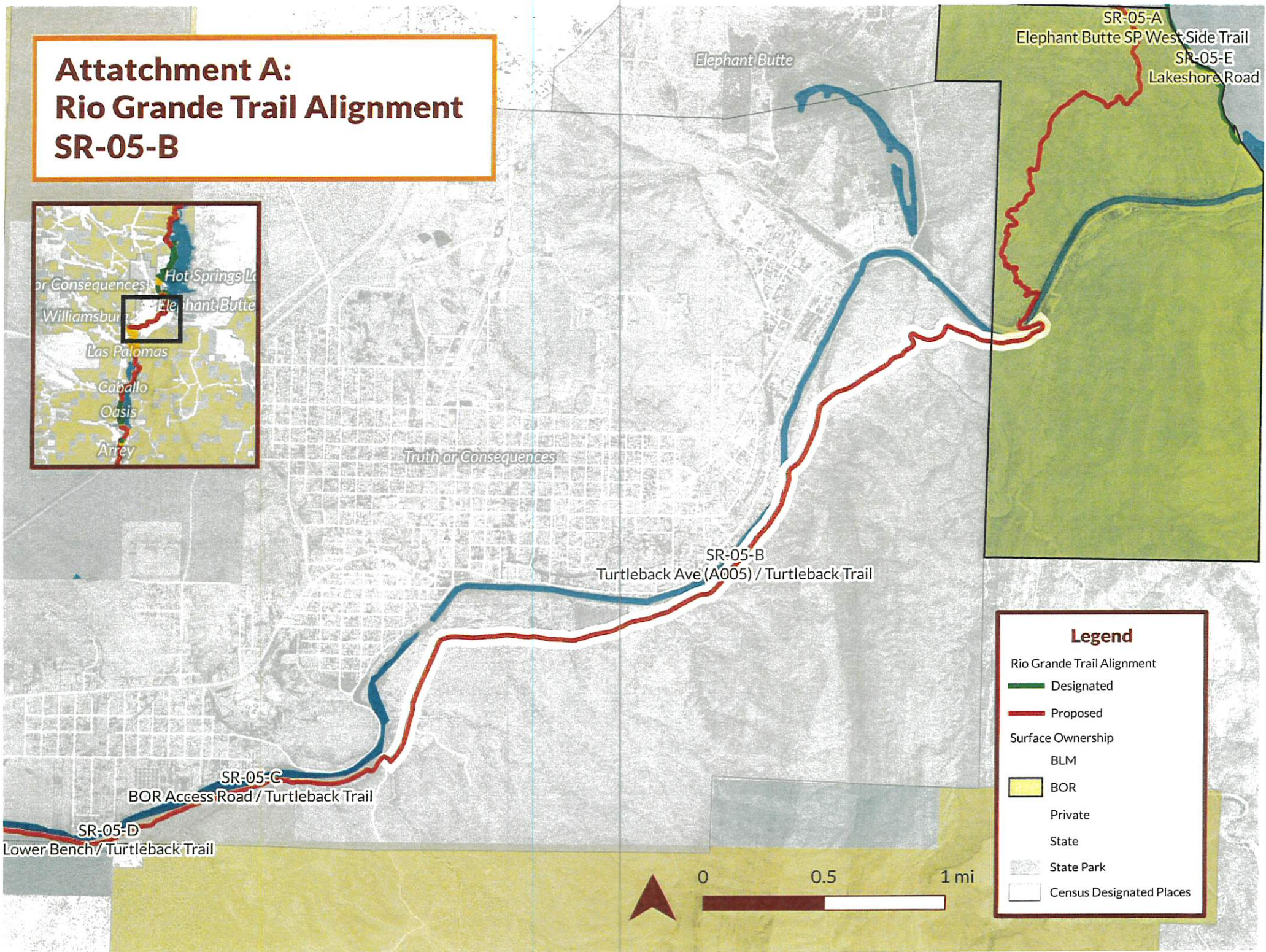
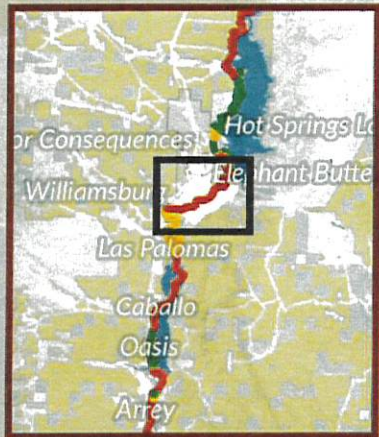
I stand for any questions. Thank you.

Regards,

Jocelyn Holguin,
Finance Director

CC: G. Whitehead, City Manager

Attachment A: Rio Grande Trail Alignment SR-05-B



Truth of Consequence Downtown Master Drainage Plan



Downtown Master Drainage Existing Conditions and Potential Mitigation Commissioner Meeting

April 8th, 2025



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN PURPOSE AND SCOPE



PURPOSE AND SCOPE STATEMENT

The purpose of the Downtown Master Drainage Plan Project is to analyze the two arroyos draining to the downtown area, evaluate existing drainage patterns, evaluate local flooding areas and develop and prioritize potential projects to mitigate flooding concerns to improve safety, and improve drainage infrastructure. This may be accomplished by upgrading existing drainage facilities or constructing new facilities.

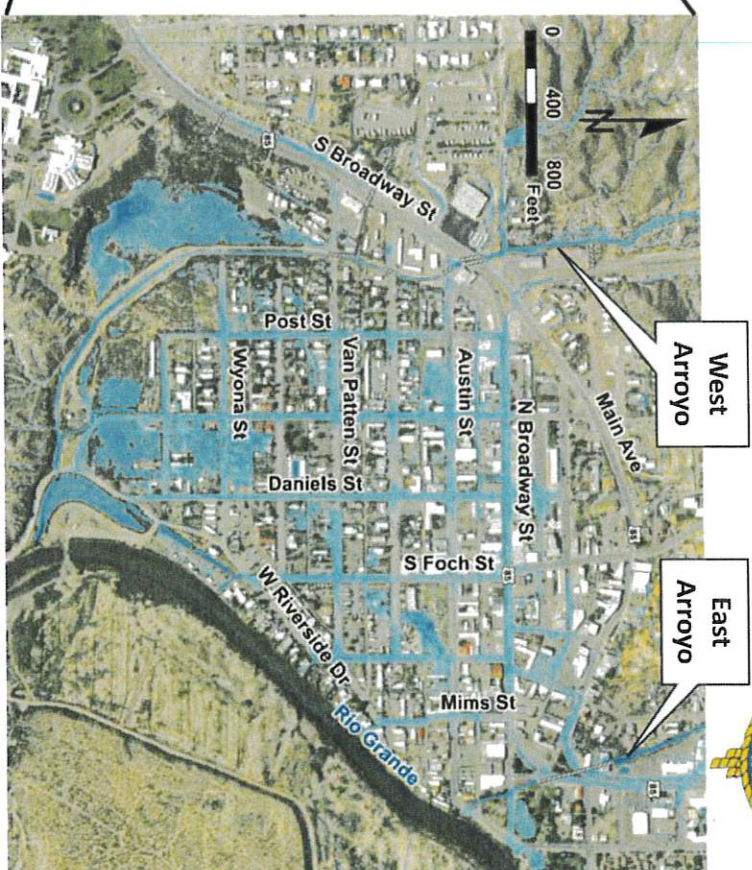
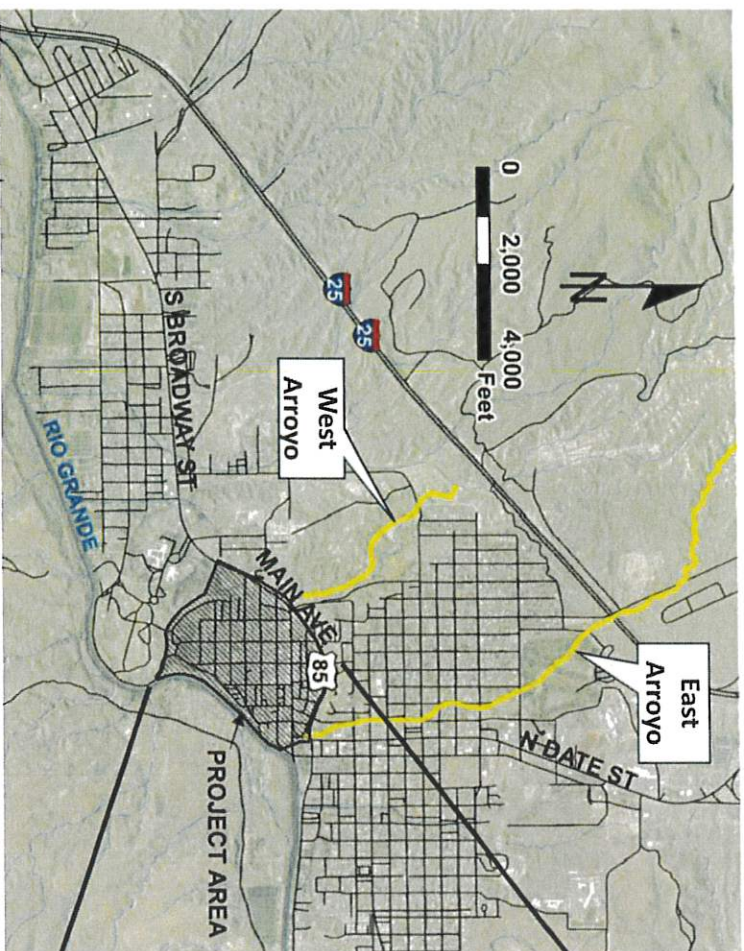
T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN



PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- Project Study Area Extent
- Hydrological Analysis (Existing Conditions)
- Hydraulic Results (Existing Conditions)
 - West Arroyo
 - East Arroyo
 - Downtown Street Drainage
- Project Schedule
- Suggestions of Improvement
 - West Arroyo
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 - Downtown Street Drainage
- Estimated Project Costs
- Questions or Comments

TORC DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN STUDY AREA



Study Area Extents

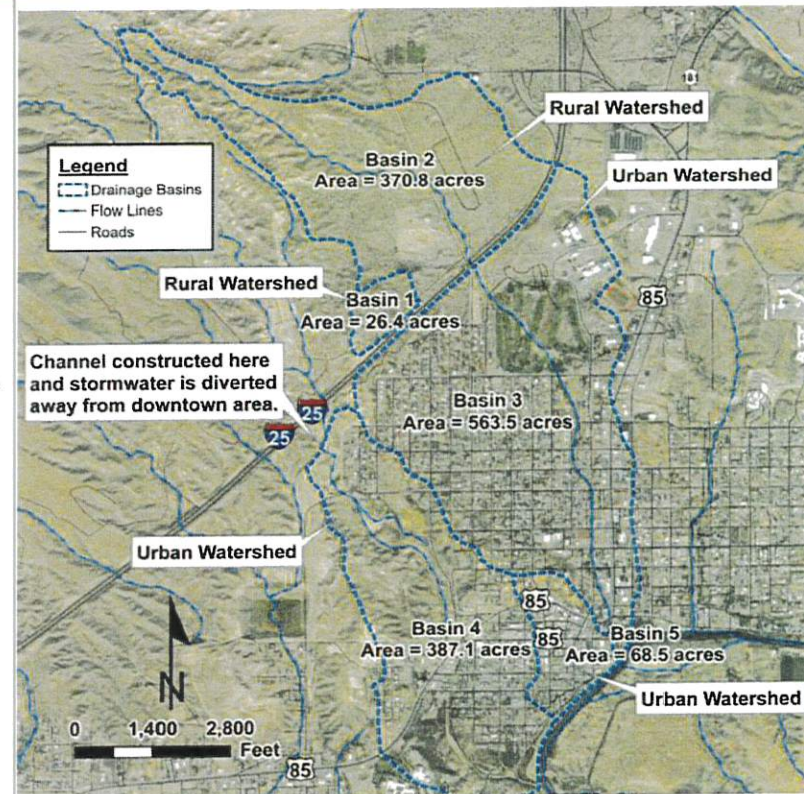
Downtown Section

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



HYDROLOGY EXISTING CONDITIONS

- New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) criteria used to estimate a 1-percent storm event or 100-year storm event peak flows in the T or C area.
- Estimated stormwater flow were modeled to map out flood areas in the T or C area downtown area.
- The results includes 100-year water depths shown with blue shading and blue 1-ft contour lines for the water depths.

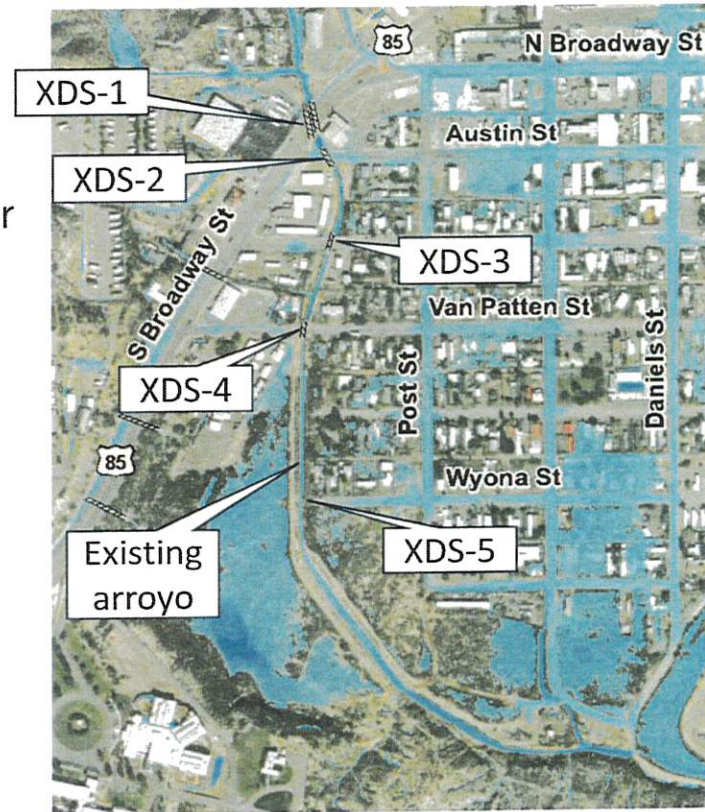
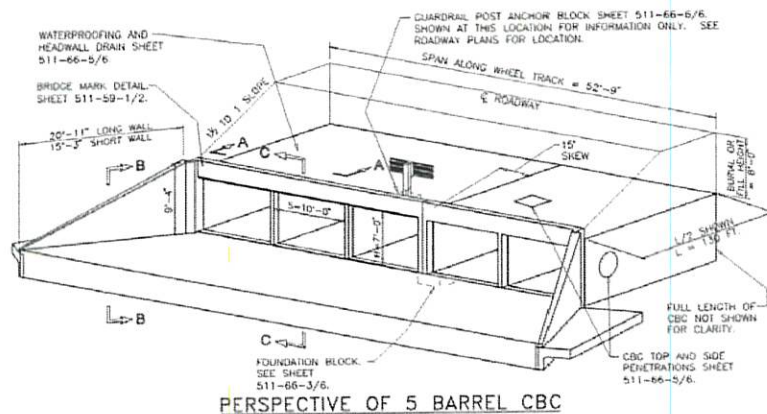


T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN WEST ARROYO EVALUATION



WEST ARROYO EXISTING CONDITIONS

- Series of concrete box culvert (CBC) along the west arroyo identified as XDS-#.
- Culverts are being analyzed for capacity if stormwater overtops roadways in a 100-year storm event.

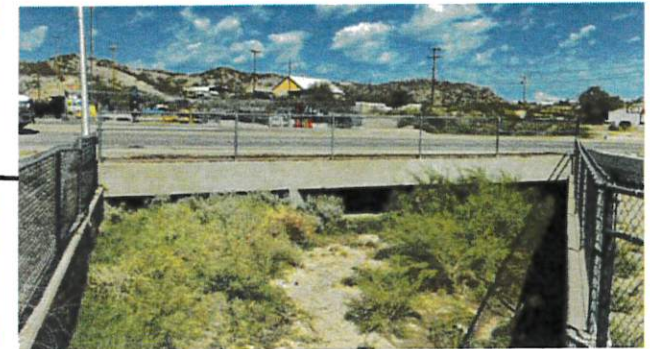


T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN WEST ARROYO EVALUATION



XDS-1 WEST ARROYO EXISTING CONDITIONS

- 3 – 132'L x 13'W x 2'H Concrete Box Culvert (CBC)
- Sediment Buildup
- 3-feet of water depth upstream of CBC
- 4-feet of water depth downstream of CBC
- Culvert under a State Road with no access for maintenance.



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EAST ARROYO EVALUATION



EAST ARROYO

EXISTING CONDITIONS

- 1 concrete box culvert (CBC) along the east arroyo identified as XDS-#.
- 2 roads where stormwater flows over roadway before discharging into Rio Grande. Also identified these areas as XDS-#.

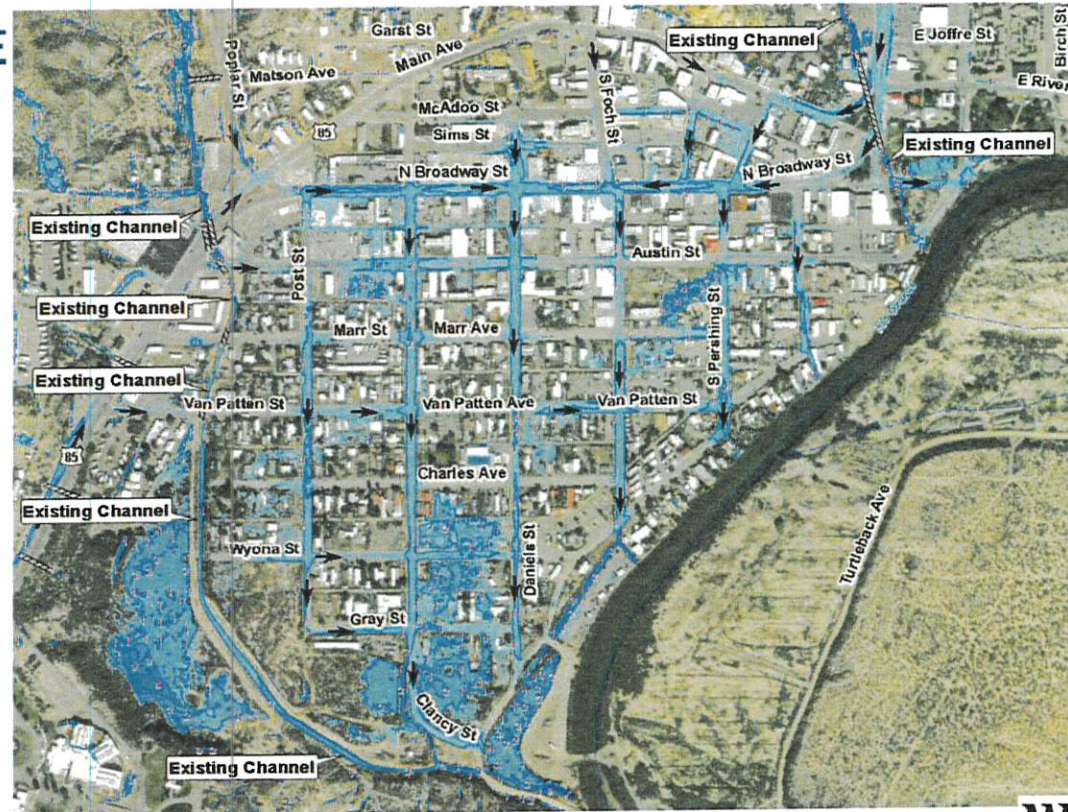


T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN ADDITIONAL EVALUATION OF ROADWAY DRAINAGE



DOWNTOWN STREET DRAINAGE EXISTING CONDITIONS

- Rainfall collects along the downtown area and conveys south in the streets eventually discharging into the Rio Grande.
- The drainage from the east and west arroyos have little impact to downtown flood areas.
- Streets in downtown area have little drainage infrastructure to address flooding.



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN ADDITIONAL EVALUATION OF ROADWAY DRAINAGE



NORTH BROADWAY STREET DRAINAGE EXISTING CONDITIONS

- N Broadway Street gives access to many local businesses while most of the flooding occurs along this roadway.
- The N Broadway St and Post St intersection receives the most perceived flooding here affecting the nearby business reaching water depths up to 1-foot.

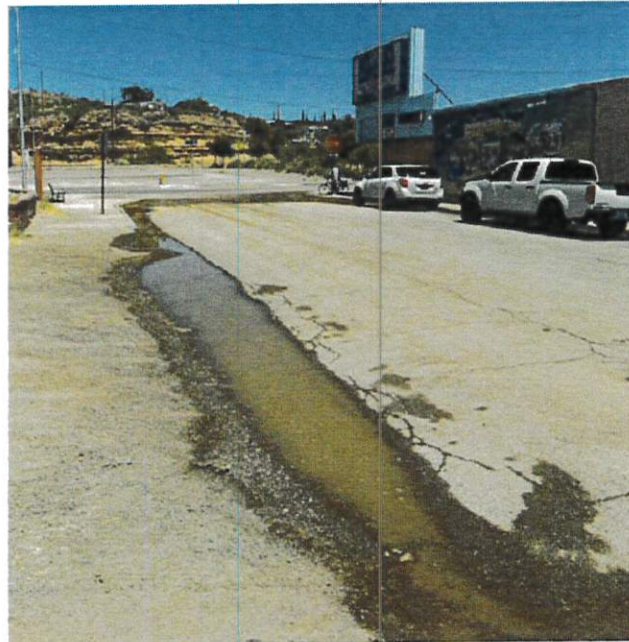


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N BROADWAY ST AND POST ST INTERSECTION EXISTING CONDITIONS

- This area is a low spot in the roadway. Stormwater drains east down N Broadway St.
- Pavement has been recently repaired and patched at this location. Photos shown are before maintenance.



Looking North To Intersection



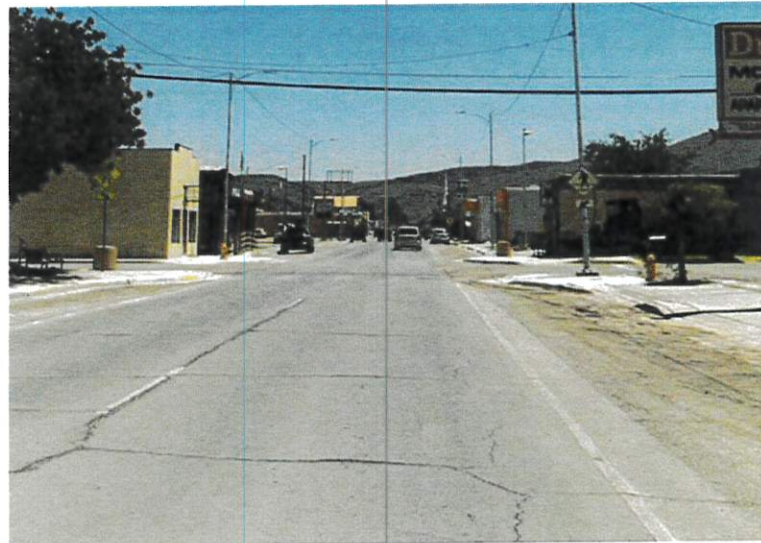
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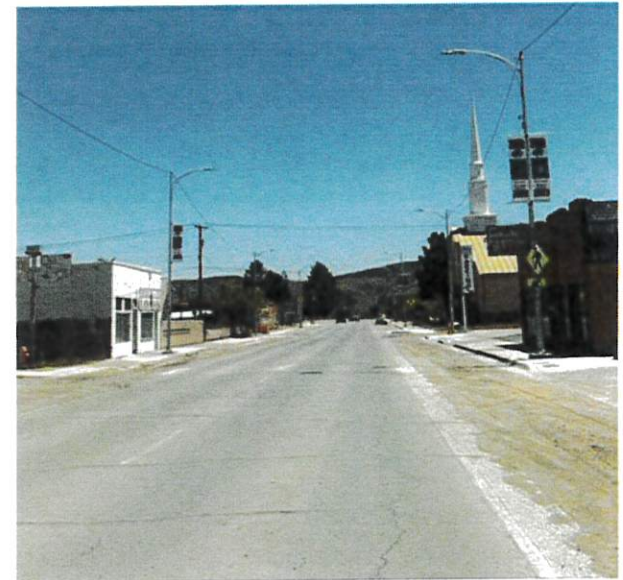


N BROADWAY ST AND EXISTING CONDITIONS

- New Mexico Department of Transportation repaved roadway surface in 2024.



Looking East Down N Broadway St



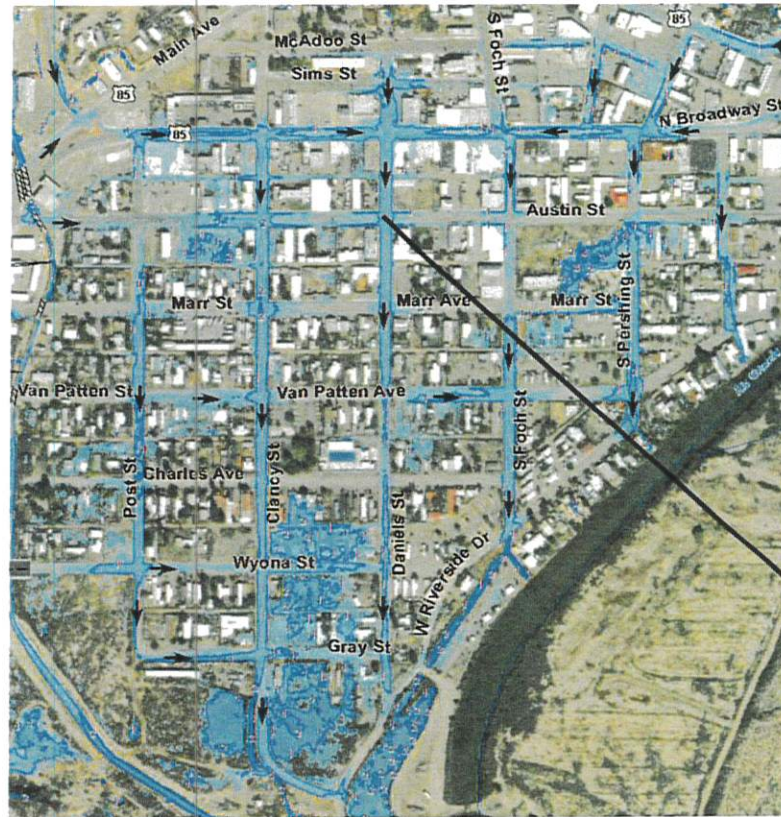
Looking East Down N Broadway St

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN ADDITIONAL EVALUATION OF ROADWAY DRAINAGE



DOWNTOWN EXISTING DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE

- Existing grate inlets along Date St intercepts flow before it drains into Main Avenue.
- Existing grate inlet at intersection of Austin St and Daniels St. The pipe connected to grate inlet was shallow and ran south.



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN ADDITIONAL EVALUATION OF ROADWAY DRAINAGE



EXISTING DRAINAGE AT THE RIO GRANDE

- Stormwater is conveyed as surface runoff down S Pershing St and Mims St from N Broadway St.
- Mims St and S Pershing St surface runoff outfalls into Rio Grande through existing concrete channels.



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN ADDITIONAL EVALUATION OF ROADWAY DRAINAGE



EXISTING DRAINAGE AT THE RIO GRANDE

- Stormwater is conveyed as surface runoff down Post St, Clancy St, Daniels St, and S Foch St from N Broadway St.
- S Foch St surface runoff outfalls into an existing concrete channel that feeds into an existing wetland.
- Clancy St and Daniels St surface runoff outfalls into earthen ditches into Rio Grande.



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN PROJECT SCHEDULE



CURRENT STUDY SCHEDULE

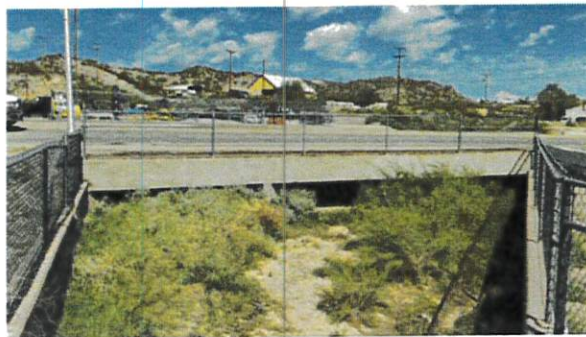
- Existing Conditions Analysis October 11, 2023 **(Complete)**
 - Public Meeting – October 11, 2023
 - Last Day for Public Comments – October 25, 2023
- Final Master Drainage Report Submitted to City – April 14, 2024 **(Complete)**
- Final Master Drainage Report Resubmitted to City – November 22, 2024 **(Complete)**
 - Meeting with City Mayor to Review Master Plan – June 21, 2024
- Meeting with City Manager Meeting – March 3, 2025 **(Complete)**
 - Updated City Manager with Master Plan.
 - City Manager Requested for Information and Information was Provided.
- Master Drainage Report Request For Approval
 - Commissioner Meeting – April 9, 2025
- Begin Preliminary Design – To Be Determined
- Anticipated Construction – To Be Determined

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN WEST ARROYO EVALUATION

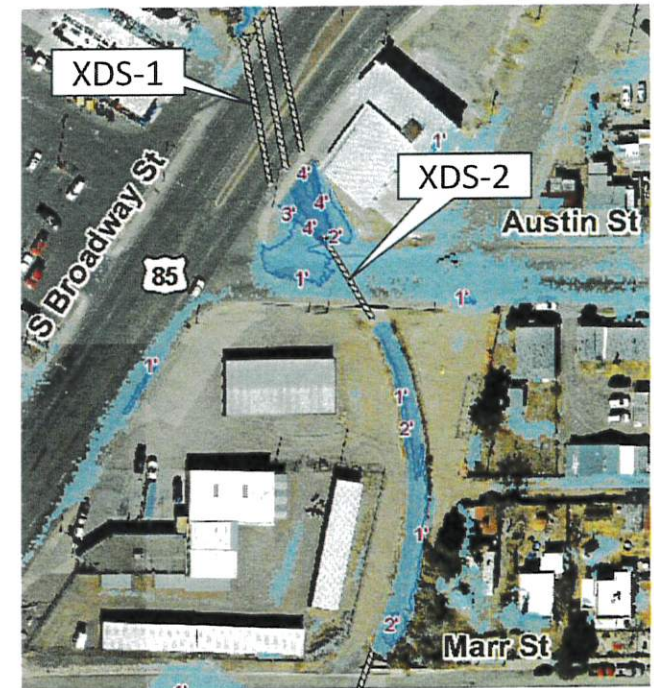


WEST ARROYO SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

- Maintenance
 - Cleaning
- XDS-1 concrete box culvert under S Broadway St/US 85 will require maintenance to remove sediment buildup. NMDOT responsible party for maintenance.
- XDS-2 concrete box culvert has a capacity issue where water is overtopping into roadway. Culvert will also require maintenance due to sediment coming upstream from XDS-1. Clearing out the culvert will increase its capacity.



Downstream of XDS-1



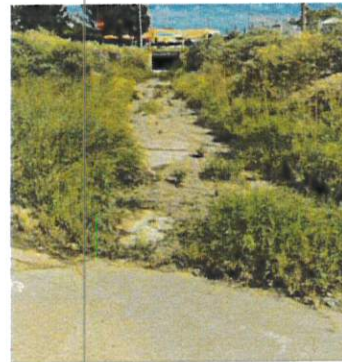
XDS-2 Plan View

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EAST ARROYO SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

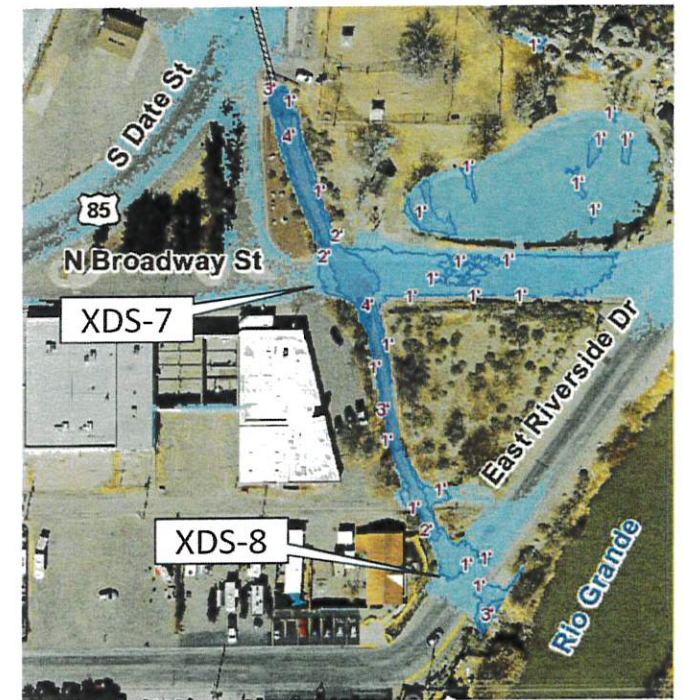
- Storm Drain Improvement
 - Placing of new culverts
- XDS-7 no culvert under N Broadway St. Installation of a culvert under roadway would require grading of ditch. Ditch property not owned by City. Requires land acquisition.
- XDS-8 no culvert under East Riverside Dr. Installation of a culvert under roadway would also require grading of ditch. Ditch property not owned by City. Requires land acquisition.
- Improvements not feasible due to land acquisition.



Upstream of XDS-7



Upstream of XDS-8



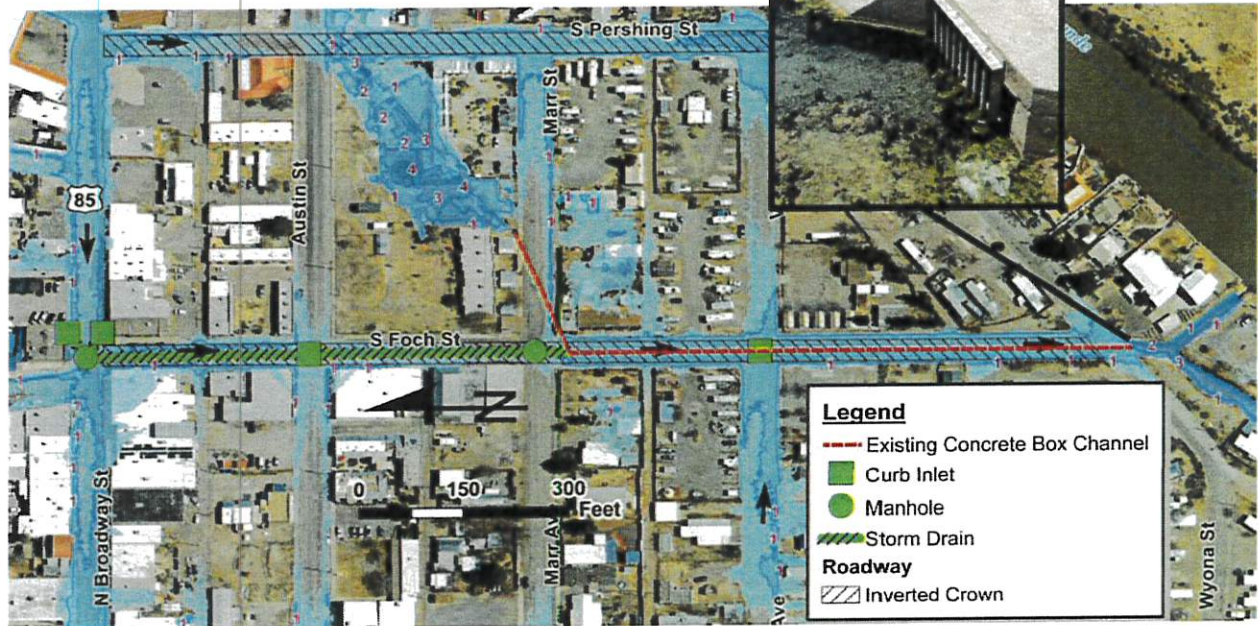
XDS-2 Plan View

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



DOWNTOWN T OR C SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

- Storm Drain Improvements
 - Placement of new drop/curb inlets as required.
 - Placement of new storm drain
- The roadways in the downtown area are very flat, ranging in slopes of 0.2% - 0.8% in the roadways that are conveying stormwater to the Rio Grande (ie. Post St, Clancy St, Daniels St, S Foch St, S Pershing St and Mims St).
- S Foch St has an underground concrete box culvert that drains geothermal water from the museum down to the Rio Grande. It is approximately shown in red.

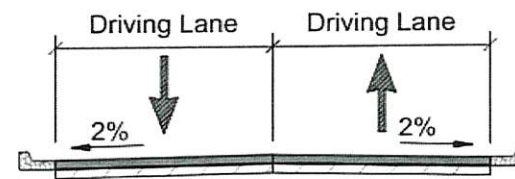


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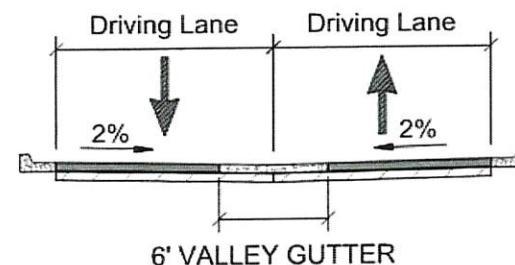


DOWNTOWN T OR C SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

- Drainage Improvements
 - Invert roadway crowns
 - Alter grading at intersection to drain N Broadway south.
- Invert crowns on Post St, S Foch St, S Pershing St, Mims St.
- A 6-ft valley gutter may also be required to improve water conveyance at inverted crowns.
- Clancy St and Daniels St are already inverted and can be improved by installing a 6-ft valley gutter to improve water conveyance.



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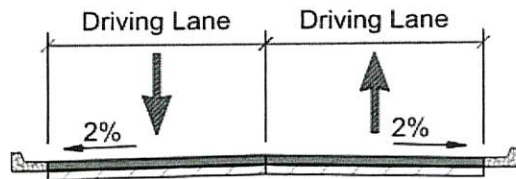


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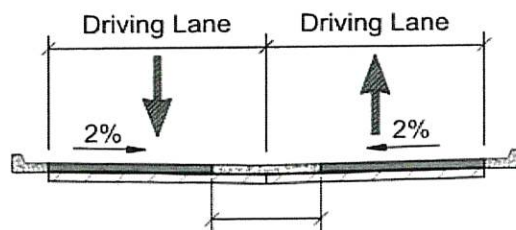
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DOWNTOWN T OR C SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

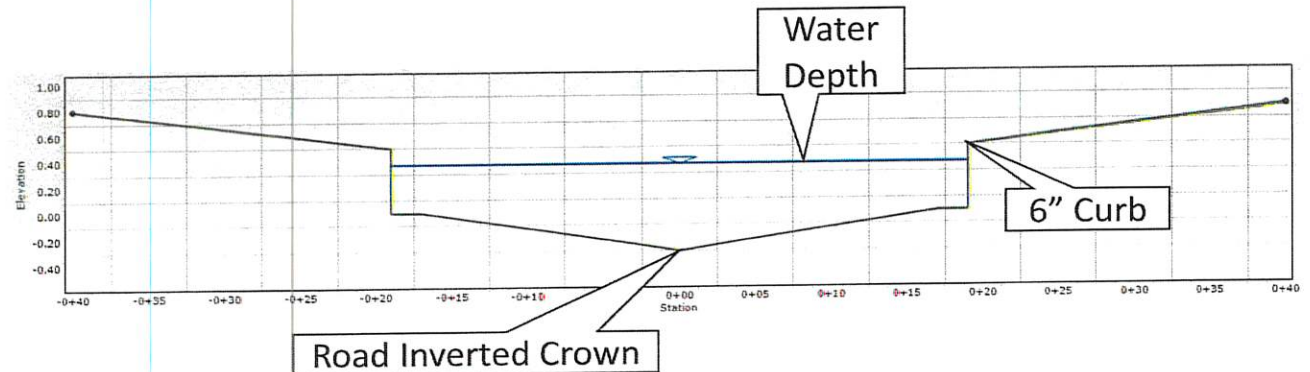
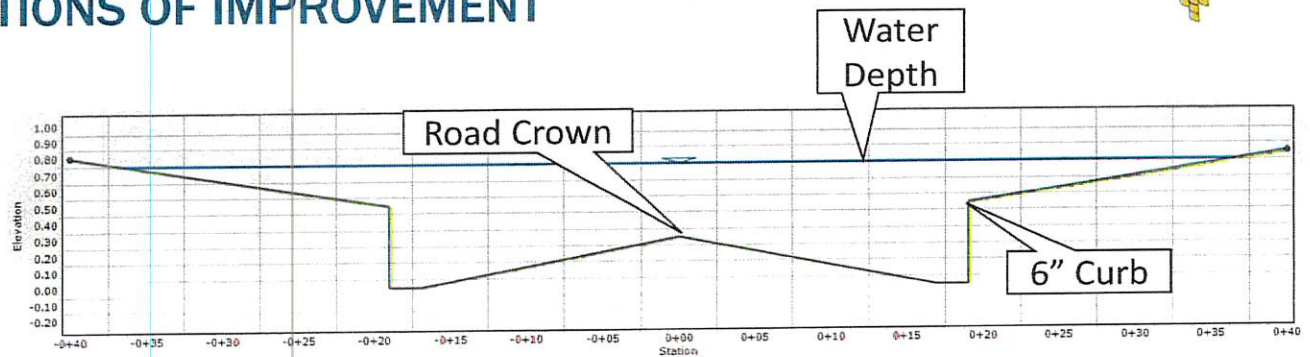


EXISTING TYPICAL ROAD SECTION



6' VALLEY GUTTER

PROPOSED TYPICAL ROAD SECTION



T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



DOWNTOWN T OR C SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

- Drainage Improvements
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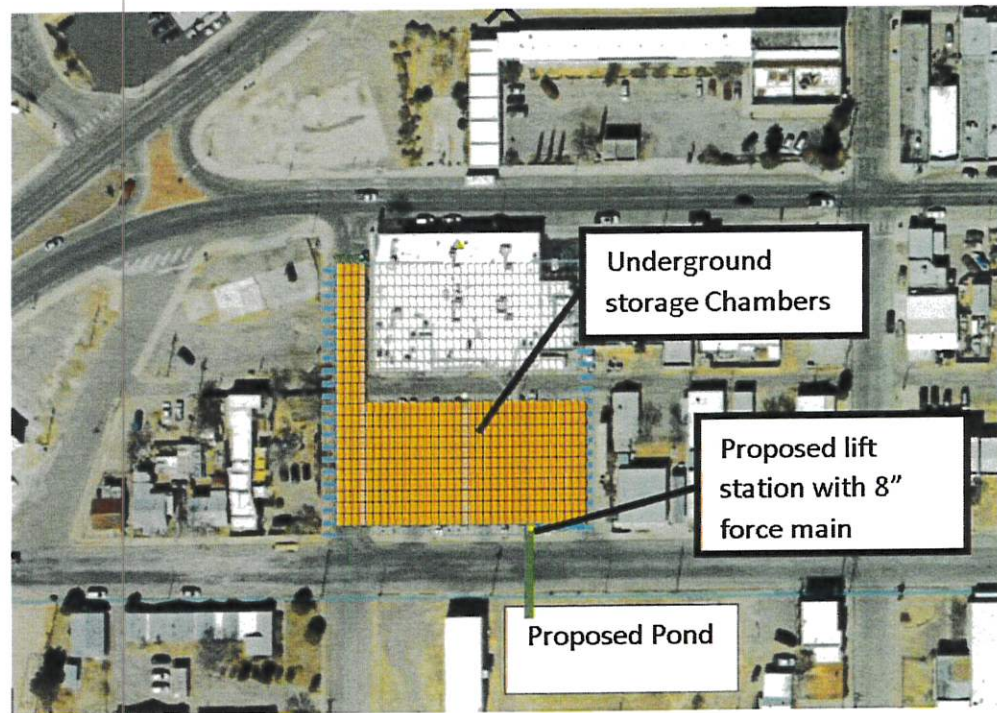


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DOWNTOWN T OR C SUGGESTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

- N Broadway St/Post St Storm Drain Improvements
 - Placement of new drop/curb inlets as required.
 - Placement of underground storage chamber
- Footprint shown in yellow will collect most flood waters at N Broadway St/Post St Intersection.
- In case underground storage fills up during a heavy storm, a lift station can be placed on the downstream end of the underground chambers which would then pump to a surface detention pond.



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- N Broadway St/Post St Storm Drain Improvements
 - Underground storage allows collected water to infiltrate into surrounding ground.
 - Existing groundwater depth measured in January at 3.25 feet.
 - Option would need to measure the groundwater depth during the monsoon season.
 - Chambers have a total depth of 3.5 feet.
- N Broadway St/Post St Intersection experiences 1 acre-feet of stormwater. The storm drain improvements offer 1.05 acre-feet of storage..



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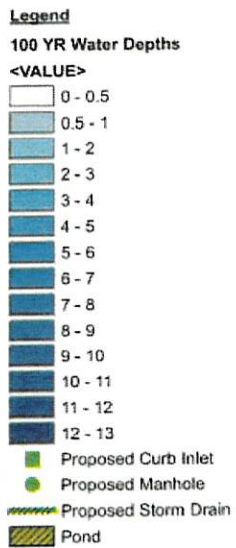
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CLANCY ST AND DANIELS ST STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS

- Storm Drain Improvements
 - Installing 30-inch equivalent arch pipe down Clancy St and Daniels St out falling to the Rio Grande.
 - Pipe capacity is approximately 9 cfs.

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CLANCY ST AND DANIELS ST STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS WITH DETENTION POND

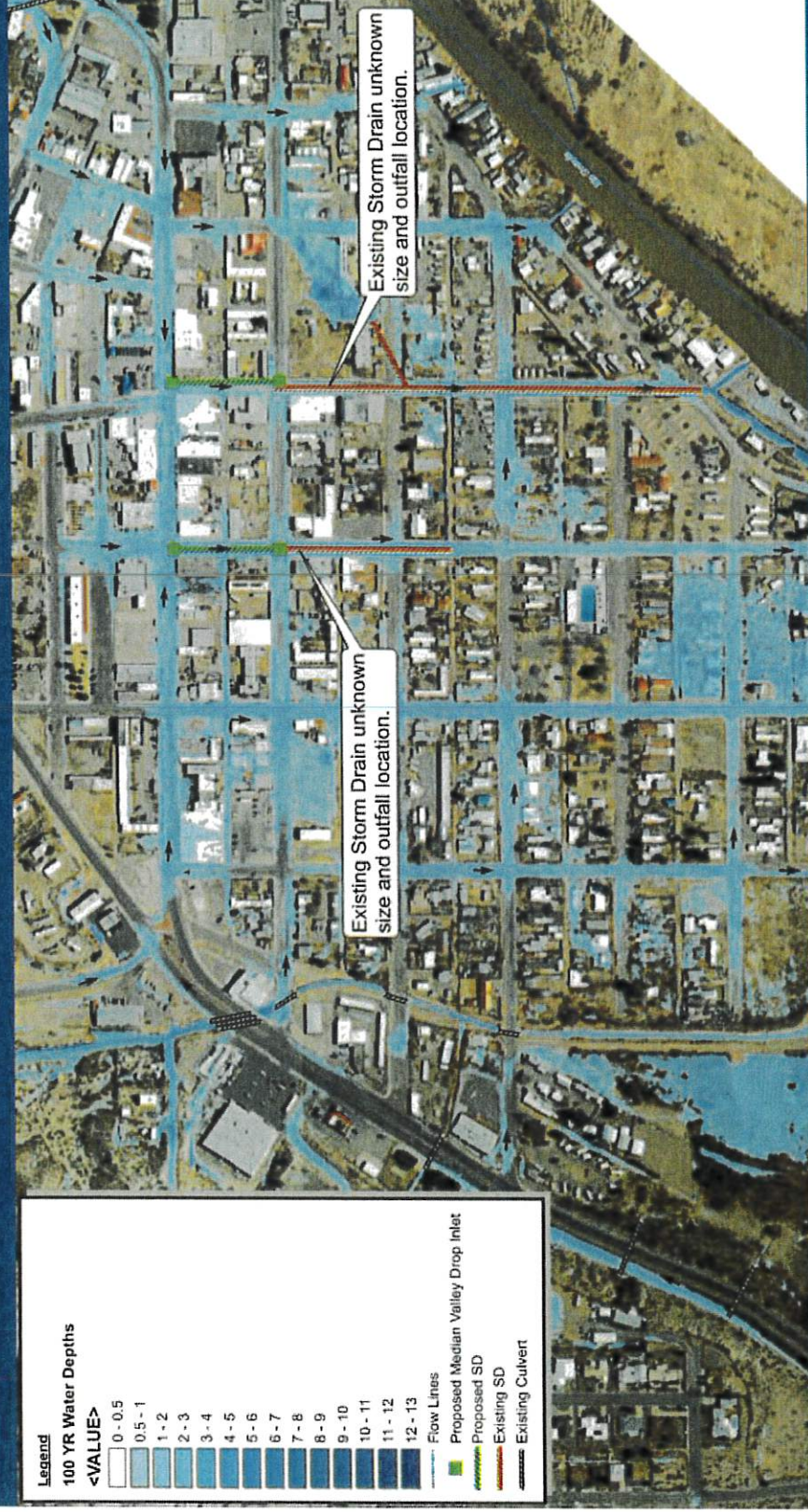
- Storm Drain Improvements
 - Installing 48-inch equivalent arch pipe Clancy St and Daniels St. to convey stormwater to a proposed surface pond.
 - The two pipes will have a combined capacity of 94 cfs which is approximately 25% of the surface flow in Clancy St and Daniels St.
- Detention Pond
 - Surface pond 3.5 feet deep including 2 feet of freeboard providing 4.2 acre-feet of storage.
 - Pond volume is 20% of total volume flowing down Clancy St and Daniels St.

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DANIELS ST
ROADWAY
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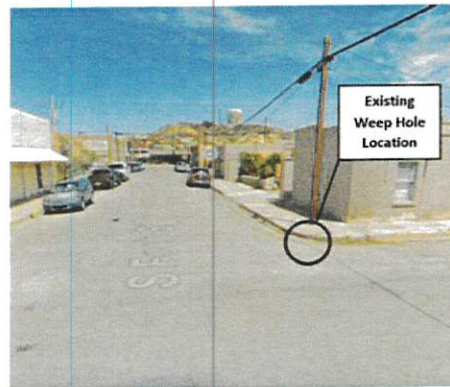


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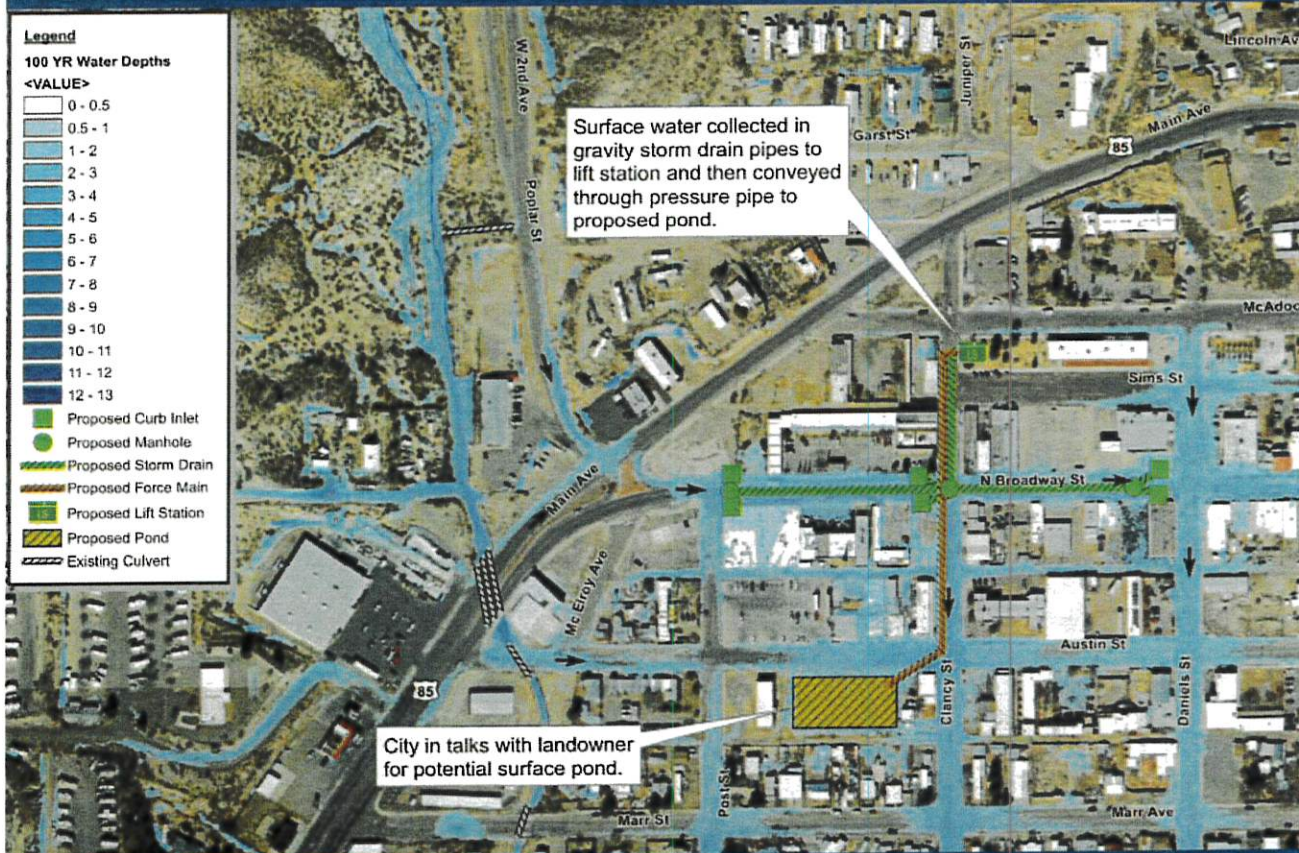


DANIELS ST AND S FOCH ST STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS

- Daniels St Storm Drain Improvements
 - Run slotted drainpipe in middle of road tying it to existing grate inlet at Daniels St/Austin St intersection.
 - Allows installation at shallow depths.
- S Foch St Storm Drain Improvements
 - Run slotted drainpipe in curb of road tying it to existing weep hole where this will be replaced with a new grate inlet.



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N BROADWAY ST IMPROVEMENTS WITH DETENTION POND OR WATER TANK

- Storm Drain Improvements
 - Installing 24-inch concrete storm drains in N Broadway to convey to a proposed lift station near McAdoo St/Clancy St.
- Detention Pond
 - Receives stormwater from lift station.
 - Surface pond 4 feet deep including 2 feet of freeboard providing 0.91 acre-feet of storage.

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



IMPROVEMENT COSTS (CONSTRUCTION COSTS ONLY)

LOCATION	RECONSTRUCT ENTIRE ROAD	RECONSTRUCT ROAD TO AUSTIN ST	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION
POST ST	\$1,900,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (INVERT CROWN)
CLANCY ST	\$800,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (6-FT VALLEY GUTTER)
DANIELS ST	\$800,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (6-FT VALLEY GUTTER)
S FOCH ST	\$2,600,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (INVERT CROWN)
S PERSHING ST	\$1,500,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (INVERT CROWN)
MIMS ST	\$1,100,000	\$500,000	ROAD/DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT (INVERT CROWN)
XDS-1	MAINTENANCE	NA	MAINTENANCE – CULVERT CLEANING
XDS-2	MAINTENANCE	NA	MAINTENANCE – CULVERT CLEANING
XDS-7/XDS-8	\$400,000	NA	CONSTRUCT CHANNEL AND CULVERT

T OR C DOWNTOWN MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN EVALUATION



IMPROVEMENT COSTS (CONSTRUCTION COSTS ONLY)

LOCATION	IMPROVEMENT COST	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION
N BROADWAY/POST ST	\$2,600,000	UNDERGROUND STORAGE AND LIFT STATION TO DETENTION POND
CLANCY ST/DANIELS ST	\$3,800,000	STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS
CLANCY ST/DANIELS ST	\$3,900,000	STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS WITH DETENTION POND
DANIELS ST	\$600,000	ROADWAY DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT
S FOCH ST	\$500,000	STORM DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS
N BROADWAY ST	\$1,900,000	STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS WITH DETENTION POND
N BROADWAY ST	\$3,100,000	STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS WITH WATER TANK

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?



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RESOLUTION NO. 37 24/25

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING FINAL BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS IN THE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025.

WHEREAS, the final budget for was approved by the City Commission of the City of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, pursuant to Chapter 6, Article 76 NMSA 1978; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission in and for the City of Truth or Consequences, State of New Mexico needs to adjust the current approved budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025; and

WHEREAS, said budget was adjusted on the basis of need and through cooperation with all user departments, elected officials and other department supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the official meeting for the review of said documents was duly advertised in compliance with the State Open Meetings act; and

WHEREAS, it is the majority opinion of this Board that the adjusted budget meets the requirements as currently determined.

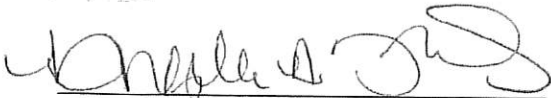
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Truth or Consequences, State of New Mexico hereby adopts the budget adjustment hereinabove described and attached and respectfully requests approval from the Local Government Division of the Department of Finance and Administration.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this 9th day of April, 2025.



Rolf Hechler, Mayor





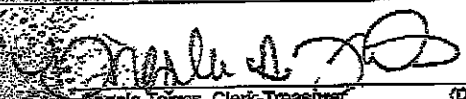
Angela A. Torres, City Clerk-Treasurer

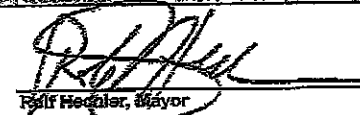
Department of Finance and Administration
Local Government Division
Financial Management Bureau
SCHEDULE OF BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

For Local Government Division use only:

ENTITY NAME: City of Truth or Consequences
FISCAL YEAR: 2024-25 4/9/2025
DFA Resolution Number: 37 24/25
BAR NUMBER: 12

DOCUMENT NUMBER	FUND	ACCOUNT STRING	ACCOUNT NAME	REVENUE / EXPENDITURE OR TRANSFER TO/DEBIT	APPROVED BUDGET	ADJUSTMENT / INCREASE	ADJUSTED BUDGET	PURPOSE
1	509	WF-GGRT	509-4403-30420	Revenue	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	Cover Budget Shortfalls
1	509	WF-Hanger Rentals	509-4403-34348	Revenue	\$ -	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	Cover Budget Shortfalls
1	509	T Hanger Rent	509-4403-34411	Revenue	\$ -	\$ 10,600	\$ 10,600	Cover Budget Shortfalls
1	509	WF-Aviation Fuel Sales	509-4403-34414	Revenue	\$ -	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000	Cover Budget Shortfalls
1	509	WF-Jet Fuel Sales	509-4403-34415	Revenue	\$ -	\$ 160,000	\$ 160,000	Cover Budget Shortfalls
1	509	WF-Cali Outs/MISC	509-4403-37361	Revenue	\$ -	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	Cover Budget Shortfalls
1	509	Jet Fuel Sales	509-4403-34318	Expense	\$ -	\$ 145,000	\$ 145,000	Cover Budget Shortfalls
1	509	AV Gas Sales	509-4403-34319	Expense	\$ -	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000	Cover Budget Shortfalls
1	509	WF-CC Discount Expense	509-4403-37320	Expense	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	Cover Budget Shortfalls
1	509	Unemployment Insurance	509-4403-41235	Expense	\$ -	\$ 831	\$ 831	Cover Budget Shortfalls
1	509	Rent of Equipment	509-4403-43465	Expense	\$ 1,035.00	\$ 14,520	\$ 15,555	Cover Budget Shortfalls
1	509	Utilities	509-4403-43780	Expense	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 2,500	\$ 14,500	Cover Budget Shortfalls
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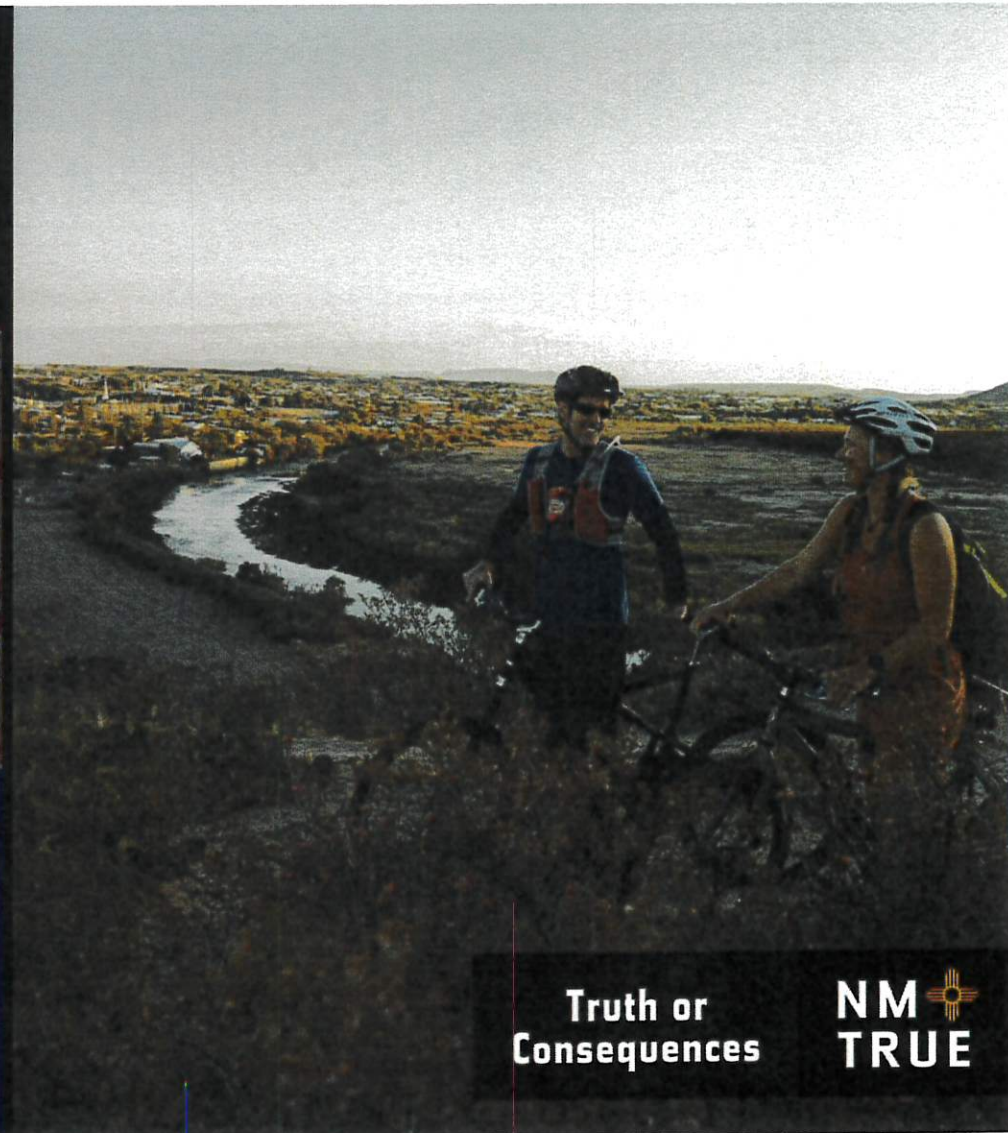
APPROVED:  4/9/25
Rodela Torres, Clerk-Treasurer (Date)

 4/9/25
Ralf Hegeler, Mayor (Date)

CITY OF TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES

COMMISSION MEETING

April 9, 2025



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FY25 Highlights

NEW VIDEOS PRODUCED AND ARE RUNNING:

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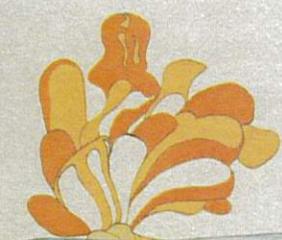
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THE CHARLES HOT SPRINGS

Truth or Consequences, New Mexico



Vintage Motel

Hot Springs

Gift Shop



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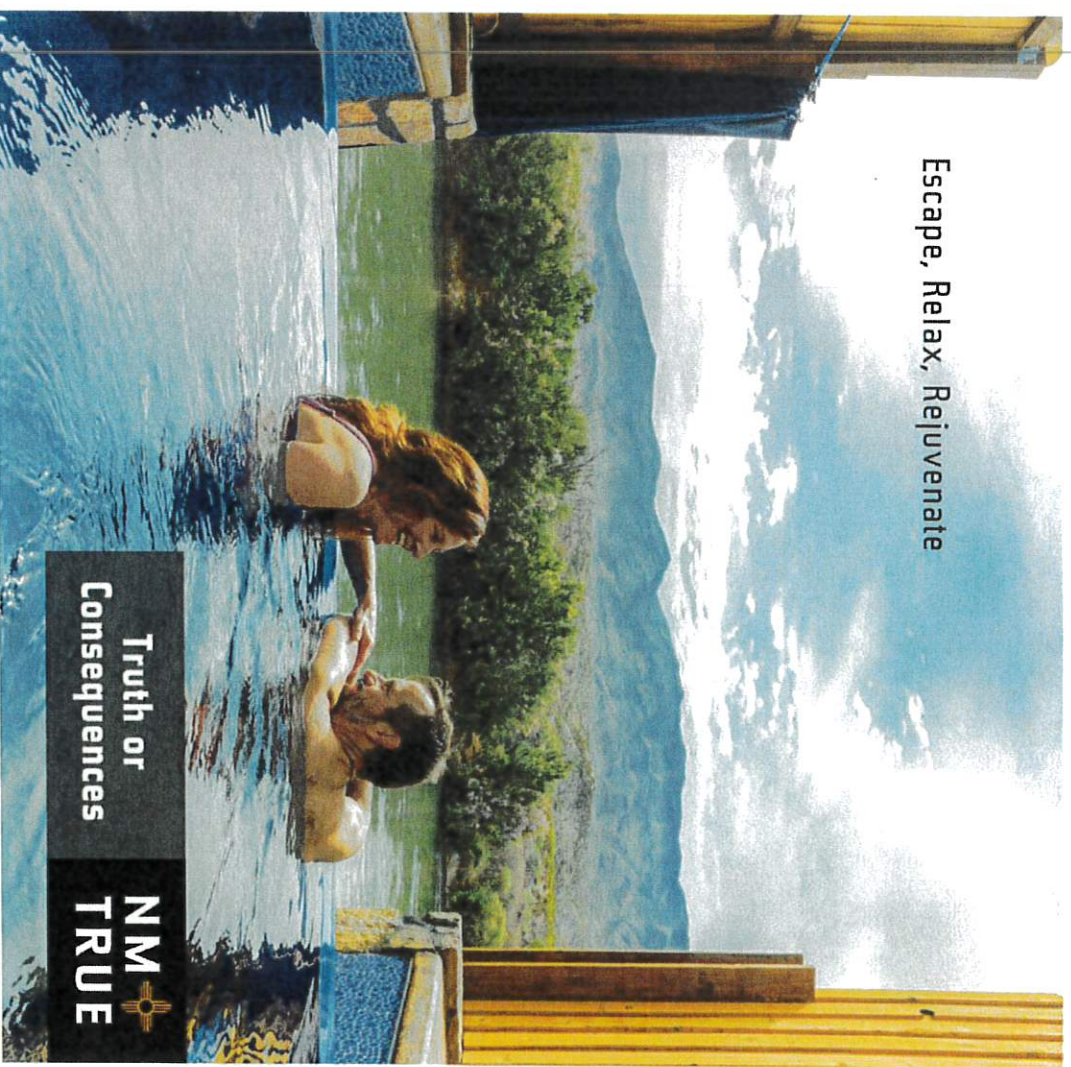
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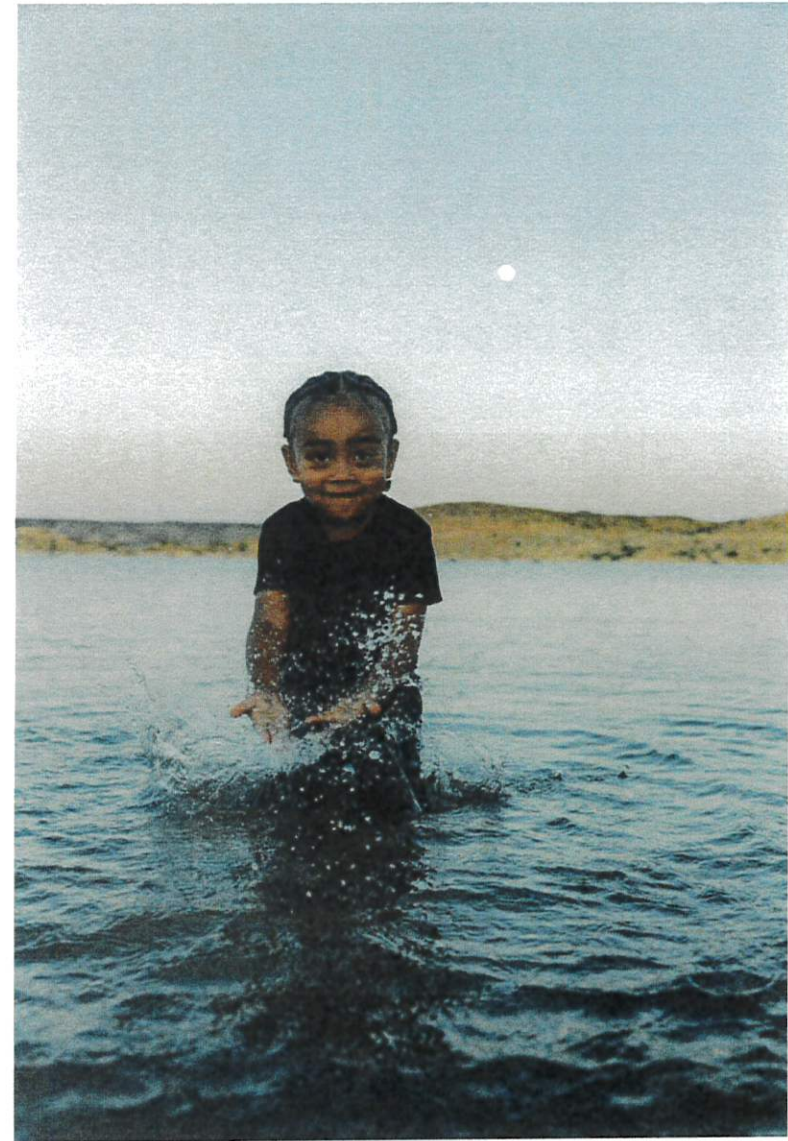
RESULTS

WHAT WE BOUGHT:

\$195,000 with New Mexico True

(our cost was only \$50,000)

- Photo Shoot of hot springs district & downtown
- Managed Search (*Google Ad Words*) – for 6 months
- Facebook Static, Video, Intent to travel ads and remarketing – for 6 months
- Half-Page NM True Adventure Guide
(600,000 copies plus online)

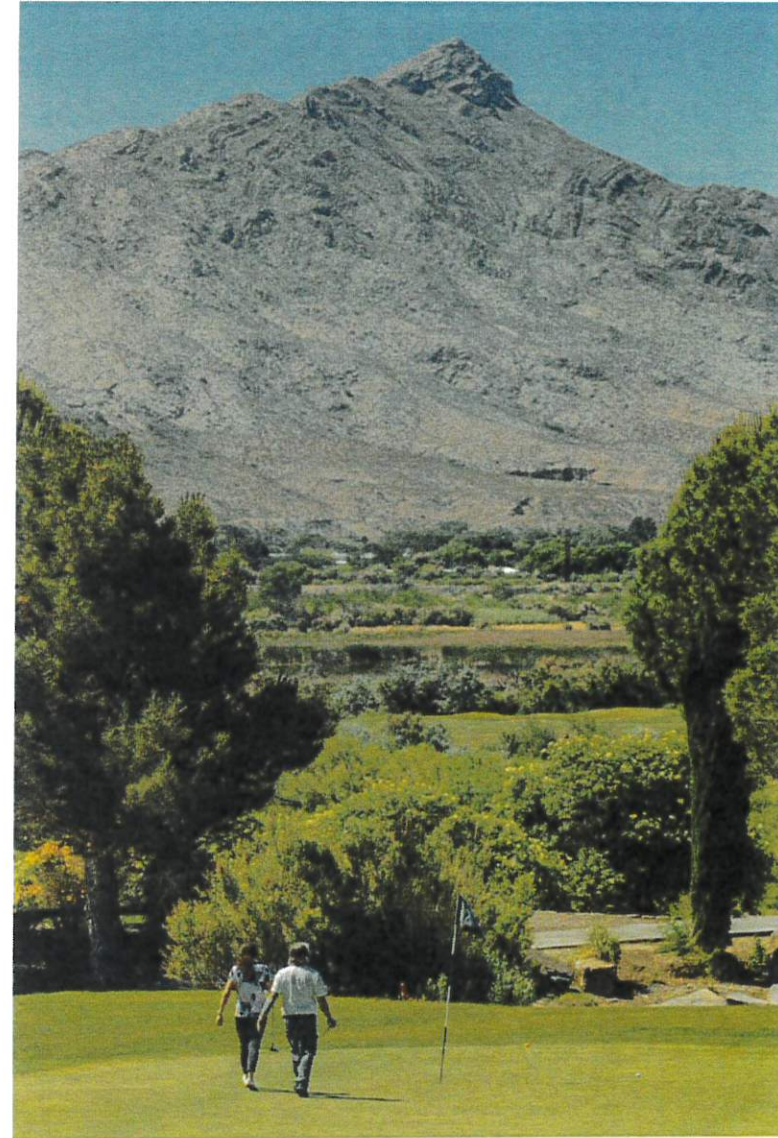


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ADDITIONAL ADVERTISING:

- Connected Streaming TV in Albuquerque and El Paso
- Network TV am news in Albuquerque and El Paso
- Programmatic Digital Media in Albuquerque and El Paso
- Targeted Print ads including New Mexico Magazine Retirement Issue, The Paper Road Trippin' Issue in Albuquerque, Albuquerque Journal summer and winter guides



Proposed Budget for FY26

\$190,269 with New Mexico True (*our cost \$48,423*)

- Managed Search (*Google Ad Words*) – for six months
- Facebook & Instagram Static ads, Facebook & Instagram Video ads, Sponsored Content Ads and YouTube ads – for six months
- New Mexico Travel Intender Ads – for six months
- Full-Page NM True Adventure Guide (*600,000 copies plus online*) – The New Mexico Tourism Department publishes a summer and winter edition
- New Mexico Magazine full-page ad and digital ads on their website – for three months
- 12-week digital billboard campaign in Albuquerque
- 12-week digital billboard campaign in El Paso



Proposed Budget for FY26

Additional Advertising

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| • SUNNY505 time for graphic design, grant management, production | \$12,000 |
| • Connected Streaming TV in Albuquerque & El Paso | \$24,000 |
| • Programmatic Digital in Albuquerque & El Paso | \$25,000 |
| • Albuquerque & El Paso Print Publications | \$13,000 |

Total TorC request:

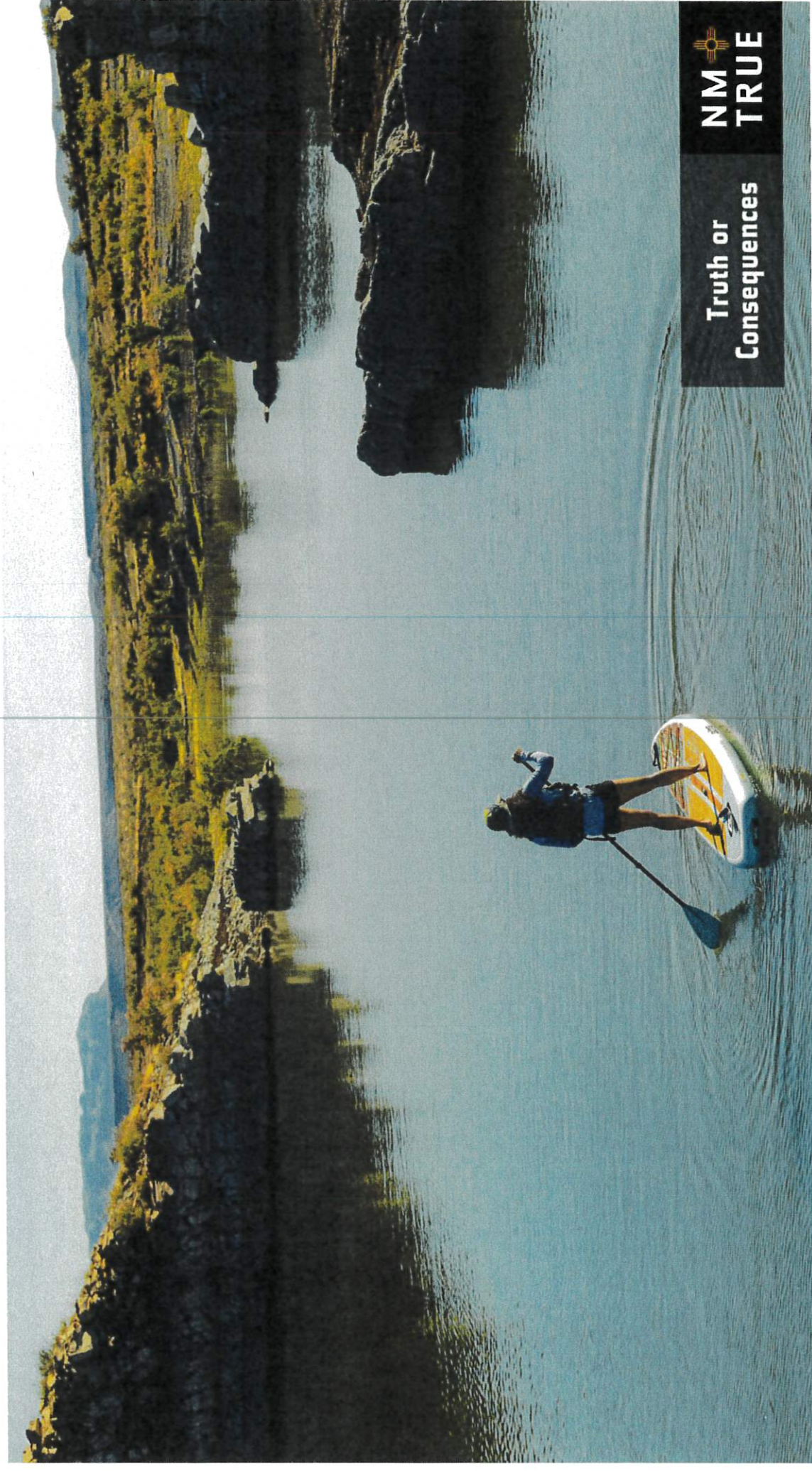
\$122,423 + NMGRT

If there is additional budget:

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| • Network Television Advertising in Albuquerque & El Paso promoting the hot springs. | \$25,000 |
| • Network Television Advertising in Albuquerque & El Paso promoting summer activities. | \$25,000 |

Total with additional budget:

\$172,423 + NMGRT



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