

CITY CONNECT

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Foch Street Will Remain a Two-Way Street

Foch Street will continue to operate as a two-way street. While some concerns have been raised about the curb extension that juts into the roadway, administration has confirmed that the design maintains 21 feet from curb to curb, well within required standards for safe two-way traffic. The curb feature is intentional, as it helps slow vehicles during turns and supports safer maneuvering near the diagonal parking spaces. This design balances traffic flow with pedestrian safety and parking needs in the area. View more info at torcnm.gov/foch and torcmainstreet.org/fochstreetgreatblocks

Don't Cross the Line at Construction Zones

Recently, we observed an individual attempting to move a traffic barrel, which snapped back and caused him to lose his balance; when he tried to bypass the area, he became tangled in temporary fencing and nearly fell into a trench. Incidents like this show why barricades must stay in place—they prevent falls, protect pedestrians from heavy equipment and excavations, and allow crews to work safely. Unauthorized entry into construction areas is also illegal under New Mexico law (§66-7-303.1 and §66-8-7 NMSA 1978), and as the Foch Street project enters a heavy-equipment phase, contractors will add more fencing and barriers with increased police presence to support enforcement. Public cooperation is essential to prevent injuries and avoid delays.

MainStreet and City Kick Off Levitt AMP Concert Planning

On Monday, February 23, City Administration met with MainStreet Truth or Consequences at Ralph Edwards Park to review layout plans for this fall's upcoming Levitt AMP Music Concert Series. The group discussed several key components of the event, including ADA accessibility, parking flow, shuttle routes, food truck and vendor placement, and sound considerations. Even the angle of the sun throughout the day was evaluated to help determine the most comfortable and practical orientation for the audience and stage. With a stage location now selected, planners have just a few months to refine the details before the music begins. Stay tuned for more updates by MainStreet!

City Releases Updated Grid Study to Guide Improvements

The City has released an updated electrical grid study outlining system strengths, infrastructure vulnerabilities, and plans for pursuing major federal grant funding to improve reliability. The report highlights critical needs, including the addition of a second substation transformer, and explains how community input will shape upcoming projects. Read the full story, view the presentations and see what this means for T or C's future by visiting: torcnm.gov/news_detail_T12_R130.php



SMART TIP - Spring projects are underway—plan a little extra time for detours and help keep work zones safe.

OUR CITY WORKS STATS FOR FEBRUARY

ELECTRIC

- 6 electric poles replaced
- 5 new services
- 7 Set transformer at Love's and ran underground primary wire

WATER SERVICES

- 10 Leaks Repaired
- 13 Active Leaks
- 0 Lines Replaced

Gallons:

- Reuse water produced 18,187,000
- Reuse water sold 1,409,000
- Reuse water to golf course 1,209,870
- Reuse water to ball fields 131,300
- Reuse water to river 16,778,000

POLICE

- 989 calls for service
- 174 traffic stops
- 151 citations
- 28 arrests

ORDINANCE No. 771

Proposed Ordinance No. 771 was passed at the February 25th City Commission meeting. This approval changes the previous Animal Ordinance, Chapter 3, of the Municipal Code. More information can be found at <https://torcnm.gov/chapter3>





Federal Funding Secured for Clancy Lift Station Upgrade

The City of Truth or Consequences has received over \$1 million in federal funding to replace critical infrastructure at the Clancy Lift Station, one of the most important components of the city's wastewater system. The project will address failing equipment, protect the nearby Rio Grande, and help prevent costly emergency failures. Learn what the project includes, why it matters, and how it moves forward next at torcnm.gov/news_detail_T12_R129.php



Minutes before the Jordan's Way event began

Jordan's Way Rally Raises Over \$8,000 for Shelter Pets

Jordan's Way visited the T or C Animal Shelter on February 25, and the event was a tremendous success, raising more than \$8,000 to support the care of local pets. The high-energy fundraiser brought together 4-H youth, Desert Haven, SCARS, and City volunteers, all working side-by-side to help animals in need. The strong community turnout and generous donations will directly support lifesaving services for dogs and cats at the shelter. A BIG THANK YOU to donors and volunteers for making this a "fun"draising success!

Chief Tooley Supports Hydrant and Waterline Improvements

Engineers from Wilson & Company met with Fire Chief Paul Tooley to review the Critical Waterlines and WSPI-2 projects, which include updated fire-hydrant placement in the "metal streets," Veater Street, and East Riverside areas. Several hydrants will be relocated to improve coverage and correct issues caused by aging 4-inch waterlines and dead-end lines.

Because 4-inch lines cannot provide the high flow needed for effective fire response, the project will upgrade these to 6-inch lines, greatly increasing volume and pressure. Chief Tooley emphasized that new lines and hydrants "make all the difference," and he requested an additional hydrant at Platinum and South Broadway. Most existing hydrants are in poor condition and will be fully replaced. Recent improvements already include a new 10-inch line on 9th Street, giving the Fire Station a reliable high-flow source.

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Front Header - Future Police Station; **Back Header** - Side view of Clancy Lift Station

WOOD CARVERS

The Geronimo Springs Wood Carvers welcome new carvers, novice through expert. Meetings are Mondays from 8 - 10:30 AM at the Senior Center. For more info, call (575) 740-7332.

Water Refill Stations

The City, in partnership with MainStreet Truth or Consequences, has installed two new outdoor water-bottle filling stations at Ralph Edwards Park and Evelyn Renfro Park—part of a joint effort to reduce plastic waste and improve public amenities through the Clean and Beautiful Grant. More stations are on the way as we continue expanding sustainable upgrades across our parks and public spaces.

