

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

### Monthly Update

Period of 11/11/09 – 12/09/09

- The Public Works Department is progressing on the on-going capital outlay projects; the progress reads as follows: The construction of the Miguel Encinias Veterans Support Center (Old Armory) Reconstruction Project was begun on Monday, August 10, 2009. The contracting company of Southwest CM, LLC of Albuquerque, New Mexico has completed the demolition stage of the project and has completed placement of the retaining walls & footings. Per the outcome of the pre-construction conference and issuance of the Notice to Proceed, this 120 calendar day project is anticipated to be completed by January 29, 2010. A plan, specification, and estimate meeting was recently held at the NMDOT District IV office to review and approve the PS&E Package for the \$1,946,300.00 Stimulus Project (ARRA) for improvements on 7<sup>th</sup> Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Street, and Mills Avenue. Both the NMDOT and the Federal Highway Administration approved the City's PS&E Package. We are awaiting authorization from the FHWA to let the project to bid. We expect that this will occur by the end of December 2009, so that construction can commence by mid March 2010. This particular project should be completed within (90) calendar days. Therefore we expect completion by mid June 2010, weather permitting. We were recently notified by the NMDOT of a funding opportunity in regards to safety grant money that recently became available for flashing lights on Mills Avenue. This is a \$300,000.00 safety crossing along the River Walk. Phase III of the Alamo Street Reconstruction Project has begun as notice to proceed was issued effective August 3, 2009. To date, this project is approximately 90.00% completed. The project has been suspended for winter due to weather, construction will resume in mid March 2010. This project is being funded in its entirety by GRIP II as was matched with previous CDBG Projects; Phase I and Phase II. On Wednesday, October 7, 2009 the construction of our 2009 Coop Project for Pinon Street; was ratified and approved by Mayor and Council; as awarded to Sangre de Cristo Gravel Products. A preconstruction conference for this project was held on October 21, 2009. To date, this project is 82.0% completed, though it too was placed on winter suspension, construction to resume in mid March 2010. We have received our NMDOT funding agreement for Phase V of the Legion MAP Project. The project went before Mayor and Council for ratification at the September 23, 2009 City Council Meeting, this project has been let to bid and will be awarded by Mayor and Council at the first meeting in January 2010. Construction will not commence until January 2010. We will continue to keep you informed of the status and progress of the above referenced projects. However, should you require additional information, please advise this office at your convenience.

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