

TOWN OF EDGEWOOD

Resolution No. 1999-13

**A RESOLUTION
ADOPTING AN INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN (ICIP)**

WHEREAS, the municipality of Edgewood recognizes that the financing of public capital projects has become a major concern in New Mexico and nationally; and

WHEREAS, in times of scarce resources, it is necessary to find new financing mechanisms and maximize the use of existing resources; and

WHEREAS, systematic capital improvements planning is an effective tool for communities to define their development needs, establish priorities and pursue concrete actions and strategies to achieve necessary project development; and

WHEREAS, this process contributes to local and regional efforts in project identification and selection in short and long range capital planning efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPALITY OF EDGEWOOD that:

- 1 The municipality/county has adopted the attached Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan, and
2. It is intended that the Plan be a working document and is the first of many steps toward improving rational, long-range capital planning and budgeting for New Mexico's infrastructure.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED by the governing body at its meeting of November 22, 1999.


Mayor - Larry Keaty

ATTEST:


Clerk-Treasurer / Karen Alarid

INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

	Amount	Acreage
1. Municipal Building, 5,000 sq ft	250,000	2 acres
2. Road Improvements	150,000	
3. Community Center, 5,000 sq ft	250,000	2 acres
4. Public Park and Recreation Center Development Fund	500,000	80 acres
5. Public Library, 5,000 sq ft	250,000	2 acres
6. Health Center Fund, 5,000 sq ft	250,000	5 acres
7. Sewer System and Effluent Utilization Project	1,500,000	15 acres

INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

JUSTIFICATION

1. Municipal Building.

Goal

The goal is to have a permanent site, of adequate size, from which to conduct the Town's business. At present, we lease three small offices and in our four months of operation, have already outgrown the Clerk's space.

Project

This project is listed first because we need several larger spaces. We should have all of our officials working from one location rather than from their homes. There is another problem that has begun to manifest itself and that is the lack of adequate meeting spaces.

The Municipal Building will be built on just two acres out of a total of ten acres that will eventually make up the Municipal Center. The Municipal Building will have a total of four meeting rooms. There will be two accordion walls that when pulled out of the way, will yield two meeting rooms of considerable size. It is becoming increasingly clear, as we continue to grow, that the number of simultaneous meetings that are required is increasing.

2. Road Improvements.

Goal

The goal is to rebuild the roads here in Edgewood. The intent is to first rebuild the school bus routes. Frequently in the winter, a number of school bus routes get so bad that the buses will not use them. This in turn requires the parents to transport their children to alternate bus routes. Here is a list of the road problems as we understand them.

- a. Almost all of the roads that are not paved are not wide enough for two cars to pass each other safely. It happens regularly, especially with snow

on the ground, that one or the other vehicle slides into the ditch.

- b. Very many of the roads have no drainage system.
- c. In most cases, the residents do not have a culvert or they have a culvert that is grossly inadequate, such as an 8 inch PVC pipe usually plugged with dirt.
- d. As a result of all of this, it happens all the time that after a good rain storm water stands in large puddles that extend half way across the road for days at a time creating ruts and potholes.

There is no point in rebuilding the roads unless we also create appropriate bar ditches and install proper culverts at the same time. We must also manage the run-off.

Project

This will be an ongoing project for several years. We have in excess of 25 miles of school bus routes to rebuild and there are an equal number of other roads in the Edgewood area.

Edgewood has only now begun to grow. Therefore, it is essential that we bring all the inadequate roads up to the standards we are imposing on all of our new construction.

3. Community Center.

Goal

The goal is to build a Community Center that is of adequate size with sufficient accommodations to serve the citizens of Edgewood properly. At this time, the County's Community Center is all we have however, we have out grown it already. What is more, it is in need of major refurbishment. For example, the toilet facilities are, at best, embarrassing.

Our Community Center should accommodate such things as large public meetings, dances, and weddings. This facility will also host local and traveling entertainment for everything from ballet to county and western and will have several dedicated work spaces for such things as arts and crafts, etc.

Edgewood tends to be a bedroom community and as a result, we do not have much social cohesion. An attractive Community

Center that is active in bringing good entertainment to Edgewood will bring the citizens into closer contact socially.

As Edgewood grows, our amenities must, quite properly, grow at the same rate so that we are not driving more and more of our citizens to Albuquerque for their relaxation and entertainment. The end result of that will be that we never establish the social cohesion that is so necessary if we are to become a real community with real community spirit.

4. Public Park.

Goal

The goal here is to add park facilities so that the citizens will have a beautifully green area with plenty of shade trees for picnics and relaxation. We have plenty of open space out here but it is very stark looking and usually fenced.

There have been repeated requests for facilities so the children have something to do here in Edgewood. This will go a long way in answering those requests for things for the kids to do and have some good clean fun.

Project

This project is planned as a multiyear project because the costs will be substantial. However, With the opening of the Middle School in 2000, the number of children in the area is likely to jump sharply. We are looking at a park with a team sports complex, an area with lots of trees for a picnic or just relaxing, a skateboard course, running track, trails and eventually a recreation center, gym and a pool. Ambitious? You bet! We plan to build it in phases. as finances will allow.

5. Public Library.

Goal

The Town of Edgewood is planning to have a nice size library with sufficient number of general circulation volumes, research documents, computer lab and lecture rooms to properly serve the community.

Project

Even though each of the three schools in Edgewood will have their own library, we feel a public library is essential for the community. The elementary and middle schools are focused on the children and, for the most part, high school libraries do not serve the general public. It may take some time to get the library up and running but, as with all of our other projects, here is where there it all begins.

We have begun to meet with the library board to establish a good working relationship so there is no duplicity in effort and, more importantly, that we all speak the same language. This library effort is by no means premature. Simply stated, the Town is in a planned growth format and the library is an integral part of that growth.

6. Health Center.

Goal

As I go about making business recruiting contacts invariably a question comes up concerning our clinic or health center. To make matters worse, we do not have even one resident family medical doctor out here. Therefore, we have a committee working toward that end. It is hoped that early on next year, we will have one or more of the hospitals come to Edgewood and begin to talk specifics. The last family medical doctor left Edgewood because of the red tape with HMO'S. Having a hospital backed clinic here will go a long way toward mitigating that problem.

7. Sewer System and Affluent Utilization Project.

Goal

The goal is to have a sewer system that will be built in phases. This is also a project of considerable size. The initial phase is for the "commercial corridor". There are many businesses that would like to come to Edgewood and get in on the "ground floor" but will not come until we have a sewer system. The commercial corridor sewer system will bring businesses and that means jobs and gross receipts.

The sewer system will make another major contribution to the Town in that it will produce a prodigious amount of effluent. This is how we will green up the Parks, the Municipal Center, the Sports Complex, etc. At last, we will have an almost free supply of lawn water to begin to create something green and refreshing. Done properly, it will be a real show place for Edgewood. Something that the community can be proud of and, it is hoped, will begin to spark a movement toward more social cohesion.