

**2018 Street Improvement Proposal Report**  
**May 28, 2018**

The following projects are proposed to the Raton City Commission based upon planning, evaluation and leveraged funding opportunities that have previously been completed. Street improvements are proposed based upon established prioritization factors.

**1. Hospital Drive Improvements**

The City of Raton applied for funding to construct this project in March, 2017. The application was approved in the amount of \$200,000 for the total project cost. The City's share of project costs is a minimum of \$50,000. The proposed project generally consists of cold milling and overlay of the majority of Hospital Drive. Also included is the removal and reconstruction of the existing concrete valley gutter and the asphalt pavement section in the vicinity of the old State Highway 555 roadbed. Preliminary engineering design is complete and a determination regarding environmental assessment. I anticipate requesting bids for construction within six weeks and construction to commence in late summer.

**2. Great Blocks Project**

Capital outlay funding through New Mexico MainStreet is available under agreement for the project in the amount of \$320,000. The funding agreement requires a local match of \$90,000; bringing the total currently available project funding to \$410,000. The architect's estimate of construction cost for the full project exceeds \$1,000,000. I believe there are opportunities to fund the full project; however, I believe it may take up to two years to fund the full project. I recommend that we phase the project and construct the first phase within the currently available funding. I have requested a task order from the design team to phase and bid the work. The construction schedule is similar to Hospital Drive.

**3. Chip Seal Street Resurfacing Project**

The City of Raton has two Cooperative Agreements for various local street improvements. The sum of the co-op agreements total \$93,908.



The combined City of Raton share is \$23,477. I recommend combining both funding agreements to construct an asphalt resurfacing project on Galisteo Avenue and Apache Avenue. Additionally, Raton Public Schools has a 2017 Cooperative Agreement that they will designate towards the project as it will complete improvements in the vicinity of the Intermediate School. With available funding, I would recommend that sections of South Third Street and South Fourth Street be included in the project that is proximate to the school.

**Summary**

The total local cost of the proposed street improvements shown above is approximately \$165,000. The proposed source of the City's funds is the Gas Tax Fund, which has adequate funding. Additional street improvements and maintenance operations shall be evaluated through the remainder of 2018 and may be proposed as time and funding allow.

Submitted By:

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Scott Berry, P.E.  
City Manager