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For Immediate Release:

Town Hall Drive and Manzanares Street to Open on First Day of School

August 11, 2014 - The Town of Taos, in partnership with Taos Municipal Schools, is pleased to announce that Town Hall Drive and Manzanares Street ***will be open on the first day of school***, Thursday, August 14, 2014. The Town and Schools, through a Memorandum of Understanding approved in April of 2014, partnered to make improvements to the roads to address traffic congestion, student safety, convenience for parents dropping off and picking up students, and improvement of downtown traffic congestion and parking issues in the school and Town Hall area.

Beginning Thursday, Manzanares Street will be used for student drop-off and pick-up. Although all paving, sidewalks and curbing are already complete, some signage and striping may not be in place so parents and motorists are asked to exercise caution in the area during the first few days of school. School staff and courtesy personnel will be present to help direct traffic and provide information to help everyone adjust to the new pedestrian and traffic patterns.

Several additional recreational, landscaping and parking features included in the project will be completed by the Taos Municipal Schools and the General Contractor, Silva Construction, over the next few weeks.

The Mayor and Council have scheduled a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, along with representatives of the Taos School District and Silva Construction, at the intersection of Town Hall Drive and Manzanares Street on Tuesday, August 12, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. to celebrate the opening of the new roads and walkways. The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be held during a recess of the regularly scheduled Town Meeting. Members of the public are invited to attend.

Town of Taos Mayor Dan Barrone expressed the gratitude of the Council in stating, “I appreciate the dedication of the managers and personnel of the contractor, Town and Taos Municipal Schools for ensuring that the work was completed on such a short schedule and on-time, despite heavy rains and flooding, to ensure the improved safety of our students and their parents. Good luck to all of our students as they enter an exciting new year of school!”

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