

VILLAGE OF TAOS SKI VALLEY
Capital Improvements Advisory Committee (CIAC)
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BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Village Council, at the September 8th meeting, approved by Resolution 2021-449, the creation of the Village of Taos Ski Valley Capital Improvement Advisory Committee (CIAC) in accordance with Section 5-8-19 of the NM Development Fees Act to advise the municipality of the need to update or revise the land use assumptions and the Capital Improvement Plan.

Pursuant to NMSA Section 5-8-37 (B), no members of the CIAC shall be employees or officials of the Village. Village Planning and Zoning Commission Officials are considered to be Officials of the municipality and thus cannot serve on the CIAC.

According to the Act, not less than forty percent (40%) of the membership of the CIAC must be representative of the real estate, development or building industries. A representative of an industry may be actively engaged in the industry or by profession, training, experience, and interest be representative of the industry.

Pursuant to Section 5-8-19 of the Act, the governing body of a municipality or county shall appoint a CIAC on or before the date of enacting new development impact fees. After two postings for applicants to the CIAC, the Village received applications and seven were selected for recommendation by the Mayor to the Council. These seven were formally appointed by the Council to serve on the CIAC.

The role of the CIAC is to review the Village's Land Use assumptions and Capital Improvements Plan in depth with the assistance of the Village Administrator, Village Director of Planning and Community Development, and Willdan Consultants, who reviewed and drafted the Plan. The CIAC will meet and discuss the Plan, after hearing a presentation from the Consultants and Village staff.

The CIAC will then discuss the Plan and will make formal recommendations to the Village Council regarding the Plan. These recommendations will be considered by both the Village Planning and Zoning Commission and Village Council in adopting a comprehensive development impact fees ordinance (as is required by the New Mexico Development Fees Act), with provisions to set appropriate development impact fees to address the impacts of new growth in the Village of Taos Ski Valley.

The CIAC is only an advisory body and does not have final decision-making authority in its role to aid the Village in reviewing development impact fees appropriate for addressing Village needs and demands.