

I. Introduction

A. Purpose of the Plan

The Growth Management Master Plan is an official public document adopted by the City of Gallup City Council as a policy guide for making decisions about the physical development of the community.

The Growth Management Master Plan Update is a full revision of the original Gallup Growth Management Plan adopted on September 28, 1999 as revised through April 11, 2000. As is considered best practice, the city chose to review and revise its long-range plan approximately nine years later. Many of the policies in the 1999 plan are still considered valid and important, and have not been substantially changed. Most of the background information and analyses in this update are new material.

The Growth Management Master Plan, as updated, is an official public document adopted by the City of Gallup City Council as a policy guide to decisions about the physical development of community. It presents in a general way how the leaders of government want the county to develop in the ensuing 20 to 30 years. The plan is intended to assist the city in preparing for the future by anticipating change, maximizing strengths and minimizing weaknesses. The plan sets policies that help guide addressing critical issues facing the community, achieving goals according to priority, and coordinating both public and private efforts.

The City of Gallup Growth Management Master Plan was developed to provide long-range guidance for development activities integrated across the different disciplines and subjects of physical development of the city. It constitutes a comprehensive plan or a master plan, as enabled in the New Mexico State Statutes.

The Growth Management Master Plan encompasses all functional elements that bear on physical development in an internally consistent manner, including: land use, transportation, urban design, economic development, trails and open space, and housing. The city intends to develop an updated facilities and infrastructure element in the near future.

Exhibit I-1
Interrelationship of Plan Elements and Processes

