



Press Release

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FORMER ICE HOUSE DEMOLITION

CLOVIS - The City of Clovis Public Works Department demolished the former ice house, located on US Highway 60 just north of the Harvey House, on Tuesday as part of the work the Clovis MainStreet program is completing in the revitalization of the historic railroad district. The demolition represents a partnership with the City of Clovis and Clovis MainStreet to improve the area, which is located within the downtown Metropolitan Redevelopment Area (MRA). Clovis MainStreet has received \$250,000 in capital outlay funding from area legislators for these improvements.

"I want to thank the City of Clovis for their partnership," remarked Amy Sellers-Parker, President of Clovis MainStreet, "and I hope the new space will help to revitalize Clovis' historic downtown district."

Mayor Morris also commented on the demolition. "I am happy with the improvements being made in the railroad district and look forward to seeing further progress made in the area."

In 2011, the historic ATSF 9005 train was moved from Hillcrest Park to the district, which marked the first addition to the area. Since then Clovis MainStreet has received additional capital outlay funding from both local legislators and New Mexico MainStreet to restore the historic 9005 locomotive and develop the Historic Phil and Vernah Williams Railroad Park. The demolition of the ice house will allow for further development of this area, including landscape and parking to highlight Clovis' historic railroad roots.

For questions or more information regarding the demolition, please contact the City Manager's Office at 575-763-9653 or email <u>administration@cityofclovis.org</u>.