CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND TYPE OPERATING BUDGET COMPARISON WITH FY 2005 ACTUALS

CHANGES IN OPERATING BUDGETS BETWEEN FISCAL YEARS

		OPERATING BUDGETS		CHANGES	
	FY 2005 Actuals	Total Budget FY 2006	Total Budget FY 2007	AMOUNT	%
Revenues (Sources):					
Interest	$953,074	$746,556	$1,072,000	$325,444	43.59%
Miscellaneous Revenues	1				
Other Financing Sources	47,404	(500,000)		500,000	-100.00%
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	1,000,479	246,556	1,072,000	825,444	334.79%
Beginning Carryover	41,345,601	30,723,498	27,351,631	(3,371,867)	-10.97%
Total Available Resources	$42,346,080	$30,970,054	$28,423,631	($2,546,423)	-8.22%

INTEREST, MISCELLANEOUS AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Interest is budgeted with over a $300,000 increase for fiscal year 2007, mostly due to interest accrued during fiscal year 2006, and appropriated in 2007, for Capital Outlays pertaining to the 2001 fiscal year bond issuances. Other Financing Sources is budgeted at $500,000 less for a one-time transfer in from one capital project to another for the purpose of setting up appropriations for the Ascarate Golf Course Sprinkler system.

Total revenues for fiscal year 2007 are not depicted graphically as in other sections of this budget due to the fact that 100% of the revenue budgeted is all interest.

CHANGES IN OPERATING BUDGETS BETWEEN FISCAL YEARS

	FY 2005 Actuals	OPERATING BUDGETS		CHANGES	
		Total Budget FY 2006	Total Budget FY 2007	AMOUNT	%
Appropriations/Expenditures (Uses):					
Capital Outlays	$11,603,484	$721,117	$3,597,029	$2,875,912	398.81%
Other Financing Uses	$19,098				
Total Appropriations/Expenditures	11,622,582	721,117	3,597,029	2,875,912	398.81%
Encumbrances					
Ending Carryover	30,723,498	30,248,937	24,826,602	(5,422,335)	-17.93%
Total Appropriations/Expenditures and Carryover	$42,346,080	$30,970,054	$28,423,631	($2,546,423)	-8.22%

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND TYPE OPERATING BUDGET COMPARISON WITH FY 2005 ACTUALS

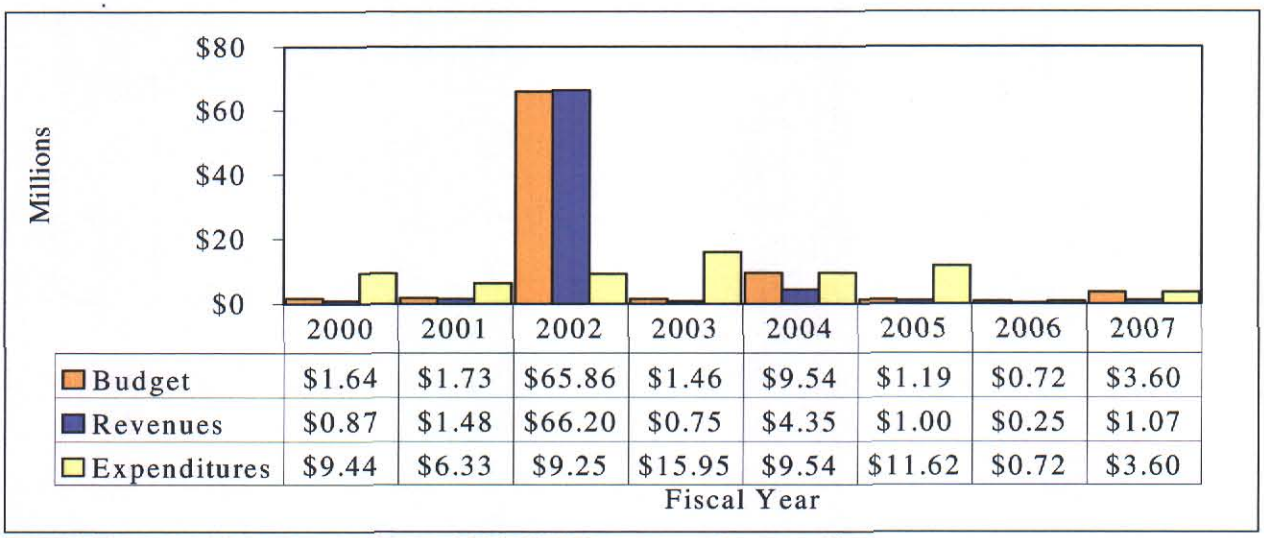
CAPITAL OUTLAYS

Under the Capital Projects Fund Type, appropriations for fiscal year 2007 increased due to the projected transfers in from the General Fund for the purpose of funding capital needs of departments in 2007.

Total appropriations for fiscal year 2007 are not depicted graphically as in other sections of this budget due to the fact that 100% of the appropriations budgeted is all capital outlays.

The following table provides information regarding the Capital Project Fund Type overall budgets and revenue/expenditure actuals since fiscal year 2000. **Details can be found in the revenue and expenditure sections of this document.**

Capital Projects Fund Type – Budget, Revenue, and Expenditure Trends

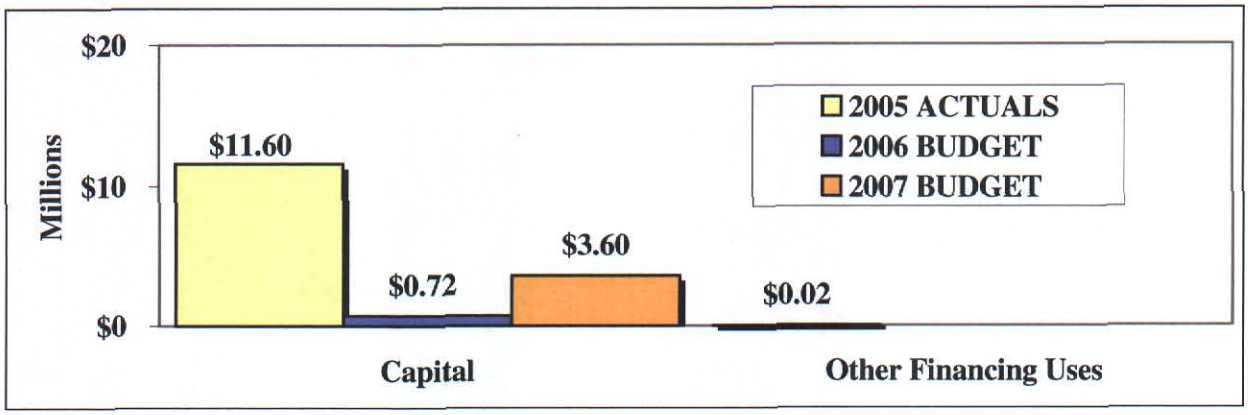


***FY 2006 and 2007 are budgets, 2000-2005 are actual expenditures.**

SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007 BY CHARACTER

	FY 2005 Actuals	OPERATING BUDGETS FY 2006	OPERATING BUDGETS FY 2007	Changes Amount	Changes %
Character					
Capital	$11,603,484	$721,117	$3,597,029	$2,875,912	398.81%
Other Financing Uses	19,098				
Total Budgets and Actuals	$11,622,582	$721,117	$3,597,029	$2,875,912	398.81%

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND TYPE OPERATING BUDGET COMPARISON WITH FY 2005 ACTUALS



CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS

DEPARTMENT DESCRIPTION AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Capital Projects fund is used to account for expenditures related to acquisitions of new fixed assets through construction and renovation or betterment of existing fixed assets. Capital Projects are generally budgeted on a project basis in the year that the project begins with subsequent budget revisions or additions only upon identification of new resources for the project as approved by the Commissioners' Court.

FINANCIAL TRENDS

Character	2005 Actuals	2006 Budget	2007 Budget	Percent Change
Personnel				
Operating	$19,098			
Capital	11,603,484	$721,117	$3,597,029	398.81%
	$11,622,582	$721,117	$3,597,029	398.81%

WORK PROGRAM TRENDS

Department Activity	2005 Actuals	2006 Actuals	2007 Projected
		Not Applicable	

STAFFING TRENDS

Authorized Positions	Fiscal Year 2005	2006	2007	Percent Change
Full-time employees		Not Applicable		
Part-time employees				
Totals				

AUTHORIZED POSITION DETAIL

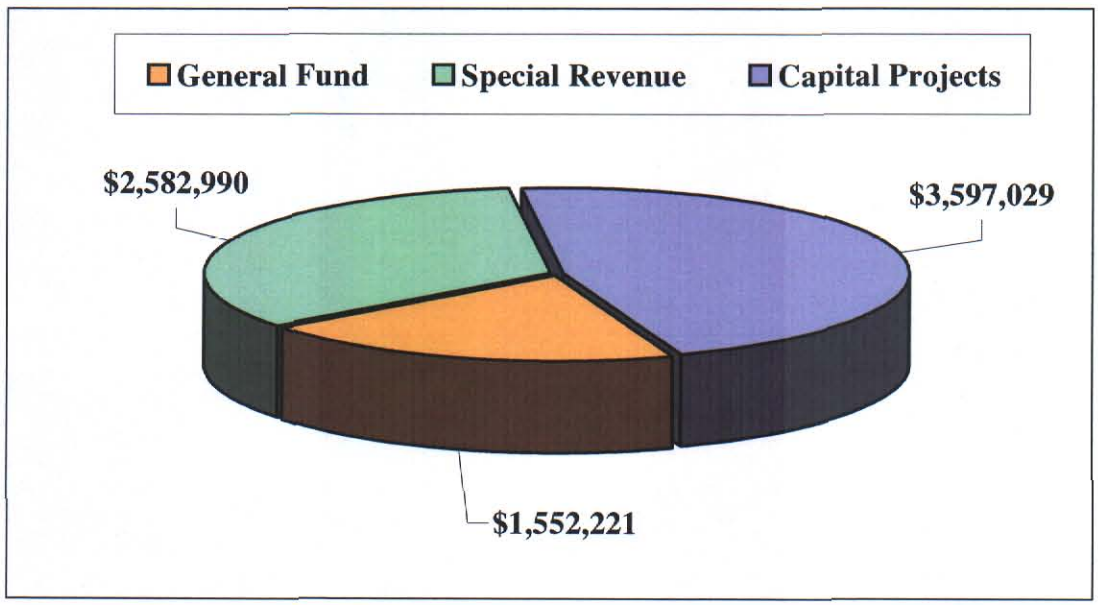
Not Applicable

CAPITAL PROJECT PLANNING

OVERVIEW

The County of El Paso adopted its fiscal year 2007 operating budget, which includes only minimal capital outlay appropriations at the departmental level. In the past, the Commissioners Court has issued Certificates of Obligation to cover for Capital equipment and improvements for various County departments and projects to be repaid from ad valorem property taxes. In more recent years, all departmental Capital outlay requests were budgeted and paid for with appropriations in each respective departmental budget. In fiscal year 2000, the County worked on establishing a "Capital Improvement Plan", which would be maintained on a yearly basis enabling the County to more adequately maintain its major equipment and vehicle fleet. Consequently, Commissioners' Court issued Certificates of Obligation in the amount of $22,644,998 for various projects, $5,049,277 of which was to cover countywide equipment and vehicle requests. Additional projects resulting from this issue included $9,244,217 for a County-wide data processing upgrade, $6,564,060 for the build out of the 5th and 7th floors of the County Courthouse and improvements to the 2nd and 4th floors, $1,383,502 for County Coliseum renovations, and $403,942 for the construction or purchase of a new building for the Agricultural Co-op Extension Service, (funding for the Agricultural Co-op building was subsequently allocated for other purposes). Currently, Capital Projects are budgeted on a project basis in the year of funding or when bond proceeds are received. On October 1, 2006 approximately $24.0 million of appropriations carried forward with regards to Capital Projects in progress, a major portion of this is for the projects, which were appropriated in fiscal year 2002. Of the County's total fiscal year 2007 budget, $7,732,240 represents new Capital Project budgets by the County as reflected in the pie chart below. Capital expenditures projected for fiscal year 2007 are categorized as shown in the next page by fund and program. Carryover Capital Project appropriations follow.

2007 CAPITAL BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
(Excluding Carryover)



CAPITAL PROJECTS BY PROGRAM OPERATING BUDGET COMPARISON WITH FY 2005 ACTUALS

The following worksheet presents a three-year evaluation of changes in expenditures and budgets for Capital Projects; as undertakings are completed or modified and as new projects emerge in order to meet the needs of the community. The schedule identifies the individual projects with actual expenditures and/or budgets over $100,000 in any of the three years under consideration. All other small projects have been grouped under one category "Other Capital Projects".

Fund / Program	2005 Actuals	2006 Budget	2007 Budget
Capital Projects			
Ascarate Golf Course Irrigation System	$2,000,236		
County Capital Improvements 2004	495,603	$174,754	$83,819
County Capital Projects 2001	602,228	(112,949)	2,667,231
County Capital Projects 2002	5,340,726	(2,015,279)	822,320
Elections 2002	(1,111,976)		
MDR (Archives Building		515,000	
Mission Valley Annex		595,307	
Parking 2005	3,977,470		
Sheriff Office Admin Renovations		1,545,000	
Other Capital Projects	299,197	19,284	23,659
	11,603,484	721,117	3,597,029
Special Revenue			
Culture and Recreation	213,367	10,000	12,000
General Government	105,464	96,298	89,326
Public Safety	143,326	886,483	291,936
Public Works	531,445	2,189,728	2,189,728
Other Capital Projects	25,745	26,400	
	$1,019,347	$3,208,909	$2,582,990

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The negative budgets for Capital Projects 2001, Capital Projects 2002 and Elections 2002 are due to reversing more budget in the 2005 and 2006 fiscal years than was appropriated for those fiscal years. Capital Projects are set up as carryover budgets, so overall if we look at all the years, these Capital Projects did have appropriations to transfer funds from.

CAPITAL PROJECTS BY PROGRAM OPERATING BUDGET COMPARISON WITH FY 2005 ACTUALS

Fund / Program	2005 Actuals	2006 Budget	2007 Budget
General Fund			
General and Administrative Account	$15,870	$1,000,000	$1,425,000
Other Capital Projects	118,853	127,221	127,221
	134,723	1,127,221	1,552,221
Grants			
Capital Outlays	7,936,281	5,345,865	
	7,936,281	5,345,865	
Grand Total	**$20,693,835**	**$10,403,112**	**$7,732,240**

CAPITAL PROJECTS
CARRYOVER BUDGET AND NEW APPROPRIATIONS

The schedule below identifies the individual projects with carryover budgets over $100,000. All other small projects have been grouped under one category: "Other Capital Projects".

Capital Projects Carryover Appropriations	Carryover Amount	Purpose
Carryover Appropriations		
Capital Improvements 2004	$1,415,275	Various equipment needs of County departments
Capital Projects 2001	6,414,945	Construction of annex, parking garage, coliseum, rural parks, equipment, etc.
Capital Projects 2002	5,210,541	Construction of Courthouse Annex, parking garage, and eastside water infrastructure
Courthouse 1995	162,428	Renovations of County Courthouse
Elections 2002	700,515	New Elections voting equipment
Lower Valley Parks	977,991	Improvements to parks in the Lower Valley
MDR (Archives) Building	418,373	Renovation of the Archives Building
Mission Valley Annex	505,682	Renovation of the Mission Valley Annex Building
North East Annex	300,268	Purchase of land for the North East Annex
North East Annex CP-2002	1,605,418	Construction and furnishings for the Annex
Parking 2005	3,406,777	Construction of parking garage
River Park	383,087	Improvements to the park
Sheriff Admin Bldg Renovations	1,437,033	Renovation of the Sheriff Admin Building
Sportspark	372,795	Renovation of eastside Sportspark Facility
Time and Attendance	110,899	Electronic time and attendance system
Other Capital Projects	611,616	Various construction, renovations, equipment and vehicle needs of County departments
Total Carryover Appropriation Projects	**$24,033,643**	
New Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2007	**$7,732,240**	*Breakdown on previous page
Total County Capital Expenditures Budgeted	**$31,765,883**	

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

CAPITAL PROJECT SOURCES OF FUNDING

The County of El Paso uses various sources of revenue to fund Capital Projects:

General Fund:
For fiscal year 2007 $1,425,000 has been allocated from the General and Administrative equipment contingency account, for a total increase from fiscal year 2006 of $425,000, based on the Commissioners' Court approval to reserve appropriations for possible capital needs of departments. In addition, $127,221 is the only appropriation for "Other Capital Projects", allocated to various departments in the General Fund, as fiscal year 2007 was the first fiscal year that the Commissioners approved to roll over funds spent on one-time purchases in 2006 for any anticipated needs of departments in 2007.

Special Revenue and Grant Funds:
Some funds for Capital Projects are derived from Special Revenue Funds, which are funded directly by fees and charges for services provided to the community. Grant Funds are received from state, federal and local sources and are spent in accordance with grant requirements.

Capital Project Funds:
The Capital Projects Funds are used for the construction, renovation and improvement of public facilities, as well as for the purchase of major equipment to benefit all of the County departments, and are funded by various debt issuances or funds transferred in from the General Fund.

OPERATING IMPACTS/SAVINGS FROM CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

1. Ascarate Golf Course Irrigation System:

Cost to date: **$2,000,236**
Fund: **Capital Projects**
Department: **Parks and Recreation**

Project Description: This fund was established to account for the costs of construction of an irrigation system for the Ascarate Golf Course.

Funding Summary: Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues: It is anticipated that this project will improve the quality of the playing surfaces of the Golf Course and ultimately have a positive impact on revenues. Every 10% increase in revenue can result in approximately $84,000 annually.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

1. Ascarate Golf Course Irrigation System (cont'd):

Operating Budget Impact:
Maintenance, gas/oil, and water expenses have increased from $137,179 in fiscal year 2005 to $272,072 in fiscal year 2006 or approximately 98.33%. This total impact is not attributable in whole to installing the sprinkler system, as gas prices and water rates have also increased over the past several years and have also played a significant role in increased costs.

2. County Capital Improvements 2004:

Cost to date: **$1,297,479**
Fund: **Capital Projects Fund**
Department: **Various**

Project Description:
This project relates to a variety of capital expenditures, most of which have been and will be spent for various types of equipment.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from the sales of the Rodeo land will be used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
There are no direct savings or revenues derived from this investment, however the enhancement of infrastructure, equipment and vehicles will reflect on reduction of time spent on transactions and various other efficiencies while serving the community.

Operating Budget Impact:
None

3. County Capital Projects 2001:

Cost to date: **$3,451,523**
Fund: **Capital Projects Fund**
Department: **Various**

Project Description:
This fund was established in fiscal year 2002, to account for the purchase of land in the northeast for a County Annex. Remaining funds have been allocated for various County projects such as the Fabens Port of Entry, the purchase and expansion of the Sportspark, demolition of the Landmark

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

County Capital Projects 2001 (cont'd):

Building, purchase of Elections hardware, and various park improvements, all of which will be transferred to the appropriate indexes upon receipt of final cost information.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
The anticipated savings recognized through the use of 2001 County Capital Projects are described under each project.

Operating Budget Impact:
The impacts incurred in the maintenance and operations of the projects under the 2001 County Capital Projects are described under each project.

4. County Capital Projects 2002:

Cost to date: **$10,542,392**
Fund: **Capital Projects Fund**
Department: **Various**

Project Description:
This fund was established in fiscal year 2002, to account for the construction of the new County Annex, parking garage, Courthouse capital needs and improvements to the County's water infrastructure.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2002 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
The anticipated savings recognized through the use of 2002 County Capital Projects are described under each project.

Operating Budget Impact:
The impacts incurred in the maintenance and operations of the projects under the 2002 County Capital Projects are described under each project.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

5. County Courthouse 1995:

Cost to date: **$3,730,661**
Fund: **Capital Projects Fund**
Department: **Various**

Project Description:
This relates to renovations to the existing County Courthouse for an estimated $3.7 million. When the existing courthouse was constructed, the 5th, 7th and 11th floors were left unfinished for future expansion. This particular bond issue covers renovations on the 11th floor of the Courthouse to house Courts that were approved by the state legislature. Additionally, some of these funds were utilized to make an elevator addition and open the 5th and 7th floors to provide elevator access.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation, Series 1995 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
There are no direct savings or revenues derived from this investment, however the enhancement of infrastructure is anticipated to result in efficiencies while serving the community.

Operating Budget Impact:
Personnel: $943,002, and **Operating**: $45,037 for 383rd, 384th, and Criminal Magistrate Courts.

6. Elections Capital Projects 2002:

Cost to date: **$2,322,506**
Fund: **Capital Projects Fund**
Department: **Elections**

Project Description:
This fund was established in fiscal year 2002, to account for the purchase of new electronic voting equipment for the elections department.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

6. Elections Capital Projects 2002 (cont'd):

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
With the passing of the Help Americans Vote Act (HAVA) a significant portion of this investment ($1.9 million) has been reimbursed from the federal government.

Operating Budget Impact:
Yearly maintenance of hardware and software of $64,966 for voting system.

7. Lower Valley Parks:

Cost to date: $117,000
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Not Applicable

Project Description:
This fund is to be used to account for the improvements to the Lower Valley Park.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from the Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
There are no direct savings or revenues derived from this investment; however this project provides healthy recreation to the residents of this community.

Operating Budget Impact:
None

8. MDR (Archives) Building

Cost to date: $96,627
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Various

Project Description:
This fund was established to account for the renovation costs related to the Archives building.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2002 were used to finance this project.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

8. MDR (Archives) Building (cont'd):

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
No direct savings are anticipated from this investment; however improvements will allow for several departments to relocate from the existing County Courthouse into this facility in the next 24 months, to allow for more Courtroom and ancillary support space.

Operating Budget Impact:
None

9. Mission Valley Annex

Cost to date: $89,625
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Various

Project Description:
This fund was established in fiscal year 2006 to account for the costs of renovating the recently purchased Mission Annex building, which will house the Justice of the Peace No. 6, Agricultural Co-Op, Constable 6, and a Juvenile Probation Satellite department.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2002 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
It is anticipated that this project will save over $80,000 in annual lease payments that will no longer be needed in the near future.

Operating Budget Impact:
Yearly impact of $55,750 in utilities, contracted services, maintenance and repair of building.

10. North East Annex and North East Annex CP-2002

Cost to date: $664,588
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Various

Project Description:
This fund was used to account for the construction of the North East Courthouse Annex that is housing a Justice of the Peace, Constable, Tax Office, County Clerk, Veteran's Assistance and Adult Probation Department.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

10. North East Annex and North East Annex CP-2002 (cont'd)

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from the Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project. Construction was completed in 2004.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
The North East Annex Project resulted in the termination of various leases saving the County approximately $120,000 annually.

Operating Budget Impact:
Yearly operating impact of $56,184 in utilities, contracted services, maintenance and repair of building.

11. Parking 2005

Cost to date: **$6,571,979**
Fund: **Capital Projects Fund**
Department: **Not Applicable**

Project Description:
This fund was established in fiscal year 2005, to account for the costs of a new parking garage.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2002 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
This project was for the construction of a second parking garage, which generates approximately $250,000 in new revenue a year.

Operating Budget Impact:
The operating budget impact for this project is minimal, as operations have been contracted out to a private entity in the County. Increase in utility costs (electric and water) for Facilities Management: $33,000 and contracted services for elevator services $5,400.

12. River Park

Cost to date: **$1,116**
Fund: **Capital Projects Fund**
Department: **Not Applicable**

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

12. River Park (cont'd):

Project Description:
This fund was established to cover costs of a running and biking trail system that banks the Rio Grande River.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 will be used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
There are no direct savings or revenues derived from this investment; however this project provides healthy recreation to the residents of this community.

Operating Budget Impact:
None

13. Sheriff Office Administration Building Renovation:

Cost to date: $107,967
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Sheriff's Department and Elections

Project Description:
This fund was established to account for renovation to the recently purchased Sheriff Office Administration building. This building will house several divisions of the Sheriff Office as well as a storage facility and Elections' warehouse.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2002 were used to fund this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
This has yet to be determined as the Sheriff's department will re-locate from the MDR Building, departments will be moved from the County Courthouse into the MDR Building, and additional Court space will be made available for use in the Courthouse.

Operating Budget Impact:
This has yet to be determined as the Sheriff's department will re-locate from the MDR Building, departments will be moved from the County Courthouse into the MDR Building, and additional Court space will be made available for use in the Courthouse.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

14. Sportspark Capital Projects:

Cost to date: $3,277,714
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Ascarate Park

Project Description:
This fund was established in fiscal year 2002, to account for the purchase of an eastside sport park facility that includes baseball, t-ball and volleyball fields. This facility also includes a number of concession stands to meet the needs of the public attending the various events.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
Improvements to this facility have allowed to County to retain the patrons of this facility.

Operating Budget Impact:
A yearly transfer of approximately $300,000 from the General Fund is needed in order to maintain operations of this facility up to year end. Negotiations are currently under way for possible privatization of this facility.

15. Time and Attendance:

Cost to date: $739,101
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Various

Project Description:
This fund was established in fiscal year 2002 to account for the costs of a new countywide electronic time and attendance system.

Funding Summary:
Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
This project automated the time sheet preparation by employees and subsequent approval by management, thus reducing the payroll preparation time.

Operating Budget Impact:
Operating: Yearly maintenance agreement costs of $81,759.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

16. Other Capital Projects:

Cost to date: $114,392,229
Fund: Capital Projects
Department: Various

Project Description:
The funds of the Capital Projects in this category, were used for the improvement of Ascarate Park, the upgrade of the Data Processing Center, the construction of the Fabens Port of Entry and improvements and renovations of jail facilities and other County buildings and offices.

Funding Summary:
The various projects under this category have been funded by contractual obligations, bonds proceeds, funds from the United States Marshal's service and from accrued interest .

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:
The efficient modular design of the new jail facility allows it to operate with approximately 40% more inmates at only 87.3% of the cost than the older downtown facility. In addition the County of El Paso collects revenues from the housing of city and federal prisoners based on capacity and current agency utilization.

Operating Budget Impact:
The full financial impact of these projects is over $29 million dollars annually based on current budgeted costs for the Jail Annex and Juvenile Probation Administration appropriations.

Personnel –404 positions– Salary and fringe impact -$23,486,226 for fiscal year 2007.

Operating - $6,310,857 for fiscal year 2007- various accounts such as office expenses, utilities, food purchases, professional services, travel, etc.

Capital- None for fiscal year 2007.

SUMMARY OF IMPACT OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

Cost to date:	**$150,032,752**
Fund:	**Capital Projects Fund**
Department:	**Various**
Operating Budget Impact:	
Personnel:	**$24,429,228***
Operating:	**$ 7,087,846****
Capital:	**None**

* **Personnel appropriations for fiscal year 2007:** A budget of **$943,002** for fiscal year 2007 has been appropriated for personnel hired for the 383rd, 384th and the Criminal Law Magistrate Courts, as a direct result of operating the 11th floor of the Courthouse. A budget of **$19,827,557** corresponds to personnel operating the Jail Annex. In addition, **$3,658,669** is the total personnel costs for operation of the Juvenile Probation Administrative function.

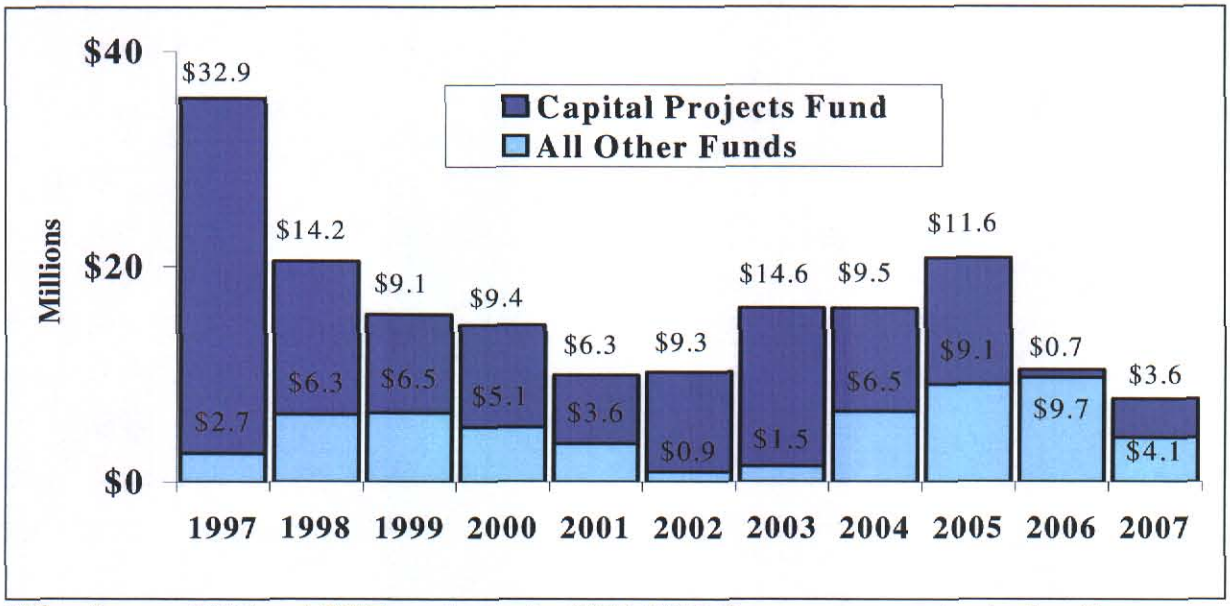
****Operating appropriations for fiscal year 2007**: A budget of **$45,037** for fiscal year 2007 has been appropriated for operations of the 383rd, 384th and the Criminal Law Magistrate Courts, as a direct result of operating the 11th floor of the Courthouse. A budget of **$64,966** has been allocated for maintenance of hardware and software for the Elections equipment. A budget of **$5,615,621** corresponds to the estimated 2007 costs of operating the Jail Annex, **$56,184** relates to operations for the Northeast Annex, **$55,750** relates to operations of the Mission Valley Annex, and **$134,893** is the increased cost for maintenance and utilities for operation of the Ascarate Irrigation System. In addition, **$695,236** is the total anticipated in operating costs for the Juvenile Probation Administrative function, **$300,000** is the General Fund contribution for continuing operations of the Sportspark on a yearly basis, **$81,759** is the 2007 maintenance cost for the County Time and Attendance System, and **$38,400** is the anticipated additional cost for maintenance of our newly constructed 2nd parking facility.

In 2001 and 2002 the County issued bonds to meet its major capital outlays needs. Capital expenditures at the departmental level within the County had been funded on an as needed basis from year to year as determined by the Commissioners' Court. For fiscal year 2007, $1,425,000 was funded in Contingencies under the General Fund; these funds will be used to meet any departmental needs for capital expenditures. Most of the County's Capital Projects are funded from the Capital Projects Fund.

The Commissioners Court is seriously addressing future capital needs in order to systematically prevent its equipment and vehicles from becoming obsolete and outdated all at once. A capital plan is in progress for the next five years which will continually be updated in order to maintain public service at acceptable levels and to best utilize taxpayer dollars over the capital plan rather than funding on a crisis management basis where capital needs are budgeted when emergency needs arise.

SUMMARY OF IMPACT OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

10 year Trend of County Capital Outlays



***Fiscal years 2006 and 2007 are budgets; 1996-2005 figures represent actual outlays.**

The main peak reflected for major capital projects on the graph above relates to the phases of expenditures for major projects in progress such as the Capital Outlays-departmental projects, County Courthouse, Jail Annex, Jail Improvements, Road and Bridge Warehouse, Landmark Building and other Capital Project expenditures during construction periods. As those projects were being completed, the graph shows that the County continued to focus on remaining project completion such as modifications of the existing County Sheriff's Detention Facility for compliance with the Texas Jail Standards Commission, finalizing of the Jail Annex project, capital outlays for major software projects and the County Courthouse 95 construction project expanding out the 11th floor. Projects such as the Juvenile Administration Building and Post Adjudication Facility, initiated in fiscal year 1999, were completed in early fiscal year 2001. Projects, initiated in fiscal year 1998 include the Data Processing Upgrade, Capital Outlays 98, Courthouse 98, Agricultural Co-op Building and Coliseum Renovations.

One notable improvement the Commissioners' Court made toward forecasting future capital needs was the appointment of an equipment committee. This committee will be preparing a formalized capital plan that will be submitted to the Commissioners' Court for review and approval. This plan will contain policies and equipment replacement procedures that will attempt to project future capital needs of the County on a multi-year basis. The ultimate goal is to fund and replace equipment annually without having to go out on capital bond issues every four to five years, which are generally funded by levying taxes.

MAJOR CAPITAL OUTLAYS

Some of the major outlays are being incurred by the Road and Bridge Department in the form of new paving and resurfacing of existing roads and through the purchase of equipment. Current year construction projects are estimated at $1.5 million. Much of the heavy-duty roadwork equipment of this department was in need of replacement and has been replaced gradually since fiscal year 1996. For fiscal year 2007, the Road and Bridge department reflects $650,000 for equipment purchases such as trucks and tractors, and $1.9 million in paving projects.

The projects referred to in this section of the budget document have generally allowed County employees to work more efficiently by providing them with up to date tools and equipment, such as new computers and vehicles. This has resulted in a more efficient delivery of services to the growing demands of the public in general.

Description of Capital Projects October 1, 2006

Ascarate Golf Course Irrigation System

This fund was established to account for the cost of construction of an irrigation system for the Ascarate Golf Course. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

County Capital Improvements 2004 Fund

This project relates to a variety of capital expenditures, for most, if not all County departments in the form of equipment. Proceeds from the sales of Rodeo land was used to finance this project.

County Capital Projects 2001 Fund

This fund was used to account for the purchase of land in the northeast for a County annex. Remaining funds have been allocated for various County projects and will be transferred to the appropriate indexes upon receipt of definitive cost and bid information. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 are used to finance this project.

County Capital Projects 2002 Fund

This fund is used to account for the construction of the new County annex, parking garage, courthouse capital needs and improvements to the County's water infrastructure. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2002 are used to finance this project.

County Courthouse 1995 Fund

This fund was established during 1995 for improvements and renovations to the existing County Courthouse.

Elections Capital Projects 2002 Fund

This fund was used to account for the purchase of new electronic voting equipment for the elections department. Proceeds form Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Lower Valley Parks Fund

This fund is used to account for improvements to the Lower Valley Park. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 are used to finance this project.

Description of Capital Projects October 1, 2006

MDR (Archives) Building

This fund was established to account for the renovation costs related to the Archives Building. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2002 were used to finance this project.

Mission Valley Annex

This fund was established in fiscal year 2006 to account for the costs of renovating the recently purchased Mission Valley Annex, which will house the Justice of the Peace No. 6, the Agricultural Co-Op, and a Juvenile Probation Satellite department. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2002 were used to finance this project.

Northeast Annex

This fund was used to account for the construction of the Northeast Courthouse Annex that houses a Justice of the Peace, Tax Office, County Clerk, Veteran's Assistance and Adult Probation department. Proceeds from the Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Parking 2005

This fund was established in fiscal year 2005 to account for the costs of a new County parking garage.

River Park Fund

This fund was established to cover costs of a running and biking trail system that banks a portion of the Rio Grande River.

Sheriff Office Administration Building Renovation

This fund was established to account for the renovation to the recently purchased Sheriff Office Administration Building. This building will house several divisions of the Sheriff office as well as a storage facility and Elections' warehouse.

Sportspark Capital Projects

This fund was used to account for the purchase of an eastside sports park that includes baseball, t-ball and volleyball fields. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Description of Capital Projects October 1, 2006

Time and Attendance

This fund was established in fiscal year 2002 to account for the costs of a county wide electronic time and attendance system.

Other Capital Projects

Among the Capital Projects under this category, are the Jail Annex and the Jail Annex Module improvements, which were completed in 1997 and 1998 respectively and were built to alleviate the overcrowding conditions being experience at the downtown detention facility and to comply with State jail standards, in addition to the Juvenile Probation Administration Building.