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**ADDITIONAL POWERS OF ANY MUNICIPALITY  
[Various sections of Chapters 3, 6 & 7 NMSA 1978]**

Additionally, any municipality may, specifically, by statute:

1. provide for, and regulate, animal control [§3-18-3];
2. adopt rules and regulations for public buildings [§3-18-4];
3. provide for removal of dangerous buildings or debris [§3-18-5];
4. provide for regulation and restriction of building construction and establish fire zones [3-18-6];
5. provide for flood control to minimize flood damage [§3-18-7];
6. own, operate, maintain and/or regulate cemeteries [§§3-18-8, 3-40-1];
7. exercise the power of eminent domain [§3-18-10];
8. provide for fire protection and prevention [§3-18-11];
9. regulate the sale of food and drink [§3-18-12];
10. regulate and prohibit industrial nuisances and nauseous locations [§3-18-13];
11. establish and maintain free public libraries [§3-18-14];
12. acquire works of art and establish museums [§3-18-15];
13. establish and regulate municipal markets and market places [§3-18-16];
14. define and abate nuisances [§3-18-17];
15. build, beautify and improve public parks and acquire property for park purposes [§3-18-18 & 19];
16. construct and maintain sanitary facilities [§3-18-22];
17. inspect and regulate steam boilers [§3-18-23];
18. license and regulate secondhand and junk dealers [§3-18-24]
19. establish, license, regulate and fix the tolls of all toll bridges and ferries [§3-18-26];
20. regulate planting, transplanting, growing, trimming, pruning, preservation and protection of trees, shrubs and vines or create a commission for the purpose of such regulation [§3-18-27];

21. enter into contracts with private insurance companies to establish a retirement system for its employees [§3-18-28];
22. with proper authority, establish, operate and maintain a foreign-trade zone [§3-18-29];
23. adopt a master plan and exercise planning, platting, subdivision and zoning authority within geographic limits defined by statute, including historic zones [§§3-19-1, 5 & 6 -1-1, 3-22-3];
24. acquire, construct, operate and maintain municipal water, sewer, electric, natural gas and solid waste utilities, charge and collect fees for service and assess fees for maintenance [Chapter 3, Articles 23 through 29];
25. register and collect a business registration fee for each business location within the municipality except businesses licensed by the municipality (mandatory) [§3-38-3];
26. license and regulate businesses operating within the municipality (including liquor licenses) except for businesses whose licensing and regulation has been preempted by the State or federal government [§3-38-1];
27. establish, operate and maintain a municipal airport [§3-39-4];
28. annex additional contiguous territory not within the boundaries of another municipality [Chapter 3, Article 7];
29. control, regulate, construct, own, operate and maintain hospitals and clinics [§3-44-1];
30. create and operate a municipal housing authority [§3-45-4];
31. undertake and carry out urban renewal and land development projects [§3-46-31];
32. layout, establish, open, vacate, alter, repair and improve streets, alleys, bridges, culverts, medians, sidewalks, curbs, gutters and public grounds [§3-49-1];
33. own and operate parking facilities and install, maintain and repair parking meters on public streets [§3-50-5];
34. own and operate municipal transit systems [§3-52-3];
35. acquire, construct, modify, control and regulate water courses, canals and ditches [§3-53-1];
36. control, reduce, abate or prevent pollution of land, air or water within or, within fifteen miles, outside the municipality [§3-59-4];
37. plan and provide for community development, including the elimination of slums and urban blight [§3-60-26];
38. impose a lodgers tax (occupancy tax) [§ 3-38 -15];
39. as provided by statute, impose municipal gross receipts taxes [Chapter 7, Articles 19, 19B, and 19C];
40. as provided by statute, impose property taxes by budget adoption [§3-37-7B(3)];
41. enter into franchise agreements with public utilities for the use of streets and public ways and collect an appropriate franchise fee [§3-42 1];

42. establish improvement districts and impose property tax assessments for street and municipal utility projects as provided by statute [Chapter 3, Articles 33 & 34];
43. accept and expend grants and loans from the State or federal government [various State statutes, §3-37-6];
44. as provided by statute, impose and collect liens on real property [§3-36-1 through 7];
45. issue general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, and industrial revenue bonds as provided by statute [Chapter 3, Articles 30 through 32];
46. lease-purchase personal property using legislatively dedicated revenue sources [N.M. Constitution, Article IX, Sections 12 & 13; Letter of Attorney General dated 4/11/89];
47. sell, exchange or lease real property and utilities [Chapter 3, Article 54];
48. enter into Joint Powers Agreements with other governmental entities for providing various services [§11-1-3];
49. establish a penalty assessment program [§66-8-130];
50. establish a Community Service sentencing program [§35-15-14]; and
51. adopt, amend or repeal a municipal charter by referendum [§3-15-2].

**Most of these powers are exercised by ordinance**, although a few may be exercised by resolution. Check the specific statute for what is required.

Additional powers are conferred on various classes of municipalities by county location (Class A or Class H counties, for example) or by population size.

There may also be a few other powers given to municipalities by specific statutes we have not remembered, but this is a rather