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## Group: Tunnel Would Fix Paseo

### Mayor Says Plan Is Too Expensive

By BARBARA ARMIJO AND JIM LUDWICK  
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The National Trust for Historic Preservation wants the city to consider building a tunnel somewhere north of Petroglyph National Monument instead of pursuing a plan to extend Paseo del Norte.

The proposal, also backed by the SAGE Council and the Vote No on Street Bonds Nonpartisan Committee, is an alternative to the 1,200-foot stretch of Paseo del Norte that opponents say will disrupt petroglyphs.

The \$12 million Paseo extension, on a corridor of city land between two parts of the monument, has become a flashpoint of the city's \$52.5 million road bond package on Tuesday's ballot.

Supporters say it is needed to relieve West Side traffic congestion and point to a plan to protect petroglyphs and to acquire land outside the monument for a buffer.

Opponents say extending it will desecrate sacred land, will not solve West Side traffic woes and will benefit developers.

Elizabeth Merritt, deputy general counsel for the National Trust for Historic Preservation, unveiled the proposed alternative Wednesday at a news conference at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center.

"We're calling on the city to

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## Scales Tip In Favor Of Overweight DWI Suspect

### Judge Tosses Case Over Field Tests

By T.J. WILHAM  
Journal Staff Writer

A frustrated prosecutor says police might have to start carrying more than a ticket book and Breathalyzer in the BAT-mobile.

What's next in the arsenal of BAT tools?

A scale? Probably not, but it was suggested Wednesday in the wake of an Albuquerque man's acquittal on drunken driving charges by a Metropolitan Court judge last week.

The defendant's attorney argued that police conducted the wrong field sobriety tests because the suspect was 67 pounds overweight. A doctor's note in the court file said the defendant's healthy weight was 170.

"The police are now concerned that they are going have to eyeball someone and make a determination if he was overweight or even put them on a scale," said Gary Cade, a Bernalillo County chief deputy

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# SOX WIN!



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Boston Red Sox's Doug Mientkiewicz, left, and catcher Jason Varitek jump into Keith Foulke's arms after the Red Sox defeated the St. Louis Cardinals 3-0 in Game 4 to win the World Series on Wednesday.

## Boston ends decades of frustration by capturing World Series

The Boston Red Sox defeated the St. Louis Cardinals 3-0 on Wednesday night to capture the team's first World Series title since 1918.

The four-game sweep of the Cardinals ends what some considered a curse that started when Boston sold Babe Ruth to the New York Yankees in 1920.

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Boston Red Sox fans at Rafter's Bar in Amherst, Mass., react to the Red Sox's 3-0 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals in Game 4 of the World Series on Wednesday.

## Arafat's Health Sharply Declines

### Ailing Palestinian Leader Collapses

By MOHAMMED DARAGHMEH  
The Associated Press

RAMALLAH, West Bank — An ailing Yasser Arafat collapsed Wednesday night, was unconscious for about 10 minutes and remained in serious condition. A team of Jordanian doctors was urgently summoned to treat the ailing Palestinian leader, whose wife headed to her husband's side from Paris.

An official in Arafat's office said the Palestinian leader had created a special committee of three senior officials, including Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia, to run Palestinian affairs during the 75-year-old leader's continuing illness.



**ARAFAT: Doctors urgently summoned for leader, 75**

Other Palestinian officials, including his spokesman Nabil Abu Rdeneh, denied a temporary leadership group was formed.

The Palestinian leader was eating soup during a meeting with Qureia, former Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas, and another official between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. (noon or 1 p.m. MDT) when he vomited, a bodyguard said.

Arafat was taken quickly to the clinic inside his Ramallah compound, where he collapsed and was unconscious for about 10 minutes, the guard said.

Palestinian officials soon descended on the sandbagged, partially demolished compound where Arafat has been confined for 2½ years. The officials milled about the courtyard, waiting for news outside Arafat's three-story headquarters that was bathed in spotlights.

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## ELECTION 2004

### Some Voter Lines Shorter

#### Balloting Faster at County Sites in West, South

By ISABEL SANCHEZ  
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Advice for those who plan to vote early: Go west or south, where early voting lines are a fraction of the size of those in the Northeast Heights.

Voters trying to dodge the crowds on Election Day by going to one of the county's 13 in-person, early voting sites are standing in line for as long as two hours at some locations, and mere minutes in others.

The longest waits are at Mission Square on Juan Tabo NE and Paseo Village at Paseo del Norte and Wyoming NE. The

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Sue Dragan gets a hand from her husband, Bob, as the couple wait to vote at Paseo Village on Wednesday. It's a first for Sue Dragan, who hadn't voted before, but she brought a chair to ease her broken foot.

## Campaign Calls Bombard Voters

By ANDY LENDERMAN  
Journal Politics Writer

The Bush and Kerry campaigns, bolstered by reinforcements from "safe" states, are knocking on doors, wearing out shoe leather, and running direct mail and phone banks to get their people to the polls in battleground New Mexico.

The election, they say, hangs in the balance. But some people say they've had enough.

"I think people are just sick of this," said retired federal employee Mary Wienen, 64. "And I've already voted. That was supposed to sort of take us off of it. But I'm still getting calls."

Wienen said she belongs to no political party and has received at least 60 recorded and live calls since Oct. 8 — mostly from Republicans, but from Democrats, too.

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