



**March 15, 2019**

## **CITY EVENTS**

### **UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS**

- City Council Policy Session – 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, City Council Chambers, 200 West Jefferson St.
- City Council Formal Meeting – 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, City Council Chambers, 200 West Jefferson St.
- North Mountain Village Planning Committee – 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, Cowden Center, 9202 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St.
- Deer Valley Village Planning Committee – 6:00 p.m. Thursday, March 21, Deer Valley Community Center, 2001 W. Wahalla Ln.
- Zoning Adjustment Hearing – 9:00 a.m. Thursday, March 21, Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St. Assembly Room C.

For more information on these and all other public City meetings visit:

<https://www.phoenix.gov/cityclerk/publicmeetings/notices>.

City Council meetings are live on Cox Cable Channel 11 and streamed live on [www.phoenix.gov](http://www.phoenix.gov) and [facebook.com/cityofphoenix](https://www.facebook.com/cityofphoenix). Past City Council meetings are posted to YouTube at

<http://www.youtube.com/cityofphoenixaz>.

## **DISTRICT 1 EVENTS:**

## DISTRICT 1 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST



The next breakfast is Friday, March 29, at the DoubleTree Hotel Phoenix North, 10220 N. Metro Pkwy E., Phoenix, AZ 85051. Breakfast will be at 7:30 a.m. and the guest speaker, Ed Zuercher, City Manager, will start 7:45 a.m.

Ed Zuercher is the Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Phoenix and oversees the largest council-manager form of government in the United States, with 14,500 city employees, including seven employee unions and associations, and a \$3.4 billion annual budget.



## CITY NEWS & EVENTS:



## DEEM HILLS PARK PHASE III

The Phoenix Parks Department (PRD) is hosting a 2<sup>nd</sup> community meeting to discuss a proposed plan for the Deem Hills Park Phase III development. The first meeting held on February 21<sup>st</sup> revisited past development plans and allowed residents to provide input. The PRD has also gathered feedback from resident emails and is not ready to unveil design concepts. Please join us on Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Beuf Community Center 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Rd. to share your feedback. Those who cannot attend can send an email to [Cynthia.l.brown@phoenix.gov](mailto:Cynthia.l.brown@phoenix.gov) to request a copy of the proposed design concepts and give your feedback.

# District 1 Councilwoman Thelda Williams

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## Family Fishing Day with Phoenix Police

Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>

8:00 – 12:00 p.m.

A Community Fishing Program

In partnership with the  
Arizona Game and Fish Department

### Cortez Park Lake

3434 West Dunlap Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85051

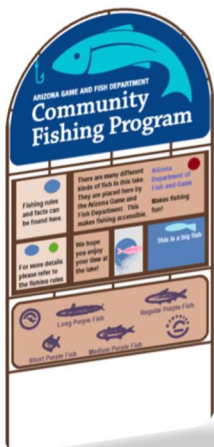
Arizona Game and Fish Department

Phoenix Police Explorers

Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department



City of Phoenix



## STUMPED ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH SOME TREES NEAR PUBLIC TRANSIT AREAS IN PHOENIX'S CENTRAL CORE?



better shade canopy.

This allows for more efficiency in maintenance and in combatting some of the issues seen with other species whose branches tend to protrude into walk paths, bike lanes or the adjacent roadway. Additionally, more than **180** empty tree wells will have trees planted in them during the 18-month project.

This means that if you see trees being removed or pruned in the central core of Phoenix near public transit amenities, don't panic! It is all part of the plan to continue expanding shade near our transit facilities and creating safe transit areas.

Stay alert and proceed with caution if you see this work taking place.

If you have questions, feel free to email the Phoenix Public Transit team at [pubtrans@phoenix.gov](mailto:pubtrans@phoenix.gov).

The Phoenix Public Transit Department is working on a tree improvement and maintenance project starting mid-March. This includes replacing trees lost due to storms, accidents and disease, as well as making accessibility improvements.

As part of the project, more than **200** trees will be pruned, removed, replaced or will have fencing placed around the base in an effort to have landscaping that is more pedestrian friendly.

Some of the new trees that are to be planted will be of a different species. This species (known as Pistache) has a tendency to have trunks that grow straight, are slow growing and hardy, more wind resistant and provide a



## K-9 OFFICER WARO

Last year, days after K-9 Officer Bane was killed in the line of duty, our community partners Jerry Simms, Connie Wilhelm and SSP America made a donation that allowed us to purchase and train new K-9 unit members. Earlier this week got to meet our newest member, K-9 officer Waro. Our K-9 members are highly intelligent dogs serving on the force. They specialize in finding criminals and stopping them in their tracks, as well as working to protect their handlers.



## CONSTRUCTION OF WEXFORD SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Construction officially began Thursday at Wexford Science and Technology for a new \$77 million, 200,000 square-foot biomedical research center in downtown. The Phoenix Biomedical Campus is an innovation district with world-renowned research scientists advancing critical medical treatments. Wexford is a private research company that forces on partnering with universities and other institutions to build mixed-use projects. “This is a true effort between the city of Phoenix, Arizona State University and Wexford Science and Technology. This is a true public-private partnership to bring the next project on the Phoenix Biomedical campus of the ground,” said Christine Mackay, Phoenix Community and Economic Development director.



## CACTUS WREN CELEBRATES THEIR 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Come join in celebrating Cactus Wren's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary on March 30, from 10a.m. to 2p.m. Located at Cactus Wren Elementary School 9650 N. 39<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Activities include Carnival Games, a Bouncy House, a D.J., Entertainment and Food Trucks through the Parent Teacher Organization's Annual Spring Fling. There are 100+ Raffle Prizes, a 50/50 Drawing, an Adult Corn Hole Tournament, the Police Dragster, the Virtual Block Watch Vehicle, a Fire Truck, and more!

Governmental booths include: The Cactus Park Police Precinct, Cactus Park Community Alliance, District One, Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol, American Red Cross, Phoenix Cares, Neighborhood Services, Public Works, City Streets Dept., Parks and Recreation, Solid Waste, and the Arizona Dept. of Transportation

Vendor booths include but are not limited to: Community Tire Pro's, SRP, Cox Communications, Custom Energy Design, Mindy Lu & Chocolate Too, Valley Metro, Freestand Realty, Mr. Fix It, AZ Cosmetic & Family Dentistry, et cetera.

Over \$6,000 in Raffle Prizes include a \$500 Fry's Gift Card, \$400 off from Community Tire Pro's, Five \$100 Walmart Gift Cards, Harkin's Ultimate Theater Passes, Two Custom Pool Cues/Cases, Castles & Coasters All Day Passes, Laser Quest, Great Skate, Free Granada Pest Control Services and several Restaurant Gift Cards from Jason's Deli, Red Robin, Olive Garden, Anzio's, Dolce Vino, Pei Wei, & More! Come join in the fun!



## PHOENIX PLANNED MAJOR STREET RESTRICTIONS – UPDATED MARCH 15.

To view a listing of the latest planned major street restrictions please visit this link:  
<https://www.phoenix.gov/streetssite/Pages/Planned-Street-Closures-and-Restrictions-.aspx>



These restrictions represent only the major planned activities reported to the Street Transportation Department's right-of-way management office. This listing does not reflect closures or restrictions due to unexpected events such as flooding, traffic collisions, fires, utility failures or other emergencies. For street closure alerts follow the Phoenix Street Transportation Department on Twitter at [@PHXStreetTrans](https://twitter.com/PHXStreetTrans).

## **CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:**

Join us for our upcoming District 1 “*Catch, Clean, and Cook*” fishing derby on Saturday, April 6. The event will be located at Cortez Park Lake, 3434 W. Dunlap Ave at 8:00 a.m. Our family fishing event will include demos to properly clean and cook your catch. Please stay tuned as we update you with more information in the upcoming weeks.

### **Legislative**

On Feb. 25, the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) released draft 2019 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Rankings. UASI funds are received by the region and utilized to help build an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism. The Phoenix region received the same ranking as last year, ranking 19th nationally. The Government Relations team has and will continue to work with the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management as well as Phoenix Police and Fire on the region’s response letter to the draft ranking, due Mar. 8. Staff will also work to ensure our regional and federal congressional delegation is aware of the ranking and the importance of the region receiving the UASI funding it is due.

On Feb. 25, Census staff met with Planning and Development, as well as Information Technology Services (ITS) staff to review mapping needs for census efforts. During the meeting, ITS staff demonstrated a map viewer created for staff use, highlighting data layers to assist with outreach efforts. Planning and Development staff presented a map created using 2010 Response Data to assist in identifying Phoenix’s hard-to-count areas. Staff will continue to work with both department resources to help inform Phoenix’s efforts.

### **Economic Development and Education**

Communications staff launched the final phase of upgrades to the City Calendar on Phoenix.gov. This final step includes a redesign on the details page, and has a new, cleaner look which is easier to read on mobile devices. Other new features include an “Active” category link to see a department’s entire upcoming events, an “Add to Calendar” function which allows users to add any calendar item to their personal Google, Outlook, Yahoo, or Apple calendar. The “Add to Calendar” function also allows a user to post an item to Facebook or Twitter, send someone an email to share the calendar item, or post a calendar event to Pinterest or Reddit. Communications staff reached out to City departments to encourage the posting of departmental events to the City Calendar.

On Feb. 25, Law staff participated in a meeting sponsored by the Maryvale Revitalization Corporation, to assist in curriculum development for HERO U, which inspires students to higher levels of learning and career engagement by introducing leadership, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), and entrepreneurial skills and practices. This program will be held on April 18, at Grand Canyon University. The event will involve eighth and ninth grade students from the Maryvale area. Follow-up courses are in the development stages and will be provided to interested students in the summer.

On Feb. 28, Community and Economic Development staff joined the West Valley Cities at a forum organized by WESTMARC to highlight the West Valley Opportunity Zones to potential investors. Staff presented information about Phoenix's Qualified Zones (west of I-17) to more than 100 attendees. The Opportunity Zone Program is designed to encourage citizens or corporations to invest their capital gains into designated low-income communities with the intention of encouraging economic growth.

## **Neighborhoods and Livability**

On March 2, Neighborhood Services staff assisted with the coordination of the 20th Annual 7th Avenue Street Fair. This year's event produced the largest attendance with over 20,000 attendees. Fair features included 200 vendors, 145 vintage cars, four local bands, and 10 food trucks. All the neighborhood associations in the area had resource booths and many of the residents volunteered. The Mountain View Police Precinct supported the event with the Community Resource Squad on bikes and walking throughout.

On Feb. 25, staff from multiple departments assisted with the first Camelback Light Rail Coalition meeting held at Camelback Pointe Apartments. The coalition is being formed to look at the area from 7th Ave. to the I-17 for redevelopment and engagement. Community leaders from four of the surrounding neighborhood associations are coordinating the group. Staff from Planning and Development, Neighborhood Services, Public Transit Community and Economic Development, and Phoenix Police were in attendance, as well as business owners. Urban Land Institute staff announced their involvement with a technical assistance study of the area.

During the week of Feb. 24, the Lead Hazard Control Program and the Healthy Homes Program provided lead-based paint remediation and critical repairs to a home located near 27th Ave. and Van Buren St. The low-income family received a newly installed stove and oven together with a range hood for proper kitchen ventilation and smoke/carbon monoxide detectors throughout the home. Additionally, the bathroom's accessibility was improved by putting in a walk-in shower, new shower valve, and grab bar. These repairs address the various household hazards as well as reduce the potential harm from lead-based paint hazards for children younger than six living in the home.

City staff across many departments assisted with setting up two visionary workshops for the South-Central Corridor Community, where residents can share the vision of their community's future. The next event is being held March 9 from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m., at the Carver Museum (415 E. Grant St.). The events will feature family activities, door prizes, and interactive activities related to Green Systems, Mobility, Housing, Health, Economic Development, and Land Use. Extensive community outreach was conducted to engage the South-Central Community in this important planning effort.

## **Public Safety**

On March 7, a Phoenix Police recruit written exam is scheduled at the Grand Canyon University Campus. To date, 244 applicants registered to take the exam. With new changes to the application process, recruitments will remain open until the day of the exam instead of closing the prior Sunday, permitting more flexibility for applicants.



From Jan. 13 through Feb. 4, 2,090 applicants registered for the Firefighter recruitment. Those interested in becoming a Firefighter with the City registered for the written exam scheduled for March 5 at the Phoenix Convention Center. Those applicants who successfully pass the written test will be placed on the Firefighter Recruit eligible list. Phoenix Fire uses the eligible list to invite applicants to participate in two rounds of oral board job interviews, the first of which will start the week of April 15.

On March 8, Phoenix Fire will showcase firefighting careers at Marie Bartlett Heard Elementary School (2301 W. Thomas Rd.), from 2 to 4:30 p.m. The school organized a science and technology career day, and requested a presentation on how children with strengths in engineering, the arts and mathematics might fare as first responders.

Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management staff met with Arizona Department of Homeland Security, the National Guard, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Arizona Counter Terrorism Intelligence Center (ACTIC) leadership to continue discussions on building the ACTIC's cyber intelligence program.

## **Infrastructure**

On Feb. 28, the Street Transportation staff activated the City's 45th High Intensity Crosswalk (HAWK) signal at 3400 W. Dunlap Ave. This was originally a rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB) that was upgraded to a HAWK to improve pedestrian safety in the corridor.

On Feb. 27, a public open house was held at North High School to display the 30 percent concept design for the Oak Street Bike and Pedestrian Improvement Project. Approximately 50 people attended the meeting and members of the bicycle community and adjacent neighborhoods provided comments on the design.

Street Transportation staff continue to meet with neighborhood associations and community groups to provide information related to the Accelerated Pavement Maintenance Program (APMP). The purpose of the meetings is to provide information about the APMP and explain how residents can provide input on which streets they would like for the City to consider including in the program for fiscal years 2021 – 2023.

On March 18, the City in partnership with Downtown Phoenix Inc. is opening Paw-Pup, a temporary dog park located on the southeast corner of 200 W. Jefferson St. The dog park setup is scheduled the week of March 11.

On Feb. 21, Water Services crews shut down and began de-watering a 60-inch pre-stressed concrete cylinder pipe transmission main, located 400 feet north of Sky Harbor Blvd. A 2014 inspection determined this main had wire breaks and degraded structural integrity, and its location near the end of one of the Sky Harbor Airport runways is critical. The main is being repaired with carbon fiber reinforced polymer. No customers are affected by the shutdown, which is scheduled to end April 30.

## NEWS & EVENTS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT:

### WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

#### Acacia Principal Named GCU STEM Principal of the Month

Christine Hollingsworth, principal at Acacia Elementary School, was surprised during the school talent show last week by Grand Canyon University (GCU)! GCU

has selected Mrs. Hollingsworth as the STEM Principal of the Month! GCU recognizes those who display “creativity and vision in implementing or supporting STEM-related pathways and programs.” Mrs. Hollingsworth was awarded a goodie basket and plaque from Grand Canyon University and a \$500 check from Suoll architects!



#### You're Invited to the Annual Art Show

March is Youth Art Month! To celebrate, please join

the #WESDFamily on Tuesday, March 26 for the annual student art show. A special reception will be held in the Fletcher Library at the ASU West campus from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.! Student artwork will be on display from all 32 schools. Free parking is available at the WESD Administrative Center, 4650 W. Sweetwater Ave. We hope to see you there!



### DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS



#### National Board Certified Teachers - Anne Farmer, Sonoran Foothills and Dawn Olson, Norterra Canyon

DVUSD congratulates two teachers who recently achieved their National Board Certification. Our newest National Board Certified Teacher (NBCT) is Sonoran Foothills first grade Teacher Anne Farmer. Anne

started 14 years ago in the district at Copper Creek Elementary and in 2016 moved to Sonoran Foothills.

Dawn Olson, from Norterra Canyon has been teaching for 16 years and has been with the district for four of those years. She has renewed her certification after originally becoming Nationally Board Certified in 2009.

National Board Certification is an advanced teaching credential. This rigorous, peer-reviewed process ensures that Board-certified teachers have proven skills to impact learning and advance student achievement. Board-certified teachers are invaluable to Deer Valley as mentors to their colleagues and for their ability to provide guiding input for curricular decisions.



## GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

### **GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

#### **GUHSD Free Summer Academy Programs**

Glendale Union High School District's Summer Academy programs are coming soon and will be open to sixth through eighth grade students and current district-enrolled students. Students will enjoy these signature programs that will prepare them for the all-important next step – both academically and socially. Enjoy programs like Project SHARP and High School 101 or explore new subjects such as culinary, fire and law, coding, engineering and robotics, honors algebra and honors geometry. All GUHSD courses are offered in an environment where students receive quality instruction by certified teachers. Programs to recover deficient credits will also be available.



Many of these free programs are offered on one of our nine high school campuses, while other courses can be accessed online. Stay tuned for registration details for additional summer academy programs coming soon. To register now for programs such as Math Academy, High School 101 and Project SHARP, visit this link: <https://bit.ly/2XY4VEH>



Thelda is tweeting! Follow her @TheldaWilliams1

## GREAT CHARITIES TO DONATE TO:

### **ARIZON HUMANE SOCIETY**

<http://www.azhumane.org/get-involved/give-now/>

### **CHILDHELP**

2120 N Central Ave #130, Phoenix, AZ 85004

<https://www.childhelp.org/> 602- 271-4500

**PHOENIX CENTER FOR THE ARTS** Love the arts? Want to help ensure that the programming we offer here at the center continues for generations to come? Please visit: <https://phoenixcenterforthearts.org/support/>

**ANTHEM PETS** Animal Rescue: A Voice for the Voiceless

<http://anthempets.org/> 480-287-3542

**ARIZONA PAWS & CLAWS** [www.azpawsandclaws.com](http://www.azpawsandclaws.com)

**FETCH FOUNDATION:** please go to the following site:

[www.fetchfoundation.com/Newsflash/the-fido-bag-program](http://www.fetchfoundation.com/Newsflash/the-fido-bag-program)

**M.A.I.N.** What We Do - M.A.I.N. - Medical Animals In Need, Dog Rescue in Phoenix Arizona Kelly Ferreira 480-245-9203 President / Medical Animals In Need [www.medicalanimalsinneed.com](http://www.medicalanimalsinneed.com) Together we save lives!

**MINI MIGHTY MUTTS** for more information, contact Angie Crouse at 480-304-5654 or [info@minimightymutts.com](mailto:info@minimightymutts.com) Also check out our website at [www.minimightymutts.com](http://www.minimightymutts.com) Mini Mighty Mutts is a 501(c) 3 organization. We rescue the underdog!

**OPERATION CARE FOOD BANK** located in North Phoenix, a non-profit Christian organization committed to helping those in need with food and clothing. For additional information, please call 602-866-0135, or visit: [info@operationcarefoodbank.org](mailto:info@operationcarefoodbank.org)

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