



December 3, 2021

Greetings,

In this newsletter you will find the latest news, announcements, and event details that I want to share with you:

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- Drought Pipeline Construction
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As always, please do not hesitate to contact my office with questions, comments, or concerns at (602) 262-7441 or council.district.3@phoenix.gov.

Respectfully,

Debra Stark
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City of Phoenix
[Council District 3](#)



FREE COVID-19 Testing & Vaccinations

Select events now also offer COVID-19 vaccinations! For testing and vaccine opportunities citywide, visit phoenix.gov/covidtesting.

Mobile Van #1

Offers antigen and antibodies test. [Read More](#).

Mobile Van #2

Offers antigen results in 15 minutes and PCR with results within 24 hours. [Read More](#).

Walk-Up/Drive-Up Sites

Offers PCR test with results in 24 hours.



December 8 – District 3 Community Coffee Chat

Mark your calendars! Our District 3 Community Coffee Chat is Wednesday, **December 8 in person!** Staff from the Street Transportation Department will join us to talk about the [Road Safety Action Plan](#).

The Road Safety Action Plan will be developed to improve safety conditions for all users. The plan will consider data gathered, roadway design, enforcement, and extensive public engagement.



Wednesday, December 8 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Native American Connections
1431 E. Dunlap Ave.

We will be meeting outdoors in the courtyard. Dress warmly! Coffee and pastries will be provided.

Let us know you're coming. RSVP to council.district.3@phoenix.gov or 602-262-7441.

December 14 – Black Mountain Precinct Blood Drive

Tuesday, December 14
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Shiloh Community Church Gym
19021 N. 32nd St.

For questions, contact Tim Tewers at 602-495-5112.
To make an appointment, visit [BloodHero.com](https://www.bloodhero.com)
Blood drive code: PPDBMP

Streets of New York would like to thank you for giving blood with a voucher for a free 10" cheese pizza.

December 17 – Desert Horizon Precinct Blood Drive

Thursday, December 17
11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Phoenix Impact Center
5020 N. 23rd Ave.

To make an appointment, visit: [BloodHero.com](https://www.bloodhero.com)
Blood drive code: BATTLEPD

Streets of New York would like to thank you for giving blood with a voucher for a free 10" cheese pizza.



Micro and Small Business Grants Available for Phoenix Businesses

Micro and Small Businesses in the City of Phoenix may be eligible to receive grants for up to \$15,000. The grant funds can be used for any business expense categorized by the Internal Revenue Service as a "deductible expense." Past grant recipients have used funds for payroll, company rent or mortgage payments, insurance, inventory, and utilities.

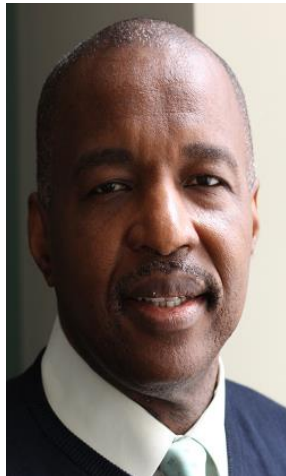
Applications will be accepted until April 15, 2022 unless all grant funds are awarded prior to this deadline.

To learn about grant eligibility requirements and free application assistance, visit www.phoenix.gov/PhxBizGrants.

Free application assistance is available to eligible applicants from our partner, Local First Arizona. Please contact their office at 602-777-7636 and phoenixgrants@localfirst.com.



Office of Accountability and Transparency Director Named



City Manager Jeff Barton has named Roger Smith as the city's first Director of the Office of Accountability and Transparency (OAT).

The Phoenix City Council first approved the new office last year, finalizing the specific duties of the office in June. This includes monitoring or investigating members of the Phoenix Police Department and ensuring complaints against officers are handled fairly and objectively.

The new office may also provide recommendations for training, policy, and disciplinary actions.

Smith brings to the role extensive experience investigating complaints of misconduct against police employees. He currently leads the Office of Professional Standards (OPS) for the city of Cleveland. This office investigates 200-300 allegations of misconduct against Cleveland police officers annually. Under his direction, the OPS works directly with the Department of Justice on dozens of provisions in the City's consent decree with the Department of Justice.

Prior to his work with Cleveland, Smith worked in New York City including nine years as Counsel for the city's Civilian Complaint Review Board.

As a University of Southern California Law School graduate, Smith previously worked as an Assistant District Attorney and as an agency attorney for the New York City Department of Corrections. He also has a B.A. in History and M.A. in Journalism from the University of Maryland, College Park.

He begins his new role on December 6.

More: [City Manager Names First Director of Office of Accountability & Transparency \(phoenix.gov\)](#)

Phoenix Road Safety Action Plan

To improve safety for all users of Phoenix's roadways, the City of Phoenix is investing in a comprehensive Road Safety Action Plan that will further the city's current efforts and provide a framework and key strategies for safety enhancements citywide.

To develop the plan, staff will conduct a comprehensive evaluation of data and current conditions. The plan will consider the 4 E's: Evaluation, Engineering, Education, and Enforcement.

The Street Transportation Department is currently facilitating the public engagement phase of the process. Community members are encouraged to provide input that will help shape the plan by taking an [online interactive survey](#) that is available in English and Spanish.

More information:
phoenix.gov/streets/roadsafety.



Phoenix Awarded Funding for Bike-to-School, Pedestrian Safety Initiatives

The Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety recently awarded \$25,000 to the City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department to support its ongoing bicycle and pedestrian safety programs.

The funding will be used to purchase bicycle helmets for students who participate in the city's annual bike-to-school events, as well as LED stop sign paddles for crossing guards stationed at high-traffic locations citywide.



Additional resources about bicycle and pedestrian safety issues and programs are available on the Street Transportation Department's [Safety Topics webpage](#).

Sky Harbor Holiday Travel Tips

Book ahead

Did you know passengers can [book parking](#) up to six months ahead of their travel date? Reserve your spot at any Sky Harbor parking facilities while saving yourself time and money. Visit the [parking page](#) to check for more information.



Security awareness

Make sure you double check what's in your bag and become familiar with the [guidelines](#) to pass through security, including items that may be restricted. View Security Checkpoint wait times on [skyharbor.com](#) or on flight information display boards in each terminal. Visit the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) [travel page](#) for more tips, or receive answers to your questions directly from TSA's [Twitter](#) page.

Save time and avoid roadway traffic with the PHX Sky Train®

Whether picking up or dropping someone off, roadways around the airport get especially busy during the holidays. Avoid the roadway and curbside congestion by utilizing the [44th Street PHX Sky Train® Station](#). Travelers can ride the train, free of charge, directly to and from the terminals. There are also short-term parking meters and a free cell phone waiting lot there.

Check status

Double check your [flight status](#) with your airline before coming to the airport, and make sure to give yourself plenty of time. Arrive at least two hours before your flight departure for domestic travel or three hours for international travel.

Face masks required

Face masks covering the mouth and nose are required to be worn at all times under the federal mask mandate. Make sure to be familiar with current [COVID-19 protocols](#) for all areas you visit.

District 3 Street Transportation Department Updates

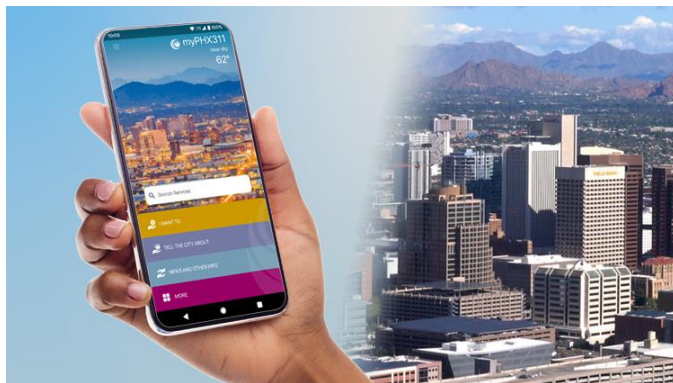
Street Transportation crews have been hard at work around District 3 and citywide!

In District 3 alone, crews have completed 90.6 miles of mill and overlay work, 124.6 miles of preservation treatments, 137.7 miles of crack seal, and 2,380 ADA ramps (from July 1, 2018 to October 31, 2021).

To find out which streets are included in the five-year pavement maintenance program, visit the Pavement Maintenance Dashboard: phoenix.gov/pavement.



MyPHX311 Mobile App Now Available



The City of Phoenix recently announced the launch of a new service through an app called 'MyPHX311' that allows residents to pay their City Services Bill, report quality-of-life issues and request city services.

The new mobile app is a compliment to the recently upgraded version "PHX At Your Service" web portal (now [Phoenix.gov/myPHX311](https://phoenix.gov/myPHX311)). The

myPHX311 app is optimized for smartphones but can also be used on tablets as well. With this new digital interactive experience, residents can send reports directly to the City's website. The app allows community members to provide city staff with pictures, videos, descriptions, and the location when reporting an issue.

Once the app is downloaded ([Phoenix.gov/app](https://phoenix.gov/app)), users can create an account to access most of the features available. Users can also proceed as a guest. The app is also available in Spanish.

Users can search job postings, review street closures and neighborhood programs. Each item is linked directly to the [Phoenix.gov](https://phoenix.gov) website, making it easy to follow-up

on service requests and stay up to date on all the resources Phoenix has to offer. The MyPHX311 mobile app is available for download on Android and iOS.

The public should continue to report emergencies by calling 911. Emergency or urgent service requests should not be reported on the app.

To report water or sewer-related emergencies such as a broken water main, fire hydrant, or water service line (between a water meter and the street) or sewer backups, call 602-261-8000. Issues that occur outside of Phoenix's jurisdiction should be reported to the appropriate agency or organization.

Drought Pipeline Construction

Construction on the 66-inch pipeline is underway and schedule to be complete in early 2023. The pipeline project that will connect to the new pump station on 31st Street south of Bell Road also began last fall. Construction for the rehabilitation/replacement 48-inch pipeline is complete. This pipeline was repaired/replaced to avoid failure of the pipe, which carries 35 million gallons of tap water a day to North Phoenix.

To help keep community members updated on construction updates and alerts, the city has launched the Pipeline Project mobile app. The free app is now available for download on your iPhone or Android's app store.

Project questions or comments?

Call: 602-235-2666

Email: WaterWorks@Phoenix.gov

Sign up to receive updates on phoenix.gov/droughtpipeline.



Public Meetings

City Council Meetings

Online: [Phoenix City Council Meetings](https://phoenix.gov/city-council-meetings)

- [More Information about City Council Meetings](#)
- You can watch meetings on Phoenix Channel 11 and online at phoenix.gov/phxtv
- Please visit our [Public Records Search](#) page for an official copy of the minutes
- Subscribe to the [City Council Meeting Materials](#) List Serve

- 2021 Council Meeting Schedule: [Calendar Format](#)
- [Map - City of Phoenix Council Members and District Boundaries](#)

Public Meeting Notices

Online: [Public Meeting Notices](#)

This webpage includes notices of meetings of the City of Phoenix City Council, Council subcommittees, all city boards, commissions, and committees.