

# May and June 2024

**Street View** features updates and information on district specific and citywide initiatives from the Street Transportation Department. This report covers the period from April 26 through June 27.

# **Council District 1 Initiatives**

## **Traffic Signal Updates**

Street Transportation is upgrading the traffic signals along 43rd Avenue from Bethany Home Road to Northern Avenue to add additional signal heads and flashing yellow left-turn arrows to improve the safety of the intersections. The project also includes crosswalk illumination and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) ramp modifications. The upgraded signals are expected to be activated in fall 2024.

1. 43rd Ave., Bethany Home Rd. to Northern Ave.

#### **Intersection Improvements**

Street Transportation is improving the following intersection to include full traffic signal upgrades and raised median modifications to improve the negative offsets at left-turn lanes. The project is anticipated to be completed in summer 2024.

2. 43rd Ave. and Peoria Ave.

# Street Right-of-Way Landscape Maintenance

Crews maintained the landscaped areas within the street right-of-way listed below. This work typically includes weed and trash removal and landscape pruning. This helps provide a safe environment for the public and enhances the image of the city's streets. For more information about the street right-of-way landscape maintenance program, visit phoenix.gov/streets/ROWlandscape.

- 3. 35th Ave. and Pinnacle Peak Rd.
- 4. 51st Ave. and Union Hills Dr.
- 5. 35th Ave. and Thunderbird Rd.
- 6. 19th Ave. and Deer Valley Rd.
- 7. SR 303 to Dove Valley Rd., 51st Ave. to I-17



## Roadway Repair Work

Street maintenance crews completed significant roadway repairs at the following locations in D1:

- 8. 25032 N. 46th Dr.
- 9. 31st Ave. and Grovers Ave.
- 10. Shaw Butte Dr., 35th Ave. to 33rd Ave.
- 11. 31st Ave. and Campo Bello Dr.
- 12. 3808 W. Kings Ave.
- 13. 49th Ave. and Dahlia Dr.
- 14. 47th Ave. and Hearn Rd.

# **Drainage Maintenance**

As part of routine maintenance, crews inspect for obstructions, clear vegetation, and make repairs to keep flow lines open. Crews performed maintenance, construction, or repair work at the following location in D1:

15. Happy Valley Rd., 59th Ave to 48th Ave.

#### **Citywide Updates**

# **Shared Micromobility Program**

The Street Transportation Department is developing a strategy to expand the city's Shared Micromobilty Program. The department is considering options to expand the program boundaries and vehicle inventory. Community input is needed to help make decisions about how to improve the program. The survey is available in English and Spanish and will be open through July 26, 2024. Visit phoenix.gov/streets/scooters to complete the survey.

#### **Monsoon Safety**

In the desert, storms and flooding can strike quickly and lead to rapidly changing conditions. The Monsoon runs from **June 15 to September 30**; storms peak between mid-July and mid-August. The following tips can help prepare for and manage the effects of the storms. Visit phoenix.gov/summer for more information and tips on keeping safe during the monsoon season.

#### Before the Storm

Flash floods contribute to weather-related deaths in the U.S. Please prepare. When a storm is approaching, turn to broadcast media, radio, or visit reliable online resources to receive the latest weather updates and instructions.

#### Prepare Your Home

- Familiarize yourself with local emergency plans. Know where to go and how to get there should you need to get to higher ground, the highest level of a building, or to evacuate.
- Clean out roof drains or scuppers to prevent accumulation of rainwater on the roof.
- Thin out trees and trim down overgrown vegetation.
- Clean out drywells on your property so there is a safe place for the water to collect.
- Repair landscaping to ensure water will run away from your building.
- Back up all data in case your computer or servers become damaged.
- Look at installing generators or back-up battery systems.
- Bring in outdoor furniture and move important indoor items to the highest possible floor.
   This will help protect them from flood damage.
- Build or restock your emergency preparedness kit. Include a flashlight, batteries, cash, and first aid supplies.
- Disconnect electrical appliances and don't touch electrical equipment if you are wet or standing in water. You could be electrocuted.

• If instructed, turn off your gas and electricity at the main switch or valve. This helps prevent fires and explosions.

# After the Storm

- Return home only when authorities say it is safe.
- Be aware of areas where floodwaters have receded and watch out for debris. Floodwaters often erode roads and walkways.
- Do not attempt to drive through areas that are still flooded.
- Avoid standing water as it may be electrically charged from underground or downed power lines.
- Photograph damage to your property for insurance purposes. When it is not flooding, make a flood plan.
- Consider buying flood insurance.
- Stay tuned to your phone alerts, TV, or radio for weather updates, emergency instructions, or evacuation orders.
- Be mindful of the potential health risks of playing, wading, and swimming in collected stormwater. Runoff from monsoons can pick up pollutants that can be harmful to your skin, eyes, and ears.

# Tips for Drivers

- Do not attempt to drive through a flooded road! The depth of water is not always obvious. The roadbed may be washed out under the water, and you could be stranded or trapped.
- Six inches of water can cause most cars to lose control.
- Two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles, including sport utility vehicles (SUVs) and pick-up trucks.
- Don't drive around barricades. Barricades are there for your protection. Turn around and go the other way.
- Treat non-working or flashing traffic signals at intersections as a four-way stop. Proceed with caution.
- If floodwaters rise around your car but the water is not moving, abandon the car and move to higher ground. Do not leave the car and enter moving water.
- Avoid camping or parking along streams, rivers, and creeks during heavy rainfall. These
  areas can flood quickly and with little warning. Flood Watch = "Be Aware." Conditions are
  right for flooding to occur in your area.

#### Report Storm Issues

To report street flooding; damaged/downed streetlight poles, trees, or signs; storm debris in the roadways; or other storm-related damage/issues, please click on the graphic to the right.



Downed trees on private property (homes, offices, commercial centers, etc.) are the responsibility of the property owner.

#### **Upcoming Public Meetings**

#### **Vision Zero Community Advisory Committee**

In September 2022, Phoenix City Council approved a comprehensive <u>Vision Zero Road Safety Action Plan</u> and the allocation of \$10 million in annual funding for its implementation. The City Council decision also approved formation of an 11-member <u>Vision Zero Community Advisory Committee</u>, which will provide feedback and recommendations about how the Plan is facilitated.

The members are appointed by the Mayor and City Council. The committee also includes non-voting members who are students from local high schools and colleges/universities.

The meetings will be held both in person and virtually. The meeting agenda, which includes instructions about how to participate virtually via Webex or by phone, will be posted on the <a href="Public Meeting Notices">Public Meeting Notices</a> webpage approximately one week prior to the meeting date.

Date: August 21, 2024

Time: 5 p.m.

Location: In person at the Osborn School District Board Room (1226 W. Osborn Rd.) and

virtual via Webex

Dates: October 23 and December 11, 2024

Time: 5 p.m.

Location: In person at the City Council Chambers (200 W. Jefferson St.) and virtual via Webex