CITY EVENTS

UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS

- City Council Policy Session – Tuesday, June 27th, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 200 West Jefferson Street.
- Parks, Arts Education and Equality Subcommittee Meeting – Wednesday, June 28th, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. in Assembly Rooms A, B and C, phoenix City Hall, 200 West Washington.
- City Council Formal Meeting – Wednesday, June 28th, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 200 West Jefferson Street.
- Zoning Adjustment Hearing – Thursday, June 22nd, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in Assembly Room C, Phoenix City Hall, 200 West Washington Street.

For more information on these and all other public City meetings visit: https://www.phoenix.gov/cityclerk/publicmeetings/notices.

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DISTRICT 1 EVENTS:

DISTRICT 1 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

The next breakfast will be on Friday, June 30th, 2017 at the Radisson Hotel Phoenix North, located at 10220 N Metro Pkwy E, Phoenix, AZ 85051. Breakfast begins at 7:30 a.m. and the speaker will start at around 7:45 a.m.

This month’s speaker is District 5 Councilman Daniel Valenzuela. Councilman Valenzuela began serving on the City Council in January, 2012. Daniel is committed to keeping our families safe, strengthening our economy and improving our neighborhoods. Councilman Valenzuela currently chairs the Downtown, Aviation, Economy and Innovation Subcommittee where he is leading an effort to help Phoenix build momentum as an epicenter for entrepreneurship.
CITY NEWS & EVENTS:

PHOENIX SKY HARBOR ACHIEVES NONSTOP FLIGHTS TO FRANKFURT, GERMANY

As a result of tireless efforts by the Phoenix Mayor and Council, Phoenix Sky Harbor will soon offer nonstop flights between Phoenix and Frankfurt, Germany. Condor Airlines, part of the Thomas Cook Group, will fly on Mondays and Fridays from next May through September between Phoenix Sky Harbor and the Frankfurt Airport.

The Phoenix City Council recently voted to approve an updated airline incentive program, allowing for funds to promote a new overseas flight, as well as fee waivers to offset airport costs when an airline starts new international service. This is standard procedure at most airports today and can tip the scales when an airline is choosing between cities. The funds are 100% from airport revenues and no tax dollars are utilized in the program. The Arizona Office of Tourism, along with the convention bureaus of Phoenix, Scottsdale, Tempe, Mesa, Chandler, Gilbert and Glendale are supporting the effort with $150,000 in funds to the airline, specifically to market the flight into Arizona.

“We are pleased to bring Condor’s award-winning, three-class service at attractive prices to Phoenix and the whole state of Arizona and to give the local people a unique choice for their travels to Germany and beyond,” said Christoph Debus, CEO Thomas Cook Group Airlines. “With our numerous partner airlines, we offer flights beyond Frankfurt to over 120 destinations across Europe.”

Phoenix international flights add over $3 Billion to the local economy each year per the Airport’s most recent economic impact study. Just the daily nonstop to London is responsible for $2.3 million a day being injected into the Greater Phoenix economy and the new Frankfurt flight is expected to have significant impact as well.

“Frankfurt is a premier global destination and a new direct flight to Phoenix provides a convenient travel option for our corporate and leisure passengers. Condor Airlines’ decision to fly to Phoenix from Frankfurt is an economic game changer and I’m delighted to welcome them to Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport,” said Councilwoman Thelda Williams.

Condor will operate a Boeing 767-300ER with 259 seats in business, premium and economy classes of service on this long-haul flight. All Condor passengers receive complimentary checked baggage, beverages, meals and in-flight entertainment. Condor’s Business Class features lie-flat seats, a personal in-seat, premium touch-screen entertainment system, power and USB ports at every seat and gourmet, five-course meals with complimentary wine, beer and cocktails. Business Class passengers also have access to priority check-in and business class lounges at most airports. Premium Class features seats with added legroom, leg rests and adjustable headrests, a premium in-flight, in-seat entertainment system with an extended program, USB ports at every seat, premium meals and complimentary beverages.

Beginning May 18, 2018, Condor will leave Phoenix Mondays at around 11PM, arriving in Germany at 7PM the next day. The flight will leave Germany around 5:30PM, arriving Phoenix at 9PM. On Fridays Condor will leave Phoenix around 5PM, arriving in Germany at 1PM the next day. In Germany, it will leave at around
11:30AM on Fridays, arriving Phoenix at 3PM. A grand opening ceremony and promotional activities will be planned for next year.

Tickets are on sale now at www.condor.com, or by phone at 1-866-960-7915.

Phoenix has had daily service to London on British Airways since 1996 and had service to Dusseldorf and Frankfurt Germany on LTU and Lufthansa Airlines for a limited period from 2001-2003. Additional international service is available to Costa Rica and throughout Canada and Mexico.

**UPDATE ON POLICE HIRING**

The recently approved 2017-18 budget includes hiring an additional 259 officers during the upcoming fiscal year to arrive at a target of 3,125 filled sworn positions by yearend. This staffing level represents approximately 2.0 filled sworn officers per 1,000 residents. To achieve a ratio of 2.5 filled sworn officers per 1,000 residents, 837 officers would need to be added to the target of 3,125 bringing us to a filled sworn count of 3,962. To achieve this staffing level, an estimated $125,000,000.00 in additional funding would be required. That funding amount is equivalent to the entire General Fund budgets of the Park Department and Library Department combined.

It is important to note that this only includes costs for sworn positions, vehicles and basic equipment. It does not account for the required ancillary expenses which would be necessary to effectively support the additional officers, including but not limited to: adequate facilities to house this number of officers, additional dispatchers, crime scene staff, administrative staff, city court and prosecutor staff, increased jail costs, additional equipment management staff and vehicle maintenance expenses.

**AUTHORITY TO ARREST - CRIMINAL TRESPASS**

Trespassing is an issue that can affect many businesses. According to Arizona Revised Statute (ARS) 13-1502, a person commits criminal trespass in the third degree by knowingly entering or remaining unlawfully on any real property after a reasonable request to leave by a law enforcement officer, the owner or any other person having lawful control over such property, or reasonable notice prohibiting entry.

Before trespassing becomes an issue for a business, the property owner/agent can complete an "authority to arrest" form and file it with the police precinct in which the business is located. An "authority to arrest" form gives the Police Department permission to arrest people trespassing on the property when the business is closed ("no trespassing" signs must be posted). If the business is open, an officer will have to make contact with someone to verify the person is not a customer or otherwise allowed to be on the property.

Each police precinct manages the "authority to arrest" forms filed within their precinct. **The forms are updated on a yearly basis to make sure the status of ownership or control of the business has not**
changed, to provide courts assurances the forms are checked for accuracy, and to ensure the business still desires trespass enforcement without contacting the owner/agent. Establishments with an "authority to arrest" form on file with the Police Department must also have "no trespassing" signs posted on their property, which provides the warning required by law. The specific verbiage and other recommendations for the signage, as well as the "authority to arrest" form are available on the Police Department's website https://www.phoenix.gov/police/neighborhood-resources/criminal-trespass

**COLORADO RIVER DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN - MULTI-PARTY AGREEMENT TO FUND THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY'S PROPOSAL FOR COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM CONSERVATION**

Under the proposed Agreement, the Gila River Indian Community ("Community") will contribute 40,000 acre-feet of its Colorado River allocation to system conservation in Lake Mead in 2017. The State of Arizona, the City of Phoenix, and the Bureau of Reclamation will each contribute $2 million towards this program, and the Walton Family Foundation will contribute $1 million, to compensate the Community for its contribution of water.

System conservation occurs when conserved water is left voluntarily and permanently in the Colorado River above Hoover Dam to stabilize water levels in Lake Mead and forestall shortages. Because the Colorado River is over-allocated and stakeholders of the basin must collectively find a way to use less water, it is in Phoenix's long-term strategic interests to help develop, implement and fund system conservation programs.

“Phoenix continues to plan for conditions on the Colorado River to ensure it is well positioned to contend with shortages,” said Councilwoman Thelda Williams who chairs the Arizona Municipal Water Users Association. “We must protect and preserve the rivers and lakes that our city and state rely upon; this agreement is a prime example of working together with regional partners to create a smart approach for system conservation of the Colorado River and Lake Mead.”

The cost to the City of Phoenix to fund system conservation in 2017 under this Agreement is $2 million. Funds are available in the Water Services Department's Capital Improvement Program budget as part of the Water Services Department's Colorado River Resiliency Fund.

**HEAT RELIEF REGIONAL NETWORK**

The Heat Relief Network is a regional partnership of the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), municipalities, nonprofit organizations, the faith-based community, and others. Each year, MAG coordinates the mapping of the Heat Relief Network, a network of partners providing hydration stations, refuge locations, and water donation sites throughout the Valley with the goal of preventing heat related and heat caused deaths among people experiencing homelessness and other vulnerable populations.
Printable maps for collection stations and hydration sites are now available in English and Spanish. Collection stations are places where water can be donated for use at hydration and refuge locations. Some sites also accept other donations, such as light colored tee-shirts, sun block, socks, underwear, hats, and prepackaged snack items or cash. Hydration Stations are places where individuals can go to receive water and other collected donated items. Maps also include refuge locations and emergency hydration stations.

What you can do to help:
- Donations of snacks, sun protection aids like hats, sun screen, sun glasses, light-weight clothing, and bottled water are needed.
- Help spread the word about the Heat Relief Network by posting the Heat Relief Network maps on your website or creating a link to the maps on the MAG website at this address: http://www.azmag.gov/heatrelief.
- Educate your friends and neighbors about the dangers of extreme heat.
- Have water bottles available in your car for emergencies.

Tips to avoid heat-related illness:
- Increase fluid intake, regardless of activity level. Staying hydrated is extremely important.
- Limit exercise or outdoor activity between the hours of 11am and 3pm.
- When outdoors, wear a sunscreen with a minimum SPF 15 and re-apply often. Wear a hat, lightweight clothing and sunglasses.
- Rest frequently in shady or cool areas to give the body’s temperature a chance to recover and cool down.
- Never leave infants, children or pets inside a parked vehicle.
- Respectfully check on elderly neighbors to make sure their air conditioning is working and in use. Take advantage of free air-conditioning by visiting locations like shopping malls, the library or other heat refuge locations provided on the map.

CITY OF PHOENIX MUNICIPAL COURT’S COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Launched in January 2016, the objective of the CAP is to help individuals with civil traffic violations remain compliant with the Court’s orders and retain (or have reinstated) their driving privileges. This Executive Summary is of an economic impact study recently completed by Arizona State University's L. William Seidman Research Institute, pertaining to the Municipal Court’s Compliance Assistance Program (CAP). This summary highlights the CAP in 2016 with broad estimates of the statewide economic benefit of the CAP using an IMPLAN input-output model, based on participants’ reported increases to income.

- There were 7,735 individuals registered in the CAP program as of September 23, 2016.
- The total fines and fees owed to the City of Phoenix Court by CAP participants was $11.5 million. Adjusted for waivers offered, the total obligation (CAP amount) was $8.3 million.
- $4 million in down payments, excess payments and contract amounts associated with the CAP were paid to the City of Phoenix Municipal Court as of September 23, 2016.
• 91% of CAP participants resided in the State of Arizona. Of these, 67.8% lived in the City of Phoenix boundaries. The top 5 zip codes of residence of CAP participants were located in Central and South Phoenix.

• 72% of the identified 6,897 CAP participants who resided in the Greater Phoenix Region lived in zip codes with median household incomes ranging between $25,000 and $49,999. The top 5 zip codes identified in the survey had lower median household incomes and a higher percentage of people living below the poverty level than the City of Phoenix and state averages.

• The average household size of survey respondents ranged from 3.8 to 8.9 persons. This was higher than City of Phoenix averages of 2.8 for owner-occupied and 2.72 for rental-occupied households.

• Of new CAP registrants, 28.3% had lost their job as a direct consequence of non-compliance and a suspended license, while 52.9% of CAP participants who had been in the program more than 3 months indicated that they had lost a job as a consequence of non-compliance and a suspended license.

• Estimated annual income loss (due to reduced work hours or job loss) reported by all CAP participants as a result of non-compliance ranged between $1,200 and $300,000 per person, with a median annual loss of $36,800.

• 84.8% of new CAP registrants who took part in a survey were unable to drive their family members to work.

• Survey responses indicate that the program had had a positive impact on individuals with reinstated licenses. 76% indicated that having their driver license reinstated had increased their ability to drive their family members around. 70% noted increased mobility as an important improvement in their lives, while close to 53% indicated that they had obtained a new job as a direct consequence of increased mobility after the reinstatement of their driver license.

• 41.2% reported an increase in income associated with joining CAP. These income increases ranged from $3,200 to $48,000 a year per person, with a median of $24,000.

• An approximate estimate of the benefits of the scheme, January through September 2016, were as follows:
  o 1,904 job years of employment
  o $87 million in labor income
  o $149.6 million in GDP

**TRANSIT SAFETY AND SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS**

Safety and security along the transit system is provided through multiple layers, including the Phoenix Police Department precincts and the Transit Enforcement Unit (TEU), a section of the Phoenix Police Department specifically focused on public transit, and Valley Metro. Implementation of Transit 2000 added significant new transit service. To alleviate the impact new service would have on the Phoenix Police Department, the TEU was created to provide dedicated service to public transit. The Public Transit Department funds this unit. With the passage of Transportation 2050 (T2050) and expansion of bus and light rail service over the
The 35-year program, the T2050 financial plan allocates additional funding where needed to provide safety and security to passengers, employees, revenue, and property along the transit system.

The TEU presence enhances citizens’ perception of security with an emphasis on crime suppression through trained, skilled, and uniformed staff. Currently, TEU is supported by a police commander, a lieutenant and six sergeants who provide oversight to 16 sworn officers, three K-9 officers/handlers, 23 police assistants, and 24 municipal security guards responsible for fixed post security at transit facilities.

Public Transit contracts with a private security firm to provide security at park-and-rides and transit centers. This firm also augments MSGs to provide fixed post security at the West, North and South Transit Facilities. Light rail security is provided through a partnership with Valley Metro’s security service provider Allied Universal. They are responsible for security and fare inspection, administrator/trainer, fixed post security personnel, platform/Park-and-Rides, dispatch and control and supervisors. Valley Metro also works closely with the police departments within the cities light rail travels through.

Safety and Security

Police Officers

With transit reaching all parts of Phoenix, it is necessary for transit service calls to be responded to by both Police precincts and the TEU, with primary response by Phoenix Police Department precincts. The TEU will respond or replace precinct officers on complex or time-consuming transit service calls. The relationship is seamless between precincts and the TEU, which is part of the Central City Precinct. In addition to transit service calls, TEU officers focus on crime suppression efforts. The Phoenix Police Department uses a data-driven process. Statistical analysis and information from internal/external partnerships are used to determine the appropriate geographical areas to focus enforcement efforts and social services to reduce crimes as well as improve quality of life.

Depending on the goal of the overall project, several different tactics can be used to accomplish the mission including a “zero tolerance” approach, high visibility enforcement, K-9 patrol, “covert” plain clothes, and/or bicycle patrol. Projects are typically run for a specified time limit then evaluated for success. After the evaluation phase the plan may be readjusted or, if determined to be successful, a maintenance period may be implemented. During the maintenance phase, enforcement will be gradually scaled back until services are returned to normal. After a determined time period, another evaluation will be performed to assess the overall success of the project or a need to return to targeted enforcement.

In partnership with Valley Metro, the TEU is currently managing an extra duty program for an additional 120 hours per week of police officer coverage focused on light rail in Phoenix, with an emphasis on providing a high visibility deterrent along the 19th Avenue Corridor. The extra duty program provides a more targeted resource by deploying police officers at varying hours and days determined by the data driven process. Officers work in conjunction with Police Assistants and private security. This targeted deployment will allow TEU duty squads to be freed up to conduct more proactive enforcement operations. The additional $262,000 for these extra officer hours has already been allocated from T2050 funds.
Private Security

Private security is used for transit centers, park-and-rides and augmenting MSG’s at the three bus facilities. T2050 has expanded bus operating hours and as a result, private security guard staffing will increase, resulting in an additional $1.1 million in security costs for FY 17/18. The TEU proposes the equivalent of up to four additional officers be added using extra duty officers and purchasing bicycles to allow officers to provide bicycle patrol. This would increase the safety and security budget by an additional $600,000 in FY 2017/18 which is available in the T2050 Fund and within the overall long-term T2050 financial plan.

Per discussions from the Citizens Transportation Commission, an additional $600,000 from FY2017/18 Transportation 2050 (T2050) funds is recommended to be used for transit safety and security improvements as follows:

1. Purchase 16 bicycles for use by TEU for enforcement efforts currently estimated at approximately $17,600.
2. Fund extra duty officer hours to be assigned for targeted transit enforcement and crime suppression by the Transit Enforcement Unit.
3. The Public Transit and Police Departments evaluate effectiveness of the security improvements and return to the Citizens Transportation Commission (CTC) during next the budget cycle to discuss any recommended changes.
4. During the course of FY2017/18, any additional security needs that require funding shall be brought forth to the CTC for review and possible action.
5. In conjunction with bus and rail system expansion, the Public Transit Department shall track security needs and submit recommendations.

Financial Impact

This would increase the safety and security budget by an additional $600,000 in FY 2017/18 which is available in the T2050 Fund and within the overall long-term T2050 financial plan.

**ALLEGIANT ANNOUNCES EIGHT NEW NONSTOP DESTINATIONS AT PHOENIX-MESA GATEWAY AIRPORT**

Allegiant Air announced they are adding eight new nonstop destinations at Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport (Gateway Airport); the largest service expansion since the popular low-cost airline arrived in Mesa nearly 10 years ago. With these additional routes, Allegiant will offer service to 46 nonstop destinations from the greater Phoenix area.

The new routes include major Midwest destinations Indianapolis, Milwaukee, Kansas City, Louisville, Omaha and St. Louis/Belleville. Additionally, Boise will join the list of Mountain West destinations available to Gateway Airport. For the first time, nonstop service to Florida launches with flights to the popular vacation destination of Tampa/St. Pete Florida.
PARTICIPATION IN THE REGIONAL ADA PLATINUM PASS PROGRAM

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) provides comprehensive civil rights protections for people with disabilities. ADA regulations require an alternative form of transportation be made available for individuals who, due to disability, cannot use regular local bus or light rail service; this is referred to as ADA service. The City of Phoenix Public Transit Department operates Phoenix Dial-a-Ride, a shared-ride public transportation service which provides ADA service.

Since the establishment of the regional Mobility Center in 2010, member cities of RPTA/Valley Metro (including Phoenix) have worked jointly to offer greater access to transportation services to passengers with varied needs, while at the same time managing the costs of providing such services. Valley Metro’s process for determining ADA eligibility includes a short paper application and an in-person eligibility assessment at the Valley Metro Mobility Center, located at 4600 E. Washington St. in Phoenix. Applying for ADA Dial-a-Ride is free, and upon request Valley Metro provides free transportation to the appointment for applicants who reside in Maricopa County.

In addition to various accessibility-related features found throughout the transit environment, including level boarding at all light rail stations, multiple onboard bus locations to secure wheelchairs and mobility devices, priority seating areas, onboard audio stop announcements, Valley Metro and its member cities provide a number of programs and services designed to expand travel options for seniors and people with disabilities. These services include expanded Dial-a-Ride service in some communities, individualized travel training to use Valley Metro buses and trains, reduced transit fares for seniors and qualified people with disabilities, and much more.

One such program is the ADA Platinum Pass. This program provides a transit pass at no cost to qualified ADA paratransit customers as an incentive to take trips, when possible, on fixed route bus and rail services instead of ADA paratransit (Dial-a-Ride). The benefits include:

- Supporting the primary goal of the ADA, which is to facilitate mainstream, fixed route services by people with disabilities, which is preferred over separate paratransit by the ADA.
- The concept has been encouraged nationally by several organizations, including the National Transit Institute, Easter Seals project ACTION, the Transportation Cooperative Research Program, and the Federal Transit Administration.
- Freeing up resources to handle other ADA paratransit needs in the area.
- Offering customers an additional travel option.
- Helping to manage higher paratransit trip costs.

Valley Metro has recently communicated to member cities that all costs related to the Mobility Center (operations and maintenance, eligibility certifications, travel training, and the ADA Platinum Pass) will now be funded regionally utilizing Public Transportation Funds (PTF). Phoenix’s participation in the ADA Platinum Pass program is scheduled to become effective July 1, 2017. Information will be sent to active ADA paratransit-eligible customers regarding the program. The Platinum Pass uses the region’s smart card...
technology and infrastructure, allowing all trip data to be tracked and analyzed. The pass serves as a photo ID pass and must be renewed annually. The card also indicates whether a passenger is eligible to be accompanied by a Personal Care Assistant (PCA), who is not charged a fare while travelling with the card holder.

**PHOENIX TRANSPORTATION 2050 - BUS RAPID TRANSIT PROGRAM**

The voter-approved Phoenix Transportation 2050 Plan includes 75 miles of bus rapid transit investments in five corridors. The five proposed corridors include:

- Thomas Road, between 91st Avenue and 44th Street
- Baseline Road, between 59th Avenue and Interstate 10
- 19th or 35th Avenue, between Baseline Road and Happy Valley Road
- 24th Street, between Baseline Road and Maryvale Road
- Bell Road, between 51st Avenue and Scottsdale Road

Arterial running BRT is a new high-capacity transit mode for the City of Phoenix. The objectives of this new mode are to:

- Provide a premier transit experience with potential frequent all-day service.
- Reduce operational impacts of vehicular traffic.
- Reliably deliver riders faster than driving during peak periods.
- Connect Phoenix's major activity centers.
- Provide a safe, secure, and comfortable ride.
- Give passengers more quality time not spent commuting.

Unlike the existing RAPID routes that operate as commuter service, primarily running in freeway corridors or as limited stop service, the new BRT corridors will operate on arterial roadways and serve a more diverse rider market, with stop spacing ranging from 1/3 to 1 mile, depending on the operating configuration.

BRT utilizes a complex combination of the elements and techniques described below, working in concert to deliver a premium transit experience. The tools and techniques are uniquely configured to provide transit in these corridors with a higher priority over other vehicular modes. While there is not a strict definition of what constitutes a BRT line or system, the following elements are mainstays for bus rapid transit:

- Smart traffic signals and transit signal priority that extends or activates green lights to support system efficiency.
- Where possible, dedicated running ways for transit vehicles to help increase the speed/reliability of service and efficient auto traffic flow.
- Possible peak period dedicated running way serving transit at times of great congestion and delay.
• Enhanced stations that provide level boarding, off-board or on-board fare payment, real time arrival information, shade, and passenger amenities.
• Specialized vehicles and station branding that provide strong visual recognition and marketing for the system.

Other U.S. cities that currently provide BRT include Cleveland, Los Angeles, New York, Seattle, Kansas City, Portland and Las Vegas.

Public outreach will be a high priority and critical element for all stages of the BRT program. As this is a new transit technology in Phoenix and the Valley, staff will take make substantial efforts and devote appropriate time to fully engage and inform elected officials, community leaders, residents, schools, businesses and others to allow for feedback, questions, and complete vetting.

The City's BRT Administrator began on May 1, 2017. This position will work closely with elected officials, community members, and City departments, and is currently developing a draft request for qualifications (RFQ) to hire a consulting team to assist in the development of the program. The RFQ for the BRT will include a scope of work to support the City on BRT community engagement, planning, design, and preliminary engineering.

Key work items of the RFQ are to: develop and conduct community participation program; develop BRT program goals and objectives; develop ridership, travel time, and user benefit metrics; establish a work plan, schedule, and funding strategy; develop a BRT network plan and operating plans for the five corridors; develop vehicle specifications; and develop conceptual and preliminary engineering up to 15 percent design for the first three corridors (Thomas, Baseline, and 19th or 35th Avenue). The consulting team will be tasked to support the BRT plan development and individual corridor design processes.

**NextRide Text Number Changes to 22966 on July 1**

If you use the NextRide texting service to get Valley Metro bus or train arrival times, note that a new number, 22966, is now in effect. After June 30, the current number, 64274, was no longer operational. Also, with the new number, you will no longer need to type NXRD when sending a text. Be sure to update your contacts in your phone with the new number, 22966.

**NextRide Signs**

All NextRide signs at bus stops, rail station kiosks and transit centers are currently being updated to reflect the new texting number. Please note that all STOP#s remain the same.

For more information, visit [www.valleymetro.org/nextride](http://www.valleymetro.org/nextride)
METRO, REGIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, AND MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS MEETINGS

Within Maricopa County, there are several agencies with different charges relating to public transit and transportation planning.

Valley Metro/RPTA: In 1993, the Regional Public Transportation Authority Board adopted the name Valley Metro as the identity for the regional transit system in metropolitan Phoenix, under the "Valley Metro" brand, local governments fund the Valley-wide transit system which the public sees on the streets today. Valley Metro Board member agencies include Avondale, Buckeye, Chandler, El Mirage, Gilbert, Glendale, Goodyear, Maricopa County, Mesa, Peoria, Phoenix Queen Creek, Scottsdale, Surprise, and Tempe. Councilwoman Thelda Williams serves as Phoenix's representative on the RPTA Board of Directors.

METRO: METRO is the brand name for Valley Metro Rail Inc., a nonprofit, public corporation charged with the design, construction, and operation of the Valley's light rail system. The cities that participate financially in the light rail system each have a representative on the METRO Board of Directors. Cities on the board include Chandler, Glendale, Mesa, Phoenix, and Tempe. METRO is structured on a "pay to play basis" with voting power allocated based on investment in the system. Councilwoman Thelda Williams serves as Phoenix's representative and is the current chair of the METRO Board of Directors.

The Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG): MAG is a Council of Governments that serves as the regional agency for the metropolitan Phoenix area. When MAG was formed in 1967, elected officials recognized the need for long-range planning and policy development on a regional scale. Issues such as transportation, air quality, and human services affect residents beyond the borders of individual jurisdictions. MAG is the designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for transportation planning in the Maricopa County region. Mayor Stanton serves as Phoenix's representative.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO CREATE SUPPORTIVE HOUSING UTILIZING U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT-BASED HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS AND PROJECT-BASED VETERANS AFFAIRS SUPPORTIVE HOUSING VOUCHERS

The Housing Department is seeking to increase opportunities for supportive housing to serve homeless veterans and their families utilizing project-based VASH vouchers and HCV's. Under the VASH and HCV programs, the Housing Department is authorized to assign some of its available tenant-based HCV and VASH vouchers allocation to specific units in privately-owned housing properties. To date, the Housing Department has successfully allocated 267 HCV and 43 VASH project-based vouchers.

This RFP will accept proposals that create project-based supportive housing for homeless veterans and their families. Permanent supportive housing is a combination of housing and services intended as a cost-effective way to help people live more stable, productive lives. Supportive housing is widely believed to work well for those who face the most complex challenges-individuals and families confronted with homelessness and who also have very low incomes. The HUD VASH program combines rental assistance for homeless veterans
with case management and clinical services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The VA provides these services for participating Veterans at VA medical centers and community-based outreach clinics. Due to escalating prices in the current rental housing market, the Housing Department proposes to issue an RFP for project-based vouchers to incentivize affordable housing developers to offer housing options for this population.

The RFP will seek proposals from qualified organizations to utilize federal rental subsidy to house eligible veterans and their families. Up to 50 HCV, and up to 100 VASH project-based vouchers will be offered for new construction housing developments. The RFP is anticipated to be issued in fall 2017, in coordination with the Housing Department's Annual HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Call for Interest. Formal recommendation for award(s) will be presented to the Sustainability, Housing, Efficiency and Neighborhoods subcommittee, and the City Council in late fall 2017. The evaluation panel will consist of a minimum of four members, to include representatives from relevant city departments, the Phoenix VA and a community stakeholder.

**FARE POLICY AMENDMENT TO LIGHT RAIL TICKET PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM**

The current ticket partnership program in the fare policy is specific to light rail and Talking Stick Resort Arena (TSRA) and was originally approved as a pilot by City Council on Sept. 30, 2009. The pilot was subsequently extended through June 30, 2015 to allow adequate time to gather sufficient data to accurately evaluate the program. The program was permanently adopted into the fare policy by City Council on Sept. 2, 2015. Other events and event venues have expressed interest in a similar partnership to serve as a benefit to their attendees, support parking limitations, mitigate event congestion, generate positive public relations and align with sustainability initiatives.

The current program allows TSRA event attendees to use their event ticket as their light rail pass four hours prior to the start of the event through the end of the transit day. This provides convenient transportation to those who attend TSRA events, and helps mitigate parking limitations and event traffic congestion. Valley Metro Rail receives fare revenue from TSRA at $0.31 per event attendee, which supports the regional fare recovery goal of 25 percent. The fare revenue per attendee is periodically reviewed by Valley Metro Rail staff to ensure the amount continues to support the regional fare recovery goal. Valley Metro Rail also finds additional benefit in ticket partnerships of this kind, including:

- Supporting fare collection from reliable funding sources.
- Easing boarding and fare inspection, and increasing the focus on safety and security, during events.
- Further integrating light rail into nightlife/entertainment activities and reputable brands.
- Helping to attract ridership and positive attention to the system.

With this and other opportunities in mind, staff is requesting approval to amend the City of Phoenix Public Transit Fare Ordinance to give Valley Metro the ability to execute ticket partnerships that meet the region’s fare recovery goal, while supporting the interests of new events and event venues.
With the Ticket Partnership Program, patrons possessing tickets or identifiable media issued by event officials from a participating event will be able to ride Valley Metro Rail on the day of the event at no additional charge. Event tickets will be honored as valid Valley Metro Rail fare for a pre-determined time in advance of the event and through the end of the transit day. Participating event venues/events pay an amount per attendee commensurate with the current average fare to support regional fare recovery goal. As with the current TSRA partnership, all ticket partnerships’ fare revenue calculations will also be reviewed periodically to ensure continued support of the region’s fare recovery goal.

A qualifying event generates a minimum of 5,000 attendees; similarly, for a venue, a single event at this facility must generate a minimum of 5,000 attendees. This program can be extended to bus route(s) if the aforementioned criteria is maintained and the service can be supported by operations. The City of Phoenix and/or Valley Metro must receive notice of interest in the Ticket Partnership Program from event organizers at least four months in advance of the event, and agreements must be completed by 60 days prior to the event.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT RAIL - Job Opportunities

The South Central Light Rail Design Team has some job openings for the community to be part of this amazing project. The five-mile project will connect with the current light rail system in downtown Phoenix and run south to Baseline Road. For more information about the South Central light rail project, please visit www.valleymetro.org.

SURVEY INSTRUMENT PERSON Posting Date: 5/3/2017
Job Description We are currently seeking resumes from qualified Survey Instrument Persons for our Phoenix, Arizona office to assist Party Chief in performing various survey field tasks. Successful candidate must be able to Set-up and operate survey equipment, including GPS, total-station, data-collector and level. Must have the ability to work long hours in all seasons and perform physical activities such as carrying survey equipment and pounding stakes.

Please apply online at www.aztec.us.
For additional information, please contact
Contact Person: April Romero – Human Resources Manager Email: jobs@aztec.us

MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS & SOCIAL MEDIA INTERNSHIP
Located in downtown Phoenix, Torres Multicultural Communications (TMC) is one of Arizona’s fastest-growing marketing and public relations firms specializing in helping clients reach today’s multicultural marketplace. This independent, minority and woman owned agency has its finger on the pulse of the multicultural community and knows the channels through which to reach them. Formed in 2009, its team of multicultural communications professionals has more than 100 years of collective experience in PR, marketing, community outreach, graphic design and transcreations. This is a 3-month internship available June, July and August. A stipend will be awarded to individuals who successfully complete their internship.

This position reports to Will Medina, Account Executive. If you are interested in an internship with TMC, contact Will at (602) 354-3430 or will@torresmulticultural.com.
For more about TMC, visit http://www.torresmulticultural.com and http://lunaculturelab.org/
The First Regular Session of the 53rd Legislature adjourned Sine Die at 7 p.m. on May 10, 2017, completing its business in 122 days. 1,180 pieces of legislation were introduced, with the Governor signing 342 measures and vetoing 11 bills. Bills without a delayed enactment date or emergency clause take effect on Aug. 9, 2017.

It was a solid legislative year. The City fared well in the state budget and revenue sharing was not impacted. The following items of interest were approved:

- $30 million appropriation for highway/road maintenance: Phoenix’s estimated portion is $4.5 million
- State aviation fund: $24.6 million
- Phoenix Convention Center debt service: $22.5 million
- Underground Storage Tank Revolving Fund: $6.5 million
- Lake Mead conservation efforts: $2 million
- Arizona Arts Trust Fund: $1.5 million
- Arizona Counter Terrorism Information Center (ACTIC): $1.45 million
- Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Funds: $1.25 million
- Phoenix Police Department to receive 22% of the amount that the Arizona Department of Public Safety collects from their new crime lab fund

**BABYSHOTS IMMUNIZATION CLINIC**

A free Baby Shots Immunization Clinic for those who don’t have insurance or are underinsured will be held by the Phoenix Fire Department on June 24 from 4 to 8:30 p.m. at the Deer Valley Community Center at 2001 W. Wahalla Lane. Vaccinations will be given to protect children against 15 serious childhood diseases.

**SUMMER READING TIME!** - June 1 - August 1, 2017

Whatever projects you have planned for this summer, Phoenix Public Library has something for you.

Free resources to help you learn... grow, connect, and create...

**Play the Summer Reading game and earn prizes!**

Join us for free and fun summer programs for the whole family! Summer is an exciting time at your library, so visit us for great books, special events and more... to help you build a better world!

For more information, please visit the Phoenix Public Library website here: [http://www.phoenixpubliclibrary.org/browse/Interest-Guides/Pages/Seasonal/Summer%20Reading/Summer-Reading-.aspx](http://www.phoenixpubliclibrary.org/browse/Interest-Guides/Pages/Seasonal/Summer%20Reading/Summer-Reading-.aspx)
GET WITH THE PROGRAM WITH CODEPHX

Join Phoenix Public Library and City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation in an exciting new project that will introduce tomorrow’s leaders to the fundamentals of computer coding. Beginning on June 13 at Cholla Library, kids will learn a number of coding skills at programs across the City, including:

**Little Bytes**
Ages 4-7
Think your kids are too young to learn to code? Think again! Did you know that children can learn the foundations of coding and computer commands before they can write or spell? Simple Logic and Sequencing can be taught to children as young as 4, preparing them for more advanced knowledge at an earlier age. Join us for fun activities, apps and games to teach your child the fundamentals of the coding language. To learn more, please visit:

http://phoenixpubliclibrary.evanced.info/signup/List?df=list&nd=120&kw=bytes

**Coder Dojo**
Ages 8-17
What do video games, robots and self-driving cars have in common? Code! You can become a coding master in this fun interactive program. Join us to learn with Code.org, Kodable, Scratch, Tynker, HTML and more as you expand your coding genius. Beginners welcome. To learn more, please visit:

http://phoenixpubliclibrary.evanced.info/signup/List?df=list&nd=120&kw=dojo

Find a CodePHX program near you! Visit

http://phoenixpubliclibrary.evanced.info/signup/list?df=list&nd=120&kw=codephx

PHOENIX PLANNED MAJOR STREET RESTRICTIONS – UPDATED JUNE 23RD, 2017

To view a listing of the latest planned major street restrictions please visit this link:

https://www.phoenix.gov/streetsite/Pages/Planned-Street-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.
DISTRICT 1 NEWS:

City of Phoenix
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
NORTHWEST DIVISION

After Dark in the Park

Saturday, June 24, 2017, 6:30-9:00 PM

Come Out and Enjoy an Independence Day Celebration at Deer Valley Park!

Spectacular Fireworks Show
Sponsored by Deer Valley Bingo Committee & Deer Valley Park Neighborhood Block Watch

Food Vendors

Live Music by Big Zephyr
19602 N. 19th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85027, 602-495-3735

Inflatables
MARICOPA RE-ENTRY CENTER UPDATE AND EVENT

Since January, the offenders in the Intensive Treatment w/ Housing (ITH) program (always supervised) have been cleaning up the mountains, desert washes and roadways of Pinnacle Peak and Happy Valley. It is an act of service these men have decided to do on their own as a way to give back and better the community. They have also taken steps to adopt the street and officially make it their responsibility. Additionally, the State of Arizona passed the following legislation:

- HB2211- Requires ADOC to submit a yearly report to the legislature on its drug treatment programs. It was signed into law on 3/21/17
- HB2200- Allows law enforcement to create an electronic database to notify community members when a sex offender moves into the neighborhood. Previously, statute stated a "paper flyer" had to be mailed out, which takes approx. 60-90 days in Phoenix. This will help officers do their jobs more efficiently, ultimately increasing public safety and lowering operating costs. This was signed into law 4/4/17.
- HB2133/SB1155- Mirror bills that set community notification requirements for ADOC when they want to open a new facility (including a community correctional center) or repurpose an existing facility. This was signed into law on 5/19/17

There will be a Goodwill collection bin in the parking lot of the Maricopa Re-entry Center (MRC), located at 2800 west Pinnacle Peak Road (I-17 and Pinnacle Peak Road) on 6/24 to help them raise money for toiletries for the ITH and Sanctions program. You are invited to drop off unwanted items to donate to Goodwill. During that time you may also donate men’s clothing, shoes, and new socks and underwear (men’s), as well as used sporting equipment for the gym (there is some left over equipment from the juveniles). As part of the ITH treatment program, they are working with the men to teach them how to take care of their physical and emotional well-being by being active and working out. They also use the donated clothing to help outfit the men with appropriate clothing for job interviews. Community tours are being scheduled on the half hour beginning at 10:00 AM on 6/24, with the last tour at 2:00.

NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK WATCH FUND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

If you live in District 1, north of Thunderbird Road, and are interested in helping to serve the community by being part of the Neighborhood Block Watch Fund Oversight Committee, please contact our office at 602-262-7444, or at council.district.1@phoenix.gov.

The Neighborhood Block Watch Fund Oversight Committee is established to solicit, evaluate, and recommend to the City Council appropriate proposals to expend funds for the expansion of block watch programs, within the constraints imposed by the Neighborhood Protection Ordinance, adopted at the special election of October 5, 1993.

For additional information, please see:
RIBBON CUTTING – BRIDGEWATER ASSISTED LIVING

On June 14th, Councilwoman Williams had the honor to participate with Solterra President and CEO, Steve Jorgenson, in the ribbon cutting at Bridgewater Assisted Living. Located at 2641 West Union Hills Drive, Bridgewater Assisted Living was built specifically to create affordable housing for low income senior residents, eligible veterans, their spouses and surviving spouses searching for a balance of comfortable living and quality assisted care as needed. The community has newly renovated spacious units and a variety of lovely community rooms including a dining room, library, media room, fitness room and a full-service salon. Ample outdoor space includes a beautifully landscaped courtyard activity area for residents to enjoy.

For more information about this great new facility, please call 602-883-2110 and/or visit http://bridgewaterassistedliving.com/

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

WESD Head Start is currently enrolling for the 2017-2018 school year. Head Start is located on 19 campuses in the WESD. Currently, there are openings at all locations. In order to qualify for this free, educational program, a child must meet the following guidelines:

- Be 4 years old on or before August 31 of the current school year;
- Live within the WESD boundaries; and
- Have a family income that meets Head Start Federal Income Guidelines.

A program for 3 years olds is being offered this year at two locations – Desert View and Sahuaro. Space is extremely limited. The criteria to qualify is the same as listed above with the exception of age, which is 3 on or before August 31. If you are interested, please call 602-347-4806 for more information, or go to the Head Start Web page. https://www.wesdschools.org/Domain/32

Seventeen WESD schools have been awarded the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) for the 2017-2018 school year – the largest number of schools awarded the grant in the state! Through the program, students will receive a fresh fruit or vegetable twice a week, in addition to their nutritious breakfast and lunch. The goals of the FFVP are to:

- Create healthier school environments by providing healthier food choices;
- Expand the variety of fruits and vegetables children experience;
• Increase children’s fruit and vegetable consumption;
• Make a difference in children’s diets to positively impact their present and future health; and
• Support the Institute of Medicine’s recommendations to provide healthier snack choices in schools.

Schools with the program in District 1 are Alta Vista, Cactus Wren, Manzanita and Tumbleweed.

We have some exciting news to share! A member of the #WESDFamily has received a new administrative role! The Governing Board approved the following personnel action for the 2017-2018 school year at its June 6 meeting:

Mindy Pallagi, assistant principal, Cholla Middle School. Mindy received a master’s in Elementary Education from Arizona State University and a master’s in Educational Leadership and Administration from Grand Canyon University. Mindy began her career with WESD in 2015 as an instructional coach. She was previously a teacher in the Deer Valley Unified School District, where she earned Teacher of the Year in 2010.

DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Classified Job Fair**

Deer Valley Unified School District is holding a job fair for full-time and part-time non-teaching positions, including: **Bus Drivers, Bus Assistants, Clerical, Crossing Guards, Custodians, Food Service, Maintenance, Monitors, and Paraprofessionals**. The Job Fair takes place **June 26 from 9 am – 1:00 pm** at the DVUSD District Office - 20402 North 15th Ave. in Phoenix. Paid Holidays & Benefits! For more information, visit: [http://careers.dvusd.org/](http://careers.dvusd.org/)

**Cooking Up Change Winning Team – Michael Griffin and Jason Forari, Barry Goldwater High School**

Barry Goldwater High School junior, Michael Griffin and sophomore, Jason Forari captured first place in the Arizona Cooking Up Change competition and third place in the national competition earlier this month in Washington, DC. The Cooking Up Change competition challenges high school students in cities across the nation to create healthy, appealing school meals. Michael and Jason first competed in last year’s Cooking Up Change as a team and wanted to do it again with the goal of winning the top spot and the prize to represent Barry Goldwater High School and Arizona. The inspiration for their proposed school lunch was the growing popularity of Indian food in America and among their classmates at BGHS. Their meal will be served next year in DVUSD high school cafeterias.

Their culinary teacher, Chef Ryan Mattheis has guided the students through their classes and the Culinary Club.
CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:

Economic Development & Education

Major demolition is underway at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport related to phases two and three of the Terminal 3 modernization project. Completion is expected in 2020. The airport is part of the Planning and Development Department’s Annual Facilities Program (AFP), in which a dedicated inspector assigned to a facility can review some projects plans and issue some permits on site, saving valuable time. AFP program inspectors are familiar with the construction history at their assigned facilities, which can streamline the permitting and inspection process.

Arizona Sunrays Gymnastics Construction is proceeding as scheduled for this new 34,000-square-foot, family-owned gymnastics and dance facility at 15801 N. 32nd St. The grand opening is scheduled for September 23.

At its June 19 meeting, the Historic Preservation Commission will consider an appeal of the demolition and the designation case for the Clinton Campbell House. The Commission also will hear an update on the Neal House, make a recommendation on the National Register Nomination of Beadle House #11, and provide input on a conservation easement for three former houses in the Evans-Churchill Neighborhood.

Planning and Development staff have released a request for proposals (RFP) for a fee study for the Planning and Development Department. The objectives of the study include: analyzing existing fee schedules and making recommendations for fee changes and restructures; analyzing potential new fees; identifying obsolete fees; assessing cost recovery goals; identifying changes and efficiencies to cost recovery reporting; exploring a fee model capable of being updated by City staff for future adjustments; and clarifying a fee policy to ensure cost recovery goals are met. The study may also include analysis of the application of fees for annexation and Historic Preservation activities.

Community and Economic Development staff met with the Recruitment Manager for the CORE Institute, located at 18444 N. 25th Ave. Staff will follow up to assist with recruitment for 60 open positions.

Community and Economic Development staff is assisting Strategic Staffing Solutions (1 E. Washington St.), with a recruitment of 55 net, new positions on behalf of Acronis. The company is a global leader in hybrid cloud data protection with offices in 18 countries.

Community and Economic Development Department (CEDD) staff recently met with executive leadership of Copper State Bolt & Nut Company (3602 N. 35th Ave.). The company is celebrating its 45th anniversary after its founding with six employees in a 6,000-square-foot warehouse in 1972. Today, Copper State supports more than 20,000 customers with 500 employees in seven states in more than 30 facilities. The company’s Phoenix facilities now total more than 183,000 square feet. With its continued growth and expansion, CEDD staff will be working to connect the company to programs that support their growth plans, including recruitment and retention of employees from the surrounding area utilizing the City of Phoenix workforce programs and services.
Community and Economic Development staff saved Apache Rentals more than $120,000 through proactive relationship-building and consistent advocacy. Apache Rentals is a family-owned equipment rental and storage facility located at 249 S. 59th Ave. and is impacted by the South Mountain Freeway construction project. Apache Rental's current facility will be demolished to accommodate the freeway. The business chose to stay in Phoenix and construct a new building on its same site, but not in the path of the freeway.

Dolphin Incorporated (740 S. 59th Ave.) has been producing quality investment castings from the same location in Phoenix for 49 years. Dolphin is a caster of Ping golf clubs, and is also in industries such as aerospace, medical, military and rail transportation. Dolphin’s current facility is being displaced due to the South Mountain Freeway project. For more than two years, Community and Economic Development Department (CEDD) staff have been building a relationship with Dolphin, while providing site selection information and assistance with expedited plan review, encroachment permits, and contacts with their internet provider. Most significantly, CEDD staff responded to a request from Dolphin’s general manager for assistance in a zoning issue for a proposed building purchase at 440 N. 51st Ave. CEDD staff collaborated with the Planning and Development Department for a successful zoning interpretation, which allowed Dolphin Industries to remain in Phoenix and purchase the 97,000-square-foot replacement building. This resulted in a capital investment of $7.3 million.

The Solution Tree 2021 PLC Summit will be held at the Phoenix Convention Center in February 2021, bringing in 2,000 estimated delegates and 2,490 total room nights.

**Neighborhoods and Livability**

Arts and Culture Office staff updated and expanded the Cultural Facilities Resource Guide, a comprehensive directory of cultural spaces for rent that serves local arts organizations and artists seeking space for performances, exhibits, rehearsals, workshops and meetings. Facility profiles included in the guide provide contact information for rental inquiries, box office information, facility space and usage information, rental rates and more. The Guide can be viewed at [https://www.phoenix.gov/arts/cultural-facilities-resource-guide](https://www.phoenix.gov/arts/cultural-facilities-resource-guide).

At the direction of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, NXP and Honeywell have recently distributed a community flyer to Phoenix residences in portions of the Motorola 52 Street Superfund site, Operable Unit 2. The notice provides information about planned indoor air sampling in the area to determine if vapors from chemicals in the groundwater are impacting buildings. The Office of Environmental Programs in monitoring the activities being performed by these parties and is in communication with appropriate staff to handle possible citizen inquires.

**Social Services Delivery**

Housing staff coordinated six book giveaway events in partnership with Parks and Recreation, Library, and other community partners. Almost 200 children received a brand-new book donated by publishers through a partnership with HUD’s Campaign for Grade Level Reading, Book Rich Environments, the National Book Foundation, Urban Libraries Council and the Department of Education. Youth from seven different housing locations participated in the events, enjoyed activities facilitated by Library Department staff, and registered for the Summer Reading game.
As of June 9, the Human Services Department has collected 86,112 bottles of water for the City’s We’re Cool Campaign. This week, St Patrick’s Church of Scottsdale donated 62 pallets of water with a retail value of over $25,000. Water was distributed to City departments, social service providers, community partners, and faith-based organizations across the City that participate in distributing water to vulnerable residents.

**Infrastructure**

Public Transit contractor Talis has begun work on the newly awarded contract to manufacture and repair transit furniture and install transit pads, which are concrete bus stop areas where transit users stand. Four locations will be improved with accessible transit pads this week, several locations have received benches that Public Transit had in stock, and an advertisement shelter was removed from its location to be refurbished.

Crew leaders of a large commercial landscaping company that operates 81 vehicles recently became certified in the City’s Clean Green Program. The Program offers a discounted rate to landscaping companies that deliver their green organics to the 27th Avenue and North Gateway Transfer Stations free of trash, palm fronds, treated wood, food, metal, glass, and construction debris. According to staff research, the customer could have saved $5,000 since January 2017, if it had been certified Clean Green.

**Phoenix Team**

As the City prepares for the changes and implementations of policies and procedures surrounding Proposition 206, Information Technology Services will soon provide “Email Only” accounts that will allow temporary, part-time, and field workers to have their own email accounts and have access to City notices about policy changes and certain alerts. The project also will help employees and supervisors manage the use of leave time for part-time employees, as required by Prop 206.

Visit HEAR’s website at [www.hear-az.org](http://www.hear-az.org) and [www.soidogfoundation.org](http://www.soidogfoundation.org)

**FOLLOW COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS ON TWITTER!**

Thelda is tweeting! Follow her @TheldaWilliams1.
GREAT CHARITIES TO DONATE TO:

ANIMAL CRUELTY TASK FORCE: Need cases of water, 5 lb. bags of dog/cat food, bowls, towels, collars and leashes. Bring items to our DVPNBWO / BMCA Meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the DVCC or drop them off anytime at the Black Mountain Precinct at 33355 North Cave Creek Road, Phoenix AZ, 85331.


ARIZONA PAWS & CLAWS www.azpawsandclaws.com

FETCH FOUNDATION: please go to the following site: 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 Together we save lives!

MINI MIGHTY MUTTS for more information, contact Angie Crouse at 480-304-5654 or info@minimightymutts.com Also check out our website at 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

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