September 7, 2018

CITY EVENTS

UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS

• September 11th Memorial Event – 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, Phoenix City Hall Atrium, 200 W. Washington St.
• City Council Policy Session – 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11 in City Council Chambers, 200 W. Jefferson St.
• Rio Vista Village Planning Committee Meeting – 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11 in the Multi-Purpose Room at the A.C. Beuf Goelet Community Center, 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Rd.
• Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee Meeting – 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12 in Assembly Rooms A, B, and C, Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St.
• Zoning Adjustment Hearing – 9:00 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 13 in Assembly Room C, Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St.

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

City Council meetings are live on Cox Cable Channel 11 and streamed live on www.phoenix.gov and facebook.com/cityofphoenix. Past City Council meetings are posted to YouTube at
http://www.youtube.com/cityofphoenixaz.

DISTRICT 1 EVENTS:

DISTRICT 1 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

This month’s breakfast will be on Friday, Sept. 28 at the DoubleTree Hotel Phoenix North, located at 10220 N. Metro Pkwy E., Phoenix, AZ 85051. Breakfast will be at 7:30 a.m. and the speaker will start at around 7:45 a.m.
CITY NEWS & EVENTS:

THINK BEFORE YOU POST

This week Chief Williams attended a press conference in partnership with the FBI. The subject of the press conference was school safety and titled, #ThinkBeforeYouPost. Chief Williams conveyed the following message:

This school year alone, the Phoenix Police has investigated 135 incidents; 31 of those were generated or spread by social media

Over half of these were school threats; some of which had a significant effect on the students, faculty, parents, community, and the day-to-day operation of the school.

A recent incident within our city resulted in 1,300 of the 1,500 students not showing up for school. The post that prompted this came from a student who simply did not want to go to that school anymore.

Another incident was a rumor that a student was armed at school and intended to harm others. This resulted in a wave of social media posts adding fuel to the fire.

We must convey to our students that their actions on social media have a global effect and serious consequences. We must also empathize with those students who are too afraid to go to school. More than ever it is critical that you Think Before You Post.

Everyone has the right to feel safe at school, and no one has the right to take that feeling away. The Phoenix Police will investigate every one of these incidents and recommend charges where appropriate. We will work closely with our state and federal law enforcement partners, as well.

BE CONNECTED
A PROGRAM AS PART OF THE MAYOR’S CHALLENGE TO PREVENT SUICIDE AMONG SERVICE MEMBERS, VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Arizona is home to more than 600,000 service members, veterans and their families. According to the Arizona Violent Death Reporting System, the risk of suicide is 3x higher among Arizona veterans than non-veterans. The magnitude of this issue means it will likely not be addressed by a single system or organization.

Be Connected brings together key stakeholders from across different sectors (military, government, community) to work
together to focus on suicide prevention and intervention. Be Connected builds upon the existing capacity of our community by layering on additional levels of coordination and support.

Be Connected is more than a suicide prevention campaign. It focuses on providing the tools, support and training for each person to make a difference in the lives of those around them by being trained and prepared to reach out or respond in a moment of need. By embedding support deep in our community, we can collectively intervene earlier and more effectively.

There are three goals for the Be Connected program:

- Reduce deaths by suicide in Arizona’s population of service members and veterans.
- Build upon existing capacity and strengths within our service systems, adding a new layer of coordination and support.
- Demonstrate effectiveness and develop a sustainability plan that builds program components into systems and funding.

There are three parts to the program:

- **CALL** – A 24/7 support line that anyone can call, including service members, veterans, family members, helpers and providers.
- **MATCH** – A Resource Match Tool and help to navigate to the right resources for each person or family’s situation.
- **LEARN** – Training, including in-person and online options, to equip everyone with the knowledge, skills and confidence to help.

Please visit the Be Connected website at [https://beconnectedaz.org/](https://beconnectedaz.org/) and learn how YOU can Be Connected!
INTERSTATE 17 TRAFFIC INTERCHANGE RECONSTRUCTION – HAPPY VALLEY ROAD AND PINNACLE PEAK ROAD

The Arizona Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration are scheduled to begin the project to reconstruct the traffic interchanges on Interstate 17 at Happy Valley and Pinnacle Peak roads, add an additional travel lane on I-17 and replace a box culvert on Pinnacle Peak Road. The purposes of the project are to improve safety and traffic flow as population growth and development in this area of north Phoenix continue to grow.

Construction at both interchange locations is occurring within existing ADOT right-of-way. ADOT does not need to acquire any additional property.

Travel will be impacted while construction is underway. ADOT will share information about specific lane restrictions or closures as it becomes available.

Project Schedule
Construction is scheduled to begin in late October 2018 and is scheduled for completion in fall 2020. Subscribe to receive project update and traffic information by email by visiting: https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/AZDOT/subscriber/new?topic_id=AZDOT_340

For additional information about this and other ADOT Central District Projects, please visit: https://www.azdot.gov/projects/central-district-projects/i-17-ti-reconstruction-happy-valley-rd-and-pinnacle-peak-rd

PHOENIX PLANNED MAJOR STREET RESTRICTIONS – UPDATED SEPTEMBER 7.

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.
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For information about how to get a library card and other library information, please visit: https://www.phoenix.gov/library

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:

Starting this week, Human Resources is launched a citywide PHXRespect campaign for employees. It is to encourage civility, kindness, respect and inclusion in our workforce. It will be a yearlong message and effort.

Legislative

At the League of Arizona Cities and Towns annual conference a resolution was passed to “Add to the League’s Federal Agenda support of federal legislation or rulemaking expanding the zone of permissible travel in Arizona for Mexican tourists that hold a border crossing card from the current 75-mile limitation to instead include the entire-state”. Currently the Border Crossing Cards (BCC) authorize the holder to cross the U.S./Mexico border to visit the U.S. for business or pleasure for no more than 30 days and within 75 miles from selected ports in Arizona. Applicants for a BCC must apply and be vetted at a U.S. Consulate in Mexico to be eligible. This is a policy that has been supported by the Maricopa Association of Governments in previous years.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced the formula grant awarded to the City, a total of $25,972,142. Under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, Neighborhood Services will receive $16,402,823 in funding. Under the Emergency Shelter Program (ESG), Human Services will receive $1,323,382 in funding. Housing will receive $5,867,196 under the HOME program and $2,378,741 under the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program.
Economic Development & Education

Communications staff provided messaging and staff support for the events honoring Senator McCain. Actions included: Social media and website messaging related to public safety, traffic and heat safety messaging, in addition to solemn posts with video and still photos recognizing the community events. Staff also served as liaisons to the City Manager’s Office inside the Emergency Operations Center on Wednesday and Thursday.

Neighborhoods and Livability

Planning and Development staff worked diligently to complete off-site inspections prior to the start of the school year at Abraham Lincoln Elementary, located at 10444 N. 39th Ave. Off-site improvements consisted of more than 2,880 square feet of new sidewalk, three new driveway entrances, landscape frontage and a new half-road transition lane. All deadlines were met and the first day of school started as scheduled.

During the week of Aug. 20th, Neighborhood Services staff, in partnership with Mandalay Homes and FSL Real Estate Services, was notified of their receipt of the 2018 U.S. Department of Energy’s Housing Innovation Award in the “Affordable” category. The highly competitive award was bestowed for the South Phoenix Village infill redevelopment project. The award ceremony will take place October 16th in San Diego, CA.

Public Safety

On Aug. 28, 29, and 30, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Phoenix Fire was involved Tactical Training at the Command Training Center (CTC) at 7717 N. 27th Ave. in Phoenix. Topics for discussion included the fire ground tactics used in the fighting of the three-alarm fire at the Safeway grocery store near 35th Avenue and Northern Avenues on July 11. The Command Training Center houses one of the only state-of-the-art facilities in the country that can train firefighters and company officers to fight large-scale incidents, without ever putting on a set of turnouts. The CTC provides interactive simulations of major fire scenes through computer programs and three-dimensional models.

Social Services Delivery

Housing staff collaborated with the United Way and volunteers from FedEx to begin revitalization of the Washington Manor Senior Housing community garden. Four residents and 11 volunteers worked on the clean up of the garden to remove weeds and dead plants. The goal of this collaboration with the United Way, is to work in phases to get the garden up and running and sustainable for the residents. The residents are excited to work in the garden and make it beautiful again. The United Way plans to work on the garden in phases and plans to have two more phases before the garden is up and running again.

In partnership with Arizona State University Office of Sex Trafficking Intervention Research, Human Services staff provided an overview of sex trafficking warning signs, recruitment techniques and approach to services
for victims. There were approximately 35 attendees from Phoenix Police Department Family Investigations, Adult Crimes Unit and Domestic Violence Unit, Childhelp, Phoenix Children’s Hospital, Empact Trauma Healing Services and Arizona’s Children Association Trauma Specialty Services.

Infrastructure

Sustainability staff met with Nissan, Ford, Chevy, Mitsubishi and BMW dealers to discuss a public electric vehicle buying program for this fall. The dealers are open to offering discounts to the public in exchange for a combined promotion from the City, APS and SRP. The program is currently under development but scheduled for announcement in September. They also met with Johnson Controls on technology opportunities to link the energy systems between City facilities to manage energy use through a common portal. Staff will explore the potential for this as the scope of work for job order contracts is developed with the five energy service companies evaluating all 180 City facilities, over the coming year.

Construction is 45% complete at the 50th Street light rail station and the contractor is shifting their work to the center of street to build out the station. Traffic will be diverted to the outside lanes during this phase. The Community Outreach Coordinator said the merchants are pleased with the business assistance program coupons that have been distributed to the surrounding area.

Street Transportation staff is working with contractor CH2M on engineering of the 24th Street and Grand Canal bridge project. The purpose of the project is to design the replacement of the existing 24th Street Grand Canal Bridge, structure No. 9313. The bridge carries 24th Street over the Grand Canal, and is located south of Thomas Road. The bridge is listed in the Bridge Program 20 Year Plan as a structure designated for replacement. The bridge structure has a high replacement priority with a structure age of 78 years. Construction is scheduled to begin in summer of 2019.

The City’s Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) application for 13 HAWK locations at high pedestrian collision locations was approved for funding from ADOT for fiscal year 2021. The project funds are $4,309,333 total with $2,920,151 federal dollars and $1,389,182 of local funds.

Street Transportation staff received the Governor’s Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) award notice for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2019 commencing on October 1. Street Transportation will be awarded $23,895 for bicycle helmets and Stop sign paddles to assist with School Safety programs. The contract is expected in the next few weeks for management review and approvals.

On Aug. 24, Street Transportation, in collaboration with the Roosevelt Row Merchants Association and Evans Churchill Community Association, hosted a ribbon cutting event to mark the completion of the First Street Improvement Project from McKinley to Moreland Street. The project included reducing the roadway width to accommodate one lane of traffic in each direction, bike lanes, angled and parallel on-street parking, wide sidewalks with accessible ramps, street and pedestrian lighting, bike racks, benches, trash receptacles, and landscaping treatments.
News & Events from Around the District:

Deer Valley Unified School District News

Conversations with Curt

Grab a cup of coffee and café cuisine & join the conversation with Superintendent Dr. Curtis Finch

September 18, 2018 from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

2350 W. Happy Valley Rd. (Shops at Norterra)

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**Online Learning Academy to Host Open House**

The Online Learning Academy, a proud member of the Glendale Union High School District, will be hosting an Open House event next Thursday, Sept. 13 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at 4530 W. Northern Ave. Glendale, AZ 85302. Students and parents will have opportunities to receive resources, meet instructors and learn their options.

The Online Learning Academy provides flexible education programs for high school students to achieve their individual goals. Students will earn a comprehensive GUHSD education in an environment that best fits their needs. Accredited by AdvancED, this online learning experience offers a variety of courses, hands-on or virtual assistance and a choice between three different model structures.

To learn more about GUHSD’s Online Learning Academy, visit [http://online.guhsdaz.org/](http://online.guhsdaz.org/)

**Moon Valley Student Council Visits Future Students**

The student council of Moon Valley High School, a proud member of the Glendale Union High School District, recently visited Abraham Lincoln Traditional School to invite the students to a recent Friday night football game.

The student council members had fun and were honored to bond with the future students of Moon Valley High School.

To learn more about Moon Valley High School’s extracurricular activities and their experiences, visit the GUHSD Facebook page at @GUHSDAZ.
The WESD is proud to announce that Jonathan Perrone, eighth grade STEM teacher at Mountain Sky Junior High, has been selected as a Top 10 finalist for the Arizona Educational Foundation Teacher of the Year Award!

“The AEF™ Arizona Teacher of the Year program spotlights the contributions of outstanding public school teachers throughout Arizona by annually recognizing 10 exceptionally skilled and dedicated pre-kindergarten through 12th grade public school teachers.” Mr. Perrone will be interviewed mid-September by the Arizona Educational Foundation. After interviews of the Top 10 teachers are completed, the top five teachers will be selected. Jonathan will be honored at the 2019 Arizona Teacher of the Year Awards Luncheon in October where the Teacher of the Year will be selected and announced. #WESDFamily.

FOLLOW DISTRICT 1 COUNCILWOMAN AND MAYOR THELDA WILLIAMS ON TWITTER!
Thelda is tweeting! Follow her @TheldaWilliams1

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