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Runoff Election for Districts 3 and 7

A Runoff Election is scheduled for March 9. This election is required by the City Charter and State law because during the November 2020 Mayor and Council Election, no candidate for Council Districts 3 and 7 received a majority of the votes (50% plus 1). Therefore, the top two candidates who received the most votes in each race will now appear on the ballot for the Runoff March 9. Some other important election-related dates:

- Feb. 1: Sample ballot pamphlet mailed
- Feb. 8: Deadline to register to vote
- Feb. 10: Early ballots mailed, and early voting begins
- Feb. 26: Deadline to request an early ballot by mail

Voters on the Permanent Early Voting List (PEVL) will automatically receive an early ballot by mail unless they opted out. Voters will also be able to vote inperson at designated Voting Centers. Details on dates, times and locations will soon be available on **Phoenix.gov/Elections**. For more information, visit **Phoenix.gov/Elections**, follow on Twitter @**PHXClerk**, call *602-261-VOTE* (8683) or use the 7-1-1 Relay System.

Fiesta Bowl PLAY Opens in Hance Park

On Dec. 15, a ribboncutting ceremony was held to open the "Fiesta Bowl PLAY at Hance Park." The unique, 20,000-square-foot play area was made possible thanks to a \$2 million legacy



gift from the Fiesta Bowl and supporting partners. The new amenity is the centerpiece of the \$8.6 million phase 1A of the Hance Park Revitalization Project.

Learn more at Phoenix.gov/Parks.

Parks & Recreation Facilities Update

Following a vote by the Phoenix City Council during its Dec. 2 meeting, all athletic field reservations and tournaments at facilities managed by the city's Parks and Recreation Department were canceled. The City Council vote also approved the closure of ramadas, picnic tables, fitness equipment and basketball and volleyball courts in city parks. Those cancellations and closures

and volleyball courts in city parks. Those cancellations and closures went into effect Dec. 3, and will be in place until the COVID-19 community spread metric returns to the moderate level in Maricopa County. All other amenities in Phoenix's public parks, including playgrounds, hiking trails and golf courses remain open.

Community members using the city's outdoor recreational amenities are asked to continue to follow these guidelines related to responsible physical distancing:

- Do not use public recreational amenities if you are exhibiting symptoms of illness
- Wear a mask or face covering and bring your own wipes or hand sanitizer
- Keep a safe distance of six feet or more from others

Detailed information about the city's outdoor recreational options and free virtual recreation programs is available at **Phoenix.gov/Parks**.

MLK Awards Event Goes Virtual

Everyone is invited to the 35th Annual AZ MLK Awards & Scholarship Celebration to honor Valley residents for their lifelong commitment to creating a compassionate and socially just community. Recipients of this year's Calvin C. Goode Lifetime Achievement and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Living the Dream awards will be honored in a virtual program on Friday, Jan. 15 at 11 a.m. To watch it then or at a later date, visit: **Youtube.com/CityofPhoenixAZ**.





Recognizing our Youth in Phoenix

The city of Phoenix Youth and Education Office is now accepting applications for the 2021 Outstanding Young Man / Young Woman of the Year awards.

The program recognizes the outstanding achievements and contributions made by our youth and raises community awareness of the great work young people perform. This awards program is open to any students currently enrolled in high school in Phoenix or who live within Phoenix city limits. Here's how it works:

- One young man and one young woman will be selected as winners from each city council district and will receive an award of \$500.
- In addition, each district-level winner will be eligible for an additional \$1,500 award if they are selected as the citywide winners.

The deadline to apply is Friday, Feb. 26 at 5 p.m. To learn more about the rules, restrictions and deadline information, visit Phoenix.gov/Education.

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Holiday Lights on Central Returns



The city of Phoenix has partnered with the Phoenix Community Alliance to bring the Holiday Lights on Central Avenue this holiday season. Seasonal cheer can be seen until Jan. 11 along Central Avenue from Baseline to Camelback Roads. 200 banners and illuminated decorations adorn light poles on both sides of the street.

This year's Holiday Lights on Central was made possible through corporate sponsorships and donations from: Cypress Office Properties, Parallel Capital Partners, AZ Diamondbacks, Sunbelt Holdings, viaWest Group, Az Public Service, Salt River Project and Holualoa Companies.

PHX Here For You at Sky Harbor

Sky Harbor International Airport's *PHX Here for You* campaign is all about the health and safety of visitors and employees. Employees are working diligently to ensure that the facilities are vigorously cleaned around the clock, especially in high-touch areas.

Recently, 14 UV-C LED light sterilizers were installed on



escalators throughout the airport terminals. The devices use a germ-destroying light known to kill up to 99.9 percent of disease-causing microorganisms.

The *PHX Here for You* crew is also handing out masks, which are required to be worn throughout the airport, to visitors who need them. **SkyHarbor.com**

COVID Testing Before Your Flight

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport has introduced one more option for travelers to manage their health during the COVID-19 pandemic. *XpresCheck* is open and offering COVID-19 testing at America's Friendliest Airport®. It is located pre-security in Terminal 4 within the Drugs & More store on Level 3.

Members of the public are encouraged to schedule their appointments in advance at **XpresCheck.com** to avoid prolonged wait time. Walk-in appointments are also available, but may require additional time. Please plan accordingly.

Become a Police Reserve

Sergeant Tommy Thompson is a well-known face of the Phoenix Police Department. He retired from full-time duty on Nov. 30 after more than 37 years. He has now returned as a Reserve Officer, joining others who donated nearly 40,000 hours of service last year at a value of more than 3 million dollars! Learn how to join: **PhoenixPoliceReserve.org**.





"Pardon Our Progress"

Both the South Central Extension/Downtown Hub & Northwest Extension Phase II light rail projects are under construction. Please be aware of restrictions, signage and follow the posted speed limit when in or near a construction zone! **ValleyMetro.org/POP**

Phoenix in Your Pocket!

The city of Phoenix is in the process of creating an easy-to-use mobile resource for accessing city services. The *MyPHX311 App* will soon be available to download on your Apple or Android device. The app will allow you to request trash & recycling containers, report potholes and blight, pay your city services bill and much more. Watch for app launch announcement on the city's social media: @CityofPhoenixAZ

