



February 21, 2020

CITY EVENTS

UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS

- City Council Policy Session – 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 25, City Council Chambers, 200 W. Jefferson St.
- Zoning Adjustment Hearing – 9:00 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St, Assembly Room C.

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

<https://www.phoenix.gov/cityclerk/publicmeetings/notices>.

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

DISTRICT 1 EVENTS:

DISTRICT 1 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST



update.

The next breakfast is Friday, Feb. 28, at the DoubleTree Hotel Phoenix North, 10220 N. Metro Pkwy E., Phoenix, AZ 85051. Breakfast will be at 7:30 a.m. and the guest speaker will start 7:45 a.m. This month's guest speaker will be Government Relations Director Franck McCune, along with Yesenia Dhott and Clark Princell for a legislative

CITY NEWS & EVENTS:

THE CITY OF PHOENIX WANTS YOUR FEEDBACK ON THE TRANSPORTATION 2050 PROGRAM



The voter-approved [Transportation 2050 \(T2050\)](#) transit and streets program continues to move forward, and the city of Phoenix wants to hear from you. Be sure to fill out the [T2050 survey](#), where you can comment on transportation improvements including bus service, bus shelters, streets and sidewalks by February 28, 2020.

If you've been able to take advantage of some of the progress, this is your chance to provide input. And don't worry

if you aren't familiar with the improvements - The Phoenix Public Transit and Street Transportation departments have compiled an [annual progress report](#) to showcase the various achievements made so far. The highly visual report exemplifies the city's continued commitment to ensuring accountability, transparency and tracking measurable goals in the delivery of T2050 programs and projects.

The report also provides detailed financial information on everything related to street and transportation improvements in an easy-to-navigate format.

Progress highlighted in Public Transit includes increased bus service every 30 minutes on all bus routes, 15-minute frequency on most Phoenix core routes, new bus shelters, a new 50th Street light rail station and added RAPID service throughout Phoenix.

The T2050 Street Transportation Department progress includes repaving more than 400 miles of city streets, preservation treatments on 1,400 miles of city and neighborhood streets, adding more than 141 miles of new bicycle lanes and 27 miles of new sidewalks and replacing 1,450 street lights and nearly 2,900 illuminated street signs.

Feedback from our residents and riders is a critical part of the process, so make sure to fill it out this survey before February 28.

The T2050 complete report is available on the program progress webpage, [T2050.org](#). The T2050 online survey is available here <https://westgroup.optimumesp.com/takeSurvey.htm?token=1504p6ked2ni3e>.

About Transportation 2050: In Aug. 2015, Phoenix voters approved Transportation 2050 (T2050), a 35-year citywide transportation plan. T2050 is overseen by the Citizens Transportation Commission and includes improved frequency on local bus service, new light rail service and stations and major street

improvement projects. Funding for T2050 comes from a 7/10ths of a cent city sales tax that started Jan. 1, 2016. Over the life of the plan, the funds are estimated to generate about \$16.7 billion, or more than half of the plan's overall cost. There will be an additional \$14.8 billion in federal and county funds, passenger fares and other sources. For more information, visit the [T2050 page](#) or follow [Phoenix Public Transit](#), [Phoenix Street Transportation](#) and [Valley Metro](#) on Twitter.

CITY OF PHOENIX FILING TO ARIZONA SUPREME COURT REITERATES THAT USER FEES DO NOT VIOLATE STATE LAW



Today, as part of a continued legal process, the city of Phoenix reiterated its position that businesses who use the city's airport to make a profit must pay user fees.

The city officially filed a written response in a brief to the Arizona Supreme Court explaining that more than 1,100 businesses operate at Sky Harbor International Airport and all of them pay fees to do so. These user fees have been in place at the airport for more than 50 years and do not violate state law.

Phoenix owns and operates the number one ranked airport in the U.S. and no city tax dollars support the facility. To maintain the airport at this high level the airport fairly charges fees to all commercial users.

Sky Harbor is the top economic engine for the state of Arizona and to continue to thrive, it must have the ability to collect user fees from those who profit by doing business at the airport.

A copy of the city's brief to the Supreme Court is available to read. <https://www.phoenix.gov/piosite/Documents/Response%20to%20Petition.pdf>

OUTSTANDING YOUNG WOMAN/YOUNG MAN OF THE YEAR PROGRAM ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The city of Phoenix Youth and Education Office is now accepting applications for the 2020 Outstanding Young Woman/Young Man (OYWYM) of the Year awards.

The OYWYM of the Year program recognizes and honors the outstanding achievements of young people, enhances the perception of youth and raises community awareness of the positive contributions of youth.

This awards program is open to any students currently enrolled in high school in Phoenix or live within Phoenix city limits. Here's how it works:



- One young woman and one young man will be selected as winners from each city council district and 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.

Students interested in applying will need to write an essay, submit a recommendation letter and proof of legal residence in the United States. Finalists will be interviewed by members of the community. District award winners will be invited to a luncheon sponsored by Rotary 100, Arizona Public Service (APS), and Salt River Project (SRP) where the citywide award winners will be announced.

Eligible students can apply through the online application form located at phoenix.gov/education before 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, 2020.

DTPHX COMMUNITY FORUM: TALKING STICK RESORT ARENA RENOVATION/FUTURE OF PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER SOUTH



TSRA Renovation

- Talking Stick Resort Arena and the Phoenix Suns are transforming the 27-year-old area with a \$230 million renovation project.
- Labeled “Project 201: PHX Reimagined” – the project is a partnership between the City of Phoenix, which owns the arena, and the Phoenix Suns, the arena’s tenant.
- The upgraded arena will enhance the fan experience at sports games, concerts and other special events, attracting high-level, year-round entertainment to DTPHX.
- Renovations will close the arena to events approximately April 27 thru October 7, reopening in time for the Suns 2020-21 season.

Future of PCC South

- Last summer at the request of Phoenix City Council, the City of Phoenix hosted community outreach meetings to gather input on the future of the Phoenix Convention Center South Building, and site. Alongside these outreach meetings, City Council directed staff to conduct a market feasibility study for the Convention Center.
- Work on the market study has now been completed. Phoenix Convention Center and Community and Economic Development departments will be presenting the findings and recommendations of that study and gather community input and feedback.

WHERE:

WeWork at Block 23
 101. E. Washington St 7th Floor
 Phoenix, AZ 85504

Questions? Contact Erika Rubio at erubio@dtphx.org or 602-385-6327.

CONSTRUCTION ALERT: INTERSTATE 17 AND HAPPY VALLEY ROAD



The Arizona Department of Transportation is reconstructing the Interstate 17 traffic interchanges at Pinnacle Peak and Happy Valley roads in north Phoenix. Work is continuing at Pinnacle Peak Road, and construction activity at Happy Valley Road is scheduled to increase beginning in February 2020. ADOT advises those who live, work and travel in this area to plan for impacts that will require motorists to use alternate routes and could increase travel times.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Closures and restrictions of I-17, Happy Valley Road over I-17 and/or the on- and off-ramps will begin in February 2020. The first full closures are currently scheduled for Feb. 21—23, when ADOT demolishes the old Happy Valley Road bridge over I-17.

- Closures and restrictions will occur as needed through fall 2020. ADOT will provide specific information by email and on the project webpage at azdot.gov/I17TrafficInterchanges once schedules are confirmed.
- Work is scheduled overnights from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. and on weekend days and nights. However, some long-term, continuous ramp closures will be necessary as crews remove the roundabouts at Happy Valley Road and construct on- and off-ramps for the new [diverging diamond interchange](#).
- Alternate routes will include Pinnacle Peak or Jomax roads to enter and exit I-17 when ramp closures are in place at Happy Valley Road.
- Businesses and homes on Happy Valley Road east of I-17 will be accessible from 19th Avenue when I-17 and/or Happy Valley Road over I-17 are closed.
- ADOT will maintain access to the Park-and-Ride, however detours may be in place at times. ADOT encourages transit users to subscribe to receive email alerts for updated information and allow extra travel time to and from the Park-and-Ride.

- ADOT will not close Happy Valley and Pinnacle Peak roads at the same time.

STAY INFORMED

To receive project updates and traffic alerts by email, visit azdot.gov/I17TrafficInterchanges and click on “subscribe for updates.” Schedules are subject to change based on weather and other unforeseen factors. For more information, please call the ADOT Bilingual Project Information Line at **855.712.8530** or go to azdot.gov/contact and select Projects from the drop-down menu. For real-time highway conditions statewide, visit ADOT’s Traveler Information Site at az511.gov, follow ADOT on Twitter ([@ArizonaDOT](https://twitter.com/ArizonaDOT)) or call **511**, except while driving.

Para asistencia o información sobre la construcción de la Interestatal 17 en Happy Valley Road y Pinnacle Peak Road, llame al 855.712.8530.



CONDOR STARTS U.S. SEASONAL SERVICE EARLY IN APRIL; ADDS MUNICH ROUTES AND NEW CANADA GATEWAY

Phoenix non-stop, three times a week to **Frankfurt** begins **April 4**
Portland non-stop, five times a week to **Frankfurt** begins **April 10**
New from Edmonton every Monday and Thursday **non-stop** to **Frankfurt**
 Reinstates **Halifax and Seattle** flights to **Munich**

Frankfurt, January 31, 2020 - Condor, Germany's leading leisure airline, who has been serving the North American market since the 1970's with seasonal summer service has announced that for the first time that they will begin flights in the spring with their first non-stop flight, three times a week from Phoenix to Frankfurt on April 4th followed by non-stop flights five times a week from Portland to Frankfurt on April 10th . This will be followed by Vancouver service, which begins on April 30th with non-stop flights to Frankfurt, five times a week. This marks the first time Condor has started their seasonal service this early in the year.



In May service will commence from an additional 10 North American gateways to Frankfurt including Calgary, Halifax, Toronto, Whitehorse (Alaska), Anchorage, Baltimore, Fairbanks, Minneapolis, New Orleans, and Pittsburgh. This is in addition to year-round flights from Las Vegas and Seattle to Frankfurt. From its Frankfurt Hub Condor offers connecting service to more than 100 destinations throughout Europe via Condor and a network of airline and rail partners.

In May Condor will also reinstate Seattle-Munich service, which is in addition to year-round flights from Seattle to Frankfurt. All flights to and from Frankfurt and Munich are operated on Boeing 767-300 equipment.

Condor Launches New Edmonton Route in June; Now Offering Service from 15 North American Gateways

In June Condor will begin flying twice-weekly, non-stop from Frankfurt to Edmonton in Canada for the first time. During June Condor will also return to Halifax with service to Munich in addition to its Frankfurt route from this city.

Condor Airlines features three classes of service (Business, Premium, Economy). Condor's Business Class features lie-flat seats, a personal in-seat, premium touch-screen entertainment system, power 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 lounge access. 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.

"We are pleased to begin our seasonal service in North America earlier this year than ever before. This is a true testament to how more and more American and Canadian guests have discovered our award-winning service and low fares and are looking to book our flights not only for their summer holidays, but also for spring trips as well. With our low fares to Frankfurt, Munich and beyond, travelers can now take advantage of cooler temperatures and less crowds at popular European attractions during the months of April and early May," said Ralf Teckentrup, CEO of Condor.

DON'T GIVE TO INDIVIDUALS, GIVE TO SHELTERS

To end panhandling, we must stop giving directly to individuals that panhandle.

Phoenix is full of compassionate and charitable citizens. They want to help those in need. However, giving money to people panhandling doesn't fix problems. To truly help those in need, stop giving money to panhandlers and instead support organizations and services that provide long-lasting care.

- Central Arizona Shelter Services
- Andre House
- Salvation Army



- St. Joseph the Worker
- UMOM New Day Centers
- The Phoenix Rescue Mission
- St. Mary's Food Bank

For more organizations and information on housing or other services, please visit the Homeless Shelter Directory webpage at: [Homeless Shelter Directory](#).

<https://www.homelesshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/city.cgi?city=Phoenix&state=AZ>

PHOENIX INTERACTIVE STREET CLOSURE & RESTRICTIONS MAP – UPDATED FEBRUARY 21.

To view a listing of current or planned street restrictions
please visit this link:

<https://www.phoenix.gov/streets/street-closures>.

The dashboard is a multi-agency effort to keep residents informed of street closures and restrictions due to planned construction activities or utility work, as well as 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 [@StreetsPHX](#).



CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Economic Development & Education

On Feb. 3, Aviation staff helped open the Terminal 3 North Concourse. This remodeling project began in January 2019 and took just over one year to complete. Airlines operating out of the new concourse will be United, Alaska, Boutique, Contour and Hawaiian. The new concourse will also provide several different retail and concessionaires for traveling passengers.

From Feb. 13 to 19, the Phoenix Convention Center hosted approximately 2,600 delegates for the NTCA's Rural Telecom Industry Meeting and Expo. NTCA – The Rural Broadband Association represents nearly 850 independent, community-based telecommunication companies that are leading innovation in rural America. This event delivered the latest in Federal policy, health care, technology, agriculture and community growth and showcased products for the rural telecom industry.

From Feb. 13 to 15, the Phoenix Convention Center hosted approximately 1,800 delegates for the Sports Inc. Annual Meeting and Trade Show 2020. Sports Inc. is committed to developing and maintaining mutually beneficial relationships with more than 900 vendors. This allowed them to take advantage of superior buying and service opportunities and helped independent sporting goods retailers remain competitive.

This week, Library staff partnered with St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance for Kids Café to serve 351 meals. The program is the result of a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture administered by the Arizona Department of Education. Served Monday through Saturday, meals are accompanied by an educational enrichment program.

This week, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program assisted 47 working families at Cholla and Burton Barr Libraries. The VITA program provides families who earn less than \$56,000 in 2019 with free tax preparation and filing services.

On Feb. 26, Burton Barr Library will host a City Career Exploration Fair where attendees can meet and network with City staff representing Aviation, Parks & Recreation, Public Works, Law, Streets, Water, Library, Human Resources and Neighborhood Services.

Neighborhoods and Livability

This week, Planning and Development staff conducted a fact-finding meeting for an interior remodel to the existing retail shops at the Phoenix Convention Center. The proposal calls for tenant improvements to accommodate the new Huss Brew Pub with outdoor dining at street level on Monroe Street and a mezzanine on the second level. The proposal requires a use permit for outdoor liquor sales and a variance for the reduction of the sidewalk width along Monroe Street.

Social Services Delivery

On Feb. 26, Equal Opportunity Director Don Logan will be presented the Living Legend Recipient Award at the 2020 Black History Month Luncheon hosted by Phoenix College NAACP/Black Student Union. The award is given every year during Black History Month to recognize the achievements of honorable alumni for outstanding service to the community.

This week, there were 56 attendees at the Choice Neighborhood's Fulfillment In Training (F.I.T.) event at Luke Krohn Administration office. The community room was transformed into a barber shop and beauty salon where residents received free trims, buzz cuts and braids. Free haircuts help reduce the stress of residents that are unable to afford a haircut and boosts the self-esteem of children. Those who attended were provided snacks, youth clothing and books. The caseworker team also set up a space for youth to participate in table top games and arts and crafts.

On Feb. 5, Human Services staff hosted an awards ceremony for the teens who participated in the 2020 Teen Dating Violence Awareness Video Contest. All participants were awarded with certificates and the top three finalists received monetary awards sponsored by the Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence.

On Feb. 10, Housing held a groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of Soluna, the first Choice Neighborhoods mixed-income housing development in the Edison- Eastlake Community. Scheduled to open in 2021, the mixed-income community will consist of 177, one-to five-bedroom, modern, energy efficient units. Amenities will include community rooms, playgrounds, a computer lab, a fitness center, and green space with plenty of shade trees.

Public Safety

On Feb. 5, Homeland Security and Emergency Management staff participated in a Cactus League tabletop exercise. This discussion-based exercise was centered around the coordinated response and recovery from an

active shooter incident at a Spring Training event. Participants examined pre-incident and incident intelligence and information sharing procedures between stakeholders, emergency response plans and procedures, and the recovery and business continuity plans and procedures.

Infrastructure

This week, Information Technology Services staff began notifying residents, employees and the public that from 2 a.m. to 4 a.m. on Feb. 17, websites for city services will be temporarily unavailable. Due to required maintenance, when users visit phoenix.gov, skyharbor.com, phoenixpubliclibrary.org, phoenixconventioncenter.com, or attempt to make city online payments, they will be greeted with a “website unavailable” message. The City phone system will not be impacted. This planned maintenance does not impact a resident’s use of personal devices or home internet connectivity. The public will only be impacted if they visit a City website during the scheduled maintenance window.

Recently, Street Transportation staff prepared to submit the Bicycle Friendly Community Application to the League of American Bicyclists. The City received a Bronze level designation in 2014. Most major cities in the U.S. participate in the program.

NEWS & EVENTS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT:



DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

The Office of English Language Acquisitions Services – English Learner Teacher of the Year – Eileen Nguyen, Esperanza Elementary - 2020

Every year at the office of English Language Acquisition Services (OELAS) Conference, an English Learner Teacher of the Year is honored. This year, Esperanza Elementary Teacher, Eileen Nguyen, was named the EL Teacher of the Year by the Arizona Department of Education.

Not only does Eileen represent the noteworthy success and leadership qualities that the EL Teacher of the Year signifies - she is also incredibly innovative and resourceful when it comes to her students and her campus.

Congratulations to the OELAS English Learner Teacher of the Year, Eileen Nguyen!



GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Help Support GUHSD Students With a Tax Credit Contribution

There is still time to give back to GUHSD students with a tax credit contribution. By donating to a GUHSD high school or program of your choice, you can benefit students' education and high school experiences and positively affect your community.

Arizona state law also allows you to receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit for contributions that you make to an Arizona public high school, which you can use as a credit against any state income taxes that you may owe.*

Married couples can contribute up to \$400 when filing jointly; \$200 per person if filing separately; and single individuals can make a maximum contribution of \$200.

*Please consult a tax professional for more information.

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS



Tumbleweed Social Worker Recognized in National Publication

The WESD is fortunate to have the love and support of amazing social workers in nearly every school! One of them, Tumbleweed Elementary's Amanda Quine, was singled out for her contributions and commitment by Social Work Today, a national magazine for social workers. Ms. Quine is one of 10 social workers featured, and the only school social worker! The WESD is thankful for the contributions of all its social workers, and we are particularly proud of Ms. Quine, who is an inspiration and role model to many! Click the link to read all about her!



<http://viewer.zmags.com/publication/20136323#/20136323/23>

Roadrunner Elementary Receives Exemplary Program Award

Principal Paula McWhirter accepted Roadrunner Elementary's Arizona Department of Education (ADE) Title I Exemplary Program Award Wednesday, February 19 at the ADE 2020 ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) Conference. This award is based on Roadrunner's commitment and innovative approach to professional learning and its impact on student growth and achievement. WESD is so proud of the team at Roadrunner Elementary! Congrats to all!





Thelda is tweeting! Follow her @TheldaWilliams1

GREAT CHARITIES TO DONATE TO:

ARIZONA HUMANE SOCIETY

<http://www.azhumane.org/get-involved/give-now/>

CHILDHELP: 2120 N. Central Ave #130, Phoenix, AZ 85004

<https://www.childhelp.org/> 602- 271-4500

PHOENIX CENTER FOR THE ARTS Love the arts? Want to help ensure that the programming we offer here at the center continues for generations to come? Please visit:

<https://phoenixcenterforthearts.org/support/>

ANTHEM PETS Animal Rescue: A Voice for the Voiceless

<http://anthempets.org/> 480-287-3542

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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Report Animal Abuse

Phoenix Animal Cruelty Task Force
Crimestop - 602-262-6151
AZ Humane Society - 602-997-7585 ext. 2073
Maricopa County Sheriff's Office - 602-876-1681

A poster with a blue border. The top half has a blue background with the text "Report Animal Abuse" in white. Below the text is a yellow background with silhouettes of a horse, a dog, and a cat. The bottom half has a blue background with white text providing contact information for the Phoenix Animal Cruelty Task Force.

It's never too early...
Call the
Spay Neuter Hotline
Before it's too late!

602-265-SPAY
602-265-7729
(Para Español: Oprimos 1)

Valley Wide Low-Cost Spay & Neuter Referrals
& Trap Neuter Return (TNR) Information

www.SpayNeuterHotline.org

The Spay Neuter Hotline is a program of the Animal Defense League of Arizona, PO Box 33093, Phoenix, AZ 85067.
To find out how you can help ADLA, Call 602-273-7842, Email ADLA@adlaaz.org or www.ADLAZ.org

ADLA

An advertisement for the Spay Neuter Hotline. It features a white background with a blue border. At the top, it says "It's never too early... Call the Spay Neuter Hotline Before it's too late!". Below that is the phone number "602-265-SPAY" and "602-265-7729" in large, bold letters. There are small illustrations of a dog and a cat on either side of the phone numbers. Below the phone numbers, it says "(Para Español: Oprimos 1)". Further down, it says "Valley Wide Low-Cost Spay & Neuter Referrals & Trap Neuter Return (TNR) Information". At the bottom, it says "www.SpayNeuterHotline.org" in bold. At the very bottom, there is small text: "The Spay Neuter Hotline is a program of the Animal Defense League of Arizona, PO Box 33093, Phoenix, AZ 85067. To find out how you can help ADLA, Call 602-273-7842, Email ADLA@adlaaz.org or www.ADLAZ.org". There is a small logo for ADLA at the bottom right.