



October 12, 2018

CITY EVENTS

UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS

- City Council Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee– 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17 in Assembly Rooms A, B, and C, Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St.
- City Council Formal Meeting – 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17 in City Council Chambers, 200 W. Jefferson St.
- North Mountain Village Planning Committee Meeting – 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17 at the Cowden Center, 9202 N. 2nd St.
- Zoning Adjustment Hearing – 9:00 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 18 in Room C, Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St.

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



The next breakfast is Friday, Oct. 26 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. The guest speaker will be Kathryn Sorensen, director, Water Services Department.

CITY NEWS & EVENTS:

PHOENIX IS READY FOR A WORST-CASE WATER SCENARIO

Mayor Thelda Williams
Arizona Republic Op-ed:

For decades now, leaders of our desert city have recognized the importance of water to our economy and our public health. It's our most precious resource.

By any measure, we have managed water wisely. Over the past 100 years, Phoenix has been proactive, implementing smart policies and forging fruitful partnerships.

Over many years, we've strategically diversified our water portfolio to include resources from the Salt, Verde, and Colorado rivers, as well as reclaimed wastewater. And we have access to more than a trillion gallons of native groundwater, which we protect as a savings account.

Recently, we created an unprecedented agreement with Tucson that allows us to store and recover Colorado River water in times of extreme shortage. And we created the Colorado River Resiliency Fund to partner with the Salt River Project and others to improve watersheds in forests hundreds of miles beyond our city limits.

Phoenix residents have done their part, too, heeding the call for conservation. Over the last two decades, Phoenix's population has grown by 400,000, but today we actually consume *less* water than we did then. In the 1970s, nearly 80 percent of homes used grass landscaping – today, that's down to 14 percent.

Our collective efforts have served us well. Although we have been in drought for 18 years straight, we haven't come close to experiencing an interruption in water service. Nonetheless, we always seem to have a target on our backs – facing much stricter scrutiny than our peer cities. Critics write books and pen essays questioning the wisdom of our very existence.

Compared to other cities – even desert cities – Phoenix is held to a higher standard. But we're not complaining. It has served us well. Indeed, the cries of our critics are an enduring reminder that our planning must be many years ahead of our needs.

It's our tradition of forward-thinking foresight that has us preparing for our most serious challenge yet: Shortage on the Colorado River. Although we have diversified our sources of water, 40 percent of the Phoenix water supply still comes from Colorado River water in Lake Mead.

The Colorado River has long been over-allocated, and climate change and years of drought have created a grim outlook. Water levels in Lake Mead are at historic lows, and recent projections show a greater than 50 percent chance of a shortage in two short years. Worse, the Bureau of Reclamation estimates the lake could reach "deadpool" in just four years – a dire situation in which water can no longer be released from the dam.

It's a worst-case scenario but we're preparing for it now because when it comes to water planning, we refuse to accept any level of uncertainty.

To meet this challenge, Phoenix is planning new wells to pump water stored in groundwater aquifers to use during Colorado River shortages, as well as large transmission mains to move water to city areas that are more vulnerable. And we're preparing to do even more to contribute to Colorado River resiliency efforts.

These investments are big – but it's exactly what our residents expect. And they're a resounding response to our critics that yes, even in the midst of challenges, a great desert city like ours can continue to thrive.

CITY OF PHOENIX WATER SERVICES DEPARTMENT PROPOSED WATER RATE INCREASE



The City of Phoenix Water Services Department is recommending a 6 percent water rate increase in 2019 and a 6 percent water rate increase for 2020. There is no proposed sewer rate increase. This rate roughly translates into a monthly increase of \$2.35 in 2019 and an additional monthly increase of \$2.29 in 2020 for the average residential water customer.

The City of Phoenix cares about the affordability of its water for those that are economically disadvantaged. Phoenix water rates contain a generous “allowance” of water that is included each month in the fixed charge. For those that keep their water consumption within this allowance, average monthly bills will increase by only approximately \$1 per month in 2019 and by an additional 75¢ per month in 2020. Phoenix water bills rank as among the most affordable in the country. These recommendations will go to the Phoenix City Council for a vote on Wednesday, December 12, 2018. If approved, the rates will go into effect February 4, 2019.

Why is the Water Services Department recommending this rate increase? With shortages looming on the Colorado River, we must build the infrastructure needed to pump and move alternative water supplies to portions of our distribution system normally served with Colorado River water.

Although people think of Phoenix as a young city, its water utility has been in operation for more than 110 years. Our water infrastructure is aging, with some pipes as old as 100 years, still servicing residents. Our water infrastructure consists of; 7,000 miles of water pipelines and 450,000 service lines, 5 large surface water treatment plants, 160,000 valves. Along with hundreds of pump stations, wells, tanks, and reservoirs and 50,000 fire hydrants.

To ensure reliable deliveries of clean, safe water to our community, we must continue to invest in the replacement and rehabilitation of aging infrastructure.

How can Phoenix residents find out more information about the proposed rate increase? In October and November, Phoenix Water will be hosting several open houses to provide information and garner comments from the public. City staff will be on hand at the open houses to provide information on the city's rate setting process, including how the department will use these additional funds.

Interested residents can get details on how to sign up for the open houses by either visiting www.phoenix.gov/water and clicking on the tab “Water Rates” or emailing watersmart@phoenix.gov.

PHX SKY HARBOR ADDING MORE INTERNATIONAL AND EAST COAST SERVICE IN 2019

Phoenix, AZ – Condor Airlines has announced that it is increasing its nonstop service between Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport and Frankfurt, Germany from two days per week to three. Condor began its service at Phoenix Sky Harbor in the spring of this year, flying twice a week to Frankfurt May through September. The route was so successful, that the airline announced last summer it would expand service nearly two full months to include all of May and October 2019. Condor is now increasing the frequency of the PHX to Frankfurt flights and will operate on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday May through October of 2019.



“Adding more direct flights between Phoenix and Frankfurt makes traveling more convenient for business and leisure passengers and increases our global connectivity,” said Mayor Thelda Williams. “We are proud that Sky Harbor International Airport provides world class service for travelers—expanding Phoenix’s partnership with Condor is part of that success.”

In addition, JetBlue has announced new service between Phoenix Sky Harbor and Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The daily nonstop flight will be served by an Airbus A320 and begins on February 14, 2019. JetBlue also serves Boston and New York’s JFK Airport nonstop from PHX. The flight will be operated year-round.

Phoenix Sky Harbor is a convenient gateway to destinations in the U.S. and abroad with nonstop service offered to more than 100 domestic destinations and 22 international destinations. The flight will continue to benefit the local economy, as international flights to Phoenix already bring in more \$3 billion each year.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN PARK/PRESERVE IMPROVEMENTS RECOGNIZED FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE

We are excited to announce that on Saturday, Oct. 6 the Parks and Recreation Department received prestigious recognition at the Arizona Forward Environmental Excellence Awards.

Our South Mountain Park/Preserve Trails Master Plan earned the Crescordia Award in the category of Healthy Communities – Public Policy/Plans. The Crescordia Award is the highest honor given in each category. Also, the recent South Mountain Park/Preserve Big Ramada Restoration Project earned an Award of Distinction in the category of Buildings and Structures – Civic and Historic Preservation.

Arizona Forward is a statewide organization that works with public and private organizations to help grow communities and enhance the environment, and these honors show that we are staying true to our mission of making Phoenix a better place to live, visit and play.



This also is acknowledgment of the time and energy staff put into both projects, which are significant parts of a multi-year infrastructure improvement plan underway in the park. Congratulations specifically go to staff from the Parks Development section and Natural Resources Division for their efforts in developing and facilitating both projects. Our staff accepted the award alongside Mayor Thelda Williams at Saturday's gala. Pictured left to right is Landscape Architect II Renee Gillespie, Mayor Williams, Management Services Deputy Director Judy Weiss, Landscape Architect II Aaron Jensen and Planner I Natasha Hughes.

You can read more about both projects and the awards on [Phoenix.gov: https://www.phoenix.gov/news/parks/2173](https://www.phoenix.gov/news/parks/2173).

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

The Federal Aviation Administration has posted an update to its Community Involvement – Phoenix webpage, which includes a timeline for implementation of Step 2 of its agreement with the City of Phoenix and a group of historic neighborhoods. Step one was completed in May, when flight paths affecting neighborhoods northwest and southwest of downtown Phoenix were moved back to approximately pre-September 2014 routes. Step 2 of the agreement includes discussions with neighborhoods in other areas throughout the Phoenix area. Here is a link to the FAA’s web update:



https://www.faa.gov/nextgen/nextgen_near_you/community_involvement/phx/

PHOENIX PLANNED MAJOR STREET RESTRICTIONS – UPDATED OCTOBER 12.



To view a listing of the latest planned major street restrictions please visit this link:
<https://www.phoenix.gov/streetsite/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](https://twitter.com/PHXStreetTrans).

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:

Legislative

On Sept. 26, the House of Representatives approved the Defense-Labor-HHS-Education Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriations bill. That bill also contains a Continuing Resolution, which will fund all other Departments/Agencies in the federal government at current Fiscal Year 2018 levels through Dec. 7. With the House of Representatives adjourned until after the midterms (Nov. 6), no further action is expected to be taken on federal funding until after their return

Public Safety

The Oct. 4 event for Station 55 had to be rescheduled due to weather impact issues. Phoenix firefighters and City officials will conduct an official groundbreaking ceremony for the new fire station that will serve the needs of the community in the Norterra area of north Phoenix. For the past several months, Phoenix Fire,

City officials and community leaders have been working diligently to design a new fire station housed on the northeast corner of I-17 and Jomax Road to meet the projected needs of emergency medical and fire service to support city growth.

Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management staff met with City of Phoenix elections personnel from City Clerk's Office, and U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to discuss elections security. Elections Security is a number one priority for U.S. DHS and the Arizona Counter Terrorism Information Center (ACTIC), FBI, and DHS are partnering to ensure intelligence information is shared with State, County, and municipal elections organizations in preparation for upcoming elections. Also, ensuring the ACTIC is prepared to be the hub for Arizona tips and leads effecting Arizona Elections. The City of Phoenix is not impacted during the Fall elections, however the City Clerk requested visibility into any tips and leads for awareness of anything effecting county elections.

Economic Development & Education

Communications staff coordinated a steady stream of social media posts, website updates and local and national media response about storm readiness and related safety updates through the days before, during, and after the storms. Staff provided round-the-clock assistance to the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Police and the Street Transportation departments with messaging including road closures, sand bag options and where to find other city resources related to the extreme weather.

As part of Paint Phoenix Purple in October efforts, PHXTV staff is producing and airing a series of Public Service Announcement's with councilmembers, as well as a five-year anniversary show highlighting the City accomplishments. Staff will also cover the Teen Art/Walk against domestic violence live on social media.

Neighborhoods and Livability

On Sept. 24, Parks and Recreation staff met with representatives from the Arizona Coyotes regarding an upcoming public meeting for a potential hockey deck system installation at Pierce Park. The modular system would be installed directly over the existing tennis court surface and have multiple uses including hockey, pickleball and soccer. Through the partnership, the Coyotes would dedicate resources and staff to assist City recreation staff in growing a youth hockey program.

On Sept. 29, the City dedicated Watermark at Well Site 157 near 59th and Thomas. The formerly barren neighborhood parcel has been enhanced with walkways, landscaping, gabion walls and perimeter fencing, and a 13-foot high steel and glass "water column" sculpture. The project was a collaboration between the Council District Office, community neighbors, Water Services, Neighborhood Services, and Police Departments, and the Office of Arts and Culture. There are wellsite are projects planned for each Council district.

Infrastructure

Public Transit staff is working with Jacobs Engineering to evaluate light rail track alignments on 25th

Avenue and Mountain View Road, which may be revised to save costs, reduce impacts to adjacent parcels, and reduce utility relocations. Future meetings will be set up with Parks and Recreation staff to review proposed changes which will affect a parking lot and Rose Mofford park facilities.

Water Services staff recently replaced the reservoir discharge flow meter at the Val Vista Water Treatment Plant. The meter had reached the end of its useful life and no longer was supported by the manufacturer for parts and service. The new flowmeter, fabricated in Germany, is 7 ½ feet in diameter and will record outgoing flow to the Phoenix distribution system.

NEWS & EVENTS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT:

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS



WESD Schools Participate in Principal for a Day

Last week, leaders from businesses and organizations across the Valley visited WESD schools to see what it would be like to be Principal for a Day! Alex Khoury, from Values Quest, visited Sahuaro Elementary and learned about the many gifted opportunities offered on campus. Kelly Kinworthy from Peter Piper Pizza visited Moon Mountain Elementary and learned about STEAM and coding opportunities offered to our youngest WESD students. Kelly Lyng from the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society visited Acacia Elementary to work with Christine Hollingsworth and Brittany Patton, also from Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, visited Mountain Sky Junior High to work with Principal Perry Mason! From class visits and data meetings to lunch service and recess, these guests learned first-hand about the many responsibilities of being a school administrator. #WESDFamily

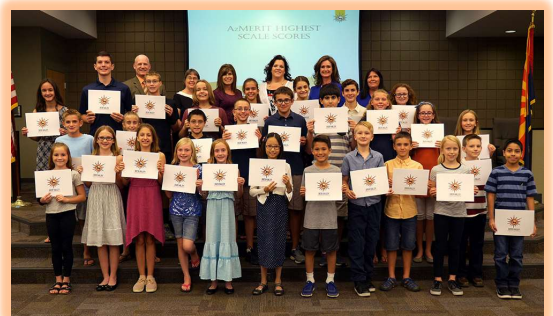


DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

AzMERIT “Perfect” Scores



AzMERIT results revealed that 699 DVUSD students scored the highest possible scale score, virtually a perfect score, on either the English Language Arts or Math tests. In addition, Deer Valley has 35 students who earned perfect scores on **both** the English Language Arts and Math AzMERIT assessments. The DVUSD Governing Board recently honored these extraordinary



35 students.

GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

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Sanderson Ford AZ Donates New Vehicles to Glendale Union High School District

Local dealership, Sanderson Ford AZ, recently supplied two new vehicles to Glendale Union High School District's Drivers Education program! Future drivers will now be learning the rules of the road and how to safely operate a vehicle in these latest additions. GUHSD and its Drivers Education program appreciate Sanderson Ford AZ!

For more information about GUHSD's Drivers Education program, visit GUHSD's website at guhsdaz.org



Moon Valley High School students pose with one of the recently donated vehicles to Glendale Union High School District by Sanderson Ford AZ.

Thelda is tweeting! Follow her @TheldaWilliams1



GREAT CHARITIES TO DONATE TO:

ARIZON HUMANE SOCIETY

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

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2120 N Central Ave #130, Phoenix, AZ 85004

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

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<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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AZ Humane Society - 402-997-7585 ext. 2073
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