



City Council Weekly Information Packet

Friday, September 16, 2022

Includes the following documents/information:

- 1) City Council Events Schedule
- 2) Community Services Department Update



City Council Events Schedule

September 17, 2022 thru November 3, 2022

The Mayor and City Council have been invited to attend various community meetings and public and private events at which a quorum of the City Council may be present. The Council will not be conducting city business, nor will any legal action be taken. This is an event only and not a public meeting. A list of the community meetings and public and private events along with the schedules, dates, times, and locations is attached. Organizers may require a rsvp or fee.

Sat	Sept 17	8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Campbell Park Improvements Meeting Location: Campbell Park 9895 S. Beck Ave. Tempe, AZ
Tues	Sept 20	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Arts in the Parks Location: Indian Bend Park 1250 E. Marigold Lane Tempe, AZ
Wed	Sept 21	11:30 a.m.	Downtown Neighborhoods Transportation Safety Project Location: Zoom link, tempe.gov/DNTSP Register in advance
Wed	Sept 21	6:00 p.m.	Downtown Neighborhoods Transportation Safety Project Location: The Graduate Hotel 225 E. Apache Boulevard Tempe, AZ
Wed	Sept 21	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Arts in the Parks Location: Corbell Park 7300 S. Lakeshore Drive Tempe, AZ
Fri	Sept 23	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Be a Good Neighbor Breakfast Location: Granite Reef Senior Center 1700 N Granite Reef Road Scottsdale, AZ
Fri	Sept 23	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Arts in the Parks Location: Hollis Park 321 S. Kenneth Place Tempe, AZ

Sat	Sept 24	11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Dr. Warren H. Stewart, Sr.'s 45 th Anniversary Celebration Septemberfest Location: First Institutional Baptist Church – FIBCO 1141 E. Jefferson Street Phoenix, AZ
Sat	Sept 24	5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Tempe Artists Guild Artist Reception Location: Tempe History Museum 809 E. Southern Ave Tempe, AZ
Wed	Sept 28	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Arts in the Parks Location: Harelson Park 9325 W. Warner Ranch Drive Tempe, AZ
Thur	Sept 29	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Arts in the Parks Location: Daley Park 1625 S. College Avenue Tempe, AZ
Fri	Sept 30	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Arts in the Parks Location: Selleh Park 2425 S. Los Feliz Drive Tempe, AZ
Sun	Oct 2	12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Tempe Tardeada Location: Tempe Community Complex 809 E. Southern Avenue Tempe, AZ
Thur	Oct 6	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Tempe Sister Cities – Mayor Leadership Roundtable Discussion Location: Tempe History Museum 809 E. Southern Avenue Tempe, AZ
Thur	Oct 6	5:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.	Tempe Sister Cities 50 th Anniversary Gala Location: Double Tree Phoenix-Tempe 2100 S. Priest Drive Tempe, AZ
Fri	Oct 7	5:00 p.m. – 11:59 p.m.	Four Peaks Oktoberfest Location: Tempe Beach Park 80 W. Rio Salado Tempe, AZ

Wed	Oct 12	5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	39th Don Carlos Humanitarian Awards Location: SRP PERA Club 1 E. Continental Drive Tempe, AZ
Sat	Oct 15	11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Tempe Neighborhoods Together Food & Supply Drive in Location: Pyle Adult Recreation Center 655 E. Southern Avenue Tempe, AZ
Fri	Oct 21	7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Tempe Jam Location: Tempe Sports Complex 8401 S. Hard Drive Tempe, AZ
Sat	Oct 22	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods Location: Various locations Tempe, AZ
Thur	Nov 3	11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Grand Opening Event Location: Portal Warehousing 2636 South Wilson Street Tempe, AZ

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National Library Card Sign-Up Month

September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month! In partnership with its Community Services Department colleagues, Tempe Public Library is encouraging the community to sign-up for a new library card by offering a drawing for a selection of amazing Tempe experiences. Prizes include a free membership to Tempe Center for the Arts, a Golf! Tempe foursome, Spring Training tickets, and more! Tempe Public Library also wants to celebrate its current cardholders; prize opportunities are available to anyone who uses their library card during the month of September. Don't forget—your library card is one of the most valuable cards in your wallet! Learn why at [Tempepubliclibrary.org](https://tempepubliclibrary.org).



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Tempe Public Library

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Tempe Parks & Recreation



Parks & Recreation Maintenance Projects

Summer is a time for the Parks Maintenance and Operations teams to capitalize on lower visitation and programming pressure to perform needed maintenance and upgrades to turf, sports fields, and park assets. This summer, restrooms across Tempe's parks system were painted, received new epoxy floors, as well as repairs and additions to security fencing. In addition, teams were able to resurface the basketball court at Palmer Park and two courts at Mitchell Park. Completed projects include:

Dog Park Restoration Work

Restoration work was performed at Papago, Mitchell, Creamery, and Tempe Sports Complex dog parks.



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Parks & Recreation Maintenance Projects (Continued from Page 1)

Tempe Beach Park Sod Replacement

Tempe Beach Park received new sod in preparation for the upcoming fall season. (See Image on Top Left)

Field Improvements

Ahead of the fall baseball season, Matt Mantei Field at Clark Park is receiving significant field improvements including new turf and a conversion to dustless in-field mix. (See Middle Image)



Alegre Park

Alegre Park received significant turf upgrades to its soccer field.

Svob Park Lighting

Neighbors around Svob Park were awarded a City of Tempe Maryanne Corder Neighborhood Grant to add controllers to dim four (4) of 12 sports lights to 30% at 10 p.m. to provide security lighting for what was once a very dark corner of the park. (See Image on Bottom Left)



As temperatures begin to wind down, the Parks Maintenance and Operation teams look forward to seeing more visitors in Tempe parks using these newly-refreshed spaces!

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Urban Forestry Update

The Urban Forestry team continues to grow Tempe's tree and shade canopy. This summer has been focused on tree evaluations and storm damage clean-up through the monsoon season to ensure safety. Additional focus on managing irrigation and providing supplemental water has helped newly-planted trees to become established during the summer heat.

Tempe's Urban Forester is providing design guidance and tree species suggestions for proposed city projects including Mill Avenue, the Country Club Way Trail, Diablo Stadium improvements, and numerous park enhancement activities. A tree protection protocol has been established for construction projects in Tempe parks. This will help to preserve mature trees during projects.

The team has also been working with the Sustainability Office to plan Green Infrastructure demonstration plantings and continue Tempe's partnership with our school districts. Additionally, the team is working with multiple organizations on proposed fall planting activities following a successful spring planting season. Finally, the Cost Match Tree program and planting for the Living Tree Donation program are starting back up following the summer break. Both programs are popular and supported by the Tempe community.

Urban Forestry has been an active member of the Incident Management Team helping to coordinate permits and develop a vegetation management plan for the River Bottom.

Storm Damage at Meyer Park



Inspection of a Cracked Branch

Urban Forestry will be partnering with Tempe Water Conservation to present an in-person tree planting event at Corona del Sol High School with Keep Tempe Beautiful, school district staff, and representatives from the National Football League (NFL). The planting activity is one of the Community Greening projects sponsored by the NFL to help celebrate the Super Bowl in its host location.

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Parks & Recreation Youth Sports All City Athletic Conference

Tempe Parks & Recreation's Youth Sports team is coordinating the return of the All City Athletic Conference (ACAC) Football Combine event on Saturday, September 17 and 24, at Connolly Middle School. This free, two-day event is open to all Tempe middle school students.

ACAC Football Combine

The ACAC Football Combine is hosted by the City of Tempe and includes participation from Tempe Police Department (PD), Tempe Fire Medical Rescue (FMR), Tempe Black Employee Alliance (TBEA), and in partnership with the Arizona Cardinals, Fulfillment in Training (F.I.T.), and Tempe Elementary School District #3 (TD#3). These community partners make this outreach to students an event with many winners. Over the two-day program, professional men and women volunteer their time to mentor and coach each participant through a variety of skills and drills. The inaugural ACAC Combine held in 2021 hosted 80 athletes. This year's goal is to increase participation numbers by 50%.

ACAC was created through a remarkable partnership between Tempe Elementary and Middle School Athletic Directors and Tempe Parks & Recreation staff members. Over the last 20 years, the two entities have worked to expand athletic opportunities for TD#3 middle school students who may not have otherwise been eligible for their school team. The partnership has continued to seek-out opportunities to reach deep into the community and engage students in activities that

promote healthy lifestyle choices, physical activity, and emotional well-being. Continued support and help from city staff, PD, FMR, TBEA, Arizona Cardinals, and F.I.T. has made this event successful and meaningful to all who participate.

ACAC's "No Cut, No Fee" philosophy ensures equal opportunities for all students and developing athletes. The ACAC program provides the Combine, as well as other sports in a safe and fun environment. The program serves 800 students annually.



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Community Arts

Arts in the Parks: Kick-Off Events

The Community Arts team is kicking off the Arts in the Parks series with events in eight Tempe parks this September. These hyper-local events will gather data about what the community members wish to see for arts programming and offerings in Tempe neighborhoods via arts activities including games, surveys, and conversations. The kick-off events will feature live music by local Tempe bands and accessible, free, all-ages arts activities led by local artists.

Residents will be provided the space to be heard and celebrated while connecting, networking, and creating art. Snacks and beverages will be provided. Chairs, blankets, and picnics are encouraged! All events occur from 5-7 p.m.; locations include:

Optimist Park	Tuesday, Sept. 13
Scudder Park	Thursday, Sept. 15
Indian Bend Park	Tuesday, Sept. 20
Corbell Park	Wednesday, Sept. 21
Hollis Park	Friday, Sept. 23
Harrelson Park	Wednesday, Sept. 28
Daley Park	Thursday, Sept. 29
Selleh Park	Friday, Sept. 30

[Tempe.gov/ArtsintheParks](https://tempe.gov/ArtsintheParks)



Tempe Jam

Tempe Jam is an annual music celebration held at Tempe Sports Complex to honor and highlight local bands and musicians who live, work, or play in Tempe. This is the second iteration of Tempe Jam and will feature three bands: Banana Gun (opener and current Tempe Playlist musician), Paper Foxes (middle act), and The Stakes (headliner). In between band sets, there will be featured performances by The Sacred G's, a local street dance company involving dancers in LED light suits. The Jam will also include food trucks and a free tie-dye t-shirt activity; this year's t-shirt design was created by local artist Lizzy Lubitsky.

The event also kicks-off Tempe Playlist; for more information, visit: [Tempe.gov/TempePlaylist](https://tempe.gov/TempePlaylist).

