

# **City Council Weekly Information Packet**

Friday, October 21, 2022

Includes the following documents/information:

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

# **City Council Events Schedule**



## October 21, 2022 thru November 13, 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.

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	
Wed	Oct 26	4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Ribbon Cutting: Comparison Insurance Agency  Location: Comparison Insurance Agency 1438 W. Broadway #3 Tempe, AZ	
Sat	Oct 29	8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Tempe Family YMCA Spooky Spirit  Location: Tempe YMCA 7070 S. Rural Road 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	
Sun	Nov 13	1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	The Lakes of Tempe 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  Location: The Lakes Beach & Tennis Club 5501 S. Lakeshore Drive Tempe, AZ	

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## **Community Arts: School Arts Grants**

In 2022, the City of Tempe is doubling its support for arts grants in schools as part of a commitment to growing arts education in the Tempe community. School Arts Grants are administered by the Tempe Community Arts team and provide local teachers with funds to contract professional artists and/or purchase arts equipment. Examples include bringing guest music clinicians and visual artists into schools, hosting master classes, and purchasing specialized music equipment such as guitars for mariachi and wearable microphones in a range of skin tones for theater productions. This fall, an investment of \$30,000 will be distributed between 26 schools, with a total of 54 grants (up to \$750 each), which is double the number of grants compared to the



Image Credit:
Tempe Community Arts

prior year. Supporting participation in the arts is critical as youth re-engage post-COVID. Arts Education develops imaginative problem-solving skills and grows emotional intelligence, as well as promotes arts literacy as a powerful means of self-expression. Schools receiving grants are located in Tempe Elementary School District, Kyrene School District, Tempe Union High School District, Tempe Preparatory Academy, and New School for the Arts.

# Image Credit: Tempe Arts & Culture (Clark Park Artist: Shachi Kale)

## **Artist-Designed Play Surfaces**

Tempe Public Art is working collaboratively with Tempe Parks & Recreation to add artwork to each neighborhood park through artist-designed play area surfaces. These surfaces will be an added amenity designed to suit each unique park that go beyond the standard. Artist Shachi Kale has designed a

garden-themed play surface for Clark Park and a river with pathways for Redden Park to follow a request for naturethemed play. (continued on page 2)



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## **Artist-Designed Play Surfaces**

Muta Santiago is working with the City on the designs for Mitchell and Meyer Parks, looking at the desert flora and fauna for inspiration within his designs. Oliverio Balcells created a hummingbird theme for Alegre Park to correspond to his recent completion of a neighborhood art grant project on the stand pipe up the street from the park. The play area projects are part of an ongoing initiative to include Public Art in every park within Tempe. Escalante and Creamery parks will be included this fiscal year with the artist selection process already underway. (Top Left: Redden Park; Artist: Shachi Kale)

## Parks & Recreation CIP Update

The City of Tempe Parks & Recreation Capital Improvements Program (CIP) provides updates of existing amenities and infrastructure across the park system; prioritizing safety, accessibility, and positive experiences for all park visitors. Outcomes are achieved on a variety of levels ranging from comprehensive large-scale renovations to focused infrastructure upgrades. A priority improvement for Tempe Parks is integrating accessibility via sidewalks, parking, lighting, and overall site design. Current CIP projects also implement sustainable irrigation, tree plantings, increased shade, LED lighting, and more efficient drainage infrastructure to support sustainability and resilience within Tempe.

## **Completed Projects**

Corbell Park Playground (Middle Image)

Calsense Smart Irrigation Controllers
(Bottom Left; Location: Tempe Beach Park)

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# Parks & Recreation CIP Update (continued from page 2)

The 2021/2022 fiscal year saw the completion of a full park renovation project at Corbell Park. Following on the heels of upgrades at Hollis and Indian Bend parks, the project featured artist-designed rubber surfacing for the playground as well as three new ramadas and accessible playground equipment selected by the neighborhood. Tempe Sports Complex, and other parks along the Rio Salado, received new Calsense smart irrigation controllers to help better manage water use in these regional facilities.

**Clark Park Groundbreaking** 

Development Impact Fees helped to fund the lighting

of the previously unlit "Dance Floor" multi-use field at Tempe Sports Complex. Most recently, an extensive landscape renovation was completed for the City of Tempe Library complex area that features desert-adapted plants and trees, irrigation upgrades, and hardscape repairs.

## **Upcoming Projects**

Currently we have four complete park renovations under construction this Fall. Clark Park, Meyer Park, Mitchell Park, and Redden Park each feature artist designed rubberized surfacing for the new improved accessible playgrounds, increased shade, and new picnic ramadas, ADA improvements, new lighting, court resurfacing, and even more trees. All four projects are anticipated to be complete in early 2023 and we are planning re-opening events that celebrate the process and the stakeholders.

## **Mitchell Park Construction**



## **Projects In Process**

There are numerous parks CIP projects in the last phase of design and bidding. Creamery Park is entering the final permitting stages for a complete park remodel, and the ramada and ADA updates for Moeur Park are currently in bidding review. Dwight Park is also in the bidding phase for a new ramada, landscaping, and new court lighting. The lake edge improvements project for Selleh Park is in design, as are ramada, shade, and landscape improvements for Alegre, Escalante, Scudder, and Svob.

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# Parks & Recreation CIP Update (continued from page 3)

Goodwin Park is also undergoing a design process for new soccer field lighting, landscape, and new picnic ramadas. Papago Park is entering design for new field and court lighting on both the north and south portions of the park.

## **Upcoming Projects**

Community outreach for playground and ramada improvements has concluded at Creamery and Optimist parks with great turnout both in person and online. One of our most impactful outreach processes this Fall will be around the

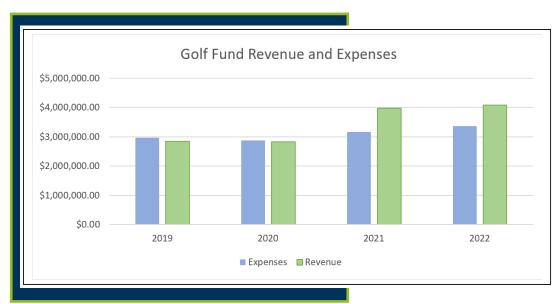


**Optimist Park Public Outreach** 

development of concept plans for the entire north side of Kiwanis Park, including the fully-adaptive and accessible playground, restroom, concessionaire, and activation of the north field spaces with a potential dog park and par fit course as additional amenities. This project will have extensive input opportunities throughout design and has great potential for collaboration within the department and with the community.

## Golf! Tempe Update

Two years past the surge in golf that began in the summer of 2020, enthusiasm for golf at Ken McDonald and Rolling Hills has remained strong.



The chart to the left shows Golf Fund Revenue and Expenses from fiscal year 2019 to fiscal year 2022. In each of the two years following the start of COVID, revenue has exceeded expenses.

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# Golf! Tempe Update (continued from page 4)

#### **Rounds**

For the current Fiscal Year 2022-23, first quarter (July – September) **rounds** for Ken McDonald and Rolling Hills are 22% higher than the same period in 2021, and 35% higher than the prior three-year average.

#### Revenue

First quarter **revenue** at \$708,905 is 29% and 71% higher, respectively, than 2021 and the prior three-year average.

Image Credit:
Arianna Grainey
(Location: Rolling Hills Golf Course)









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## Tempe Play Mobile Update

Tempe Play Mobile is on the road again!

The Tempe Play Mobile will be rolling into Tempe parks the week of October 24 and we're bringing sports equipment, instructional programming, art and S.T.E.M. activities, music, snacks, and more.

The mobile recreation unit creates a fun, equitable, and safe environment for youth

to engage in recreational and social activities at no cost. The Play Mobile targets teens and tweens that are not participating in an organized afterschool program. We activate the parks closest to the TD3 middle schools

Image Credit:
Tempe Community Engagement

on Mondays (Scudder), Wednesdays (Selleh), and Thursdays (Jaycee), as well as every other Tuesday (Hollis). While programming is customized for older elementary and middle school students, no one is turned away from the Play Mobile.

# Image Credit: Tempe Community Engagement



We are very excited that the Play Mobile is now part of Tempe's annual budget, allowing the program to become a year-round effort. In addition to the free afterschool initiative, the Play Mobile will be at several community events this fall including Movies in the Park (10/7, 10/14 & 10/21), the TD3 Kick-Ball Tournament (10/22), Escalante Fall Festival (10/27), Tempe's Family Boo Bash (10/28), and ASU Homecoming (11/19).



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# School Visits at Tempe Public Library

Now that it is back to school season, the library has resumed hosting class visits and library tours. A Tempe Public Library card is a free pass to homework help, the opportunity to find materials to pursue your own interests, and just plain fun. In September, we invited the special education teens from Tempe High School to come and learn about library services, sign-up for library cards, and get a chance to hang out in our dedicated

teen only space. We also hosted two tours of 60+ kids each from Meyer Montessori for stories, resources, and

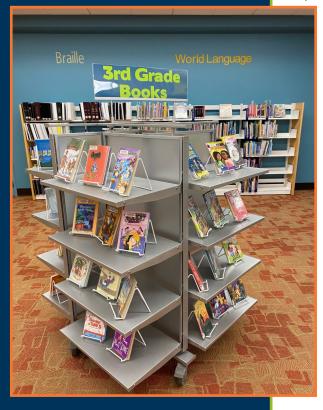
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Tempe Public Library



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home with them. This month, we are hosting tours for a couple of homeschool groups who often rely on library

resources to supplement what they are learning from their educators and caregivers. Library tours are the best way to introduce school-age children to what the library has to offer. Interested class rooms can send home library card registrations to parents so kids have a card waiting for them when they walk through the door! This gives the students agency to find and select their own books, DVDs, or music; to use a computer; or to explore our Homework Help or other online resources from home. Having the opportunity to have a guided tour with one or more of our library staff means they can ask questions in a learning environment and they usually get the chance to hear a couple of stories, do a fun activity, or explore independently. We do our best to get staff out to classroom visits and Back to School nights as well. We make sure to share information packets about what the library offers when we are unable to get out but our colleagues in Education, Career, and Family Services do.

Tempe Public Library loves our schools!

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# **Tempe Parks & Recreation**

## **Celebrating Youth through Sports**

Tempe Parks & Recreation celebrates Tempe's commitment to create space for our youth to express themselves through sports. Youth sports is where you start new friendships that can last a lifetime, where your coach opens your eyes for the love of the sport, where you learn how to be leader and a motivator to your peers, and where self-confidence and self-esteem are built. Tempe's recreational youth sport programs and leagues serve 5,800+ youth,

annually, and provide foundational fundamentals and progressive development throughout the year for ages

3-17 in the sports of Archery, Basketball,

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Boating, Flag Football, Gymnastics, JetHawk T-Ball, Jr. Golf, Karate, LadyHawks Softball, Pickleball, Soccer, Stretch & Grow, Swim Lessons, and Tennis.

In addition, Tempe offers Special Olympic sports for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities age eight and older where participants learn sportsmanship and teamwork while achieving individual personal goals. We welcome and encourage athletes of all skill levels to participate. Athletes have the option of participating on traditional teams which are made up entirely of Special Olympics athletes, or unified teams that are made up of athletes and unified partners. These variety of sports programs and leagues are offered at our facilities including Escalante, North Tempe, and Westside Multi-Generational Centers; Clark Community Center, Kiwanis Recreation Center, as well as our third-party vendors, parks, and sports fields.

Tempe Parks & Recreation partners with Tempe Elementary School District #3 (TD3), Tempe Union High School District (TUHSD), Tempe Diablos, Arizona Cardinals, and Fulfillment in Training (F.I.T.) to provide our youth with sport camps and clinics. We are proud to host our annual Kickball Tournament, Middle School Track Meet, and Football Combine events.

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# Celebrating Youth through Sports (continued from page 8)

Every young person has the right to participate in sports in a diverse, equitable, inclusive, supportive, and safe environment. Tempe Parks & Recreation supports this vision by offering student scholarships so there are no barriers in participating and accessing our programs. We provide inclusive opportunities that allow our patrons to request special accommodations prior to the start of classes if needed so all can have a fulfilling and accessible experience in our programs.

Aspen Institute Project Play believes in the "Power of Sport" to build healthy communities where young people from diverse backgrounds can play together

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Tempe Parks & Recreation

and create a foundation for social trust which provides physical, social, emotional, and academic benefits. We as Tempe Parks & Recreation staff charge ourselves with inspiring the Quality of Life for youth in becoming active, engaged, and by providing countless memories throughout their lifetimes.

## Upcoming Youth Sports Classes, Events, & Leagues:

#### Classes

November 2 Karate

November 5 Gymnastics & Pickleball

November 7 Tennis

#### **Events**

October 22 Tempe & TD#3 Annual Kickball Tournament
 November 5 Special Olympics Golf Aera Tournament
 November 19 Special Olympic Bowling Tournament
 December 3 Special Olympics Golf State Tournament

#### Leagues

October 25
 October 18
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 October 22
 All City Athletic Conference (ACAC) Boys Basketball
 All City Athletic Conference (ACAC) Girls' Softball
 LadyHawks Softball 10U, 12U, 14U League Tournament

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## Special Events Update: October 21 - November 6

The Special Events Task Force Committee works with event producers up to 12 months in advance to ensure that administrative and operational logistics are addressed before the event receives final approval.



Date	Event	Location	Notation
10/21	Tempe Jam	Tempe Sports Complex	Community Event
10/21	Rock it Up - The Weathers	Tempe Marketplace	Concert
10/21	AZ Craft Beer Awards	AZ Heritage Center	Brewery Awards
10/22	TCH Monster Mash	The Centers for Habilitation	Halloween Party
10/22	Making Strides Against Breast Cancer	Tempe Beach Park	Charity 5k
10/22	G.A.I.N. Block Party	Warner Ranch	Neighborhood Event
10/22	G.A.I.N. Block Party	Estate La Colina	Neighborhood Event
10/22	5th Annual AZALR Bikefest	American Legion	Community Event
10/22	65 Roses Roundup Gala	AZ Heritage Center	Charity Gala
10/22	OWL-oween	Pathway to Work	Charity Fundraiser
10/22	Trunk or Treat Fall Festival	New Horizon Preschool	Community Event
10/23	Endless Loc Festival	Ruben Romero	Cultural Event
10/23	Walk for PKD	Kiwanis Park	Charity 5k
10/23	Yes Day for Autism	Tempe Beach Park	Charity 5k
10/27	Hustle PHX 202 Pitch Night	FABRIC	Charity Fundraiser
10/27	Escalante Fall Festival	Escalante Park	Community Event
10/28 & 29	Lucha Libre: Beyond the Arenas	ASU Museum	Exhibit Opening
10/28	Waggoner PTO Trunk or Treat	Waggoner Park	Community Event
10/28	Halloween Boo Bash	Kiwanis Park	Community Event
10/29	YMCA Spooky Sprint 5K	Tempe YMCA	Charity 5k
10/29	Head for the Cure 5K	Kiwanis Park	Charity 5k
10/29	BRC Trunk or Treat	Brick Road Coffee	Community Event
10/29	Fat Tuesday Halloween	Fat Tuesday	Extension of Premises
10/30	Halloween Stroll	6 <sup>th</sup> Street Park	Community Event
11/4	Forever 80s Concert	FABRIC	Charity Fundraiser
11/4	Gethsemane Church Oktoberfest	Gethsemane Church	Community Event
11/4	Performances at Museum	Tempe History Museum	Live Music Event
11/5	Moving Day Walk	Kiwanis Park	Charity 5k
11/5	SWIHA Fall Festival	SW Institute of Healing	Arts Festival
11/5	Splash & Dash	Tempe Town Lake	Run/Swim
11/5	Walk to Save Animals	Tempe Beach Park	Charity 5k
11/5 & 6	Pedal Haus Extension	Pedal Haus	Extension of Premises
11/6	Walk for 1 in 100	Diablo Stadium	Charity Walk

For additional information on activities, events, and things to do in and around Tempe,

visit our community partners at **Downtown Tempe Authority** 

(Downtowntempe.com/explore), and

Tempe Tourism (Tempetourism.com).

