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MARINA del SOL

To resolve a 'dark' situation, a new solar powered light was recently installed at the **SRP Town Lake Marina** rowing dock. Rowers were previously relegated to launching and landing on an unlighted dock during early morning and late evening hours in winter. The new solar light by **SOL** is timed to illuminate at dusk until midnight, and again two hours before sunrise and off at dawn. It would have cost close to \$30K to extend power to serve this pole with electricity due to full capacity of the closest electrical panel plus the cost of the pole and electrical light. The solar light was purchased and installed for close to \$9000. This light will serve as a pilot project for how well solar lights perform at Town Lake. www.solarlightingusa.com/ Interesting solar power facts: [1] there is enough sunlight hitting the earth every hour to supply global energy demands for one year; [2] the first Nobel Peace Prize [1921] was awarded to **Albert Einstein** for experimentation of photovoltaic's and solar power. More facts @ www.solarenergy-solarpower.com/solarpowerfact.html

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HOUSING TRUST FUND

The national non-profit organization **The Center for Community Change** featured Tempe's new **Housing Trust Fund** on page 8 of their Summer 2009 newsletter [see attached]

www.communitychange.org/our-projects/hf/newsletters/Summer-2009-newsletter.pdf

Founded in 1968 to honor the life and values of **Robert F. Kennedy**, The Center for Community Change is one of the longest-standing champions for low-income people and communities of color. Details on Housing Trust Funds and how they work are available at www.communitychange.org/our-projects/hf.



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SOLAR WISE

Solar technology experts and manufacturers gathered at the Tempe Mission Palms Hotel for an international workshop on photovoltaic reliability, hosted by the **National Renewable Energy Laboratory**, a national laboratory of the U.S. Department of Energy's **Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy**, and **TÜVRheinland®**, the leading provider of testing and certification services for companies entering the global marketplace. The workshop includes technical presentations and tours of TÜV Rheinland PTL's test laboratory, the **Arizona Public Service [APS] Star Facility** and the 2 MW solarization of **Arizona State University's** Tempe Campus. Currently, TÜV Rheinland PTL, in conjunction with ASU and APS, is conducting long-term outdoor exposure testing at the APS Solar Test and Research [STAR] center for modules made with the new EVA formulations. The outdoor exposure testing is expected to continue for the next 10 years.

[photo: researchers from NREL and United Solar Systems Corporation developed thin-film photovoltaic modules that are built right into roofing shingles] www.nrel.gov/pv/ipr_workshop.html



MIDNIGHT MADCAP

MADCAP Theaters continues to gain ground in filling dates and seats in its theater. Midnight Movie Mamacita, Andrea Beesley Brown will keep moviegoers up late at the MADCAP Theaters on Mill Avenue beginning in August.

* Friday, August 7 - **Inglorious Bastards** [9pm] and **Man from Deep River** [11pm] \$8

* Saturday, August 8 - **Inglorious Bastards** [9pm] and **Man from Deep River** [11pm] \$8

* Friday, August 14 - **The Room** [9pm] \$6

* Friday, August 21 - **The Seniors** [9pm] and **H.O.T.S.** [11pm] \$8

* Saturday, August 22 - **The Seniors** [9pm] and **H.O.T.S.** [11pm] \$8

* Saturday, September 5 - **F@#K Mickey Mouse** - presented by Dennis Nyback in 16mm - examines how the other Hollywood animation studios reacted to the Disney juggernaut in the 1930s and 1940s. [5, 7, 9pm] \$10

www.madcaptheaters.com



Tempe, Arizona Begins Action on Housing Trust Fund

A promising beginning has been made toward establishing a sustainable housing trust fund for Tempe, Arizona. On June 11, 2009, Tempe City Council appointed the City's first Housing Trust Fund Advisory Board which will have the responsibility of working with City staff and the community to identify a funding source to fill Tempe's Housing Trust Fund.

Tempe adopted resolutions on January 22, 2009 that authorized the creation of a Housing Trust Fund for the purpose of funding affordable housing activities and the appointment of the Advisory Board. This new Housing Trust Fund and the Advisory Board, whose charge is to actively seek revenue sources and promote affordable housing, is a pivotal step in providing affordable housing in Tempe.

The Tempe Housing Trust Fund Advisory Board has seven members and will be staffed by the Community Development Manager. Three members have experience or expertise in the area of real estate lending practices, the area of housing development or construction best practices, and rental housing. The remaining four members have experience or expertise in housing related issues.

The Housing Trust Fund Advisory Board will:

- Assist and advise the Community Development Manager with establishing the goals of the housing trust fund and establishing essential policies, rules



Chicano Por La Causa is one nonprofit developer partnering with the City of Tempe to provide more affordable housing. This is an example of affordable housing they have built. Other partners include: Newtown/Community Land Trust, Habitat for Humanity, and the Tempe Community Council.

and regulations to implement and operate the housing trust fund;

- Review applications for funding and make recommendations;
- Advise the Mayor and City Council, at least annually, on the expenditures, accomplishments and activities of the Housing Trust Fund; and
- Make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council of qualified and interested persons eligible for appointment to commission vacancies.

The creation of a housing trust fund was one of the recommendations in the City's "Affordable Housing Strategy Plan," which was adopted by City Council in spring 2007. On May 15, 2008, the Mayor and Council directed Community Development staff to draft the legal framework for a Housing Trust Fund.

The purpose of the Housing Trust Fund is to provide financial resources to address the affordable housing needs of individuals and families of low and moderate income, provide housing related

services to these households, and provide support for nonprofit organizations that actively address the affordable housing needs of low and moderate income households.

Preference will be given to proposals that provide the longest term of affordability, that maximize the use of leveraged funds, and that further the policies of the Advisory Board. The fund will be administered by the Community Development Department, Housing Services Division.

Tempe has taken these actions because a growing percentage of Tempe residents are unable to meet or maintain the income level necessary to continue residing in Tempe. In recent years, economic forces have discouraged a diverse housing stock. The City recognizes the need to provide alternative housing opportunities in order to maintain the diversity of Tempe.

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