

Nominate a great neighbor

Nominations are being accepted through Feb. 20 for the city's annual Neighborhood Awards. Categories include Neighbor of the Year, Property Beautification, Alley Upkeep and more. Nominees and winners will be celebrated at the 2019 State of the Neighborhoods Awards and Workshops on Saturday, April 13, at the Tempe History Museum, 809 E. Southern Ave. For nomination forms and event information, visit www.tempe.gov/StateoftheNeighborhoods.

MLK Diversity Awards Breakfast

All are invited to attend the 21st Annual City of Tempe MLK Diversity Awards Breakfast. The breakfast will be held at 8 a.m. Monday, Jan. 14, at The Tempe Marriott Buttes Resort. The awards breakfast honors community members and groups who have demonstrated a commitment to honoring and celebrating diversity in Tempe. The cost of the event is only \$10 to the first 500 people who RSVP. Call 480-350-8979 for registration information. Visit www.tempe.gov/mlk for more information.

Regional Unity Walk and Diversity Festival is Jan. 26

Get your walking shoes ready in honor of cultural diversity at the Regional Unity Walk and Diversity Festival on Saturday, Jan. 26. The Diversity Festival will begin at 4:30 p.m. at Tempe Beach Park and will feature entertainment, dancing, free hot dogs and bounce houses. Pick up your free T-shirt at the festival and get ready for the sunset Unity Walk, which will begin at 6 p.m. to "Walk for Unity in Our Communities." Families, community organizations, scout groups, school clubs and church groups are welcome. Walkers may carry flags, signs or banners announcing their group's identity while promoting diversity. For more information, call 480-350-8979 or visit www.tempe.gov/UnityWalk.

College Connect offers workshops, one-on-one mentoring

Tempe's College Connect program connects students and parents to the resources they need to fulfill their dreams of a post-secondary education. Participants can attend free workshops and get one-on-one mentoring from college experts. Topics include applying for college, paying for college, available scholarships, career choice, picking the right high school classes, and many more. Upcoming workshops will take place at the Tempe Public Library on Feb. 2 and April 13. One-on-one sessions with a college mentor can be scheduled now through the rest of the year. For a full calendar of events or to schedule a one-on-one, visit www.CollegeConnectTempe.org.

Budget input? Feb. 20 public meeting and online feedback

The City of Tempe will hold public meetings and host an online forum to inform community members about projections for the city's operating and capital budgets, and to hear the community's priorities for the 2019-20 fiscal year and beyond. A public forum will be held Wednesday, Feb. 20, from 6-8 p.m., at the Tempe History Museum, 809 E. Southern Ave. Community members also are invited to submit ideas and feedback via Tempe Forum, the city's online input tool. Visit www.tempe.gov/forum and select the budget question. For updated details on the formulation of budgets for the 2019-20 fiscal year, information presented at the public forum, as well as scheduled public meetings, visit www.tempe.gov/BudgetPlan.



FanCon returns to Tempe Public Library

Fans of Marvel, DC, Star Wars, Wholocks and even Trekkies are invited to gather in costume for a celebration of pop culture. The annual

Tempe Public Library FanCon will return from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 26, at the Tempe Public Library, 3500 S. Rural Road. The event includes costume contests, authors and artists, photo ops with characters, kid-friendly activities, fandom items for sale and food trucks. For more details, visit www.tempe.gov/fancon

Tennis complex first to offer smart video technology

The Kiwanis Tennis Center will reopen in January, offering a first-of-its-kind video technology to Valley tennis enthusiasts. The courts will feature Playsight technology, which will allow players to record every serve and stroke, then review the video off-court. Matches and practices can also be live-streamed for family and friends or used by coaches and players to improve their games. This technology will attract new players and teams locally and from across the county, making Tempe a top tennis destination. The center also will feature 15 new courts, LED lighting, fencing, windscreens and shade canopies. A grand reopening celebration will take place in early January. The Kiwanis Tennis Center is located at 6111 S. All-America Way. Visit www.tempe.gov/tennis for updates.

January Zero Waste Day

Tempe's Zero Waste Day on Saturday, Jan 26, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Kiwanis Park, 6111 S. All-America Way is your chance to recycle your household hazardous waste as well as electronics, appliances, automobile tires, scrap metal and clothing in any condition. Toys, cooking accessories, home décor and sports equipment must be in good condition. We cannot accept building supplies, food donations, plastic bags, trash, mattresses or Styrofoam. For a complete list, visit www.tempe.gov/SMART. Bring proof of Tempe or Guadalupe residency through a driver's license or utility bill.

Updated holiday solid waste collection dates

Tempe wants residents to know about alternate solid waste collection days this holiday season. Christmas Day is Tuesday, Dec. 25, and Tuesdays would be a normal collection day – but it's moving to Wednesday, Dec. 26. New Year's Day is Tuesday, Jan. 1, and Tuesdays are the normal collection day for some – instead, those collections will happen Wednesday, Jan. 2. All other normal collection days will remain the same. Please call Tempe 311 (480-350-4311) if you have questions or visit www.tempe.gov/SMART.

Tempe advances draft license to regulate scooters, dockless bikes



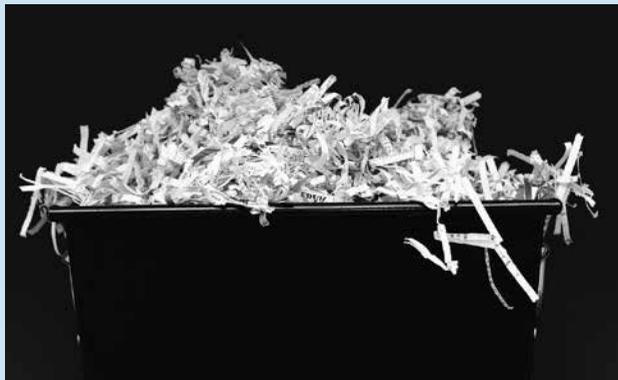
A draft licensing agreement to regulate shared active transportation vehicle operations, including electric scooters and dockless bikes, is moving forward. The licensing agreement will address safety, parking and staging, operations, data sharing and fees.

Tempe is committed to creating safe streets for everyone. We are working with Arizona State University to create a proactive rider safety outreach campaign. Earlier this year, Tempe was the first Arizona city to adopt a Vision Zero resolution, with a goal of eliminating all traffic fatalities.

Two public hearings for the licensing agreement will take place on Thursday, Dec. 20, 2018, and Thursday, Jan. 10, 2019. If passed by Tempe City Council, this license could go into effect on Feb. 9, 2019.

Recycle your holiday tree

Give your Christmas tree the gift of new life this year by keeping it out of the landfill. The city offers two locations where trees can be dropped off for free 24 hours a day, seven days a week through Jan. 30: Compost Yard, 1001 N. Rio Road, at the intersection of Rio Salado Parkway and Hardy Drive; and Kiwanis Park Recreation Center, 6111 W. All-America Way (parking lot on west side). Before dropping off Christmas trees, remove tree stands and nails, ornaments, lights, garland and tinsel. The trees will be chipped and recycled into compost that will be returned to Tempe parks and gardens. For more information, call 480-350-4311, or visit www.tempe.gov/SMART.



No more shredded paper

Due to changes in the recycling market, the facility that processes our recycling can no longer take bagged or un-bagged shredded paper in curbside recycling bins or at the five recycling drop-off locations throughout Tempe. Shredded paper cannot be placed in your recycling bin un-bagged because it falls through the machinery and is landfilled. Therefore, the City of Tempe has teamed up with The Centers for Habilitation/ASDD Document Destruction to offer different recycling solutions to this challenge. Residents can now:

- Drop off bagged shredded paper or documents to be shredded at City of Tempe Zero Waste Days during January, April and November.
- Drop off bagged shredded paper or documents to be shredded at The Centers for Habilitation/ASDD Document Destruction headquarters (225 West Lodge Drive, Tempe) Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Residents who want to watch their documents being shredded onsite can do so with a valid picture ID Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Drop off documents to be shredded (no bagged shredded paper) at the Household Products Collection Center (1320 East University Drive, Tempe, AZ 85281) during operating hours only on Friday from 7 a.m. to noon and on Saturday from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information on what you can put into the blue recycling bin, visit: www.tempe.gov/recyclables.

Calendar

This is the tentative December/January schedule for Tempe City Council meetings. Check www.tempe.gov/clerk for updated schedules.

December 13, 2018

4 p.m., Work Study Session

December 20, 2018

4 p.m., Executive Session

6 p.m., Regular Council Meeting

January 10, 2019

4 p.m., Executive Session

6 p.m., Regular Council Meeting

January 17, 2019

4 p.m., Work Study Session

January 31, 2019

4 p.m., Executive Session

5 p.m. Housing Authority Meeting

6 p.m., Regular Council Meeting

Agendas as posted a minimum of 24 hours before each meeting outside of the City Council Chambers and on-line at www.tempe.gov/clerk. Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Confirm meeting dates and times online or by contacting the City Clerk's office at (480) 350-4311.

Meetings are aired live on Tempe 11 and www.tempe.gov/tempe11.

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News you can use

Bike and scooter safety tips

Whether you're on a bike, scooter or skateboard, be sure to stay safe by following the steps below:

- Stop at stop signs
- Ride with the flow of traffic
- Use a bike lane when possible
- Use a helmet
- Scooters are not permitted on ASU campus
- Obey all state and local traffic laws, including impairment violations

Get more rules of the road by visiting www.tempe.gov/bike.

Humans of Tempe: The high school perspective

Students from Desert Vista, Marcos de Niza, Mountain Pointe and Tempe high schools gathered short interviews and informal portraits of people they met on the streets of Tempe, providing a teen perspective for the Tempe History Museum's ongoing exhibit, Humans of Tempe. The high school exhibit runs through Jan. 13. Humans of Tempe is a collection of informal portraits of everyday Tempeans accompanied by short quotes or stories. These portraits connect visitors with real people who live in Tempe. This exhibit runs through May 2019. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. The museum is located at 809 E. Southern Ave. For more information, visit www.tempe.gov/museum.

Protect against costly water and sewer repairs

Many homeowners are unaware that they are responsible for both the main water line that runs from their home to the city's water meter and the main sewer line that runs from their home to the city's sewer main. If these lines become clogged, collapse or otherwise fail to operate, the homeowner is responsible for any necessary repairs. The City of Tempe created the Service Line Protection Program (SLiPP) to help ease this financial burden for homeowners, and you may be eligible to enroll. For a low monthly fee, SLiPP provides homeowners with financial assistance for costly water and sewer line repairs. For more information visit www.tempe.gov/slipp.

Provide food for the hungry at annual event

Thousands of Tempe-area elementary and high school area students, as well as local

artists, are creating clay bowls and other pottery to help raise money for the hungry in our community as part of the Tempe Empty Bowls program. Proceeds benefit the feeding programs at Tempe Community Action Agency and United Food Bank. The 2018 Tempe Empty Bowls will be held from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22, at Sixth Street Park (just south of City Hall in downtown Tempe), and Saturday, Feb. 23, in the Community Center Courtyard, 3500 S. Rural Road, between Tempe Public Library and the Edna Vihel Center.

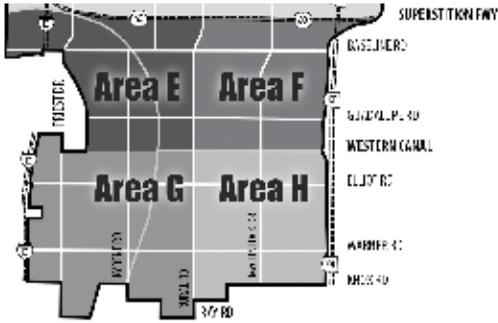


JANUARY 2019

Mixed Bulk Trash Collection Schedule

Area	Collection Week	Collection Type
Area E	JAN 7-11	MIXED BULK WASTE
Area F	JAN 14-18	
Area G	JAN 21-25	
Area H	JAN 28-FEB 1	

Items may be placed for collection no earlier than 10 days prior to Monday of your collection week and no later than 6 a.m. on Monday of your collection week.



www.tempe.gov/slashthetrash • 480-350-4311



'Join Jennifer' in 85284 on Jan. 16

Councilmember Jennifer Adams will begin hosting a quarterly conversation series next month and its first stop will be in south Tempe. It's called "Join Jennifer" and it is a casual conversation event geared toward talking about community members' ideas and feedback. Join in on Wednesday, Jan. 16,

from 6-7 p.m. at Tempe Public Market Café, 8749 S. Rural Road. Each Join Jennifer event will be held in a different Tempe zip code. For more information about Adams, visit www.tempe.gov/adams.

Show Water Sense and Save!

Give the planet a lift with a WaterSense gift. The EPA WaterSense is a label that makes it easy to find water-efficient products, such as toilets, showerheads, faucets, and aerators. These products are certified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to use 20 percent less water, save energy, and perform as well or better than regular models. The WaterSense sister label on the energy side is the EPA EnergyStar label. Look out for this label when upgrading your dishwasher, clothes washer, and water heater, and you'll save both energy and water.

Pro Tip: The City of Tempe makes it easy to upgrade toilets with a rebate that pays 50 percent (up to \$75) for up to two upgraded toilets. Check out www.tempe.gov/conservation or call 480-350-2668 for more information.

Heed 'No Burn Day' warnings !

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) regularly conducts tests on particulate matter (PM) to ensure our air quality meets federal and state guidelines. On days when PM is expected to be too high, a health watch or high pollution advisory is issued, resulting in a No Burn Day. Residents are not allowed to burn wood in their fireplaces, stoves, chimneys and fire pits on these days. Gas or electric fireplaces are fine to use. Check out www.tempe.gov/AirQuality and visit www.cleanairmakemore.com to sign up for No Burn Day alerts.

Tempe moves forward with Vision Zero planning

Tempe is continuing its effort to create a Vision Zero action plan that will help eliminate all fatal and serious injury crashes in the city.

In June, over 50 stakeholders attended an interactive Vision Zero Workshop. Attendees were assigned a crash scenario and asked to brainstorm and develop strategies that may have prevented the crash from occurring or lessened its severity. Three working groups were formed to continue developing strategies in the following areas: education, engineering and enforcement/emergency response.

In August and October, the working groups met to further develop strategies that will achieve the Vision Zero goal. Find out more about Vision Zero at www.tempe.gov/VisionZero.

Tempe Public Library unveils first StoryWalk® at Escalante



The Escalante Community Center is now home to the city's first StoryWalk®, which is an outdoor display that lets families walk through the pages of a book. StoryWalk® is a national movement that brings books to

life along park trails and pathways. Sequential, interactive displays are installed, encouraging literacy, reading comprehension, and quality family time as children and their parents walk through the pages of a book.

The first book featured is America's White Table by Margo Theis Raven. It is a touching story about the "white table", which is symbolic of American POWs and military members who lost their lives or are missing in action. Library staff will rotate the books throughout the year, giving families new outdoor reading experiences all year long. This project is supported by the Arizona State Library, Archives & Public Records, a division of the Secretary of State, with federal funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. The StoryWalk®- Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Hubbard Library.