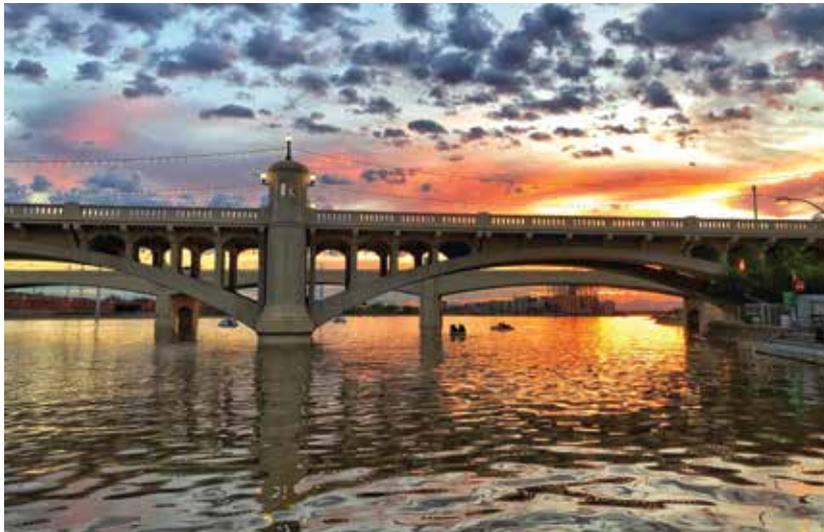


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Tempe Town Lake turns 20!

Free community celebration Nov. 9

In just 20 years, Tempe Town Lake has become one of the state's most beloved destinations for fun, an economic driver and a community gathering space all while providing flood protection. We're celebrating Tempe Town Lake with two parties:

Nov. 8: Town Lake Business Mixer

Join us from 4-6 p.m. at Tempe Center for the Arts for an opportunity to hear from some of the people who made Tempe Town Lake possible. Relax with music by A.J. Odneal, take tours of the arts center and learn how Town Lake has brought our community thousands of new jobs, miles of park space

and some of the state's best economic investments. For more information visit tempe.gov/lake, email kris_baxter@tempe.gov, or call 480-858-2059.

Nov. 9: Tempe Town Lake 20 Years Birthday Party

What could Tempe Town Lake be like in 20 years? Find out at our free birthday party! Take a free boat ride to all six activity zones. Ride a zip line, take a free Zumba class, go to a farmer's market, paddle a kayak, listen to great bands and more. Get details at tempe.gov/lake, email melissa_quillard@tempe.gov, or call 480-350-8805.

Setting speed limits: opportunities for input

Tempe is examining setting lower speed limits in order to make our streets safer for all users, and the city wants your input.

Aligned with Tempe's Vision Zero initiative to eliminate traffic fatalities and reduce serious injury crashes, the city is employing a "safe systems" approach to setting speed limits. This approach recognizes that drivers make mistakes and that systems should allow for these, rather than expecting perfect driving behavior. Lowering speed limits reduces the chances of injury from a crash. In Tempe, one in five high-severity crashes are attributed to driving too fast for road conditions.

Join any of four informational sessions to discuss proposed speed limit changes and provide feedback. The November meetings will be at Arizona Community Church (Building G1), 9325 S. Rural Road. The December meetings will be at Tempe Public Library (Meeting Room A), 3500 S. Rural Road. The meeting dates are: Saturday, Nov. 16, 9:30-11:30 a.m.; Thursday, Nov. 21, 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Dec. 11, 5:30-7:30 p.m.; and Saturday, Dec. 14, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

For more information, or to provide online input Nov. 16 to Dec. 28, visit tempe.gov/VisionZero.

March 10 candidate election

The Mayor's seat and three Council seats are opening with terms of office beginning in July 2020. The Primary Election is March 10 and the General Election, if needed, is May 19. These will be Ballot by Mail elections, which means that every registered voter will automatically get a ballot.

Interested in serving?

Residents interested in running for Mayor or City Council can download a candidate packet from the City Clerk's Office at tempe.gov/election. According to the Tempe City Charter, the Primary Election is held to nominate or elect candidates. If there are no more than two candidates for each vacancy, the Primary Election is eliminated and the General Election is held on that date. In the case of the 2020 elections, if there are six or fewer total candidates, the General Election would take place March 10. Questions can be directed to the City Clerk's Office via email at clerk@tempe.gov or 480-350-4311. Information is available at www.tempe.gov/election.

Voter registration

Register to vote by Feb. 10 for the March 10 election. Ballots will be mailed starting Feb. 12 for the March 10 election. Register to vote through the Maricopa County Elections Department at 602-506-1511 or at www.maricopa.vote.

Televised candidate information

As a community service, Tempe 11 will continue to tape and air televised information from certified Mayor and Council candidates. Before each Regular Council Meeting starting Jan. 20, Tempe residents can tune in to Cox Channel 11 or Century Link Channel 8012 to watch candidate statements that will be taped earlier on those same days.

As a community service, Tempe 11 also televises a limited number of candidate debates and forums for city elections. Beginning Nov. 1, community organizations can email the city to request a televised debate or forum to occur on a city-selected date in January or February 2020. All candidates must be invited. The total number of forums or debates is limited. Full guidelines are available at tempe.gov/election.

Java with Joel is Oct. 19

Grab coffee with Councilmember Joel Navarro at his regular conversation opportunity. Bring questions and feedback to the Tempe Public Library Connections Café, 3500 S. Rural Road, on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 10-11 a.m. Information about Navarro's service to Tempe is at tempe.gov/navarro.

New bike and scooter rules

There are new rules for operating bikes and scooters in Tempe.

- Bikes, e-bikes and scooters must: use a bike lane when one is provided; ride in the street when the speed limit is 25 mph or below; ride with the flow of traffic; and yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian.
- Bikes, e-bikes and scooters are allowed on the sidewalk when there are no bikes lanes available and the speed limit is greater than 25 mph. E-bike motors must be disengaged.
- Minors, with the consent of, or accompanied by a parent or guardian, may ride on the sidewalk at all times. Parents and guardians may also ride on the sidewalk when accompanying a minor.

The enacted changes were designed to align with Tempe's Vision Zero policy. Vision Zero aims to reduce the number of fatal and serious injury crashes to zero in Tempe, because no loss of life is acceptable. Studies show that riding on the sidewalk increases a bicyclist's risk of being involved in a motor vehicle crash. That risk increases even more when riding on the sidewalk against the flow of traffic.

Changes went into effect Sept. 16. For more information about Vision Zero, visit tempe.gov/VisionZero.

Enroll now: Tempe PRE preschool program

Spaces are still available for Tempe PRE. Join the hundreds of families who are currently enrolled to give their 3- and 4-year-olds a boost in kindergarten readiness. Visit tempe.gov/TempePRE.

EVENTS

NOV. 3

The 6th Street Market in downtown Tempe kicks off for the season with Sundays filled with food, crafts, activities and more.

downtowntempe.com

NOV. 11

The annual Veterans Day Parade will begin at 10 a.m. at ASU Gammage and travel north to Tempe Beach Park. Join in the patriotic fun of this hometown tradition!

NOV. 23

Zero Waste Day at Tempe Fire Training Facility, 1340 E. University Drive, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

tempe.gov/ZeroWaste

NOV. 23

ASU Homecoming Parade along University Drive. The parade starts four hours before the TBD kickoff of the Homecoming football game. www.asu.edu/homecoming

NOV. 29

Fantasy of Lights Opening Night Parade in downtown Tempe starting at 6 p.m.

downtowntempe.com

Full events calendar at tempe.gov!

Expired drugs around the house? Bring them for proper disposal



Tempe Police are partnering again with the Arizona Drug Enforcement Administration and law enforcement agencies across the state for an upcoming drug “take back” event. It’s happening from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26, at the Tempe Police South Substation, 8201 S. Hardy Drive.

Bring your unused/expired prescription and over-the-counter medications in original containers. Disposal is anonymous. Medications will be placed into boxes provided by DEA and Tempe Police. Law enforcement personnel will seal and deliver the disposed medications for proper destruction.

Two secure medication disposal kiosks are available for community members year-round during business hours at the Apache Police Substation, 1855 E. Apache Blvd, and downtown Police Headquarters, 120 E. Fifth St. For more information, contact Molly_Enright@tempe.gov or 480-858-6148.

Prepare for flooding with insurance

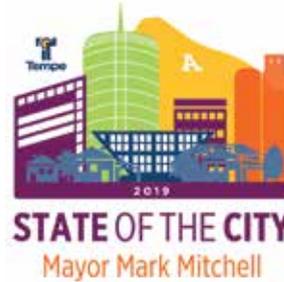
Studies have shown storms are becoming more unpredictable and intense, causing devastating flood damage to homes, businesses and other properties. Structures located in or near a floodplain are at greatest risk of experiencing a flood and sustaining damage. The City of Tempe is one of 20,000 cities nationwide that participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Tempe adopted and enforces floodplain management ordinances to reduce flood damage risk. In exchange, the NFIP makes federally backed flood insurance available to homeowners, renters and business owners in our community.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is responsible for determining the extent to which flooding might threaten an area, with classifications ranging from minimal to severe, categorized as “Special Flood Hazard Areas” (SFHAs). Properties located in SFHAs, as indicated on Flood Insurance Rate Maps produced by FEMA, are required to carry adequate flood insurance protection. However, even properties outside of these boundaries can experience flooding, which is why the NFIP recommends insurance for all property owners and renters.

For more information or to find out if your property is in or near a SFHA, visit tempe.gov/floodplain or call Tempe 311 at 480-350-4311. If you’re interested in purchasing flood insurance, contact your personal insurance carrier for coverage and pricing.

State of the City

Mayor Mark Mitchell will deliver the annual State of the City Address at 7 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 25, at Phoenix Marriott Resort Tempe at the Buttes, 2000 W. Westcourt Way. This year’s theme is Tempe Evolves. Mitchell will discuss the ways



that businesses and our city are growing and changing to meet the challenges of today’s world – and to improve it. To register, visit tempechamber.org or call the Tempe Chamber of Commerce at 480-967-7891.

New e-newsletters and Instagram accounts

To help you get news about things you care about in our community, we’ve added a few new Instagram accounts and email lists you might enjoy:

Digital newsletters

- Tempe This Week pulls together a quick list of the top news and fun events going on in our community each week and sends it right to your inbox. Sign up at tempe.gov/enews and choose Tempe This Week under Tempe Information – Your Way.
- Interested in new construction or businesses? Receive information about new businesses opening in our city and a monthly newsletter about upcoming projects. Visit tempe.gov/enews and sign up for Business and Development News.

Instagram

- @TempePublicLibrary is our new account for photos and information about reading, writing, storytimes and library events.
- Love to be active? Check out @TempeParksandRec. We post photos of sports, recreation classes, special events in your neighborhood and Tempe’s beautiful parks.
- Enjoy photos of Tempe murals. Get details about Arts in the Park and see work by Tempe artists with the new @TempeCityArt account.

Questions? Reach out to Kris Baxter-Ging at kris_baxter@tempe.gov or call 480-858-2059.

2020 U.S. Census Jobs!
tempe.gov/census

Tempe City Council



Mark W. Mitchell
Mayor

Lauren Kuby
Vice Mayor

Jennifer Adams
Councilmember

Robin Arredondo-Savage
Councilmember

Arlene Chin
Councilmember

Randy Keating
Councilmember

Joel Navarro
Councilmember

Andrew Ching
City Manager

To contact the Mayor and Council, call 480-350-8110.

Check tempe.gov/clerk for updated schedules of City Council meetings and agendas or call 480-350-4311. Meeting dates are subject to change.

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

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Bike safety class this fall

The Phoenix Metro Bicycle Club, in cooperation with the Tempe Bicycle Action Group, is offering a low-cost bicycle safety class for new and experienced riders in November. The class offers in-depth details for new and experienced cyclists on how to ride safely and confidently. This class consists of a classroom training session, an outdoor session to practice your skills and a short ride on Tempe streets. Participants must be 16 years or older, provide their own bicycle and ANSI-approved helmet. Basic bicycle handling skills and a working knowledge of traffic laws are required. For more information, visit <https://pmbc.clubexpress.com> or email info@biketempe.org.

Prepare for Tempe Community Writing Contest

The Tempe Public Library is offering several writing classes this fall to help aspiring writers hone their crafts, learn new skills and get feedback from other writers. Writers Connection and Writing Studio sessions are great resources for writers planning to enter the Tempe Community Writing Contest, which opens for submissions in January. For more information on all writing classes and the contest, visit tempe.gov/TempeWrites.

Celebrate more miles of paths in Tempe

Join us in celebrating the opening of the Highline Canal Multi-use Path on Saturday, Nov. 2, from 9-10 a.m. The small event will take place on the path, just north of Auto Drive. The project adds 3.5 miles of pathway to connect Tempe with Chandler and Guadalupe. The path is 10 feet wide, with lighting, landscaping and public art. Information is at tempe.gov/HighlineCanal.

Get notified about water main repairs

Registering on the new WaterSmart Portal doesn't just help Tempe water customers save water and money, it means staying notified of water-related non-emergencies, such as road closures and temporary water shut-offs for water main repairs, replacement or maintenance. Visit tempe.gov/WaterSmart and set up a free account using your utility bill account number today to avoid delays in receiving notifications.

Domestic violence awareness

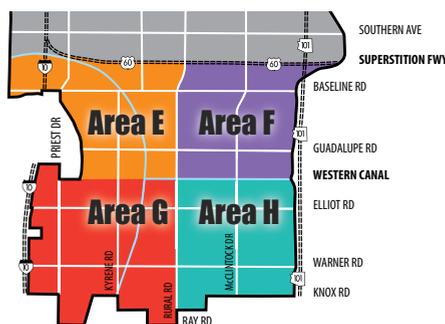
October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and CARE 7, Tempe's victim services team, wants residents to be aware that they are a resource on this and other issues. One in four women and one in nine men have experienced severe physical violence by an intimate partner, according to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence. In Tempe, CARE 7's victim services team has served more than 1,200 victims of domestic violence in the past 14 months. For more information about CARE 7, visit tempe.gov/care7.

November 2019 Mixed Bulk Collection Schedule

	Collection Dates	Collection Type
Area E	NOV 4-8	BULK TRASH
Area F	NOV 11-15	
Area G	NOV 18-22	
Area H	NOV 25-29	

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.

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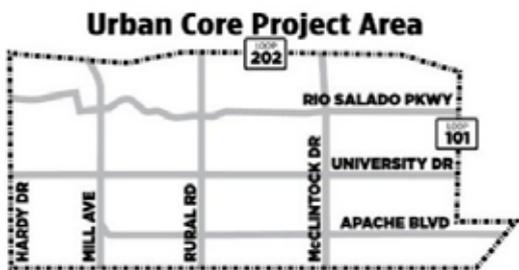


Tempe plans for growth in urban core

Tempe's urban core – the area bounded by Loop 202, the Union Pacific Railroad tracks, Hardy Drive and Loop 101 – is projected to grow substantially during the next 20 years. The Urban Core Master Plan (UCMP) and Urban Code District (UCD) will help the city plan for that growth by providing a comprehensive blueprint for sustainable development.

The UCD and UCMP efforts were developed through a two-year planning process that included more than 30 public meetings, online public input opportunities and dozens of targeted meetings with neighborhoods, businesses, property owners and other stakeholders. Public hearings were held by the Development Review Commission and City Council. The City Council will hold a final public hearing at 6 p.m. Oct. 17 at the Tempe History Museum, 809 E. Southern Ave., and potentially vote to amend Tempe's General Plan 2040 and adopt the UCMP and UCD.

The new UCD will be an opt-in zoning district aimed at increasing ridership on streetcar and light rail, enhancing pedestrian connections, promoting economic development, creating active street-level environments and enhancing other quality of life factors. The UCD builds on Tempe's existing Transportation Overlay District (TOD), which will remain in effect.



The UCMP is a policy-level plan to provide guidance on building heights, traffic, density, sustainability, historic preservation, neighborhood character and more. The plan makes policy recommendations on where to locate different heights for buildings and recommends design and planning guidelines for new development proposals. Applicants can seek the building heights identified in the UCMP through a Planned Area Development, Development Agreement or alternate process. Visit tempe.gov/UrbanCore to learn more.