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Tempe Mayor, Councilmembers elected

Former, two-term City Councilmember Corey Woods was elected Mayor in the city's March 10 all-mail election. He will take over for current, two-term Mayor Mark Mitchell.

Councilmembers Joel Navarro and Randy Keating were re-elected to four-year terms on the City Council, and Doreen Garlid won a seat on the City Council.

Woods will be the first African American to serve as Mayor of Tempe, and Garlid is the first Native American to be elected to the Council.

The canvass of the vote, which is the City Council's official acceptance of the results, was scheduled to take place at a March 19 Special Meeting. Those elected will be sworn-in during the first City Council meeting in July.

Full election results are available at tempe.gov/election.

Coronavirus impacts events, meetings

The City of Tempe wants to be a source of clarity, information and resources for community members who need services and have questions during this time of national and local uncertainty around the impacts of the coronavirus (COVID-19).

All critical services that Tempe provides – police and fire protection, traffic control, transit, court services, water and wastewater and solid waste pickup – will continue to be available.

Tempe understands that some families may have difficult life situations right now because of coronavirus impacts on employment. For this reason, the city will not disconnect residential water service for those with overdue accounts until further notice. Households with existing water disconnects will have their service restored as well.

Tempe announced that special events hosted by the city or outside groups have been canceled through April 30; some may be rescheduled and some may not be. Also canceled through April 30 are any public input meetings where community members offer opinions about various issues and projects; most of these are likely to be rescheduled.

Updated coronavirus (COVID-19) information is available at tempe.gov/coronavirus.



City salutes fallen firefighter

Tempe Fire Medical Rescue is mourning the loss of Firefighter Tommy Arriaga, 36, who passed away March 6 following his

battle with colorectal cancer. He is survived by his wife Monica and his two daughters Miranda, age 7, and Madalynn, age 3.

The city and at least 10 other Valley fire departments saluted Arriaga during a March 11 funeral service.

Arriaga began his career with the department in 2014 and, in 2016, became a member of the Hazardous Materials Response Team, where he served until early 2019 when he was diagnosed with cancer. His cancer has been determined to be related to his work.

This is the second line of duty death in Tempe Fire Medical Rescue's history. The first was in 1980, with the passing of Firefighter Ed Gaicki during a fire at a Tempe business.

Hundreds of people have expressed condolences to the Arriaga family and to the City of Tempe.

Dolores Huerta Advocacy and Social Justice Award

The City of Tempe announced a new award named after Dolores Huerta, an activist and labor leader who worked alongside Cesar Chavez to improve social and economic conditions for farm workers and co-founded what is now known as the United Farm Workers. A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a high school student dedicated to advocacy and social justice and an honor will also be given to an adult or organization. The first award will be given in April 2021. For details, visit tempe.gov/diversity.



Have you filled out the Census yet?

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Each household across the country has received letters in the mail from the U.S. Census Bureau with instructions on how to participate in the 2020 U.S. Census. It is easy and secure to fill out the Census and it is vitally important for Tempe.

There are only nine questions. For the first time, you can fill out the Census questionnaire online.

Everyone living in Tempe must be counted, including college students who live off-campus, non-citizens (including international students and residents) and even infants. Individuals who are homeless and those living in dorms or group homes are counted separately by the Census Bureau. More information is at tempe.gov/census.



Tempe kids get a free transit pass

Tempe kids ages 6 to 18 can sign up for a Youth Transit Pass and ride all regional and local Valley Metro buses and light rail for free. Beginning May 11, Tempe will begin issuing new transit passes to current and new participants of the program.

The Transit Store has been closed due to the coronavirus pandemic. To make an appointment to get a residential Parking permit or youth transit pass email rpp@tempe.gov.

Tempe's golf courses are open!

Ken McDonald Golf Course and Rolling Hills Golf Course offer gorgeous views, excellent course conditions and 30-day advance bookings. Visit tempe.gov/GolfTempe to book your tee times and see promotions and monthly specials.

Don Carlos Humanitarian Awards nominations due June 2

Nominations are now being accepted for Tempe's 37th Humanitarian of the Year. Presented annually by Tempe Community Council, the Don Carlos Humanitarian Award is presented to a person or couple who has given outstanding service to our community over an extended period. Nominations also are being accepted for other award categories. Deadline for submission is June 2. The awards will be presented at the Oct. 14 Don Carlos Humanitarian Awards Ceremony. Sponsorship opportunities are also available for this memorable event. For more information, visit www.tempecommunitycouncil.org/don-carlos.

April is Earth Month

Tempe is committed to making our community a sustainable city. The Sustainable Tempe webpage offers information on the programs and projects happening in Tempe that help to create lasting, positive environmental changes. Learn about Tempe's first Climate Action Plan, the city's Urban Forest program and ways you can help make the environment. Visit tempe.gov/SustainableTempe.

Tempe PRE accepting applications for new families



Tempe PRE, the City of Tempe's high-quality, full-day preschool program, has begun accepting online applications for the upcoming school year.

The application process is for new families; current families have already secured their spots. All students must

be age three or four by July 31 and fully potty trained to be eligible for preschool.

Free, half-tuition and full-tuition options are available depending on eligibility requirements. Due to the high number of applications for financial assistance, the city will choose applicants by lottery. These families will receive notifications beginning in April. Families paying full tuition will be selected in the order applications are received.

The program serves 360 children at 12 established neighborhood schools in the Tempe Elementary and Kyrene school districts. For information about applying: tempe.gov/TempePRE. To contact staff: pre-k@tempe.gov or call 480-858-7735.



Tempe Community Salutes

The city will once again give a rousing sendoff and salute to new U.S. military service members at Community Salutes. The event is happening at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 11, at the Tempe Center for the Arts, 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway. It is the city's sixth annual recognition ceremony for future military service members and their families. The public is invited. This year's event will feature music performances and is sponsored in part by Waste Management, Sender Associates, Gammage & Burnham, Gorman & Co., among others. *Due to the uncertainty around the coronavirus, please check tempe.gov/calendar closer to May 11 to confirm the event is taking place.*

Tempe partners with local nonprofit to reduce waste

The City of Tempe has partnered with local non-profit, Stardust, to help divert waste from landfills. Stardust offers home pick up for your donations of new, excess or gently-used building materials, appliances and furniture. Your donation helps support programs and services dedicated to reducing waste. Stardust is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all materials donated are eligible for a tax deduction. Stardust will pick up your items on the curb, on the side of your home, or in the garage, typically between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., Monday through Friday. The total donation value must be a minimum of \$100 and be in usable condition. Call 480-964-0177 to schedule a pickup or fill out the online donation pickup request form at StardustBuilding.org.

**Plug into the process of
planning the city's 2020-21
fiscal year budget!**

tempe.gov/BudgetPlan

Tempe City Council



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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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Tempe volunteers make a difference

Every year, people from Tempe and across the Valley volunteer their time to help with a variety of important city programs and services. From college mentors to park cleanups to helping the Tempe Police Department, these amazing volunteers have a tremendous impact on our city. Here are just a few highlights for 2019:

- More than 2,500 volunteers
- More than 131,000 volunteer hours
- \$3.35 million saved in wages or salaries

Want to help too? Check out tempe.gov/volunteer for opportunities.

Students invited to submit artwork for Law Day

Tempe Municipal Court invites students in fourth, fifth and sixth grade to take part in the Law Day 2020 art contest. Students can draw, paint, sketch or create a collage depicting the importance of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. A City of Tempe judge will visit several schools in March and early April to provide interactive presentations to spark ideas. The deadline to submit is April 13. All entries will be displayed from April 25 to May 3 at Tempe History Museum. For details, visit tempe.gov/court.

Cancelled

2019 Water Quality Report available in May

Do you have water quality questions? The City of Tempe's annual Water Quality Report for calendar year 2019 will be available in May at tempe.gov/ccr. This report provides information about the source and quality of drinking water provided by the City of Tempe. If you would like a paper copy of the report mailed to your home, call 480-350-2678.

Spring cleaning? Remodeling?

Tempe can help you take away the mess. Use a convenient roll-off container to haul away all the debris not accepted by bulk trash collection. Contact Tempe 311 at 480-350-4311.

May 2020
Mixed Bulk & Green Organics
Collection Schedule

Collection Dates	Collection Type
Area E	May 4-7
Area F	May 11-14
Area G	May 18-21
Area H	May 25-28

BULK TRASH

&

GREEN ORGANICS

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

tempe.gov/smart 480-350-4311

Interactive kiosk launches in downtown Tempe



Arizona's first interactive smart kiosk has launched in downtown Tempe at the corner of Seventh Street and Mill Avenue.

"Tempe is a destination," said Mayor Mark Mitchell. "With over 4 million visitors and more than 33,000 employees in our Urban Core area, it truly makes sense for us to be

the first city in the state to install these innovative, interactive digital kiosks."

Through a partnership with the Downtown Tempe Authority (DTA) and IKE Smart City, Tempe will be installing an additional 14 digital kiosks throughout the downtown Tempe Mill Avenue district through the end of summer.

"These intelligent wayfinding kiosks will allow our street-level merchants to integrate digitally into the lives of downtown Tempe visitors," said Kate Borders, DTA's President and Executive Director. "But beyond wayfinding, these kiosks will provide public transit updates, job boards, and social connections throughout downtown."

The Interactive Kiosk Experience (IKE) is a multi-lingual, ADA-compliant kiosk that connects cities and people through interactive touchscreens and engaging applications. This system has been integrated in other urban cities such as San Antonio, Baltimore and Cleveland.

"We're proud of the city's and DTA's commitment to smart initiatives and that, together, we've brought the first IKE kiosks to Arizona," said Pete Scantland, CEO of IKE Smart City. "IKE's revolutionary features and functionality will enable greater geographic and economic mobility for all and will help residents and visitors discover everything Tempe has to offer. We're excited to continue installing IKE throughout downtown and are looking forward to our continued partnership with DTA and the city."

IKE serves as a wayfinding and city communications tool that improves social equity, encourages city exploration, promotes economic development and enhances public safety.

Some of IKE's applications include business listings, events, real-time transit feeds, mapping and directions, city resources and a photo booth. IKE integrates with mobile devices and offers free Wi-Fi, air quality monitoring and an emergency call system.

The kiosks were paid for and installed by IKE Smart City. They will continue to be funded through advertising opportunities and at no cost to DTA or Tempe. Find more information at ikesmartcity.com.

Register your vacation rental

The Tempe City Council recently approved an ordinance to create a short-term rental registration program to collect contact information for properties commonly referred to as vacation rentals.

A short-term rental is a residential property that is made available for stays shorter than 30 days. Some Tempe property owners are using popular online services to rent out homes and apartments. While providing financial opportunities for property owners, these rentals may negatively impact neighborhoods. The new registry is intended to help reduce neighborhood issues and increase public safety by having contact information available to emergency responders.

Property owners who offer short-term lodging must register their properties and obtain a Transaction Privilege Tax License before the property can be used as a rental. Details on signing up for the free Tempe registry are available at tempe.gov/ShortTermRentals or by calling 480-350-4311.



Top 5 bike safety tips

Did you know there are new rules for riding bikes and scooters in Tempe?

- Use a bike lane when available
Bikes and scooters must use a bike lane when one is available.
- Ride with the flow of traffic
Whether you're in a bike lane or on a sidewalk, be sure to ride with the flow of traffic, not against it.
- Use a bike light at night and wear brightly colored clothing.
When biking at night, be sure to wear brightly colored clothing and have a white headlight on the front and a reflector on the rear.
- Stop at stop signs and stop lights
Be sure to stop at all stop signs and stop lights.
- Wear a helmet. Wearing a helmet reduces your risk of head injury by 85 percent.

Get more rules of the road at tempe.gov/bike.

The free AZ511 app helps you plan your route and save time

For valley-wide daily street restrictions check out the free AZ511 mobile app now available from the Arizona Department of Transportation.

The app for iOS and Android devices helps you plan ahead and save time. You can save your favorite routes and destinations, learn about incidents or road work that may affect a trip, get estimated travel times and learn about alternate routes.

Because looking at a mobile device while driving is never safe, the app features a “drive mode” providing audio alerts that describe incidents along a route.

The app is available to download for free on the iOS App Store and Google Play.

Safety doesn't happen by accident

While enjoying the beautiful weather, 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 available
- Use a helmet
- Obey all state and local traffic laws

Use HAWK for added safety

Tempe's two HAWK signals (High-intensity Activated crossWalks) make it easier for people on the Western Canal Multi-use Path to cross busy streets. Located where the path crosses Rural Road and McClintock Drive, the HAWK signal is designed without a green light and remains dark until a path user activates the signal, making it safer to cross while minimizing the wait time for motorists.

For instructions on how to use the HAWK beacon signal, watch our video at [youtube.com/watch?v=x92c5SHc8yM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x92c5SHc8yM). Get more information about biking in Tempe at [tempe.gov/bike](https://www.tempe.gov/bike).



Cruise into spring with a bike ride

It's lovely weather for a bike ride together with you! Tempe has four BIKEiT routes that make it fun and easy to take the whole family out. BIKEiT, also known as Bike in Tempe, are off-street pathways and streets with low-motorized traffic volumes and speeds designated and designed to give bicycle travel priority.

These routes include:

- Brake: Western Canal Multi-use Path
- Handlebars: Kyrene and Crosscut multi-use paths, Hardy and Lakeview drives
- Pedal: College Avenue from Apache Avenue to US 60 pedestrian bridge
- Spoke: Optimist Park to Kiwanis Park on El Paso Multi-use Path, Cornell and Lakeshore drives.