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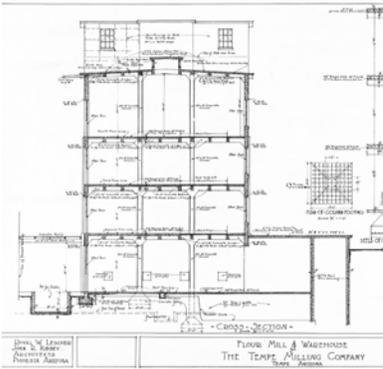


## SUNCOR CELEBRATES RIO WEST BUSINESS PARK

SunCor celebrated the completion of its last office building at the **Rio West Business Park** this week with a lunchtime version of 'Deal or No Deal'. More than 150 people vied for the chance to play the game of numeric chance for up to \$1,000. The new Rio West building offers 56,000 square feet of space, 25.5' ceilings and more than 300 parking spaces. The central location on Rio Salado Parkway and Priest Drive provides excellent access to Mill Avenue and Sky Harbor International Airport. Tenants of other Rio West buildings include **US Airways**, **Monster Worldwide** and **Beazer Homes**. 15,600 square feet of space is still available in the Beazer building.

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## 1917 FLOUR MILL PLANS DISCOVERED

During archival research, the archaeologist working with **Archaeological Consulting Services** on the Flour Mill discovered the original construction plans for the current mill building. The plans are dated September 1917 and were drawn by **Royal Lescher** and **John Kibby Architects**. Of interest, the mill building was originally planned to have an elevator. The plans also provide additional details that will be valuable in understanding the history of the building and help with its adaptive re-use and rehabilitation. To view the 1917 plans, visit [tempe.gov/haydenflourmill/](http://tempe.gov/haydenflourmill/).

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## DEMOLITION + CLEANUP COMPLETED

The City's Redevelopment Division previously acquired the properties located at 2319 E. McArthur Drive and 2320 E. Apache Blvd. The property contained a substandard mobile home park and auto sales office. Demolition of the mobile homes and auto sales building, along with the cleanup of the land was completed this past week. The property will now be incorporated into the Apache Boulevard planning process for future redevelopment.

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## MOTOR ON! LONG-TERM RELATIONSHIP NETS NEW JOBS

Motorola announced a significant consolidation of Arizona business units and employees this week. By the first half of 2008, the majority of the Motorola's 1,200 employees in Arizona will be relocated in and around the **Tempe - Diablo Campus** at 2900 S. Diablo Way. As part of an on-going corporate strategy to be "asset light," Motorola is selling corporate "owned" facilities to reduce operating costs and make better use of their real estate assets.

In the summer of 2004, Economic Development, Development Services staff and City Council worked with the **Motorola - Headquarters of the Embedded Systems** group at the Diablo Campus to structure and facilitate Motorola's sale and lease back of the existing site to allow for future growth of Motorola operations in Arizona.



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"What I do is intentionally serendipitous."

— Sylvia Paull, Silicon Valley public relations icon



## AUTUMNAL TUNES

October marks the return of the Fall **Music at the Marina** concert series. Town Lake Marina, located south of Curry Road on College Avenue, grooves to the sounds of great local acts every Sunday in October from 4-7PM. **Mosaic** is the presenting sponsor this season. Plan to ride in a **Team Arizona** outrigger canoe or sit in the shade of a **Tempe Marketplace** café umbrella while watching the sun turn Town Lake a series of brilliant colors before setting.

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## NEW CREW

We would like to welcome **Julie Sparr** to the Rio Salado staff. Julie has been a City of Tempe employee for approximately six years, and is joining us from the Municipal Court's Traffic Division. As Administrative Assistant, Julie will assist at the front desk as well as provide support with other duties as assigned.

We are fortunate to have both **Diane Johnson** and Julie Sparr as part of the Rio Salado team in the capacity of Administrative Assistants by providing key administrative support. Rio Salado office is fortunate to be fully staffed again.

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