



City of Tucson Ward 5 Newsletter

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Dear Friends:

Construction crews have begun the 20-month Broadway widening project.

Broadway
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
EUCLID TO COUNTRY CLUB

This project goes from Broadway and Euclid to Broadway to Country Club, and when finished, driving, riding a bike and walking will be easier and safer.

The plan is to widen Broadway to six lanes, bike lanes are being widened and there'll be continuous sidewalks on both sides of Broadway, and High-Intensity Activated Crosswalks.

This project was part of the voter approved RTA in 2004, which allocated \$42 million, plus \$25 million came from Pima County Transportation Bond Improvement Plan, for which the original plan was approved by voters in 1997, \$3 million from the City of Tucson and \$1.3 million from Pima County.

Ashton, which is in Ward 5, was selected by the Tucson Department of Transportation to complete the project.

My Chief of Staff went to a meeting with City staff and businesses potentially affected by the construction, for which Chris Rogers from Ashton, said there were five phases for this 20-month project.

Phase 1: For six months, crews will be working between Fremont and Highland Avenues and Warren and Campbell Avenues to widen Broadway, pushing traffic to the south side of the street. This will free up space to work on Broadway's north side during Phase 2.

Phase 2: Crews will install an improved storm-drain system from Campbell to Country Club, a major part of the job.

Crews will start at the northeast corner of Euclid Avenue and work to the east along Broadway. This phase will require deep excavation and will take about 10 months to complete, Rogers said. Traffic will be reduced to three lanes, with a turn lane for motorists in both directions on Broadway.

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Phase 3: Once the drainage improvements are done, crews will begin work on the south side of Broadway, a six- to eight-month time frame.

Phases 4 and 5: The final touches include installing medians for turning vehicles, landscaping and public art. This should take about four months.

Work could potentially overlap from one Phase to another.

There will be no access to bike lanes and signage will notify bicyclists. Pedestrian access will be maintained on one side of the project or the other depending upon the work being done on the project.

Business access will be maintained and business access signs will be up in the construction area

Crews will be maintaining bus stops where there are safe and ADA accessible stops. There will be proper signage for any stops that need to be moved temporarily.

Expect side streets to close as the construction work goes from the west to the east. With the first phase of the project being in Phase 2, the streets on the North side will be closed but Euclid, Campbell and Country Club will be open.

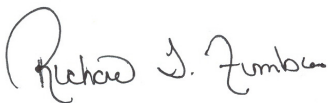
With students, Ashton will limit the number of closures for Highland Avenue.

Here is the work schedule: During the winter, residents will see crews working from about 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. That will change to 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. (or later) during the summer.

With this project, there will be delays and please don't speed through the surrounding neighborhoods.

For more information on the Broadway widening project, please call (520) 622-0815.

Thank you.



Richard Fimbres
Your Ward 5 Councilmember



TIPS TO BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR

Being a Good Neighbor

Another school semester has started in Tucson. The school zone 15 miles per hour signs are out in the morning and afternoon, with crossing guards helping students cross our streets to get to our schools. The University of Arizona and Pima College have started their spring semesters and college students are living in the dorms and houses in our neighborhoods.

My office has gathered information, to inform everyone who may not know about: Some of the rules about parking; dates of times for trash pick-up; dates for upcoming Brush and Bulky pickup; noise levels and what to do about loud parties.

Parking is a permitted use on any portion of a property provided the vehicles do not block City right-of-way (sidewalks, alleys). Also, when you park your car, please don't block access to your neighbor's mail box. If you are intending to have an event, be courteous and let your neighbors know about the event and when parking will be available on the street. Please ensure all vehicles have current registration and are operable.

About your trash: To reduce flies and odor, please bag and securely tie all your trash and do not over fill containers. Never place hot ash or coals, or other burning materials in containers. Yard waste may be disposed of, as long as it fits within the container with the lid closed. Don't leave your containers out past your pick up date.

Please return it to the space you have it in your yard. For any damaged trash containers, contact Environmental Services at 791-3171.

To find out your trash pick-up date, either call Environmental Services at 791-3171 or go online to maps2.tucsonaz.gov/zoomtucson/

Please have your trash and recycle containers out to the street and on those days, please try not to block mail boxes and drive ways

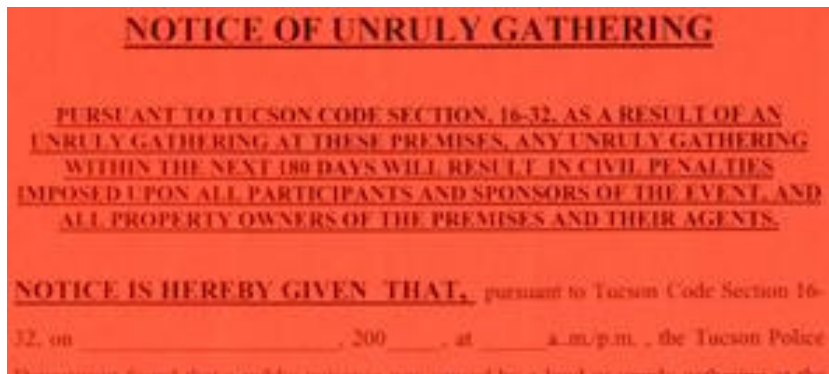
Environmental Services offers Brush and Bulky twice a year. Environmental Services will pick up 10 cubic yards of materials with the following guidelines: They will take brush, cacti (must be contained), lumber up to five feet, scrap metal, piping up to five feet, appliances, refrigerator and freezers with doors removed, automobile tires (limit five), and home furnishings.

Environmental Services will not collect: Dirt, stone, concrete, gravel, glass, household hazardous waste (i.e. paint, oil, pesticides and liquids). To find out your Brush and Bulky pick up date, either call Environmental Services at 791-3171 or go online to maps2.tucsonaz.gov/zoomtucson/.

RED TAG ORDINANCE

With the start of a semester come loud parties. Although I understand student excitement about the school year, there are codes that are in place and must be followed.

A loud party or unruly gathering can result in a red tag, which has several consequences. If red tagged, a visible "red tag" will be placed in street view, notifying the neighborhood of the issuance.



The red tag comes with a fine and if a college student is involved, a report to the Dean of Students.

The "red tag" states that if another unruly gathering occurs within 180 days that fines will be given in amounts of \$500-\$1500.

As a part of our Police Chief's community policing approach more officers have been put into patrol functions. This means more visible TPD presence. TPD is also partnering with UAPD so that responses to loud parties are consistent between both departments. The collaboration will mean greater information sharing and consistency in handling these types of calls. It is important to call in loud parties, don't assume others are doing so. If it isn't reported, we can't adequately address the situation.

The Tucson Police Department will respond to any gathering of a loud and unruly nature. A loud and unruly gathering is any gathering of five or more persons who disturb the peace of their neighbors through excessive noise, littering, obstruction of public streets, drinking in public, minors consuming or being served alcohol, fighting, excessive traffic, or similar conduct. The existing noise ordinance, Section 16-31, remains in effect and the "Unruly Gatherings," Section 16-32, provides additional violations for loud or unruly conduct.

For Section 16-32 to apply, the following criteria must exist:

- * complainant (the ordinance may be enforced even if the complainant is a refused complainant)
- * there must be a gathering of five (5) or more persons,
- * it must be on private property (this also applies to businesses such as bars)
- * the gathering must cause a disturbance as a result of conduct described above

The following numbers are meant to be tools for our University neighbors if there should be an issue with loud parties: TPD Red Tag: 520-837-7318, UAPD Non-Emergency: 520-621-8273, UA Neighborhood Hotline: 520-282-3649, UA Dean of Students: 520-621-7057, Pima College Police – West Campus: 520-206-6643, Pima College Police - Downtown Campus: 520-206-7087, Pima College Police - East Campus: 520-206-7652, Pima College Police - Desert Vista Campus: 520-206-5052, Pima College Police - Northwest Campus: 520-206-2286.

2020 Ward 5 Safety Calendar Winners

Here are the winners for the 2020 Ward 5 Safety Calendar Art Contest:

Carolina Simental - Gallego Intermediate Fine Arts Magnet School; Camila Moreno Lara- Gallego Intermediate Fine Arts Magnet School; Estrella Martinez - Carrillo K-5 Magnet School; Ciara Dominguez - Gallego Intermediate Fine Arts Magnet School; Alyah Ortega - Gallego Intermediate Fine Arts Magnet School; Jason Wagner - Carrillo K-5 Magnet School; Mariah Landavaso - Gallego Intermediate Fine Arts Magnet School; Claire Rivera - Gallego Intermediate Fine Arts Magnet School; Jaeden Moreno - St. Ambrose Catholic School; Lilian Pierson - St. Ambrose Catholic School; Kitzia Soto - Gallego Intermediate Fine Arts Magnet School, Nayeli Romero - Carrillo K-5 Magnet School; Eliana Colosio - Gallego Intermediate Fine Arts Magnet School; Hakeem Ramirez - Mexicayotl Academy.

These students will be recognized at the February 4, Mayor and Council meeting.

Modular Mining Dedication

On Thursday, January 30, I attended the dedication of the new Customer Experience Center for Modular Mining, located in Ward 5. This is the latest expansion of one of Tucson's mining technology companies, who started 40 years ago as a three person company and now, employs 350 people.

Congratulations to Modular Mining, we applaud your success and look forward to future accomplishments.



Tucson Change Movement Presents Check

On January 9th, the Community Foundation of Southern Arizona presented a check totaling \$5,192 to Old Pueblo Community Services for the Tucson Homeless Work Program. These monies were collected from the parking meters designated as donation stations, as well as online at tucsonchange.org.

I want to thank Clint Mabie, President and CEO of the Community Foundation of Southern Arizona, for their work with the Tucson Change Movement and Parkwise Director, Donovan Durband for his work on getting the meters for the Tucson Change Movement. I want to thank the Downtown Tucson Partnership for their work and creation of the Tucson Change Movement.

I also want to thank Tom Litwicki of Old Pueblo Community Services for their work overseeing the Homeless Work Program. I also want to thank my colleagues on the Tucson Mayor and Council, the Tucson City Manager and the Pima County Board of Supervisors, as well as County Administrator Chuck Huckleberry and Deputy County Administrator, Jan Leshner, for their support of the Tucson Homeless Work Program. I also want to thank Humberto Lopez and the H.S. Lopez Family Foundation whose initial matching donation helped the Tucson Homeless Work Program to launch and be successful.

It has been one great, collaborative effort which has been a success for these three years.

People can make donations for the Tucson Homeless Work Program online at helptucson.org or tucsonchange.org.



New Military Lounge Open at TIA

On Tuesday, January 14th, I had the privilege of attending the dedication of the new military lounge at the Tucson International Airport, located in Ward 5. This was a great example of our community coming together to show our support for those serving our country. Also present were Councilmember Paul Durham, City Manager Mike Ortega and Ted Prezelski from Vice Mayor Cunningham’s Office. Congratulations to everyone who helped to create the new military lounge at the airport.



Copper Rock Craft Eatery Opens

Copper Rock Craft Eatery opened on Thursday, January 16th, I had the privilege of attending the grand opening of the Copper Rock Craft Eatery at 445 South Alvernon. Councilmember Kozachik and I helped to cut the grand opening ribbon. Congratulations to Alan Norville and his team at the Eatery and I hope they are a success!



Los Reales Landfill Dedication

On January 29th, Mayor Romero joined me for the dedication of the new landfill cell at the Los Reales Landfill operated by the City of Tucson Environmental and General Services Division (EGSD). This cell can hold 3,350,000 million pounds of trash and will last up to 6 years. EGSD uses the latest technology to dispose of the waste in an environmentally sustainable way. This project was funded through EGSD Pay As You Go effort for \$3.2 million.

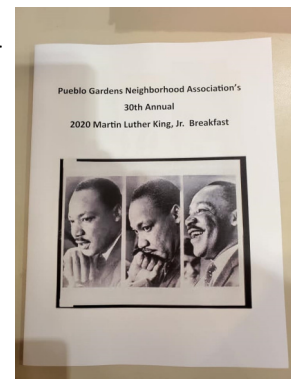


30th Annual Pueblo Gardens MLK Jr. Breakfast

On Saturday, January 18th, I had the privilege of speaking at the 30th Annual Pueblo Gardens Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast, held at the Holmes Tuttle Boys and Girls Club. The Pueblo Gardens Neighborhood Association, which is in Ward 5, is the only neighborhood in the City of Tucson that holds an annual event to recognize and honor the work and legacy of Dr. King.

Tucson Mayor Regina Romero read the City of Tucson Proclamation marking January 18 as Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Mayor Romero assisted me in recognizing individuals who played a key part in the Breakfast, as well as the keynote speakers. Congratulations to the Pueblo Gardens Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast Committee for their work and commitment, as well

as for another successful event. I also want to thank everyone who turned out for the Breakfast for which proceeds will go for scholarships for the youth in the area.



Tucson MLK Day March

On Monday, January 20th, The 35th annual Tucson Martin Luther King Jr. Day march took place with many Tucsonans coming out to march and to honor the work and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King. The march began at Martin Luther King Junior Way at the Bridges in Ward 5, and went to Reid Park, where a celebration of Dr. King and his work took place.



I want to thank everyone who came out to honor Dr. King by participating in the march and to congratulate the organizers for their work to honor the legacy of Dr. King.



Councilmember Fimbres TUL Drum Major Award Recipient

The Tucson Urban League informed me that I will be honored by the Tucson Urban League at the 33rd Annual Drum Major Awards which will take place Thursday, February 20, 11:30 a.m, at the DoubleTree Hotel, 445 South Alvernon.

I am honored that the Urban League is recognizing my efforts in Ward 5 and Tucson, in making it a better place to live, work and raise a family.

Tickets are \$45 and proceeds will go to the Tucson Urban League Redevelopment Fund. For more information, call 791-9522 or go online to tucsonurbanleague.org.

Tucson Rodeo Parade

The 2020 Tucson Rodeo Parade will take place Thursday, February 20, along the same parade route that is located in Ward 5. Our new Mayor and Member of the City Council, as well as the City Manager and Tucson Police Chief will join me in taking part in the largest, non-mechanized parade in this nation.

This year, members of the Greatest Generation, who served this nation in World War II and who live in Tucson, are being recognized as the 2020 Rodeo Parade Grand Marshal's. They are: Don Sloan, Red Hollander, Walter Ram, Mike Lude, Gwen Niemi, Gilbert Rodriguez, Denzel Clouse, Tom Rankin and Arnella Corragan. For more information, go online to tucsonrodeoparade.org.

Tohono O'odham Rodeo & Fair

The 82nd Annual Tohono O'odham Rodeo & Fair will take place January 30 through February 2, with the parade taking place on Saturday, February 1, There will be arts and crafts, traditional food, music entertainment and the rodeo! For more information, please call (520) 383-6000.

**February Neighborhood Meetings**

South Park Neighborhood Association - Monday, February 3rd at 6:00 p.m. at Quincie Douglas Center, 1575 E. 36th Street.

Fairgrounds Neighborhood Association - Thursday, February 6th at 6:00 p.m. at Ward 5 Council Office, 4300 S. Park Avenue

Cherry Ave. Neighborhood Association – Saturday, February 15th at 10:00 a.m. at the Cherry Avenue Recreation Center, 5085 S. Cherry Avenue. [Cherry Avenue will be holding election, so please consider running for President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer.](#)

Pueblo Gardens Neighborhood Association - Tuesday, February 18th at 6:30 p.m., Church of Christ Southside, 2503 E. 36th Street.

SNAPP (Southside Neighborhood Assn. Presidential Partnership) - Thursday, February 20th at 6:00 p.m. at Ward 5 Council Office, 4300 S. Park Avenue.

Barrio Santa Rosa Neighborhood Association - Monday, February 24th at 6:00 p.m, Santa Rosa Library, 1075 S. 10th Avenue.

Sunnyside Neighborhood Association – Monday, February 24th at 6:30 p.m. at Valencia Library, 202 W. Valencia Rd.

29th Street Coalition – Wednesday, February 26th at 6:00 pm. Call Ward 5 at 791-4231 for location.

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Frequently Used Phone Numbers

Emergency Services

Tucson Police Department or Tucson Fire Department
DIAL 911

Permits

Planning and Development Services Department
791-5550

Housing Assistance

City of Tucson Community Services Department
791-4739

Tucson Convention Center

791-4101

City of Tucson Code Enforcement

791-5843

TPD Red Tag Unit

837-7318, Email: redtag@tucsonaz.gov

Graffiti Removal

792-CITY (2489)

TPD Non Emergency

791-4444

Trash Pick Up & Environmental Services

City of Tucson Environmental Services Department
791-3171

TDOT Street Maintenance

791-3154, Email: tdotconcerns@tucsonaz.gov

Tucson Water Department

Billing - 791-3242, Public Information - 791-4331

Park Tucson

791-5071

Pima Animal Care

724-5900

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