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Ward 6 - Newsletter

Tucson First

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Broadway / RTA

Hold this thought –

Let's improve the Broadway corridor without damaging our community and spending money that we don't need to.

County Administrator Chuck Huckleberry is now proposing that we accept 6 lanes down Broadway. We can do that and still meet our community goals:

- Maintain the existing alignment by narrowing the width of the lanes, eliminating the bus lane and instead designing in bus pull-outs.
- Spend only the allocated RTA \$42M.
- Allow Citizen's Task Force to design within those parameters.

Use the \$25M voter approved '97 Bond money for road repair elsewhere in the City. That preserves the RTA ballot language, opens certainty to the businesses along the corridor, and allocates money for road repair. And answers each of the objections the County Administrator and RTA have made to even thinking about the Broadway ideas I've raised.

Dueling traffic analysis is pointless. They're guess work and they don't address the issue of promoting alternate transit modes.

And if you build for rush hours, how shall we justify the 150' the other 20 hours of the day?

You should also know that nobody is proposing to pull apart the RTA ballot package. All that is being proposed is to work design into the RTA budgets that the voters approved. It's not RTA money. It's not County money. And, it's not City money. It's your money and we and the bureaucracy have an obligation to spend it as we would if it were coming out of our own pockets.

By way of update – this is the text of some email exchanges that were floating around in the County DOT last week. The link at the bottom to which they're referring is a group other than the "Broadway Coalition" that worked with me on the Broadway widening rally. (For the record, "the folks" I'm working with on Broadway do not want to use RTA money to fix the roads. To the contrary, we want to use the taxpayer money that is funding the RTA to design in a responsible manner that which appeared on the ballot.)

The money does not belong to the RTA or to the County. It is YOUR MONEY. The



**Important
Phone Numbers**

- Tucson Police Department
911 or 791-4444
nonemergency
- Mayor & Council
Comment Line
791-4700
- Neighborhood
Resources
791-4605
- Park Wise
791-5071
- Water Issues
791-3242
- Pima County Animal
Control
243-5900
- Street Maintenance
791-3154
- Planning and
Development
Services 791-5550
- Southwest Gas
889-1888
- Gas Emergency/
Gas Leaks
889-1888
- West Nile Virus
Hotline
243-7999
- Environment
Service
791-3171
- Graffiti Removal
792-2489
- AZ Game & Fish
628-5376

Continued: A Message From Steve

government is simply the fiduciary agent for how taxpayer dollars are spent. Let's do it wisely.

It appears that the folks who want to use RTA money to fix our roads are gearing up to take the issue to the voters.

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Tucson, AZ 85701-1207
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From: John Bernal
Sent: Monday, April 30, 2012 4:27 PM
To: Priscilla Cornelio
Cc: Nanette Slusser
Subject: Website of interest

Check this out!

<http://fixtheroadsnow.com/>

And to further demonstrate that our group of 200+ who were out at the First Assembly of God church on April 30th was not acting on an island, the supporting neighborhoods continues to grow. This is the current list of groups that attended:

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|------------------------------|----------------|
| Colonia Solana | Armory Park |
| Arroyo Chico | Broadmoor |
| Barrio San Antonio | Catalina Vista |
| Dunbar Springs | El Encanto |
| Elvira | Fairgrounds |
| Feldman's | Iron Horse |
| Jefferson Park | Udall Park |
| Menlo Park | Miles |
| Pie Allen | Poets Corner |
| Rincon Heights | Sam Hughes |
| Santa Rita Park – West Ochoa | Udall Park |
| West University | |

Since the 30th, several things have occurred. First, the County Administrator (CA) issued a memo related to the Broadway project. Here's the copy:

<http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/sites/default/files/ward6/5-9-12pimacty.pdf>

I know he understands this, but let me correct the misinformation he presents in the text of his memo.

I have stated this in multiple public settings, over the air on multiple occasions and written it multiple times. Once more – the intent of the Broadway Coalition gathering was not to repurpose RTA money to road repair. Use the \$42M voter approved RTA money for that



Important Phone Numbers

Senator John
McCain (R)
520-670-6334

Senator Jon Kyl (R)
520-575-8633

Congresswoman
Gabrielle Giffords
(D)
(8th District)
520-881-3588

Congressman
Raul Grijalva (D)
(7th District)
520-622-6788

Governor Janice
Brewer (R)
Governor of Arizona
602-542-4331
Toll free:
1-800-253-0883

State Legislators
Toll Free
Telephone:
1-800-352-8404
Internet:
www.azleg.gov

Mayor Jonathan
Rothschild
791-4201

City Infoguide
[http://
cms3.tucsonaz.gov/
infoguide](http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/infoguide)

corridor project but down scope the work to fit within that budget. But the voters also approved in 1997 \$25M in County Bond money for that project. It does not take a vote of the people to repurpose County Bond money. It takes the approval of the jurisdiction (Tucson) and the Bond Advisory Committee. It is that pool of money that we would like to see redirected to road repair within the City limits. Given the fact that the County has admitted that it does not have the '97 Bond money it promised for this project, their objections to the proposed down-scope is curiously self-defeating.

Also related to his memo, as Chair of the RTA Technical Management Committee, it seems that he should be ready to implement in its entirety the enabling statute relative to the RTA. For example:

ARS 48-5304 (10) specifies a duty of the RTA Board to:

10. Provide opportunities for involvement in ALL aspects of the planning and amendment process by ALL affected interested parties. (Emphasis supplied).

In his memo, the Chair expresses his clear bias in favor of six lanes. It causes one to wonder how impartial he can allege to be while both serving on a committee that is tasked to provide opportunities for consideration of all aspects of planning and, at the same time, limit in writing that which will be considered. That is a pre-emption of the authority of the Citizen's Task Force even before it has met.

And yet, let's keep the door open to fitting six lanes into the existing alignment. All options should be on the table.

As you can see from his memo, the CA defers to the COT to decide on the scope of the Broadway project. In that regard, the Citizen's Task Force has been named. Another of the purposes of the 30th rally was to get the "Charter" those volunteers are being asked to sign changed so creative design concepts can be employed. They have changed enough of that Charter (now they're calling it an "oath of loyalty") to allow a wider discussion and consideration of project data and analyses to take place. It's a step in the right direction. Here's a copy of the newly minted "Oath.":

http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/sites/default/files/ward6/5-9-12bwayprojectcharter_final_.pdf

Here's something else I've stated in multiple settings; if the consensus of the Task Force is to continue with the present design, that's fine, with the caveat that the decision is made based on a consideration of all current and relevant facts, and the options allowed for discussion are not limited to the 2006 Plan that was based on flawed data, outdated transit concepts and underfunding. It continues to amaze me that there is such significant resistance to even engaging in a conversation that might result in a new and perhaps better idea. The fact that the resistance is so palpable is leading to a community wide suspicion related to overlays, bonding, RTA spending and more.

This can be simple – show the taxpayers that you're willing to talk and think about Broadway. No more misrepresentations and curt memos. Let's just get on with it. Address the Task Force in a constructive exchange, or the result is going to be felt in every transportation and bonding discussion in this region going forward.

Grant Road Overlay

On a similar note, I met with Council Member Uhlich, representatives from the four neighborhoods that surround the Campbell/Grant intersection, and members of City staff

and the planners who are putting together the Grant Road Overlay provisions. Karin, the residents and I felt that coming away from the first round of presentations, there were considerable areas of uncertainty that needed to be addressed before a revision of the Overlay plans are produced.

We met for well over an hour in what I would describe as a time of open sharing of mutual concerns. The group will meet again once some specific areas of the land use plans are identified and ready for discussion. The staff and planners were open to listening and considering input.

Very simply, this is the level of openness that is needed from the RTA and their staff vis-à-vis the Citizen's Task Force.

Road Reconstruction

You may have noticed that the pothole repair work around Ward 6 has begun. If you'd like to call and thank our vendors, here's the contact information:

Tucson Asphalt - Attn: Marlene Ashton
4102 E Illinois, Tucson AZ, 85714
(520)745-8181

Southern Arizona Paving - Attn: Paul Polito
2425 W Curtis Rd, Tucson AZ 85705
(520) 292-1125

But we're beyond potholes. About a month ago I sent the City Manager a list of funding ideas for road reconstruction. That list included ideas that pulled money from City, County, RTA and State sources. On Tuesday, the City Manager replied to that list, and recommended that M&C adopt my suggestion to refinance our HURF debt which frees up an immediate \$12M. With those funds we will begin work on the following nine miles of roadway:

- Alvernon from 22nd St to Palo Verde
- Broadway from Wilmot to Pantano
- Craycroft from the Rillito River to Water Street (2 blocks north of Grant)
- Golf Links from Craycroft to Kolb
- Mission Rd. from Starr Pass to Ajo
- Oracle from Miracle Mile to Drachman
- Stone from River Rd to Wetmore

Those areas will receive a 2" thick mill and asphalt overlay. To be clear, this isn't free money. Our HURF debt is about \$122M, and our annual debt service is over \$17M. The \$12M that I've asked to free up would otherwise go to paying down that debt. It's prioritizing current needs vs. taking longer to pay off our debt. This will cost us in the \$200K range over the long run. But ignoring our roads will cost far in excess of that amount.

Other ideas I asked about:

- Borrowing from other City departments
- Getting our "fair share" from the money the County just allocated to roads
- Use of development fees
- Look at assessment districts or bonding

Some of these have got to be a part of our plan. The magnitude of the tide that is reflected in the condition of our roads is sweeping us out to sea. Treading water won't get it done.

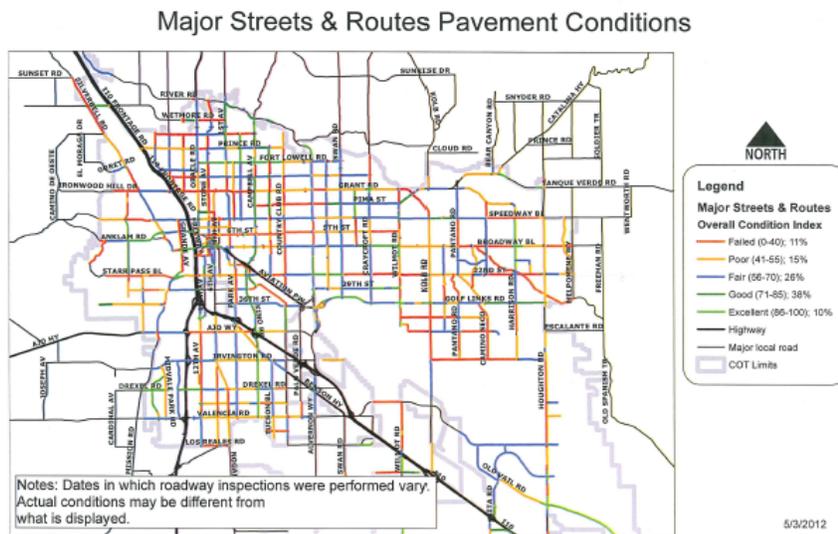
In addition, we will allocate north of \$3M current HURF money for more residential road repair. That will include over 33 miles of roadway in the following locations:

Ward	North/South	East/West
6	Pima / Speedway	Country Club / Alvernon
6	5 th / Broadway	Swan / Craycroft
5	Concord Sv / Drexel Manor Sv	Palo Verde / Alvernon
4	Golf Links / Burnett	Pantano Wash / Harrison
5	Fairland Sv / 36 th	Martin Ave / Country Club

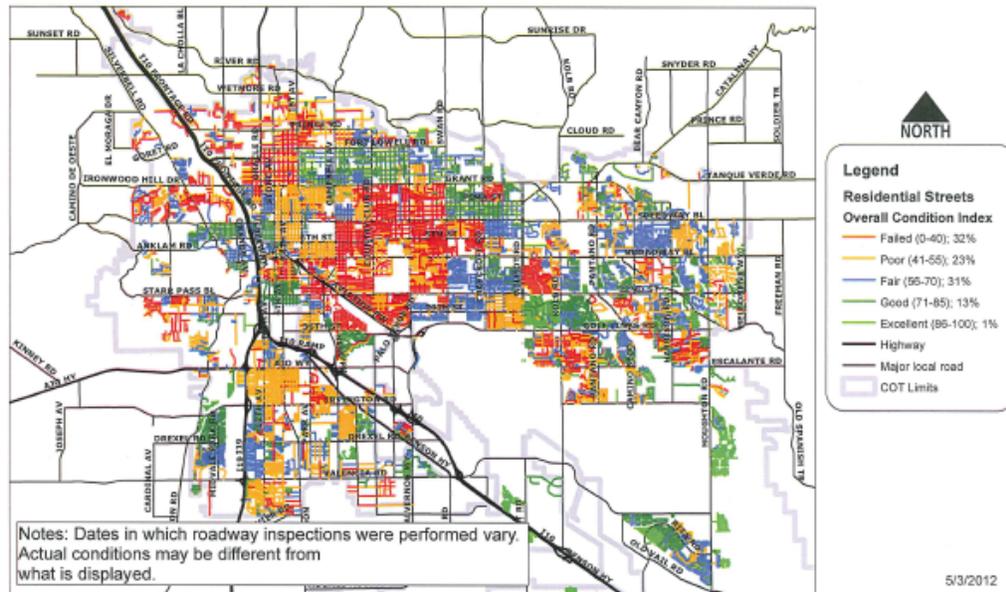
We can still consider moving money from our Reserve Fund, continuing the discussion over reallocation of RTA dollars (a ballot initiative), taking our fair share of County money that has been repurposed for road reconstruction (remembering that the City is in the County), and continuing the ongoing fight with the legislature over fully funding our HURF allocation from the gas tax.

We can also consider ideas such as special neighborhood improvement districts, putting a large city bond on the ballot, fees based on property frontages, or other taxing ideas. There is no magic answer, but we've begun and will continue to kick around possibilities.

As noted above, we have \$25M in already approved County Bond money that is otherwise going to widen Broadway and the City can tell the County Bond Advisory Committee to shift those dollars over to road work. I continue to advocate for that. We have over 5,000 miles of roadway in the city. As you can see from these two maps, most of them need to be repaired.



Residential Streets Pavement Conditions



The motion I made was to direct staff to use the \$12M in HURF refinancing, \$3M in current HURF and to come up with another \$5M to allocate to road repair this fiscal year. We will also be considering longer term solutions and will hold a public hearing in about 30 days to get your input on some of those ideas.

Human Services

In the midst of this unnecessary wrangling over “can’t we all just have a conversation” the City Council approved our new Action Plan to address the neediest among us. We’re going to touch over 37,000 lives in our community through this Plan. Some details include:

- Twelve human service programs will be funded with CDBG dollars - \$765K. The goal is to provide suitable living environments for those in need.
- Emergency Service Grants - \$484K. The goal is to be applied to shelter operating expenses and services to assist shelter residents.

General Fund allocations - \$1.4M. The goal is the support of low and moderate income families through a variety of programs.

Here are some of the programs we’re helping to provide to the community:

- Our Family – teens in transition case mgmt
- Emerge! – safe places for domestic abuse victims
- Pima Council on Aging – nutrition programs for the elderly
- American Red Cross – services to Veterans
- Casa de los Ninos – parenting education
- Southern Arizona Aids Foundation – case management for people with HIV/AIDS
- Pima Prevention Partnership – teen court
- Primavera Foundation – education and training

...and more.

I just wanted to insert this section so we all don’t get sideways about the good things that

are happening through our work on the Council.

UA/ASU

On another good news note – the UA has won the STATE FARM TERRITORIAL CUP AGAIN! Our men’s and women’s golf teams put us over the top with their play in the Pac-12 Championships two weeks ago up in Oregon. With the current score being 10.5 to 4.5, and only baseball and T&F left to be counted in the scoring, the Sun Devils cannot catch us. This is our third Territorial Cup title in the three years since it began.

For those wondering – the State Farm Territorial Cup is a head to head competition between the UA and ASU that counts wins across all of our sport programs.

Façade Improvement Program

Of the fourteen applications that were turned in for the current round of the Façade Improvement Grant Program, three finalists were chosen to go on to the design phase. Those were the Pioneer Building, The Chicago Store and the old Howard & Stofft Stationers building, purchased by City High.

Due to financial constraints the Pioneer Building withdrew their application but the others turned in design proposals on April 23rd. Some tweaks and relatively minor design changes have been requested by the selection committee. They’ll take a look at those changes on May 11th and at that point funding allocations will be discussed. Bang 4 Buck – this program is at the top of the list in terms of downtown redevelopment. One person’s opinion, it’s the high water mark for the DTP’s work in the downtown area.

Budget

Lively and productive discussion related to the budget. I’ve shared my priorities – not very different from the rest of the Council (Roads / Public Safety / Stabilize Transit / Hold Core Services Harmless).

Our Golf operation has been the subject of some scrutiny. Here is a list of cost saving measures that staff is planning on implementing this fiscal year. It is geared to saving just under \$1M from the golfing enterprise department. As we move forward and see the extent to which the economic recovery brings more rounds of golf back to our courses, we’ll be better able to judge whether or not these cost reductions will be enough:

<u>Immediate changes proposed (to begin in July 2012 – FY13)</u>	<u>Projected revenue/savings (FY13)</u>
Increase Green Fee Revenue collections by an average of \$3 per round (FY 13 projection of 197,300 rounds) <i>It is important to note that charging more may result in fewer players and not in more money coming in. What time of year increases are instituted is also a factor. Increases during shoulder and peak seasons have a better chance of resulting in more revenue.</i>	\$591,900
Eliminate 2.0 FTE vacant positions from FY 2013 Recommended Budget (Golf Administrator and Pest Control Specialist)	\$216,500
Increased Fees for Rewards Cards ¹	
6,000 City Resident Renewals (existing cards) @ \$15 (increase from \$10)	\$30,000
1,500 Non-city ² Resident Renewals (existing cards) @ \$20 (increase from \$10)	15,000
560 New City Resident cards @ \$25 (increase from \$20)	2,580
140 New Non-city ² Resident @ \$30 (increase from \$20)	<u>1,400</u>
	\$48,980
 ¹ At this time, there is no distinction made between city and non-city residents when Rewards Cards are issued. Cards are renewed on a rotating basis throughout the year, based on when person first signed up.	
² Non-city resident numbers are approximated. Exact tracking of residents vs. non-residents will begin in FY13.	
Eliminate \$1 per round Junior Discounted Rate (excluding First Tee participants ³) 8,000 Rounds x standard \$5 or \$9 youth rates – increased revenue	\$32,000
³ Contract with First Tee specifies \$1 per round rate for youth golfers in that program	
Eliminate Retired City Employee Rate 1,700 Rounds – Average rate per round from \$15.13 to \$27.79*	\$21,520
<i>*Variation in per round cost is based solely on time of year rounds are played</i>	
	\$910,900

Here are some other highlights from our budget talks.

- We have a plan in place to work down our self-insurance deficit over 10 years. The payment towards that plan had been removed from this year's budget. I think our plan was the fiscally responsible thing to do and that we need to stick with it (\$1.8M p/yr.)
- When we send TFD out on calls that might involve serious medical issues, we have to ensure their budget has the capacity (and the departmental policy supports) sending more than just two people to the scene.
- It's time to put in place a transit fare plan that adjusts automatically over some specified period of time to measurable, objective criteria that track the cost of operations.
- In order to remain competitive in the marketplace, we need to adjust city workers' pay. On a 6-1 vote, the M&C adopted a 1% across the board wage increase. That will cost \$2.3M. I proposed that instead, we use that same amount of money and allocate it evenly to workers who earn under \$100K annually. In a market where the median salary is approximately \$35K, people earning 6 figure salaries are being treated pretty well by the taxpayers. They're not suffering. The across the board increase gives more at the upper pay end than it does at the lower pay end. And it increases our pension obligation which will exacerbate our structural imbalance. But, the winning side was across the board. Our workers deserve the increase. I'd have just done it a bit differently.
- And other detail sorts of items such as making sure our investments are in instruments that are yielding acceptable returns, looking at refinancing leases we're paying (some are at 12% rates), and looking under every rock for ways to fund road repair, funding sources for repairs to the TCC (Rio Nuevo's board is past being irrelevant – we'll do the work and if they want to join us in some productive shared projects, good. They know where find us), and upgrading our I.T. system.

So – more public hearings in the days to come. Stay engaged and share your thoughts with us.

Main Gate District Overlay

The public meeting before the Zoning Examiner (ZE) relative to the MGD was held on April 25th. Prior to that, there were two rounds of meetings that involved all of the relevant stakeholders in front of a facilitator. The ZE had all of the materials generated at those meetings in front of him on the 25th, and he heard presentations that pretty much mirrored what was already in the record. This relates to the area bounded by Euclid and Tyndall, Speedway and 1st. To keep it straight forward, I'll break down the parts of what we considered into three pieces:

Euclid Historic Buildings:

There are five of them that are single story bungalows, each privately owned, and each a contributing property to the West University Neighborhood historic designation. Current MGD development standard is four stories, not to exceed 56'. Currently any of these can be demolished, but the process for getting that approval is long and drawn out.

The motion I made changed those standards to a maximum allowable height of 40', and if one of them is destroyed or changed in a way that de-lists it from the historic register, the development benefits under the overlay are lost.

Speedway Historic Buildings:

There are three of them, also single story, and also each privately owned. Under the

MGD, the allowable height is six stories, not to exceed 84'. The same demolition requirements as exist for the Euclid properties also exist for those on Speedway.

The motion I made reduced the allowable height to 40' for the first property at the corner of Euclid and Speedway, stepping up to 56' as you move to the east towards the alley between Euclid and Tyndall. Regardless of the height being built, a design review that will address scale, compatibility, step-backs, and other design criteria will be conducted.

Non-Historic Buildings:

These are the buildings that would go to the east of the alley that divides Euclid from Tyndall. The MGD allows heights ranging from 84' for the parcel on the corner of Speedway and Tyndall, 144' for the parcel at the center of Tyndall, and 156' for the parcel at the corner of Tyndall and 1st.

Throughout the discussions leading up to our meeting on Tuesday, the conversation centered around developing a gentle stepping up in density as you moved away from Euclid. In order to address that, the ZE recommended design review for compatibility if proposed building heights were over 56', 84' and 90', on the respective parcels.

I took a bit of a different position. I traveled around campus, and slightly off campus to look at existing student housing buildings. The tallest is Coronado at about eight stories. That is located on the interior of campus. On the perimeter is The District (six stories on 6th, stepping down to four stories at 5th), Manzanita at four stories, Gila at three stories, and similar 3-4 story buildings at other campus locations. None of them match what is proposed in the MGD.

The motion I made was to limit the acceptable building heights for the three non-historic parcels to the 56', 84' and 90' heights that the ZE suggested be used as benchmarks for more intensive design review. It strikes me that those heights, while still greater than most of what exists on and around campus are more compatible with what we have, and they provide a more respectful transition towards the neighborhood. After all, we have been calling this the West University 'transition' area.

Council adopted the motion and there will be more ZE hearings to discuss it with you. If nothing changes, the ordinance will go into effect on August 8th.

Normally I include the exact documents I'm referring to. In this case the ZE file is too large for our antiquated computer system for me to forward over to Diana so she can pull out some of the relevant pages I'm sharing with you. She's happy. If you want to review it, go on line to the city clerk site, find 'agendas' and look at regular session item #13. The Zoning Examiner's letter is at the very end of the material – about pages 157 – 162. What precedes it is all of the material that was presented at the facilitations and the ZE meeting on the 25th.

Standardized Development Agreements

Finally, it comes as no surprise to those who have followed local media for the past decade that the City has entered into some pretty poor development agreements. One of the first things I pushed for after being given this job back in 2009 was to have standardized agreement templates drafted so when we got to assessing the merits of a particular deal, we wouldn't be snowed by caveats, conditions and confusion. The mayor included a similar goal in his 180 day plan and on Tuesday, we saw drafts of some such templates.

There is a variety of types of agreements; sale of city-owned property, development of property in a particular manner, and the offer by the city of certain incentives for development of a property. In each case, the extent to which predictability and clarity can be incorporated into the deal points, the easier it will be for us to make judgments on whether or not they're good deals for the taxpayers.

We're about to be considering development deals for housing, hotels, retail associated with annexed property and incentives built into some, if not all of those agreements. It should be easier than solving a Rubic's Cube to figure out who owes when to whom, and when. That's the goal.

What we saw on Tuesday formed the basis for moving forward with these templates. Whether or not they get done within the Mayor's 180 day target remains to be seen, but we laid on the table some modifications, and clarifications for staff to consider. We're all looking forward to having some real life opportunities to fill in the blanks on some of these templates in the very near future.

Sincerely,



Steve Kozachik
Council Member, Ward 6

Main Gate Square Friday Night Live – Jazz Summer Concert Series

On select Friday's this summer, discover (or rediscover) Main Gate Square through the Jazz Summer Concert Series. Concerts begin at 7:00 in the Geronimo Plaza Courtyard and admission is free. Please visit http://saaca.org/Main_Gate_Square.html for more information and listing of bands and restaurants.

National Train Day at the Southern Arizona Transportation Museum – Saturday, May 12

On Saturday, May 12 come visit the Historic Tucson Train Depot (414 N Toole) to celebrate National Train Day. Look at operating model trains, climb in a steam engine, and visit the museum, to name just a few of the activities. The event runs from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and admission is free. Visit www.TucsonHistoricDepot.org for more information

Turning Taggers into Stewards: “Inside the Overpass” Mural Unveiling

On May 9th, from 3:30-6:30pm, the official mural unveiling will take place at 29th St and Columbus. “Inside the Overpass” is the latest project from Tucson Arts Brigade and demonstrates the hard work from youth at the Jim and Vicki Click Boys and Girls Club. The art was installed to help prevent graffiti and improve the neighborhood. If you cannot make it to the unveiling, drive by sometime and see the art. Visit http://tucsonartsbrigade.org/press_release_inside_the_overpass.html for more information

Arts and Entertainment Events Calendar

This week and next week at the arts and entertainment venues in the Downtown, 4th Avenue, and Main Gate areas . . .

2nd Saturdays Downtown – May 12, 4:00pm – 10:30pm

On Saturday, May 12 come Downtown to experience the music, fun, and entertainment of 2nd Saturdays Downtown. For a complete entertainment schedule visit <http://www.2ndsaturdaysdowntown.com/>

Rialto Theatre, 318 E. Congress St.

Thursday, May 10, 8:00pm. “BoDeans.” All ages.

Saturday, May 12, 6:00pm. “2nd Saturday’s Presents Southwest Soul Circuit.” All ages.

Saturday, May 12, 9:00pm. “Beyond the Sacred Music and Arts Festival.” All ages.

www.RialtoTheatre.com

Fox Theatre, 17 W. Congress St.

Thursday, May 10, 7:30pm. “Citizen Kane”

Saturday, May 12, 7:00pm. “I Dream in Widescreen: BFA Thesis Films from the University of Arizona School of Theatre, Film, and Television.”

Sunday, May 13, 2:00pm. “Citizen Kane”

www.FoxTucsonTheatre.org

Tucson Convention Center

Music Hall

May 16 thru May 20, Broadway in Tucson presents: “Mary Poppins”

<http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/tcc/eventcalendar>

Ongoing

Tucson Museum of Art, 140 N. Main Ave.

Ongoing exhibition, Opening Saturday, January 28 and ending Sunday, June 3:

“Frida Kahlo, Through the Lens of Nickolas Muray”

www.TucsonMuseumofArt.org

Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA), 265 S. Church Ave.

Current exhibition: **The AIR Show**

Hours: Wednesday to Sunday, 12:00 to 5:00pm.

www.Moca-Tucson.org

Children's Museum Tucson, 200 S. 6th Ave.

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm; Saturdays & Sundays: 10:00am - 5:00pm

www.childrensmuseumtucson.org

The Drawing Studio, 33 S. 6th Ave.

Ongoing Exhibit, Opens Saturday May 5 and runs until May 26

“Hoopleville...the cartoon world of David Kish”

<http://www.thedrawingstudio.org/>

Meet Me at Maynards

A social walk/run through the Downtown area

Every Monday, rain or shine, holidays too!

Maynards Market and Kitchen, 400 N. Toole Avenue, the historic train depot
Check-in begins at 5:15pm.

www.MeetMeatMaynards.com

Tucson Farmers' Market at Maynards

Saturdays 9:00am – 1:00pm

On the plaza at Maynards Market & Kitchen. 400 N Toole in the Historic Train Depot

Santa Cruz Farmers' Market

Thursdays, 4:00 – 7:00pm.

Mercado San Agustin, 100 S. Avenida del Convento

Science Downtown: Mars + Beyond

Thursday through Monday, 9:00am to 5:00pm (until 6:00pm on Fridays and Saturdays).

300 E. Congress St.

<http://www.sciencedowntown.org/index.html>

For other events in the Downtown/4th Avenue/Main Gate area, visit these sites:

www.MainGateSquare.com

www.FourthAvenue.org

www.DowntownTucson.com

Other Community Events

Loft Cinema www.loftcinema.com/

Thursday, May 10, 7:00pm. “**Last Call at the Oasis**”

Sunday, May 13, 12:00pm. “**Pillow Talk.**”

Arizona State Museum – Woven Wonders (beginning April 28)

The Arizona State Museum is debuting a sample of 500 pieces from the world’s largest collection of South-west American Indian basketry (over 25,000 pieces). Visit www.statemuseum.arizona.edu for more information.

UA Mineral Museum – Ongoing

“100 Years of Arizona’s Best: The Minerals that Made the State”

Flandrau Science Center

Join the Flandrau Planetarium on the University of Arizona Campus for their weekly Planetarium and Laser Show. Call (520) 621-4516 or visit www.flandrau.org/ for events and information.