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Celebrating Our 20th Anniversary!

General Meeting

Guest Speakers

Councilwoman Laura Pastor
Police Commander Charmane Osborn
Police Resource Lieutenant Nick Jimenez
Representatives from Arrive Phoenix Hotel
Jason Morris from Donor Network Building
Community Action Officers Steven Squier & Joseph Kaplan
Neighborhood Specialists Stacie Beute & Lisa Hubbard
Board Members Discussing Their Projects

September 24, 2020 6:00 pm.

On Google Meet at: meet.google.com/wzb-rcwo-qbq

Or call in: 1-681-495-3453 pin #: 210144017#

Or visit PiersonPlace.com and click on General Meeting

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Better Neighborhood*

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Why We Talk About Crime Prevention

Ever wonder why we talk about crime prevention so much? Over and over... constantly beating the drum and keeping this message in the air. We do it to reduce crime in the neighborhood. Here's how it works. You see the crime stats in one of our emails and think boy... some of those crimes are close by. Or maybe you think boy... I ought to watch what's going on when I'm out and about. Then, we mention getting to know your neighbor better and you think boy... maybe my neighbor could help watch my house while I'm gone. Or maybe you think boy... I sure would be happy to watch their house when they are gone. Then, you see us giving away metal block watch signs and solar motion flood lights and you think boy... maybe those signs and lights could help keep bad guys away from my house. Or maybe you think if there are so many studies that show they really work, I probably should have them. So that's why we talk about crime prevention so much. End result, there is very low crime in Pierson Place because neighbors like you do their part to keep it that way. It's easy to see that everyone cares about crime.



City Plan to Address Homelessness

The Phoenix City Council has requested public input on the city's proposed **Strategies to Address**

Homelessness Plan, which focuses on service priorities and sustainable solutions for those experiencing homelessness and communities impacted by encampments. Download the current plan and share your feedback at four upcoming virtual meetings. Start at : www.Phoenix.gov/HomelessHelp



ARRIVE Phoenix Opens!

Uptown Phoenix's first-ever neighborhood hotel opened this month with a lineup of food and beverage offerings, coffee shops and a retro rooftop cocktail lounge worthy of the Valley's most desirable, trendsetting neighborhood. The property was developed by two of Phoenix's most seasoned adaptive reuse developers – Venue Projects and Vintage Partners, with ARRIVE, a Los Angeles-based neighborhood hotel company focused on low-key luxury, and currently operating hotels in Austin, Memphis, Palm Springs, and Wilmington. This \$20 million, 79-room hotel opened in two restored mid-century building at 400 W. Camelback Road.

ARRIVE's mission is to welcome people to the neighborhood, and ARRIVE Phoenix does this by partnering with Cartel Coffee Lab and Great Minds Drink Alike, the hospitality company known for the globally-recognized Phoenix lounges Bitter & Twisted Cocktail Parlour and Little Rituals.

Together with ARRIVE's in-house team, this project brings a boutique hotel to a boutique neighborhood, and a true Uptown Phoenix neighborhood experience made by locals, for locals.

President's Message

By: Charley Jones (Mariposa)

With the dog days of summer in our rear view mirror, we are looking at some great projects this fall. Things like painting address numbers on curbs and alley fences, installing solar lighting in dark areas, getting bike lanes on 3rd Ave, cleaning up trash on the canal bank, staying up on crime stats, changing our alley lights to LED, and putting the National historic designation on our monument markers. Suffice it to say, we have lots to do. (as usual!)

In addition to those things, we are hosting our first virtual neighborhood meeting later this month. (See page 1 for details.) The worst part is we can't meet you at Fame and buy you a beer and a snack. We can't shake your hand and thank you for helping with neighborhood things. And, we can't give you a hug and say we're glad the virus is gone, but we will someday. For now, we plan to do the best we can with what we have, which is lots of determination, lots of horsepower, and lots of forward thinking. Of course, lots of things are planned for this meeting, and we know that somehow or another, it will be great. We also know that someday we will be back at Fame buying you a beer and a snack.

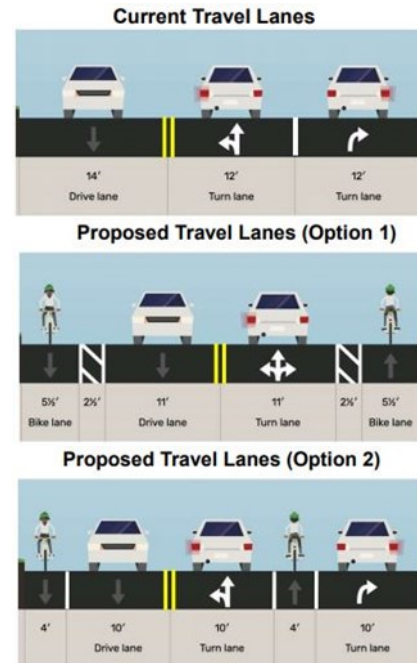
Recently, we got a new email system that will help keep you informed about crime in and around Pierson Place, crime prevention items we give away for free, proposed developments in our area, updates to our historic designation, community events and a few things that happen at the city. The idea is to provide street level information directly from your neighborhood, and sometimes from your street. The good news about our new system is it has a really easy "opt out" feature, so I won't be hammering you to stay on anymore!

Send us an email and give our new system a try. Piersonplace@cox.net And while you're at it, come to our virtual meeting and give that a try too. meet.google.com/wzb-rcwo-qbq You might really enjoy being connected, involved, and active in YOUR neighborhood!

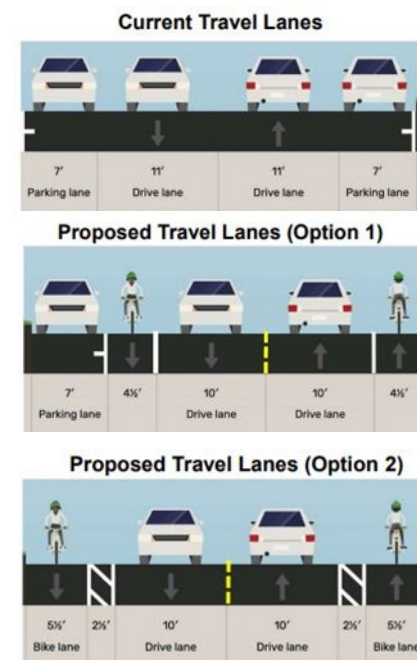
Bike Lanes On 3rd Ave

The City is designing bike lanes for 3rd Ave. Which option do you like best? Let us know at PiersonPlace@cox.net or PiersonPlace.com.

<< From Camelback to Mariposa >>



<< From Mariposa to the Canal >>



Reduced Property Tax Assessments

Pierson Place was added to the National Register of Historic Places on Sept 5, 2019. This was a huge effort by Ray and Joey Muench (Pierson St) and Henry Harding (Coolidge St). Listing on the National Register is a prerequisite for various benefits, including tax incentives and rehabilitation grants. Here's a recent update from Ray:

I was informed by Eric Vondy, National Register Coordinator with the Arizona State Parks Board, that 41 contributing properties have completed all requirements to be placed on the Historic Preservation Federal Register. These home owners should qualify for reduced county tax assessments in Pierson Place. The program will start for the 2021 tax year. Thanks to all who helped! Best, Ray and Joey Muench. Visit: nps.gov/subjects/nationalregister/index.htm.



For Our Border Partners

More small businesses are now eligible to apply for relief under the Phoenix Small Business Resiliency Grants Program. Companies can apply for grants up to \$10,000 and commercial city service bill offsets, thanks to action by the Phoenix City Council.

The changes modify business longevity requirements and expand the range of Covid-19-impacted months.

Now, a business operating in Phoenix for the last 12 months may be eligible to apply. Previously, businesses had to be open since January 1, 2019. The new requirements allow owners to show a Covid-19-caused sales drop of at least 25 percent in March 2020 or any subsequent month when compared to the same month in 2019. Phoenix has awarded more than 1,400 grants worth more than

\$7.48 million since the program was announced in May. The Phoenix Restaurant Restart Resiliency Grant is fully subscribed with more than 100 restaurants sharing a \$1 million grant fund. For more information, call 602-262-5040 or visit Phoenix.gov/Resources.



Virtual Meetings

Are you ready to unmute when you want to speak? How about figuring out where the “raise your hand” button is? And, what if your cell echoes thru the desktop or the dog barks uncontrollably? Hey..., we’ve all been there. Virtual meetings are so commonplace now - and we are joining the bandwagon. Our first one is Sept 24th, and our IT Guru (and BW Chair) Robert Donat is hosting it for us. He knows the bells and whistles, and we thank him profusely for stepping up. We are having lots of speakers talk for a short time, as opposed to a few speakers talk for a long time. The idea is to keep new information flowing and the meeting moving smoothly. You can ask questions at any time, just hit the “raise hand” button or waive your hands if you can’t unmute. Don’t be surprised if we have a few hiccups on this first run, we will be learning as we go!

Canal Bank Clean Ups!

Our own Cher Lindsey (Pierson St) heads up a crew that cleans up the canal bank every week. She is looking for more folks to help during the day. All grabbers, gloves, and bags are provided, and social distancing is very easy on this one! Contact Cher if you would like to pitch in. 602-647-2270 or addictedtodobes@gmail.com

Crime Statistics June-Aug 2020

By Henry Harding (Coolidge St)

In Pierson Place Historic District

- 1) AGG ASSAULT-FIREARM, 07/14/2020, 12:00 AM, 3XX W PIERSON ST
- 2) BURGLARY 3RD DEGREE-COMM BLDG-NO FORCE, UNLAWFUL ENTRY', 07/30/2020, 12:00 AM, 3XX W COOLIDGE ST
- 3) THEFT-FROM BUILDING-MISDEMEANOR, 08/31/2020, 5:48 PM, 1XX W HIGHLAND

7th Ave and Camelback

- 1) SEXUAL ASSAULT (INTERCOURSE W/OPOSITE SEX)m 08/26/2020, 6:00 PM, 7XX W CAMELBACK
- 2) AGG ASSAULT-SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURY - W/ FIREARM, 06/02/2020, 11:56 AM, 6XX W CAMELBACK
- 3) AGG ASSAULT-KNIFE OR CUTTING INSTR, 06/28/2020, 1:30 PM, 7XX W CAMELBACK
- 4) AGG ASSAULT-VICTIM RESTRAINED--MINOR OR NO INJURY, 06/14/2020, 10:42 PM, 7XX W MARIPOSA
- 5) ROBBERY, 06/12/2020m, 8:08 PM, N 7TH RD & W CAMELBACK
- 6) BURGLARY 3RD DEGREE-(PERSONAL ITEMS)-MOTOR VEHICLE, 06/14/2020, 2:24 PM, 7XX W CAMELBACK
- 7) BURGLARY 3RD DEGREE-(PERSONAL ITEMS)-MOTOR VEHICLE. 06/15/2020, 1:30 PM, 7XX W CAMELBACK
- 8) THEFT-FROM BUILDING, 08/07/2020, 5:10 PM, 7XX W CAMELBACK
- 9) THEFT-FROM BUILDING, 08/11/2020, 3:30 PM, 7XX W CAMELBAC

7th Ave (500 ft south of intersection to Campbell St

- 1) BURGLARY 3RD DEGREE-NON RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE, 07/24/2020, 7:20 PM, 48XX N 7TH AVE,
- 2) BURGLARY 3RD DEGREE-NON RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE, 08/19/2020, 1:00 PM, 7XX W PIERSON
- 3) BURGLARY 2ND DEGREE-RESIDENTIAL, 06/20/2020, 3:00 PM, 7XX W HIGHLAND
- 4) THEFT OF MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION, 07/15/2020, 12:00 AM, 46XX N 7TH AVE

Camelback between 500 ft from 7th and Central Ave's

- 1) No Crimes reported

Central Ave and Camelback Rd (500 foot radius)

- 2) BURGLARY 3RD DEGREE-NON RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE, 07/27/2020, 4:30 PM, 1XX E CAMELBACK

Central Ave 500 feet from Camelback to Campbell Ave

- 1) SEXUAL ASSAULT-MALE OFFENDER/FEMALE VICTIM, 06/19/2020, 7:00 AM, X W CAMPBELL AVE
- 2) ALL OTHER STRUCTURES - UNDETERMINED IGNITION SOURCE, 08/22/2020, 11:08 PM, 47XX N CENTRAL
- 3) THEFT OF MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION, 07/08/2020, 5:00 PM, 46XX N CENTRAL
- 4) BURGLARY 2ND DEGREE-RESIDENTIAL, 06/17/2020, 12:00 PM, X W CAMPBELL AVE

- 5) BURGLARY 2ND DEGREE-RESIDENTIAL-NO FORCE, UNLAWFUL ENTRY, 07/22/2020, 9:30 PM, X W CAMPBELL AVE

Campbell and north to the Grand Canal, Central to 7th Ave

- 1) AGG ASSAULT-VICTIM RESTRAINED--HAND/FIST/ FEET W/AGG INJURY, 07/13/2020, 4:20 PM, 3XX W MINNEZONA

Summary

In Pierson Place HD the one Aggravated Assault with a firearm (Highland St) reported at midnight from July remains on the map along with a Burglary at 300 W Coolidge St as well as a Theft from Highland Ave. The aggravated Assault is very concerning as it has followed a Rape on Highland a few months ago. So be aware of your surroundings when out. Many folks are walking later after dark or early in the morning to avoid the heat. I also walking "Mr Ed E Brown" and usually see others out exercising or walking dogs.

Outside of the neighborhood 7th Ave remains a high crime area with a Sexual Assault addressed to 700 W Camelback, but spotted on the map in the parking area near LA Fitness, Fry's and McDonalds. That intersection remains second highest in overall crime with 6 crimes (3 assaults 2 thefts and one Robbery). 19th Ave and Camelback is the highest at 9 total with 6 Assaults 2 Thefts and one Robbery. 15th Ave and Camelback is low, but with 3 Assaults and one Burglary. Overall 19th Ave has 9 crimes, 7th Ave 6 and 15th 4. It appears that the crime at 19th Ave and Camelback is closely centered in the intersection and 4 corners while 7th Ave and Camelback is somewhat more diffuse than just the intersection. Of course I feel anxiety in either intersection, but more so at 19th and Camelback Ave when riding my bicycle especially.

Generally speaking crime is down in our portion of the city along Camelback and around our historic district, no doubt due in part to the extremely high heat this year and as well The Pandemic. It is interesting that crime is down generally when there have been many work restrictions this year and unemployed people. One would think it might be the reverse since many people are out of work.

Beef Up The Monuments

We are planning to add the National historic district designation to our monuments at 3rd & Camelback and Central & Highland. Take a look at them and let us know what YOU think would look good. The National level is a prestigious club that should be shown!



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Neighborhood Meeting Coming Up! (Virtual)

Thursday September 24, 2020 6:00 pm.

(see inside for details)

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Crime Prevention Tips

- 1) be aware of your surroundings,**
- 2) get to know your neighbors,**
- 3) report anything suspicious or out of place.**
- 4) use crime prevention items at your house.**

Please Do Your Part!

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