



District 5 Residents and Friends,

The hot summer is almost over with Labor Day Weekend right around the corner. This fall will bring more outdoor community events, including many during Hispanic Heritage Month, which will begin on September 15th.

In this edition of Neighborhood News, learn about two more signature events, El Grito & Mexican Baseball Fiesta, plus a Public Transit Grant for our buses, the Sky Harbor Airport job fairs, GO Bonds, and more.

El Grito in Downtown Phoenix

FREE
Fun for the
entire family!

¡GRATIS!
Diversión para
toda la familia



Presented by Councilmembers
Betty Guardado & Carlos Garcia

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH • 4-10 PM

DOWNTOWN PHOENIX • 1ST AVENUE & ADAMS STREET

Live Entertainment!



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Betty Guardado
CONSEJALA DE PHOENIX



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FOR MORE INFORMATION: ElGritoPhoenix.com

Councilmember Carlos Garcia and I invite you to downtown Phoenix for the *FREE* El Grito Celebration. This inaugural event will commemorate Mexican Independence Day and will kick off Hispanic Heritage Month! Enjoy live music, dancing, arts & crafts, ballet *folklorico*, food, and more! Invite the whole family, and we'll see you there. [Click here for more details.](#)

Mexican Baseball Fiesta Returns to Maryvale



**AMERICAN FAMILY FIELDS
OF PHOENIX**



The [10th annual Mexican Baseball Fiesta](#) (MBF) will return to the Phoenix area (Maryvale & Mesa) this September. The MBF began in 2011 in Tucson, and it involves a partnership with the Liga ARCO Mexicana Del Pacifico (LMP), also known as the Mexican Winter League that travels to the USA for their version of “Spring Training”. The MBF brings a similar atmosphere, including music and live entertainment to Maryvale for our community.

The Mexican Baseball Fiesta opens on Friday, September 23rd and Saturday, September 24th at our newest venue, American Family Fields of Phoenix (Brewers Spring Training home) at 3805 N. 53rd Ave. in Phoenix’s Maryvale Community.

[Check out my interview with the MBF founder, Francisco Gamez](#), who shares how it all started.

Public Transit Secures \$16.3 Million Green Bus and Infrastructure Grant



[The Federal Transit Administration has awarded the City of Phoenix Public Transit Department a \\$16.3 million grant](#) for greener (low and no emissions) buses and supporting infrastructure. The grant is made available through [the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law](#) under the [Low-No Emission and Buses and Bus Facilities](#) highly-competitive grant programs. The programs' goal is to support the transition of the nation's fleet to more energy efficient and cleaner transit vehicles.

The funding from the grant will be used to replace aging buses with battery electric and hydrogen fuel-cell buses, install new infrastructure needed for bus charging/fueling and maintenance, and assist in workforce development by training transit personnel to maintain the new fleet.

I am the Chair of the Community and Cultural Investment subcommittee overseeing issues surrounding sustainability and am also a member of the Transportation and Infrastructure subcommittee, so this has been a top priority for me. We are working to ensure Phoenix is at the front of the line when it comes to low emission vehicles.

Communities that I represent in West Phoenix are the hardest hit by our poor air quality. I, like many in my community, struggle with asthma. With some of the highest rates in the Valley, we know how important it is to be looking at every opportunity possible to reverse these trends.

Job Fair at Sky Harbor Airport

PHX Job Fairs



-September 13
-October 4
-November 1
-December 6



11 a.m. - 3 p.m.



44th St. PHX Sky Train® Station
200 South 44th Street
Phoenix, AZ 85034

100s
of airport jobs available!



More info at skyharbor.com/jobs

Phoenix Sky Harbor is holding a job fair on Tuesday, Sept. 13th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the 44th Street PHX Sky Train® Station located at 44th and Washington streets. The station is easily accessible by bus and Valley Metro Rail and transit pass will be offered to attendees. Parking is also available. No preregistration is required to attend the event.

Hundreds of available positions are looking to be filled including customer service agents, drivers, sales associates, and security. Benefits vary by each company, but may include health, insurance and retirement options, retention bonuses, employee assistance programs and sign-on bonuses. [Please visit this page for new information on participating companies.](#)

GO BOND Programs to Improve Infrastructure



On June 7, 2022, the Mayor and City Council approved moving forward with a proposed General Obligation (GO) Bond program of \$500 million. GO Bond programs help to fund critical infrastructure and rehabilitation needs of City facilities such as parks, libraries, fire and police stations, affordable housing, streets and storm drains. The adoption of the GO Bond Program will then be decided by voters during the Special Election in November 2023. [Learn more about it by watching this short video.](#)

Your input is a vital part of this process. We invite you to share your priorities for this GO Bond Program in the following ways:

- [Attend a GO Bond Committee Meeting \(In-person or Virtual\)](#) - the meetings will take place between August and December 2022 and will be open to the public for comment.
 - Share Your Ideas for the [GO Bond Program in the GOPHX Tool](#).
 - Submit an [Email Comment to City Hall at Your Service](#).
 - Call the Budget and Research Department or Leave a Voicemail [602-262-4800 \(TTY 711\)](#).
 - Follow us on Social Media [#GOPHX2023](#).
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City Council Meetings Session Begins Today



2022

**City of Phoenix
City Council Meeting Dates**

Policy Meeting
Formal Meeting
Election Dates
Holiday

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Subcommittee Schedule

- Community and Cultural Investment (CCI) - 10 a.m., first Wednesday of the month
- Public Safety and Justice (PSJ) - 9:30 a.m., second Wednesday of the month
- Transportation, Infrastructure and Planning (TIP) - 10 a.m., third Wednesday of the month
- Economic Development and Equity (EDE) - 10 a.m., fourth Wednesday of the month

We are excited to go back to City Council Chambers for the first City Council meeting of this session today, Wednesday, August 31st. Please see the calendar of our meetings and join us to add your voice to the conversation on how to better serve our communities.

There are three options to attend and participate in the meetings: in-person, online, or by phone. You may submit online comments before the meeting, request to speak during the meeting, or just listen and/or watch. [Please watch this short video for an introduction](#) or [visit the website for more details](#).

Thank you for reading and sharing the August Neighborhood News with family, friends, and neighbors. As always, please contact our office for your comments, questions, and concerns, at (602) 262-7446 or council.district.5@phoenix.gov. For regular updates, follow us on our social media accounts by clicking on the icons below.



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