



Hance Park Community Update

As you know, Phase I of the ADOT repair project is well under way and includes work in areas west of the Central Avenue bridge, including work inside the Japanese Friendship Garden. Phase I repairs and renovation work will take place June—November. Phase II will include work east of the Central Avenue bridge and will take place August 10th through early December. As a reminder this work is being completed by ADOT to mitigate water infiltration into the I-10Tunne; which is a safety concern. Part of this process requires them to dig multiple 20-30 foot wide trenches throughout the park to make these repairs. To make the necessary repairs, they must also install a water proof barrier which requires us to shut down the irrigation system intermittently throughout the project. As a result you will see the turf impacted by this. Please know that maintenance staff will hand water any areas of concern and have also installed temporary irrigation system within the boundaries of the Japanese Friendship Garden. Staff continues to work closely with ADOT and our partners who are impacted by the project. We will also be providing some signage in key areas of the park to notify residents that the construction is related to the ADOT repair work.

Also we are looking forward to re-opening the dog parks on July 1. As you know the dog parks are heavily used which has a significant impact on the turf. Over the past few weeks maintenance staff has worked hard to hydroseed the park and perform maintenance to get them in top shape. We hope you will enjoy the lush green grass when we re-open.

Cynthia Aguilar, Deputy Director

City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation

“Home Tour” 2015 update

Neighbors, The home tour is coming up! November will be here before you know it and we are looking for people that are willing to volunteer and/or put their houses on the tour. This year the tour will be south of the highway, we are focusing on Portland and Latham streets. If you are interested or want more information on how you can help, please contact Melanie Terpstra at melanieb3@msn.com or call or text 623-889-4755.

Melanie Terpstra, Chair for the Home Tour 2015

Save the Date: 2015 Roosevelt Home Tour ==

Sunday November 15th

Upcoming City Election

On August 25, 2015 there is a City wide election for a new Mayor and City Councilmen. There are also several Propositions to be elected on.

Proposition 100—This proposition is a ratification of the City of Phoenix General Plan, pursuant to A.R.S. § 9-46.06(M) as set forth in Resolution 21307 adopting the Phoenix General Plan approved by the Council of the City of Phoenix on March 4, 2015, providing direction for development, conservation and infrastructure investments in the City.

Proposition 101—Article IX, Section 20 (9) of the Arizona Constitution allows the voters to extend the locally controlled alternative expenditure limitation for the City of Phoenix continuing for the next four years.

Proposition 102—This will authorize the City to issue payments in the form of warrants, checks, electronic transfers or any other form or method of payment authorized by the City Manager.

Proposition 103—Proposed amendment to the Charter of the City of Phoenix to reform the City's employees' retirement plan to reduce expenditures by changing the terms of the plan for hires' after 1/1/2016.

Proposition 104—An Ordinance to Fund A Comprehensive Transportation Plan for Phoenix to maintain & expand, Light Rail, Bus Systems, Improve streets and roadways, and provide more choices. (see page 4 for more information and details.)

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New Construction in our District begins:

Construction has begun in the Historic Roosevelt District with five major projects.



First of these projects is a 10 unit townhouse project on Third Avenue North of McKinley called the “Townhouses on Third”. These homes will feature 3 floors, and have a square footage of 1770 each, the first floor consisting of a 2 car garage and office/den area, second floor will host an open concept living/dining/kitchen area with a half bath off the kitchen, the third floor will have 2 large bedrooms, 2 baths and laundry facilities. These townhomes are being developed by Metrowest Development.



The second and perhaps the largest is a 14 story high rise 149 condominium building, with units from studio lofts to 3 bedrooms, and ranging from 745 to 2400 square feet on Portland Avenue just west of Central overlooking Hance

Park. This project is named “Portland on the Park Condominium” which is being developed by Habitat Metro (who is also remodeling the old Lexington Hotel on Central and Portland. This is the same developer that headed construction of “Portland Place” directly west of this new project.



The third project is the new apartments and retail area on the corner of First Avenue and Roosevelt called “Union at Roosevelt” this project will consist of 60 studio to 2 bedroom apartments in a six story building

with retail and restaurants filling the first floor. This is also a Metrowest Development project.

The fourth project is on the corner of Culver Street and 3rd Avenue, contact is Steve Bruckal. This property consists of 4 units which are for sale.

The fifth project is a 220 apartment complex being built on the Southeast corner of 7th Ave. and West Fillmore St. called “Atla Fillmore” This is being developed by Wood Partners of Marietta, Ga. These apartments will be from studio to 2 bedrooms and ranging from 575 to 1,175 square feet in size.

Douglas Churchill, Editor

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Submitting articles and ads:

If you would like to submit either an article or place an ad in our newly designed Roosevelt Newsletter please feel free to. You can send an article or ad in a PDF format to Douglas Churchill at dchurchill37@yahoo.com or send it to any of the Board of Directors listed on page 3 and they will forward it to me. We want to encourage you to participate in the newsletter so your information can be shared by everyone in our beautiful Historic District. A cut of date of no later of the 15th of each month has been set so we can get it proofed and printed in time for the next monthly issue. The newsletter will also appear on our new website at RooseveltNeighborhood.org and on our facebook site. If placing an ad please contact one of the Board Members or call me at (602)606-2914 for sizes and prices.



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Police, Fire, or Medical Emergency 911
Non-Emergency/Crime Stop (602)262-6151

Community Action Officers

North of I-10
Officer Ben Harris (602)361-4501
South of I-10
Officer Jeff Howell (602)534-6438

City Services

Graffiti Busters Hotline (602)495-7014
KEEP IT CLEAN (602)534-4444
Prop. Maintenance Violations (602)262-7844
Street Light Maintenance (602)495-5125
APS Emergency Number (602)258-5483

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Roosevelt Monthly Meetings

Roosevelt Action Association usually hold their monthly meetings on the *First Tuesday of each month from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm at UL2 at 2nd Ave & McKinley St.* All residents in the district are invited to these meetings to share thoughts and ideas with the Board of Directors and regular attendees. Also as a reminder the cut-off for submitting articles or ads for the newsletter is the 15th of each month. Please contact Doug Churchill with information at (602)606-2914 or dchurchill37@yahoo.com. Thank you for your support.

Letter from the President – August 2015



INTRODUCTION: Hello All, my name is Karl Obergh and I have been a Resident of the Roosevelt Historic Neighborhood since 2005. Prior to Roosevelt I lived in FQ Story from 1994 – 2005 and served on the Board (including President). My wife Di An, and my two children (James and Danielle) have really enjoyed all the amenities in Roosevelt and the surrounding areas. It is great how vibrant and exciting the downtown area is.

APPRECIATION: First and foremost I want to thank our Past President, Mark Davis, for all of his efforts over the past few years. Mark continues to assist the newly elected board members with past information and data. He was able to receive some Block watch grant funds to assist with setting up our new and improved website, and to provide funding to a newsletter. During his tenure as our Roosevelt Action Association (RAA) President, he assisted and spearheaded some great home-tours. These home tours are our only source of income for the largest Historic Neighborhood in Phoenix.

OUR NEIGHBORS: This year our board is focusing on getting everything in place in order to communicate to our neighbors. As I mentioned above we finally have a new website (the old one was hacked) thanks to **Quinn Whissen**. We also have a newsletter chair, **Douglas Churchill**, which is excited to get these newsletters out to our neighbors and friends. The goal is to have a newsletter that can actually bring in enough revenue to continue monthly distributions. **Sherry Rampy**, our current Vice President, is working diligently to get a directory of our neighbors to provide throughout Roosevelt. **Monica Goddard**, our current Secretary, is helping to coordinate with our friends adjacent to us on the FAA flight path issues. **Diane Miller** was able to reinstate our 501©3 status...*THANKS DIANE!!!* We have **Melanie Terpstra**, board member, heading up the 2015 Home Tour committee (which is going to represent our neighborhood from Roosevelt Street to I-10 this year). **Andie Abkarian** is making sure any new developments within our neighborhood boundaries are aware that we are watching them closely as our Development Liaison. **Ryan Tempest** is our very level headed guy that makes sure we are not going bankrupt as our Treasurer. **Jim Trocki** (board member and pretty much a neighborhood legend) is our go to historian on a Board perspective...Thanks Jim and Joan. And finally we have **Andy Brown** and **Tony Tardino**, board members that keep us in line and make sure we are following the RAA process.

MEETINGS: I would like to personally invite all of you to attend our monthly meetings to hear about our financials and minutes, to meet our great Community Action Officers (Officer Howell and Officer Harris), to get involved (Home Tour, Newsletters, Roosevelt Kids Club, etc), and to hear of any changes occurring in your neighborhood. The meetings are the first Tuesday of each month, from 6:00 PM till 7:30 PM and are located at the **UL2 Building** (southwest corner of 2nd Ave/ McKinley), north entrance at the ground level. I recommend that everyone check out www.rooseveltneighborhood.org and like us on Face Book.

FINALLY: We all do our best to make the neighborhood an incredible place to live. We're volunteers that have other priorities but try to do the best we can for maintaining a strong voice for our community. Most importantly, we are here to listen to each other even if we do not agree! Please have a great summer and I will see you on the first Tuesday of each month.

Karl Obergh, President



Proposed Comprehensive Transportation Plan

MAY 2015

Phoenix Public Transit and Street Transportation Departments

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A New Approach to Transit and Streets

What We leArned:

Public transit and street conditions are interdependent. The Citizens Committee on the Future of

Phoenix Transportation has determined addressing street infrastructure needs and funding is necessary. **hoW We iMProved:**

The original transit plan and T2000 tax primarily funded transit service. Now broader and more comprehensive, the transit plan has become a transportation plan with additional emphasis on street needs from street maintenance to new pavement, bike lanes, sidewalks and ADA accessibility.

What has been accomplished so far?

Since 2001, ridership has increased by 42% and....

- **20 miles** of light rail was constructed (**14.3 million** boardings in 2013)
- **\$7 billion** in economic development activities generated along light rail
- Local bus service with **extended hours** on weekdays, weekends, and holidays
- RAPID service carried almost **1 million** riders in 2013
- **5** circulators are running
- Dial-A-Ride service is **7** days a week
- Other improvements included more than **300** bus pullout bays, **234** miles of bike lanes, and **330** left turn arrows at intersections
- Passenger security and facility maintenance are upgraded
- The **Citizens Transit Commission** was created to oversee how the tax is spent

Serving a growing population

Population in Phoenix is projected to grow by 45% from 1,501,300 residents in 2010 to 2,198,000 residents in 2040. – *Maricopa Association of Governments*

reducing traffic congestion growth and keeping Phoenix green and clean

For urban areas with rail, traffic congestion grows at a rate 42% lower than in similar urban areas without rail slowing the rate of congestion. – *Mobility Planning Associates*

Connecting destinations

35% of all transit trips either began or ended at work. Among those seeking work, one-third (33%) indicated that they could not have completed their trip without public transit services. – *Valley Metro, 2010-11 Transit On-Board Survey*

Advancing the economy

To date in metro-Phoenix, the total development investment made along the current light rail line is approximately \$7 billion dollars – *Valley Metro*

In large urban areas, a 10 percent increase in regional congestion reduced employment growth by 4 percent. – *Texas Transportation Institute*

Saving you money

The average household spends 16 cents of every dollar on transportation, and 94% of this goes to buying, maintaining, and operating cars, the largest expenditure after housing.

– *American Public Transportation Association*

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A Livable City

One where walking, bicycling, and transit are safe, comfortable, and convenient modes of travel.

- Walkable streets that connect to transit

- Mobility choices
- Enhanced Dial-A-Ride service
- Better alternative transportation services for seniors
- Technology upgrades to provide real-time information

What Will The Transportation Plan Do?

- Triple current light rail miles
- \$40 billion estimated economic return on light rail investment
- Increase bus frequency by 70%