

# TOWN MANAGER'S

# EXECUTIVE REPORT

Town of Oro Valley | JUNE 2020

## TO COUNCIL

### TOWN MANAGER'S MESSAGE

As you know, I presented the FY 20/21 Recommended Budget to the Town Council this month. Since the presentation, the Town learned that the Governor would be releasing to non-direct recipient local governments a sizeable portion of the CARES Act funding the State of Arizona received. For the Town of Oro Valley, we expect nearly \$5.3M. On a conference call with the League of Arizona Cities and Towns and state officials this week, CFO David Gephart and I learned that the U.S. Treasury guidance on use of the funds has enabled local governments to have maximum flexibility in using the additional resources. The guidance provides that all salary and ERE costs for police officers, public health, EMS, 911 dispatchers is eligible for reimbursement from March 1 – December 30, 2020, regardless of whether they were specifically assigned to COVID-19 related responses/activities. The result is that the revenues budgeted for those expenses revert back into the General Fund and can be utilized for other purposes based on community need. I will be presenting to you an overall concept on the use of those funds at your June 10 study session for review and input.

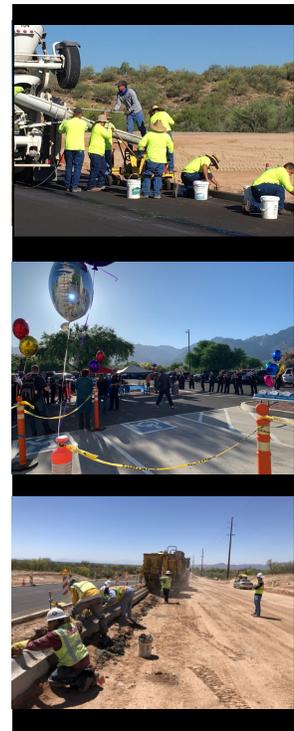
As I reported at the June 3, Town Council meeting, the Town has retained the services of Davidson Strategic to develop a plan as to how we can assist local businesses in resuming, or thriving in this COVID-19 era. Led by Gilbert Davidson, former Chief Operations Officer for the State of Arizona and former Marana Town Manager, Mr. Davidson is wholly familiar with the region, and he brings years of executive level experience in economic development to the table in devising this strategy. A business survey was recently sent to the Town's extensive business email list to obtain information that will assist in determining how the Town can best support local businesses. The Chamber will serve on the Town's project team to ensure the voice of our businesses is clearly heard, and each member of the Town Council will be contacted by Mr. Davidson for your input. It is anticipated that resources freed up as a result of the CARES Act reimbursement will serve as the source of assistance, and the League of Arizona Cities and Towns is facilitating a legal opinion from the Attorney General's office so cities and towns across Arizona can know the parameters by which local government business assistance can be achieved.

In other matters:

- As a result of the Town Council's motion regarding the former Vistoso Golf Course on June 3, Romspen has decided to postpone the public meetings/focus groups scheduled for June for 30 days to provide time to monitor progress regarding discussions with the Conservation Fund. Staff will be alerting the community as to the change in a press release on Friday, June 5.
- The Town's Proposition 480 website is live and is a prominent button on the front page of the Town's website. Two informational Zoom briefings are being held on June 25 at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.
- The fireworks test shoot demonstrated we needed a little more lift in the night sparklers! So another test shoot has been scheduled for 8:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 7 from Naranja Park with some larger shells to maximize visibility in the community. The park will close for both the test and for the actual fireworks on July 4. The community has been very appreciative that Oro Valley will still have fireworks without an in-person event.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions regarding the content in this Executive Report.

Mary Jacobs, Town Manager



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# JUNE 2020

## Movies on the Lawn

Join us at the Oro Valley Community & Recreation Center for our 2020 Movies on the Lawn series. The movies will begin at sundown and attendees may bring lawn chairs and picnic blankets on the lawn as seating will not be provided.\* This is a free event!

June 20 - Frozen II—Saturday, June 20 | 7:30 p.m.

July 18 - Sonic the Hedgehog—Saturday, July 18 | 7:30 p.m.

August 15 - The Call of the Wild—Saturday, August 15 | 7:30 p.m.

\*Please note that precautions will be taken to adhere to social distancing guidelines.



## July 4th fireworks

The July 4th Celebration event has been cancelled, but the Town will put on a fireworks show at Naranja Park on July 4th. No onsite spectators will be allowed at the fireworks and people are encouraged to view from home. The Town will do a fireworks test launch at Naranja Park on Sunday, June 7 at 8:30 p.m. so the public can find a good vantage point to view the fireworks from home.



## Round Up at the Ranch 2020 5k run/walk

Sunday, July 19 | 6 a.m. to 10 a.m.

This fifth annual summer 5k will take place along the multi-use path, beginning at Steam Pump Ranch. This race will be run under COVID-19 virus precautions; please visit the Town's website for more information. Participants have the option to run/walk this race on Sunday, July 19 at Steam Pump Ranch, or run/walk it virtually (at Steam Pump Ranch or a location of their choice) during the July 18 - July 20 time frame.



# POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Cases, Incidents and Stats

### **Endangered Juvenile Located**

Patrol officers received a report of a runaway juvenile. Through a coordinated effort with the Criminal Investigations Unit, she was located in the city of Tucson in the company of an adult male, who is registered as a sex offender from out of state. The male was taken into custody for related charges while the female was returned home safely.

### **Robbery**

A subject met two individuals to facilitate the private sale of a cellphone. The subject was subsequently pepper sprayed by the would-be purchasers and the phone was stolen. Patrol officers located the suspects' associated vehicle. As a result of the investigation, officers and detectives recovered the phone, drug paraphernalia and evidence of stolen mail and credit cards. The suspects were both indicted on robbery charges, one of which had a prior history involving robbery.

### **Endangered Female Located**

An elderly female had wandered away from her residence. A patrol officer was able to locate the female while searching on-foot through extremely dense vegetation.

***Maintaining A Strong Community Presence**  
Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, staff has  
maintained a highly visible presence in the community*

## Recognitions

### **Retirement**

The first virtual retirement was utilized to celebrate Officer Doug Hamblin's retirement. Officer Hamblin served the community for 22 years.

### **Nomination**

Commander Chris Olson received a unanimous vote to join the Board of Directors of Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety as a representative of the International Association of Chiefs of Police.



## Regional Support

### Hospital Appreciation

OVPD partnered with Golder Ranch Fire District to show appreciation for the hospital workers on the front line of the COVID-19 pandemic. A cordon of hospital executive staff, along with law enforcement and fire professionals, welcomed the oncoming shift with a warm reception and breakfast. The outgoing shift was also honored.

### Regional Collaboration

Staff maintained open lines of communication with regional, state and federal law enforcement partners and health officials for regional preparedness and collaboration.



## Special Events

### Social Media Messaging

With high school graduations on hold Chief Riley produced a special social media message offering congratulations to the graduates while promoting safely celebrating their accomplishment.

### Project Graduation

Chief Riley participated in the virtual Project Graduation, a program that promotes a safe, alcohol and drug free graduation celebration. 214 graduates participated in the event.

### National Police Officer Memorial Week

Oro Valley officers participated in a virtual event, honoring the 307 officers nationwide that paid the ultimate sacrifice in 2019. The event was streamed live from Washington, D.C.



# COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## Statistics

**Single Family Residential Activity:** 17 new Single Family Residential (SFR) Permits were issued for the month of May compared to 32 SFR permits issued in April. Year to date, 122 SFR permits have been issued since the beginning of the year compared to 117 issued during the same period in 2019.

**\*Notes on May's SFR numbers:** even though May's SFR's number are down a little, home builders have shared that SFR sales over the last two months have been stronger than what was anticipated during the ongoing pandemic. For example, Meritage has reported strong pre-sales for their new Saguaros Viejos East and Villages at Silverhawke, Phase 3 developments which are getting close to opening.

**Permitting Activity:** 144 total permits were issued during the month of May compared to 143 permits issued in April. Year to date, 928 total permits have been issued since the beginning of the year compared to 1026 issued during the same period in 2019.

## Economic Development COVID-19 Local Business Outreach

Staff completed calling Oro Valley businesses to check on their status and to inform them of the COVID-19 Business Resources available on the Town's website. As Governor Ducey deemed it was safe to reopen, group emails were sent to different types of businesses with an attachment of the Governor's suggested best practices and reference to the COVID-19 Business Resources on the Town's website which includes additional information from Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, National Restaurant Association and other respected organizations.

## Paper-only process improvement

Community and Economic Development (CED) has instituted an electronic submittal only—No Paper—policy across all CED functions, namely permitting, inspections and planning. Permits and inspection cards are issued digitally via an email with the approved plans issued in PDF format.

## Business Retention/Expansion and Attraction/Marketing

- Staff have contacted businesses about the new website our partner, the Oro Valley Chamber, launched. The site ([ShopOVAZ.com](http://ShopOVAZ.com)) went live June 1 and provides free advertising for local businesses. The site began by featuring restaurants in OV and will then add different sectors of business.
- Margie Adler completed the Economic Development Academy of Arizona and is now recognized as a certified Arizona Economic Development Professional.



### New Businesses

Eighteen new businesses have been licensed since the March report

### Completed Projects (Certificate of Occupancy Issued)

- **Northwest Allied Gastroenterology**, 1521 E. Tangerine Road, Suite 123
- **Rubs**, 10580 N. La Cañada Drive, Suite 100 (expansion)
- **Sparkle Cleaners**, 11931 N. 1st Avenue, Suite 141
- **Tucson Braces**, 180 W. Magee Road, Suite 15

### Arts and Culture

Due to COVID-19, Guided Public Art Tours were temporarily cancelled. We plan to start scheduling them again in the fall with necessary safety measures in place.

## Permitting Major Activity

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### **New Businesses – Building TI Permit applications**

**Denny's at Steam Pump Village;** 11107 N. Oracle Road

**Commerce Bank of Arizona at Two Oracle Place;** 7315 N. Oracle Road

### **Other Permits**

**Golder Ranch Fire Station #375;** 12125 N. Woodburne Avenue

Building Permit issued for remodel and addition

**OV Hospital Medical Office Building;** 1521 N. Tangerine Road

Building TI Permit issued for Physical Therapy Suite Remodel

**OV Hospital Medical Office Building;** 1521 N. Tangerine Road

Building TI Permit issued for new Women's Imaging Suite

**Pusch Ridge Christian Academy;** 9500 N. Oracle Road

Building Permit applied for 9,249 SF modular, donated from Roche Ventana campus

**Two Oracle Place;** 7315 N. Oracle Road

Building TI Permit issued for interior work and new 2nd level floor

## Planning Project Highlights

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- The consultants for the Oro Valley Village Center (currently known as the Oro Valley Marketplace) have made their formal submittal. Upon receipt and after the first round of staff review, focus area meetings will be conducted online via Zoom with the neighborhoods most affected.
- An online Zoom neighborhood meeting was held on May 14 for a proposed General Plan amendment and rezoning for the Vistoso Golf project. The meeting was conducted from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. (twice as long as a standard neighborhood meeting) with approximately 369 attendees and 514 internet connections represented. These numbers indicate that the online meeting format enabled much broader audience participation than a regular meeting. During the meeting, the 1000-person Zoom meeting capacity was never exceeded. Furthermore, the Town was able to accommodate 42 people's questions and/or comments, again significantly more than a standard in-person neighborhood meeting.  
**PLEASE NOTE:** The four focus area meetings for the Vistoso Golf proposed General Plan Amendments have been postponed per the applicant's request. See "Neighborhood Zoom Meetings" on next page for more details.
- An online Zoom neighborhood meeting was held on May 21 for the proposed General Plan Amendment and rezoning for the property located near the southeast corner of the 1st Avenue and Tangerine Road intersection. The meeting was conducted from 6 p.m. to 6:50 p.m. with approximately 39 participants. The meeting ended earlier than originally anticipated (8 p.m.) as all the questions and comments were addressed. During the meeting, the 1000-person Zoom meeting capacity was never exceeded.

# Meetings/Other News

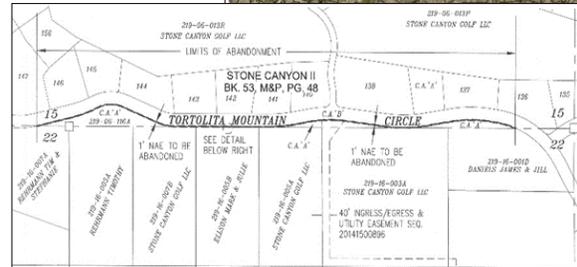
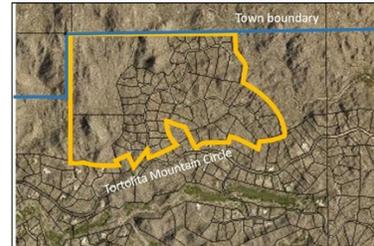
## Planning & Zoning Commission

- Proposed conceptual architecture for a new 17,000 square foot multi-purpose building at Pusch Ridge Christian Academy was scheduled for Planning and Zoning Commission consideration on June 2. The proposed building will be 36-feet high and conforms to the previously approved Master Development Plan.



## Town Council

- A text amendment to the Rancho Vistoso Planned Area Development and associated conditional use permit to allow grazing in a portion of Stone Canyon Neighborhood 7 were both recommended for approval (the latter with conditions) by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Both items were presented to Town Council for action on June 3.
- A plat amendment to remove a no-access easement along the south side of Tortolita Mountain Circle in Stone Canyon Neighborhood II is scheduled for Town Council consideration on June 17. This would enable multiple property owners outside of Stone Canyon to access Stone Canyon streets.



## Neighborhood Zoom Meetings

- The Town of Oro Valley has postponed four focus area meetings for the proposed Vistoso Golf General Plan Amendments. In light of the Town Council’s discussion at the June 3 Council meeting regarding options for the former Vistoso Golf Course, the applicant, Romspen, has requested that all focus area meetings regarding their application be postponed for 30 days. Those postponed meetings include:

- Focus Area #1 Meeting – Thursday, June 4, 2020, 6 p.m. **(POSTPONED)**
- Focus Area #2 Meeting – Tuesday, June 9, 2020, 6 p.m. **(POSTPONED)**
- Focus Area #3 Meeting – Wednesday, June 10, 2020, 6 p.m. **(POSTPONED)**
- Focus Area #4 Meeting – Thursday, June 11, 2020, 6 p.m. **(POSTPONED)**

- The purpose of Romspen’s request is to provide the Town, Romspen, and the Conservation Fund time to review the options for the Vistoso Golf Course, and also for Romspen to evaluate their application. From the Town’s perspective, these neighborhood meetings are not being cancelled; they are being postponed until further notice.

- An online Zoom neighborhood meeting is scheduled for June 16 at 6 p.m. for a proposed rezoning (Residential–Service to Commercial) and associated conditional use permit to allow a commercial development, with a drive-thru on the northeast corner of Oracle Road and Suffolk Drive. The preliminary concept plan is pictured right.



- For the proposed General Plan Amendment and Rezoning for the property located near the southeast corner of the 1st Avenue and Tangerine Road intersection, two in-person neighborhood meetings (if it is safe to do so) will be held in August and September to receive additional feedback about the project from the community.

# PUBLIC WORKS

## News

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### **Oracle Road**

During the ADOT State Board meeting on May 15, the Board granted a resolution to temporarily increase the State right-of-way (ROW) at all cross streets to allow for the construction of the upcoming Oracle Road Rehabilitation. This was done so that the State has enough room for construction activities and pavement tie-ins. It is anticipated that the ROW will be returned to its original dimensions upon construction completion. The purpose of this approach is so that the project can progress unimpeded without the need for ADOT to secure individual construction easements with multiple jurisdictions, which could hold up and delay the start.

### **Street Operations**

- Street Maintenance Operations crews have completed various sidewalk repairs in the Rancho Vistoso area as well as in the La Cholla Estates and Desert Vista subdivisions and will be continuing needed repairs Town-wide.
- Crews will also be performing various asphalt repairs throughout Oro Valley.
- Crews have completed regularly scheduled maintenance to unpaved roads north of Tangerine Road and regularly scheduled sweeping of arterial, collector and residential streets is also currently in progress.
- Streets ADC crews continue to be suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The Town's vendor AAA Landscape continues to perform needed herbicide applications Town-wide in order to keep spring weeds under control.

### **Transit**

For an end-of-school year project at Basis, Eleanor Kortenkamp made masks and sanitizer for the drivers! The Town hopes this this gives her an A++.

### **Fleet/Facilities**

The facilities team has completed an average of 6.6 tasks per work day since the first of the month. Among the activities this month were:

- Fire safety inspections
- HVAC air filter replacements
- Fabrication of lobby counter Plexiglas partitions
- Plumbing repair
- Ceramic floor tile replacement

### **COVID-19 Update**

The Facilities team worked to prepare for reopening the lobbies by:

- Deploying hand sanitizer in the public lobbies
- Providing disposable masks to lobby facing employees
- Installing Plexiglas shields in the lobbies at 680 and the Community and Recreation Center
- Removing furniture

Refills of the spray sanitizer stations continue, averaging about one gallon of solution per week.

Supplies of disinfecting wipes and hand sanitizer remain on back order:

- Waxie, one of our sanitation providers, reports that there is a back order of 2000 cases of Purell
- A shipment of hand sanitizer is expected from SunChem this week
- Facilities currently has a supply of: 11.75 gallons of hand sanitizer, 450 disposable masks, 33 pump hand sanitizer pump bottles (assorted sizes), 25 tubes of disinfecting wipes and 8.5 gallons of QUAT-128 disinfectant concentrate (about 1100 gallons when diluted)

## Project Updates

### Naranja Park Playground Project

Streets Crews have completed their portion of the drainage improvements to the Naranja Park playground/parking lot project by installing the two 36" spiral ribbed pipe culverts under the north access road. Crews have also completed the placement of concrete extruded curb delineating the walking path and edges of pavement to the recently completed entry way and are now continuing to perform remaining subgrade earth moving and grading in and around the playground area. This will conclude their work till the main park construction contractor completes the playground build. After that, the streets crews will return to complete the paving of the north portion of the new parking lot.



### La Cholla Widening Project

- Project is on schedule and on budget - currently at 80% for both.
- Paving (base) for the northbound lanes from Overton to Tangerine is complete and traffic is running on the new pavement.
- Hunter Contracting is working at the Lambert Lane intersection to install the new traffic signal. The intersection is currently a four-way stop during this construction. The south portion of the intersection has been paved and northwest quadrant is scheduled for paving in early June.
- Hunter is grading the southbound lanes and multi-use path between Lucero and Lambert. They are also installing irrigation service and mainline.
- Concrete crews are working on curb and the ramps at Glover.
- Work is ongoing for Channel #3 and Arch #3 inlet apron. Rebar is set and the bottom of the channel is 3/4 poured this week.
- Wildlife fence installation started at Overton and is now moving north of Lambert.
- Landscape planting started at Tangerine and is significantly complete to Lambert.

### Pavement Preservation

- Preservation treatments for this season are completed, which is great since the unseasonably high temps are at the threshold that would prohibit applying most forms of treatment.
- Holbrook Asphalt Co. recently completed applying an HA-5 surface treatment to multiple subdivisions, Town Hall parking lot, and the CDO Linear Park from Steam Pump Ranch to La Cañada Drive.
- Sunland Asphalt & Construction, Inc. recently completed applying Liquid Road and Guard Top surface treatments to Sun City Units 8, 9 and 10.



## Stormwater Project Updates

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### Mutterers Wash

- The Stormwater Utility (SWU) has contracted with Psomas to provide survey and aerial photogrammetry services for this wash in the Greenock and Oracle Road area. This information will be used to assess site conditions and provide basis for hydrologic and hydraulic studies in the upcoming fiscal year. The field work (surveying) is done; consultant is generating the data results. The SWU will be communicating with all neighbors involved since SWU will need to measure the finished floor elevation of their residences. The outreach efforts to neighboring residents also keeps them informed of the current status of the Town's ongoing mitigation efforts.
- The significance of this project is that in September of 2014 the Town saw an unprecedented storm event hit. Mutterers Wash overtopped its banks and the Town saw 14 properties in this vicinity file property damage claims. The Town, which is the responsible party for wash maintenance, was included in the claims and was found liable for \$56,338.51 to be paid out to five properties where it was demonstrated that the overtopping of Mutterers Wash was the direct cause of the damage claim.

## Facilities

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- **CED/PW Lobby:** The project is substantially complete, with a couple of minor punch list items to address. More importantly, the front counter staff have moved in and the counter is fully operational. The Hopi Conference Room is also back and fully operational as a meeting space again.
- **OVPD Main Station Improvements:** This project is substantially complete. The punch list walkthrough was conducted on May 21.
- **OVAC Painting:** This phase of painting is complete; however, the Town is waiting on the contractor to tidy up some remaining punch list items before closing the project.
- **Tangerine Substation Back-up Generator:** This project is in the initial phases of being sent out to bid. The project is being discussed with the designer, GLHN.
- **Lactation Room at Town Hall:** At the behest of HR, facilities is reconfiguring a space in the admin building to serve as a lactation space. Expected completion by July.
- **IT Office Reconfiguration:** Facilities maintenance is working with IT to reconfigure their offices and will also be conducting some painting and repairs while the offices are sans furniture.
- **TEGG Electrical Repair:** Repair of items found in the TEGG inspection was completed on May 20.

# PARKS & RECREATION

## Community and Recreation Center

The Community and Recreation Center opened on June 1. Staff was focused on being prepared to open, with everyone being very excited to be back. Staff implemented the following processes to ensure everything was ready:

- New staff schedules were created. Training on social distancing, cleaning, and the new Pima County regulations is taking place. A staff wellness policy to provide the safest possible visit for employees and the public has also been implemented.
- Modifications to the Community and Recreation Center are underway to ensure a safe environment. Signage has been posted, fitness equipment rearranged, and floors are marked to remind people on social distancing.
- The Community and Recreation Center has taken this time as an opportunity to implement online group fitness class and lap lane reservations. This is something that has been discussed in the past but was not feasible with the number of classes. Having a limited schedule allowed the building of the schedule in CivicRec recreation software. This will allow for limited class sizes and beforehand knowledge of full classes. In addition, the new system will allow for better reporting on class participation and usage.
- The Community and Recreation Center has updated its hours as of June 1. The new hours will allow for increased sanitation and is focused on actual usage of the facility. The new hours will be:  
Monday - Friday: 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. – Closed daily from 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. for deep cleaning  
Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- Starting on June 20, the Movie on the Lawn series will be returning with Frozen 2. It will be a wonderful evening to get outside with the family while still practicing safe distancing
- The Community and Recreation Center is confident it will be prepared to provide the best and safest service to the community.



*The Community and Recreation Center and Aquatic Center both adjusted their operating hours temporarily to align with Governor Ducey's executive order regarding curfew.*

## Aquatic Center

The Aquatic Center opened June 1 with modifications. In order to continue to operate Town pools while adhering to new regulations, please take note of the following changes and expectations:

- All lap swimmers will be required to reserve a lane in advance of arrival at the facility. No drop-in visits will be allowed. Lanes may be reserved online. Registration will be done at [www.playov.com](http://www.playov.com) and additional information regarding this process will be sent out in a follow-up email.
- Anyone entering the facility, please wear a mask. Masks are not permitted while in the water.
- Arrive in your swimwear and leave in your swimwear. Locker rooms will be closed for changing and showers will not be available at this time.
- Public swim gear such as kickboards, fins, aqua belts, etc. will not be available.
- Only one lap swimmer per lane, and swimming down the center of the lane is encouraged.
- Lap swim will be limited to one hour per individual per day.

## Recreation/Culture

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### **Field usage**

Field reservations started up again June 1. Along with the Town's regional Parks and Recreation partners, it has been determined that use of fields by organizations and groups committed to keeping participants safe is appropriate at this time.

### **Work at Steam Pump Ranch (SPR)**

The Recreation and Cultural Services division will assist the Parks Division in laying out the planned parking to closer align with the final plans shown in the updated Master Plan for SPR. They will also continue to rehabilitate buildings and the chicken coops at SPR.

### **Work at the Oro Valley Archery Range**

The Recreation and Cultural Services division will set up the 10 lightly-used target butts for use by Olympic archers. The current set up of the Archery Range has caused Olympic archers to bring their own targets to be set at meters rather than the yards used in the current configuration of the range. This will offer the opportunity for more archery tournaments to take place at the Oro Valley Archery Range.

### **National Trails Day**

June 6 is National Trails Day, a day was established by the American Hiking Society. In cooler climates it is intended as a day to get people out to help maintain trails. Here in the Southwest it is too hot on the first Saturday in June to organize such a day. As a result, the Town has historically provided a nighttime hike with great snacks and a great time.

This event has demonstrated the best way to enjoy the trails in the summer, with a good flashlight at night with friends. This year, Oro Valley is partnering with Marana to provide a robust list of possible trails which will be posted on both Town's Facebook sites, to enjoy in small groups as a nice way to get outdoors during COVID-19.

### **July 4th fireworks**

The July 4th fireworks will take place at Naranja Park this year. The Town is working with the Arizona Fireworks Productions to do a second fireworks test launch on Sunday, June 7 at 8:30 p.m. The first launch was done on Thursday, May 27 from the Community Center, but the site didn't provide the visibility the Parks and Recreation staff were hoping for.

The decision was made to include six-inch shells into the fireworks show. With the six-inch shells, it was determined that the fireworks would need to be moved to Naranja Park for safety reasons. The Town typically uses three and four-inch shells for the fireworks. The six-inch shells travel 500' in the air and increase the 'fallout zone', which necessitated the move to Naranja. Get ready for a great show!



# WATER UTILITY

## News

### Meter Operations

The Utility had a total of 20,418 service connections, which includes 12 new water meters installed by meter operations staff, in the month of April.

### Water Conservation

The Water Utility had 362 new WaterSmart registrations in the last 90 days with 24% of the Water Utility accounts now registered on the Customer Portal. The last week of April showed the highest number of Customer Portal visits (1,492) since the introduction of WaterSmart in 2018.

## El Conquistador Booster Station Rehabilitation

Constructed in 1983 primarily to serve the El Conquistador resort, the demands placed on the El Conquistador booster station have increased over the past 37 years. After a detailed evaluation, staff determined that the booster station was a prime candidate for rehabilitation.

*Pictured right: The El Conquistador booster station rehabilitation has been completed. The work included the replacement of four booster pumps and motor drivers. The facility's pumping capacity has increased by 90% while power consumption has decreased by over 50%. Capital reinvestments of this type results in lower operating costs improved system reliability and efficiency.*



## Well D8 Pressure Vessel Replacement

Over the past few years, the Water Utility has been systematically replacing all pressure vessels that are not ASME certified. For this fiscal year, the first of two pressure vessels was replaced at well D8. The Water Utility contracted with Smyth Industries to perform pressure vessel fabrication and installation. The work began May 11 and was completed on May 21.



*Smyth Industries installs a new ASME certified 5,000 gallon pressure vessel at well D8 located just north of Lambert Lane between La Cañada and Oracle Road. Perpetual capital reinvestment in the utility's assets ensures a safe and reliable water supply for our community.*

## La Reserve Booster Station Pressure Vessel Replacement

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The second of two pressure vessels slated for replacement this fiscal year was fabricated and certified. The pressure vessel was installed the week of June 1.



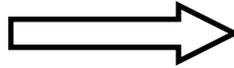
*Local fabricator and contractor, Smyth Industries, has completed the fabrication and ASME certification of the La Reserve Booster Station pressure vessel. Installation will begin June 1.*

# ADMINISTRATION

## Public Records Requests

| Time Period | Number of Requests | Staff Time To Process (Hours) |
|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| May 2019    | 48                 | 35                            |
| May 2020    | 35                 | 11                            |

The June [Vista](#) can be viewed here.



## Press Releases/News Articles Issued in May

- [Oro Valley Parks & Rec facilities reopen June 1; guidelines released](#), 5-29-20
- [Town Talk with Mary Jacobs](#), 5-29-20
- [July 4th event cancelled; fireworks still planned; test shot scheduled](#), 5-26-20
- [Monsoon ready: Free sandbags available for Oro Valley residents](#), 5-26-20
- [Oro Valley's Community & Economic Development Dept. goes paperless](#), 5-18-20
- [Amendment #5 to emergency proclamation issued, facilities updates](#), 5-15-20
- [Oro Valley to reopen Town lobbies and some park amenities on May 11](#), 5-7-20
- [Oro Valley announces updated methods for public meetings](#), 5-5-20

## Video Production

During the last week of April and the month of May, the Communications Team—in coordination with other departments—wrote, filmed and edited the following videos. (Min:Sec = video length)

- [Town of Oro Valley website navigation tutorial video](#) April 30—(6:11)
- [Vistoso Golf proposed General Plan Amendment follow-up video](#) April 30—(48:38)
- [SE of Tangerine & N. 1st Ave proposed General Plan Amendment follow-up video](#)—(33:49)
- [Mayor Winfield's weekly COVID-19 update](#) April 30—(2:59)
- [Mayor Winfield's weekly COVID-19 update](#) May 5—(4:05)
- [Town Council celebrates the Class of 2020](#) May 14—(1:43)
- [The Town celebrates the Immaculate Heart High School Class of 2020](#) May 19—(0:48)
- [Mayor Winfield's weekly COVID-19 update](#) May 21—(3:53)
- [The Town celebrates the BASIS Oro Valley Class of 2020](#) May 22—(1:59)
- [The Town celebrates the Pusch Ridge Christian Academy Class of 2020](#) May 22—(2:44)
- [Mayor Winfield's weekly COVID-19 update](#) May 29—(2:10)

## Budget Calendar

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Here are the remaining dates on the Town of Oro Valley's Budget Calendar for Fiscal Year 2020/21:

Tuesday, June 2—Budget and Finance Commission meeting

Wednesday, June 3—Water rates Public Hearing and adoption

Wednesday, June 10—HOLD-Council budget work session

**Wednesday, June 17—Tentative Budget Adoption**, Public Hearing

Wednesday, July 1—HOLD-Council budget work session (following regular meeting)

**Wednesday, July 15—Final Budget Adoption**, Public Hearing

## Proposition 480

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The Town of Oro Valley has begun an comprehensive public education effort in regards to Proposition 480 and has announced it will hold two informational meetings for Proposition 480 on Thursday, June 25, 2020. Proposition 480 is a Permanent Base Adjustment to the Town of Oro Valley's expenditure limitation and will be submitted to voters at the August 4, 2020, Primary Election. The information meetings will be hosted by the David Gephart, the Town of Oro Valley's Chief Financial Officer, who will explain the proposed permanent base adjustment and answer questions. Meeting schedule below:

**Prop 480 Informational Meeting #1 - June 25, 2020 at 2 p.m.**

<https://orovalley.zoom.us/j/93453921690> or to call in via phone, dial 253-215-8782

**Prop 480 Informational Meeting #2 - June 25, 2020 at 6 p.m.**

<https://orovalley.zoom.us/j/93853410838> or to call in via phone, dial 312-626-6799

Proposition 480 does not raise existing taxes.

Proposition 480 does not impose new or additional taxes.

Proposition 480 provides local control of the Town's annual budget to meet local needs.

Proposition 480 does not permit the Town to expend more than it receives in revenue.

[Click here for more information on Proposition 480.](#)

[Click here for instructions on how to participate in a Zoom video conferencing meeting.](#)

## Oro Valley Public Library

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Ruth Grant, Oro Valley Public Library Branch Manager, has informed the Town that Pima County protocols for all people entering the library require facemasks, and they must be temperature checked each day there enter the building—this includes library patrons, as well as Town Facilities personnel who enter the building before and after regular hours.