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Council approves budget for Fiscal Year 2020/21

At its July 15, 2020 meeting, the Oro Valley Town Council approved the adoption of the final budget for fiscal year 2020/21, in the amount of \$105.4 million; a \$5.6 million, or 5.1% decrease from the Adopted FY 2019/20 Budget of \$110 million. "The Town's budget this year is very conservative, and based on guidance from the Council, the Town will wait to move forward on large-scale projects until we have a better picture of the economic impacts of COVID-19 on Town revenues," said Town Manager Mary Jacobs. "This year's budget process was challenging due to the pandemic. Our staff did a phenomenal job of responding to the financial impacts of COVID-19, and because of their effortsexpenditure cutbacks, hiring and travel freezes-the Town is in solid financial shape and can continue to provide quality service to Oro Valley residents."

The Adopted FY 2020/21 Budget document has been posted to the Town's website, and for those not particularly interested in reading a massive budget document, it's still important for every resident to know what's in the budget. That's why we've also published a simple, two-page summary entitled, "Know Your Town's Budget." A quick review of this document will provide an overview of the Town's key revenues and expenditures, as well as a closer look at the services provided to the community, such as public safety, roads and road maintenance, and parks and recreation. Be sure to check the Town's website!

Naranja Park solar panel shaded parking project is complete!

Tucson Electric Power and the Town of Oro Valley recently held a virtual ribbon cutting to celebrate the completion of the solar panel shaded parking project at Naranja Park. TEP's President and COO, Susan Gray, along with Mayor Winfield and councilmembers Joyce Jones-Ivey, Rhonda Piña and Bill Rodman collaborated on the virtual event. The project was designed, built and will be maintained by TEP at no cost to the Town. The structures will provide muchneeded shade at Naranja Park while also generating enough solar energy to power about 50 local homes. New LED lighting under the structures will also brighten up the parking spaces to improve function and security. Thanks TEP!



Meetings and events



As this newsletter went to press, the Town of Oro Valley was still conducting its public meetings online, with various opportunities for public input via email, phone and video conferencing. Please check the Town's website at OroValleyAZ.gov to learn about upcoming meetings.

Census 2020: Oro Valley is #1 in Arizona!

You've done it again, Oro Valley! The results are in, and it's official: Oro Valley had the highest Census self-response rate in the entire state of Arizona, with more than 75% of residents filling out their 2020 Census! In fact, we even beat our record in 2010! Thank you for being such a civically engaged community and for recognizing the importance of an accurate count in Oro Valley.

COVID-19 reminders

MASK UP. SAFER AT HOME. **BE RESPONSIBLE.**

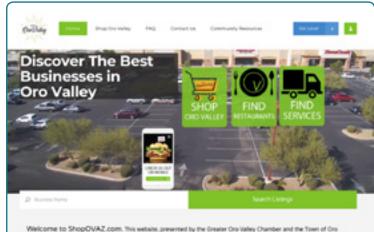
As COVID-19 continues to be a concern in Arizona, please remember you are safer at home, and if you do go out: Mask up, OV! Information changes too quickly for a monthly printed newsletter, so the best way to make sure you and your family have the latest information on how COVID-19 is impacting Town services and facilities is to follow us on social media or visit the Town's website at www.orovalleyaz.gov. And as always, be sure you are staying informed on the latest updates from the Pima County Health Department by visiting www.pima.gov/covid19. There is still a long road ahead in the fight against COVID-19, so take good care of each other, Oro Valley. Maintain those practices that will keep yourself and others safe, including social distancing, hand washing, wearing a face covering and staying home if you are sick.

Election 2020

As this newsletter went to press, the Pima County Elections Department was still counting early and provisional ballots and had not yet released official results for the August 4, 2020 Primary Election. So that means we will have to wait until next month's Vista to congratulate the successful candidates vying for three seats on Oro Valley Town Council. Proposition 480 appears to have passed with 65% approval. In the meantime, thank you for voting, Oro Valley!

Shop Oro Valley!

Even during these challenging times, several new businesses have opened in Oro Valley over the past few months. Be sure to welcome these new businesses and please continue to support ALL Oro Valley businesses. Shopping locally is a reinvestment in your quality of life! And don't forget to visit www.ShopOVAZ.com, a new website set up by our friends at the Oro Valley Chamber of Commerce.



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Town of Oro Valley **Oro Valley Police** NEXTDOOR Department

NOW OPEN:

- Avant Dermatology & Aesthetics; 8580 N. Oracle Road, Suite 140
- El Conquistador Spa; 10000 N. Oracle Road
- Lewis + Ivey Salon; 1880 E. Tangerine Road, Suite 160
- Oro Valley Medicine; 1171 E. Rancho Vistoso Blvd., Suite 143
- Sonoran Ear Nose Throat Audiology; 2506 E. Vistoso Commerce Loop, Suite180
- University of Arizona College of Veterinary Medicine; 1580 E. Hanley Blvd.
- Your CBD Store; 10580 N. La Cañada Dr., Suite 170
- Purelit Studios, LLC*; 7315 N. Oracle Road, Suite 11
- Spenga Fitness*; 7621 N. Oracle Road, Suite 150

*As this newsletter went to press, the Governor's Executive Order closing gyms and fitness facilities was still in place, so Purelit Studios, LLC and Spenga Fitness aren't yet able to open their doors to the public, but they will be ready to welcome you as soon as the Governor's order is lifted!

COMING SOON:

• Artistic Studios: 11061 N. Oracle Rd.