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Studies delay 4 remaining planned ICE centers

Feds awaiting OK for projects in Surprise, other cities

By Jason Stone
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The planned ICE detention center in Surprise is not the only one across the country that environmental studies have delayed.

Two in Texas and one in Maryland are still on track to open sometime this or next year after the studies have been completed.

The remodeling of the warehouse in Surprise will not even start until that is done. Work on the 418,400-square-foot industrial warehouse — one slated to be a high-speed deportation hub — stopped earlier this month thanks largely to a lawsuit state Attorney General Kris Mayes brought to block the conversion on environmental grounds in April.

The assessment will determine whether the facility would be able to

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Parks need to find place in Surprise



Recreation master plan to determine future needs

By Jason Stone
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Surprise is desperate for more park and recreation space, which is a secret to nobody.

But to get to where the city needs to be in

providing residents with those spaces, it may take a voter-approved bond to make it happen, city officials said.

Surprise is dusting off some of its old master plans and giving them a revision for the 2020s, including the Parks and Recreation

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Surprise's growing population has brought out a demand for more park space for city recreation programing. (Courtesy city of Surprise)

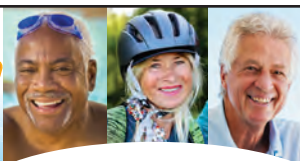


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ICE

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house up to 1,500 detainees of immigration violations.

Immigration watchdog, the American Immigration Council, reported that ICE currently holds between 68,000 to 73,000 people in custody nationwide every day. Its figures show 29.2% of current detainees have criminal convictions.

Trac Immigration, which monitors the numbers of detainees at detention centers across the country, show 1,330 people were in custody in ear-

ly April at the Eloy Federal Contract Facility. Another 518 people were in custody at the Florence Correctional Center.

The delay in the Surprise facility comes after the New York Times reported last month that the Department of Homeland Security planned to sell seven of the 11 warehouses it purchased earlier this year as it changes some direction for its ICE enforcement under DHS Secretary Markwayne Mullin. The Associated Press reported the 11 warehouses cost the government a total of \$1.074

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William Coniam, Dawn Densmore and Lisa Everett are vying for two spots on the Dysart Unified School District Governing Board. Densmore has been in the position since 2018, while the other two are seeking their first terms on the school board. (Submitted photos)

Trio vying for 2 DUSD board seats

Densmore seeking reelection, while 2 others jump into race

By Delarita Ford
 INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Three candidates filed by the July 6 deadline to be contenders for two seats on the five-member Dysart Unified School District Governing Board.

All familiar faces in the local political arena, the candidates are vying for the seats currently occupied by Jennifer Drake, whose term ends next year, and Dawn Densmore, who was elected to serve two terms from 2018-2027.

According to the Maricopa County Elections and District Data Dashboard, the following candidates are pursuing the two vacancies for the four-year board member terms:

- William Coniam filed on June 26 with 510 signatures. The U.S. Marine Corps veteran and father of two children

who attend Dysart schools has lived in Surprise for 17 years. He is serving his third appointed term on the Surprise Board of Trustees.

Reappointed by a unanimous city council vote in 2022, he has served as board chair for the past two years. Coniam had an unsuccessful run on for the school board in 2022 and as a write-in candidate in 2024.

- Densmore turned in 475 signatures on July 6. Noted to receive just as much accolades as criticism during her terms, Densmore received the Arizona School Board Member of the Year award from the Arizona Coalition of School Board Members Excellence in Education Awards in 2021.

Densmore's initial campaign for school board was in 2018 as a successful write-in candidate, and she was re-elected in 2022.

- Lisa Everett filed on July 6, with

DUSD GOVERNING BOARD CANDIDATES

- William Coniam**
- *Dawn Densmore**
- Lisa Everett**
- *incumbent**

510 signatures.

A community activist, she is the former Legislative District 29 Chair. She is a grandmother who said she is interested in supporting the Dysart community, impacting students and faculty.

The general election will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

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From left, Nick Haney, Jack Hastings and Chris Judd are running unopposed in this month's primary election despite controversial issues in Surprise. (File photos)

Surprise draws protestors but no candidates

Incumbents unopposed despite year of controversy

By Noah Flug

INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Three incumbent Surprise city councilmembers seeking reelection this year appear on the July 21 ballot without opposition, despite a year marked by public debate over issues including a proposed U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention facility and Project Baccara, a proposed data center.

Councilmembers Nick Haney, Jack Hastings and Chris Judd are each running unopposed for new terms representing Districts 1, 5 and 6, respectively.

In District 6, Carrie Deakin is running as an official write-in candidate

but does not appear on the ballot. All other write-in votes will not count.

Those are the only council seats on the 2026 ballot for those districts.

"I'm grateful that Surprise residents support the job we're doing," Hastings said. "I'm proud of the work we've accomplished over the last five years. We've cut property taxes twice, hired more than 100 police officers and firefighters and created over 5,400 jobs for Surprise residents."

Hastings said he was surprised no challengers entered any of the races after a year of contention.

"I thought the variety of issues we've faced in the last year might motivate someone to run," he said. "At the same time, I think Surprise residents understand which issues we

have control over and which ones we don't."

Hastings said he believes the lack of opposition reflects satisfaction with the council's direction, but he said other factors could have discouraged potential candidates as well.

"There have been election cycles in the past where almost everyone faced a challenger," he said. "I do think current events have discouraged residents from running, or even from coming to meetings."

Hastings also encouraged residents to remain engaged with local government despite the uncontested races.

"I want them to know that I welcome their involvement," he said. "I work for them, and the more I know about what's important to them, the better I can do my job."

Haney and Judd did not respond to requests for comment.

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Jack Hastings

Surprise city councilmember

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Leaders misled public about ICE meeting with senators

On June 29, Sen. Ruben Gallego, his staff and Sen. Mark Kelly's staff met with me and other former Dysart High Student Council members at the warehouse proposed for a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention center.

They wanted to hear about safety concerns and fears students have with it opening near our schools.

I've been communicating with both senators' offices since March because Surprise and the school district are unprepared for the problems this will bring to students. We were extremely grateful they took our concerns seriously enough to meet with us before talking to the Surprise mayor and city council.

What happened next is exactly why young people don't trust politicians. I believe the way Mayor Kevin Sartor presented this meeting to the public is very misleading.

He posted a photo and caption that made it look like this was a meeting with just him, Sen. Gallego and Sen. Kelly's staff. You would never know the entire City Council was also in the room. Vice Mayor Earle Greenberg, Chris Judd, Jack Hastings, Johnny Melton, Patrick Duffy and Nick Haney were all there.

None of the councilmembers posted about the meeting. Neither did Surprise's official page. It's like they don't want residents to know this meeting ever happened.

Why? Why did the mayor exclude any mention of the city council? Why didn't any of the council members or the city post about this meeting? We deserve the truth from them.

A sitting U.S. senator and his congressional staff didn't travel here

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just to talk to Mayor Sartor about the "opportunities facing Surprise."

We have a right to know who was in this meeting, what the purpose was and what was discussed. Right now, it looks like the city is being dishonest and hiding something from the community.

Cali Overs
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Reader shares perspective on city's meeting with senators

I read Cali Overs' recent letter regarding her meeting with U.S. Sens. Mark Kelly and Ruben Gallego. In it, she questioned the Surprise mayor and City Council's meetings with our federal representatives. I'd like to offer some perspective.

The city of Surprise has long maintained regular communication with the elected officials who represent our community. Those meetings cover a wide range of issues that affect our residents, and they are a normal part of governing. Public officials are not obligated to announce or publicize every meeting they hold or every conversation they have.

I know she likes to post about everything she does but serious people do not. Much of the important work of government happens quietly, through collaboration and ongoing

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Speak Up

From Nextdoor & Facebook

Here are some comments about stories happening in Surprise:

ICE facility delayed amid new environmental study request

"Most people arrested are not criminals and their cruel and inhuman treatment is not American." — **Deborah M.**

"If they are here illegally, then they have committed a federal crime." — **Mike B.**

"DHS does not say that it does not detain any illegal alien, other than violent felons. When law enforcement targets, drunk drivers, many other violators of the law, including felons, are apprehended." — **Chuck J.**

"As per DHS website. 47% have been convicted of a crime. However, 60% have charges pending." — **Jake C.**

"It matters who you vote for." — **Chas M.**

City council write-in hopeful fighting against data center

"We need some women on that council. Let's go!" — **Kayla B.**

"I just mailed in my vote for Chris Judd." — **Bridget M.**

"The real question is she qualified. Who are you? What do you bring to the table? I hope it's not just because you're a woman. It's so much deeper than that" — **Bruce R.**

"I guess she is one of the few people who wants to be involved in local government against the AI data center." — **Jonathan K.**

How to cast your vote in the primary election in Surprise

"Don't worry fellow Republicans: we've made it easier than ever to recall a Democrat, claim the election was stolen and introduce laws that make it easier to throw out votes." — **Michael P.**

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Police teach residents about 911 procedures

Asante Library in Surprise hosts emergency dispatchers

By Delarita Ford
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Knowing when to dial 911 is as important as knowing when not to call the number. So the Surprise Police Department dispatched its emergency operators to the Asante Library to educate people on the three-digit resource.

Families had an opportunity to ask questions and learn when to call 911 during the first Donuts with Dispatch on June 27 at 16755 W. Vereda Solana Drive. All ages were welcome to refreshments, informational material and other giveaways.

Dispatchers from the SPD Communications Section shared how they help handle a crisis over the phone.

"You're talking to people on the worst day of their lives," said Dave Wood, SPD dispatcher supervisor, who has worked in dispatch for about 18 years.

Adding how dispatchers try to calmly help people through their situations, Wood and a fellow supervisor, Steve Turchin, explained how 911 works from the time calls for service are received to triaging situations and determining what emergency personnel

to dispatch for the varying incidents.

They detailed how calls for service arrive in the phone system, then tracked as they appear on screen as locations populate on a map.

"When you call 911 from your cell phone, it shows me where you are," Wood told the children, reminding them to be prepared to answer questions and follow instructions from dispatchers while remaining calm so they can help during emergencies.

The dispatch supervisors spoke of the importance of callers providing their names and phone numbers when contacting dispatch to explain the emergency.

"Don't hang up because they may think you're in danger. I think it's worse if you make a prank call and we're busy with you and somebody could need help more who is in danger," Wood added.

Examples of emergencies that require calling 911 include shootings, domestic violence, burglary, theft, disorderly conduct, fights, medical concerns such as if someone has a heart attack, breathing problems and sudden or severe illnesses.

"People don't understand when to call the cops," said Turchin, who has worked for dispatch for about 20 years.

He said people often confuse a po-



Dispatcher Supervisor Steve Turchin shows a display of the 911 process. (Independent Newsmedia/Delarita Ford)

lice matter with finding a solution to solving problems as part of knowing how to "be adults and figure out situations." Many times people use the police to intervene in situations that do not require emergency dispatch.

People are advised to call the non-emergency line at 623-222-4000, extension No. 4, for non-emergency situations including a noise disturbance, utility outages, a barking dog.

Meanwhile, before they began their careers in dispatch, Wood and Turchin wanted to be police officers, but decided to use their talents for helping peo-

ple by phone as the first voices heard in times of need.

"I enjoy the job and enjoy the people who are working with me. You don't do the job for the money, it's a higher calling," said Turchin, adding the communications center is staffed with 13 people, most of whom have nearly 25 years of experience, and enjoy the job despite the high stress involved with the unpredictability of each call.

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Class of 2026 athletes head to campus

INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The following West Valley area high school seniors have signed a letter of intent or made a verbal commitment to the following college programs.

Athletic directors, students and parents are invited to email rsmith@iniu-sa.org with updates and pictures of student athletes signing from ALA-West Foothills, Cactus, Canyon View, Centennial, Deer Valley, Desert Edge, Dysart, Estrella Foothills, Glendale Prep, Ironwood, Kellis, Liberty, Millennium, Mountain Ridge, Northwest Christian, O'Connor, Paradise Honors, Peoria, Shadow Ridge, Sunrise Mountain, Valley Vista and Willow Canyon high schools.

Also, email Richard Smith if any athlete is listed incorrectly or has changed the school he/she signed with. Or send updates or corrections to Smith via X. His handle is @RsmithYWV.

FOOTBALL

Player	Pos.	High School	College
Aiden Anaya (S.D.)	TE	ALA-West Foothills	Black Hills State
Treydon Baker School of the Mines	TE	Canyon View	South Dakota
Tyler Burnstein	DE	Liberty	Iowa State
Michael Callejas	WR	Canyon View	Arizona Christian
Carson Callister (S.D.)	S	ALA-West Foothills	Black Hills State
Brandon Catalan co	WR	Canyon View	Western New Mexi-
Mikey Cruz	RB	Shadow Ridge	Fort Lewis (Colo.)
Travion Dixon	WR	Desert Edge	Adams State (Colo.)
Clayton Foster	C	Canyon View	Thomas More (Ky.)
Kris Gleason	CB	Millennium	Dakota State
Brady Grizzell the Mines	DB	Canyon View	Colorado School of
Camren Hamiel	DB	Desert Edge	Texas A&M
Damir Illicic	QB	Valley Vista	Lake Forest (Ill.)
Jordan Jamison	DE	Valley Vista	Butte (Mont.)

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Willow Canyon senior swimmer Greg Virga points to where Saint Michaels College is on the map of the United States after signing to swim for the school in December 2025. The school is in Colchester, Vermont and Virga will start swimming for the college in the fall. (Courtesy Willow Canyon High School Facebook)

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billion.

Those locations where planned facilities will be sold are in Salt Lake City; Romulus, Michigan; Social Circle, Georgia; Flowery Branch, Georgia; Hamburg, Pennsylvania; Tremont, Pennsylvania and Roxbury, New Jersey.

The Salt Lake City facility was planned as a “mega” detention center that could house up to 10,000 people.

Romulus pushed legal means to try to block the facility before DHS reversed course with its plans to sell a commercial warehouse it bought there.

In Social Circle, residents and officials reportedly blocked warehouse conversions and cut off water supplies to the proposed facilities.

Earlier this year, Seattle banned new detention centers within the city limits, while Kansas City, Missouri, implemented a five-year ban on non-municipal detention centers.

South Fulton, Georgia, a suburb of Atlanta, updated its zoning codes to specifically ban ICE facilities.

Some cities have become “ICE-Free Zones,” meaning federal agents are banned from using city-owned property such as parks and hospitals for immigration arrests. Chicago, Minneapolis and San Francisco are among the cities with such a designation.

There are no Arizona cities to pass a similar designation, however.

Despite the Rinchem chemical plant nearby, Surprise’s government has not given much official pushback to the project, and it remains one of the four still planned to go forward. Here is a look at where the other planned three ICE detention centers

stand:

Williamsport, Maryland

Like the Surprise facility, work on the one planned for a suburb of Hagerstown — about an hour and a half drive northwest of Washington, D.C. — has been stopped on environmental grounds.

A federal preliminary injunction issued in April blocked construction to the 825,000-square-foot facility, which DHS bought for \$102 million.

So far, only basic property maintenance has been allowed, something that has not appeared to have started in Surprise.

State leaders in Maryland are still putting pressure on federal officials to add Williamsport to the list of facilities going up for sale.

San Antonio

Plans for the proposed ICE facility in San Antonio are still alive but still faces a big local backlash like the one felt in Surprise. Like Surprise and Maryland, the project has been placed on a temporary hold while an environmental impact assessment is conducted. Those delays have pushed its opening back until next spring at the earliest.

Socorro, Texas

A detention center is still planned for this El Paso suburb but in a drastically different from its original incarnation.

Instead of becoming a “mega-jail” to host up to 8,500 detainees, three warehouses are not planned to be converted into an administrative campus with training facilities, federal offices and conference rooms.

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Department's master plan, which was last completed in 2015.

It is its first update since voters approved the 2040 general plan last year. The Public Safety master plan is also undergoing current review as an exploding city in population tries to keep up with services.

A study the city commissioned found that the city is need of more picnic areas and playgrounds, additional amenities like pickleball courts, a connected walking and biking path, indoor recreation opportunities and more places with shade, seating and trees.

Through 2045, a consultant found Surprise will need a variety

of parks: regional, specialty and community. It will need more recreation and fitness centers, additional multi-purpose rooms, an increased number of multi-use courts and programmable recreation facilities that are indoors.

Parks and Recreation Director Holly Osborn told the city council in June the department is focused on creating a regional park and securing other land for recreation opportunities.

"We're trying to make sure that we put in things that we know that the community wants because we all know that it would probably take bond funding to get something like this done," Osborn said.

City Manager Andrea Davis said the city will talk about parks funding at next year's budget retreat for

"This is very much quality of life and a need."

Chris Judd

Surprise city councilmember



The Fields at Countryside across the street from Valley Vista High School is the city's most recent addition to its parks portfolio. (Courtesy city of Surprise)

fiscal year 2028.

Surprise now has access to 3,500 acres of open space, much of which is coming from an agreement with the Maricopa County Flood Con-

trol District for use of McMicken Dam land.

"Those 3,500 acres came from

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zero, and we accomplished that in the last year,” Osborn told the council. “That is a huge undertaking.”

The city said it will also need access to 34 miles of regional paths by 2045 as well as 45 miles of natural surface trails, mostly in the McMicken Dam area and wash corridors.

And based on the current level of service, another 567 acres of developed parkland will be needed over the next 20 years.

The consultants also found several current amenities are underserved in Surprise and will only get worse as the population grows unless the city plans now.

Surprise currently has 14 playgrounds, but the study said the city

needs 39.

The city has 10 soccer or multi-use fields but needs 25.

And the city needs four recreation centers but currently does not have any.

The city is only ahead in the number of tennis courts that it offers. Because of the Surprise Tennis and Racquet Center, Surprise has 25 tennis courts, which is greater than the 16 suggested for its size.

But for another growing racquet sport, pickleball, Surprise is falling short outside of the Surprise Pickleball Courts in City Center.

“I think it might be here to stay,” Councilmember Jack Hastings said the June 16 city council meeting about pickleball’s popularity. “At first, I think I was guilty of thinking that it maybe a trend, it would come and go. But it does seem like it’s really picked up.”



Open space trails are among the wants for the Surprise Parks and Recreation Department’s master plan. (Courtesy city of Surprise)

Surprise’s current parks inventory includes four that are up to 100 acres. Those are Dick McComb, Marley/Heritage, Asante and Surprise Community.

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Rescue Oasis and Bicentennial parks are four neighborhood parks, which are those between five and 25 acres.

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Surprise manages four specialty parks — Fields At Countryside, Dream Catcher Park, Mark Coronado Park and the Youth Baseball Complex.

And the city currently operates five pocket parks, which are those that are five acres or less. Those are Johnson Townhome, Section 10, Stonebrook, Three Star and Gaines Park.

Last summer's opening of a third pool, the Oasis Swim Center, eliminated a major problem at the pools.

Osborn said the city had a wait list of more than 3,000 people for swim programming at the Aquatic Center and Hollyhock pools.

That all changed when the Oasis Swim Center opened last summer. "We were maxed out of capaci-

ty," Osborn said. "Once we opened that pool, that wait list had gone."

More than 15,000 kids participate in Surprise's recreation programs overall.

Osborn told the council the needed improvements are a quality-of-life issue.

"I think parks are definitely a need," Councilmember Chris Judd told Osborn.

"The reason I think they're a need is because team sports are the first introduction that our youth get to leadership and professional skills. And so running them through the programs that you do really does give a great start off on life, and interacting with each other, problem solving, practicing and all those."

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That's the whole story. This is a real win. It is proof that when residents do the research, show up and refuse to go away, the federal government has to answer for what it's doing in our backyard, even if the mayor and City Council of Surprise won't.

Surprise deserves leadership willing to say plainly and on the record what many of us know to be true, that they don't want this facility in their city. But instead, they sit in silence, staring blankly at residents who plead for their help during City Council meetings.

This is not the end of the fight. DHS can still do security and construction work at the site while this review plays out, and nothing in this agreement guarantees that the facility never opens.

The environmental review DHS now has to complete is exactly where

the next fight will happen, and this community must keep watching.

Brent Peak
PHOENIX

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Is Surprise a good place to live? Peoria resident says 'no'

Surprise may well be ranked good, safe, clean, entertaining, etc. — but with three humongous, tall smokestacks projecting into the sky and toxic ejections from the gigantic so-called data center, the gas-generating behemoth will negate any assets the city has on the livability ledger.

Add to that the ICE detention center and the already for-no-good-reason toxic-chemical storage — both within spitting distance of the

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high school — and the liability ledger also leaps to the top in big, bold letters: Surprise is no place to live!

As to the complaint that those whose ZIP codes are not in Surprise, guess what? The toxic plumes and the devastating criminal actions of so-called federal agents will affect everyone within a 100-mile radius.

So, yes, we are stakeholders and, yes, we will continue to be heard and, yes, the people of Surprise should get their petitions of recall out there and rid themselves of this city council.

P.S.: I made sure the executive office of the Cactus League knows what danger lurks in Surprise.

Ruthee Goldkorn
PEORIA

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Reader agrees ICE facility will be a 'concentration camp'

In response to Skip Porter's letter, "Why I'm no longer spending money in Surprise:" "Concentration camp" is the right phrase for the Surprise ICE detention center.

Us kids asked my step-grandfather, who got out of Eastern Europe before World War II, why the Jews did nothing when the Nazis were building "detention centers."

He said the Jews thought the Nazi detention centers were being built for somebody else.

I think people should think about who may be the next Surprise detention center residents.

Scott Mitzner
SUN CITY WEST

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Does ICE facility warrant ending Surprise cityhood?

I just read an article that revealed the next in a long line of absurd stunts aimed at Arizona by leftists. Do they actually think that their ongoing tantrum against the much-needed ICE detention facility here justifies decertifying Surprise as a city?

Who in the heck do these people think they are? If they can coerce 70,000 others who are gullible and easily deceived to agree with their ballot measure, then the safe, clean, pleasant and attractive well-run city of Surprise will lose the first-rate services we now enjoy and we'll end up battling Maricopa County for fractions of those same services.

Very easy to understand that we will pay more and get less. All of this because a tiny sliver of rabble-rousers and their hangers-on don't like the idea of illegals and violent criminals, all with extensive criminal records, being taken out of circulation in order to safeguard the rest of us. I'd be surprised if any of them even live in Surprise.

Seems to be a recurring theme, with Democrats focused on battling against safety and the rule of law by coddling criminals, fighting against police, enacting sanctuary cities and of late, violent riots against ICE agents doing their jobs to protect all of us from violent criminals.

If supporters of this nonsense want to make idols out of these criminals, let me suggest they put their money where their mouths are and sponsor some of them into their own homes for a few months.

Especially the MS-13 and Tren de Aragua types that have been unleashed on the rest of us. Can't wait to see the results.

Dave Frank
SURPRISE

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Hayden Overholts	OT	Shadow Ridge	Fort Lewis (Colo.)
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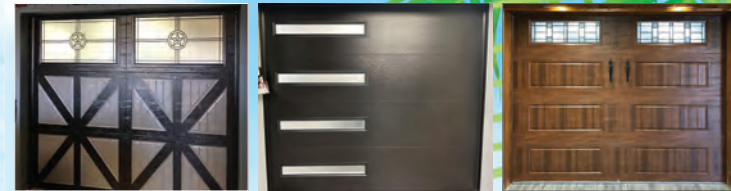
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Lilia Ford	L	Shadow Ridge	Phoenix College
Marianne Garcia	L	Millennium	Middle Tennessee
St. Essence Gilmer	OH	Millennium	Southwest Baptist
(Mo.) Bryn Godwin	S	ALA-West Foothills	South Mountain
CC Anesa Jacobo	OH	Shadow Ridge	Phoenix College
Ashlynn Persha	S	Paradise Honors	Colorado Mesa
Sadie Snyder	OH	Estrella Foothills	Boise State
Molly Whalen	OH	Canyon View	Colorado Mesa

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Player	Pos.	High School	College
Nate Blackledge	L	Valley Vista	OUAZ
Chase Boyer	RS	Shadow Ridge	Park (Gilbert)
Linkin Hall	RS	ALA-West Foothills	Southern Virginia
Wyatt Hoffman	OH	ALA-West Foothills	Curry College
(Mass.) Alex Rivers	S	Shadow Ridge	OUAZ

BASEBALL

Player	Pos.	High School	College
Nick Groat	C	Valley Vista	Grace Christian
Kael Leon	2B	Shadow Ridge	Yavapai College
Daniel Martinez	3B	Canyon View	Yavapai College
Eli McBryde	C	Canyon View	Central Arizona
Nathan Paxman	P	Shadow Ridge	Paradise Valley CC
Nate Pearson	P	Shadow Ridge	Paradise Valley CC
Colton Planeta	3B	Shadow Ridge	N. Mexico High-
lands			

SOFTBALL

Player	Pos.	High School	College
Hope Beauregard	C	Millennium	Glendale CC
Rylen Buchberger	SS	Canyon View	Manhattan
Mia Carrillo	C	Shadow Ridge	Paradise Valley CC
Carmen Casillas	1B	Millennium	Briar Cliff (Iowa)
Brooke Downs	UT	Canyon View	Western New Mexi-
co Savannah Farmer	C	Dysart	Paradise Valley CC
Madilyn Gentner	UT	Shadow Ridge	Southern Virginia
Ta'Miyah Hall	SS	Shadow Ridge	Arlington Baptist
Sedona Hernandez	C	Canyon View	Baker (Kansas)

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BRIEFS

3 Surprise commissions need volunteers to serve

The city of Surprise has vacancies for three city committees and commissions — and it needs residents to volunteer to fill them.

Applications are now open for positions on the Audit Committee, Board of Trustees and the Judicial Selection Advisory Commission.

The two-year term on the Audit Committee is open to those who have experience in financial reporting, accounting, auditing or a related field. The Board of Trustees slot is a four-year term through June 30, 2030. Those applicants should have expertise in the field of finance, insurance, employment benefits or health care.

The Judicial Selection Advisory Commission position has the same term.

Volunteering to serve on a board or commission is only open to Surprise residents at surpriseaz.gov/Boards. Contact the City Clerk's office at clerk@surpriseaz.gov, or 623-222-1200.

On Deck program returns for aspiring firefighters

The next Surprise Fire-Medical Department On Deck program session is set for 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 16, at Fire Station 308, 13771 W. Cactus Road.

The On Deck Program is a monthly meeting offering aspiring firefighters ages 18 and older the chance to meet, interact and even train with fire members. Advanced registration is encouraged so staff can plan for attendance levels and have a participation waiver on file.

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Avery Mackey	P	Shadow Ridge	Arlington Baptist
Meghan Stroh	3B	Paradise Honors	Phoenix College
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Ellie Fantasia	GK	Shadow Ridge	Buena Vista (Iowa)

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Austin Hargreaves	Paradise Honors	Freestyle	Seton Hall
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City planning and zoning commissioners to meet

The Surprise Planning and Zoning Commission is meeting next at 6 p.m. Thursday, July 16 at City Hall, 16000 N. Civic Center Plaza.

The commission typically meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month.

The meetings are carried live on Surprise TV as well as streamed at surprisetv.surpriseaz.gov.

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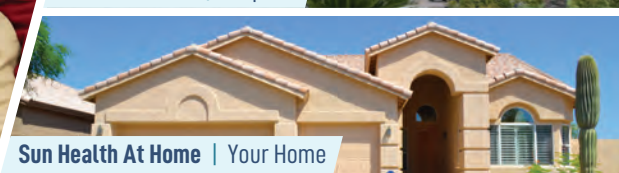
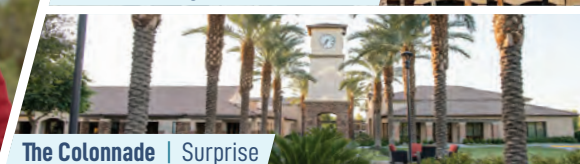
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Applicant: Kimberly Euers; (480) 403-7707; keuers@yesco.com

City of Surprise: Leslie Carnie; 623-222-3153; leslie.carnie@surpriseaz.gov

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING DETAILS

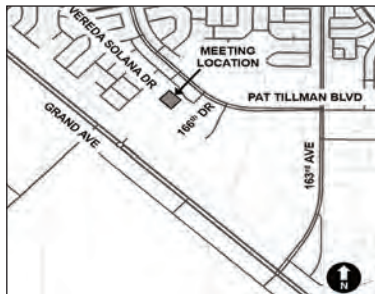
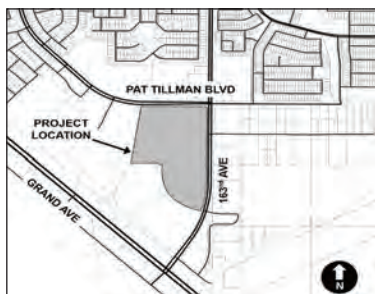
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TIME: 6:00 PM

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MEETING LOCATION**PROJECT LOCATION****PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

A Comprehensive Sign Program Amendment to revise signage development standards in the Asante Trails Comprehensive Sign Program on a site generally located on the southwest corner of Pat Tillman Blvd. and 163rd Ave. Surprise Planning Case FS25-1042.

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14165 W. White Rock Rd.,
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L-Trial Ridge, L- White Rock Dr

SUNDAY, JULY 19TH
10:00AM-NOON

12635 W. Eveningside Dr.,
SUN CITY WEST

Dir: Bell Rd./RH Johnson, Dr. N-RHJ, R-128th,
R-Sunglow Dr. which becomes Eveningside Dr.

TUESDAY, JULY 21ST
9:30AM-NOON

22202 N. Cochise Ln.,
SUN CITY WEST

Dir: Bell Rd./RH Johnson, Dr. N-RHJ, R-Meeker., L-135th, L-Deer Valley
Rd., L-Tom Ryan, R-Via Manana, L-Las Brisas, R-Pecos, L-Cochise Ln.

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12635 W. Eveningside Dr , SUN CITY WEST
MLS# 7040339

Dir: Bell Rd./RH Johnson, Dr. N-RHJ, R-128th, R-Sunglow Dr. which becomes Eveningside Dr.
Fabulous panoramic view of Stardust GC's 4th & 5th fair-
ways & greens. Home has 2599 sq. ft., 3 large bedrooms
(split), 2 updated bathrooms, golf cart garage plus an add-
ed 175 Sq. ft. art/crafts studio or office. This home is truly
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15357 W. Black Gold Ln., SUN CITY WEST
MLS# 7002574

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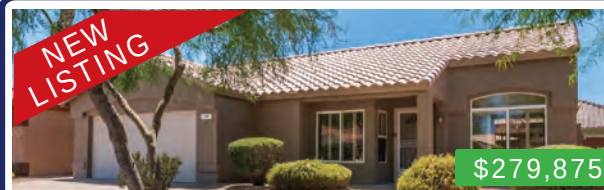
Highly sought after Prescott model. Home has 1872 sq.
ft., 2 bedroom, 2 bath, den & great room floor plan. Home
is located just a block & half from SCW's Desert Trails
GC pro shop. Don't Wait! Call Today to View!



15208 W. Las Brisas Ln., SUN CITY WEST
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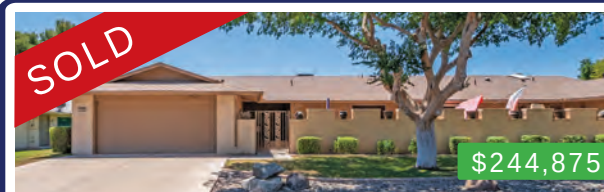
Popular La Paz model located in the Palm Ridge Rec. Cntr. area of
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2026. Neighborhood HOA allows pets & rentals. Call today to view!



14165 W. White Rock Rd., SUN CITY WEST
MLS# 7010367

Dir: Bell Rd./RH Johnson, Dr. N-RHJ, L-Trial Ridge, L- White Rock Dr

Highly desired Aspen model duplex located in the Grandview GC
area of Sun City West. Home has 1866 sq. ft., 2 bedroom, 2 bath
& an office/craft room. New interior paint 2026 & HVAC 2025. HOA
allows pets & rentals. Being sold furnished. Call today to view!



12727 W. Copperstone Dr., SUN CITY WEST
MLS# 7024624

Dir: Bell Rd./RH Johnson, Dr. N-RHJ, R-128th, R-Copperstone Dr.

Expanded duplex has 1697 sq. ft., 2 bedrooms, 2 baths
plus a 19' X 9' glass enclosed AZ room/lanai. This home has
been a successful seasonal rental & is being sold furnished.
Neighborhood HOA also allows pets. Home is located close
to SCW's Pebblebrook GC pro shop. Call today to view!

