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Fountain Hills Council gives no direction toward Sharia law ban



Majority lean on state law

By Andrew Lwowski
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Throughout the discussion which featured the gavel of Mayor Gerry Friedel to subdue reactions from those in attendance and con-

tested discourse between members of the Fountain Hills Town Council, the majority ruled no direction on regulations on Sharia law.

The Oct. 20 meeting drew town residents and nonresidents as well as those from the

Councilman Allen Skillicorn requested an ordinance prohibiting Sharia law during a September meeting, though later clarifying he wants a resolution codifying state and federal law. (Independent Newsmedia/Andrew Lwowski)

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Extended Hands, chamber team up for turkey drive

By Connor Van Ligten
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The Fountain Hills Chamber of Commerce and Extended Hands Food Bank are teaming up for a Thanksgiving turkey drive.

The annual Parade of Thanksgiving at Extended Hands runs from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Nov. 3, 16939 E. Colony Drive, according to the chamber.

The donation parade sees local businesses and residents donating turkeys to EHFB to be given to neighbors in need.

"We donate approximately 400 turkeys a year through the parade of Thanksgiving," chamber CEO and President Betsy LaVoie said. "Business, whether they're chamber members or not, are invited to participate and join us on the first Tuesday

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Phoenix is vying to be a part of that route.

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Arizona cities named among nation's safest for new homeowners

For people shopping for a home in Arizona, safety is often part of the calculation before the moving truck ever arrives. A new national analysis suggests buyers in several Arizona communities have plenty of reason to feel confident.

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Groups creating safeguards as early voting begins

With early voting underway across Arizona, local and national civic organizations are ramping up efforts to empower voters and address concerns about election security and voter intimidation.

One Arizona, a coalition of 24 community-based organizations, is leading statewide initiatives focused on civic engagement, non-partisan voter education, and voter protection.

One Arizona partners with Election Protection Arizona — a nonpartisan initiative offering trained volunteers and legal hotlines to support voters encountering obstacles.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

The town's new online portal provides better transparency for residents and law enforcement. (Independent Newsmedia file photo)

Town launches short-term rental portal**Displays all rentals, information**

Following the Fountain Hills Town Council's adoption of new short-term rental ordinances, a new online portal has launched showing every rental property active within town limits.

The portal is meant to provide residents more clarity and transparency in the process.

Details provide the permit holder and emergency contact information for every STR, according to a town release.

In doing so, this helps give resi-

dents and neighbors as well as law enforcement quick access to information they may need.

"Residents deserve to know who to contact when a concern comes up at a short-term rental in their neighborhood," said Chief Financial Officer Paul Soldinger. "This dashboard puts that information in one place, available any time, so neighbors and first responders can reach the right person quickly. It's one more way we're making town information easy for our community to access."

For more information, or for the portal, visit FountainHillsaz.gov.

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Hit-and-runs reported to Fountain Hills Sheriff's Office

The Maricopa County Sheriff's Office District 7 substation based in Fountain Hills reports deputies responded to the following incidents during the time of Oct. 15-19.

Thursday, Oct. 15

*Deputies responded to the 15000 E. Chicory Drive where it was reported an unknown subject stole checks from the mail and fraudulently cashed them.

*Deputies responded to the 16000 block of E. Palisades Blvd. where it was reported a private property hit-and-run vehicle collision occurred after a driver backed into an unoccupied parked vehicle in the parking lot of a business then left the area with-

out exchanging information or reporting the incident. No injuries were reported, no vehicles were towed.

*Deputies responded to the 16000 block of E. Palisades Blvd. where it was reported an unknown subject, posing as a vendor as part of a fraudulent scheme, defrauded a business victim out of approximately \$2,500.

*Deputies responded to Salida Drive and Rand Drive where it was reported a vehicle collision occurred after a driver was distracted by their phone and struck an unoccupied vehicle parked on the street. No injuries were reported, no vehicles were towed.

*Deputies responded to Desert Vista Drive and Saguaro Boulevard

where it was reported a driver was stopped for criminal speed (56 in a 35). The driver was issued a criminal citation.

*Deputies responded to Saguaro Boulevard and Malta Drive. A driver was stopped for criminal speed (57 in a 35). The driver was issued a criminal citation.

*Deputies responded to Saguaro Boulevard and Indian Wells Drive where it was reported a driver was stopped for speed (52 in a 35). A records check revealed the driver's license was suspended and the driver was issued a criminal citation.

*Deputies responded to the 16000 block of E. Avenue of the Fountains where it was reported an unknown

subject contacted the victim claiming to have a family member hostage in a foreign country and demanding money. The family member was contacted and was not abroad. This was an attempted scam.

Friday, Oct. 16

*Deputies responded to the 17000 block of E. Shea Blvd. where it was reported an unknown subject ordered food at a restaurant then left after eating without paying the bill.

*Deputies responded to Emerald Drive and Indigo Drive where it was reported an unknown subject assaulted the complainant by punching them in the face after a road rage inci-

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COMMUNITY CENTER

Check out upcoming activities in Fountain Hills

Week of Oct. 29-Nov. 4

Fountain Hills Community Center is maintaining its schedule of week-day events within the Cutillo Civic Center, 13001 N. La Montana Drive. Most of these activities are reserved for Community Center members.

Activities are scheduled as follows:

Thursday, Oct. 29

*8 a.m., Peer-led exercise; aerobic chair exercise.

*9 a.m., Video gentle yoga.

*9:30 a.m., Beginning line dance.

*10 a.m., Open paint studio; intermediate Spanish.

*1 p.m., Mid/high improv line dance; table talk women; Hands and Foot cards.

*2:30 p.m., Halloween Sip & Social.

*4 p.m., Poker.

*5 p.m., Open paint studio; movie;

evening beginning line dance.

Friday, Oct. 30

*8 a.m., Back fit with Pilates.

*8:30 a.m., Intermediate bridge.

*9 a.m., Aerobic chair exercise; Pinochle.

*10 a.m., Medicare consult.

*12:30 p.m., Trad. Mah Jongg; Siamese Mah Jongg.

*1 p.m., Open Table Tennis; Mex Train Dominoes; Woodcarvers/table top art; board games/Rummikub; documentary series.

Saturday, Oct. 31

*Available for private booking.

Sunday, Nov. 1

*Available for private booking.

Monday, Nov. 2

*8 a.m., Back fit with Pilates.

*9 a.m., Geri-fit fall prevention; open table tennis.

*10 a.m., Men's Discussion.

*10:30 a.m., Conversational Spanish.

*11 a.m., Caregivers support.

*11:45 a.m., Duplicate bridge.

*12 p.m., Sign Language meet up.

*12:30 p.m., Poker.

*1 p.m., Hi Beg/Low Improv line dance; Cribbage; Pinochle; Mah Jongg (all levels).

*4:30 p.m., Chess Club

*5 p.m., Aerobic chair exercise; Hand & Foot Cards.

Tuesday, Nov. 3

*8 a.m., Peer-led exercise; aerobic chair exercise.

*9 a.m., Video gentle yoga; women's poker.

*9:30 a.m., Intermediate line dance; Tai Chi for Balance.

*10 a.m., Hooks & Needles; open paint studio; Medicare Consult.

*11 a.m., Sign Language meet up.

*11:30 a.m., Advanced line dancing.

*12 p.m., Social Duplicate Bridge; Blood Pressure Check.

*1 p.m., Bingo; Mah Jongg; movie.

*5:30 p.m., Open table tennis.

*6:30 p.m., Ukulele for Beginners.

Wednesday, Nov. 4

*8 a.m., Back fit with Pilates.

*8:30 a.m., Intermediate bridge.

*9 a.m., Video gentle yoga.

*10 a.m., Open paint studio.

*11 a.m., Parkinson's

*12:30 p.m., Poker.

*1 p.m., Scrabble/Rummikub; cards; Intro to Spanish Language and Culture.

*2 p.m., Open jam session.

*2:15 p.m., Spanish I: Grammar and Conversation.

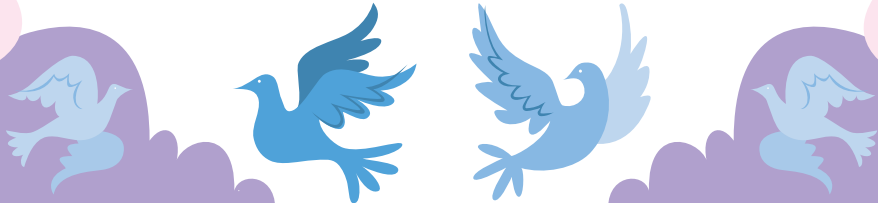
*5:45 p.m., Bunco.

*6 p.m., Couples dance.

LIFE CELEBRATIONS

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Remembering your loved ones



Phillip Felker

Phillip Felker 87, a beloved husband, father, and grandfather, peacefully transitioned from this life to the next October 2025 after bravely facing a lengthy illness. Born in Logansport, Indiana, Phillip was the son of Carl and Dorothy Felker, who instilled in him values of integrity, resilience, and compassion.

Phillip was a graduate of

Burnettsville High School and furthered his education at International Business College in Fort Wayne, Indiana. His dedication to learning and excellence carried him through a remarkable career, beginning with his honorable service in the U.S. Army, where he was stationed in Germany. Upon returning to civilian life, Phillip applied his technical skills in IT roles at Fisher Body in Indiana and later at General Motors in Michigan. His career path also led him to EDS, and even after retirement, he continued to share his expertise through work at H&R Block.

Phillip's passion for art found a new avenue as he served as a master docent at the Phoenix Art Museum, where his love for history and culture enriched the experiences of many visitors. Throughout his life, Phillip was a faithful member of several Methodist churches, ultimately joining The Fountains United Methodist Church. His voice resonated in the FH community choir, where he shared joy and

fellowship through music.

Phillip's personal life was marked by deep love and cherished memories. He shared 38 wonderful years with his first wife, Barbara, whose legacy of love continued to influence his life. After her passing, Phillip found companionship and happiness with Sharon, his devoted wife of 24 years. Together, they embraced a blended family, which included his sons, Hans (Sue) and David, stepdaughter Linda (Danny), two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister Marie of Indiana, and many nieces and nephews.

Phillip was predeceased by his parents, his first wife Barbara, sister Betty Jean, and brother Clyde. He will be remembered for his gentle strength, unwavering loyalty, and the warmth he brought into the lives of all who knew him.

In accordance with his wishes, a private ceremony was held to honor Phillip's life and legacy.



Carlton Jerry Wise

Carlton Jerry Wise of Fountain Hills, AZ passed away 10/13/2026 at the age of 83, Jerry was born September 7, 1943 in Akron, Ohio to Pauline (Warner) and Carlton Wise. He is survived by his wife

Linda (Lyn) and his two children, Kristin Micalizo of Dallas, TX and Kurt L. Wise of Minneapolis, MN and his sister Lynn Z. White and niece Kara Smith of Queen Creek, AZ. He also leaves behind his five Grandchildren.

Jerry grew up in the Akron and Mogadore, Ohio area and attended Akron Central High School and Suffield High School. In 1961 he joined and began his adventure in the U.S. Navy. During the next 22 years in the U.S. Navy, he served aboard nine vessels with two tours of shore duty. He was especially proud to serve as an instructor and company officer at the Naval Officer Candidate School in Newport, RI. As a teenager all he wanted to do was see the world, and he

did. During his navy career he spent years home ported in Hawaii, San Diego, Alameda, Long Beach, Norfolk and three years aboard a ship operating out of Yokosuka, Japan. During these years he was able to advance through the enlisted and Warrant Officer and Commissioned Officer ranks. He retired in 1983 as a Lieutenant Commander (Surface Warfare). He is also a Vietnam Veteran after making 6 deployments to the Gulf of Tonkin aboard various warships during that conflict. He is a Life N4ember of Mogadore VFW Post 8487 and a member of American Legion Post #58 Fountain Hills, AZ. He was proud of his service to our country and grateful for skills he learned in the Navy. He

received numerous awards during his career including the Combat Action Medal.

After retirement from the Navy he went work for AT&T in Greensboro, NC as an undersea cable engineer. During the next 15 years he continued to see more of the world working aboard various government and commercial cable ships. His work was centered around undersea cable repairs and new cable installations. With the introduction of undersea fiber optic communication cables his job became very demanding. During this same period his group at AT&T was purchased by Lucent Technologies, but his work remained unchanged until he retired. One of the high points during his years in NC was

working with and becoming friends with some of the finest people on earth. He was forever thankful for these special friends and shipmates. It was also during this time period that he met a young nurse while on an assignment in the United Kingdom and after a short engagement they were married! Jerry always believed that destiny played a major part in his finding and marrying the love of his life and best friend for the next 41 years!

After retirement from Lucent, he formed his own Undersea Cable Consulting firm and spent the next several years overseeing new fiber optic cable installations in the Mediterranean and the far east. During this time, he spent long periods of time aboard both French

and Italian cable vessels.

After these years at sea and separated from his loved ones he finally dropped anchor

here in Fountain Hills. One of his achievements he is most proud of are his years as a member of Fountain Hills ADOG's board of directors. He served as the President of ADOG during part of this period. He was able to help raise the required funds to help get lights in the dog park. He also oversaw the Paws Around the Fountain during the events first four years. During these events at Fountain Park over 500 pets found loving homes. His love for pets continued until his passing. Hopefully he has joined his many four-legged loved ones for his final cruise!

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Fountain Hills deserves better than its new lawyer

After Gayle Earle's favorite Jennifer Wright barely lasted one year under the new attorney contract, Tim La Sota is now our town attorney. Remember, La Sota has unsuccessfully twice sued the town. First, representing Councilman Allen Skillicorn against Councilmembers Grzybowski, Kalivianakis, McMahon and Mayor Dickey, for their official actions censuring him; second, on behalf of ROT's suit against the town for ROT's failed referendum.

That's not all. Skillicorn was found to have harassed and potentially misled local code enforcement by saying the code enforcement officer, a former MCSO deputy, was improperly removing signs. La Sota is defending a tavern for allegedly serving underage customers, which has twice resulted in fatalities. La Sota criticized police saying, "Tempe Tavern has been forced to close after 15 years because of dramatically reduced business due to harassment by the Arizona Department of Liquor and the Tempe Police Department."

La Sota represents reportedly fraudulent Green Party candidates, wasting time and money and unsurprisingly ending up on the wrong side of the ruling. An attorney called La Sota's allegations of First Amendment violations "absurd." The implication? "Great, that's a win to the candidate who's committed the fraud. If they pull the wool over the eyes of the secretary of state, (then) the public dollars could be expended, even though they were not lawfully obtained."

Recently, a Maricopa County Superior Court judge dismissed a La Sota lawsuit. In so doing, Clean Elections Commission Chairman Mark Kimble had choice words for

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La Sota, calling La Sota's comments about the commission "totally irresponsible." "This is the opportunity for La Sota to back up those claims with some evidence," Kimble said. "He's chosen not to appear..."

La Sota may lack experience representing cities and towns, but he has experience suing them. It's insulting and embarrassing that he's now sitting on the dais representing Fountain Hills. The town deserves better.

Jesse James
Fountain Hills

Making a difference in Fountain Hills

Today, several volunteers came to my house, including the Fountain Hills Fire Department and Girl Scout Troop 3173, to renew my landscaping.

They arrived promptly and worked tirelessly from 8 a.m. until 12 noon on the front and back yards. The Fire Department cut an enormous amount of unnecessary branches from a huge tree, which was an immense job. The Girl Scouts put an equal amount of effort into pulling weeds and helping with many associated chores.

My heartfelt thanks go out to all those who took part in this event; I truly appreciate all their efforts.

Nancy Ogden
FOUNTAIN HILLS

Thoughts on a godless heaven

New York City Mayor Zohran Mamdani recently promised to replace the "frigidity of rugged in-



Gregg Dudash

dividualism with the warmth of collectivism." Warmth certainly sounds inviting on a cold day in New York. But before climbing under the blanket, it might be worth asking what is underneath it.

Collectivism offers more than an economic program. It promises belonging, solidarity and a society liberated from injustice. Progressivism adds a destination: a better world where exploitation ends, barriers fall and everyone shares in humanity's progress. Who would not welcome such a future? It is the dream of an earthly utopia — heaven on earth.

But there is a curious paradox hiding beneath this utopia: it's a heaven without God.

Christianity promises redemption, but not through politics. Human nature is fallen, and fallen humanity cannot redeem itself. Redemption requires God, not merely a rearrangement of human power. Government cannot manufacture the Kingdom of God.

Marxism claims a different story. Transform material conditions, overcome exploitation and humanity can achieve reconciliation here on earth.

Dreaming of paradise is one thing. Forcing everyone else to accept it is quite another. Who decides what this earthly paradise looks like? And what happens when some disagree? The utopian vision cannot accommodate those who refuse to embrace it. If paradise is to be achieved, resistance must be overcome.

When government assumes the power to redeem humanity, individual rights inevitably become expendable. Dissent becomes an obstacle to redemption. Coercion becomes a ne-

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Sharia Law

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Arizona chapter of the Council for American Islamic Relations.

An ordinance prohibiting Sharia law was requested by Councilman Allen Skillicorn during a September meeting, though he clarified his stance.

“...We can make a statement that we agree with Arizona law...and we can also really set the tone for the values and protecting freedom,” Skillicorn said. “We codify those state laws and that also there’s a note that we support SB 1018, which was vetoed by (Governor) Katie Hobbs that would add Sharia law to the same context as foreign law.”

Councilwoman Hannah Larrabee concurred his motion for a resolution, referencing Dearborn, Michigan, which she says has public call to prayer five times daily.

Skillicorn was met with a litany of questions from Councilwoman Brenda Kalivanakis on how such an ordinance would protect the town’s values, examples of Sharia law in town, identifying a foreseeable problem and First Amendment concerns.

When asked to elaborate, Skillicorn said, “I don’t feel the need to explain myself in this situation.”

“So, you make an allegation that this is going to hurt our values and not protect our freedoms, and you’ve got no comment whatsoever to make? Your lack of a comment tells us everything we need to know.”

Martin Quezada, attorney and civil rights director for CAIR, was granted 10 minutes to speak through a 4-3 motion where he explained Sharia law and its role in religion.

“Sharia is how the Muslim community prays...is how they fast during Ramadan, much like how Christians observe lent, and Sharia is how they give to the poor, much like church tithing,” Quezada said. “It is



Attorney for the Arizona chapter of the Council for American-Islamic Relations speaks on the discussion surrounding Sharia law. (Independent Newsmedia/Andrew Lwowski)

the same kind of thing as Canon Law for Catholics or Halakha for Jewish families, and I haven’t heard anybody try to propose an ordinance to try to ban those issues.”

CAIR sent a letter on Sept. 21 stating the town may be open to litigation if an ordinance against Sharia law is drafted, which Quezada also reaffirmed during the meeting.

There were eight online comment cards against and one in-person card, also against.

Councilman-elect Mathew Corrigan spoke in favor of an ordinance, stating Sharia law is its own institution from the U.S. Constitution. Though Shelby Blecker opposed the ordinance, he mentioned readings from the Quran calling for violence against non-Muslims and stated how Sharia law has left women with “legal shortcomings.”

“There are parts of Sharia law that scare me to death. There are no parts to Jewish law that scare me at all. I don’t have any knowledge of any

Jewish laws that say you can go out and kill somebody if they won’t convert,” Blecker said. “I’m usually the guy that says Fountain Hills needs to be that shiny town up on the hill that leads. Not in this case. I’m really asking the council to defer to state law first ... this is too inflammatory.”

Others spoke out, too.

Resident Linda Somo said an ordinance tells those of said religion they’re not welcome and that creating such an ordinance would cause problems for the future council, which Skillicorn and Larrabee will not be on.

Thanh-Tan Jakwani, a Muslim resident of Scottsdale who appeared visibly and audibly upset, said she has been “very confused and disturbed by the proposed ordinance.”

“An ordinance against something that doesn’t exist is like building a flood wall in the desert. It protects no one and serves no purpose,” said Rozina Khan, a resident of Scottsdale and Mesa.

Both Jakwani and Khan suggested the council visit a mosque to get to know the community.

Kim Bartman and Reverend David Felten also opposed any ordinance.

Vice Mayor Gayle Earle opted to lean on state law while Councilman Rick Watts said it was a great opportunity to make lemonade out of lemons.

“I think we have the opportunity to craft a statement, a resolution, without identifying a religion, without identifying any house bills that didn’t pass, without identifying any vetoes, and welcome everybody,” Watts said. “And say you are more than welcome. We want you here and we’re going to continue to support the law of the land...”

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Fountain Hills volunteers unite for Make a Difference Day



Members of the Fountain Hills community came together Saturday, Oct. 17, to take part in Make a Difference Day, lending hands to neighbors to tackle about 30 projects spread throughout the community. (Independent Newsmedia/Ryan Winslett)



Many hands made light work on Make a Difference Day, as big projects were tackled quickly thanks to all the volunteers joining in, including members of the Fountain Hills Leadership Academy. (Independent Newsmedia/Ryan Winslett)



Some projects resulted in enough trimmings to get some heavy machinery involved. (Independent Newsmedia/Ryan Winslett)



Volunteers from the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office were just one of the local groups taking part in this year's Make a Difference Day. (Independent Newsmedia/Ryan Winslett)



From cleaning yards and houses to hauling off trash, cleaning out garages and more, a lot of work got done during the 2026 Make a Difference Day. (Independent Newsmedia/Ryan Winslett)



From left, Volunteer Coordinator Kim Wickland, equipment operator William Presnell and Facilities Supervisor Marc Brewer were out and about with other town staff to take part in Make a Difference Day. (Independent Newsmedia/Ryan Winslett)



The "Pals of Verde" helped trim and clear a resident's backyard during Make a Difference Day. (Independent Newsmedia/Ryan Winslett)

BUSINESS

Fountain Park Hotel denied rezone for 46 residential units

Concerns over mixed use, loss of sales

By Andrew Lwowski
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The Fountain Hills Planning and Zoning Commission denied by 4-2 vote during its Oct. 12 meeting a rezone of the Fountain Park Hotel to transition its third floor to residential.

Commissioner Scott Schlossberg was absent.

Despite the lack of use on the third floor and business struggles, the commission expressed concerns over mixing hotel guests with long-term residents, the potential loss of sales tax and the addition of more apartments.

In 2023, when Fountain Park Hotel began remodeling its third floor, a zoning discrepancy was reported, town senior planner Farhad Travassoli said. An initial approval allowed part of the third floor to receive upgrades, though the process was stopped after the building was in fact not included in the zoning required.

“In this instance there was a mistake and that mistake can be rectified,” Attorney Jason Morris, representing the hotel, said.

The commission in May 2023 denied a special use permit requesting to change all 90 hotel rooms to residential. Morris noted it was the previous owner who applied for the SUP. The hotel has since been using just its first two floors comprising 58 rooms while the owner sought to change the 46 out-of-service rooms to residential – 37 studios and nine one-bedroom units.

Morris said it was ultimately determined there are too many keys for the



The third floor of Fountain Park Hotel has been unavailable after a zoning discrepancy was found in the midst of the remodel, leaving the owner to request a rezone to complete the project. (Independent Newsmedia file photo)

building in the specific part of town, with peak months coming in February and March and the hotel still not reaching full capacity. The average occupancy rate is about 60%.

Vice Chair Peter Gray said from a business perspective, the town should give the owner an opportunity to succeed.

“We have no economic vitality in Fountain Hills that has any sort of horizon to gin up an engine big enough to support that hotel,” he said.

Commissioner Charlie McDermott said it’s a “creative, unique solution.”

“If this hotel was bustling and sold

out for several months in the winter, I could see where there’s revenue loss, but there’s no loss of revenue because the rooms are empty,” he said.

“No owner would go to this length to put themselves in a position where their hotel guests were somehow going to be disadvantaged...” Morris said. “You would be cutting off your nose to spite your face.”

However, residents did not agree. Robert Luebke said he could predict conflicts with residents and guests sharing the amenities, which could spiral to leaving a bad reputation. Commissioner Phil Sveum also called it “unrealistic.”

Crystal Cavanaugh and Larry

Meyers shared the same views as Corrigan and Sveum while emphasizing the need for hotel rooms for tourism and sales tax, which the town relies heavily on, and the anticipated opening of the International Dark Sky Discovery Center.

“I just don’t think the apartments being on one floor and the rooms on the other...are going to add to our economic vitality,” Corrigan said. “My vision doesn’t include that.”

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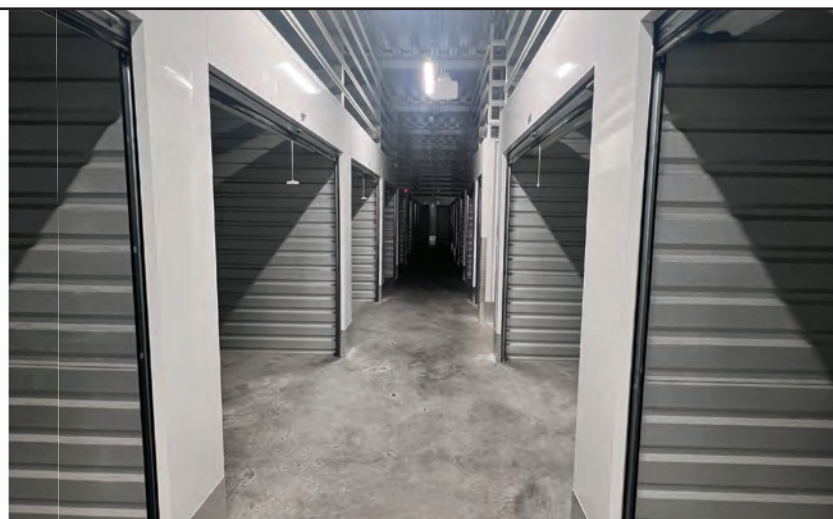
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ENTERTAINMENT

Gals That Brunch coming to Fountain Hills

By Connor Van Ligtan
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Gals That Brunch is coming to Fountain Hills soon.

The group is holding its first Fountain Hills dinner from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Oct. 29 at 16747 E. Parkview Ave., according to a social media post.

The event will feature a menu filled with food items such as autumn greens salad, apricot-baked chicken, garlic-roasted green beans, pumpkin cookies and more.

Lisa O'Hearn, who is an ambassador for the group, said that Gals That Brunch provides a valuable space for women to socialize as themselves without fear of judgment.

"There's women that are introverts. There's women that are high in their game professionally, and this gives them a place where they can just come as they are," O'Hearn said. "And not have to worry about working to try to impress clients or their own employees. It's this great cre-

ative way to bring women together."

O'Hearn thought that Fountain Hills would be a good choice for a setting for a Gals That Brunch dinner.

"I think it's such a quaint little town, and the interest was there," O'Hearn said. "I have a friend, Debbie Elder, who's already a chef there, and what I like to do with these events is highlight other women. So we've got Debbie as the chef, and we've got Julie Jones from the chamber board at the event, too."

Another important aspect of the event is how it brings so many women together, O'Hearn said.

"It brings women together. It builds community and gets people out of the house and out of their four walls," O'Hearn said. "...It's a place for women to really let their hair down and come as they are. Everybody is welcome at the table, and it really gives women a comfortable atmosphere at an event where they can participate and feel like they belong."



Gals That Brunch is coming to Fountain Hills on Oct. 29. (Photo courtesy Lisa O'Hearn)

And perhaps, make some new friends along the way.

"They can come and meet new people that lie right here in the community, build their own community of women and break bread through lots of conversations that go on while we're having a meal together," O'Hearn said. "I hope to see women

connect with each other and for each of them to leave with a new friend."

For more information, visit debjelder.com/events/.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Movie in the Park postponed



The Movie in the Park originally scheduled for Oct. 10 postponed due to weather concerns and has been moved to 6-8 p.m. Nov. 6 at Four Peaks Park.

"Toy Story 5" will be the featured movie and attendees are invited to bring a blanket or chairs to enjoy the show. For more information, visit experiencefountainhills.org.

The event has been moved to November but will remain at Four Peaks Park. (Photo courtesy Town of Fountain Hills).



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“Dancing Through the Decades” for homecoming



Fountain Hills residents watch and cheer during the Fountain Hills High School Homecoming parade on Thursday, Oct. 15, in Fountain Hills. (Independent Newsmedia/Allison Kotzbauer)



Fountain Hills High School marching band members march and play their instruments in front of the crowd on Thursday, Oct. 15, in Fountain Hills. (Independent Newsmedia/Allison Kotzbauer)



Fountain Hills High School members ride through on a float during the Fountain Hills High School “Dancing Through the Decades” Homecoming parade on Thursday, Oct. 15, in Fountain Hills. (Independent Newsmedia/Allison Kotzbauer)



Colleen Streufert and other Fountain Hills Pom members march in the Fountain Hills High School Homecoming parade on Thursday, Oct. 15, in Fountain Hills. (Independent Newsmedia/Allison Kotzbauer)



Little Falcons Preschool student Corey waves an American flag and marches through the “Dancing Through the Decades” parade on Thursday, Oct. 15, in Fountain Hills. (Independent Newsmedia/Allison Kotzbauer)



Yalena A. passes out candy to the crowd during the Fountain Hills High School Homecoming parade on Thursday, Oct. 15, in Fountain Hills. (Independent Newsmedia/Allison Kotzbauer)



Members of the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Mounted Unit rode on horseback through the Fountain Hills High School Homecoming parade on Thursday, Oct. 15, in Fountain Hills. (Independent Newsmedia/Allison Kotzbauer)

EDUCATION

School board approves new AP math, chemistry textbooks

Updated textbooks will replace some materials dating back to 2007

By Allison Kotzbauer
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The Fountain Hills Unified School District Governing Board approved new textbooks for Advanced Placement math and chemistry courses at its Oct. 14 meeting, with the books costing about \$5,000, according to Board Secretary Krista Andreae.

Board Member Fran Murray said the new textbooks are appropriate for the courses and noted that AP testing standards require schools to keep course materials up to date.

"I like textbooks. I thought they're very appropriate," she said. "AP causes us to spend money. So if the public wants to know why we have to keep spending money because math doesn't change, we're required to by AP testing standards."

The textbooks went through the district's required adoption procedures and were reviewed by a textbook adoption committee, according to the board packet.

The books were also displayed at the district office for more than 60 days, with no concerns raised, according to the district. Committee records are available on the district's website.

The approved textbooks include Demana Calculus: Graphical, Numerical, Algebraic, sixth edition, AP Edition, and Demana Precalculus: Graphical, Numerical, Algebraic, 11th edition, AP Edition, both published by Pearson.

The board also approved Bock Stats: Modeling the World, sixth edition, AP Edition, published by Pearson, and Chang Chemistry, 14th edition, AP Edition, published by



Cristine Barsema and Kristina Robinson speak to the Fountain Hills Unified School District Board during its Oct. 14 meeting, in Fountain Hills. (Independent Newsmedia/Allison Kotzbauer)

McGraw Hill.

Some Fountain Hills High School math textbooks currently in use date back to 2007.

The College Board requires AP courses to use textbooks published within the last 10 years, according to math teacher Cristine Barsema.

Barsema presented the need for new math and chemistry textbooks, along with recommended replacements, to the governing board at its Aug. 5 meeting.

Barsema, Principal Barry Pinto and a group of teachers, parents and community members evaluated textbooks for AP Calculus, AP Precalculus, AP Statistics and AP Chemistry using a 36-point scoring system, Barsema said.

Each of the selected textbooks scored in the 30s out of 36 points after the group averaged its individual scores, Barsema said.

"We are confident in the books we chose," she said.

In Barsema's AP Calculus class, she sees the effects of an outdated textbook in the problems she does with her students.



Fran Murray and other Fountain Hills Unified School District Board Members listen intently during the Oct. 14 meeting in Fountain Hills. (Independent Newsmedia/Allison Kotzbauer)

"We were doing a problem, and it wanted us to do the linear regression of the world population and estimate the population in 2010," she said.

The College Board audits AP classes each year to verify who is teaching each course, what curriculum is being used and other requirements to ensure the class meets AP standards, Barsema said.

"They're starting to ask this question about the years your books are," Barsema said.

After reaching out to publishers for quotes, the estimated cost to replace the outdated math and chemistry textbooks with the group's selections was \$11,500, Barsema said at the August meeting.

During that meeting, board members asked questions about the number of textbooks being purchased and the content of the proposed books. Barsema said the estimated cost accounted for larger-than-average class sizes in case more students enroll in the courses in the coming years.

Board President Dr. Richard Rut-

kowski asked whether the textbooks focused only on academic content or included other messaging.

"A lot of textbooks have social emotional learning in them. Do these have any of that component or not?" he asked.

Barsema said the review team did not identify that element in the selected textbooks.

"They are college books, they can be used for college, so they're just wordy," she said. "There's not a lot of pictures and stuff, so that's it."

Murray added that, as a former high school math teacher, she had not encountered the kind of content Rutkowski asked about.

"I never ran into social, emotional things in the math textbooks, even the word problems," she said. "It's very unusual for that to happen."

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Turkey

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of November to line up and donate their turkeys to EHFB.”

LaVoie said that EHFB is often in dire need of meat donations, meaning that donating turkeys is extremely important.

“When David Iverson was running EHFB, he had shared that the Fountain Hills community is very generous in donating boxed and canned goods, but they did not have a plethora of fresh or frozen meat or turkeys,” LaVoie said. “The need was really there for turkeys so we took it as a challenge to go ahead and create a turkey drive for them. And now it’s been so successful.”

Being in-person and on a specific day gives the event a special feeling that brings together the community, according to event coordinator Mary Davisson.

“It” is a really good feel-good event, and we love seeing everybody come together for it. Seeing the line of cars build up to 20 is always really fun,” Davisson said. “It’s not a feeling that you get on every event, because you know that you’re providing something that is more than just a fun time. You’re providing somebody with the meal for their family. The memory that they get to share, you’re helping to make that happen.”

Hess said that this event is a great opportunity to support people in need and also market your business.

“It’s your chance to really be a part of the business community while supporting your local residents in need,” Hess said. “...You’re able to market your business through promoting, celebrating and supporting a good cause.”

She also hopes that those who participate, whether it’s a business or an individual, are able to grow a deeper appreciation for their community in the process.



The Fountain Hills turkey drive is being held on Nov. 3. (Submitted photo/Fountain Hills Chamber of Commerce)

“Just being part of a small town community like ours is very unique and precious,” Hess said. “We really have a lot to be thankful for that we have a tight-knit community and will support one another.”

For more information, visit fh-chamber.com. Information for the turkey drive can be found on the Nov. 3 listing in the events calendar.

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RELIGION



The Fountain Hills Chabad is joining a female Torah study series this November. (Submitted by Chabad of Fountain Hills)

Chabad to join female Torah study series

Chabad of Fountain Hills is joining a female Torah study series soon.

Tzipi Lipskier will teach NEXT GENesis once a month on a Tuesdays at 6:30 PM, starting on Nov. 17 at Chabad Edelman Jewish Center, 16830 E. Avenue of the Fountains, according to a press release.

NEXT GENesis is a seven-part series focusing on the early narratives of

Genesis in the Torah and how it reflects the human soul.

The course is designed for women at all levels of Jewish knowledge and is lead by the Rosh Chodesh Society, who is the women's division of the Rohr Jewish Learning Institute.

For more information, visit Jewish-FountainHills.com/RCS.



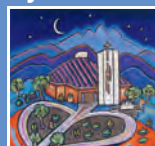
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RELIGION

Q&A with Pastor Jeff Campbell of Cornerstone Family Church

By Connor Van Ligten
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

The Fountain Hills Times Independent continues its Q&A series with familiar faces around town. This is an opportunity for readers to get to know more about their neighbors, whether they're from the school district, working in Town Hall or a resident with a story to share.

This week, Jeffery Campbell, pastor of Cornerstone Family Church, takes on The Times Independent's questions.

Name: Jeffery Campbell

Age: 53

Occupation: Pastor - Cornerstone Family Church

Hometown: Fountain Hills

What I do: Shepherd a congregation of great people as we seek to see the Kingdom of God expand.

When and why I moved here: We relocated here in January of 2026 in answer to the call of God to serve at Cornerstone.

What I like most about living here: I love the people, the feel of a small town and the climate. We love the feel of Arizona in general, and we love the feel of Fountain Hills specifically. We feel like we belong, and we feel like we've been welcomed.

What is something most people don't know about you?

Most people outside the church probably don't know that I didn't grow up as a Christian. I did grow up being exposed to church and had good experiences with church, but I did not come to know the Lord until I was 29 years old. I believe coming to faith later in life gives me the ability to relate to people who don't know Jesus and make connections with them based on



Jeff Campbell of Cornerstone Family Church
(Photo courtesy Cornerstone Family Church)

my past experiences.

Who is your inspiration and why?

I'm inspired by pastors who do the work week in and week out to study and prepare, who preach and teach the word of God, and who want to see people come to faith in Christ and grow in that faith. I spent the previous 11 years before coming to Cornerstone as a Professor of Preaching at a Christian liberal arts college. There's a short list of students who came through those classes that I greatly admire because they are serving the Lord and loving their congregations. Obviously, there are faithful pastors here in Fountain Hills, as well, and I am enjoying getting to know them.

At the end of the day, what brings you the most joy?

In 3rd John 1:4, John states that he has no greater joy than to know that his children walk in the truth. While I don't consider the fine people of Cornerstone Family Church to be my children, I do understand his sentiment. There is something about seeing people understand the word of

God and apply that word to their lives while reaping the benefits of a closer relationship with Jesus that brings me great joy.

What are the opportunities you see in your community and in your church?

Let me first address the opportunities I see in our church. Our church is strong and healthy. We are leaning on those strengths while addressing opportunities we have within the church to build ministries that focus on young families. We have revamped and refreshed our children's and youth ministries so that we might reach young moms and dads who are looking for a place where their children will be loved and taught about Jesus. We have a robust Wednesday night schedule that includes a meal at 5:30 and has activities for preschool, children, youth and adults. Those things happen on Wednesday from 5:30 to 7:00. Families are able to come together and leave together. All are welcome.

We are also aware of opportunities we have in the community to be more of a presence and to reach out with the love of Jesus Christ. We are seeking opportunities to serve in our community and looking for ways that we might meet needs while sharing the love of Jesus with those here in Fountain Hills. We have a Trunk or Treat scheduled for Oct. 31 from 5 to 7 p.m. We will also participate in Thanksgiving activities in town so that we might let people know who we are and what we're about. We look forward to building a better relationship with the people of Fountain Hills so that we might continue to share the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ.

What is your favorite thing about

Cornerstone Family Church?

My favorite thing about Cornerstone Family Church is the people. This is a church full of some of the kindest, friendliest, most loving people I've ever met. My family and I are honored to be a part of this fellowship and would love to extend an invitation to anyone who would like to attend and see what God is doing at Cornerstone Family Church.

What kind of legacy do you want to leave behind once you step down from your position or retire?

That's a little bit further in the future. I don't intend to retire anytime soon but if I did, I would hope that Cornerstone Family Church has a deeper understanding of the word of God. I want to see this church grow. I want to see people grow in depth as they grow in their understanding and application of God's word but also, we want to grow in breadth as we see God add to his Kingdom. As we grow, we hope to have greater impact and influence in our community so that we can share the hope that is within us. This is our prayer.

What does the town of Fountain Hills mean to you?

To me, the town of Fountain Hills means the present and the future. We are here and we are staying. We already feel like we are part of this community, and we look forward to what God's going to do in the years to come through the ministry at Cornerstone. We love you, Fountain Hills, and we look forward to getting to know you even better.

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Call Log

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dent. The subject then fled the area.

*Deputies responded to the 16000 block of E. Palisades Blvd. where it was reported a subject got into a verbal altercation with the staff of a restaurant over pricing. The subject was asked to leave and refused. The subject was later trespassed from the restaurant by deputies.

Saturday, Oct. 17

*Deputies responded to Caliente Drive and Bowstring Plaza where it was reported a vehicle collision occurred after a vehicle backing out of a driveway and struck a vehicle that was parked in the street. The driver then fled the area without exchanging information or reporting the incident. No injuries were reported no vehicles were towed.

Sunday, Oct. 18

*Deputies responded to the 15000 block of E. Brittlebrush Lane where it was reported that a subject was harassing the complainant by telephone.

*Deputies responded to Del Cambre Avenue and Calico Drive where it was reported a single-vehicle hit-and-run collision occurred after a driver drifted off the roadway and struck landscaping in the front yard of a residence. The driver then fled the area on foot.

*Deputies responded to Ibsen Drive and Galeta Drive where it was reported a driver was stopped for suspended registration. A records check revealed the drivers license was also suspended. The driver was issued a criminal citation.

*Deputies responded to Fountain Hills Boulevard and Emerald Drive where it was reported a driver was

stopped for an equipment violation. A records check revealed the driver's license was suspended. The driver was issued a criminal citation.

Monday, Oct. 19

*Deputies responded to Shea Boulevard and Palatial Drive where it was reported a driver was stopped for criminal speed (76 in a 50). The driver was issued a criminal citation.

*Deputies responded to the 15000 block of E. Staghorn Drive where it was reported an unknown subject stole jewelry from a residence.

*Deputies responded to the 13000 block of N. Fountain Hills Blvd where it was reported an unknown subject stole the license plate from the complainants vehicle while it was parked in the parking lot of a business.

Opinions

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cessity. Oppression becomes a moral duty.

Under revolutionary communist regimes in the Soviet Union, Mao's China and Cambodia, utopian ambitions accompanied repression and mass death.

A political project promising human redemption inevitably becomes a justification for human oppression. Compulsory salvation requires totalitarianism.

The problem with building an earthly heaven without God is how often the architects end up constructing hell instead.

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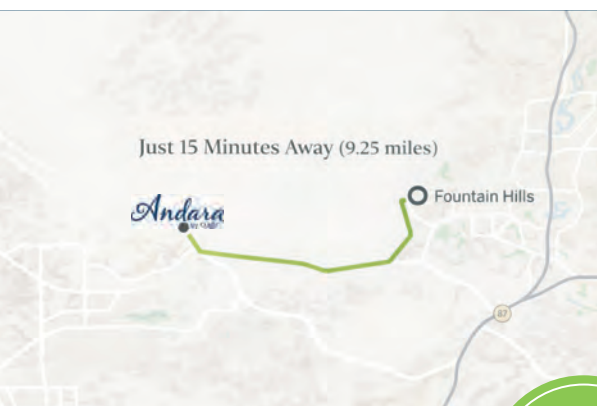
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SPORTS

Fountain Hills football claims homecoming win

Fall sports near end of seasons

By Andrew Lwowski
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Football

From the opening kickoff, Fountain Hills football gave the homecoming crowd something to cheer about in its 38-0 rout over Chino Valley on Oct. 16.

Sophomore Cole Johnson returned the kickoff 90-yards for the game's opening points, and the Falcons defense fed its offense with four interceptions throughout.

Senior Kainoa Brilhante, Johnson, sophomore Judah Liske and Dmitri Hunter all snagged interceptions as defensive coordinator Andrew Hoyt earned his first shutout.

"(Hoyt) really stepped up this week, called a hell of a game to-night," head coach Nick Rock said. "(He) prepared the unit, prepared the heck out of the kids, and he answered the bell."

Different blitz packages from the Falcons front played a hand in the secondary feasting, with sophomore linebacker Jack Stumpf aiding in that effort. While the defense provided, the offense capitalized with Liske scoring his first touchdown of the season off a rush and also hauling in another in the fourth quarter. Senior JJ Pena, who had a standout performance on the edge, caught a touchdown pass. Robert Mason also scored, courtesy of a 60-yard pass from Brilhante.

Pena said this was his way of giving back to the seniors, who now have just one home game remaining with playoffs off the table.

The Falcons (3-6) hosted Heritage



JJ Pena crosses the goal line in the Falcons' win over Chino Valley on Oct. 16. Fountain Hills secured its most complete game of the season with the defense pitching a shutout. (Independent Newsmedia/Andrew Lwowski)

Academy Mesa on Oct. 22 for the final game of the 2026 season.

Cross country

The Fountain Hills High School cross country team competed in the Talon Invite on Oct. 24 at the Cactus Shadows Fine Arts Center. The Falcons have two meets remaining in their season before AIA sectionals and regional championships in No-

vember.

Volleyball

The Falcons played just one game over the past week, though they made it count with a sweep over Wickenburg (25-21, 25-11, 29-27).

Fountain Hills (10-17-1) has three games remaining in the regular season, with the final two at home. The Falcons traveled to Scottsdale Chris-

tian to take on the Eagles on Oct. 23 before hosting ALA Mesa North and North Valley Christian on Oct. 27-28, respectively, to close the season.

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NEIGHBORS



Members of the Fountain Hills Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7507 gather around Dick Juetten, center, in celebration of his 100 years of life and service to his country. (Independent Newsmedia/Andrew Lwowski)

Fountain Hills VFW Post honors local's centennial

Veteran of Korean War

By Andrew Lwowski
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

Dick Juetten made his way into the Fountain Hills Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7507 the morning of Oct. 9 to a standing ovation.

From members of the post, family and Mayor Gerry Friedel, it was a celebration few receive; reaching 100 years of age.

Juetten, who served with the United States Air Force, was active in the Korean War where he flew 76 daytime and 14 night solo combat missions. Often called the forgotten war, Juetten wasn't forgotten on his day.

"Just that they would honor and respect and value someone who has given so much to the country is just amazing," Juetten's daughter, Barbara Lightner, said.

Juetten received the Centennial

Certificate by Phoenix Veteran Affairs Medical Director Elijah Ditter, celebrating his milestone and service, while Friedel awarded him with a medal, along with words about his service and meaning to the town.

Post Commander Brian Minzey said it was a special experience to share.

"Having the honor to celebrate somebody that has not only lived to be 100 years old, but to serve his country as he did, and just to be a part of that, it's without words," Minzey said.

In November 2025, Juetten also received the Mayor's Veteran of the Month award during the Town Councils meeting.

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CLUBS



Members of Fountain Hills P.E.O. Chapter DZ are preparing for another year of service projects. (Photo courtesy Fountain Hills P.E.O. Chapter DZ)

P.E.O. Chapter DZ begins new season

Members of Philanthropic Educational Organization Chapter DZ are preparing for a new season in Fountain Hills.

The Fountain Hills P.E.O. chapter is getting ready for a year of service and support for women pursuing educational opportunities, according to a press release.

Service projects and programs include scholarships, grants and loans. The club also holds fashion shows, luncheons and more to raise money for P.E.O. projects.

For more information, visit facebook.com/groups/3521771474602047/.

Club briefs for the week of Oct. 26

Local groups convene

Community Center contract bridge winners posted

Contract bridge is played every Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Community Center. Membership in the Community Center is required to participate.

Winners from Oct. 16 include Richard Rasmussen in first place, Sharon Harvey in second place and Cathy Marco in third place.

Winners from Oct. 21 include Suellen Russell in first place, Charlotte Ashbrook in second place and Ann Alexa in third place.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly welcomes newcomers

Those looking for weight-loss sup-

port and to start or continue their journey of weight loss are invited to join TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Fountain Hills chapter every Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Chapter meetings are held at Joy Church, 13430 N. Saguaro Blvd. Use the front entrance of the church and follow the signs.

Al-Anon holds regular meetings

Al-Anon family meetings are held each Saturday from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in the classroom building.

The only requirement to attend is that there be a problem of alcoholism in a relative or friend. Attendees will find hope as members share their experiences, strength and hope.

Shepherd of the Hills is located at 16150 E. El Lago Blvd.

BUSINESS

Fountain Hills business holding murder mystery party to celebrate Halloween

By Connor Van Ligten
INDEPENDENT NEWSMEDIA

A local Fountain Hills business is holding a murder mystery dinner party a few days before Halloween.

All Natural Wine and Olive Oils is holding the party from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Oct. 28 at their business at 11803 N. Saguaro Blvd., according to a press release.

The event is a combination of food, drink and entertainment, according to owner DaleAnn Narasimhan.

“Scenes,” featuring actors, play out over the course of the event with corresponding food and wine pairings, as guests discuss who they think committed the murder.

“Each character is given notes on each scene. The first thing we do is introduce the murder and everything to the crowd. As we go around to each table, we might have five or 10 clues per scene that we’re supposed to tell the audience,” Narasimhan said. “The audience tries to determine it themselves, and they get to guess. By the end of the show, we ask for a show of hands for each person they think did it, so it’s sort of like Clue.”

With the upcoming dinner being Halloween-themed, that will be reflected in the food as well.

“We’re thinking of doing Frankenstein fingers, which are hot dogs wrapped like pigs in a blanket. Our caterer will try and make foods that are Halloween-related.” Narasimhan said. “I will take the wines that we have and pair them with the food, but the wines don’t necessarily tie into the murder.”

The end of the night will also feature a discount for any guests who



All Natural Wine and Olive Oils is holding a murder mystery party in Fountain Hills on Oct. 28. (Photo courtesy DaleAnn Narasimhan)

would like to purchase wine. Narasimhan said that the event is exciting because it leads right into Halloween.

“We wanted to do something fun for Halloween at the store. We thought this would tie in great,” Narasimhan said. “Since it’s on the Wednesday before Halloween, that way they can do something before the weekend to start off their Halloween fun.”

It also helps add visibility to her business.

Narasimhan said the store's location on Saguaro Boulevard is not easily visible.

“...These events help people know where we are,” she said.

Overall, N arasimhan suggests people attend her murder mystery dinner party if they want to have a “spooktacular” time.

“Come out and have a good time, enjoy a night out,” Narasimhan said. “Taste the new wines, taste the food, and be a part of the show itself.”

For more information, visit allnaturalwineandoliveoils.com/.

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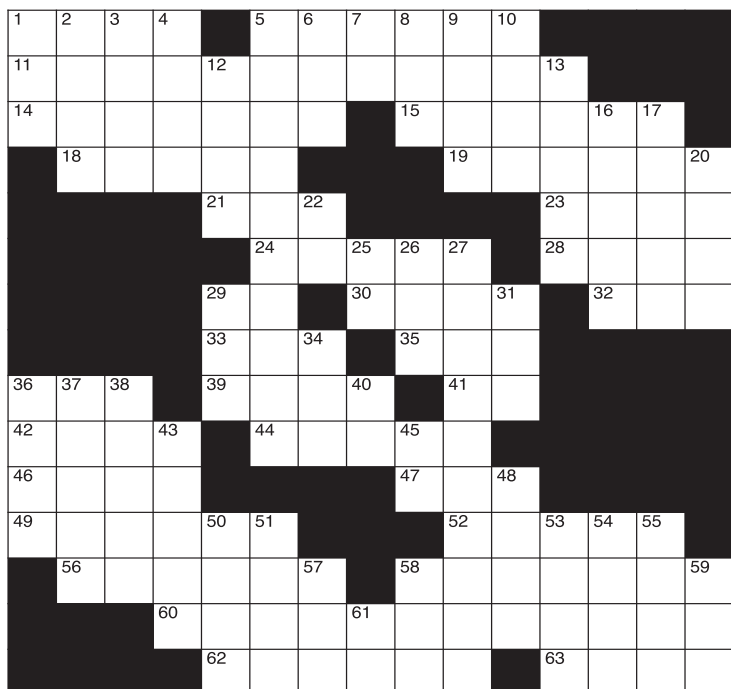
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CLUES ACROSS

1. El Dorado High School
5. A sculpture representing a human or animal
11. A type of return
14. Tie the knot again
15. Washington city
18. Hairlike structures
19. Mark used over a vowel
21. Explosive
23. Popular 500 car race
24. Pile up
28. Currency
29. Commercial
30. A minute amount (Scottish)
32. Mass of fish eggs
33. Baseball stat
35. Licensed accountant
36. Japanese classical theater

39. Gasteyer and de Armas are two
41. Blood group
42. Assist in wrongdoing
44. Language of Cameroon
46. Grayish-white
47. A woolen cap of Scottish origin
49. Microorganism
52. Strong social customs
56. Calm and dependable
58. Congressman
60. Force
62. As a result of this document
63. A main branch of Islam

CLUES DOWN

1. Make a mistake
2. American DJ Rick
3. Fictional Asimov planet

4. Coughed out
5. Singing to one's lover
6. Scotland's longest river
7. One of the six noble gases
8. Body art
9. Two-toed sloth
10. Electronic counter-countermeasures
12. A foolish person
13. Of the wind
16. Mansion
17. Sound
20. English river
22. Business symbol
25. Exclamation of surprise
26. Pouch
27. Individually
29. Satisfaction
31. The bill in a restaurant
34. Japanese delicacy
36. Port in southern Japan

37. Double-reed instruments
38. Center
40. The Mount Rushmore State
43. Soldier
45. Indicates position
48. Beauty treatment: ___-pedi
50. Nonsense (slang)
51. Republic of Ireland
53. Ballplayers' tools
54. American state
55. Clusters of a fern frond
57. Patriotic women's group
58. A person's brother or sister
59. Breed of sheep
61. Of I

Answers on page 25

GUESS WHO?

I am a singer born in California on October 25, 1984. I grew up listening to gospel music, but eventually pursued a career in pop music. I have been nominated for 13 Grammy Awards, and have five Billboard Music Awards. I have many hits and I performed during the Super Bowl halftime show in 2015.

Answer: Katy Perry

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to prescriptions.

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Answer: Pills

PRESCRIPTIONS WORD SEARCH

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

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Town of FOUNTAIN HILLS Development Services Department Planning & Zoning Division

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Monday, November 9, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.** in the Town Council Chambers located at 16705 E. Avenue of the Fountain, Fountain Hills, Arizona, the **Fountain Hills Planning and Zoning Commission** will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** to receive comments on **ORDINANCE 26-19**, amending Zoning Ordinance Chapter 1, Introduction, Sec. 1.12, Definitions, and Chapter 5, General Provisions, Sec. 5.13, Community Residences to modify the number of residents permitted for Assisted Living Homes and the bedroom sizes required.

Case #TAM26-000005

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Tuesday, December 15, 2026, at 5:30 P.M.** in the Town Council Chambers located at 16705 E. Avenue of the Fountain, Fountain Hills, Arizona, the **Fountain Town Council** will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** to receive comments on **ORDINANCE 26-19**, amending Zoning Ordinance Chapter 1, Introduction, Sec. 1.12, Definitions, and Chapter 5, General Provisions, Sec. 5.13, Community Residences to modify the number of residents permitted for Assisted Living Homes and the bedroom sizes required.

Case #TAM26-000005

For more information, contact John Wesley, AICP, Development Services; Development Services, Town of Fountain Hills, 16705 E. Avenue of the Fountain, Fountain Hills, AZ 85268; or by calling 480-816-5138. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

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ORDINANCE NO. 26-16

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE, ARTICLE 3, SECTION 3.03, SUBDIVISION SITE DESIGN STANDARDS, SUBSECTION B, IN THE FOUNTAIN HILLS SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE TO ADD A NEW ITEM 10 ESTABLISHING A REQUIREMENT IN SUBDIVISIONS OF 50 ACRES OR MORE TO INCLUDE A LOCATION SUITABLE FOR INSTALLATION OF A FUTURE WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Council of the Town of Fountain Hills (the "Town Council") adopted Ordinance No. 96-29, which established the Subdivision Ordinance for the Town of Fountain Hills (the "Subdivision Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to amend Article 3, Subdivision Design Principles and Standards, Section 3.03, Subdivision Site Design Standards, of the Subdivision Ordinance to address issues related to provision of wireless telecommunication towers and equipment; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS as follows:

SECTION 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. The Subdivision Ordinance, Article 3, Subdivision Design Principles and Standards, Section 3.03, Subdivision Site Design Standards, is hereby amended as contained in Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this Ordinance is for any reason held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, such provision or portion hereof shall be deemed separate, distinct and independent of all other provisions and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. In accordance with Article II, Sections 1 and 2, Constitution of Arizona, and the laws of the State of Arizona, the City/Town Council has considered the individual property rights and personal liberties of the residents of the City/Town and the probable impact of the proposed ordinance on the cost to construct housing for sale or rent before adopting this ordinance.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its passage and adoption by the Town Council of the Town of Fountain Hills, Arizona, and its approval by the Mayor and attestation by the Town Clerk.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY the Mayor and Council of the Town of Fountain Hills, Arizona, this 20th day of October, 2026.

TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS, ARIZONA
/s/Gerry M. Friedel, Mayor

ATTEST:
/s/Angela Padgett-Espiritu, Deputy Town Clerk
On behalf of Bevelyn Bender, Town Clerk

REVIEWED BY:
/s/Rachael Goodwin, Town Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
/s/Tim La Sota, Town Attorney

EXHIBIT A | Available in the Town Clerk's Office

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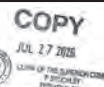
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SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN MARICOPA COUNTY

(s) ZACHARY H HALL (s) Case No. FC0812-002716
Petitioner (in original case) (s) ATLAS No. ATLAS 00125025400
(s) ANGELE MORANO (s) PETITION TO STOP INCOME WITHHOLDING
Respondent (in original case) ORDER (AND ALL MARICOPA COUNTY
SUPPORT ORDERS) A.R.S. §25-604

Note: If any current or past due child support or spousal maintenance is still owed under the terms of the current support order(s), STOP! You have the wrong form. Review the terms to MODIFY the Order of Assignment to see if appropriate for your situation.

I, ZACHARY H HALL, ask the court to terminate the Income Withholding Order (Order requiring an employer or other payor of funds to withhold funds for child support or spousal maintenance) in which:
(s) ZACHARY H HALL, Petitioner is the person ordered to make payments, and
(s) ANGELE MORANO, Respondent is the person entitled to receive payments.

Income Withholding Order issued by: (s) SUPERIOR COURT (Month/Day/Year)
The Income Withholding Order was issued by: SUPERIOR COURT (Name of Court)
Located in this County: MARICOPA COUNTY (Name of County)
Located in this State: ARIZONA (Name of State)

I also ask the Court to terminate any underlying Maricopa County child support order and/or spousal maintenance (Support Order).

Child Support Order issued by: (s) SUPERIOR COURT (Month/Day/Year)
The Support Order was issued by: SUPERIOR COURT (Name of Court)
Located in this County: MARICOPA COUNTY (Name of County)
Located in this State: ARIZONA (Name of State)

Spousal Maintenance Order issued by: (s) N/A (Month/Day/Year)
The Support Order was issued by: N/A (Name of Court)
Located in this County: N/A (Name of County)
Located in this State: N/A (Name of State)

The Income Withholding Order should be stopped and any Maricopa County Support Order(s) should be terminated because:

(s) Check the appropriate box(es) to explain why the Order(s) should be terminated:

☒ (a) All past due child support (and child support/maintenance) has been paid and the person making payments is no longer obligated to pay current child support because all children named in the Child Support Order:

1. are 18 and not attending high school or a certified equivalency program, and / or
2. are 19, and / or
3. have been adopted, and / or
4. are married, and / or
5. are deceased.

☐ All past due spousal maintenance (and/or arrearages/interest) has been paid or satisfied and this person making payments is no longer obligated to pay spousal maintenance.

☐ Legal decision making (child custody) has been changed by Order of this Court.

☐ We are remitted to each other. A copy of our marriage license is attached.

☐ The case has been dismissed. Order of Dismissal is attached if not from this Court.

☒ Other condition for ending payments listed in the underlying support order has occurred. Describe: CHILD SUPPORT HAS BEEN PAID ONE MONTH AHEAD SO CHILD SUPPORT SHOULD STOP
(MARICOPA CHILD, CHAMBER ARIZONA, TURN 18 ON AUGUST 15, 2026)

(s) I ask the Court to enter the Support Payment Clearinghouse to hold any payments received pursuant to the Income Withholding Order and further order of the Court. I understand that if this request is granted, additional payments may be sent to the other party before the Support Payment Clearinghouse receives the order from this Court.

OATH OR AFFIRMATION AND VERIFICATION
I swear or affirm that the information on this document is true and correct under penalty of perjury:

Signature: *Zachary Hall* Date: 7/24/26

STATE OF: *Arizona*

COUNTY OF: *Maricopa*

Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed before me this: 7/24/26 (Date) by: *Zachary Hall*

(Petitioner's name) *ZACHARY HALL* (Deputy Clerk of Superior Court)

NOTICE TO OTHER PARTY: If you do not agree with this Petition, you have twenty days (twenty days if you were served outside the state of Arizona) in which to respond by completing a petition for hearing. If requested, a hearing will be set. The hearing necessary to request a hearing are available from the Clerk of Superior Court, or parties from the Law Library/Petitioner Center, or they may be downloaded for free from this website.

If you do not request a hearing in writing within the time allowed, the Court will review the Petition to Stop Order of Assignment (and Maricopa County Support Order(s)), and will grant the request, if appropriate.

CURRENT EMPLOYER'S INFORMATION

This form may also be filed online at the Family Support Center Website.

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED FOR:

☐ AN INCOME WITHHOLDING ORDER

☒ ORDER TO STOP AN INCOME WITHHOLDING ORDER:

NOTIFICATION OF A CHANGE OF EMPLOYER (or OTHER PAYOR)

CASE NUMBER: FC0812-002716 ATLAS NUMBER: ATLAS 00125025400

NAME OF PERSON ORDERED TO MAKE PAYMENTS:

ZACHARY HALL

LIST THE NAME OF THE EMPLOYER* AND THE ADDRESS OF THE PAYROLL OR FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT (for the person named above) WHERE THE INCOME WITHHOLDING ORDER OR STOP ORDER SHOULD BE MAILED.

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DATE:

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EMPLOYER STATUS:

ENTORSED BY: NEW WAFEC: DATE: CASE:

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Notice to Creditors

NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, on 03/30/2016, a certain Mortgage was executed by MARGARITA WARRINGTON by Robert Warrington as attorney in fact, as Mortgagor, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., (MERS) (SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER, AS HEREINAFTER DEFINED, AND LENDER'S SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS), LENDER: NOVA FINANCIAL AND INVESTMENT CORPORATION DBA NOVA HOME LOANS as Mortgagee, and was recorded on 04/04/2016, as Document Number 20160219648, in the Office the Recorder of Deeds, Maricopa County, Arizona and

WHEREAS, the Mortgage was insured by the UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (the SECRETARY) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing; and
WHEREAS, the Mortgage is now owned by the SECRETARY, pursuant to an Assignment of Mortgage dated 08/17/2022, and recorded on 08/23/2022, as Document Number 20220661226, in the Office of the Maricopa County Recorder of Deeds, Arizona and a default exists; and
WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage in that the payment due on 07/24/2026 was not made and remains wholly unpaid as of the date of this notice, and no payment has been made sufficient to restore the loan to currency; and
WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the SECRETARY has declared the entire amount of this indebtedness secured by the Mortgage to be immediately due and payable;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR Part 27, subpart B, and by the SECRETARY'S designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, dated September 15, 2016, notice is hereby given that on 11/10/2026 at 8:30 AM local time, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the following described premises located at ("Property"), will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder.
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The sale will be conducted online on Zoom at: Meeting ID: 648 483 3997; Password: 743891. There is a Zoom call-in option at 312-626-6799. THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT will bid \$883,470.04 plus per diem interest, advances, fees and costs. There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, except that the purchaser will pay, at or before sale, his prorata share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale. The Special Commissioner shall accept advance, sealed written bids at Pleadings@Nevellaw.com. The successful bidder, except the SECRETARY, must submit a deposit totaling at least 10% of the bid in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made out to the SECRETARY OF HUD at the close of bidding sent to the Special Commissioner at the address below by express mail next-day delivery. The deposit is non-refundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within thirty (30) days of the Sale or at such other time as the SECRETARY may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made payable to the SECRETARY OF HUD. If the SECRETARY is the high bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveyancing fees, all real estate taxes and other taxes that are due on or after the date of sale and all other transfer taxes and State, County and Municipal costs associated with the transfer of title.

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IRA T. NEVEL
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ORDINANCE NO. 26-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE FOUNTAIN HILLS ZONING ORDINANCE BY REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 17, WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION TOWERS AND ANTENNAS WITH A NEW CHAPTER 17, WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION TOWERS AND ANTENNA.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Fountain Hills (the "Town Council") adopted Ordinance No. 93-22 on November 18, 1993, which adopted the Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Fountain Hills (the "Zoning Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to enhance the ability of the providers of telecommunications services to provide such services to the community quickly, effectively, and efficiently while protecting residential areas and land uses from potential adverse impacts of towers and antennas; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to repeal the existing Chapter 17, Wireless Communication Towers and Antennas and replace it with a new and updated Chapter 17, Wireless Communication Towers and Antennas; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Zoning Ordinance and pursuant to ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 9-462.04, public hearings regarding this ordinance were advertised in the August 26, 2026, and September 1, 2026, editions of the Fountain Hills Times; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by the Planning and Zoning Commission on September 14, 2026, and by the Town Council on October 20, 2026; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article II, Sections 1 and 2, Constitution of Arizona, and the laws of the State of Arizona, the Town Council has considered the individual property rights and personal liberties of the residents of the Town and the probable impact of the proposed ordinance on the cost to construct housing for sale or rent before adopting this ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS, ARIZONA, as follows:

SECTION 1. The recitals above are hereby incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. Chapter 17 of the Fountain Hills Zoning Ordinance is hereby repealed and replaced with the ordinance as provided in Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this Ordinance is for any reason held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, such provision or portion hereof shall be deemed separate, distinct and independent of all other provisions and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE - WHEREAS, it is necessary for the preservation of the peace, health, and safety of the Town of Fountain Hills, Arizona, an emergency is declared to exist, and this ordinance shall become immediately operative and in force from and after the date of adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Fountain Hills, Arizona, this 20th day of October, 2026.

TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS, ARIZONA
/s/Gerry M. Friedel, Mayor

ATTEST:
/s/Angela Padgett-Espiritu, Deputy Town Clerk
On behalf of Bevelyn Bender, Town Clerk

REVIEWED BY:
/s/Rachael Goodwin, Town Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
/s/Tim La Sota, Town Attorney

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