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Paul's Note

Tucson City Council, Ward 2

I'd like to keep things short this week. Make sure to check our "Community News" below for upcoming events by both Pima County Animal Care and the Regional Transportation Authority.

My colleagues and I are meeting on Tuesday and we have a full agenda. Among the items is an update on efforts to combat organized street racing requested by councilmember Nikki Lee.

This has been an ongoing issue, particularly here on the east side with our wide streets that are emptier at night than places closer to downtown. Late last year, we authorized the police to use a number of new technologies to help with enforcement. Keep in mind that anything we do has to follow the restrictions mandated by the voters, who banned the use of speed camera technology in 2015.

We will also get an update on our efforts to clean up PFAS in our water. PFAS are a group of chemicals that were used for decades in things like fire-fighting foam and cosmetics. Because of government intervention, some industries have cut back on their use. Broader bans, however, have been thwarted. They are toxic and they can accumulate because they take a long time to break down. Tucson Water has had an ongoing project to monitor for and take PFAS out of our water.

We will also be approving an agenda for our legislative agenda. There is an item that I fought to get on that agenda. I'll get you a full update on that next week.

I hope you all have a great weekend. It's good weather to enjoy a hike, so get out there with your family.

Community News



Mayor and Council: The next regular meeting will be on **Tuesday, November 19th**. There will be a study session with a regular meeting following at 5:30 pm. Meetings are held at City Hall, 255 W Alameda and can be watched live or archived at <https://www.youtube.com/@cityoftucson/live>.

PACC Fall Festival: The Pima County Animal Care Center is busy preparing for their Fall Festival on Sunday, **November 17**. They are getting in the Thanksgiving spirit for a community day full of games, music, food trucks, vendors, and of course amazing adoptable pets. There's going to be something for everyone and just maybe you'll "fall" in love with a new best friend. PACC is located at 4000 N Silverbell Road. The flier is below.

RTA Open House: The Regional Transportation Authority is hosting a series of open houses for the public to review and provide input on a \$2.46 billion, 20-year draft plan for regional transportation improvements. Open houses are scheduled for November and December across the Tucson metro region. There will be one for northeast side residents at Sabino High School

on **November 21st**. Sign in starts at 5 pm. A complete schedule can be found at <https://rtanext.com/events/>

Team Up to Clean Up: The City of Tucson, along with community partners, is organizing a citywide clean-up effort. Residents, families, students, community groups, and businesses are invited to join forces to clean and enhance our neighborhood. For more details, visit: [Team Up To Clean Up](#).

No Tools Needed: The city provides all necessary materials and will handle trash disposal.

Want to Clean at Your Own Pace? You can get recycled 55-gallon bags from your local ward office, courtesy of our local breweries For questions, email Steven at steven.laturco@tucsonaz.gov

Ready Set Rec: Ward 2's Ready Set Rec! van will be making a visit to Udall Park and Trail Dust Town. The van has equipment for all ages, including corn hole, board games, hula hoops, giant chess & checkers, giant Connect-4, giant Jenga, ladder golf, sports & toddler equipment.

The schedule for the month is below.



**Ready, Set,
REC!**

Find the Ward 2 van!

- **Nov. 4, 3-5 p.m. - Udall Park**
- **Nov. 9, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. - Truly Nolan**
- **Nov. 10, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. - Trail Dust Town**
- **Nov. 17, Noon-4 p.m. - PACC**
- **Nov. 18, 3-5 p.m. - Terra del Sol Park**
- **Nov. 22, 3-5 p.m. - Jesse Owens Park**
- **Nov. 29, 3-5 p.m. - Fort Lowell Park**



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Join PACC for our Second Annual

Fall Festival

Fall Festival!

FREE PET ADOPTIONS!

Sunday, Nov. 17, 12 to 4 p.m.
4000 N. Silverbell Road

We're inviting Pima County to come to the shelter for a day full of fun, with family activities, games, food trucks, and FREE adoptions on all pets!



Visit pima.gov/animalcare to learn more!

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