

City Manager's Report

May 19, 2023

Council and Colleagues, greetings. These reports will be included in the City Council packet for Council Work Sessions. The reports are intended to be informational, covering miscellaneous events and topics involving the city organization. This Report is rather short, but it will include, as attachments, the March/April update from Engineering and Capital Improvements, the April update from Economic Vitality, and the April/May update from PROSE.

In no particular order ...

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We are so proud of Sarah Langley and Shawn Johnson for not only representing Team Flagstaff so well but for making a difference within our community. As part of the Public Affairs Section both Sarah and Shawn are instrumental in connecting the community to the City Council and the City organization. They both have bright futures ahead of them and we are fortunate to have them as part of Team Flagstaff!



Mary Jo Jenkins Leader of the Year Awards (2021 & 2022)

This wonderful tradition continues! It started in 2009 and we have kept it going, with a short pause during the pandemic. We will be showing a star cast and appropriately cheesy video to announce both the 2021 and 2022 recipients of the Mary Jo Jenkins Leader of the Year. Thanks to our video team for helping to put this together (Connor Newton and Samantha Victor). Enjoy!

Meetings, Etc.

- Props to Christine Cameron, Trevor Henry, Jeremy DeGeyter, and others for helping to orchestrate the public meeting between the Army Corps of Engineers, the Friends of the Rio, and the Friends of Flagstaff Future, on Thursday, May 18th. The meeting lasted for two hours and was well attended. It included an overview of the process, a quick presentation of the project including design and timeline, and a Q&A session that touched on numerous topics. Focus was had on the design, surface riparian features, groundwater recharge, and GHG and carbon neutrality.
- The Mountain Line Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Board held a joint meeting for four hours on May 17th at the Aquaplex. It was well attended, and covered some elements of the Strategic Plan, including the Mission and Vision Statement (photo).
- The CJCC Executive Committee met on Wednesday, May 10th at the Hope Receiving Center. Updates were given by all of the subcommittees. We will be retreating in the fall to revisit the Strategic Plan (photo).
- The “Good Neighbors” noise task force met on May 16th. Stay tuned.
- We had a walk-about in the Southside Neighborhood on May 12th, with Coral Evans, David Soto (whose father Ray Soto has lived in the Southside for over 80 years!), members of Park Flag, Code Compliance, and the City Managers Office. It was good. Focus was upon bad parking behavior, litter, abandoned vehicles, vacant building, and ... roof-top fraternity parties.
- There was a celebration of the retirement of Carol Dykes with United Way of Northern Arizona (UWNA) on May 11th and it was wonderful. Carol will be replaced by Liz Archuleta. There were many heartwarming comments shared about Carol and it was a good sendoff (photo).



