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a community newsletter for the residents of Chandler

## Announcements

The City's curfew ordinance requires that minors who are under 16 years of age be home from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., and teens 16-17 from midnight to 5 a.m.

There are certain exceptions that can be reviewed in the ordinance available in the City Code section on [www.chandleraz.gov](http://www.chandleraz.gov), in the City Clerk's office or at the Chandler libraries.

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Only City employees are authorized to operate the valve in the water meter box. If you have someone working on your personal water system and either of you operate the water valve, you could be liable for any damages incurred.

The City provides this service for free during working hours and in an emergency. Please call 480-782-3706 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and 480-782-4130 for after-hours and weekend emergencies.

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City offices will be closed: Monday, May 25, 2015 for Memorial Day. Trash and recycling collection will not be affected by this holiday, and normal collection will occur.

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The estimated population for the City of Chandler as of Apr. 1, 2015, is 246,873 (+196 from last month).

## Chandler Police Department provides academy for youth

Chandler Police offer a Youth Academy, a one-week program held during school breaks, to give Chandler youth, ages 12 to 17, the opportunity to learn about various jobs within the Department. Participants must be middle or high school students, and a background check is performed on all applicants.

Space is limited for the upcoming sessions offered: June 8 - 12, and June 29 - July 2. Visit [www.chandlerpd.com](http://www.chandlerpd.com) to apply, or call 480-782-4960 for more information.

## Get your home remodel projects approved faster!

Chandler is implementing a new "over-the-counter" plan review service that promises to reduce review times associated with small remodeling and construction projects. The expedited over-the-counter service is available each morning of every business day from 8 to 10 a.m. and is limited to very small projects that will take 15 to 20 minutes to review and do not require planning site development or civil engineering review.

Some examples of projects likely to benefit from the new service include most interior home remodels, carport to garage conversions, patio covers, fire sprinkler head relocations, small alterations to fire alarm systems, and installations of backyard grills, ramadas, and solar photovoltaic systems. The Transportation & Development Office, located at 215 E. Buffalo Street, is now open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## Online poll to aide General Plan update

What is the most important economic development focus for Chandler over the next 10 years? That is the question currently being asked in a series of monthly online polls the City is using to aide planners charged with updating the City's General Plan. To participate, visit the project website, [www.chandleraz.gov/GPupdate](http://www.chandleraz.gov/GPupdate), and click on the "Get Involved" tab.

State law requires cities to readopt or update their General Plans at least once every 10 years. The current General Plan was adopted by the City Council and ratified by voters in 2008.

"The monthly polls allow residents to participate in the General Plan update wherever they have access to a computer or mobile device," said David de la Torre, the City's principal planner overseeing the project. "It's an easy way for residents to share their thoughts on specific topics during the update process."

In addition, residents can interact with City planners in Planning Labs held between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. the first Friday of the month at the Museum. Comments also can be submitted online at [www.chandleraz.gov/GPupdate](http://www.chandleraz.gov/GPupdate).

## Responsible pet ownership reminders

Pets can be a rewarding addition to any family, but they come with responsibilities. Courtesy and respect are part of being a good neighbor and are also a necessity when it comes to pet ownership. Abiding by leash laws and cleaning up animal waste are important, as well as making sure that pets don't disturb the peace by barking or howling at inappropriate times. Enforcement of most laws and ordinances involving pets is the responsibility of Maricopa County Animal Care and Control. They can be reached at 602-506-PETS (7387). The following is a summary of some of the Maricopa County animal laws:

- All dogs over three months must wear a collar displaying a current license. In addition, it is a good idea to attach a separate tag that lists your name, address and phone number.

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## What should you do with your household hazardous waste?

From 1996 - 2009, the City of Chandler provided residents Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection events twice a year in an effort to keep this material out of the landfill. Chandler's collection events diverted an average of 60,000 to 80,000 pounds of household hazardous waste each year. In the fall of 2006 the City opened a permanent Household Hazardous Waste Collection facility at the Recycling-Solid Waste Collection Center. Last year, 2,776 residents dropped off nearly 153,000 pounds. The Solid Waste Services Division reused or recycled approximately 110,000 pounds of that material.

It is dangerous and irresponsible to place hazardous waste in your recycling or trash container, or to pour these chemicals in the street or down the drain. The City of Chandler has a facility to take HHW allowing you to keep your home, family and our community safe. Appointments are required. Make a list of what you would like to bring to the HHW facility, including types and quantities, then call Solid Waste Services at 480-782-3510.

### Common HHW items:

- Paint and varnish
- Cleaning aids
- Craft, hobby, and home repair products
- Auto maintenance products
- Fertilizers, pesticides, and herbicides
- Pool chemicals
- Rechargeable and auto batteries
- CFL and fluorescent light bulbs
- Propane tanks
- Cooking Oil

Call the Chandler Police Department at 480-782-4130 for disposal guidelines for ammunition and gun powder. Medication is not accepted at the HHW facility. MedReturn drop-boxes are located in the lobby of each Police Station for residents to dispose of unwanted or expired prescription drugs. Contact 480-782-4130 for questions about MedReturn. If you have questions about items accepted at the HHW facility please call 480-782-3510.

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Your City officials want input on how to build a better community. Visit [www.chandleraz.gov](http://www.chandleraz.gov) and submit your comments on the "Contact Us" link.



Tune in to Cable Channel 11 for live coverage and replays of meetings, bulletin board announcements, original programming and more.

Go to [www.chandleraz.gov](http://www.chandleraz.gov) for current meeting information.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, this publication can be made available in an alternative format, if requested. It can also be made available in Spanish.

Si desea esta información en español, por favor llame al teléfono 480-782-2000.

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- Maricopa County's leash law prohibits you from allowing your dog to run at large outside your property at any time. Your dog must be confined to your home or property, either inside the home or within an enclosed yard. When you take your dog outside of its confined area, it must be restrained on a leash that is no longer than six feet in length.
- The law requires that animals be provided with the basic needs of life, including food and water. All animals must receive food on a daily basis; and the food must be free from contamination and offered in a quality and quantity sufficient to maintain the animals good health.
- It is unlawful to harbor a dog that barks or howls on a consistent basis and disturbs the peace of neighbors.
- Animals must have access to clean, drinkable water. Water should always be provided in a container that can't be tipped over or spilled. Animals will not drink warm water, so be sure to place the container where it will not be heated by the sun during the day.
- Maricopa County law requires that pet owners provide their animal with proper medical care. This means that if your pet is injured, sick, or infested with parasites, you are responsible for getting adequate veterinary attention. If you are unable to afford care, you are still required by law to prevent the animal from suffering.

For more information, visit, [www.pets.maricopa.gov](http://www.pets.maricopa.gov) or call 602-506-PETS (7387).

## June calendar highlights

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| 11, 25 | City Council Meeting, Council Chambers, 480-782-2180 |
| 1-19   | Summer Camp, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680       |
| 19     | DCCP Art Walk, Dr. A.J. Chandler Park, 480-855-3539  |
| 22-26  | Summer Camp, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680       |

**Call the Special Events Hotline at 480-782-2735, or go to [www.chandleraz.gov](http://www.chandleraz.gov) for event information.**



**Chandler City Council** -- Front row, from left: Councilmember Jack Sellers, Mayor Jay Tibshraeny and Councilmember Rick Heumann. Back row from left: Councilmember Nora Ellen, Vice Mayor Kevin Hartke, Councilmember Terry Roe and Councilmember René Lopez.

The Mayor & Council can be contacted at 480-782-2200.