



AUGUST 21, 2026

MANAGER'S INFORMATION UPDATE

WEEKLY REPORT

To: The Goodyear City Council
From: Bryan Langley, City Manager

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EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

The Aug. 21 Manager's Information Update highlights continued progress in youth engagement, recreation programs, city projects and upcoming events.

The Youth Commission held its annual retreat on Aug. 15 with 29 members attending. The group finalized their projects for the upcoming year and reviewed the group's mission, expectations and volunteer requirements.

On Aug. 13, the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission received an update on summer programs. Participation remained strong at more than 2,877 individuals, and satisfaction ratings were above 93%. Adaptive Recreation staff completed training to enhance support for participants during behavioral emergencies.

Several infrastructure projects continued moving forward over the summer. The Rainbow Valley Water Reclamation Facility expansion continued with utility installations, equipment deliveries, structural assembly and internal systems work.



BRYAN LANGLEY
City Manager

The Camelback Road improvement project began early coordination and contractor mobilization, along with preparing public engagement resources for future phases. The Bullard Avenue widening project progressed through design refinements and real estate actions to support future construction.

Upcoming community events include the Workforce2You Job Fair on Aug. 28.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the City Manager's Weekly Update online or visit goodyearaz.gov/weeklyupdate.

COUNCIL SCHEDULE

MONDAY, AUGUST 31

City Council Regular Meeting, 5 p.m.

[CLICK HERE to view Agendas
and Minutes](#)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

City Council Work Session and Regular Meeting, 5 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

City Council Work Session, 5 p.m.



(front row, l to r): Wally Campbell, Mayor Joe Pizzillo, Laura Kaino

(back row, l to r): Trey Terry, Vicki Gillis, Benita Beckles, Vice Mayor Brannon Hampton



ATTEND IN PERSON

Goodyear City Hall at GSQ
Council Chambers
1900 N. Civic Square.



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BOARD AND COMMISSION UPDATES



GOODYEAR YOUTH COMMISSION RETREAT UPDATE

The Youth Commission Retreat was held on Aug. 15 with an excellent turnout of 29 commissioners. They reviewed the upcoming year's schedule and selected their annual projects, including a Youth Commission takeover of the April 2027 InFocus magazine, a safe-driving event and the creation of an environmental sustainability group partnering with our Water Conservation team. They also discussed the commission's mission, purpose, attendance and required volunteer hours.

The meeting's minutes can be accessed [here](#).



BOARD AND COMMISSION UPDATES

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION RECEIVES SUMMER UPDATE

On Aug. 13, the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission received updates on the Summer Recreation Program and the 2026 Aquatics season. The Summer Recreation Program served 478 participants across four locations supported by 25 Junior Leader volunteers and 14 guest presenters, achieving a 94% satisfaction rating. The camp's "Heroes United: Safety Starts with Us" theme offered seven weeks of safety focused learning and leadership experiences.

Aquatics also highlighted strong participation and high satisfaction across programs. Swim lessons served 2,089 participants with 96% customer satisfaction. The swim team enrolled 310 participants and reported 94% satisfaction. Open swim operations continued safely without any maintenance closures, supported by trained lifeguards and instructors.



[VIEW 2026 SUMMER RECREATION RECAP](#)



[VIEW 2026 AQUATICS RECAP](#)

INFRASTRUCTURE & PROJECT UPDATES

CAMELBACK RD: SR303 TO 152ND AVE [CIP #42038]

The Camelback Road improvement project will widen the roadway to include additional travel lanes, bike lanes, new sidewalks, upgraded drainage and utility enhancements. Early summer activities focused on completing required contract processing and preparing for construction mobilization. The team continues to hold preconstruction meetings, coordinate permits and prepare the contractor's site setup for work to begin. Public engagement, including a project hotline, is being established to support ongoing construction activity.



BULLARD AVE: CELEBRATE LIFE WAY TO ROOSEVELT ST [CIP #42052]

The Bullard Avenue widening project will add an additional southbound lane to remove the existing scalloped roadway condition and improve traffic flow between Celebrate Life Way and Roosevelt Street. The project remains in the design and land acquisition phase, with steady progress having been made through early and mid-summer. Recent efforts have focused on real estate activities needed to support future construction. The design team continues to coordinate with stakeholders and utilities to refine project requirements and maintain alignment with the broader transportation network. These activities will continue as the project moves toward construction readiness.



INFRASTRUCTURE & PROJECT UPDATES

RAINBOW VALLEY WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY: EXPANSION [CIP #60077]

The Rainbow Valley Water Reclamation Facility project will expand treatment capacity to two million gallons per day and support long term community growth and reliability. In early summer, major site work progressed with utility installations, facility equipment deliveries and construction of key support buildings. Through mid summer, structural components for new buildings are being assembled, internal systems are being installed, and essential project milestones are being met.



[To follow these and other city capital projects, CLICK HERE to explore the Goodyear CIP Projects map.](#)

PROGRAM UPDATES

ADAPTIVE RECREATION STAFF COMPLETE STATE TRAINING

On Aug. 15, staff members completed the Division of Developmental Disabilities' Providing Respectful Opportunities and Understanding De-escalation (PROUD) Training. This training enhances Goodyear's commitment to high-quality service delivery by equipping staff with skills to support adaptive recreation participants during behavioral emergencies.



EVENTS

WORKFORCE2YOU JOB FAIR

Goodyear residents can connect with local employers and explore new career pathways at the Workforce2You Job Fair hosted by the Maricopa County Workforce Development team and Goodyear Neighborhood Services. The event will take place on Friday, Aug. 28, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Goodyear Recreation Campus.

The event is expected to attract more than 300 job seekers, providing residents with opportunities to connect with employers in business administration, technical and manufacturing, healthcare, human resources and other industries.



TEAM GOODYEAR EMPLOYEE MENTIONS

GOODYEAR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION

The International Economic Development Council (IEDC) recently granted the city of Goodyear its Bronze Excellence in Economic Development award for the Team West Valley Small Business Week campaign. The [campaign](#) was a collaboration between the cities of Goodyear, Surprise, Avondale, Peoria, Buckeye, El Mirage, Glendale and Tolleson.



United as a region of nearly two million residents, the eight communities created a single, soccer-inspired "Team West Valley" campaign that captured the excitement surrounding the FIFA World Cup. By focusing on teamwork, movement and shared regional storytelling, the effort delivered a fun, recognizable and culturally relevant way to champion local entrepreneurs. This award highlights our commitment to innovative, collaborative economic development strategies that strengthen our business community and enhance the quality of life for our residents.



MEDIA, SOCIAL MEDIA & MESSAGING

SOCIAL MEDIA METRICS

Total Followers: 339,777
New Followers: 401

Impressions: 291,785
Engagements: 18,718

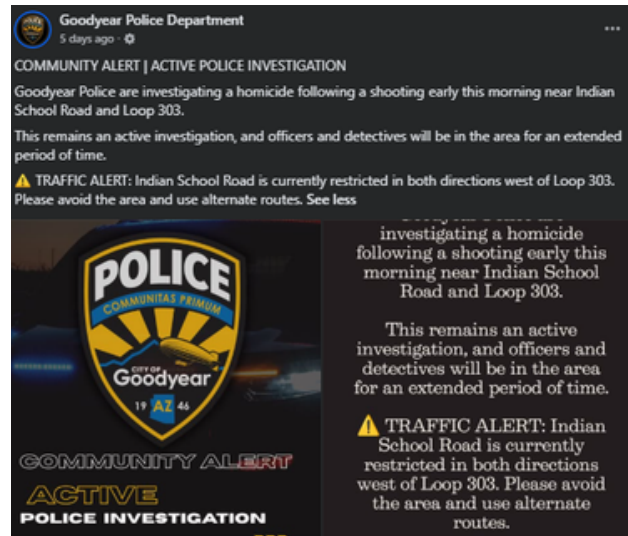
TOP POST OF THE WEEK

The top-performing post of the week was a Goodyear Police Department community alert about a homicide investigation following an early-morning shooting near Indian School Road and Loop 303. The post also provided traffic information as officers and detectives continued working in the area.

Sentiment reflected concern and frustration surrounding the incident itself. Several commenters discussed hearing gunfire or shared information about the reported house party, while others expressed concern about neighborhood safety and the circumstances surrounding the shooting.

Some discussion focused on exactly where the incident occurred, while other commenters broadened the conversation to changes and growth in Goodyear and perceptions of crime in the community. Several residents also pushed back on some of those broader characterizations and noted that the surrounding area remains largely residential and newly developed.

Overall, the conversation showed strong public interest in the investigation and concern about a serious incident occurring in the community. While a small portion of the discussion became politically charged or included inappropriate generalizations, most comments focused on the shooting, its location and its impact on the surrounding neighborhood.



MEDIA INTEREST

- The AZ Clean Elections Commission interviewed Mayor Pizzillo for a podcast to talk about Buc-ee's
- New Finance Director with quotes from Laura Calder
- Investigation into hoax ICE call to Goodyear business
- Investigation into potential misuse of license plate reader technology
- Investigation into a fatal weekend shooting following a house party



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