

A report from the City of Peoria to its citizens and friends

Code Compliance Delivers Quality of Life

Peoria Code Compliance Officers have one of the toughest city jobs around – delivering news that people usually don't want to hear.

"More often than not, we're the first to explain to someone that a condition at their property is in fact a code violation," says Code Compliance Officer Frank Mazzacua. "We explain to people what's wrong, what the rules are, and what needs to be done to correct it, and most people appreciate the information. We're doing a lot more educating than enforcing – we want compliance first, and enforcement second."

Peoria's five code compliance officers work hard to help residents understand city codes, and where possible, to assist them in resolving violations. Code Compliance is one of several functions within Peoria's Neighborhood Services Division. All are focused on the same goal – preserving quality of life at a standard that the city's residents and elected officials have decided upon.

"Most citizens are very law abiding," according to Debra Stark, Peoria's Director of Community Development who oversees the Neighborhood Services Division. "Unfortunately, some

don't realize there are certain rules that have been put into place to keep our property values up and maintain the character of the city."

These rules are city codes, and are actually laws passed by the city council or in some cases, by a vote of the people. The codes cover a wide variety of areas, from weeds or tall grass, to inoperable vehicles in public view. City codes are different from homeowner's association rules, or codes, covenants, and restrictions (CC&R's).

CC&R's may be more restrictive than city codes, but not less. For example, in a certain neighborhood, the CC&R's may state that vehicles cannot be parked on the street overnight, where city codes merely require that vehicles be parked on pavement, not dirt. The distinction between city codes and CC&R's is an important one – the city's code compliance officers do not enforce CC&R's, only city codes in areas not served by a homeowner's association.

Since code compliance officers deal with violations on private property, they are different from police officers. Peoria's Code Compliance Officers are experts in their field – each must pass a national certification examination at the end of their first year of



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employment. They also receive regular ongoing training. In the course of their duties, the officers get to know the city's codes, neighborhoods, and people very well.

Code Compliance has a 24-hour complaint line (623-773-7226) that residents can use to report possible violations. After a call comes in, an officer will usually go out and investigate within two working days, and always within five business days. If a possible life safety issue exists – a fence down that exposes a swimming pool that children could access, for example – code compliance officers will respond immediately to ensure the problem is taken care of.

Code compliance officers don't have to wait for complaints to come in, they act on violations they see while they're out in the field as well. In an average month, Peoria's team of officers conducts about 1,500 property inspections.

In each case, code compliance officers investigate complaints to see if they are valid. If there is a violation, they notify the property owner and give resident or business a reasonable amount of time to fix the problem. Working together cooperatively gets the best results.

"There's no question about it," says Bill Patena, head of Peoria's Neighborhood Services Division. "When residents come into compliance it's a win for them, and a win for the city, and they'll probably never see us again."

Peoria's Code Compliance Office is a group of hard working individuals who help the city's residents understand the rules and keep neighborhoods looking good – all to enhance Peoria's quality of life.

For more information, contact the Code Compliance Office at 623-773-7162

Code Complaint Hotline: 623-773-7226

Common Code Violations in Peoria

- Problem: Illegal Storage of Recreational Vehicles**
Solution: Store motor homes, trailers, boats, jet skis, etc. in a garage or behind a solid fence unless loading or unloading.
- Problem: Weeds or Grass Over Six Inches Tall**
Solution: Keep yards mowed, free of tall weeds.
- Problem: Trash or Debris in Public View**
Solution: Keep yards, carports, and porches free from trash or debris. Call Peoria's Solid Waste Division (623-773-7431) to schedule special pickup if necessary.
- Problem: Inoperable Vehicles Parked in Driveways or Front Yards**
Solution: Store inoperable vehicles in a garage or behind a solid fence out of public view.
- Problem: Parking Vehicles on Unimproved Surfaces**
Solution: Do not park vehicles on grass or dirt, only on pavement or concrete driveways or carports.

Leadership Institute Offers Up-Close Look at City Government

Have you ever wondered why a street is built in a particular way, how clean & safe water is delivered straight to your home, or the process through which the city's budget is created?

If so, then Peoria Leadership Institute may be for you. A part of the University of Peoria, the Peoria Leadership Institute offers Peoria residents an in-depth look at the operations of city government.

Class members learn more about the city's governmental structure, its budget and finances, public works, utility, police and fire operations & more through interactive discussions with management staff. The program

is aimed at providing something for everyone, and may prove especially insightful for those considering public office or serving on one of the appointed boards or commissions in Peoria.

Peoria Leadership Institute sessions are held one evening each week for ten consecutive weeks at locations around the city. Rotating classes to different city locations provides class members the chance to see city facilities they may not otherwise visit in addition to providing an atmosphere relating to the evening's subject matter.

If you are someone who would like to become more knowledgeable or more involved in your community, then Peoria Leadership Institute may be for

People who enroll in the Peoria Leadership Institute get an up-close look at how every aspect of city government operates during ten evening sessions.



you. Recruiting for the Spring 2003 session has begun. Class sizes are limited, so if you are interested, don't hesitate!

To apply, visit "www.peoriaaz.com/up/" and click on the application link, pick-up an application brochure at Peoria City Hall, or call 623-773-7339.

For more information on Peoria Leadership Institute, contact the Public Information Office at 623-773-7339

Or check the web at www.peoriaaz.com/up/

CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

July

- Accepted a \$115,000 grant from the Environmental Protection Agency to assess ways of making Peoria's drinking water safe from possible terrorist acts.
- Approved a \$4 million contract for the design and construction administration of the southern Peoria Water Reclamation Plant to be located in the area of 79th Avenue and Seldon Lane.
- Selected "Rio Vista" as the name for Peoria's first community park. The selection was made from over 100 submitted by the public, and with recommendations from the Parks and Recreation Board.
- Adopted the 2002 Peoria Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan that identifies the steps needed to achieve the community's shared vision for Peoria's parks, recreation, and open spaces through the year 2007.
- Authorized an intergovernmental agreement with the Arizona Department of Transportation, which will provide \$2 million towards the construction of Peoria's Traffic Signal Interconnection Project. The interconnections will be constructed over the next two years and will provide a fiber-optic backbone and 28 interactive traffic signal controllers to help improve the flow of traffic in and through Peoria, and improve air quality.
- Received Peoria's Building Code Effectiveness Grading from the Insurance Services Organization (ISO), which shows how effective a city is in enforcing building codes. Peoria's ISO rating improved from 4 to a 3 (on a 10-point scale, with 1 being the best), which should translate into lower insurance rates for all people who own property in Peoria.

August

- Accepted a \$36,000 Department of Justice Local Law Enforcement Block Grant for upgrading Police Department equipment and supplies.
- Approved a \$1.7 million construction contract for the phase two expansion of the Beardsley Water Reclamation Plant, to provide for additional pumps, blowers, and disinfection equipment, and result in an additional one million gallons per day treatment capacity.
- Amended the City Code establishing the Peoria Historic Preservation Commission, an advisory commission that will identify significant historic, architectural, and cultural landmarks and make recommendations to the City Council regarding their preservation.

September

- Awarded a \$1.5 million contract for construction of a truck traffic route sound wall along 83rd Avenue from Union Hills Drive to Beardsley Road.
- Approved an intergovernmental agreement with Arizona State University through which the ASU College of Architecture and Environmental Design will develop renovation guidelines, appearance standards, and site planning for elements of the Downtown Revitalization Project.
- Approved a \$15 million design/build contract for construction of the new Public Safety Administration Building to be located immediately south of the existing city municipal complex. Upon its completion in October 2003, the 95,000 square foot facility will be the new headquarters for the Peoria Police Department, house the administrative offices of the Peoria Fire Department, and provide a production studio and offices for Peoria's government Channel 11.

October

- Accepted a \$25,000 grant for a special speed reduction program summary sponsored by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Peoria is one of only two cities in the nation participating in the study (the other is Phoenix), which will investigate the effectiveness of unique and innovative speed reduction programs in residential neighborhoods.
- Approved the formation of the Vistancia Community Facilities District to provide a method of financing, constructing, maintaining, and operating public improvements in this planned community. With a community facilities district there is no financial impact (through taxes or other means) to property owners outside of the district.
- Appointed the nine members of the newly-created Economic Development Advisory Board who will review issues related to business retention and development and offer recommendations to the City Council.

Mayor's Report

Peoria Sports Complex Continues to Deliver

When the Peoria Sports Complex opened, it was a big event for the city of Peoria. At the time the first pitch was thrown on opening day March 2nd, 1994, development in the area around the Sports Complex was pretty sparse, with only Arrowhead Towne Center to the north an indication of things to come. A lot of ideas were floating around as to what it would mean to development in Peoria, and in the region, but nobody could really be sure of how it would all play out.

Fast-forward nearly a decade to late 2002, and the scene is a very different one. Just about all of the things that were hoped for when the Peoria Sports Complex was first conceived have come into being. Peoria's spot on the national and indeed on the international map has been firmly inked. The residents of the city and of the entire West Valley have a facility that, in the course of a year, provides as many different types of experiences as any venue of its kind, anywhere. The development of the available property around the Sports Complex is proceeding at a very exciting pace. Harkins Theater, a huge Harley-Davidson dealership, and a delectable array of restaurants and entertainment choices now dot the once empty landscape around the country's first two-team Spring Training facility and are providing a large portion of the city's all-important sales-tax revenue.

The Sports Complex has become what it was envisioned to be, an entertainment venue and tourist attraction that is also an economic engine for Peoria and the West Valley. A lot of hard work has been put into making it all of those things, and recently residents all over the Valley provided the icing on the cake by voting for the Peoria Sports Complex as both a West Valley Treasure and a Best of Phoenix selection.

The West Valley Treasures program was formed by WESTMARC (the Western Maricopa Coalition) along with West Valley cities and towns, chambers of commerce, community business leaders and The Arizona Republic, in 2001. The goal was to let the people decide what they were most proud of in the West Valley – what are our treasures? Sixty-two potential treasures were identified and put to a vote of the people from July 15th through August 15th of this year. More than 15,000 votes were cast, and the top 15 vote-getters earned the title West Valley Treasure.

The Peoria Sports Complex was one of those fifteen selections. Other treasures located in Peoria are the Challenger Space Science Center and Lake Pleasant. It is a trio that everyone in Peoria should be very proud of.

At the same time the West Valley Treasures program was underway, the Phoenix New Times was conducting their annual "Best of Phoenix" poll. The Sports Complex rose to the top again, being selected as "The Best Place in Phoenix to be Entertained."

The write-up in the New Times put it perfectly when they said, "More so than anywhere in the Valley, you can show up at the Peoria Sports Complex on any weekend and expect to be entertained."

Many people credit hockey great Wayne Gretzky with bringing Canada's national sport to America's sun belt. After his arrival in Los Angeles years ago, hockey teams began to spring up or move to places like Florida, Tennessee, North Carolina, Texas, and yes, even Arizona. With the eminent arrival of the Phoenix Coyotes (with managing partner Gretzky) and the Arizona Cardinals to the West Valley, an interesting parallel has emerged.

Were it not for the Peoria Sports Complex and all it has done for Peoria and the West Valley, would these other "big hitters" even have considered a West Valley address? Maybe, maybe not, but it is clear that the Peoria Sports Complex – a West Valley Treasure and the Best Place in Phoenix to be Entertained – has paved the way for many more great things to come.

Mayor John C. Keegan

CITY COUNCIL District Roundup



The Peoria City Council

Contact the Mayor and Council by calling 623-773-7306.

Council Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Peoria City Council Chamber, 8401 West Monroe Street

Call the City Clerk's Office at 623-773-7340 for agendas or more information.

Council agendas, meeting minutes, district maps, and other information are also available on the city web site at www.peoriaaz.com

Acacia District, Councilmember Michael Patino

The holidays are coming - Please join me on Friday, December 6th at the Old Town Holiday Festival, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., for some spirited fun! There will be hay-wagon rides, holiday crafts, and food for all. The holiday season wouldn't be complete without seeing Peoria's tree lighting ceremony. I am looking forward to seeing you there!

Ironwood District: Councilmember Bob Barrett

Peoria's first skate park should be open by the fall of 2003. If all goes as planned, construction on Phase I of Rio Vista, Peoria's first community park at Loop 101 and Thunderbird will begin this winter. There will finally be a place for Peoria's residents to skate. If you have any questions about this or other Ironwood District issues, please feel free to contact me at 623-773-7306.

Mesquite District – Councilmember Ken Forgia

As the rush of the holiday season approaches, the last thing many of us think about is our neighborhood's sanitation collection schedule – but as always, there will be some changes to accommodate the holidays. To learn how the holiday sanitation collection schedule will affect you on Thanksgiving, Christmas and the New Year's holidays, check Peoria's web site, www.peoriaaz.com, or call the Solid Waste Information Line at 623-773-7441.

Palo Verde District: Councilmember Pat Dennis

A "Reading Tree" was recently installed at Windrose Park. The life-sized, welded steel sculpture, commissioned by the Peoria Arts Commission, is original work created for Peoria by Valley artist, Joe Tyler. This fun piece provides additional shade for park patrons and was paid for in part with Palo Verde District Funds. Please make an effort to enjoy the park and its art! For further information, please contact me at 623-773-7306.

Pine District: Councilmember Carlo Leone

The retail center at 91st Avenue and Northern, named Peoria Crossings, continues to expand on its big plans. The center currently houses a Target store, a Petco, and Michael's, and it will soon be joined by Kohl's Department store and much more. Help support your hometown economy by enjoying the many restaurants and shops springing up in this area!

Willow District: Vice Mayor Ella Makula

The City of Peoria has awarded the construction contract to widen sections of 75th Avenue between Thunderbird Road and Skunk Creek. Construction is underway, and the project is scheduled for completion in April 2003. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this improvement effort and for focusing on safety! Please feel free to reach me at 623-773-7306 if you have any questions about this matter or other city projects.

Preparing for Drought

Thanks to long-term water resource planning and an aggressive capital improvement program supported by residential water rate increases in recent years, the City of Peoria is well positioned to continue with residential water service even in the current drought.

When the city's new Greenway Water Treatment Plant opened in June 2002, Peoria achieved the goal of having four separate water resources from which to provide service to the community. Those four sources are: Salt River Project water (treated at the new Greenway Plant); Central Arizona Project Water (treated at the joint City of Peoria-City of Glendale Pyramid Peak Water Treatment Plant); groundwater provided via twenty-four well-sites located throughout the city; and recharge and future direct use of reclaimed water for irrigation.

These redundant water resources mean that recently announced cutbacks in the amount of water supplied by the Salt River Project will have no effect on Peoria's water customers.

"Thanks to our planning, we have water resources well in excess of our customer demand," said Kevin Kadlec, Peoria's Utilities Director, "and we will not restrict our residents' water use because of the recent announcement by SRP. That being said, we feel that everyone who lives in the desert should recognize the value of water and should always try to conserve as much of this precious resource as possible."

To help bring that message home, the city has recently stepped-up efforts to get the conservation message out to the community through messages and brochures in utility bills,, advertisements in local papers and movie theaters, new customer conservation mailers, and free conservation packets, a



Peoria's Greenway Water Treatment Plant

A new web site has been created with conservation information (<http://conserve.peoriaaz.com>) and conservation materials for kids have been provided at city swimming pools and summer recreation programs. The newest additions to the conservation program are free Water Conservation and Xeriscape classes that are co-sponsored by the City of Glendale.

Additionally, the city is exploring additional conservation methods such as developing an effluent re-use ordinance, landscaping-rebate incentive programs and other ways to encourage water conservation and get the most out of the city's water resources.

The city is also developing a drought contingency plan that will base different water demand reduction strategies on various water supply access triggers. This plan will be completed soon and becomes even more important should the current dry conditions continue.

"We are in good shape," said Kadlec, "but if this drought continues into the next several years, everyone will have to get more aggressive about water conservation."

For more information about Water Conservation in Peoria, contact the Water Conservation Office at 623-773-7286

Peoria's Award Winning Summer

It was an award-winning summer for the City of Peoria.

Two city departments were recognized at the Fifth Annual Maricopa Association of Governments Desert Peaks Awards. The first award recognized the Peoria Fire Department and other Valley fire departments for standardizing training for 13 West Valley fire departments. The standard training allows the departments – which are often called to the same scene – to operate more safely and effectively together. The cooperative effort is made even more effective through sharing equipment, instructors, and other resources.

Peoria also won a second Desert Peaks Award for Regional Partnership. Peoria's Building Safety Division spearheaded the effort to create a Regional Plan Review Program that streamlined the approval of residential building plans by eliminating the need for each participating jurisdiction to complete a separate plan review. By using uniform procedures, codes, amendments, and interpretations of building codes, the program has resulted in improved customer service across the region and has helped

standardize the development and enforcement of building codes in Maricopa County.

Two Peoria employees in the Wastewater Division were recognized for individual excellence by the Arizona Water Pollution Control Association.

Gene Leap, Peoria's Wastewater Supervisor, was named "Large Wastewater System Supervisor of the Year" and Warren Dancer, Senior Plant Operator at the Beardsley Water Reclamation Facility, was recognized as Arizona's "Small Wastewater Treatment Operator of the Year". In earning the awards, both Gene and Warren were recognized for innovating improvements in their areas, and improving operating efficiency and safety.

The Valley Forward Association presented the City of Peoria with an Award of Merit for the Greenway Water Treatment Plant. The Award of Merit was based on Peoria's successful strive to eliminate its reliance on groundwater. The City of Peoria and the plant's designer, Carollo Engineers, also received an Award for Engineering Excellence from the American Council of Engineering Companies of Arizona. The award recognized the plant's state of the art design, construction, and operation.



City Invests in Community Service Providers

Each year the city gives funding to not-for-profit social service and human service agencies whose programs benefit Peoria's residents. These organizations serve those in need, offering programs and services for youth, the disabled, and the elderly; housing; family services and crisis intervention; legal assistance; and cultural economic development for the benefit of the city as a whole.

The city receives applications from agencies seeking financial assistance to support their programs on an annual basis. Programs are then assessed on their individual merits by a City Council subcommittee, which then rates each request and makes a final recommendation to the full City Council.

In Fiscal Year 2003, the Peoria City Council approved \$850,000 from the city's general fund, half-cent sales tax fund, transit fund, and federal Community Development Block Grant funds to support these not-for-profit agencies that serve Peoria.

Disabled Services

Arizona Bridge to Independent Living - Phone: 602-256-2245
Provision of housing rehabilitation specific to the needs of disabled residents.

Solecito Services - Phone: 623-876-5331
Home health care equipment lending as well as disability advocacy.

Senior Services

Interfaith Services - Phone: 623-584-4999
Adult health and day care, home services and assisted living.

Foundation for Senior Living - Phone: 602-285-1800
Nutrition programs (congregate meals & emergency food vouchers).

Maricopa County Human Services - Phone: 602-506-5920
Red Cross van for delivery of meals and assisted living services delivery. Also special transportation services to health services and other key needs of homebound.

Youth Services

Arizona Rising Suns - Phone: 602-878-7974
Track & field events for youth.

Boy's and Girl's Clubs - Phone: 602-954-8182
After school programs and youth leadership training.

West Valley Child Crisis Center - Phone: 623-848-8863
Support and assistance to abused & neglected children.

Housing Services

Community Services of Arizona - Phone: 480-899-8717
Affordable single family rehabilitation of owner occupied housing, multi-family housing provider and first time homebuyer programs

Foundation for Senior Living - Phone: 602-285-1800
Affordable senior housing with emergency assistance.

Family Services and Crisis Intervention

Faith House/Prehab of Arizona - Phone: 602-477-4004
Abuse crisis intervention services focused on counseling.

Westside Social Services - Phone: 602-934-1991
Counseling and services connection for families with a focus toward guidance in meeting health and safety needs.

Pelm's House - Phone: 623-979-9705
Parenting classes, drug treatment and health care assistance.

Homeless Services

Central Arizona Shelter Services - Phone: 602-256-6945
Homeless Shelter, Emergency Shelter and counseling for life management.

Legal Services

Community Legal Services - Phone: 602-258-3434
Counseling and representation of persons who otherwise might not be able to afford legal services.

Economic Development

Peoria Chamber of Commerce - Phone: 623-979-3601
Area development and balanced business growth.

Greater Phoenix Economic Council - Phone: 602-256-7700
Assistance and development services through action plan that focuses area resources on strategic balanced growth.

Maricopa County Sports Commission - Phone: 602-258-6272
Sports events acquisition and support services.

Preservation & Cultural

Peoria Historical Society - Phone: 623-942-3587
Historical Museum and notation of historically significant Peoria events.

Theater Works - Phone: 623-815-7930
Outreach, presentation, and training in the theater arts.

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December 5th – Planning & Zoning[†] Commission, Council Chamber, 6:30 p.m.

December 6th – Peoria's Oldtown Holiday Festival, Oldtown Peoria (83rd Ave. & Madison), 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Info: 623-773-7564

TV December 10th – City Council Meeting, Council Chamber, 7 p.m.

December 17th – City Council Study Session*, City Hall, 4 p.m.

TV City Council Meeting, Council Chamber, 7 p.m.

December 19th – Planning & Zoning[†] Commission, Council Chamber, 6:30 p.m.

December 25th – Christmas Holiday (City Offices Closed, Holiday Sanitation Schedule in Effect)

January 1st – New Year's Holiday (City Offices Closed, Holiday Sanitation Schedule in Effect)

January 2nd – Planning & Zoning[†] Commission, Council Chamber, 6:30 p.m.

TV January 7th – City Council Meeting, Council Chamber, 7 p.m.

January 9th – Free Desert Landscaping Class: Native Plants, Main Library. Register: 623-773-7286

January 16th – Planning & Zoning[†] Commission, Council Chamber, 6:30 p.m.

January 20th – Martin Luther King Day (City Offices Closed, Holiday Sanitation Schedule in Effect)

January 21st – City Council Study Session*, City Hall, 4 p.m.

TV City Council Meeting, Council Chamber, 7 p.m.

January 23rd – Free Water Conservation Class, Main Library. Register: 623-773-7286

TV February 4th – City Council Meeting, Council Chamber, 7 p.m.

February 6th – Planning & Zoning[†] Commission, Council Chamber, 6:30 p.m.

February 17th – President's Day Holiday (City Offices Closed, Holiday Sanitation Schedule in Effect)

February 18th – City Council Study Session*, City Hall, 4 p.m.

TV City Council Meeting, Council Chamber, 7 p.m.

February 20th – Planning & Zoning[†] Commission, Council Chamber, 6:30 p.m.

*Council Study Sessions are held as needed. Call the City Clerk's Office at 623-773-7340 to confirm meeting times and for agendas, or check the web at www.peoriaaz.com.

†Call the Planning Division at 623-773-7200 to confirm meeting times and for agendas.

The City Council Chamber is located at 8401 W. Monroe St.

TV All City Council Meetings are also broadcast live on Peoria's Channel 11 (on Cox & Qwest cable), and re-broadcast each night through the following Sunday.

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"Where the Rubber Meets the Road"
ROAD CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Lake Pleasant Parkway

Phase 2 of the Lake Pleasant Parkway (which will continue the parkway from 95th Avenue west to Williams Road) has been designed, right-of-way acquisition is in progress. Construction is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2003.

Union Hills Reconstruction

The reconstruction of Union Hills Drive from 84th Avenue to 95th Avenue is currently being designed. Construction is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2003.

75th Avenue Widening

75th Avenue from Thunderbird Road to the Skunk Creek Bridge is being widened to two travel lanes in each direction plus a center turn lane. Construction is underway, scheduled for completion in Spring 2003.

Deer Valley Road Bridge

A joint project between Maricopa County, the City of Peoria, and the City of Glendale to build a bridge on Deer Valley Road over New River (just west of 75th Avenue) is underway. For information, contact the project hotline at 480-350-9288 or check the Maricopa County Department of Transportation web site at: <http://www.rightroads.org/news.htm>

For more information on these or other road construction projects in Peoria, contact the Public Works Department at 623-773-7210.

NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE
CITY OF PEORIA

Thanks to the businesses and organizations who helped make 2002 another great year for Peoria's Neighborhood Pride Program!

- Albrecht & Sons Painting LLC
- Burbank Masonry
- Christ Church of the Valley
- The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Peoria and North Peoria Stakes)
- Community Builders
- Cruise America
- E2 Innovations, Inc.
- Home Depot
- Linden Tree Nursery
- Little Dealer Little Prices
- Lowe's

- Mechanic's Choice
- Metro Valley Painting Corp.
- New Life Community Church
- Palo Verde Plastering
- Peoria High School Honor Society
- S & D Auto Wrecking
- S & S Tire
- Safeway
- Summer Winds Nursery
- Sunrise Mountain High School Honor Society
- Wal-Mart
- West Valley Sand & Gravel

City of Peoria Telephone Numbers

ALL NUMBERS ARE IN THE 623 AREA CODE

AM/PM Program	773-7137	Fire Department (non-emergency)	773-7262	Solid Waste Billing	773-7160
Building Inspections	773-7225	Graffiti Hotline	773-7094	Solid Waste Collection	773-7431
City Attorney's Office	773-7330	Library (Main)	773-7555	Street Maintenance	773-7432
City Clerk's Office	773-7340	Library (Sunrise Mountain Branch) ...	487-5150	Water Billing / Service	773-7160
City Manager's Office	773-7300	Mayor and Council Offices	773-7306	Water Leaks	773-7433
Code Compliance	773-7162	Parks and Recreation	773-7137		
Community Center	773-7436	Peoria Job Hotline	773-7105		
Community Development	773-7200	Peoria Municipal Court	773-7400		
Dial-a-Ride	773-7435	Planning and Zoning	773-7200		
		Police (non-emergency)	773-8311		

Fire, Police, or Medical Emergencies, dial

911

A complete city phone directory is available online at www.peoriaaz.com

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