

Development & Engineering



EXPLAINING AND PRESERVING A HISTORIC RUIN

The Palo Verde Ruin has held a place on the National Register of Historic Places since 2011 and at one time was the largest prehistoric village of the Hohokam on the New River. The ruin is located adjacent to the city's Palo Verde Park near 73rd Drive and Briles Road. The purpose of the Palo Verde Ruin Interpretive Plan project is to provide park visitors with detailed information about the area's history while maintaining and preserving the area.

Phase 1 of the project, which was completed in 2013, included playground equipment, ball courts, shade and bench facilities, and some initial interpretive signs providing general information about the historic ruin.

Phase 2 of the project will improve the 15-acre archeological portion of the park with a new walkable loop trail, split rail fencing, footings for future shade structures, and additional interpretive signage along the loop trail. These new interpretive elements will provide historical information about the ruin, explain the science of archaeology, and connect park visitors with other recreational and educational resources in the area.

The City will also extend an existing drainage channel constructed with the Terramar Subdivision improvements across the 15-acre ruin site to channel regional drainage flows away from the preserved archeological deposits and into New River tributaries.

Construction is 60 percent complete and is expected to wrap up in late December of this year.

STATISTICAL INDICATORS

Capital Improvement Program

Active Design Projects: 9
 Active Design Costs: \$6,536,976
 Active Construction Projects: 10
 Active Construction Costs: \$15,770,147

Site Development

Civil Reviews Completed

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
149	62

Average Turnaround Time

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
13.70	12.98

Active Design Projects

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
152	88

Active Construction Projects

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
201	90

Building Development

New Commercial Permits

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
2	2

Tenant Improvement Permits

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
8	10

Total Commercial Permits

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
47	47

New Single Family Permits

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
145	129

Total Residential Permits

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
443	563

Commercial Plan Reviews

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
72	50

Residential Plan Reviews

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
359	577

Rollover Inspections

<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Sep 17</u>
171	78