

*Welcome to the
Peoria Leadership
Institute*



Carl Swenson

City Manager



About Peoria

- After incorporating in 1954, Peoria consisted of one square mile
- Today Peoria is about 176 square miles, making it the fourth largest city in Arizona in terms of incorporated area.
- Population = 154,000
- Peoria is one of the few Arizona cities that stretch across two counties



About the Organization



Council-Manager Government

- **Most common type of local government in U.S.**
- **Council-Manager system was created during the reform movement of the Progressive Era**
- **Fort Sumter, SC, was first city (1912) to utilize Council-Manager form of government**
- **City Council serves as a policymaking body and hires a professional manager to run the day-to-day operations of city**



City Council, City Manager Roles and Responsibilities

City Council

- Policy-makers
- Adopt laws, policies, resolutions
- Approve city budget, award contracts, approve intergovernmental agreements, etc.

City Manager

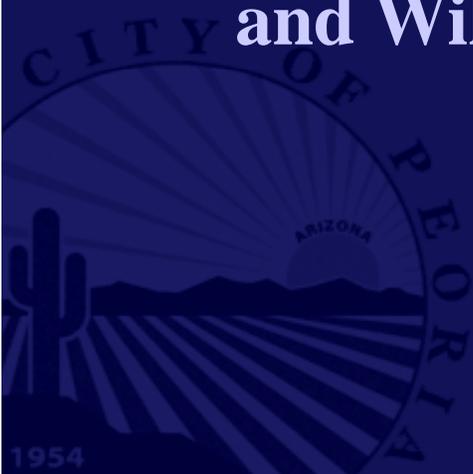
- Hired by Council to execute their policies
- Chief Executive Officer of City
- Responsible for City operations & services
- Intergovernmental Relations

About the Organization

- Peoria is a charter city
- Peoria's charter was first approved by voters in 1985 and serves as the city's constitution
- The charter establishes terms of office for Council, powers of City Council and City Manager, and establishes a number of regulations
- Peoria's charter is available online at www.peoriaaz.gov/charter

About the Organization

- Mayor, Council elected to four-year terms
- Mayor is ceremonial head of the city, chairs council meetings, and controls Council agenda; limited to two terms
- Council members represent a geographic area or district of the city
- Acacia, Ironwood, Mesquite, Palo Verde, Pine, and Willow – Redistricting



Peoria City Council





Mayor Bob Barrett



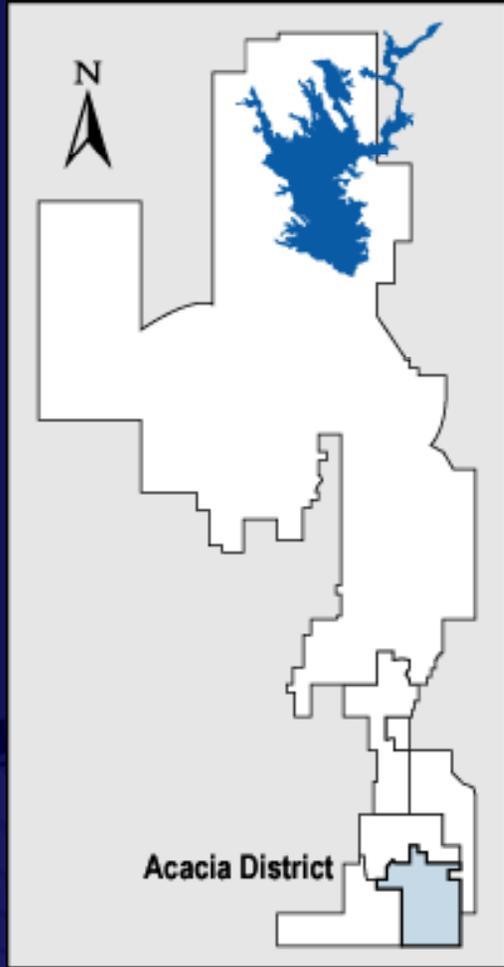
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District**



**Tony Rivero
Councilmember**



Acacia District



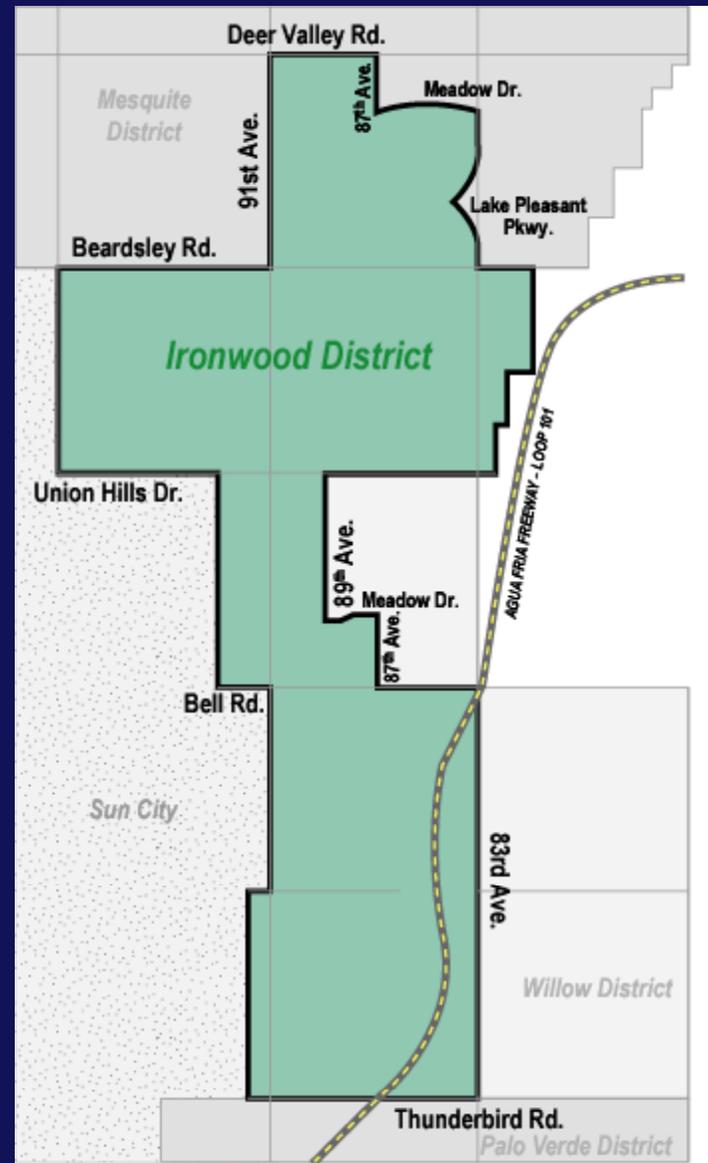
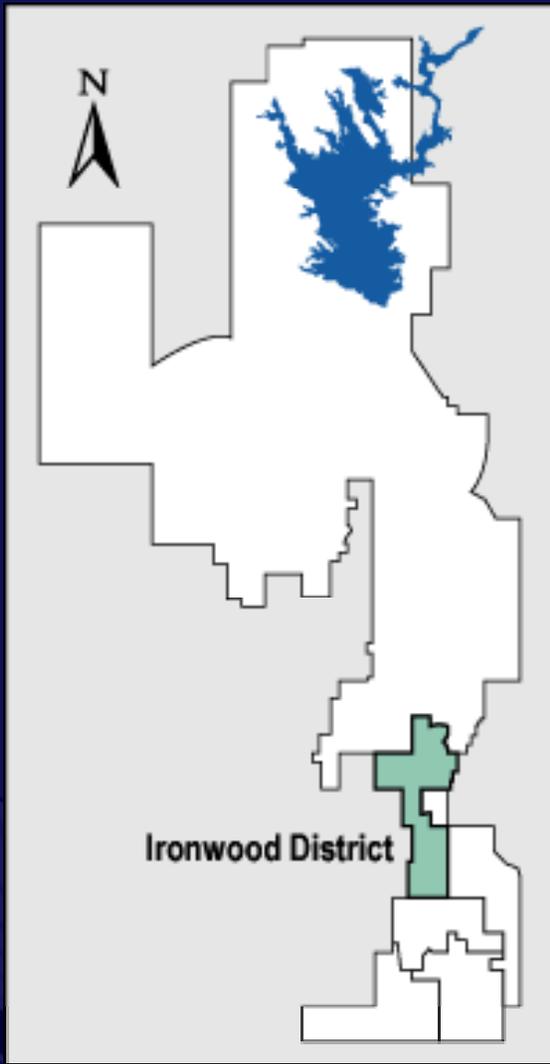
**Ironwood
District**



**Dave Pearson
Councilmember**



Ironwood District



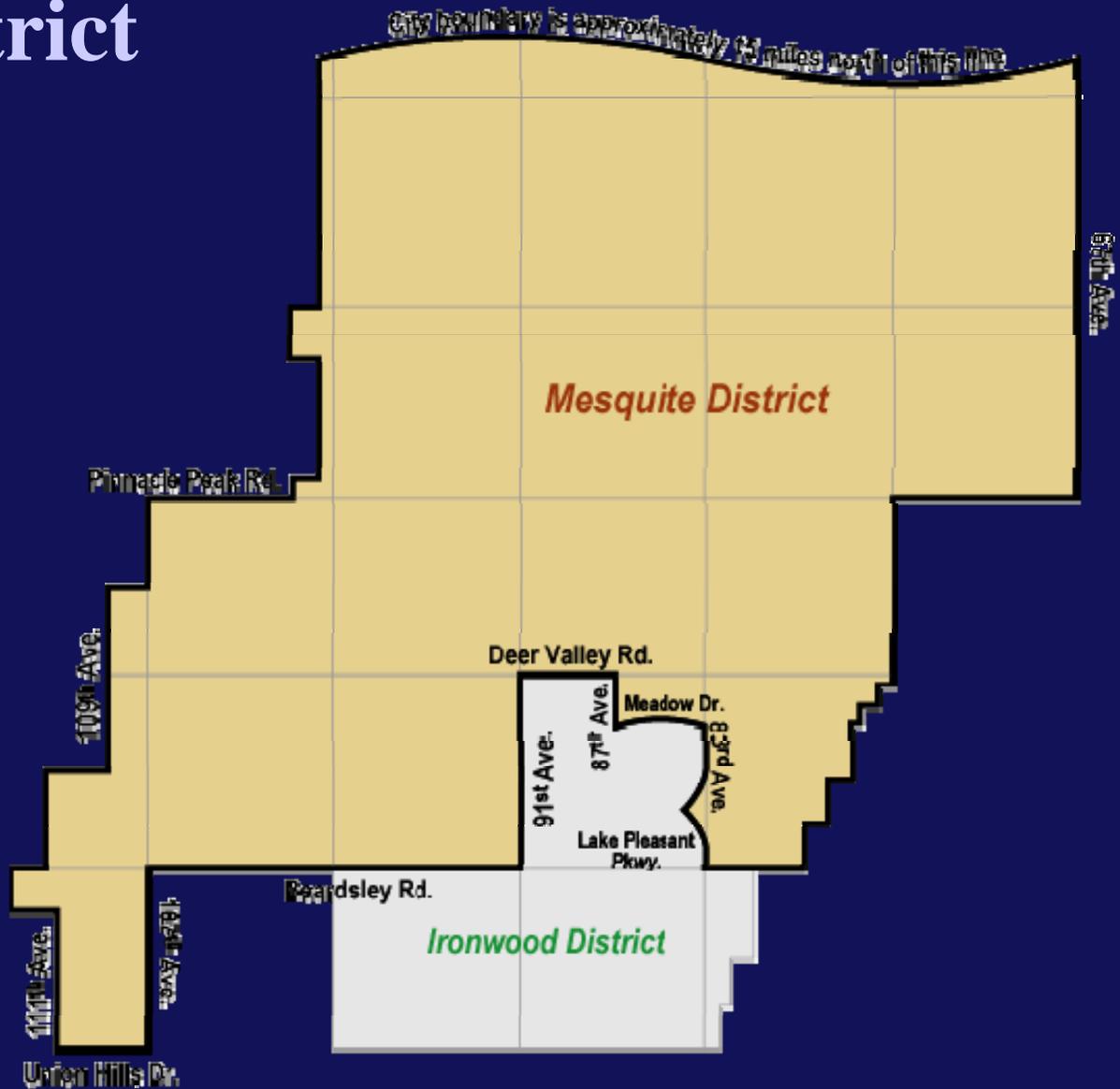
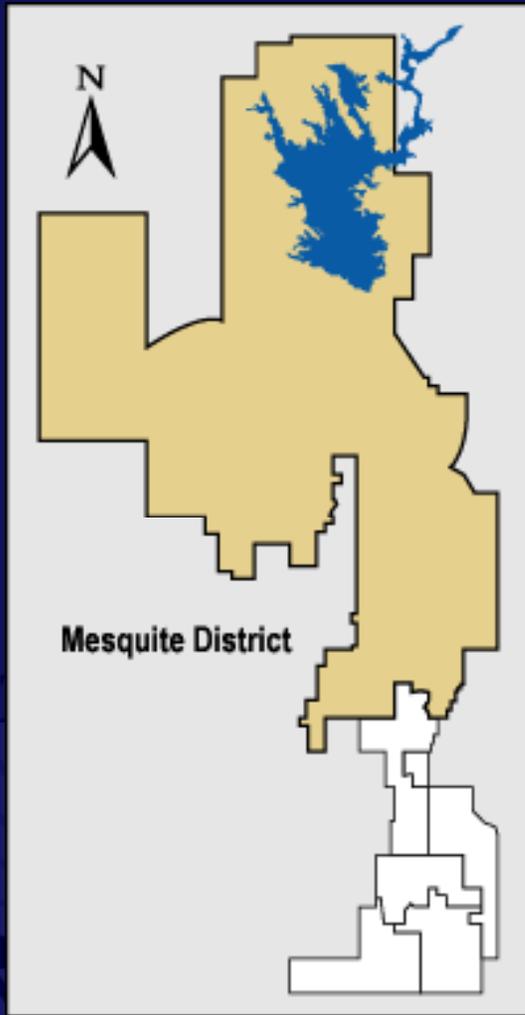
Mesquite District



Cathy Carlat
Councilmember



Mesquite District



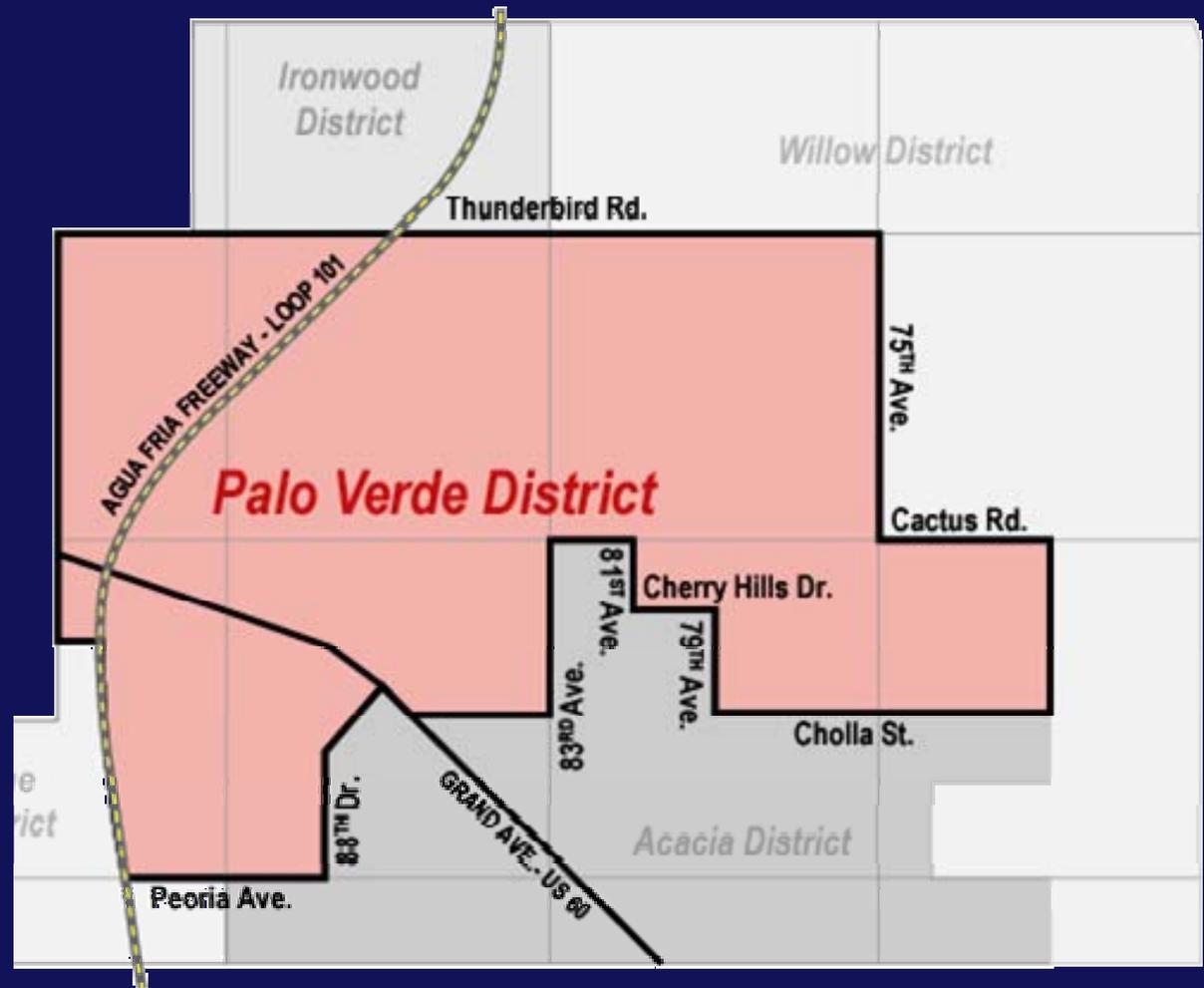
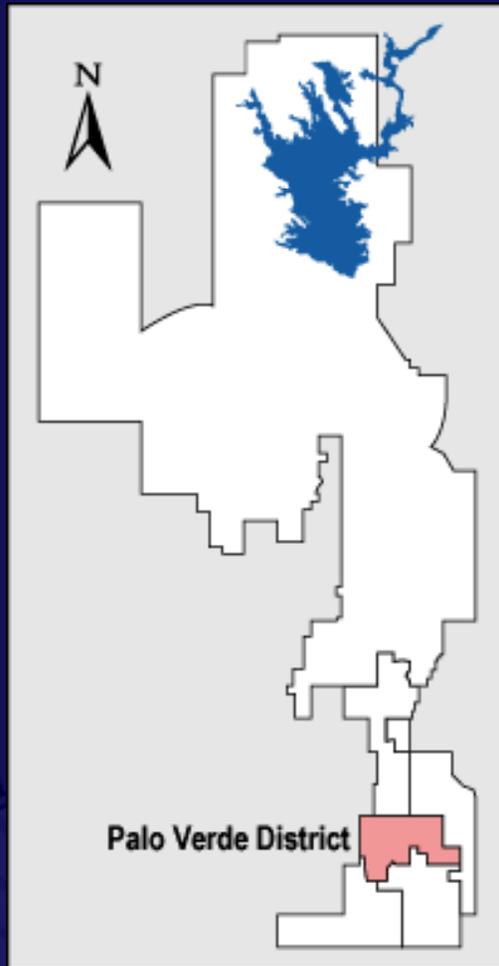
**Palo Verde
District**



**Ron Aames
Councilmember**



Palo Verde District



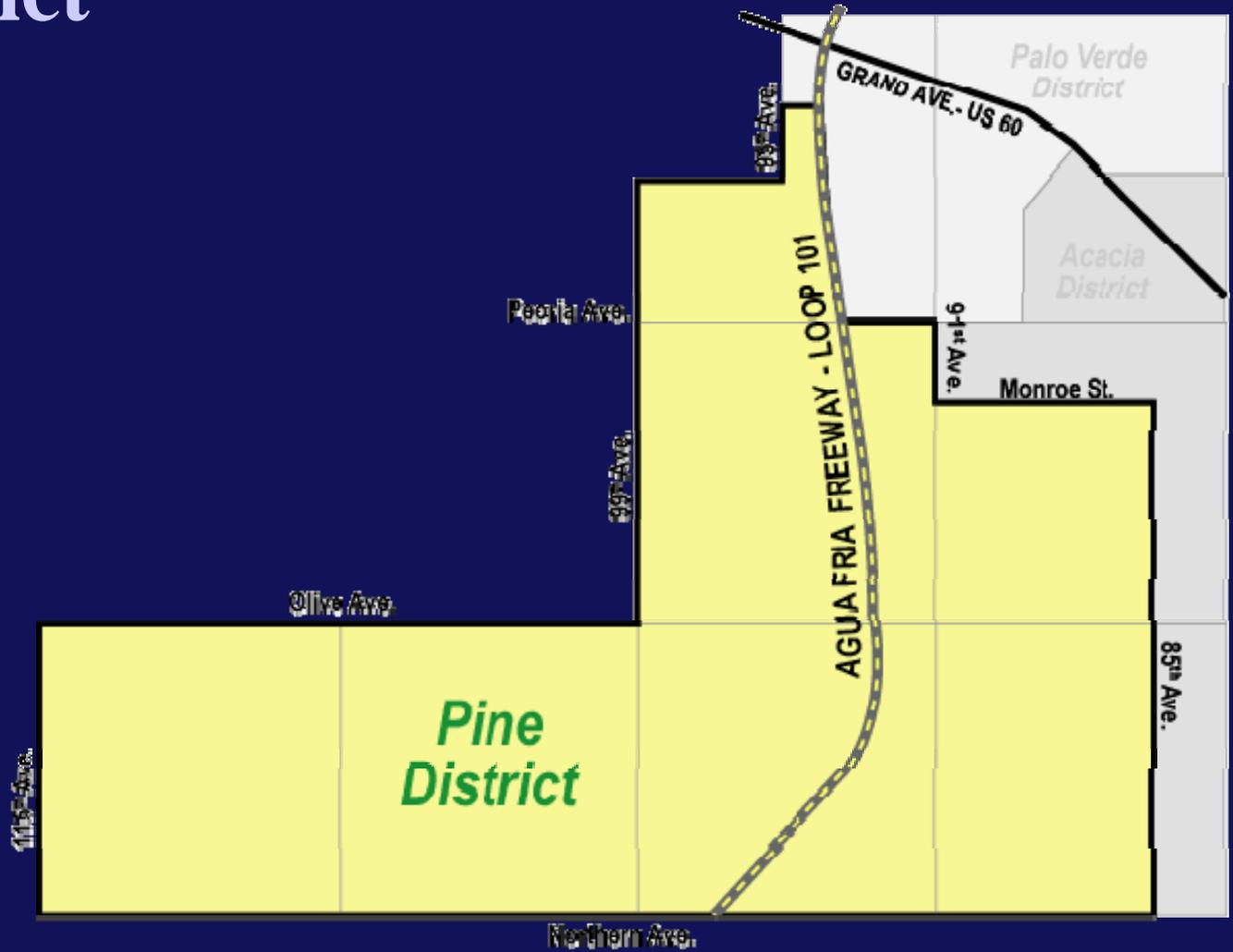
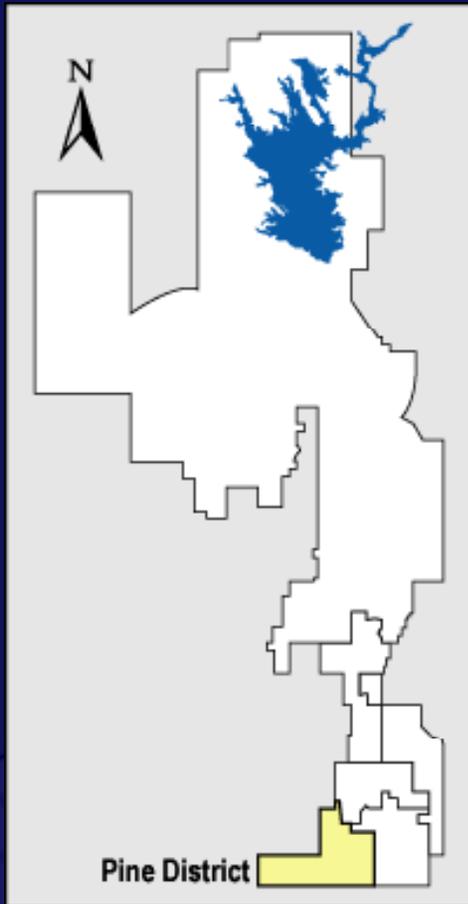
**Pine
District**



**Carlo Leone
Councilmember**



Pine District



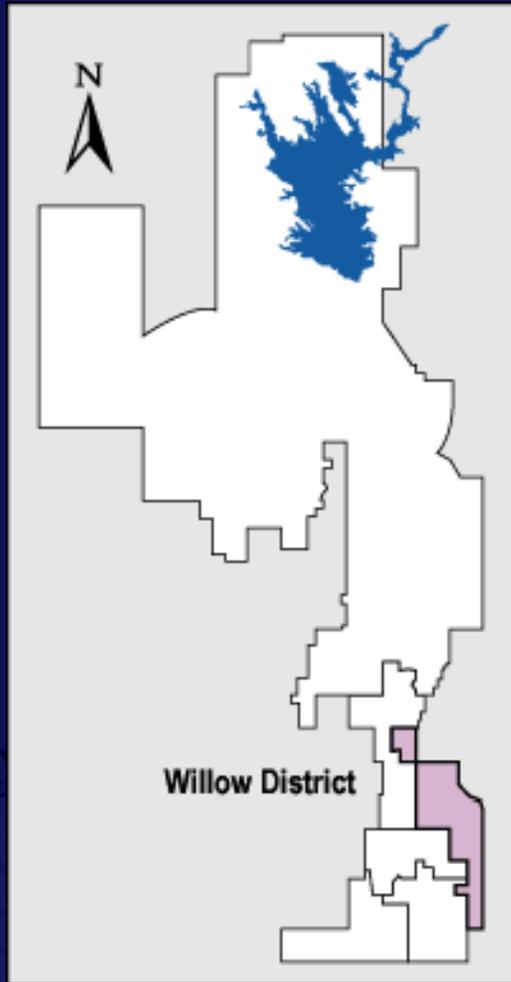
**Willow
District**



**Joan Evans
Councilmember**



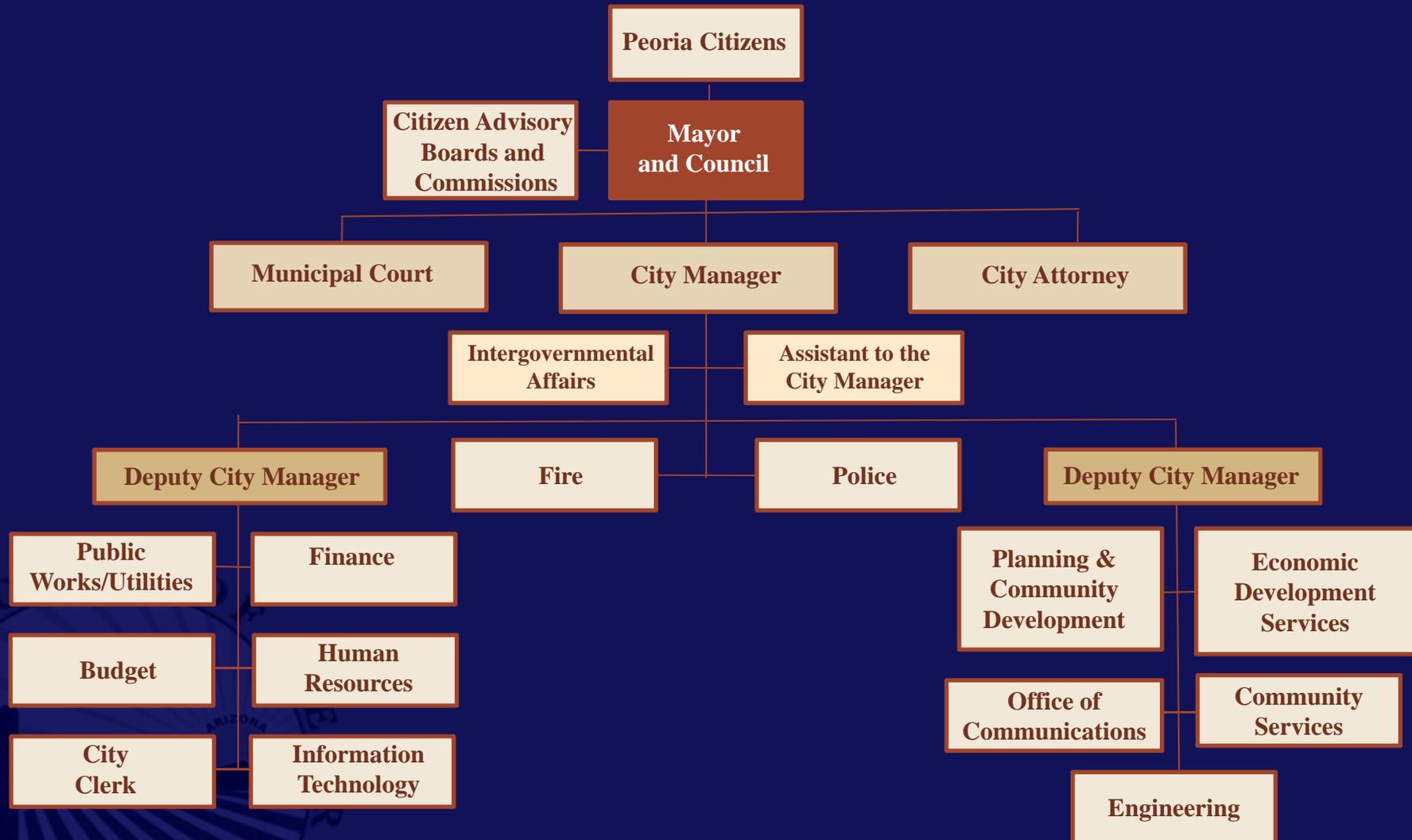
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City Organization



City of Peoria Organizational Chart



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