**DATE:** September 13th, 2024

**TO:** Mayor and City Council Members **FROM:** Tom Whitmer, Acting City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Acting City Manager's Report – Week Ending – 09/13/2024



"Inspiring a Vibrant Community"

**Observe the Moon Event** – In partnership with AstroVerde, the City of Cottonwood will be hosting a public event for International Observe the Moon Night on September 14. This free event is great for folks of all ages. We will encourage observation, appreciation and understanding of our Moon and our status as a Dark Sky Community. Please see attached flyer.

**Community Development** – On September 16th, the Planning and Zoning Commission will host their regular meeting at 6 pm at the Riverfront chambers at 1083 E. Riverfront Toad. Please see attached agenda.

**Thunder Valley Rally** – Thunder Valley Rally will be back in Cottonwood, AZ on September 20-21, 2024 at Riverfront Park! This year's headlining acts include Vertical Horizon (playing Friday) and Warrant (playing Saturday). Attendees can look forward to a weekend packed full of live music, vendors, food and drink, custom bike show, classic car and hot rod show, and much more! Visit <a href="mailto:thundervalleyrallyaz.com">thundervalleyrallyaz.com</a> to buy your tickets in advance today! Please see attached flyer.

9/11 Remembrance Walk – The Cottonwood Fire Department joined together with members from the community to remember and honor those brave souls who lost their lives tragically on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001. This is an annual event we anticipate hosting each year to memorialize what is now known as Patriot Day. We thank all who participated in this memorial walk in honor of those who dedicated their lives for others. Please see attached photos.

Suicide Prevention Month – September is the month of suicide awareness and prevention. The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) uses this month to shift public perception, spread hope and share vital information to people affected by suicide. Our goal is ensuring that individuals, friends and families have access to the resources they need to discuss suicide prevention and to seek help. If you or someone you know is struggling or in crisis, help is available. Call or text 988 or chat 988lifeline.org to reach the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline.

**Parks & Recreation** – SOAZ Swim Meet - The Parks & Recreation Department hosted the Special Olympics Arizona's Mountain Area Swim Competition at the Cottonwood Aquatics Center this past Saturday. The event was a success, and we want to thank all the community members who attended the event and cheered on the athletes! Please enjoy attached photos.

Cottonwood Police Department – The CPD hosted an extensive and engaging leadership training for the department's supervisors, and others from around the State. CPD believes that continuous learning is key to personal and professional growth. By investing in our dedicated team's development, we empower our officers to provide even better service and innovation for not only our employees but for the citizens of cottonwood. A special thank you to owner, and career police leader Ron Bayne with Church for Cops for making this a successful and insightful experience.

**Sign Up for Cottonwood's Annual Trunk-or-Treat** – The Parks & Recreation Department invites all businesses, organizations, and individuals to sign up to participate in the City of Cottonwood's Annual Trunk or Treat! Sign up to reserve a spot for your decorated car trunk and pass out candy to trick-or-treaters on Halloween night! This year's theme is Tim Burton Films! Contact Travis at <a href="mailto:twilson@cottonwoodaz.gov">twilson@cottonwoodaz.gov</a> or 928-639-3200 x 3210 to sign up! Thank you for helping us bring a safe & fun Halloween event to our community!

Old Town Music and the Market – Join us for the final markets of the 2024 season of Old Town Music and the Market! You can look forward to more evenings of great music, dancing, good eats, and shopping! Be sure to invite all your friends and family to join these fun-filled evenings here in Old Town Cottonwood! Don't forget to bring your chairs & picnic blankets! Follow us on Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/TheOTMM">https://www.facebook.com/TheOTMM</a> for any updates. Please see attached flyer.

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#### **Attachments:**

Flyer – Moon Event

Agenda – P&Z

Flyer - TVR

Photos – 9/11 Remembrance Walk

Photos - SOAZ

Flyer – Trunk or Treat

Flyer – OTMM



### **City of Cottonwood Presents**





### SEPTEMBER 14, 2024 • 7 - 10<sub>PM</sub>

FORMER COUNCIL CHAMBERS PARKING LOT 828 N. MAIN STREET, COTTONWOOD, AZ

International Observe the Moon Night is a worldwide public event that encourages observation, appreciation and understanding of our Moon and its connection to space science, exploration, and human culture. This annual event connects scientists, educators and lunar enthusiasts from around the world.



This event is organized in partnership with AstroVerde: Astronomers of Verde Valley

Live Music • Vendors • Food & Drink • Poker Run • Much More!







# SEPTEMBER 20-21, 2024 COTTONWOOD, AZ - RIVERFRONT PARK



### FEATURING





































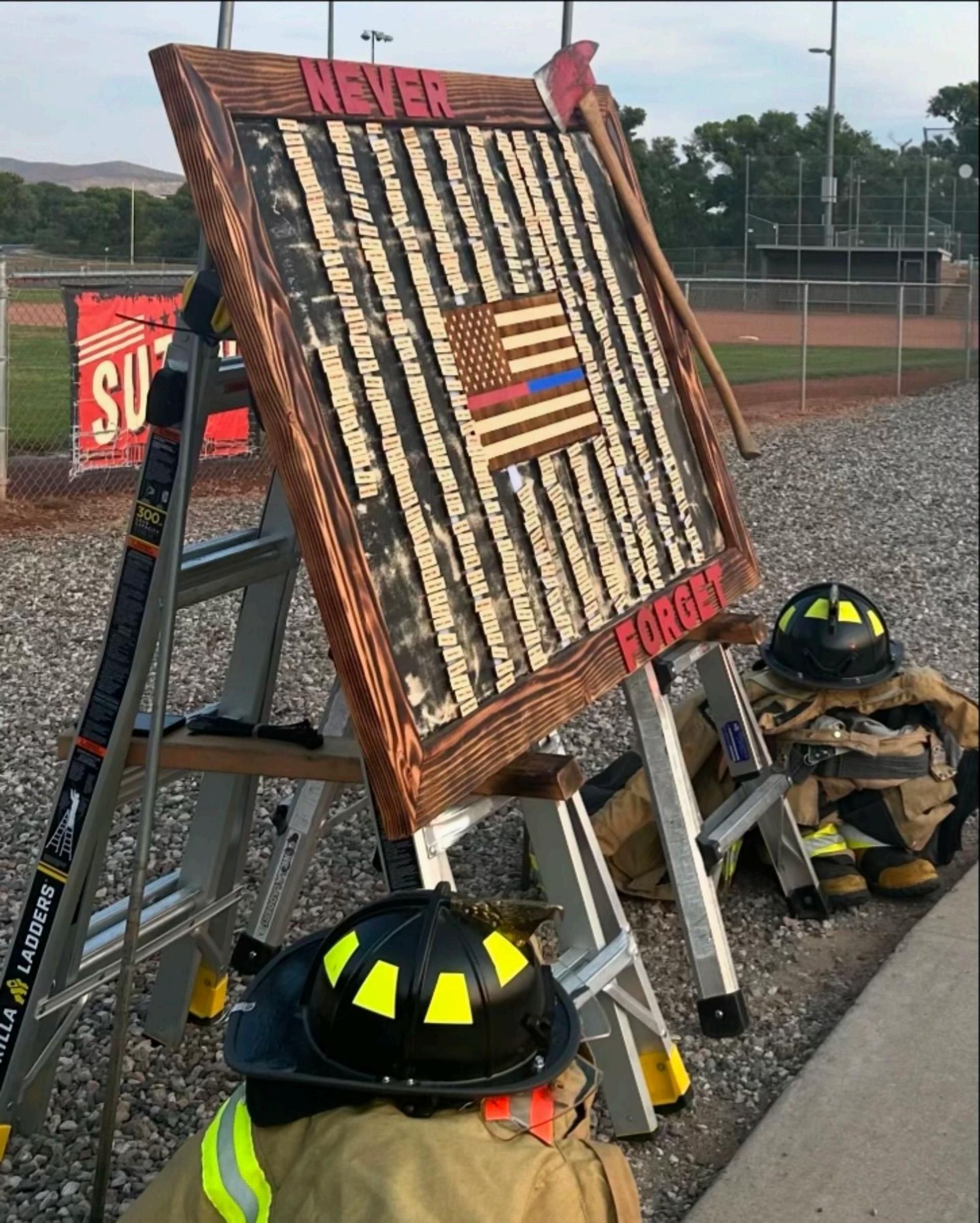
























### PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

1083 E. RIVER FRONT ROAD COTTONWOOD, AZ 86326

Monday, September 16, 2024

6:00 PM

cottonwoodaz.gov

Regular Meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

- 1. ROLL CALL:
- Approval of the August 19, 2024 Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

#### **II. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND UPDATES:**

A brief summary of current events by Chairperson, Commission members, and/or Community Development Director. (The public body does not propose, discuss, deliberate, or take legal action on any matter brought up during this summary unless the matter is properly noticed for legal action).

#### III. OLD BUSINESS:

#### IV. NEW BUSINESS:

DR-23-014 - 89 & VINE MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN

#### V. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

This is the time for the public to comment on any matter that <u>does not</u> appear on the agenda. Commission members may not discuss items not identified on the agenda. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to criticism, or scheduling the matter for consideration at a later date. Comments are limited to three minutes for each person.

#### VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

#### VII. ADJOURNMENT:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to A.R.S. subject to certain specified statutory exceptions, parents have a right to consent before the State or any of its political subdivisions make a video or audio recording of a minor child. Meetings of the City Council are audio and/or video recorded, and, as a result, proceedings in which children are present may be subject to such recording. Parents in order to exercise their rights may either file written consent with the City Clerk to such recording, or take personal action to ensure that their child or children are not present when a recording may be made. If a child is present at the time a recording is made, the City will assume that the rights afforded parents pursuant to A.R.S. have been waived.

Main Street in Cottonwood, or by calling (928) 634-5505.

A verbal comment period will be provided during each hearing item. The Chair may impose a time limit on each speaker. The Commission will not consider written materials submitted less than three working days before the meeting.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02(B) the Commission may vote to go into executive session on any agenda item pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) and (4) for discussion and consultation for legal advice with the City Attorney.

The Riverfront Council Chambers are accessible to the handicapped in accordance with Federal "504" and "ADA" laws. Those with needs for special typeface print or hearing devices may request these from the Community Development Admin at 634-5505 (TDD 634-5526). All requests must be made at least 24 hours before the meeting.

Members of the Planning Commission will attend either in person or remotely.

## OLD TOWN MUSIC AND THE MARKET PROUDLY PRESENTS



LOCAL HONEY

**SEPTEMBER 13, 2024** 

**5PM TIL DARK** 

OLD TOWN ACTIVITY PARK (187 E. PIMA ST., COTTONWOOD, AZ)

FREE ENTRY



TOWN MUSIC and the MARKET 5pm Fridays ENTRY & LIVE MUSIC A LOCAL VENDORS MAY-JUNE-SEPT