

MAY 2023

PALO VERDE PARK POST



DON'T WASTE A DROP

Water is clearly a precious resource in the desert.

Palo Verde Park is doing its part to save water through the capture of stormwater in basins around the park, but there's more to do.

Join us for our regular meeting coming up June 13 at 6 p.m. to learn more about what we all can do to save and harvest water.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

ALL AT FOUNTAIN OF LIFE CHURCH ON KOLB, 6-7 P.M.

JUNE 13, TUCSON WATER: WATER HARVESTING & CONSERVATION TIPS

JULY 11, TUCSON POLICE: CRIME TRENDS & PREVENTION



Update on Neighborhood Park Projects

Palo Verde Park will see a change in its footprint next year as bond projects begin to take shape.

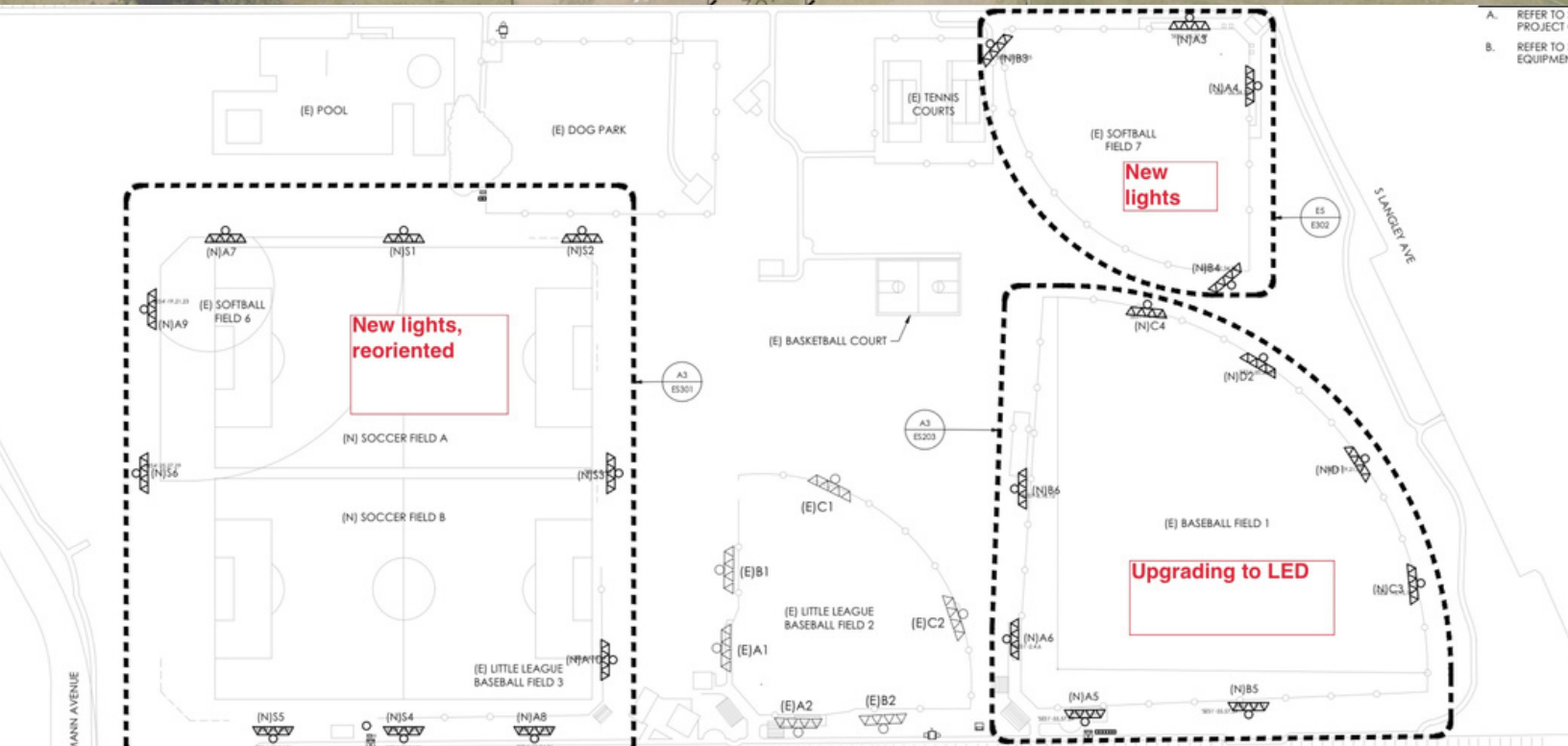
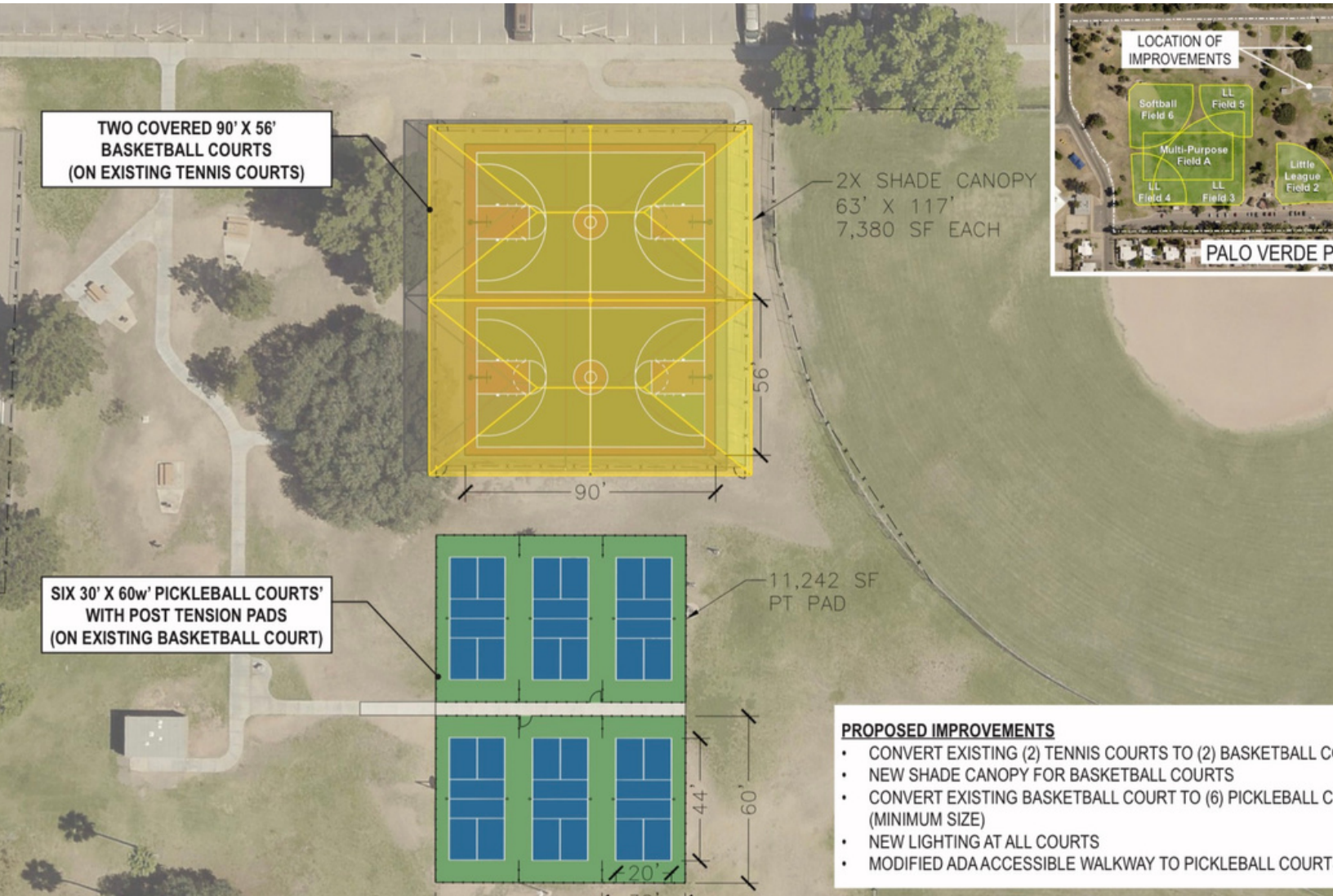
Challenges with site design, compounded by post-pandemic supply chain issues and rising costs, delayed the construction of new pickleball courts, basketball courts and lighting.

The city is now estimating construction will begin in mid-2024, under new design plans. A covered and lit basketball court, thanks for efforts by City Councilman Paul Cunningham, will go where the tennis courts are now, and new pickleball courts will move to where the existing basketball court is currently.

Later this year, park-goers should see new field lighting, as well as lighting around the perimeter of the park to enhance visibility. See next page for more.



Park Improvements On the Way



Art Asphalt Project: Raising Awareness for Safe Crossing

Palo Verde Park volunteers asked budding artists at Kellond Elementary for their vision of flowers as we work toward a design for an upcoming "Many Flowers, One Garden" art asphalt project between the park and Kellond Elementary.

Teachers, students and parents filled out intercept surveys before and after school, indicating that they think bright colors might raise visibility and improve safety in that stretch.

We'll be back with more details on the design, as well as how you can help at a fun block painting party in the fall!



Planning Kicks Off for 2024 Spring Home Tour



We're still looking for some volunteers to show off their 1950s/60s era homes to help us celebrate what's fabulous about the architecture and history of the post-war housing boom.

We're gearing up to share what inspires us about the place we call home.

Drop us a line if you want to help or volunteer as a docent at the history stations!

Palo Verde Park Pool One of 20 City Pools Opening in May

With the successful recruitment of 250 lifeguards, the city announced the opening of 20 pools for the summer, including Palo Verde Park.

Recreational swim will run Tuesday-Friday: 1-5 p.m.
and 5:30-7 p.m.

Saturday hours run from noon-7 p.m.

The season runs May 28 through July 30, closed on
May 29 and July 4 for Memorial Day and
Independence Day.



Quick: What Do You Call a Snake that Knows Math? A Pi-thon of Course!

Even pet snakes appreciate the nature within Palo Verde Park.

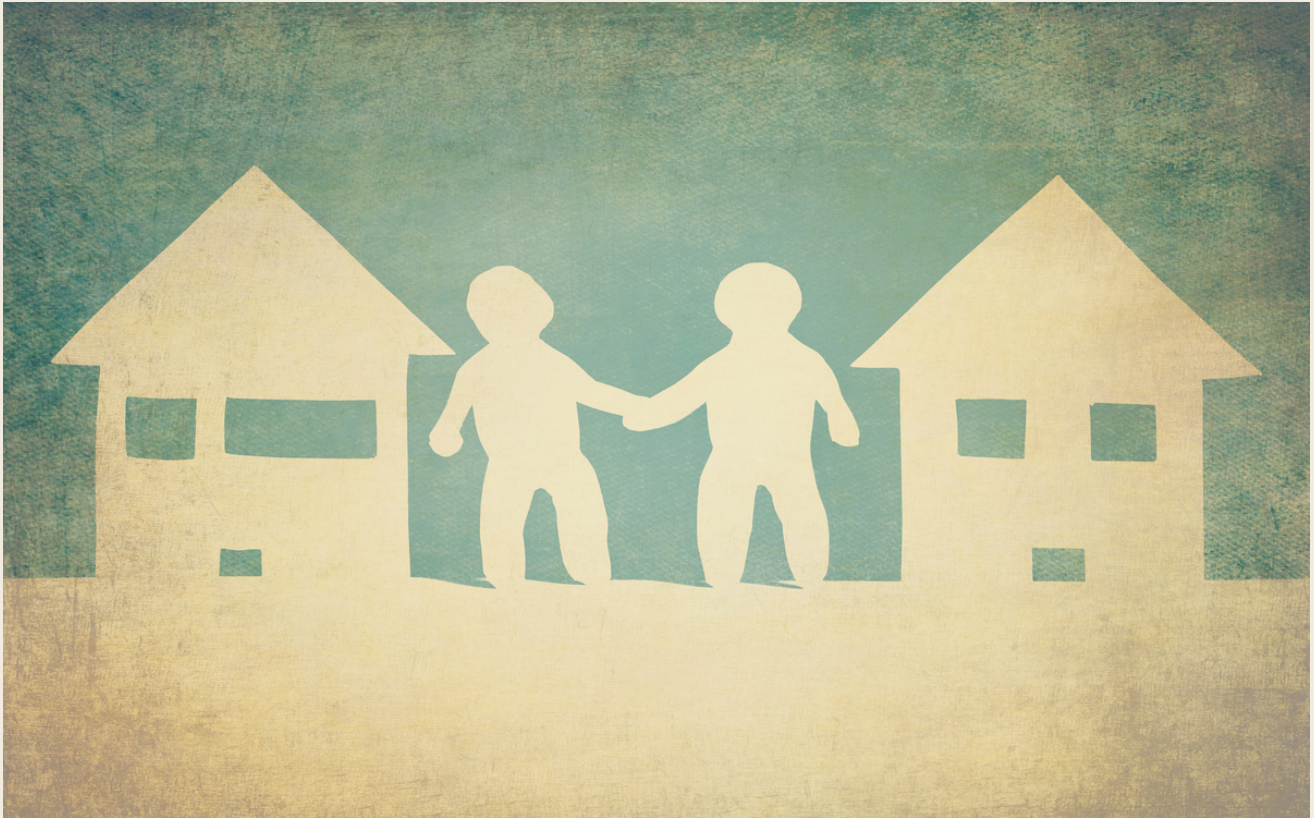
Her owner reports that python "Large Marge" is a friendly girl who likes to enjoy the grass when he takes her out for her weekend outings to the park. She's shy, so they stay away from folks mostly, but she'll charm the occasional admirer who comes along.



April Garage Sale Netted \$501

Thanks to everyone who donated or found an object they couldn't live without at our yard sale. Funds help offset administrative costs like bank fees and support projects.

Tell a Neighbor!



A neighborhood is stronger when its residents know one another and celebrate our connections and keep up on the latest developments.

We can't afford mailings, since our neighborhood association relies on volunteers and donations.

If we all invite one neighbor to sign up for the newsletter or go to a meeting, we can expand our circle and continue growing.

Thank you for your help!