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It is true! Willo people REALLY love Willo. And I think that is a great thing. Neighborhood pride is what keeps values rising. Love of your home creates great memories for your family. Willo has an abundance of it all, and it is always on display. It has been fun to think back on the history of the neighborhood, when it was built, Willo was "in the suburbs" and now it is anything but. Stately homes at the time, but then over the years they fell out of favor and it took a turn for harder times. Phoenix homebuyers have always had a thing for new construction and the city started to blob out with shiny new homes. Often said, historic homes are for those who love all things historic or the inner artist that can see the beauty through the dust. The area began to decline and the homes and lawns suffered as a result. In the last few decades, Willo attracted the attention of some buyers looking to "fix up a place and make it fabulous". Soon after we were off to the races the area began to flourish again. I began my career in 1998 when the neighborhood was really starting to kick in once again and transform into the high demand historic community we now enjoy. Neighborhoods ebb and flow in desire and it is up to the community to keep the spark alive. Kinda like a marriage, am I right? So go on a date night Willo, keep it alive! Your children and favorite Realtor will thank you! =o)

As predicted, the year is off to a bang in real estate. We expect this year to be a busy one and based on how busy I see all of our agents right now, I think that is a fair assessment. Inventory (or the lack thereof, as the case may be) will be the story of the year I think. I recently listed a home at 68 W. Vernon (fabulous home btw!) and when we went live on the MLS, there was only one other active listing for sale in all of Willo. ONE. That is almost unheard of. I have never in my career seen inventory this low. It is making for some interesting transactions, of that I can assure you! Buyers are getting creative on how to make their offer stand out and sellers are...well...pushing the envelope. I completely understand both sides!

Since this is the February issue, I would be remiss if I did not chat about what I love. I truly love real estate. It drives me nuts at times, but I cannot see me doing any other profession. I love my wine. Red wine, white wine, and a good whine. I love my brokerage and the agents who work here. It has been a roller coaster ride I never thought I would take, let alone enjoy, but here we are. I love advertising. Odd, I know, but I do. I love finding creative ways to market myself, my company and my listings. I also love Facebook ads. Don't hate! I have found some cool stuff that way! I also love my husband, who somehow puts up with me. Oh, and our dog too!





Dr. Robert L. Cannon

# The Importance of Communication

### WITH MUCH APPRECIATION:

**Holiday Luminaria Follow Up**  
Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped make our Willo holiday luminaria tradition continue this year. Special thanks to donors who contributed to a total of \$2200 in donations for the holiday luminaria event. We all benefited from this effort to help supplement the total cost of nearly \$4800. (see page 13)

### COMMUNICATION STRATEGY:

As with any organization, communication is important for success. I would like to share The Willo Neighborhood Association's communication strategy. The following three platforms constitute our media presence:

#### INSIDE WILLO:

*Inside Willo* is produced 10 months of the year and is distributed by volunteers to each doorstep in Willo within the first few days of the month. Each issue is also posted on WILLOPHX.COM; archived issues are also posted on the website. Each magazine costs approximately \$2.30 per issue to be printed and is paid solely by the sale of advertising. Willo Board Member volunteer Sandra Lefcovich is the editor of the publication.

#### WILLOPHX.COM:

The official website of our neighborhood provides relevant documents as the Willo Conservation Plan, Willo By-laws, Sub-Committee listings, and board meeting minutes. You can also find timely information on neighborhood zoning issues, 5G implementation, the Central/Thomas building project, and upcoming board meeting agendas.

WILLOPHX.COM also provides a calendar of important dates, including Kids Club events, the visiting food truck schedule, and board meeting dates. We pay a monthly maintenance fee to support the site. Willo Board Member volunteer Kush Govani maintains and supports the website.

#### THE OFFICIAL WILLO HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD FACEBOOK PAGE:

This social media page involves neighbor interactions, timely information on neighborhood activities, and other specific relevant information about our neighborhood. Willo Board Member volunteer Jeremy Schachter manages the page.

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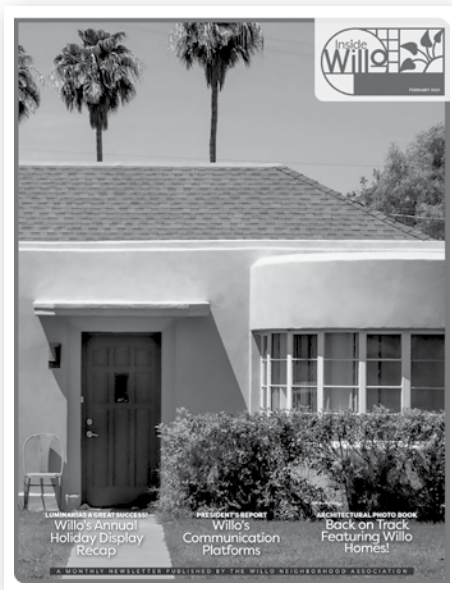
On February 24th, The City of Phoenix will host a Public Meeting on the re-design of 3rd/5th Avenues. We are approaching the 60% design phase, and this will be an important public meeting; further details will be forthcoming. Please check WILLOPHX.COM for login details. (See page 19)

#### FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING :

Our February board meeting will be on Thursday, February 11, 2021. Please plan to attend. Zoom login information will be available on WILLOPHX.COM. See the agenda on page 17.

#### WILLO BOARD ELECTIONS:

Please find the list of candidates for our upcoming board elections on page 9. More information will follow in the March issue of *Inside Willo*. ●



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**WILLO WEBSITE**

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**WILLO HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BOARD**

The Willo Historic Neighborhood Association Board was established in the early 1980s. The members are volunteers and are elected every two years in March. The association does not collect dues and is not a Home Owners' Association (HOA). Rather, its function is to serve the collective well being of the neighborhood. Meetings are typically held the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Fairfield Inn and Suites Hotel. All residents of Willo are invited to attend. Agendas are available online prior to the meeting at [willophx.com](http://willophx.com).

**INSIDE WILLO NEWSLETTER**

This free newsletter is published monthly (excluding July & August) by a committee headed by Willo volunteers. Willo neighbors are encouraged to submit neighborhood news, tidbits, photos and articles (between 250-500 words) by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. We reserve the right to: edit as needed, attribute to the submitting neighbor (with the street they live on where appropriate), determine which issue the information may be printed and use content on our website and in neighborhood promotional materials. The Willo Neighborhood Association is not responsible for nor endorses the editorial content in *Inside Willo*. *Inside Willo* does not accept political campaign ads. A copy of *Inside Willo* is also posted to the Willo website each month.

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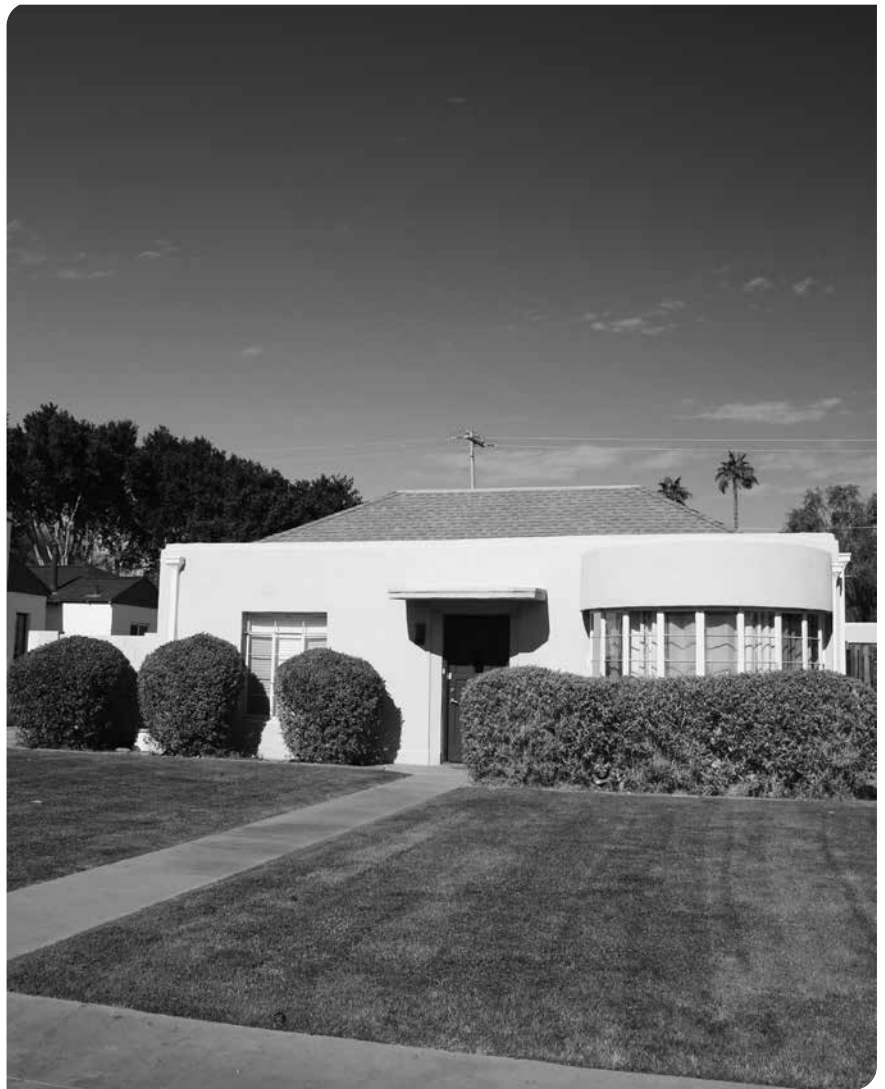
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## THE MIRACLE HOUSE, 306 W. LEWIS

### THE NEW DEAL WAS PRESIDENT

Roosevelt's response to the Great Depression. It created a number of reforms and new administrative departments to put the economy back on track and get people to work. One of these new departments was the Federal Housing Administration (FHA). The goal of the FHA was to improve building standards and make home ownership accessible through FHA-insured mortgages. The impact the FHA had on the housing market cannot be underestimated — the number of new homes built in the Phoenix area increased almost 900% from 1934 to 1936. Most of these homes were built according to the new FHA building standards for a “modern” home. To promote this new approach to home building, the FHA built demonstration houses (two in Willo and one in Palmcroft) showcasing the new standards. But the FHA wasn't the only organization building demonstration houses...

In 1936 the Arizona State Firemen's Association built their own “fireproof” demonstration house, which they called the Miracle House. This modernistic house was constructed of fire resistant materials including adobe walls, concrete floors, steel casement windows and an asbestos roof. The home also boasted a rounded dining area lined with windows on the south-facing side of the house designed for passive-solar heating in winter. The asbestos roof has been replaced, but otherwise this house remains generally the same as it was in the 30s. ●



## The Architectural Details BY DIANA HERMAN (MONTE VISTA)

**THE 'MIRACLE HOUSE'** is an example of the evolution of residential architectural styles between 1920 and 1940. It is a good example of modernistic design and the revival of adobe during the late 1930s. It is part of the infill development of the Fairview Homes Subdivision. ♦ This home built by Frank B. Wallace features a truncated hip roof (a roof with sloping ends and four sides ending in a point and cut off by a flat plane). The flat canopy cantilevered porch over the front door accentuates the horizontal parapet band at the roofline's edge. The curved front window alludes to the Art Moderne style with its simple design and use of curves and a combination of round and square masses in a low, horizontal orientation. ●

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2021 Board Elections

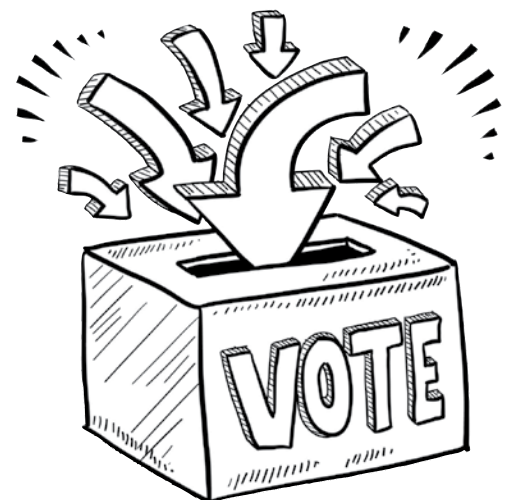
# March 2021 Willo Board Elections

**THE WILLO HISTORIC** Association Board Member election will be held electronically this year. To be eligible to vote in the election, you must submit an opt-in membership form, available on the Willophx.com website,

by 2/15/2021. All members who have opted in will receive an email and text message with a link to the ballot on 2/26/2021. Voting will close on 3/9/2021, and results will be announced at the 3/11/2021 Board meeting. Candidates for the offices of

President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer are running unopposed, and 10 candidates are running for the 9 Board member at large positions. Candidate photos and bios will be included in the March 2021 *Inside Willo* newsletter. ●

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# Art Near Willo

BY PHILIO TALARICO (EDGEMONT)



**JUST IN TIME FOR VALENTINE'S** Day, Adam "A-Bomb" Vigil will feature his newest paintings, never before seen, from his series titled "Lover's Lane," featuring 20 acrylic paintings on 16" x 20" canvas of 10 Chicanos and Chicanas at Fair Trade Cafe.

Adam "A-Bomb" Vigil was born in Phoenix, AZ in 1973. He has been creating works of art in all mediums from an early age, beginning as a graffiti artist in one of Arizona's toughest neighborhoods. He created flyers for parties through his teens, airbrushing clothing, screen printing

t-shirts, and creating graffiti backgrounds for Rap music videos. His work evolved throughout the years as he continued to digitally design custom logos and develop clothing line brands in the hip hop community. In 1996 «A-Bomb» lost vision in his left eye in a tragic accident. This event gave him a new perspective on life. Family and Art became his major focus.

A-Bomb's colorful, Latino influenced works delight all ages of viewers. His murals can be seen throughout the downtown area, and his paintings are in major galleries

around Arizona and California. A-Bomb was recently selected to participate in The Valley Metro project. His art will adorn several light rail trains, ensuring that his creative process will make a lasting impression on other young, up and coming artists for years to come. ●

*Don't miss this rare opportunity during the month of February to see his paintings at Fair Trade Cafe (1020 N. 1st Avenue, Phoenix). A-Bomb's Instagram site is: [www.instagram.com/abombtheartist/](http://www.instagram.com/abombtheartist/)*



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# Luminaria Success

## WELL WILLO, WE DID IT.

Luminaria 2020 is in the books and aside from a hiccup on the home-front, it went incredibly well. It was a beautiful event, something well-deserved after the cluster of existential crises that was 2020. From the bottom of our hearts, THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered! We say this every year and we always mean it: Luminaria happens because of a community effort!

## WILLO'S LIGHTS OF HOPE CONTINUE IN 2020

First and foremost, we had 100% coverage throughout the neighborhood, which is fabulous in any year, but especially in 2020 when so much uncertainty speckled everyone's plans. Some captains from previous years had moved away or were unable to volunteer this year, which meant 13 of the 44 block captains were 1st time captains. Several of those were brand-new volunteers having never done luminaria before. Most volunteers had even more work than normal because build parties were discouraged due to COVID-19. Despite the extra work, the placement and appearance of the luminaria this year looked wonderful. Chris and I were personally very impressed and we hope everyone took a moment to appreciate it as well. So once again, THANK YOU for your hard work and commitment to the event!

COVID-19 not only rendered build parties unsafe, but also completely removed Willo's funding source. The Willo Home Tour was cancelled for 2021 and it is the only source of funding for luminaria each year - there is no advertising or sponsorship. So,

this was the first time in 41 years of Willo luminaria where residents were asked for a voluntary donation to help fund the event. Willo might ask for contributions again in 2021 but we hope getting the 2022 Home Tour up and running post-COVID will allow funding to be fully restored. If you donated, you personally helped make the Luminaria event happen for 2020 and beyond.

Donations were put towards 4,000 high-capacity batteries that allowed the flickering LED lights to be extra bright on the 4th and final night and 1,500 new LED lights with built-in timers. These new lights cycle between being on for 6 hours and off for 18 hours. Therefore, they consume 6 hours of battery each day rather than 24 and end up being just as bright on the 4th night as they are on the 1st night. So, donations made the visual experience better this year and will for years to come as LEDs are reused annually.

For context, Willo allocates 225 luminaria per block which totals 9,900 each year. We are working on a 5-year plan to upgrade the remaining 8,400 lights and thus reduce battery usage by 50%. Your donations have helped make the event better and more cost-effective in the future.

## REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE!

Based on a past survey, Willo wants a beautiful Luminaria event but also wants it to be easy on the environment. Materials are chosen to meet both goals and are always being re-evaluated to see if they can be replaced with something better. LEDs are chosen for their durability, ease of use, and batteries; cost and performance

are chief considerations. After the event, sand can be used in gardens and lawns, bags and batteries are recycled, and LEDs are collected and put into storage for the following year. Speaking of next year, Chris conducted a test of 24 luminaria during this year's event to evaluate different batteries and LED lights. Our goals are to continually improve the aesthetics for everyone, make things easier for volunteers, and keep costs under control. Merry COVID Christmas from Chris and Cari...

Ironically despite wearing masks, staying inside, and discouraging build parties, the Luminaria Committee (Chris and myself) tested positive for COVID-19 on Christmas Eve. We believe we picked it up in the week leading up to handing out Luminaria supplies and we promptly informed all volunteers on Christmas day. To our knowledge, there was no spread of the virus from us, and we believe this is because our volunteers wore masks and practiced social distancing. Getting all the well-wishes and offers of help from the Luminaria volunteers touched and humbled us and further reinforced why we love Willo so much: we live in a community where neighbors genuinely care and look out for each other. Thank you everyone.

## 2020 LUMINARIA BLOCK CAPTAINS

As a final thank-you to our volunteers, we would like to recognize the block captains from the event. They picked up the supplies and sand, built and placed the lanterns, and went on a scavenger hunt to get the LEDs and unused supplies back to us for storage and reuse next year. ●

PERSON	BLOCK	PERSON	BLOCK	PERSON	BLOCK	PERSON	BLOCK
Diane Conners	Almeria	Philip Talarico	Edgemont	Anna Rosalez	Lewis	Carol Berger	Virginia
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James Powers	Almeria	Francesca Bianco	Edgemont	Linda Pastore	Lewis	Steven Reiley	Virginia
Howie Meyer	Cambridge	Lisa Hunt	Encanto	Teresa Fontana	Monte Vista	Mike Moore	Wilshire
Kate Barkley	Cambridge	LuAnne Schurtz	Encanto	Xandon Keating	Monte Vista	Jeff T	Wilshire
Johnson Johnson	Cambridge	David Walton	Encanto	Gene Nance	Palm	Larry Arrey	Wilshire
Julie Tomich	Coronado	Jim Smith	Granada	Lisa Naccarato	Palm	Magaly Trierweiler	Windsor
Jennifer Rebholz	Coronado	Ed Hempelman	Granada	Linda Kohrs	Palm	David & Chris	
Darren Leek	Coronado	Bitsy Susich	Granada	Ruth Pedersen	Vernon	Roth-Gonzalez	Windsor
Patricia Lekacz	Cypress	Robin Pearson	Holly	Juan & Robert		Kevin &	
Erika Gagnon	Cypress	Stephen Hwang	Holly	Ruiz-Langley	Vernon	Jane Kottmer	Windsor
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A Willo Project

# WILLO ARCHITECTURAL PHOTO BOOK

BY DIANA HERMAN (MONTE VISTA)

## THE WILLO ARCHITECTURAL

Photo Book is back on track after a year of covid-19 and budget setbacks.

Our team of Willo volunteers is moving forward to produce a comprehensive photo and written history of Willo. The book will feature the beautiful homes of Willo and will be available for purchase by the end of the year.

The phototeam has begun taking exterior home photos. Check [WILLOPHX.COM](http://WILLOPHX.COM), The Official Willo Historic Neighborhood Facebook Page, and Nextdoor to see when they will be photographing homes on your street. This will be your opportunity to move your car/s from your driveway, remove Christmas decorations and hide children's toys and trash cans. Watch for a drone taking video and still shots of homes and streets throughout Willo.



The research/writing team will be working with a group of librarians from Burton Barr library to research our remarkable homes' histories and interesting

facts about our historic neighborhood.

We hope that this book will preserve and enhance all that is unique in the Willo Historic Neighborhood. ●

## Zoning Report

# Wall Heights in Willo

BY TOM DOESCHER (CAMBRIDGE)

### WHEN THE WILLO CONSERVATION

Plan was signed and effected by Willo and the City of Phoenix in 1986, the text included wall height guidance as follows:

■ Walls that border 7th Avenue, the alley north of McDowell Road, and the alley south of Thomas Road may be up to 8 feet with a use permit.

■ Walls for rear and side yards may be up to 6 feet, walls in front yards may be up to 3 feet. Exceptions are included for houses along Encanto Boulevard and those facing 3rd and 5th Avenues; these walls may be up to 4 feet 6 inches with a use permit.

■ Since 1986, there have been changes to alley wall height guidelines; walls that border alleys only may be up to 7 feet with a use permit.

It is important to consider that walls built prior to the Conversation Plan may be higher. They are grandfathered in and/or may have received a permit before construction. Any new wall construction that is over the allowed heights must have a permit.

Varying wall heights are allowed throughout Willo; over-height walls are meant to preserve privacy, security, and traffic noise mitigation. ●

*Reminder: for neighbors thinking about remodeling the exterior of their home or adding an addition. Please check the following links for guidance on historic preservation:*

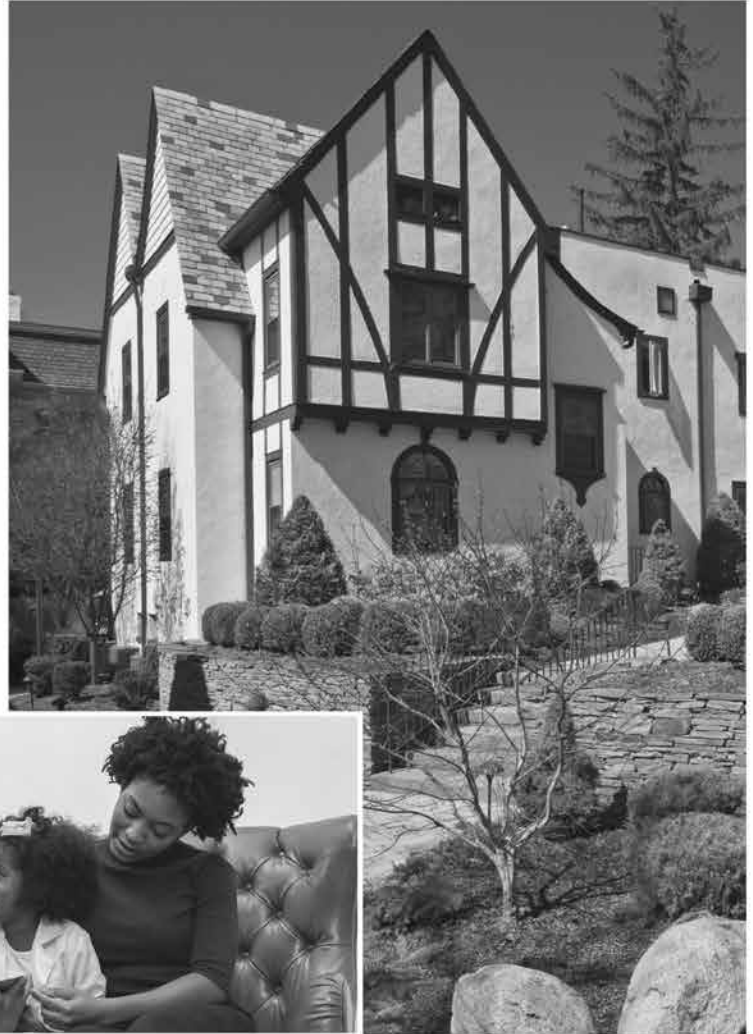
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## Willo Neighborhood Association Board Meeting

# FEBRUARY 12, 2021

(THURSDAY)

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting via Zoom  
(Zoom instructions posted on [WILLOPHX.COM](http://WILLOPHX.COM))

### **AGENDA**

**Welcome and Introductions**

Bob Cannon, President

**Approval of JANUARY Minutes**

Charlene Gum, Secretary & Opal Wagner

**Financial Reports**

Linda Doescher, Treasurer

**Street Improvement Committee**

Opal Wagner (Board Member/Chair),

**Zoning**

Tom Doescher

**Inside Willo**

Sandra Lefcovich, Board Member/Chair

**Social Media**

Jeremy Schachter, Board Member

**2021 Election Committee**

Ann Bommersbach

**Willophx.com Statistics Review**

Kush Govani

**Other Committees as Needed**

**Old Business**

**New Business**

Willo residents should contact Linda Doescher at [ldoescher@kcpagels.com](mailto:ldoescher@kcpagels.com) for ZOOM links and instructions. Alternatively, visit [WILLOPHX.COM](http://WILLOPHX.COM) or THE OFFICIAL WILLO HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD FACEBOOK PAGE for instructions on ZOOM access.

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Streets Committee

# Streets and Traffic Safety Committee Updates

BY OPAL WAGNER (CORONADO)

**THE NEXT PUBLIC MEETING** for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenues North improvement/re-design project is tentatively scheduled for February 24, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. An official notice and registration information will be published approximately two weeks in advance of the meeting. This meeting will mark the 60% completion phase of this re-design project. For the latest updates, please visit [WILLOPHX.COM](http://WILLOPHX.COM) and the City of Phoenix webpage for this project: <https://www.phoenix.gov/streets/3rdand5thavenuesnorth>

**NEW DIRECTIONAL STENCILS** have been installed on the bike paths on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenues in response to Willo residents' concerns about wrong-way bike traffic. Thanks to the City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department for responding so quickly to our neighbors' concerns. ●

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Bulk Trash

## BULK TRASH AND HAZARDOUS WASTE REMOVAL (HHW) UPDATES

BY BITSY SUSICH (GRANADA)

**START THE MONTH BY CLEANING** up the yard or clearing out the garage. Willo Bulk trash removal starts February 8. Alley placement began the beginning of the month.

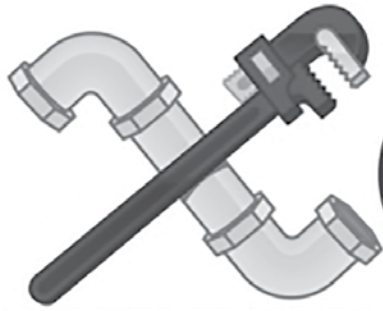
Bulk trash consists of materials that are too large and must not be placed in the garbage or recycling containers. Materials such as tree branches (up to 4' in length and

less than 12" in diameter), large amounts of vegetation, furniture, large appliances, mattresses, and toilets are considered bulk trash. For specifics visit [www.phoenix.gov/publicworks/bulktrash](http://www.phoenix.gov/publicworks/bulktrash)

Please also dispose of your household hazardous waste (HHW) safely. The Phoenix City Council has considered

implementing a new HHW Curbside Pilot Program. For the most current information about this program and for drop off locations visit [www.phoenix.gov/publicworks/garbage/hazwaste/](http://www.phoenix.gov/publicworks/garbage/hazwaste/)

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

*(In and Around Willo)*



Add these to your calendars to stay up-to-date for all of the neighborhood information, events, and fun.

## FEBRUARY 2021

**WEDNESDAYS**  
**WILLO FOOD TRUCK**  
**WEDNESDAYS, 5:00 - 8:00 P.M.**, 3rd Avenue between Holly & Monte Vista. Take out only, no seated dining. Please wear a mask and practice social distancing. For full schedule & menus visit: <https://streetfinder.com/WilloWednesdays>

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3:  
**WILLO FOOD TRUCK – PIZZA ARNO (ITALIAN)**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10:  
**WILLO FOOD TRUCK – THE FRY BREAD TRUCK (AMERICAN)**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11:  
**WILLO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING, 6:30 - 8:00 P.M.**, Zoom link available on

WILLOPHX.COM  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17:  
**WILLO FOOD TRUCK – ROCCO'S CHEESESTEAKS (AMERICAN)**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24:  
**CITY OF PHOENIX PUBLIC MEETING (VIRTUAL), 6:00 P.M.**, 3rd and 5th Avenues North Improvement/re-design project. Please visit WILLOPHX.COM for details.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24:  
**WILLO FOOD TRUCK – THE BULGOGI TRUCK (KOREAN/ ASIAN FUSION)**

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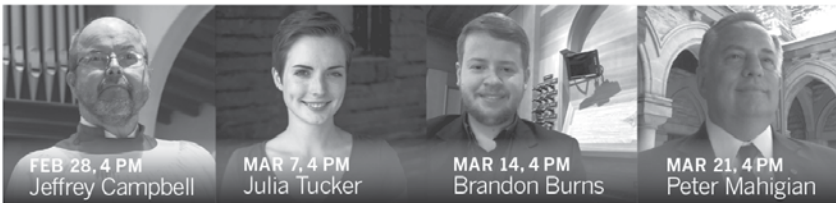
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# Winter Water Wisdom

BY LISA HELM (PALM LANE)

**DID YOU KNOW ARIZONA IS IN** the 21st year of a long-term drought? The National Weather Service currently rates it as an extreme to exceptional (the highest rating) drought in most of Arizona.

An unusually wet spring and late fall in 2019 offered short-term relief, but the hot, dry conditions quickly returned, making that just a blip on the radar, so to speak. The City of Phoenix says it has “surpassed the worst drought in more than 110 years of official record-keeping.” In addition to written records, tree ring research indicates that 20- to 30-year-long droughts have occurred several times over the past 1,000 years in the major watersheds serving the city of Phoenix. This past summer was the hottest summer recorded to date, with the NWS confirming Phoenix hit 144 days with triple-digit heat. The previous record was 143 days in 1989. The NWS is predicting an overall “above average” temperature for 2021 and a high likelihood of drought persisting and even expanding throughout Arizona.

Fortunately, Phoenix has invested in a variety of sustainable water supplies to ensure that there is enough for residents and businesses. Still, we can all do our part to reduce the waste of high-quality drinking water, which is expensive to treat and distribute.

Resource conservation is something all desert-dwellers should practice, and it is especially important during drought conditions. *For more information on drought preparedness, see <https://new.azwater.gov/drought/drought-status>.*

Most of our water use is outdoors, and Willo proudly displays many cool, beautiful landscapes that add tremendous character and value to our neighborhood. While it is cheap and convenient to use tap water on our lawns and trees, it is a shame to waste it.

We don’t have to sacrifice these lush landscapes, but we should pay attention to how we use water so that none goes down the storm sewers or anywhere that it isn’t needed. Don’t water walls and sidewalks,

plant lower water use plants, consider using gray water or rainwater, turn off your sprinklers after a good rain, and only water as much as your plants need. You’d be surprised at how much healthier your plants are if they aren’t overwatered.

How much water a lawn needs varies according to the irrigation system’s efficiency, the type of soil in your yard, the type of grass, the amount of sunshine or shade, and how much rain it gets. “Landscape Watering by the Numbers” has information about proper watering. An online version is available at <http://wateruseitwisely.com/100-ways-to-conserve/landscape-watering-guide/>

Once established, winter rye lawns only need to be watered about once a week if watered deeply. Your grass will be healthiest if you completely wet the root zone each time you water and only water as often as needed. Lawns should be watered to a depth of 6 to 10 inches, which means you should apply about ¾ of an inch of water each time you irrigate to wet your lawn’s root zone. Water needs of grass vary significantly during the seasons, so adjust your watering

schedule every month.

It is very common for sprinklers to get out of adjustment or misdirected. This creates a great deal of water waste and can damage walls, structures, and pavement, and annoy people walking on the sidewalks. Check the condition of your sprinkler heads frequently, especially after you’ve mowed.

If you see water waste, maybe your neighbor doesn’t know about it. Consider mentioning if you see that sprinklers are broken, out of alignment, or otherwise wasting water. If you see water gushing from broken water mains or other major waste, you can report it by calling 602-262-6251.

For other plants, follow the 1-2-3 Rule to remember how deeply to water:

- ◆ Water small plants such as groundcovers, cacti, and annuals to a depth of 1 foot.
- ◆ Water medium plants such as shrubs to a depth of 2 feet.
- ◆ Water large plants such as trees to a depth of 3 feet. *Note: In our typical urban landscapes, it takes about an inch of water applied to soak down to a depth of 1 foot but varies with soil conditions.*

See the table below for a recommended monthly watering schedule based on historical weather data. ●

How Much & How Often <small>Water to the outer edge of the plant's canopy and to the depth indicated. Watering frequency will vary depending on season, plant type, weather and soil.</small>		Seasonal Frequency — Days Between Waterings				Water This Deeply (Typical Root Depth)
		Spring Mar - May	Summer May - Oct	Fall Oct - Dec	Winter Dec - Mar	
<b>Trees</b>	Desert adapted	14-30 days	7-21 days	14-30 days	30-60 days	24-36 inches
	High water use	7-12 days	7-10 days	7-12 days	14-30 days	24-36 inches
<b>Shrubs</b>	Desert adapted	14-30 days	7-21 days	14-30 days	30-45 days	18-24 inches
	High water use	7-10 days	5-7 days	7-10 days	10-14 days	18-24 inches
<b>Groundcovers &amp; Vines</b>	Desert adapted	14-30 days	7-21 days	14-30 days	21-45 days	8-12 inches
	High water use	7-10 days	2-5 days	7-10 days	10-14 days	8-12 inches
<b>Cacti and Succulents</b>		21-45 days	14-30 days	21-45 days	if needed	8-12 inches
<b>Annuals</b>		3-7 days	2-5 days	3-7 days	5-10 days	8-12 inches
<b>Warm Season Grass</b>		4-14 days	3-6 days	6-21 days	15-30 days	6-10 inches
<b>Cool Season Grass</b>		3-7 days	none	3-10 days	7-14 days	6-10 inches

These guidelines are for established plants (1 year for shrubs, 3 years for trees). Additional water is needed for new plantings or unusually hot or dry weather. Less water is needed during cool or rainy weather. Drip run times are typically 2 hours or more for each watering.



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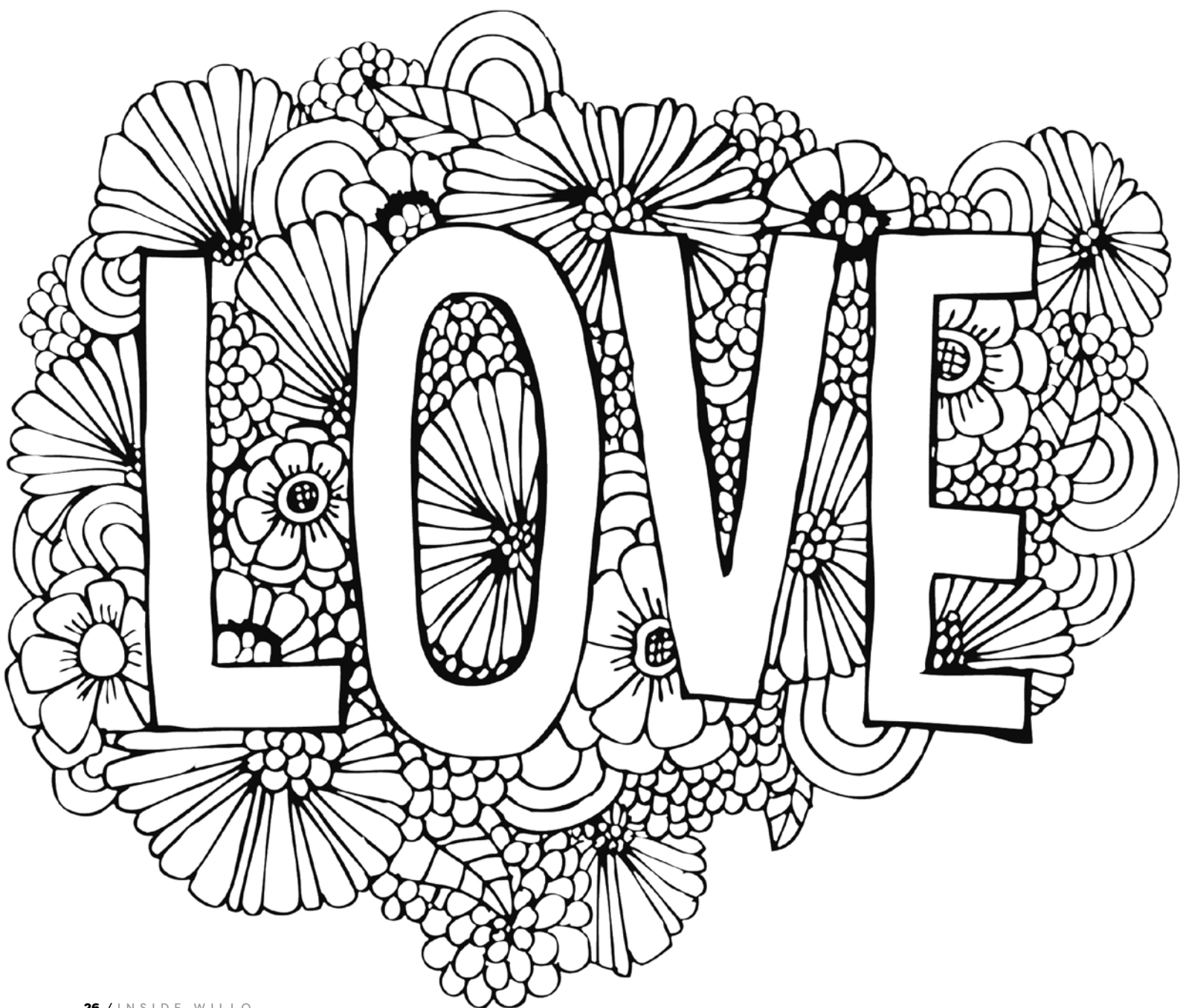
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# Willo Kids Club Activity

PHOTOS BY VALERIE LANE (LEWIS)

**WE DO NOT** have any activities planned this month, but we do have an image for kids to color and get creative with for Valentine's Day! To sign up for future events, please email Sheryl Haarman at [SLHAARMAN@AOL.COM](mailto:SLHAARMAN@AOL.COM)





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Wow! This 1930's English Tudor with its lush landscaping is one of the most gorgeous Historic homes in the neighborhood! Flexible floorplan to make it what you want. 3,100 sq ft in main house, 4br/3b and master up or down plus detached 360 ft studio. Spacious family room w/ vaulted, beamed ceilings and french doors to lush backyard. So much historic charm w/ original wood floors/ windows, doors & molding. Amazing renovated eat-in kitchen w/ white custom cabinetry, top of the line appliances, Carrara marble counters, built in butcher block island & butler's pantry. Formal living and dining room, updated bathrooms in period style. Private oasis in back with large pool, brick patio, gazebo, fireplace and raised garden. Just steps away from Oven & Vine and Light rail!



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