

Show Low News



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Work continues on general plan amendment

To guide and manage growth, Show Low adopted a general plan in 1999. The document has served as a planning tool for our municipal leaders and community members to prioritize and direct development activities and standards in housing, traffic circulation, natural resource management and business development.

Since the late 1990s when the state's legislators adopted "Growing Smarter" and "Growing Smarter Plus" legislation, municipal general plans have taken a higher-profile role in the ways communities are governed. The City's zoning decisions must be compatible with the adopted general plan. The public is guaranteed a key role in developing and approving the general plan through legal requirements for citizen participation and voter approval once the new guiding document is completed.

State law requires municipalities to reconsider their plans every ten years. Our City Council and staff believe that the plan merits a thorough review of our area. A citizen-driven committee, appointed by our Council late last year, reviewed the plan's overall goals and objectives, discussed

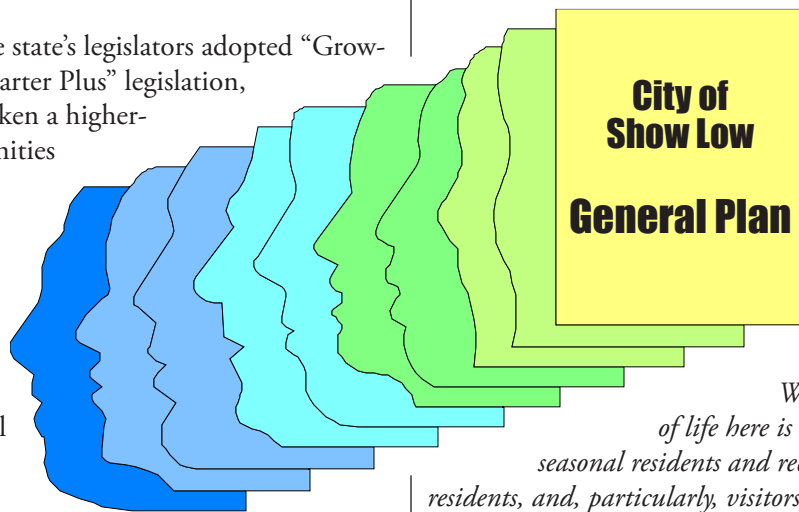
the 11 elements and provided input on Show Low's future.

A draft document has been prepared and is available online at www.ci.show-low.az.us. The plan's basic subject areas, called "elements," provide background support information and recommendations for accomplishing civic goals. A new vision statement was developed and has been incorporated into the draft plan.

It states: *Show Low citizens and property owners are setting their future aspirations higher for a progressing municipality that has planned with foresight. "Small town," family-oriented values emphasize the strong sense of community that characterizes the City as hub of the*

White Mountains region. Quality of life here is appreciated by persons of all ages, seasonal residents and recent settlers as well as long-time residents, and, particularly, visitors who quickly recognize Show Low's special attributes. The Ponderosa pine forest symbolizes the area's outdoor enjoyment, spacious environment and natural resources. Stewardship in water resources, open space, woodland protection and trails system establishment exemplify a shared ideal to maintain the City's surrounding rural setting. Growing Smarter goals accomplishments,

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Residents gain extra week of free hauling

The ninth annual Project Clean Sweep, a City-sponsored beautification program provided to our residents, was held in June. Because of the overwhelming response of our citizens, the City is adding another FREE week for residents to haul items to the Lone Pine Transfer Station from **Tuesday, September 4, through Saturday, September 8, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

This is a tremendous opportunity to do a summer cleaning of your yard and home. **Residency requirements will be strictly enforced.** You must present *a current utility statement or valid driver's license listing a street address within Show Low's city limits.* Please note that the following items will not be accepted: Materials from construction sites, hazardous materials (liquid paints, oils, pesticides, herbicides and household cleaning products), refrigerators, freezers, tires and car batteries.

Redevelopment and recycling grant programs

On Thursday, September 27, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, in association with Show Low Main Street, will present information and answer questions on two Arizona grant programs, property redevelopment (Brownfields) and recycling. The informal session from 10 a.m. to noon at the Show Low Public Library, 180 N. 9th Street, is open to citizens, nonprofit organizations and representatives of local governments, business and industry.

You should attend if you own or control property for which a planned redevelopment project may be complicated by pollution or the threat of pollution or you have an interest in recycling, source reduction or projects that will educate residents about recycling opportunities.

For more information, contact Main Street at 537-8181.

Calendar of Events

Family Aquatic Center & Recreation: 532-4140
Public Library: 532-4070

Family Storytime, Thursdays, 10 a.m., Public Library

- 09/03 Labor Day** (City offices closed, except Aquatic Center with special holiday hours: **12–5 p.m.**, **Open Swim**)
- 09/04 7 p.m.**, Council Chambers
City Council Regular Meeting
- 09/07 Fall Coed Volleyball**
registration ends (ages 15+)
- 09/10 Show Low DEAL** begins
- 09/11 7 p.m.**, Council Chambers
Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting
- 09/13 10 a.m.**, Public Library
Show Low Library Friends meeting (public welcome)
- 09/17 Swimming Lessons** (fall session) registration begins
- 09/12 1:30 p.m.**, Public Library
Book Discussion Group (Lives on the Line)
- 09/18 7 p.m.**, Council Chambers
City Council Regular Meeting
- 09/19 4 p.m.**, City Campus field
Punt, Pass & Kick (boys & girls, ages 8-15)
- 09/20 3:30–4:30 p.m.**, Public Library (favorite funny story)
Cool Kids Book Discussion Group (ages 8+)
- 09/20 7 p.m.**, Public Library, **Show Low Historical Society** meeting (“Last Train to Maverick” by Dick Harbold and “History of White Mountain Sawmills” by Hal Butler)
- 09/24 9–11 a.m.**, Aquatic Center
Water Wee Play (ages 5 & under with parent)
- 09/25 7 p.m.**, Council Chambers
Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting



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from improved public facilities to positive municipal growth, provide a strong foundation for an updated Show Low planning vision that balances natural and heritage preservation with new development and population increase. Policies promoting the creation of well-paying jobs, excellent housing value, compatible land use and cultural attractions are intended to serve growing families, active retirees and, especially, to nurture Show Low's youth to grow into productive adults.

The draft has been submitted to the Technical Advisory Committee, consisting of regional government representatives, for the mandatory 60-day review. The Planning and Zoning Commission and Council will hold public hearings to gather input in October and November 2007. The public is also invited to provide written comments through the end of October to Justen Tregaskes at 550 N. 9th Place or via e-mail to jtregaskes@ci.show-low.az.us.

Once approved by both public bodies, the general plan will appear on the March 2008 primary election ballot for voter approval.

Play golf, have fun and support our youth

Enjoy a celebrity golf tournament while helping our youth through the programs of the Show Low Youth Recreation and Sports Foundation. The **2007 Celebrity Golf Tournament** will be held Friday, September 7, 2007, at Torreon Golf Club.

Check-in and registration begins at 8 a.m. and will feature an informal celebrity autograph session from 8 to 8:45. Shotgun start begins at 9 a.m. Pick your own four-person scramble team. Individual entrants will be assigned to a team.

The \$150 per person entry fee includes green fees, cart, range balls, golf shirt and accessories, post-tournament awards luncheon and prizes after your round of golf. Two team mulligans, for a total \$60, are allowed. One mulligan may be used on the front nine and one on the back nine. An optional team buy-in is \$100 per team. Men will play from the white tee boxes and women from the red tee boxes. Handicaps will be assigned based on individual handicaps within each team.

Tournament entry forms are available by calling John Haverland at (928) 537-5320.

The Show Low Youth Recreation and Sports Foundation is a nonprofit, charitable 501(c)(3) foundation, supported solely by volunteers. The foundation is dedicated to supporting under-funded or non-funded youth programs in Show Low, Linden, Pinedale, Clay Springs and Vernon. Over its four-year history, the foundation has contributed over \$250,000 to programs including soccer, band, football, choir, basketball, baseball, softball, hiking, swimming, wrestling, golf, Girl Scouts, DARE and school dance teams. In addition, the foundation has awarded numerous college scholarships.

Arizona 2-1-1 Online

A tool, dubbed Arizona 2-1-1 Online, helps Arizonans find information about local emergencies and health and human services. Located at www.az211.gov, this searchable, easy-to-use, statewide database provides information on more than 16,000 programs and services, with service descriptions, intake procedures, eligibility criteria, contact information, web links, hours of operation, etc. The database is continually updated with current information.

A key feature is the Emergency Bulletin System (EBS), developed by state agencies involved in emergency management, Red Cross, and Salvation Army. EBS provides a one-stop shop for information—protective measures, life safety, response and recovery efforts—about an emergency event. The system also relieves the burden on the 9-1-1 system by addressing non-emergency needs.

Looking for child care, senior services, counseling, education or other nonprofit or government services? Arizona 2-1-1 Online is a tool designed to meet your needs.