

# Show Low News



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## Many city departments moving to new site

In December, many of the departments now occupying the current Show Low City Hall, 200 West Cooley, will be moving to new quarters. Other departments will remain or be moved into the current building. The Administrative Services department will stay at the current site, which means that **payments for City utility and Arizona Public Service invoices will continue to be accepted at the current City Hall.** The Magistrate Court will move into City Hall's ground floor and use the Council Chambers during the day. City Council, Planning and Zoning Commission and Show Low Unified School District Board meetings will continue to be held in the Council Chambers at 200 West Cooley. The meetings will continue to be televised live via City 4 Television (cable channel 4).

The new location at 550 North 9th Place formerly housed the administrative offices of Frontier State Bank. The building is north of the National Bank of Arizona complex, with access on 9th Place from the Deuce of Clubs. The "Interim City Hall" will include Administration (namely, the offices of the City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk and Human Resources), Community Development (planning, building safety, code enforcement, grant coordination) and Public Works Administration, Engineering (City Engineer and engineering inspectors) and GIS (geographic information systems). All telephone numbers will remain the same, including the main number at 532-4000.

Building permits now will be issued at the Interim City Hall. Customers will continue to use the old City Hall to request and pay for business and dog licenses, make utility payments and sign up for utility services. Signage directing citizens to the appropriate site will be posted.

City staff will make every attempt to make the transition as smooth as possible. We apologize for any inconvenience this move causes any citizen.

**Important notice!**

Read about next spring's city elections and help a child through Shop With a Cop – all on back page

## Snow plan in place

The average annual snowfall in Show Low is approximately 40 inches, although this year's weather has been mild to this point. As they do every year, City crews have prepared a snow management plan in case of a severe snowstorm. Every resident also should prepare for the worst possible conditions to provide for your and your family's safety. Since most of Show Low's storms result in six to eight inches of snow, the City's snow management efforts are gauged by a storm of this magnitude.

When the snow is removed from the road, the snow plow operator has to pile it as far off the shoulder as possible to protect the road surface and to make room for additional snow. The plowing operation creates a "windrow," or "snow berm." **It is impossible to plow without leaving a berm.** Individual property owners are responsible for clearing away the berm from driveways, entrances and mailboxes. Please do not shovel the snow back into the street.

Upon request, the City provides courtesy snow berm removal for physically or medically infirm individuals. The physical or medical disability must be verified in writing by a physician. This snow plowing service will be provided after the snowstorm ends and after the operator has completed his other snow plowing commitments assigned by the City. If an emergency arises before the snow berm can be removed, call 911 for assistance. Call the City at 532-4100 for more information or to register for this service.

### The snow management plan

The City has created the following plan to efficiently and effectively plow and remove snow throughout the City during storms.

- \* City staff will begin monitoring snowfall at 0.5 inch of accumulation.
- \* At 2 inches of snow accumulation, the snow plow operators will commence plowing and spreading cinders on school bus routes, collector roads and transit routes.
- \* At 3 inches of accumulation and clearing first-priority roads, the operators will plow and remove snow from residential and secondary roads.
- \* The City's Airport Manager will begin snow removal at the airport depending on the snow's depth, moisture content and weather conditions affecting an aircraft's ability to fly.
- \* If the snowstorm's intensity is greater than 1 inch an hour, the plowing operation may focus on collector roads to keep primary routes open.

### Streets and areas not included in the plan

The City is authorized to remove snow from public rights-of-way. The following areas are not serviced under the plan: State roads; private

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# Calendar of Events

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



**12/03 5:30 p.m.**, Festival Marketplace  
**Christmas Tree Lighting** ceremony



**12/03 6:30 p.m.**, along the Deuce of Clubs  
**Electric Light Parade** (theme: "Christmas: A time for giving!")



**12/05 Men's basketball** registration begins (ages 15+)



**12/06 7 p.m.**, Council Chambers  
**City Council Regular Meeting**

**12/08 Noon**, Public Library  
**Show Low Library Friends** meeting (public welcome)

**12/08 5-8:30 p.m.**, The Victorian (corner of US60 & SR260) (all ages)  
**Santa at the Victorian** (visit with Santa & enjoy entertainment & refreshments)

**12/09 6-8:30 p.m.**, City Park (all ages)  
**Santa at the Old Pavillion** (meet Santa & enjoy refreshments)

**12/10 1 p.m.** (weigh-in for 2:30 start), Show Low Intermediate School gym  
**Pullin' for Presents arm wrestling tournament** (admission: new unwrapped toy)

**12/13 7 p.m.**, Council Chambers  
**Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**

**12/14 2:45 p.m.**, Aquatic Center  
**Youth Craft Class** (grades 2-6)

**12/15 3:30 p.m.**, Public Library (share your favorite holiday book for ages 8+)  
**Cool Kids Book Discussion Group**

**12/20 7 p.m.**, Council Chambers  
**City Council Regular Meeting**

**12/26 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY** (City offices closed)

**12/27 Youth basketball** registration begins (grades 1-6)

**12/27 7 p.m.**, Council Chambers  
**Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**

**12/30 Spring coed volleyball** registration begins (ages 15+)

**01/02 NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY** (City offices closed)

Check out City 4 Television and the City's website at [www.ci.show-low.az.us](http://www.ci.show-low.az.us)

## Ballot-by-mail election in spring 2006

The City of Show Low will conduct its second ballot-by-mail election for the March 14, 2006 Primary Election and May 16, 2006 General Election, if one is needed. In a ballot-by-mail election, the method used in spring 2002, all active registered voters receive a ballot in the mail rather than go to the polls to vote. Voter convenience is the primary reason behind this method.

Navajo County maintains all voter registration records. The county must have your current mailing address. If you moved since registering or your mailing address has changed, the ballot will **not** be forwarded to you. To check your address, contact the City Clerk's office at 532-4060 or 532-4061.

Three City Council seats will be on the ballot. Candidate packets, available at City Hall, are due December 14, 2005. Candidates must be 18 years old at the time of the election and a Show Low resident for at least one year prior to the election. For more information, call 532-4061.

## Shop with a Cop to help area children

Be Santa to a less fortunate child this season! Open your wallets for the annual Shop with a Cop program, jointly sponsored by the Show Low and Pinetop-Lakeside police departments. Through generous donations from private citizens and Wal-Mart Supercenter, needy children receive gifts they would not get otherwise. Each selected child receives up to \$100 to purchase personal clothing and gifts. The number of children selected is directly tied to the amount of money donated, with 100% going into the program.

Participate by dropping off cash, check or money order (payable to "Shop with a Cop") at the Show Low or Pinetop-Lakeside police facilities through Tuesday, December 6. Donations also are accepted at Bank One/Chase Bank in Pinetop to account #661958462. Your contribution can make a huge difference in a child's life. Questions may be directed to Det. Kim Walden at 537-5091, ext. 241, or Det. Bud Miltenberger at 368-8803.

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streets; private parking lots; sidewalks other than those at City facilities; and private driveways, even if blocked as a result of plowing public streets, unless the occupant has an approved medical disability registered with the City.

### How you can help!

Heavy snowfall disrupts daily living. Dealing with it can be frustrating for everyone. City crews will do their best to minimize the inconvenience to all residents and, if necessary, plowing crews will work around the clock. Here are tips on what you can do to help:

- \* Make sure your mailbox and other roadside apparatuses are firmly secured and strong enough to handle the snow weight and plowing operations to prevent you from incurring replacement costs.
- \* Do not park your motor vehicles in the roadway to expedite plowing operations.
- \* Protect any landscaping located near or in the right-of-way adjacent to your residence.
- \* Do not shovel snow from your driveway until the street has been completely plowed back to the edge of the road to prevent you from shoveling the driveway twice.

### Who is responsible for my neighborhood?

The City uses large dump trucks to continuously plow collector roads during a snow event. Minor roads and neighborhoods are assigned different drivers and equipment to continue plowing while the collectors are simultaneously plowed. Call 532-4100 to request the name of the person plowing your road and to advise the operator of any specific problems along your route.