

# Show Low Quarterly



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## Fall and holiday events for the entire family

### ROUTE 66 WHITE MOUNTAIN GEOTOUR GRAND FINALE - Saturday, Oct. 8

The *Route 66 White Mountain GeoTour* is a new regional geocaching “treasure hunt” that launched June 1 in Apache and Navajo counties. The GeoTour ends with a grand finale at Eagar’s Round Valley Dome on Saturday, October 8, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. This free event, open to the public, features arts and crafts booths, food concessions, local vendors, live music (*Strange Brew, Planting Seedz, Fools Hollow Band*), a kids’ zone and raffle prizes. GeoTour participants will also vie for special prizes. Visit [route66whitemountaingeotour.com](http://route66whitemountaingeotour.com) for information.



house, hay rides, food vendors, live entertainment and Power 95.7’s *Scaryoke*. Presented by Show Low Main Street and City of Show Low. Call 532-4124 for information.

### SHOW LOW SHINES FOR THE HOLIDAYS - Friday, Nov. 25, through Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2017

The holidays kick off Friday, November 25, when the city begins to sparkle with the season-long *Show Low Shines for the Holidays*. This annual signature event features holiday lights at Show Low City Park, Festival Marketplace, city hall, aquatic center and public library through January 3, 2017.

Enjoy four days of holiday shopping when *Santa and the Shoppes on Gingerbread Lane* moves to two weekends at the City Campus Gym, 620 E. McNeil, on November 11 and 12 and December 9 and 10. Friday hours are 2 to 8 p.m., Saturday’s are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Santa will be on hand to visit with



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## Election results show incumbents retain seats

Election results of the August 30 primary election were officially canvassed by the Show Low City Council on September 6. The ballot included the Mayor’s seat, three Council seats and one proposition.

Any candidate running in the primary election who receives a majority of the votes cast for the position of Mayor or Council member wins. Incumbent Mayor Daryl Seymore ran unopposed and retained his seat, earning 1,715 votes. Seymore needed 858 votes to win.

Five candidates, three of whom currently serve on the Council, ran for the three seats. The incumbents, Rennie Crittenden, Connie Kakavas and Gene Kelley, were elected at the primary, with 1,181, 1,198 and 1,129 votes, respectively. Each of the three exceeded the 813 votes needed. Challengers Mike Bosley (785 votes) and William Thomas (583 votes) lost their bids for the Council seats.

The Mayor and three Council members will be sworn in at the December 6 meeting. All will serve another four years until 2020. Since the four candidates received more than enough votes to be elected, there will be no general election for the city on November 8.

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## Public works plans for winter weather

Given weather’s unpredictability and knowing that heavy snowfall can disrupt daily living, city staff prepares a snow management plan every year well before storms arrive. The plan is posted to the city’s website in November. Here is a brief overview of our operations.

### Snow removal operations

When snow is removed from the road, snow plow operators have to pile it as far off the shoulder as possible to protect the road surface and make room for traffic and more snow, which creates a “snow berm.” **Unfortunately, it is impossible to plow and not leave a berm.** Property owners are responsible for clearing away the berm from driveways, entrances and mailboxes. Do not shovel the snow back into the street.

The city is authorized to remove snow from public rights-of-way, using large dump trucks to continuously plow collector streets, while other drivers remove snow from minor roads and neighborhoods. Call 532-4100 to advise your operator of any problems on your route. Areas **not** serviced under the plan include state highways, county roads, private streets, private parking lots and private driveways. The city maintains sidewalks at

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**Primary election results...***continued from cover page*

The ballot proposition (Proposition 407) asked voters to authorize a permanent adjustment to the state-imposed spending limit. The measure passed overwhelming, with 1,394 voting yes (66.35%) and 707 voting no (33.65%). Like the Home Rule option, this adjustment allows the Council to retain local control over Show Low's budget, which must be balanced per state law. The Council also imposed two restrictions: 1) the city must maintain a minimum \$1 million in reserves and 2) any tax increase requires a majority vote of the sitting Council. *(Note: Federal law requires election information be provided in English and Spanish.)*

Resultados de la elección primaria del 30 de agosto fueron aprobados oficialmente por el Consejo de la Ciudad de Show Low el 6 de septiembre. La papeleta incluyó el asiento del Alcalde, tres puestos del Consejo, y una proposición.

Cualquier candidato que se postula en la elección primaria debían recibir la mayoría de los votos emitidos para el cargo de Alcalde o del Consejo celebra victoria. El Alcalde actual, Daryl Seymore, no tuvo oposición y conservó su asiento, obteniendo 1.715 votos. Seymore necesitó 858 votos para ganar.

Cinco candidatos, tres de los cuales sirven en el Consejo actual, se postularon para los tres asientos. Los predominantes, Rennie Crittenden, Connie Kakavas, y Gene Kelly fueron elegidos en las primarias, con 1.181, 1.198 y 1.129 votos, respectivamente. Cada uno de los tres superó los 813 votos necesarios. Retadores Mike Bosley (785 votos) y William Thomas (583 votos) perdieron sus ofertas para los puestos del Consejo.

El Alcalde y tres miembros del Consejo prestarán juramento en la reunión del 6 de diciembre. Todos servirán cuatro años más, sus términos llegando al fin en el año 2020. Desde los cuatro candidatos recibieron más votos suficientes para ser elegidos, no habrá elecciones para la ciudad en la elección general del 8 de noviembre.

La proposición electoral (Proposición 407) pidió a los votantes que autorizaran un ajuste permanente al límite de gastos por el Estado. La medida fue aprobada de sobremanera, con 1.394 votar sí (66,35%) y 707 votando no (33,65%). Al igual que la opción de autonomía, este ajuste permite que el Consejo de la Ciudad a retener el control local sobre el presupuesto de Show Low, que debe ser equilibrado por la ley estatal. El Consejo también impone dos restricciones: 1) la ciudad debe mantener un mínimo de \$1 millón en reservas y 2) cualquier aumento de impuestos requiere una mayoría de votos del Consejo sentado.

## Floodplain Information

The City of Show Low participates in the National Flood Information Program. The city's engineering department is the local program administrator. Information is available to property owners about building in a Federal Emergency Management Agency floodplain. Download floodplain status request forms at [www.showlowaz.gov](http://www.showlowaz.gov). Direct questions to City Engineer Shane Hemesath at 180 North 9th Street, Show Low, AZ 85901 or call (928) 532-4090.

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city facilities, along city streets, and those covered by contractual agreements with the Arizona Department of Transportation.

**The city provides courtesy snow berm removal after snow plowing commitments have been met for those who cannot physically shovel snow and reside alone (or live with no other physically able person). The disability must be verified in writing by a physician. A fillable form to**



**register or to retain your eligibility is available at [showlowaz.gov](http://showlowaz.gov) or call 532-4100.**

### How you can help!

Our crews do their best to minimize any inconvenience and, if needed, work around the clock. You, too, can help keep everyone safe.

- ❖ Keep all city roadways clear of vehicles and polycarts during snow plowing operations. Section 18-3-1 of the City Code authorizes police to cite and tow away vehicles (at the owner's expense).
- ❖ Keep driving to a minimum during a snowstorm unless it is absolutely necessary.
- ❖ Protect landscaping located near or in the right-of-way adjacent to your residence. Occasionally, a mailbox or post may be damaged during snow plowing operations. The mailbox damage policy (*right*) explains what steps a homeowner can take to report any damage.

- ❖ 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.

### Mailbox Damage Policy

Occasionally, operators may damage mailboxes while plowing. If you think your mailbox or post has been damaged from snow plowing, submit a *Notice of Claim* (available at [showlowaz.gov](http://showlowaz.gov) or at city hall). An investigation will be conducted to see if you are eligible for reimbursement. If the city is deemed responsible, arrangements for repairs will be made with the claimant. Claims may be denied if preexisting conditions exist, such as weak or rotten posts or improperly mounted mailboxes. The complete policy is available on the city's website. For information, call 532-4100.

Quarterly newsletters (Jan-Mar, Apr-June, July-Sept, Oct-Dec) are produced by the City of Show Low, 180 N. 9th Street, Show Low, AZ 85901, distributed with the utility statements and available at [showlowaz.gov](http://showlowaz.gov). Direct comments to 532-4061.

# Calendar of Events (October–December 2016)

Family Aquatic Center: (928) 532-4130 Recreation: (928) 532-4140 Public Library: (928) 532-4070

**Special event series: BMX single point races** on 10/01, 10/08, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29 (Zombie Apocalypse final race); call 532-4140 for information

- 10/01 **Winter schedule begins**, Aquatic Center
- 10/03 **Swimming Lessons** begin, Aquatic Center
- 10/04 7 p.m., Council Chambers, **City Council Regular Meeting**
- 10/05 5:30 p.m., **Start Smart Baseball** play begins (for ages 3-5)
- 10/10-10/14 1–5 p.m., Aquatic Center, **Fall Break** with open swim all week
- 10/11 7 p.m., Council Chambers, **Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**
- 10/14 10 a.m., Public Library (public welcome), **Show Low Library Friends** meeting
- 10/15 6–9 p.m., Show Low City Park, Senior Field, **Mountain Music Jubilee** (music by *Fools Hollow Band* and *Thunderhorse*, kids' contests, games, food vendors)
- 10/18 7 p.m., Council Chambers, **City Council Regular Meeting**
- 10/19 1:30 p.m., Public Library, **Book Discussion Group**
- 10/22 6–8 p.m., Aquatic Center, **Underwater Pumpkin Hunt** (ages 10-14)
- 10/25 7 p.m., Council Chambers, **Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**
- 10/27 6 p.m., Nikolaus Homestead Park, **Spooky Sprint** (1/2-mile sprint for ages 10 and under, with candy and treats; check-in at 5:30 p.m.)
- 10/29 11 a.m., Festival Marketplace, **Monster Dash Fun Run** (run or walk the 2.7-mile route in costume); proceeds benefit Show Low Main Street
- 10/29 Noon–8 p.m., Festival Marketplace, **Spooktacular Festival** (with *Trunk or Treat*, *Scaryoke*, contests, games, live entertainment, haunted house, vendors)
- 11/01 7 p.m., Council Chambers, **City Council Regular Meeting**
- 11/02 5:30 p.m., **Start Smart Soccer** play begins (ages 3-5)
- 11/08 7 p.m., Council Chambers, **Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**
- 11/11 **Veterans Day holiday** (City offices closed); **aquatic center holiday hours**: 9 a.m.–noon, lap swim; noon–5 p.m., open swim
- 11/11-11/12 2–8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Saturday City Campus Gym, **Santa and the Shoppes on Gingerbread Lane I** (with vendors, refreshments, Santa for the kids)
- 11/13-11/19 **Community Fast of Compassion Week** (third annual event to fast and donate cost of meals to help those in need)
- 11/15 7 p.m., Council Chambers, **City Council Regular Meeting**
- 11/16 1:30 p.m., Public Library, **Book Discussion Group**
- 11/21 6–8 p.m., Aquatic Center, **National Family Night free swim**
- 11/22 7 p.m., Council Chambers, **Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**
- 11/24-25 **Thanksgiving holiday** (City offices closed)
- 11/24-12/11 Aquatic Center closed for annual maintenance; reopens 12/12
- 11/25 **Show Low Shines for the Holidays** (lights turn on at City Park, Festival Marketplace, city facilities through 01/03/17)
- 11/26 **2nd Annual Small Business Saturday Show Low Merchant Poker Run** (interactive poker run with great prizes from downtown merchants)
- 11/27 6 p.m., Show Low School District Auditorium, **Community Fast Celebration**
- 12/01-12/03 7 p.m., Whipple Ranch Elementary School, **Feaste of Carols**, Show Low High School music department's Renaissance dinner show (12/01 is dessert only); call 537-6200 for information
- 12/03 6 p.m., along the Deuce of Clubs, **Electric Light Parade** (theme: "Storybook Christmas")
- 12/03 7 p.m., City Hall, **Show Low Main Street Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony**
- 12/05 Registration begins for **Youth Basketball**
- 12/06 7 p.m., Council Chambers, **City Council Regular Meeting**
- 12/07 **Show Low Main Street downtown merchant holiday decorating contest** begins
- 12/07 5:30 p.m., **Start Smart Basketball** play begins (ages 3-5)
- 12/09 10 a.m., Public Library (public welcome), **Show Low Library Friends** meeting
- 12/09-12/10 2–8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Saturday City Campus Gym, **Santa and the Shoppes on Gingerbread Lane II** (with vendors, refreshments, Santa for the kids)
- 12/12 Registration begins for **Spring Coed Volleyball**
- 12/13 7 p.m., Council Chambers, **Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**
- 12/21 1:30 p.m., Public Library, **Book Discussion Group**
- 12/24 Aquatic Center closed
- 12/26 **Christmas holiday** (City offices closed)
- 12/31 11 p.m.–midnight, Festival Marketplace, **Deuce of Clubs Drop** (New Year's Eve with music and fireworks)
- 01/02 **New Year's Day holiday** (City offices closed)

# Citizens invited to submit capital project requests

Every year, the City of Show Low reviews future capital improvements program (CIP) projects for prioritization and funding. Capital projects ensure that clean water, proper waste disposal, safe streets and recreational resources (parks and community centers) are available to all citizens. These types of projects are expensive so the CIP identifies the need, evaluates requested projects based on available funding and develops a fiscal plan to fulfill them. The result is a five-year plan, with specific projects scheduled for a given year.

Planning for next year's budget begins soon, including reviewing future CIP projects. If you think a project should be considered, submit a project request worksheet and mail or drop it off at City Hall, 180 N. 9th Street, by Friday, November 4.

Capital projects cost more than \$50,000. Since you may not know specific costs, all requests should be submitted regardless of cost. A project less than \$50,000 may be considered through

the regular budget process if funds allow. All projects, large or small, are budgeted based on available funding.

A committee of Council members, staff and citizens evaluates and prioritizes the projects based on their technical, operational, social and economic development merits. Safety concerns and citizens' support comprise over one-third of the points allocated in the evaluation. The committee's recommended prioritized projects are submitted to the Council, who is ultimately responsible for approving the CIP plan at a regular meeting.



City of Show Low, Arizona  
**Fiscal Years 2018-2022**  
**Capital Improvements Program**  
**Project Request Worksheet**

Description of Project/Item Proposed

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Estimated Cost \_\_\_\_\_

Funding Source (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Benefit to Community \_\_\_\_\_

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*please print*

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone (work): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (home): \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT FORM IS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2016**

Mail or deliver completed form to:

City of Show Low  
Public Works Administration  
180 N. 9th Street, Show Low, AZ 85901

Questions? E-mail Kim Seales at  
kseales@showlowaz.gov or call (928) 532-4040

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the kids and available for photos during the entire event. For information, call 532-4124 or [www.showlowmainstreet.org/santa--the-shoppes.html](http://www.showlowmainstreet.org/santa--the-shoppes.html).

More shopping and fun awaits on Saturday, November 26, at the second annual **Small Business Saturday Downtown Show Low Merchant Poker Run**, presented by Show Low Main Street. Visit the retail shops downtown during regular business hours and join in an interactive poker run. You have a chance to win a variety of prizes from participating merchants. Call 532-2680 for information.

Thoughts will turn immediately to Christmas on Saturday, December 3, with the popular **Electric Light Parade** at 6 p.m. along the Deuce of Clubs. This year's parade theme is "Storybook Christmas" (call 532-4141 to register). The floats' beautiful light displays will showcase local businesses, families and community groups as they compete for cash prizes. Then head over to Show Low city hall, 180 N. 9th Street, for Show Low Main Street's **Christmas tree lighting ceremony** at 7 p.m. The community tree will be decorated with ornaments crafted by Show Low elementary school children, and will be part of a dancing holiday-light display synchronized to music. Call 532-4124 for information.

The festive holiday mood continues when merchants in Show Low's downtown redevelopment district decorate their storefronts with decorations and lights as they participate in a **holiday decorating contest**, sponsored by Show Low Main Street. The displays must be erected by 5 p.m., Wednesday, December 7, with entry forms due the same day. Call 532-4124 for questions.

The season finale is the fourth annual **Deuce of Clubs Drop** on Saturday, December 31, from 11 p.m. to midnight at Festival Marketplace. This award-winning event ushers in the New Year with music, refreshments, dancing and fireworks.

More events are listed on the calendar on page 3. Come enjoy all the season has to offer!