

Judge's Neighborhood News April 2019

Hello Neighbors and Happy Spring!

Hope all is well for you. Here's the neighborhood scoop:

More Mail Theft/Vandalism

I spoke with Clayton (our friendly neighborhood mailman) about these reoccurring issues. He said there were a lot of problems during the Holidays and more recently during Spring Break. Some of it appears to be kids walking 44th Street. They have raided mailboxes on both sides of 44th Street and some homeowners have reported seeing them throwing mail up into the air to watch it blow in the wind. Clayton says they've also stolen mail and put it in other random mailboxes. He said he found opened envelopes on San Miguel Ave that were addressed to homes south of Stanford. I continue to get notes from neighbors about locking mailboxes being forced open and mail stolen. Wish I had better news to report about mail.

When will the POUNDING end??



This morning was really loud. For the last two months there have been two separate homesites on the nose of Camelback Mountain hammering out building pad square footage. Thankfully, one of the sites is done pounding. Reportedly, the other site has about a month left. In the meantime, we all suffer.

The Bobcats are Back

I've been told that one of them is bigger this year. Neighbors on north 42nd Street see the bobcats regularly near their homes. I've never received a complaint about them. If you have a recent picture, please send it to me and I will post it in my next letter. Also be aware of owls and hawks in your big trees and all the other wildlife that are more active this time of year. Let me know if you ever have a problem with one of these beautiful animals.

Deed Restriction Extension

You may remember from past reports that the Deed Restrictions for two of our subdivisions (Marion Estates Replatted 1 and Replatted 2) will expire in 2021. Keeping these active is important because one of the restrictions limits the structure height to 20-feet and the homes to a single story. We are working on Amend and Extend the restrictions for Marion Estates Replatted 1 now. When we complete that we will move to Replatted 2. Deed Restrictions for Marion Estates Block E and Short Hills will not expire under their current wording. Feel free to email me if you have any questions about this.

Redevelopment of CAMEL SQUARE

Camel Square is the group of buildings on the northwest corner of 44th St and Camelback Rd. A group of buyers (including Red Development and Fox Restaurant Concepts) are proposing to purchase the property, refurbish some existing buildings and build a small but high end boutique hotel and a class AA office building near the busy corner. The developers have been meeting with a group of concerned neighbors to reach agreement on many issues. Foremost, the developers want the new buildings nearest to the intersection to be taller than the London Center and reduce the setbacks allowed by the current zoning. Neighbors nearby want these two buildings to be no higher than what the 2011 zoning change allows (56 feet which is lower than the London Center) and the setbacks to remain.

Our neighborhood is about a half a mile away but many of these concerned neighborhoods are adjacent to the property. I will continue to report on the progress. You may email me with questions on this issue and I'll do the best I can to answer.

That's it for now. Have a great Spring and a Happy Easter.

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