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# **Big Park Council Accomplishments**

## **A Continuing History to be proud of**

## **1990 TO 2025 – ALL AMERICAN ROAD**

Developed the successful application for AZ's first All-American Road Scenic Byway

Served as a key stakeholder responsible for SR-179 Scenic Byway project and ongoing stewardship. The All-American Road committee was formed in the 1990's, becoming Village Park Recreation Inc. in 2000 and with approval of SR-179 as the Red Rock Scenic Byway in 2020, continues as an independent organization; currently collaborating with the BPC APS Transmission line subcommittee.

2025 the All American Road committee has ended. They gave their remaining funds to Sedona Village Partnership for the Art in the Roundabouts project

## **1990'S – 2025+ COMMUNITY PLAN**

Led development and adoption of Community Plans that were historically incorporated as part of the Verde Valley Land Use Plan and Yavapai County Comprehensive Plan.

In 2023 after a survey of the community, adopted a Community Vision Statement to be included in the Yavapai County Comprehensive Plan as full local plans are no longer included by the County

Reactivated the Community Plan committee (2024) to assure that our Vision & Mission remain in touch with the needs of the community

## **2000 – 2006 LEADERSHIP IN RURAL COMMUNITIES AWARD**

The Council was recognized by the Governor in 2006 for Leadership in Rural Communities. Actions that lead to that recognition were:

- Provided guidance for subdivisions (Las Piedras, La Barranca, CR Ranch and FireCliff),
- Influenced SR179 upgrade (sidewalks)

## **2016 - INTERNATIONAL DARK-SKY COMMUNITY**

Sponsored the successful application for designation as an International Dark-Sky Community and continues to sponsor Dark-Sky community educational events.

## **2018 – COMMUNITY FORUM – VISTA VILLAGE**

Provided a forum for the community to understand Vista Village upgrade plans and to voice concerns regarding signage and the proposed removal of the Village Christmas tree. (Signage reduced, tree saved)

## **2019 – IMPROVED COMMUNICATION**

Blogger website created & MailChimp Community Email initiated

## **2019 – 2025+ APS TRANSMISSION LINE PROPOSAL**

2019-2020 – Kept the community informed, monitor the APS Transmission line proposal and provide information and the community’s point of view to the USFS.

2021 APS Transmission line subcommittee formed & formal Council position on the proposal adopted. Formally presented community concerns and alternative solutions for the USFS to consider with respect to the APS proposed transmission line between the McGuireville and VOC substations.

2023 - Held a Public Forum to provide an update on the current status of the proposed 13-mile high-voltage transmission line between McGuireville and the VOC substation.

2023-2024 Raised community funds and engaged a law firm to research the possibility of legal action. Involved Senator Kelly’s office to help facilitate FOIA request. (2024)

2025 Collaborating with Keep Sedona Beautiful, All American Road, Sedona Village Partnership and other local non-profits and private property owners along the proposed route. Involved in public information forum on final USFS EA and finalized objection letter regarding areas not in accordance with BPC resolution

## **2019 – 2025+ PROPOSED HILTON GARDEN INN**

2019 Provided a forum for community discussion and presented community concerns on the proposed Hilton Garden Inn construction on the corner of Jacks Canyon Road and SR179 resulting in concessions in building height and setbacks.

Continued involvement together with the Las Piedras Member Organization concerning flood mitigation measures by Yavapai County and the developer.

2025 Assisted the developer to contact the USFS regarding control of invasive weeds on the property.

### **2019 – 2021 COLT GRILL**

Provided community forum and commentary to Yavapai County on proposed Colt Grill location in the village.

### **2021 – ATT 5G ANTENNA INSTALLATION**

Provided a forum for community reaction to a proposal by AT&T for a 5G antenna installation (2021) collaborating with Bechtel Engineering and the Las Piedras HOA, that resulted in a change to the proposed location and image (“monopine” of the tower.

### **2021 – VILLAGE VETERINARY CLINIC**

Supported Village Veterinary Clinics application to expand and become a boarding facility.

### **2021 -2024 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

Formed a committee to create and support an ongoing Emergency Preparedness Plan and communication channel for the community.

### **2021 – HORSE MESA RANCH**

Supported the Horse Mesa Ranch special use permit to continue to board horses.

### **2022 – THE COLLECTIVE LOCAL EVENTS HOSTING**

Supported The Collective special use permit to resume hosting local events.

### **2022 – COMMUNITY SURVEY – LOCAL HEALTH CARE REQUIREMENTS**

Conducted a community survey on local health care requirements in collaboration with Yavapai County District 3 Supervisor Michaels.

### **2022 – 2023 COMMUNITY SURVEY – RECYCLING**

Conducted a community survey on recycling to support Yavapai County Board of Supervisors’ action. Recycling returned to VOC 2023

## **2022 – 2025+ I-17 SAFETY ISSUES – EXIT 298**

Continues to communicate and track ADOT potential revisions to the intersection of I-17 and SR 179 for improved safety

## **2023 – 2025+ NEW BPC WEBSITE**

Created new BPC website (2023) and expanded community media outreach.

## **2023 – 2024 VERDE VALLEY SCHOOL EXPANSION**

Encouraged and facilitated communication when Verde Valley School applied for a permit for a long-term expansion of the school's enrollment and size and function of the campus. The school modified certain elements of the expansion, and a mutually acceptable plan was submitted and approved by the Yavapai County Planning Department and Board of Supervisors. (2023/2024) Involvement continues.

## **2023 – 2025+ BROADBAND IMPROVEMENTS**

Continues to collaborate with Verde Valley Regional Economic Organization on broadband improvements for the Village. Joint surveys of the community 2023/2024 to document up/download speeds by location.

## **2023 – 2024 ART IN THE ROUNDABOUTS**

2023 Created Art in the Roundabouts Committee to research and select appropriate artwork. Collaborated with the Sedona Village Partnership (SVP) to plan and organize a process and structure to facilitate the selection and installation of artworks on the Village's four roundabouts. 2024 Implementation has been turned over to SVP.

## **2024 TURKEY CREEK TRAIL REVISIONS**

Collaborated with USFS, Verde Valley School and local hiking & equestrian non-profits to adjust proposed multi-purpose Turkey Creek trail revisions