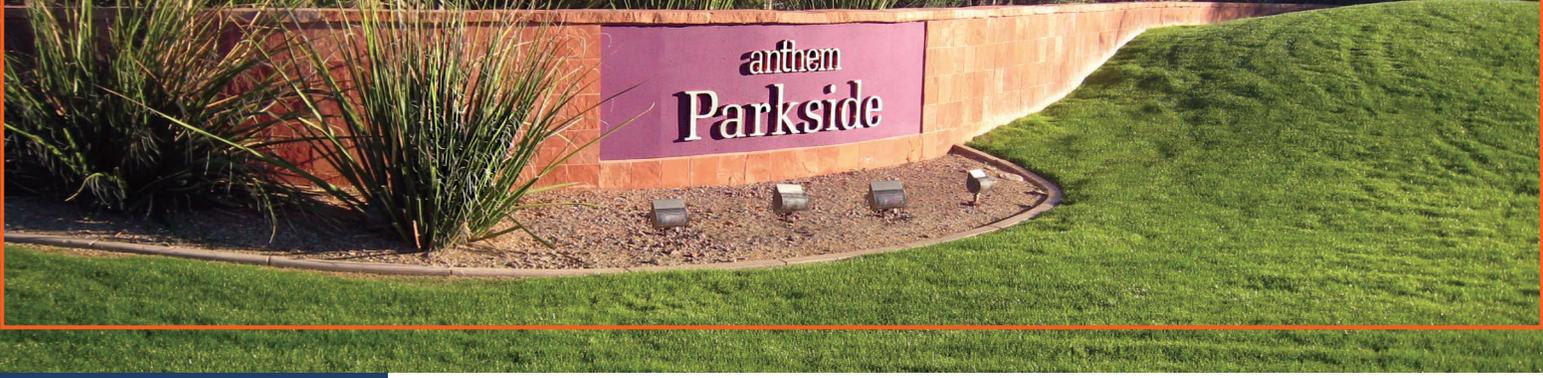


# Parkside News



Anthem Parkside  
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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## Don't Forget to Vote – Deadline March 6

**B**allot notification cards for the Anthem Parkside Community Association (APCA) Board of Directors and the Anthem Community Council (ACC) election were mailed in early February. Each card includes a unique QR code that gives Parkside homeowners secure access to the eVoting portal.

Voting closes March 6 at midnight, and all votes must be submitted electronically through the eVoting system. We encourage all homeowners to take a few minutes to review the candidate bios available online before casting your ballot.

### **Need help or missing your ballot card?**

Contact the APCA office at 623-742-4563 or email [staff@anhemparkside.org](mailto:staff@anhemparkside.org) for assistance. Your vote matters. Please help us make quorum by voting by March 6.

## Thinking About Updating Your Home's Exterior?

**P**lanning to boost your curb appeal, add a pool, or install new hardscape features? Before you get started, be sure to review the Parkside Design Guidelines—they're your go-to resource for keeping projects compliant and moving smoothly.

### **Review & Submit Before You Build**

All exterior changes must be reviewed and approved by the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) before work begins. Be sure to review the APCA Design Guidelines and submit an Exterior Change Application for ARC approval prior to starting your project.

You can access the Design Guidelines online or request a copy by emailing [staff@anhemparkside.org](mailto:staff@anhemparkside.org). For questions regarding your project or the application process, please contact APCA staff at 623-742-4563.

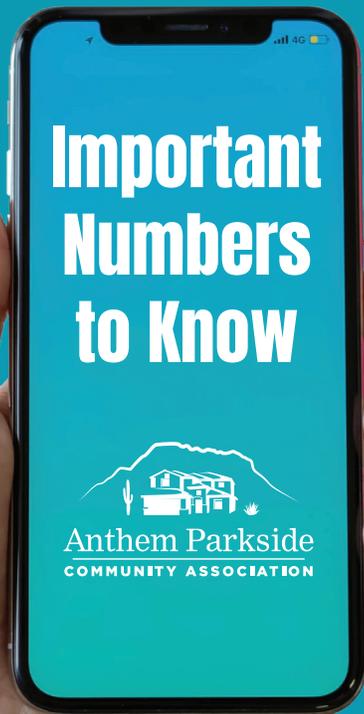
The ARC meets twice each month, and meeting dates and links are available on the online calendar.

Taking a few extra steps up front helps ensure your project stays on track and protects the look and value of our community!

*\*All documents can be found on the website at [www.anthemcouncil.com/201/Architectural-Landscape-Modifications](http://www.anthemcouncil.com/201/Architectural-Landscape-Modifications)*



Below is a compiled list of phone numbers to assist Parkside residents. Keep this list handy to report power outages and vandalized street signs, as well as receive answers to billing and compliance questions.



Who do I call about compliance questions?

**Anthem Parkside Community Association: 623-742-6050**

Who do I call with HOA billing questions?

**Anthem Community Council: 623-742-6050**

Where do I get new mailbox keys?

**J&K Postal Works: 602-332-9380**  
**Express Mailbox: 480-440-4424**

Who do I call regarding damaged mailbox or broken locks/keys for parcel boxes?

**ACC Facilities Department: 623-879-3035**

Who do I call for a street light that is out?

**East of I-17: APS - 602-371-7171**  
**West of I-17: City of Phoenix - 602-495-5125**

*(must provide numbers from pole, closest street address and/or cross street)*

Who do I call for street signs missing or street maintenance?

**East of I-17: Maricopa County - 602-506-6063**  
**West of I-17: City of Phoenix - 602-262-6441**

Who do I call regarding a water emergency or water/sewer issues? For fire hydrants, water main, or sewer line breaks:

**East of I-17: EPCOR, 800-383-0834**  
**West of I-17: City of Phoenix - 602-261-8000**

Who do I call regarding graffiti or vandalism in progress?

**East of I-17: Maricopa County Sheriff's Office - 602-876-1011**  
**West of I-17: Phoenix Police Department - 602-262-6151**

Who do I call about recycling, trash and bulk pick-up including schedule and zoning information?

**East of I-17: Republic Services - 602-237-2078**  
**West of I-17: City of Phoenix - 602-262-3111**

Who do I call to report an animal issue such as barking dogs, animal cruelty, leash law violation, etc.?

**Maricopa County Animal Care & Control: 602-506-7387**

Who do I call regarding injured wildlife?

**Injured wildlife (ducks or birds) in the park: Debra Shore - 928-699-7961**  
**Injured wildlife in neighborhoods: Liberty Wildlife - 480-998-5550**

Who do I call regarding landscape issues (overgrown weeds, fallen trees, etc.) in Parkside neighborhoods?

**Parkside Community Association: 623-742-4563**  
**AAM Emergency Line: 602-647-3034 (after hours)**

## Short-Term Rental Policy Reminder

As summer plans are being made, some homeowners may consider renting out their homes. Please be aware that the APCA has a short-term rental fine policy in place.

This policy applies to rentals of less than 30 days. Homeowners are required to notify APCA of any lease within 10 days of execution, and properties may not be leased for fewer than 30 days. Rentals offered on a daily or weekly basis are considered a violation and may result in fines of up to \$1,500.

The short-term rental policy is designed to help protect the health, safety, and welfare of the community while preserving the character and ambiance of Parkside neighborhoods.

If you have questions about this policy or need clarification, please contact APCA staff at [staff@anthepparkside.org](mailto:staff@anthepparkside.org) or 623-742-4563.





*Donkeys grazing in Anthem Parkside.*



*Cages used by DLC Resources to protect local plant life.*

## Balancing Nature and Landscaping: Protecting Plants from Rabbits and other Wildlife

By: William Redford, DLC Resources Field Manager

**W**ild animals are part of what makes Arizona's natural landscapes so beautiful. Seeing a jackrabbit or a javelina for the first time from afar can be fun and cute, but for your plants, they can pose danger. Animals don't distinguish your plants from the ones out in the wild; cautionary measures have to be taken to stop them from stuffing themselves on your cacti, flowers and trees. DLC Resources, Anthem Parkside's landscape provider, has some solutions we employ that you can too to stop these little guys from feasting on your yard.

### Preemptive Protection

For smaller animals, there are some simple ways to protect your plants. For example, DLC Resources uses chicken wire and small plant cages to keep rabbits and javelinas off the flowers and shrubs around Anthem Parkside. A simple, yet very effective fix, these little cages make it incredibly difficult for them to nibble on the plants by creating a barrier they can't get through despite how little they are. Both of those methods are easily accessible at any local hardware or home improvement store.

Taller flower pots create a barrier for little animals as well. Buying taller flower pots for your plants puts them just out of reach of the wildlife. It's a very easy fix that doesn't require any building. Effectively, you're just putting the plants on the top shelf, just out of reach.

DLC Resources also treats turf grass around your Community to take care of lawn grubs, so javelinas and donkeys are not tempted to tear up the grass to get to them.

### Natural Options

There are also spray and oil options if you don't want to buy those little cages. The spice of hot peppers is an easy, animal-safe way to deter local wildlife from tearing up your plants. Hot-pepper animal repellent is readily available to anyone, but a simple fix is also chili powder. If you have some extra lying around in your spice cabinet, you can

sprinkle it around the base of plants to deter local animals. Capsaicin, the compound that makes peppers hot, deters animals by making the plants too spicy to eat, according to the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension.

If you are an avid essential oil user, they can also be used as an animal repellent. Apply peppermint and citronella oils to cotton balls and place them around the base of plants; they will keep away some animals.

### Ways to Help the Community Animal Problem

Sometimes, there are so few viable options to deal with some animals. Donkeys, for example, can be protected by law, and some of the strategies from before may not always prevent them from snacking on your lawn.

If you see donkeys grazing closer to your Community, you can report them to Arizona Game and Fish so the animals can be safely transferred elsewhere. Just keep an eye out for them and do your best to respect their space; similar advice goes for cows, if your Community deals with those.

Something Community members tend to forget is that it is important to report local irrigation leaks to your HOA. Animals are drawn to leaks near sprinkler heads to get a drink of water. The animals could break it further, creating a water puddle in the turf and, eventually, attracting more wildlife. Always stay alert for local wildlife activity and Community irrigation problems to help keep the animals at a safe distance.

Make sure you keep the animal's well-being in mind when using these tips; always do your best to avoid harm. Keep an eye out for them, keep a safe distance, and monitor your Community for any wildlife mishaps. Work with your local Game and Fish, notify community management of irrigation leaks, and remember that DLC Resources will be there to take care of any problems in the common area landscape. You can also always consult the DLC Resources Learning Center at [dlcresources.com](http://dlcresources.com) to get more information.

# Parkside Community Newsletter

*A Publication of the  
Parkside Community  
Association*

The Parkside Community newsletter is published quarterly every, March, May and September and December.

Please read the newsletter, as it may contain important and timely information. For questions regarding any content in the newsletter, please contact the Community Manager, Meghann Hill, [meghann.hill@associatedasset.com](mailto:meghann.hill@associatedasset.com).

## Leadership Update:

### Community Manager Transition

After 17 years of dedicated service, Mary Beth Zahn will be retiring from her role as Community Manager for the Anthem Parkside Community Association (APCA). Mary Beth's last day with the APCA will be March 2.

Throughout her tenure, Mary Beth has been an integral part of the Parkside community and the APCA organization.

Her knowledge, leadership, and steady presence have helped guide the community through years of growth and change. She has built strong relationships with residents, board members, and partners alike, and her commitment to Parkside has left a lasting impact. We are deeply grateful for her many years of service and wish her all the best in a well-deserved retirement.

As we wish Mary Beth a fond farewell, we are pleased to welcome Meghann Hill, who stepped into the role of Community Manager for APCA on February 26. Meghann previously served as the Community Manager for the Anthem Country Club Community Association and brings valuable experience, familiarity with the Anthem community, and a strong commitment to homeowner service.

We look forward to Meghann's leadership and are confident she will be a great resource for the Parkside community as she transitions into her new role. A big thank you to Mary Beth for her many years of outstanding service, and a warm welcome to Meghann as she joins the APCA.



## Upcoming Events/Meetings:

*\*All meetings take place at the Anthem Civic Building unless otherwise noted. Please note that dates are subject to change.*

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| <b>March 8</b>           | Market in the Park, 9 a.m., Anthem Community Park          | <b>May 1</b>  | Music in May, 7 p.m., Anthem Community Park           |
| <b>March 12</b>          | Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.                     | <b>May 3</b>  | Market in the Park, 9 a.m., Anthem Community Park     |
| <b>March 14 &amp; 15</b> | Anthem Days, 10 a.m., Anthem Community Park                | <b>May 7</b>  | Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.                |
| <b>March 17</b>          | Financial Advisory Committee, 1 p.m.                       | <b>May 8</b>  | Music in May, 7 p.m., Anthem Community Park           |
| <b>March 22</b>          | Market in the Park, 9 a.m., Anthem Community Park          | <b>May 15</b> | Music in May, 7 p.m., Anthem Community Park           |
| <b>March 26</b>          | Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.                     | <b>May 17</b> | Market in the Park, 9 a.m., Anthem Community Park     |
| <b>April 4</b>           | Touch-a-Truck Event, 9 a.m., Anthem Community Park         | <b>May 19</b> | Financial Advisory Committee, 1 p.m.                  |
| <b>April 9</b>           | Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.                     | <b>May 21</b> | Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.                |
| <b>April 11</b>          | Go Green Event, 8 a.m., Anthem Community Park              | <b>May 22</b> | Music in May, 7 p.m., Anthem Community Park           |
| <b>April 12</b>          | Market in the Park, 9 a.m., Anthem Community Park          | <b>May 25</b> | APCA Offices and Civic Building Closed (Memorial Day) |
| <b>April 16</b>          | APCA Board of Directors Meeting/<br>Annual Meeting, 6 p.m. | <b>May 29</b> | Music in May, 7 p.m., Anthem Community Park           |
| <b>April 23</b>          | Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.                     | <b>May 31</b> | Market in the Park, 9 a.m., Anthem Community Park     |
| <b>April 26</b>          | Market in the Park, 9 a.m., Anthem Community Park          |               |   |