



KINGMAN — The Mohave County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday approved devoting \$100,000 in American Rescue Plan Act funds to Bullhead City for the development of the Bullhead City Community Garden.

The allocation would come from District 2 Supervisor Hildy Angius' share of the county's \$41.2 million in funding from the Congress-approved ARPA funding. Each supervisor is authorized to oversee about \$8 million in spending within their respective district. Most of the county's allotment has been programmed.

"The allocation will cover the necessary components of the garden, such as raised beds, irrigation systems, pathways and essential electrical installations for the garden's functionality and safety," said the motion made by Angius.

The motion passed unanimously without any discussion.

The 338-foot by 175-foot garden is being built near the Bullhead City Senior Enrichment Center — the official name being given to the expanding Senior Campus on Trane Road north of Bullhead City Hall.

The board also approved, without discussion, an allocation of \$15,620 to the Bullhead City Morning Kiwanis Club for payment of swim lesson registration for Bullhead City-area youth and children. That also would come from Angius' share for District 2, which includes all of Bullhead City.

Since 2001, the club has supported beginning swim lessons each summer in Bullhead City, paying nearly \$200,000 for nearly 10,000 swim registrations for the Mommy and Me, Level One and Level Two beginner classes. The ARPA allocation would defray this year's costs for the program.

Prior to considering the consent agenda, the board unanimously approved proclamations declaring September as both U.S. Constitution Month and Falls Prevention Awareness Month and received a presentation from the Arizona Commerce Authority on the Connecting Arizona Engagement Tour 2024 to increase the access and availability of broadband internet service throughout the state.

In regards to that ACA presentation, the board later approved a resolution in support of Frontier Communications' application for grant funding from the Broadband Equity, Access and Development program. The program contracts with private local broadband internet providers and the resolution of support from the provider's service area enhances the ability to acquire grant funding.

The scope of services in Mohave County has yet to be determined.

Among items approved in the consent agenda:

- A special event liquor license for the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Colorado River, to conduct a Trilogy Speakeasy fundraiser Sept. 20 at 1563 World Drive in Fort Mohave.
- A name change of a small segment of road in Topock from El Mirage Place to El Mirage Drive. According to the original 1962 plat for the development, the continuous road was intersected by Yavapai Place; the road east of the intersection was known as El Mirage Drive while the segment running to the west, which dead-ends after running for about one city block, was known as El Mirage Place.

The change, unanimously approved by the county planning and zoning commission, was "to correct and amend the official county maps and the 911 emergency response service system and provide county cartographic documentation to any assessor map, including township and detail maps," according to Scott Holtry, director of development services for the county.

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