



**PUBLIC NOTICE
THE ELOY CITY COUNCIL
Meets
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2025
6:00 PM
ELOY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
595 NORTH C STREET
ELOY, ARIZONA 85131
For a
REGULAR MEETING**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Moment of Silence**
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance**
- V. Public Appearances**

Those wishing to **ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL** may do so by signing in on a form provided by the City Clerk, identifying the topic(s) or agenda item(s). **ACTION** taken as a result of public comment regarding non agenda items will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.
SPEAKERS SHALL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.

- A. Scheduled
- B. Unscheduled

VI. Reports and Announcements

- A. Mayor's Announcements
 - 1. Proclamation — Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15, 2025 – October 15, 2025)
- B. Council Members' Announcements
- C. City Manager's Announcements
- D. Report from Rich Vitiello, Pinal County Board of Supervisor District 1
- E. Quarterly Report From The Eloy Chamber of Commerce

VII. Consent Agenda

ALL ITEMS LISTED WITH AN ASTERISK(*) ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE MATTERS AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION AND ONE ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COUNCIL. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCIL MEMBER SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT

**THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND
CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA.**

- *A. Approval of Minutes - September 15, 2025 Work Session
- B. Recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (ADLLC) for issuance of a Series 15 Special Event License to the Eloy Chamber of Commerce for the Eloy Glow event, November 8, 2025. Celine Kidwell

VIII. Business: Possible Discussion and/or Action on the Following:

- A. Authorization to use General Fund Reserves to pay off Water Infrastructure Finance Authority (WIFA) debt obligations 910103-09, 92A150-10, 920216-12, and 910164-15 totaling \$2,343,899.52
- B. General Plan Update Visioning Summary
- C. Consideration of Acceptance of Resignation of Public Officer, City Manager, and Establishment of Employment End Date

IX. Executive Session

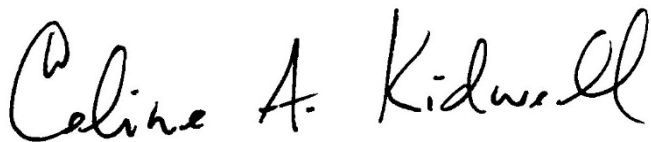
Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(1), (3), and (4), the City Council may convene into Executive Session for the following purposes. First, the Council will discuss the resignation of the City Manager, including the process, timing, and available options for recruiting and/or selecting a new City Manager. Second, the Council may discuss and/or consider the appointment of an Interim City Manager, including matters related to the negotiation of salary and terms of employment. The Council may also receive legal advice and consider such an appointment.

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X. Adjournment

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START OF THE MEETING AND SEATING WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR
“REASONABLY ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE.”**



Celine A. Kidwell, CMC, FCRM
City Clerk

INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL ACCESSIBILITY NEEDS MAY CONTACT MICHELLE HALL, ADA COORDINATOR FOR THE CITY OF ELOY AT 520-466-9201 OR 520-466-7455 (TDD). IF POSSIBLE, SUCH

REQUESTS SHOULD BE MADE 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE. ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL AND/OR STAFF MAY PARTICIPATE BY TELEPHONIC OR VIDEO MEANS.

**CITY OF ELOY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Agenda Item: V.A.

Date: 9/22/2025

Date submitted:
07/01/2025

Action: Other

Subject: Scheduled

Date requested:
9/22/2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM:

RECOMMENDATION:

DISCUSSION:

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approved as to Form:



Stephen R. Cooper, City Attorney

**CITY OF ELOY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Agenda Item: **V.B.**

Date: **9/22/2025**

Date submitted:
07/01/2025

Action: Other

Subject: Unscheduled

Date requested:
9/22/2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM:

RECOMMENDATION:

DISCUSSION:

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approved as to Form:



Stephen R. Cooper, City Attorney

CITY OF ELOY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Agenda Item: **VI.A.1.**

Date: **9/22/2025**

Date submitted:
09/18/2025

Action: Formal

**Subject: Proclamation — Hispanic
Heritage Month (September 15, 2025 –
October 15, 2025)**

Date requested:
9/22/2025

TO: Mayor and Council Members

FROM:

RECOMMENDATION:

DISCUSSION:

Hispanic Heritage Month is a federally recognized celebration established in 1968 as a week-long event and expanded to a full month in 1988. Every President since 1989 has issued an annual proclamation for this observance.

Staff recommends approving the attached proclamation honoring Hispanic Heritage Month and recognizing the contributions of Hispanic Americans to the Eloy community.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None



PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month, celebrated annually from September 15 through October 15, honors the histories, cultures, and contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans whose influence has enriched our nation and our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Eloy proudly celebrates and recognizes the contributions of organizations that uplift and strengthen our community through service, education, and cultural connection; and

WHEREAS, the Latino Family Initiative (LFI) has consistently worked to support families through education, mentorship, and resources that empower the next generation to achieve their full potential; and

WHEREAS, Corazón de Latinos Unidos (CDLU), our local community partner, has dedicated itself to organizing cultural events, promoting unity, and ensuring that Latino traditions and voices are honored in Eloy; and

WHEREAS, the collaboration of these organizations embodies the values of community, perseverance, and cultural pride that make Eloy a vibrant and inclusive place to live; and

WHEREAS, their combined efforts inspire civic participation, build stronger families, and bring together people of all backgrounds to celebrate Eloy's diversity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andy Sutton, Mayor of the City of Eloy, on behalf of the Eloy City Council, do hereby proclaim September 15 through October 15, 2025, as

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

in the City of Eloy and further recognize and honor the contributions of the Latino Family Initiative (LFI) and Corazón de Latinos Unidos (CDLU) for their dedication to the residents of Eloy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Eloy encourages all residents to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by supporting and participating in the programs and events sponsored by these organizations, working together to strengthen families and foster community pride.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Eloy to be affixed this twenty-second day of September, in the year of our Lord, two thousand twenty-five.

Andrew Sutton
Mayor of Eloy

ATTEST:

Celine Kidwell
City Clerk

**CITY OF ELOY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Agenda Item: **VI.E.**

Date: **9/22/2025**

Date submitted:
09/11/2025

Action: Other

Subject: Quarterly Report From The
Eloy Chamber of Commerce

Date requested:
9/22/2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM:

RECOMMENDATION:

DISCUSSION:

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approved as to Form:



Stephen R. Cooper, City Attorney

CITY OF ELOY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Agenda Item: **VII.A.**

Date: **9/22/2025**

Date submitted:
07/01/2025

Action: Formal

Subject: Approval of Minutes -
September 15, 2025 Work Session

Date requested:
9/22/2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM:

RECOMMENDATION:

DISCUSSION:

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approved as to Form:



Stephen R. Cooper, City Attorney



**City of Eloy
Minutes
City Council Work Session Meeting
September 15, 2025 at 5:30 PM
City Council Chambers**

I. Call to Order

Mayor Sutton called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

II. Roll Call

Present: Andrew Sutton, Mayor
Michelle Tarango, Vice Mayor
Sara Curtis, Councilmember
JoAnne Galindo, Councilmember
Jose Garcia, Councilmember
Dan Snyder, Councilmember
Michael Vodrazka, Councilmember

Staff: David Malewitz, City Manager
Stephen Cooper, City Attorney
Celine Kidwell, City Clerk
Mackenzie Letcher, Assistant City Manager

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Unscheduled Public Appearances

There were no unscheduled public appearances.

V. Discussion Items

- A.** Discussion and Possible Direction Regarding Ordinance Amendments and Additional Fees Related to Abandoned Properties and Vacant Buildings
Mayor Sutton opened the Work Session for Council discussion, public comments, and possible direction to staff regarding the review of the abandoned properties and vacant buildings ordinance.

Council members discussed the challenge of speculative property ownership, noting that many owners are holding properties in the hope of significant appreciation rather than activating them. Past revitalization efforts were referenced, including downtown commission initiatives with sidewalk improvements, murals, and reimbursable loan programs that had limited participation due to upfront cost requirements. The council spoke about the need for strong enforcement of properties that have lacked basic

maintenance for decades, emphasizing that such conditions are unacceptable, and that owners must be held responsible.

Mayor Sutton focused on commercial district improvements, particularly requiring glass windows and interior lighting on Main Street to create the appearance of active businesses, noting the "vicious circle" where deteriorated conditions deter potential investors.

City Attorney Stephen Cooper explained the limitations of Arizona tax law, noting the inability to impose discriminatory taxes on abandoned properties. Presented alternative tools, including downtown improvement districts with tax increment financing capabilities, condemnation powers for public purpose acquisition, property tax lien purchases (16% interest rate on redemptions), and impact fee exemptions for existing building footprints.

Community Development Director Dan Symer provided technical clarification on condemnation levels and permitting requirements. Explained that properties requiring structural review need formal plans and cannot simply be "fixed with lipstick" once they reach certain deterioration levels.

City Attorney Stephen Cooper provided legal direction and presented various options to the Council for consideration. The final decision-making authority remained with the Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Don Combs: Addressed concerns about long-term vacant properties and their impact on the community, noting that many properties have been passed down as generational wealth and remain unused.
- Michelle Reed: Spoke about serious public safety issues associated with abandoned properties, including drug activity and prostitution occurring in vacant structures, including a school bus. [Audio quality made full comments difficult to capture]
- Chevelle: Spoke about her concerns as a parent of baby twins (present during the meeting — one in stroller, one in arms), hoping for a safe community environment. [Specific details of her comments were not clearly captured in the transcript.]
- Stacy Ortega (Realtor/Eloy Chamber Board Director): Discussed market dynamics affecting abandoned properties, explaining that reasonable pricing is determined by market conditions specific to Eloy. Cited examples of properties selling near land value (\$40,000 price point) and challenges property owners face with rehabilitation costs versus market returns, and noted communication difficulties with some property owners who are unwilling to sell.
- Maricela (Beauty School Owner): Reported issues with signage removal and structural problems caused by the adjacent abandoned building with no roof, which is causing wall damage to her business.
- Andrew Rodriguez (Eloy Chamber of Commerce): Provided background on specific vacant buildings, including the Taquería (vacant since 2007) and Circle K ownership clarification. Reported that the Chamber now requires business plans from the SBA before referring potential tenants to landlords.

Confirmed ongoing partnership availability with the City.

- Orlando Sherwood: Shared experience of a failed café business due to structural issues (roof leaks, shared walls with laundromat) and rent increases.
- Kylie Mammon: Suggested utilizing student volunteers from the National Junior Honor Society and student councils for community revitalization projects and business education opportunities.

Following discussion and public comment, the Council decided to:

- Strengthen current ordinances that apply to abandoned properties and vacant buildings
- Continue collaborative efforts with homeowners and business owners to address vacancy and abandonment issues through cooperative approaches.

No formal action was taken as this was a discussion item only.

VI. Adjournment

Mayor Sutton adjourned the work session at 7:42 p.m.

BY:

ATTEST:

Andrew Sutton, Mayor

Celine Kidwell, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Stephen R. Cooper, City Attorney

CITY OF ELOY

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Agenda Item: VII.B.

Date: 9/22/2025

Date submitted:
09/11/2025

Action: Formal

Subject: Recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (ADLLC) for issuance of a Series 15 Special Event License to the Eloy Chamber of Commerce for the Eloy Glow event, November 8, 2025.

Date requested:
9/22/2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Celine Kidwell, City Clerk

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Council forward a favorable recommendation to the ADLLC for issuance of a Series 15 special event liquor license to the Eloy Chamber of Commerce.

DISCUSSION:

Andrew Rodriguez, Executive Director of the Eloy Chamber of Commerce, is requesting a favorable recommendation from the City Council to the ADLLC for issuance of a Series 15 special event liquor license for their annual Eloy Glow event. The event will be held on November 8, 2025, from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Eloy Jr. High School, located at 404 E. Phoenix Avenue in Eloy. The special event liquor license would permit the Chamber to sell beer and wine to individuals who are of legal age at the event. All alcohol sold at the event must be consumed on-site. Fencing and barriers will be installed to secure the area. The Chamber will have security personnel present to ensure Arizona liquor laws are adhered to and IDs are checked when needed. One hundred percent (100%) of the proceeds generated from the sale of alcohol will go to the Eloy Chamber of Commerce.

A special event liquor license is a temporary, non-transferable license. Alcohol can only be sold for the period authorized on the license. The license is automatically terminated upon closing of the last day of the event or the expiration of the license, whichever occurs first.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the City.

Approved as to Form:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stephen R. Cooper". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Stephen" and last name "Cooper" being the most legible parts. There is a horizontal line drawn through the middle of the signature.

Stephen R. Cooper, City Attorney



Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control
<https://www.azliquor.gov>
(602) 542-5141

DLLC USE ONLY

Job #:
Date Accepted:
LC:
License #:

SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE
APPLICATION FEE \$25.00 PER DAY

MUST be submitted to the Department of Liquor 10 days prior to the event.

SECTION 1

Name of Non-Profit Organization, Candidate or Political Party: Eloy Chamber of Commerce

If the event will be held on an unlicensed premises, it **MUST** be approved and signed by the Local Governing Body Before submitting to the Arizona Department of Liquor.

LOCAL GOVERNING BODY

Date Received: _____			
I, _____		☐ APPROVAL ☐ DISAPPROVAL	
Government Official		Title	
On behalf of _____			
City, Town, County		Signature	
		Date	

SECTION 2

Will the event be at a location with a current liquor license and within the approved and licensed area?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, **MUST** attach a letter of explanation/permission from the licensed location and choose **ONE** option below.

Name of Licensed Location _____ Liquor License Number _____

- ☐ Suspend license for the duration of the Special Event; Licensee selling all alcohol without retailer involvement.
- ☐ Dispense and serve all spirituous liquors under retailer's license – Business operates normally, minimum of 25% of gross revenue from alcohol sales will be donated to licensee.
- ☐ Dispense and serve all spirituous liquors under special event - The special event licensee is in charge of selling alcohol that was purchased or donated by the special event licensee. The retailers existing alcohol inventory must be kept separate from any alcohol used during the special event.
- ☐ Split premises between special event and licensed location - Both the special event licensee and the licensed location will conduct sales of alcohol. (These sales must be done in separate areas. If alcohol is donated or purchased by the special event licensee, it must be in a separate area from the alcohol that is dispensed by the licensed location.)
- ☐ **Off Sale only - Wine/Distilled Spirits Pull, Live or Silent Auctions** – Retailer will be permitted to conduct all normal sales and service of alcohol.

SECTION 3

Applicant **MUST** be a member of a qualifying nonprofit organization, political party, or Government entity and authorized by an Officer, Director, or Chairperson of the Organization.

1. Applicant: Rodriguez Andrew Angel
Last First Middle
2. Applicant's mailing address: 515 N. Main Street Eloy AZ 85131
Street City State Zip
3. Applicants home/cell phone: 5202808164 Non-profit organization phone: 5203501065
4. Applicant's email address: andrew@eloychamber.com
5. Has the applicant been convicted of a felony, or had a liquor license revoked within the last five (5) years?
☐ Yes (if yes, attach letter of explanation) ☒ No
6. Name of non-profit organization: Eloy Chamber of Commerce
7. Non-Profit/IRS Tax Exempt Number: 86-0292290 Arizona Corporation Commission File #: 13467240
Required Required
8. If Out Of State, specify State (Attach letter of good standing): _____
9. Special Event Name: Eloy Glow 2025
10. Event Location Name: Eloy Jr. High
11. Event Address: 404 E. Phoenix Ave. Eloy AZ 85131

SECTION 4

Must list type of security and control measures will you take to prevent violations of liquor laws at this event.

3 Number of Police 10 Number of Security Personnel ☒ Fencing ☐ Barriers

Must explain security measures: Security officer will check IDs and wristband 21 and over event goers.

The event will use a certain color that Police and Security will be aware of. _____

1. How is this special event going to conduct all dispensing, serving, and selling of spirituous liquors?
Check **one** of the following boxes. (R-19-318)

☒ On-site consumption

☐ Off-site (auction/wine/distilled spirits pull)

☐ Both

2. How many special event days have already been issued to this organization during the current year? 0

Licensed location diagram. The licensed premises for your special event is the area in which you are authorized to sell, dispense, or serve alcoholic beverages under the provisions of your license.

Must attach a diagram of your special event showing the area where alcohol will be sold, served, and consumed. Must include dimensions of event area, fencing, barricades, or other control measures, and positions of security personnel.



NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES SHALL LEAVE A SPECIAL EVENT UNLESS THEY ARE IN SEALED CONTAINERS FOR AN AUCTION OR WINE/DISTILLED SPIRITS PULL, OR THE SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE IS STACKED WITH A WINE /CRAFT DISTILLERY FESTIVAL LICENSE.

SECTION 5

Dates and Hours of Event - Days must be consecutive and may not exceed 10 days per year.

DAYS	DATE	DAY OF WEEK	EVENT START TIME AM/PM	EVENT END TIME AM/PM
DAY 1	11/8/2025	Saturday	3:00 pm	10:00 pm
DAY 2				
DAY 3				
DAY 4				
DAY 5				
DAY 6				
DAY 7				
DAY 8				
DAY 9				
DAY 10				

SECTION 6

3. Is the Organization using the services of a DLLC approved Special Event Contractor from the list on our website?

☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, please provide the Name of the Special Event Contractor: _____

Special Event Contractor Signature: _____

4. Is the organization using the services of a series 6, 7, 11, or 12 licensee to manage the sale or service of alcohol?
(Licensees who hold a series 6, 7, 11, or 12 license are automatically qualified to be a special event contractor)

☐ Yes ☒ No if yes, Name of Licensee: _____ Liquor License #: _____

1. List the name of the Organization/individual that will receive revenues:

MUST EQUAL 100 PERCENT, APPLYING NON-PROFIT MUST RECEIVE A MINIMUM OF 25% OF THE PROCEEDS.

2. Name: Eloy Chamber of Commerce Percentage: 100

Address: 515 N. Main Street Eloy AZ 85131
Street City State Zip

Name: _____ Percentage: _____

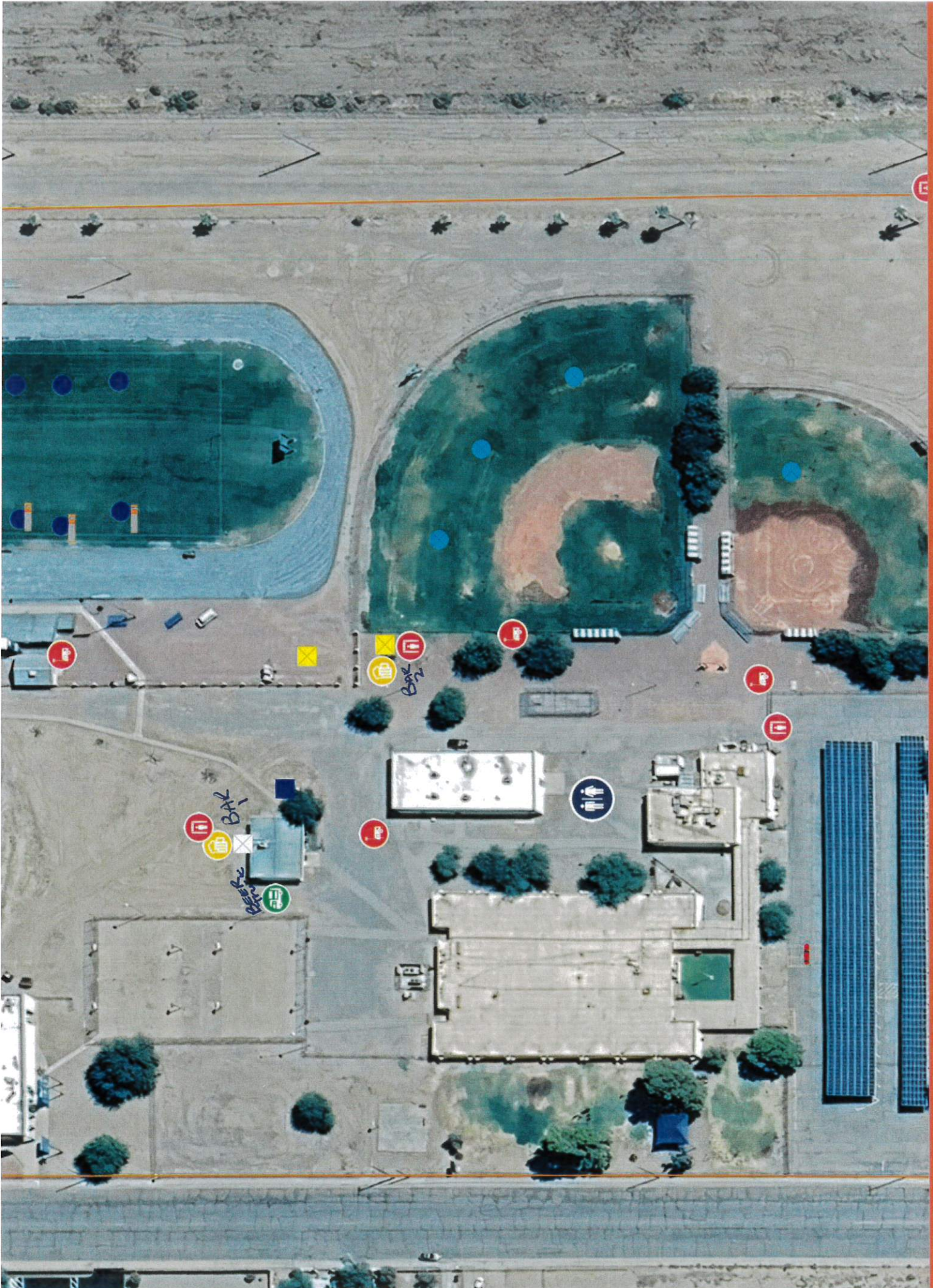
Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Please read A.R.S. § 4-203.02 and R19-1-205 Special event license rules and Requirements.

Declaration:

I, (Print Name) Andrew A Rodriguez, declare under penalty of perjury that I am authorized to submit this application. I have read the contents and to the best of my knowledge believe all statements made on this application to be true, correct, and complete.

Signature: _____



The Eloy Glow will have 2 bar locations for the event.

BAR 1 & 2 will have:

2 bar staff are always working at each BAR

1 certified security guard from Legion Protection Agency at each BAR

-Who will check for valid IDs and issue a wristband to each person and place it on them.

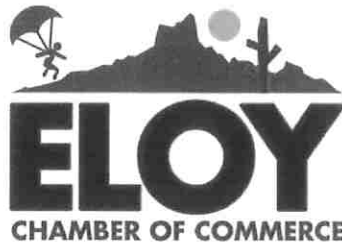
Beer Truck (Green Truck logo) will store the alcohol for the event. The truck will be locked, and the Executive Director will be the only person with the key.

The event will have 3 Eloy Police Officers, 10 security officers, and 8 Arizona Rangers.

The location is all fenced in.

Next to BAR 1 the Eloy Police Dept and Eloy Fire Dept are setting up their command post.
(Blue tent)

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AGENDA

Board of Directors Meeting—Eloy City Hall Community Center

August 28, 2025 – 12:00-1:30 pm

- I. CALL TO ORDER Terri called the meeting to order at 12:09 PM
- II. ROLL CALL: Richard Rosales
Present: Bill Pitman, Mackenzie Lechter, Andrew Rodriguez, Terri Ackland, Richard Rosales, Micah Powell, Stacy Ortega
Absent: Ralph Varela, Germaine Pesqueira, Stacy Gramazio, Angel Rivas
- III. CUSTOMER MOMENT--USDA State Director Lori Urban—Andrew Rodriguez provided an overview of the visit from Lori Urban of USDA. She walked Main Street with Andrew and expressed that they want to continue to support and have a presence in Eloy. They are requesting assistance in distributing laptops to schools. Andrew completed outreach to the schools including Eloy Elementary, Picacho, Toltec Elementary, Santa Cruz Valley Union High School. They will have to apply online and receive approval.
- IV. MEETING MINUTES – Richard Rosales
July 24, 2025—Action Richard presented the meeting minutes and no issues. Micah made the motion to approve, Stacy seconded. Motion approved.
- V. TREASURER'S REPORTS/FINANCIALS –Micah Powell– Action Micah presented the financials for the chamber.
 - A. Chamber Financials – Action No questions or issues, Finance committee reviewed Terri made the motion Richard Seconded Motion approved
 - B. Museum Financials – Action Micah presented the museum financials Richard made the motion to approve Terri seconded. Motion carried
 - C. Visitor Center Financials - Action Micah presented the financials Richard moved to approved Bill seconded. Motion approved.
- VI. CITY OF ELOY UPDATE – Discussion - Mackenzie Letcher, Assistant City Manager Mackenzie provided an update on the League of Cities and Towns conference and misinformation about data centers. Mackenzie stated he will meet with RAZE who will oppose any data centers. Andrew asked about the building in Toltec which was slated to be Filiberto's. City is requiring them to rebuild some components and the developer does not have the funds so project is stagnate.
- VII. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Barber School Open House July 28 Andrew stated the open house went very well. The Chamber helped market the event. There was a good turnout. 6 students signed up that day. One came from the reservation. USDA also attended and was impressed about having a school on Main St. She had a sign up but city had told her to take it down. There were some comments about the City of Eloy does not want businesses to open in Eloy. There are too many barriers to open. USDA reviewed and asked about them. Mackenzie stated the City will have a code enforcement update in October as some are outdated. He stated they have same startup ordinances as the city. He also stated the code enforcement has been instructed to be consistent on signage and code violations.
 - B. Chamber Luncheon August 27: Phoenix-Tucson Intercity Passenger Rail and Exceptional Community Hospital Andrew provided an overview of the luncheon we had 37 people RSVP and 51 people showed up. It was a great update and camaraderie was great. Lots of good questions and the networking the occurred after. Irene Higgs was present and working on the Houser project and a study on the Sunland Gin Corridor. Asked the chamber to assist with the business contacts. Hospital is having an open house September 12. Luncheon was awesome and Robson made adjustments to the extra food.
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Renaming the Visitor Center/Museum—Discussion/Action—Andrew Terri stated she spoke with Bill about the renaming and the history of the current name and the people who were affiliated with Visitor Center have passed.

Bill stated he believes it is important to include Eloy because there was some confusion about the current name. There should be no push back from those affiliated. There would be no cost to change the name at the IRS. Mackenzie asked about all the branding and how much that would cost to change all that out. Mackenzie suggested we run it by the council for approval prior to changing. Discussion on the name to rename Eloy Historic Museum and Visitor Center. Micah made the motion, Stacy O seconded the motion. Motion carried. Andrew was instructed to get approval from the council. And share the benefits of the renaming and branding to minimize the confusion.

- B. Eloy Glow 2025 Update- Discussion- Andrew provided an update. Total sponsorship revenue, food vendors, car show sponsors, as of Aug 28 \$54,800 in revenue. Andrew listed all the sponsors and Robson Ranch is also on board to sponsor and use the food booth. Please see financial for list of sponsors. Food vendor application is fully subscribed. Still have nonprofit, retail spots available. Lots of food options including Texas Roadhouse, Robson, Little Caesars
1. Alcohol Sale-Discussion/Action Andrew was told the elementary school board on September 9 will consider the liquor license for approval. Andrew will then take minutes and ask for Eloy Chamber board approval. Terri made the motion to sell alcohol at the Glow pending school board approval. Bill seconded. Motion approved.
 2. City of Eloy Fees Change- Discussion Andrew discussed the city fee changes. The daily vendor license changed from \$10 to \$20. The Chamber will pay the difference and lose about \$500 in fees. In fairness to the vendors who already signed up, the chamber will cover. Micah asked why only the daily business license fee was the only one that increased. Mackenzie justified the fee increase by saying the city does not make any money on daily businesses. Mackenzie suggested we get more involved in the budget process and provide feedback.
- C. Approval to Accept Bid Proposal from Kramer Media – Discussion/Action – Andrew sent out proposals to various media companies. The bid proposal was sent out to board for review. The chamber will make 10% of all advertising sales. It is the same contract as last year. We based the bid on the Coolidge Chamber proposal. Bill made the motion to approve.
- D. Authorization to open a Business Acct for Eloy Glow - Discussion/ Action—Andrew This would be an account for HERC rentals for the Eloy Glow. All items for the Glow would be paid for from this business account. Same thing as last year, just making it official. Bill made the motion to approve allowing Andres to open an account. Micah seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- IX. VISITOR CENTER UPDATE—Discussion Still booming. Fox 10 did a story on How Eloy got its name. They covered the museum, sky dive Arizona, and were impressed with the items within the museum. The segment will air in the near future and Andrew will share the date with the board and the members. The visitor will be participating in the world cup of skydiving September 9 -13. Pinal County provided grants for the two events. Andrew suggested board attend the opening ceremonies. They will have a booth with Welcome to Eloy giveaways and literature. They are preparing for the world cup and have to provide housing for the officials. They will provide luggage tags in the shape of an airplane.
- X. MUSEUM UPDATE—Discussion Things will begin to pick up as fall approaches.
- XI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MONTHLY REPORT—Discussion/Action Andrew gave his directors report. Terri recapped the report. Richard made the motion to accept the director report, Terri seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- XII. ADJOURNMENT—Next Meeting September 25, 2025 Terri adjourned at 1:25 PM

Upcoming Events

- Softball Tournament Oct 4 Eloy North Park 8 am
- Eloy Glow Nov 8 Eloy Junior High 3pm

Eloy Elementary School District #11

1011 N Sunshine Blvd. Eloy, Arizona 85131

520/466-2100 • Fax: 520/466-2101

Website: www.eloyesd.org

ADMINISTRATION:

Ruby James, Superintendent

Leticia Jimenez, Business Manager

BOARD OF GOVERNORS:

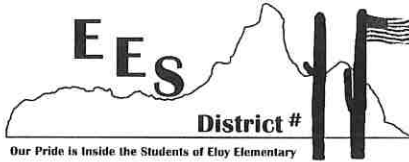
Maggie Whatley, President

Sonnette Federico, Board Clerk

Anna Ogle

Rosie Coyle

Fansy Calvin



September 11, 2025

Ref: Approval of Eloy Glow & Festival Event

The Eloy Elementary School Board Trustees on September 9, 2025, approved the use of liquor license for the Eloy Glow & Festival Event to be held on November 8, 2025, at the location of Eloy Elementary School property. Motion for use of the liquor license was made by Mrs. Ogle and Mrs. Coyle seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully,

/S/ Ruby James

Superintendent

Eloy Elementary School District #11

CURIEL SCHOOL
Abigal Tarango, Principal

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
Frank Jimenez, Principal

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Danny Rogers, Principal

CITY OF ELOY

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Agenda Item: **VIII.A.**

Date: **9/22/2025**

Date submitted:
09/15/2025

Action: Formal

Subject: Authorization to use General Fund Reserves to pay off Water Infrastructure Finance Authority (WIFA) debt obligations 910103-09, 92A150-10, 920216-12, and 910164-15 totaling \$2,343,899.52

Date requested:
9/22/2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Brian Wright, Finance Director

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully recommends that the City Council authorize the use of \$2,343,899.52 from General Fund Reserves to retire Water Infrastructure Finance Authority (WIFA) debt obligations 910103-09, 92A150-10, 920216-12, and 910164-15. These debt pay-offs were anticipated and included in the adopted Fiscal Year 2025–2026 budget.

DISCUSSION:

The City of Eloy has historically relied on low-interest financing through the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona (WIFA) to support critical improvements to its water and wastewater infrastructure. These loans have enabled the City to expand system capacity, rehabilitate aging facilities, and modernize operations to meet the growing needs of residents, businesses, and future development.

As part of the adopted fiscal year 2025–2026 budget, the City Council approved using \$2,400,000 of General Fund Reserves to fully retire four outstanding WIFA obligations. As of June 30, 2025, the unaudited financial statements show the General Fund Reserve balance to be \$37,511,109.

Following this direction, the City formally submitted a request to the Director of WIFA to pay off loans 910103-9, 92A150-10, 920216-12, and 910164-15. On September 12, 2025, the City received written confirmation that the request was approved, with an effective pay-off date of October 1, 2025. The payoff of all four loans is \$2,343,899.52.

WIFA Loan Pay-Off Schedule

WIFA Debt	Fund	Original Loan	End of Loan	Outstanding Debt	Pay-Off Fees	Total Debt Pay-Offs	Interest Savings
910103-09	Wastewater	\$6,987,834.61	7/01/2028	\$1,260,446.53	\$6,302.23	\$1,266,748.76	\$78,346.28

92A150-10	Water	\$1,200,000	7/01/2029	\$119,206.82	\$874.08	\$120,080.90	\$8,633.27
920216-12	Water	\$3,900,000	7/01/2034	\$712,052.07	\$4,672.84	\$716,712.91	\$66,831.79
910164-15	Wastewater	\$475,000	7/01/2034	\$239,049.29	\$1,295.65	\$240,344.94	\$26,653.53
				\$2,330,754.71	\$13,144.81	\$2,343,899.52	\$180,464.87

Retiring these obligations early represents a strategic investment in the City's long-term financial stability. Paying off the loans will eliminate future interest expenses, strengthen the financial position of the City's utility funds, and enhance budgetary flexibility. These actions will allow the City to better prioritize resources toward future capital investments, ensuring the continued reliability, safety, and expansion of Eloy's water and wastewater systems to serve current and future community needs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

As part of the FY 25-26 budget, the City plans to transfer \$2,400,000 from the General Fund to Water and Wastewater to pay off the four WIFA obligations. As of June 30, 2025, the current fund balance from the General Fund is \$37,511,109. The pay-off amount is \$2,343,899.52, which aligns with the budget adopted by the Council.

Approved as to Form:



Stephen R. Cooper, City Attorney

City of Eloy

Principal Outstanding	\$1,260,446.53	\$119,206.82	\$712,052.07	\$239,049.29	Total
Interest Rate	0.5000%	1.433%	1.125%	0.668%	
Fee Rate	1.500%	1.500%	1.500%	1.500%	
Combined Interest and Fee Rate (CIFR)	2.000%	2.933%	2.625%	2.168%	
Date of Last Payment	7/1/2025	7/1/2025	7/1/2025	7/1/2025	
Date of Payment	10/1/2025	10/1/2025	10/1/2025	10/1/2025	
Total CIFR Due	\$6,302.23	\$874.08	\$4,672.84	\$1,295.65	\$13,144.81
	\$1,575.56	\$427.06	\$2,002.65	\$399.21	\$4,404.48
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CITY OF ELOY

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Agenda Item: **VIII.B.**

Date: **9/22/2025**

Date submitted:
08/05/2025

Action: Other

Subject: General Plan Update
Visioning Summary

Date requested:
9/22/2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Dan Symer, Community Development Director

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council discuss, ask questions, and provide feedback to the staff and the City's consultant on the General Plan Update Visioning Summary.

DISCUSSION:

The City of Eloy took a bold step toward shaping its future by launching an update to its General Plan in February 2025. From March through August, staff and consultants facilitated a range of outreach activities—including online questionnaires, in-person events, stakeholder listening sessions, and visioning workshops—to gather community input. A highlight of this effort was a special workshop with internationally renowned author and strategist Peter Kageyama, which explored grassroots approaches to inspiring bold ideas for Eloy's future. Supported by a comprehensive branding and communications campaign, these activities significantly increased public awareness and participation, ensuring that diverse voices helped shape the city's long-term growth strategy and provision of public services. To date, 3,217 individuals—through both in-person and electronic participation—have reviewed General Plan visioning information and provided input. A summary of the process and results is attached.

Through visioning efforts, a General Plan Vision and Aspirational Statements have been developed to provide the foundation for the new, updated General Plan. The draft of the vision and aspirational statements are:

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On September 22, 2025, a representative from the City's consultant for the General Plan will provide a summary presentation of the General Plan Update vision process and the results of the community input.

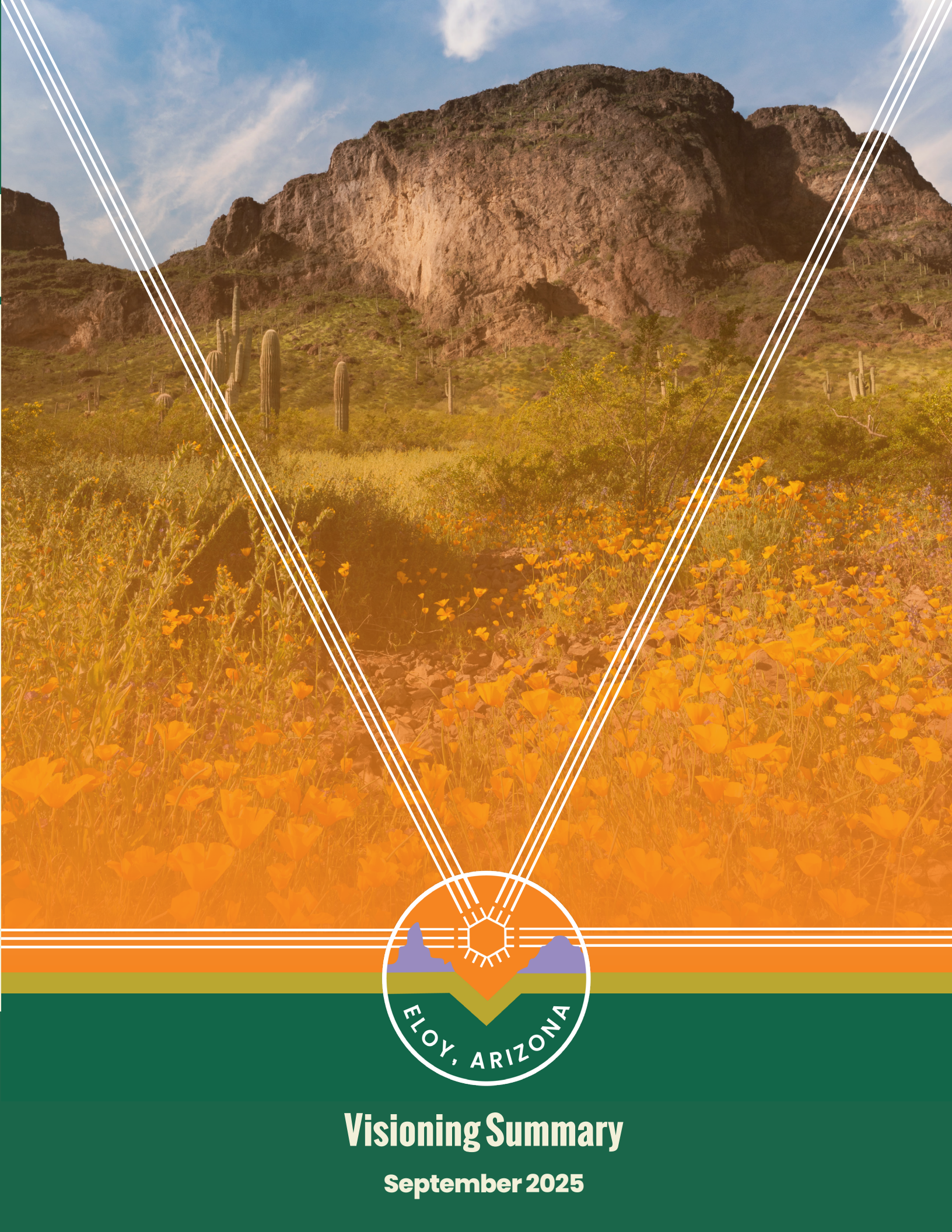
FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impacts are anticipated from this agenda item.

Approved as to Form:



Stephen R. Cooper, City Attorney

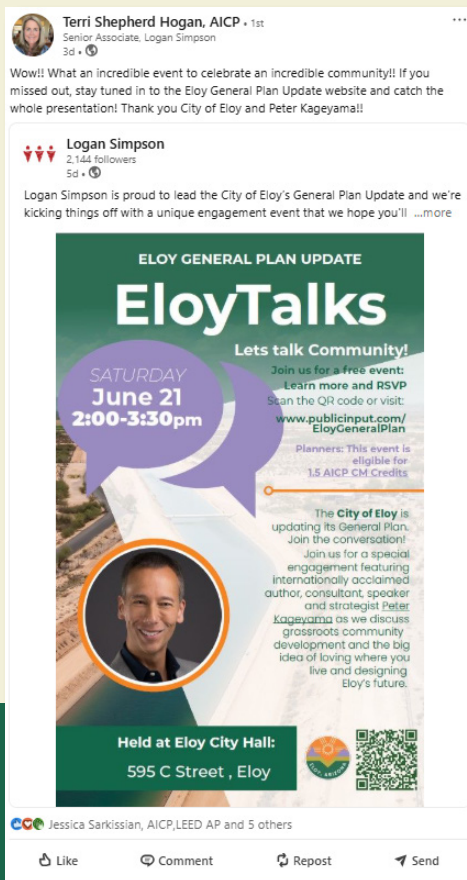
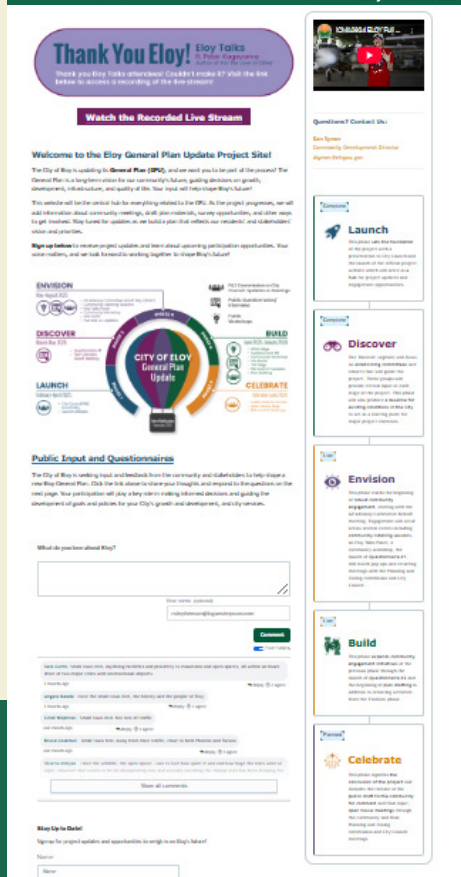
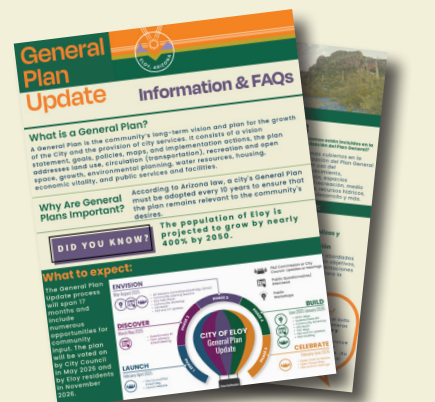


Visioning Summary

September 2025

Branding Suite – Web, Social Media & Print

The photograph shows a workspace with several documents and objects. In the foreground, a circular diagram is partially visible, with segments labeled 'CITY OF HOUSTON', 'CONSTRUCTION', and 'INDUSTRY'. Below it, a document has a green header with the text '¿Por qué son importantes los Planes Generales de Ordenamiento Territorial?' and a large number '28'. To the right, a green document with the title '¿Por qué son importantes los Planes Generales de Ordenamiento Territorial?' is visible, featuring a large number '28' and a list of points. In the background, there is a clock, a calculator, a ruler, and a stack of papers. The overall scene suggests a professional or academic setting focused on urban planning or development.

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Social Media

APA email blasts

All materials provided in both English & Spanish

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Community Events & Engagements

Event	Date	Format	Number Engaged
Website Launch	March 6, 2025	Online	2,226 views 2,337 subscribers
Robson Ranch Annual Sidewalk Sale	March 22, 2025	In-Person	118
Questionnaire #1	March 30, 2025	Online	251
City Council + Planning & Zoning Commission Project Kickoff	April 14, 2025	In-Person	15
Easter Egg Hunt	April 17, 2025	In-Person	120
Eloy Cruise & Food Truck Night	April 19, 2025	In-Person	26
Cinco de Mayo	May 5, 2025	In-Person	69
Listening Sessions	May-August, 2025	1:1 Interviews (In-Person & Virtual)	51
GPAC Kickoff	May 21, 2025	In-Person	7
Summer Kickoff	May 23, 2025	In-Person	60
EloyTalks Event	June 21, 2025	In-Person	51
GPAC #2	July 16, 2025	In-Person	12
Workshop #1 - Visioning	July 30, 31, & Aug 2, 2025	In-Person	75
Q #2 & Virtual Workshop #1	Aug 4 - Aug 30, 2025	Online	25

Eloy Draft General Plan Tagline: "Planning Today for a Stronger Tomorrow!"

The General Plan process incorporates a tagline that reflects the community's values and culture. Residents voted on the tagline/slogan during Questionnaire #1.

3,217 The total number of individual engagements during the Eloy General Plan update process to date!

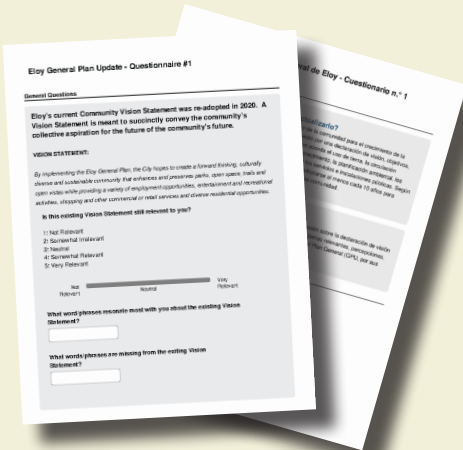
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Visioning Summary

Community Questionnaire 1 – Visioning

The first online visioning questionnaire sought feedback from the community on Eloy's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats associated with growth and development as well as input on the draft vision statement and the General Plan tagline.



"We love our community events – they bring us together and make Eloy feel like home."

47.5% selected community events as a top reason they love Eloy

"Infrastructure is lagging behind our growth."

49.5% see commercial infrastructure as a major challenge

"Affordable living and easy freeway access are what keep us here."

46.5% cited both cost of living and freeway access as top positives

"We're growing fast—let's not lose our small-town charm."

43.4% are concerned about losing the small-town feel

"Downtown needs a facelift. It could be the heart of Eloy again."

47.5% support downtown or neighborhood revitalization

"We need more places to go—restaurants, shops, and entertainment options."

60.4% want more retail, entertainment, and restaurants

"Jobs are scarce. We need more opportunities to work where we live."

44.6% want more job opportunities



Take our Questionnaire!

If you live, work or play in Eloy, consider taking our questionnaire! To participate, follow the QR code, or visit <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8239367/Q1>

This initial questionnaire will assess what topics are most important to the community and will ask for your input on:

- Eloy's Vision Statement
- Best Things About Eloy
- Top Challenges in Eloy
- Areas for Improvement



<https://publicinput.com/eloygeneralplan>

Questionnaire graphic designed to solicit responses community members.

251

Q1 Participants!

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VisioningSummary Community Drop-In Events

Drop-in events help educate the community about the GPU with activities, informational materials and project branded 'swag'. The goal is to get visitors interested in the project. The visibility at these events has exponentially increased the community's awareness of the GPU and their role in the process.



Cinco de Mayo

Attendees

69



Eloy Cruise & Food Truck Nite

26



Robson Ranch Yard Sale

118



Easter Egg Hunt

120



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Visioning Summary Listening Sessions

During the Visioning phase, **51 listening sessions** were conducted to discuss issues most important to the community; opportunities and ideas to integrate into the GPU; and desired plan outcomes. A comprehensive list of stakeholders, local officials, business people, regional leaders and involved citizens were invited to these sessions held over several weeks both in person and virtually.

- **Local Governments:** Marana, Casa Grande, Coolidge, Eloy, Pinal County
- **Regional Government:** Central Arizona Governments, Sun Corridor
- **State Departments:** Arizona State Land Department, Arizona Department of Transportation, Arizona Game & Fish Department
- **Federal:** Bureau Land Management
- **Transportation:** Central Arizona Regional Transit
- **Logistics:** Union Pacific Railroad
- **Military:** Luke Air Force Base
- **Economic and Workforce Development:** Pinal Alliance for Economic Growth, Pinal Partnership
- **Business:** Skydive Arizona, Schuff Steel, Francis Roses
- **Residential:** Robson Ranch, Vineyard Group, Realtors
- **Non-profit:** CAHRA, Central Arizona Aging, Pinal Hispanic Council
- **Education:** Eloy School District, Central Arizona College
- **Service Providers:** Picacho Water Improvement Corporation, JW Water



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Visioning Summary Listening Session Summary

What are the top issues facing the city today?

Here's how stakeholders responded:

1. Infrastructure and Basic Services

- Road conditions and Improvements

2. Economic Development and Jobs

- Lack of Local Employment
- Downtown Decline
- Retail Gaps
- Need for Business Flexibility

3. Housing and Cost of Living

- Affordable Housing Shortage
- Homelessness and Transitional Support
- Development Inequities

4. Youth and Education

- Lack of Programs
Education Access
- Underfunded Schools

5. Public Safety and Beautification

- Crime and Blight
- City Cleanliness
- Beautification and Engagement



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VisioningSummary EloyTalks

July 21st, 2025 | Eloy City Hall | 51 Attendees

The City of Eloy hosted a special engagement workshop featuring internationally acclaimed author and strategist Peter Kageyama to discuss grassroots community development and the big idea designing the future of Eloy. The event was promoted through the American Planning Association, Arizona Chapter email newsletter, the Chamber of Commerce, and Pinal Partnership. Professional planners were eligible to receive 1.5 AICP CM credits for attending.



ELOY GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

EloyT alks

SATURDAY
June 21
2:00-3:30pm

Lets talk
Community!
Join us for a free event:
Learn more and RSVP
using the QR code
or visit:
[www.publicinput.com/
EloyGeneralPlan](http://www.publicinput.com/EloyGeneralPlan)

The **City of Eloy** is
updating its General Plan.
Join the conversation!

Join us for a special
engagement featuring
internationally acclaimed
author, consultant, speaker
and strategist **Peter
Kageyama** as we discuss
grassroots community
development and the big
idea of loving where you
live and designing
Eloy's future.

Held at Eloy City Hall:
595 C Street Suite 101, Eloy

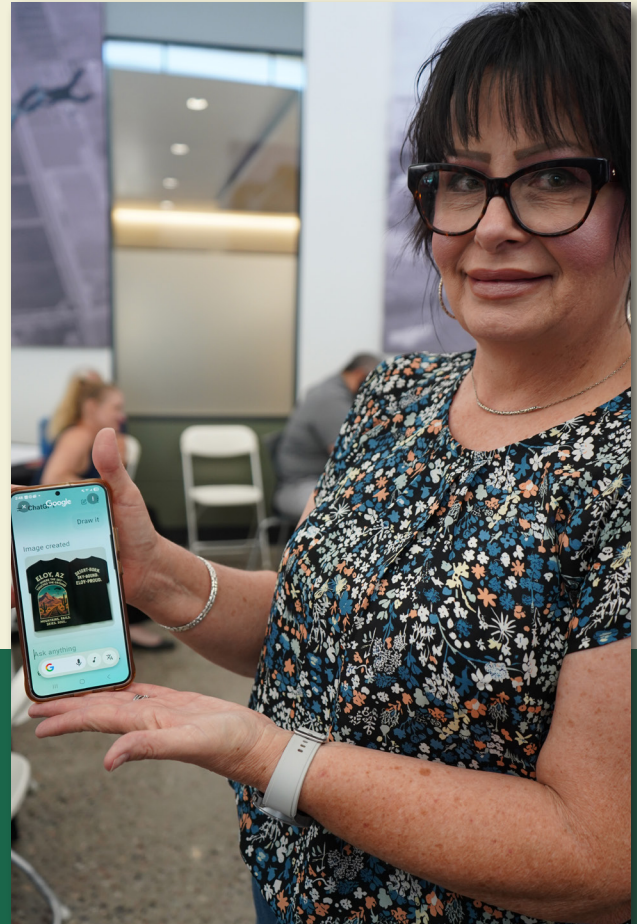


Following introductions, city staff and the Logan Simpson team gave an overview of the goals of the General Plan Update. Peter's presentation emphasized the power of placemaking and visioning to shape Eloy's future.

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VisioningSummary EloyTalks



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Visioning Summary EloyTalks

Concepts drawn from the \$500 Challenge:

- 1 Mobile Cactus – find the cactus in town, help paint it (mobile mural), take a picture and post/tag
- 2 Paint by numbers mural for the gazebo & dance floor, changing seasonally
- 3 'Search for the scorpion' (painted stencils) with an online scavenger hunt
- 4 Abandoned Church could be a mural with a photo opportunity for online pictures
- 5 Eloy Iconic Hunt, self-guided tour of historical sites with mobile technology
- 6 Parachute shade structures with lights and a 'WELCOME TO ELOY' sign
- 7 Sparkling LED lights on Main St.
- 8 Mini Copper desert animals through downtown
- 9 Motion activated, high-definition projector moved around town
- 10 Javalina paintings around the town

T-Shirt Slogan Concepts:



2 GROUP EXERCISES were conducted at the EloyTalks event. Several small groups worked together and got creative.

- **The \$500 Challenge asked participants to consider how they would make the most impact around Eloy with only \$500.**
- **The TShirt Slogan challenging the group to design a T-Shirt that would advertise Eloy.**

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Community Visioning Workshops

Three in-person community workshops and one virtual workshop were conducted in Phase 1 and focused on the City's vision for the future and refining 'Areas of Change' within the City.

Area of Change mapping exercise helped inform the future land use maps by identifying areas to be preserved or sustained or that may evolve in the future.

VISIONING WORKSHOPS:

July 30, 2025 | Eloy City Hall

July 31, 2025 | Eloy Senior Center - Toltec

August 2, 2025 | Robson Ranch Golf Club

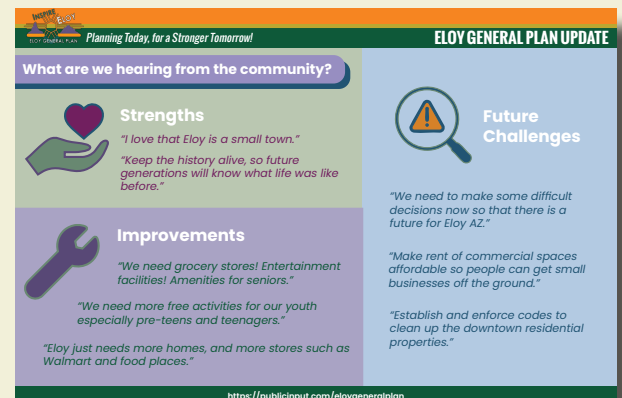
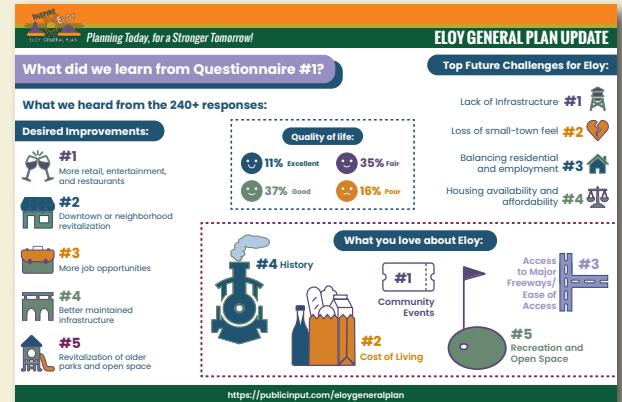
August 4 - 30, 2025 | Virtual Workshop



Attendees

City Hall

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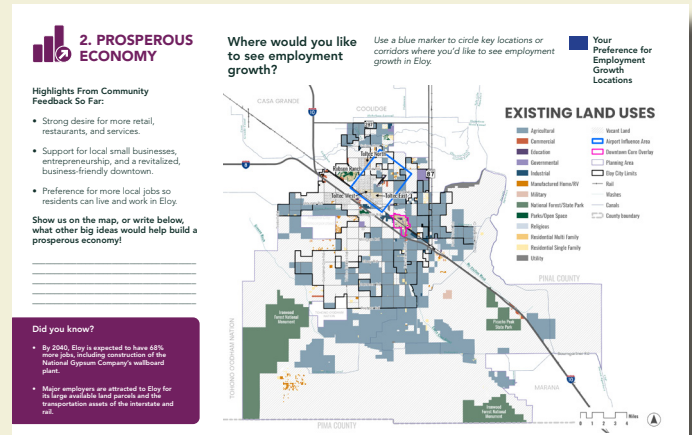
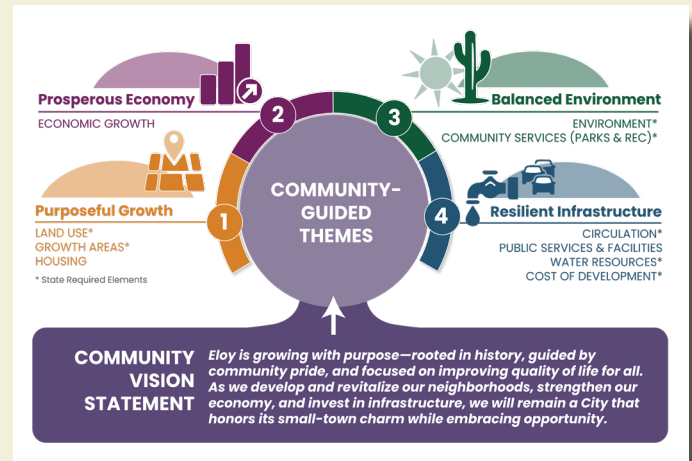
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Visioning Summary Community Visioning Workshops

Robson Ranch

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2. PROSPEROUS ECONOMY

The Prosperous Economy theme will tie to the following General Plan Elements:

- Economic Growth

Does this aspirational statement below reflect your vision for a prosperous economy in Eloy?

Eloy envisions a thriving community where economic opportunity is within reach for everyone. This will be cultivated by supporting a diverse and vibrant economy that provides opportunities for business growth, housing, and job creation.

☐ I think it is on the right track

☐ It is okay

☐ I think it needs work

I would add, remove, or change:

What would most improve economic opportunity in Eloy? (Select one or two options below)

- ☐ Job training and workforce development
- ☐ Lower business startup costs and easier permitting
- ☐ Attracting large employers and industry
- ☐ Investing in downtown and commercial corridors
- ☐ Expanding access to high-speed internet and utilities
- ☐ Other _____

Which of these images best represents the types of economic development you want to see in Eloy? (Circle your top 3 preferences)

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Draft Vision and Aspirational Statements Refined Through Community Input



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CITY OF ELOY

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Agenda Item: **VIII.C.**

Date: **9/22/2025**

Date submitted:
09/12/2025

Action: Formal

**Subject: Consideration of Acceptance
of Resignation of Public Officer, City
Manager, and Establishment of
Employment End Date**

Date requested:
9/22/2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Stephen Cooper, City Attorney

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council acknowledge the City Manager's resignation, consistent with *Section 2: Term* of the employment contract, and establish an end date of employment to be mutually agreed upon by the City Manager and the City Council within the contractual 90-day period.

DISCUSSION:

The City Manager has formally provided notice of resignation and has informed the City Council of a conditional offer of employment with another organization. The City Manager immediately reported this matter to the City Council to ensure full transparency.

Pursuant to **Section 2: Term of the City Manager Employment Agreement**, *"If the Employee voluntarily resigns as City Manager, then the Employee shall give the City Council ninety (90) days advance notice unless the parties agree otherwise."*

In accordance with this provision, the City Council must acknowledge the resignation and establish the effective end date of the City Manager's employment. This date must fall within the contractual 90-day termination period, unless both parties agree to an alternative timeframe. Acceptance of the resignation will establish the effective date of separation and allow the Council to proceed with transition planning, including consideration of interim leadership and the potential recruitment of a permanent City Manager.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

Approved as to Form:



Stephen R. Cooper, City Attorney



CITY OF ELOY

ARIZONA

September 17, 2025

Mayor Andrew Sutton and City Council
City of Eloy
595 North C Street
Eloy, AZ 85131

Dear Mayor Sutton and Members of Council,

I am writing to formally submit my resignation from my position as City Manager for the City of Eloy, effective on the date to be determined by the City Council during its regularly scheduled meeting on September 22, 2025. This decision was made after thoughtful reflection about the next steps in my career, and it was not reached lightly.

Serving the Eloy community for more than four years has been an honor and a privilege. I am sincerely grateful for the opportunities for personal and professional growth that I have experienced during my tenure. The support, guidance, and collaboration of the Mayor, City Council, leadership team, staff, and the residents of Eloy have made this an exceptionally rewarding and meaningful chapter in my career.

As I prepare to step aside, I am committed to ensuring a smooth transition and will do everything possible to assist in handing over my responsibilities. Please let me know how I can help during this period.

Thank you again for your trust and confidence in me and I look forward to seeing the City's continued growth and success. I extend my best wishes to the City Council, staff, and the entire Eloy community as the City advances toward its vision of becoming a premier destination along the Sun Corridor.

Sincerely,

David Malewitz
City Manager, City of Eloy

**CITY OF ELOY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Agenda Item: **IX.A.**

Date: **9/22/2025**

Date submitted:
09/18/2025

Action: Formal

Subject: Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(1), (3), and (4), the City Council may convene into Executive Session for the following purposes. First, the Council will discuss the resignation of the City Manager, including the process, timing, and available options for recruiting and/or selecting a new City Manager. Second, the Council may discuss and/or consider the appointment of an Interim City Manager, including matters related to negotiating the salary and terms of employment. The Council may also receive legal advice and consider such an appointment.

Date requested:
9/22/2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM:

RECOMMENDATION:

DISCUSSION:

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approved as to Form:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stephen R. Cooper", is written over a horizontal line.

Stephen R. Cooper, City Attorney