

### Many Scottsdale golf courses stay green with reclaimed water



With all eyes on the city thanks to the WM Phoenix Open and seeing expansive green golf courses in the heart of the desert, it's important to know that 23 courses in northern Scottsdale use reclaimed water

–including TPC Scottsdale. These courses helped pay for the construction and operation of the Reclaimed Water Distribution System.

The RWDS is capable of delivering 20 million gallons of non-potable water –water not suitable for drinking –each day for turf irrigation. This same water irrigates the city's Bell94 and Scottsdale sports complexes.

In the non-peak months when the courses do not need their full water allotments, the city further treats the excess water from the Advanced Water Treatment Facility to recharge our aquifer. This allows Scottsdale to increase its water savings and build long-term water sustainability, even as the golf courses stay green. Learn more: [ScottsdaleAZ.gov](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov), search “recycled water”

### Scottsdale adopts mandatory green building requirements

Scottsdale has led the way on green building initiatives since the 90s –a trend that continued when the Scottsdale City Council recently adopted the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code and the International Green Construction Code as mandatory.

It's an innovative step toward long-term sustainability – Scottsdale is the first city in the state and one of only a few nationwide to implement such guidelines.

The change helps Scottsdale clarify code provisions, protect natural resources and account for new technologies. It's also expected to cut 20 percent of each new building's water use and reduce greenhouse gas emission by at least 10 percent.

New Scottsdale commercial developments will be required to follow the city's green building code – standards set to ensure environmental practices in the building industry.

Info: [ScottsdaleAZ.gov](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov), search “green building.”

### Get the scoop on Scottsdale Super Season



Scottsdale Super Season is jam-packed with special events

you won't want to miss, from collector car auctions and cultural festivals to some of the most exciting competitions in professional sports, with the international spotlight of pro football's Big Game front and center.

Find all the details so you can join the fun!

[ScottsdaleSuperSeason.com](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov)

#### Super Season Highlights:

- **Western Week** (Jan 28-Feb. 5): A full week of cultural events including the Parada del Sol Parade and Arizona Indian Festival. [ScottsdaleWesternWeek.com](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov)
- **WM Phoenix Open** (Feb. 6-12): The PGA Tour's most well-attended event followed by the nightly Birds Nest Music Festival. TPC Scottsdale.
- **Spring Training** (Feb. 25-March 28): Spring Training baseball under the warm Arizona sun has been a tradition for devoted fans since 1947. Scottsdale Stadium is home to the San Francisco Giants.
- **Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show** (Feb. 16-Feb. 26): WestWorld once again hosts one of the world's premiere equestrian events. [ScottsdaleShow.com](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov)

**Historic Old Town ESPN Main Street Tailgate** (Feb. 8-12): This could be your SportsCenter moment! Join ESPN's live telecasts during week-long coverage of Super Bowl LVII, where you can also enjoy tailgate games, food and beverages.

Main Street in Historic Old Town, between Scottsdale Road and Brown Avenue.



## Investing in Our Scottsdale – Raintree Drive extension

The Raintree Drive Extension will provide a direct connection between the Loop 101 Pima Freeway and Scottsdale Road. It includes simplifying the route from Hayden to Scottsdale roads and relieving traffic congestion along Frank Lloyd Wright Boulevard.



The project will provide a consistent number of travel lanes, add raised medians, make numerous intersection improvements, change lane configurations, and add landscaping and public art to the corridor.

Improvements include adding roundabouts to the intersections at Hayden Road and Raintree Road and Redfield Road and 76th Place.

Regional transportation dollars from the countywide half-cent sales tax are funding most of the project, which will be built in phases. The first segment, between the intersections of Hayden Road and Raintree Road and Redfield Road and 76th Place, will be completed in fall 2023. Learn more:

[ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search “Raintree”](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/search/Raintree)

## Graham, Littlefield, Whitehead elected to the City Council

Incumbent council members Kathy Littlefield and Solange Whitehead retained their seats in the August primary, and Barry Graham was elected in November. All three began their four-year terms in January. Learn more about them at [ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search “City Council.”](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/search/City%20Council)



Voter turnout: 126,398 of Scottsdale's 163,507 registered voters cast a ballot in the November general election, a 76.83% voter turnout. Scottsdale continued its trend of having a higher voter turnout as compared to the overall turnout of Maricopa County, which was 64.17%.

## All short-term/vacation rental properties require a Scottsdale license

Under a city ordinance adopted in November, every property offered for rent less than 30 days must receive a City of Scottsdale license - no properties are “grandfathered” in. The Scottsdale license application process requires each property to comply with several safety, health, and neighbor notification requirements.

While the city notified all known short-term/vacation rental properties about the licensing requirement via direct mail, failure to receive the city's letter does not alleviate an owner's responsibility to obtain a license or comply with other ordinance and legal requirements.

Beginning Jan. 9, any short-term/vacation rental property operating in Scottsdale without a license will be violating the law. The owner/operator will be subject to enforcement action by the city that includes being cited with a minimum fine of \$1,000 per violation.

Review the requirements, apply for a Scottsdale rental property license and find neighborhood resources at [ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search “short-term rental”](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/search/short-term%20rental)

## Things To Do

For complete details, search event names in **bold** at [ScottsdaleAZ.gov](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov):

- Rid yourself of unwanted electronics at the city's **Electronics Recycling Event.** 7:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Feb. 4, North Corporation Yard, 9191 E. San Salvador Drive.
- The **Founder's Day Birthday Celebration** Say “happy birthday” to Scottsdale's founder, Winfield Scott. Noon Feb. 24, Scottsdale Historical Museum, 7333 E. Scottsdale Mall.
- **All Things Senior Expo** offers a one-stop shop for senior resources. March 1, Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts, 7380 E. Second St.
- Gather summertime activity information for your children at **Exclusively Little.** March 25, McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park, 7301 E. Indian Bend Road.

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