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Supervisors allow for more housing along transportation corridors

The Board of Supervisors at its May 21 meeting amended the zoning code to allow for more housing along public transportation corridors. The action comports with the County's Prosperity Initiative, which seeks to reduce generational poverty and improve opportunity. Removing zoning barriers to more affordable housing that is adjacent to or near public transit while also allowing for the redevelopment of vacant or underused commercial areas makes this policy a win-win.

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No County property tax rate increase next fiscal year

The Board of Supervisors May 21 adopted the tentative budget for fiscal year 2025 and kept the total County property tax rate unchanged from the current fiscal year. The County will still be able to fund its priorities and new initiatives while also helping residents manage their household budgets and the effects of higher-than-normal inflation. The tentative budget vote also caps the expenditure limit for FY2025. The Board is expected to adopt the final budget at its June 18 meeting.



Pima County only county in the U.S. to own a nuclear missile silo

The popular and fascinating Titan Missile site in Green Valley now belongs to Pima County after the County completed negotiations with the United States Air Force this month to transfer ownership of the only remaining Titan Missile silo site in the country. Pima County will continue to lease the site to Arizona Aerospace Foundation, the operators of the Pima Air & Space Museum and the Titan Missile Museum.



Commitment to fix all the unincorporated County roads in 10 years continues

The tentative FY2025 budget includes about \$24 million for road preservation and repair and the Transportation Advisory Committee has released its list of recommended roads for repair. The County launched a 10-year plan in 2019 to fix all unincorporated County roads and keep them repaired. The plan was accelerated in 2018, and to date, more than 1,100 miles of road have been fixed. Funding for the coming fiscal year includes maintenance for roads that were among the first repaired in 2019.



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