Public-private partnership involving city, firm creating district, MVD offices

Thanks to an innovative public-private partnership, construction is set to begin on turning the former site of a movie theater in Flagstaff into a new Arizona Department of Transportation facility while freeing up prime land for redevelopment.

The state’s first public-private partnership involving real estate brought together ADOT, the city of Flagstaff and Vintage Partners, a Phoenix-based development firm, to complete a three-way land swap that will result in a new ADOT North Central District headquarters and Motor Vehicle Division office.

“ADOT, Flagstaff and Vintage Partners all showed extraordinary perseverance to work through their own processes and requirements and get this project across the finish line,” ADOT Director John Halikowski. “This is a big win for the community and for ADOT’s customers.”

The idea for the project came about in 2012, when Flagstaff was looking for a way to complete two voter-approved road extension and realignment projects that ran directly through ADOT’s current complex on Milton Road. The ADOT office buildings, built in the early 1960s and 1970s, were outdated and inadequate, but ADOT did not have the budget for new facilities.

Using Arizona’s public-private partnership law, ADOT officials suggested swapping the Milton property for new facilities elsewhere in the city, freeing up the Milton land for redevelopment and the road improvements. Flagstaff also contributed a parcel adjacent to ADOT’s complex.

ADOT is scheduled to move into its new facilities at the end of this year at the former site of a Harkins Theatres location that relocated near the Flagstaff Mall as part of the deal. The site will house ADOT district offices, MVD and commercial driver license offices, and lab facilities.

The property of ADOT’s current offices on Milton Road will be redeveloped into student housing by Vintage Partners and allow Flagstaff to extend University Drive and reconfigure Beulah Boulevard, improving access through that part of town.

“This project is unique in Arizona and is one of only a handful of similar projects around the country,” said Gail Lewis, ADOT’s director of public-private partnership initiatives. “It showcases the creativity that can be brought to bear by bringing the public and private sectors together to solve problems.”

Due to the complexity of the transaction, the three-party agreement took five years to complete. After Vintage Partners built the new movie theater, the firm then had to develop a plan for ADOT’s current location on Milton Road and work with ADOT to plan the new facility. Flagstaff had to approve all of the plans and permits for both the Milton property and the repurposed location.

For more information on public-private partnerships and ADOT, visit azdot.gov/P3.
Busy 2019 on tap for Phoenix-area freeway projects

Loop 101 widening in north Phoenix, Scottsdale starts next month

Ongoing construction of the Loop 202 South Mountain Freeway won’t be the only major project the Arizona Department of Transportation will be busy building in the Phoenix area in 2019. A $185 million widening of Loop 101 in north Phoenix and Scottsdale is set to start in February.

The Loop 101 improvement project stretching 13 miles between Interstate 17 and Pima Road in north Scottsdale will add one new general purpose lane in each direction while also reconstructing several on- and off-ramps to match the wider freeway. New merge lanes also will be built in each direction between Seventh Street and Cave Creek Road.

The Loop 101 project is scheduled for completion by early 2021. Crews also will add or reconstruct several noise or retaining walls along Loop 101 where warranted. Before work concludes, crews will add a new layer of smooth rubberized asphalt.

Work will move into high gear this year on the Interstate 17 interchange reconstruction project at Happy Valley and Pinnacle Peak roads, which launched in November. As a major part of this $50 million project, crews are rebuilding both of the interchanges. They will add a diverging diamond design with additional lanes to carry Happy Valley Road over I-17. The project also means the roundabouts currently in use at Happy Valley Road will be removed.

An expanded diamond interchange will be built at Pinnacle Peak Road and new right lanes are being added along I-17 in the area. The entire project is scheduled for completion by fall 2020.

A new interchange is coming to Interstate 10 in the West Valley. As part of the Maricopa Association of Governments’ Regional Transportation Plan approved by voters in 2004, the interchange will be built at Fairway Drive, midway between the interchanges at Avondale Boulevard and Dysart Road. The $21 million project will start this spring and is scheduled for completion in summer 2020. The on- and off-ramps at this interchange will allow traffic to connect to and from Fairway Drive south of I-10.

A long-awaited Interstate 17 drainage improvement project is set to start this spring between Peoria Avenue and Greenway Road in north Phoenix. Major work will include construction of a new gravity-driven drainage system and the removal of older pump stations near the I-17 traffic interchanges at Greenway, Thunderbird and Cactus roads and Peoria Avenue.

Crews have also started work this month (January) on ADOT’s $10 million I-10 improvement project west of I-17, including the addition of a new westbound lane to improve traffic flow between 35th and 43rd avenues. The project includes improvements to signals and ramps at cross street-level pedestrian crosswalks along the I-10 corridor. Work is scheduled for completion by fall 2019.

ADOT plans and constructs new freeways, additional lanes and other improvements as part of the Maricopa Association of Governments’ Regional Transportation Plan for the Maricopa County region. The primary funding source for regional freeway improvements is a half-cent sales tax approved by county voters in 2004. More information about ADOT projects and the regional plan is available at azdot.gov/projects.
Taylor Morrison recognized for gender-diverse workforce

By AZBigMedia

While homebuilding has long been a traditionally male-dominated industry, national homebuilder and developer Taylor Morrison is being recognized for creating a gender-diverse workforce. Today the homebuilder joins the ranks of 230 companies selected for the 2019 Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index (GEI), which distinguishes companies committed to transparency in gender reporting and advancing women’s equality.

Sheryl Palmer, the only woman to lead a publicly traded homebuilder, has presided over the company for the last 11 years, growing the workforce to nearly equal male-to-female representation (54 and 46 percent, respectively), and boosting women’s seat at the leadership table. Women make up 33 percent of senior leadership and 47 percent of middle management roles across the homebuilder’s 17 divisions nationwide.

According to Bloomberg, disclosures from firms included in the 2019 GEI provide a wide-ranging and comprehensive look at how companies around the world are investing in women. According to GEI data:

- Women had a 40 percent increase in executive level positions between fiscal years 2014-2017.
- 60 percent of firms conduct compensation reviews to identify gender-based variations in pay to close their average 20 percent pay gap (18 percent on average in the Americas, Europe, Africa and Middle East regions and 26 percent in Asia-Pacific).
- 34 percent have programs in place to recruit women looking to return to work after a career break.
- For U.S. employees, the average number of weeks of fully paid primary leave offered is 13 weeks, and the average number of weeks of fully paid secondary leave offered is 5 weeks.
- 43 percent of firms cover gender reassignment services in health insurance plans.
- 68 percent of firms evaluate all advertising and marketing content for gender biases prior to publication.

Read the whole article here.
January

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- **Record Keeping & Tax Issues for Small Business**
  Location: 3500 S Rural Rd., Tempe, AZ 85282
  Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm

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- **Trends Day 2019: Reflect. Rethink. Respond.**
  Location: JW Marriott, 5350 E Marriott Dr., Phoenix, AZ
  Time: 7:00am - 5:30pm

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- **Business Law: Get Your Business Off To A Good Start**
  Location: 3146 East Wier Avenue, Phoenix AZ
  Time: 11:00am - 1:30pm

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- **ACEC/ City of Phoenix Liaison Meeting**
  Location: 39 East Monte Vista Road, Phx 85004
  Time: 11:30am - 1:30pm

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- **Tucson Airport Authority ASE Program Outreach**
  Location: Tucson Intl Airport, 2nd level Center Gallery
  Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

- **ASA - Understand Your Cash Flow Options Today**
  Location: 4105 N. 20th St., Ste. 230, Phoenix
  Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

February

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- **How to Purchase a Business**
  Location: 1365 North Scottsdale Rd, Ste 135, Scottsdale
  Time: 7:30am - 9:30am

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- **Transportation Scorecard: Kini Knudson**
  Location: Phoenix Country Club
  Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

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- **YSWCA 17th Annual Members Only Dinner**
  Location: 4330 W Riverside Dr. Yuma AZ 85364
  Time: 6:00pm

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- **ADOR Business Tax Workshop (Phoenix Office)**
  Location: 800 W. Washington Ave. 1st Fl, Main Lobby
  Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm

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- **AICCAZ Networking Luncheon (Save the Date)**
  Location: TBA
  Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

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**FRIDAY FORUMS**

**JAN. 25 - Lending Readiness**
Hear from lending experts on SBA & private lending programs.

**All Friday Forum workshops are 9am – 11am and start on time.**
Visit the website and “Select Events” today!
ADOT Bid openings after January 1st, 2017 will require prime contractors to submit DBE affidavits within 5 calendar days from bid opening. This is two days less than the current requirement. For example, if bid opens on Friday, the DBE Affidavits will be due to BECO, from the prime contractor, by Wednesday before 4:00 PM. Therefore, this is reducing the time DBEs and prime contractors have to prepare, sign and submit the DBE Affidavits to BECO. DBEs are urged to consider this new time restriction when working with prime contractors to complete and sign the DBE Affidavits in order for them to be submitted to BECO by the 5th calendar day from bid opening.

Did you know?

There is tremendous amount of learning that takes place from your peers. Cohort programs, like the Business Development Program, let you build trust, exchange ideas, and brainstorm solutions with other business owners. Take advantage of this unique experience by committing just two hours per week. You will not be disappointed.

#### Featured Federal-Aid Projects

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<td>ADOT - Intersection Improvements, 2nd St - El Camino St, Phoenix - Globe Hwy (US 60). The work consists of intersection improvements, including removal of existing pavement &amp; placement of new pavement, raised median, new parking lot, concrete curb, gutter, sidewalks, driveways, ramps, bollards, lighting, signing &amp; pavement marking.</td>
<td>Vian Rashid, Engineering Specialist, at <a href="mailto:VRashid@azdot.gov">VRashid@azdot.gov</a> or Chris Olson, Construction Supervisor, at <a href="mailto:COLson.Consultant@azdot.gov">COLson.Consultant@azdot.gov</a></td>
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<td>City of Scottsdale - Hayden Rd &amp; Thomas Rd Intersection Improvements. The work consists of construction of approx. 1,350 LF of intersection improvements.</td>
<td>Karie Ingles, Bid &amp; Contract Specialist, at 480-312-5744 or <a href="mailto:kingles@scottsdaleaz.gov">kingles@scottsdaleaz.gov</a></td>
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<td>ADOT - Construct Left Turn Bay Extension, EB US 60 at Kings Ranch Rd, Phoenix - Globe Hwy (US 60). The work consists of lengthening &amp; widening the existing left-turn bay, including removing existing AC pavement, excavation, placing AB, AC, fog coat, pavement marking &amp; signing.</td>
<td>Fauzia Karim Koly, Engineering Specialist, at <a href="mailto:FKoly@azdot.gov">FKoly@azdot.gov</a> or Reed Dalbik, Construction Supervisor, at <a href="mailto:RDalbik@azdot.gov">RDalbik@azdot.gov</a></td>
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<td>Jedidiah Young, Engineering Specialist, at <a href="mailto:Jyoung2@azdot.gov">Jyoung2@azdot.gov</a> or Joshua Wentzlof, Construction Supervisor, at <a href="mailto:JWentzlof@azdot.gov">JWentzlof@azdot.gov</a></td>
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**ADOT now accepting applications for its 6th DBE Business Development Program class launching Q1-2019!**

Whether you are brand new or still in the early stage of your business, the new ADOT DBE Business Development Program has something for you!

**What does it include?**

**Expert Workshops**
Workshop sessions will be at the core of the program. See other side for more information:
- Workshops delivered by subject matter experts in an interactive, hands-on format.
- First phase of workshops designed around business skills building and second phase of workshops around industry topics.
- A selection of workshops targeting specific tiers of businesses based on industry and business experience/history.

**Peer Advisory Groups**
Your classmates become your peer advisory group during and after the program.

**Business Planning**
During the last phase of the program, you will build your business model canvas or one page business plan along with a financial forecast.

**Coaching & Mentoring**
Each participant will be assigned a business coach to help build and complete your business plan.

**Prime Interactions**
Several workshops include opportunities to hear from Primes about how to build and manage relationships. You also will have the opportunity to meet with other Primes to get questions answered.

**Special Materials**
As a participant, you will be given a variety of materials ranging from books to software templates to leadership assessments and an online lead source directory.

**Subject Matter Expert Assistance**
Masters level participants will be provided six hours of consulting time with subject matter experts including marketing, sales management, legal and more.

**Public Relations**
Throughout the year, ADOT will publicize the program and highlight its participants throughout the state.

**Sales Video**
As a graduate, you will receive a professionally filmed and edited marketing video.

CONTACT DBE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AT 602-712-7761 TODAY FOR MORE INFORMATION, TO ENROLL OR TO GET ON THE LIST FOR OUR 6TH CLASS STARTING IN Q1-2019.

ALUMNI HAVE REPORTED IN THE FIRST YEAR AFTER THE PROGRAM:

- 69 new ADOT projects
- 72 new projects with other government agencies
- 114 new private industry projects
- Total new projects valued at almost $7 million
- Hired new staff, obtained new loans and built bonding capacity

**What graduates are saying about the program:**

- “The program gave me the tools to improve business practices and strengthen our business foundation”
- “It will help you take your business to the next level”
- “This is the way to improve your business all around”

**View Testimonial**

# Program Workshop Topics

All of our workshops are focused on providing high-quality education and interaction with subject matter experts. You will receive lots of materials and useful tools to help grow your business and expert advice to get you started during each session. The sessions are also moderated by a leading Arizona business consultant there to help you with your questions. PaceSetters and Masters participants are welcome to attend any workshop in the New & Emerging track.

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Have a Capital New Year!

Don’t Miss These Important Funding and Bonding Events at the ADOT Small Business Resource Center!

Friday Forums
(in-person and online attendance options)

January 18th – Bonding Readiness
Hear from experts about the key issues around bonding for contractors. We will also feature information on bonding sources including the SBA Surety Bond Guarantee Program. This session will help you get ready to secure bonding and review what you might already have in place.

**Speakers**

*Ed Fancher - Cinium Financial Services*
*Jim Pipper - U.S. Small Business Administration*

January 25th – Lending Readiness
2019 is a year full of promise of growth. Do you have the financial resources to take advantage of opportunity? Are you prepared to successfully secure a loan to support your growth? Hear from lending experts on SBA and private lending programs. This session will include discussion of traditional lending, alternative/specialty lenders and capital equipment programs.

**Speakers**

*Jeff Swenson – Assistant Director, Maricopa Small Business Development Center*
*Pam McConlogue - Comerica Bank*
*Teresa Miranda - Prestamos CDFI, LLC a subsidiary of Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc.*
*Wade Rasmussen – Amerifund, Equipment Financing*

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Click here to Attend a Friday Forum or Make an Appointment
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