

**National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)  
Week of the Young Child  
Proclamation**

**WHEREAS**, all young children deserve quality early learning environments that support them as capable and competent lifelong learners; and

**WHEREAS**, Nurturing parenting, quality and accessible childcare, and early education programs build strong brains during the critical years from birth to age 5; and

**WHEREAS**, Investments in babies and young children has profound impacts on creating a strong and vibrant community; and

**WHEREAS**, First Things First, Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children, and other community organizations, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating the 51st anniversary of the Week of the Young Child; and

**WHEREAS**, these organizations are working to improve equitable early learning opportunities that can provide a foundation of learning for children in Safford, and

**WHEREAS**, Early childhood educators and others who make a difference in the lives of young children deserve thanks, recognition, and support; and

**WHEREAS**, Public policies that support early learning for all young children are crucial to Arizona's families, communities, and economy.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Mayor Jason Kouts, do hereby proclaim April 2-8, 2022 as the Week of the Young Child in Safford, Arizona and encourage all citizens to support and invest in early childhood education in our community.



Richard Ortega, Vice Mayor

Tamara Webster, CMC, City Clerk



# AGENDA

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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*MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2022, at 6:00 pm*  
*LIBRARY PROGRAM ROOM • 808 S. 7<sup>TH</sup> AVE. SAFFORD, ARIZONA*

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1. **WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:**(Reminder: Please turn off cell phones)
2. **ROLL CALL:**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
4. **INVOCATION:**
5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:**
6. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**
7. **PROCLAMATION:**
  1. **WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD PROCLAMATION:** Request for the Mayor and City to proclaim the week of April 2-8, 2022, as the Week of the Young Child in Safford, Arizona and encourage all citizens to support and invest in early childhood education in our community. (Staff, Victoria Silva) **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**
8. **BUDGET:**
  1. **FY2023 PRELIMINARY BUDGET:** Present to the Mayor and City Council the FY2023 preliminary budget. This includes General Fund and Internal Service Funds departments. (Staff, Kabrina Romero) **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/DIRECTION**
9. **NEW OLD BUSINESS:**
  1. **MINUTES:** Request for the Mayor and City Council to approve the February 3, 2022 City Council Work Session Minutes. (Staff, Tamara Webster) **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION**
  2. **SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSES:** Request for the Mayor and City Council to approve six 2022 Spring Fest special event liquor licenses for Graham County Chamber of Commerce, Wilhelm Family Vineyard, Sonoita Vineyard, Safford Elgin Distillery, Safford Elgin Winery, and Strive Vineyards. (Staff, Pam Frost) **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION**
  3. **CITY OF SAFFORD TREE REPLACEMENT/REMOVAL PROGRAM:** Discussion with the Mayor and City Council regarding a pilot tree replacement/removal program. (Staff, Jason Brimhall) **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/DIRECTION**
10. **RESOLUTIONS:**
  1. **RESOLUTION R22-010 CDBG PROJECT:** Request for the Mayor and City Council to approve and adopt Resolution R22-010, a resolution authorizing the submission of an application(s) for FY 2023 State Community Development Block Grant Funds, certifying that said