

State of the City Report

The City of Cactus accomplished much during the week of June 3rd - June 8th. Along with growing closer as a group of individuals coming from a variety of backgrounds, we established elected Officials, appointed positions, created ordinances and a budget, and solved our issues with unemployment and foreclosure.

The groundwork of our society was founded upon each individual within Cactus City. Our four elected Councilwomen; Nieves Pacheco, Kendra Flores, Victoria Trujillo, and Haydee Andujo set a precedent for the rest of the positions. Their poise and respectable manners created a formal yet friendly atmosphere within Cactus City. Along with our wonderful Councilwomen, who discussed and passed our selective ordinances, Cactus City had an amazing City Clerk - Libi Banks, an outstanding City Treasurer - Sheylene Drake, and a great Municipal Judge - Melanie Jon. With the help of these elected officials, Cactus City was able to effectively keep record of our meetings and keep a balanced budget.

Another large contributor to the success of Cactus City can be attributed to

to our election officials. Diana Gruzman, Yong Banks, Kendra Flores, and Samantha Davis were always organized and prepared for the election process and the experience was smooth and easy to understand. Without a strong and stable election process — no city can prosper. So, as Cactus City Mayor, I can proudly say that our election officials were efficient and crucial to our cities success.

Another important piece to touch upon within the infrastructure of Cactus City is the hard work and dedication of our appointed positions. So many of our delegates stepped up to the plate ~~to~~ boldly; and completed their duties. Without fail, our building inspector — Chanel Hefter — came around to each room in the evenings to collect trash and make sure that every house was running smoothly and safely. Our police chief, Raven Iverson, and our police officers, Jennifer Chavez and Lainey Fastnacht came around to living quarters to explain the emergency exit ~~prots~~ procedures. These emergency plans were intricate and detailed; they did their jobs well.

Cactus City came together in

ways that I could not have foreseen or hoped for. Whether it was excitingly coming up with new cheers each morning before breakfast or creating inside jokes amongst ourselves, Cactus City has united ~~and~~ itself into a complete and solid government. Through our Treasurer's amazing tax plan, we were able to overcome the unemployment and bad sanitation that threatened our community. Through resilient city morale and continual ~~privilege~~ → privilege, Cactus City was a ~~privilege~~ to be a part of and a force to be reckoned with.



ALA NM Girls State City Officials

City of Cactus

councilors:
- Maison - Kathy
- Grenville
- Hally
- Dambica

Elected Officials

Mayor Paulina Burnside
City Clerk Lili Banks
City Treasurer Shelene Drake
Municipal Judge Melanie Lee

Councilwomen (4) Nieves Pacheco
Kendra Flores
Victoria Trujillo
Haydee Andujo

Appointed Positions

Fire Chief Alyssa Wood
✓ Police Chief Raven Iverson
Police Officer Jennifer Chavez
Police Officer Lainey Fastnacht
✓ City Attorney Brianna Martinez
City Reporter Brooke Fleming

✓ City Photographer Sam Davis
Sanitary Engineer _____
Building Inspector Chanel Hefter
Health & Recreation Officer _____
Chamber of Commerce Trinity Shipley

Election Officials

Diana Guzman

Kendra Flores

Lili Banks

Samantha Davis

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ALA NM Girls State City Committees

City of Cactus

National Guard Participants Trinity Shipley, ~~Melanie~~ Raven Werson

For God and Country Program MC Brianna Martinez, Haydee Andujo

Mayor's Conference Committee Trinity Shipley, Sheyenne Drake,
Melanie Jun

Song Brooke Fleming, Diana Guzman Cheer Raven Werson *

Kili Banks, Kendra Flores, Haydee Andujo * Chanel Hetter

Nieves Pacheco, Victoria Trujillo, Breanna Widner Alyssa Wood

Seal Lacey Fastnacht
Sheyenne Drake
Abigail Miller *

Motto Trinity Shipley *
& all fellow citizens

Ordinances Trinity Shipley *
Brianna Martinez
Jennifer Chavez

Flag Lacey Fastnacht
Trinity Shipley
Sam Davis *

Report submitted by: Paulina Burnside

Date: 6/4/18

Please put an * asterisk next to the name of each committee's chairman.
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Ordinance Committee

Brianna

Jenifer

Trinity

Samantha

Ordinances go through the committee

Treasurer Shyanné presents City Budget

- Treasures report was approved

Reports:

Song Committee

* Fresh Prince of Belle Air

Seal Committee

* Close to Completed

Flag Committee

* Close to Completed

Cheer Committee

* Have a few cheers, working on more

Motto Committee

* Motto: Go Girl Go

SKit:

* Fresh Prince of Belle Air Parody

Passed City Ordinances were declared to cactus citizens, 5 ordinances passed, 7 ordinances failed

Appointed Officials voted upon and recongnized

Treasurer report was approved
Finance Committee presents City Budget

Reports:

Advisory Committee
* First Phase of Bills Act

Real Committee
* Close to completed

Flag Committee
* Close to completed

Green Committee
* Have a few officers working on now

Motion Committee
* Motion: Go Girl Go

Bill Committee
* First Phase of Bills Act

CITY SCENARIO

City Cactus City Mayor Paulina Burnside

When you returned to your city Sunday night you should have found some kind of a "problem". Remember – your city's scenario should be used in campaigning and should be addressed in your city's presentation at Mayor's Conference.

What did you discover? (Describe)

On Sunday night, we came back and found foreclosure notices and reports of high unemployment. Along with that, there were signs saying that citizens should boil water and quarantine their animals. Some businesses were closed.

What was the effect of this "problem" on your citizens of your city?

Our citizens had to be more careful with their water and suffered from unemployment. Some of our girls experienced foreclosure on their properties and our economy was affected by the closing businesses.

How can you solve/address this "problem"?

To address this problem, we brought it up in our city meeting and discussed it with our city treasurer. With her, we came up with a solution to our issue of foreclosure and unemployment.

How will you fund the solution to this "problem"?

We created funds for the unemployment/sanitation issues by distributing 10% for each of the issues from the overall tax income from the 5,000 citizens of Cactus City. So in the end we had \$37,000 to fix our city problems.

How will you plan for future problems?

Through the learning experience of foreclosure and unemployment upon the citizens of Cactus City, we can use the money from taxes upon our citizens to educate them on how to avoid unemployment and foreclosures. With this education, we will eventually be able to lower the taxes.

What do you think caused the problem? Are there other underlying problems/situations contributing to the problem?

I think that the problem behind our unemployment and sanitation issues was that our citizens were unprepared for them. They were not educated on how to prevent these issues, so maybe an underlying problem is the lack of this type of education within our ~~edu~~ school systems.

You city scenario is foreclosure, unemployment, sanitation, and quarantine

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ALA NM Girls State City Treasurer's Data Sheet

At the first City Meeting following your election, you will be asked to present a city budget for approval of the City Council. You may make this budget as clever or as serious as you wish and this budget may be quite brief. Assume that each ALA NM Girls State City has 5,000 citizens and that the city income is \$100.00 per person. The income may be spread over the following areas:

Income:

Occupation Licenses \$15.00
 Parking Meters \$2.00
 City Gasoline Tax \$2.00
 Property Tax \$10.00

Garbage & Sewer Charges \$5.00
 Paving Tax \$1.50
 Entry Tickets to the Zoo \$1.00

Disbursements may go to the following areas:

- ¹ Streets 5% = 9,250
- ² Parks 7% = 12,950
- ³ City Attorney 5% = 9,250
- ⁴ Recreation 7% = 12,950
- ⁵ Civil Defense 10% = 18,500
- ⁶ Ambulance Service
10% = ~~21,250~~ 18,500

Citizen pays \$37/100 = 37% of budget
 Money for disbursements: \$185,000
⁷ Salaries ~~10%~~ 10% = ~~18,500~~ 18,500
⁸ Fire Department 7% = 12,950
⁹ Fallout 5% = 9,250
¹⁰ Alarm System 4% = 7,400
¹¹ Indigent Medical Clinic 10% = ~~21,250~~ 18,500
 Unemployment Fund = 10% 18,500
 Sanitary Fund = 10% 18,500

You may include all the above and add to it if you wish. Remember to take into account your City Scenario when planning your budget. You must account for this issue in your disbursement to get your budget approved. You should be ready to defend your budget on any item. A copy of the approved budget must be given to the City Clerk for her records, so be sure to bring a legible copy for her.

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Chamber of Commerce Report

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MANAGER OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – With the assistance of the Mayor this Official will be certain the City songs, cheers, flag and seal are ready for the Mayor's Conference. This Manager will publicize City activities and unique features through advertising.

Chamber of Commerce Report

- This individual heads the Mayor's Conference Committee. Ensuring all items are completed for presentation on Wednesday night.
- Review the commerce in the canteen. Offer recommendations on items and selection for next year's session.

Report Details

As Manager of Chamber of Commerce I was able to assist and design the script for our Mayor's Conference. With the help of the city we were able to come together and create a masterpiece. Committees were assigned to be in charge of accomplishing all the tasks required in the Mayor's Conference. For next year's canteen my only suggestion is to have more girl state items in a wider variety of sizes.

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Building Inspector Report



BUILDING INSPECTOR – Proper and safe facilities for City Government and City citizens are the responsibilities of this Official. At ALA NM Girls State this Official will inspect dormitory rooms, lounge and halls, for neatness and safety.

Building Inspector Report

- Work with Sanitary Engineer to periodically check city and dorm meeting rooms for cleanliness and organize cleanups as needed. Cities will be inspected by staff each day with points awarded toward the Outstanding City Competition
- Review provided supplies and equipment such as easel, campaign material, flyers, etc and make recommendations on any supplies cities should be provided next year.

Report Details

There was no Sanitary Engineer so I the Building Inspector went to check each dorm room. I collected trash and checked to make sure the dorms were organized and not reaked. Each dorm had little or no trash and were very clean. All of our ~~cities~~ city's supplies were concealed into a city box so no need to clean up city supplies. I periodically checked the hall for fallen/old campaign material and flyers. There was no easel/whiteboard this year just a city sign which someone else was/is in charge of. I really liked being the Building ~~the~~ Inspector because I got to talk to everyone in their rooms and really connect with the people of Cactus City.

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City Attorney Report



CITY ATTORNEY – This Official represents the City as plaintiff in Municipal courts.

City Attorney Report

- Chairs the Ordinance Committee offering counsel on ordinances for city
- Turns in all ordinances ensuring that proper documentation is completed on each.
- Participate in any appeals requested by individuals for ordinances. Include a report of any appeals that occur.

Report Details

The Ordinance Committee reviewed proposed ~~the~~ ordinances, then discussed ~~the~~ whether the ordinance should be passed onto the council women or not. After careful consideration of each ordinance the ordinance committee selected the most reasonable ordinances that would better our city, which we then passed onto our council women. The Chair of the Ordinance community then clearly indicated whether an ordinance had been passed or not. The Ordinance Committee later turned all ordinances over to the council women for further review. No appeals took place.

Raven
Everson

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Police Chief Report



POLICE CHIEF – This Official is responsible for law enforcement, organization and supervision of the police force, management of the municipal jail, holding violators of ordinances or presenting them for trial, and recommending police measures to the Council. Since all ALA NM Girls State rules are automatically accepted as City ordinances, the Police Chief and Policemen enforce these rules and other City ordinances. They may wish to establish traffic regulations on the City floor. This official also maintains order in meetings of the City Council, Municipal courts and evening gatherings.

Police Chief Report

- Work with the Ordinance Committee to recommend penalties for city ordinances.
- Establish a head count process with the Fire Chief to ensure all members of your city are together through emergency drills and meetings.
- Utilize Police force to maintain order during City Meetings and Whistle Stop Campaign

Report Details

- Penalties - for other cities to do silly actions & created pride within our city.

- 10 jumping jacks w/ ABCs
- city wide apologies
- city councilors chooses penalty
- ask to re-enter w/ name & city
- pick up trash or recite in own city

- out of the 11 ordinances only 5 passed

- head count process

↳ inform all cactus city members of process so they are all informed & can participate

- ~~own~~ Emergency - count off, if members are missing ask whos roommate is missing or if someone knows where they are.

on my paper
not theirs

- meeting place for different places.

- meetings - ~~own~~ counting off, same as emergency
- stay as group & meet ~~us~~ at flag

- I am helping to enforce laws within the city.

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Fire Chief Report



FIRE CHIEF – This Official is responsible for the management and supervision of the Fire Department. She enforces the City's fire and safety laws. At ALA NM Girls State she should be certain the City observes the smoking rules and knows drill procedures. She will also create a fire evacuation plan for both city room and dorms.

Fire Chief Report

- Occasional bad weather in the area requires evacuation into the basement; make a plan for your city for the dorms and meeting rooms. We will be holding a practice drill during the week. Keep your ears open for the sirens!
- Works with the Police Chief to establish a head count process to ensure all members of your city are together through drills and meetings.

Report Details

We will require everyone to make sure to look for their roommate. Then later do a head count (1-20). More info on Police chiefs paper.

- Police chiefs paper has process

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City Photographer Report



CITY PHOTOGRAPHER – This individual will take charge of city camera and take pictures during city functions in dorms and city rooms. The ALA NM Girls State Media Team captures the week during general meetings and functions but city photographers will capture those moments in cities showing friendships being built and city work being completed.

City Photographer Report

- Maintain city camera ensuring it is charged and turned into the media team at least once a day to download pictures.
- If you chose to take pictures with alternate device discuss with media team. Pictures should be sent to alanmgirlsstate@gmail.com. Encourage city members to submit pictures via email to media team as well.
- Encourage all citizens to utilize #ALANMGS when posting to social media.
- Make recommendations as needed for future years. Suggested pictures, technology or social media.

Report Details

As friendships are built through the life in the dorms of Cactus City, many of the citizens are not only working hard together, but also making memories, and forever lasting friendships. ~~relationships~~

Making an proposing ordinances requires a lot of examples and demonstrations, two delegates of Cactus City demonstrate the dance that is one of the punishments for breaking a given ordinance. The two delegates Wong (Lili) Banks and Victoria Trujillo display great friendships and fun in their dorm rooms.

Working hard and resting hard, Sheyenne Drake and Paulina Burnside work on campaigning and also starting to catch up on rest.