

Desert Cross Lutheran Church

Gilbert Town Hall Meeting August 17, 2025

Introduction: Mari Johnson introduced herself, new members of Gilbert Chamber Committee, and Vicki English, DCLC Council President. 46 Attendees.

Parking Lot Update (Mari Johnson, Pr. Thadd Book, Vicki English):

- Issues addressed: cracks not completely filled, light coverage in areas.
- Doug Bjotvedt reaching out to contractor on these issues.
- Vicki explained that parking lot numbers not finalized.
- Questions/Concerns/Comments:
 1. expectations of completed job vs. paid amount
 2. equipment issues on behalf of contractor affecting quality
 3. timing of work affecting quality (excessively hot)

Gilbert Campus Refresh (Dana Hargis, Brian Reinsche):

- Refresh project broken down in three phases, Phase 1 defined with real numbers/real ideas.
- Going to Council in September with proposal.
- Exterior painting quote came in at \$225,000+. Out of budget.
- Questions/Concerns/Comments:
 1. amount of funds currently available
 2. sources of funds (hymn sing, golf tournament)
 3. question regarding parking lot excess funds, if any remain can funds funnel into refresh project?

Special Congregational Meeting 8/3/2025 (Mari Johnson, Vicki English, Pr. Thadd Book):

- 15,000 sq. ft of land sold to City of Tempe for \$245,000.
- City to put up wall to block their equipment/work.
- Breakdown.
 1. 10% towards Mission and Outreach
 2. \$54,000 with 7% interest loan for AC units to be paid off
 3. Remaining funds (~\$167,000) to be placed in a Capital Expense Fund, guidelines in place to access matching funds. Capital projects <\$10,000 can apply for matching funds. Capital projects

>\$10,000 must have congregational approval for matching funds.

Conclusion: Mari Johnson thanked people for attending. Pr. Thadd Book closed the meeting with prayer.