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# BETWEEN THE CANYONS

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## Choosing a candidate

Council member Doug Petersen



Two years ago, I made the decision to run for the city council, representing district 1. It was a decision I did not make lightly. I was motivated by my desire to help keep our city a wonderful place to live. The last two

years have been eye-opening for many reasons. A council member must deal with a spectrum of responsibilities, including:

- Police and fire services
- Waste removal
- Sewer and storm drain management
- Public works
- Infrastructure maintenance
- Planning and zoning
- Community events

- Taxation and financial management
- Broader regional and state committees
- Citizen committees
- Parks, Trails, and Open Space committee
- Economic development

I list these responsibilities to illustrate that we must be multifaceted in our duties. We are very fortunate to have well-trained staff and access to experts who advise us on most issues. To be effective as a council member, I must spend a significant amount of time educating myself on a myriad of issues to understand how they will impact our city. I have really enjoyed this work, but it is demanding.

I have learned that working as a team to properly manage our stewardships is key. If a council member focuses on a personal agenda, it disrupts the team and is very counterproductive. We need to always strive to listen to our constituents and focus on the city needs as a whole.

I have also learned that moving any proposal

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## CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

### UPCOMING TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS

#### SEPTEMBER 7

- COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS PARKS AND RECREATION SERVICE AREA REPORT
- BUDGET AMENDMENT AND POLICE COMPENSATION DISCUSSION
- BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS
- PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING DISCUSSION
- TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) FUNDING PROJECT DISCUSSION
- FERGUSON CANYON PARK DESIGN
- ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT (ADU) PROPOSED CITY CODE DISCUSSION

#### SEPTEMBER 21

- PARKS, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE PROJECT PRIORITY DISCUSSION
- NUISANCE ORDINANCE CODE REVIEW
- GENERAL PLAN INTRODUCTION
- BUDGET AMENDMENT
- ADU CODE CONSIDERATION
- OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN

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## History question of the month

**Answer on page 6**

What prominent Butlerville resident was killed in an electrical accident in 1918?

## Save the date for the community fine art show at city hall this October

The Cottonwood Heights Arts Council is hosting a community fine art show. Art will be on display October 4-28 at city hall (2277 E Bengal Blvd).

All interested community members and artists throughout the valley, regardless of skill level,

are encouraged to participate. The Arts Council will accept pieces done in acrylic, oil, watercolor, pastel, charcoal, and pencil, as well as mixed media, printmaking and sculpture.

Submit your artwork in the professional, amateur,

youth, and local categories by **Sept. 27**. Prizes will be awarded in each category, with an award ceremony and reception for all participants held Oct. 26. For detailed information, as well as rules and registration information, visit [chcityarts.com](http://chcityarts.com). ■

## National Day of Service: Volunteer with Cottonwood Heights on September 11

We invite all to participate in the National Day of Service on Sept. 11. We're aware of some opportunities within our neighborhoods and welcome information about other parks and trails to clean up.

If you'd like to help during the National Day of Service, call or text Adam Romney at 801-699-4391 or email him at [adamwromneyut@gmail.com](mailto:adamwromneyut@gmail.com). ■



**Cottonwood Heights**

**Bark in the Park**

**Sept. 18, 2021**  
**10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

**Mountview Park - 1651 E. Fort Union Blvd.**

**CH.UTAH.GOV**

- Free Hot Dogs** (while supplies last)
- Fenced Off-Leash Area**
- Vendors**
- K9 Obstacle Course**
- 11:45 a.m. Dog Awards**  
Find out if you dog has won an award!
- 12 p.m. Police K9 Demo**

Don't miss a single event update! Visit [ch.utah.gov/community/connect/emails](http://ch.utah.gov/community/connect/emails) to subscribe and receive emails about the Arts Council, Historic Committee, and city and community events.



**COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS**  
**ARTS COUNCIL PRESENTS**

**ART SHOW CONTEST**

**PROFESSIONAL, AMATEUR, & YOUTH**  
**APPLICATIONS DUE SEPT. 27, 2021**

**CHCITYARTS.COM**

Logos at the bottom: Utah Legislature, ZAP (Zoo, Art, Park, is you), Salt Lake County, Cottonwood Heights Arts Council, Cottonwood Heights.

### Choosing a candidate *continued from cover*

or initiative forward requires a council majority. This is the municipal government system, and it has compelled me to hone my diplomatic skills, show respect to differing positions and work towards consensus.

Over the next few months, you will have the opportunity to elect a new mayor and new council members in districts 3 and 4. It is so very important to learn about each candidate. Our municipal elections affect us even more than the state and federal elections. My challenge is to do your homework to ascertain the best candidates.

Some candidates may be motivated by a single issue. While there is nothing wrong with that motivation, we need leaders who understand the broad challenges we face to bring us peace and happiness in an ever changing and growing community. **Important questions to ask might include:**

- Why are you motivated to run?
- Do you support public safety efforts,

including our police and fire services?

- How do you feel about city development in general?
- What is your position on taxes and fees?

In addition to these broader questions, you may want to ask about specific topics like the gravel pit, Wasatch Blvd., and the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. Asking these and many other questions will help inform you about this election.

I consider serving on the city council a privilege. I recognize my obligation to represent my constituents and advocate for particular issues that concern our city regardless of my personal preferences. Personal agendas must be subordinate to the greater good of the city to achieve success as a council.

Even with all the challenges we face day to day, from pandemics and droughts to a blazing hot summer, I hope we can all look to a bright future. Please get informed about candidates and vote! ■



## Prepare for ranked-choice voting in November municipal election

The Cottonwood Heights mayor and city council members voted to implement ranked-choice voting in the general election Tuesday, Nov. 2.

Unlike in a traditional election, voters rank candidates by preference instead of voting for just one candidate. If no candidate has a majority after the first choices are counted, the candidate with the fewest votes is eliminated.

Visit [ch.utah.gov/your-government/public-records-notices/ranked-choice-voting](https://ch.utah.gov/your-government/public-records-notices/ranked-choice-voting) to learn more about the benefits of this type of ballot and watch videos that better explain ranked-choice voting. You can also find a district map at [ch.utah.gov/community/maps](https://ch.utah.gov/community/maps). ■

*The League of Women Voters invites you to attend*

### Cottonwood Heights 2021 Candidate Forum

**Tuesday, September 28, 2021**  
Cullimore Community Room, City Hall  
2277 E Bengal Boulevard

Join us for moderated Q&A discussions for each of the three municipal races. Hear directly from candidates about their positions on issues impacting our community.

5:30 - 6:15 p.m. Council District 4  
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Mayor  
7:45 - 8:45 p.m. Council District 3

Please arrive 10 minutes before the discussion start time as we'll begin promptly.

Submit questions to the League of Women Voters for Q&A discussion consideration. Please complete the form at [lwvutah.org/ch-candidate-questions](https://lwvutah.org/ch-candidate-questions) by Sept. 14.



*The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.*

## Cottonwood Heights Meet the Candidates September 14, 2021 6 - 8 p.m. City Hall, 2277 East Bengal Blvd.

### Mayor - 1 seat (4 year term)



Maile Evans



Eric Kraan



Mike Weichers



Ed Schwartz



Timothy Hallbeck

### District 3 - 1 seat (4 year term)



Runar E. Boman



Shawn E. Newell



David Rawlings



Mike Hanson



E. Samuel McShaffrey



Jackie Hibbard

### District 4 - 1 seat (4 year term)



Ernie Kim



Lee Anne Walker



Ellen Birrell





## Help children prepare for emergencies at home or school with these tips

Assistant fire chief Riley Pilgrim



As children return to school, many of us will experience significant routine changes. This is a great time to revisit your family's emergency plan or create one.

It's important to have a plan if there is an emergency at home or school and families are separated. These times can be frightening for children and stressful for parents, but discussing a plan before something happens will hopefully reduce some of those feelings. Here are some tips to start the process:

- **Develop a communication plan so kids know who to contact if parents aren't accessible.** Have a list of trusted people your children can reach out to, such as other family members, siblings, neighbors or friends.

- **Ensure your children have a safe primary and secondary route to and from school.**
- **Discuss concerns when attending back-to-school nights or parent-teacher conferences.** Understand their policies and expectations when something happens at school.
- **Talk about the types of emergencies that may occur and how you and your kids will respond in those situations.**
- **Send your children with the appropriate clothing (coats, shoes and gloves) in case they are evacuated from school or outside for an extended amount of time.**

Our schools and public safety officials make children's safety and well-being a top priority, but it is critical that parents also participate in this process.

Whether it's a natural disaster or an unexpected

emergency, children must understand what to do when parents are not close by.

We hope you and your kids have a great school year! ■



## Free COVID-19 testing Tuesday and Thursday evenings at city hall

The Utah Department of Health will continue parking its mobile testing van in the Cottonwood Heights city hall parking lot (2277 E Bengal Blvd) to offer free rapid antigen and both nasal and saliva PCR tests during September.

Preregister at [redcap.link/utah.gov-CTNWD.HGTS](https://redcap.link/utah.gov-CTNWD.HGTS) and come Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 4-7 p.m. UDOH can test anyone older than 3 years old. ■

## Salt Lake County and local providers offer COVID-19 vaccines

Free COVID-19 vaccines are available to all residents 12 and older. Visit [ThisIsOurShot.com](https://ThisIsOurShot.com) to find clinics through the Salt Lake County Health Department or community. No appointment is necessary. You can also visit [VaccineFinder.com](https://VaccineFinder.com) and enter your zip code to find a private provider near you and schedule an appointment.

### Reminders:

- A parent or guardian must accompany those under 18
- Clinics cannot guarantee which vaccine brand you will receive
- You can't be vaccinated if you've had passive antibody therapy to treat COVID-19 within 90 days or currently have COVID-19
- Clinics will schedule your second dose when you get your first dose (you can log into your account to change the appointment)
- You can now receive a second dose from SLCHD if you received a first dose (Pfizer or Moderna) from a different provider ■

## VACCINE FACT #5



**If you've had COVID, you are not immune from getting it again.**

**Get the COVID-19 vaccine to stop the spread and prevent severe symptoms.**

**Know the facts, then get the shot.**  
Visit [ThisIsOurShot.com](https://ThisIsOurShot.com) for vaccine locations.



## Recycle your mattress instead of sending it to the landfill

Spring Back Mattress (1929 S 4130 W) will take your used mattress and recycle 100% of its materials. Pay \$20 for each mattress or box spring you need to recycle. The shop will also pick up mattresses for an extra \$40 each. Remember, landfills charge \$15 for each mattress you discard, so this is a cost-effective way to reduce waste. For more information, call Spring Back Mattress at 801-906-8146 or visit [springbackutah.com](http://springbackutah.com). ■



## Teach kids about truck safety as school begins again

Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District drivers are aware of the influx of children going to and leaving school, and are always looking out for their safety. They encourage all families to talk about safety practices with their kids around large vehicles, including garbage trucks and school buses. Big trucks are fun to watch, but remember to keep your distance to stay safe. ■



## WFWRD provides free classroom recycling education to grades 1-6

Are you looking for fun, interactive presentations for your students this fall? Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District's sustainability team offers free recycling, composting and sustainability presentations for elementary school students in grades 1-6.

They cater presentation dates and times to what works best for PTA members and educators and even offer assemblies.

Presentations typically last 20-30 minutes and include a short video, a handful of educational slides, and an interactive game at

the end.

Interested in setting up a class visit? Contact sustainability coordinator Ethan Morris at [emorris@wasatchfrontwaste.org](mailto:emorris@wasatchfrontwaste.org) or 385-468-6337. WFWRD is unsure if class visits will be in-person or virtual at this time. ■

## Residents now eligible for Flip Your Strip and Localscapes programs

Cottonwood Heights residents can now apply for the Flip Your Strip and Localscapes rewards programs, which include rebates for waterwise landscaping, park strip conversion

and landscape consultations. These Central Utah Water Conservancy District programs previously weren't available to Cottonwood Heights residents.

Visit [utahwatersavers.com](http://utahwatersavers.com) to learn more or contact Zack Seipert, CUWCD water conservation coordinator, at 801-226-7100 (ext. 186) or [zack@cuwcd.com](mailto:zack@cuwcd.com). ■





## Answer

**Question,** continued from page 2

Leander Neri Butler was killed instantly on Aug. 12, 1918, when he put his hand on a highly charged live wire while trying to turn on a switch with defective wiring.

He was employed by Utah Power & Light Co. and was readjusting his barn wiring when the accident occurred. The power plant superintendent and Butler's sons, Clement, age 14, and Henry, age 10, were also there when Butler was killed.

Born in 1866, he was the son of Leander and Eliza Butler, one of the first families to live in Butlerville. His father, the elder Leander, sold 20 acres of land to the Deseret News Co. in 1881, on which they built the Deseret News Paper Mill.

As a Utah Power & Light employee, Leander Neri Butler lived in one of the four employee homes owned by the company on Big Cottonwood Canyon Road, east of the old mill. He planted a cedar tree in 1894 to commemorate his daughter Eva's birth, and it still stands today.

Leander Neri Butler was survived by his wife, Effie Wagstaff Butler, and children Gerald, Eva Butler Israelson (who died at 105 years old), Merlin, Clement, Clella and Henry. ■



Joe Butler, left, and Neri Butler, right (man standing in center unknown)

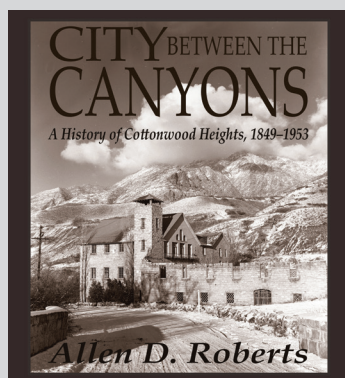
### Join the Historic Committee

Volunteer with the Historic Committee! Members meet monthly to plan initiatives highlighting city history.

Past efforts include gathering historical site information, overseeing historic trail markers, and helping to publish *City Between the Canyons: A History of Cottonwood Heights, 1849-1953* by Allen D. Roberts.

The committee also creates and staffs a rotating exhibit at Butlerville Days.

Contact culture manager Ann Eatchel at [aeatchel@ch.utah.gov](mailto:aeatchel@ch.utah.gov) or 801-550-8225 to volunteer or get more information.



### Buy the book!

Find more community stories in the book *City Between the Canyons: A History of Cottonwood Heights, 1849-1953*. Buy yours at city hall for \$20 (3 for \$50) or order it online at [ch.utah.gov/community/history/history-book](http://ch.utah.gov/community/history/history-book) for \$25 (3 for \$59) with shipping. ■



  
COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS  
PARKS & RECREATION SERVICE AREA

Text NEWSLETTER to 801-943-3190 for the latest  
Parks & Rec digital newsletter!

## City council members

**MAYOR** - Michael J. Peterson

**DIST# 1:** Douglas Petersen

**DIST# 2:** J. Scott Bracken

**DIST# 3:** Tali C. Bruce

**DIST# 4:** Christine Watson Mikell

**CITY MANAGER:** Tim Tingey

## City office

2277 E. Bengal Blvd.

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## Numbers to know

Emergency ..... 911

Dispatch ..... 743-7000

Fire authority ..... 743-7100

Animal control ..... 743-7000

Justice court ..... 273-9731

## Call direct

City manager ..... 944-7010

City planning ..... 944-7065

Public works ..... 944-7000

Recorder ..... 944-7021

Finance director ..... 944-7012

Code enforcement ..... 944-7095

Police administration ..... 944-7100

## City council meetings

**Sept. 7:** Work session 5 p.m., business meeting 7 p.m.

**Sept. 21:** Work session 5 p.m., business meeting 7 p.m.

(Work session may reconvene after business meeting.)

*Agendas are posted at least 24 hours before public meetings.*

*For agenda details, visit [ch.utah.gov](http://ch.utah.gov).*

*City council meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of every month at 5 p.m. unless otherwise noted.*

## Planning Commission

The September Planning Commission meeting has been canceled. The Planning Commission generally holds meetings at 6 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month.

## Editors

Lindsay Wilcox, Kim Horiuchi

## Brighton community gets first look at new high school

Brighton's notorious circle-shaped halls remain a punch line for upperclassmen even though the 52-year-old structure has been replaced by a stunning, state-of-the-art high school that opened its doors Monday, Aug. 16.

Like many others, classmate Jillian Green said Brighton's circle hallways will be cherished in memories but not missed. She's among the Bengals who appreciate how circles were included in the school's design by MHTN Architects and Hughes Construction, from the circular flooring design to the light fixtures in the ceiling of the three-story building.

"I love how they incorporated that (the circles) in the new school. It's part of the Brighton culture. It's so cool," Green said.

The ribbon cutting featured spirited performances by the cheerleaders, marching band and color guard. Leaders who've helped make the new school possible — board of education members, Canyons School District administrators and Brighton High School principal Tom Sherwood — gave speeches. Other dignitaries, including local politicians and construction and design crews, also attended. ■



### Using the new CSD portal to connect with staff

In a school system with 34,000 students and counting, it's not always obvious who to call with questions, ideas or concerns. Canyons School District is making it easier than ever to stay connected. Visit the new portal on Canyons District's website — **[canyonsdistrict.org/voice/](http://canyonsdistrict.org/voice/)** — to submit comments and questions. Just complete the form and a district representative will respond or connect you with the right person to address the issue.

## Cottonwood Heights Film Festival

October 9, 2021

**Free Admission**

Butler Middle School Auditorium  
7530 S. 2700 E. South East Entrance

**4:30 p.m. Pre-Show Hawkwatch Int.**

See and learn about birds of prey.

**5 P.M. The Eagle Huntress**

The Eagle Huntress is a documentary that follows a 13-year-old Aisholopan girl, as she trains to become the first female in twelve generations of her Kazakh family to become an eagle hunter, and rises to the pinnacle of a tradition that has been handed down from father to son for centuries.

**7 P.M. Waste Land**

This film follows renowned artist Vik Muniz to the world's largest garbage dump in Brazil. There he photographs an eclectic band of self-designated pickers of recyclable materials — who transforms it with the power of art. Winner: Audience Award, World Cinema Documentary — 2010 Sundance Film Festival; Winner: Audience Award — 2010 Berlin International Film Festival.



\* COVID-19 restrictions may apply or cancel event. For more information [CH.UTAH.GOV](http://CH.UTAH.GOV).





## Business spotlight

### CC Pops Food Truck | Location varies

CC Pops is sharing cheesecake love with friends and neighbors in northern Utah. Cheesecake pops are a mashup of cheesecake and a cake pop.

Owner Corinne Hincks starts with creamy vanilla cheesecake and dips it in various flavored chocolates. She then customizes the treats further by drizzling sauce and adding fun toppings, such as Fruity Pebbles.

Choose from signature flavors such as key lime, triple berry, s'mores, or tutti frutti. These cheesecake pops are fun-filled and packed with a punch. Once you CC Pop, you can't stop! Visit [instagram.com/ccpops\\_slc](https://www.instagram.com/ccpops_slc) to order. ■



### Saola | 7307 Canyon Centre Parkway

Saola, which means "rare star," has reopened! This stylish dining venue features Asian classics in an intimate yet relaxed setting.

Visit Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 5 to 9 p.m. Hours may change once the restaurant is fully staffed. Check [saolaeats.com](http://saolaeats.com) for more information. ■



Contact or visit our local businesses for their September specials.

### Fitness Together | 2258 Fort Union Blvd #B1 | [fitnessstogether.com/cottonwood-heights](http://fitnessstogether.com/cottonwood-heights)

The kids are back to school, and now it's time for you! Save \$200-\$400 on all Fitness Together packages during September.

Call 801-733-7200 or fill out the form on the website. ■

# **FITNESS TOGETHER®**

### Leverage Fitness Solutions | 7831 S Highland Drive | [leveragefitness.com](http://leveragefitness.com)

Exercise improves brain health, but do you know what type of exercise is best for your brain and memory? Learn about preventing cognitive decline during the free Cut Off Cognitive Decline clinic held Thursday, Sept. 23, at 6 p.m. at City Hall (2277 E Bengal Blvd).

Call 385-985-3603 or email [ryan@leveragefitness.com](mailto:ryan@leveragefitness.com) to RSVP. ■

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Feature your business in the monthly Love Your Locals campaign! It's FREE, and it's easy to reach thousands of Cottonwood Heights residents each month through the newsletter. We'll also share business information on the city website and through social media. Email Sherrie Martell at [smartell@ch.utah.gov](mailto:smartell@ch.utah.gov) or call 801-944-7067.