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## Fostering Community Engagement in Cottonwood Heights

Council Member Shawn Newell



*The statements in this article are the author's views and not necessarily of the entire city council.*

It is with great pride that I serve this community.

I also want to praise the residents of Cottonwood Heights for your commitment and concern for our wonderful city. In the past few months we have engaged in varied dialogs around different issues. These conversations have been exemplary in the manner in which the engagements have been respectful and nested in dignity thus

showing a willingness to learn by all parties. One of the most illuminated elements of even the toughest conversations, is the continued conveyance of dignity even when there is not an agreed upon outcome. This show of decorum is not always prevalent in conversations in many spaces today, but you, the citizens of our wonderful city have shown your fellow residents and people outside of our community how a community should engage one another.

Currently Cottonwood Heights is experiencing some significant issues that impact us all. It will be imperative that we maintain our efforts to continue lines of community engagement concerning all topics that impact our city. As a council and staff we are striving to develop directions that

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### CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

**JUNE 2**

- SALT LAKE COUNTY PRESENTATION ON COUNTY BUDGET, SERVICES, AND KEY PRIORITIES
- INTERIM BUDGET
- PUBLIC SAFETY RANGE DISCUSSION
- FLASH VOTE DISCUSSION

**JUNE 16**

- PUBLIC UTILITIES
- ADVISORY BOARD
- BUDGET ADOPTION
- JUST SERVE DISCUSSION
- SHORT TERM RENTAL DISCUSSION
- PUBLIC HEARING FOR BUDGET ADOPTION
- PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS
- PARKS, TRAILS, AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS
- RECOGNITION OF TWO COMMISSIONERS FOR SERVING MAX TERMS ON PLANNING COMMISSION

**JUNE 30**

- SHORT TERM RENTAL TOWN HALL AT CITY HALL FROM 6 PM - 8PM

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- **JUNE 6 :** HARD-TO-RECYCLE EVENT (CHARM) AT HILLSIDE PLAZA FROM 9 AM TO NOON
- **JUNE 9 :** FBI CYBER AWARENESS AT CITY HALL FROM 5:30 PM TO 7:00 PM
- **JUNE 30 :** SHORT TERM RENTAL TOWN HALL AT CITY HALL FROM 6 PM - 8 PM
- **JUNE 15 - JULY 31 :** ART EXHIBIT AMERICA250 DISPLAY AT CITY HALL
- **JULY 16 - JULY 18 :** BUTLERVILLE DAYS
- **AUGUST 11:** TRUTH IN TAXATION MEETING AT CITY HALL FROM 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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**MAKE ART HAPPEN IN Cottonwood Heights**

The Cottonwood Heights Arts Council is seeking passionate, creative, and community-minded residents to join our volunteer advisory board. Help us cultivate the arts in Cottonwood Heights!

- ✓ Support local artists and performers
- ✓ Help plan community arts events
- ✓ Promote creativity throughout Cottonwood Heights
- ✓ Connect with other passionate community members

**NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS!**  
 Scan the QR code or visit [cottonwoodheights.utah.gov/arts](http://cottonwoodheights.utah.gov/arts)

**Save the date!**  
 July 16-18

**BUTLERVILLE DAYS**  
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**Vendors**  
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 Help make Butlerville Days a success! Volunteer opportunities are available for individuals, students, and groups. Sign up at: [ch.utah.gov/board-application](http://ch.utah.gov/board-application)

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 CELEBRATE AMERICA'S 250TH ANNIVERSARY BY RECOGNIZING THE PATRIOTIC PRIDE IN OUR COMMUNITY

**AMERICA 250 UTAH**  
 COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS CITY

**WE INVITE RESIDENTS TO NOMINATE NEIGHBORS WHO GO ABOVE AND BEYOND WITH OUTSTANDING PATRIOTIC YARD DISPLAYS THAT SHOWCASE THEIR LOVE FOR OUR COUNTRY AND COMMUNITY SPIRIT.**

**FROM FLAGS AND LIGHTS TO CREATIVE RED, WHITE, AND BLUE DECORATIONS, WE WANT TO SEE THE YARDS THAT HELP MAKE OUR CITY SHINE.**

**NOMINATIONS OPEN JUNE-JULY. WINNERS ANNOUNCED IN AUGUST.**

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**Art Exhibit**  
 Cottonwood Heights  
 America 250 Ad Hoc Committee

**June 15th - July 31st, 2026**  
**Mon - Thurs - 7 am to 5 pm**  
**Cottonwood Heights City Hall**  
**2277 E. Bengal Blvd.**

*Dear America,*  
 Students and residents in the city have written heartfelt letters addressed to "Dear America." These letters will be on display at City Hall, and residents are invited to stop by, read through them, and experience the thoughts, hopes, and perspectives of our locals. We encourage everyone in the community to come and take a look and even write one of your own.

"Dear America" stationery is available at City Hall, Whitmore Library, CH Rec Center, and some local businesses- Rooted, Alpha Coffee, Coventry, Dali Crepes, Culpa Coffee, Cottonwood Cafe, and on the city website.

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are conducive to having minimal disparate impacts on residents. We are also striving to develop strategies that will not only help us to maintain the solvency in our current state, but to assure our populous that we are looking into the future. Front and center of the proposals being presented is consideration of the varied populations that exist within our city. There are families in Cottonwood Heights that are impecunious and those that are prosperous and every



type of resident in between. The ideas and directions the governing body considers takes these differences seriously and with the help of citizen input we will develop plans that will aid in continuing the wonderful environment and services our municipality provides.

Citizen Engagement is one of the areas that we need residents to consider. This is where volunteering for one of the city's various committees helps in creating channels of informed and aware connections. Being a part of these committees gives you an opportunity to provide advice and or



expertise you may possess based on your lived or work experiences. There is so much strength afforded any organization when the insights of many individuals can come together to expand the vista of knowledge and understanding. ■

June at the County Library | Whitmore

Cottonwood Heights Senior Corner

Teens	Family	Adults
<p><b>Teen Monthly Origami - Jellyfish</b> Monday, June 8, All day Includes folding instructions and paper. This month's origami is a jellyfish. Packets are first come, first served.</p> <p><b>Teen Bird a Month: Allosaurus Gull</b> Monday, June 22, All day Come in every month in 2026 to make a different seasonal bird. This month's bird is a California Gull getting into the summer reading spirit with an Allosaurus suit! Packets are first come, first served, while supplies last. *Sewing needle not included*</p> <p><b>Teen Take &amp; Make: Dino Nugget Keychain</b> Monday, June 29, All day Pick up everything you need to make your own (non-edible) dino nugget to decorate your bag or keys! First come, first served while supplies last.</p>	<p><b>Summer Reading Program</b> Summer reading starts May 29th! Come in and pick up your tracking sheet any time to get started.</p> <p><b>Taylor's Traveling Trupe</b> Wednesday, June 3, 1 pm A petting zoo featuring exotics and farm animals that you can pet and hold. Animals will be on the front lawn near the entrance.</p> <p><b>Utah Dino Tracks</b> Wednesday, June 10, 11 am Enjoy hands-on dino play time, such as looking at and touching REAL dinosaur fossils, fossil excavation stations, carnival-style dino games, and MORE for during this EPIC 1-hour dinosaur adventure!</p> <p><b>Utah Puppet Theater</b> Friday, June 12, 11 am Enjoy a fun and funny puppet show presented by the Utah Puppet Theater!</p> <p><b>Mont Magic Show</b> Wednesday, June 17, 11 am Come enjoy a fun and interactive magic show with magician Mont Duston!</p> <p><b>The Jeannie Luke Choir:</b> In the Good Old Summer Time Thursday, June 18, 4 pm Join The Jeannie Luke Choir as they sing favorite songs to welcome in the summer.</p> <p><b>Exploring the Underground World of the Mountain West</b> Wednesday, June 24, 11 am Cave explorer and author Brandon Kowallis will share adventure stories from his decades of cave exploration and introduce the audience to safe caving practices.</p> <p><b>Revealing Reptiles</b> Friday, June 26, 11 am Participants will get up close and personal with two of our favorite cold blooded friends as they explore the fascinating lives of reptiles.</p>	<p><b>All Ability Kids</b> Monday, June 1, All day Pick up an activity kit designed for ADULTS and TEENS with intellectual disabilities while supplies last!</p> <p><b>Sound Bath Experience</b> Tuesday, June 9, 7 pm Using instruments like crystal bowls, chimes, drums, rattle and tuning forks, you will experience a variety of vibrations and frequencies to help calm the mind, regulate the nervous system and stimulate deep relaxation. Be prepared to lay down, rest and enjoy. Bring a mat, blanket, pillow, warm clothes or anything else to help you get nice and cozy.</p> <p><b>All Ability Activities:</b> Summer Bingo Tuesday, June 16, 1:30 Join us in-person for a fun bingo game and the opportunity to connect with each other and the community. Designed for ADULTS and TEENS with intellectual disabilities.</p> <p><b>Adult (and Teen!) DIY: Dino Egg Bath Bombs</b> Tuesday, June 16, 7 pm Get into the summer reading spirit with an egg-shaped bath bomb hiding a baby dinosaur surprise! Arrive on time, space is limited!</p> <p><b>Nonfiction Book Club</b> Wednesday, June 17, 7 pm Join us for a discussion of new and noteworthy nonfiction books. This month's book is <i>Revenge of the Tipping Point</i> by Malcolm Gladwell. New readers are always welcome!</p> <p><b>Kids</b> Lego Club: Summer Edition! Wednesday, June 3, 11 am Build and create with tons of our LEGO® bricks. Held in the Storytime Room upstairs.</p> <p><b>Read to a Dog!</b> Saturdays June 13 and 27, 11 am Read a book to Geo, a therapy dog who loves being read to! For kids of all ages. Stop by the children's desk on the morning of the activity to sign up.</p>
Early Learners		
<p><b>Family Storytime</b> Tuesdays June 2, 9, 16, 30 10:15 am Storytime fun for the whole family. We'll be talking, singing, reading, writing and playing.</p> <p><b>Ready, Set, Move!</b> Thursdays June 4, 11, 18, 25 10:15 am Can you "head, shoulders, knees and toes" with the best? Music and movement for little ones and their grown-ups.</p> <p><b>Play &amp; Learn</b> Thursdays June 4, 11, 18, 25 11 am Interactive play and early learning activities for children ages 0-5 and their caring adult(s).</p>		

**The County Library | Whitmore**  
2197 E Fort Union Blvd  
Cottonwood Heights, Utah 84121 | 801.943.4636  
[thecountylibrary.org](http://thecountylibrary.org)

## COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS SENIOR CORNER

**Lifelong Learning Opportunities for Adults 50+**

*In addition to the county senior center activities and Salt Lake County Aging & Adult Services programs, the University of Utah offers an incredible variety of learning opportunities through the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute.*

Enjoy:

- Educational courses, Lecture series, Tours & field trips
- Four 6-week terms each year, Open to adults ages 50+
- Membership: \$40 per year

**Learn more and register at: [continue.utah.edu/osher](http://continue.utah.edu/osher)**

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**Closer to home at the Mt. Olympus Senior Center:**

- ☺ **Free Pancake Breakfast** — 8:30 AM every second Tuesday of the month (BYOB = Bring Your Own Blueberries!)
- ☺ **Painting for Pleasure** — Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

**Please note: The Mt. Olympus Center will be closed Friday, June 19 in observance of Juneteenth.**

**Mt. Olympus Senior Center**  
1635 E. Murray Holladay Rd.  
Holladay, UT  
Call (385) 468-3130 for more information.

# WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS STARTS AT HOME

Assistant Fire Chief Riley Pilgrim



Cottonwood Heights is known for its beautiful location along the Wasatch Front, but living near open space and foothill areas also means living with wildfire risk. As Utah continues to experience hotter, drier conditions and longer fire seasons, preparedness is more important than ever.

Beginning in 2026, new Utah wildfire legislation will increase focus on wildfire mitigation, defensible space, and community preparedness in areas identified as part of the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI). These updates are designed to help protect homes, improve firefighter safety, and reduce wildfire impacts across our communities.

The good news: small actions taken now can make a major difference.

### Quick Steps Homeowners Can Take Today:

- Create Defensible Space — Remove dead vegetation, trim branches away from roofs and chimneys, and keep grasses and weeds cut low within at least 30 feet of your home.
- Prepare a “Ready, Set, Go!” Plan — Know multiple evacuation routes, sign up for emergency alerts, and identify what your family

would take if evacuation became necessary.

- Harden Your Home — Clean leaves from gutters, screen attic vents, and consider ember-resistant materials around decks, fences, and landscaping.
- Pack a Go Bag Now — Include medications, important documents, chargers, pet supplies, and essentials you may need if you must leave quickly.
- Stay Informed — Wildfire conditions can change rapidly. Pay attention to Red Flag Warnings, local restrictions, and emergency notifications throughout the summer.

Wildfire preparedness is a shared responsibility. Taking action now helps protect your home, your neighborhood, and the first responders who serve our community.

### Helpful Resources:

- Utah Division of Forestry, Fire & State



**Lands - Community Wildfire Preparedness**  
(<https://ffsl.utah.gov/wildland-fire/prevention-preparedness/>)

- **Ready, Set, Go! Program** ([https://www.wildlandfirersg.org/s/?language=en\\_US](https://www.wildlandfirersg.org/s/?language=en_US))
- **Utah Wildfire Risk Portal** (<https://wildfirerisk.utah.gov/#RiskAssessment>)
- **Wildfire Risk to Communities** (<https://wildfirerisk.org/>)

## FBI Cyber Awareness Presentation

JUNE 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:00 pm  
Cottonwood Heights City Hall Community Room

Come learn about best practices from FBI experts to stay safe online and ways to report concerns.

Free Community Event

# STAY ALERT. STAY SECURE.

Hackers Don't Need Keys  
Just Carelessness

## WATER SMART AND FIRE SAFE

**PREPARING FOR A DRY SUMMER IN UTAH**

Dry conditions and below-average snowpack increase both water supply concerns and wildfire risk. Small actions today can help protect our community.

WATER SUPPLY MATTERS	WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS
<p>Outdoor water use is the largest contributor to residential water consumption, especially in summer. Efficient use helps ensure a reliable supply for homes, businesses, and the environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Adjust irrigation schedules and water less frequently.</li> <li> Water during early morning or evening hours.</li> <li> Inspect and repair sprinkler systems to prevent waste.</li> <li> Healthy, properly irrigated landscapes use less water over time.</li> </ul>	<p>Dry vegetation and early-season heat increase the risk of wildfires. Taking steps around your property can make a big difference in protecting your home and neighborhood.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Clear dry vegetation, leaves, and debris.</li> <li> Trim trees and shrubs to reduce fire fuel.</li> <li> Maintain defensible space around structures.</li> <li> Remove or store combustible materials away from buildings.</li> </ul>

QUICK TIPS: SAVE WATER & REDUCE FIRE RISK

Water less frequently, but deeply.	Water early morning or evening.	Fix leaks and check sprinkler systems.	Keep landscapes healthy, not overly dry.	Trim and thin vegetation regularly.	Keep a defensible space around your home.	Avoid activities that can spark a wildfire.
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Water conservation and wildfire prevention are closely connected. By using water wisely and maintaining our properties, we can support a sustainable water supply and a safer community this summer.

## Cottonwood Heights Amateur Radio "Field Day" June 27- 28

The Cottonwood Heights Amateur Radio Club (CHARC) will participate in the 2026 ARRL Field Day, a nationwide emergency communications exercise taking place June 27–28, 2026

Field Day is the largest annual amateur radio event in North America and has been organized by the ARRL since 1933. The event allows amateur radio operators — commonly known as “ham radio” operators — to demonstrate their ability to provide emergency communications during disasters, power outages, and other emergencies when traditional communication systems may be unavailable.

Throughout the 24-hour exercise, CHARC members will operate temporary radio stations using portable antennas, generators, solar power, and battery-powered equipment to communicate with amateur radio operators across the United States and

Canada. The event highlights how amateur radio can function independently of internet and cellular networks, making it an important tool for emergency preparedness and community resilience.

Residents are invited to stop by the Field Day site on Saturday, June 27, between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to observe live radio operations, meet local amateur radio operators, and learn more about emergency communications and public service opportunities within the amateur radio community.

Even Information

- **Dates:** June 27–28, 2026
- **Time:** 12:00 p.m. Saturday through 12:00 p.m. Sunday
- **Location:** 2277 Bengal Blvd., Cottonwood Heights, UT 84121
- **Hosted By:** Cottonwood Heights



**Amateur Radio Club (CHARC)**

Amateur radio operators continue to play an important role in supporting communities during emergencies, severe weather events, and public service activities. There are more than 750,000 licensed amateur radio operators in the United States and millions worldwide. ■

## Honoring Six Years of Service: Thank You Lucy Anderson and Dan Mills

*Photo of Lucy Anderson*



Cottonwood Heights extends its sincere appreciation to Planning Commissioners Lucy Anderson and Dan Mills for their dedicated service and lasting contributions. Serving on the Planning Commission requires commitment, thoughtful preparation, and a willingness to carefully consider complex land use and development issues that shape Cottonwood Heights.

Lucy and Dan played important roles in reviewing development proposals, long-range planning initiatives, and policy discussions affecting the city. Their thoughtful participation, professionalism, and commitment to carefully evaluating proposals helped support productive discussions and informed decision-making on behalf of the city.

Reflecting on her time as a commissioner, Lucy shared that she is most proud of the Doverhill project, which involved multiple components and extensive public discussion. She and fellow commissioners worked carefully to ensure the public understood the proposal and that decisions were made thoughtfully and transparently. Lucy also expressed pride in

serving as Chair of the Planning Commission, helping ensure meetings and work sessions ran smoothly and effectively.

Dan Mills reflected on several initiatives he is especially proud to have worked on during his tenure, including the Town Center, the Sensitive Lands Ordinance, and planning efforts related to redevelopment of the north gravel pit area. Dan noted that these projects and policies will help strengthen the city's identity, provide clearer development expectations, and support long-term economic sustainability. He also emphasized the importance of the many smaller neighborhood and property-related decisions made over the years that helped resolve concerns and improve outcomes for residents.

Serving on the Planning Commission often fosters a deeper appreciation for the many staff members, volunteers, and residents who contribute to the success of the city. “I’ve learned that it is really important to understand and be involved in Cottonwood Heights—it is a community,” Lucy said. “It is not difficult to be involved, be informed.”



*Photo of Dan Mills*

Dan's perspective on growth and development evolved through a greater understanding of the city's long-term economic realities and opportunities. He emphasized the importance of thoughtful economic development and collaboration between residents, city leaders, staff, and developers in helping shape successful projects and maintain the city's quality of life.

As new commissioners prepare to serve, both Lucy and Dan offered advice grounded in their years of experience. Dan emphasized the importance of preparation, training, and maintaining a community-focused perspective. They both encouraged new commissioners to work closely with staff, engage with residents, and approach decisions thoughtfully and objectively, always asking how projects can best serve the people of Cottonwood Heights.

We extend our sincere gratitude to both Dan Mills and Lucy Anderson for their years of dedicated service, thoughtful leadership, and commitment to the Cottonwood Heights community. Their positive contributions will have a lasting impact for years to come. ■

### Stay Connected with Cottonwood Heights!

Want to know what's happening in our city? From community events and road projects to City Council meetings, job openings, and our digital newsletter – it's all just a click away. Sign up for our email updates and never miss important news that impacts you and your neighborhood.

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**Be informed. Be involved. Stay connected.**



## Storm-water Tip of the Month

Don't waste the summer by putting yard waste in stormwater. Organic matter such as lawn clippings and leaves or chemicals such as fertilizers and pesticides can deplete stormwater of oxygen. Sweep up yard waste back into your yard or collect and place in the trash. ■

# Evolving Our Paths: The History of Highland Drive and Wasatch Boulevard

Long before we had the luxury of our modern roadways, the paths through our community were carved by the extractive industries of mining and lumbering, and the sheer necessity of connecting isolated homesteads. The roads we travel daily, such as Highland Drive and Wasatch Boulevard, began as rugged paths dictated by the unforgiving topography of the Wasatch Front. Before it evolved into the bustling commercial corridor we know today, Highland Drive began as an unnamed route known as the "Lower County Road." In the late 19th century, its primary purpose was industrial, serving as a main route for transporting lumber from the sawmills of Big Cottonwood Canyon. Access was a literal investment in the state's growth; the first road up the Big Cottonwood Canyon, built in 1850, was a toll road charging one dollar for every load



Photo Credit: Utah Historical Society (1957 photo of 70th South and Highland Drive)

of timber extracted. Beginning in the 1920s, as the Butler Bench transitioned from a resource hub to a residential community, this Lower County Road was formally renamed Highland Drive, eventually extending into our city as 2000 East.

While most Salt Lake Valley streets follow a rigid, regimented grid layout, Wasatch Boulevard stands out as a famous exception. Its meandering angles and broad curves were not a stylistic choice, but a requirement of the mountain terrain it skirts. In the early 1900s, several mining ventures emerged on the west-facing hillsides between Big and Little Cottonwood canyons, including the Golden Porphyry Mines. To service these claims, a path known as the Gold Road was constructed in 1917. Though the mines ultimately closed during the Great Depression, the infrastructure remained. Completed between 1917 and 1919, this Gold Road route provided the first reliable link between the mouths of Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons. Eventually, it became part of the Wasatch Boulevard we recognize today.

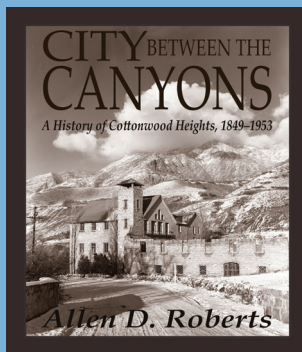
The Golden Road is not the only story of reshaping the landscape into what we now know as Wasatch Boulevard. Before the 1970s, when Wasatch Boulevard was finally cut directly through



Photo Credit: Utah Historical Society (1937 Old Wasatch Boulevard Collection)

the hill south of 7000 South, drivers had to navigate a winding, west-bound sloping path cut into the hillside near the current 7-Eleven. Today, the traces of that old auto trail are still visible on the hillside, serving as a silent reminder of how human beings reshape landscapes to facilitate movement and efficiency. Our modern streets are the most recent physical record of this work. As you navigate the modern thoroughfares in our city, you are following the same tracks that once moved granite and lumber from the canyons to the valley, and helped connect the small, isolated communities that grew together to become modern-day Cottonwood Heights. ■

## Book Sale



### Buy the book!

Get your very own copy of the hardbound history book *City Between the Canyons: A History of Cottonwood Heights, 1849-1953*! Buy yours at City Hall for **\$10** or online at [ch.utah.gov/history-book](http://ch.utah.gov/history-book) for **\$15** with shipping. ■

# MAYOR'S CUP PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT JULY 7-17



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Fire authority ..... 743-7200

Animal control..... 944-7100

Justice court ..... 273-9731

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City manager..... 944-7010

City planning ..... 944-7060

Public works..... 944-7002

Recorder ..... 944-7015

Finance director..... 944-7012

Code enforcement..... 840-4000

Police administration..... 944-7100

## City council meetings

- **June 2:** Work session at 4 p.m. (tentative time), business meeting at 7 p.m. (tentative time)
- **June 16:** Work session at 4 p.m. (tentative time), business meeting at 7 p.m. (tentative time)
- **July 7:** Work session at 4 p.m. (tentative time), business meeting at 7 p.m. (tentative time)

City council meetings are held the first and third Tuesday each month at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. unless otherwise noticed. Agendas are posted at least 24 hours before public meetings at [ch.utah.gov/agendas](http://ch.utah.gov/agendas).

## Planning Commission

The Planning Commission generally holds meetings at 6 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month.

**Editor:** Beatriz Mayorga,  
Communication Manager

## Wasatch Front Waste Recycling District Celebrates Waste and Recycling Workers Week

On June 18th, Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District proudly celebrates our own Waste & Recycling Worker Appreciation Day for our hardworking employees who help keep our communities clean, safe, and running smoothly every day.

From early morning routes to all kinds of weather conditions, garbage and recycling collection teams provide an essential public service that is oftentimes taken for granted. Waste and Recycling Workers Week is an opportunity to show appreciation for their dedication, professionalism, and commitment



to protecting public health and the environment.

Residents can celebrate by offering a friendly wave, a thank you, or simply making sure carts are placed out correctly and safely on collection day. Small gestures of appreciation go a long way in recognizing these dedicated workers who help keep our neighborhoods beautiful year-round. ■

## SUSTAINABILITY

### Water Smart and Fire Safe: Preparing for a Dry Summer in Utah

*Maverick Yeh, Planner III*

As summer approaches, Utah is experiencing dry conditions that increase both water supply concerns and wildfire risk. With below-average snowpack and an early start to the dry season, residents are encouraged to take simple steps now to help conserve water and reduce fire hazards throughout the community.

Outdoor water use remains the largest contributor to residential water consumption, particularly during the summer months. Overwatering lawns and landscapes not only wastes water but can also contribute to inefficient runoff. Adjusting irrigation schedules, watering less frequently, and ensuring sprinkler systems are functioning properly can significantly reduce water use while maintaining healthy landscapes.

At the same time, dry conditions increase the potential for wildfire, particularly in areas near foothills, open space, or unmanaged vegetation. Fire officials across Utah have emphasized that early-season dryness can lead to a higher likelihood of wildfires later in the summer. Simple preventative actions around the home can make a meaningful difference in reducing risk.

Residents are encouraged to maintain their properties by clearing dry vegetation, trimming overgrown plants, and removing combustible materials near structures. Keeping defensible space around homes not only protects individual

properties but also helps reduce the spread of fire within neighborhoods.

Balancing water conservation with landscape health is key. While reducing water use is important, maintaining well-managed and properly irrigated vegetation can also help reduce fire risk. Avoid allowing landscapes to become overly dry or neglected, as unmanaged vegetation can become a potential fuel source.

Water conservation and wildfire prevention are closely connected. By using water efficiently and maintaining properties responsibly, residents can support both a sustainable water supply and a safer community during the dry summer months

#### Quick Tips: Save Water & Reduce Fire Risk

1. **Water lawns less frequently, but deeply**
2. **Water during early morning or evening hours**
3. **Inspect and repair sprinkler systems to avoid wast**
4. **Remove dry vegetation and debris around your home**
5. **Trim trees and shrubs to reduce fire fuel**
6. **Maintain a defensible space around structures**
7. **Avoid overgrown or unmanaged landscaping** ■

## Business Spotlight

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Before real estate, Lisa spent 30 years as a pharmacist—10 was at the Walgreen's in Cottonwood Heights- where trust, discretion, and loyalty were essential. People relied on Lisa for accuracy, patience, and calm guidance during important moments in their lives. That same mindset defines how she approaches real estate today. Buying or selling a home isn't just a transaction—it's a major life decision, and you deserve someone steady, informed, and committed to you and your goals. These values guide

how Lisa cares for her real estate clients today. Lisa's role is simple: Protect your interests, be your resource for all things real estate, communicate clearly and honestly, Guide you confidently on the road home, whether that's now or years from now. If you ever have a real estate question, want market insight, need a trusted referral for a home related service, or want a second opinion, Lisa would be honored to be the person you call. Lisa Fluty- Friend, Pharmacist, Realtor. "The Prescription for the Perfect home." Visit



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Fireworks are legal ONLY in areas not designated as restricted and between 11 a.m. and 11 p.m. on July 2-5 and July 22-25 (the firework discharge time is extended to midnight on July 4 and July 24). See the map to the right for areas (marked in red) where fireworks are prohibited in 2026.

Visit [ch.utah.gov/maps](http://ch.utah.gov/maps) and click **Firework-restricted areas** for an interactive map. To view the county firework restrictions map, visit [ufa.maps.arcgis.com](http://ufa.maps.arcgis.com) ■

