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City Council Article Kelvyn H. Cullimore – MAYOR

On Sept. 8, detectives from the Cottonwood Heights Police Department apprehended and arrested two male suspects partly responsible for a string of burglaries not only in Cottonwood Heights, but across Salt Lake and Utah Counties. The thieves had been targeting open garages and stealing high-end bicycles and golf clubs. Through excellent police work, CHPD detectives identified them, followed them and caught them in the act in an east-side Sandy neighborhood.

To date, our detectives have identified more than 45 stolen items pawned by these criminals, property that is valued at over \$100,000. One resident of Cottonwood Heights who was victimized by this crime spree wrote a note of appreciation indicating they never expected to have their expensive road bike recovered.

Another local resident had just stepped out of the shower when her doorbell rang and she was unable

to answer. A few minutes later, her sliding patio door was shattered as a perpetrator, believing no one was home, threw a propane tank through the glass and began carrying off electronic equipment. A call to 9-1-1 resulted in officers arriving in time to apprehend the person as he fled down the street with stolen goods in hand. I am certain that our police department's average response time of four and a half minutes, one of the best response times in the state, is the reason he was caught.

This type of excellent police work is routine for CHPD. While Cottonwood Heights is not a high-crime area, any type of crime leaves our residents feeling violated and fearful. The apprehension of criminals helps restore a sense of peace and safety in our community.

We receive many compliments about the effectiveness of our law enforcement efforts in Cottonwood Heights. But I also receive "complaints" from citizens who feel we have too many officers that appear to have nothing better to do than write "petty" tickets for speeding or other less serious offenses. Most

complainants acknowledge they have recently been on the receiving end of a well-deserved citation! Though I am not going to assert that our officers are perfect and never make a mistake, I will say that the visibility of our officers is a major deterrent to crime. If law-abiding citizens notice the police presence in the city and neighborhoods, so do potential criminals.

In the city's view, traffic enforcement improves safety on the roads for all drivers. Some assert that we are trying to raise revenue. That is not the case. Sixty-five percent of the fine associated with any moving violation is paid to the state, not the city. The revenue we generate from traffic citations constitutes less than two percent of our police budget. Simply stated, our goal in traffic enforcement is to make the roads safer for all and to reduce property damage and personal injury associated with aggressive driving.

We have specifically focused on DUI's. One officer who recently returned from a tour of duty in Afghanistan has issued 42 DUI

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City Council To Vote On Petition To Disconnect Tavaci

At the beginning of August, after the city council denied the city-initiated Canyon Resort Residential Zone, Tavaci owner Terry Diehl filed a voluminous petition to disconnect the development from the city and requested that the city allow the project to become part of unincorporated Salt Lake County.

The petition covers 87.1 acres, including approximately 41.4 acres controlled by Diehl, three lots owned by others (2.9 acres), and contiguous ground owned by Salt Lake County (38.4 acres) and Salt Lake City (4.4 acres).

As part of the disconnection process under Utah state law, Diehl gave public notice of his

petition, including publishing the notice in the newspaper for three consecutive weeks. After that, the city council had 30 days to hold a public hearing regarding the matter and another 45 days to vote on whether to allow the disconnection.

The public hearing regarding the proposed disconnection was held during city council meeting on Sept. 20. A representative for Diehl and a representative for other property owners in the Tavaci development were each given time to present information to the city council. The public was then invited to comment on the proposed disconnection.

The next step is a vote on the petition. The council has

tentatively scheduled the vote for their Nov. 1 city council meeting. If they choose not to allow the disconnection, Diehl has stated his intention to pursue the matter in Third District Court.

City council meeting agendas can be found under the Public Records tab on the city's website at www.ch.utah.gov.

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Chief Robby Russo

Chief's CORNER**Preventing Residential Burglaries**

These last few weeks we have been experiencing a rash of garage burglaries where high-end mountain bikes are left in plain sight and stolen from the garage in the middle of the day. The bikes are pawned within hours and the thief is off to get his next fix. Half of our burglaries occur during the daylight hours, so please remember to keep that garage door closed.

When burglaries occur inside the home, the most common force used to gain entry is to simply kick the door. Usually the frame splinters away allowing the burglar to enter. Remember, the lock is only as good as the door and frame molding.

I suggest you check the existing frame for wear and tear. If it is worn, replace it. The weakest point is usually the door jamb, and

expensive locks and deadbolts won't prevent failure in the frame.

Start by going to the hardware store and replace those half-inch screws which attach the striker plates with three- to four-inch wood screws that are long enough to anchor into the studs. Most stores also carry heavy-duty strike plates with four screws, but simply using the longer screws in the existing plate will vastly improve the security of your door. To resist attacks from pry tools, install a deadbolt with at least a one-inch bolt and use the same technique of anchoring the strike plate to the frame with longer screws.

Lastly, please remember to lock the entry door from your garage to the home. A failure in your garage door or inadvertent oversight can give a crook easy access to your home without making a sound, even while you're sleeping. It's a disturbing thought!

**MONTHLY PATROL TIP:**

Last week a person came to a resident's door claiming to be a technician from the resident's alarm company. He told the homeowner that the alarm company sent him over to change the batteries in her system because it was not working. After he "serviced" her alarm panel and left, she called the alarm company to verify that he was supposed to be there. Not only was he not sent by the alarm company, but her alarm had been disabled.

Please be aware that alarm companies will not send technicians to a residence unless the homeowner has called for service or an appointment has been made in advance.



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Cottonwood Heights Police Department: PROTECTING OUR CITIZENS

citations since July. CHPD averages more than 200 DUI citations per year. We emphasize DUI enforcement and have low tolerance for such behaviors on our streets because DUI is a major cause of property damage and personal injury – even more than all violent felony crime combined.

CHPD has a strong complement of professional, well-trained officers, many of whom hold college degrees. The officers in our department average around 12 years of experience each. This wealth of experience allows our officers to handle the most serious of crimes. The investigation of a murder two years ago in our city was lauded by the district attorney as one of the most professionally investigated and well-presented cases they had seen.

The fact we are a small department belies the capabilities of our trained professionals. We feature a K-9 unit that is recognized as one of the best in the valley. We have our own Crime Scene Investigator (CSI) who works with the state crime lab. Sandy, South Jordan and Cottonwood Heights share a SWAT team. We recently trained

an investigator to specifically target prescription drug fraud, an effort which has already brought about several arrests. We may not be a large department, but our officers are very good at what they do and we possess the resources to address any crime in our city.

This creative approach to policing has led to a clearance rate of almost 90 percent on CHPD's violent felony cases. That means 90 percent of the violent felonies that occur in our city have been solved, with the criminals apprehended and charges filed.

In protecting our city, our officers literally put their lives on the line. In CHPD's three years as a department, there have been numerous occasions when our officers have been assaulted or fired upon. Besides exposure to personal dangers, these officers are also first responders to emergencies and traumas. One of the most challenging aspects of their job is coping with tragedy: a young person overdosing on drugs; suicide; domestic violence or child/elder abuse.

It is exhilarating when officers can report a crime resolution, return stolen property or locate a missing person. It is equally sobering when they have to console residents who have been victimized by crime or lost a loved one. In visiting a family who recently lost their home to fire, a woman tearfully rehearsed for me how touched she was to see one of our officers performing CPR on their pet dog who had succumbed to smoke inhalation from the fire.

September marked the three-year anniversary of the formation of our police department. I believe CHPD is comprised of the finest officers in the state—officers who are committed to keeping our roads safe and our citizens protected from crime. I commend them for a job well done. Please join me in that effort by thanking an officer next time you see them. They perform dangerous duties for moderate pay in order to make Cottonwood Heights a better and safer place to live.



COMMUNITY CULTURE



Arts Council Hosts Exhibit At Whitmore

The Cottonwood Heights Arts Council and Whitmore Library have teamed up to sponsor an art exhibit featuring the work of local artists. Visitors can peruse the artwork in the library's lower level gallery through the end of October.

Artists Karen Brasher, Georgia Bruening, Kendra Burton, Bruce Hansen, Barbara Hickok, Anthony Ithurrealde, Robert Ithurrealde, Bus Riley and Jenny Yau contributed pieces to the display.

As a special treat, the arts council will host a meet and greet with the artists on Thursday, Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. in the conference room. Don't miss this chance to meet the artists and discuss their work.



Community SPOTLIGHT

Former Councilwoman Nicole Omer was honored for her service to the city with a going-away gift and a plaque at city council meeting on Sept. 6.

Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore also read a proclamation commending Omer for her willingness to "listen to the concerns and suggestions of her constituents and then implement positive changes to benefit residents of her district."

Omer found new employment with the University of Colorado in Denver, and submitted notice of her resignation in August. Her last day on the council was Sept. 13.

During her term on the city council, Omer served as the city council liaison



for the Cottonwood Heights Arts Council and was chair of the Administrative Control Board for the Salt Lake County Sanitation Division. She was also a member of the Long-range Planning Committee for Ending Homelessness and the city's Audit Committee.

The city council recognized Butlerville Days Chairwoman Georgia Anderson at city council meeting on Sept. 27, and thanked her for efforts to plan a successful city celebration this year.

Anderson served as co-chair on the Butlerville Days Committee last year before taking over as chair for this year's event, which drew thousands of people despite the temperamental weather.

She set a goal of focusing on the history of the city and then planned events and activities accordingly, finding volunteer period actors who told stories of the city's



early settlers and creating pioneer games for children.

A particularly difficult challenge to planning this year's event was the ongoing school construction at Butler Park. Anderson's creativity and flexibility helped the committee find ways to work around the construction, and the event went off without a problem.

Thanks, Georgia, for your hard work on the Butlerville Days celebration!



Council decides to postpone action on Rolling Knolls / 6675 South traffic proposal

The Rolling Knolls/6675 South Traffic Project has been underway for 18 months. A proposal championed by Councilwoman Nicole Omer was presented to the city council on Aug. 23 and was made available for public review on the city's website. The proposal included efforts to create a second drop-off/pick-up zone for Bella Vista Elementary, the creation of a one-way street westbound on 6675 S. and various traffic calming measures.

A public comment period was held during city council meeting on Sept. 6 and a decision was tentatively scheduled to be made on Sept. 13. However, based on the comments received by the council from residents in the neighborhood and unresolved concerns regarding the impact of the one-way street and an uncertainty about securing the second access point to Bella Vista, they decided to postpone formal action on the proposal. Instead, the council made a commitment to concerned residents that they will continue studying the issue for a viable solution that will address neighborhood concerns without simply moving the problem to other areas. For updates on this issue, check the Hot Topics section of the city website.



October 2011



Cottonwood Heights will hold a municipal election on **Tuesday, November 8**. The election will decide city council seats for District One and District Two. The four candidates are listed here along with biographical summaries which were submitted by the candidates and are printed in their original form. More information regarding the general election can be found at ch.utah.gov/public_records.election.html.

City Council Candidates – District Two

James H. Thuet, MPA
City Council Candidate
District Two



The issues facing Cottonwood Heights pale in comparison to the issues facing many of our neighboring cities. We enjoy a high standard of living, our city is solvent, and we have a low crime rate due to a world class police force.

The most pressing issue, in my opinion is securing our future as “The City other Cities Compare themselves to”. We are blessed with scenic canyons and a prime location. Unfortunately these blessings attract individuals who would exploit them for short term gain with no regard to long term destruction. We must be forward thinking and balance responsible growth with stewardship. That means no “Disneyland or Trump Tower at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon, it also means softscaping and setbacks for new construction, and it means listening to the residents through e-mail, surveys and focus groups and responding to their concerns.

Qualifications:

Adjunct Professor; Administrator; Management Auditor; Contract Manager and Hearing Officer. With over 30 years of public service in Transportation; Human Services; Vocational Rehabilitation and Health.

Community Service:

Led efforts to prevent development in the mouth of the canyon (Holiday Gun club).
Successfully petitioned County Commissioners to ban alcohol in County parks

I am a resident of CH for 24 years.

Platform:

- Scrutinize all City expenditures; it's your money
- Resist irresponsible building in the mouth of the canyon
- Inform residents of pending issues that may impact them
- Reply to your queries
- Represent your views and wishes

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Scott Bracken
City Council Candidate
District Two



Scott Bracken and his wife Ann purchased their first home 17 years ago in Cottonwood Heights. Both were involved with the incorporation effort and love the community. Scott's desires to see effective local control of vital community issues, prudent budgeting, and approachable government, were the motivators behind his successful election to the inaugural City Council.

Those desires have been realized many times over.

- Scott's role in local critical decisions, such as public safety, traffic calming, parks and trails improvements, and controversial concepts like tall buildings and resorts at the mouth of the canyon have been significant in maintaining our lifestyle.
- Our city runs a very tight and balanced budget so that even in difficult financial times, providing quality services is accomplished sensibly. Cottonwood Heights is the largest debt-free city in Utah.
- Scott responds quickly to citizen's e-mails & phone calls. He has set up a Facebook page that constituents can “Like” to see what he's doing (www.facebook.com/scott.bracken2).

Cottonwood Heights is a premier place to live. Both private and corporate citizens realize the benefits of incorporation. Scott's knowledge, integrity, open-mindedness, and track record of implementing solid decisions make him the obvious choice for District 2.

On the council, Scott has been instrumental in:

- Creation and supervision of the Youth City Council. When approached by high school students in 2006 with the idea, Scott took the lead role in creating this service organization of youth for the city.
- Implementing traffic calming on the “Brighton Bump”, road striping on Bengal Blvd, Banbury, Nantucket, and Parkridge roads, as well as sidewalks on school walking routes.
- Oversight of many city events such as Butlerville Days, Teen & Children's Easter Egg Hunts, Bark in the Park, Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Fairs, & Meet the Candidates.



City And Rec Center Team Up For “Pooch Plunge”

Attention Cottonwood Heights dog owners! You are invited to participate in a one-time-only chance to let your dogs swim in the Cottonwood Heights Rec Center's outdoor pool! That's right, the city and the rec center are teaming up for the first-ever “Pooch Plunge” on Nov. 5 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The rec center is getting ready to drain the outdoor pool in preparation for improvements that will be made to the structure, and event organizers saw this as an opportunity to let local pooches get in on the fun of swimming in the pool.

Only licensed dogs will be allowed in the pool,

and only 200 dogs will be allowed to participate. Cost for the event is \$5 per dog and pet owners can pre-register their dogs by calling or visiting the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center.

But the dogs aren't the only ones who will enjoy themselves. Dog owners will be treated to hot chocolate, a “doggie bag” of goodies, and various vendors will display pet-related services and information.

Call the rec center at 801-943-3190 and watch the city website, www.ch.utah.gov, for more information as the event approaches.



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City Council Candidates – District One

Mike Shelton City Council Candidate District One



Mike Shelton has built and run a business similar to Cottonwood Heights in size and budget. He has an extensive background in what it takes to make a business successful, having built and run all aspects of several businesses over the last 17 years. Building businesses requires evaluating the important issues and then taking action. Mike's career has put him in the path of thousands of critical decisions. Part of his success has been his ability to evaluate situations, make decisions and then take action. Mike's ability to get things done is one of the primary reasons that he has been endorsed by the current District One City Council Member, Gordon Thomas.

Mike was awarded 5 US Patents as an inventor of technology. Mike has successfully negotiated agreements with parties ranging from family farmers to Fortune 500 company lawyers. Negotiating deals requires finding common ground and getting to an agreement.

Mike Shelton was appointed by Mayor Cullimore to be a member of a transition team tasked with dividing the assets of the Jordan School District when the Canyons District was formed. He has also volunteered his time in the local public schools that his children attend as well as serving youth as a coach and scoutmaster. Mike is committed to serving his community.

Mike is a firm believer in the principle of hard work. From a young age, he was taught that hard work could solve most problems. It is important to find the most efficient way to accomplish a task, but rarely is anything important accomplished without hard work.

Mike Shelton brings a unique blend of experienced business management, negotiation skills, cooperation, leadership, decision making, community commitment, and hard work that combine to make him uniquely qualified to be the next Cottonwood Heights City Council Representative from District One.

Janet Janke City Council Candidate District One



Janet Janke is a long-time resident of Cottonwood Heights currently serving her second term on the Board of Trustees for the Cottonwood Heights Parks and Recreation Service Area, with budget responsibility of over \$4 million annually. She is proficient in evaluating and setting policies and in monitoring and maintaining inter-local agreements between the city, county, school district and the service area. Janet is involved in her community and was a former PTA President at Ridgecrest Elementary School.

Janet is committed to keeping the city of Cottonwood Heights a safe and desirable place for families to live and enjoy. She is a supporter of local businesses and believes in attracting quality businesses that will enhance and benefit the community. She stands for "careful and conscientious" spending of public funds while maintaining a balanced budget and a healthy fund balance. Considering herself a "public servant" rather than a "politician", she is as an advocate for and accountable to the citizens, promoting customer service principles as a priority, and continuing to support emergency preparedness in this area.

Professionally, Janet provided coaching, training and consulting to individuals and groups of all levels within a wide range of industry disciplines for over 20 years. She has extensive business experience with a background in human resources, training, customer service, career development, outplacement, and administration. Janet has worked with communities and organizations to develop workforces that are excited about their jobs and motivated to deliver exceptional customer service.

A presenter and guest speaker in both academic and corporate settings, Janet attended BYU and the University of Utah where she received a Certificate in Human Resource Management. She and her husband, Lane, are sports fans, enjoy playing golf and spending time with family and friends.

City Council to Appoint District Three Councilperson

The Cottonwood Heights City Council will appoint a new councilperson from District Three at their meeting on Oct. 11.

Former District Three Councilwoman Nicole Omer resigned as of Sept. 13 to pursue employment in Colorado. Because her resignation came too late in the year to hold an election for the seat, the council is charged with appointing a new councilperson to fill the post.

The city council solicited letters of interest from any residents of District Three who were interested in serving on the council.

Those who submitted letters of interest are:

- Dax Anderson
- Don Antczak
- Jaren Davis
- Joseph Demma
- Ben Derrick
- Michael Hanson
- Sheryl Ivey
- Gordon Nicholl
- John Peterson
- Mike Peterson
- Carl Reed
- Ronnie Taylor

The council is in the process of interviewing all the candidates for the position and will announce their decision Oct. 11. The new councilperson will be sworn in and begin their service on Oct. 12.

Importance Of Master Planning And The Role Of Citizens
And Community Groups—Part 6

“If you don’t know where you are going, it’s very difficult to get there.” This simple statement explains why careful planning is essential as a city looks to its future. In an effort to help residents understand the city planning process a little better, we launched this series of articles that took a closer look at the function of the city’s master plan, also known as the general plan. We also looked at the principles city leaders use as a guide in making decisions about the general plan and how citizen input is vital to a successful process.

The general plan should help citizens to understand possible changes, put them in a proper context, and help define obligations of city officials with respect to appropriate decision-making. By using the following widely-held planning ideals as a guide, city leaders can strategize to purposefully and successfully make difficult planning decisions.

- 1. Cottonwood Heights as a Leader** – The city will build on Cottonwood Heights’ reputation as a leader in quality of life, education, commerce and culture. The city will be innovative, encouraging growth while enhancing and preserving our community’s amenities.
- 2. Maintain the Balance** – Cottonwood Heights works to maintain its unique balance of first-class services with hometown convenience, small town quality of life with global access, and quality development throughout the city. The city encourages planned development, which complements the city’s attractive and defining amenities. A balance of residential and commercial development assures a balanced tax base for all residents.
- 3. Amplify Community Character** – As Cottonwood Heights grows and evolves, the city will maintain and enhance its unique character with a unity of purpose and quiet confidence. The city is committed to a strong business community and outstanding residential neighborhoods, all designed to create a true community objective. The city will continue to provide open access to governmental leadership, working to streamline regulation while protecting the public interest.
- 4. City of Opportunity** — The city actively promotes a progressive business climate, seizing opportunities to encourage entrepreneurial ventures while taking full advantage of the city’s strategic location in the Salt Lake Valley, adjacent to the Cottonwood Canyons. The city targets appropriate development, including all classes of office space, with particular emphasis on the Fort Union Corridor, Cottonwood Corporate Center Area, and the future development of Wasatch Boulevard. Maintaining competitive centers of employment within the city helps to make Cottonwood Heights a more desirable place to live.
- 5. Community Accessibility** – The city will plan for transportation that creates ease of access and efficient traffic management while preserving the historical community roads and byways. The city will strive to

be more pedestrian friendly, providing alternative transportation choices and encouraging pedestrian and bicycle paths by incorporating those uses into our parks and recreation system. The city will strive to work with the appropriate agencies to secure fundamental and innovative transportation projects necessary to the proper growth and development of the city.

- 6. Community Connections** – The city will use master planning as a means to strengthen community connections, including expanded ties between the city and regional entities, development of public private partnerships for community benefit, and coordination of volunteer efforts for maximum impact. We will build economic, civic and communication bridges among all components of Cottonwood Heights.
 - 7. Community of Excellence** – Cottonwood Heights expects excellence from educational systems and civic endeavors. The city works to develop collective pride in property ownership through the reduction of blighted property and the establishment of gateways through regulation of signage and landscaping, thus creating a cleaner, safer and more livable community.
 - 8. Respect for Private Property Rights** – While advocating guidance through a general plan and properly applied zoning principles, Cottonwood Heights recognizes the private property rights of all property owners. The city will work with property owners to realize value in general plan concepts and appropriate development guidelines while being flexible in considering the desires of property owners in pursuing appropriate uses for their property. Every effort will be made to help property owners understand the value of good planning principles and to facilitate property development and changes that are consistent with those principles and the law. The city does not maintain it has a corner on all good development concepts. Adaptation to economic, geologic and cultural changes will be necessary.
- These community values are broadly held and form a foundation for any proposed planning actions, while providing the value system upon which land use regulation is promulgated. They act as a benchmark for evaluation as city leaders face decisions that will direct the course of community development in Cottonwood Heights. By considering these values, leaders can look with greater understanding at each of the specific components that creates a master plan.
- If you would like to read previous articles in this series, please visit our website, www.ch.utah.gov/get_involved.newsjournal.html.

The following paragraphs provide guidelines on how to balance responsible development with preservation of the city’s natural resources and what measures the city’s decision-makers use to assess land use applications. The city’s efforts to draft a sensitive lands ordinance are an example of how this concept affects legislative decisions in the Cottonwood Heights.

SEEK SUSTAINABILITY

Cottonwood Heights is committed to the effective management of our finite and renewable economic, environmental, social and technological resources to ensure they exist to serve future needs. It is essential to always provide sufficient resources to maintain or improve the level of services, environmental quality, vitality, and access to amenities that contribute to the quality of life Cottonwood Heights offers today.

Guiding Principle

A balance must be maintained between development on private property, recreational activities, and the natural environment for Cottonwood Heights to continue enjoying a viable and healthy economy and a desirable quality of life. Since our natural environment is interdependent with the larger community surrounding City, it is also important to work with surrounding communities and landowners (public and private) to ensure that local efforts are successful on a broader scale. Preserving and enhancing the existing natural environment is highly desirable to maintain the quality of life and to remain economically competitive with other communities along the Wasatch Front. It is important to work cooperatively with state and federal governmental agencies to resolve these issues. Environmental considerations must be part of community land use planning, recreational development, and the planning of large-scale developments.

The City desires to preserve, enhance, and protect the natural features and the aesthetic qualities they provide to residents and visitors alike. Such natural features are ridgelines, hillsides, stream corridors, flood plains, and areas with significant vegetation. These are all features that make Cottonwood Heights appealing as a place to visit and live. Success in developing this balance will include efforts to support:

- Innovative, fair and consistent land use regulations
- Protection and restoration of the area’s ecosystem
- Ecological awareness and educational outreach
- Environmental management

Key Assumptions

- A high “quality of life” encompasses all aspects of community life and requires diversity, balance and durability.
- Development of land use patterns, which are compatible with and supportive of the alternative modes of transportation provided or planned for, help reduce reliance on the private automobile. *Continued pg 5*

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- Promoting a variety of compatible land uses throughout the community in appropriate locations will allow people to live, work, play and shop in the same general area.

Points the City considers when making decisions about the sensitive balance of living in Cottonwood Heights:

- Live/work/play opportunities
- Environmental building
- Energy & water conservation
- Waste reduction
- Site design
- Alternative transportation opportunities
- Enhanced social interaction
- Safety and security
- Enhancement of property values
- Ensure high quality of life
- Wise and efficient use of mountain resources
- Cottonwood Heights’ role in regional issues
- Conserve and enhance viable existing neighborhoods
- Encourage diversity
- Encourage access and use of public educational/recreational/cultural resources
- View long-term benefits over short-term gains



Cottonwood Heights’ city employees are sponsoring a Sub for Santa Program again this year. After the very successful Sub for Santa projects of the last several years, the city is anticipating an equally successful response in 2011.

This program is designed to enable Cottonwood Heights’ residents to contribute to or be recipients of the spirit of giving that characterizes the Christmas season. With generous donations from residents, staff, businesses and others, we hope to be able to provide Christmas for a few local families who are experiencing hard times.

Financial donations and gift certificates may be mailed to or dropped off at the city offices, located at 1265 East Fort Union Blvd., Ste. 250. Those who wish to donate but prefer to purchase gifts and deliver them to the city can contact Kellie Challburg at 801-944-7022 or kchallburg@ch.utah.gov for a list of specific needs.

Recommendations for possible recipients must be sent to Kellie by Nov. 18. All information will remain confidential.



Fall Leaf Bag Program

Leaf bags available at the city offices, rec center, Whitmore Library, and fire stations starting Oct. 1.

Drop off full bags at Bywater Park, Oct. 15-Nov. 30

No curbside pickup.

More information:
www.sanitation.slco.org/html/leafCollection.html

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Butler Middle School Principal Marsha Morgan learned a new skill to help kick off construction of the new 177,000-square-foot school — how to operate “the claw,” a large earth-mover used by construction crews to dig the school’s foundation. To cheers from students, faculty and community members who had gathered for the Sept. 8 groundbreaking ceremony, Morgan hopped into the cab of the machine and pulled a few levers to turn over the first load of dirt.

The turning-of-the-dirt ceremony marked the first time Canyons, which was founded in 2009, has broken ground on a new middle school.

The new Butler Middle School is being built directly behind the current school at 7530 S. 2700 E., and is expected to open for the 2013-2014 school year. At completion, the school will have air-conditioning, state-of-the-art classrooms, a 1,000-seat auditorium theater and a spacious commons area, as well as a gymnasium with two full courts, 12 basketball hoops, two large

locker rooms, two fitness rooms dedicated to dance and strength training, and an elevated indoor track with a special surface for running.

Butler students will remain in the old school while crews work on the new one. The school, which will retain its name, is being completed with the help of a \$250 million bond approved by Canyons voters. It is one of 13 construction and renovation projects identified as priorities by the Canyons Board of Education. The board of education chose the firm VCBO Architecture to spearhead the project’s design. Hughes Construction has been contracted to build the new facility.



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9:00 AM
START TIME

THANKSGIVING DAY 5K 2011
for all ages

Register at runcottonwoodheights.com

COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS
PARKS & RECREATION

GRANITE

CAMP TURKEY
Get in shape for our
Thanksgiving Day 5k at our
6-week running camp that begins Oct. 10,
2011...price includes race entry. Camp
enrollment is limited, so register today!

SilverSneakers®
Coming to CHRC
in Oct...

**Cottonwood Heights
Recreation Center**
801.943.3190 7500 S.2700 S.

**Lap Swimming
& Water Aerobics**
(no open plunge this month)
Dive in this month for lap swimming
or water aerobics in our outdoor
pools, weather permitting. Pick
up a schedule at our front desk
or go to our website for hrs.
Pooch Plunge
Nov.5 at CHRC 10am-12pm
\$5 a dog: call for details!

**Free Monster
Mash Halloween
Party on Ice**
Friday Oct. 28
4-6pm
For kids 12 & under:
ice skating, games,
prizes, haunted hallway,
treats—ALL FREE.

Fall LTS Sessions
(hockey & figure skating)
Learn to skate is a year-round
skating program for beginning
skaters of all ages & levels.
Starts the week of Oct.25

**Take a Tour,
Receive a
-FREE Day Pass**
Affordable memberships
& day rates always available.
(*tours for ages 18+ only)

Public Skating
Skate on our
Olympic-size ice
arena~call for hrs.
Cool Parties
Reserve the ice party
room early this season!

**UEA
Oct. 20, 21**
Extra public skating:
2-4pm
**Halloween
Oct.31**
Facility Hrs: 6am-5pm

**Semi-annual
Biggest Loser Camp**
Oct. 3-Dec. 12
Lose weight thru group motivation &
team challenges. During Camp get:
★ unlimited access to our fitness classes
★ unlimited access to our fitness & cardio rms
★ nutritional info
★ prizes...AND SO MUCH MORE!
Go to our website for more info.

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

All City Council business meetings are held in the council chambers, 1265 East Fort Union Blvd., Ste. 300. The work meetings are held in the conference room at the same address but in Ste. 250. The October meeting schedule is as follows:

- **Tuesday, October 4th**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
- **Tuesday, October 11th**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
(reconvenes following business meeting)
7 p.m. Business Meeting
- **Tuesday, October 18th**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
- **Tuesday, October 25th**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
(reconvenes following business meeting)
7 p.m. Business Meeting
- **Tuesday, November 1st**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
(reconvenes following business meeting)
7 p.m. Business Meeting

Mountview Elementary School

Mountview Park

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Construction on Mountview Park is well underway! Crews from Miller Paving are working on grading the land, and a deceleration lane into the park is already finished. Stay tuned to the website and the News Journal for updates on the park's progress!