

# HIGHLAND INSIDER

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## 2016 NOTICE OF OUTDOOR WATER CONSERVATION

Highland City's pressurized irrigation (PI) system is a valuable resource for residents. The City's primary water source for the PI system is the American Fork River and water from Deer Creek Reservoir. These sources of water will be limited due to a series of winters with below normal snow pack and low reservoir levels. As such, Highland City is encouraging water conservation efforts to allow sufficient water throughout the spring and summer to all residents. Typically, our community uses 50% more water than necessary to water our yards.

It is necessary for all residents to conserve water wherever possible to avoid any mandatory watering restrictions. In order to accomplish this, we are asking that you follow these guidelines to help conserve water. These guidelines are meant to not only help us conserve water but also to help with the functionality of the PI system city-wide. Please follow the guidelines below:

### Watering Schedule:

- Even Numbered Street Address: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
- Odd Numbered Street Address: Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday
- No Sunday Residential Watering, allowing the storage facilities to fill.
- Recommended watering hours from 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Prepare your lawn and yard by taking the following conservation measures:

- Water deeper and less frequently
- Mulch around outdoor plants and shrubs
- Raise the lawn mower to retain moisture near grass roots
- Provide recommended fertilizer to lawns
- Spot water dry spots with a hose versus running a sprinkler cycle
- Adjust sprinklers to water lawns, flowers, and gardens to avoid excessive flow and runoff onto sidewalks and streets.
- Adjust sprinkler timers through the year and do your part to conserve water by turning off sprinklers after rain storms.

Through proper utilization and conservation of our precious water resources all residents will have sufficient water through the year.

For questions, please contact the City Offices at (801) 756-5751 or visit our web site [www.highlandcity.org](http://www.highlandcity.org) for links to water conservation information.

### CITY CALENDAR

May 3: City Council\*, 7:00 p.m.

May 5: Youth Fishing Class Starts

May 6-7: Spring Clean-Up

May 7: Arbor Day Tree Sale

May 12: City Budget Open House

May 17: City Council\*, 7:00 p.m.

May 24: Planning Commission\*, 7:00 p.m.

\*Access to Statewide Public Notifications, including City Council, Planning Commission and Committee Agendas, Meeting Minutes and various other notifications can be found at [www.utah.gov/pmn](http://www.utah.gov/pmn)

### PHONE NUMBERS

City Offices 801-756-5751, 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday

Library 801-772-4528

Justice Court 801-772-4525

Police Department/Animal Control 801-756-9800

Fire Department 801-763-5365

After-Hours Public Works Emergencies (water, sewer, streets) 801-420-2553

Republic Services (garbage and recycle pick-up, can repairs) 801-785-5935

Report a concern, pay your bill, etc. online at: [www.highlandcity.org](http://www.highlandcity.org)

### SOCIAL MEDIA

Check us out on Facebook and Twitter @HighlandCity

## Utility Rate Study

Over the past year, Highland City has made an effort to better understand the true cost of utility services. City Council and staff worked together to create master plans and maintenance plans and update our impact fees. Once that was complete, the City hired a consulting firm to complete a Utility Rate Study. Their findings show that **our current utility rates do not provide enough revenue for the City to carry out that needed maintenance and capital improvement to ensure good service now and in the future.**

Right now the final calculations are still being conducted to determine what the bottom line cost will be on utility bills. It is anticipated that the consultant will make final a final presentation to City Council on Tuesday, May 3 at the 7:00 City Council meeting. Additional information including a discussion on impact fees, rate history, needed projects, and background information can be found at [www.highlandcity.org](http://www.highlandcity.org). Updates will also be shared there as they become available. If after reading the information you still have questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at 801-756-5751.

**Recreation Programs** Highland City participates with [Cedar Hills City Recreation](#). All youth sports and recreation programs are available with no additional non-resident fees. Please contact Cedar Hills Recreation at [recreation@cedarhills.org](mailto:recreation@cedarhills.org) or call: 801-785-9668, ext. 302.



**Highland Library  
Re-Write!**

**Come see some  
exciting changes  
and improvements**

**May 12**

**City Open House**

**#AroundTown**

## City Council Brief

In each month's newsletter we give a brief overview of some stand-out items from City Council meetings. For full agendas, minutes, and audio, please visit [bit.ly/HC-agenda](http://bit.ly/HC-agenda).

### April 5

The Library presented on their "re-write" to *Create a Room for Everyone*. They are working to create the following distinct areas within the Library: Parent/News Center, Children's Library, Children's Reading/Literacy Room, Teen Zone, Teen Media Café/Gaming Area, Study Space, and additional Staff Work Area. The project will also create a room for 12,000+ additional books which brings us in line with NUCLC criteria which will allow Highland library patrons to borrow items from other NUCLC library members such as American Fork, Lehi, and Pleasant Grove.

City Council approved the Final Plat for a cul-de-sac with five homes at the property located at 10215 Alpine Highway. The developer is now working with the City to get their civil plans approved before starting the building process.

The developer of the property located at 11550 North 6000 West was requesting that City Council rezone the property to an R-1-20. After lengthy discussion, the application withdrew his request. He is now working on re-submitting with an R-1-30 zone to Planning Commission which will then be brought back to City Council.

### April 19

A public hearing was held on the possible sale of Spring Creek Park (east of Mountain View Drive and north of 9860 N) in order to help pay for some development of Mountain Ridge Park (west of Mountain Ridge Junior High). To sell the property, the item will have to be brought back to City Council again for a Council vote. Currently, it is not scheduled on an upcoming agenda.

City Council approved a new zoning district, R-1-30. This zoning attempts to provide a balance between R-1-40 and R-1-20. The density is 1 unit per 30,000 square feet. Lots have to be 115' wide and 120' deep. Homes must be set back 30' in the front, 15' from the sides, 30' from the rear, and 30' on corner side yards. Conditional uses, accessory buildings, athletic courts, animal uses, swimming pools, etc. are all the same as the R-1-40 and R-1-20 Districts.

City Council approved the Preliminary Plat for a 56 lot subdivision located at 5960 West 12500 North. The developer will now work with staff on their Final Plat application and Civil Plans before coming back to City Council at a future date.

City Council amended City Code to now require accessory buildings such as detached garages, sheds, barns, to be setback 20' from street side yards.

## Highland City Arts Council

To Register for Arts Council classes or for more information, please visit [www.highlandcityarts.org](http://www.highlandcityarts.org) or call at Shauna 801-756-9614. Classes are held at the Community Center, 5378 West 10400 North, unless otherwise noted.



**Highland Fling Fine Arts Show** August 5-6 at the Community Center. Fine arts sale, sale of hand painted greeting cards, demonstrations, and a silent auction will also take place.

**Summer Group Guitar Lessons** by Kelly Gummow and Cayden Ottley for Beginning and Intermediate Students. Students must have Guitar and capo. Intermediate students need to know basic chords, be able to change chords easily and know some strum patterns.

**Holdman Studios** is currently displaying the winners of the glass art contest at City Hall. Everyone is invited to come and see the winners art work done in glass.

**Scholarship Winner** The Arts Council is excited to announce Katy Beardy as the winner of the 2016 Fine Arts Scholarship. Katy's work is currently on display at City Hall.

**Highland Choral Arts** We are pleased to announce the formation of a new Highland community choir, Highland Choral Arts. We have been fortunate to enlist the talents of Cathy Jolley, a renowned conductor. This will be a yearlong choir with performances in the spring and Christmas season, with adjournment over the summer months.

Practices will be held at the Highland Community Center Tuesdays from 8-9:30 pm. A brief voice check will be done with each member to determine range, choir suitability, and section assignment. You will NOT need to come with a prepared piece.

This will be a non-profit choir with yearly dues of \$100 to offset music, venue rental, accompaniment, and conducting costs. We anticipate a choir of up to 80 members.

We are still accepting choir members, if you are interested please contact Michael Jemmett at 801-664-6063.

**Painting Day** held the second and third Wednesday of the month. Come visit and work on any project together.

**Friends of the Arts Group activity** May 10 - lunch and a trip to the Springville Art Museum to view the Spring Salon.

**2016 Theatre Season** held in June at the Cedar Hills Amphitheatre. Opening night will preview a concert in the park. Shows are Once On This Island and A Midsummer Night's Dream. Please check out [creeksidetheatrefest.org](http://creeksidetheatrefest.org) for more information

## Beautification Committee News

Congratulations to our yard-of-the-month winners: Pat Romney - 4995 W 11000 N and John and Angel Howlett 4148 West Park Dr.

We are in need of more people to join us. We have patches to adopt and projects to improve them. We also need help with our Yard of the Month selection, education program and a blog. Make great friendships, learn from each other and make a difference. Come join us! You will love it. Contact Laura Dawson at (801) 310-1008.

## Spring Clean-Up

The annual Highland City Spring Clean-Up will take place May 6-7, 8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. at the parking lot at the mouth of the American Fork Canyon. Dumpsters will be available so you can dispose of your metal, wood, household waste, and yard waste (please no hazardous materials). Scouts and other groups are welcome to help city crews during this time and earn community service hours! If you are interested in doing a project, please contact Public Works at 801-772-4515.

## Arbor Day Annual Tree Sale

The second day of the annual Tree Sale will be held on May 7 beginning at 8:00 a.m. The sale is held on the corner of 10700 N and 5400 W by the Police Station, City Hall, and Library. All forms of payment are accepted. All trees are sold AS IS, with a maximum of 8 trees per resident. A list of trees for sale and their prices is available on-line at [www.highlandcity.org](http://www.highlandcity.org).

Some trees will be slightly higher in price due to limited quantities and a high demand from our grower. Maple trees quantities will be limited as the price is significantly higher this year.

## From the Clipping Files: Mountain Ridge Community Library

Winifred Jensen served as Highland City Recorder from 1978-2007. In an effort to preserve an ongoing history of the city she collected binders full of newspaper clippings including everything from city government concerns to LDS bishoprics. As a librarian/volunteer archivist and former employee of the current Highland City Library I thought I would write today about Highland's first library, the Mountain Ridge Community Library.

Opening in 1994 the library was located in the newly built Mountain Ridge Jr. High. It was a joint effort between the two municipalities of Highland and Alpine and the Alpine School District spurred on by the long standing go to group Friends of the Library. According to reports the Friends of the Library committee members had worked for three years to provide a library for their communities. Through their efforts they were able to raise \$50,000 enabling the library to have approximately 9,000 books on the shelves by opening. Story continued at [www.highlandcity.org](http://www.highlandcity.org)

Come Join Us For The

# Highland City Open House

Thursday, May 12, 2016  
5:00-8:00 p.m. at City Hall

- Learn about the Budget & Utility Rate Study
- Meet the Mayor & City Council
- Meet the Police and Fire Departments
- Bounce Houses
- Carnival Games
- Book Sale
- Face Painting
- Get to Know Local Businesses



Have Questions? Contact  
us at (801)772-4510