



## Road Study and Funding

In February's newsletter, an overview of the new road maintenance and repair study was provided. Overall, the City is spending less than half of what is needed to repair and maintain roads in a fiscally responsible manner. As such, our City is faced with a choice: increase funding and begin repairing and maintaining the roads properly or continue with the status quo. Continuing with the status quo will result in future costs that are almost double what they are today. Unfortunately, the money needed to fill the gap is currently not in the City budget.



The money the City spends on road maintenance and reconstruction comes from Class B and C road funds that are distributed by the State from taxes paid at the gas pump. The amount each city gets is based on road miles. We are estimating \$630,000 for this budget year.

For the City's General Fund, much of the revenue collected are fees for service. For example, court fines pay for the operation of the court and garbage fees pay for the garbage tipping and dumping fees. In contrast, sales and property taxes go towards other departments that do not have fees for service. This year, the City will collect \$5.1 million in taxes. Of that \$5.1 million, \$3.2 million goes towards Public Safety. That means there is \$1.9 million left to pay for parks and trails, the Library, city events, partial bond payments, and City departments such as Administration, Finance, Records, etc. Over the last several years, the City Council has made a concerted effort to reduce expenditures. However, any additional budgetary reductions will likely result in a reduced level of service.

The City does not want to place unwarranted costs on Highland City residents and we are doing everything we can as a City to be efficient and spend tax payer money prudently. This budget year the City even pulled from reserves to do additional road maintenance. However, this is not a sustainable model in the long term. The road study and plan is still being finalized and we will continue to present more information and final numbers as they become available. Please make sure to read the newsletter each month, watch City Council agendas, and follow us on Facebook and Twitter. We want to find the best solution for everyone and need citizen input to do so. If you have any questions or comments, please reach out to City staff or the Mayor and Council.

## CALENDAR

March 7: Cemetery Cleanup

March 7: City Council Meeting\*, 7:00 p.m.

March 14: Joint City Council & Planning Commission Work Session\* on R-1-30 Zone, 6:00 p.m.

March 21: City Council Meeting\*, 7:00 p.m.

March 28: Planning Commission Meeting\*, 7:00 p.m.

April 8: Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

April 15: Easter Egg Hunt, 9:30 a.m. at Heritage Park

\*Agendas, Meeting Minutes, and Recordings at <http://bit.ly/HC-archive>

## PHONE NUMBERS

*City Offices* 801-756-5751

*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* (pick-up, & can repairs) 801-785-5935

## ONLINE

Report a concern, pay your bill, reserve a pavilion, etc. on-line at: [www.highlandcity.org](http://www.highlandcity.org)

Check us out on Facebook and Twitter @HighlandCity



SOCER  
KARATE  
T-BALL  
COACH PITCH

JR. JAZZ  
FLAG FOOTBALL  
Ski Bus  
GOLF CAMPS

## YOUTH SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

OPEN TO HIGHLAND CITY RESIDENTS WITH NO ADDITIONAL FEES

VISIT [CEDARHILLS.ORG/RECREATION](http://CEDARHILLS.ORG/RECREATION) TO FIND OUT MORE!

**5TH ANNUAL MULTI-CITY**  
**Family Preparedness Event**  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 14TH**  
**COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER**  
**10640 N CLUBHOUSE DRIVE, CEDAR HILLS**

**7:00PM** **LESSONS LEARNED FROM CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE, RECOVERY, & RESILIENCE**  
**MARK MAROTT, GOVERNOR'S SUMMIT PRESENTER**

**6:00-8:30PM** **PREPAREDNESS VENDOR BOOTHS**  
**SCHEDULED VENDORS:** BRUDERER OUTDOOR, CABELAS, EMERGENCY ZONE, FAMILY STOREHOUSE, HOME DEPOT, MACEY'S, SHIELD SAFETY, WISE COMPANY

**6:00-8:30PM** **EMERGENCY PERSONNEL ON-SITE**

- FREE QUICKSERIES "FAMILY PREPAREDNESS" GUIDES**
- LEARN HOW TO PREPARE YOUR FAMILY**
- VENDOR DRAWINGS & GIVE-AWAYS**



We would like to have a representative from every household attend this important event

FOR MORE INFORMATION: [WWW.CEDARHILLS.ORG](http://WWW.CEDARHILLS.ORG)  
801-785-9668 [LPETERSEN@CEDARHILLS.ORG](mailto:LPETERSEN@CEDARHILLS.ORG)

## Animals on City Trails

Four legged friends (including dogs and horses) are more than welcome on City trails. However, please be courteous to other trail users and remember that all pets must be on a leash and owners are responsible to clean up after their pet. See Municipal Code 12.24.050.

## Highland City Cemetery Cleanup

Highland City seeks to offer families and friends that visit their loved ones resting in the cemetery a clean, beautiful, and peaceful environment. Please help us maintain this goal by keeping your site clean. The next cemetery decoration cleanup will be on Monday, March 6. Perishable items will be discarded and all trinkets, shepherd-crooks, etc. will be removed and taken to the Public Works Shop. These items will be held for two weeks to be claimed before they are discarded.

## 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 <http://bit.ly/HC-archive>.

### February 7

The Library Board presented a Long Range Strategic Plan. The overarching goals are to: 1) Provide residents with access to information that educates, inspires, and entertains; 2) Involve the community through outreach programs to help residents understand the benefits of a community library; and 3) Provide residents with a gathering place that creates a sense of community and enhances the quality of life while preparing for future growth.

Council passed a Field Use Policy and Fee Schedule. All organized groups must now obtain a reservation before using a City Park. If you are interested in obtaining a reservation, please contact City Hall.

City Council approved the creation of a school crossing zone at 11800 North and Highland Boulevard along with some traffic calming measures. Final plans are being made with installation planned for summer 2017.

### February 21

The City Council authorized staff to proceed with a public information and education campaign related to receiving additional road funding. See the article on the front page for more information.

## 2017 Highland City Municipal Election Opportunity

This year, Highland City will be holding a Municipal Election and will have two City Council seats as well as the Mayoral seat open. Each seat is for a 4-year term. The election will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017. Please consider serving your community by running for office for one of these positions. Declaration of Candidacy Forms or Nomination Petitions must be filed in person with the City Recorder at 5400 West Civic Center Dr. Highland, Utah from Thursday, June 1— Wednesday June 7 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday or by appointment on Friday. For more information, contact the City Recorder, Jody Bates at 801-772-4505.

## Recycling Tip

Plastic bags (grocery or otherwise) are no longer accepted as a recycled item. They unfortunately jam the sorting machines at the recycling Materials Recovery Facility (MRF). We recommend residents return the bags to the store that handed them out.



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ARTS COUNCIL

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

**Utah Valley Chamber Players in Concert** Monday, March 20 at 6 p.m. Admission is free. Come hear some of the valley's best young string players perform the fabulous chamber music they have been working on.

**Youth Shakespeare Workshop** presents Hamlet, Prince of Denmark on March 24 & Monday, March 27 at 7 p.m. Admission is free. Show is family friendly.

**You're a Good Man Charlie Brown** performances March 9, 10, 11, & 13 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for Senior Citizens and Students, \$8 for Adults, \$25 for families up to 6 people. Tickets are available at the door or from any of our cast members or crew.

**Watercolor Class** by Sharon Cannon held Mondays from 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. with a new technique taught each week. \$12 per week tuition.

**Kids Art Classes** held every Monday from 3:00-4:00 p.m. First Monday is an art project taught by Linda Littlefield. The second through fourth Mondays is a basic art class. Registration is \$10 per week. Ages 8-14.

## Highland Historical Society

Celebrate with us the opening of the Highland Historical Museum, along with the yearly opening of the DUP Cabin: June 3, 2017, at the museum, 5378 W 10400 N #B-3 (in the Community Center) and across the street at the cabin 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be fun, entertainment, and refreshments along with tours of both facilities and stories of olden times. Consider donations of appropriate articles for the museum. We will also gratefully accept tax deductible monetary donations. We also would appreciate any written histories of Highland residents that you might have.

**Monthly Story** available at [www.highlandcity.org](http://www.highlandcity.org).

## Lone Peak High School Choir

Lone Peak High School Choirs are hosting the male A Capella Group: Vocal Point Wednesday, March 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lone Peak Auditorium. Tickets are \$13. If you have a large group (10 or more) please contact Travis Lloyd about a discount 801-518-0493. [Buy tickets here](#).

The choirs will be giving a free concert Tuesday, March 7 at 8 p.m. in the Lone Peak Auditorium.

## Utah County Health Department

**What:** Living Well with Chronic Conditions

**When:** Thursdays- March 16-April 20; from 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**Where:** Kids on the Move Building (adjacent to Orem Community Hospital) 475 Hospital Drive, Orem

**Why:** FREE 6 session evidence-based workshop designed for those dealing with a chronic or limiting health condition. Participants learn self-management techniques and skills needed in the day to day management of any type of ongoing health condition. The program has also been effective for caregivers.

**Register:** Go to [http://livingwell.utah.gov/ws\\_find.php](http://livingwell.utah.gov/ws_find.php) or call 801-851-7035.

## Utah Valley Job Fair

Job Seekers don't miss the Utah Valley Job Fair ([www.utahvalleyjobfair.com](http://www.utahvalleyjobfair.com)) being held on Wednesday March 29, 2017 from 2:30 – 6:30 p.m. Registration is not required to attend the Job Fair, only for an opportunity to win one of the grand prizes. Receive up to 3 entries by doing the following and attending the Job Fair:

- 1) Pre-Register on Eventbrite – [tinyurl.com/UVJF16](http://tinyurl.com/UVJF16)
- 2) Like us on Facebook – <https://www.facebook.com/Utah-Valley-Job-Fair-1008620945863894/?fref=ts>.
- 3) Share our event with friends and family – <https://www.facebook.com/events/175518412831934/>

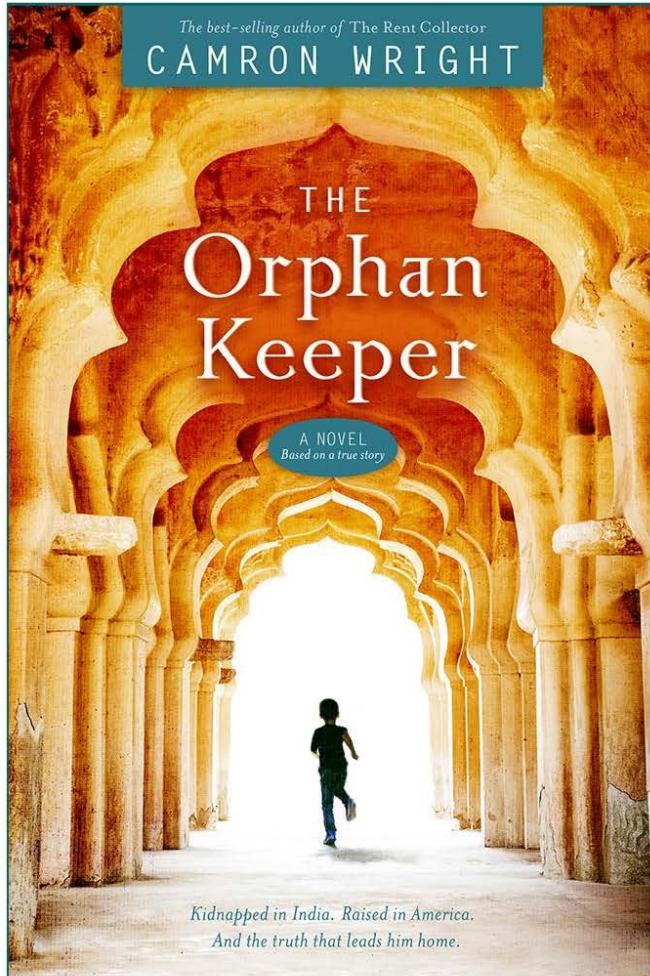
At the Job Fair, check in with the Job Fair staff to be officially eligible for the grand prize drawings. Winners will be notified through e-mail after the event. Attendees will be able to create invaluable relationships with HR personnel and explore career opportunities with some of the biggest and best paying companies. You will be able to meet over 100 employers looking to hire hard working employees like yourself.

## Burn Permits Available Online

Burn permits are only available online through the Utah Department of Air Quality (DAQ) <http://air.utah.gov/Open Burning/form/index.php>. Permits are available between March 30 and May 30 and between September 15 and October 30. You may use the public computers at City Hall and the Library to request a permit. If completing the open burn permit application online is not an option, a hard copy of the open burn permit application may be obtained by calling (801) 536-4000. Please note: it may take up to 14 days from the date of request to receive an open burn permit if a hard copy is submitted for processing. Once your permit is approved, just print it out and have it on site when burning. You do not need to contact the Fire Department to burn. Just call the burn line and give them your permit number.

## Mountain Ridge Junior High

Mountain Ridge Junior High School will present their 23 Annual Grand Concert March 9 and 10 at 7:00 p.m. The Symphonic Band, Concert Singers and the Symphony Orchestra will all perform. Tickets are \$6 and are available at [mountainridge.alpineschools.org](http://mountainridge.alpineschools.org) or at the door. The concert helps to provide funds for the programs that are not available through the regular funding process in public schools. This helps with our goal of making Mountain Ridge one of the paramount performing arts programs in Utah.



**Taj Rowland** was born as Chellamu. In in Erode, India. At the age of seven, he was kidnapped, or even to a city three hours away and solo to a Christian orphanage. He was adopted by a family in the western United States where he grew up.

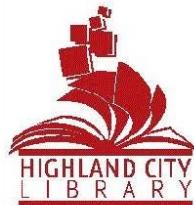
**Camron Wright's** latest book, *Orphan Keeper*, is based on the life journey of Taj Rowland. He is also the author of *Rent Collector* and *Letters for Emily*, both award-winning novels.



Please join us for these additional activities:

(PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE OR FACEBOOK FOR DATES & TIMES)

A NIGHT OF SERVICE—TO INDIA, WITH LOVE hosted by *RISING STAR OUTREACH* • BOOK GROUP DISCUSSION • BOOK REVIEW • INDIAN FOOD DEMONSTRATION hosted by *GANESH*



WEDNESDAY  
**MARCH 8**  
5400 Civic Center Dr.  
Highland, UT

**6:30 P.M.**  
PRESENTATION BY  
AUTHOR  
**CAMRON  
WRIGHT**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
Q&A WITH  
**TAJ ROWLAND**  
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS  
BY REBECCA DOUGLAS,  
FOUNDER  
**RISING STAR  
OUTREACH**  
**7:45 P.M.**  
BOOK SALE &  
BOOK SIGNING



## BEYOND THE BOOKSHELF

### Chess Club & FAMILY GAMES

Monday, March 6 @ 7:00 p.m.

### Author Night **ORPHAN KEEPER**

Author Camron Wright & Taj Rowland  
Wednesday, March 8 @ 6:30 p.m.  
Ages 8 & up

### Robotics **MARS EXPLORATION**

Monday, March 13 @ 7:00 p.m.

### Family Service Night **RISING STAR**

Service Project for India Orphanage  
Tuesday, March 14 @ 7:00 p.m.

### Holiday Art Class **LEPRECHAUN LODGES**

Build a house for your leprechaun & fairies  
Wednesday, March 15 @ 6:30 p.m.

### Leprechaun on the Loose **FIND THE LIBRARY LEPRECHAUN**

(Think "Elf on the Shelf")  
Every day in March

### Open Tech Help

Every Saturday @ 11:00.

### Gardening

### **VEGETABLES, HERBS & CONTAINER GARDENING**

Tuesday, March 28 @ 7:00 p.m.

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