

Mayor's Message — Kurt Ostler

Some probably have noticed that for the past 3 years, the city has lit Christmas lights at Heritage Park along Alpine Highway. This new tradition started during COVID to lift spirits and bring hope. As Mickey's Once Upon A Christmas shared:

"Christmas isn't about candy canes or lights all aglow, it's the hearts that we touch, and the care that we show."



Highland City, and our neighboring cities, have received approved funding to finish the trail from Mitchell Hollow park down to the Utah County Equestrian Center. The majority of the funding, \$2,355,696, came through Mountain Land Associations of Government. This trail will help fill a gap in trails from Highland's southern border connecting up to the Murdock Trail at Mitchell Hollow Park. Part of this new trail was started from Mitchell Hollow Park to the new Canal Blvd road this past year. To help make this trail a reality, the City reserved developer contributions of land and money; neighbors contributed trees, waterlines, retaining walls; and Highland City funded \$171,081.

Another trail the City worked on in 2022 was the Highland Glen Park trail. The City resurfaced and, in some areas, relocated the trail around the lake. We also had the Highland East Stake and others help with a significant service project at the park in September.

The City has also been working on the Walking and Biking Connection Plan for the past couple of months. The goal is to connect Alpine and Highland with safe passage for recreational use. For more information on this plan, you can go to <https://www.alpinehighlandconnections.com/>.

City Council Brief

In each month's newsletter, we give a brief overview of some stand-out items from Council meetings. For full agendas, minutes, & audio, visit <http://bit.ly/HC-agendas>.

November 1

Joe Ham, representing MNGH Highland Development, LLC presented a new concept for the development of Highland Marketplace (northwest of CVS). The new concept includes a large plaza area with surrounding shops, fire pits, play areas for children, as well as private and common dining areas. The concept is scheduled to be brought back for Council approval December 6.

City Council and staff discussed proposed code amendments related to daycares and in-home instruction including preschools. Council asked staff to do additional research and bring the item back for further discussion and action on December 6.

City Council approved the purchase of garbage cans, benches, shade structures, and lights for the new park near Mountain Ridge Junior High. The park restroom was recently added. Construction to phase 1 continues and is scheduled to be open spring/summer of 2023. Details at <http://bit.ly/MtnRidgePk>.

Councilmember Smith informed City Council that North Pointe Transfer Station was considering raising rates as a result of increased fuel costs. A final vote by the North Pointe Board this will take place in November. Council will then consider impacts to the City's garbage rates on December 6.



CALENDAR

Dec 5: Quarterly Cemetery Cleanup

Dec 5: Hometown Holiday Storytime with the Mayor
5:00PM & 6:00 PM, City Hall

Dec 6: City Council Meeting*
6:00PM Cemetery Code Work Session, 7:00 PM Regular Session, City Hall

Dec 10: Christmas Crafts Day with the Arts Council
10:00 AM, City Hall

Dec 13: Planning Commission*
7:00 PM, City Hall

Dec 17: Wreaths Across America Ceremony
10:00 AM, City Cemetery

Dec 26 & Jan 2: City Offices Closed. Garbage services delayed one day week of December 26.

Dec 27-January 10: Live Christmas Tree Drop-off.
Dumpsters at empty lot east of Police Station.

*Agendas, Minutes, and Audio at <http://bit.ly/HC-agendas>. Meetings streamed on <http://bit.ly/HC-youtube>.

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 Emergency: 801-420-2553

Waste Management (pick-up & can repairs): 888-496-8824

Highland City Cemetery Cleanup Snow Removal Reminders Monday, December 5, 2022

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 with this goal by keeping your site clean. On Monday, December 5, the cemetery will be cleared of ALL grave decorations, real or artificial, including trinkets, ornaments, lamps, shepherd hooks, etc. Christmas decorations will be left on the graves. Items which appear to be of a more permanent nature will be placed in a Conex container located on the southeast corner of the cemetery. Owners may claim these items by appointment only by calling (801) 772-4505. Items left unclaimed after one week will be discarded. Please make every effort to remove items from your loved one's grave prior to the cleanup. For questions, please call (801) 772-4505. Cemetery cleanups are held on the first Monday in March, the second Monday in June, the first Monday in October, and the first Monday in December.

Wreaths Across America

Join us on Saturday, December 17 at the Highland City Cemetery for Wreaths Across America. At 9 AM we will place wreaths on the graves of each veteran and thank each one by name. At 10 AM there will be a Wreath Ceremony and short program presented by the Daughters of the American Revolution. The ceremony will also be live-streamed on the City's Facebook page.

Christmas Tree Disposal

All Highland residents are invited to bring their live, unflocked and un-decorated Christmas trees to the dumpsters in the empty lot east of the Police Station from December 27—January 10. Place all trees in the dumpsters to be hauled away by Waste Management. No other items may be disposed of and trees can only be brought during the timeframe outlined.

Dog Licensing

Did you know that in Utah County every dog over four months old is required to be licensed? Licensing increases the odds of finding your dog if they are ever lost. It also ensures dogs are properly vaccinated. You can purchase a 3 year license for your dog at Lone Peak Police Department for \$35 if your dog is spayed/neutered, or \$95 if your dog is not. One and two year licenses are also available. Call 801-756-9800 for more details.



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 TO FIND OUT MORE!

The safety of Highland City residents during and after a snow event is a top priority for the City. Our Public Works department utilizes all available assets as needed to clear the roads depending on the storm event, snowfall received, and duration of the storm. Salt and sand are used only at intersections and other problematic locations to provide traction. Check out <http://bit.ly/HC-snow> for more information on snow removal including plowing priority, street parking, clearing driveways, sidewalk clearing, contact information, and more.

Utah Guiding our Growth Project

The Governor's Office of Planning and Budget is leading a statewide conversation about Utah's Future.

Unmatched natural beauty. Countless outdoor recreation options. Strong families. Connected communities. One of the most vibrant economies in the U.S. There's so much that makes Utah special. And what makes Utah great is also what makes Utah grow.

Many families choose to stay here, generation after generation. Others recognize all that Utah has to offer and choose to move here. As long as Utah is a quality place, people will stay and newcomers will arrive. Growth is a part of life when you live in an exceptional state.

So it's not so much if Utah will continue to grow, but how Utah will continue to grow. Growth brings benefits like a broad tax base and more diversity. But growth brings challenges, too, like less affordable housing, strained water availability, and increased traffic congestion.

We need to come together as Utahns to talk about guiding our growth. Growth decisions aren't easy. Sometimes we have to adjust our current way of thinking and living in order to reach a desired future outcome. What can we do now to safeguard Utah's future quality of life? Now is the time to join the conversation about Utah's growth and Utah's future.

Join the conversation. Take the survey at <https://guidingourgrowth.utah.gov/>. Input gathered through February 2023 will shape the next steps as the project partners evaluate a variety of paths forward. Additional input opportunities will extend through the summer of 2023, so check the website often to follow the conversation and share your thoughts.



Contact
Website:
highlandcityarts.info
Arts Council Chair,
Shauna Larson: 385-
427-9337

Adult Water Color Classes Wednesday at 10am-noon (beginners) and 12:15-2:15 (intermediate/advanced)

Friends of Art first Thursday of each month at Highland City Community Center 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Christmas Activity, Saturday, December 10 at City Hall from 10:00-11:30 AM. Santa, Christmas Craft Kit, and the Highland Children's Choir.

The Timpanogos Ringers are so excited to offer 2 free Christmas concerts for the season. Join us December 5 at 7:00 PM at the American Fork Library, or December 14 at 7:00 PM at the Highland Community Center. If you want to schedule a performance for your company or event or interested in joining, please contact Paige at 801-830-0927.

The Highland Youth Bell Choir will be performing on December 12 at the Highland City Community Center and will join in with the concert on December 14 as well.

Highland Choral Arts Christmas Concert on Dec 3, 7:00 PM at Mountain Ridge Jr High. A Silent Auction and decadent refreshments complete this fun, family evening! Tickets on line at highlandchoralarts.org or at the door. The choir will combine in concert with the American Fork Symphony, Dec 12, 7:00 PM at American Fork Jr. High. Tickets are available at the door. Don't miss these amazing performances!

Come join us for **Highland Youth Theater's** production of "As You Like It" by William Shakespeare. Auditions are Thursday, January 5, 2023 at 4:00 PM at the Highland City Community Center. Bring any Shakespeare monologue. Performances are at the end of March. Tuition is \$95 for the entire experience. Questions? Contact Ellen Burns at 801-763-8528.

The next **Crochet Class** is Wednesday, January 11 - beginning and intermediate (Amigurumi). \$10 - bring a 3.5 crochet hook and the rest of the materials will be provided. Contact Shauna at 385-427-9337 to sign up.

The next meeting of the **Highland Quilters** will be January 26 at 9:30 AM at the Highland City Community Center. Contact Carol Hadlock at cwhadlock@gmail.com.

Historical Society

Visit Highland Historical Society's website to learn more about this great City's past: <https://bit.ly/HC-history>. To tour the museum, contact Charlie Greenland at 801-766-6624 or 801-913-5200.

Want to learn about the early history of Highland? Watch for an announcement of a weekly program at the Library beginning in January.

Why I Like My Community Essay Contest

The Utah League of Cities and Towns 2023 "Why I Like My Community," essay contest is now open for students in fourth and seventh grades throughout Utah.

Students are encouraged to write about what makes their community a great place to live. This is a rewarding opportunity to hear their perspective about what makes a hometown so special.

Students who win the first, second, and third place prize will receive a cash prize, as will their schools. Essays Due March 16, 2023. Complete rules and requirements at <http://bit.ly/3icejDD>.

UTA Five Year Service Plan

The Utah Transit Authority (UTA) is Planning for the Future Transit Service in Utah by kicking off its Five-Year Service Plan effort. Our region is growing rapidly. Where and how we grow has impacts on the entire transportation network. This vision for the path ahead works to address these impacts through improvements to the transit system. The Five-Year Service Plan reflects UTA's intended service based on the best information available. To learn more about the Draft Plan and to get involved, visit rideuta.com/FYSP.

Friends of the Library

Christmas is coming and the Highland City Library is the place to shop. From December 3 to December 9, all books in our in-library book sale will be half off. The selection will change regularly. Come and find a book for everyone on your list!

The library received 85 new picture books during the Adopt-a-Book Drive sponsored by the Library Foundation during September and October. The names of those who donated books were entered into a drawing for a toy CAT Excavator. Tina Chadwick, who won the drawing, said she donated in behalf of her grandchildren, who will be thrilled with the prize.

**Books Babies***

F @ 11AM - Ages 0-2

Storytime*

T,W,TH @ 11AM - Ages 3-5

Grandparents Storytime*

Dec 12 @ 11AM - Ages 0-5

Teen Writers Group

TH @ 4PM - Ages 12+

Teen Corps

Dec 10 @ 1PM - Ages 12+

*Highland City Library Card Required

Jingletoes is back!

Jingletoes will hide somewhere new each day. Find him and earn a surprise!

Crafts

Dec 13-23 - Ages 4-11

One Make n' Take per child. Available as long as supplies last.

 HOURS:

M-TH: 10AM-8PM

F: 10AM-4PM

SAT: 12PM-4PM

Closed SUNDAY

Hometown Holiday Storytime with the Mayor

Dec 5 @ 5PM and 6PM - For Families

Celebrate the season with the Mayor's Whoville Storytime. Plus a visit from a special guest!

Ugly Sweater Class

Dec 3 @1PM-2PM - Ages 5+

Make your own Ugly Sweater. Bring your own sweater, sweatshirt, or hoodie to decorate. Registration Required.

Paws to Read

Jan 3 - Feb 28

This winter, have some fun with reading. Complete reading challenges to earn prizes! Flexible and fun for all ages.

Winter Reading Kickoff

Jan 9

Celebrate the start of Winter Reading with a special event! Details TBA.

CONTACT US:

Email: circstaff@highlandcity.org

Phone: (801) 772-4528

Website: www.highlandcitylibrary.org

Address: 5400 Civic Center Dr. Suite 2 Highland, UT



Highland City

2023 RECYCLING CALENDAR



Recycling collection weeks. See reverse to confirm your collection day.

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Food & Beverage Cans
Latas de alimentos y bebidas



Plastic Bottles & Containers
Botellas y envases de plástico



Flattened Cardboard & Paperboard
Cartón y cartulina aplastados



Paper
Papeles

RECYCLE RIGHT TIPS

- Do not bag your recyclables. Place materials loosely and directly into carts.
- Never put foods, liquids, foam cups/containers, plastic bags, yard waste, electronics, carpeting, clothing, furniture or tires recycling carts
- Glass is not accepted in curbside recycling.

QUESTIONS? Call WM Customer Service at (888) 496-8824.





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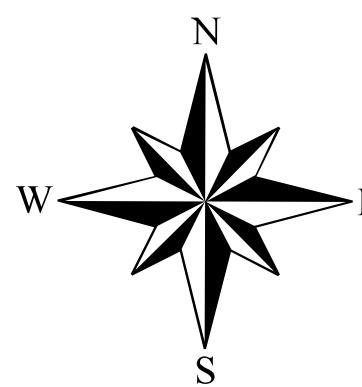
WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICE DAY

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Monday

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Wednesday



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