

Mayors Message - Kurt Ostler

With over 84,000 students, the Alpine School District (ASD) is the largest school district in Utah and is growing rapidly. On April 29, 2024, Highland City Council voted along with Alpine, Cedar Hills, Lehi City, American Fork and Draper Cities to start the process into looking into forming a new school district (Central District). Eagle Mountain, Saratoga, Fairfield, and Cedar Fort Cities also voted on the same day to start the process of creating a separate school district (West District). This could ultimately split the current Alpine School District into three separate school districts.



To help evaluate the financial feasibility of a new Central District, the six cities hired LRB Public Finance Advisors of Utah (LRB) to conduct a study. The study looked at the fiscal impacts of a potential new school district, including start-up costs, capital facilities, and staffing. It also takes an in-depth look at student enrollment growth and revenue projections from federal, state, and local sources. On June 18, 2024, a presentation was given to all six Central District cities, wherein LRB presented the financial viability information. The study determined that the Central School District would be a financially viable option.

At the regular City Council meetings on July 2 and July 16, Highland will have public hearings to hear from residents to receive feedback on the proposal to form a new Central School District. If the Highland City Council votes to move forward with the other Central District cities, the new school district formation proposal will go to the voters and be on the November 2024 ballot.

Our top priority in evaluating the potential new school district is ensuring our children have the best education. Some residents have expressed concern about how this affects the current Alpine School District teachers, administrators, and other staff. Please know as decisions are being made to place the school district split on the November ballot, all the above factors and, future financial implications, along with better local school district representation will be taken into consideration.

For more information: <https://centschooldistrict.org/>

Highland Fling Starts This Month!

The annual Highland Fling will be held July 29 - August 3!

Our annual Highland Fling is back with a week of exciting activities for everyone! From July 29 to August 3, enjoy daily events, culminating in a spectacular parade on Saturday. This year, don't miss our new pickleball tournament! Join us for fun, community spirit, and celebration. See you there!



See page 4 for a detailed list of events

We are hiring for multiple positions! Find our job opportunities at highlandcity.org/Jobs.aspx



HIGHLAND CITY CALENDAR

July 2: City Council and School District Public Hearing
7pm, City Hall

July 16: City Council and School District Public Hearing
7pm, City Hall

July 23: Planning Commission
7pm, City Hall

July 29 - Highland Fling Begins

Garbage will be Friday, July 5 instead of Thursday July 4

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

ONLINE

Report a concern, pay a bill, reserve pavilions, request alerts, etc. at: www.highlandcity.org

Or you can text us with any questions or concerns at

385-421-9045

Donate any amount to our New Park located by Mountain Ridge Jr. High!



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City Council Meeting Brief

For full agendas, minutes, & audio, visit <http://bit.ly/HC-agendas>. For video, go to our YouTube channel @HighlandCityUtah or visit bit.ly/HC-citycouncil

June 4, 2024

Council approved a \$0.35 increase to the garbage and recycling rates. The new rates will be \$11.33 for the first can and \$8.07 for additional cans. Recycling is \$7.53 per can. If you have two garbage cans and one recycling can at your home, your monthly bill will increase by \$1.05.

Council awarded the construction of the Park Maintenance Building. The new building will be north of the Community Center. Construction will be imminently underway and is expected to be complete Spring 2025.

The Council amended City code related to short-term rentals including allowing for one-night rentals and requiring the property to be owner occupied at the time of the rental. To obtain a short-term rental license, please visit www.highlandcity.org.

June 18, 2024

City Council approved a number of items related to the FY2025 budget that will begin July 2024. Council also approved final budget adjustments for FY2024 that ends June 2024.

Council approved purchasing new radio meters for the City's culinary water system that will be read from a tower in the City and allow residents to see their real-time water usage online. These are the same type of radios that will be in all of the pressurized irrigation meters.

Help Shape Our Community

Highland is in the process of updating our general plan and we want to hear from you! Visit the project website to learn more and take an active role in shaping the future of our community.

Learn more at

www.highlandgeneralplan2024.org/

Leave a comment on the Highland Social Map at

highlandgupdate.mysocialpinpoint.com



PI Watering Schedule

- ♦ If your house number ends in an **EVEN** number: your watering days are Monday, Wednesday and Friday
- ♦ If your house number ends in an **ODD** number: your watering days are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

No watering allowed on Sundays except for City, Churches and Schools. This schedule helps our system run smoothly and ensures everyone has enough pressure to water.

E-Bike Safety

As the weather starts to get warmer, Highland City encourages residents to prioritize safety when using e-bikes. Please familiarize yourself with the rules and regulations, and educate others, including children, on their importance.

All electric assisted bicycles (e-bike) must:

- Not exceed 750 watts
 - A 750 watt fat tire e-bike can travel at speeds up to 20 mph
 - Have fully operable pedals on permanently affixed cranks
 - Be fully operable as a bicycle without the use of the electric motor
- Anyone under 16 years old may not operate a class 3 electric bike
- Anyone under 14 years old may not operate an e-bike unless the individual is under the direct supervision of the individual's parent or guardian
- Anyone under 8 years old may not operate an e-bike
- E-bikes are subject to the same provisions and regulations as bicycles
- Carrying more people than design permits is prohibited
- Bike helmets should always be worn

Visit <https://www.highlandcity.org/1085/E-bike-safety> for more information on the different classifications for e-bikes and their regulations

Recycling Benefits

In April 2024, Highland recycled 61 tons of bottles, cans, paper and cardboard! This saved:

- **993 Mature Trees**—Enough avoided timber resource to produce 16,886,700 sheets of paper
- **142 Cubic Yards of Landfill Airspace**—Enough avoided airspace to fulfil the annual municipal waste disposal needs for 181 people!
- **190,550 KwH of Electricity**—Enough avoided power use to fulfill the annual electricity needs of 17 homes!
- **Avoided 197 Metric Tons (MTCO2E) of GHG Emissions**—This reduction is equivalent to removing annual emissions from 42 cars!
- **242,384 Gallons of Water!**—Enough water to meet the needs of 3,231 people

Firework Restrictions

For the month of July, state law allows fireworks to be shot from July 2 to July 5 and July 22 to July 25 from 11:00 am - 11:00 pm except on July 4 and July 24 where hours extend to midnight.

Due to fire danger, fireworks are prohibited in certain areas of Highland including many subdivisions.

A map of these restrictions is available at lonepeak-fire.org



Arts Council Chair, Shauna Larson:

385-427-9337

 @highlandcityarts  Highland City Arts Council

Contact

See our new website!
highlandcityarts.info



All of the following events are held at the Highland City Community Center unless otherwise stated.

SEW 'N SEWS Meets on Friday, July 19 from 9am to 4pm. We will be discussing blocks 8 & 11 from Barn Star Sampler by Shelley Cavanna with helpful hints at 10am. Bring a project to show off for sew and tell. There will be a light lunch at 12:30. Contact Carol Hadlock at cwhadlock@gmail.com for more information.

HIGHLAND CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Registration is now open for the 2024-2025 season. Spots are reserved in the order registrations are submitted. Register at: highlandchildrenschoir.com

WE ARE IN NEED OF AN "EAGER BEAVER"

The Highland City Arts Council is losing a valued member of our council because she and her family are moving. If you are interested, please call Shauna Larson at 801-891-7183

YOUTH SUMMER THEATER WORKSHOP

Performances of High School Musical 2, Jr. will be on July 26 at 7pm and July 27 at 4pm and 7pm

THE VISUAL ART INSTITUTE Is having summer art camps for ages 5-18 right here in Highland. See their website at visualartinstitute.org

YOUTH SUMMER THEATER WORKSHOP

High School Musical II, Jr. Auditions: May 17, 4-6pm; Callbacks: May 18, 10am - noon. Tuition is \$200 per student. Rehearsals begin June 3 and will be every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10am- noon. Performances will be July 26 and 27.

HIGHLAND FLING FINE ART SHOW

Submissions accepted July 29 and 30. This year's special category is 'Hometown Heroes.' No limit on number of submissions in ANY category.

Friends of the Library Stephen King wrote, "Books are a uniquely portable magic." This summer, it's time to spread the magic from your home to the homes of your neighbors and friends. The GIANT book sale sponsored by the Friends of the Highland City Library will be held on August 3, and we are asking for your donations. Just drop your boxes and bags full of books by the library, and we will help them find new readers. On August 3, we will also help you find books to fill the spaces you left on your shelves. To add to the magic, you can watch the Highland Fling Parade beginning at 9:00 a.m. The book sale hours are from 9:00 to 5:00, and it will be held on the lawn of the arts building across from the pioneer cottage in Heritage Park.

Highland's Famer's Market

Join us at Heritage Park on Thursday evenings, 4-8 PM, June through September for the Highland Farmers Market! Mingle with neighbors and shop local growers, farms, crafts, and food. Enjoy music, activities, and summer fun.

We have openings for backyard growers and other vendors:

- ◆ Backyard growers: tables provided under the pavilion
- ◆ Farms, craft booths, food vendors, and community organizations: 10x10 ft. booth spaces available.

For more details or to sign up for a booth please visit: www.highland-farmers-market.com/

DUP Museum

We are happy to announce that the Highland Camp DUP Cabin will be open every Saturday during June and July from 12:00 to 2:00pm. It will also be open from 9:00am to 3:00pm on the first Saturday in August for the Highland Fling.

This wonderful museum is the oldest surviving home in Highland! It was built in the 1890's and is filled with interesting artifacts. It is an ideal place to bring families and youth groups to experience a piece of history.

Call 385-325-0046 to schedule a group tour or visit www.dupinternational.org for more information.

UTA 5 Year Service Plan 2025-2029

UTA's 2025-2029 Five Year Service Plan (FYSP) outlines potential changes to improve transit services based on community feedback, analysis, and cost considerations. Your input will help decide the priorities for these updates over the next five years. Scan the QR code or visit www.rideuta.com/fySP to learn more.





Weekly Programs*

Children under 9 must be accompanied by an adult



TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 10AM
LIBRARY NORTH LAWN



TUESDAYS 10AM
LIBRARY NORTH LAWN



THURSDAYS 10AM
LIBRARY NORTH LAWN



THURSDAYS 3:30PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Paint with the Director*

For Teens and Adults

Saturday, July 20th @ 1 PM

Paint a grove of aspens inspired by the landscape of American Fork Canyon.

Registration Required.

Hours

M-Th: 10 AM-8 PM

F: 10 AM-4 PM

Sat: 12 PM-4 PM

Closed Sunday

Contact Us

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(801) 772-4528

highlandcitylibrary.org

5400 Civic Center Dr. Suite 2

Highland, UT



*Highland City Library Card Required



Summer Reading Party

Wednesday, July 31st @ 4 PM - 7 PM

Highland City Splash Pad

For Families

Celebrate our local heroes and unleash the hero within at our epic conclusion to a summer of adventures! Games, foam, and fun on the splash pad.

ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR **LIBRARY**™

Summer Reading 2024*

Last Day to Turn In Charts July 27th

All Ages

Find your next great adventure at Highland City Library. Track your reading, come to weekly programs, and earn prizes!



Highland Fling Schedule

July 29 - Aug 3, 2024

Look for your Fling magazine coming soon to
your mailboxes

Monday, July 29th

Fling Kick-off Event	Heritage Park	6-8 pm
Medallion Hunt Starts	DUP Museum	at kick-off
Youth Art Show Registration	Highland Community Center	4-7 pm

Tuesday, July 30th

Car Show	Heritage Park	5-8 pm
Baby Celebration	City Hall	3-5:30 pm
Pickleball Social	Mountain Ridge Park	6-9 pm
Adult Art Show Registration	Highland Community Center	4-7 pm

Wednesday, July 31st

Kid's Night	Splash Pad	4-7 pm
Patriotic Event	Check your Fling Book	TBD
Pickleball Tournament	Check your Fling Book	TBD
Disc Golf Tournament	Beacon Hill Park	3-6 pm

Thursday, August 1st

Artist Reception	Highland Community Center	7 pm
Fireman's Spray	Field behind Mtn. Ridge Jr. High	2-4 pm
Pickleball Tournament	Mountain Ridge Park	TBD
Backyard Garden Tours	Check your Fling Book	6-8:30 pm
Disc Golf Tournament	Beacon Hills Park	3-6 pm
Service Event	Council Chambers	10-2
Food Donations	In front of City Hall	10-2

Friday, August 2nd

Art Show & Art Sale	Community Center	4-8 pm
Play Day Rodeo	Equestrian Center	3-8 pm
Pickleball Tournament	Mountain Ridge Park	TBD
Glow Run	Lone Peak Fields	8:30 pm
Horseshoe Tournament	Heritage Park	5-8 pm
Strongman Competition	Heritage Park	4:30-8:30 pm

Saturday, August 3rd

Grand Parade	Starts at Highland Elementary	9 am
Grand Marshall Presentation	Stage at Heritage Park	11 am
Stage Entertainment	Stage at Heritage Park	11:30 am
Kid's Zone	Heritage Park	11 am
Fireworks Display	10 pm Behind Mtn. Ridge Jr. High	10 pm
Pickleball Tournament	Mountain Ridge Park	TBD
Highland Games	Heritage Park	9 am
Art Show & Art Sale	Community Center	11am-4pm
Historical Society Museum	Community Center	9am-3pm
DUP Cabin Tours	Heritage Park	9am-3pm
Antique Tractor Display	Heritage Park	12-3:30pm
Food Trucks	Heritage Park	9am-9pm
Vendor Booths	Heritage Park	9am-9pm

Check our Instagram & FaceBook for updates



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