

Mayor's Message - Kurt Ostler

On August 8, 2024, officers from the Lone Peak and American Fork Police Departments, along with a courageous local resident, Landon Waldvagel, helped rescue a young driver trapped in a burning vehicle off of Canal Blvd.

The accident began shortly after midnight when Officer Austin Williams of the Lone Peak Police was driving home after his shift. Officer Williams noticed a vehicle speeding, traveling at more than 60-mph in a 30-mph zone. As Williams attempted to conduct a traffic stop, the vehicle disappeared from sight after running a red light. He soon discovered the vehicle had crashed into a tree and had caught fire.

Dashcam footage from Officer Williams shows him breaking the driver's side window to provide the trapped juvenile driver with air and attempting to rescue the driver. Despite his efforts, the damage to the vehicle made it impossible to free the driver.

Backup arrived quickly, with Officers Zach Goodale, Jordan McOmie, and McKay Valadez from the American Fork Police Department and Officer Dakoda Kinser from Lone Peak Police joining the effort. The body camera video shows officers using their fire extinguishers but being unable to extinguish the car fire. Local resident Landon Waldvagel helped out by running a 5-gallon bucket of water back and forth from a nearby home.

After several attempts to pull on the car door by the officers, and with the use of a tow rope, officers were able to open the door, pulling the young person from the car, thus saving this young person's life.

As evidenced by the rescue on August 8, 2024, and by Safewise.com naming Lone Peak area (Highland and Alpine) the #1 safest cities in Utah for 2024.

We have pretty fantastic neighboring and local police departments in the area, as well as local residents willing to step in to help. I would like to thank all 22 amazing Lone Peak Police officers for making Highland a safe place to live.



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

October 15, 2024

- Library Updates:** The Highland City Library has seen big improvements, including new carpet, movable shelves, and fresh paint! Library Director Donna Cardon shared that 62% of Highland households have library cards. Looking ahead, the library plans to buy new furniture and may join the Timpanogos Library Consortium to offer even more books and resources.
- Sewer Rates Under Review:** Consultant Fred Philpot, of LRB Public Finance Advisors, shared their study on the city's sewer fund and proposed a sewer rate increase needed to cover higher charges from Timpanogos Special Service District. The Council asked for options to reduce the impact on residents. Updates will be shared in November and December.
- Public Works Projects:** The Council awarded Baker Construction the contract to complete the Hogs Hollow drainage improvements in 2024. The Council also approved a pressure reducing valve (PRV) installation project with Noland and Son Construction Co Inc. to reduce high water pressure in southwest Highland.



CALENDAR

November 5: 2024 General Election Day

See Newsletter for more information

November 12: City Council

7pm, City Hall

November 19: Planning Commission

7pm, City Hall

November 25: Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

6:00-8:00pm, Heritage Park

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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**

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Highland City

2024 General Election

The 2024 General Election is on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. Here's everything you need to know to vote:

How and When Can I Vote?

In-Person Voting: Highland City's Voting Center will be open on Election Day from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

Ballot Drop Box: Drop off your ballot at the box located on the north side of City Hall (by the utility and library drop boxes). It will be open from October 15th to November 5th at 8:00 PM.

By Mail: If you're mailing your ballot, it must be post-marked by November 4th.

Find a full list of drop boxes and voting centers at vote.utahcounty.gov.

How Do I Register to Vote?

The deadline to register online was October 25th.

If you missed the deadline, you can register at an early voting location or on Election Day, but you'll need two forms of ID.

For more information or to track your ballot, visit vote.utah.gov or call the Utah County Elections Office.

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



Street Parking

From December 1 to March 31, parking on the street is not allowed between 12:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m., and any time there is snow. This rule helps ensure snow plows can clear the roads effectively. If you park on the street during a snowstorm or soon after, the Police Department may give you a ticket or have your vehicle towed. Streets blocked by parked cars or other items won't be cleared until everything is moved. Other items include: Basketball hoops, trailers, and trash cans.

These items can be dangerous for drivers and can cause issues during snow removal. Thank you for helping keep our streets safe!

Fire Department Blood Drive - November 19

Looking for a meaningful way to give back this season? Join our Lone Peak Fire Department for their upcoming blood drive! Every donor helps save lives, and as a thank you, each donor will receive a small gift.

Address: 5582 Pkwy W Drive, Highland UT

Date and Time: 12pm to 6pm on 11/19/2024



Scan the QR code to set up an appointment or visit red-crossblood.org/give.html/find-drive and enter the zip code 84003 then scroll until you find our event.

Public Works Updates: PI Water Off for the Season

Our Public Works team has officially turned off the Pressurized Irrigation (PI) water for the season. The system will remain off until April 15th, allowing us to conserve resources and protect the infrastructure through the winter.

Now is also a great time to winterize your irrigation systems to prevent any damage from freezing temperatures. Additionally, with the leaves falling fast, remember to bag your leaves and dispose of them properly. Thanks for keeping our community clean and prepared for the season!

Storm Drain System Cleanliness

As fall approaches, please help keep your curb, gutter, and storm drains clear of leaves and debris. We're all in this together to preserve our community and prevent localized flooding!

While the city works to maintain public areas, we don't have the resources to clear every curb and drain. By each doing our small part around our homes, together we can keep our streets and storm drains functioning properly this fall.

We appreciate you taking a few minutes after yardwork or a windy day to clear leaves and clutter from your section of curb. This small action really does have an impact in keeping water and debris flowing properly.

- Check your curb/gutter after leaf pile pickups
- Avoid raking leaves into storm drains
- Encourage neighbors to help out too

We Are Hiring!

Are you or someone you know looking for a job? Come work with us at Highland City! Browse the list of job opportunities we currently have available: highlandut.applicantpro.com/jobs/



Contact

See our new website!
highlandcityarts.info



Arts Council Chair, Shauna Larson:

385-427-9337

 @highlandcityarts  Highland City Arts Council

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

FRIENDS OF ART November 7th, 10am to noon.

Bruce Robertson from the Visual Art Institute will be our guest speaker. Everyone is welcome. Lunch will be provided.

HIGHLAND CHILDREN'S CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Saturday, December 7th, 2:00pm and 6:00pm

Mountain Ridge Junior High

Admission \$5

Please join us for a beautiful evening of the Magic of Christmas

THE TIMPANOOGOS RINGERS Are hard at work rehearsing Christmas music. Mark your calendars for concerts December 9 at the American Fork library at 7pm and December 18 at Mountain Ridge Jr. High at 7pm.

HIGHLAND CHORAL ARTS Is pleased to announce their Amazing Christmas Concert and Fabulous Silent Auction! December 14, 7 pm at Timberline Middle School in Alpine.

Don't miss this fun evening! You will be treated to a Hot Cocoa bar before the Concert and a decadent treat after!

Tickets are available at highlandchoralarts.org or at the door. Make this event a fun part of your Christmas traditions.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION Be sure to drop by the City Hall building to enjoy some of our beautiful art displayed there.

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Friends of the Library

As Thanksgiving approaches, the Friends of the Highland City Library would like to remind all of its patrons how fortunate we are to have this charming library in our community. It officially opened January 2009, and a Children's room was added in 2018. In this library we can find many thousands of wonderful books and much, much more. You can observe lovely stained-glass pieces, a painted grotto in the Children's room, comfortable nooks for reading and a knowledgeable staff. On different dates you may observe a fairy tale ball, a school of magic, a craft club gathering, or a lecture on gardening. John Lubbeck (author) wrote, "We may sit in our library and yet be in all quarters of the world." Come visit the library this month and be grateful for this treasure in our community.

No Grease in the Drain

Around the Holiday season, we see a large amount of grease running through our systems that has been put down the drain. Grease is dangerous for our sewer system as it sticks to other things that have been flushed and can cause a congealed mass of grease and other material which can ultimately lead to sewer backups. Please do yourself and all your neighbors a favor and put your grease in the garbage instead of down the drain.

Cemetery Clean Up- Monday December 2nd

Highland City is committed to providing a clean, beautiful, and peaceful environment for visitors at the cemetery. To help maintain this, we ask that you please keep your loved one's site tidy.

On Monday, December 2nd, we will be removing all grave decorations, including real or artificial flowers, trinkets, ornaments, lamps, and shepherd hooks (with the exception of Christmas decorations). Any items that appear permanent will be placed in the building at the southeast corner of the cemetery.

If you would like to reclaim these items, please call (801) 772-4505 to schedule an appointment. Unclaimed items will be discarded after one week.

Winter Months Volunteer Opportunity

Community Action Services and Bank is in need of volunteers to help at our local warming shelter. These warming shelters provide warmth and safety to our unsheltered community every night during the winter. But to keep them open, we need more volunteers. Even a few hours of your time can make a big difference.

Together, let's keep our community warm and supported through the cold months ahead. Thank you for being willing to help make a difference!

Sign up to volunteer here: <https://app.vomo.org/opportunity/warming-center>





November 2024

Closed November 11th and 28th

Special Events

Intentional Friendship Workshop

Saturday, November 2nd at 1pm
Teens and Adults

Join Brent Reed for a class focused on deepening your relationships and enhancing family interactions this holiday season.

UVU TYE Performance: Mariposa/Butterfly

Saturday, November 16th at 1pm
All Ages

A bilingual play from UVU's TYE Center about neighbors finding common ground.

Craft Club: Petroglyphs and Pictographs

Wednesday, November 20th at 4pm
Ages 6-11

Celebrate Native American Heritage Month by learning about petroglyphs and pictographs and making one of your own.

Hours

M-Th: 10 AM-8 PM

F: 10 AM-4 PM

Sat: 12 PM-4 PM

Closed Sunday

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highlandcitylibrary.org

5400 Civic Center Dr. Suite 2

Highland, UT

Holiday Program Cancellations

No Storytime or Baby Storytime

November 4th-7th due to general election

Regular Programs

Storytime*

Every Tues, Weds, and Thurs at 11am
Ages 3-5

Read, sing, and make a letter-themed craft with Miss Sheridan.

Baby Storytime

Every Monday at 11am
Ages 0-2

Read, sing, and play with Miss Sonia

Hora de Cuentos

El tercer viernes de cada mes a las 11
¡Lee, canta y crea una manualidad en
nuestra nueva Hora de Cuentos con la
Señorita Sonia!

Third Friday of every month at 11am

Read, sing, and craft at our new all Spanish
storytime with Miss Sonia!

Young Writers Group

Every Thursday at 4pm
Ages 9-18

Learn and practice writing skills, eat snacks,
and meet other young writers.

***Highland City Library Card Required**

