



River Heights City News

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Mon-Thu, 9:30am-2:30pm

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Upcoming Municipal Election

River Heights City will hold elections this fall to elect a mayor and two city councilmembers to serve four-year terms. Those interested must file a Declaration of Candidacy form between **June 1 and June 7** at the city office between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., Monday - Thursday.

Candidates must meet the following qualifications:

1. Be a United States citizen;
2. Be a registered voter of the City;
3. Be a resident of River Heights City for at least 365 consecutive days immediately preceding the date of the election; and
4. Not be a convicted felon, unless the right to hold elective office has been restored.

The primary election will be held Aug 15 and the general election will be held Nov 7, 2017.

A public meeting will be held at the City Building, on Tuesday, May 9 immediately following the city council meeting (about 7:30 p.m.). The mayor and council will describe the duties of elected officials and answer questions.

I encourage anyone who has an interest in city governance to run for office!

Mayor James Brackner

Apple Days – August 26, 2017

Mark your calendars for the annual Apple Days celebration. Every year, this event brings residents together as a community and invites all who have ties to River Heights to return and enjoy the day's celebration.

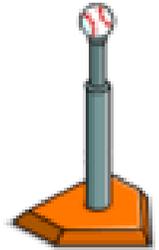
For information and registration forms, please visit: <http://www.riverheights.org/about/appledays/>

This year, there will be more local entertainment, more entries in the parade, more rides/activities for teenagers, more food, more derby cars, more fun for everyone. Act now to invite your families to come home for this city celebration!

Volunteers are needed. Just send an email to Sheila at: office@riverheights.org.

River Heights T-Ball Sign-ups

- ◆ For ages 3-5
- ◆ Sign up online at riverheights.org beginning April 1.
- ◆ Cost is \$20 for River Heights residents, \$25 otherwise.
- ◆ Games are played on Tuesday and Thursday evenings in June.



Space is limited so don't delay!!

Pavilion Rental

Good News! The price to rent our park pavilion has gone DOWN! The cost is now only \$25 for residents and \$50 for non-residents. The deposit has also gone down from \$100 to \$50! To schedule a reservation, call the office.

Utility Billing Update

1. We have a **new utility payment drop box** located at the beginning of the sidewalk to the City Building front door. You can drive right up to it. How convenient is that?! There is also a mailbox for the City to receive their mail. It is NOT an outgoing box for public use.
2. Many of you are taking advantage of making your payments on-line: Thank you! If you are comfortable with this system and would **no longer like to receive the post card bill in the mail**, let us know by email. This would spare you from having to deal with more paper, and save the city a little extra money.

Dog Licensing

Dog tags are late but are still due. The late fee is **\$10 each month** so please hurry and take care of it to prevent additional fees and a possible citation. Don't forget to bring in proof of rabies if it expired in the last year.

Reminder: **No dogs in city parks, except the area north of the cemetery.**

600 East Road Project

Two blocks of 600 East will be replaced this summer (between 400 and 600 South). During construction the road and park entrance will be closed along this area. Please watch your children closely since there will be heavy equipment and have them enter the park from the north or west.

New Solicitor Ordinance

The City Council recently adopted a solicitor ordinance (RHC 3-5) for the purpose of “outlining boundaries of door-to-door sales/solicitors and to protect citizens from fraud or otherwise unfair consumer sales practices as well as criminal activity.” Each salesperson must wear a RHC issued permit/badge to identify they have gone through the application and approval process. If you have any questions or complaints regarding solicitors in River Heights please call the city office.

You can view the full ordinance on our website under Government/City Code.

County Fair Community Booth

The city is looking for volunteers to put together a community booth for the Cache County Fair (August 9-12). If you are interested in participating or have questions, call the city office.

Greenwaste

The greenwaste dumpster is available once again in the city lot located north of the cemetery, at 800 East & Stewart Hill Drive. It will stay until winter hits. This dumpster is NOT FOR BUSINESS USE, only residential.

Individual greenwaste cans will be picked up weekly beginning Wednesday, March 22.

Storm Water

Stormwater is runoff from rain and snow storms. A system of gutters, ditches and storm drains collect this runoff from our yards, rooftops, streets, parking lots, and other land surfaces. This collection of water then discharges into our natural waterways.

During last month’s “melt” many of our residents had sump pumps running 24/7. As residents worked to pump this water from their homes, it was apparent that much of the water was being dumped into the City’s sewer system. **This is against the law.** River Heights pays for every gallon of water that is sent through the sewer system to Logan. Also, the system can be overwhelmed, which would result in raw sewage backing up into our homes! Please use hoses or other methods to divert floodwaters into streets and stormwater systems rather than floor drains, sinks, tubs or manholes.

Planning to Build Something on Your Property?

With spring just around the corner, you may be anxious to get to those construction projects you put off last year. Please be aware that you must get a Zoning Clearance Permit from the City before you build. Applications are available at the City Office or on the City’s website. In the past, there have been residents attempt to build projects without getting a ZCP. To avoid the expense of having to remove and reconstruct a project because it is in the wrong location, please obtain a ZCP in all cases and a Building Permit when instructed. Codes are in place to protect you, as well as your neighbors and future property owners. Some of the projects that must have a permit before building are: fences, sheds, decks, storage buildings, home additions, porches, garages (attached and detached) and free standing solar panels.

Emergency Preparedness

Please be mindful of your gutters in the street and places where water may flow when the snow melts. These areas need to be clear of debris. Also, check your trees to see if any dead branches may cause a falling hazard in a windstorm. If you notice any dangers on city property please report it to the city office. Be alert and enjoy your spring.

April - River Heights Spring Clean-Up Month

Take advantage of the following dumpsters for River Heights residents only:

- ◆ 2 green waste north of the cemetery
- ◆ 1 trash waste north of the cemetery
- ◆ 1 trash waste behind the city offices

The city is providing these dumpsters to assist youth or volunteer groups, families, and individuals the opportunity to participate in the annual Spring Clean-Up month in April. Winter is over, leaving a lot of outside debris to clean up. It’s also a great time to rethink what items we can get rid of in the garage and inside our home.

Let’s keep River Heights beautiful!

Consumer Confidence Report

The United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Utah Division of Drinking Water requires the city to perform many tests on our culinary water to ensure that it is safe for you to drink and use. A copy of the Consumer Confidence Report is available for review on the city’s website.