

River Heights City News

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Mayor's Message



Dear Citizens of River Heights City,

This fall we will elect a new mayor and two city councilors. This is a special opportunity, privilege, and duty. It is an opportunity because each citizen who is qualified can vote for a person to represent him/her in governing the affairs of the city. It is a privilege because not everyone who lives on this earth can select persons to represent them. North Korea and other dictatorships come to mind. It is a duty because privileges or rights are available by exercising and protecting them responsibly.

The two candidates for mayor are Robert Gines and Todd Rasmussen. Please get acquainted with them and learn their vision for River Heights City.

There are five candidates for the two city council seats. They are Douglas L. Clausen, Quentin C. Gardner, Jr., Shellie Giddings, Chris Milbank, and Elaine Thatcher. I also suggest that you get acquainted with them and learn whether they represent your views.

Because there are only two candidates for mayor, there will not be a primary election for this office.

Because there are more than four candidates for the two city council seats, there will be a primary election on Tuesday, August 15, 2017. The four candidates with the most votes and the two mayor candidates will move on to the general election, to be held Tuesday, November 7, 2017.

The voting will be conducted at the River Heights City Office Building located at 520 South 500 East in River Heights City from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m.

The city will hold a **“Meet the Candidates Forum” on August 8 at 8:00 pm.** Please plan to attend to ask questions to the council candidates and hear what they have to say.

I would like to express my deep gratitude to the present city council members who have served diligently and responsibly. They are ethical, hardworking, and deeply committed to our city. There have been differences of opinion on occasion but these differences have been treated respectfully and we have worked together without rancor to help govern a wonderful little city.

Sewer Rate Increase

The River Heights City Council has scheduled a public hearing at their July 11, 2017 meeting to discuss raising sewer rates to cover the increased costs River Heights will need to pay to Logan for our wastewater treatment.

It is anticipated that this rate increase will go into effect as of July 1, 2017.

Public Works Department

Water Quality

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. To read about and become informed about the great water we have in River Heights, go to the city's website and look under 'Public Works.'



Backflow Prevention

For customers with underground sprinkling systems. Current state plumbing code requires a backflow preventer on all underground sprinkling systems. The backflow preventer is a device that prevents impurities or contaminants from being drawn into the drinking water system. Many sprinkling systems already have the proper backflow preventer installed and need only be tested annually. Others may not meet state and local regulations and may need to be replaced with the proper backflow preventer. The regulations also require a state certified backflow technician test the backflow preventer annually. If you have questions call Clayton Nelson at 752-2646 x2.

Storm Water

Storm drains are NOT connected to the sanitary sewer or wastewater treatment plant.

The primary purpose of a storm drain is to carry rainwater and snowmelt away from developed areas to prevent flooding. As water flows over the ground it picks up a variety of pollutants which then flow to local storm water ponds, ditches and rivers.

River Heights City is committed to improving water quality and reducing the amount of pollutants entering waterways. Please help us achieve this goal by keeping driveways and curbsides clean.

Eagle Scout Projects

The City Council has adopted an 'Eagle Project Procedure' to help those who are interested in doing a project through River Heights City. Copies are available in the office, by email or on the city's website.



Tennis Lights

The tennis lights have been replaced! Push the button to turn them on anytime after sunset. They will turn off at 10:00 pm. If you leave before then, please turn them off manually. ENJOY!

9-1-1 Communications

In 2016 the Sheriff's Department launched a new safety initiative called Smart911 for all residents of Cache County. It is a free, private and secure system that allows individuals and families to sign up online and provide key information to 9-1-1 centers. The information entered into a Safety Profile is ONLY displayed to emergency dispatchers when a call to 9-1-1 has been placed. By creating a Safety Profile you can provide critical information that enables a faster and more effective emergency response by law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services. For additional information and to create a Safety Profile visit: www.smart911.com

T-Ball was GREAT!

Thanks to all the volunteer coaches! The children had a great time! A special thanks to our public works department for their help with the equipment and maintaining our parks so well.

No Dogs Allowed

Don't forget to leave your wonderful pets home when you come to enjoy our city parks.

