



River Heights City News

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Mayor's Message

Dear River Heights Citizens,

It has been an honor to serve as your mayor these past 4 years. This is a beautiful city with strong feelings of self-reliance and community identity. Our annual "Apple Days" celebration is evidence of our friendliness and joyful associations. I have heard some citizens state that, economically, we would be better off as a part of Logan. This may be true but I am not of that opinion; plus we have the autonomy of being in charge of our own city affairs.

The basic services needed by our citizens and provided by our city are:

- ◆ Water—River Heights City has three wells that supply excellent quality water. Only one is used daily and the other two are used as back up to our primary well.
- ◆ Wastewater treatment—River Heights City has contracted with Logan to treat our wastewater since 1975 and, this past year, a new agreement was reached to continue this service into the foreseeable future.
- ◆ Fire protection and ambulance service—River Heights City has a contract with Logan that provides basically the same services received by Logan residents.
- ◆ Police protection and animal control—River Heights City has contracted with the Cache County Sherriff's Office to provide these services which have proven adequate in the past.
- ◆ Parks and recreation—River Heights City maintains the main park at 600 East and 400 South. Included is Ryan's Place play area, a baseball diamond, a volley ball court, 3 lighted tennis courts, a small children's play area, and the Lions pavilion. Also maintained is the Hillside Park on River Heights Blvd., the DUP monument on 400 East about 500 South, and the top of the Stewart Nature Park at the end of Temple View Drive.
- ◆ Library—River Heights City is a member of the Cache County Library system and the closest location is in Providence.
- ◆ Street Maintenance—River Heights maintains its own roads, including snow removal and repairs. As funds were available, we have repaved streets and installed curb, gutter, and sidewalk.

Please continue to support our city government so we can remain independent and strong.

Mayor James Brackner

ABSOLUTELY NO Disposal of Stormwater into the Sewer System

Dear citizens of River Heights, as of the July bill, the rate for treating wastewater has increased by approximately 30% to cover the cost of the new wastewater treatment plant being installed by Logan. However, for reasons unknown, the volume of wastewater that Logan billed for July has increased considerably over that of last year. This is concerning because this increased volume creates unplanned expenses which overruns our budget. If this increased cost is not abated, it could affect the amount of funds available for road repair or parks, etc.

Nibley discovered that several citizens were pumping storm water into their sewers. Please be aware that this is in violation of the state code and they were fined heavily. If any of you are pumping storm water into your sewer, please stop and pump it somewhere else. If you need help, please contact the River Heights City office and we will consult with you about your best alternative.

River Heights City Election

November 7, 2017

On Tuesday, November 7, 2017 River Heights residents will be electing a new mayor and two council members. Each position is for a 4-year term. The following residents are running for office:

Mayor	Robert Gines
	Todd Rasmussen
Council	Douglas Clausen
	Shellie Giddings
	Chris Milbank
	Elaine Thatcher



We appreciate the candidates' willingness to run for city office.

Early Voting will take place October 24—November 3 (two weeks prior to the election). Registered voters can vote early in the City Office during office hours; M-Th, 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. and from 9:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. on the Friday before the election.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

Parking Restrictions

Ready or not, the snow will be flying soon. Don't forget, it is unlawful to park any vehicle on any public street from November 15 - March 15 between the hours of 4:00 am and 12:00 noon.



Snow Shoveling

Remember it is **UNLAWFUL** to throw your snow into the road. When snow freezes in the road it can cause safety issues and it deters the degree to which the city equipment can clear your road.

Parks

A big thanks to Clayton, Steve and Cam for keeping the park looking so beautiful this summer. Their hard work is appreciated by everyone.

The tennis nets will be left up as long as the weather is good and there is no snow or consistent freezing. The restrooms will be closed as soon as there is consistent freezing. The facilities will be left open as long as possible. This is a beautiful time of year so get out and enjoy the park.

Please remember to leave your pets at home when you walk or play in the parks. River Heights City Parks are no pet zones. And, when walking your dog, please be responsible to clean up after them. All citizens will thank you!

Business Licenses

If you are running a business out of your home, you need to apply for a license, which can be done anytime. The timeframe for renewals is Nov 1 through Dec 31. After the deadline, there is a \$30 late fee. The application can be found at riverheights.org under 'Forms/Business License.'

Tree Lighting

Monday, November 27th at 6pm in the Park

Dress warm and bring your singing voice to welcome in winter! What a fun event to enjoy hot chocolate, donuts, family and friends while singing around the tree and visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus.

