

Highland Insider

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Neighborhood Planning Workshops

Workshops Scheduled

Five neighborhood workshops/meetings will be held in November as part of the on-going update of the Highland City General Plan. The purpose of these meetings is to provide City residents a hands-on opportunity to define the needs, issues, concerns and preferences for the community, thereby providing a stronger and more vibrant planning process. These neighborhood meetings have been scheduled as follows: **Area 2: Mtn. Ridge Jr. High - November 9, 2006, 6-8 p.m.**; **Area 5: Mtn. Ridge Jr. High - November 15, 2006, 6-8 p.m.**; **Area 3/4: Lone Peak High School - November 16, 6-8 p.m.**; **Area 6: Freedom Elementary - November 29, 2006, 6-8 p.m.**; **Area 1: Ridgeline Elementary - November 30, 2006, 6-8 p.m.** Be on the lookout for a special mailer announcing these dates and venues and remember to mark your calendar accordingly. Meetings will also be advertised in the local press, on the Highland City website www.highlandcity.org and the project website <http://www.ldi-ut.com/projects/highland.htm>.

If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Mark Vlasic at Landmark design (801) 474-3300 or Lonnie Crowell, Director of Community Development, 756-5751.

City Office Expansion Includes Temporary Facility

Effective the first of November, Administrative and Justice Court staff of the City will locate in a temporary facility adjacent the City Building. The City Engineer and staff will relocate in the current City Building and will be housed with Planning/ Zoning and Building Inspection staff. Residents should watch for signage to provide direction for purpose of acquiring the proper service.

November Garbage Collection

Due to the transfer station closing for the Thanksgiving holiday, all waste removal will be delayed one day. Garbage pick up will be on **Saturday, November 25, 2006**. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. Have a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving.

Election Day - November 7

Don't forget to get out and vote **Tuesday, November 7**. Polls are open from **7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.** Poll locations are as follows: **Lone Peak High School for Highland Precincts 2 and 5, Mt. Ridge Precincts for Highland 6 and 7, Freedom Elementary for Highland Precincts 1 and 3, Ridgeline Elementary for Precinct 4**. If you don't know your precinct, go to the Utah County web page at www.utahcountyonline.com and go to "voter registration search".

VOTE & Vaccine

The Utah County Health Department will hold influenza vaccination clinics on Election Day, **November 7**, at the Utah County Health and Justice Center, the Lehi Legacy Center, and the Payson City Center, from **7 a.m. to 7 p.m.** The cost for a flu shot will be \$23, and the Health Department will bill most insurance plans. Call 851-2222 for more details on influenza vaccinations or visit www.utahcountyhealth.org. So get out there and vote . . . for your favorite candidate and for better health!

Support of Food Bank

The Community Action Food Bank would like to thank those who generously donate cash and food throughout the year. This year the large community food drive (supported by many local churches) will be on **Saturday, December 9**. As your regional food bank we ask for your continued support through this holiday

season. Community Action Food Bank serves 1,500 local families each month. The number of people served is expected to rise during this winter season. Donations of non-perishable food and hygiene items may be dropped off at Community Action Food Bank Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., at 815 S. Freedom Boulevard, Provo. Call Jim Thomas, Food Bank Director, at 373-8200, ext. 216 for more information.

Credit Score Plus

Credit Score Plus outlines all the principal factors that influence credit scores, cost of a sub-800 credit score, and the ways companies can manipulate our scores. Plan to attend the upcoming one hour presentation at the **Highland City Offices, Friday, November 10, at 6:30 p.m.** It is sponsored by Westfield Real Estate. Please register at www.creditscoreplus.net or call (801) 558-5055. For further questions, please contact Nancy Morrill at 787-1752, or Stacy Racker at 360-1380.

Did You Know? . . .

- Architect Gordon Clark presented drawings for the Justice Center, which will house the police department and courts. The building will be 16,000 sq. ft. and have a similar design as the new city building, which is also being designed by JRCA Architects. Documents will be ready to go out to bid by the end of December. The building is expected to take eleven months to construct with a completion date of January, 2008. The cost estimate for the Justice Center is under \$3.5 million.
- A library committee has been appointed to consider a community library. The committee presently comprises the following members: Chairman, Claudia Stillman; Justin Englebright, Stephanie Thacker, Kathryn Schramm, and staff support Emily Gillingwater. Interested volunteers can complete a Committee Volunteer Application from www.highlandcity.org.
- The City Council approved a revised organizational chart and authorized the position of Finance Director and Director of Community Development. These positions will be filled by Lynn Ruff and Lonnie Crowell respectively.
- Approval was granted by the City Council for a lease with Sprint for a cellular tower ground lease.
- The City Council approved a purchase agreement of 2.1 acres in the Town Center for the amount of \$550,206. This site will be developed for the new City Hall and Police Station.
- Approval was granted by the City Council for a \$3,100 grant to acquire a metal detector for the Justice Court.
- The City's retaining wall ordinance was amended. Go to www.highlandcity.org for further information on the amendments.
- Final approval was granted for Timp Ranchettes Plat B. This development will comprise 23 lots, on 21.49 acres, is in the R-1-40 zone, and is located at approximately 5750 West 10400 North.
- The City Council recommended the Planning Commission review and make recommendations for strict enforcement of the sign ordinance.
- The City Council approved the selection of Peck Ormsby Construction as Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) for the construction of the Fire Station at a cost of \$195,440.
- The site plan and Highland Development Code amendments were approved for Lot 3 of the Highland Corner Commercial Subdivision. This approval permits the construction of an office building on the east side of the Wells Fargo Bank.

Youth City Council

The Youth Council held a coat drive in October wherein four elementary schools, including Highland, Westfield, Freedom, and Legacy participated. We would like to thank them for their generous contributions! The coats will be donated to the Christmas Box House and the Catholic Community Service Center.

We are looking forward to honoring the senior citizens of our community at our **ANNUAL SENIORS DINNER, NOVEMBER 9, AT 5:30 P.M., AT LONE PEAK HIGH SCHOOL.**

We would like to spotlight Youth Council members Aimee Gummow and Spencer Loong. Aimee, daughter of Glade and Kelly Gummow, is a Senior at Lone Peak High School. She is involved in Operation Smile and is a talented member of Lone Peak Dance Company. Spencer, son of James and Shelly Loong, is a Junior at Lone Peak High School, and is an amazing tennis player.

Recreation

American Fork Recreation Youth Basketball. After a long absence into a trailer and then the Fire Station, we are finally back to the American Fork Fitness Center at 454 North Center in American Fork. Come here to register for Basketball. Register early to avoid the lines!

Registration Deadlines: Boys 9th through 12th grades register by **November 9**; Boys 11th & 12th grades register as a team by **November 13, 5:00 p.m.**; Boys 7th & 8th grades, register by **November 13**; boys 3rd through 6th grades, register by **November 21**; Girls 3rd through 12th grades register by **November 21**. Games begin in December and January.

Men's teams register by **November 10** with games beginning **November 20**.

We are also registering for **Ski and Snowboard School**. Four trips to Solitude in January and February includes chartered bus, ski or snowboard lessons, and all-day lift pass.

Call 763-3080, or email us at recreation@afcity.net for more information.

North Utah County Soccer League. North Utah County Soccer (NUCS) registration for the Spring 2007 season opens November 1. Registration is done by mail and must be postmarked by January 24. Your child's birth date must be between August 1, 1994 and July 31, 2002 to be eligible. Placement on a team is dependent on registration volume and coach availability, and is not 100% guaranteed. Registration instructions will be available by November 1, at our web site: www.nucsonline.com.

Highland Arts Council

Mark your calendars for **December 2, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon** for the second annual Highland Christmas Crafts Fair at the City Building. If anyone is interested in helping prepare easy crafts that children can make as Christmas gifts, please contact Emily Gillingwater at the City Office.

Back by popular demand "*Christmas by Me*" classes taught by Laury Smith and Katie Evans will be held in November. For information email Laury at zoo9crew@aol.com or call 735-7608.

The Arts Council will be offering a *Mommy and Me Pottery Class*, ages 2-5, on **Tuesdays, November 7, 14, 21, at 10:30 a.m.** Cost is \$35, including materials. Contact Sherry Hardy at 492-8099 to sign up.

Merit Badge Classes for November: (1) *Communications* (required) **November 10, 4:00-6:00 p.m., at the Highland City Building.** Do requirements 3, 5 & 8 on your own before the class meets in order to get signed off on November 10. Those who do not complete these requirements before the class meets may make arrangements with the Scout Merit Badge Councilor to schedule a time to get signed off. No limit. Cost is \$10. **(2) *Photography*** (elective) **November 3 and 17, 4:00-5:30 p.m. at the Highland City Building.** Please bring your camera (any type of camera is acceptable). Scouts will be given homework between classes. No Limit. Cost

\$5. No Merit Badge Classes offered in December. Enjoy your holiday season!

Thank you to all who helped in any way to make the production of OKLAHOMA such a success. Come and get involved with the next production.

Community Choir Concert

Timpanogos Chorale presents the annual Christmas concert entitled "*Christmas Around the World*" to be directed by world renowned Dr. Donald H. Ripplinger, retired associate conductor of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. The concerts will be held on **Thursday, December 7, at 5:30 p.m., in the Assembly Hall on Temple Square, and on Friday, December 8, at 7:00 p.m., in the American Fork Jr. High School Auditorium.** Donations of \$3/person or \$10 immediate family are asked to help fund this choir, which is sponsored by the American Fork Arts Council. This seasonal celebration will include beautiful carols from various parts of the world.

Eagle Scout Project

Are you looking for a place to sit? Spiders, peeling paint, and dirt once covered the benches and tables throughout Highland Glen Park. Now, after an Eagle Scout project, the benches and picnic tables are clean, freshly painted, and inviting once more. Bring your family and come and enjoy the Highland Glen Park. Ephraim Hernandez, the prospective Eagle Scout, would like to thank Lowe's of American Fork, the City of Highland, and the community for the generous donations and support.

Message from Police Chief Kip Botkin

As we head into the winter months some reminders that we deal with as drivers during those months should be helpful. The City has a need to regulate on street parking during the winter months to facilitate snow removal. We rarely know exactly when it will snow, and when it does it is necessary for the city to "plow the streets/roads". Naturally vehicles (motorized, non-motorized, non-road and junk vehicles), which are parked on the street, cause a problem for the snow plow drivers, and often other drivers as they slide due to slick road conditions (the travel portion of the roadway is significantly narrowed by parked vehicles).

Highland City's ordinance addresses the period from December 1 through March 31, for not permitting parking of any vehicle (motorized or non-motorized) on the street between 12:00 a.m. (midnight) and 8:00 a.m. **AND** "any time snow is present so as to provide access to snow plows

for snow removal". This means that, in addition to prohibited parking between midnight and 8:00 a.m. during these months, parking is also prohibited any time snow is falling, or when there is any snow on the street. The intent is to allow unobstructed access of the street (minimum of "curb to curb") to the snow plows for snow removal purposes. Should you have any questions concerning this ordinance, please call the Police Department during normal business hours.

As an additional reminder, we would like to make you aware of the following facts: (1) It is illegal to park on the wrong side (facing traffic) of the road anywhere in the City. This has been a particular problem in front of the Highland City Building on 10400 North. (2) It is illegal to make a U-turn as you leave the Highland City building on 10400 North. To execute that U-turn the driver must cross a double yellow line (an illegal movement). Vehicles turning off of the Alpine Highway onto Westbound 10400 North are confronted by persons making U-turns as they leave the curb side parking in front of the Highland City Building. When these two cars collide, the one making an illegal U-turn is at fault and will be cited. (3) Now is a good time to "winterize" your vehicle before the wet and cold weather arrives.

Thanksgiving will soon be upon us and it is always a good time of the year to take time and think about the many, many things in which we have to be thankful. The men and women of the Alpine/Highland Police Department wish each of you a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday. If you travel during that holiday, please drive safely and observe the traffic rules. They are in place for all our safety.

Legal Notices

Notice is hereby given that public hearings will be held by the Highland City Council at the City Building on the following issues and dates: (1) **November 8, 2006, at 7:15 p.m.** to consider public input on an amendment to the Master Land Use Element of the General Plan to add the Commercial Retail (CR) Zone; (2) **November 8, 2006, at 7:30 p.m.**, to consider adopting an ordinance to amend the zoning map and rezone 16.622 acres of land located near 11000 North and Alpine Highway to the Commercial Residential (CR) Zone; (3) **November 8, 2006, at 7:45 p.m.** to consider public input on an amendment to the Master Land Use Element of the General Plan to rezone 2.98 acres located at 10215 North Alpine Highway from R-1-40 to R-1-20; (4) **November 8, 2006, at 8:00 p.m.**, to consider adopting an ordinance to amend the zoning map and rezone 2.98 acres of land located at 10215 North Alpine Highway from R-1-40 to R-1-20; (5) **November 8, 2006, at 8:15 p.m.** Due Process Hearing to Consider Revoking the Alpine Homes Model Home Conditional Use Permit.

First Aid Kits for Sale

As part of the Safe Community USA nonprofit public service program, the Lone Peak Public Safety District is offering the public the opportunity to purchase emergency medical kits at cost. In 95% of all emergencies, bystanders, or victims themselves, are the first to provide emergency assistance, or to perform a rescue! For every kit purchased, Lone Peak EMS will receive \$5 to help purchase needed medical equipment and to provide emergency training in our community.

The Citizen Kits are valued at \$95, and are available to purchase for \$38 (tax included). This is an excellent all-around emergency kit for home or auto. The Police Car Kit is valued at \$130, and is being sold for \$64 (tax included). This kit includes everything in the Citizen Kit, as well as larger trauma dressings, EMT shears, and a full CPR pocket face mask. These make great gifts!

Citizen Kits are available for purchase at Cedar Hills and Alpine stations. Police Car Kits must be ordered online at: www.safecommunityusa.com/lonepeak or by calling 801-794-9622. An additional cost for shipping will apply to kits not picked up at one of the stations.

City Calendar

The first City Council Meeting in November has been scheduled for **Wednesday, November 8, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.** **The meeting has been changed due to the General Election being held on Tuesday, November 7.** The second meeting will be held Tuesday, November 21, at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Meetings are November 13 and 27, at 7:00 p.m.

Justice Court Mondays 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Highland City Offices will be closed **November 23 and 24** for the Thanksgiving holiday.

DON'T FORGET THE ANNUAL SENIOR'S DINNER NOVEMBER 9, LONE PEAK HIGH SCHOOL, 5:30 P.M. Hosted by Highland City Youth Council. If you would like to share a talent, contact Brenda Olsen at 756-6610.