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Dear Friends and Neighbors of Fruit Heights City:

First of all, may I extend a heartfelt appreciation for your confidence in my efforts as city councilor via re-election. I am grateful to serve.

Our government fiscal year runs from July to July. The first few months of this period find us at City Hall in deep study over the pages and pages of the year's budget items requiring consideration and approval. As elected and appointed leaders and City staff, we held an additional, lengthy and public Strategic Planning Meeting to go over in detail the spending for 2016-2017. Our purpose is to carefully study the priorities and expenses of maintaining the City and the needs of our citizens as a whole. As a small town with a sparse commercial tax base and nearly built-out properties, we strain to stay "in the black," and do all we can to look ahead and budget for essential projects.

This sound financial strategy and planning is something of which we can all be proud. It is a tradition the current council seeks to keep. I salute our City staff and prior city councils for their careful and wise management.

Also valuable to the workings of our community is the spirit of Good Neighbors - our City motto! Let's continue to look out for one another. Sheriff Richardson reminds us to call his office if you see suspicious activity in our neighborhoods. Be vigilant about locking doors and vehicles. Make it difficult for crimes of opportunity to happen in our town.

Ongoing community events create occasions for us to gather, renewing and making new associations. Beginning Monday, April 18, the City will host a weekly food truck night. Inquiries into this league of small businesses instigated offering this food adventure at our City Hall location. Our intent is to bring this popular event locally, which is hugely successful in other parts of the State. Look to further announcements and social media for details. Bring a blanket and enjoy a meal out with fellow residents!

As attentive leadership requires work and effort, so does an informed citizenry. In this election year, might there be a desire on our part as Americans to study issues and pay attention. Voicing and emailing productive opinions and casting intelligent votes does indeed make a difference.

May we each find ways to make a difference in our community!

Diane D. Anderson, City Council Member

COMMUNICATION

The City is seeking your input on how we can better communicate important information to residents of Fruit Heights City and we would like to hear from you. If you have any thoughts or ideas that would help to improve communication, would you please email them to the Mayor and City Council, citycouncil@fruitheightscity.com.

MOTHER OF THE YEAR AND UNSUNG HERO

Fruit Heights City is seeking recommendations for this year's Mother of the Year and Unsung Hero. Your recommendations can be emailed to bgreen@fruitheightscity.com. The Mayor and Council will review the submissions, make a selection and notify those who were selected.



CITY COUNCIL

Mayor: Don Carroll

Council Members:

Diane Anderson

Gary Anderson

Julia Busche

Brandon Halliday

Scot Poole

Email:

www.citycouncil@fruitheightscity.com

City Hall hours:

8 a.m.—5 p.m. Mon.—Fri.

After hours emergency call the Sheriff's Dept. 801-451-4150, they will call our Public Works representative.

Spring Clean-up

Spring clean-up will be from **Mon. April 18th thru Mon. May 2nd**. Vouchers will be available beginning Monday, **April 11th** at the city offices for **residents** to cover cost of disposal of green lawn waste at the Wasatch Integrated Landfill, 1997 E. 3500 N. Layton 84041.



MONDAY EVENING FOOD TRUCK

Monday nights from 5:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. will be Food Truck Night at Fruit Heights City



Hall. Come and enjoy a bit to eat and visit with neighbors and friends on the grass at the City Offices. There will be different food trucks participating in this event each Monday night throughout the year. We hope that this is a fun social event for all of our residents. For more information, visit the City's website under "City News". We hope to see you there!

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS



At a recent City Council Meeting, the Mayor and Council approved several construction projects that will affect different areas of the City at different times during the year. So that residents are informed as to what these projects are and where they will be occurring, you are encouraged to visit the City's website, www.fruitheightscity.com click on the "For Residents" tab and there will be information regarding each of the projects and their locations. It should also be mentioned that some of these projects are being paid for with funds collected from property tax and utility fees. As we have done for many years in Fruit Heights, all of the money to do each of these projects has been saved and Fruit Heights City continues to operate debt free. It is going to be a very busy summer and we ask for your patience and cooperation as we work on completing these projects in a timely manner.

Committee Members Needed

The Mayor and City Council are looking for residents who are interested in volunteering to serve on two newly formed Committees, the Cemetery Committee, and the Wildfire Protection Committee. These committees will help to provide input and recommendations to the Mayor and Council. They are also being established to help communicate with and to educate residents on important issues pertaining to Cemetery Planning and Wildfire protection. Email: www.citycouncil@fruitheightscity.com



WEBER BASIN WATER CONSERVATION

Weber Basin Water Conservancy District **will begin charging the water irrigation lines as of April 15th.** It is best to have your valves turned OFF while the charging begins in case the beginning pressure is too much for the lines to handle. Remember that you can train turf to be drought tolerant by waiting as long as possible to begin watering and waiting as long as possible between watering cycles. All of the classes and events are free and everyone is welcome to attend! Classes and registration can be found at www.weberbasin.com/conservation.



The following classes are being offered:

- April 6 (6 pm): **Keep Calm and Carry On-** Class on early and late season vegetable gardening
- April 13 (10 am): **Sprinklers, Timers and Tune-Ups-** Class on taking care of sprinkler systems and proper irrigation practices
- April 21 (10 am & 7 pm): **April Seasonal Discovery Tour-** Come see what new things are blooming in our garden
- April 23 (10 am): **Contemporary and Classic Containers-** Learn how to design different styles of container plantings
- May 4 (6 pm): **Veggie Gardening A-Z-** How to have a successful vegetable garden
- May 19 (10 am & 7 pm): **May Seasonal Discovery Tour-** In May our garden is at its peak! Come see what things are blooming!

TRASH CAN NUMBER

Due to the high winds in the city, trash cans could be blown away and get mixed up with others. Each home has at least one regular trash can. The City and Robinson Waste Management do not keep track of which can goes to which home. So we are asking our residents to please record the number on their cans so they can identify them if they get lost.



REMINDER: Parking any vehicle, recreational vehicle, or equipment for longer than 24 hours on the street in any seven day period is an infraction and subject to penalty.

THE GREAT UTAH SHAKE-OUT

A Magnitude 7.0 Earthquake Coming Soon! The 2016 Utah ShakeOut Exercise takes place on

April 21, 2016. Everyone is encouraged to register on-line by clicking on the link below and to also participate in the "duck, cover and hold-on" exercise that will occur at **10:15 am.** Now is a good time to review your family disaster plans and rotate perishable items



in your emergency kits. Fruit Heights will conduct a community exercise similar to years past. Please display a "Green" placard in your street-facing window on the morning of April 21st. Neighborhood Coordinators will count the placards, report numbers observed to the Area Coordinator who will transmit by radio the information to the city's Emergency Operations Center. Please plan to participate! This is an excellent way to prepare for a real emergency or disaster in our City of Good Neighbors.

WASATCH INTEGRATED WASTE THRIFT STORE

NOW OPEN! Pioneer Adult Rehabilitation Center (PARC) has opened a thrift store collocated with the Davis Landfill Recycling Center. PARC is a Community Rehabilitation Program providing opportunities for people with disabilities who cannot obtain training and employment on their own. The partnership between PARC and Wasatch Integrated benefits the community by providing jobs and increasing recycling through the reuse of items which might otherwise be land-filled. **Thrift store hours are Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 12 noon to 5pm.** For information contact PARC at (801) 402-0950.

