



FRUIT HEIGHTS CITY 910 South Mountain Road Fruit Heights, UT 84037

RIDGERUNNER

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COMMUNITY

Councilman Gary Anderson

What do you think about your neighbors? How do you feel about your schools? What do you think about your community? Community has always been a big part of our lives and it has been here since the day we were born. We might even live on the same street, but we grow up in different households and this results in many different views on communities. The many definitions of our community may include our home, our heritage, and even our religion. To me our first, community really is our "home." Next it is our neighbors and neighborhood, then our city, and onto state and then country. I really do enjoy living in our city of good neighbors. Being on the city council I have seen many people that are trying to lift and contribute to this great city. There are many different personalities and talents that city staff, the mayor and other city council have. I see that there are many in our community making Fruit Heights a great place to live.

To help make our city a great community, the city staff and council have been working on a few things I am excited about and want residents to be aware of.

One of the items is a new mountain bike trail. Because many reading this would like to know, it is funded by a grant from the State of Utah and private donations. The trail is located on the 100 acres of forest land recently deeded back to the city from our federal government. A road base parking lot will be built soon at the end of 1800 East which will include a drinking fountain and a bike repair station to be built soon. The trail is a (nearly) 2 mile clockwise one-directional trail, with access at 1800 East and also from lower Eastoaks Drive. There are also two alternate courses, one intermediate and the other an advanced downhill that are currently under construction. While this bike trail and parking lot are in the process of being constructed, we ask that people be respectful of the residents living on 1800 East, by parking on the east side of the road away from homes. Also, in a couple of spots the trail does, for short distances, overlap for both bikers and pedestrians. Please be respectful of one another where the trails intersect, and follow the signs that indicate direction and level of difficulty. I believe that how each of us handle these interactions is what makes our community better and stronger.

As many are aware, the Castle Heights Playground has been removed. The playground has been a destination for many residents and young families since it was built in 2005. As the council has been working to select a new playground my family and I have been stopping by many playgrounds through the state and at many others out of the state. In consideration of the new play structures one thing I have liked about the Castle Heights Playground is that it has been family friendly. Meaning that adults can get on the play structure to help the small kids navigate the obstacles. This is a unique feature and from many of the new play structures I have seen. This has me excited about the new playground structure that the playground commission has recommended to the council.

As we see in the news the wildfires in California have created quite a bit of damage to people and property. The City of Paradise, CA has been completely taken out by these fires. This unfortunate circumstance can be used as a reminder to the City of Fruit Heights' residents to cut back overgrown fuel sources like trees and brush. As we go into fall and winter this is typically not on our radar. Although these may be some of the best times to act. If we have a mild winter it is likely the next summer will be dry and hot. I encourage residents to do our part in removing brush and foliage around our homes and neighborhoods to reduce the risk of a major catastrophe that will potentially come during the following summer. In the past August Ridgerunner Council Member, Julia Busche has directed us to the "Firewise Landscaping for Utah" as a great resource residents should read and use to protect our homes and property. <https://ffsl.utah.gov/images/Fire/wui/FirewiseLandscaping07.pdf>. This is a great time to act on many of these suggestions.

CITY COUNCIL

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801-546-0861. **After hours emergency call the Sheriff's Dept. 801-451-4150**, they will call our Public

Works representative.

GARBAGE PICK-UP

During the weeks of Christmas and New Year's Day, the garbage pickup will be delayed by 1 day for each holiday. This allows for Robinson Waste employees to have a holiday off also.

We are very thankful for the service that Robinson Waste gives our residents in Fruit Heights. They are very dependable, courteous and always there for us!



2018-2019 Youth City Council Officers

Jessica Byers, Mayor
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CHRISTMAS TREE PICK-UP

Christmas tree pick-up will be Friday, January 4th. Trees must be to the curb by 6:00 a.m. Remove tree stands, ornaments, lights, and remove from snow if buried. Please leave trees out to curb, it may take a few days for collection. **THANK YOU!**

BUILDING PERMITS REQUIRED

Reminder: Building Permits are required by Fruit Heights City. Listed below are the most common permits required by the city.

- * New Home Construction
- * Finishing a basement
- * Building a shed or garage
- * Installing a new furnace, AC or water heater
- * Upgrading an electrical system
- * Installing a swimming pool
- * Installing a fence
- * Re-roof

Failure to obtain the correct permits can result in fines, delays and added expense. If you have plans to update, remodel or build, check with the City before you begin.

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CASTLE HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND DONATIONS

The Castle Heights Playground committee was established to evaluate a new playground, as the current playground is in disrepair. Fruit Heights was fortunate to receive a grant, but it is not enough to cover the cost of all the preparation for the playground area, such as a cement walking path around the park, additional trees, a fence on the Gailey Trail side of park, wood chips, benches, picnic tables and benches, possible future zip line, swings, signs, etc.

We are asking for donations to help with these costs. If you can donate toward the new playground, it would be a benefit to Fruit Heights and all who enjoy the time spent on the playground.

Please go to the website www.xpressbillpay.com under 'Donations' to make a contribution. The committee is working on the details for 'recognition' to the donors. **THANK YOU! FRUIT HEIGHTS CITIZENS**

Donations for Senior Citizen Holiday Gift Drive

Davis County Health Department's Senior Services is holding a gift drive to help make the holidays a little brighter for senior citizens who may be alone this holiday season or not have the financial resources to celebrate this year.

There are many who are in need of gift cards for groceries. Gift cards to local grocers and stores are greatly appreciated. Other items needed may include bath soap, shampoo, laundry soap, dish soap, towels, blankets, socks, and other items that may get day-to-day use. Gift request will not exceed \$50.

Please turn in all gifts unwrapped or in an open gift bag. The deadline to turn in gifts is Friday, Dec. 14, by 5 p.m., to the Davis County Health Department (22 South State Street, Clearfield) or at one of the county's three senior activity centers:

- **Central Davis Senior Activity Center**, 81 E. Center Street, Kaysville
- **Golden Years Senior Activity Center**, 726 S. 100 E., Bountiful
- **North Davis Senior Activity Center**, 42 South State Street, Clearfield

For more details or to receive a specific gift request, contact Priscilla Angulo at 801-525-5087 or email her at pangu-lo@daviscountyutah.gov.

Winter Parking Restrictions

Beginning November 1st through April 1st, overnight parking is prohibited on streets from 12:00 midnight—8:00 a.m. and during times of snowfall. Please tell your guests/renters so the snowplows are able to do a more effective job. **Violators will be cited by the Sheriff's Dept. whether it snows or not.** Also, please remove trash cans from the street as soon as possible to help facilitate snow removal. Our snow removal crew appreciates the residents' compliance in the past and asks for your continued cooperation. **Thank you!**



Remember: Green waste containers can be used for regular trash from first pick-up in Dec. to last pick-up in March.