RIDGERUNNER FOCUS NOVEMBER 2023

# MANY RESIDENTS ASKED: WHY ARE ELECTIONS SO LATE THIS YEAR?



Ballot drop box located at City Hall in Fruit Heights

## FOR 2023 ONLY, UTAH GOVERNOR MOVED GENERAL ELECTION DAY TO TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Following the unexpected resignation of Utah Congressman Chris Stewart, who represented the state's second district, Utah Governor Spencer Cox issued a proclamation moving the general election dates for all areas of Utah - even those areas, like Fruit Heights, that are outside of District 2. The delay allowed time for a special election for the vacant office. This change affects the election dates in 2023 only.

The general election is now November 21, two weeks later than the original date of November 7. The move has surprised many voters as the general election is usually held on the first Tuesday in November.

The Davis County Clerk's Office, which oversees elections in our area, began mailing ballots to all active, registered voters in Davis County this week.

## FRUIT HEIGHTS CITY ELECTIONS

Fruit Heights government is comprised of a mayor and five city council members. The mayor has administrative and executive responsibility, while the council has legislative responsibility.

Every two years, municipal offices come up for election in Fruit Heights. This year, residents will vote for three city council seats. Then, in 2025, residents will vote for the office of mayor and two council seats.



## **KEY DATES**



OCTOBER 31-NOVEMBER 2

Ballots mailed

**NOVEMBER 10**Last day to register to vote

**NOVEMBER 21** 

General Election Day

LEARN, REGISTER, VOTE!

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## CITY ELECTIONS

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Once elected, responsibilities for members of the city council include the following:

- Adopt City Budget
- Approve City General Plan
- Determine Tax and Fee Rates
- Determine Services Provided
- Provide Oversight to City Functions
- Pass Resolutions/Ordinances
- Respond to Needs of Citizens

Council members play a key role in shaping Fruit Heights. Voting gives residents the opportunity to help guide decisions impacting the city's future.

Fruit Heights does not have districts, therefore all members of the city council are elected at-large. Council members are elected to a four year term.

City council meetings are open to the public, and are typically held at 7 pm at City Hall on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month.



Learn about key issues and how candidates align with your wishes for the future

Attend in person November 2, 2023 6:30 - 8:15 pm City Hall

OR

#### WATCH ONLINE DURING OR AFTER THE EVENT

Scan the QR code below or visit youtube.com/@fruitheightscity9716/streams to watch candidates answer questions





## **VOTING IN THE GENERAL ELECTION**

### **ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

The Davis County Clerk's Office oversees elections. You may visit https://www.daviscountyutah.gov/clerk-auditor/elections or call 801-451-3508 for more information.

#### **HOW DO I REGISTER TO VOTE?**

To register online, visit vote.utah.gov and click on "Register to Vote". You may also register in person at the Davis County Clerk's Office at 61 S. Main Street in Farmington.

#### **HOW DO I VOTE THIS YEAR?**

You may vote by mail, or by using a secure ballot drop box, or in person. Ballots will be mailed to all eligible voters starting three weeks before the election.

#### TO VOTE BY MAIL

(Do **ONE** of the following)

1. Postmark your ballot on or before Monday, November 20. Return postage is provided.

2. Drop your ballot at a secure drop box by 8 pm on election day. Drop boxes are located throughout Davis County, including one in the parking lot of Fruit Heights City Hall at 910 S. Mountain Road.

#### TO VOTE IN PERSON

An Election Day Voting Center will be located at Fruit Heights City Hall, 910 S. Mountain Road, open from 7 am - 8 pm on election day, Tuesday, November 21. State law requires voters present valid identification to vote at the poll.

Learn more about candidates, or see sample ballots and financial disclosures by visiting: www.daviscountyutah.gov/clerk-auditor/ elections