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City Council Chooses Joel Wright as Its Newest Member

During its regular meeting on February 21, the City Council selected Joel Wright to replace James Parker, who resigned from the City Council in order to accept a job promotion that will require him to move to Boston.

The City Council held a public interview of the two candidates who applied, Joel Wright and Steve Kroes, during the City Council meeting. The City Council voted unanimously to appoint Joel Wright to the position.

Joel Wright will serve out the remaining questions, two years of the council seat, and he plans feedback. to run again in the municipal election in

November 2007. He was sworn into office that same night and begin serving the City.

As the City Council changes, we want residents to be able to learn more about each member and their views on Cedar Hills. On the City's Web site you can find information about our Mayor and Council members, as well as a direct e-mail link to each person. From the home page, select "Government" and "Mayor and Council." The Mayor and Council want to hear from the residents and are open to your questions, concerns, compliments, and feedback.

Curbside Recycling: Sign Up Now!



The Cedar Hills curbside recycling program is starting soon, so don't wait to sign up! Beginning in April 2006, Cedar

Hills will offer voluntary curbside recycling to all its residents. This will give everyone the chance to help the environment.

Participation is simple. The recycling bin looks like a regular trash bin, except that it is blue. Residents deposit their recyclables inside the bin without separating them and wheel the bin out to the curb

every other week on the day of their regular garbage pickup. Waste Management will collect recyclables and transport them for processing.

Residents currently using two trash bins can save money by replacing one of their regular garbage bins with a recycling bin.

Although in many cities recycling is mandatory, Cedar Hills has chosen to participate on a voluntary basis. The service is offered to all residents for a low monthly fee of five dollars (\$5).

For more information on recycling and how you can sign up to participate, please visit the City's Web site or call the Front Desk at 785-9668, ext. 100.

City Council Meeting (Tues.)	Mar. 7
City Photo Contest Deadline Extended	Mar. 2
City Council Meeting (Wed.)	Mar. 2
Planning Commission Meeting	Mar.23
City-Issued Pet Licenses Expire	Mar. 3
City-Wide Spring Clean Up	April 8-15



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City Meeting Updates

City Council Meeting, February 7, 2006

- The City discussed emergency preparedness plans and what is being done in conjunction with the Lone Peak Public Safety District to be better prepared in the event of a disaster.
- The City Council approved Resolution 2-7-2006A, an amendment to the Inter Local Cooperation Agreement for NPDES Phase II Storm Water Public Education and Outreach Best Management Practice Compliance. This interlocal agreement allows the City to better meet State education requirements in a cost-effective manner.

Special Planning Commission Meeting, February 9, 2006

• The Planning Commission discussed at length the decision to rezone a portion of an area in the H-1 Hillside Development Zone to the Public Facilities Zone. This will allow for the construction of the City's new Public Works building. A motion was tabled in order to allow more time for discussion.

Special Joint City Council and Planning Commission Meeting, February 15, 2006

• The Planning Commission recommended approval of a zone change and approved the grading plan for a portion of area currently in the H-1 Hillside Zone to be the Public Facilities Zone, located at 10300 North Canyon Road, subject to: a geotechnical plan, an engineering and geology report, a site plan, and any fill areas to be compacted to 95% in one-foot lifts.

City Council Meeting, February 21, 2006

- Councilmember Perry gave a presentation on the pros and cons of each proposed site for the City's Public Works building.
- The City Council accepted public comment on the proposed zone change for the area currently in the H-1 Hillside Zone to the Public Facilities Zone. This would allow for the construction of the Public Works building in this location. Some issues addressed by the Council included future development around the proposed site, upkeep of the building, and whether Canyon Road will need to be widened.
- The City Council held a public interview to select an individual to fill the vacancy left by Councilmember Parker. The two candidates interviewed by the Council were Joel Wright and Steve Kroes. After discussing their qualifications and vision for the City, the Council selected Joel Wright to fill the vacant position until the next municipal election in November 2007.
- The City Council made a recommendation to appoint Paul Wright to the fill the vacancy on the Golf Course Advisory Committee.
- The Fiscal Year 2006 budget was amended, and the Council received a report on revenue forecasts for the FY2007 budget.
- The Council approved an amendment to the City Code updating the Zoning Regulations to comply with state code and allow the City Council to also hold a public hearing on land use issues.

Planning Commission Meeting, February 23, 2006

- The Planning Commission recommended final plat approval for Landon Court Subdivision (6 lots), subject to receiving a geotechnical report and final engineering items, including verifying centerline alignment from Pleasant Grove City and submission of water rights.
- The Commission recommended Preliminary/Final approval for the Woodis Subdivision (2 lots), subject to several requirements including lot addresses and subdivision zoning shall be shown on the plat; a geotechnical report shall be submitted prior to building permit issuance, and water in the amount of one acres foot for Lot 2 to be remitted to the City.
- The Commission recommended site plan approval for the City of Cedar Hills Public Works Facility located at approximately 10246 North Canyon Road, subject to City Council approval of the zone change and additional requirements, including: the additional storm drain catch basins that the City engineer suggested, a landscape plan with a berm along the west and south sides of the property, the completion of a geotech report prior to a building permit being issued, and the placement of additional trees to enhance the building's west-side profile.

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Cedar Hills Receives High Credit Rating

The City of Cedar Hills recently received an 'A' rating from both Standard & Poor and Fitch Ratings for its \$6.135 million utility revenue and refunding bonds for the Pressurized Irrigation System. This 'A' rating will translate into a lower interest rate on the bond and significant savings for Cedar Hills and its residents.

"This is great news for our city. This higher rating will allow us to secure a bond at an interest rate lower than we could have expected otherwise," said Konrad Hildebrandt, City Manager of the City of Cedar Hills. "Over the long term, this has the potential of saving the City hundreds of thousands of dollars."

The bonds, which are scheduled to sell on March 7, will be paid for with revenues generated by the City's enterprise fund. In addition to refinancing past debt, some of the money will go toward purchasing new pumps to improve the City's pressurized irrigation system.

Be "In the Know"

The City of Cedar Hills strives to make residents aware of what is happening within the City. We have a number of policies in place that provide various options to keep the public informed. The State provides many noticing requirements with which all cities must comply. If you want to know about upcoming events, meetings, public hearings, etc., there are a few ways to gather this information:

- 1) City Web Site: Minutes from past meetings, agendas and notices for future meetings, plus many other informational items are available at www.cedarhills.org.
- 2) Public Posting Boards: The City posts required notices at four locations throughout the City: 3925 W Cedar Hills Drive (inside the City office), 3959 W Cedar Hills Drive (outside the City office), 4393 W Cedar Hills Drive (by Heritage Park), and 9814 N Dorchester Drive (by Sunset Park).
- 3) E-Mail: The City Recorder has created an e-mail group for anyone interested in receiving e-mail notification of all agendas and notices. If you would like to be added to the e-mail notification group, please send your information to City Recorder Kim Holindrake at keholindrake@cedarhills.org.
- 4) Contact the City Office: The City staff is ready and willing to answer your questions. Don't hesitate to call if you need further information (785-9668).

Cedar Hills Photo Contest Extended

The City has extended the photo contest deadline to Monday, March 20, 2006. The winning photo will be the one that best shows why Cedar Hills is such a wonderful place to live. The photos may be e-mailed to jjenks@cedarhills.org or dropped off at the City office. Please include your name and phone number with the picture(s).



The winners will be announced in next month's newsletter. The City has unlimited rights to use all submitted photos for not-for-profit and public relations purposes.

Golf Course Employment Opportunities

A number of positions are available with the Golf Course, and applications are being accepted immediately. Most positions begin at the end of March to the early part of April and run until October. Part-time (20-30 hrs/week) and full-time (40 hrs/week) positions are available.

The positions include Grounds Foreman, Irrigation and Chemical Technicians, Equipment Operators, and Laborers. Pay rates are competitive, ranging from \$6.00 per hour for general laborers and up to \$9.00 per hour for the Foreman position. Pay rates may vary depending on experience, skills, and education.

For more information about possible employment, please feel free to call or write to:

Chad Kitchen 10640 N. Clubhouse Dr. Cedar Hills, UT 84062 (801) 830-2472

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City Manager Report

Springtime! Isn't it nice to have a little more sun! I just wanted to pass on a couple of important items that everyone can do to make our City even better.

Gutters and Storm
Drain Covers – Please
take a few minutes to
clean out any debris that
you may have in the gutter
in front of your house and
by any storm drain areas.

Signs, Signs, Signs -

Please do not place signs on public property or in the public right-of-way. They will be taken down. Help us maintain a clean, safe and beautiful atmosphere here in Cedar Hills.



Spring Clean-Up

The City of Cedar Hills will sponsor its 7th Annual "Spring Clean-Up" effort during the week of April 8 through April 15. During this week, large dumpsters will be placed throughout the City to assist in your clean-up efforts. Dumpsters will be located at the following sites: 1) Redwood Dr/Carriage Ln; 2) Sunset Dr; 3) Cottonwood Dr at approximately 10292 N.; 4) 9950 N/Meadow Dr; 5) Oak Road East/Cedar Hills Dr; 6) Valley View Dr/3940 West; 7) Harvey Blvd and 4600 West; 8) Canyon Heights Dr/Cottage Canyon Dr; and 9) Bayhill Dr/Sugarloaf Drive. Next month's newsletter will contain more information about dates for the Open Burn.

Diabetes Fair and Expo

Did you know that in Utah County, an estimated one in 15 adults have diabetes? Don't leave your health to luck.... Plan to attend the Diabetes Health Fair on Friday, March 17, from 9:00am to noon at the Utah County Health Department (151 S University Ave, Provo). Or visit the South Towne Expo Center, Hall #2, on Saturday, March 25, from 9:00am to 4:00pm. For more information, call 851-2222 or visit www.diabetes.org/saltlakecityexpo.

City Water Testing

Every month the City of Cedar Hills is required by the State of Utah to take six random water samples from different homes. The samples are then tested for any signs



of pathogens in the water. These samples ensure the safety of the City's water. Because the State requires random samplings from six different locations, the Public Works technicians may ask residents for a water sample from their taps. If you have concerns regarding whether they are from the City, our certified technicians will always be driving a City of Cedar Hills truck, and they will identify themselves as Cedar Hills Public Works Technicians.

If you have further questions about a technician requesting samples from your home, ask for their name and call the City office at 785-9668 for verification.

Kindergarten Registration

If your child will be five on or before September 1, 2006, please register them for kindergarten right away! Both Cedar Ridge Elementary (785-8726) and Deerfield Elementary (796-3141) want to get new kindergarten students registered now to allow for proper classroom planning. Just bring your child's immunization record, birth certificate and Social Security number. If you have questions, please contact your child's school.

American Heritage Family Lecture Series

Jack R. Christianson, author and educator, will speak on Friday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m. at the American Heritage School in American Fork. It is free to the public.