



CEDAR HILLS

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OUR HOME TOWN

City Newsletter • September 2011

2011 Primary Election—Sept. 13

The City will hold a Primary Election on September 13, 2011, for three City Council positions (4-year terms). The following residents have filed and met the requirements for candidacy:

Trent J. Augustus
Ken Cromar
Curt Crosby

Jerry W. Dearing
Gary Gygi
Angela C. C. Johnson

Jenney Rees
Paul Sorensen
Michael Stuy

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Upcoming Events:

Labor Day City Office CLOSED	Sept 5
Meet the Candidates Night at Cedar Ridge	Sept 7
Primary Election 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Sept 13
City Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Sept 20
Planning Commission Meeting 6:00 p.m.	Sept 29

City Phone Numbers:

Dial 801-785-9668 then ext. number:
Front Desk, 100
City Recorder, 101
Planning, 109
Business Licensing, 108
Building/Zoning, 105
Utility Billing, 108
Community Services, 114
Public Works, 202
Other Phone Numbers (801):
Public Works Emergency, 420-2243
Golf Pro Shop, 796-1705
Animal Control, 763-3020
Police, 763-3020

ABSENTEE (EARLY) VOTING

The City of Cedar Hills is a 5th class city, and will therefore conduct absentee (early) voting at the City Office, 3925 W Cedar Hills Drive, prior to the Primary Election. The last day to vote absentee is Friday, September 9 at 4 p.m.

More Information: Additional election information is on the City's Web site (from the home page, click on "Get Involved," then "Election Information"). If you have questions about voting, please contact the City Recorder at 801-785-9668, ext. 101.

LOTS OF GREAT THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN CEDAR HILLS!

Did you know?

- The City of Cedar Hills currently has 2,360 utility accounts and approximately **10,000 residents**.
- The City has received the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) **Distinguished Budget Award** in eight of the last nine years.
- The City covers approximately 2.5 square miles and has over 27 miles of the **best streets in Utah!**
- The number of City employees per 1000 residents **has decreased** from 2001 to present. The City currently has 23 full-time employees.
- The City has five community parks and three neighborhood parks. Our parks are some of the **best manicured parks in Utah**.
- The City is currently developing a **Splash Pad** with an anticipated opening on Memorial Day 2012.
- The City is currently in construction with a **Community Recreation Center**. This center will house **golf functions** and will offer a variety of recreational classes including aerobics, zumba, dance, karate, digital photography, gardening, etc. We also would like to provide a competitive climbing course, **whiffle ball tournaments**, ping pong, etc. The center will also house **events**, including receptions, family reunions, business meetings, and a **Family Grill**, where families can eat and youth groups can get an ice cream cone or a shake.
- The City disposed of 3,541 tons of solid waste in 2010 (that is **1.5 tons per household per year**) and 232 tons of recycling materials. This diverted 6.15% of the overall tonnage from the landfill and saved approximately 3900 trees.
- The City is currently masterplanning the **Southside Commercial District** to include a town center, a gas station, restaurants, aquatics center, strip mall, and a civic center. This is planned to be a walkable, convenient, sales tax generating area.
- The City golf course provides approximately **155 acres of beautiful, groomed landscape**, making our open spaces more attractive and the City better.
- The City golf course has shown **positive cash flow** from operating activities since 2005 and even had a **cash surplus of over \$90,000** in 2009.



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City Meeting Updates for August

Work Session – August 16, 2011

- The Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake and Sandy presented information regarding its pipeline easements along the northern side of Cedar Hills. The District and the City are looking at adjusting those easements.
- An Executive Session was held regarding pending litigation.

City Council Meeting – August 16, 2011

- A public hearing was held regarding small animal units in all zones. One comment was received in favor of the current regulations.
- A public hearing was held regarding signs. No comments were received.
- A public hearing was held regarding commercial development and the guidelines in commercial development. No comments were received.
- The adoption of a utility relocation and reimbursement agreement with the Provo River Water Users Association was tabled.
- Ordinance 8-16-2011A, regarding signs, was passed.
- Amendments to the regulations of small animal units were continued for further review by staff.

- No action was taken at this time regarding the amendments to the commercial development and guidelines.
- The performance bond for McDonalds was released.
- The Council upheld its previous action to require properties to boundary adjust into the City in order to connect to the City's infrastructure.
- The City adopted a policy regarding the new city-wide notification system.
- Poll workers were approved for the upcoming Primary Election to be held on September 13.
- An Executive Session was held regarding the character and competence of an individual.

Planning Commission Meeting – August 25, 2011

- A public hearing was held regarding the designation of streets and highways as open for street-legal, all-terrain vehicle use.
- A recommendation was made to the City Council regarding the designation of streets and highways as open for street-legal, all-terrain vehicle use.
- The amendments to commercial projects and the commercial guidelines were continued.

Meet the Candidates Night - September 7

This year residents will elect three new City Council members to serve the residents in Cedar Hills. Currently, nine candidates are running for these three seats. A primary election will be held on Tuesday, September 13, where the six candidates receiving the most votes will move on to the general election on November 8. The three candidates receiving the most votes in the general election will then serve on the City Council for the next four years.

Please join a group of active citizens, who are sponsoring a meet the candidates night at Cedar Ridge Elementary, 4501 West Cedar Hills Drive, from 6 to 9 p.m. on **Wednesday, Sept. 7**. All nine candidates have been invited to come and meet with voters from 6 to 7 p.m. at their own respective tables, then answer questions for everyone from 7 to 8 p.m., and then return to their tables and answer questions individually from 8 to 9 p.m. This is a great chance to meet these nine candidates in an informal setting and decide which three candidates deserve your vote on September 13.



Message Board

Board of Adjustment Vacancy

There is currently a vacancy on the Board of Adjustment. The City appreciates Carl Volden for his service on the board. Any resident interested in being considered for this position may obtain an application at the City office or on the City's Web site. Applications will be accepted at the City office until October 25.

Resident Appreciation at Cedar Hills Golf Club

Maintenance crews have added new bunkers on the front nine holes at the course! They have done a phenomenal job re-shaping and adding new sand on the front nine. Plans are in place to redo the back nine next year. To entice residents to come and see the improvements, we are making a **special offer** to Cedar Hills residents. All residents receive one "buy one get one free" round of golf through Sept. 30. This applies to green fees only; cart fees still apply. The offer is valid Monday-Friday anytime, excluding Labor Day. Residents must bring proof of residency and this newsletter to the Pro Shop to qualify. After all, the course looks so much better with you on it!

Receive Agendas for Public Meetings

Public meeting agendas and notices are posted inside the City office and may also be viewed on the City's Web site. If you would like to receive agendas and notices by e-mail, please send your name and e-mail information to: frontdesk@cedarhills.org.

Transportation and Planning Open House

October 12, 2011 - 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

**American Fork Senior Center
54 East Main, American Fork**

Residents are invited to come and learn about air quality, road/highway improvements, new community development, transit plans. Information will be available on: Lehi 2100 North, I-15 CORE Reconstruction, Commuter Rail, Bus Rapid Transit, Geneva Road, SR-92, North County Blvd, and Lehi 2300 West. Representatives from Mountainland, UDOT, UTA, and communities in Utah County will be available to answer questions on transportation plans and community development. Bring the kids and discover the future vision for Utah County.

STORM WATER TIP OF THE MONTH

We Can Make a Difference!

Properly Dispose of Travel Trailer Waste

What do you do when it's time to dump your travel trailer waste? Remember that sewage dumped on the ground or in the storm drain is a danger to public and environmental health and pollutes our waterways. Make sure to end your trip with a visit to a dump station! Visit www.rvdumps.com for a list of dumps by state and major interstates.

WINTERIZING PRESSURIZED IRRIGATION

The pressurized irrigation will be winterized on October 15. After that date, the system will be turned off until April 15. The City asks that you leave the pressurized irrigation shut-off valve in the "open" position for a time to allow for proper drainage of the system. Prior to the system being energized in the spring, you should make sure that you remembered to shut the individual shut-off valve. This will prevent your sprinkler components from being damaged during energization.

WATER CONSERVATION

A typical Utah lawn has a water demand curve that begins in mid-April, rises to a peak in July, and then falls rapidly until mid-October. Adjusting your timer monthly to better follow this demand curve will save water and avoid unnecessary watering. An easy way to do this is to keep the minutes constant and increase or decrease the number of days between watering. **The recommended watering for the month of September is 21 minutes every 6 days.** For more information, visit the Utah Division of Water Resources Web site at: www.conservewater.utah.gov/.

Vandalism in City Parks

Once again, we are disappointed to report that the City parks have been extensively vandalized this season. Graffiti and tagging have been on the rise in most of the parks, as well as in the trail tunnels that cross under Canyon Road. Additionally, an Eagle Scout installed pet waste stations at three of the parks, and all three have been damaged beyond repair in just a few short months. **The City is offering a \$500 reward to anyone who has information leading to an arrest and prosecution of those involved in any vandalism in the City.** If you have information about recent vandalism or wish to report suspicious activities, please contact the American Fork police.

BACK TO SCHOOL Safety Tips from the Police

It's that time of year where we may be thrilled with sending our children back to school! If you have had a great summer, you may be sad to think it is back to school time. Most of our youngsters are excited to be going back. New clothes, new teacher, and old friends they may not have seen all summer await them. Back to school also means traffic congestion at the schools. We may have gotten out of the habit of watching for our children crossing the street or being mindful of the crossing guards at the school. We must be ever diligent to

prevent any accident as we drive our children to and from school.

When parents talk about school safety these days, they're usually referring to the surge in violence at schools. But research shows that school-age children are actually nine times more likely to sustain an unintentional injury—whether on the playground or in school—than to be the victim of violence while at school. In fact, an estimated 2.2 million children ages 14 and under are injured in school-related accidents each year, according to the National SAFE KIDS Campaign. Accidents can be prevented if drivers are on the lookout for potential hazards. To help you keep your kids free from harm, here are some safety tips:

Plan a walking route to school or the bus stop. Choose the most direct way with the fewest street crossings and, if possible, always cross at intersections that have crossing guards.

Walk the route with your child beforehand. Tell him or her to stay away from parks, vacant lots, fields and other places where there aren't many people around.

Teach your child never to talk to strangers or accept rides or gifts from strangers. Remember, a stranger is anyone you or your children don't know well or don't trust. Be sure your child walks to and from school with a sibling, friend, or neighbor. Your child should never walk alone, if possible.

Teach your kids—whether walking, biking, or riding the bus to school—to obey all traffic signals, signs and crossing guards. Remind them to be extra cautious in bad weather.

When driving kids to school, deliver and pick them up as close to the school as possible. Don't leave until they are in the schoolyard or building.

If your child bikes to school, make sure he wears a helmet. Research indicates that a helmet can reduce the risk of head injury by up to 85%. Have your child lock their bicycle while at school to prevent it from riding off by itself. Bicycle registrations can be obtained at the police department free of charge. The registration can aid in the return of the bicycle, if it becomes lost or stolen.

Be sure that your child knows his or her home phone number and address, your name and work number, and how to call 911 for emergencies. It may surprise you how many children cannot tell the police their last name, address, or telephone number. When asked what their parents' names are they often respond with "Mom" or "Dad."

A law went into effect May 12, 2009, that helps us with enforcing the law at a crossing guard intersection. Crossing guards will be able to better report violations to the police department for investigation. Please be mindful and courteous to these wonderful men and women who help our children arrive at school safely. You may be surprised to learn most traffic violators at school zones are parents who are running late. As we focus on our driving and the safety of our youngsters we will be able to enjoy a safe school year.

Cedar Hills Youth Flag Football

The program is open to boys and girls in the 2nd through 9th grades in Cedar Hills and surrounding cities. There is no additional fee for non-residents. Games will be played Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, or Saturdays, Sept. 20 thru Oct. 27.

Registration is now open and will continue through Sept. 9 at 4:00 p.m. Register online on the City's Web site or come into the City office. A \$10 late fee per person will be incurred after Sept 9, until all spaces are filled. Contact Chandler at ext. 111 or e-mail him at: cgoodwin@cedarhills.org for more info.

Princess Day

Attention all princesses! Join Miss Utah and local royalty for a Princess Day in Heritage Park on Saturday, Sept. 24, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It will be a royal celebration with treats, nail painting, a horse-drawn Cinderella carriage and more! Princesses, come dressed in your best princess attire! The cost is \$20. Register on the City's Web site or come into the City office. Registration will be open through Sept. 20 until 5:00 p.m. For girls ages 3-10. For more information contact Kaity at ext. 111 or e-mail her at: kwhittaker@cedarhills.org.

Jr. Jazz Basketball

We are excited for another great season of basketball! Junior Jazz allows boys and girls to develop skills and learn good sportsmanship while having fun. **Registration** begins Sept. 19 and ends Nov. 20. Register on the City's Web site or come into the City office. There is no non-resident fee. The season will begin January 3 and continue through March 10.

Ski Bus

Ski Bus is back! The Ski Bus will go up to Snowbird on three Saturdays: January 14, 21, and 28. Lessons available for both skiers and boarders. All levels are encouraged to sign up. Cost for the three sessions, including transportation and a scarf, is \$175. You must register in person at the Cedar Hills City Office, located at 3925 W. Cedar Hills Drive. Chaperones will be needed. Chaperones accepted on a first come, first served basis and will receive a lift ticket at no charge. Registrations will be accepted until the bus is filled.

City-wide Notification System (CNS) is in place

The City has teamed up with Parlant Communications to create a city-wide notification system to send messages out to individual residents and the entire city. The system will use the resident phone numbers that are on file from when they originally signed up for utility services, but the city can change or add alternate phone numbers. Messages will be voice-enhanced or live recordings, but the system can also send out e-mail and/or text messages for people who would rather receive messages that way. To update your contact information, please use the Contact Us page on the City's Web site or call or e-mail frontdesk@cedarhills.org. The applications are almost endless and will help continue the City's goal of meaningful communications to its residents.



Community Recreation Center director named

Greg Gordon has been named director for the new Community Recreation Center. Greg has extensive career experience in food services and customer service and has most recently worked for the City as assistant golf director. He has great plans and visions for the new center, which is scheduled for completion in January 2012. Greg will work closely with the City's Community Services Dept. to offer a variety of activities for residents. In addition, he will schedule events and receptions and develop the center's grill. He sees the center as a place that has something for the entire community. It will not be long before residents may schedule the center for wedding receptions and parties. Watch for more information to come in future newsletters.



Greg Gordon

Strike Up the Band!

Be the first to see the Lone Peak Marching Band's 2011 show entitled "Hold Your Breath: An Underwater Journey." A special premiere performance will be given on the high school's football field on **Sept. 12** at 7:00 p.m. Admission is free, and everyone is welcome. Gates open at 6:30 p.m., and dinner will be available to purchase. For more information contact Lori at lpmarchingknights@gmail.com.

LPHS Band Fundraiser

Jon Schmidt is doing his annual concert on Thurs., Sept. 22, at Lone Peak High School at 7:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased from a band member for \$10 or at the door for \$12. Questions? Call Leanne Stauffer at 801-756-1423.

Let's get creative!

Community Recreation Center (CoRC) needs a name!

As the completion of the new recreation center nears, the City is asking for suggestions on a name for the center. The name of the center should encompass the beauty, history, and values of the City of Cedar Hills. The CoRC will serve a variety of functions for our citizens. In addition to housing golf functions, a family restaurant/grill, and an events venue, the CoRC will offer a variety of classes for enthusiasts of many interests, such as exercise, dance, self-defense, and art classes. The CoRC will offer book clubs, children's reading hours, community gathering opportunities, and Family Festival activities. The CoRC will also provide a beautiful and personal setting for receptions, weddings, and family reunions. This is just a start; the CoRC will continually add new programs and events!

All name suggestions will be received and reviewed before the completion of the center. Feel free to submit multiple suggestions. The center may end up being named by you, and prizes will be awarded to the winner! Send submissions directly to our administrative intern, Danny Lambourne, at: dlambourne@cedarhills.org.