



CEDAR HILLS

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Upcoming Events

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| City Council Meetings 7:00 p.m. | Feb 5 & 19 |
| Tot Soccer Registration | Begins Feb 1 |
| Co-Ed & Spring Soccer Registration | Begins Feb 1 |
| Beginner Karate Classes | Begins Feb 11 |
| Emergency Preparedness Expo | Mar 18 |

City Phone Numbers

Dial **801-785-9668** then extension:
 Front Desk 100
 Building Department 200
 Business Licensing 504
 City Recorder / Passports 503
 Pro Shop 600, 603
 Public Works 200
 Recreation 302 or 603
 Utility Billing 400
 Vista Room 300
 Zoning & Code Enforcement 500

Other Phone Numbers (801)

Animal Control (Police) 763-3020
 Cedar Hills Golf Club 796-1705
 Police Department 763-3020
 Public Works After Hours 420-2243

Become a 2019 Family Festival Sponsor!

We are looking for sponsors for the 2019 Cedar Hills Family Festival! This year's festival will be held **Monday, June 3, 2019** through **Saturday, June 8, 2019**, and will include a car show, golf tournament, dinner and a movie, family swim night, fireworks, bounce houses, parade, and more! In addition to our community's undying love and admiration, sponsors of our events receive benefits based on their sponsorship level, which include advertisement in the festival magazine, a shout out on our Facebook page, an advertisement prior to the movie, entry into the golf tournament, and other priceless extras! If your company is interested in sponsoring this community event, please email FamilyFestival@cedarhills.org and our Sponsorship Coordinator will contact you to discuss the details.



Emergency Preparedness Expo—FREE!

Everyone is invited to the city's seventh annual Utah Preparedness Expo, which will take place on **Monday, March 18** from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Cedar Hills Community Center. The event will be very helpful in organizing your household for emergencies, and it will give individuals, families, businesses, and everyone an opportunity to become involved in this important community effort. Our goal is to have a representative from every household attend.

Preparedness vendors will be on site offering freebies and giveaways. Get your free tickets now on [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com), so our sponsors and vendors will know how many freebies to bring! For more information, please contact the Cedar Hills emergency management coordinator, Laurie Petersen, at lpetersen@cedarhills.org.

Mayor's Message

We happily report that we received over 500 responses from our most recent city-wide survey. We appreciate the time that you took to provide feedback, as it helps us plan for the future. My newsletter messages over the next few months will be focused on some of the common questions and concerns that I saw in those responses.

One of the biggest concerns listed in the survey was the Canyon Road construction project. There were several comments regarding the quality of the road, the lack of safety features such as sidewalks, the change to the entrance of American Fork Canyon, and the striping. While I share many of these concerns, Canyon Road is a county-owned road, not a city-owned road.

For several years before the project started, city officials met with county officials to identify additional funding for needed enhancements, and requested improvements to make the road safer. However, county officials were unwilling to significantly upgrade the road, and they consistently stated that the city would need to take ownership if we wanted to maintain it at a higher standard. After hiring an engineering firm to provide us with an analysis of what it would take to maintain the road with some basic im-

provements (which did not include sidewalks), we determined we could not afford to take ownership without a significant increase in taxes from residents. Consequently, we did not feel it should be the responsibility of Cedar Hills residents to bear this cost as the road was designed to be a collector road, not a city road. Had it been designated a city road from the beginning, it would have been designed and built to city standards.



Mayor Jenney Rees

The county is aware that there are issues that need to be addressed, such as portions of the road that weren't completed, new potholes, uneven surfaces, and incorrect striping. Unfortunately, the county ended most of their construction efforts due to weather, but they plan on addressing these outstanding items in the spring. As a city, we will continue to advocate for improvements that provide safety for drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians that use Canyon Road.

For more information, I have provided a comprehensive history of Canyon Road on my blog that can be found at jenneyrees.com.

STORM DRAIN TIP OF THE MONTH

A septic system must be properly maintained to extend its life and prevent contamination of ground and surface water. Septic tanks should be inspected and pumped as needed every three to five years. How often you need to pump the solids out of the septic tank depends on three major factors:

- The number of people in your household;
- The amount of waste water generated (based on the number of people in the household and the amount of water used);
- The volume of solids in the wastewater (e.g., using disposal will increase the amount of solids).

Although your septic tank absorption field generally does not require maintenance, you should adhere to the following rules to prolong its functional life:

- Do not drive over the absorption field with cars, trucks or heavy equipment.
- Do not plant trees or shrubbery in the absorption field, because the roots can get into the lines and plug them.
- Do not cover the absorption field with hard surfaces, such as concrete or asphalt. Grass is the best cover, because it will help prevent erosion, and help remove excess water.

- Do divert surface runoff water from roofs, patios, driveways and other areas away from the absorption field.

Homeowners wanting to take good care of their septic systems should also make note of the following items that should never be flushed down the drain or toilet. These include: kitty litter, hair, coffee grounds, cigarettes, disposable diapers, condoms, dental floss, sanitary supplies, gauze bandages, paper towels, fat, grease, or oil.

WINTER IS HERE!

Parking on city streets is prohibited: 1) When snow is falling; 2) When there is a visible amount of snow on the street; 3) When the street has not been plowed; 4) Between the hours of 1:00am and 7:00am (November 1 through March 31); 5) During snow/ice removal; 6) For any continuous period of more than 48 hours.

On snowy days, **citations will be issued** for any vehicles, and/or trailers left in a public right-of-way. Please remove your vehicle from off the street/sidewalk during these times.

Snow and Ice Removal from Streets: The city's policy is that **streets will be cleared according to priority**, be-

gining with a minimum accumulation of two inches of snow, and continuing until driving conditions are considered adequately safe. Priority is given according to *volume of traffic, location near schools or public buildings, and steepness of grade, etc.* Low-volume streets, cul-de-sacs, and trails remain the last to be plowed. The staff is committed to providing safe conditions for City residents. Be cautious and patient when driving in adverse conditions such as heavy snow or rainfall.

Sledding and Vehicles Damage Turf on City Property: Motorized vehicles are not allowed in city parks, including Mesquite soccer field, or on the golf course. ATVs, trucks, and other vehicles severely damage the turf and sprinkler heads. Likewise, sledding on the golf course causes expensive damage to the turf. If you see such activities taking place, please notify the city or call the police.

Placing Snow in Roadway: Please refrain from removing snow or ice from individual driveways, sidewalks, or private property and placing it in public streets. This makes it difficult to keep roads cleared, and doing so creates dangerous conditions for all motor vehicles.

License Your Pooch!

The city appreciates responsible pet owners, and depends on everyone to keep their animals properly vaccinated and licensed. Any person owning or possessing a dog must obtain a current rabies vaccination and a dog license within 30 days after the dog reaches the age of four months, or in the case of a dog over four months, within 30 days of the acquisition of the dog. Licenses may be purchased with a check at the Cedar Hills city office. For more information go to the Cedar Hills [website](#) or call the North Utah Valley Animal Shelter at 801-785-3442.

New Job Opportunity!

Cedar Hills has a new job opening for a **Building Department Assistant!** This is a part-time, non-benefited position assisting with the clerical needs of the City's Building department. The position reports directly to the Public Works Director/ Building Official, and works closely with the entire department in achieving city-wide goals and objectives. This position also cross-trains as a passport agent at our office. Visit the [job description](#) to learn more, or email Gretchen at: gordon@cedarhills.org.



Mark Your Calendar!—Family Festival 2019

The Cedar Hills Family Festival is a special time for the community to come together for summer fun! This year's family festival will take place between **Monday, June 3, 2019 and Saturday, June 8, 2019.** Last year's family festival included a family swim night, fire-cracker golf tournament, car show, fun run, parade, fireworks, and so much more. There is certainly something for everyone. You won't want to miss out, so mark your calendar and save the date!



Passport Services Available at City Office

U.S. citizens planning international travel may apply in person for passport services at the Cedar Hills city office, 10246 N. Canyon Road. The passport facility is open Mondays through Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., excluding holidays. Walk-ins are welcome; however, appointments are suggested for groups of four or more. Call 801-785-9668, ext. 100, with questions or to make an appointment. Information regarding application forms, fees, and required documents can be found on the city's Passport Services page at: cedarhills.org/passports.



Ernie's Sports Deli Winter Hours

For the remainder of the winter Ernie's will be open on Tuesdays ONLY from 10AM to 2PM. Ernie's is located at the Cedar Hills Community Center, 10640 N Clubhouse Drive. Questions? Email: email@erniesportsdeli.com.

Reverse 911 Emergency Alert System

Update and manage your contact information to get alerts about emergencies and other important community notifications by signing up for the County's Emergency Alert Notification System. Visit alerts.utahcounty.gov to sign up today!

February Office Hours and Garbage Pickup

The city office will close on February 19 for Presidents Day. Garbage pickup will occur without delays in service that week.

BELIEVE IT or not, spring *will* come, and it will be time for Cedar Hills children to participate in a variety of spring sports programs. Registration for youth sports leagues is available at cedarhills.org/recreation using Rec1.com. Questions? Call the Cedar Hills Recreation Department at 801-785-9668, ext. 302, or email recreation@cedarhills.org.

Co-Ed Teen Soccer

Co-ed Teen Soccer League is for students in grades 9 through 12. Teens form their own teams and enter their team name when they register. There must be at least four girls on the team. Registration begins February 1 and ends March 31. Games begin in late April and will be played on Monday afternoons at Mesquite Park in Cedar Hills.

Cedar Hills Spring Soccer League

Soccer League is offered for boys and girls in kindergarten through 2nd grade. Online registration begins February 1. Games are played on Saturday mornings at Mesquite Park in Cedar Hills.



Tot Soccer

Tot Soccer is a fun, six-week soccer league held for children ages three and four. Registration for spring soccer begins February 1. Games will begin April 16 for six weeks, and they will be played on Tuesday evenings. Parents are encouraged to volunteer to coach tot soccer.

HIGH Fitness® Classes in Cedar Hills

Are you looking for a way to keep your fitness resolutions? Give HIGH Fitness a try! HIGH Fitness is an aerobics class with easy-to-follow moves set to the best music for a toning, calorie burning party! Following the high intensity interval training (HIIT) formula, HIGH Fitness is both a toning and cardio workout, and is the most fun you will ever have while exercising. HIGH is being offered at the Cedar Hills Rec Center on Mondays and Fridays at 6:00 am and Wednesdays at 8:30 pm. Each class is \$5, and punch passes are available for a discount. Your first time is free! Questions? Email erinhighfit@gmail.com or follow Erin Fugal on Instagram @erinhighfit.

New Session of Beginner Karate Classes!

The next session of classes begins on February 11, with online registration closing on February 10. Beginner classes take place on Mondays and Wednesdays for youth ages 6-15. These classes combine essential basics: traditional karate drills, basic tumbling, and basic self-defense. Registration and more information are available at cedarhills.org/karate.

UVU Basketball Tickets—FREE!

Come to our city offices at 10246 N. Canyon Road to get a code for free UVU basketball tickets for you and your family. Go Wolverines!



**February 2019
BEYOND THE
BOOKSHELF**

Storytime

M, W, TH @ 11 am

Baby Bookworms

Tuesday & Friday @
10:15 am

Robotics

Feb 12 @ 6:30 pm
Ages 8 and above
Every 2nd Tuesday

LEGO Club

Every Wednesday
4:00 pm
Ages 5-9

**National Dark
Chocolate Day**

Feb 1
Celebrate all month

**“Heart Attack” door
Family activity**

Feb 11 @ 6:30 pm

Astronomy Club

Feb 13 @ 6:30 pm
Teen and Adult
Every 2nd Weds.

Meet the Mayor

Feb 13 @ 7:00 pm
Every 2nd Weds.

Coding club

Every Thursday
4:00 pm
Ages 10-14
Register on website

**Books YOU love to
Recommend!**

All month

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