



OUR HOME TOWN

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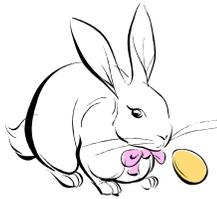
Upcoming Events

City Council Meeting	April 4
City-Wide Spring Clean-Up	April 8-15
Easter Egg Hunt 11:00am	April 15
City Council Meeting	April 18
Planning Commission Meeting	April 27
Open Burn Window	April 1-30
City Council Meeting	May 2

Spring Has Sprung!

Easter Egg Hunt

Get your Easter baskets ready for the Cedar Hills Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 15 at 11:00am. Rain or shine Heritage Park will be filled with candy for children 12 and under. (Children will be divided into three age groups.) Your child will be able to visit with the Easter Bunny and even take a picture with him! See you there!



Spring Clean-Up

The City of Cedar Hills will sponsor its 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 Drive/Carriage Lane; 2) Sunset Drive; 3) Cottonwood Drive (approximately 10292 N.); 4) 9950 North/Meadow Drive; 5) Oak Road East/Cedar Hills Drive; 6) Valley View Drive/3940 West; 7) Harvey Blvd/4600 West; 8) Canyon Heights Drive/Cottage Canyon Drive; and 9) Bayhill Drive/Sugarloaf Drive.

The City is looking for groups who are interested in taking on some projects! If you have a project in mind, or if you are interested and need ideas, please contact the City office. The City may have resources available to assist you in your efforts.



Open Burn

The one-month window for open burning this year, as set by the County, is **April 1 through April 30**. You need to obtain a permit from the City prior to burning. The permits are free, but you need one to burn. Burning without a City-issued permit may result in a fine and costs associated with dispatch of the Fire Department. Specific requirements and restrictions about the Open Burn are available at www.cedarhills.org.

Landfill Passes

Each household in the City may receive two passes per year to the North Utah County District Landfill (2000 West 200 South, Lindon) by just stopping by the City office and asking! Each pass is worth up to \$7.25 per load, up to 500 lbs. All loads must be covered or you will be assessed a fee at the landfill. The following items are NOT permitted: commercial or building debris, liquids or hazardous waste. These passes are available year-round and must be used before December 31. If you have specific questions about hours of operation, please contact the landfill at 225-8170.

Yard Waste/Mulch

Residents may take green yard waste to the Timpanogos Special Service District (5050 West 6400 North, Utah County). This green waste is incorporated with sterilized by-products to produce compost, which can be purchased for \$15/c.y. from this facility. Mulch may also be purchased at the North Utah County District Landfill (2000 West 200 South, Lindon) for \$15/c.y. or \$45 per pick-up truck load.



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City Meeting Updates

Public Hearing and City Council Meeting, March 7, 2006

- A Public Hearing was held regarding: 1) A proposed amendment to the Zone Map to change a portion of area currently in the H-1 Hillside Development Zone to the Public Facilities Zone. Property is located at approximately 10300 North between Canyon Road and Bayhill Drive; 2) Proposed amendments to the City Code, Title 10, Zoning Regulations - Sign Ordinance
- Ordinance 3-7-2006A was adopted to amend the City's Zone Map, as discussed during the Public Hearing.
- Resolution 3-7-2006A was adopted to approve the issuance of \$1,500,000 of tax revenue bonds for the purpose of constructing a Public Works Building. A Public Hearing was scheduled for April 4, 2006.
- Resolution 3-7-2006B was adopted to approve the issuance of \$6,215,000 of Utility Revenue and Refunding Bond. This action retired the Zions Bank financing for the construction of the Pressurized Irrigation system.
- Ordinance 3-7-2006B was adopted regarding the placement and regulation of signs.
- Mayor McGee was authorized to cast the five votes on behalf of the City at The Cedars Homeowners Association meeting.
- Resolution 3-7-2006C was adopted that formally requested that Governor Huntsman veto Senate Bill 117, which limits the City's ability to acquire land for trails via eminent domain unless in conjunction with a street.
- An Executive Session was held. When the City meeting was reconvened, action was taken to amend the City Manager's contract to provide a merit increase.

City Council Meeting, Wednesday, March 22, 2006

- A presentation was made to James Parker, who recently resigned from the City Council due to a job relocation. Mr. Parker was commended for his service to the City of Cedar Hills.
- A proposal to change the Zoning Ordinance to allow for a Youth Male Residential Treatment Center was denied.
- Final plat approval was given to the Woodis Subdivision (2 lots).
- Final plat approval was granted to the Landon Court Subdivision (6 lots).
- Joel Wright was assigned to serve as the City's representative on the North Utah County Solid Waste Special Service District, the North Utah Valley Animal Shelter, and the Utah League of Cities and Towns Policy Council.
- The Council made a motion to renew the Non-Motorized Trail/Recreational Trail Program grant application to the State of Utah Division of Parks and Recreation.
- Action was taken to authorize Mayor McGee to sign a resolution by the Mountainland Regional Planning Commission regarding a motor vehicle registration fee for developing a Transportation Corridor Preservation Fund.
- An Executive Session was held. No action was taken.

Planning Commission Meeting, March 30, 2006

- The Planning Commission recommended approval of a revised phasing plan for the Bridgestone PUD.
- Final Plat approval was recommended for Bridgestone, Plat E, subject to certain conditions.

Curbside Recycling

Recycling is underway! There are currently 300 households enrolled in the curbside recycling program. Call the City office if you want to participate. Here is a listing of acceptable items: Newspaper, Magazines, Glossy Ads/Junk Mail, Telephone Books, Plastics #1 and #2, Tin Cans, Aluminum Cans, Corrugated cardboard, Cereal/Tissue Boxes, Metal

Clothing Hangers, Paper Towel/Toilet Paper Rolls, Plastic Grocery Sacks.

There are a couple of quick reminders: 1) Rinse out containers before recycling, 2) Do not put plastic lids back onto bottles and jugs, 3) When recycling plastic grocery sacks, put as many bags as you can inside one bag, then tie the bag. 4) Check your plastics to make sure that they are stamped with a #1 or #2, typically on the bottom of the container. No need to remove labels, and no sorting is required.

From the City Manager

Did you know that Cedar Hills...

- Is Utah's mile-high city. Portions of our City are exactly 5,280 feet above sea level.
- Is one of only six cities throughout the entire state, and only one under 25,000 population, to receive the annual Distinguished Budget Presentation by the Governmental Finance Officers Association. The City has received this award for four of the past five years.
- Has over 28 miles of paved streets, and the City covers just over 2.5 square miles.
- Has the fourth lowest property tax rates and second lowest culinary water rates in Utah County.
- Has 151 businesses in the City; 144 of these are home-based.
- City Recorder Kim Holindrake has worked for the City for over 15 years.
- Current population is 8,733 residents, with 1,967 households. (By comparison, the 2000 Census population was 3,094.)
- Recently received an "A" rating from two national bond rating agencies (Standard and Poors and Fitch Ratings).
- Used over 12,772 million gallons of water in January 2006.

Signs, Signs, Signs

At the March 7, 2006, City Council meeting, the Council adopted Ordinance 3-7-2006B regarding the placement of signs throughout the City. The purpose of the ordinance is to regulate signs and to authorize the use of signs that are compatible with their surroundings, are conducive to promoting safety, limit visual distractions, and preserve and enhance property values. The Ordinance also balances individual rights while promoting short and long term civic beauty and order by establishing standards and regulations for signs. This Ordinance will help to create signs that are functional, human-scaled, and attractive to residents, businesses and visitors.



The Ordinance addresses a number of issues such as criteria for residential and commercial zone signs, placement of signs, required permits for signs and other items.

A link to a complete copy of this Ordinance is available on the City Web site home page.

Pressurized Irrigation & Watering

For those residents who are hooked onto the City's Pressurized Irrigation System, please keep the valve to your individual irrigation system closed while the **water mains are being energized around April 15**. This will protect your pipes from possible damage. Remember, Irrigation of public and private landscapes is prohibited every day of the week between the hours of 10:00am and 6:00pm. Violation of this ordinance will result in a fine.

Killing Your Lawn with Kindness??

It's that time of year again, the sun is shining, birds are singing, flowers are blossoming, and residents are out watering their lawns. But did you know that it is unhealthy for your lawn to water it too much? From studies done by Utah State University and the Utah Division of Water Resources, watering everyday is not only unnecessary but can be damaging to your grass.

Too much water promotes shallow rooting and weed germination. The Division of Water Resources says that your grass will be heartier and the roots will grow deeper if you go an extra day without watering. The roots will only grow as far as they need in order to get water. Also, it is recommended to wait as long as possible in the spring before watering the grass, because the longer you wait, the healthier your lawn will be in the summer months. Below are suggested watering guidelines for Utah County:

- April—No irrigation recommended
- May—21 minutes every 4 days
- June—21 minutes every 3 days
- July—21 minutes every 3 days
- August—21 minutes every 3 days
- September—21 minutes every 6 days
- October—No irrigation recommended
- November—No irrigation recommended

To read more information about watering, mowing, and fertilizing, visit www.cedarhills.org and link to the Utah Division of Water Resources Web page.

Family Festival 2006

Families, mark your calendars because plans for the annual Family Festival are underway. This year's Family Festival will be the best yet, but you won't know it unless you come! Here is what we have on the calendar so far: Cedar Hills Family Night with the Orem Olwz will be held Monday, July 10. The 5K and Gorilla Mile will be held Saturday, July 15. The Firecracker Golf Tournament will be held Friday, July 21. Dinner and a Movie will also be held Friday, July 21. Finally, the parade, carnival, and spectacular fireworks show will be held Saturday, July 22. Stay tuned for upcoming information regarding more events and how to register. You won't want to miss it!



Youth Tackle Football

LONE PEAK YOUTH TACKLE FOOTBALL - This year Alpine, Cedar Hills and Highland will join with American Fork, Lehi and Pleasant Grove in the Utah County Football League (www.theucfc.com). Alpine will field their own team, while Cedar Hills and Highland will combine their teams. Former commissioners, coaches, volunteers and players are combining forces to make this happen. This league will be the best Utah County has to offer! The League would like to extend this opportunity to previous players and wish a warm welcome to all new players. To be part of the team, secure your draft at Lone Peak Youth Football (www.lonepeakyouthfootball.com), and click on "programs" to initiate player registration. For questions or additional information, you may contact Damon Martinez by e-mail at dmch35@aol.com.



"Spring Into Health"

Families in Utah County are invited to "Spring Into Health" at the American Fork Hospital Community Health Fair, Saturday, May 20th. The event will be held from 9:00am to 1:00pm at the hospital's campus, located at 170 North 1100 East, American Fork.

Learn more about health, safety and injury prevention. Please call 855-3279 for more info.

Cedar Hills Golf Club

The golf season is here and the course is ready for play! Please come out and enjoy our great facility. Invite your friends, neighbors and co-workers. We'd love to show everyone that we have a great place for golf. We are also booking corporate tournament events, so if you know of any businesses looking for a tournament location, Cedar Hills Golf Club is the place to recommend. Please call Troy (796-1705) and he can schedule the tournament. We have had some fantastic feedback from earlier events and can promise an excellent experience.

The Men's Association is about to begin play. We are anticipating a great turnout this year and encourage all golfers to join, regardless of handicap. It promises to be fun and a great way to enjoy the game and meet others.

We do need to ask the community to be aware that although we have an excellent course in our neighborhood, we need to remember that it is a golf course and not a park. There is a great danger in allowing our children to play in and around the ponds. The cart paths are not safe for families to walk on. Parents, please remind your children that they should not play on the course.

Also, please do not remove the range balls from the facility. If you happen to have any of the range balls around your yard, please return them to the range. These are expensive to replace, and as a community we need to all do our part to protect our investment.