



Newsletter

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A Time of Gratitude

Mayor Carmen R. Freeman

What a wonderful and sacred time of the year when family and friends gather during this holiday season to renew friendships and strengthen the bonds of unity and love. Such occasions offer a reprieve from the routine and provides an environment of wonderful food and welcomed company which warms and gladdens our hearts. In so many ways, these are moments that truly leave lasting impressions and endearing memories.

As we gather in our respective settings to celebrate this holiday season, it is my hope and desire that our hearts will be filled with joy and happiness from the good things this life has to offer. It is also my hope and desire that amid the parties and social gatherings, the bounteous displays of food and nourishment and the joy and peace that comes from being in company with those we love, that each of us may pause and possess a spirit of gratitude for the generous blessings each of us enjoy.

I learned the importance of having a spirit of gratitude a number of years ago while serving as an ecclesiastical leader. While attending a meeting regarding the importance of seeing the interest of the poor and the needy, they shared some statistical data that has forever left an indelible impression upon me. This data revealed that only 10% of the world can answer favorably to all of these three statements - I have available three meals a day, I have a change of clothing, and finally, I have a place to live. Based on this information, sadly, 90% of the world is lacking in food, clothing and shelter. As we consider this statistical data and the insurmountable need that exists throughout the world, hopefully it will invite in each of our hearts a stronger desire to life and assist those who have need as well as invoking in each of us a stronger and more fervent spirit of gratitude. Certainly, the fact that each of us are among the rank and file of those who are truly blessed and given much, should instill in each of our hearts a greater appreciation and thankfulness for our present circumstances.

During this holiday season, may it be a time of joy and contentment in the company of those we love and are close to. And may it be, as described by the author Melody Beattie, a time and a setting when "gratitude unlocks the fullness of life...turns what we have into enough...a meal into a feast, a house into a home, [and] a stranger into a friend."

Mayor: Carmen Freeman

City Council:

Mike Day, Coralee Moser,
Matt Robinson, Craig Tischner

City Manager: Brett Wood

Asst. City Manager: Gordon Haight



Meeting Schedule

7:00 PM

City Council Meetings:

December 9, 2015

Planning Commission Meetings:

December 3, 2015

December 17, 2015

www.herriman.org/events-calendar/

www.herriman.org/agendas-and-minutes/

City Phone Numbers:

Main Number: 801-446-5323

Park Reservations: 801-254-7667

Building Dept.: 801-446-5327

Police Dispatch: 801-743-7000

Fire Dispatch: 801-743-7200

Emergency: 911

Website: www.herriman.org

Winter Street Safety

Ed Blackett, Streets Manager

With all the hassles and aggravations of everyday life, a snowy drive to work should not be one of them! We want peace of mind knowing that your travel throughout the city, helps you arrive safely to and from your destinations throughout the winter months.

We've already had our first snow fall of the 2015 season and we want to reassure you that our crews are fully prepared for what is to come. We have weekly rotating crews and are ready to operate in full force up to 24 hours a day, if necessary.

Forecasted storms are carefully watched by our operations on call staff in charge of the storm. Crews are typically called out prior to 2" of snow on the ground and removal will begin when 2" has accumulated. Salt distribution takes place throughout the duration of most storms, however depending on the type of storm, salt may not be effective. Any time ice or slick conditions exist, crews will be dispatched to distribute salt.

Generally, for safety reasons, main streets and major intersections will take precedence over all other streets. Once the main streets have been addressed, secondary and collector streets will be plowed. Cul-de-sacs are done as part of the clean-up efforts.

We again kindly remind you to not park on any street when it is snowing and/or snow is on the street during the November-April months (Ord. 6-4-8).

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No Parking on Streets November-April
Possible Citations for Violations
Keep Cul-De-Sac Clear
Do Not Deposit Snow or Ice into Streets

Snow Removal Q & A

Q: When will snow be removed from my street?

A: High traffic roadways, school zones, hills, arterial and collector roads are top priority for plowing. As long as snow falls, the city's first priority is to keep the main roads open. Once these streets are clear, crews will move to residential and finally cul-de-sacs.

Q: Where should I place the snow that I clear from my driveway?

A: Snow should be placed in your yard, on the side of your driveway, or in the park strip. Do not place in neighbors yard or in the street.

Q: Why does the snow plow leave snow at the end of my driveway, even after I have shoveled?

A: We apologize for the inconvenience of snow being placed on your clear driveway. This is an unavoidable occurrence during snow removal efforts.

Q: Is it necessary to clear snow from all sidewalks adjacent to my property, even if I live on a corner?

A: Yes. It is important to remove the snow from the sidewalks for the safety of school children, elderly and the general public.

Q: Am I responsible for clearing snow around the fire hydrant if I have one located on my property?

A: Yes. It is extremely important to keep fire hydrants accessible to assist fire crews in the event of an emergency. The homeowner who has a fire hydrant on their property is responsible for keeping the hydrant clear at all times.

Christmas Light Safety

Cathryn Nelson, Building Official

Keep in mind electrical safety when using lights to decorate for the holidays.

- Always purchase electrical decorations and lights from reputable retailers.
- Use lights approved for safe use by a nationally recognized testing laboratory.
- Never connect more than three strands of incandescent lights together.
- Consider purchasing LED lights, which use less energy and run cooler than traditional incandescent lights.
- Before decorating, determine how many outlets are available and where they are located. Plan your displays accordingly.
- Carefully inspect each electrical decoration. Cracked or damaged sockets, loose or bare wires, and loose connections may cause a serious shock or start a fire.
- Follow the manufacturer's use and care instructions that accompany electrical decorations.
- Avoid overloading electrical outlets with too many decorations or electrical devices. They can overheat and cause a fire.
- Make sure that cords are not pinched in doors, windows, or under heavy furniture, which could damage the cord's insulation.
- Do not mount or support light strings in a way that might damage the cord's insulation.
- Always unplug electrical decorations before replacing bulbs or fuses.
- Turn off all indoor and outdoor electrical decorations before leaving home or going to sleep.

For more information on Holiday Safety, check out <http://www.esfi.org/resource/holiday-decorating-safety-342>

Youth Council

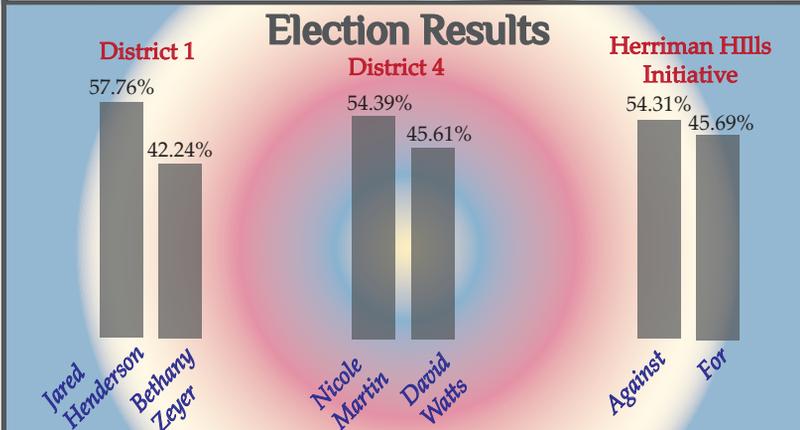
We're excited to welcome our 2015-2016 Herriman City Youth Council! The Youth Council is a group of youth age 14-18 that live or attend school in Herriman. Their role for this year will include service opportunities, understanding the role government plays in their lives and how to affect change at the local, state and federal levels. These insightful teens will provide their perspective on issues facing youth and will undertake projects to improve the lives of youth in Herriman.

Participation in this program provides members opportunities to learn skills enabling them to be even more successful students and future community leaders.

Youth applied for the Youth Council this fall, providing letters of recommendation and a resume of previous service or extra-curricular activities. Applicants were then interviewed by youth council advisors before receiving a recommendation to join this year's council. Our new Youth Council members were sworn in on Tuesday, November 17, 2015, at the City Council meeting. We welcome Aaron Birmingham, Abbie Chapman, Abby Kynaston, Abigail Jacketta, Brooke Eatchel, Danielle Fisher, Emily Tanner, Gabi Sudweeks, Katherine Somers, Maddy Morgan, Max Anderson, Quaid Green, Rachel Hale, Sellianda Rome, Tanner Vasica, Tate Williams, Tatym Anderson, and Tyler Davis.

Youth Council members will participate in the Day at the Legislature in January and a Youth Council leadership opportunity at Utah State University in the spring. Look for them at the Easter Egg Hunt, EnduroChallenge, Rodeo, Fort Herriman Days, Memorial Day breakfast and at the Pumpkin Festival. We appreciate the service they give our city and enjoy watching these emerging leaders. We look forward to our associations with these incredible youth this year!

Talk with Santa by Radio
Herriman Public Library
December 12, 2015 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
More Info: www.n7hrc.org



Ground Breaking Event

Tami Moody, Director of Communications

The new Herriman City Towne Center Park, Amphitheater, and City Hall are a key step in implementing the community's 20 year vision. In June 2008 a special gathering was held to announce the Herriman Towne Center development that included a location for a new city hall building. There was a lot of excitement in anticipation of the new structure, but for the last 7 years, that location has remained empty, with nothing but a billboard sign referencing the future building. The community continues to ask when this building will come...

After years of preparation and financial planning, city officials are ready to break ground. "The construction held off longer than we had hoped, but in striving to be financially responsible, it was important to wait for the right time, and plan things right," said Brett Wood, City Manager. On Tuesday, November 24, 2015, city leaders will line up and put shovels to the ground, with high hopes that this area will serve as a gathering place for the community as well as stimulate economic growth through its all-inclusive design.

The Towne Center location will include the City Hall building, a 6 acre Towne Center Park with a splash pad, ice track, & history walk, and an amphitheater. The park will be outlined by retail buildings with restaurant and boutique style shopping. Herriman's new City Hall will anchor the new park and development area by consolidating City activities under one roof, allowing City residents access to their government and permitting City Services to grow as our community expands. The Towne Center Park and amphitheater will provide exciting new opportunities for community sponsored events as well as fun community activities and dining.

"This will be a true gathering place for our community," said Mayor Freeman. "The concept and design create a convenience for our residents, as well as offer activities and entertainment for people of all ages."

Herriman City embraces our community. This is their location, their building, their park and we want to assure it is a place they will want to visit due to the convenience of amenities offered.

In addition to providing city services as well as Justice Court, the new building will also house the Unified Police Department's Herriman Precinct. The City has been talking with Salt Lake County in regards to providing county services on the site as well, and interested retailers are already working with the commercial developer.

Construction will begin late winter/early spring and will continue over the course of two years. It is anticipated that the project will be completed in three phases, the first including the city hall and park, the second will consist of the ice track and the third will finalize the amphitheater. The project will cost an estimated \$23 million dollars at completion, but due to astute financial planning, the City will only bond for \$15 million and pay cash for the

remainder. The bond is a sales & franchise tax bond, so there will be no tax increase to our residents.

We are thrilled to be continuing the vision that Mayor Crane had years ago when he secured this location for city hall. We have worked long and hard on the design and layout to assure the facility and park are an enhancement to the area while keeping with the traditional look and feel that is Herriman City. We would like to thank all of our partners on this project as we begin the process of taking it from a concept to reality.

Ground Breaking Event:

o Towne Center Location
o 3:30 p.m.

o Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2015
o Public invited

Partnerships:

- o GSBS, Architectural Design
- o Layton Construction, Developer
- o Momentum, Commercial Development
- o Salt Lake County
- o Unified Police Department

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Winter Activities in the Parks

Krystal Haws, Parks Department

We hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving with much to be thankful for, and are able to create new, fun and exciting memories with the ones you love. Parks crews have fully completed our winterizing schedules of the sprinkling systems, equipment and restrooms facilities. Included in those facilities were Blackridge Reservoir and The Cove. We kindly ask that you stay clear of these areas as they present a high safety risk due to the thin ice that could be present based on weather conditions. Please keep in mind that there is NO ICE FISHING permitted in Herriman City.

As we now shift gears from fall to winter we would like to remind you that as the temperatures start to drop and the fun of winter begins, to please use caution when engaging in winter activities in the City Parks.

As the snow starts falling the parks become inundated with use from sleigh riding and tubing, and practicing safety is a key component to avoiding injury. When snow in the park begins to melt and the grassy areas show through, please refrain from sledding and be careful not to damage trees or the grass.

Our crews work hard to clear snow from all paved sections of the City's trail system as time and resources allow. Those trail areas cleared consist of about 26.5 miles, so it may take them time, but they will see to it as soon as they are able.

We have had, yet another successful and growing year here in Herriman and appreciate all that you as residents do to help us with achieving our goals and stay on top of things in our parks.

From all of us here in the Parks Department, we wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Holiday Message

As we enter into the holiday season and prepare to close out another year, we reflect on all we have accomplished over the last 365 days, and all that is yet to come with a promising future.

We are truly blessed to live in a city that is full of opportunity and an unwavering commitment to quality of life. We embrace the idea of a place to work, live and play.

This time of year reminds us of the many blessings we enjoy and inspires us to give thanks for all that we have. It is also a time that encourages us to look for opportunities to be a blessing to others. One true treasure we hold in our city is the considerable amount of community service and volunteerism performed by our residents. The holiday season is a time when volunteers become angels, assisting those in need. We encourage everyone to participate in such kind acts. These acts can be as simple as shoveling your neighbors walk, to as grand as providing food and clothing for those in need. No act of kindness is too small. Community service also adds to community spirit. Our community spirit is strong, which can be witnessed while attending the annual events held here in our City.

In the spring, we have several fantastic events at Butterfield Park. There is the annual Easter Egg Hunt, the Miss Herriman Pageant, Farm Field Days, The Memorial Day Breakfast, and the ever popular Enduro Challenge.

Residents of all ages gather colorful eggs in their baskets, bow their heads in honor of those who fought for our freedoms and squeal with excitement as motorcycles spin in air.

In the summer our residents enjoy the PRCA Rodeo, Herriman Arts Council's Summer Theatre Productions, the Blackridge Triathlon, movies in the park, and of course, Fort Herriman Days including a parade and carnival. We listen to the gasps as the cowboy is thrown from the bull, hear the applause for professional grade performances, feel the relief as the finish line is crossed, smell the popcorn as wide eyes stare at the big screen and observe as faces turn green existing the merry-go-round after too much cotton candy.

Fall and winter bring the Pumpkin Festival, volunteer appreciation events, the Holiday Sing-A-Long, the Holiday Festival, and the annual Valentine Cabaret. From November to January the city is lined with lights and the smell of pine and cinnamon fill the air.

As we attend these events we are filled with a sense of merriment and pride as we take part in the memories being created. We are also filled with gratitude for our dedicated staff who work hard to put all of this together while continuing regular City business. Their energy and vision are what make our many accomplishments possible.

This upcoming year brings about many new and exciting adventures. We look to begin the construction of the new city

hall building along with a 6 acre park and retail area. This will create a vibrant gathering place in the heart of our City where our community can come together for activities and events. We also have several new businesses seeking location in our City which will enhance our economic base and provide variety to our residents. Herriman is dedicated to creating a community synergy by offering housing, jobs, retail, higher education opportunities and recreational facilities all within our boundaries...a gift of convenience to our residents. Speaking of gifts, with the baking, shopping, parties and general hustle and bustle of the holiday season, we hope that you will be able to take some time and focus on the true meaning of the season. Family, friends and those we love are the true gifts that add value to our daily lives. We hope you have a joyful holiday and a new year filled with peace and happiness. We look towards the upcoming year with optimism and excitement as we continue forward with our true sense of duty to ensure Herriman City is a special place to live...a place we are blessed to call Home.

Sincerely,

Herriman City Council

-Mayor Carmen Freeman, Matt Robinson, Coralee Moser, Craig Tischner and Mike Day

Saving Herriman Hills

The Herriman Trails Committee would like to thank those who took the time to vote in the recent election. Although we were personally disappointed in the results, our goal as a group was to allow residents a voice in the direction we want our city to go. In that regard, we succeeded, and are grateful for those who took time to ask questions, research, and be involved in the process.

Our priorities as a group remain intact: to preserve Herriman Hills, connect trails, and help make the Hills a beautiful amenity for our community. We have resumed our working relationship with the City and are discussing options about how to proceed.

One of our first courses of action will likely be to form a non-profit foundation to raise funds to meet the annual ACUB match. ACUB money was awarded to Herriman City in large part because of the Herriman Hills Initiative possibilities. Because the City cannot generate funds to meet the ACUB match through the initiative nor the general fund, the Committee will create a way to collect money from willing donors. We feel strongly that we should do all we can to help the City avoid losing the millions of dollars of grant monies Camp Williams is able to give us.

Until the non-profit foundation is set up, we can continue accepting donations for the specific purpose of meeting the annual ACUB match. If you are interested in contributing or would like to find out more information, please email us at trails@herriman.org. For updated information, check out www.HerrimanHills.org or like 'Herriman City Trails Committee' on Facebook.