Happy Holidays and the Close of a Great Year

How quickly time has passed. Not only are we at the end of another year, but also at the end of a chapter as we say goodbye to those who have served in office and made a great impact on the present and future of Herriman City. This city council has overseen some major landmark events in Herriman, including the annexation of the Olympia project, the beginning of Academy Village, the construction of several new educational facilities, the navigation of COVID-19’s impacts in Herriman, and groundbreakings for the Salt Lake Community College Herriman campus, Lone Peak Hospital Herriman Emergency Center and K9 Memorial Dog Park.

As we enjoy the holiday season, we reflect on the joy of seeing so many of our community members at the Night of Lights. Our beautiful city is now adorned with holiday lights and decorations. Even our businesses are in on the holiday fun, decorating their windows with fun holiday scenes for the community to enjoy in the Winter Window Walk.

2022 approaches with its state legislative session. The city council and staff members are preparing to advocate for the city’s top priorities. Some of these that the city is focusing on are transportation and infrastructure funding, water conservation (including secondary water expansion and water reuse efforts), economic development, funding opportunities for broadband, parks, trails, and recreation, and ensuring local control for local issues like building and planning standards. We will keep you updated with summaries of our efforts in the upcoming legislative session.

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MOTORCYCLES & ATVS & GOLF CARTS, OH MY!

The Herriman Police Department has recently been receiving numerous reports of motorized vehicles being used on Herriman trails. Herriman has a vast and wonderful trail system that was designed for pedestrian, mountain bike, and equestrian activities. Unfortunately, some have decided that the trails are also to be used for their motorized recreation as well. As a reminder, motorized vehicles are not allowed to be operated in any city park, on a trail, or sidewalk, this also includes golf carts. These vehicles are also not permitted to be operated on the roadways to get to the trails.

This motorized activity on our trails has created an unsafe environment for users who are following the rules. Many users have reported young kids on motorcycles and ATVs are riding on the trails at high speed and have caught many people off guard. Several near misses with pedestrians and structures surrounding the trails have been reported. Equestrian users have also complained that their animals have been spooked, causing a dangerous situation where an animal or rider could be injured. As a department, HPD hopes to curtail these activities on the trails before someone is injured or worse. Because of the frequency of these issues, it’s “not if but when” a serious accident occurs. This activity isn’t just dangerous—it also damages the trails as well as the environment surrounding them.

Most of these vehicles are being driven on a public road without being registered or insured (and a majority of the time, by an unlicensed driver). This is a violation of the state code and may result in impoundment of the vehicle if driven without insurance. The parent or owner of the vehicle can also be cited for allowing the vehicle to be operated on the roadway, sidewalk, or trail. If an incident does occur where someone is injured or property is damaged, the owner or parent can be held liable for damages incurred.

Herriman City and its residents pride themselves on having a great community to live, work, and play. However, everyone needs to do their part with respecting one another and the resources we have to recreate. If these resources are abused then we all suffer from the cost of repairs, injuries sustained from an accident, vehicle impoundment, etc. So, please, let’s all be in this together and work together to keep our city safe and enjoyable.

Snowplow priorities:
1. Main collector streets
2. Streets with hills
3. Difficult intersections (stoplights) and stop signs
4. Subdivision streets
5. Cul-de-sacs, dead-end street

* Herriman City code prohibits parking on public streets when there is snow.
Participating local businesses have decorated their front window for you to enjoy! Vote for your favorite before December 24.

For a map, information, and the voting form, scan the QR code or visit herriman.org/winter-window-walk

Judging categories:
Public’s Choice
Best "Herriman Feel"
Most Whimsical
Most Elegant
Best Use of a Small Space

NOW THROUGH DEC 24

GRAFFITI WOES

Unfortunately, graffiti in our community is becoming increasingly more prevalent. Typically, graffiti is classified as either gang-related or tagging. According to Gangfreeutah.gov, gang-related graffiti is used as a way to mark territory, boast or issue threats. While tagging is considered a form of art or part of a contest, both forms of graffiti are illegal and should be covered up or removed as soon as possible. Research shows that when graffiti is immediately removed, it is much less likely to occur at that location again. Graffiti that is left up becomes a status symbol.

If you see graffiti in Herriman, please contact the City at 801-446-5326 and our crews will either remove the graffiti or work with the appropriate agency to have the graffiti removed as soon as possible. Never confront or challenge someone who is in the process of painting graffiti. The best thing a citizen can do is be a good witness by taking note of the person’s physical characteristics and clothing and calling local law enforcement to handle the situation.

Congratulations
Miss Herriman: Paige Welsh
1st Attendant: Cassidy Jensen
2nd Attendant: Rian Haslam

Use the QR code below for pricing, hours, and reservation availability.
Radon is a dangerous carcinogen, prevalent in Utah, that can lead to health concerns. Cities located near mountains (including Herriman) tend to have areas of high concentration of radon. Radon is not something that you can see, smell, nor feel. The only way to detect its presence is to test for it.

Test kits are available at the City Hall for $6.00.

12 Days of Christmas Safety

1. Keep lit candles away from real trees, wreaths, boughs, and garlands.
2. Keep poisonous sweets and chocolates away from your pets.
3. Keep your tree away from fireplaces, radiators, and other heat sources.
4. Make sure your tree has a stable platform so it doesn’t tip over.
5. Choose an artificial tree that is labeled flame resistant.
6. If you have a real tree, make sure you water it regularly.
7. Check your lights for fraying, bare spots, and kinks in the wire.
8. Turn off all tree lights and decorations when not in use.
9. Ensure smoke detectors are functioning properly.
10. No matter how tempting it may be, NEVER drink and drive!
11. Set timers while cooking, don’t get distracted, and keep a fire extinguisher handy.
12. Make sure you reheat your leftovers to at least 74 degrees to avoid food poisoning.
Shop Local Business Spotlight
Twisted Sugar

Twisted Sugar opened its doors in Herriman on April 5th, 2021. We are excited to be a part of such a great city.

Our gourmet cookies are baked fresh, in-store daily with only the tastiest ingredients. We offer over 20 unique cookie flavors with new cookies rotating monthly on our menu. You can make your own favorite drink, or pick from the set menu of mixed sodas, flavored waters, lemonades, and energy drinks. Try out a “Twister,” which has an ice cream base with Dole whip flavors or frozen hot chocolate.

Follow us on Instagram, @twistedsugar.ut.herriman, to know about special offers, mid-week specials (posted every Wednesday), and giveaways. We look forward to welcoming more Herriman residents in our store at 5257 W Anthem Peak Lane and hope to be a part of the community for years to come.

Council Corner (continued from cover)

We are grateful for our residents. You are what makes Herriman a special community. We appreciate the service of our City staff and volunteers. We thank so many new businesses for adding to our community this year, and we are excited to be the home of the SLCC Herriman campus and the Lone Peak Hospital Emergency Center.

What an incredible year 2021 has been! We have much to be thankful for and have so much to look forward to in Herriman. We wish you a safe, healthy, and joyous holiday season.
**WINTER WATER SAVER TIPS**

With winter rolling in quickly, it is time to switch from outdoor to indoor water savings! In Utah, 2021 has been the driest year in 127 years, and despite recent rainfall, Salt Lake County remains in an extreme drought. Considering current conditions, it is imperative that we continue to reduce water use. Here are 3 easy ways to help save both money and water in your house:

1. **Winterize your irrigation system to prevent pipes from bursting and causing ongoing, below-ground leaks**

2. **Fixing leaking faucets as soon as possible and place a container underneath the leak to collect water for other uses until the leak is repaired**

3. **Collect, monitor, and time personal water use to evaluate needed changes. This can be done by placing a bucket or cup underneath your faucet and time how long it takes to collect a gallon. Then, while taking a shower or washing the dishes, time yourself to get an estimate of how much water you use per activity. Set goals and challenge yourself to become an even more efficient water user!**

We at Herriman City take conservation seriously and would love your feedback. Please contact our new Water Conservation Coordinator at dkruse@herriman.org with any questions, comments, or concerns. We are actively exploring new programs that will bring the community together in a continued effort to save water. Check our website and social media regularly so you don’t miss out on something beneficial to you!