Council Corner

Women’s History Month and the Legislative Session

March brings about the end of the legislative session in Utah and welcomes the celebration of Women’s History Month. As we sat in committee meetings and listened to discussions on the floors of the Senate and House of Representatives, the number of women leaders in Utah did not go unnoticed. These leaders include five women who are now filling Senate seats and 22 serving as Representatives. We continue to support the ever-increasing number of women in leadership who help shape our state and make important decisions that impact our communities. Our own Lieutenant Governor, Diedre Henderson, is the second woman to hold this position in Utah. She and Governor Spencer Cox oversaw the 2022 legislative session.

The Utah legislature considered over 1,000 bills this year and passed more than 500 into law. The priorities of the session centered around water conservation, housing affordability, education, growth, and infrastructure. Other bills focused on helping Utah families, including increasing the availability of affordable childcare.

Water conservation bills passed:
- Requirement for cities to meter/track secondary water usage by 2030. (Herriman City already does this)
- Water conservation is required at state facilities
- Incentives for property owners to replace lawn/turf with drought-resistant landscaping
- $400M total dedicated to water efficiency

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Transportation bills passed:
- $712.2M budgeted to accelerate state road projects, $150M for transit, $98.8M for other projects, including the Mountain View Corridor extension
- Filming yourself or traffic while driving will be illegal
- Allowance of 35% light transmittance in vehicle window tint
- Penny-per-mile electric vehicle tax (offsets gas tax for electric vehicles)
- Required safety course for off-highway vehicle drivers
- 12600 South/Herriman Blvd jurisdictional transfer, transitioning it from a city-funded road to a state-funded road (the City supported this move)

Housing and Homelessness bills passed:
- Funding for shelters
- Prohibition of cities from imposing limits on shelters
- $55M in one-time funding for housing (part of the COVID-19 Homeless Housing and Services Grant program)
- Requirement for cities to review and update moderate-income housing plans. State funds are available for cities who meet at least five criteria (Herriman City already meets four and will examine options for a fifth to qualify for additional state funds)

Public Safety bills passed:
- Police officers must intervene when observing another officer’s misconduct
- While serving a warrant, police officers must wear identifying clothing and announce themselves more than once before forcibly entering

Other bills passed:
- Prohibition of cities from offering tax incentives to large retail facilities. Herriman City opposed the original draft of the bill as we felt it limited our economic development opportunities
- $37.9M ongoing funding for parks/recreation infrastructure
- Vote-by-mail system held in place with additional measures to further track ballots mailed out, received, and processed
- Citizens can now sign petitions electronically
- Tax credit for low- and moderate-income residents and Social Security tax cuts for seniors
- State income tax rate decreased from 4.95% to 4.85%

Your Mayor, City Councilmembers, and City staff were actively involved in this legislative session. They worked to ensure that they represented the interests of Herriman residents and that cities maintain local controls to best serve their communities at the closest level to the people. Herriman City wants to thank each of our senators and representatives—particularly Representatives Candice Pierucci and Jordan Teuscher, and Senators Dan McCay and Lincoln Fillmore—for all their work during the 2022 legislative session. We also express appreciation to the Utah League of Cities and Towns for their representation of local governments.
Sheds, Garages, and Shops, Oh My!

The City Council approved an amendment to the ordinance pertaining to accessory structures, which are defined as “a detached, subordinate building clearly incidental to the main use or structure in area and purpose, and located upon the same lot occupied by the main building.” These structures have been used for anything from RV storage to wood shops. The graphic below summarizes the changes made to the City ordinance regulating such buildings.

PLEASE NOTE: BEFORE paying for plans, or materials for ANY accessory structure, please consult the Planning Department to ensure what can/cannot be built.

The full ordinance is available at herriman.org/ordinances-and-code. The following general amendments (along with others) to Title 10 are included in the addition of Chapter 34 – Accessory Structures:

- Amended exterior and roofing material requirements.
- Updated requirements for size, height, and setbacks.
- Limitations on when special exemptions can be considered.

Herriman City Spring Cleanup

April 18 - 23

Herriman City Spring Cleanup will include the disposal of green waste, household appliances, and e-waste only. Watch for a mailer with additional information surrounding the cleanup.

For disposal of items not accepted at the City cleanup, please take advantage of Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling’s Seasonal Container Reservation Program. They will be taking reservations for Herriman April 11-29, 2022. Visit wasatchfrontwaste.org for additional information.

Herriman on the Job

Gain understanding and insight into what it takes to keep our city running with our new video series highlighting Herriman employees.

2021 Year in Review Videos

- Financial Foundation
- Expanding Economy
- Events & Engagement
- Olympia Annexation
- Public Safety
- City Projects

Food Truck Season is Here!

Hungry Herriman

Mondays, 5-7:30 PM
J. Lynn Crane Park
Herriman.org/Hungry-Herriman
Code Enforcement—What is it and why do we do it?

Herriman City has been conducting code enforcement since its incorporation in 2001. For over 20 years, the goal of code enforcement has been to maintain the City in a manner that creates a place people want to live, work, and play.

In 2021, the City decided to reorganize code enforcement operations under the umbrella of the recently formed Herriman Police Department. Code enforcement is now a function of the new Community Services Unit within HPD.

Why does it matter? Maintaining your property not only helps the City look good, but it protects your family and others from hazards by mitigating risks in the community. Additionally, well-maintained property raises your property value and the value of the area.

For example, let’s look at weeds, junk, and inoperable vehicles, which are common issues that many think aren’t such a big deal. The City has seen several disasters—both human-caused and natural—that placed many people in danger and damaged property. In recent years, we’ve experienced several wildfires in Herriman—at least one of which was caused by a vehicle parked on top of un-cut weeds.

What does this have to do with code enforcement? When a property has weeds and other junk and debris, it can become a significant fire danger. Accumulated debris can also endanger life and property during other disaster events (such as flooding) and prevent emergency services from operating effectively. Not only are weeds and junk unsightly and bring down property values, but they can cause real dangers to the community.

We love our community and want to keep it looking nice and welcoming. We’re also committed to ensuring the safety of our residents and those who visit us. Please reach out to us at codeenforcement@herrimanpd.org if you have any questions or concerns. You can contact us by phone or submit a request for evaluation or enforcement online at the website below: www.herriman.org/code-enforcement
Recently Approved Ordinances

To view the ordinances in full detail, please visit herriman.org/public-notices

ORDINANCE 2022-03
An ordinance amending Title 10 pertaining to regulations for accessory structures.

ORDINANCE 2022-04
An ordinance authorizing a General Plan amendment for 3.47 acres of property located at 13208 S Rose Canyon Road from low density residential to agricultural residential.

ORDINANCE 2022-05
An ordinance authorizing a Zoning Map amendment for 3.47 acres of property located at 13208 S Rose Canyon Road from A-1 (Agricultural) to A-.25 (Agricultural).

ORDINANCE 2022-06
An ordinance amending the Herriman City Code to allow churches as a conditional use and prohibit personal service warehouses in the C-1 zone.

ORDINANCE 2022-07
An ordinance amending the Herriman City Zoning Map for property located at 5222 West, 5230 West, and 5301 West Herriman Boulevard from C-2 (Commercial) and R-2-10 (Residential) to C-1 (Commercial).

Summer Musical Auditions

Production Dates: July 7-18, 2022
Audition Dates: March 21-22, 2022 from 6-10 PM
Where: Herriman City Hall • 5355 W Herriman Main St
Visit Herriman.org/arts-council to register for a time

Juniper Canyon Recreation Area
Eastern Trailhead
Autumn Spring Dr & Sentinel Ridge Blvd

Details and additional proposed plans at Herriman.org/juniper-canyon-recreation-area

Senior Bingo

Juniper Canyon Recreation Area
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APRIL 13
10AM TO 11:30 AM
CITY HALL
5355 W Herriman Main St
RSVP to attend by calling 801-446-8658
YOUTH & CHILDREN’S THEATER

Do your children love to sing, dance and act or do they want to find out if they do? This 2-week Children’s Theatre Workshop (June 7-20) will teach skills in music, dance, theater and end with a performance as part of the Herriman Live talent show on June 20, 2022! Signups open May 23. Check the HAC Facebook page for more information.

Ages: 7-12
Parents meeting/auditions: mid-July
Performances: September 2022

Ages: 13-17
Parents meeting/auditions: mid-July
Performances: September 2022

How did the City use its budget last year?

See a brief, reader-friendly report of the City’s finances between July 2020-June 2021
herriman.org/pafr

Dog Park Rules:

Pet Licensing & Vaccines

At the new Herriman K9 Memorial Dog Park, opening April 15th and located along Herriman Main St near 126th S, park rules will require all dogs to be licensed with Herriman City or another city/county agency. Valid proof of up-to-date rabies vaccinations will also be required. Learn more at Herriman.org/animal-services.

Dumpster Rentals

The Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District (garbage services provider in Herriman) is conducting a dumpster rental program for its customers.

For information and to make a reservation, go to bit.ly/wfwrds-seasonal-containers
Home Waste Water Systems

Each home has two separate waste water systems. The sanitary sewer system is a set of underground pipes that carry sewage from bathrooms, sinks, and other plumbing components to a treatment plant where it can be cleaned and restored back into the water system.

The storm drain system is a separate and is designed to carry water runoff, like rainfall, directly to local waterways, like the Jordan River or the Great Salt Lake. Because this water isn't treated, it is especially important to follow the "only rain down the drain" philosophy to keep sewage or other hazardous wastes out of the storm drains.

The Herriman Community Orchestra
presents

A CONCERT FOR OUR CHILDREN

APRIL 4 • 7:00PM
SILVERCREST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
FREE ADMISSION
On January 28, 2022, the Herriman City Youth Council had an amazing opportunity to go to the Utah State Capitol. First, they sat through a legislative session. They watched all the representatives vote on multiple bills. The council also witnessed how passionate the leaders are on different topics such as animal abuse, agriculture, sexual assault, criminal justification, etc. They learned a lot about the challenges and difficulties it takes to create a bill to present to all members to vote on. After the meeting, they had the privilege of speaking with Representative Candice Pierucci. She shared with them how she became a leader at such a young age and what steps they can take now to grow personally in the future. Rep. Pierucci also explained the process of how a bill becomes a law. After a short visit with her, she gave the Youth Council a tour of the Capitol. They were able to walk through the House floor, the Senate floor, as well as other areas of the Capitol. It was neat to have the amazing symbolism our Capitol has pointed out to them. Overall, it was a great learning experience!

Youth between the ages of 14-18 may apply now to serve on the 2022-2023 Herriman City Youth Council at www.herriman.org/youth-council. Applications are due by May 15, 2022.