The Legislative Session

Clint Smith, City Council

The beginning of each new year marks the start of the State Legislative session. The annual General Session is held for 45 calendar days, convening on the fourth Monday in January. The City Council and staff spend most of the year preparing and identifying priorities for each session. Once determined, individual meetings are set up with each of our State Senators and Representatives to raise understanding of our priorities, and garner support.

As residents of Herriman, we are familiar with the issues that affect us. These issues are continually discussed in City Council meetings, on our city website, and via all forms of social media. These key issues are what we base our priorities on. This legislative session, our priorities center on housing, transit and transportation funding, parks and trails funding, and educational facilities support and funding.

Housing and Density

A consistent topic of conversation and noted frustration in our city often centers on housing and density. The City Council shares in that frustration due to the constant push for higher density housing as a solution for housing affordability and the possibility of a high-density development adjacent to our city limits. Our priority is to educate our legislators about Herriman's developments, growth rates, housing types, and current statistics. Cities should have the ability to develop based on their own vision and needs without threat of those rights being taken over by the State Legislature. We are working diligently to preserve our way of life.

Transit and Transportation

As we travel in and out of our city, it is apparent that transit and transportation are major issues that need to be addressed. Our continued rapid growth highlights the incredible need for additional state funding to invest in developing our collector and arterial roads, as well as other transit options like Trax and bus routes.

Parks, Trails and Open Space

Some of the defining amenities of Herriman are our parks, trails and open space. We continue to focus on acquiring more open space in the south hills of Herriman as a buffer to Camp Williams. This will allow for that space to develop with multiuse trails and recreational spaces. Additional state funding will be requested to continue to focus on trails and increasing connectivity to broaden our recreation options.

Higher Education

Herriman has some incredible higher education possibilities on the horizon. With a future Salt Lake
Future Plans for Mountain View Corridor

Mountain View Corridor will be a 35-mile freeway running from I-80 in north Salt Lake County to SR 73 in Saratoga Springs. Along Herriman, the Mountain View Corridor that you know today will eventually become frontage roads to the actual Mountain View Corridor freeway that you will know in the future. Major intersections will be converted to freeway interchanges. In Herriman, these intersections include the following:

- 11800 South & Daybreak Parkway
- 12600 South
- 13200 South & 13400 South
- Rosecrest Road
- Real Vista Drive
- Porter Rockwell Blvd

The phased construction approach was determined by UDOT to be a cost-effective way to fund the project as a whole by balancing transportation needs with available project funds. Often times, property costs far exceed that actual cost of the infrastructure improvements for roadway projects. With the approach UDOT has taken with Mountain View Corridor, the property has been acquired with infrastructure costs set to come at a later date.

Additionally, utilities have been installed in such a way to minimize costs in the future when the corridor is converted to a freeway. UDOT is currently working to construct the section of Mountain View Corridor between SR 73 and 2100 North in Saratoga Springs/Lehi. Construction is also set to begin for the segment from 4100 South to SR 201 in Salt Lake County.

The phased construction approach has not come without challenges. One of the main challenges has been safety, especially at several intersections along the corridor. UDOT and local municipalities have engaged in multiple studies and conversations to identify solutions for problem locations. Some examples of this are the advanced warning lights at Rosecrest Road to notify drivers of the upcoming red light in advance of the intersection and modifications to the signal heads to better attract the attention of drivers when the lights change to red. Additionally, UDOT has plans to add an acceleration lane for motorists turning from westbound Rosecrest Road to go northbound on Mountain View Corridor. There are also plans to
Recently Approved Ordinances
ORDINANCE 2019-01
An ordinance adjusting City Council Districts due to an annexation.

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

HERRIMAN COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA
PRESENTS
A CONCERT FOR OUR CHILDREN
FEBRUARY 25 • 7:00PM
SILVERCREST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
FREE ADMISSION

HERRIMAN CONNECTION
February 2019

Life-Saving Efforts

Boy Scout Troop 656

At the City Council meeting on January 9, 2019, the Herriman City Police Department and the Council recognized the members and leaders of Boy Scout Troop 656 for their role in saving the life of a young man in the Cove Pond back in October. "Actions taken that day by these courageous young men of Troop 656 and their leaders, without a doubt, saved that young man's life and prevented a great tragedy. We commend them for their quick action and selfless response to a dangerous and dynamic situation."
- Herriman Police Chief Troy Carr

Pet Encounters

What should I do if I get bitten by an animal?
If the bite breaks the skin, law requires the bite to be reported. Call SLCo Animal Services at 801-743-7045.

Why do I have to report the bite?
1. Rabies control
2. Tracking data and trends in animal bites within the community

If my pet bites me, do I still have to report it?
Yes, ALL BITES that break the skin must be reported.

Shop Local Spotlight

Herriman City’s Shop Local February business spotlight is Healthy Fix, located at 5524 W 13400 South. Healthy Fix opened here in Herriman in 2018 and is a local and family-run business. They are more than just a smoothie bar! They are great for healthy breakfast, lunch, or an on-the-go snack. Healthy Fix now offers smoothie bowls and protein based coffee options, to be enjoyed by the whole family. You can place orders for pick-up or curbside service. Owners Rudy and Christian want to see their customers achieve the best health results by following up with them and providing support for maintaining a healthier you! Healthy Fix is a wonderful place to hang out and take advantage of their free WiFi all while enjoying your healthy drinks.
**Gina Road, a Brief History**

Gina Road (13720 South) is located in the Rose Basin area of Herriman. The roadway and surrounding area became part of Herriman when it was annexed in 2009. Approximately 1000 feet of this road, between 7000 West and 7220 West, is unpaved. Property ownership along the unpaved portion of Gina Road is made up of a mixture of privately owned sections and pieces that have been dedicated as public right-of-way. In addition, there are existing easements for various purposes that are recorded over the roadway portion on many of the properties along this road. Below is a review of the current property ownership, how the public parcels were acquired by Herriman, existing easements, and a review of Utah State Code regarding public use of roadways.

**Ownership**

In order to determine ownership, a comprehensive review of online records, which are available on the Salt Lake County Recorder’s website, was conducted for each of the parcels along the unpaved section of Gina Road. It was determined that a total of 11 properties had been dedicated or deeded as public right-of-way. Seven of the parcels were dedicated by plat to Salt Lake County. Those dedicated portions of the road ultimately became under the jurisdiction of Herriman City when the area was annexed in 2009. Two of the parcels were dedicated to Herriman City by plat and the other two were deeded to Herriman City. What all this means is that there is a mixed bag of ownership along Gina Road. To complicate issues further, section 72 of Utah State Code states that “A highway is dedicated and abandoned to the use of the public when it has been continuously used as a public thoroughfare for a period of 10 years.” There are some additional provisions of the Utah State Code that provide more clarity of what it means to have the road continuously open. Herriman is aware of one property that has retained their ownership rights along the roadway by closing off the roadway along the property line.

**Easements**

There were several easements that were identified during the review of recorded documents for parcels along Gina Road. None of the easements granted access across private property to the general public; however, some of the easements granted access for multiple property owners to cross private property located along Gina Road and 7300 West.

An in-depth discussion of the issues surrounding Gina Road was provided during the work session of the January 9, 2019 City Council meeting. The discussion and accompanying presentation can be viewed online at https://www.herriman.org/agendas-and-minutes/. If you have additional questions or concerns the Herriman Engineering Department would be happy to discuss them with you by phone at 801-446-5323, in person, or by email at engineering@herriman.org.

**Veterans & Military Advisory Committee**

Herriman City has organized a volunteer Veterans and Military Advisory Committee that will act as a liaison between the City and all Herriman veteran and military residents. The purpose of the committee is to:

A. Make recommendations to the City Council with respect to veterans and military service member related issues, ceremonies and other activities that occur within Herriman City;
B. Provide a forum for discussion of issues relating to veterans and military families;
C. Act as a conduit of communication and coordination between the local veteran and military community;
D. Aid the City in the planning, development and implementation of veteran and military community related special activities and programs in the City.

The committee will meet once a quarter to plan for upcoming events. Anyone who is interested and would like to attend is welcome. The next meeting will be held on April 2nd, 2019 at 1730 (5:30pm) at Herriman City Hall in the Blackridge Conference Room #1604.

**Upcoming events will include:**

- Memorial Day Breakfast and Ceremony, Monday, May 27th. We are encouraging veterans and military to attend prior to Memorial Day to help place flags at the Herriman City Cemetery in recognition of Herriman veterans
- PRCA Rodeo Veteran and Military Night, Friday, May 31st. The PRCA Rodeo will have a special veterans and military service member related recognition day where all veterans, active duty, retired, or reserves can attend free of charge. Families will receive a discounted rate
- Fort Herriman Towne Days booth, Saturday, June 22nd

Please watch for more information to come on these events in the Herriman Connection Newsletter or on Herriman City’s social media outlets.

If you have any questions please contact us at veterans@herriman.org.

**Future Plans for Mountain View Corridor**

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install a new traffic signal at the Real Vista Drive intersection in summer of 2019. These improvements will enhance safety along Mountain View Corridor. For information regarding safety enhancements being used along Mountain View Corridor visit: https://www.udot.utah.gov/main/ucon

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HERRIMAN CITY 2019 EVENTS (Jan-May)

JAN
19 Volunteer Breakfast
City Hall • 9a

FEB
25 Concert for our Children
Silvercrest Elementary • 7p
28 Cabaret
City Hall • 7:30p

MAR
1-2 Cabaret
City Hall • 6p, 8:30p
11-13 Summer Show Auditions
City Hall • Time slots start at 6p

APR
4 National Anthem Auditions
City Hall • Time slots start at 3:30p
(registration starts Feb 25)
13 Basket Bash
Butterfield Park • 10a
Pre-hunt Activities • 9a
Special Needs Hunt • 9:30a
8,12, 22,29 Community Fishing Classes
The Cove • 6-8p
(registration starts Feb 25)

MAY
6, 13 Community Fishing Classes
The Cove • 6-8p
TBD Night on Broadway
TBD
11 Pedal Palooza
Butterfield Park • 9a
27 Memorial Day
Breakfast
Main St. Park • 7-11a
Ceremony
Cemetery • 9a
31 PRCA Rodeo
Butterfield Park • 7:30p
(May 31-Jun 1)
Kiddie Corral 7:00p

Herriman Business Outlook
As we enthusiastically enter the New Year, we also look back at 2018, and the accomplishments achieved.
In 2018 over 200 new businesses were welcomed to Herriman City. Of those, 18 were commercial businesses which add to the City’s sales tax base. The sales tax revenue increased by 21.61% during the 2017-2018 fiscal year. The 2018-2019 fiscal year projected sales tax increase is 13.21%. In addition, the services being added are beneficial to residents of Herriman and the City alike. We anticipate several big announcements in 2019, stay tuned!

Interested in purchasing a Radon test kit? Stop by City Hall to purchase one for $6.00 while supplies last.
Details subject to change. For more information, visit Herriman.org or Herriman City social media

**Improved Ice Prevention Measures**

What are those little white lines throughout the travel lanes? Herriman City snow plow crews are now using salt brine, a liquid salt mixture, as an effective measures to help prevent dangerous road conditions before anticipated snowfall. Salt brine has the same melting characteristics of solid rock salt, but since it is applied in liquid form, the salt can begin to work immediately. The brine mixture is also more effective in lower temperatures. The salt brine is prepared at the public works yard, achieving a 23.3 percent salt solution, derived from rock salt. The use of this salt brine solution when distributed and applied to the road prior to a snowfall event is known as anti-icing.

Using salt brine proves not only to be more effective on roads, but it is also cost effective. It takes four times less salt to prevent ice accumulation than to remove ice after it has formed.
As Herriman began constructing our own police force, it was our intent to recruit and hire officers with experience in a wide range of law enforcement areas. One of the areas we focused on was our police canine unit. We were extremely fortunate and successful in obtaining a vast level of experience in training and deploying police service dogs. Our own chief was the lead K9 trainer for the Salt Lake County Sheriff’s Office for many years and our Deputy Chief also supervised a K9 unit for several years.

Our top K9 talent however, resides with our two current K9 officers, Sergeant Benjamin Ricks and Officer Skyler Zobell, who actively patrol our streets every evening with their partners, Hondo and Daavo.

Sergeant Ricks and his partner, Hondo (top picture), a seven-year-old Belgian Malinois, came to us from the Unified Police Department (UPD). Sergeant Ricks has eight years of police canine experience and was most recently the lead trainer for the UPD’s K9 Unit. Sergeant Ricks and Hondo are a certified and experienced team who were partnered for over four years before coming to our department. As a team, they have taken many bad guys and narcotics off the street. These two have also won several awards and recognitions at the state and national levels. This team is certified in Patrol, Narcotics Detection, Apprehension, Protection, Tracking and Evidence/Article Search.

Officer Zobell and his partner, Daavo (bottom picture), a two-year-old Belgian Malinois, are both new to police canine; however, they each possess an extraordinary aptitude, tenacity and the perseverance required to be an outstanding K9 team. Officer Zobell is a veteran police officer with experience in patrol, traffic, motors, SWAT and is a DRE (Drug Recognition Expert). Officer Zobell was chosen to be part of our second canine team due to his distinguished reputation for being an extremely hard worker, who has little room for personal failure, but remains humble and kind (which are both key characteristics of a successful trainer/handler).

In order to join the Herriman Police Department, Daavo legally immigrated to the United States from Belgium. Like his partner, Daavo was carefully selected from a group of other candidates for this position. Daavo possesses all the required characteristics and traits of a superior police dog; and over the last few months of his training, Daavo has not ceased to impress. Throughout his grueling training curriculum, under the tutelage of Officer Zobell and Sergeant Ricks, Daavo has displayed endless amounts of drive, courage and grit. In January, Officer Zobell and Daavo completed the first step in becoming a legitimate and effective K9 team, passing their Utah POST narcotics detection certification. We’d like to congratulate Officer Zobell and PSD (Police Service Dog) Daavo on this accomplishment and acknowledge them for their hard work and determination. In addition to now being authorized by the state to go out and hunt drug offenders, this team will continue their training curriculum and obtain the other certifications required to be a “multi-purpose” team.

We’re all excited about the future of our K9 unit and look forward to their continued success.

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Community College Campus site planned adjacent to the Real Salt Lake facility, as well as a potential Utah State University site that will focus on farming and agriculture, educational campuses would be conveniently closer to home. These are exciting opportunities for our community and our future, but ones that will require state support to develop. We will be seeking funding to support the infrastructure needs, as well as the beginning development of these institutions.

Herriman’s future is bright. We are fortunate to live in this great community but recognize that our future will require additional support and funding from the State to accomplish some of our goals. We look forward to the upcoming Legislative session and working with our local Senators and Representatives to continue moving our vision forward.
Juniper Canyon Recreation Area

Herriman City staff, in coordination with the recommendations outlined in the Herriman Hills Open Space Master Plan, is working with G. Brown Design on a conceptual layout of the Juniper Canyon Recreation Area. It is intended to become a premier urban outdoor recreation area connecting residential, commercial, and educational areas on the east side of Mountain View Corridor to the Herriman Hills on the west side via asphalt and single track trail. A large five-acre trailhead will also be designed as part of the project. This project is still very early in the design phase and we invite the residents to attend the public open house at City Hall on Monday, March 25, 2019 sometime between 5-7:30 pm. This open house event will showcase what is planned for this area and is a great way to stay informed and give your input throughout the planning process.

Herriman Harmonyx Cabaret
February 28 - March 2

Tickets must be purchased online before the show. Don’t wait—it’ll sell out quickly!

Audition!
Talent is needed for the Arts Council’s summer musical!

Auditions
March 11-12
at City Hall
Sign up starting February 1st:
Herriman.org/Arts-Council
Transit in Herriman

Much of Herriman has been master planned with centers for housing, commercial, business, and recreation. A key component of many the master planned areas is transit. Transit concepts in Utah have evolved over time from solely bus service to also include TRAX and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), with other options on the horizon as services such as Uber and Lyft become more prevalent. As population growth continues, the number of people commuting will also grow. Alternative transportation solutions need to be part of the answer to help alleviate traffic congestion and air pollution not only in Herriman but throughout the state of Utah. Current transit options in Herriman include UTA’s Flex Shuttle F534 and the Herriman Lift F547. These options are limited in what they can provide to the general Herriman population. Fortunately, future plans include the extension of TRAX from Daybreak into the Anthem area, along future Main Street, then through the Herriman Towne Center, and into Riverton along 13200 South. There are also plans to extend a transit option southward from 13400 South to the RSL Training Academy area. Much of the right-of-way has been preserved along the future transit corridor throughout Herriman, as shown on the map below.

Herriman’s staff and elected officials continue to work with the Utah Transit Authority, UDOT, and other groups to explore options for funding transit solutions in and around Herriman. As this collaborative work continues we will see new transit options in Herriman. For additional information please contact us at engineering@herriman.org.
Seeking Planning Commission Members

Anyone interested in serving as a member of the Planning Commission needs to submit an application online at herriman.org, no later than February 28, 2019.

Applicants must be:
- A Herriman resident
- A registered voter
- Willing to attend the Planning Commission meetings every 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month at 6:00 PM

If you have any questions, call the Planning Department at 801-446-5323.