In a recent trip to the Capitol with our Herriman City Youth Council, we had the opportunity to meet with several committees as they shared the issues being addressed in our state. During the meeting with the Utah Housing Coalition, the presenter noticed our group was from Herriman and stated that “we are part of the problem.” We wanted to understand that statement so we sat down to talk with her. She explained that we need to understand the “great shortage” of affordable housing in our state and be willing to help with the solution. This gave us an opportunity to educate her on what steps Herriman has taken to address the issue.

It only takes a quick 15-20-minute drive around Herriman to see the tremendous growth that we have experienced in the last few years. You will find a blend of housing options; single family homes, townhomes, condominiums, and apartments. Current studies show that our city will be at 45% multi-family housing with what is currently built or approved, yet somehow Herriman is still perceived by some of our state leaders as “part of the problem” when it comes to “housing affordability.” How can this be?

One of the problems we see is that two separate issues are being linked together - housing affordability and multi-family housing. These issues are not synonymous. Studies around the nation show that higher density does not equal the State’s definition of affordability. We can look right here in Herriman to demonstrate that point. A city with almost 45% multi-family housing should have a great deal of “affordable” housing, but we do not. Therefore, the affordable housing “crisis” is not an issue controlled by local land use ordinances but rather is driven by the private market. It is important to remember that during the recession, housing construction essentially stopped for two years. Now that the economy has resumed a growth period, it will take a while for the housing market to catch up with the demand created by the delay. Capitalist markets are always subject to supply and demand. Supply is currently trying to catch up with demand, which drives up the cost of building materials and labor. This is a large contributing factor to the affordability issue. The demand also increases the cost of land, which encourages developers to increase the density on each acre to maximize profit.

Herriman City Council should not be driven by private market, rather it is the responsibility of the local municipalities to plan for long-term growth through their master plans. These plans help insulate cities to the market changes and allow for balanced growth with infrastructure plan overlays to adequately provide for, maintain, and defend the quality of life for current residents and generations to come.
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**Audition!**

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

**Auditions**

March 11-12

at City Hall

Sign up starting February 1st:

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**Basket Bash**

Sat, Apr 13

Butterfield Park

6212 W 14200 S

9:00 - Mascot Meet & Greet

9:30 - Special Needs Egg Hunt

10:00 - Main Egg Hunt

Food Trucks!

Prizes!

Candy!

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In his acclaimed novel “Anna Karenina,” Leo Tolstoy declared that “spring is the time of plans and projects.” While it is hard to believe that spring is right around the corner, as the days get longer and the weather a little warmer, it is time for the Herriman Parks department to start thinking about rapidly approaching spring plans and projects. While we keep plenty busy during the winter months with snow removal, tree trimming, and various maintenance projects, spring time is especially busy as we are preparing our parks, trails, playgrounds, and irrigation systems for the heavy use they are about to receive. While this is not an all-inclusive list, the following will give a brief overview of several projects that the Parks Department will be working on during the next couple of months as we prepare for spring and summer.

**Irrigation**

When temperatures allow, and we feel that we will not experience any more hard freezes, we will begin to charge our irrigation systems throughout the City. This is quite an extensive process, as we have over 80 separate systems throughout our parks and open space. The irrigation turn on process consists of:

1. Replacing any backflow preventers or filters that may have been removed for winterizations;
2. Turning water on at the meter, allowing the main lines to slowly charge. As we do this, we are checking for leaks in the main lines;
3. Turning on the controller and actuate every valve in the system, checking that all valves are functional and all heads are operational;
4. Checking for proper coverage of each and every head and make adjustments or repairs as necessary;
5. Digging up and making the necessary repairs if a leak or broken line has been detected.

As you can imagine, completing this process on 80+ systems is quite a chore!

**Turf**

Once the irrigation system is up and running, we can then proceed with having our turf areas aerated and fertilized. We try to aerate all City-maintained areas at least once a year, either in the spring or fall. Aerations provides many benefits to our turf, including:

- Improved air exchange between the soil and atmosphere
- Enhanced soil water uptake
- Improved fertilizer uptake and use
- Reduced water runoff and puddling
- Stronger turf grass roots
- Reduced soil compaction
- Enhanced heat and drought stress tolerance
- Improved resilience and cushioning
- Enhanced thatch breakdown

Once we have completed the aeration process, we move on to fertilization. Our first application of fertilizer is usually high in nitrogen which helps the turf to quickly green and grow. The fertilizer also contains a pre-emergent, which helps to control weeds and crabgrass.

**Trails/Open Space**

As soon as ground temperatures consistently reach 55 degrees, we also begin treating for noxious weeds along our trail system and open space areas. Weeds and unwanted grasses are typically treated with a mixture of glyphosate, more commonly known as Round up, and a pre-emergent. This mixture will kill existing weeds while helping to prevent the germination of future weeds. This process is repeated two to three times throughout the year.

**Parks/Playgrounds**

Aside from the aforementioned items, the Parks Department will also clean up leaves, branches, and trash that have accumulated throughout the winter months, continue to trim trees where necessary and inspect and repair and maintain many playground structures.

We hope this give a little insight as to what the Parks Department will be up to during the busy spring months. We are looking forward to the warmer weather, blooming flowers and blossoming trees!
The Building Department was very interested in an article about concrete construction facts, maybe you will be too. It was a blog post published September 2017 by Elston Materials, LLC out of Chicago.

“Concrete as a material and construction as a business go back quite a ways. You might say they’re old friends, even. We’ve got some fun concrete and construction facts for anyone who asks, any time. This stuff is our specialty. And it sounds like you’re asking.

So without further ado, here are some fun construction facts we would bet you’ve never heard before.

1. Concrete is far and away the most popular building material. Not only is it durable, but it’s inexpensive and environmentally friendly. The coolest thing? It’s just made of gravel, sand, cement, and air. The material is among the oldest in construction supplies around the world. Ancient Romans and Egyptians relied on it for the likes of the Pantheon and the pyramids.

2. Thomas Edison held 49 unique concrete-related patents. He hoped to design more unique concrete objects — like pianos! — but never got around to it. Luckily, people today are very creative, and Edison would probably be proud.

3. Approximately 8 million Americans work in construction. Before 2006, that number was closer to 10 million. But masonry and construction are traditional, historic trades. While many jobs become obsolete with new technology, there will always be a need for builders, laborers, and other hands-on workers.

4. Trump International Hotel and Tower in Chicago is the largest concrete building in the world. Builders originally intended it to be the tallest building in the world, but they revised their plans after September 11, 2001.

5. The American construction industry is valued at about 1.2 trillion dollars. Most new structures going up in the U.S. are commercial, but luxury housing and custom homes take up a whole 40% of that market. Over two billion pounds of cement are used every year — around the world.”

6. The concrete fact that Herriman City Building Department repeats to people is that it will crack, at least a little. It won’t burn. And it won’t get stolen!

When it comes to your homes, we inspect the placement of your footing and foundation concrete carefully to make sure it has all the reinforcement required to carry the loads of your walls and roof. We are committed to make sure with every inspection all contractors are complying with current building code requirements.
Meet the Investigations Unit of the Herriman City Police Department. This unit is responsible for following up on case reports taken by patrol officers, as well as conducting proactive enforcement and investigative actions. The unit is divided into three primary groups: person crime investigations (assault, robbery, domestic violence, child abuse, sex offenses, death/homicide investigations, kidnapping, and other related crimes), property crimes (burglary, auto theft, vehicle burglary, theft, fraud, identity theft, forgery, and other related crimes), and directed enforcement (narcotics, vice, nuisance homes, city events, and all other related crimes). The unit members often cross over outside of their respective area to assist each other with investigations.

As we created the police department, the administration recognized the importance of hiring skilled officers ensuring we would be ready to handle anything that happened from day one. As a part of this process, the agency placed five individuals into investigative assignments based on their prior experience.

**Detective Brent Adamson** was hired as a person crimes detective, specifically violent crimes. He came to Herriman by way of the Unified Police Department. He had also been an officer and sergeant with the Utah Transit Authority Police Department. Detective Adamson has spent over 12 years investigating violent crimes (homicide, robbery, assault, etc.) and is a member of the F.B.I. Violent Crimes Task Force and the Officer Involved Critical Incident team. In January 2019, Detective Adamson was promoted to the rank of sergeant and is now over the investigations unit, managing the investigators and ongoing investigations.

**Detective Dan Beckstrom** is the special victim investigator. He came from the Unified Police Department, having also served as an officer with the Pleasant Grove City Police Department. Detective Beckstrom’s background in special victim investigations provides him the ability to investigate sexual related crimes, child abuse, kidnapping, and domestic violence related crimes. Detective Beckstrom is also a member of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

**Detective Jason Myers** is the property crimes investigator. Prior to HPD forming, Detective Myers was assigned to the Herriman Precinct of the Unified Police Department as a property crimes investigator. Detective Myers has 14 years in law enforcement and spent the last two years as a property crimes detective in Herriman. He is responsible for burglary, fraud, forgery, auto theft and various other property crimes investigations.

**Detective Jose Lopez** is one of the Direct Enforcement detectives in the investigation unit. He has worked for both Midvale City Police Department and the Unified Police Department after the two merged. Detective Lopez has an extensive background in narcotics investigations and also served as a School Resource Officer at Kearns High School. Detective Lopez is also a member of the HPD SWAT team.

**Detective Marcus Beckstead** is a Direct Enforcement detective. He worked in Herriman City prior to the creation of HPD as a Community Oriented Police officer for the Unified Police Department. Detective Beckstead is a member of the Violent Fugitive Apprehension Strike Team. This team, run by the U.S. Marshal’s office, is dedicated to tracking and arresting violent fugitives.

Detectives Lopez and Beckstead are also responsible for the investigation of narcotics violations in the city, managing police staffing for city events, and are currently overseeing the Herriman City Police Department’s first Youth Citizens Academy.
Herriman Snowplow Drivers Put CPR Training to Good Use

During the January snow day, Travis Dinger and Gunner Kelsch were snowplowing when they saw someone on the ground with two people on top of them. They pulled over and realized one man was doing chest compressions on the other. Using the CPR training they had recently received at work, the two jumped in to assist. Even when medical crews arrived they were able to continue to do chest compressions until the man had left in an ambulance. Later, they were able to learn the man was okay after suffering from a heart attack.

To view the report KSL’s Alex Cabrero did on this story, visit bit.ly/HCsnowplowstory

Green Waste is Back

The weekly Green Waste Collection Program will resume beginning Monday, March 18th for Herriman residents. Herriman currently has 733 out of 5,939 district-wide subscribers. This is a subscription program that helps divert green waste from the landfill to be processed into mulch that can be purchased for use from Salt Lake Valley and Trans-Jordan Landfills.

Car seats that were previously accepted for recycling at the fire station on Main Street, will not be accepted moving forward.

The Salt Lake County Health Department is instructing residents to please dispose of them in your waste bin or at the local landfill.

Interested in purchasing a Radon test kit? Stop by City Hall to purchase one for $6.00 while supplies last.

Pet Licensing Clinics

Salt Lake County Animal Services is coming to your area on a regular basis to license and microchip your pets! Help your pet get home safely and make sure they’re up-to-date on their licenses.

Any pet in Salt Lake County will receive a FREE MICROCHIP. Find the next clinic in your area and visit their calendar at adoptutahpets.org or visit their Facebook page, @slcoanimalservices.

When should you license:
Within 30 days of moving to a new city/township or as soon as your pet is over five months of age.

Why license your pet:
It’s the best way to reunite with your pet if they become lost. Also, if your pet is injured, it guarantees they will be taken to a veterinarian for emergency care.

What to bring to the clinic:
Bring proof of previous rabies vaccinations, license and microchip. If you’re getting your pet microchipped, dogs MUST be leashed and cats MUST be in carriers.

License fees:
$15: Sterilized $40: Unsterilized
$5: Senior Citizen (resident 60 & older, pet must be sterilized.)

Responsible Social Media Posting

When discovering potentially alarming information concerning a community threat, the best course of action for verification is to contact Herriman City or the Herriman Police Department directly. If afterwards you choose to engage in conversation on social media platforms, as is your right, you will then at least be disseminating factual information instead of perpetuating the rumor.

Unfortunately, in many cases, the attention generated by these events could lead to “copy-cat” behavior that otherwise may not have occurred. While we certainly do and will continue to take any threat of violence seriously, we hope members of the public understand the level of unnecessary anxiety and fear that results when anyone takes to social media to express concern over unverified rumors.
**Future Hardlick Trails Give Nod to Past and Embrace the Future**

In the early days of Herriman, ranchers would run sheep in the canyon above Lookout Ridge. In the back of the canyon is a natural spring that would bubble up and over the volcanic rocks, providing the sheep with water. Ranching folklore has it that at the end of the summer, when the water tables were low, the ranchers would find their sheep licking the dry rocks, trying to get water. They started calling this area “Hardlick.” There are no more sheep grazing in Hardlick Canyon, but since the creation of the popular “Eric’s Trail,” there are many trail runners, hikers, horses, and mountain bikers. Salt Lake County recognizes the need for a variety of trails and has granted the non-profit group Trails Utah, in partnership with The Herriman Trails Committee, money to build two downhill-only mountain bike trails above the Hardlick Spring. These “Hardlick Trails” will also include a bi-directional trail for trail runners, hikers, equestrian, and cyclists (see included map).

There will be an open house for public input regarding these Hardlick Trails on Monday, March 11th from 5:30-6:30pm in the Blackridge conf. room, #1604, at Herriman City Hall.

We are excited to get more trails built in the Herriman Hills while also giving a nod to our Herriman roots. Happy Trails!

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**Leadership and Service**

The Herriman City Youth Council has had a major role in the success and progression of community events and activities. The members of the Youth Council range from ages 14-18, and our primary focus is participating in and contributing to our city and the many great opportunities it provides. This is accomplished through various service projects and activities that allow us, as youth, to get an early start in helping and learning about what it takes to run a City.

A recent service project that was presented by the Youth Council was the “Lights on Ice” food drive, held on January 28th at the Crane Park, where members of the community donated canned food in exchange for a night of ice skating. Once the night was over, nearly 400 pounds of food was donated and sent to the Utah Food Bank. This is a major increase from last year’s food drive, raised 254 pounds. Herriman City Youth Council participated in the annual “Local Officials Day at the Legislature.” Joined by Youth Councils from all over Utah, we met and discussed with several representatives from the state legislature. Some programs represented include: Bike Utah, the Emerging Leaders Initiative, and Utah’s Suicide Prevention Coalition, along with several others. We then heard from Frank Pignanelli, a lobbyist from Foxley and Pignanelli, Government Relations Firm. Once he concluded addressing us about how to make a positive change for our community, we were able to hear from prominent leaders from all over Utah, including Governor Gary Herbert.

Upcoming events for the Youth Council include the monthly meetings held on the second Thursday of every month and the USU leadership camp. Efforts to serve the community more include having a Youth Council representative on each City committee, such as the Trails and Garden Committees. We are excited to continue serving the residents of Herriman this year. Any youth wanting to join the Youth Council next term can fill out an application online, www.herriman.org/youth-council.
Shop Local Spotlight
Herriman City’s Shop Local March business spotlight is VCA Oquirrh Hills Animal Hospital located at 5714 West 13400 South. VCA Oquirrh Hills Animal Hospital has been a Herriman business for over 13 years. Currently a three doctor hospital which accommodates the ever-growing quality of pet care, it offers a variety of services including: digital radiographs, ultrasound, laser therapy, endoscopy, and advanced dental care. Many other medical services are also available beyond regular wellness examinations. Known for their excellent customer service, they genuinely care for your pets. They want their clients and pets to feel welcome and secure in their staff knowledge and ability to give only the absolute best with care. Hours of operation: Monday-Friday 8:00 am–7:00 pm Saturday 8:00 am–5:00 pm. Visit them at: https://vcahospitals.com/oquirrh-hills

Upcoming New Parks
ARCHES PARK UPDATE
S&L has installed the power conduit and will begin construction of the sewer for the restroom as soon as the weather permits. Great Western is anxious to begin the installation of the irrigation system, starting with the mainline, and construction will ramp up quickly as soon as the weather begins to stabilize this spring. March 1 is the goal for construction crews to get back out on site, Farnsworth Concrete will begin with the flatwork (parking lot, and sidewalks). Jim Valentine has begun to carve the 27 hammock/slackline poles.

MIDAS CREEK TRAIL & ROSE CREEK TRAIL UPDATES
We had several residents attend our Rose Creek and Midas Creek Trail Construction Public Input Meeting, Monday, February 11, 2019. We hope to have the construction of these trail connectors started by fall 2019. To answer questions and address concerns, the City had Wendy Thomas, Director of Parks, Events and Recreation; Jonathan Bowers, Assistant City Engineer; and Heidi Shegrud, Parks Landscape Architect in attendance, as well as Derek Nelson from Ensign Engineering and Land Surveying, who is the civil engineer working on the design of these projects. The next step for these two projects is to present them to the Planning Commission on March 7, 2019.