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Happy New Year Herriman City! The hustle and bustle of the holidays has settled down, and the cold winter temperatures have arrived. As our community continues to evolve, we hold true to our traditions, values, and an aim for excellence. As a City Council, it is an honor and a privilege to serve and represent the residents of Herriman. It is a team effort. Without the support of each other, family, friends, businesses, volunteers, and City staff, we would not be able to serve our community in the capacity that we do. We thank everyone for their contribution to making this city great. It is when we work together that we are at our best, and when at our best we achieve great things.

2019 ended with a list of accomplishments for our city: the much anticipated opening of the Main St. extension, the opening of Sentinel Ridge Blvd, new safe walk routes to schools, Mountain Ridge High School, Ridge View Elementary, Creek Ridge Park, Arches Park, starting our own Animal Services Division, the opening of new businesses, and the announcements of a dog park location, WinCo Foods, and an auto mall.

While 2019 was a successful year, 2020 has new adventures and accomplishments in store. We welcome a new councilmember, Steven Shields, who was sworn into office on January 6th. Steven has already been attending City Council meetings, elected officials training, and is ready to hit the ground running. We look forward to seeing him in action as he represents the best interests of the community. We also congratulate Councilman Jared Henderson on his second term.

Over the last several months, the City has been gathering input from the community on our General Plan. The General Plan serves as a guideline for decision making regarding the progress and growth of a city. With the amount of growth our community has experienced, as well as property recently annexed, an amendment is necessary. We are dedicated to public engagement throughout this process to ensure we understand what you envision for the future of our city. A survey was completed in the fall, and an additional survey will be pushed out again in a few weeks. The information gathered from the public will be evaluated and administered. A draft plan will be brought before the City Council this year, with a public hearing that will allow additional opportunity to provide input on the plan prior to the final approval. Transportation, housing, and sustainability have been key notations.

Transportation and housing are not only high priority discussions for the General Plan, but the upcoming Legislative session as well. The City Council has set a list of priorities for the new year that center heavily around these two items. During the session, the City will be working with our legislators.

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Where Can I Park?
The last few snow storms have raised some questions regarding on-street parking throughout the city. The additional restrictions to on-street parking during our winter season plays an important part in maintaining road safety. Though it may be an inconvenience to our residents and visitors, it helps mitigate obstructions that may impede or endanger the dispatch of emergency services, road maintenance, and snow removal.

If you don’t have any off-street parking available, please make arrangements with friends, family, or neighbors. The City is not responsible for providing additional off-street parking spaces during snow restrictions. Residents of multi-family complexes, homeowner associations (HOA), and community-managed developments, may have to adhere to additional parking regulations set forth by their community or complex’s governing agency.

Ordinance 6-4-8
No person shall park a vehicle on any City street when it is snowing or snow is on the street during the months of November, December, January, February, March, and April.

Other Parking Codes:
Herriman City
• Title 10, Chapter 24, Section 12
• Title 6
Utah State
• Title 41, Chapter 6a, Section 14

Shop Local Spotlight
TJ Olson State Farm Insurance has been providing amazing insurance and financial services since we opened our doors in your neighborhood January 1st, 2007. Over the last 13 years, we have come to know, support, and love you and your amazing families. Our skilled team of eight fully licensed happy individuals are here to serve in any way possible. Our office motto is “Work hard and be nice.” You will find hard working and extremely nice individuals as you come into our office. We love to be a single point of contact in our community. Our team takes extra steps to make sure understanding insurance is simple and individual. We give the extra attention and do a great job painting the picture of what will happen so there are no surprises.

If you or your family have not had a personal interaction with us, we invite you to stop in and become a part of our State Farm Family. Good neighbors need good neighbors. Like a good neighbor, TJ is there!

Come visit us at 13354 South 5600 West, Herriman. You can’t miss us — look for the 1961 red Ford F150 truck!!!
Tucked against the Oquirrh Mountains, Herriman has a rich history of farming and mining. In Herriman’s earliest years, mining operations took place in the nearby mountains and Butterfield Canyon. In many instances, leftover “waste” rock from mining processes—often containing lead and arsenic—was deposited by the natural creek and mixed with water used for irrigation. As water spread through the area, so did the contaminants, which led to an elevated presence of lead and arsenic in what is known as the Kennecott South Zone Site.

In the 1990s, the Utah Department of Environmental Quality (UDEQ) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) studied and oversaw cleanup operations of the area. In 2001, the EPA reached a record of decision and soil from 85 residential properties was removed and deposited to an EPA-approved repository on Kennecott land. The EPA then gave Herriman City authority to oversee cleanup of the remaining contaminated area, termed the Herriman Agricultural Soils subunit, as the land is developed.

The City has generally zoned low-density residential and generous open space for the Herriman Agricultural Soils area. Land developers within that area and others nearby—collectively identified by the EPA as Operable Unit 3 (OU3)—are required to complete a Contaminated Soils Remediation Plan. Areas developing outside of the OU3 with contaminated soils must obtain approval from the UDEQ or Salt Lake County.

Herriman City has contracted with an environmental specialist to assist in remediation plan review and cleanup efforts. Miller Crossing was the most recent development to work through the process and the Hidden Oaks development expects to have its cleanup effort take place in early 2020.
We Are Herriman:
A Community Pride Campaign

Each month, we will recognize individuals for their contributions to our community culture, sharing the good work that they do. As we continue to evolve and establish our city brand, we are defined by those that make up this community. WE ARE HERRIMAN.

Lori Crisp

If any employee exemplifies outstanding service that supports the mission, vision, values and culture that Herriman City strives for, it is Lori Crisp. Recently, we were contacted by a customer who said “Oh my goodness! I have never received such wonderful, warm, and friendly service from a government employee. Lori was so pleasant and attentive, a true pleasure to interact with.” Lori is a true asset to Herriman City. Serving in the Customer Service Department, she interacts with the public on a daily basis, attending to the needs as well as the frustrations of our community. Lori’s level of service is consistently outstanding which is proven in her ability to maintain a positive composure on even the most stressful of days. We appreciate Lori for her exceptional performance and her inspiring contribution to making our city great.

Shauna Heiner

Shauna Heiner has been the Chair of the Herriman City Community Garden Committee for the past two seasons. Shauna has decided to step down as chair to spend more time gardening and cultivating her garden plot at the Community Garden. Herriman City would like to extend special thanks and tremendous gratitude to Shauna and her husband Darrell for the time they have contributed to make the Community Garden beautiful and sustainable. If you are interested in serving on the Community Garden Committee, please contact Heidi Shegrud at 801-446-5323 or via email at hshegrud@herriman.org.

FREE ENGLISH CLASSES FOR ADULTS!

The Herriman City Youth Council is always looking for new ways to contribute to the local community. Among other responsibilities, such as Adopt-A-Highway and the Community Garden, they have just taken on a new endeavor to help foreign-born adults gain confidence in using the English language through pronunciation lessons, role-playing activities, speech practices, reading comprehension, and more. Classes will be conducted by educators who have language teaching experience. Youth Council members will be assisting in conversation exercises by interacting with the students to help improve speaking skills. The length of each class is set to about 45 minutes in efforts to accommodate the student’s family needs and lifestyle. These classes will begin on January 22nd and end on the 26th of February. For more information on the classes, please email leahaheseo@gmail.com.

FREE ENGLISH CLASSES FOR ADULTS!

Ages 18 and up
Jan 22 - Feb 26, 2019
Every Wednesday
5:00 - 5:45 PM
Providence Hall High School: Library
(4537 Patriot Ridge Dr, Herriman)

What you can learn:
- English conversational skills
- Be more confident in language
- Pronunciation practice
- Common grammar patterns
- Meet new people and make friends!

Scan the QR code to sign up.
Imagine a world where multi-level marketing, crime, music and comedy meet. Can you figure out the murderer and motive in this convention gone wrong? Join us at Herriman City Hall for this hilarious Musical Comedy (formerly Cabaret) performed by the Herriman Harmonyx, complete with desserts. You won’t want to miss it!

Order tickets online:

Traffic Concerns?
Do you have traffic concerns that you want the City to look into? Herriman City has a Traffic Committee that is a collection of representatives from the Police, Engineering, Planning, Streets, GIS, and Communications Departments. You can submit your concerns one of two ways; via email at engineering@herriman.org or online at herriman.org/police (click on services, there you will find the “Submit Traffic Concerns” button).

The main purpose of the committee is to improve the safety for automotive vehicles, cyclists, and pedestrians on City roads. Below is just one example of a resident submitted concern that the committee worked to correct. They also recently were able to justify changing the speed limit on Anthem Park Blvd.

The committee also reviews traffic counts in order to assist in traffic light or four-way stop locations, master planning future roadways, and economic development. To view the full report visit: bit.ly/HCTCreportDec19
Transportation and Infrastructure:
- Improving and maintaining our vital infrastructure remains a critical priority. Not only is there a focus on roads, but sewer and storm water collection as well. While development within our city provides a need for road improvements, we are also impacted by developments outside of our city that add to our traffic and maintenance.
- UDOT’s proposed rule on funding criteria appears to be heading in the right direction. We would like the rule to focus on creating more opportunities for cities like ours to vie for transportation dollars. Rapid growth in cities on the west side should play a factor in determining needs for funds.

Land Use:
- Placing focus on the look, feel, and utility of our city, including open space, preservation, and the use of our parks and recreational facilities.

Trails:
- Connectivity with surrounding communities
- Hillside preservation

Historical District:
- The preservation of our history has always been important. The City would like to instill efforts to catalog historic sites throughout our city and establish a plan for support.
- Work on opportunities to obtain funding assistance to provide preservation in areas of historical value.

Elections:
- Revisit the need to mail out ballots for unopposed candidates.

As we look ahead, we expect the usual challenges and the anticipated opportunities. We will continue to remain strong in our fiscal management while ensuring an excellent level of service to our community. We will maintain our vigilance in land use planning, and continue our approach towards unique economic development opportunities to ensure our long term economic stability. We will continue to work with our state representatives on issues facing our residents and ensure that they understand the position of our community. We will continue to educate and inform our public on City business, local matters, and community events, because we understand that when people feel connected, they engage, thrive, nurture, and contribute. Together, we can continue to build a vibrant, safe, and engaging community. We Are Herriman. Happy 2020 to all.

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Tax Reform Information

The state tax reform bill was passed in December, and while it cut taxes in some areas, it increased taxes on services such as food and medical.

Reductions
Income Tax
- Reduced individual and corporate income tax rates from 4.95% to 4.64%
- Expanded the “Utah Dependent Exemption” provision of the taxpayer tax credit from $565 per dependent to $2,500 per dependent
- Created an income tax credit for certain Social Security retirement income
- Established a state earned income tax credit
- Created a “Grocery Tax Credit” for low-to-middle income residents

Sales Tax
- Exempted feminine hygiene products from sales tax

Expansions
Sales Tax
- Restored the full sales tax rate on unprepared food
- Expanded the sales tax base by repealing certain sales tax exemptions
- Expanded the sales tax base by repealing the sales tax exemption for motor and some special fuels
- Created new excise tax on diesel rather than repealing sales tax exemption
- Transitioned to direct user fees for transportation costs
- Expanded the sales tax base by charging sales tax on certain services

The restructuring revisions of the bill were an effort by the State to expand the tax base. Sales tax on food will go from 1.75% to the full 4.85% rate. The sales tax on gasoline purchases will add at least 10 cents a gallon at the pump. You can view the full tax reform bill on the State Legislature website at https://le.utah.gov/~2019s2/bills/static/SB2001.html. Currently, the referendum opposing the new tax reform bill has to gather 116,000 signatures by January 21, 2020. If the signatures are obtained, the referendum is put on the ballot in November for voters to decide.

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The Herriman City Police Department had a busy first full calendar year! In addition to the day to day responsibilities in serving our community, the department received its official state certification this past October after the application process through The Utah State Youth Court Association to sponsor Herriman City Peer Court.

**What is Peer Court?** The Herriman City Peer Court is an alternative program to the juvenile justice system. In 2018, House Bill 239 was introduced and found that public safety and rehabilitation outcomes for youth in the juvenile justice system were poor. H.B. 239 created a package of policies that were designed to improve outcomes while holding youth accountable for their actions. One of these options is to authorize schools to make referrals to restorative justice programs for minor offenses. In Herriman City, referrals are made from our dedicated Student Resource Officers who serve at Herriman High School, Mountain Ridge High School, Providence High School and Junior High School, RSL Academy, Copper Mountain Middle School, and Fort Herriman Middle School. Qualifying offenses must be Class B Misdemeanor or less, including vaping, bullying, shoplifting, alcohol issues, harassment, and fighting.

**How does Peer Court work?** Working in conjunction with the administration of the above listed schools, Herriman School Resource Officers will determine if a youth’s first time offense qualifies for participation in Peer Court. If the youth qualifies, the parents/guardians are contacted and given the option to have the qualifying offense heard in Peer Court. The youth will then receive a hearing date and present themselves along with a parent/guardian to a panel of Peer Court mentors. These mentors have been trained to evaluate the circumstances and administer appropriate sentencing specifically designed to place the youth on positive path and change the trajectory of their behavior.

**Why is having Peer Court important in our community?** Instead of using a punitive (punishment) lens during a sentencing process, The Herriman City Peer Court focuses on using Restorative Justice Principles. The three pillars of Restorative Justice are:

1) **Accountability:** The Herriman City Peer Court seeks to hold the youth accountable for their actions by increasing their understanding of the harm they have caused and giving them opportunities to repair that harm.

2) **Skill Development:** The Herriman City Peer Court seeks to develop skills the youth can use to prevent further offenses. Additionally, Peer Court seeks to recognize and increase the youth’s natural skills and interests so they will be more involved in pro-social activities.

3) **Community Connections:** Peer Court dispositions (sentences) are designed to strengthen the youth’s ties to the community through activities that require community involvement.

Research has shown that youth who are involved in Peer Court typically experience better outcomes. A youth who completes their sentence through Peer Court will not have a criminal record and can experience increased connections to the community. This is important because a youth who feels that connection will be less likely to cause harm to their community.

Youth who are interested in serving as Peer Court Panel Member during the 2020-2021 school year should connect with their assigned School Resource Officer. Applications will be accepted this spring and training for new panel members will occur in the summer of 2020.

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The Night of Lights was held on Monday December 2, 2019. We had a great turnout (approximately 3,000) with people enjoying the lights, Santa visits, characters, photo opportunities, gingerbread contest, Herriman Harmonyx, Herriman Orchestra, crafts, food trucks, UFA with little Engine 911, ice skating, and a new laser light show. There were visits with the Herriman Yeti, Buddy the Elf, Elsa, Anna, Olaf, Kristof and Sven from Frozen, the Penguins of Madagascar, the Grinch, and more.

Thank you to everyone involved in making the Night of Lights a success!

We want to give a special thanks to Rocky Mountain Power for sponsoring the laser light show and Advantage Arts Academy, who sponsored the kids craft.
Exposed Pipes

During the winter, it can be easy to forget about your water system. There are still a few things you can do to help conserve water and prevent lines from freezing and causing damage to your home or property and leaving you without water. Here are a few things you can do to help prevent problems:

1. **In winter with sprinklers**
   - Winterized and water use at a minimum, if you see a water usage exceeding 10,000 gallons, investigate why.

2. **Be sure all hoses are disconnected from external hose bibs**.
   - Leaving hoses attached can cause faucets to freeze and can even burst the water line inside of your home.

3. **If the City’s meter box lid is not in place**,
   - It will allow cold air to enter, which can cause the water line to freeze. If you are not comfortable securing it in place, please contact Herriman City for further assistance.

4. **Insulate all places where water lines are near to or penetrate exterior walls**.
   - The goal is to keep the cold out and leave your water line exposed to the warmth of your home.

If planning to finish your basement, give extra attention to water lines and how they are insulated. When drywall is installed, water lines that may have previously been protected from freezing by the heat in your home may become isolated from that heat.