



CEDAR HILLS

# OUR HOME TOWN

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## Upcoming Events

City Council Meetings	<b>Oct 20</b>
7:00 p.m.	<b>Nov 17</b>
Planning Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	<b>Oct 27</b>
Halloween Story Time 11:00 a.m.	<b>Oct 28</b>
Municipal General Election 7am to 8pm	<b>Nov 3</b>
CERT Training Course Begins	<b>Nov 7</b>

## City Phone Numbers:

Dial 801-785-9668 then extension:  
Front Desk, 100  
City Recorder, 503  
Zoning & Code Enforcement, 500  
Business Licensing, 400  
Building Department, 200  
Public Works, 200  
Utility Billing, 400  
Recreation, 302 or 601  
Vista Room, 300

## Other Phone Numbers (801):

Public Works After Hours, 420-2243  
Golf Pro Shop, 796-1705  
Animal Control, 763-3020  
Police, 763-3020

## Municipal General Election: Nov. 3

**T**here are six candidates running in the municipal election for three vacant seats on the city council. If you plan to vote in the general election, please make sure you are registered to vote. If you have changed your name or moved, even within the city, you are required to reregister to vote.



In-Person & Online Registration Deadline is October 27: You may register online at [vote.utah.gov](http://vote.utah.gov) or in-person at the County Clerk's office, 100 E Center, Room 3100, Provo, up to seven days before election day. To register online you need to have a current Utah driver license or ID card. The voter registration website may also be used to change your name, address, or party affiliation. Registration by-mail is only available until October 5.

Vote-by-mail ballots will be mailed to registered voters on Oct. 6 (28 days before election day). Please allow up to two weeks to receive the ballot in the mail. Questions about anything to do with the election may be directed to the city recorder, Colleen Mulvey, at [cmulvey@cedarhills.org](mailto:cmulvey@cedarhills.org) or by calling her at the city office. More election information, including candidate profiles, is available on the city's website at: [cedarhills.org/mayor-city-council/elections](http://cedarhills.org/mayor-city-council/elections).

## No Street Parking—When?

Regarding on-street parking, the city's ordinance states: "It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle in the same location on a street or municipal property for a continuous period of time exceeding 48 hours" (Ordinance 8-6-2008A). In addition to this regulation, which remains in effect, there are added restrictions during the winter months.

Keeping the roadway clear of vehicles during the winter increases the safety for other drivers and reduces obstructions during snow removal. If cars are parked on a road during snow removal operations, the street may not get plowed, due to an increased risk for damage and collision. Street parking is prohibited when one or more of the following conditions exist:

- when snow is falling
- when there is a visible amount of snow on the street
- when the street has not been plowed since the last snowfall
- between the hours of 1:00am and 7:00am November 1 through March 31
- during snow/ice removal

Please refrain from removing snow from your property and placing it in the roadway of any street. This makes it difficult to keep roads cleared, and doing so creates dangerous conditions for all motorists. Thank you for your attention to these important matters regarding street parking.



## Mayor's Minute

On October 3, 1990, after 45 years of Cold War division, East and West Germany were reunited as the Federal Republic of Germany. Most of my ancestors are from England and Switzerland,

but I do have an aunt who immigrated to the United States from West Germany about 60 years ago, and she has told me how this division ripped the country apart. Families and friends were separated from each other for lifetimes—in many cases never to see their loved ones again. East Germany, which was operated under communist party philosophies, was mired with a poor economy and rampant poverty. West Germany used more democratic philosophies and thrived economically and socially. Reuniting Germany meant that the more affluent West Germans would pay more in taxes to incorporate their brothers and sisters back into one country and a healthier economy. It did work, and Germany is the most prosperous of the European countries today.

We are in the middle of an election year, and sometimes it seems as if we are two cities pitted against each other. I know this will end as it usually does when the

election is over, but I wish we could do as Germany did 25 years ago and bury the past and work towards a more prosperous future. This last couple of months, our Golf Course Finance Committee has worked hard to try and resolve some difficult issues regarding our past. They have done extraordinary work, and I commend them for it.



Mayor Gary Gygi

I wish everyone could attend these public meetings. This is a resident-driven committee, chaired by Rick Stewart, who is a resident, not an elected official. This committee is made up of some of the smartest people I know in the city, CEOs, CFOs, CPAs, a Huntsman teacher of the year, etc. I could go on to tell you how capable they are, but my point is made. Their work will soon be done, and they will make their recommendations to the city council. It will then be up to our elected officials to take it from there. I do hope this work will help put an end to some of the tensions that tend to come up every election cycle. Here's to working toward that end, and I encourage you to join me in this endeavor.

## Winterizing Pressurized Irrigation

The pressurized irrigation system will be winterized on October 15. After that date, the system will be turned off until April 15, 2016. The city asks that you leave your individual shut-off valve in the "open" position for a time to allow for proper drainage of the system. Prior to the system being energized in the spring, please "close" the shut-off valve to avoid damage to the sprinkler heads by high pressure surges from the initial system start up. If your sprinkler system is still in service after October 18, please notify the city to initiate an investigation for a possible cross connection.

## Solicitors Must Have a City License

If a solicitor comes to your door, ask to see their city-issued solicitor's badge. If they cannot produce one, please turn them away and instruct them to go to the city office to obtain a badge. If you have a "No Soliciting" sign posted and you wish to report the violation, please immediately contact the American Fork Police Department at: 801-763-3020.

## STORM WATER TIP OF THE MONTH

### Proper Disposal of Motor Oil

There are a number of local businesses which will accept used motor oil. Some of these locations will also accept antifreeze and other lubricants. For addresses, phone numbers, and specific locations throughout Utah County, go to the [Utah County Storm Water Coalition](#) website and click on "Used Oil Program."

### October Is Fire Prevention Month

The U.S. Fire Administration reports that fires kill more than 4,000 Americans each year and injure approximately 20,000 more. U.S. fire departments respond to nearly two million fires each year, with three-quarters of them occurring in residences.

A home is often referred to as a safe haven. This month, make sure your home is protected from (and your family is prepared for) a fire.

**Park restrooms will be open until October 31, if weather permits.**

## Community Corner

Jenney Rees, City Council Member

### Community Center

After receiving feedback from residents on use of the Community Center, the City Council discussed revising rates in order to make rental of the Vista Room and other rooms in the Community Center affordable for all Cedar Hills residents. Last month the Council voted to change the resident rate on Mondays and Tuesdays to \$20 per hour. This is a substantial savings from the usual weekday resident rate of \$1350 for the Vista Room.

One of the Council's goals for this year was to increase resident usage of the Community Center, and we feel this reduced rate will allow more residents to schedule the rooms for parties, events, and gatherings. To reserve a room, please call 801-785-9668, ext. 300.

### Canyon Road

Earlier this year the jurisdiction of Canyon Road was transferred from the State to the County. City staff and officials have had several conversations with UDOT and Utah County Commissioners regarding the condition of Canyon Road, to bring awareness to the safety concerns we have. Funding sources have been identified that would help make some of the necessary improvements; however, the County has full control over what improvements will be made, and County officials have expressed that they do not consider Canyon Road a high priority. After further discussion, the County has indicated that they may be willing to improve the road to a higher standard if Cedar Hills and Pleasant Grove are willing to handle snow plowing, storm drain maintenance, sign maintenance, and general cleanup. Our city manager has reported that this would cost Cedar Hills approximately \$12,500-\$14,500 each year, which is considerably cheaper than the County's original proposal of having the cities take complete ownership of the road. The Council has asked staff to gather more information on what specific improvements the County will make, collect details of an ongoing maintenance schedule, and to identify any other potential concerns.

We will continue to work with the County and hope to soon agree on a solution that provides the necessary improvements to Canyon Road. Any questions or concerns can be directed to any member of the City Council or to the city manager.

## Paperless Billing: It's the Way to Go!

If you have an Internet connection and an email address, you can view current and past statements online. Once the account is established on [XpressBillPay.com](http://XpressBillPay.com), select the paperless billing option. Those who do not opt out of paper billing or wish to continue receiving paper statements will receive a monthly fee of \$1.35 for the pass-through cost of printing and mailing the bill.

Existing automatic payments with the city or with your bank will not be affected by this change; however, an automatic payment option is available on Xpress Bill Pay. Payments will continue to be received in the 24/7 drop box in the fire station parking lot on Cedar Hills Drive or at the city's front desk.

## Cedar Hills Food Truck Rally

A food truck rally is held every Thursday evening from 5:00 to 9:00 at Heritage Park through October as weather permits. Each week there will be four or five trucks available. This is a great opportunity to enjoy good food and spend fun times with friends and neighbors.

## Recognition for Yards of the Month

The Beautification Committee awards residents in recognition of their efforts to beautify the city. Photos of September's winners are available for viewing on the city's website: *Residents>News and Events>Yards of the Month*. Those who have been recognized



in September are: Smalley at 10237 N Tamarack Way, Standage at 10187 North 3900 West, Finch at 9772 North 4600 West, and Reynolds at 4621 W Fieldcrest Drive. We thank the volunteer resident committee for their work in recognizing the winners this summer and look forward to next year's efforts.

## Get in the Loop on Facebook



The city's Facebook page is where residents share important information and give feedback on a variety of topics. If you haven't already done so, please "like" our Facebook page at: [www.facebook.com/cedarhillsutah](http://www.facebook.com/cedarhillsutah).

## Halloween Story Time and Activities

Calling all Cedar Hills children to Miss Marisa's Halloween story time and activities! The fun starts at 11:00 a.m. and goes for nearly an hour. Meet by the fireplace in the Cedar Hills Community Center on Wednesday, October 28, and don't forget to bring your "mummy" or your "boogie man." Costume or not, just come, come, come, you little ghosts and goblins!

## Jr. Jazz Youth Basketball

Jr. Jazz allows boys and girls from third grade, and new this year, up to ninth grade to develop skills and learn good sportsmanship while having fun. The game season runs early January through mid-March. Online registration will begin October 12 for this year's Jr. Jazz season.

## City Night with BYU Football

Join us in the LaVell Edwards Stadium for Cedar Hills City Night with the BYU football team vs. Cincinnati on Friday, October 16, at 6:00 p.m. Tickets start at \$20 online at [tinyurl.com/byugroup](http://tinyurl.com/byugroup). The promo code is: BYUCEDARHILLS.

## CERT Training Classes Offered

Cedar Hills will offer CERT training in November. The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program trains participants in basic disaster response skills and disaster preparedness. Non-residents are welcome.

The training session consists of two, all-day Saturday classes at the Cedar Hills Community Center on Nov. 7 from 7:45am to 9:00pm and Nov. 14 from 8:00am to 5:00pm. The cost for the training is \$50 per person, which includes all equipment and instruction materials. For more information or to register for the training, contact Laurie Petersen at: [lpetersen@cedarhills.org](mailto:lpetersen@cedarhills.org).

Scouts who are 12 years of age or older and have the First Class rank can receive three merit badges by completing this two-day CERT training course. All merit badges will be signed off on the second day of completion of the class. The three merit badges are: First Aid, Emergency Preparedness, and Fire Safety.

CERT training includes basic disaster response skills, equipping students to assist others in their neighborhoods or workplaces following an event when professional responders are not immediately available. For more information on CERT training in general, visit: [fema.gov](http://fema.gov).

## Sangaku-kan West Karate Classes

Karate classes for children ages 6-12 are offered at the Cedar Hills Recreation Center. The one-hour classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays. The next session begins November 9, with registration now available online at [cedarhills.org](http://cedarhills.org). The registration fee is \$50. Questions? Please contact the Cedar Hills recreation department.

## Cedar Hills Ski Bus 2016

Attention skiers and snowboarders ages 7 to 17! The city offers lessons for all skill levels on February 6, 20, and 27, 2016. Participants must sign up for all three dates. The cost per person is \$200, which includes transportation, lift tickets, two-hour lessons each week, and a half day on the slopes. Sign ups need to be completed in person at the Cedar Hills city office building, 10246 N Canyon Road, in order for the guardian to sign a waiver.

Chaperones are needed and will receive a complimentary lift ticket for each day. For more information, please contact the Cedar Hills Recreation Department at: 801-785-9668, ext. 302, or email: [recreation@cedarhills.org](mailto:recreation@cedarhills.org).

## Bookmobile Fall/Winter Schedule

The Utah County Bookmobile comes to town every other Monday (Oct. 5, 19, Nov. 2) from 1:00 to 3:00. The bookmobile is parked at the LDS church located at the roundabout behind Walmart. You may obtain a library card directly from the bookmobile when it is in Cedar Hills. For more information, including updates and cancellations or delays, visit [bookmobiles.utah.gov/utah](http://bookmobiles.utah.gov/utah).

## License Your Pooch!

The city appreciates responsible pet owners and depends on everyone to keep their animals properly vaccinated, licensed, and restrained. The city contracts with the American Fork Police Department for animal control enforcement. Please notify the animal control officer at 801-763-3020 for assistance with nuisance animals.

Any person owning or possessing a dog must obtain a current rabies vaccination and a dog license within 30 days after the dog reaches the age of four months, or, in the case of a dog over four months, within 30 days of the acquisition of the dog. With proof of the current rabies vaccination, dog licenses may be purchased with a check at the Cedar Hills office. For more information contact the shelter at [NorthUtahValleyAnimalShelter.org](http://NorthUtahValleyAnimalShelter.org) or call 801-785-3442.