



Mayor's Message

On October 3, 1789, President George Washington wrote the first Thanksgiving Day proclamation. In it he expresses gratitude "for the signal and manifold mercies, and the favorable interpositions of his providence, which we experienced in the course and conclusion of the late war." One of the interpositions President Washington was likely referencing occurred during the Battle of Long Island. A battle that he lost, but one in which (1) a providential wind prevented the British Navy from cutting off the American army's only line of retreat across the east river, (2) a late night breeze allowed transport vessels to use their sails to speed the silent retreat, and (3) a morning fog uncharacteristically lingered for several hours allowing Washington's entire army to be evacuated before the vastly superior British forces knew what happened.

President Washington concludes his proclamation by asking "that we may unite in most humbly offering our prayers ... to promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue...." I wonder if President Washington was thinking of the statement in James 1:27 which reads, "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction...."

This Thanksgiving let us not only remember the many blessings we have received, but let us also put our gratitude into action by finding ways to bless the lives of others.

2019 Municipal Elections

The Highland City General Municipal Election will be conducted on Tuesday, November 5. Candidates are: Doug Cortney, Timothy A. Ball, Brittney P. Bills, Kim Rodela, and Kenneth S. Knapton III. Wayne Knoll Tanaka withdrew from the election after the ballots were printed. As such, any votes for Wayne will not be counted.

The election is being conducted all Vote by Mail. Ballots can be cast in one of the following ways:

- Mailed with a postmark by Monday, November 4
- Dropped off in an Official Ballot Drop Box such as the one located north of City Hall by Tuesday, November 5 no later than 8:00 PM.
- Brought in to a Service Center such as the one at City Hall on Election Day, Tuesday November 5 from 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM.

More election information can be found at www.highlandcity.org.

Street Parking in Snow

As a reminder, street parking is prohibited from December 1 to March 31 between 12:00AM and 8:00AM and any time snow is present to allow access for snow plows. Violations may result in parking citations or even being towed. Residents should also be mindful to keep all obstructions such as basketball hoops, trailers, trash cans, etc. off the streets during snow removal.

New Communication Platform

The City will be switching communication platforms to allow us to better keep our residents up-to-date and more effectively communicate during an emergency. To ensure you receive the notifications you want, sign up at Alerts.UtahCounty.gov. You can select the categories that are relevant to you.

Connect with the City Online

Did you know you can report a concern, pay a bill, reserve a pavilion, and more online at: www.highlandcity.org. Check us out on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) @HighlandCity.

CALENDAR

November 5: Municipal Election

November 11: Veteran's Day Ceremony 11:00AM, Cemetery

November 12: City Council Meeting*, 7:00PM, City Hall

November 13: Mountain Ridge Park Master Plan Open House, 6:30PM, City Hall

November 13: Meet the Mayor, 7:00PM, Library

November 15: 2020 Youth Council Applications Due

November 19: Special City Council Meeting* to Canvas Election 6:00PM, City Hall

November 19: Planning Commission*, 7:00PM, City Hall

November 21: West Side Collector Roads Traffic Study Report, 6:30PM, City Hall

November 28: City Offices closed. Garbage pickup delayed until November 30.

December 2: Silent Santa, 4:30-6:30PM, City Hall

December 2: Hometown Holiday, 6:30PM, City Hall

December 7: Christmas Craft Day, 10:00AM–12:00PM, Community Center

*Agendas, Minutes, and Audio at <http://bit.ly/HC-agendas>

PHONE NUMBERS

City Offices: 801-756-5751

Library: 801-772-4528

Justice Court: 801-772-4525

Police Department/Animal Control: 801-756-9800

Fire Department: 801-763-5365

After-Hours Public Works Emergencies: 801-420-2553

Republic Services (pick-up and can repairs): 801-785-5935

Council Brief

In each month's newsletter we give a brief overview of some stand-out items from Council meetings. For full agendas, minutes, & audio, visit <http://bit.ly/HC-agendas>.

October 1

City Council approved a contract to line the detention basin on the corner of Normandy Way and Highland Boulevard with cobblestone. The cobblestone will help slow the growth of weeds and other vegetation which are not only an eyesore, but can also cause drainage issues and flooding.

City Council approved a contract to replace the Cemetery fence along SR 92. The condition of that portion of the fence is very poor, due in large part to the salt from the adjacent highway getting on to the fence during the winter and eating away at the metal. The new fence will be powder coated aluminum which, based on staff's research, is the best economical and durable option.

City Council directed staff to proceed with the construction of chokers on 5500 West. These chokers are designed to prevent parking in the neighborhood next to the commercial area and to discourage traffic that is not local to the area.

City Council approved contracts for the footings and flatwork on the new Salt Storage Building. The building will be located at the corner of Park Drive and SR 92. Construction on the building has begun.

October 15

City Council continued the application for a Planned Development rezone for the Apple Creek Development to allow for a more thorough review by staff. The project will go back to Planning Commission on November 19 and then will be back with City Council on December 3. The development would be 5.8 acres and is located at 10786 North 5320 West.

City Council approved Voter Participation Areas. These areas divide the city into 4 sections and impact the signature gathering requirements of any initiative or referendums filed after January 1, 2020.

West Side Collector Roads Traffic Study Report

The City recently conducted a traffic study on the collector roads south of SR 92 (Timpanogos Highway) and west of Alpine Highway (5300 West). These roads include 10400 North, 9600 North, and Canal Boulevard. The purpose of the study was to analyze current and future traffic projections. City staff will report on the results of the study on Thursday, November 21 at 6:30PM in the Council chambers. All residents are invited to attend.

Silent Santa

Highland City is proud to provide an opportunity for families with children with sensory sensitivity an opportunity to visit with Santa without the typical crowds and noise. This is a free event on Monday, December 2 from 4:30-6:30, but registrants must sign up for time slots at <https://www.hIGHLANDcity.org/909>.

Highland City Presents Hometown Holiday

Join us at City Hall on Monday, December 2 starting at 6:30 PM for story time with the Mayor, a tree lighting ceremony, treats, and crafts. The Mayor will be reading *The Polar Express*. All are invited to come in their pajamas to this cozy event to kick-off the holiday season.

Christmas Craft Day

Join us at the Community Center on Saturday, December 7 from 10:00AM—12:00PM to visit with Santa, make Christmas Crafts, and listen to a performance by the Highland Children's Choir. Craft prices typically range from free—\$2. Proceeds benefit the Arts Council.

Short-Term Rentals in Highland

On September 3, City Council passed an ordinance governing short-term rentals in the City. The ordinance sets conditions to ensure the residential character of our neighborhoods is protected. Requirements include:

- Business license requirement and rentals are subject to taxes and fees, including the transient room tax.
- Unless the property is owner-occupied, the minimum duration of the rental is 2 days.
- Occupancy limits to ensure health and safety.
- Parking must be contained in the driveway, garage or carport, and not on the street or yard.
- Standards for garbage and noise.
- Rentals are subject to their HOA requirements.

For more information on this new ordinance and to apply for a license, visit <https://www.hIGHLANDcity.org/336>.

Mountain Ridge Park Master Plan Open House

Mountain Ridge Park is a 17 acre parcel of property west of Mountain Ridge Junior High. Council recently directed staff to use resident input to redesign the park's Master Plan. The City is inviting all residents to attend an Open House on Wednesday, November 13 at 6:30 PM to see the updated plan and to give feedback. The new design has an all abilities playground, walking paths, restrooms and pavilions, 3 multi-use grass fields, and 8 pickleball courts. More information including the updated design is available at <http://bit.ly/MtnRidgePk>.



To Register for classes or more information, visit HighlandCityArts.org or call Shauna at 801-891-7183. All classes located at Community Center, 5378 West 10400 North unless otherwise noted.

Youth Shakespeare Workshop presents *Julius Caesar* for ages 11-17. Auditions January 8 at 4:00 PM with a Shakespeare monologue. Rehearsals Wednesdays 4:00-6:00 PM from January – March. Tuition \$85. Email bddgeorge@hotmail.com for questions.

Highland Children's Choir Concert November 26 at 7:00 PM at Timberline Middle School. Join us to jumpstart the Christmas Season. Admission is \$3.

Utah Valley Chamber Players for string players ages 12-17. Rehearsals Saturdays 8:00-10:30AM. Tuition \$110 per semester. Contact Ellen for an audition bdgeroge1@gmail.com or 801-763-8528.

Highland Children's Choir 2019-2020 Registration for all youth ages 5-18. To schedule your audition visit <https://highlandchildrenschoir.com/>

Timpanogos Ringers Auditions Ringers must be able to read music and count. Rehearsals Wednesdays from 7:00-9:00 PM. \$85 tuition. Contact Paige at 801-830-0927 or go to timpanogosringers.org.

Fall Play Wait Until Dark - November 1, 2, and 4 with a 2:00 PM matinee on the 2. highlandcityarts.org/programs/theater

Basic Watercolor Class for Adults taught by Shauna Holt Larson for those who want to learn watercolor, but don't know where to start. Registration \$15 a week.

Advanced Watercolor Class by Sharon Cannon. Learn a different technique each week. Prerequisite Beginner Class or experience with watercolors. Mondays 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM. Please bring your own supplies. \$15/week.

After School Art Club For kids ages 8 - 12. Mondays from 3:30 – 4:45 PM. Registration \$40 a month. Preregistration required. Children will learn art principles and go home each week with a finished project.

Friends of Art open to anyone interested in joining.

Highland Quilting & Fiber Arts Groups meets the first Wednesday of the month 10:30 AM – 1:30 PM to work on textile, embroidery, and handiwork projects. Membership \$10 per year. Bring all projects, supplies, and equipment. More information on Facebook at Highland Quilting & Fiber Arts or Instagram @HighlandQAFA. Email: HighlandQAFA@gmail.com.

Youth Council Corner

Our 2020 Mayor is Tayt Godwin and Deputy Mayor is Maddie Matthews. They are busy interviewing candidates to form our leadership group. Applications are being taken until November 15 for general Youth Council members. Visit: <https://www.highlandcity.org/177> for details and application.

Beautification Committee

The Beatification Committee would like to recognize Vicki and Moses Densley at 10792 N 5750 W this month for all of the work they put into their **SPOOKTACULAR** yard, by awarding them the Yard of the Month for October. Let them know that you appreciate all of the work and creativity they put into their yard.

Friends of the Library

The Highland City library has a new and improved website! We invite you to visit it often and to click on Friends of the Library for information about the Friends continuing work and support. You can also read our "impact stories" that tell about people in our community who use the library and find value in all it has to offer.

Highland Historical Society

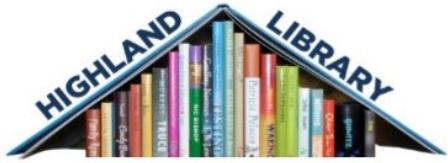
Did you know the Highland Historical Society has a small museum in the Community Center that displays a collection of historical household items and small tools? In addition, the Society has a large number of family and area histories available online at <http://bit.ly/HC-history>. The Society meets the third Wednesday of each month in the museum at 7:00PM. For more information, call Charlie Greenland at 801-913-5200.

Veterans Day Ceremony

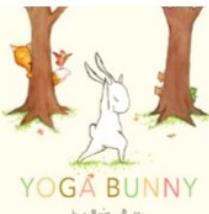
An Eagle Scout candidate will host a Veterans Day Ceremony on Monday, November 11, 2019 at 11:00AM at the Highland City Cemetery. The ceremony will feature a speaker, musical number, and the story of the statue at the cemetery along with the addition of a plaque to be placed there. All are invited to attend. In case of inclement weather, the event will take place at Highland City Hall.

UTOPIA

Residents sometimes ask the City about high speed internet. The City recently met with Utopia Fiber, a provider of high speed fiber networks, where they shared some options they have to implement fiber at potentially no cost to the City. We agreed to help distribute a survey to residents to assess their interest in such a project. Please fill out the short survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/highlandcitybroadband>. Please limit your response to 1 per household.

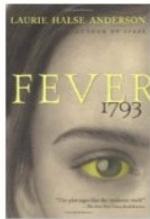


ACCESS



Early Childhood Learning Lab

Ages 3-5 All month
Sponsored by UEN and MIT
Promotes preschool science
education through videos and games
on Kindle Fires.



Parent/Child Book Club

Ages 9-12

November 21 @ 6:30 pm

"Fever, 1793" by

Laurie Halse Anderson

Register online and come to the
Library to pick up a copy. Book
discussion, treats and craft.

BEYOND THE BOOKSHELF

programs | events

November 2019

Story Time Ages 3-5

Tuesday, Wednesday, &
Thursday @ 11:00 am



Baby Bookworms Ages 0-3

Fridays @ 10:15 am



Board games, Wii, craft
and Book Sale!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT!

November 18
@ 6:30-8:00 pm
Friends of the Library
Book Sale @ 5:00-8:00 pm



LEGO Club

Ages 5-9

Every Tuesday
@ 4:00 pm

Register online
starting the Monday
before each class.



MEET THE MAYOR



Ask Questions
Share Ideas
Engage With Your
Community

Meet the Mayor
November 13 @ 7:00 pm



Ages 0-5
Sign up at the
Library

