

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AD-HOC COMMITTEE & LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION



Did you know that Springville City is currently working on a new Active Transportation Plan? A committee was formed earlier this year, and has been meeting since June for just that purpose.

Active Transportation is defined as any self-propelled, human-powered mode of transportation. A good active transportation plan will serve pedestrians, cyclists, and others in the community by connecting existing infrastructure and setting priorities for the future. This includes multi-use trails, bike lanes, crosswalks, and sidewalks, that will provide an attractive alternative to automobile trips, help connect the community, build economic growth, and provide recreational opportunities. It will also prioritize safe routes to schools.

The Ad-hoc Active Transportation Committee is composed of Springville citizens, representatives from several Springville City departments and outside agencies like Nebo School District and the Utah Department of Transportation. The committee is tasked with selecting a consultant to craft an equitable Active Transportation Plan for Springville City, working with the public to finalize it, and prioritizing the projects to be completed during the different phases of implementation.

As Springville continues to grow, it is more important than ever to invest resources in an effective, forward-thinking plan that will address the needs of the whole community. The Active Transportation Committee meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Civic Center.

The Springville Landmarks Preservation Commission has been officially reconstituted with new and returning members. We are so pleased with the range of experience and expertise represented by these Springville citizens who have generously volunteered their time to further the preservation efforts in the city. These commissioners are Barbara Lee, Craig Child, Von Alleman, Ellen Clyde, Mariah Hurst, and Nancy Calkins. Liz Crandall serves as the city council representative to the commission.

The commission is established to preserve the historical heritage of the city and to identify, preserve, protect and enhance historic and prehistoric areas within the city. One of the most important duties within that mission is to promote the continuing education of Springville residents regarding historic preservation and the community's history. As one of our commissioners shared in our first meeting, "the buildings are nothing without the story of the people." It is our goal to share with you Springville's history through its people and buildings, why it matters today, and how it can inform a more abundant future. The Landmarks Preservation Committee meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Civic Center.

Attendance and participation is welcome at all Springville City public meetings.

WINTERIZING YOUR PI SPRINKLING SYSTEM

Many residents living west of 400 West have pressurized irrigation. Springville City tentatively sets October 15th as the shut off date for secondary water, but it may be changed due to weather. Please check the city website and Facebook page for exact dates.

Water left in the pipes of your irrigation system can freeze over winter, causing damage. Winterizing your sprinkling system can help prevent damage from freezing and ward off costly repairs come next spring. Please remember to shut off your private isolation valve this fall. Having your private isolation valve closed is important before the system is charged in the spring. If left open when the system is charged in the spring may cause property damage due to flooding. If you are unsure which valve is your private isolation valve, please contact Springville City Water Department at 801.491.2780.

*Note: All new residents connecting to the pressurized irrigation system must schedule an inspection before using the water for the first time. Please check the city website for a list of requirements when connecting to the pressurized irrigation system at springville.org/pi.

DID YOU KNOW?

In July 2020 Springville used more than half a billion (512.2) gallons of water. On Friday, July 31, 2020, Springville used 64,400 megawatts of power between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. 64,400 MW was the highest one hour load on the system in 2020.



CITY SOURCE

October 2020

MAYOR RICHARD J CHILD



The 96th Annual Spring Salon (Fall Edition) opens October 21, 2020. We are thrilled to host this exhibition and showcase the quality and diversity of Utah art despite being postponed due to COVID-19; on display Oct. 21, 2020 through Jan. 13, 2021. (image: Samuel Walker, Left Foot, Right Foot, 2018, acrylic on board)

Did you know that Springville sends employees to schools all over the state to teach them about art? This year, this program, funded with a grant from the State of Utah, will be virtual and any teacher can sign up for a 30-minute art lesson for their classroom.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

This is a great time of year despite some of the challenges we are currently facing. Even though we have had to cancel or change many things that we normally do, we are still seeing many ways that we can participate in our community.



The city recreation program has continued to have several of our youth sport programs including baseball, football, and soccer to name a few. The city has also been able to keep open the Clyde Recreation Center and Hobble Creek Golf Course which has provided our citizens with some great recreation options.

It's nice during these times when we can still get out and enjoy our parks,

sports fields, and city and canyon trails. However, this experience has been somewhat negative for many in our community due to many instances where they have had bad experiences with people not picking up after their dogs. Sadly we have many complaints to the city regarding this issue particularly on the youth sports fields. As citizens of Springville, let's do a better job of taking care of our city resources by picking up after our pets.

Springville City is pleased to announce that we have finished the new 1.4 million gallon concrete water tank that has replaced the old metal tank that was in Bartholomew Canyon. This new tank will provide Springville with a more sanitary and secure water reservoir for our drinking water. In addition to this, the Spring Creek water tank has also been refurbished.

This is a fun time of year and we anticipate an exciting holiday season with our families. Unfortunately, the Springville Mapleton Chamber of Commerce will not be holding their annual Safe Halloween event this year. As the mayor, I will miss seeing everyone and passing out candy bars. I would remind everyone to be patient with one another, look after each other, and stay safe and optimistic.

—Mayor Richard J. Child

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THE SCIENCE OF THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Anaerobic Digestion is a sewage treatment process used at the Springville City Wastewater Treatment Plant. When the average citizen flushes their toilet, they typically think nothing more of it as long as it goes away. These liquids and solids eventually end up at the city's wastewater treatment plant. The liquids are treated through a biological process and disinfected until they are safe to discharge back into surface waters. The solids are treated in one of three ways to reduce potential pathogens (disease causing organisms):

AEROBIC DIGESTION—SOLIDS ARE TREATED WITH OXYGEN.

CHEMICAL STABILIZATION—SOLIDS ARE TREATED CHEMICALLY.

ANAEROBIC DIGESTION—SOLIDS ARE TREATED WITHOUT OXYGEN.

The anaerobic digestion process generally requires more equipment and more process control and sampling than the other processes, yet it produces a higher quality stabilized solids product. The anaerobic digestion process involves placing the solids in an airtight tank, mixing them up and heating them like an old-fashioned pressure cooker. This process produces several useful products, such as Class B bio-solids (a potential fertilizer for agricultural purposes) and a bio gas (methane, commonly called natural gas). The bio gas can potentially be used to produce electricity.

Anaerobic digestion is by far the most complicated process at the wastewater treatment plant. There are several different biological processes occurring at the same time for the anaerobic digestion to work. Most people actually know a lot more about anaerobic digestion than they might think, mainly because we all own and operate one—our own digestive track.

THE ANAEROBIC DIGESTION PROCESS

Solids are fed into the tank where the solids are broken down, just like what's occurring in our stomachs. This digestion step is known as hydrolysis, which is the breaking down of solids into fats, proteins, and carbohydrates. There is a specific type of bacteria and enzyme that does this.

Once everything has been broken down into fats, carbohydrates and proteins, the solids are broken down further into acids in a process called acid fermentation. This is where the system can go wrong if you feed it too much. Over-feeding generates too much acid, just like when we get a sour stomach from overeating. If this happens at the treatment plant, chemicals are added to bring the pH level back up from an acidic condition.

There's a specific type of bacteria to break these acids down further or combine them into acetic acid (vinegar), which is why you can get that vinegar taste in your mouth from over eating.

BUT WE'RE STILL NOT QUITE DONE YET



There's even another set of bacteria that uses the acetic acid (vinegar) and combines with carbon dioxide and hydrogen to make bio gas, which is commonly known as methane or natural gas. These bacteria are known as the methane-forming bacteria, completing the final step in the anaerobic digestion process.

So the next time you drive by the treatment plant and see those large round tanks, just think of them as the world's largest digestive track that is being cared for and fed by the operational staff at the city's wastewater treatment plant.



EVERY VOTER SHOULD HAVE A BALLOT BY OCTOBER 16TH

Ballots will be mailed the week of October 12, 2020. It's anticipated ballots will be delivered in mailboxes as soon as Tuesday, October 13th. If a voter does not have a ballot by October 16th, they should contact the Utah County Elections office at 801.851.8128.

IF A VOTER WANTS TO RETURN THEIR BALLOT AT A POST OFFICE, THEY NEED TO CONFIRM THAT THEIR BALLOT WILL BE POSTMARKED BY NOVEMBER 2, 2020

The deadline to postmark your ballot is November 02, 2020, the day before Election Day. Voters are encouraged to return their voted ballot at any of the secured drop boxes located throughout the county. Springville City has a drop box south of the Civic Center in the parking lot. Drop off your voted ballot until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. Information relating to drop box locations, ballot pick-up locations, early voting, what is on the ballot, etcetera can all be found on at UtahCountyVote.

Early Voting is available on the Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Monday before Election Day (October 28, 29, 30, and November 02, 2020,) at the Utah County Elections Office from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.. Information about Early Voting can be found at UtahCountyVote. Ballot pick-up locations will be available on Election Day. Locations will be open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM on Election Day.

Utah law permits same-day registration via provisional ballots which will be in effect on Election Day only at ballot pick-up locations. Locations are very limited and can be found at UtahCountyVote. Mailing in or dropping off your voted ballot is encouraged.

The Utah County Elections Office provides voters with disabilities accessible options to cast their ballot. A voter with a disability may contact the office at Elections@UtahCounty.Gov or call 801.851.8128.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED I-15 INTERCHANGE AT 1600 SOUTH

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) is completing an environmental study for a proposed new interchange on I-15 at 1600 South in Springville/2700 North in Spanish Fork. The new interchange would provide additional access to I-15 and relieve congestion at the 400 South interchange in Springville. The environmental study will be available on Oct. 13 for review at udot.utah.gov/i15springvillespanishfork. A hard copy will also be available at Springville City Civic Center (110 S Main Street). Public comments will be accepted from October 13 to November 13, 2020. You are invited to attend an on-line public hearing on October 28, 2020, at 6 p.m. To learn more about the new interchange on I-15 at 1600 South please visit udot.utah.gov/i15springvillespanishfork or contact the study team at 801.704.0899 or i15springvillespanishfork@utah.gov. Para información en español, llame al 801.361.5587.



FREE DRIVE-THRU MEALS CONTINUE AT THE SENIOR CENTER

Free drive-thru meals for any individual aged 60+ will continue until we are able to reopen the Senior Center. Drive directly onto the sidewalk in front of the Senior Center. Meals are served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. All are welcome regardless of Senior Center membership or place of residence. No meal donations will be accepted at this time. Ensure is available during drive-thru times with a doctor's prescription on file. Please call ahead so that we can have it ready for you. A Foot Clinic is available by appointment only. Distancing and sanitation guidelines will be explained and followed. Free Legal Assistance is available by appointment only. Please call or email for information at 801.489.8738 or springvilleseniors@yahoo.com.

