

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

WE HAVE A NEW BUSINESS IN EAGLE MOUNTAIN! GRANITE CONSTRUCTION'S ASPHALT FACILITY OPENED THEIR DOORS TO THE PUBLIC AND INVITED US TO COME OUT AND SEE HOW THEY DO BUSINESS.

At the grand opening and community open house event, Granite offered tours of their operation and also had construction equipment for children to climb in and honk the horns. Everyone seemed to enjoy the opportunity to learn more about the facility. One of the most interesting things I learned was that they were running at full capacity the day before. Residents living close by had no idea. There is very little smell, smoke or noise that is noticeable to our residents due to the minimal emissions released and their location.

In order to bring Granite to Eagle Mountain, the city put in utility lines to their site. This opens a whole new area for businesses to locate, while bringing in a new large user. As we get more users on our system, it helps us spread out the debt load between more customers. This particular large user made it possible to reduce our gas rates.

You may ask why the business isn't paying for the utility lines. The City Council approved an agreement with Granite at our last council meeting. This agreement has minimum usage requirements for Granite to pay us back over the next ten years. We anticipate that it will happen sooner than ten years, however, Granite wanted to be conservative in their agreement to make sure that they meet the requirements. We negotiated an agreement we feel is fair and appropriate for working with them.

Some residents are concerned that Granite may not live up to the agreement and shut down operations and move somewhere else. They chose to locate in Eagle Mountain because it makes good business sense for them. Eagle Mountain, Lehi, and Saratoga Springs are picking up again with building and growth. This means a lot of work for an asphalt company, and close proximity to the work allows you to deliver your product at a lower cost than your



A ribbon-cutting and community open house was held on June 15 at Granite Construction's new asphalt facility in Eagle Mountain.

competitors. Granite Construction has been incorporated since 1922 and is a national company. I am glad to see a company of this caliber feel that our city is the perfect fit for them. If you have other questions about Granite or our agreement please feel free to contact Granite's Business Development and Public Affairs Manager Abby Albrecht at 801-526-6116 or abby.albrecht@gcinc.com. You can also contact myself or Ifo Pili, our City Administrator, with any questions.

We are now in the height of wildland fire season. Let's hope that we don't see fires within our city. We are glad to be a part of the Unified Fire Service Area (UFSA) and have Unified Fire (UFA) providing our fire service. In May, Camp Williams also contracted with UFA. They have a wildland fire captain as their Fire Management Officer and we also have a wildland fire captain working here in Eagle Mountain. It is nice to have even more expertise available to us.

Just because we are more comfortable about fire protection does not mean that we can let our guard down. Please be careful with your fireworks this summer and follow the restrictions that are in place. Have fun, but do it safely. Enjoy the holidays this month!

MAYOR HEATHER JACKSON



CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS*

JUNE.....

Approved a change order for the steel high pressure natural gas pipeline.

Approved the final payment for the Ranches Parkway overlay.

Adopted the final amendments to the fiscal year 2012-2013 budget.

Adopted the fiscal year 2013-2014 budget with changes. Vote was 4:1 with Council Member Ireland voting no.

Tabled an ordinance annexing an area of approximately 223 acres commonly known as the Hindley Annexation. Vote was 4:1 with Council Member Painter voting no.

Adopted a resolution repealing the Franchise Fee / Utility Tax on the Eagle Mountain Water Utility.

Awarded a bid for the Pony Express Widening Project bid alternate to Geneva Rock in the amount of \$254,244.35.

Approved a purchase agreement through the Utah State Contract for a Kubota SVL75C rubber track loader with cab and 68" scraper bucket in the amount of \$42,070.

Approved a Utility Commitment Agreement between Eagle Mountain City and Granite Construction Company.

Adopted an ordinance of Eagle Mountain City, Utah, adopting the Project Area Plan, approved by the Board of Directors of the Redevelopment Agency of Eagle Mountain City, as the official Community Development Project Area Plan for the Parkside Community Development Project Area, and directing that notice of the adoption be given as required by statute. Vote was 4:1 with Council Member Ireland voting no.

*Please note, for a more detailed explanation of the above items, all approved minutes for City Council meetings are available on the Agendas and Minutes section of the City website. Audio and video recordings of the City Council meetings are also available.

Next City Council Meetings:
July 16; August 6, 20

Stay Connected to EM City

Main Number: 801-789-6600

Utility Emergency Hotline: 801-789-5959

Utility Billing: 801-789-6609

Sheriff/Fire Dispatch: 801-794-3970

Street Lights Out: 801-789-6681 or email streetlights@emcity.org (if a light has been hit or wires exposed, call hotline)

Code Enforcement: 801-789-6636

Library: 801-789-6623

Building Department: 801-789-6642

Eagle Mountain City free mobile app (Apple or Android markets)



Don't miss out on timely news and emergency notifications!

Annual Citizen Survey

Eagle Mountain City would like your feedback on City services and quality of life in EM. The annual citizen survey is available now through July 31 on the main page of the City website, News section. Survey responses are anonymous. Participants may choose to enter a drawing for a utility bill credit of \$50, \$75, or \$100. The survey is being conducted by students from the BYU Romney Institute of Management.



CITY NEWS TRIVIA CONTEST

When is the last day to register to vote for the primary election?

If you can correctly answer this City news trivia question, you may win a certificate for **\$50** off your utility bill.

E-mail an answer with your name, address, and phone **no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 20** to news@emcity.org. All correct entries will be included in a drawing for the certificate. Winners will be notified by the end of the month.

Congratulations to last month's winner Catrina Brewer. Winners and family not eligible again for one year. City employees and immediate family not eligible.



Courtesy photo: Wendy Lojik

The "Lone Rangers" were the winners of this year's Pony Express Days 3-on-3 Basketball tournament.

2013 Election and Candidate Events

The Primary Election will be held on August 13, 2013. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., using the same polling locations that were used for the Presidential Election. Early voting will be held at the City Recorder's Office from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. on July 30 through August 9, 2013. July 29 is the last day to register online or at Utah County to be eligible to vote in the Primary Election. August 8 is the last day to request an absentee ballot to vote in the Primary Election. A copy of the precinct map is available on the City website, News section. If you have questions regarding your precinct or polling location, please call the Recorder's Office at 801-789-6611 or 801-789-6634.



Precinct	Location
2, 4 & 9	City Hall, 1650 East Stagecoach Run
1, 3 & 7	Ranches Academy, 7789 N Tawny Owl Circle
6, 8 & 5	Pony Express Elementary, 3985 E Smith Ranch Rd.

A Meet the Candidates event is scheduled for Wednesday, July 17 at 7 p.m. at Rockwell High School (3435 E. Stonebridge Ln.). This event is co-sponsored by local PTA's and Eagle Mountain City and provides residents an opportunity to meet and ask questions of the candidates for mayor and city council prior to the primary election. Following the primary election on August 13, a debate event for the remaining candidates in the General Election will be scheduled and announced.

For more election information, including a candidate list, please visit the News section of the City website.

NEWS BRIEFS

City finance director elected to state board

Eagle Mountain City's Finance Director, Paul Jerome, was recently elected to serve on the Utah Government Finance Officer Association's Executive Board. Jerome will serve this year as the board's Treasurer followed by a year as the Vice President and then the President of the board. Board members serve as representatives for all government finance professionals in the state. The term is a six year term.

Code enforcement reminders - parking & yard sale signs

The City code enforcement officer is seeing a lot of violations of the following City parking ordinance, as well as parking across sidewalks (safety hazard).

10.10.080 Parking prohibited on public streets – Exceptions.

A. It is unlawful to park any:

1. Commercial vehicle, agricultural vehicle, recreational vehicle, occupied or empty trailer or truck on any public street within a residential zone of the city for a period of time longer than two hours within any 24-hour period;
2. Agricultural vehicle, recreational vehicle, occupied or empty trailer, or truck within the front yard area of any residential zone of the city; or
3. Commercial vehicle on any lot or parcel within any residential zone of the city.

B. Exceptions. This section shall not restrict the temporary parking or stopping of a city vehicle or of a vehicle owned and/or operated by a public utility for the purpose of conducting repairs or related work. This section shall not restrict the temporary parking of vehicles actively used to deliver building supplies and materials to property in any residential zone, nor shall it prohibit the temporary parking of vehicles used while performing work upon property in residential zones. [Ord. O-11-2007 § 2].

Also, please remember to register your yard sale with the City (prior to Noon the Wednesday before the sale, registration form located in the Living in EM section of the website) and do not place yard sale signs on stop signs, utility boxes, light poles, or City right-of-ways. Thanks!

**NEW
Utility Bill Format
in July**

In response to feedback from residents, beginning in July utility bills will have a more detailed format, including a comparison to previous year's consumption, graph of usage for the year, budget billing balance, rates & policies, and more. This format will evolve over the next few months. Due to this transition, July bills will be delivered around the 15th. We appreciate your patience during this change.

SENIORS' CORNER

BBQ (bring a side dish)
Monday, July 22, 5 p.m.
Nolan Park Pavilion

Monthly Activities:

Game Night — first Mon. at 5 p.m

Dominoes — first Wed. at 1:00 p.m.

Lunch Bunch — first Thurs. at a restaurant (check website for info)

Craft Class — second Mon. at 1 p.m.

Bunco — second Thurs. at 1 p.m. (bring a \$5 prize)

Bingo — third Mon. at 5 p.m.

Game Day — first and third Tues. at Noon

Mahjongg — third Thurs. at Noon

Canasta — fourth Thurs. at Noon

Activities held in City Council chambers unless specified. Check the City website for updates.

Utilities Alert - Water and Electric Use

Summer temperatures always lead to increases in water and electric use. This year, with record-breaking temperatures in June, conservation is even more important, to lessen the impact on utility bills and City utility resources.

With several cities in Utah imposing water restrictions due to low supply, the City's water department would like to remind residents there is a City ordinance prohibiting watering between the hours of 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. One of the City's four active wells is currently down for about five weeks for repair. Although we have an adequate water supply now, mechanical problems with wells can happen at any time. Water conservation is encouraged to help avoid the need for outdoor water restrictions. Tips are available on the City website, water department page.

Some residents have been experiencing high or low water pressure. The water department recommends that residents who notice changes in water pressure check their Pressure Reducing Valves (PRVs) inside the home and on sprinkler systems. The hard water in Eagle Mountain affects the lifespan and effectiveness of these valves, so they need to be checked and adjusted or replaced as needed. A video demonstrating how to check water pressure is available on the City website, water department page. Also, USU offers a free water check program for residential irrigation systems. To request a water check, visit www.slowtheflow.org or call 1-877-728-3420. If you are unable to resolve a water pressure problem, please call the utilities hotline at 801-789-5959 and leave a message for the water department.

Also, the City is seeing a spike in electric consumption compared to this time last year (an almost 20% increase) due to growth and high temperatures. Again, we encourage residents to use as many energy conservation practices as possible to help reduce any "sticker shock" you may experience with higher consumption on summer bills. Some simple things you can do to make a difference is to keep your thermostat setting as high as possible, use ceiling fans, and close blinds. A site that may be helpful for conservation tips is www.energystar.gov.

Salt Lake City Temperature Records Set In June 2013

HIGHEST:

- Max temperature recorded in June (105°)
- Consecutive days above 100° (4 days)
(Tied with 3 other years)

3rd Highest:

- Average Maximum Temperature: 89.9°
- Average Monthly Temperature: 75.3°
- Days at or above 100° (5 days)

5th Highest:

- Average Minimum Temperature: 60.8°

* The last 4 days of June either broke or tied maximum temperature records

All temperature records are from SLCAirport between 1874 and 2013

Graphic courtesy National Weather Service SLC

FAQs – City Bond Debt

We'd like to address questions from residents about the City's bond debt. Please see the answers to frequently asked questions below. Government finance is complex and all concerns may not be addressed here, however if you would like more information, we are happy to provide it. Please contact our city administration/finance department if you have additional questions (Ifo Pili, ipili@emcity.org, Jason Walker, jwalker@emcity.org, Ikani Taumoepeau, ikani@emcity.org, or Paul Jerome, pjerome@emcity.org)

Q: Why does the City have so much bond debt?

A: The City currently has about \$49 million in bond debt. \$285,000 of this total is a road bond that will be paid off in two years. The remainder represents several utilities revenue bonds (gas, sewer, water, electric) that are scheduled to be paid off between 2030 and 2036. With no utilities infrastructure in this area when the City was incorporated 16 years ago, City leaders at that time made the decision to use bonds to pay for the infrastructure after existing utility companies declined to provide it.

Q: Why doesn't the City put money aside to pay off the bonds earlier?

A: Revenue bonds are highly structured. Bond ratings are issued, similar to personal credit ratings. Eagle Mountain City currently has a high grade, AA- rating, indicating we are being financially responsible. The City is required to work with independent financial advisors to manage the bond debt, including payment schedules based on utilities revenue and population growth. There is a "no call period" on our bonds at this time that prohibits earlier payment. Aside from that, in order to have "extra" money to put towards paying off the bonds, the City would have to raise utility rates.

Some residents have asked if the City can cut money from the general fund (the City's operating budget) to put towards paying the bond debt when the "no call period" ends. Money taken from the general fund would leave less money available for City services, and because the general fund money comes from sales tax and property tax revenue, a transfer to the enterprise (utilities) funds would require a public vote. Even if the City decided to go through this process for a transfer, the amount of money taken from the general fund would not be large enough to make much of an impact on the bond debt. For example, if \$80,000 was transferred to the enterprise funds each year for the next 19 years, it would result in paying off one of our five utility bonds about one year early.

Q: Why does the City transfer money from the enterprise funds to the general fund for employee compensation?

A: There are 33.33 full-time equivalent employee positions whose compensation is paid entirely from the enterprise funds, because their job duties are completely centered on utilities. There are 40.25 employees and elected officials whose compensation is paid out of the general fund (excluding crossing-guard positions). Of those 40.25 employees, 20.5 employees have part of their compensation paid out of the enterprise funds. This transfer is made because the time of these employees is split between City government duties and City utilities duties. A conservative percentage of the employee's time spent on utility matters has been determined, and this is the percentage paid from the enterprise funds. The range of these percentages is between 5% and 49%. The transfer is more cost effective than hiring additional employees to handle these duties strictly for the utility departments. This is a common practice among City-owned utilities.



FIRE DEPARTMENT

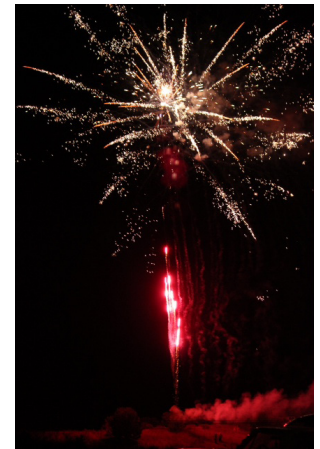
Property tax increase

A reminder that the property tax increase levied by UFA for residents of EM City is in effect, as of July 1. The tax will be listed on annual property valuation notices mailed in November by Utah County. Homeowners may want to contact the company that manages your escrow account to make an adjustment to the escrow payment amount in order to minimize the impact on your monthly mortgage payment. The City has lowered its tax rate to 0.001380. The UFA tax rate is 0.002192.

Fireworks restrictions

With the extreme heat we've experienced so far this summer, wildland fire danger is high. While celebrating the holidays this month, please be aware fireworks are prohibited in the following neighborhoods:

Castle Rock next to the bike park, Lake Mountain Road, Cedar Pass Ranch, North Ranch, Ruby Valley, Lone Tree, Kiowa Valley, Eagle Top, Point Lookout, Hidden Canyon, Fremont Springs,



Meadow Ranch, Valley View, and White Hills. All other residents who live close to perimeter streets with fields or hills adjacent to your home, please use fireworks further inward on asphalt and have a water source close by. Extinguish and dispose of used fireworks properly. Two City park areas are approved for fireworks use - the asphalt parking lots at Pony Express Park and SilverLake Amphitheater. Use in any other City parks is prohibited. Please use the garbage cans provided at these locations to safely dispose of fireworks waste. Also, please bring a bucket to collect water from water sources at the parks. Curfew is 11 p.m., midnight on holidays.



Reptile Show

Wednesday, July 17

Nolan Park Pavilion, 10:30 a.m.

Sponsored by the Library

(Admission is free. Priority seating given to summer reading program participants.)



Register now for our Summer Leisure Program

classes to guarantee an eventful summer for the whole family!

Earthflower Yoga Zumba
 Zumba Sentao Debbie's Art Academy
 Raw Food Classes Hunters Education
 Eagle Mountain
 Creative Crafters
 loops n' Stitches Sewing

All classes are held locally enabling activities closer to home. Register on the City website and get full details on classes.

Contact Kelsey at 801-789-6635 or kbackus@emcity.org with any questions.

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PRINCESS TEA PARTY

August 5

10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

City Council Chambers

Cost: \$5

Invited: Ages 3-12

Pre-registration required

Online registration after July 29 (with \$1 convenience fee) or at City Hall- limit 25 kids

* Craft * Story * Treat *

Calling all kids ages 3-12 for Creepy Crawly time with Miss Eagle Mountain!

August 12

10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

City Council Chambers

Come see live tarantulas and much more!*

*\$5 Registration at City Hall or online (after July 29) w/ additional 1\$ convenience fee
 Limit of 50 kids

