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BY NOW, EVERY RESIDENCE IN EAGLE MOUNTAIN SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED A LETTER REGARDING THE CITY REACHING TENTATIVE AGREEMENTS TO SELL OUR GAS UTILITY TO QUESTAR GAS AND TO SELL OUR ELECTRIC UTILITY ASSETS TO SOUTH UTAH VALLEY ELECTRIC SERVICE DISTRICT (SESD) AND ANNEX INTO THE DISTRICT.

If for some reason you did not receive the letter and have not seen any of the information from the City online, there is a good amount of information available to you at www.eaglemountaincity.com under the News section, including FAQs, links to information about Questar Gas and SESD, and a cost comparison calculator. We will also be holding a Town Hall Meeting on June 19 (see box below) to provide more details and address any questions or concerns you may have about this proposed change.

The City's greatest motivation to sell these utilities at this time are long term benefits to our utility infrastructure, utility service capability, and long term access to future energy supply. With over 25,000 residents and growing, running gas and electric utilities is growing in complexity. To stay in the utility business will require that we adjust to meet those complex needs. Meeting these challenges will take significant time, resources, and money. There are efficiencies to be gained from partnering with two companies that have served their customers well in these capacities for many years. From manpower, access to future energy resources, and operational experience, there is benefit to partnerships with Questar Gas and SESD. If we retain these utilities we expect to see an increase in debt, and consequently rates, to cover the cost of growth down the road. We are also concerned about increased legislation regarding energy resources making ownership of the utilities more costly.

Although the City has looked at selling these utilities in the past, this is the first time we have received serious interest from gas and electric companies at the same time, which is the only way a deal would be financially feasible for the City due to bond obligations. These agreements would eliminate our

gas and electric bond debt of roughly \$26 million.

We are planning to bring final agreements to the City Council by early fall of 2014. If approved, the transition would take effect January 1, 2015. We intended to bring this decision to the public for a vote, but through conversations I held with election officials at the County and State, this item cannot be on the November ballot. There is no State code that governs the sale of a gas utility, and while we will be selling assets associated with our electric utility, the electric utility transaction will be an annexation which is governed by a specific section of Utah code. This code does not allow for a public vote as a proposition on a ballot. In spite of this, we will communicate with you and give plenty of opportunities for you to give your feedback before the City Council votes.

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TOWN HALL MEETING

Regarding tentative agreements to sell the City's gas and electric utilities

Thursday, June 19
7 p.m.

Frontier Middle School Auditorium

More info: eaglemountaincity.com/news



2014 Election Information

A primary election will be held on Tuesday, June 24, 2014. Voting on primary election day will be held at City Hall from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Early voting will be available at City Hall as follows:

Tuesday, June 10:	8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Wednesday, June 11:	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Thursday, June 12:	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday, June 13:	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Monday, June 16:	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Tuesday, June 17:	8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Wednesday, June 18:	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Thursday, June 19:	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday, June 20:	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

The general election will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. Offices on the ballot include Congress, Attorney General, Utah State House of Representatives, State Board of Education, Utah County Commission, Utah County Attorney, Utah County Clerk/Auditor, Utah County Treasurer, Alpine School District Board, and more. For election information, please visit www.utahcounty.gov, election information tab.

Code Enforcement

Our code enforcement officer would like to remind residents regarding a couple common City code violations.

Please note the following:

8.05.150 Accumulation prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to accumulate, throw, discard, deposit, place, sweep, dump, conduct or allow any person to accumulate, throw, discard, deposit, place, sweep, dump or conduct any solid waste or litter into or upon any public place, private premises, street, road, alley, property abutting any alley, stream, well, spring, canal, ditch, gutter, lot or any other property or place, above or below ground level. [Ord. O-08-2005 § 1 (Exh. 1 § 77-4-1)].

10.10.020 Obstructing traffic prohibited.

It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle, or leave any vehicle standing unattended, on any street or roadway in Eagle Mountain City which will prevent the flow of two-way traffic on the street. This section shall apply to motor vehicles, trailers of every kind and nature, and other obstructions left standing in the roadways of Eagle Mountain City, Utah. [Ord. O-13-2005 § 2].

If you have questions or observe these violations, please contact Jeff Thompson at 801-420-2305 or jthompson@emcity.org.



NEWS BRIEFS



(L-R: Lacey Yama, contest organizer, Christiansen, Nuzman, and Konold)

Rodeo Royalty Chosen

The Pony Express Rodeo committee, a 501c3 organization, is moving forward with plans to hold the Pony Express Rodeo in Eagle Mountain on September 18-20, 2014. The Royalty Contest was held on May 17 and Bailey Jo Nuzman was selected as Queen, with Shanna Christiansen as 1st Attendant and Abigail Konold as 2nd Attendant.

Hometown Advantage for Library

The Eagle Mountain Library is one of the eligible recipients for the Ridley's Family Markets' Home Town Advantage program. A percentage of your purchase will be donated to the library when you sign up through the Advantage Card page on the Ridley's website at www.shopridleys.com.

Garbage Truck Safety

Parents, please remind children about using caution around garbage trucks. We received information from Ace Disposal that drivers have experienced children climbing on trucks, running around the trucks while they are operating, and even crawling under the truck to retrieve a ball. This is quite dangerous, and we do not want any children to get hurt.

Library Award

Congratulations to the EM Library for being the only recipient in Utah of the American Library Association's 2014 Teens' Top 10 Book Giveaway. The library was one out of 100 nationwide to receive 25 acclaimed young adult titles.