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ROAD EXPANSION UPDATE

I have put together the following summary to give residents a behind-the-scenes look at the road development process in Eagle Mountain.

Getting a road built or expanded is all about funding. The process to obtain funding is long and competitive.

Once road projects are identified they are prioritized through growth projections and traffic studies with other projects in the region. Projects only get funded starting with the top ranking project on down. There can be well over a hundred projects competing with only twenty getting funded. Once the funds are exhausted projects might have to wait several years for the next funding cycle to compete all over again.



Mayor Westmoreland

For example, a little over a year ago we had three Pony Express expansion projects competing for funding in the year 2022. Only two of them ranked, but because of low traffic counts, they ranked too low to expect funding anytime soon. We added city funds to the projects to get them to rank higher. Once ranked sufficiently high we had to deal with the 2022 availability of funds so we made arrangements to begin the projects immediately and be reimbursed when the funds come available.

Another reason our roads tend to rank low is because they usually lack regional significance. Meaning they only effect Eagle Mountain and other cities do not rely on them. However, that may be changing.

In 2018 we quickly moved to widen Pony Express Parkway east, leaving the next phase (Hidden Hollow to Oquirrh Ranch, traffic lights, and Aviator Ave.) for 2019, which would be two years ahead of schedule according to traffic study projections. The remaining phases, Oquirrh Ranch to Mid Valley, Mid Valley to Aviator, and Aviator to Eagle Mountain Blvd. were scheduled to come later. Traffic studies show expansion beyond Mid Valley to be needed in 2023.

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Contact the City

www.eaglemountaincity.com

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Utility Bills:	801-789-6609
Report an Issue:	801-789-5959
Request Records:	801-789-6611
Business Licensing:	801-789-6634
Sheriff/Fire Dispatch:	801-794-3970



BRIEFS

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We strongly felt that in spite of traffic study results we wanted to do more to speed up the road expansion projects and deliver them sooner. The only way to even have a chance of doing so required that we initiate some aggressive creativity. Not knowing what might or might not work, we needed to have several options.

Eagle Mountain is a unique city that is transitioning from being viewed as a regional orphan to an heir apparent. But even with this shift in perception it will take time for project funding to come online. In an effort to take advantage of our developing brand we joined forces with Saratoga Springs to lobby the state legislature for new funding options. A proposed funding bill that included an \$11 million state bond for Pony Express Parkway was put on hold when the state could not finalize a tax overhaul. It is presumed that a legislative session will take place this summer in an attempt to resolve the issue. Had the bill passed we could have used funds right away but now even if it is approved this summer it will be too late for this year's construction season.

The following list includes existing and developing plans for Pony Express Pkwy.

Plan A: Advance Phase 1, Pony Express Parkway East expansion project by two years for a 2018 completion; and advance Phase 2, Hidden Hollow through Oquirrh Mountain Ranch widening project, with Aviator Ave., with traffic lights replacing stop signs and extended turn lanes at Mid Valley Rd., Aviator Ave., and Eagle Mountain Blvd. project by two years for a 2019 completion; complete additional phases as funding allows. (The traffic lights mentioned above are located on Pony Express Parkway at Smith Ranch Rd., Red Hawk Ranch Rd., Hidden Hollow Elementary, Mid Valley Rd., and Aviator Ave.) (Aviator Ave., the road that the new high school is on, will be wider than Thunder Blvd. at West Lake HS with an additional lane to allow for parking and better traffic flow.)

Plan B1: Lobby for state (as opposed to regional) funding for Pony Express Parkway. This plan was partially successful but delayed.

Plan B2: This funding mechanism could still come through this year but would have to be applied after the 2019 construction season.

Plan C: Scrape together a hybrid of internal and possible external funds by borrowing from city departments to add an expansion of Pony Express Parkway from Oquirrh Mountain Ranch to Mid Valley Rd. (Frontier Middle School). This plan does not come without considerable risk. This would mean tying up the city's rainy day funds for several years.

Plan D: Lobby the state to take over Pony Express Parkway as a UDOT managed state route. This plan is still underway and is not mutually exclusive of any other plan. Because of the lengthy process this is a backup for a worst-case scenario or at the very least relieves the city of long term obligations to Pony Express Parkway expansions and maintenance.

As we consider these options we should keep in mind some context. Though traffic on Pony Express Parkway west will increase with the opening of Cedar Valley High School, it will not be anywhere near the traffic levels that were on Pony Express Parkway east when West Lake High School opened. So though we certainly want to expand and optimize Pony Express west as much as possible for the opening of the high school, we don't want to panic and make decisions that could have detrimental consequences to our city's future fiscal strength either.

Final details for the 2019 construction season will be completed before the end of April. We will publish an update as that happens. Meanwhile, Phase 2 is currently under construction and will continue in an attempt to complete before school opens.

Mayor's choice for reading in April is Ben-Hur: A Tale of the Christ. This "best-selling" American novel by Lew Wallace was originally published by Harper and Brothers on November 12, 1880. At least three movie versions of this story have been made, the best being the 1959 film starring Charlton Heston. This romantic yet gripping historical fiction book surpasses them all.

Mayor Tom Westmoreland

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Live-Fire Artillery Exercises

Camp Williams will conduct live-fire artillery exercises April 23-25. Noise may be heard by surrounding communities. Hours are approximately 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Nominations Wanted

Eagle Mountain City is accepting nominations through May 1 for a deserving individual to be the 2019 Pony Express Days Grand Marshal. The recipient will receive tickets for their immediate family to the carnival, rodeo, and demolition derby and will ride in the parade.

[Selection Criteria & Nomination Form](#)

Redwood Rd Construction

UDOT provides weekly updates for construction activity affecting Redwood Rd. Updates are posted in the News section of the city website. Visit udot.utah.gov/redwoodsaratoga for project info.

Park Pavilion Rentals

A reservation and payment of rental fees is required for city park pavilions from April 15-October 15. Reservations are currently being accepted. Visit the [Parks department](#) page of the City website to reserve.

EMERGENCY PREPARATION TIP

In Case of Evacuation

In a disaster situation, it may be necessary to evacuate your home for several days or longer. Because disasters can strike with little or no warning, you should be prepared to leave in a moment's notice. Knowing beforehand the steps to take in case of evacuation can make a big difference.

- Contact the local emergency management office to learn evacuation routes for your area.
- Determine where to go if your community is evacuated.
- Discuss with your family the possibility of evacuation.
- Find out your child's school evacuation policy.
- Check that your disaster supply kit is assembled and ready to go.
- Make sure that your car is filled up with fuel, fuel may be in short supply during a disaster.

WHEN AUTHORITIES TELL YOU TO EVACUATE

- Bring your disaster supply kit.
- Wear sturdy shoes and clothing.
- Unplug home electronics.
- Lock doors and windows.
- Inform a friend or relative of your route.
- Follow recommended evacuation routes. Watch for road damage, downed power lines, flooded areas, and washed-out bridges.

PETS

Pets should not be left behind in a disaster, but do not risk your own safety attempting to find them if you must evacuate quickly.

- Attach ID tags to your pet with your name and address.
- Remember that most emergency shelters do not allow pets.
- Make a list of pet shelters and of hotels that permit animals in the area you would evacuate to.
- Put together an emergency supply kit for your pet. Include things like a first aid kit, food dishes, a litter box, a leash or a pet carrier, medication, food, water and veterinary records.
- If you are going to a public shelter be aware that alcoholic beverages, pets, and weapons are not allowed. Practice patience and cooperation, sharing space with many others can be a challenge. Stay in the shelter until authorities advise you it is safe to leave.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT

Owning a home can be a lot of work, and it can be costly, especially when you have a sizable property. But there are some basic things homeowners can do to keep yards looking great and comply with city code at a low cost.

Here are 11 things you can do to keep your yard in tip-top shape while spending less than \$100.

1. Plant Stuff

A good-looking yard is full of life. Plant some shrubs in your front yard, perhaps even a couple tall bushes to frame your doorway. Buy some different types of flowers and plant them in spots that get good sunlight, and water them frequently. (Consider planting perennials, like roses and mums, which can bloom for multiple seasons.) To get started, you'll want to invest in some decent soil, which can be purchased relatively cheaply at your local home improvement store.

2. Trim Stuff

It's great to have trees, bushes, and plants to give life to your yard, but things can get overgrown if you don't keep an eye on them. Trim any tree branches that are close to your house or over your neighbor's yard. Keep your hedges at a nice, consistent height. Cut away any vines creeping over your fences. You can handle most trimming work with a decent pair of long clippers and a band saw. Cordless, rechargeable hedge trimmers can also be useful and are often available for under \$100.

3. Pull Weeds

If you have plants, you will have weeds. And weeds are your enemy. Luckily, they are easy to spot, and usually easily pulled out of flower beds. Use Round-Up or a similar product to kill any weeds in stubborn areas, like along the cracks in your sidewalk and driveway.

4. Rake

Get those leaves up! Leaves on the yard can look pretty for a while, but after a short time they start to block any sun from reaching your grass. A couple good days of raking will do the trick, but you could also blow those leaves away with a gas or battery powered blower.

5. Lay Down Mulch

Putting some mulch in your gardens serves several purposes. A thick layer of mulch makes it harder for weeds to grow, and also protects plant roots from getting scorched by the sun in the summer. Moreover, a good, dark mulch can help make the color from flowers petals really pop. You can get a bag of mulch for just a few bucks, so it's one of the best investments for your yard. Tip: Always buy a bag or two more than you think you might need.

6. Edge

To make things look extra-nice, you'll want to sharpen things up by creating a hard edge between your lawn and garden beds, and along any sidewalks or driveways. You can do this by hand in small areas using a trowel, but it's also worth investing less than \$100 in a cordless or gas-powered edger. (Some edgers have replaceable heads that allow you to turn the machine into a weed-wacker or other tool.)

7. Put Up Some Lattice

Some white crisscross lattice can be a good way to cover up unsightly areas. At my house, we had lattice installed near the outdoor steps to my basement, and it has the added effect of

preventing small kids from falling over into the stairwell. Vinyl lattice is virtually maintenance-free, and can be purchased for less than \$1 per square foot.

8. Power Wash Your House

What's the point of sprucing up your yard if the house looks filthy? After enduring heavy rain, intense sun and other assaults, the exterior of your house is bound to get dirty. Vinyl siding might get stained or discolored, brick and stone walls look dingy, and the roof looks grimy. You can blast your house clean by investing in a good gas-powered washer. It's possible to buy one for under \$100, or you could rent one a couple times a year to keep your house looking spiffy.

9. Paint

Look around your house for any faded or peeling spots and get to work with a few gallons of paint. This won't set you back much, and it's a job most people can do themselves. Pay special attention to things like front doors, window ledges, deck railings, and shutters.

10. Tend to Your Lawn

It's easy to just mow the lawn and forget about it, but if you want one of the nicest yards in the neighborhood, you'll have to do some extra work. Each fall, you'll want to spend some time thatching out any dead stuff — there are special rakes you can buy at a low price, or even machines to rent. Once that's done, lay down new seed. This may mean you'll have to buy or rent a spreader, but those are usually available for under \$100. Bags of seed will run you about \$50 each. Water your lawn and feed it fertilizer in the spring. This will ensure your lawn comes up nice, healthy and green.

11. Dig a Pond

This can be a wonderful addition to any garden, and they aren't too difficult to construct. You can get a small polyethylene liner for less than \$100. Just dig and install. Ponds and rock beds can be a place for runoff water to go.

12. Take down holiday lights!

[City Code - Landscaping](#)

Portions of article taken from: Tim Lemke, "Living Large on a Small Budget"

Leash Laws in Eagle Mountain City

Now that warmer weather has arrived, the desire to be outside beckons. When walking your dog, please remember to always obey the following City ordinance regarding dogs (and cats too!) running at large.



6.05.110 Dogs running at large.

A. It is unlawful for the owner or person having charge, care, custody, or control of any dog to allow such dog at any time to run at large. The owner or person charged with responsibility for a dog found running at large shall be strictly liable for any violation(s) committed by the dog, regardless of whether or not the person knows the dog is running at large.

6.05.120 Cats running at large.

It is unlawful for the owner or person having charge, care, custody, or control of any cat to allow such cat to run at large on the property of another. The owner or person charged with responsibility for a cat found running at large shall be strictly liable for any violation(s) committed by the cat, regardless of whether or not the person knows the cat is running at large.

Thank you for being responsible pet owners!

City Services

EAGLE MOUNTAIN CITY OFFICES



In addition to the City Hall building located in City Center at 1650 E. Stagecoach Run, the Community Development building, located further south at 2565 Pony Express Parkway, is home to the following City departments:

- Building
- Planning
- Neighborhood Improvement
- Engineering & GIS
- Facilities & Emergency Management
- Parks Department (Parks & Trails)
- Public Utilities
- Recreation (Sports Programs)
- Storm Water
- Streets

City Hall houses the following departments:

- Administration
- City Recorder
- Community Relations
- Emergency Management
- Finance
- Human Resources
- Library
- Utility Billing
- Utah Co. Sheriff's Office - Eagle Mountain Division

Fire Stations owned by Unified Fire Authority are located at:

- 1680 E. Hertiage Dr.
- 3785 E. Pony Express Pkwy



BIRD HOUSE ART PROJECT

Eagle Mountain City and the Eagle Mountain Arts Alliance are wrapping up the bird house art project. About a dozen of the free kits are left at City Hall.

If you'd still like to participate, pick up a kit at the reception desk, decorate it, and then return it so that it can be included in a public art installation. One bird house is allowed per family. If you have not returned your decorated bird house, please do so as soon as possible. The bird houses are easy to build, fun to decorate, and your family will be listed as contributors to the public art project.

Want to participate? [Details](#)

MEALS ON WHEELS

Mayor Tom Westmoreland participated in the annual Meals on Wheels Ride-Along on March 25.

The Mountainland Senior Nutrition Program provides a hot, nutritious lunch for seniors age 60+ in Utah, Wasatch, and Summit Counties.

The program serves more than 800 seniors each day. For those who are homebound, meals can be delivered to your home through Meals on Wheels. For those who are able to get out on their own, lunch is served at many city senior centers daily.

The meal is provided to seniors 60 years of age or older and/or the spouse of someone 60 years of age and older for a suggested donation of \$3.

For more information, call Mountainland in Utah County at (801) 229-3802.



Schools

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Eagle Mountain public schools currently accepting enrollment for 2019-2020 school year

Whether you already have students attending your boundary school or you do not have any children enrolled in Alpine School District, this is a great time to register your kindergartener.

If you are not sure of your boundary school, you may do a search by typing in your address at <https://alpineschools.org/bus-boundaries/>. Follow the directions on this web page to search for your address. Click on the left and right arrows at the top of the pop-up box to toggle into boundary school information. You may also call local elementary schools to get assistance. School secretaries at each school are anxious to help you fill out the correct registration paperwork.

Please note that parents will need to provide current immunization records, an original birth certificate, and proof of residency to register their kindergartener at their boundary school. Other paperwork may be required, depending on family circumstances.

Calendar

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Following is a snapshot of some upcoming community events. Please visit the city website calendar at www.emcity.org/events for additional events, more details and updates as warranted.

APR 16



City Council Meeting

Time: 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM
Location: City Hall

Work Session begins at 4:00 p.m., Policy Session begins at 7:00 p.m. Items are discussed in work session and voted on in policy session.

APR 18



City Offices & Library Closures

Time: 11:30 AM - 3:30 PM
Location: City Offices/Library

The City offices and Library will be closed for part of the day for an employee activity. The Library will also be closed Saturday, April 20 for Easter.

APR 22



Seniors Game Night

Time: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Location: Senior Center

The Seniors (55+) will hold a game night. Please bring a treat to share and your favorite game to play.

APR 23

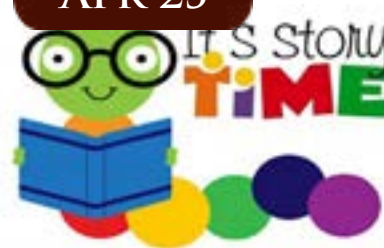


Planning Commission Meeting

Time: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Location: City Hall

Agenda and supporting documents typically posted on the City website calendar by the Friday before the meeting.

APR 25



Story Time

Time: 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Location: Library

Story Time sessions are held Tuesdays and Thursdays (same content each day per week) for ages 3-6 years. Free event.

APR 27



Chess Club - NEW

Time: 3:00 - 4:30 PM
Location: Library

The library will begin offering a Chess Club for residents ages 8 and older. This will be free to attend and no registration is necessary at this time.

Small Businesses are invited to apply for a spot at [ShopFest Utah](http://ShopFestUtah). This one-day mega small business market is a great way to get your business in front of thousands of potential customers. ShopFest Utah will be taking place at Cory Wride Memorial Park, September 21 from 10 AM-10 PM.



Family Fun NIGHT

Wednesday, May 29 4:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Please come join us for a *FREE* Family Fun Night at Nolen Park
More inflatables than ever before, new additions for smaller children!

Zip Line | 35 ft. Tiger | Bungee Trampoline | Zorb Track | 95 ft. Obstacle
Animal Go Karts | Princess Bounce House | Mario Bros. Bounce House |
Sesame Street Playground and more!

Free Popcorn & Cotton Candy | Vendor Booths | Food Trucks
Games and music provided by Gotta Dance



movie in the PARK

Family Fun Night is followed by
our Movie in the Park.
Movie will start at 9:00 p.m.



PONY EXPRESS DAYS CARNIVAL

MAY 30 - BUDDY NIGHT

EVENT STARTS AT 4:00 P.M. AND CLOSES AT 10:00 P.M.

Buddy passes can be purchased onsite at the carnival from 4-7 PM.
They are not pre-sold at schools or City Hall.

Buy 1 One-day ride pass for \$30 and get 1 One-day ride pass for free,
can only be used on Thursday night and both people need to be present
at time of purchase.

MAY 31 - JUNE 1

EVENT STARTS AT 12:00 P.M. AND CLOSES AT 11:00 P.M.

Pre Sale Tickets: All Day Wristband \$20
Available now through May 29 until noon, at City Hall
Available at schools April 15 - May 28, end of school day (excluding Frontier Middle School)

ONSITE TICKET INFO: One-day ride passes will be \$25 and can be redeemed
at the ticket booth for a one-day wristband, 1 Ticket = \$1



American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Eagle Mountain City
BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, April 22, 2019
11:30 am – 5:30 pm

1650 E. Stagecoach Run
City Council Chambers

For an appointment go to redcrossblood.org using
SPONSOR CODE: Eagle Mountain City
You can also contact Linda at lpeterson@emcity.com

Walk-Ins Welcome until 5:15 pm.

Day or drive log onto redcrossblood.org/rapidpass and online and answer health history questions save 15 minutes off your donation time.

Thank you for your service!

Robin Hood: Legend of the Sherwood Bandit
YOUTH CAMP

AGES 8-18
JUNE 3RD-29TH
EARLY BIRD PRICING
\$50 (Price increases May 1, 2019)

www.eaglemountainarts.com/em-community-theater-group

EAGLE MOUNTAIN
Mortenson construction

NO TIME TO WASTE

Dumpsters available off Mid-Valley Road
from May 2nd @ 4:00 PM to May 5th @ 8:00 PM
emcity.org/cleanup

VOLUNTEER
TO CLEAN UP OUR COMMUNITY

MAY 4th
10 AM - 12 PM
CORY WRIDE MEMORIAL PARK

Gather your friends, family, and neighbors for a noble cause! Help repair City fortifications, free our environment from the stranglehold of garbage, or participate in many other needed tasks. Everyone is needed in this great undertaking!

emcity.org/cleanup

VOLUNTEERS RECEIVE:

Box Lunch
from Six Sisters
Deli & Grille

Courtesy of
Mortenson Construction

Snack/Swag Bag
Includes a Hat

Bonus Prize for
wearing anything
Star Wars related



Camp Floyd State Park Artisan Day
April 27, 2019

Dutch oven Cook-off Competition 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Artisans demonstrating their skills 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Cowboy Poetry and Music 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Park Entrance Fee is \$5 per person or \$15 per family

Food available for purchase
For more information please visit campfloyd.utah.gov
Find us on Facebook
Email campfloyd@utah.gov or call (801) 768-8932

WHAT TO DUMP	WHAT NOT TO DUMP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yard Waste e-Waste Light Household Waste 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Animal Remains Paint Commercial Waste Tires Appliances Televisions Furniture Mattresses Fireworks/Explosives Barbed Wire Dirt Rocks Large Wood Sections Hazardous waste of any kind

MEET THE FORCE

May 4th, 12 pm - 2pm
Cory Wride Park

Meet your local law enforcement officials, learn about programs and resources, and more



**2019
Pony Express Days**

Save the date

 **Rodeo**
May 24, 25 & 27

Pancake Dinner
May 28

Family Fun Night & Movie In The Park
May 29

Carnival, Vendor Booths, & Entertainment Stage
May 30 - June 1

Eagle Mountain Symphony Orchestra Concert
May 31

Pony Express Adventure Ride & Campout
May 31

Grand Parade, 5K, Demolition Derby, Concert & Fireworks
June 1

Visit emcity.org/ped for more details and registrations.

*For questions/ticket info for the Rodeo or Demolition Derby, please visit:
www.ponyexpressevents.com*



To stay up-to-date with City news, events, and more - follow Eagle Mountain City on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Instagram. You may also subscribe to email/text notifications, including emergency alerts at www.emcity.org/notifyme.

