

# THE EAGLE'S VIEW NEWSLETTER

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IN LIFE, WE ALL KNOW THAT  
CHANGE AND CHALLENGES  
WILL COME.

What we did not know is that so many of them  
would come in the year 2020.

It makes us appreciate all the more things  
that we might otherwise take for granted as  
being institutions.

We can now add to that list an Eagle  
Mountain institution, as City Administrator  
Ifo Pili leaves to become the new City  
Manager for Las Cruces, New Mexico. We  
are sad to see Ifo go but wish him well in his  
new endeavor. Ifo has been serving Eagle  
Mountain for over fourteen years. We were  
lucky to have him as he helped turn a  
struggling young city trying to find itself into a stable and  
respected Utah municipality.



Mayor Westmoreland

In addition to his time spent with administrator duties, Ifo also  
represented the City on various boards throughout the state.  
This helped establish our City as a contributor and leader in  
Utah.

However, in his departure, Ifo has not left us in the lurch.  
Through years of practicing well-established management  
methods for success, our staff is well trained and prepared to

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Contact the City

[www.eaglemountaincity.com](http://www.eaglemountaincity.com)

1650 Stagecoach Run  
Eagle Mountain, UT 84005

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



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step up and take on additional responsibilities.

As with other challenges we have had to face this year, Eagle Mountain has prepared for moments like this. As much as we would like people to stay, there are a variety of reasons that people leave. So that we are not caught off guard and scrambling to find suitable replacements, in which we would inevitably have to compromise on something, we try to have a succession plan for every position.

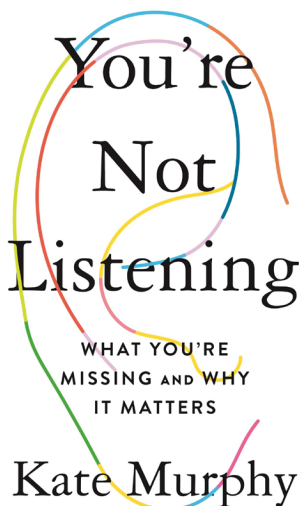
In this case, Paul Jerome has been with the City for thirteen years. His responsibilities have included being the Assistant City Administrator for six years and Finance Director for eight years. He also served on the Government Finance Officers Association board for six years, including as president. He is well prepared to step into the Administrator position. In fact, Paul's experience and certifications will make him one of the most qualified city administrators in the state from day one.

**Mayor Tom Westmoreland**

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[www.facebook.com/mayorwestmoreland](http://www.facebook.com/mayorwestmoreland)



MAYOR'S BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

The Power of One by Trudy Ludwig

A story about the ripple effects of small acts of kindness. Really great picture book that starts with one act of kindness and snowballs into an entire community.

You're not Listening by Kate Murphy

Now that many of us are surrounded by screens from the moment we wake up till the time we fall asleep, we're similarly surrounded by ceaseless distractions that have significantly shrunk our attention spans. The author explains how listening has become a lost art, and in the rare instance that someone devotes their undivided attention to a person speaking, it can create an instant bond between two individuals.



**Join us for the  
Chamber of Commerce  
September Luncheon**

**Thursday, September 10**  
>>> 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. <<<

Garden Near the Green  
3700 E. Campus Drive #100  
Eagle Mountain

**DIRECT**   
COMMUNICATIONS



**Brigham Griffin**  
Direct Communications  
Marketing Director

**About our Speaker**

Brigham Griffin has been the Marketing Director for Direct Communications since 2005. He also is currently a Professional in Residence at the Woodbury School of Business at UVU and specializes in teaching courses on Services Marketing, International Marketing, and Marketing Strategy.

>>> **PLEASE REGISTER** <<<  
<https://www.eaglemountainchamber.com/events-calendar>



Recycling Tip!

Keep lids on  
your plastic  
bottles and  
jugs!



ACE DISPOSAL  
EST. 1980

Kate Murphy

## Caregiver Support Groups

MAG Aging & Family Services is holding free virtual support groups for caregivers of a senior loved one, via Zoom on Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 11 a.m. To join, contact Karen at [cgsupport@mountainland.org](mailto:cgsupport@mountainland.org) or 801-229-3808. Zoom lessons and tech support available if needed.

## Pony Express Re-ride

The traditional Pony Express Re-ride conducted by the National Pony Express Association has been cancelled for 2020. The event, which passes through Eagle Mountain, is typically held in June.

## Walk For Awareness

September is National Suicide Awareness and Prevention month. Cedar Valley High School (CVHS) is committed to raise awareness for this important cause.

CVHS will hold activities for students in September, culminating in a community-wide effort to “Walk for Awareness. Please join CVHS on Saturday, September 26 for a 1 mile walk. Families are welcome. Starting time is 9:00 at CVHS. For more information please contact [Melissa Herbert](#), PTSA Safety.

# EMERGENCY PREPARATION

## Back to School Planning

Going back to school this fall will require schools and families to work together even more than before. Schools will be making changes to their policies and operations with several goals: supporting learning; providing important services, such as school meals, extended daycare, extracurricular activities, and social services; and limiting the transmission of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. Teachers and staff can teach and encourage preventive behaviors at school. Likewise, it will be important for families to emphasize and model healthy behaviors at home and to talk to your children about changes to expect this school year. Even if your child will attend school in-person, it is important to prepare for the possibility of virtual learning if school closes or if your child becomes exposed to COVID-19 and needs to stay home.

CDC has created a checklist to help with back to school planning for school year (SY) 2020-2021. Some highlights of that list include the following:

- Check in with your child each morning for signs of illness or fever and keep home, if necessary

- Make sure your child is up to date with all recommended vaccines, including for flu

- Review and practice proper hand washing

- Talk to your child about precautions to take at school. This may include washing/sanitizing hands often, physical distancing, face masks/covering, avoiding sharing objects with other students, etc.

- Have multiple masks/coverings so they can be washed daily and have back-ups ready

- Familiarize yourself with your school’s plan for how they will communicate with families when a positive case or exposure is identified

- Planning for possible school closures due to exposure or increased community spread

- Talk with your child about how school will look different, including interactions with classmates and teachers

For more information and the complete checklist, please visit [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus).



# NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT

## RV, Trailer, and Boat Parking

Summertime brings opportunity for fun outdoor recreation using a variety of vehicles, but this can also create problems for street parking.

City Code - 10.10.090 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 24 hours;
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.

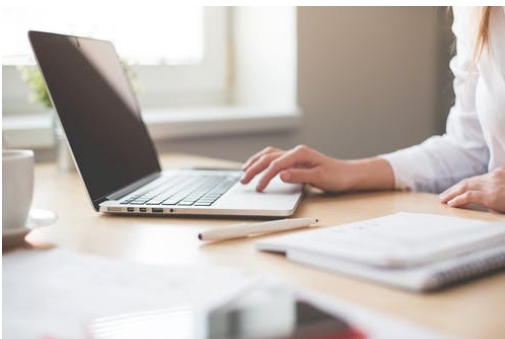
B. Exceptions. This section shall not restrict the temporary parking or stopping of a city vehicle or of a vehicle owned and/or operated by a public utility for the purpose of conducting repairs or related work. This section shall not restrict the temporary parking of vehicles actively used to deliver 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.

10.10.100 Towing authorized.

In addition to all other penalties authorized by law, and at the expense of the owner, any vehicle or trailer parked in violation of this article may be towed to impound.

Questions? Contact the Neighborhood Improvement office at [neighborhoodimprovement@emcity.org](mailto:neighborhoodimprovement@emcity.org) or 801-789-6690.

## How To Participate in City Council and Planning Commission Meetings



As Eagle Mountain City continues to traverse the COVID-19 pandemic, we are dedicated to ensuring that City business moves forward and that residents have a voice in the decisions that are being made that affect our city.

City Council meetings are generally held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month and Planning Commission meetings the 2nd and 4th Tuesday. Residents are invited to join these meetings. They can be accessed via live stream through the [City Meetings Portal](#) on our City website. Those interested in providing public comment can find the [public comment form](#) at the same City Meetings Portal.

Feel free to contact the [Mayor](#), members of the [City Council](#) or members of the [Planning Commission](#) individually with any concerns.



## Wildlife in Eagle Mountain: Horned Lizard

By way of review, some of the wildlife in Eagle Mountain that we've featured in this series of Eagle Mountain Wildlife articles have been - raptors, cougar, mule deer, the desert cottontail, owls, pronghorn and the Western Meadowlark, as well as an article on the risk for all of the birds in our area via the roaming domestic cat population problem. All of this wildlife is readily seen. If you've lived here for even a short time, you've likely seen some of them while out hiking, biking, off-roading or just driving around in your car.

We do, however, have plentiful wildlife that is not so easily observed and takes a little more acute observation to discover.



Photo Credit: Heather Ray Swanger

Among those is the very unique horned lizard.<sup>i</sup>

Horned lizards get their name from the row of horns on their head. There are several species of horned lizards. They generally have a shortened snout, short legs and a wide, flattened body, which make them resemble toads. They range in color from gray to reddish-brown or yellow, which serves as an effective camouflage from predators. Horned lizards vary in size based on the species, but average lengths range from 2.5 to 6 inches.

Horned lizards generally breed in spring and summer. Some females lay eggs in moist sand, where they incubate for 45 to 55 days. Other species of horned lizards retain their fertilized eggs internally until they hatch and still some other species actually experience the live birth of their young. Young horned lizards must learn to survive on their own from the time they are born. They develop into fully grown adults by the time they are three years old.

Horned lizards have unusual ways to protect themselves from common predators, which include coyotes, hawks and snakes. They can puff themselves up to twice their normal size, and some horned lizard species can also shoot blood from ducts in their eyes to confuse predators. They catch ants and other insects by snapping them up as they pass by.

Horned lizards still inhabit much of their native range, which includes Eagle Mountain's scrub and sage terrain. While habitat destruction has led to decreases in some areas, there have been no significant population losses for these lizards. The main threats to horned lizards include habitat loss, aggressive efforts to get rid of ants in certain areas and capture for the pet trade.

<sup>i</sup>Safaripedia/Horned Lizard



Census Takers will always present a badge with a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark and expiration date before collecting information. They will also have other Census-issued materials or items such as a bag or laptop. Finally, Census takers will never ask for banking or credit card information.

If you would like to respond before Census takers visit your home, you can easily, quickly, and securely [respond online](#), or by calling one of the numbers [listed here](#).

## Veteran EM Administrator Moves On



Ifo Pili started with Eagle Mountain City as a management intern in 2006 and served as city administrator for the past eight years. He has accepted a new position as city manager in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Why is now the time to leave Eagle Mountain City?

I absolutely love Eagle Mountain and this is one of the most prosperous times in the city's history. After all we've been through to get to this point, logic certainly does not suggest that this is the time to move on from Eagle Mountain. However, for me and my family, we feel that this is something we need to do. Although, I will say that I would not be able to move on, without knowing that it will be in good hands and that there are still many great things on the horizon for the city.

What were some of the most challenging issues you dealt with in EM?

Since coming to a relatively brand new city and one of the fastest growing cities in the country, there are too many to just talk about a few. But that's what I loved the most about this job. The challenges brought excitement and opportunity.

How have you grown as a manager?

Years ago, as a young, new city administrator, I was counseled by a seasoned manager, to never become emotionally attached to the city that you manage, because it can cloud your professional judgement. While I thought that was sound advice, I realized that I had already fallen in love with the city. I've learned that as a manager or in any profession, in order to be at our best, there is another gear we must operate on and it has to do with becoming emotionally attached and falling in love. Before, I made the decision to accept the position in Las Cruces, I told their Council that I only had one question for them. What do you love about your city? I knew that in order for me to manage at peak performance, I had to know if Las Cruces was a city that I could fall in love with.

What are you most proud of accomplishing as city administrator?

Over a decade ago, we had a vision for the City. We made a list. We had projects we wanted to accomplish, financial goals and businesses we wanted to attract. We had a brand and image we wanted to recreate. While we are not finished, I'm proud of all we've done to check off that list.

Is there anything that you would do differently if you were starting over?

I can honestly say that I would not do anything differently. That does not mean that I haven't made mistakes or even have regrets. I am just very happy with where we are as a city and everything we were able to learn and gain from the decisions that were made over the years, both good and bad.

How do you picture EM in 20 years?

I see Eagle Mountain as one of the largest cities in the state, with a vibrant downtown and an illustrious industrial park. At the same time, I don't see it as congested as the typical large city. I can see the city still maintaining the small town feel, culture and beautiful open spaces and trails that make Eagle Mountain what it is today.

How have your impressions of Eagle Mountain changed from when you first moved here to now?

I've loved the city from the very first time I drove through it. While many things have changed (including a 400% population increase), I will love it, even on the day I drive out. No matter where I go, Eagle Mountain will always have a piece of my heart.



## Miss Eagle Mountain 2020 Royalty Crowned

Miss Eagle Mountain 2020, Miss Eagle Mountain's Outstanding Teen 2020 and Little Miss Eagle Mountain have been selected from among various candidates. In addition, Eagle Mountain's Woman of the Year was announced at the scholarship pageant.

Miss Eagle Mountain 2020 is Sydney Glass and her 1st Attendant is Hannah Whiting. Miss Eagle Mountain's Outstanding Teen 2020 is Olivia Huish, with 1st Attendant Allie Smith and 2nd Attendant Chloe Whiting.

Miss Eagle Mountain is a franchise of the Miss America Pageant. The Miss America Organization is one of the largest providers of scholarships to women in the world. Each year the organization offers millions in scholarships to its participants. The Miss Eagle Mountain pageant strives to change lives and influence young women in our community. Our tradition for the past decade is empowering young women to achieve their personal and professional goals. We do this while providing a forum in which to express their opinions and talent. Our goals include helping young women pay for college and prepare for a career. We also provide an opportunity to gain additional life experience, working on issues of importance to society, enhancing ones personal and professional skills and developing performance-related and other talents.

The Woman of the Year is Brenda Van Wagoner. Brenda has been heavily involved for many years in service to local schools, particularly through the PTA, the Reflections program and music. She has also been active in service to scouting, filling many positions in that organization and having been selected by the Utah National Parks Council of the Boy Scouts of America as one of the Outstanding Women in Scouting.



Miss Eagle Mountain 2020 Sydney Glass, 1st Attendant Hannah Whiting, Little Miss EM Penelope Miller



Miss EM's Outstanding Teen 2020 Royalty - (L-R: 2nd Attendant Chloe Whiting, Outstanding Teen Olivia Huish, 1st Attendant Allie Smith)



Woman of the Year award recipient Brenda Van Wagoner

## Housing and Food Resources

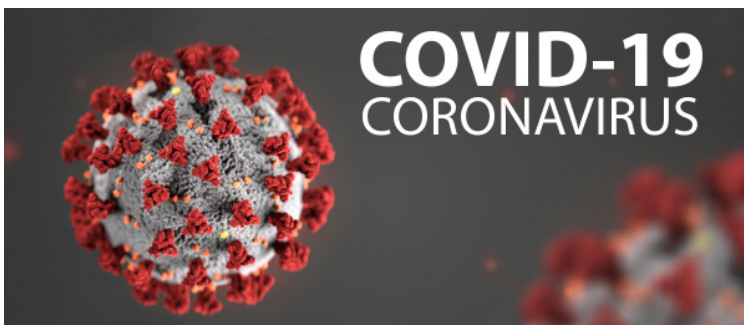
Information provided by - Community Action Services

Residents of Utah county, are you wondering how you're going to pay next month's rent, mortgage payment, or utility bill? People are getting back to work, and businesses are open, but COVID-19 is still wreaking havoc on the economy and population. The unemployment rate remains higher than normal.

Many unemployed Utahns have survived the pandemic so far, with extra unemployment insurance provided by the CARES Act and state and federal eviction moratoriums. CARES funding ran out on July 31, though, and the state eviction order ended on May 15. So housing advocates are worried that people won't be able to pay housing costs and other bills.

Emergency assistance is part of our mission at Community Action Services and Food Bank. We've offered food through our food pantries, emergency shelter and rent help, transportation, and more. Now, however, we have additional funding to help people during this economic crisis. With a portion of a state-wide, \$4 million financial aid program, we can help more people struggling with bills.

[Click here](#) to learn more about the housing programs.



For the most up-to-date information from the Utah Department of Health and the Utah Coronavirus Task Force for individuals and businesses, please visit [coronavirus.utah.gov](https://coronavirus.utah.gov).

The site includes information on how to find testing locations, detailed health guidelines, an order form for free masks, community resources - including information in other languages, and educational/business/mental health resources.



## Support local businesses during Digital ShopFest Utah

Small businesses have suffered greatly from the economic impacts of COVID-19. To make matters worse, events like festivals and street fairs have shut down around the country, including in Utah, severely limiting opportunities for local businesses to sell products and services.

Rather than cancel this year, ShopFest Utah, formerly the Eagle Mountain Street Fair, sought out partners to help keep this event going in some way as an opportunity for small businesses to recover. Facebook answered that call and thanks to their support, ShopFest Utah has a unique digital platform to host its event this year.

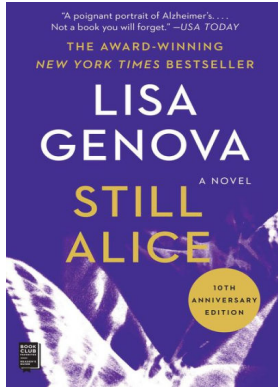
From August 28th - 30th, the Street Fair experience will be digitally recreated in a way that gives you a taste of each participating business as you browse the market, and then store fronts, live videos & chat, and so much more when you "enter" a business.

Mark your calendar and shop local during ShopFest Utah's digital event to help our Utah small businesses weather this period of time.

Visit the [ShopFest Utah](#) page of the City website for more details and [start shopping](#) August 28-30.



## Eagle Mountain Library Book Club!



August's book is:

### *Still Alice*

By Lisa Genova

Please ask a staff member if you would like a copy of this book for checkout.

We will be discussing this book on Facebook in our **Eagle Mountain Library Book Club Discussion Group** the week of August 24-28.

Our book for September will be:

### *Alcatraz vs the Evil Librarians*

By Brandon Sanderson

Please check our **Eagle Mountain Library Book Club Discussion Group** Facebook page for updates on this book's discussion.



## FALL CLEANUP DUMPSTERS

Available September 17 - 20



### SCHEDULE

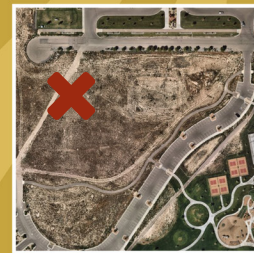
**SEP 17**  
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
**SEP 18 - 20**  
8:00 AM - 8:00 PM  
**SEP 19**  
Document Shredding  
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

### WHAT TO DUMP

- ▶ Yard waste
- ▶ e-Waste
- ▶ Light Household Waste

### WHERE

West side of Cory Wide Memorial Park at the end of Mid Valley Rd.



### WHAT NOT TO DUMP

- ▶ Animal Remains
- ▶ Paint
- ▶ Commercial Waste
- ▶ Tires
- ▶ Appliances
- ▶ Furniture
- ▶ Mattresses
- ▶ Explosives
- ▶ Barbed Wire
- ▶ Dirt & Rocks
- ▶ Oversized Items
- ▶ Any Hazardous Waste

**NATIONAL**

# SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE™

**1-800-273-TALK (8255)**

[suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org)

## FREE SENIOR MEALS

**Pick-Up is:**

- Monday-Thursday
- Call 801-420-2272 or Email [events@emcity.org](mailto:events@emcity.org) to sign up
- Order by 1pm the day before pick-up

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**Census  
2020**

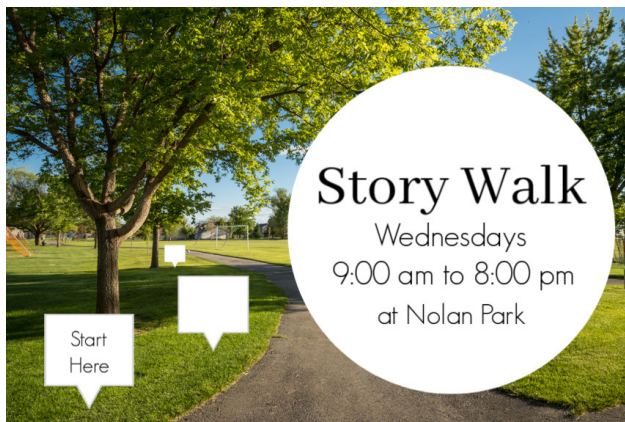
Respond Today: [my2020census.gov](http://my2020census.gov)

EAGLE MOUNTAIN

The Key To More:

**Roads  
Schools  
Businesses  
Services  
Representation**

In Eagle Mountain



**Story Walk**  
Wednesdays  
9:00 am to 8:00 pm  
at Nolan Park

Start Here

## COVID-19 YELLOW PHASE

### PARKS & OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

- Stay home if you feel sick
- Maintain a distance of 6 ft from anyone outside your immediate family
- Wash hands frequently
- Avoid gathering in groups over 50 people
- Face coverings worn in settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain



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## CITY HOTLINE

801-789-5959  
(AFTER HOURS OR URGENT)

OPTION 2: PARKS

OPTION 3: WATER

OPTION 4: SEWER

OPTION 5:  
STORM DRAIN

(street flooding or illegal dumping in drains)

OPTION 6: STREETS

## City Notifications

### Sign-up:

Emergency & Traffic Alerts

City News

Special Events

Public Meetings

Jobs

[www.emcity.org/notifyme](http://www.emcity.org/notifyme)

Choose HOW you want to be notified.

(email or text - phone calls emergency only)



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