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FEBRUARY MARKS THE START OF A NEW BUDGETING CYCLE.

The 2020-2021 fiscal year begins on July 1.

This means city officials and staff will be measuring past performance to see how much has been accomplished in pursuit of existing goals and using that information to set new goals with appropriate funding. It means forecasting future needs so that we can begin setting those wheels in motion. It means planning for roads, parks, trails, and public safety needs.



Mayor Westmoreland

Where does tax revenue come from and where does it go? Following is a simplified breakdown of the city budget. Notice that the majority of tax revenue the city receives is sales tax.

Revenue

Sales Tax \$4,300,000 Property tax \$1,500,000 B&C Roads (gas tax) \$1,350,000 Municipal Energy tax \$1,100,000

Expense

Public Safety \$2,808,000 Streets Maintenance \$2,641,000 Parks Maintenance \$1,774,000 Everything Else \$1,027,000

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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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Over the last few years sales tax revenue has been the fastest growing at a rate of about 12%. This is part of the reason why economic development in Eagle Mountain is so important. The more tax dollars stay in the city, the more it can benefit residents here. Right now Eagle Mountain residents spend a lot of money outside of the city. Those tax dollars go into the budgets of other cities. Not only can economic development help to keep those dollars here but it can being in new money. This is why projects like the Eagle Mountain Data Center can be so beneficial. It costs very little to service but brings significant outside revenue into the city. That is a net revenue gain. Whereas, homes in the same space would be net revenue neutral at best.

Right now our property tax rate is among the lowest in the county and we want to keep it that way. Properties like the Data Center that bring in more than they cost help us to do that without sacrificing on services.

Budgeting for a city as large and as dynamic as Eagle Mountain is a long and involved process. We anticipate safety and transportation needs and look for funding inside and outside the city to meet those needs. In addition, we look to continue to improve public facilities like parks, all the while making sure we are more prepared for emergencies.

Please feel free to attend the budget meetings, observe, ask questions and give your input.

Mayor Tom Westmoreland

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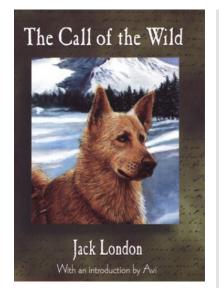








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MAYOR'S BOOK RECOMMENDATION

The Call of the Wild, by Jack London is a long-time favorite of mine. The classic novel was *published in 1903 and set in Yukon, Canada, during the 1890s Klondike Gold Rush, when strong sled dogs were in high demand. The central character of the novel is a dog named Buck. The story opens at a ranch in Santa Clara Valley, California, when Buck is stolen from his home and sold into service as a sled dog in Alaska. He becomes progressively feral in the harsh environment, where he is forced to fight to survive and dominate other dogs. By the end, he sheds the veneer of civilization, and relies on primordial instinct and learned experience to emerge as a leader in the wild.

With a movie adaptation being released this month, it is the perfect time to read or re-read the book before seeing the movie.

Utah Wellbeing Survey

Eagle Mountain City is participating in the Utah Wellbeing Project. Given the rapidly changing landscapes and populations in Utah, this survey will provide key information to city leaders about the wellbeing of residents and issues important to them. All adult residents of Eagle Mountain may take the survey here. It should take approximately 10 minutes. La encuesta está disponible en Español. Questions? Contact Dr. Courtney Flint at 435-797-8635 or courtney.flint@usu.edu.

Free Landscape Classes

Central Utah Water
Conservancy District offers free landscape classes for adults (Feb-Oct), youth and kids (summer) at their facility in Orem. Online registration is required. Please visit their website for class info and registration.

Senior Meal Program

Meals are available for seniors ages 60+ on Wednesdays and Thursdays (except the first Thursday of each month) at the Senior Center. Donations of \$3 per meal requested. Visitors under age 60 pay \$6. Reservations are required by noon the previous day by calling 801-789-6660, and leaving a message. For more program details and menu, please visit the City events calendar.

EMERGENCY PREPARATION

Family Communication Plan

Communication is vital to your family's safety when disaster strikes. Make sure that your family's emergency plan includes a communication plan, a plan for reuniting and a plan for what to do in different situations. Create your own or download and print a plan template at www.ready.gov/plan.

Create a Plan

Your communication plan should include contact information for family members and/or close friends in your community, as well as a nearby neighbor. You should also establish an out-of-town contact. You might also include contact information for schools, work, medical contacts and insurance information.

Designate Meeting Places

Choose a spot in your neighborhood where family members can gather if your home must quickly be evacuated. Designate another location in the community to go to if family members are away from home and unable to gather at your neighborhood meeting place. Include these on your plan.

Distribute Your Plan

Make copies of your plan and give them to everyone on your list, with instructions to keep the plan with them at all times, in a purse, wallet or backpack. Place copies in your vehicles' glove boxes and in your home and emergency kits. Emphasize with everyone the need to contact one another as soon as it is safe and possible after a disaster strikes.

Practice Your Plan

Once you have completed your plan, it's time to practice! Practice texting and calling all contacts on your list. Practice gathering all family members at your designated meeting places and discuss how each person would get there.

After you practice, talk about how it went.

What worked well?

What can be improved?

What information, if any, needs to be updated?

If you do make updates, remember to print new copies of the plan for everyone.







Although the groundhog has predicted an early spring, we will be dealing with wet weather for a while still. Some city roads have been covered in mud and until we have drier weather, we all need to be mindful of what is on our tires that could end up on city streets. Construction vehicle tires release mud, rocks, and debris onto city streets continuously. UTV's, ATV's and other vehicles track mud onto streets when exiting fields and other off-road areas. This creates very dirty roads and other issues such as, broken windshields from rocks and dried mud, vehicle damage, and frustration when you have just washed your car.

Construction sites are required to install track-out pads. These pads consist of large rock material or grates that collect and trap mud and debris from tires of vehicles leaving the site. However, when these pads get worn down or full of mud, they become much less effective and mud ends up on the roads. Neighborhood Improvement Officers and the Environmental Code Compliance Officer patrol and inspect construction zones looking for potential problems with "tracking out" and act immediately to get mud removed from city streets at or near these sites. Unfortunately, weather conditions make this difficult, but we do our best to keep up with these issues to keep our streets as clean and clear as possible. If you observe mud track out from construction sites, please contact us. Track out happens and sometimes there is not much we can do if the weather refuses to cooperate, but we are aware of the situation and will do what we can to lessen the impact.

The following code and accompanying fines apply to tracking out onto city streets:

Vehicles caught tracking mud or debris onto city streets will be given a Violation Notice. [EMMC 8.05.150]

First violation a written notice, second violation \$50, third violation \$100. [CFS 1.6.4.2.]

Let's work together to keep Eagle Mountain streets mud-free and safe for all.

Services

Did you know? Glass is 100% recyclable. When it is tossed in your recycling bin at home, it can break and harm workers at the sorting facilities. However, you can still recycle your glass containers by taking them to a drop-off location. The glass is processed and recycled here in Utah. For more drop-off locations, please visit MomentumRecycling.com

Why can't glass go in my recycling bin?

Because the recycling sorting facilities in Utah do not have the equipment to process glass.

Questions? Contact Ace Disposal at 801-363-9995 or recycle@acedisposal.com.



Wildlife in Eagle Mountain: Pronghorn

Found only in North America, pronghorn can run at speeds close to 60 miles an hour, second only in speed to the cheetah, and can maintain a fast speed for a longer period of time.

The most notable characteristic of this unique animal also happens to be how it got its name. Both males and females have a pair of short horns on the top of the head. The female's horns are small, usually only a bump. In contrast, the males' horns are around 10 to 12 inches long. They have a unique shape, because unlike other hooved animals, a pronghorn's horns point backward. The horns extend straight up and then curve toward the rump. At the front of the horn is a small notch or prong that points forward. Hence the name.

As a member of the superfamily Giraffoidea, the pronghorn's closest living relatives are the giraffe and okapi. The Giraffoidea are in turn members of the infraorder Pecora, making pronghorns more distant relatives of the Cervidae (deer) and Bovidae (cattle, goats, sheep, antelopes, and gazelles), among others.

We see them frequently in Eagle Mountain's local deserts, grasslands and sagebrush areas. Eagle Mountain City is home to several herds of pronghorn. They are active during the day. If you see one, you will see many, as they prefer to live in small herds. They are herbivores. They eat grasses, forbs, sagebrush and other prairie plants. They digest their food twice. After they swallow food, it passes through the stomach and then the pronghorn regurgitates it. This process allows the pronghorn to break the plant material into smaller pieces so that more nutrients are absorbed. The regurgitated food is called cud. They seldom drink water because they receive most of their water from the plants they eat.



Photo: Shon Reed

The pronghorn depend on their strong vision to survive. If a pronghorn spots a predator, it raises its white rump hairs. The white patch becomes larger and more visible to other pronghorn. They know that signal means to be on the alert - danger is near.

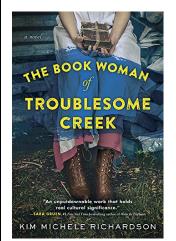
These mammals breed in late summer or fall depending on their location. The females are pregnant throughout the winter and give birth in the spring to one or two fawns. Although fawns can stand within a day of birth, they are still weak for a few days and must be protected from predators. The fawns stay with their mother for about a year until they become independent. Pronghorn have an average lifespan of around 10 years.

The migration of pronghorn depends entirely on where the pronghorn lives. The pronghorn in the Eagle Mountain area do not even need to migrate because the nearby land has plenty of food all year. On the other hand, several herds, with about 400 pronghorn, make a 300-mile roundtrip migration. In November, the snow starts falling in Wyoming and the local pronghorn herd knows that it will not be long before the snow gets too deep. In small herds, they start migrating south from Grand Teton National Park across government land, private lands and ranches. For three days, the herd is on the move. The pronghorn have to travel under fences and near roads on this grueling migration. If they make it to the Upper Green River Valley, the pronghorn will make the journey back north to greener pastures in April. The National Wildlife Federation and its affiliates are working hard to create wildlife corridors for pronghorn and other migratory wildlife to help reduce conflicts between animals and people.

Watch for the pronghorn as you are out and about in Eagle Mountain. With their excellent vision, they are sure to be very aware of us.

THE BULLETIN BOARD

Eagle Mountain Library Book Club!



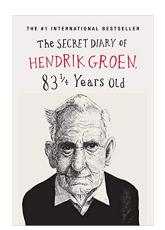
February's book is:

The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek

By Kim Michele Richardson

If you would like to participate, please ask a staff member for a copy.

We will be discussing this book in person Thursday, February 27, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the city conference room.



Our book for March will be:
The Secret Diary of
Hendrik Groen
831/4 Years Old

By Hendrik Groen

We will be discussing this book on Facebook Live in the

Eagle Mountain Library Book Club Discussion Group.





wednesday MARCH 4, 2020 2:00 - 5:00 PM

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www.emcity.org/notifyme

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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.



Early Education Activity

Time: 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM Location: City Hall

The Library staff will share their Early Learning Center Resources, with stations set up to explore letters, numbers, colors, and shapes. This activity is free, no registration required.



Open Play Chess

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

Free open play chess for ages 8 and older. The library provides the chess boards and timers.



City Offices & Library Closures

Time: 7:30 AM - 5:30 PM **Location:** City Offices/Library

The City offices and Library will be closed in observance of the Presidents Day holiday. The Library will close early on Feb. 14 at 5:30 p.m.



City Council Meeting

Time: 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM Location: City Hall

Work session: 4 p.m. Policy Session: 7 p.m. Live stream link and meeting documents available on the city website.



Seniors Valentine Movie & Potluck Dinner

Time: 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. **Location:** Senior Center

Showing "The Age of Adaline". Please bring soup, salad, or dessert to share.



Planning Commission Meeting

Time: 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM Location: City Hall

Agenda and supporting documents are typically posted on the <u>city website</u> by the Friday prior. Work session from 5:30-6:00 PM. Regular meeting starts at 6:00 PM.



Eagle Mountain Chamber of Commerce Small Business Grant Application

Deadline: February 24th, 2020

Chamber members will receive up to a \$10,000 privately funded by a Facebook grant to help grow their businesses!



Applications must be typed and emailed to holly@eaglemountainchamber.com

Review this application and its guidelines in its entirety. You will receive a confirmation email when you submit your application. If you do not receive this confirmation within a week of sending your application, please contact the Chamber.

<u>Small Business Grant Application Requirements</u>

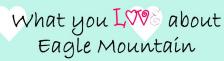


PHOTO CONTEST



Submit your favorite photo showing us what you love about Eagle Mountain!

Submit photos to events@emcity.org

Submission Deadline: February 29, 2020
Facebook Judging: March 2-8, 2020
Winners will be notified via email by March 10, 2020.

Top 3 winners will receive a canvas print of their photo that will be displayed at City Hall throughout the month of March.

(1 entry per person, City Employees and their families ineligible to win)



Miss Eagle Mountain's Outstanding Teen

presents

The Princess Academy

Saturday, February 22 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Garden Near the Green Reception Center 3700 E. Campus Dr #100, Eagle Mountain

crafts • nail painting • luncheon • photo with Miss Eagle Mountain's Outstanding Teen

Tickets are \$10 ● Ages 4 and up

Register at www.EagleMountainCity.com ● Space is limited!



Princess Academy Registration

Business After Hours

Date: Thursday, February 13th

Time: 5:30-7:00 p.m. NETWORKING EVENT
HOSTED BY
EAGLE MOUNTAIN CITY

Location: City Offices

Refreshments will be served



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City Update by Aaron Sanborn Eagle Mountain City Economic Development Director



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