

THE EAGLE'S VIEW

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THE PURPOSE OF TAXATION IS TO PAY FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY GOVERNMENT ENTITIES.

The better job a government does in efficiently rendering those services the greater likelihood of a higher quality of life for residents.

Property owners pay taxes to taxing entities – such as counties, cities, school districts, special service districts – that provide public services. Each year, your property tax is calculated by multiplying the taxable value of your property by that year's tax rate for each taxing entity in your tax area.

Eagle Mountain City has always used the county's calculation of the certified tax rate, meaning that the City has never proposed a property tax increase, yet we continue to see increased total revenues due to growth and sound management. Currently, Eagle Mountain City's portion of the total property tax rate you pay is 0.000924, which is the lowest it has ever been. This low rate is due to the increase in property values that we have seen recently. Only a few Utah County cities and towns have a local rate lower than Eagle Mountain's rate.

However, it is difficult to compare only the local portion of the rate, because each city provides different services. One example of this is fire services. Many cities provide their own fire services and pay for it with a higher local property tax rate. A few years ago, Eagle Mountain City made the decision to join the Unified Fire Service Area, which is its own separate taxing entity. The City reduced its portion of the property tax rate at that time to compensate for the fact that UFA would begin assessing their own property tax to pay for fire services in our city. When looking at the total combined property tax rate paid by property owners, Eagle Mountain City is right around the middle of the pack of Utah County cities and towns. Most of the cities in the county that have a lower total property tax rate have other revenue sources that can be used to help pay for city services, so they do not



Mayor Westmoreland recently had the opportunity to release a Great-horned Owl back into the wild. The owl was one of two owlets rescued last year by EM resident Shon Reed and others after they fell from a nest on a powerline next to Eagle Mountain Blvd. The owlets were cared for by Second Chance Wildlife and are now able to live on their own.

have to charge as high of a property tax rate.

The other main revenue source for cities is sales and use tax revenues. Eagle Mountain City's sales tax revenues are increasing and will continue to increase each year due to new commercial development that comes, but because our city is still primarily a bedroom community, the sales tax revenues received do not reach the same level as some other cities in the county which have much more retail business located within their borders. Rather than compensate for that disadvantage with increased property tax revenues, Eagle Mountain City has chosen to keep property tax rates relatively low, and to focus on more government efficiency. The result is that we are able to do more with less, and continue to provide the services that residents need and want at a level of quality that residents deserve.

In other finance news, we are pleased to announce that the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in

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Financial Reporting has been awarded to Eagle Mountain City by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR). The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of government accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. The City's new fiscal year budget as approved by the City Council started July 1. Budget documents may be found at www.emcity.org/budget.

The Mayor's recommended family reading for July is "The Jungle Book" by Rudyard Kipling. It was first published in 1894. Inspired by his early childhood in India and his return when he was sixteen, "The Jungle Book" is Kipling's most popular creation. Raised by a family of wolves since birth, the "man-cub" Mowgli must leave the only home he's ever known when the fearsome tiger Shere Khan unleashes his mighty roar. Guided by a no-nonsense panther and a free-spirited bear, the young boy meets an array of jungle animals, including a slithery python and a smooth-talking ape. Along the way, Mowgli learns about the "law of the jungle" and other valuable life lessons as his epic journey of self-discovery leads to fun and adventure.

We see a very similar theme in Kipling's poem "If," which is one of my personal favorites.

For teen and adult reading I recommend "John Adams" by David McCullough. Experience the master storytelling of McCullough as he gives us an up-close and colorful introduction to one of the leading founders of this country. Adams' passion and personality come out in full force in this most dramatic time in American history.

"John Adams" is also available on DVD in a well done miniseries by HBO, starring Paul Giamatti. I highly recommend the movie version as an entertaining way to teach children about American history.

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Dogs and Cats are not permitted to run at large in EM City. Animal control may be reached at 801-794-3970.

DID YOU KNOW?



NEWS BRIEFS

Seniors Activities

All are held at City Hall unless stated otherwise. Details and updates are posted on the [website calendar](#). Seniors activities are open to those who are ages 55+.

July 26 Canasta, 1:00 p.m.
Bring snacks to share.

July 30 Ice Cream Social, 5 p.m.
Bring topping to share.

Aug. 2 Lunch Bunch, 11:30 a.m.
Location TBA

Email: seniorcouncil@emcity.org

Eagle Mountain Arts Alliance Events

Fridays from 7-9 p.m. - Eagle Mountain Symphony Orchestra rehearsals at Faith Community Church - 3535 E Ranches Parkway, Eagle Mountain

July 27 - Swing Dance - Location TBA

August 3 - Paint Night - 3998 E. Mohican Drive 7:00 p.m.

August 9 - LUW Chapter Meeting 7:00-9:00 p.m. - Smith's Community Room

August 10 - Eagle Mountain's Got Talent & Announcing of winners of Scavenger Hunt 7:00 p.m.

For more information, please visit www.eaglemountainarts.com.

City Offices and Library Closure

The City Offices and Library will be closed Tuesday, July 24 for the Pioneer Day holiday.

Musical Showcase - Auditions

Audition for Eagle Mountain Community Theatre's 3rd annual Musical Showcase Fundraiser, performing songs from the early 1900's to musical favorites of today. This is a great opportunity for families to perform together! Anyone ages 8+ accepted. Sign up before midnight, August 10 at <https://www.eaglemountainarts.com/>

City Notifications - Recreation Programs

The City's recreation department has changed the process to receive information about sports program registrations and other sports info. If you are already registered to receive city email/text notices, please update your subscription preferences to be sure that EM Recreation Programs is checked. Not registered? Sign-up at www.emcity.org/notifyme.

Splash Pads Operating Hours & Rules

Nolen Park: Operating hours 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily through Labor Day.

Wride Park: Operating hours 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday - Saturday. Update forthcoming regarding if this recirculating system will continue to be closed on Sundays for cleaning/regulating the water and maintenance to insure public health safety. The water feature will operate through Labor Day.

Rules for Nolen and Wride Park Water Features:

- Children under 12 must have adult supervision to use the water feature
- Swim diaper and plastic diaper cover required for non-potty trained children
- Change diapers in restrooms only
- Dispose of trash in garbage cans
- NO climbing on any water features
- NO running on splash pad or in stream. Be aware of slippery surfaces.
- NO pets (this includes service animals who may be on the perimeter of the splash pad only, not in the water areas)
- NO food, drink, alcohol, smoking, vaping, glass, diving, skateboarding, scooters, bikes or other vehicles or throwing debris in system
- The water feature at Wride Park shuts down every two hours for 10 minutes to help regulate the condition of the water. This also allows for a bathroom break, if needed. The water is intermittently treated and recycled.



We are delighted to offer these amenities to our residents and hope everyone will do their part to help keep them healthy, safe and in great condition. Thank you for your support.

STREET FAIR

FREE PUBLIC EVENT

AUGUST 11TH
Peregrine Rd. 9AM - 4PM

REGIONAL SMALL BUSINESS EVENT
STREET FAIR
ESTD 1998
EAGLE MOUNTAIN CITY UTAH

150 SMALL BUSINESSES
WITH BIG DREAMS





Redwood Road

IMPROVED

Saratoga Springs

New project work will begin in July 2018 and is scheduled to be complete by fall 2019. Geneva Rock has been selected as the contractor for the following improvements:

- New east-west Continuous Flow Intersection (CFI) at Pioneer Crossing.
- Widened road (from two to five lanes) between Lake View Terrace Road and Village Parkway.

Construction activities and schedule are subject to change.

STAY INFORMED

If you would like to receive weekly email updates during construction, contact a project representative by calling 801-997-5682, emailing redwoodsaratoga@utah.gov, or visiting udot.utah.gov/redwoodsaratoga.

For traffic information related to this project and others throughout the state, visit udottraffic.utah.gov or download the UDOT Traffic app.



PUBLIC NOTICE

State Route 73

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY

Eagle Mountain to Saratoga Springs

UDOT has released a draft of the S.R. 73 State Environmental Study (SES), and the public is invited to view the refined alignment of the Freeway with Frontage Roads concept and provide comments on the Draft SES.

Please visit the project website at udot.utah.gov/sr73 or come to the public hearing to review the Draft SES, see maps of the refined freeway with frontage roads alignment and learn more about the results of the study.



Freeway with Frontage Roads concept visualization near Ranches Parkway

PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, July 31 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Black Ridge Elementary School
9358 North Sunset Drive
Eagle Mountain

The comment period for the S.R. 73 Draft SES is from July 17-August 17, 2018 and the public is invited to provide formal comments on the Draft SES at the hearing, on the project website and through email.



City Code



City Parking Code

Parking violations are one of the top violations in the city and affects every resident.

Neighborhood Improvement enforces the parking code to ensure:

- Safety
- No obstructions for emergency traffic
- Clear views of traffic and pedestrians
- Quality of neighborhood appearance

Illegal parked vehicles, abandon, non-registered and inoperative vehicles will be towed from city streets and property.

Best parking practices:

- Park in your own garage / driveway
- Park in a location that does not block mailboxes
- Park on the correct side of the street
- Park on a driveway
- Be courteous to neighbors and mindful of where you park

0.10.010 “No parking” zones

It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle or leave any vehicle standing unattended in Eagle Mountain City on park strips, sidewalks or a city street marked as a “no parking” zone either by signage or by curb marking established by authority of the city council.

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.

10.10.030 Parking on public streets without being moved.

It is unlawful to leave any vehicle parked on a public street for longer than 72 hours without being moved.

10.10.080 Definitions

A. “Commercial vehicle” means a tractor or motor vehicle with more than two axles, trailer, or semi-trailer used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property that operates:

1. As a carrier for hire, compensation, or profit; or
2. As a carrier to transport the vehicle owner’s goods or property in furtherance of the owner’s commercial enterprise.

B. “Recreational vehicle” means a vehicular unit other

than a mobile home, primarily designed as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreational, or vacation use that is either self-propelled or pulled by another vehicle. “Recreational vehicle” includes:

1. A travel trailer;
2. A camping trailer;
3. A motor home;
4. A fifth wheel trailer; and
5. A van

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.

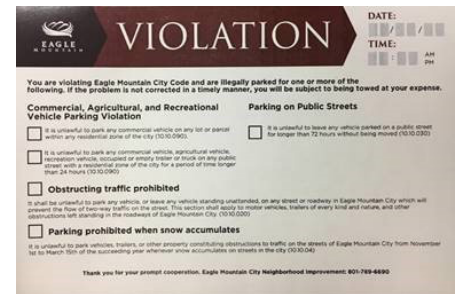
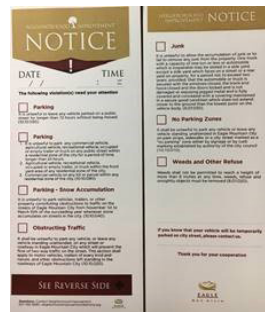
10.10.100 Towing authorized.

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.

Official Eagle Mountain Notices:

A Notice lets you know that you are in violation.

A Violation sticker lets you know vehicle will be towed if not moved.



Note:

HOAs may have their own Notices/Stickers and CC&Rs may be stricter than City Code. City Code applies on all city property even if in an HOA.



PONY EXPRESS EXTREME ENDURO EAGLE MTN. UT

ENTRY FEE \$45

PRO / EXPERT: OPEN

VET OVER 35: OPEN

AMATEUR: OPEN

NOVICE: OPEN

**MINI - 16" REAR WHEEL MAX
AGE 16 AND UNDER**

**MINI JR. - 12" REAR WHEEL MAX
AGE 11 AND UNDER**

ENTRY FEE \$25

**PEE WEE - 10" REAR WHEEL MAX
AGE 8 AND UNDER**

***SIGN UP AT EVENT ONLY**

RACE DATE: JULY 28TH

SIGN UP: 1-2 PM

PRACTICE: 2 PM

QUALIFIERS: 4 PM

MAIN EVENTS START AT 7 PM

**\$8,000
PRO PURSE!
Pays top
5 Riders**

BELT BUCKLE TROPHIES



**PEE WEE FINISHER
MEDALLION**

EAGLE MOUNTAIN RODEO ARENA

4447 Major Street Eagle Mountain, UT 84005

Take exit 279 for Lehi Main Street - Head west about 2 miles. At the traffic circle, continue on Main Street another 4 miles.

Turn right onto UT-145, Continue on UT-73 Cedar Fort Rd. for 5.4 miles.

Turn Left onto Eagle Mountain Blvd for 3.5 miles.

ANY QUESTIONS EMAIL INFO@STRONGSOLUTIONSUTAH.COM OR MESSAGE US ON FACEBOOK



SPECTATORS: PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE OR AT EVENT TICKET INFORMATION AT

WWW.PONYEXPRESSEVENTS.COM

2018 Fireworks Restrictions

The State Legislature reduced the number of days fireworks can be legally discharged for 2018.

Remaining allowed dates for 2018 are: July 22-25, and December 31.

Times for legal discharge of Class C common state approved explosives are as follows:

- Between the hours of 11 a.m. and 11 p.m. beginning on July 22nd and ending on July 25th (Note: On July 24th time of discharge is extended to 12:00 midnight.)
- Beginning at 11 a.m. on December 31 and ending at 1 a.m. on the following day

A person guilty of an infraction can be punished by a fine up to \$1,000, if a person discharges a class C common state approved explosive outside the legal

discharge dates and times and/or in prohibited areas.

Please use extreme caution when using fireworks during the season. If high winds, precipitation, or other adverse weather conditions prevail fireworks discharge should be postponed or discontinued until weather conditions improve.

Utah legal aerial fireworks are designed to travel up to 150 feet into the air and then explode. Aerial fireworks shall be placed on a hard level surface outdoors, in a clear and open area prior to ignition. Anyone under the age of 16 shall not handle or operate aerial fireworks. Ignition of aerial fireworks shall be a minimum of 30 feet from any structure or vertical obstruction.

[Interactive Fireworks Restrictions Map](#) (please note there are several restricted areas within Eagle Mountain City)

BEAT THE HEAT

BONANZA

FREE

Cool off with inflatable water slides!

August 4 12pm-3pm

NOLEN PARK

FREE COTTON CANDY

Refreshing drink trucks will be available for you to purchase items from.

Kona Ice | The Soda Truck

Parents must sign the waiver found at emcity.org/events to participate

Bumper Boats



Inflatable Water Attractions



Foam Pit



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