



CITY NEWSLETTER

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WHAT'S RIGHT WITH WASHINGTON TERRACE?

Making Life Better

A Return On Investment...ROI

With the property tax notice delivered, the new gas tax at the pump and the transportation tax ready to kick in; I realized that this is a perfect time to see if we are getting what we pay for.

Almost every day we all make purchases that impact our lives. Whether these purchases are large or relatively insignificant, they often cause us to reflect. Such post-purchase evaluation leads to one of three conclusions: a feeling of satisfaction and value, no feeling one way or the other, or disappointment and a case of buyer's remorse.

Working in sync with the Mayor and Council, City staff prepares a budget that minimizes buyer's remorse and maximizes the highest value for the dollars spent. Here at City Hall we specifically create a budget plan that looks five years ahead. This medium range planning and other long range planning helps us make the best decisions imaginable as we strive to provide the highest level of service possible.

Everything we do is based on a balance of affordability and service level. The Mayor and Council and staff want the best service level possible based on our ability to pay. During our budget preparations we use the phrase "Striking a Balance" to bring to mind that we cannot do *everything* we need and want to do, but we can do many things very well as long as we maintain an appropriate balance with the available resources.

You may ask yourself; what is the ROI from Washington Terrace City?

Let's start out with the basics; we have well maintained roads, streets and sidewalks providing safe and efficient travel. We have safe and beautiful parks that support the City recreation programs, quality leisure time with families, and the ever important open green space.

The City does all it can to provide a safe place to live with a very competent and committed Sheriff's Office staff. We have a Fire Department that is well trained and one of the highest functioning departments in the area far exceeding expectations for a small volunteer department. Almost every fire department in the area has employees with roots to Washington Terrace Fire.

Washington Terrace supports a Public Works Department that is second to none. The Public Works crew is dedicated to the City and committed to maintaining our infrastructure systems to the highest standards while delivering safe reliable culinary water. Public Works employees keep the sewage running out of the City, ensure that the storm systems are open and ready for storm events, and work at all hours of the day or night to support our vital infrastructure systems. If it needs to be plowed, set up, hauled away, maintained, repaired, or constructed, then our Public Works crew is ready to serve.

There is a dedicated Administrative team that values hard work, balanced priorities and maximized ROI. The Administrative team is focused on the highest levels of professionalism when it comes to managing Human Resources, striking a critical balance in the Finance Department, along with being fair and equitable in the Court system. Protecting the City is also an important part of our Code Enforcement program and the Building Department.

Here in Washington Terrace City we are maximizing our purchase power and carefully managing the resources we receive. We diligently strive to "Strike a Balance" in our budget process and work closely with the Mayor and Council to make sure that we are meeting and exceeding the expectations of the City stakeholders.

I don't recall anyone saying that they like paying taxes and fees for government operations. However; I have heard several people mention that they appreciate local government and the fact that the Return On Investment is directly linked to supporting their family and lifestyle.

A positive ROI...it's what's right with Washington Terrace. For more information please see our budget document on our City webpage under Finance and Budget. www.washingtonterracecity.com

2016 ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE



Notice is hereby given that the Washington Terrace City Council will hold their 2016 regular meetings on the first and third

Tuesday of each month beginning at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 5249 South 400 East, Washington Terrace. The City Council will hold only one meeting in the month of December, on the first Tuesday.

The Planning Commission will hold their 2016 regular meetings on the last Thursday of each month beginning at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 5249 South 400 East, Washington Terrace. The November and December meetings will be held on the third Thursday of the month. The Board of Adjustments will meet when called upon. If the meeting dates, times, or places change, notice will be given accordingly.

For meeting agendas, please visit our website at www.washingtonterracecity.com

You are invited to the following event LIBERTY FORUM: LEGISLATIVE WARM-UP

Wednesday, January 13th, 2016
10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Pleasant Valley Branch-Weber County Library System
5568 South 500 East, Ogden, UT 84405

A group of Liberty minded citizens will gather on January 13th, 2016, at 10:30 AM at the Pleasant Valley Branch Library to hear from three local legislators. We will hear about their understanding of the proper role of government, along with what they hope to accomplish during the 2016 Legislative Session. Our three guests will be Representative Schults, District #12 from 10:30-11:00, Representative Peterson, District #9 from 11:00-11:30, and Representative Froerer, District #8 from 11:30-12:00.

If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Sylvia Salisbury at 801-399-4920.



Exclusive Offer for Washington Terrace Residents

Wondering what your home is worth?

Thinking of selling your home? Get a FREE Market Analysis today, just go to TerraceHome.com or call Jessica Peterson at 801.603.5752 for a no hassle estimated value.



WINTER PARKING REMINDER

Some residents have been inquiring about the winter parking regulations. The full code can be found on our website by clicking on the City Code link and searching for winter parking. Here is a portion of the Regulation:

Winter parking restricted. In order to adequately remove snow and to avoid property damage as far as possible, it is necessary to keep the City roads clear of all parked vehicles and other obstacles stationed on or adjacent to the travel-way as follows:

Restrictions. Unless otherwise posted, it is unlawful for any person who owns, controls, possesses, or otherwise operates a vehicle, trailer, or object to park such, or allow such to be placed or parked, upon any public road, including the road shoulder:

- Between DECEMBER 1ST until MARCH 1ST each year, AND/OR during a snow or ice storm event;
- Between the HOURS of 1:00 AM and 5:00 AM, AND/OR during a snow or ice storm event;
- WITHIN 72 HOURS after a snow or ice storm event.



Offenses could result in a citation, fine and/or the vehicle being towed at the owner's expense.



- INDIVIDUAL & BUSINESS TAX RETURN PREPARATION
- PAYROLL SERVICES

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Introductory offer for new clients
**10% off the Preparation of One Individual
or Business Tax Return**
Certificate Good Only at our Ogden Location
Offer expires April 15, 2016

***City Ordinance,
Snow Removal***

**Snow should NOT be
shoveled or plowed into
the streets. Sidewalks
need to be kept clear.
Please obey the law or the
necessary penalties will
need to be assessed.**

Thank you.

WASHINGTON TERRACE CITY

2016



* RECREATION GUIDE *

RECREATION PROGRAM	REGISTRATION	SEASON	GRADE	COST
SOCCER	January 19- February 29	April - May	Pre K-2nd	\$40
T-BALL LEAGUE	February 22- April 4	May - June	Pre K- K	\$40
ROOKIE MACHINE PITCH	February 22- April 4	May - June	1st - 2nd	\$40
BOYS BASEBALL	February 22- April 4	May - June	3rd - 9th	\$45
GIRLS SOFTBALL	February 22- April 4	May - June	3rd - 9th	\$45
FOOTBALL CAMP	May 9 - July 1	July	Ages 7 - 13	\$20
TACKLE FOOTBALL	May 9 - July 1	July - October	Ages 7 - 13	\$100
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL	July 5 - August 25	September - October	3rd - 9th	\$45
YOUTH BASKETBALL	August 3 - September 28	October-December	K - 2nd	\$40
GIRLS BASKETBALL	August 3 - September 28	October-December	3rd - 9th	\$45
BOYS BASKETBALL	October 21-November 30	January-March	3rd-9th	\$45

REGISTER ONLINE @ www.washingtonterracecity.com

The City of Washington Terrace Parks & Recreation Department is dedicated to providing citizens meaningful recreation activities and facilities geared toward improving their physical, mental, and social well-being. With great parks, programs and facilities, you'll find we have something for everyone. These recreation programs and facilities are YOURS. Please look after them, be safe, and show great sportsmanship. If you have any ideas or would like to volunteer, please let us know.

SPECIAL EVENTS	DATE	AGES
EASTER EGG HUNT	MARCH 26 @ 9:00 am	12 & Under/FREE
TERRACE DANCE TEAM	APRIL - JUNE 11	12 & Under/\$45
TERRACE DAYS	JUNE 11 @ 4:30 pm	Family/FREE
TERRACE KIDS CAMP	JULY 12 - JULY 28	5-12/\$45
CHRISTMAS CONCERT	DECEMBER 5 @ 7:00 pm	Family/FREE
CANDY CANE RUN	DECEMBER 10 @ 8:00 am	Family/FREE

ADDRESS: 5249 S. South Pointe Dr., Washington Terrace, UT, 84405 PHONE : (801) 395-8293
All programs, fees, and dates are subject to change without notice. All late registrations will be charged an additional \$15.



For more City and Recreation information, like us on Facebook!



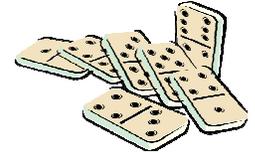
WATER METER READS DURING WINTER

Due to the cold weather over the winter months and in order to not freeze any meter lines; the City is unable to manually read the meters that are not read electronically. Please note that the majority of the meters are able to be read electronically and this only impacts approximately 300 meters where the radio cannot be detected.

Once the weather warms up, those meters will be manually read to get an accurate reading. The Utility Billing Department will do the appropriate adjustments if needed in the Spring, accounts that are overestimated will have a credit on the utility bill and accounts that are underestimated will be charged for the usage not billed for during the averaged months. Please note that there is still the base charge of \$55.95 for water usage of 0-4000 gallons, so accounts that are averaged less, but were billed for the minimum, will not qualify for a credit. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Utility Billing Department at 801-393-8681 and we will be happy to help you.

WASHINGTON TERRACE SENIOR CENTER

4601 South 300 West (801) 621-0161
Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Lunch served at 12:00 pm



The Center will be closed Monday, January 18th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

AARP Safe Driving Course

Bingo

Bridge Club

Card Club

Ceramic Class

Fly Fish Tying Class

Paper Crafts

Legal Services-BY APPT. ONLY*

Line Dancing (Intermediate)

Line Dancing (Beginners)

Low Impact Exercise

Music & Dancing with the Band

Oil Painting, Water Color, Penciling

Pedicures

Porcelain Dolls

Tai Chi

Toll Painting

8:30 am-12:00 pm (call for date)

1:00 pm (call for dates)

11:00 am (call for date)

1:00 pm (call for dates)

9:30 am - 1:30 pm on Wed. & Fri.

9:00 am on Mon., begins Jan. 11th

1:00 pm on Mon.

1:00 pm (call for appointment)

1:00 pm on Wed.

1:00 pm on Fri.

8:15 am on Mon. & Thurs.

10:30 am-12:00 pm Tues. Wed. & Fri.

9:30 am on Mon.

11:30 am (call for date)

1:00 pm on Tues.

9:30 am on Mon. & 9:00 am on Wed.

10:00 am on Wed.

Keep Your Pipes From Freezing!

Subfreezing winter temperatures are again threatening water service interruptions and/or broken water lines around our town. Please take note of the conditions that usually cause frozen pipes: 1) Sustained below-freezing temperatures and/or 2) Light snow cover. Suggestions for keeping the water from freezing at your house when the temperature drops include:

- Turn on one faucet and **leave a thin stream of water running all the time**. The water may be turned off when the weather moderates and warms to above freezing most of the time. You may also set a toilet tank to continually overflow.
- Set your dishwasher and/or washing machine to start during the early morning hours to get the water running during the coldest part of the day.
- Keep the temperature at or above 60 degrees in your home.
- Open cabinet doors under sinks that have plumbing in outside walls (the sink under a window).

Check crawl spaces, etc. to see if water pipes are exposed to cold air. Block out the cold air and/or insulate the exposed pipes or heat tape the exposed pipes.

Call 393-8681 as soon as you know water is not running in your home. Frozen pipes are miserable!

JANUARY HOLIDAY INFORMATION



The City offices will be closed Monday, January 18, 2016 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Garbage pickup WILL NOT BE DELAYED, it will be picked up on Wednesday.