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Four city priorities to look forward to in 2022

Council member Doug Petersen



Living in Cottonwood Heights, we are lucky enough to experience all seasons. My four anticipated most season has got to be spring, because with its arrival we receive longer days and

warmer temperatures.

Spring ushers in a symphony of new life, color, and optimism. If ever we needed a spring of hope and healing, it would be this year.

Although it feels like it has been a twoyear winter of COVID-19-related isolation, disruptions, and cancellations, many good and positive things happened during this pandemic:

Brighton High School was rebuilt. We now have a state-of-the-art school that will serve our

community well into the future.

Bengal Boulevard roundabout construction begins this month. Though the project was delayed, crews will begin work on the roundabout at 2300 E. and Bengal Blvd. on April 4 and continue through the summer. When it's completed this fall, the roundabout will help reduce vehicle delays by 106.6 hours each day and reduce vehicle emissions by 4.37 tons per year.

Ferguson Park construction is underway. This new 3.5-acre park will have bathrooms and an off-leash dog area. It will also provide overflow parking for the Ferguson Canyon trailhead. Visit **ch.utah.gov/parksponsorship** to learn more about how you can contribute to Cottonwood Heights' newest park.

Antczak Park will be renovated. The first phase of the park renovation begins this summer and will include updated tennis and pickleball courts.

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UPCOMING TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS

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- ARTS COUNCIL SCULPTURE DISCUSSION
- Y2 ANALYTICS DISCUSSION
- CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH
 PROCLAMATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT
- POLICE AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTS
 QUARTERLY REPORTS
- LANDSCAPING/WATER CONSERVATION ORDINANCE

APRIL 19

- COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT
- BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT
- BUDGET DISCUSSION
- FINANCE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT
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- REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE ARCHITECTURAL
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EVENTS CALENDAR

- APRIL 11-15: VIRTUAL BUNNY HOP
- APRIL 16: EASTER EGG HUNT
- MAY 11: PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS
- MAY 14: PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP
- MAY 21: ASPEN WINDS CONCERT
- JUNE 6 JULY 6: PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW AND CONTEST

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT CH.UTAH.GOV AND CLICK COMMUNITY CALENDAR





Time for a bunny hop! We're hiding this bunny image on a different city website page each day to celebrate Easter. To participate:

1. Visit the city's website (ch.utah.gov) each day after 9 a.m. April 11 - April 15, 2022.

2. Email Ann Eatchel (aeatchel@ch.utah.gov) each day with the bunny location (the bunny image above does not count)

The first 2 people who email with the bunny location each day win a Cottonwood Heights mug full of candy. Only one win per household.

Good luck finding the bunny!



Attend the Aspen Winds woodwind quartet concert on Saturday, May 21

Join us for a free concert with Utah woodwind quartet Aspen Winds Saturday, May 21, at 1 p.m. at City Hall (2277 E. Bengal Blvd.). To secure your ticket, visit **chcityarts.com**. Aspen Winds includes members Sally Humphreys (flute), Luca de la Florin (oboe), Robert Bedont (bassoon), Amy Gabbitas (clarinet), and Anita Miller (horn). The group recently celebrated 10 years of performing together. Learn more about their music and educational outreach and watch videos of past performances at **aspenwinds.org**.

Slots are still available in the Cottonwood Heights Children's Choir

The Cottonwood Heights Children's Choir is now open to children in grades 3-6 who live in Cottonwood Heights. No prior singing experience is required.

Rehearsals begin in April and will be held

Mondays (holidays excluded) from 4-5 p.m. at City Hall (2277 E. Bengal Blvd.) The director will hold only one rehearsal in July, and the choir will perform at Butlerville Days that month and at Light the Heights in November. To learn more about the Cottonwood Heights Children's Choir and to sign your children up for a spot (there are still many places available), visit **chcityarts.com** or email culture manager Ann Eatchel at **aeatchel@ch.utah.org**.

Four city priorities continued from cover

Hillside Plaza property discussions continue. The city is in the beginning stages of proposals for this area. With our residents' input and staff recommendations, we hope to see a very positive development on this property.

As you can see, the mayor, city council and city staff are currently engaged in doing all we can with the resources we are allocated to enhance the community that we love and call home.

I think we can all look forward to Cottonwood Heights' future with great optimism and hope.



Antczak Park (courtesy of Cottonwood Heights Parks & Recreation)

Teens: Sign up by Tuesday, April 12, for the 2022-2023 Youth City Council

High school students can get involved with city government through the Youth City Council. Members meet twice a month and serve the community, develop leadership skills, interact with elected officials and gain education. Serving on the Youth City Council also looks good on résumés and scholarship applications. To apply, students must:

- Be in grades 9-12 for the 2022-2023 school year
- Live in the Cottonwood Heights boundaries or attend high school in the city

 Attend meetings, support council goals and be willing to serve

Visit ch.utah.gov/ycc to fill out the online application or download a PDF (you can drop off filled applications at City Hall). All applications are due by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12.

Apply for a small business assistance grant May 1 through June 10, 2022

The Cottonwood Heights business assistance grant provides up to \$5,000 to qualifying city businesses for eligible expenses, including operating costs, employee incentives, and technology and business improvement investments.

Eligible businesses must:

- Hold a current Cottonwood Heights business license
- Have 25 or fewer full-time employees as a small business
- Have begun operating on or before

Jan. 1, 2021

- Have an owner at least 18 years old
- Provide a valid employer identification number or Social Security number (if a sole proprietor)
- Document and report on use of grant funds received

The city will accept grant applications May 1 through June 10, 2022. For more information, visit **ch.utah.gov/grants**, email **citygrant@ch.utah.gov**, or call 801-944-7067.





Sponsor or volunteer to help with upcoming Butlerville Days events!

The Butlerville Days Committee is looking for new members. If you are interested in organizing the parade, bingo, or craft vendors or would like to help during the event, email culture manager Ann Eatchel at **aeatchel@ch.utah.gov**.

We also need sponsors for this year's event, scheduled for July 28-30, 2022.

Sponsoring Butlerville Days allows you to:

- Promote your products
- Gain recognition as a community partner
- Increase your visibility in the community
- Support Cottonwood Heights by offering patrons event deals

For more information, email Ann Eatchel or visit **Butlervilledays.com**.

Prepare for home emergencies by checking detectors and creating escape plans

Assistant fire chief Riley Pilgrim



With Daylight Savings Time behind us again, this is a great opportunity to test and check the smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in your homes. I also recommend testing detectors monthly and

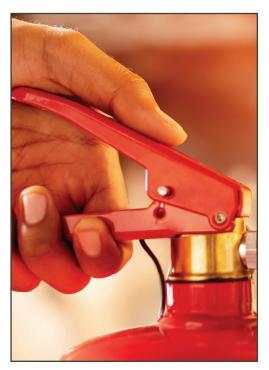
replacing batteries annually or more frequently, if needed.

The American Red Cross also recommends placing detectors on every level of your home, within each bedroom or directly outside the door. Use combination smoke and carbon monoxide detectors anywhere people may be sleeping, and replace detectors older than eight to 10 years old with newer models. Many detectors will have an expiration date printed near the battery compartment or plug if hard-wired into your home. If your detectors have expired or you don't know the date (and they are older), replace them to be safe.

Spring is also a great time to develop and practice fire escape plans for your home. If you already have a plan, remind everyone about it and make sure it still works best for your family. To create a new plan, ensure:

- Everyone understands what to do if a fire starts inside your home
- Each person has at least two ways out of each room and the necessary items to escape, like window well ladders in basement rooms
- You've identified a designated meeting point outside and away from the home
- Everyone knows they can't enter the home again after going outside, as conditions can be hazardous

Working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are a critical component of home safety and have saved a significant number of lives. Make sure you and your family are prepared if an emergency occurs in your home.



Join us for the Cottonwood Heights Shakeout on Saturday, April 23, at 9 a.m.

Participate in Cottonwood Heights' annual city shakeout on Saturday, April 23, from 9 a.m. to noon. This drill helps the community prepare for an emergency situation. Put a green, yellow, red or black ribbon (or an object in that color) in a visible place outside your home before 9 a.m.:

• Green: No medical situations

- Yellow: Non-life-threatening medical issue
- Red: Life-threatening situation
- Black: A death in your home

Block captains will collect information from the street beginning at 9 a.m. The Cottonwood Heights Amateur Radio Club, a volunteer group that handles the city's radio disaster communications, then transfers the data to the emergency operations center at City Hall. If you have community emergency response team (CERT) training, please join the emergency manager at City Hall to participate in refresher drills.

As part of the drill, residents should also create and review a personal or family emergency plan. Visit shakeout.org/utah for more tips.

UDOT will begin construction on Bengal Boulevard roundabout April 4

Beginning **April 4**, Cottonwood Heights, in cooperation with the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), will begin constructing a roundabout at the intersection of Bengal Boulevard, 2300 E. and 2325 E. This single-lane roundabout will include:

- New curb and gutter and driveway aprons where necessary
- Pedestrian crossings with flashing beacons
- An eight- to 10-foot multi-use path
- Bicycle sharrows
- Landscaping improvements

Construction crews will work Monday through Saturday between 7:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. and expect to complete the project by fall 2022. Traffic will shift to one lane in either direction during construction, and the speed limit will be reduced from 35 to 25 miles per hour.

For project updates, visit **ch.utah.gov/bengal-blvd** or email **bengalblvd.roundabout@gmail.com**.

The current intersection at Bengal Blvd., 2300 E. and 2325 E. has seen significant traffic delays and accidents.

Check out a video with a rendering of the future roundabout to better understand how this new intersection will improve safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, and vehicles at **ch.utah.** gov/bengal-blvd.



Friendly Guide

Celebrate Earth Day by creating clean recycling habits

Earth Day is April 22. Help celebrate by reducing the use of disposable plastics and only recycling items Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District accepts.

Remember:

- Never put leaves, grass and other yard waste in your blue bin. Put them in your green waste bin or use them for mulch.
- Put recyclables directly into your recycling bin. If you put them in plastic garbage bags, they won't be recycled.

For more information on Earth Day events and sustainable practices, visit **earthday.org**. To learn more about clean recycling, follow WFWRD on Instagram (@wasatchfrontwaste).

Seasonal container reservation program available in August

Look for a postcard in late summer for the seasonal container reservation program (SCRP), allowing you to reserve a container four weeks before the scheduled Cottonwood Heights SCRP dates:

- Zone 1: Aug. 26 to Sept. 1
- Zone 2: Sept. 2 to 12
- Zone 3: Sept. 13 to 19

WFWRD staff will drop off the container between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. on the scheduled day and try to ensure you have it up to 24 hours. Staff will only deliver the container if:

- You've cleared your driveway (including any cars)
- You have enough room (about 10 by 20 feet) to be clear of the street and sidewalk

For more information, visit **wasatchfrontwaste.org/seasonal-container-reservation-program.**

Recycling Guide

All Items must be EMPTY, DRY, and UNBAGGED

Plastic Bottles, Tubs, Jugs, & Jars (no lids)



Metal, Aluminum, & Empty Aerosol Cans



Cardboard, Mixed Paper (Office/Junk), Paperboard & Paper Bags







Contribute to Cottonwood Heights' new park sponsorship program!

Plastic

Bags

Parks, Trails & Open Space Committee

Late last year, Cottonwood Heights teamed up with the Cottonwood Heights Parks and Recreation Foundation to create a new way for community members to pay tribute to those they love while adding needed amenities to local parks. Residents can buy benches, picnic tables, bike racks and more, affixed with a personal tribute, to place in a city park for the public to enjoy.

The new Ferguson Park, currently under construction at 7725 S. Prospector Drive, was chosen as the pilot location for the new program. As of mid-March 2022, residents have contributed five bicycle racks, two picnic tables and four benches, along with \$800 in general donations, for the park.

The Cottle family bought two picnic tables for Ferguson Park to honor Brittany Cottle Potter, who died in a canyoneering accident in 2020.

"Brittany loved hiking up the Ferguson Canyon trail and now that she is no longer with

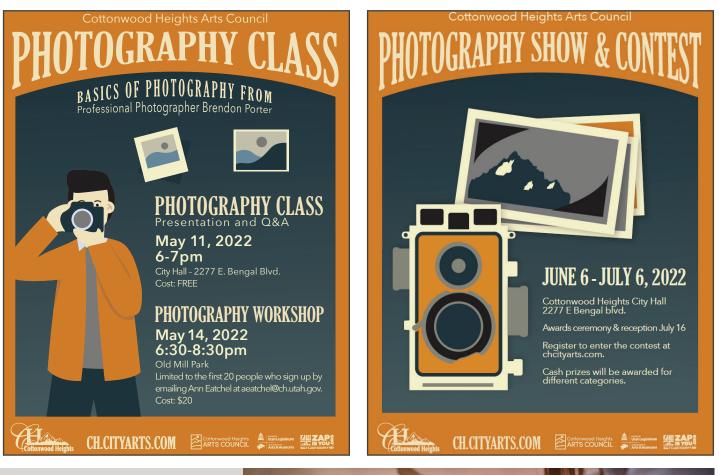


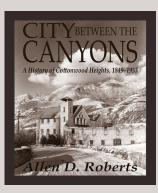
us, we purchased these picnic tables as a way to remember her and to have a place where her little son, husband and other loved ones can visit and celebrate her life," Jacci Cottle Clarke said.

You can contribute to Ferguson Park amenities, including four waste stations (\$500 each), two picnic tables and two benches (both \$1,000 each), or make a general park donation in any amount.

Ben Hill, executive director of the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Service Area, says the pilot program is one "we hope we learn from and incorporate in other city parks when and where it makes sense."

To learn more about furbishing this new park, visit **ch.utah.gov/parksponsorships**.





Buy the book!

Find more community stories in City Between the Canyons: A History of Cottonwood Heights, 1849-1953. Buy yours at City Hall for \$20 (3 for \$50) or online at **ch.utah.gov/history-book** for \$25 (3 for \$59) with shipping.



Text NEWSLETTER to 801–943–3190 for the latest Parks & Rec digital newsletter!

City council members

MAYOR : Michael Weichers DIST# 1: Douglas Petersen DIST# 2: J. Scott Bracken DIST# 3: Shawn E. Newell DIST# 4: Ellen Birrell CITY MANAGER: Tim Tingey

City office

Numbers to know

Emergency	911
Dispatch	840-4000
Fire authority	743-7200
Animal control	944-7100
Justice court	273-9731

Call direct

City manager	944-7010
City planning	944-7065
Public works	944-7000
Recorder	944-7021
Finance director	944-7012
Code enforcement	944-7095
Police administration	944-7100

City council meetings

- April 5: Work session at 4 p.m., business meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- April 19: Work session at 4 p.m., business meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Work sessions may reconvene after business meetings.

Agendas are posted at least 24 hours before public meetings.

For agenda details, visit ch.utah.gov. City council meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of every month at 4 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Planning Commission

The Planning Commission generally holds meetings at 6 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month.

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Canyons Online removes enrollment caps and opens registration for fall 2022

Canyons District students and parents made the pilot year of Canyons Online, CSD's remote-learning option, a success. The district has removed enrollment caps from Canyons Online classes for the coming school year so students anywhere in Utah can take advantage of the popular program.

"Canyons Online is for students of all ages, from kindergarten through high school, and was a convenient alternative for families during the pandemic," said Superintendent Dr. Rick Robins. "But for a good number of students those who benefit from the flexibility of being able to learn from anywhere and progress at their own pace — it has become the learning environment of choice."

To learn more about Canyons Online classes, led by licensed teachers with advanced digital teaching training, visit **canyonsonline**. **canyonsdistrict.org**.

Canyons School District celebrates its first class, now set to graduate from high school in May

Thirteen years ago, in August 2009, the newly formed Canyons School District welcomed its first kindergartners. That first week, in what would become a tradition, teachers asked the students who they wanted to be when they grew up. Students received mock diplomas, mortar boards, and blue wristbands labeled with the year they would eventually graduate from high school — the year 2022.

Time flies, as the saying goes. Those youngsters are now on the cusp of adulthood and finalizing the required credits to cross commencement stages to receive their diplomas. The Class of 2022 — CSD's "first class" of students — is the first graduating class to start and end their K-12 academic journeys with Canyons District.

To help celebrate this milestone, Canyons District is inviting families to share "then and now" photos of their high school seniors. Parents and students could recreate kindergarten



photos snapped as their kiddos went off to school for the first time or dig up some backto-school photos from throughout the years and post them on social media with the hashtag **#FirstClassCanyons**.

Canyons District's five traditional high schools will perform commencement rites on Wednesday, May 25, 2022. For a list of times and locations, visit **canyonsdistrict.org**.

Get involved with the Historic Committee today

Volunteer with the Historic Committee! Members meet monthly to plan initiatives highlighting Cottonwood Heights history. Past efforts include:

- Curating an exhibit celebrating 50 years of Brighton High School
- Gathering historical site information
- Overseeing historic trail markers
- Helping to publish Allen D. Roberts'
 historical book

The committee also creates and staffs a rotating exhibit at Butlerville Days each summer.

Contact culture manager Ann Eatchel at aeatchel@ch.utah.gov to fill out an application and follow the Historic Committee on Facebook (/CottonwoodHeightsHistoricCommittee).



Business spotlight

Cancún Café | 1891 E. Fort Union Boulevard | cancuncafeslc.com

Rey Mendez opened the first Cancún Café in 1993, and the family-owned restaurant has spanned three generations. Today, Rey's grandson, Alain "Cito" Jr., and his wife, Olga, run the Cottonwood Heights location and the restaurants in downtown Salt Lake City and Millcreek.

Start your food journey at Cancún Café with homemade chips and two different flavors of house salsa. You can also sample the homemade salsa verde!

With a friendly and welcoming staff, generous portions and well-flavored dishes, Cancún Café offers a relaxing atmosphere for lunch or dinner. Stop by between 11 a.m. and 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday.



Yoga Sunné | 2242 E. Fort Union Boulevard | yogasunne.com

Yoga Sunné is your local destination for healing mind, body, and spirit and revealing your highest self. Their mission is to co-create a sanctuary for transformation and self-realization, acknowledging the interconnectedness of all.

The studio offers both heated and non-heated yoga classes in a variety of unique styles. Practitioners encourage class members to let go of expectations and fear, no matter where they are starting from physically.

For more information about classes and memberships, visit **yogasunne.com**.





Visit our local businesses for their April specials. To participate in Love Your Locals, email Sherrie at smartell@ch.utah.gov.



