

## BETWEIN THE CANYONS

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#### Gratitude for city staff and partnering organizations

City manager Tim Tingey



I recently received an email from a Cottonwood Heights resident complimenting and conveying appreciation for city staff on improving an area. Since receiving that email, I have been reflecting more

about Cottonwood Height city staff's efforts, and it prompted thoughts of gratitude. I recognize that as a city, there may be times where an interaction may be not as positive as it could be and that there are areas of improvement in our work. City staff are encouraged to constantly strive to improve our efforts, and we will always focus on enhancing the quality of our work and interactions with residents.

As someone who interacts daily with our staff, I am especially grateful each day that I have the

opportunity to work with such great people. The following are reasons I'm thankful to be part of Cottonwood Heights.

The past few years have been challenging for police departments all throughout the country. I recently read a national study that found confidence in police dropped to 45 percent nationwide.

In Cottonwood Heights, our residents feel differently than what the national survey reflected. In a 2019 scientific community survey conducted in our community, more than 70 percent of Cottonwood Heights residents were satisfied with police services and feel our police department is responsive and professional.

I am grateful for our officers' efforts, especially with all the difficult challenges they face daily. Our police officers and support staff are well-trained and strive to better the community by ensuring our residents' safety.

The public works staff spends so much time

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#### **CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS**

**UPCOMING TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS** 

#### **AUGUST 2**

- CANYON CENTRE PARKWAY AREA TRAFFIC STUDY DISCUSSION
- BUTLERVILLE DAYS FESTIVITIES REPORT
- CITY FIBER OPTIONS DISCUSSION
- FOCUS SCIENTIFIC SURVEY DISCUSSION
- POLICE AND PUBLIC WORKS QUARTERLY REPORTS
- PROPOSED AMENDED COMPENSATION SCHEDULE FOR CITY ELECTED AND STATUTORY OFFICERS
- ROAD STRIPING AND CHIP SEAL AGREEMENTS

#### **AUGUST 16**

- UTA REPRESENTATIVES DISCUSSION
- BIG COTTONWOOD CANYON MARATHON DISCUSSION
- TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN DISCUSSION
- SUSTAINABILITY MASTER PLAN PRIORITY DISCUSSION
- FINANCE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT QUARTERLY REPORTS

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#### **EVENTS CALENDAR**

- AUG 12: SPIDERMAN: NO WAY HOME IN BUTLER PARK
- AUG 25: BLOCK PARTY AT CITY HALL
- SEPT. 17: BARK IN THE PARK IN MOUNTVIEW PARK

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



The Arts Council meets monthly to plan and deliver arts projects in Cottonwood Heights, including the annual summer musical, and we always need more volunteers!

If you'd like to serve on the Arts Council, fill out an application at **ch.utah.gov/community/arts** or email **ArtsCouncil@ch.utah.gov**.

#### **Artist spotlight: Kendra Burton**

Kendra Parrish Burton finds joy in creating art and music compositions that inspire. Her experience includes seven years of architectural drafting, college at BYU and Idaho State University, studying Masters' artwork in Europe, New York and Washington D.C., working with world-renowned artists, teaching art workshops and on TV shows at KTVX, showing art at the Springville Museum, Joseph Smith Memorial Building, and Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square broadcast, and having art featured in galleries, on book and song covers, and on greeting cards.



Kendra is the eldest of the five singing Parrish Sisters and has performed in Europe and at the Spokane World's Fair. Her musical composition "The Homeland" was performed by the Wasatch Symphony.

A highlight of Kendra's life is working with Greg and Linda Curley Christensen on 12 temple murals. She and her husband, Dave, have five children and 14 grandchildren and have been married 46 years.

Kendra currently has 32 art pieces on display at City Hall. To learn more about her art, visit **kendraburton.com**.



repairing, plowing and maintaining all the roads in Cottonwood Heights, both on hot summer days and in difficult snowy conditions. Their efforts, expertise and efficiency are amazing and greatly appreciated.

The community and economic development staff works diligently to process land use applications, issue business licenses, provide geographic information services, and conduct short-and long-term planning efforts, including community sustainability initiatives. There can be a lot of contention on land use issues, and I am grateful for their expertise, professionalism efforts, and desire to enhance our community.

The finance and administrative services team ensures our financial, information technology, and budgeting efforts and processes are conducted effectively and accurately. Through team members' diligence, our city has received multiple national financial reporting awards, and Cottonwood Heights is in a solid financial position.

The records, culture and human resources team ensures our elections, records and staffing

efforts adhere to applicable standards. They also put great effort into our community events, including Butlerville Days. The history efforts and artistic events require a lot of time outside business hours, and the team members' diligence and passion have enhanced our community in many ways.

Our communications team works hard producing the newsletter and monitoring our social media efforts, and our city attorney's expertise helps our city function through appropriate processes. We also have great partners that provide important fire protection, waste management, public utilities, and parks and recreation services.

Our staff and partnering organizations' efforts help our community thrive and enhance our residents' quality of life. I am grateful for our mayor and city council, who are extremely engaged and passionate about making the community better.

I am also grateful for Cottonwood Heights residents. It is evident in my interactions with you that you truly love this community. I express gratitude for being a part of such a great city.



#### Join us Thursday, August 25, for the community block party at City Hall!

Mark your calendars and plan to attend our community block party on Thursday, Aug. 25, from 5-8 p.m. in the City Hall parking lot. Bring your family for the activities, including:

- Bike safety rodeo
- Helmet and bicycle checks
- Face-painting
- Balloon artists
- Chalk art
- Food trucks

You'll also have the chance to meet local business owners and get sustainability tips for your home.

Email Sherrie Martell at **smartell@ch.utah.gov** for more information.



#### Vendors needed for Bark in the Park

We're looking for animal-friendly vendors for this year's Bark in the Park, scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 17, at Mountview Park (1651 E. Fort Union Blvd.). To reserve your spot or get more information, contact Ann Eatchel, culture manager, at aeatchel@ch.utah.gov or 801-550-8225.



#### Remember to water trees during drought

Don't forget to water trees even as you water your lawn less! Follow these tips from Utah State University's Forestry Extension:

- Water trees thoroughly once a week (unless you've had significant rain) through the first growing season and more often during very hot, dry weather
- Make sure the water penetrates 6 to 12 inches to reach most of the tree's roots and encourage deep rooting
- Water your trees at night so that the roots absorb moisture, and avoid watering your lawn or trees between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.



#### 10 tips for preparing your family and staying safe if a fire starts in your home

Assistant fire chief Riley Pilgrim



Unified Fire Authority recommends Cottonwood Heights residents take some time to prepare and practice their home escape plans in the event they experience a fire within their home.

It is important to plan

ahead. When a fire occurs, those inside the home may only have seconds to respond and exit the building. Everyone living in the residence needs to know what to do and where to go if a fire occurs. The tips below may help you in creating your escape plan:

- Draw a map of your home showing all doors and windows
- Plan for two exit options from each room if possible
- Ensure all windows and doors in each room can be opened
- Put ladders in window wells outside

**basement rooms** and ensure grates or covers on the window wells can be opened

- Designate an outdoor meeting place
   a safe distance away from your home to
   gather safely and ensure everyone got out
- Teach children how to escape on their own if an adult isn't home or can't help
- Discuss and share the plan with everyone in your home and practice it at least twice a year, both day and night
- Get low and stay low to escape if there is smoke in your home, and always call 911 from outside
- Do not re-enter your home for pets or possessions; the fire department can address this when they arrive

During a recent Cottonwood Heights fire, a resident survived because her bedroom door was closed, isolating her from the fast-moving flames until the fire department could extinguish the surrounding fire so she could exit. UFA strongly encourages



residents to sleep with their doors closed; this may provide additional protection from a house fire.

For more tips on preparing a home escape plan or making your home more safe in case of a fire, visit the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) website, **nfpa.org/public-education**.

You can also read more about the recent house fire at ksl.com/article/50442278. ■

#### Prevent e-bike theft and recover stolen bicycles with these five tips

Cottonwood Heights residents are reporting many e-bike thefts. Follow these tips to prevent your electronic bicycle from being stolen and to help recover it if someone takes it:

- Take a photo of your bicycle so you can accurately describe it to an officer if it's stolen
- Write down or take a photo of your bicycle's serial number. The officer can enter the serial number into a national

database and be alerted if someone tries to resell the bike elsewhere.

- Close your garage doors and take your bike inside at night
- Use an alarm lock so you or passersby will be alerted if someone tries to take your bike
- Install a tracking device in your handlebars so you can track the bike on your phone if it's stolen



#### Bengal Blvd. roundabout update: See the safe route map for student access

The Bengal Blvd. roundabout will soon be complete! All road infrastructure will be in place before Brighton High School students begin school on Aug. 15. However, because of the statewide concrete shortage, pedestrian crosswalk islands will still need to be poured when school begins.

To ensure students are safe, construction crews have implemented a safe route corridor with temporary crosswalks and fences along Bengal Blvd. Please review the map to the right for more information.

Follow these steps to safely drive through the roundabout:

- Watch for a yellow "roundabout ahead" sign with a 20 mph speed limit
- Yield to pedestrians and bicyclists before entering the roundabout
- Look to your left and yield to traffic already in the roundabout
- After entering the roundabout, drive counterclockwise to your exit
- Watch for pedestrians and bicyclists and use your turn signal before you exit
- Stay in your lane and do not drive close behind other vehicles as you exit the roundabout

For more information, call 385-557-7090 or email bengalblydroundabout@gmail.com.



#### Wasatch Front Waste offers cardboard box pickup for residents who've moved

If you've just moved into your new place and are overloaded with cardboard moving boxes, Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District can help! Visit wasatchfrontwaste.org/form/box-pickup-request to fill out a pickup request (available only for new property residents).

Before pickup:

Remove any plastic packaging,

Styrofoam, and other non-recyclable materials (besides tape) from the boxes

- Get rid of all packing materials
- Flatten and cut the boxes, if needed
- Stack the boxes in a pile no bigger than 4 feet by 4 feet
- Put the stack on the curb three feet away from your trash and recycling cans



## New WFWRD truck wraps promote district-wide aluminum recycling

Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District's new truck wraps help residents remember to recycle soda cans.

Did you know aluminum can be recycled infinitely? In fact, the average U.S. aluminum can contains 40 percent post-consumer recycled aluminum. Its six-week lifespan means it takes only six weeks to manufacture, fill, sell, use, recycle, and re-manufacture an aluminum can.

When buying soft drinks, choose aluminum cans instead of plastic bottles whenever possible.



### Check out the new WFWRD website!

Visit WFWRD's newly designed website, now more user-friendly and accessible, at wasatchfrontwaste.org.

Click the **Recycle 101** tab to learn more about clean recycling, or select the **Services & Requests** tab to request a specific service. You can also click **Pay My Bill** at the top of the homepage to log in and pay your utility bill balance.

Can't find something on the website? Use the chat feature or call 385-468-6325 for help. ■

# Increase your energy efficiency with Rocky Mountain Power's Cool Keeper program

Rocky Mountain Power's Cool Keeper program allows homeowners to reduce emissions and save money with little effort. To participate, residents add a Cool Keeper device to their air conditioning unit. During summer days when electricity demand is extremely high, the Cool Keeper device briefly powers down the air conditioning unit to reduce energy demand and emissions.

While the Cool Keeper temporarily halts air conditioning compressors, the fan continues to circulate the cool air throughout the home, meaning most Cool Keeper participants don't notice any change in interior temperature. More than 100,000 customers currently participate in this voluntary program, and Rocky Mountain Power reports a 98 percent customer satisfaction rate.

Residential Cool Keeper participants receive a \$30 seasonal bill credit for participating May through September and partial credit for enrolling after May 1. Visit **rockymountainpower.net/coolkeeper** to learn more.



#### Little Cottonwood Canyon environmental impact survey: Transportation decision coming soon

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) anticipates that the final Little Cottonwood Canyon environmental impact statement (EIS) will be released this summer. It will include responses to comments made during the draft EIS and revised section 4(f) and section 6(f) evaluation public comment periods. The final EIS publication also begins a 30-day public review period.

UDOT will issue a separate record of decision (ROD) that will identify the final selected transportation alternative for implementation, anticipated to occur in winter 2023. The ROD is the final decision to environmentally clear an action for implementation.

We will provide a detailed article about the potential impacts to Cottonwood Heights in the September newsletter.

For more information about the proposed transportation alternatives, including the gondola and enhanced bus options, visit **littlecottonwoodeis.udot.utah.gov**.



#### Learn about Butlerville's first constable and postmaster, William McGhie, Jr.

William McGhie, Jr., became Butlerville's first constable when the Butler precinct was created in 1877. He was also Butlerville's first postmaster. The post office was in his home, and mail was delivered in Butlerville and also to Big Cottonwood Canyon residents twice a week via horse and buggy. The service continued from 1892 until 1900, when a free rural delivery route from Sandy began.

Born William Kellie to John Kellie and Elizabeth Collins and christened on Feb. 5, 1830, in Scotland, William McGhie, Jr., was adopted by William McGhie, Sr., when his mother married the senior McGhie in 1831. His name changed at that time as well. McGhie Jr. married Mary McBlaine in Scotland in 1850, and they had five sons and seven daughters. He died Nov. 21, 1902.

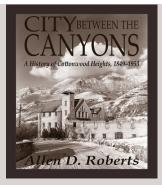
Seven large streams of pure water flowed out of the hillside on the McGhie property in Butlerville and later became known as McGhie Springs. Murray acquired McGhie Springs in 1919, and the springs are now a major source of Murray's water supply.



William McGhie, Jr., center, is pictured with his family in this undated photo.

The Historic Committee meets monthly to plan initiatives highlighting Cottonwood Heights' history. Past efforts include creating historic trail markers, guiding a history book's publication, and staffing and creating a rotating exhibit at Butlerville Days each year.

Members must demonstrate interest or knowledge of history and historic preservation. To apply for a position on the Historic Committee, fill out an application at **ch.utah.gov/community/history**.



#### **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.



#### City council members

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#### Numbers to know

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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

- Aug. 2: Work session at 4 p.m., business meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- Aug. 16: Work session at 4 p.m., business meeting at 6:30 p.m.

City council meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of every month at 4 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Agendas are posted at least 24 hours before public meetings on **ch.utah.gov**.

#### Planning Commission

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

#### Editor

Lindsay Wilcox

#### **Back-to-school registration opens August 1**

There's still plenty of time for backyard barbecues and beach vacations, but Canyons School District is busy preparing for the start of school. Registration for the 2022-2023 school year begins Monday, Aug. 1. Visit **canyonsdistrict.org** for more information.

#### **Important Canyons School District dates to know**

Aug. 15: First day of school (grades 1-12) Aug. 18: First day of school (kindergarten)

**Sept. 5:** Labor Day recess

# Ready, Set, School!

#### **Enroll now in Canyons Online for fall 2022**

Power up your child's learning with Canyons Online. There's still time to submit an application for your child to participate in Canyons' remote-learning program for the 2022-2023 school year. Parents interested in submitting applications for students entering kindergarten through eighth grades can go to canyonsonline.canyonsdistrict.org to access an easy-to-use online registration tool.

Enrollment caps have been removed from Canyons Online classes for the coming school

year, so students from 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."



#### Business spotlight

## Reset Your Nest | resetyournest.com | @reset\_your\_nest

Reset Your Nest is the fastest-growing home organization business in Utah, designed to make lives better by creating beautiful and functional spaces and systems. They believe pantries should be as beautiful as living spaces and living spaces as functional as pantries. Reset Your Nest's premier services include relocations and one-day home transformations.

Does your home need a reset? Schedule a free consultation at **resetyournest.com** and follow Reset Your Nest on Instagram (@reset\_your\_nest) for organizational inspiration and tips.



## Uncle Bob's Butter Country | buttercountry.com

In 1983, Bob Smith tried buttermilk syrup for the first time, and it instantly became a family favorite. Bob often made pancake breakfasts for extended family members and friends. He would introduce the buttermilk syrup to them but always had some pure maple syrup waiting if they didn't like the buttermilk syrup. Without fail, the buttermilk syrup was gobbled up while the maple syrup was ignored.

Almost 40 years later, Bob has brought his buttermilk syrup to market in six different varieties: Original Buttermilk, Cinnamon Bun, Creamy Maple, Coconut Cream, White Raspberry, and Harvest Spice. You can buy Uncle Bob's Butter Country syrups at Costco, Harmon's, Smith's, Wal-Mart, and Macey's.





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

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# Wild Sage Acupuncture | 2258 E. Ft. Union Blvd. #B6 | wildsageacupuncture.com

Wild Sage Acupuncture provides a complete and effective framework to naturally increase fertility and chances for pregnancy. Their systematic process addresses all underlying (known or unknown) health conditions that may be inhibiting you from conceiving or carrying full term. They tailor unique treatment plans designed for your specific goals.

Acupuncture can complement your OB/GYN's, midwife's, or fertility specialist's recommendations. While Wild Sage always offers free consultations, you can mention this ad in August for a discounted intake fee (a \$50 value)!



#### Deseret Book ribbon-cutting Aug. 12

Join us Friday, Aug. 12, at 10 a.m. for a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the new Deseret Book store (6972 S. Park Centre Dr.).