

Farmington NEWS



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demographics. It looks at the county's median age, income and education; labor force and employment; taxable and retail sales; county valuation and revenue, as well as residential and commercial growth. The report also addresses transportation, educational institutions and quality of place. We thought you may enjoy seeing a few of the demographics. If you wish to read

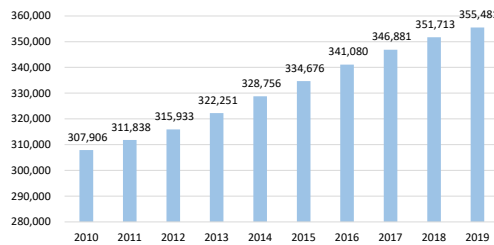
the full report, go to the Davis County website, daviscountyutah.gov/ced, or to speak to someone, contact the County Community and Economic Development Department at 801-451-3279.

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Davis County Commissioners recently published a community and economic development report entitled 2020 Economic Snapshot.

The report provides a collective view of the county's fifteen cities through graphs that illustrate changing

2019 Population Estimate



The following positions will be up for election this year:

1 mayoral position
4-year term, Jan 22—Jan 26

2 city council positions
4-year term, Jan 22—Jan 26

These are at-large positions. Interested parties may file for office during normal office hours on June 1-7, 2021 at the

Farmington City Recorder's Office
160 South Main Street

Watch for more details in the May newsletter.

2021 FARMINGTON YOUTH CITY COUNCIL

advisor: Emily Pace

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AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Housing affordability is a real issue statewide (including Farmington). In response, state legislators passed Senate Bill (SB) 34 in 2019, which requires cities to plan for moderate income housing—and municipalities who do not, may not qualify for state transportation funding. Not surprisingly, every municipality in Utah adopted an affordable housing plan. Such housing is for households with incomes less, but not greater than 80% of the area median family income.

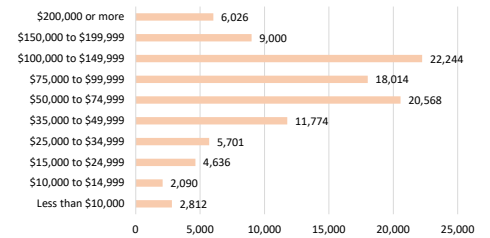
As per SB 34, the state determined the affordable housing shortfall (or surplus) for each city. Their calculated shortfall for Farmington is 235 dwelling units, and the city must show the state what it is doing to address this housing gap. It should be noted a recent survey showed a majority of Utahns, 58%, said they trust their city or town to plan for

the long-term needs of their communities. The mayor and city council take seriously the role entrusted to them as local leaders.

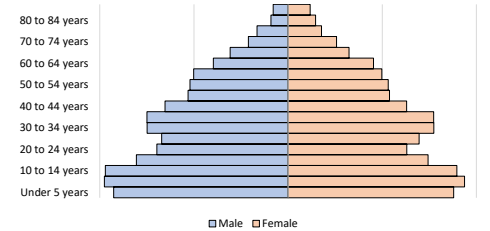
Farmington organized a first-of-its-kind affordable housing committee, comprised of public and private housing experts, to provide recommendations to the city, and is also looking to strategically modify its zoning standards, with input from builders/developers, to incentivize obtainable housing the “Farmington Way.” The city updated its 2002 ADU (Accessory Dwelling Unit) ordinance and may consider more changes and less onerous building codes for ADUs in the future (in the last year, more than 60 Utah cities adopted ordinances to authorize ADUs). Even before SB 34, the city was working on innovative ways to accommodate growth, including planning for a mixed-use office park north of the Cabelas/Burke Lane area, and obtaining funds for infrastructure projects to establish direct access to jobs.

The city is working to learn, share, and implement new ideas to foster healthy growth while protecting the unique characteristics that one finds in each of Farmington’s neighborhoods.

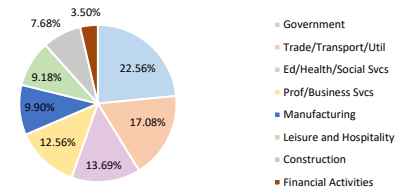
2019 Households by Income



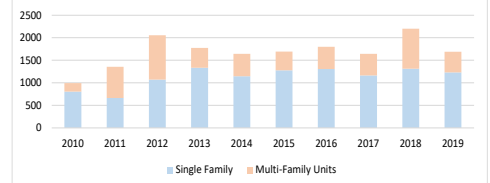
2019 Population By Age



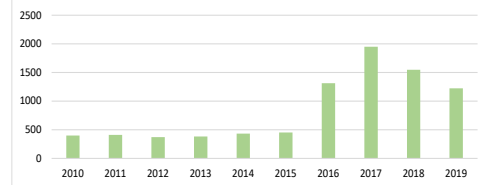
2019 Top Industries by Share



Residential Permits



Commercial Permits



Lagoon is OPEN!

Now until Memorial Day, the park will be open on Saturdays and Sundays

It'll be a great summer at Lagoon with fun, safe and exciting new entertainment, including a sure-to-be-popular kiddie show

State guidelines are being followed, which currently means masks to enter and while in queue lines

make a big splash this summer

SWIM LESSON REGISTRATION

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April 26th at 8:00 am for residents
 May 3rd at 8:00 am for nonresidents
 for details, go to farmington.utah.gov



On Saturday 4/17, there will be an extra, city-wide garbage collection day. Materials should be placed in the regular, roll-



out black container and rolled to the curb line by 6:00 am. No non-processable waste such as rocks, dirt, appliances, hazardous wastes, etc. is permitted.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

April 2021

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April 6	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
April 8	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hours prior
April 9	FRI	Station Park Fields GRAND OPENING 294 South 650 West	6:00 PM public invited
April 15	THURS	Trails Committee 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm public welcome
April 20	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
April 22	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hours prior
April 28	WED	Historic Preservation Committee 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda available on the HPC website

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Police Department — 801-451-5453
Fire Department — 801-451-2842
Public Works Department — 801-451-2624
Storm Water Maintenance — 801-451-2624
Parks & Recreation — 801-451-0953
Building Department — 801-939-9214
Inspection Hotline — 801-882-8954
Water Department — 801-451-2624
Planning & Zoning — 801-939-9215
Historical Museum — 801-451-4850
Animal Control — 801-444-2200
Garbage — 801-825-3800
Benchland Water District — 801-451-2105
Weber Water District — 801-771-1677

After Hours Emergency

Davis County Sheriff — 801-451-4150
Emergency — 911

Farmington City Hall
160 South Main
P O Box 160
Farmington, Utah 84025



You
are
invited!

STATION PARK
FIELDS (the new 4-plex)
GRAND OPENING
294 South 650 West

Friday, April 9th
6:00 pm

go to the city website
for details

ADULT CO-ED SOCCER

WHEN? END OF MAY - AUGUST
 WHO? 18+
 REGISTER NOW - MAY 27TH

SUMMER SUPER SPORT

WHEN? JUNE - AUG
 WEEKLY SESSIONS
 WHO? K-6TH GRD
 REGISTER APRIL 26TH

SWIM LESSONS

WHEN? JUNE 7TH
 WHO? 3-14 YRS
 REGISTER APRIL 26TH (RES)
 MAY 3RD (NONRES)

TENNIS LESSON

WHEN? BEGINNING
 JUNE 3RD
 WHO? 5-15 YRS & 18+
 REGISTER APRIL 26TH

WATER SAFETY INSTRUCTOR CLASS
 BLENDED ONLINE AND CLASSROOM
 WHEN? MAY 11TH - 27TH
 (TUES / THURS)
 TIME? 3:30 - 7:30PM
 WHO? 16+
 REGISTER NOW - APRIL 16TH
 OR UNTIL FULL

LIFEGUARDING CLASS 1

BLENDED ONLINE AND CLASSROOM
 WHEN? MAY 10TH - 26TH
 (MON / WED)
 TIME? 3:30 - 7:30PM
 WHO? 15+
 REGISTER NOW - APRIL 16TH OR
 UNTIL FULL

LIFEGUARDING CLASS 2

BLENDED ONLINE AND CLASSROOM
 WHEN? MAY 31ST - JUNE 5TH
 (TUES - FRI & SAT)
 TIME? 3:30 - 8:30PM (WEEKDAYS)
 7AM - 6PM (WEEKENDS)
 WHO? 15+
 REGISTER NOW - MAY 21ST
 OR UNTIL FULL

Farmington's PIONEER MERCHANTS

by Glen Leonard



In the 1850s, more than 160 emigrants from Great Britain found their way to Farmington, bringing the British presence from five to twenty percent. Among them was the John and Fannie Goble Wood family. They boarded the ship *Chimborazo* at Liverpool in April 1855, and traveled overland from Philadelphia to Kansas. John, a prosperous gardener, brought with him tools, farming supplies, clothing, bedding, bolts of silk, and satin. In Kansas, he purchased two wagons, eight oxen, and a riding horse. The company set out on July 4 and arrived in Salt Lake on September 28. Around the evening campfires, John played a violin he had made of wood from his pigpen.

Their six-year-old son Jonathan was amazed with the difference between English and Utah landscapes. In later years he said, "When we landed in Utah, there was practically nothing but sage brush as far as you could see, and after a short

time we settled in a little settlement which is now called Farmington." Jonathan added, "The first thing my father did was to rent a log cabin which was owned by Ezra Clark, he then bought some land so that he could start farming in the spring" and build an adobe house. After ten years, John opened Farmington's second mercantile store. A candy mold he brought from England for use in his store is now displayed at the Church History Museum.

In 1869, Brigham Young launched a cooperative program. John Wood became superintendent of the Farmington Cooperative Mercantile Institution and moved his merchandise into it. When the co-op closed nine years later, John re-established his own store and operated it until blindness and age retired him. John and Fanny died in 1896, two days apart.

In his early twenties, Jonathan helped others haul timber out of the canyon and build a family farm.

He became a carpenter. In October 1872, he met and married his cousin Blanche Bird, and, after two years in a log cabin, built a rock house. They had twelve children. Twelve years later he married Eliza Hess and built her a house on the same lot. They had ten children.

To support his two families, Jonathan served terms as deputy sheriff and justice of peace, helped the mortician caring for the dead, and served as Farmington's sexton. In 1891, five years before his parents died, Jonathan purchased the family store at 25 North Main. He named it the J. D. Wood General Merchandise. For forty years he sold groceries, produce, candy, dry goods, shoes, and coal. Because of J.D.'s friendliness, people called him "a man of more deeds than words." Blanche died in 1932, at age 81. Eliza passed away in 1934 at age 62. Jonathan died three years later, at age 87, and was buried next to his wives and parents in the Farmington Cemetery.



DID YOU KNOW

TO IMPROVE SAFETY FOR TRAIL USERS, FARMINGTON CITY IS INSTALLING FLASHING LIGHTS AT THE INTERSECTIONS ALONG THE RAIL TRAIL. STOP. PRESS BUTTON. WAIT FOR TRAFFIC TO STOP.



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