



FARMINGTON NEWS

MORE TIME FOR LIVING



DON'T BE A POOR SPORT

Here in Farmington, our community has witnessed a significant increase in unsportsmanlike conduct from some youth and parents. Historically, it has been an occasional issue, but now it appears to be a trend, exacerbated since the pandemic. As a community, we maintain a zero-tolerance policy for harassment and unsportsmanlike conduct in our recreation programs. We all must understand that being rude to players, coordinators, spectators, referees, or other officials is unacceptable. The consequences of failing to adhere to these standards are severe and can include individuals being banned, teams being cut, or even privileges of attendance being revoked indefinitely.

In some instances, criminal charges may be appropriate. This underscores the seriousness of the issue and the need for immediate action.

Sports Psychologist Dr. Davis Hiscock has identified a prevalent "respect" problem in youth sports, extending from parents and coaches to athletes. He underscores that leadership and respect are learned behaviors, and if children observe their parents or coaches displaying aggression during the game, they are likely to imitate this behavior. This not only undermines the spirit of the game but also has a detrimental impact on our young athletes' emotional well-being and development. Therefore, it is crucial for parents and coaches to understand their pivotal role in shaping sportsmanship and to strive to set a positive example.

The Aspen Sports Institute found that US families spend \$40 billion annually on children's sports activities. Compare that to \$4 billion on college prep courses and \$5 billion on textbooks annually in K-12 public schools in the US.

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Important Notes Regarding SOLICITORS

With summer approaching, there may be more solicitors out in the community. In order to solicit, all individuals **MUST** have their Farmington City Solicitor badge on them. It cannot be left in their vehicle. If they cannot produce this badge, they are in violation and you are welcome to contact the Farmington PD at 801.451.5453.

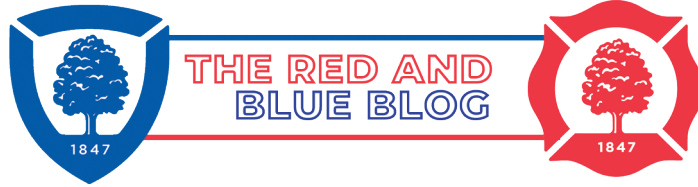
Other Important Notes

1
It is a violation for any solicitor to knock/ring the doorbell or in any other manner attempt to attract the attention of an occupant of a residence that bears a "no soliciting" sign or similar sign.

2
It is a violation for any solicitor who is at any time asked by the resident to leave, to fail to immediately and peacefully depart.

3
It is unlawful for any person, solicitor or not, to solicit any person at a residence before 8 am or after 9 pm MST on business days or before 9 am or after 9 pm MST on Saturdays, Sundays or legal holidays, unless the solicitor has expressed prior permission from resident to do so.

For a better understanding of the Farmington City Ordinance regarding solicitors, please visit https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/farmingtonut/latest/farmington_ut/0-0-0-12979



On April 17th, Officers Mecham and Paskett were patrolling in the area of Station Park and in the middle of investigating an unrelated matter. A woman exited Home Goods and alerted the officers that a man and woman had just tried to steal her wallet. She pointed out the two suspects who were running on foot across the parking lot. The officers were able to apprehend the female suspect while the male suspect managed to escape.

Upon further investigation it was learned that the male and female suspects were working in coordination with one another in an effort to distract the victim and steal her wallet. Luckily, in this case the victim was wary from the beginning and observed the female take her wallet from her purse. The victim verbally challenged the suspects; they dropped the wallet and fled from the store.

We learned through an intensive investigation, and while working with partners from Homeland Security, that the female suspect entered the United States

from Chile. She is a known member of a group being tracked throughout the U.S. Federal authorities have named it The South American Theft Ring.

Farmington Police was able to write and execute a search warrant to seize the cell phone taken off of the suspect. The phone was turned over to agents from Homeland Security and will hopefully provide helpful intelligence regarding the activities of this criminal organization.

Thankfully, this incident was resolved with no one being hurt and no financial loss to the victim. It is important that we all be aware these criminal organizations are here in our city because there are many crimes of opportunity for them. In this case, Farmington officers happened to be in the right place at the right time. It will take all of us to be vigilant and aware in order to thwart these criminal enterprises' efforts. Always, always, always, call 911 if you see something that you think is suspicious or criminal behavior.

This incident was handled from start to finish with the utmost professionalism and competence from our officers and the partners from the Homeland Security. I am truly proud of the work ethic of our officers and the relationships they maintain in order to resolve complicated cases that require "out of the box" thinking and going the extra mile.

Calling all **FORMER** and **RETIRED FARMINGTON FIREFIGHTERS**
Please join the Farmington Fire Department at a **FESTIVAL DAYS CELEBRATION AND BARBECUE.**

Contact Mandice Stokes at 801- 451-2842 or mstokes@farmington.utah.gov for more information.

There is currently an opening for part-time Fire-fighter Paramedics or AEMT. Please refer to the city website for more information, as well as to apply.

Congratulations to Battalion Chief Shaun Smith and Captain Oliver Cummings for passing their Fire Investigator 1 and Fire Instructor 2 examinations. Captain Cummings, along with Administrative Assistant III Mandice Stokes, passed their Unmanned Aircraft General test.

There are times when you leave a job, but the job doesn't leave you. If you are a former and/or retired Farmington firefighter who is struggling with mental health issues, we may be able to help, and at no cost to you. Everything is confidential (your information will not be shared with the station or the city). Please feel free to reach out to Jeffrey Denning, ACMHC from First Responders First, one of our mental health partners at Jeff@FRFirst.com or call 703-864-9710.

APRIL 2024 POLICE STATS	
In total, police responded 843 calls for service	
Auto Accidents	— 36
Traffic Stops	— 299
Adult and/or Juvenile Arrests	— 39

DEAR FARMINGTON COMMUNITY MEMBERS:

This is a reminder that on June 18, 2024, the Farmington City Council will adopt the new budget for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2025. Before the meeting, a public hearing will be held to allow residents to provide feedback on the proposed budget. By state law, the council received and adopted a recommended budget on May 2nd. They will deliberate with city administration and staff from May 2nd to June 18th to finalize a

prudent budget for Farmington City. It is important to note that the proposed budget includes a request for a property tax increase. If the increase is adopted, a Truth in Taxation Hearing will be held on August 20th at city hall.



use common sense ✨ illegal fireworks warnings *will not* be issued ✨ citations *will* be issued ✨ be safe

The Farmington Fire Department emphasizes caution for fireworks use this summer. No discharge of fireworks is allowed in areas of east Farmington. Refer to the [city website](#) for 2024 restrictions and map, or call the fire department at 801-451-2842.

Fireworks are restricted throughout the city within 20 feet of combustible weeds, grasses, trees, shrubs, fences or structures. All Farmington parks are restricted unless specifically designated for use of consumer fireworks.

Use of illegal fireworks will result in a citation. If you are unsure what types of fireworks are illegal, check the [city website](#). Legal fireworks may be discharged **July 2-5 and July 22-25 from 11am-11pm** except on July 4th and 24th when hours are extended to midnight.



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Fire Department 801-451-2842
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Parks & Recreation 801-451-0953
Gymnasium 801-939-9229
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 801-451-2105
Weber Water 801-771-1677

AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY

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



A wealth of information is available on the city website. Scan the QR code to go directly to farmington.utah.gov.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

June 2024

June 4	TUES	CITY COUNCIL MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda on city website
June 6	THURS	PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hrs prior
June 18	TUES	CITY COUNCIL MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda on city website
June 20	THURS	PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hrs prior
June 24	MON	HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda available on the HPC website
June 19	WED	JUNETEENTH city offices will be closed	

LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK

The city finds the input of all residents to be valuable. A survey has been prepared for those who are willing to participate. It will likely take 7-10 minutes to complete. Scan the QR code to get started.



IMPORTANT REMINDER

Keep Storm Drains Clean



Do you have a storm drain in front of your house? Please help Farmington City by keeping waste and natural debris off the grate.

All residents should be careful to keep lawn clippings on their own property. Do not blow clippings, dirt, or fertilizer into the street. Do not place yard debris in the street.



Gymnasium
294 S 650 W
801.939.9229

Parks & Recreation Office
720 West Clark
801.451.0953

PARKS & RECREATION

FARMINGTON

for more info see the Farmington City website

upcoming fall sports

register
june 3rd

- youth softball
- youth baseball
- coed adult softball
- youth soccer
- youth flag football

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- nike basketball camp
- nike volleyball camp
- nike soccer camp
- nike football camp



USE THE QR CODE FOR
EVENT REGISTRATION,
LOCATIONS, TIMES,
SPONSORS, AND MORE

FARMINGTON'S ANNUAL FESTIVAL DAYS CELEBRATION BEGINS MONDAY, JULY 8 THROUGH SATURDAY, JULY 13. IT'S THAT TIME WHEN IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW LONG YOU'VE LIVED HERE, WHAT AGE YOU ARE, WHETHER YOU LIKE TO PLAY OR WATCH, IF YOU LIKE ARTS OR SPORTS—THERE'S SOMETHING FOR YOU. LISTED BELOW IS AN OUTLINE OF EVENTS. FOR THE LATEST DETAILED INFORMATION, GO TO THE [CITY WEBSITE](#) OR SCAN THE QR CODE ABOVE.

Tues. JULY 9

8AM & 6PM PICKLEBALL
6PM CHILDREN'S PARADE
6:15PM 3 ON 3 BASKETBALL
GUNS & HOSES
MOVIE IN THE PARK
-TROLLS BAND TOGETHER-

Wed. JULY 10

8AM & 6PM PICKLEBALL
10AM HIGH FITNESS
CHALK ART

Thurs. JULY 11

8AM & 6PM PICKLEBALL
CHALK ART
3PM YOUTH CORNHOLE 8-17

Fri. JULY 12

8AM & 6PM PICKLEBALL
CHALK ART
5-9PM 5K/10K PACKET PICKUP

Sat. JULY 13

7AM 5K/10K
7-9AM BREAKFAST IN THE PARK
10AM PARADE
11:30AM CORNHOLE 18+
11AM EVENTS AT FORBUSH PARK
ENTERTAINMENT
FOOD TRUCKS
VENDORS

CAR SHOW (MAIN STREET)
FARMERS MARKET
CARNIVAL
6:30PM CHEX MAX
7PM CRESCENT SUPER BAND
8PM THE BLOCKBUSTERS
FIREWORKS AT DUSK

Sportsmanship continued

We are investing more in youth athletics than ever. That comes with a consequence. Dr. Hiscock noted that parents investing significant amounts of money and time in youth sports is a part of the problem. "Parents want a positive return on their investment, so they insert themselves." According to psychologist and hockey mom Dr. Shannon Edison, this puts high demands on the players, leading to aggressive interactions and creating a culture of intense pressure. Studies from the National Alliance for Youth Sports (NAYS) have found that of the 40 million youths participating in organized sports each year, 70% will drop out before the age of 13! When asked why, the primary reason is that they don't find it fun anymore. Girls drop out at almost twice the rate of boys by age 14.

The City of Farmington believes in providing low-cost sports and recreation programs—to such a degree that the programs are not self-funded. Rec sports programs and fields are subsidized by taxpayer dollars to keep costs low for participants (just as it is in all cities). Yet the culture of

"intense pressure" from other athletic programs creates problems on the field. Name-calling, bullying, pushing matches, cheating, and harassment of officials are *getting out of control*. The purpose of providing recreational sports and subsidizing them with taxpayer dollars is that it allows for social learning and growth opportunities for the youth. Youth sports participation sets up children for a lifetime of healthy habits. While "it takes a village to raise a child," the most important lessons come from the parents. Help us help them. Let us all set a good example and hold children accountable for unsportsmanlike conduct. As we continue dealing with the negative side of sports, we are forced to pay our officials more money since the "pool of willing candidates" is getting so small. The lack of volunteers and disinterest from the next generation of officials is causing a crisis. Nobody wants to be ridiculed by players and fans. Any referee or recreation official can dismiss a player, spectator, or coach from a game – and sometimes even an entire team from a league. Farmington City will be taking a more hardline stance in our effort to combat inappropriate behavior by players and parents. Let's make participation in recreation programs the best possible by returning a culture of respect. 🌱



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 are still available for purchase at city hall



WATCH OUT FOR KIDS ON BIKES
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