FARMINGTON NEWS

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GENERAL PLAN UPDATE PRIORITIES

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

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Farmington City is updating the General Plan, the plan that captures the city's vision for the future. As the region around Farmington changes, revisiting the General Plan ensures that the city remains relevant and captures community priorities. It also helps identify priorities for Farmington's different neighborhood areas.

Many residents stopped by the General Plan booth at Festival Days, or took the short online survey to provide input. The city would love to hear from more of you. Scan the QR code or go online at: <u>https://arcg.</u> <u>is/0fDmqf</u> to learn more about the General Plan and to share your thoughts.

Participants will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a prize.

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YOUR VOICE MATTERS!



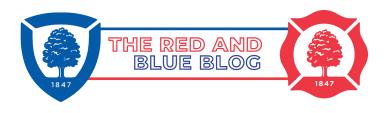
If you haven't already completed the LEAD SERVICES LINE INVENTORY please call public works at 801–451–2624



DOES YOUR HOME HAVE A LEAD SERVICE LINE? Farmington City is required to create a comprehensive water service line material inventory for all properties

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JULY 2024 POLICE STATS In total, police responded to 1503 calls for service (41% increase over prior month) Auto Accidents — 50 Traffic Stops — 671 Adult and/or Juvenile Arrests — 46

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INTERESTING INCIDENT:

In the early morning hours on June 16th, Officer Pence was dispatched to a "suspicious circumstance" on Ranch Road. Dispatch advised Officer Pence that the complainant reported someone had pounded on their front door and moments later their power was shut off.

Officer Pence arrived in the area and noticed a vehicle tap its brakes while it was pulled to the side of the road. A person ran from the vehicle to a car parked in a driveway and attempted to open the car door. Officer Pence activated his emergency lights. The person on foot ran to the car, got in, and the car fled from the scene at a high rate of speed with its lights off. Officer Pence pursued the fleeing vehicle until he felt the risk the pursuit posed to the public outweighed the reward of capturing the suspects. The Highway Patrol, Kaysville, Clinton, and Sunset Police all encountered the vehicle and made attempts to stop it, but were unsuccessful. Eventually the vehicle crashed in Roy and four suspects fled on foot. K9 units were brought in to track the suspects and were able to successfully apprehend two of the four suspects.

A significant amount of resources were consumed in investigating this incident. Two firearms were recovered from the suspect vehicle along with items that were believed to have been stolen from either homes or cars during the incident. It was ultimately found that no homes had been broken into. I believe it was due to the quick arrival of Officer Pence that no one actually suffered any loss or harm. This incident is a reminder that almost nightly there are criminals lurking in Farmington hoping to find unlocked doors of your home or cars in order to commit crime. The firearms recovered from the suspect vehicle are a reminder to our officers that even the most routine of calls can bring us face to face with evil and danger.

Please keep your doors locked and report anything you think is suspicious to the police. We take pride in protecting this amazing community.

Farmington Fire Department invites the community to its annual open house. Meet Farmington's dedicated firefighters, explore the equipment, and more.

Monday, October 7th 5:00-8:00 pm 82 North 100 East Farmington 801-451-2842

> FIRE PREVENTION

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trim branches 13 feet high

Farmington City Public Works has street projects around the city while the weather is favorable and asks for your help by trimming street trees to comply with city ordinance as illustrated above. Thank you!



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Historical Museum 801.451.4850
Animal Control 801.444.2200
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Benchland Water 801.451.2105
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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 September 2024

September 2	NOM	LABOR DAY City Offices will be closed	
September 3	TUES	CITY COUNCIL MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda on <u>city website</u>
September 5	THURS	PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hrs prior
September 7	SAT	NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE Woodland Park see page 6 for details	8:00 am- 12:00 noon
September 17	TUES	CITY COUNCIL MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda on <u>city website</u>
September 19	THURS	PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hrs prior
September 23	NOM	HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda available on the <u>HPC website</u>

HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATIONS

To ensure better and the most up-to-date communication, the city is asking that all HOAs fill out this no-cost application via QR code. This will provide current contact information for board members, management groups, etc. Any questions can be directed to Carly Rowe at 801–939–9215 or via email at crowe@farmington.utah.gov.

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On SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH,

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 6:00am on the 12th. Non-processable waste such as rocks, dirt, appliances, hazardous wastes, etc. are prohibited.





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IS FARMINGTON A SAFE PLACE?

Roger Child, Farmington City Council



Is Farmington a safe place or is crime increasing? Providing a safe environment is the top priority of city officials. Addressing and supporting policing issues anywhere in the country takes bold action from elected officials. Since 2020, police recruitment has been a real challenge. Our police salaries were too low to attract many candidates. Farmington City had the lowest salaries in Davis County. Low salaries started to impact the retention of our existing police. This is a common problem in many US cities. According

to the Police Executive Research Forum, police recruits are down 27% to 60% (1). Cities compete for a limited number of police candidates. Fewer and fewer individuals are choosing law enforcement as a career. Cities are forced to recruit police from other cities offering higher salaries. In this wage battle, Farmington City was losing almost every time. City officials decided for the fiscal year 2025 budget to increase police salaries through a tax increase. The goal is to raise salaries to be in the top third rather than at the bottom.

Farmington City is the pinch point of transportation, county, commercial, and entertainment venues which brings opportunities but also challenges. We have several interstates that pass through the city, UTA frontrunner stop, and buses. These regional transportation modes bring many people in and through the city with no end in sight as population in the county grows faster than predicted by the Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC). This pinch point brings families and individuals seeking wholesome entertainment, shopping, and employment opportunities, but it also brings in individuals who seek to take advantage of people, events, and entities. This spring Farmington City will gain another great attraction. The county will finish the Davis County Western Sports Park. This park, with its six full-size sports fields, two arena event buildings, and parking for 2,000 cars, will be a regional center for athletic events and a beacon of positive change for our city. This 55-acre athletic event center will further label Farmington City as a great place for family fun, competitions, and entertainment. Summer populations in Farmington will grow by thousands per day. With people and events comes the need to police and protect.



Chief Johnson, Farmington City Police Chief, says that the most frequent crime in Farmington is property crime from opportunistic thieves. These crimes of opportunity come from unlocked cars, open garage doors, bags left in cars, unattended purses in shopping carts, shoplifting, and delivered packages on porches. Access to homes is rare, but stolen garage door openers from unlocked cars is a risk. "People come into the city both day and night looking for these easy opportunities," says the Chief. This is not unique to Farmington. According to the FBI, the crime that is most concerning in Utah is property crime. The number one property crime is stolen packages off porches which is up 60%. (2)

Farmington is generally a safe place. According to USA.com Crime Index, Farmington is ranked 10th for safety in Utah (3). The solution to crime is awareness and concerned citizens, combined with a larger police presence. Most of these crimes can be prevented. Neighbors, please look out for each other. Let your neighbors know when you see garage doors open for extended times or if you see strangers testing car doors. Call 911 immediately. Our police are eager to respond quickly. The saying, "If you see something, say something" cannot be overstated. Caring and aware citizens together with a strong police force can keep Farmington a safe place. Farmington City can stay ahead of crime.

1. https://leb.fbi.gov/articles/featured-articles/playing-the-long-game-law-enforcement-recruitment, "Police Executive Research Forum, The Workforce Crisis."

- 2. https://www.safewise.com/blog/safest-cities-utah/
- 3. http://www.usa.com/rank/utah-state--crime-index--city-rank.htm



CHECK YOUR SPEED AS YOU DRIVE

9/11 NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE

Volunteers who wish to work with Farmington City in observing the National Day of Service will be cleaning up Woodland Park (300 S 200 E) on Saturday, September 7th from 8:00 am until 12:00 noon. Bring gloves and pruning shears. Thank you.



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Saturday, September 21 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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