



FARMINGTON NEWS

MORE TIME FOR LIVING

THE GIVING SEASON IS HERE

Help Santa bring smiles to children and families in Davis County this Christmas. Donate unwrapped items at Farmington City Hall by December 9th.

WHEN THE WEATHER OUTSIDE IS FRIGHTFUL

Public works crews have the tricky task of assessing each storm individually with public safety as their top priority. Crews work as safely and efficiently as they can to clear the 200+ lane miles of Farmington roads.

PRIORITY ROADS include those around schools, main arteries, collectors, hills, and school zones. These priority roads take precedence. Residential roads, dead ends, and cul-de-sacs are cleared when conditions allow.

Things that residents can do to help snow removal operations move along safely and effectively include the following:

- Park all vehicles, trailers, and boats off the streets until the snow is removed. Ridges of snow around

vehicles parked on the streets can prevent and/or slow down future snow removal and may even cause accidents if a vehicle hits them. City Ordinance states that from November 15th to the last day of February, no vehicles of any kind may be parked in the street right-of-way between the hours of 1 a.m. to 7 a.m. Tickets will be issued to those who are not in compliance.

- Please give salt spreaders and snowplow equipment plenty of room. Drive cautiously and defensively; do not follow too closely – equipment could slide sideways or backwards at any time. This will help to prevent cracked windshields and avoid accidents.

OFFICIALS BREAK GROUND FOR A NEW PARK IN WEST FARMINGTON

Pictured below from left to right: P&R Director Colby Thackeray, Councilmembers Scott Isaacson, Melissa Layton, Alex Leeman, Mayor Brett Anderson, Councilmember Amy Shumway, Parks Superintendent Jae Horrocks, Brent Potter (Blu Line Designs), and Brett Vargeson (SIRQ)



ROADS MAINTAINED BY THE UTAH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

- 200 East from Lund Lane to State Street
- Main Street from State Street to Shepard Lane (Main Street from Shepard Lane to city limits is a city street.)
- 200 West from State Street to I-15
- Shepard Lane from Main Street to Hwy 89
- Park Lane from Main Street to Union Pacific tracks
- State Street from Main Street to 200 West

Farmington City only plows these roads if/when the Utah Department of Transportation doesn't get to it.

While there were recently some really good drug arrests, I want to highlight the following incident in order to make two important points:

Hollywood often portrays police officers, especially patrol officers, as something less than highly skilled, trained, and motivated. I am here to tell you, the job does not allow for that to be the case. While there are certainly down times in our day, a patrol officer is weighed down with the reality that while one moment you might be fighting boredom, the very next moment can be a life or death experience. A difficulty and stress of this job is that you never know when that moment is going to happen, and therefore when we are on duty we tend to always be at a heightened level of stress.

Some days we do get to start our morning with the metaphorical "cup of coffee and donut." On October 27th at 5:58 AM, Officers Paskett and Lingsch did NOT get to start their day that way. These officers responded to a traffic accident on the West Davis Corridor. Upon arrival, they found the driver of the car was severely injured. During the violent crash the driver's right arm had been amputated just

above the elbow. His left arm had multiple compound fractures, and he had a life-threatening wound to his upper leg. All three of these injuries required the application of tourniquets to save this person's life. Officers Paskett, Lingsch, and Kaysville Officer Delos Santos acted with speed, professionalism, and competence in providing initial medical treatment to the driver of this car.

As I have reviewed this incident and listened to both officers recount it, my heart is filled with pride and gratitude. I am so proud of these officers and the professionalism they displayed during an extremely traumatic and stressful situation. During this season of giving thanks, I want to express my gratitude and thankfulness to all of our officers for being willing to do an extremely difficult job and doing it at such a high level of expertise.

I recently attended a conference where I heard this phrase, "...be seen for the HUMANITY you possess versus the authority you carry." We are not perfect, but I truly believe our officers exemplify this phrase day in and day out through their service to the Farmington community.

I hope you enjoy safety, happiness, and love during this holiday season. Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas!

CONSIDER FIRE SAFETY WHEN DECORATING

Many holiday traditions increase the risk of home fires. Taking a few good-sense precautions can reduce the danger. Read the following reminders for fire safety during the holidays.

Use battery-operated rather than lit candles;

Do not overload electrical outlets;

Check cords periodically to make sure they are not warm;

Before purchasing a natural tree, bounce the trunk on the ground. If many needles fall, the tree has been cut too long;

Place tree at least three feet away from any heat source;

Use lights that have the label of an independent testing lab;

Check lights for indoor vs. outdoor rating;

Always turn off Christmas lights before leaving home or going to bed;

Before purchasing an artificial tree, be sure it is fire-retardant;

Dried-out trees are a fire danger and should not be left in the home or garage or placed outside against the house.

OCTOBER 2024 POLICE STATS

In total, police responded to

1002 calls for service

Auto Accidents — 58

Traffic Stops — 330

Adult and/or Juvenile Arrests — 31

HELP TELL THE STORY OF FARMINGTON. SCAN THE QR CODE OR USE THE LINK TO UPLOAD YOUR FAVORITE PHOTO(S) SHOWCASING THE PEOPLE AND PLACES OF FARMINGTON.

[HTTPS://ARCCG.IS/OXLLF52](https://arccg.is/oxllf52)

YOUR PHOTO COULD BE FEATURED IN FARMINGTON'S UPDATED GENERAL PLAN OR USED IN COMMUNITY OUTREACH MATERIALS.



WINTER ORDINANCES

City ordinances state that from November 15 through the end of February,

- 1 no vehicle of any kind may be parked in the street right-of-way from 1:00am to 7:00am. Traffic citations will be issued to violators.
- 2 within 48 hours after snowfall stops, citizens are required to remove snow from the public sidewalks fronting their property. More snow removal information is available on the city website.

Farmington YOUTH CITY COUNCIL

Applications for Farmington Youth City Council are being accepted now until end of business on January 9, 2025. For an application, go to the city website, farmington.utah.gov/youth-city-council/. Please contact Emme Kovacs if you have questions at ekovacs@farmington.utah.gov or call 801-939-9226





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Police Non-Emergency... 801-298-6000
Fire Department 801-451-2842
Fire Non-Emergency... 801-298-6000
Public Works 801-451-2624
Storm Water 801-451-2624
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

December 2024

until December 9		HOLIDAY DONATIONS ACCEPTED 160 South Main Street	during business hours
December 12	THURS	PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hrs prior
December 17	TUES	CITY COUNCIL MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda on city website
December 24 & 25	TUES WED	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY city offices will be closed	
January 1	WED	NEW YEARS HOLIDAY city offices will be closed	
January 6	MON	PARKS & POOL RESERVATIONS BEGIN FOR RESIDENTS see instructions on page 4	
January 11	SAT	CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP see guidelines below	

Farmington City will pick up natural CHRISTMAS TREES on Saturday, January 11th from residents who observe the following guidelines:

- [1] have trees out on the curb by 6:00am
- [2] remove all ornaments, lights, flocking, and tree stands
- [3] do not place trees in bags
- [4] if the tree is over 8 feet tall, cut it in half

The 2025 **RECYCLING CALENDAR** is now available on the city website.





Gymnasium
294 S 650 W
801.939.9229

Parks & Recreation Office
720 West Clark
801.451.0953

PARKS & RECREATION

FARMINGTON

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**FOLLOW THE STEPS ABOVE
TO GET STARTED.**



**2025
PARK
&
POOL
RESERVATIONS**

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

**JAN 6TH
RESIDENTS
&
JAN 12TH
NONRES**

FOR MORE
INFO ON UPCOMING
EVENTS PLEASE
SEE THE FARMINGTON
CITY WEBSITE



THE Best GIFT



by Amy Shumway,
Farmington City Council

What's the best gift you have ever received? I've recently been pondering life's changing gifts.

Last summer, my husband and I were invited to attend an Evening of Inspiration at the Bountiful Community Church. It was one of those moments in my life that gave me a new perspective, and has been in my thoughts constantly. The main speaker was a gentleman who has faced some challenging times in life. As an adult he was a drug addict, dealer and producer right here in Utah. He was arrested multiple times for various crimes and was a menace to society. He was a thief and was not the person you wanted to have in your neighborhood. He struggled with relationships and lost those relationships with loved ones because of his struggle with drugs and his behavior. The law finally caught up to him and he was sentenced to a long prison term. Lucky for him, a judge had compassion on him and gave him the option to go to a life skills center like the Red Barn Academy right here in Farmington.

This type of facility helps reinvent lives broken from addiction and crime, by teaching honesty, accountability, and integrity. He focused most of his remarks on accountability and integrity. Understanding these two principles helped him turn his life around. It took many years of self-reflection and hard work to become the person he is today. He shared many experiences through his change, but one experience he shared was simple and yet very profound.

The bathrooms in this life skills center had a garbage can located under the countertop. A hole was cut out of the countertop so paper towels could be thrown in it. Typically, he would dry his hands, go to the door, and shoot a basket. He would walk out regardless of where the paper towel landed. One day he stopped after he had thrown the paper towel and missed the trash can. He walked back into the bathroom, picked it up, and put it in the garbage. That was the day he knew he had made it and really changed. He was holding himself accountable and he had integrity; the two principles the life skills center had instilled in him.

But he questioned where all his bad behavior had started. You don't go from being a kid to a young adult to being a menace to society overnight. He said it was years of small simple things like lying. For instance, when he was young, he

started drinking liquor out of his parents' liquor cabinet. He would lie when they confronted him about the missing liquor. He said he knew they knew he was lying, but they didn't hold him accountable. They continued to let him off the hook and slowly he lost any accountability and integrity.

This is a gift-giving time of year. Let's give the best gift we can give by holding ourselves and our loved ones accountable and create within ourselves integrity. These traits are taught with love and understanding of each other's ability to become reliable people. The principles of accountability and integrity form us into individuals who create a community where each of us can feel love and build relationships within our families that will flourish. When holding ourselves and others accountable, we need to make sure we do it in love and not in a realm of shame. We all have areas to improve in our lives. When someone who loves us holds us accountable, be willing to humbly accept their counsel and improve ourselves accordingly. Imagine what our community could look like if we all held ourselves to a higher standard and collectively had integrity. I think that would be the best gift we could give to our families, friends, and our society. It would be a gift that would keep on giving for generations.



The **MAYOR'S COMMUNITY COUNCIL** is a group of Farmington residents who meet in the evening on the second Wednesday every other month to consider and offer feedback to the mayor regarding issues and challenges to the community. **YOU are invited to join.** This is an opportunity to be informed and to weigh in. Expressions of interest should be emailed to Mayor Anderson at mayor@farmington.utah.gov.

BUSINESS LICENSES

Business licenses for the following will expire on December 31st.

- ★ Commercial
- ★ Mobile
- ★ Daycare/Preschool

To renew, you will access your portal through your email that was sent via Civic Review in mid-November. Please contact our office if you have yet to receive yours.

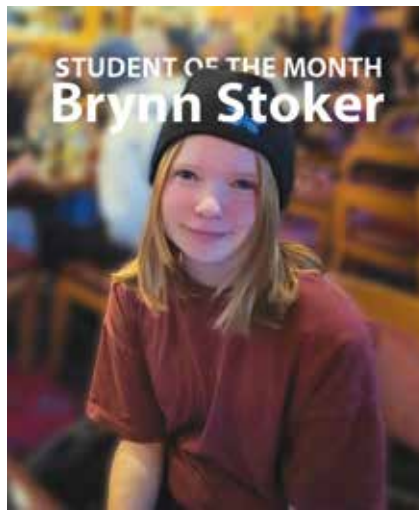
PLEASE NOTE that failure to renew can result in your license being inactivated, late fees, and additional penalties outlined in city code.

Questions can be directed to Carly Rowe at crowe@farmington.utah.gov.

If your business has closed since last renewal, please request a closure when you receive the email or contact Farmington City immediately to avoid renewal charges.

PLEASE NOTE that home occupation licenses expire one year from date of issuance. This notice pertains **ONLY** to the licenses listed above.

HELPFUL TIP: prior to renewal and to ensure efficient timing, please verify that your business name and/or dba is showing an active status via the State of Utah website (<https://businessregistration.utah.gov/>) and that your TAP number is valid for Farmington City, if you collect sales tax. (example: 99999999-999-STC, location 06017).



Brynn Stoker is a softball player, the best kind. She is a competitive and talented pitcher. But Brynn has a quality that every coach loves to see and not many players possess. During the season, Brynn's coach noticed her talking to girls on the other team during games, and finally asked what she was saying. Brynn replied that she was giving them pointers to improve their game and telling them they were doing a great job.

The coach also noticed Brynn mentoring girls on her own team, observed her helping the catcher get into her gear, or wrapping the injury of a teammate.

Her exemplary good sportsmanship has been contagious. There is more congratulatory cheering when the other team performs well, more words of encouragement for teammates, and improved camaraderie. Thank you, Brynn, for setting an example that is so needed in sports.



WHEN IN DOUBT, PUT IT OUT

- New Year | 1 day delay
- Memorial Day | 1 day delay
- Independence Day | 1 day delay for Friday pickup only
- Labor Day | 1 day delay
- Thanksgiving | Thursday pickup on Friday
Friday pickup on Saturday
- Christmas | 1 day delay for Thursday & Friday pickup
- all other holidays | garbage pickup will remain on schedule



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