



# FARMINGTON NEWS

MORE TIME FOR LIVING

## HERE'S WHAT'S COMING UP FOR FARMINGTON IN 2026

a message from  
Mayor Brett Anderson

Farmington, Happy New Year! We truly hope you had an enjoyable holiday season. If your family is like mine, it sometimes feels like there are more things on the holiday list of things to do than there is time to do them. So, in the spirit of lists, how about this for our 2026 list of things to do for Farmington City (in no particular order):

### THE NEW PARK

While the park is open for use, we will hold an official grand opening in late spring or early summer when we turn on the splash pad. If you haven't been to the park yet, gather the kids and head over there and then watch their eyes when they see all that there is to do.

### FIRE STATION

We will be building in earnest. We are going to aggressively pursue the construction. When completed, it will be a much needed asset contributing to the safety and welfare of Farmington.



### DOG PARK

The city acquired some land over by the original Maverick. Among other things, we intend to dedicate a portion of this land for a dog park. If dogs could laugh and frolic, I'm sure it would sound something like this: "woof, woof-woof."

### SKATE PARK/PUMP TRACK

With the widening of I-15, Farmington is going to lose its skate park (and we recognize that we are using that term very generously). With the loss of the so-called skate park, we have an opportunity to build something more desired and, well, a little more amazing. UDOT has to compensate us for this loss, so there will be resources. This is your chance to reach out to your elected officials and let them know your thoughts about the skate park/pump track.

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## Make It a H.A.B.I.T.

Our Gratitude Philosophy for 2026

We are excited to begin 2026 with the official launch of our new guiding philosophy and principles at the police department. As members of the Farmington Police Department, we believe that greatness is built through consistency and the habits we choose to live by each day. Our guiding philosophy, "Make it a **H.A.B.I.T.**," serves as our compass, reminding us that excellence is achieved one moment, one choice, and one interaction at a time. Make it a **H.A.B.I.T.** stands for being Humble, Accountable, Brave, Impactful, and Thoughtful. These principles guide and shape what we do, how we do it, and all that we believe in. It is more than our motto; it is a mindset that defines our culture and forms the foundation of our service to the community.

### HUMBLE

We will lead with humility and recognize that our successes are built through teamwork, determination, and the trust of our community.

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## ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

*you'll want to plan for*



### MAIN STREET

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), in partnership with Farmington City, is undertaking improvements along Main Street between Park Lane and Shepard Lane. The project includes minor roadway widening, installation of curbing, and construction of new sidewalks.

A contractor has been selected, and utility relocation activities are currently underway. As a result, temporary traffic control measures—including flagging operations—will be in place throughout the winter months. Storm drain installation is scheduled along Park Lane, on and off site, through December.

Construction operations will be suspended the last week of December until late in February. Residents should anticipate traffic delays and significant construction activity within the project area throughout 2026.

### I-15 WIDENING

UDOT is advancing the process of selecting a design-builder for the I-15 widening project. This initiative will expand I-15 from North Salt Lake to Park Lane, enhancing capacity and improving traffic flow.

The project team is currently engaged in pre-design activities, right-of-way acquisition, and early construction work in select areas. Planned improvements include the addition of new lanes and the replacement of bridges at Glovers Lane, State Street, and the 200 West interchange.

Design efforts will continue throughout 2026, with major construction scheduled to begin in 2027. To mitigate anticipated traffic congestion during construction, UDOT will also widen Legacy Highway by adding one lane in 2026.

Make it a H.A.B.I.T. continued

We will be great listeners who are open to feedback and the possibility of learning from everyone. We will confidently serve with gratitude and eliminate any sense of entitlement by expressing appreciation often.

#### ACCOUNTABLE

We will be accountable for our successes and our failures. We will be accountable for how we use resources provided to us by the taxpayers. We will be accountable for being well-trained and able to respond to the law enforcement needs of our community. We will hold ourselves and one another accountable, ensuring every action upholds the standards and values of our agency.

#### BRAVE

We will lead with bravery by facing challenges with courage, composure, and compassion. We will stand firmly in our beliefs and guiding principles even when it is not easy. We will be brave enough to stand up for what is right and to share our perspectives with honesty and respect. We will be brave enough to intervene when necessary to protect the integrity of our profession. We will understand that courage also means caring for one another. We will act with moral courage and strive to inspire others to do the same.

#### IMPACTFUL

We will strive to make a lasting, positive impact in every interaction and decision. We will seek opportunities to uplift others, strengthen our community, and lead by example. We will strive to serve with kindness, respect, and genuine care. We understand that every act of service, no matter how small, can inspire trust, bring hope, and create meaningful change.

#### THOUGHTFUL

We will act with intention and respect, considering the impact of our words, our actions, and our decisions. We will think of others before ourselves, placing the needs of our team and community above our own. We will treat others with dignity, empathy, and equality. We will take the time to listen, to understand, and to respond with compassion and professionalism.

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## BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWAL NOTICE

The following business licenses expired on December 31:

**COMMERCIAL, MOBILE, AND DAYCARE/PRESCHOOL**

To renew, please access your portal using the email sent via Civic Review in mid-November. If you did not receive this email, contact our office promptly. There have also been several reminders prior to this expiration date sent via email.

**IMPORTANT:** Licenses include a short grace period, but late fees will begin accruing on February 1st. Failure to renew may result in your license being inactivated, as well as additional penalties outlined in city code. If your business has closed since your last renewal, please submit a closure request when you receive the email or contact Farmington City immediately to avoid renewal charges.

**Please note** that your renewal is not complete when you click "Submit." After approval, you must pay your fee and will then be prompted to print your license at your convenience.

**NOTE:** Home occupation licenses expire one year from the date of issuance. This notice applies only to the license types listed above.

**HELPFUL TIP:** To ensure a smooth renewal process, verify that your business name/DBA is active with the State of Utah Business Registration, and confirm that your TAP number is valid for Farmington City if you collect sales tax (e.g., 99999999-999-STC, location 06017).

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Carly Rowe at [crowe@farmington.utah.gov](mailto:crowe@farmington.utah.gov).







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Fire Department ..... 801-451-2842  
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](http://farmington.utah.gov).



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

January 2026

January 6	TUES	CITY COUNCIL MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda on <a href="#">city website</a>
January 8	THURS	PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hrs prior
January 10	SAT	CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP see guidelines in the <a href="#">December newsletter</a>	
January 19	MON	MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY city offices will be closed	
January 20	TUES	CITY COUNCIL MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda on <a href="#">city website</a>
January 22	THURS	PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hrs prior
January 26	MON	HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 160 South Main Street	6:00 pm agenda available on the <a href="#">HPC website</a>



## SYLUS HARPER

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Sylus Harper is an outstanding athlete who brought pride to his community and country at the 2025 Trampoline & Tumbling Junior World Championship in Pamplona, Spain. He competed in the men's Double Mini-Trampoline event, advanced through qualifications and earned the silver medal for the United States.

His achievement reflects years of discipline, perseverance, and focus—qualities that inspire Farmington's youth and exemplify the values of excellence and dedication. Celebrating Sylus honors not only his success, but also the community's commitment to supporting young athletes who represent Farmington on the global stage.

Read a quote from Sylus on page 6.

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**PARKS & RECREATION'S  
COACH HIGHLIGHT,  
EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR,  
ACTIVE AGING PROGRAM,  
AND  
MENTOR HIGHLIGHT**



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**Coach TAMILYN KAAEKUAHIWI** (above) was nominated for her passion, positivity, and the growth she inspires in her players. She focuses on fundamentals, teamwork, and meeting each child where they are. Her energy and encouragement make every game day a joyful experience for players and families alike.

**Employee of the Year, JANESEA MERRELL**, does it all! From adult leagues to youth sports and super sport camps, she has supported nearly every recreation program. When a supervisor isn't around, Janessa is the go-to — dependable, proactive, kind, and always fun to work with. Farmington City is lucky to have her.



The **ACTIVE AGING** program helps seniors build strength, balance, mobility, and flexibility — all while having fun.

**CATHY** (left) brings the joy with Silver Sneakers and Zumba Gold, making exercise feel easy and energizing.

**SHAR** (center) keeps everyone moving with line dancing and believes staying active lifts both body and spirit.

**ANNE** shares her passion for senior and chair yoga, creating calm, strength, and connection for every ability level.

This is an amazing trio who makes the active aging program safe, uplifting, and full of heart

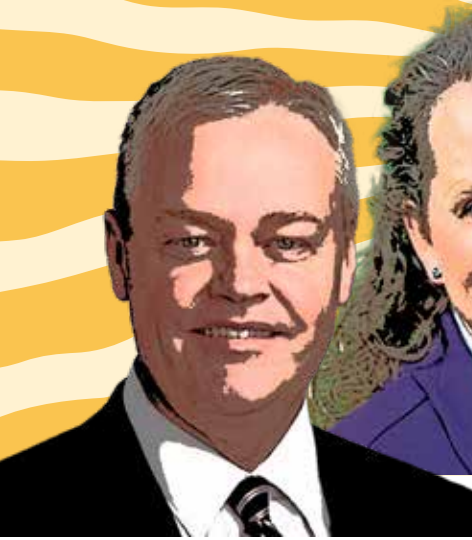


You've probably spotted **TIM AND BRIAN** on the sidelines at flag football, baseball, softball, or basketball. They were likely cheering on players, helping coaches, and recognizing great sportsmanship. Their positivity and support make a big impact, and that's why Tim and Brian are this year's recreation rock stars!



# Hopes are High for a Bright Future

## YOUR 2026 CITY COUNCIL



ROGER CHILD



AMY  
SHUMWAY



MELISSA LAYTON



SCOTT  
ISAACSON



KRISTEN SHERLOCK

"From 1890s with the beginning of Lagoon, Farmington has been known as a recreational hub. My hope is that this history will continue into 2026 with the opening of the North Cottonwood Park and the Davis County Western Sport Park. These two parks will bring new amenities and excitement to the residents near and far."

Roger

"I am excited to use the new park with my family and friends. I am also looking forward to the new pedestrian access over Park Lane. I hope to see construction start on the Lower Farmington Creek Trail making it safe and family friendly."

Amy

"I hope Farmington citizens take time to connect more with city employees. I hope we reach out in gratitude for those who are in the trenches of making this city work. I hope we are grateful for clean water, waste services, plowed streets, safe neighborhoods, quick emergency response times, great parks, and a smile behind the front desk. Thank you Farmington employees!"

Melissa

"My hope and prayer for Farmington in 2026 is to incline us to think humbly of ourselves, to be severe only in the examination of our conduct with others, to consider our city staff and fellow neighbors with kindness, and to judge all they say and do with that charity which we desire from them for ourselves. I have met many good people in this abundantly minded community and know we have it in ourselves to accomplish amazing things as a unified whole."

Kristen

"For this new year, I hope that the citizens of Farmington can continue to take for granted all the basic necessities of life and services that the city provides: safe water; well-maintained and plowed streets; trustworthy and professional police; expert firefighters and emergency medical responders who can be at our homes in minutes; sewers that work; garbage and recycling that magically disappear each week; beautiful parks, recreation programs, and all the other services that the city provides to the citizens under a carefully balanced budget. As stewards of your tax dollars, our highest priority is to make all this happen for each citizen so that you can take it all for granted and devote your time and efforts to 'More Time for Living.'"

Scott

## WATER TANK

We are working on our new water tank. When completed, Farmington will be well-positioned to handle the culinary water needs of this city for years and years to come.

## GREEN WASTE

We will be rolling out a green waste recycling program. It is opt-in, which means it is optional. Remember, all household waste is literally loaded into large semitrucks and hauled about 100 miles away. We pay by the pound for our waste management. By recycling our green waste, we not only reduce the tonnage of waste we ship to the landfill, but we prolong the life of the landfill by avoiding the introduction of massive amounts of biodegradable green waste into our normal household waste. A very large portion of our waste tonnage between May and October is green waste. The city will receive a rebate from Wasatch Integrated (the Davis County waste management district) for the green waste and recycling that we divert from the landfill. More details about green waste recycling will come this spring. By the way, if someone floats the rumor that the recycled materials are not actually recycled, that is flat-out wrong. In 2025, Wasatch Integrated recycled about 407 tons of paper, 337 tons of PET (plastic #1), 199 tons of HDPE (plastic #2), 251 tons of steel, 268 tons of aluminum, and, thanks to Amazon, 5,284 tons of cardboard. Wasatch Integrated received about \$1,385,895 in compensation for the recyclables recovered from the cities that recycle. It actually pays to recycle. Let's keep doing it.

Well, there you have it. We want to hear from you. If you have ideas about these or any other happenings in our city, please let us know. Great things are coming. We wish you all a happy, safe, and prosperous New Year. 🌳

## PREVENT FROZEN PIPES

Temperatures have been moderate, but if extreme cold reaches Farmington, there are steps homeowners can take to prevent frozen pipes. See detailed suggestions in the [December 2023 Farmington News](#), page 2.



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## CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

Saturday, January 10th



For complete guidelines, refer to the December issue of [Farmington News](#), page 6.

SYLUS HARPER,  
Student of the Month

"This award could not have come at a better time. After taking a little more than a week off from school to compete at the Trampoline Junior World Championship in Spain, I now have an uphill battle to get back on track with my grades. Knowing that my efforts have not gone unnoticed helps motivate me to do so. Thank you to all my family, friends, coaches and teachers who have supported me along the way."

ORTHO & INJURY  
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**— NOW OPEN! —**

1179 W Park Lane,  
Farmington

**801.691.7200**

📍 1179 W Park Lane, Farmington

📞 801.691.7200

🕒 Walk In M-F 8:00am- 4:00pm

## WINTER PARKING ORDINANCE

Farmington's Winter Parking Ordinance helps city crews more effectively clear streets, making them safer for drivers and pedestrians. From December 1 through the end of February, street parking is not allowed between 1:00 and 7:00am whenever snow is falling or has fallen within the past 24 hours.

Thank you for doing your part to keep Farmington roads accessible for everyone.

Make it a H.A.B.I.T. continued

We will be patient and act in ways that model what we expect.

We proudly pledge to live out this philosophy and to Make It a **H.A.B.I.T.** in all that we do each and every day.

We invite every member of our community to join us in this effort to Make it a **H.A.B.I.T.** in your own life and interactions. Together, we can continue building a community and police department defined by excellence, unity, and genuine service to one another.

Humbly,  
Chief Austin Anderson 🌳