



GOOD THINGS ALL AROUND



AN UPDATE ON RETAIL DEVELOPMENT IN TOWN

For the past several years, Spanish Fork City has worked with various developers and retailers to create new opportunities for commerce in the community. The City's motivation to create these opportunities is multifaceted. One of the City's main interests is to enhance the City's tax base. Much of the funds used to provide basic City services is derived from sales tax and, like most cities, Spanish Fork is consistently looking to increase sales tax revenue. Another City interest involves improving the quality of life for our residents. We believe the addition of new shopping opportunities in Spanish Fork can reduce our residents' need to travel elsewhere and that such change will be very beneficial for many in the community.

With that said, the role that the City plays in actually attracting restaurants, stores, theaters and other like businesses is

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A CONCEPTUAL DRAWING OF THE CANYON CREEK RETAIL PROJECT



DEAR MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

From Left to Right, Back Row: Steve Leifson, Mayor Wayne Andersen, Richard Davis, Keir Scoubes; Front Row: Brandon Gordon, Rod Dart.

Blank lines for writing a letter to the Mayor and City Council.

Name: Phone #:

Email: Address:

Please complete the form and return it with your utility bill. You can also send comments to the City from the City's website. Thank you for your comments.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Farmers Market every Saturday Morning from 8 am to 1 pm. Hosted by the Chamber of Commerce

Oct 1: Recycling Pick-up

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Oct 2: City Council Meeting 6 pm. Live on Ch. 17

Oct 5: Community Theater Costume Sale

Oct 14 & 15: Recycling Pick-up

Oct 15: City Council Meeting 6 pm. Live on Ch. 17

Oct 26: Trick or Treat on Main St. A Chamber of Commerce Event

Oct 28 & 29: Recycling Pick-up

...RETAIL DEVELOPMENT (CONTINUED FROM FRONT)

somewhat limited. Perhaps the best word to use in describing the City's role in attracting new business is facilitator. We work as City staff to make sure that the components required to serve retail development are in place. These components include things like streets, water lines and electric substations. Staff also contacts businesses that might be expanding in our area to make sure they know there are excellent opportunities in our community.

The most influential parties involved in retail development are retail developers and the retailers themselves. The City works diligently to make sure that the appropriate needs of these professionals are satisfied, but largely the City stands on the sidelines while other entities make commitments and decisions about development in the community.

Most recently, Spanish Fork City has enjoyed widespread interest from expanding retailers who have considered locations in Spanish Fork. While we are excited about the prospect

that several well-known retailers will open new stores in the community, so far only a few have applied for approvals and permits. Perhaps the best known retailer the City has worked with is Wal-Mart. Wal-Mart obtained a building permit earlier this year and will likely start construction in the next few months. While the City is not yet aware of exactly which retailers will eventually build stores in the area, we believe that we will learn much more once Wal-Mart commences construction. A conceptual plan for the Canyon Creek retail development is on the front of this newsletter.

We understand many residents are very interested to learn more about what retail development is planned in the City. We will provide information about plans that are in the works. Likewise, we will avoid speculation and avoid sharing plans or concepts that have not yet been finalized. If you would ever like more information, call the Community Development Office at 801.804.4580.

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SAVE THE DATE TO WELCOME THE CAPITAL CHRISTMAS TREE

The 2013 Capitol Christmas Tree, The People's Tree, harvested from a National Forest in Washington State, will travel through Spanish Fork as it makes its way across the country to Washington DC. Spanish Fork City has been honored to be one of the "Whistle Stop" cities.

The Tree will be on display at City Park on Tuesday, November 12, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Mark your calendars now to help "welcome" the tree that evening. A small ceremony will be held at 7:00 pm which will include the Mayor, City Council, Forest Service Representatives and State Representatives. The Maple Mountain High School Madrigals will also perform.

PIONEERS IN YOUR ATTIC: PRESERVING THE LEGACY OF THE OVERLAND MIGRATION

Bring your family diaries, journals, photographs, and other original materials created between 1840 and 1900 to the Spanish Fork Library, October 17, 3:00-7:00 pm, and staff from Utah Valley University Library's Sutherland Archives will scan them for free while you wait, put them online to share, and send you free digital copies on discs. You keep your materials, but get to share them with the world, for free!

For more information, contact Catherine McIntyre at 801.863.8821 or mcintyca@uvu.edu. Visit the project website at: <http://mwdl.org/portals/pioneers.php>

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

You can check your voter registration online at www.elections.utah.gov or by calling the Utah County Elections office 801-851-8109. If you have changed your name or address, even within the City, it is necessary to re-register.

EARLY OR ABSENTEE VOTING

A registered voter can vote prior to the General Election at the City Office. Early voting is open **October 22 to November 1 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm**. Absentee ballots can be requested from the City Recorder at the City Office.

VOTING LOCATIONS

Due to recent redistricting, Spanish Fork voting precincts have changed. Visit the city website to view the new precinct map.

COSTUME SALE

Halloween-unique stuff for sale from the Spanish Fork Community Theater. \$5 and \$10 racks of princesses, pirates, fancy, unique and different stuff (mostly adult sizes)
Where: Parks & Recreation Parking Lot
When: Saturday, October 5 from 8:00 to 10:00 am

RECREATION CALENDAR

Register for youth programs online at reconline.spanishfork.org.

Oct 3: Jr. Wrestling early registration ends. (Pre-K – Grade 6)

Oct 8: Little Hoopsters Basketball early registration ends. (Grades 1-2)

Oct 10: Jr. Wrestling registration ends. (Pre-K - Grade 6)

Oct 14: Men's Basketball League and Women's Volleyball early registration ends.

Oct 15: Little Hoopsters registration ends. (Grades 1-2)

Oct 24: Youth Basketball early registration ends. (Grades 3-8)