

# Farmington News

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Dear Farmington Residents,  
Coworkers & Colleagues,

As I prepare to retire, I want to express some personal feelings to Farmington residents, and to my coworkers and colleagues with whom I have associated the past three decades.

Thank you. Thank you for the support and kindness that I have felt during my tenure. Farmington residents, elected officials, and employees are the best as far as I am concerned. Serving as the Farmington City

Manager has been a wonderful, rewarding experience. The citizens of Farmington have created a community that is able to adapt and evolve while still feeling like home. Thank you so much for your community support and care.

Thank you for your patience. There have been times when I have made mistakes. There have been times when I could have done things a little differently. But I have given this job, this public service opportunity, my all; I have not held back. I have willingly made some personal sacrifices because I believe in what I do. It has been an honor for me to serve this community. It has been my privilege to work with exceptional mayors and city council members, conscientious and hard-working city employees and professional consultants. I have very much enjoyed the ride. Thank you, thank you all, for allowing me to have this grand experience.

My best,  
Max Forbush  
Farmington City Manager

## ENHANCED CODE ENFORCEMENT

Being Considered for Farmington



Most residents in Farmington believe the city is a pretty great place to live. The value of residential properties in Farmington as compared to most cities along the Wasatch Front supports that assumption. People who move to Farmington do so even if they have to pay a higher price because they love the quality of life here. Farmington is indeed a pretty great place. Even so, improvement can be made, problems exist that need attention, and the quality of life can be further enhanced. Consequently, city government is taking steps to improve its code enforcement function.

Most people make a conscientious effort to keep their property clean and tidy and most citizens want to comply with city laws. However, there are problem areas that deserve attention such as the placement of debris; construction or landscape materials in the streets; inappropriate storage of vehicles on public streets; failure to keep street frontages clean from weeds; and, in some cases, violation of zoning ordinances.

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Farmington City would like citizens to weigh in on the issues of code enforcement and give their opinions that may lead to the development of appropriate policies by the City Council that pertains to code enforcement. Accordingly, the city will be developing a survey that will be included in an upcoming issue of Farmington News. Results of the survey will be published.

Meanwhile, Mayor Harbertson and the City Council would like to hear your ideas and thoughts about code enforcement. A special Town Hall Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 17th at City Hall to specifically address code enforcement. Farmington residents are invited and encouraged to come to the meeting and share their thoughts on code enforcement: the level of enforcement needed, the approach that ought to be taken, code enforcement priorities, etc.

Even though city officials will be evaluating ways to improve code enforcement, residents should be assured that current laws and codes are not being abandoned and will continue to be enforced.

**Want to make this a warmer holiday season ?**  
**One way to make a difference is by donating blankets, coats and canned foods to those in need. For your convenience, items can be dropped off at the Farmington Fire Station. The fire department will deliver collected items to local shelters.**



Max Forbush was named 2010 Trails Advocate of the Year at a recent city council meeting and honored for his many years of supporting the development of Farmington's excellent trail system. Congratulations, Max, and thank you for your service to the community.



what and where am i?  
Are you observant of the architectural and design elements around Farmington? Do you recognize the lighting above? Check your accuracy with the answer on page 6.

### THANKSGIVING GARBAGE COLLECTION

The garbage collection schedule will change the week of Thanksgiving. That week only, garbage normally collected on Thursdays will be picked up on Friday. If your garbage is normally collected on Fridays, place your container at the curb on Friday even though it may not be picked up until Saturday.

*Please remember,* Farmington City takes responsibility for collecting leaves from city trees located along State and Main Streets as follows:

- Main Street from 100 S to 500 N
- State Street from 400 W to 300 S
- 200 W from State to 200 S
- 400 N from Main to 100 E

*If you do not live along one of those streets, please do not rake your leaves into the street. More information is available on the city website.*



**Farmington City Ordinance** states that from November 15 through February 29, no vehicles of any kind may be parked in the street right-of-way from 1:00 am to 7:00 am. Traffic citations will be issued to violators.

City ordinance prohibits the placement of any recreational equipment, building materials, or refuse within the street right-of-way, which generally includes the area between the sidewalk and the pavement surface. Placement of these items could inhibit seasonal services and slow emergency response.

Remember, within 48 hours after snowfall stops, citizens are required to remove snow on the public sidewalks fronting their residences. More snowplow information is available on the city website.



# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## November 2010

Nov 2	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.
Nov 3	WED	Town Hall Meeting at City Hall <i>OPEN DISCUSSION WITH THE MAYOR &amp; CITY COUNCIL MEMBER</i>	7:00 pm YOU determine the agenda
Nov 10	WED	Planning Commission Meeting 160 North Main Street	7:00 pm
Nov 10-13		Youth Theater "Pirates of Penzance" Community Arts Center see page 4 for details	
Nov 11	THURS	Veterans Day City Offices Closed	
Nov 16	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
Nov 17	WED	Town Hall Meeting at City Hall TOPIC: Code Enforcement See page 1 article	7:00 pm
Nov 18	THURS	City Trails Committee Meeting 160 North Main Street	7:00 pm
Nov 25 & 26		Thanksgiving Holiday City Offices Closed	
Nov 30	TUES	Retirement Open House for Max Forbush & Margy Lomax City Hall	4:00 - 8:00 pm

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Fire Department.....451-2842  
Public Works Department.....451-2624  
Storm Water Maintenance.....451-2624  
Parks & Recreation.....451-0953  
Building Inspection.....451-2383  
Water Department.....451-2624  
Planning & Zoning.....451-2383  
Historical Museum.....451-4850  
Animal Control.....444-2200  
Garbage.....825-3800  
Benchland Water District.....482-4929  
Weber Water District.....771-1677

### After Hours Emergency

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

### Farmington City Hall

160 South Main  
P O Box 160  
Farmington, Utah 84025



**Did you know that ballroom dance is a great way to socialize and exercise at the same time... and... Farmington City is hosting BALLROOM DANCE CLASSES taught by experienced dance pro Richard Driggs?**

Richard Driggs has taught ballroom dance for 35 years at Arthur Murray Studios, Fred Astaire studios, and many others. He has danced competitively in many locations including: Las Vegas, New Orleans, Hawaii, Mexico.

Richard has a Gold Star qualification and has taught group ensemble units that have competed in Dance Festivals in California and Utah. He has also taught several individual couple competitors. He is excited to share his talents with those who attend his Ballroom Dance Classes beginning in January.

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When? 1st & 3rd Fridays of every month  
beginning January 7th  
Time? 7:30pm



## FALL YOUTH THEATER "PIRATES OF PENZANCE JR"



When? Nov 10th-13th  
Time? 7:00pm  
Where? Community Arts Center  
Cost? \$5 per person or \$20 per family



## MEN'S BASKETBALL

When? January–March (Thurs)  
Who? 18 and older  
Register Nov 29th–Dec 10th



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When? Saturday, December 4th  
Time? 1:00-5:00pm  
Where? Community Arts Center

Miss Farmington Orientation will be Jan 29th

Volunteers needed for spring Youth Theater

for a complete listing of classes offered, please visit Farmington City's website



## Margy Lomax retiring after 26 years

impact. "There are so many good people—that's the thing I'm going to miss in my retirement." Stepping away from the day-to-day interaction with the people she describes as her second family has been a difficult decision for Margy to make. She will miss the volunteers, the work, and most of all her co-workers. But she is ready for whatever comes next.

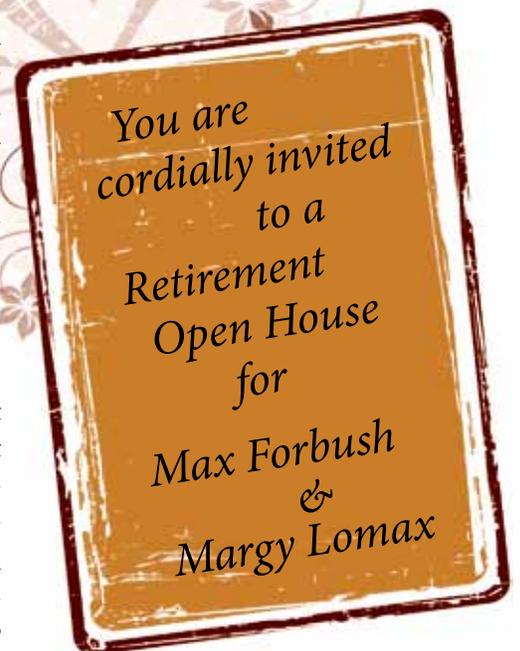
To build, and even more challenging, to sustain a community like Farmington, it takes people like Margy Lomax. She believes in living in the moment, serving for the good of the whole, and truly taking care of people. The City of Farmington is deeply grateful that Margy has allowed us to journey with her through a season of her life.

For Margy Lomax and her young family, Farmington began as her children put it, "a place with no bad guys." Margy's husband was a member of the Salt Lake City police force, but with their oldest turning five, the couple decided it was time to move to a smaller town, a town more like they had grown up in, a town that felt like home. What they found was Farmington. Now, years later, the children have grown up, the city has expanded, and Margy has become a more integral part of Farmington than she ever would have expected that summer of 1976 when she and her family first moved here. Times have changed—and Margy has decided that it is time for her life to change, too.

When her children were young, Margy remembers telling them an important truth in a simple way: "There is a time and a season for everything." After serving the City of Farmington for 26 years, Margy

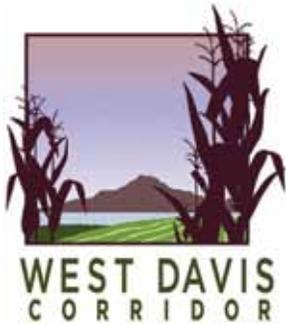
Lomax has decided that her time has come to retire. It is true that Farmington has changed over the course of the almost three decades Margy has dedicated to the people and policies here, but she has been a large part of making sure that the integrity of Farmington has endured untarnished-- that this city can still be thought of as a "place with no bad guys," and most importantly that it still feels like home.

"Life is just constant change," Margy smiles as she talks about what's next for her, "that's just what it is." Although that idea might be intimidating or even scary to some people, Margy has accepted it with grace. Talking about the future surfaces memories of the past. The fear she experienced during the mudslide of 1983. Her children playing in Woodland Park. Taking Sunday drives through Farmington's west side. But it seems that the people in her life have made the biggest



Tuesday, November 30  
4:00 - 8:00 pm  
City Hall  
160 South Main Street  
light refreshments will be served

# WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW?



The West Davis Corridor study team wants to thank everyone who submitted comments on the proposed alternatives and screening criteria. We received over 400 comments via our website, mail, e-mail, and public open houses! You can see all of the comments in the Alternatives Comment Report PDF on the documentation page of our website ([udot.utah.gov/westdavis/pages/documentation](http://udot.utah.gov/westdavis/pages/documentation)). Your input was very helpful in developing the alternatives and the screening criteria.

The study team is now evaluating the alternatives using the Level One and Level Two Screening Criteria. The results of the screening process will be made available to the public during the next several months. These results will show which alternatives will be carried forward for further study and public comment in the Draft EIS.

For more information on the screening process, download the Alternatives Development and Screening Process PDF from the documentation page online. To see maps of the alternatives, go to [udot.utah.gov/westdavis/maps](http://udot.utah.gov/westdavis/maps).

what and where am i?

The lighting pictured on page 2 is in the City Hall's council chambers. If you haven't been inside the building, it's worth the time. On November 16th, enjoy a walk through the building before attending the Town Hall meeting on code enforcement.

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