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VISIONING/ STRATEGIC PLAN PROCESS INFLUENCES

2007-2008 Municipal Budget

Max Forbush, City Manager



The Visioning Committee's "Guiding Statements" followed by the City's Strategic Plan of short- and long-range goals has been a major reference source for preparing the 2007-08 municipal budget. Limited City financial resources are being allocated to projects and operations that meet City goals and objectives established under the Strategic Plan. Although available resources cannot fund all of the initiatives and ideas planned in any one year, they can be accomplished over a period of time. It will be the little things that make the difference to move Farmington from a "good" to a "great" community. Those few line items included in the proposed budget which pertain to the Strategic Plan are:

Land use master planning for the area north of Park Lane, south of Knowlton Elementary and east of Highway 89;

Master Plan updating for Leisure Services programming and operations;

Downtown Master Plan revision involving Davis County, Davis School District and Farmington City;

Park Master Plan update and development of long-range Capital Facilities Plan;

Commencement of long-term efforts to increase tree planting within neighborhoods and along major street corridors;

Beginning of a long-term plan to add decorative lighting in the downtown area with eventual expansion along Main Street to 600 North and west from the intersection of State and Main to I-15;

Increased training for employees and members of City committees, boards and commissions;

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CANDIDATES WANTED



Farmington City will be holding a City election this year for three City Council seats.

The term of office is for four years. Incumbent Council Members Rick Dutson, Larry Haugen, and Sid Young will be finishing their term of office at the end of the year.

To qualify as a candidate you must be:

-  A resident of Farmington City for at least 12 months immediately preceding the date of election;
-  A registered voter at least 18 years of age; and
-  A U.S. citizen at the time of filing.

In order to run for office, a "Declaration of Candidacy" must

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FARMINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Celebrates Centennial Anniversary

An ordinance creating a fire department for the City of Farmington was presented and voted upon May 13, 1907 by the City Council. L.H. Oviatt was appointed Fire Chief. Horace Vanfleet, Fred Abbott, J.D. Wood, Walter Rampton, C.L. Robinson, Otto Lindecke, W.W. Rose and Nephi Palmer were appointed and confirmed as firemen. This was the beginning of the department.

On May 23, 2007, a centennial celebration was held to commemorate Farmington Fire Department's growth from a small volunteer group with crude fire-fighting equipment to the highly trained, well equipped group of individuals who protect our community today.



Smith's Food /NW parking lot

Knowlton Elementary /East parking lot
in back of school

Farmington Elementary /SW corner of
the pool parking lot

Farmington Jr High /North parking lot

Eagle Bay Elementary /West parking lot

Davis County Complex /On the road
east of Farmington Bay Youth Center

Annual Municipal Budget Hearing

June 19

7:15 pm

A **public hearing** is scheduled for Tuesday, June 19, 2007, at 7:15 p.m. at the City Hall for the City's Municipal Budget for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008. The City has over 20 budgets classified under five fund groups. Each contains projected revenues and a plan for expenditures. The public is invited and encouraged to be involved in the budget process. This can be done in two ways. 1) Schedule an appointment with Keith Johnson, City Finance Director, at 939-9204 for a summary review of the budget or simply request a summary copy of the budget; 2) attend the public hearing and provide input.

The budget process this year actually began in late October of 2006 with the appointment of the Visioning Committee and receiving their input of what is important to citizens. The Mayor, City Council and executive staff developed short- and long-range measurable goals from their "Visioning Statements". (See related article in this newsletter.) Much time and effort have gone into developing, reviewing and finalizing the proposed budget. The proposed budgets include:

Revenues

- No property tax increase.
- An increase in monthly Storm Water Utility Fee from \$6 to \$7.
- Development impact fees are being reviewed and will likely be modified, but exact amounts are not known at this time. Another public hearing will be held when they are finalized.

Expenditures

- Construction of new Police Station - \$2.6 million.

- Fire Station remodel to accommodate living quarters - \$360,000.
- Park property acquisition (funded by impact fees) - \$300,000.
- Park improvements and trail development (funded by impact fees and grants)
 - Farmington Ranches Neighborhood Park - \$650,000.
 - Pedestrian Tunnel at 400 West - \$109,00 (City's matching portion)
 - Buffalo Ranches Trail completion - \$155,000
 - Farmington Greens Trail connection to Buffalo Ranches Trail - \$110,000.
- Street resurfacing projects - \$253,793.
 - Foxglove Road north of east Shepard Lane.
 - 'L' shaped street southwest of cemetery in Continental Estates Subdivision. 150 East Street south of 550 South then west along 650 South to 100 East.
 - Oakridge Drive on Compton Bench West State Street from 200 West to 1-15 bridge.

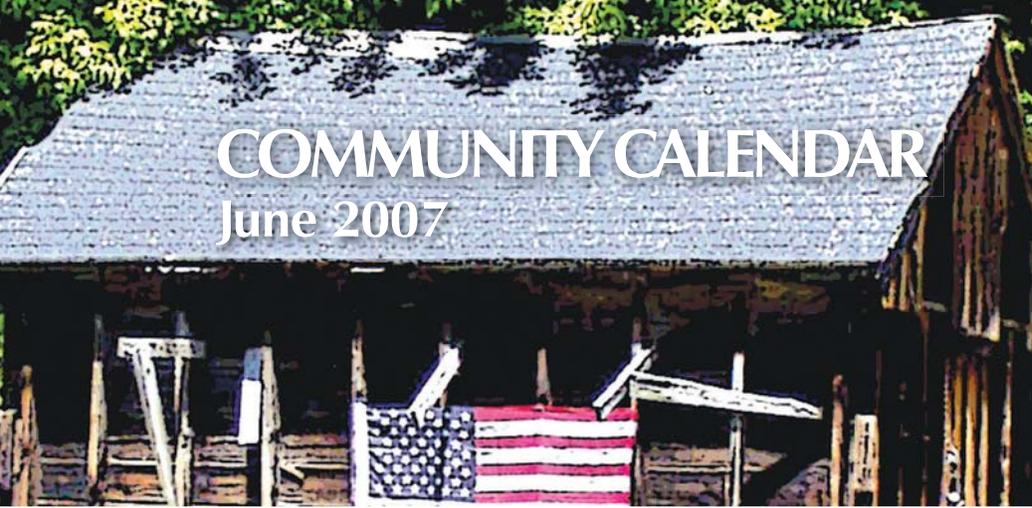
- Hiring two new full-time employees -
 - Police Officer (October) - \$44,000
 - Parks employee (April '08) - \$12,000 ■

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

June 2007



City Information

Scott Harbertson, Mayor
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Rick Dutson
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Sid Young
sidyoung1@msn.com
Paula Alder
paula@alderfam.com

City Operations / City Manager

Max Forbush
mforbush@farmington.utah.gov

City Phone Numbers

Main Number.....451-2383
City Manager.....939-9203
Police Department.....451-5453
Fire Department.....451-2842
Public Works Department..451-2624
Storm Water Maintenance..451-2624
Parks.....451-2624
Leisure Services.....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

Public Meetings

City Council: Generally the first and third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers. Work Sessions begin at 5:30 pm.

Planning Commission

Generally the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

Farmington City Hall

130 North Main
P O Box 160
Farmington, Utah 84025

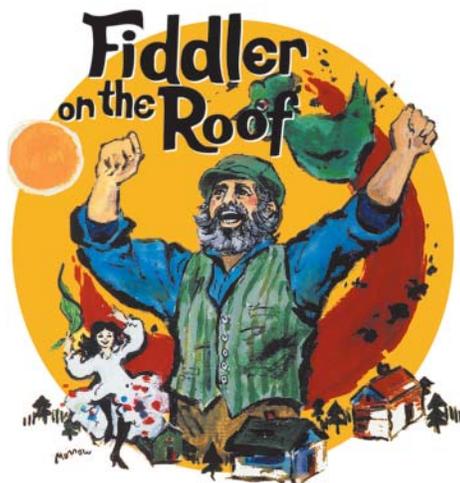
June 5	TUES	City Council Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
June 6	WED	Special City Council Meeting <i>with Farmington Ranches Homeowner's Association and citizens regarding conservation easements and proposed neighborhood park</i>	7:00 pm
June 8-9		Relay for Life Shepherd Lane Park	6:00 pm see page 5 for schedule
June 14	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
June 19	TUES	City Council Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
June 19	TUES	Annual Municipal Budget Hearing 130 North Main Street	7:15 pm
June 20	WED	Town Hall Meeting <i>an open forum discussion with Mayor Harbertson and a City Council Member</i>	7:00 pm no agenda open discussion
June 21	THURS	City Trails Committee Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm
June 27	WED	Historic Preservation Commission 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm public welcome
June 28	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
July 10	TUES	City Council Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
July 14	SAT	Farmington Festival Days	Watch for information in your mail

Farmington Historical Museum

Open each Wednesday afternoon from 1:00 to 4:00. To make reservations at other times, call Annette Tidwell, 451-2357 or Julia Haugen, 451-7356.

LEISURE SERVICES

For detailed information on all classes and performances, visit www.farmington.utah.gov or Leisure Services 720 West 100 North 451-0953 x 4



Summer Musical Theatre presented by Farmington City Arts Council. Performances will be July 12, 13, 18, 19, 20 & 21 at 8:00 pm at Woodland Park (200 E 300 N).

Tickets: \$5.00 per person or \$20.00 per family (up to 5 people--immediate family members only). Purchase tickets at Leisure Services (451-2383 ext 4) 720 W 100 N or online at farmington.utah.gov.

Gates open at 7 pm. Bring blankets & lawn chairs to sit on. Concessions will be available. This is a favorite family tradition of Farmington residents. Please join us!

Wanted: Certified Lifeguards, Water Safety Instructors and Assistant Managers for Summer employment. Great Pay Incentives.

SUMMER FUN IN THE PARK

Leisure Services provides a safe and fun social atmosphere for youth. We will offer activities daily, along with sport and board games, tournaments, and art activities.

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FARMINGTON FESTIVAL DAYS

July 14, 2007

Attention All Local Businesses: The Festival Days Committee is looking for sponsors to donate cash, gift certificates, and/or prizes for the events taking place during the Festival Days. If your business would like to participate, please contact Kathy @ 971-9006 or Shauna @ 694-9805 or go to the city website under special events and see the Festival Days sponsorship application.

Attention All Residents: The Festival Days Committee is looking for volunteers to help in various areas for Festival Days. Want to "show off" your fun, classic or crazy vehicles and drive local dignitaries in the parade? Please contact Kathy Rodriguez at 971-9006 or Shauna Wardrop at 694-9805.

WANTED

Farmington City Leisure Services Advisory Board is seeking individuals willing to serve a three year term. This board is a volunteer board and is advisory in nature, providing ideas, suggestions and recommendations to the City Council. Interested individuals should submit a letter of interest to Mayor Harbertson at PO Box 160, Farmington, UT 84025.

Wanted: Certified American Red Cross LGT instructor. Farmington City Swimming Pool has had to adjust the open swim hours and swim lesson schedule to safely operate the swimming pool with the number of staff available. We are seeking an LGT IT willing to teach a June Lifeguard class to help increase the Lifeguard staff. Interested individuals may contact Debra Ohnsat at 451-5179 at the Farmington Pool.

Artists who are interested in having their artwork displayed in the Festival Days Art Show should contact Leisure Services at 451-2383 ext 4, or Linda Wallace at 447-3580 or lindajowallace@msn.com.

Wendy McKenna

living & loving life



Wendy McKenna and her family love the Utah mountains. They love the local trails and try to help maintain them. They love to hike up Steed Creek Canyon to Patsy's Mine. They love the eagles that visit Farmington Bay and the straight rows of newly planted corn fields. For the past 21 years, Wendy McKenna has loved living in Farmington. She's loved raising her family here. She's loved being involved in the community she holds dear.

It is probably her love of life that has helped Wendy draw goodness out of challenges—even the most intense of challenges. Like cancer. In 1997, after months of not feeling well, Wendy was diagnosed with what doctors termed explosive breast cancer—explosive because it develops suddenly and rapidly.

But by relying on support from her husband and children and sisters and by drawing on her seemingly inexhaustible love of life, Wendy found the strength to battle her disease. "A lot of good things happened to me when I had cancer," Wendy reflects. "But I had the support I needed."

She remembers well how, in addition to her family, the visits of other women struggling with cancer made a critical difference to her determination and optimism. "People need to know that there are others who have been through it. I have mentors. Some of them have died and some are still around," Wendy says, a strong sense of gratitude and com-

passion evident in her tone of voice. When a patient is facing something like chemotherapy and the possibility of losing her hair, "you need someone to say 'You're going to be fine through this. The hair is nothing. It's your life.'"

The way Wendy expresses her gratitude is to give back. She gives back to other cancer patients, many of whom she visits on a regular basis. She gives back to her family, whom she encourages to stay healthy physically, mentally, and spiritually. She gives back to her music students, with whom she spends hours playing the harp. She gives back to the young mothers who participate in Mothers of America.

At the moment, one of the best ways Wendy knows to give back is to help generate support for the Relay for Life. Her experience has taught her that "you've got to think positive; it's the most important part of getting well." The Relay for Life "brings you close with others. When we're doing that walk, we'll be thinking about those who aren't there, those cancer patients who can't be there."

Before she had cancer, Wendy "didn't know that when you get together with other survivors, there's a real power. I hadn't known those feelings before," and they were intense.

Wendy wants more people to experience that power and to have access to the strength it makes possible.

Her hope is that "we can get families to bring their tents and just come and party all night long." The Relay for Life is really a celebration.

That spirit of celebration is what Wendy spreads to everyone she meets, and Farmington is a more beautiful place because of it. ■



The Farmington Relay for Life event will be held on June 8th and 9th at the Shepherd Lane Park south of Smith's Food store. The American Cancer Society event is designed to raise money for cancer research as well as to support cancer survivors. It is also an evening to remember those people who lost their lives because of this disease. The order and time of the events are as follows:

6:00 pm a survivor dinner in honor of those who have experienced cancer and those currently battling cancer.

7:00 pm the walk begins
Teams of 8-15 people will take turns walking throughout the night until 8:00 am the next day.

10:00 pm a special lighting ceremony will be held in memory of those people who have lost their lives to cancer.

Throughout the night and early morning there will be entertainment, speakers, booths and food.

8:00 am a closing ceremony will be held and breakfast served.

People who wish to be on a team can join at any time. It will be a great event for a very worthy cause. For more information contact Miss Farmington, Jennifer Smith at 915-7779.



Strategic Plan Process continued

Focus efforts to recruit, hire and retain competent and qualified employees;

Involve and better inform residents through surveys and distribution of City's strategic goals;

Landscape a portion of the Post Office property to enhance the ambiance of downtown; and

Add entrance signs at the City's northern boundary. ■



Kim Holmgren Cannon
Farmington City
Woman of the Year

Candidates Wanted continued

be filed with the Farmington City Recorder at 130 North Main Street. The filing period is July 1 through July 16 at 5:00 pm.

The Declaration of Candidacy form is available at the Recorder's office or on the City's website at www.farmington.utah.gov. If you would like more information, please contact Margy Lomax, at 939-9205 or mlomax@farmington.utah.gov. ■

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