

Farmington News

Serving the Residents of Farmington City

MARCH 2004

Let's Talk Trash . . .

Weekly Garbage Collection Responsibility

City Residents The City The Collector—Waste Connections of Utah

Continued collection problems suggest the need for better communications between the City and you, the customer. The garbage collection contractor, the City, and residents all have a part to play in efficient garbage collection service.

What the City is Doing

Recent evaluation sessions have been

held with the contractor to discuss deficiencies and ways to improve service. Specific changes are being implemented. The current garbage collection contract ends in June. Farmington City will bid the contract for the next few years. The bid award will be based on collection reputation and efficiency as well as price.

City snow plowing schedules will be better coordinated with the garbage collection contractor.

Hopefully, this Newsletter article will better communicate the need for residential customer assistance as it

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Residential tree limbs and branches only

Spring Cleanup Begins March 29, 2004

Pick up schedule:

Monday March 29: North half of the City. From the north side of State street north to City limits including Oakridge area.

Monday April 5: South half of the City. From the south side of State street south to City limits including west Farmington area.

Rules

- Must be stacked, maximum length 5'
- Maximum width 8"
- Restricted to one 10-wheel dump truck load per residence.
- Material must be placed at the curb line BEFORE beginning collection day
- Collection trucks will only drive by your home ONCE.
- No bags or boxes. Leaves can be left in piles. When bagged or boxed they can not be processed and will not be picked up.
- **Disposal: Material is mulched at the Central Davis Sewer District Treatment Plant. You may contact them at 451-2190 for availability of mulch to purchase.**

THESE RULES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.

Wetland Planning Meeting and Open House

**March 24 at 7 pm
City Offices**

The Mayor and City Council have approved a wetland planning study. The purpose of the study is to inventory and map wetlands situated within the City's incorporated boundaries. The wetland inventory will be used for land use planning.

The wetland inventory is the first step in possibly developing a Special Area Management Plan (SAMP). The development of wetlands is regulated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), and a federal Section 404 permit is required for development activities that result in the filling of wetlands.

A SAMP is a planning tool in which the USACE pre-approves the development of certain wetland areas with guarantees of pre-approved mitigation. The City believes that the development of a SAMP could be very beneficial for maintaining the environmental quality of our community, while at the same time helping the City's economic development, and helping landowners better understand the best land use options for their properties.

The City has hired an environmental consulting firm, Frontier Corporation USA, to complete the wetland inventory and to help the City explore the possibilities of developing a SAMP.

The City invites the public's participation in the wetland planning study. A series of public open houses and workshops will be held during the course of the wetland planning study.

The open house will be held on March 24 at the City Offices from 7 to 9 pm. All citizens are welcomed to attend. The **open house will focus on areas located both east and west of I-15.**

The purpose of this first open house will be to introduce the wetland planning study and to provide general information about how the study will be conducted and used in future land use planning.

Farmington City News Briefs

City Information

City Council Members

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City Operations/City Manager

- Max Forbush
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City Phone Numbers

- Main Number451-2383
- City Manager451-2383
- Police Department451-5453
- Fire Department451-2842
- Emergency911

After hours emergency:

- Davis County Sheriff 451-4150
- Garbage Questions ...451-2624
- Storm Water

- Maintenance.....451-2624
- Parks451-2624
- Leisure Services451-0953
- Building Inspection451-2383
- Water Department.....451-2624
- Planning & Zoning451-2383
- Animal Control.....444-2200
- Garbage771-0273
- FAPID.....451-2105
- Weber Water Dist.771-1677

Public Meetings

City Council: Generally the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7 pm in the Council Chambers. Work Sessions begin at 6:30.

Planning Commission:

Generally the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 7 pm in the Council chambers.

Farmington City Hall

130 N. Main
P.O. Box 160
Farmington, UT 84025

<p>City Council Meetings Mar. 3 & 17 Apr. 7 & 21 May 5 & 19</p>	<p>Planning Commission Meetings Mar. 11 & 25 Apr. 8 & 22 May 13 & 27</p>
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Human Services Volunteer Coordinator Wanted

The Mayor and City Council recently reorganized several community councils. In the process the City created a new volunteer position: The Human Services volunteer Coordinator.

As our City continues to grow, ideas, helps and opportunities are provided and the City needs someone willing to volunteer time to organize and coordinate the many help requests. Work would include organizations wanting to do service projects, Boy Scout Eagle Projects, etc.

Interested residents should write a letter of interest to

Mayor David Connors
130 N. Main Street
Farmington, UT 84025

Historical Preservation Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for the Museum Committee and the Historical Preservation Committee. If interested, call 451-2383.

Art Display

Loa Williams is displaying her works of ethnic women through March at the City offices during normal business hours.

Others wishing to display their art should contact Rebecca Mann at 451-5654.

Get A Building Permit

Spring is the time for building, adding on, or remodeling. When planning these changes to your home or business, check with the Building Department at 451-2383 to see if you need a permit.

Woman of the Year Nominations Needed

Nominate a candidate for the "Farmington Woman of the Year".

Please submit a one-page or less description of the woman you think should be Woman of the Year.

Drop your description off at the Farmington City Offices by **April 9, 2004.**

For information call Kari Dutson 451-6553.



Slow down, stop, and watch carefully in Farmington's school zones. Recently school crossing guards have noticed many people failing to reduce speed and not using proper caution during certain times of the day when children are en route to and from school.

Remember, drivers should not proceed through a cross walk in any of the following situations:

- Turning through a green traffic light if, after turning the driver proceeds through a crosswalk in which a guard is standing.
- Going through a crosswalk after children have passed in front of the car, even though the guard is still standing in the crosswalk.
- The children or the guard are not safely to the curb.

Please drive safely.

Public Invited To Offer Prayers/Comments

It is the policy of the Farmington City Council to begin City Council meetings with opening comments and/or prayer.

Members of the public who desire to offer comments or a prayer at the Farmington City Council meeting are to contact the Farmington City Manager at least two (2) weeks in advance of the meeting.

Requests will be honored by the City on a first come, first served basis.

Wanted Temporary Seasonal Workers

Farmington City is accepting applications for temporary and seasonal maintenance workers (March through November). Work will primarily be on the Parks mow and construction crews.

Temporary and seasonal employees are considered at-will employees. Must be 18 years old.

Starting wage is \$7.25 per hour.

Apply at the Public Works building, 720 W. 100 N. or call 451-2624.

Applications will be accepted until **March 12, 2004.**

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relates to garbage collection "Do's" and "Don'ts".

What Residential Customers Can Do to Help

- Call Waste Connections directly at 771-0273 if you have a problem with collection services.
- Call Farmington City Public Works at 451-2624, if your container is damaged or needs repair.
- Set the container out by 6:00 a.m. on the day of collection. If you're missed because you fail to remember it's garbage day, it's your fault, not the contractor!
- Remember the rules for setting out the container.
- 5 feet away from parked cars, mail boxes, etc.
- 5 feet separation between containers if you have more than one.
- Place your garbage in plastic bags and tie the top. This practice avoids spillage problems and reduces odors and flies during warm weather.
- Bag lawn clippings! Better yet dispose of yard waste in gardens if possible. Loose lawn clippings stick to the bottom of the container when dumping occurs.
- Remember you are responsible for the container. If it's stolen or lost, you'll have to pay \$50 to reimburse the City for the loss. Secure containers during high winds. Occasionally wash out the containers to keep them clean. This practice will prevent excessive funguses or bacteria.
- Be honest. Your monthly garbage fee pays for your container being emptied once per week. Do not refill the container and wheel it across the street to have it emptied a second time. If customers are caught doing this, they'll be cited for "theft of services"!

DO NOT

- Continually overfill the container. "If you need additional containers, they can be arranged for by filling out a form at either the City office at 130 North Main, or the Public Works Building at 720 West 100 North. To obtain a faxed copy of the form, please call the City office at 451-2383 or Public Works at 451-2624.
- Place hot coals or caustic chemicals in the container.
- Paint name or address on the exterior of the container. Remember the containers are owned by the City. They are to remain on the premises when residents move.
- Fill the container with construction material, rocks, dirt, or sod. If dumpsters are needed for remodeling projects, they may be ordered through Waste Connections or through other garbage collection businesses.

Farmington Residents Participate In Recycling

Wasatch Energy Systems (WES). WES is actually a Special Service District established by all local governments in Davis County (excepting Bountiful). The organization was created when the burn plant was built. The plant is a publicly financed plant paid for by what is called tipping fees paid by every residential unit in the County (except those in Bountiful).

A lot of recycling occurs at the burn plant and at the landfill where the bulk of solid waste material is received. Household hazardous waste can be dropped off at no charge.

Metals are also sorted at the landfill. In addition, all yard waste is mulched and sold back to customers.

WES has an outstanding recycling program. But the market for some recyclables such as glass and plastics is poor and it is difficult to cover collection and sorting costs. However, the waste stream is reduced by burning and the burn plant recycles the converted energy to Hill Air Force Base to help underwrite the cost of operating the plant.

Citizen Budget Input Requested

In the next several months, the City will be gathering information concerning the City's budgeting needs for the fiscal year 2004-2005. Citizen input is essential at this time to allow for greater flexibility in the budgeting process.

A budget will be proposed to the Mayor and City Council about the first of May. During May, the City Council and Mayor review the budget in detail, then a Budget Hearing is scheduled for June to receive additional input.

Residents with specific Budget concerns should speak with Mayor Connors, any member of the City Council or the City Manager prior to May 1, 2004.

Do You Know?

- Only **14 cents** of every property tax dollar paid comes to Farmington City.
- When you pay \$1.00 in sales tax, 73.1 cents goes to the State of Utah; 7.7 cents goes to the county; 7.7 cents goes to the point of sale community; **7.7 cents is put into the population pool for distribution to local governments statewide** and 3.8 cents goes to mass transit.
- Population based sales tax amounts to approximately **\$60** per person per year.



Leisure Services Department
 Serving the area in recreation, aquatics, arts and special events
 Office hours are Monday—Friday, 8am—12pm & 1pm—5pm
 Located at 100 N. 720 W 451-0953

Emergency Awareness Fair

When: March 20
 Time: 9 am - 12 pm
 Where:
 Farmington Jr. High school
 Cost: Free for all ages
Learn the following:
 Find out the City Emergency Plan
 Where to go and what to do in case of an emergency
 What to do about your pets
 Finger print your kids
 Emergency kits
 And so much more!!

Gymnastics

Registration: March 8 - 19
 Class dates:
 March 20-April 24
 Fee: \$25 per participant
 Time: 10 am-10:45 am
 Days: Saturdays Ages: 5 +
 Location: 249 S Main Layton North Davis Gymnastics



Softball

Registration:
 March 8—19
 Late registration:
 March 22—26
Divisions:

- T ball \$30
- 6 yr old coach pitch \$35
- 8 & under coach pitch \$40
- 10 & under self pitch \$45
- 12 & under self pitch \$60
- Jr. High self pitch \$60
- High School fast pitch \$60

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to man booths, help with directions and participants at the Emergency Awareness Fair. If you have an hour to help, please call the Leisure Services Offices 451-0953.

Coming Soon: Visit Leisure Services at Farmingtonut.com

'The Villian Wore a Dirty Shirt or . . .
 Always Wash Your Long Johns
 'Cause It Makes a Lotta Cents'
**March 11, 12, & 13 7 pm
 Community Center**

This melodrama is produced by Farmington's advanced theater group.
 Laundries are a big business in the mining town of **Digalittledeeper** and the **'Tub and Scrup'** is no exception.

That is why Phineas Flatworm (our villain) enlists the help of his mother and a talent less flamenco dancer to corner the market of dirty wash.

In the end, the evildoers are brought to the soap-bar of justice and the Sheriff conquers his shyness and proposes to Sweet Sally.

Farmington City Calendar

MARCH

- 3 **City Council Meeting** 7 pm City Offices
- 5 **Main City Park and Community Center Open House** 11 am to 1 pm Open House and tours and 4 to 6 pm
- 5 **Pool Applications** taken until Mar. 5
- 11 **Planning Commission Meeting** 7 pm City Offices
- 11, 12, & 13 **Melodrama** 7 pm New Community Center
- 17 **City Council Meeting** 7 pm City Offices
- 18—20 **"Monster in the Closet"** 7 pm New Community Center
- 23—27 **"Monster in the Closet"** 7 pm New Community Center
- 24 **Wetland Planning Open House** 7 pm City Offices
- 25 **Planning Commission Meeting** 7 pm City Offices

Note: Waste-to-Energy Facility Hours through are 7 am to 5 pm



Farmington's Youth Theater Presents

"Monster in the Closet"

March 18—20 & March 23—27 at 7 pm

Emily and Emma discover that they have a monster living in their closet. Murray is seen by the girls when he sneaks out to play their video games. The girls try to capture him but end up with a big surprise instead. It takes the King and Queen of dreamland to set things straight.

Leisure Services Job Openings

Contact Leisure Services at 451-0953 about the following Job Openings

Job descriptions with pay rate available at Leisure Services Office.

Pool Applications available until March 5

Open until Filled:

- Swimming Pool Building Custodial Contract
- Community Center Building Custodial Contract
- Community Center Temporary PT Security Position
- Recreation Assistant PT seasonal

SOUND AND LIGHTING TECHNICIANS

Leisure Services is in need of people who would like to learn how to work the lighting and sound systems in the new Community Center. Individuals will be paid when they work, but must complete a certification course.

Volunteer Community Center Ushers

The Cultural Arts Council is looking for adults to serve as Ushers during Community Center events. If you are interested, please call Leisure Services 451-0953.

Youth Community Fishing

Ages: 6-13 Fee: \$10 Dates: April 20- June 8 5:30-7:30pm
 Location: Farmington Pond

This is an 8 week program; participants are teamed up with an instructor each week to focus on a different topic as well as fish.