

STREET UTILITY FEE

Farmington City staff, along with the mayor and city council have studied the maintenance needs for Farmington City roads for many months. Maintenance needs have increased significantly with all the new traffic that is coming to Farmington. Farmington is no longer a sleepy little city, it has grown into a vibrant city with lots of traffic.

In November, staff presented to the city council what the city has spent on roads, a ten-year forecast of needs, and the amount of revenues available. For a number of years there has been a shortfall in what has been needed to maintain the city roads properly. The next ten years show a mean shortfall of around \$670,000 per year, with the high years' shortfall at almost a million dollars. The amount of revenues have doubled in the last couple of years with the addition of the gas tax and additional sales tax being levied in Davis County. Total revenues are approaching \$1.2 million per year, but are still far short of what is needed as referenced above.

For these reasons, the city has decided to implement a street utility fee, just as the city does for storm water and other utilities. This fee will be added to all customers' monthly utility bills. The fee for residents is \$3.00 per month, with commercial accounts increasing significantly in some cases, depending on the trip generations for the square footage and for the type of commercial use. This will go into effect July 1, 2018 and will show on the bill beginning with the August 1st billing.