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FARMINGTON RECEIVES A FAVORABLE BOND RATING

great news!

Farmington City received a bond rating of Aa2, which will mean lower interest rates on the $6M General Obligation bond approved by voters last November. This rating is two steps higher from the city's 2003 rating, which was A1.

Mayor Jim Talbot, along with city manager Dave Millheim and assistant city manager Keith Johnson met with Moody's Investor Service, one of three agencies that rate bonds. They presented an overview of Farmington including the city's growth, rising population and tax revenues as well as the city's financial operations, the general fund balances and overall management of the city. Mayor Talbot commented on the meeting, "Residents should understand how we all benefit from our knowledgeable, proactive and capable city government. The presentation to Moody's was very impressive." In February, Moody's released the results of their findings. In a press release they stated, "The Aa2 rating reflects Farmington City's affluent population, rapid tax base growth, modest debt position, and a solid trend of improved reserve levels." The rating report goes on, "City wealth levels are among the highest in the state as reflected in a median family income equal to 131% of the US median. The city's tax base has demonstrated very strong growth in recent years due to significant new commercial development in the city's Station Park development area and generally aided by the city's favorable combination of easy access to the Salt Lake City employment base and the city's significant transportation infrastructure. The full market value (FMV) increased an impressive 22.5% alone, pushing FMV to $2.2 billion. The city anticipates another strong year of growth in 2015 as development in the Station Park project continues."

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CULINARY WATER RESTRICTIONS

Farmington City expects to enact water restrictions at some time this summer or early fall, anticipating that irrigation water will not last throughout the entire watering season. If and when the irrigation water is turned off or restricted, Farmington City will not allow outside watering with culinary water. On a hot day (100+ degrees), Benchland Water District uses 15 million gallons per day. On days of average temperature they use between 10 and 12 million gallons. The city uses an average of 2 million gallons of culinary water per day and does not have the capability to pump more water. Over-use of culinary water for outdoor purposes can become an issue for public health and fire protection. If violations are found, residents face the possibility of fines and disconnection of water service. Every year the city purchases culinary water from Weber Basin to have if needed as a backup. The city

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NEW PARK and GYM DESIGN

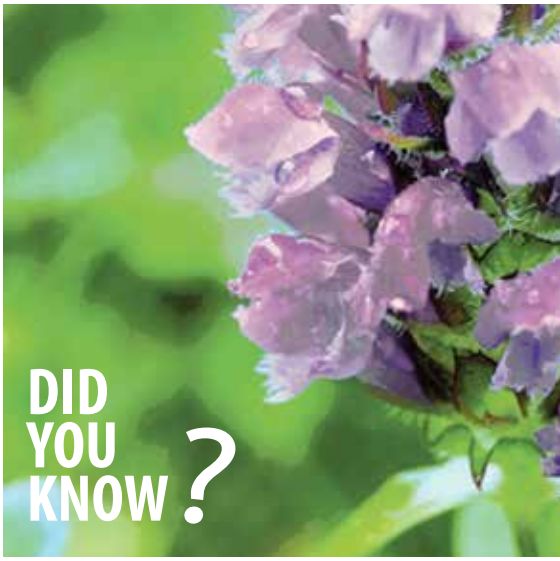
On April 16, the city hosted an open house to display the proposed new park and gym design. Residents are apparently interested and invested in the project and came to city hall to see the renderings, discuss the process and participate in a public hearing. There was an overall feeling of excitement and support as the project moves forward. Final plans for the gym and park, prepared by VCBO Architecture of Salt Lake City, have been approved by the planning commission.

FESTIVAL DAYS and OUR HOMETOWN HEROES

During Festival Days, the community wishes to honor those who have served our country. All Farmington residents who have served in the military, **OUR HOMETOWN HEROES**, are invited to ride on a float in the Festival Days parade. If you are interested in participating, please contact Kristen Harbertson, this year's Festival Days chair. 801.721.2222

Q: Now that the weather is nice, I want to start cooking outdoors. What safety measures should I take to avoid mishaps while barbecuing and grilling?

A: use BBQ grills outdoors only • check hose and regulator connections before lighting grill • never leave outdoor cooking appliances unattended • keep BBQ grill away from buildings, fences, deck railings and trees • always use long grilling utensils for cooking • periodically remove grease build-up from appliance • keep garden hose nearby when possible • keep children away from all hot surfaces • keep all objects (hot or cold) away from edges of cooking appliances.



Memorial Day will be celebrated on May 25 this year. Placing flowers on gravesites is a popular tradition for demonstrating our ongoing devotion to those who have passed on. On Memorial Day, the Farmington City Cemetery is full of color and texture and the sweet smell of blossoms. Once the holiday is over, however, blooms fade and the tokens of remembrance are left for crews to mow around and clean up. Occasionally, families leave vases or keepsakes on gravesites. Those people are disappointed to learn that their keepsakes have been discarded by mowing crews. Please be aware that the cemetery is mowed every Thursday with the exception of Memorial Day week. That week crews will wait until Monday, June 1 to mow. It is the responsibility of families to retrieve items they wish to keep from the cemetery before mowing day. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

2015 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Three 4-year city council positions will be voted upon in a municipal election this year.

The statutory filing period is between June 1 and June 8, 2015. Interested parties should refer to the city website for details.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR
May 2015

May 5	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
May 7	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm
May 19	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
May 21	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm
May 21	THURS	Farmington Trails Committee Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm
May 25	MON	Memorial Day City Offices Close	
May 28	THURS	Historic Preservation Commission 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm public welcome
June 2	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov

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Police Department.....451-5453
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.....451-2105
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

don't forget to mark these registration dates on your calendar!

family bike race · june 1st-8th
vendor booth applications · available now through july 2nd
parade applications · available now through july 2nd
little miss farmington drawing · may 18th - june 12th
tennis tournament · may 26th - july 7th
3-on-3 bball · june 1st - july 6th
charity motorcycle ride · may 4th - june 30th
5k/10k/flag rock run · now through july 8th
football · june 15th - july 17th & **cheer clinic** · june 15th - july 17th

PARKS & RECREATION

Parks & Recreation 720 West 100 North 801-451-0953

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WHO? 5-9YRS & 9-14YRS
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WHO? 7-15YRS
COST? RESIDENTS $30
NONRESIDENTS $40

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ADULT TENNIS LESSONS

WHO? 16+
COST? RESIDENTS $35
NONRESIDENTS $45

REGISTER NOW UNTIL FULL

LEGO CAMP

WHO? 5-6YRS & 7-11YRS
COST? RESIDENTS $135
NONRESIDENTS $150

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LIFEGUARD CLASS

WHO? 15+
COST? RESIDENTS $120
NONRESIDENTS $130

REGISTER NOW UNTIL FULL

ADULT TENNIS LEAGUE

WHO? 18+
COST? RESIDENTS $15
NONRESIDENTS $20

REGISTER NOW UNTIL MAY 15TH

BOY SCOUT MERIT BADGE

WHO? 11-17YRS
COST? RESIDENTS $5
NONRESIDENTS $10

REGISTER NOW UNTIL FULL

WATER SAFETY INSTRUCTOR

WHO? 16+
COST? RESIDENTS $120
NONRESIDENTS $130

REGISTER NOW UNTIL FULL

YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS

WHO? 5-15YRS
COST? RESIDENTS $35
NONRESIDENTS $45

REGISTER NOW UNTIL FULL

SPRING SUPER SPORT

WHO? K-6TH GRADE
COST? $20 A WEEK
WHEN? TUES, WED, THUR

SESSIONS GO THROUGH MAY

SWIM LESSONS

WHO? 6 MONTHS+
COST? RESIDENTS $32
NONRESIDENTS $37

REGISTER NOW UNTIL FULL

SUMMER SUPER SPORT

WHO? K-6TH GRADE
COST? $20 A WEEK
WHEN? TUES, WED, THUR

SESSIONS GO JUNE THROUGH AUGUST

ART CAMP

WHO? 5-11YRS
COST? RESIDENT $65
NONRESIDENTS $75

REGISTER NOW UNTIL FULL

2015 Miss Farmington

SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT CONTESTANTS

Davis High School Saturday, May 30 7:00 pm

Tickets may be purchased in advance for $10 on the city website or at the Parks & Recreation Office.
Tickets purchased at the door will cost $12.

Meet the Miss Farmington 2015 contestants, arranged in alphabetical order by last name. Contestant platforms are listed to the right of each photo. Miss Farmington will promote public awareness of her chosen social issue through her reigning year. The pageant is preliminary to the Miss Utah and Miss America pageants.

Find and Use Your Talents

Tori Allen

Showing Kindness Through Service

Sydney Carter

Saving Lives

Chaylee DeVore

Depression and Anxiety Awareness

Alli Gremillion

Teen Depression Awareness

Geneve Henrie

Improving the Literacy of Children

Heather Hillls

Finding Strength in Our Scars

Aimee Hoster

Encouraging Blood Donation

Madalyn Mann

Helping With Autism

Ashton Newman

Let's End Poverty

Ashley Paget

Anti-Bullying

Marisa Pham

Psyched for Science

Victoria Phillips

Disability Awareness / Differently Abled

McKayla Standiford

Early Childhood Literacy

Rachelle Stevens

Culinary Water Restrictions continued

anticipates the necessity for utilizing Weber Basin culinary water this year. The connection is in the north end of town, so residents in that area may notice a difference in culinary water quality. This is the same water used in Bountiful and Kaysville. Farmington Public Works advises all residents to take water conservation seriously, using only what they need, so that the irrigation water will last longer. This will greatly benefit everyone. If you have questions regarding your irrigation service you may contact Benchland Water District at (801) 451-2105 or Weber Basin Water Conservancy District at (801) 771-1677.

Let's work together to get through this dry season comfortably.

Favorable Bond Rating continued

Financial operations of the city were also addressed in the report, "The city's financial operations are characterized as sound due to conservative, long-term planning, a diverse revenue stream and prudent pay-go financing which provides additional operating cushion. Available reserves in the city's operating funds (defined as the general fund and debt service fund) have generally improved over the last several years." For those interested in reading the full report, it can be found on the city website.

"It is great to see the efforts of the city being financially prudent pay off by having the bond rating upgrade by two steps to Aa2. This will help the city and the residents for many years to come, as this will lower the overall interest expense being paid on this General Obligation bond and any future bonds," said Keith Johnson.

Farmington City issued the $6,000,000 bonds in February and it was calculated that the city will save over $117,000 in interest over the life of these bonds because of the bond rating being raised. This means lower than anticipated property tax increases over the life of these bonds, which is great news for all residents of Farmington.

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