



# PROVIDENCE CITY NEWSLETTER

## JANUARY 2015

### THE GARDEN SPOT

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#### January Calendar

**City Council Meetings 6:00 PM**

2nd Tuesday & 4th Tuesday

January 13 and January 27

**Planning Commission Meetings 6:00 PM**

2nd Wednesday & 4th Wednesday

January 14 and January 28

**Historic Preservation Commission 6:00 PM**

3rd Tuesday

January 20

**City Office Hours**

M–F 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

**City Offices Closed**

January 1

**After-Hours Emergencies**

For fire or law enforcement

emergencies call 911;

animal control 435-753-7555

City related problems 752-9441 or 753-0313. Listen to the message for the on-call number. Please call the on-call number and a city employee will respond to your problem.

Just a reminder: City Council and Planning Commission meetings are held at the City Office Building.



**Court is open every Monday from 4:00-6:00 pm (Excluding Holidays)**

**Reminder from the Justice Court**

Please remember to comply with Utah Code 41-6a-1635 Obstructed Windshield. If your windshield is not clear, you may received a \$50 fine.

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#### Message from the Mayor



Due to the holiday, Planning and Council only met once this month. At the Planning Commission meeting concerning proposed amendments to the transportation element of the Providence City general plan, Chairman Raymond directed discussion on current and future traffic concerns, the new high school access and impact, the width of certain roads, and vehicle, bike, and foot traffic especially relative to Providence Canyon. There will be a public hearing on the updates once the Planning Commission has concluded its research. This discussion will be continued at the next meeting.

There was a public hearing concerning a rezone request at 196 West and 100 North from Single-Family Traditional to Commercial. I personally attended this meeting and am pleased to report that all people concerned made their points professionally and with civility. Questions were put forth by the Commission as well as citizens and the land owners and the attention it received was thorough and balanced. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Commission unanimously denied the request with the understanding that not knowing what commercial business was intended for the property was one of the factors in the decision.

Then followed a discussion of the Nuisance Ordinance. Both the Development Review Committee and Council are involved in on going discussions to clarify and re-write the Nuisance Ordinance. I urge all citizens to attend Planning and Council for input on this subject. This concerns all property owners as we strive to meet the fine line between property rights and appearance of neighborhoods. Check the up coming agendas on our website for attendance possibilities.

On 10 January the Planning Commission is planning to go as a group to review parts of the city relative to transportation.

During public comments there was a suggestion that a prayer be said prior to the Council Meeting. Discussions were conducted by your Mayor with each Council Member after the meeting and at this time there is not enough support to instigate a Resolution. I made it clear that any denomination is welcome to offer a prayer at the beginning of a Council meeting, but at this time it will not be a scheduled, planned part of our opening exercise. Perhaps in the future we can balance this to meet all the Federal guidelines and do so in an organized fashion.

Council held a public hearing to provide citizens an opportunity to comment on the proposed budget for Fiscal year 2015. The 2015 Budget was also unanimously approved. The Council then approved the Moderate Income Housing draft which included demographics provided by BRAG. This will be reviewed every two years. Council also approved an ordinance relative to animal control and drinking water source protection. This is relative on how many cattle can be pastured in the protected zones.

Council continued discussion on an ordinance on Alcohol License Regulations and state regulations. In further discussions with Council after the meeting, the majority of Council felt our present city regulations were adequate concerning Providence's restrictions. This will also be on our next Council meeting agenda.

As you are aware the snow is upon us. Do not push or deposit snow removed from your driveway into the street. It creates a safety hazard for all motorists. A special thank you to all our crossing guards and the fine job they do especially this time of year. A belated Happy New Year to all of you.

Mayor Calderwood


#### Park Reservation 2015

The Zollinger Park pavilions and Von Baer Park may be reserved beginning January 2 for dates May 1 through September 30. To make reservations, call the City Office, 435-752-9441.

**Public Works News:**





**Ditches and gutters must be kept clean.** Please help keep the waterways on or along your property clean and free from any debris (including leaves) that may impede the flow of the water. It is important to keep ditches and gutters clear during the winter to allow for storm water and snow melt.



**Snow Removal:** Please drive with caution when in the vicinity of a snowplow and remain at least 150 feet behind them.

After your garbage and recycling cans have been emptied, please remove them as soon as possible to limit possible obstructions for the snowplows.



When removing snow from your driveways and sidewalks, please do not push the snow out into the street. Pushing snow into the street can create banks in the travel path and cause problems for mo-

**Storm Water—Did You Know . . .**



Illicit discharge is any discharge to the municipal separate storm sewer system that is not composed entirely of storm water. Substances that contribute high levels of pollutants, including heavy metals, toxics, oil and grease, solvents, nutrients, viruses, and bacteria into receiving waterbodies have the potential to threaten aquatic, wildlife, and human health.

To report an illicit discharge please call the City Office, 435-752-9441 or email: [providenceutahstormwater@gmail.com](mailto:providenceutahstormwater@gmail.com)





**Winter Parking Hours**

Night Parking: It shall be unlawful for the driver or owner of any vehicle to park any vehicle or equipment on any street or right of way within eight feet (8') of the pavement in the City beginning 24 hours after the first measurable snowfall (enough to require City snow removal, which occurs after October 31); or December 1, whichever comes earlier, of each year and ending April 15 of the following year, between the hours of twelve o'clock (12:00) midnight and six o'clock (6:00) A.M. the next day, for a period of time longer than three (3) minutes when loading or unloading passengers. This subsection shall not apply to doctors on house calls, emergency vehicles, or vehicles used in the repair of utilities.





**Dog Licenses Renewal** The annual dog license fee is due January 1 and shall be delinquent after January 31. A \$10 per dog late fee will be applied on February 1. Please renew during January to avoid late fees.



**Holiday Lighting Winners**

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**It's Time to Renew Your Business License**

If any license fee is not paid by January 31, a penalty of fifty percent (50%) of the amount of such license fee shall be added to the original amount thereof. If a license fee is not paid by the last day of February, the total license fees due at the time shall be doubled. If any license fee is not by March 31, a new application must be filed with the application fee and any and all late fees.

Thank you for your prompt renewal!

**Notice of Election**

Pursuant to UCA 10-3-301 Providence City hereby gives notice that the following municipal offices are to be voted on in the 11/03/2015 municipal general election: Three 4-year term council seats. These seats are currently held by: Bill Bagley, Ralph Call, and John Russell. Residents of Providence City interested in filing a declaration of candidacy may do so between June 1 and June 7.