



PROVIDENCE CITY NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Events

City Council

3rd Wednesday
May 19th @ 6:00PM

Planning Commission

2nd Wednesday
May 11th @ 6:00PM

Justice Court

From 4:00PM - 6:00PM
Every Monday, except holidays
Open court hearings have been suspended until further notice. Check with the court clerk for questions.

Contact Information

Providence City Offices
164 North Gateway Drive
(435) 752-9441

** After-Hours Emergencies **

Fire or police emergencies - 911
Animal control 435-753-7555
(Cache County non-emergency dispatch)
City related issues 752-9441; after hours message will have an on-call number to call a city employee who will respond.

Direct line to the Mayor

(435) 760-8989 cell
johnnd@providence.utah.gov

Link to Subscribe to
Public Notices:

<https://www.utah.gov/pmn/>

Public Meeting Notice (PMN)
website for all Utah jurisdictions

The Mayor's Memo

Municipal Elections

Every two years, we have municipal elections in Utah. With a six-member council including the mayor, Providence has the mayor and two council seats on the ballot, and three council seats in 2023.

If there are three or more candidates for seats, there will be a primary. The November election is the 2nd, and ballots will be mailed well before.

Interesting in Running for Office?

Let me start out by saying after four years on the council, I realized how much about municipal government I didn't know. Then I became mayor and realized I still had a lot to learn.

An elected official's job is to represent the best interests of all Providence residents. As State Code says, this includes current and future residents. Note that regardless of a position you take, there will always be people who disagree.

An elected official's job is to do what citizens don't have the time or inclination to do; homework. It is the job of the council to seek out professional advice before making a decision; city staff, city manager, city attorney, city engineer, outside consultants. Public input is welcome as additional

information on which to form a decision, but must be based on corroborated evidence. Issues are rarely as simple as they sound.

My Advice

Get to know the rich history of Providence. The city office and the library have books on city history. Get to know the neighborhoods and community facilities; walk, ride your bike you'll see much more. View the city website and navigate all of the web pages. Take some time to digest the General Plan and related transportation, parks, recreation and trails, water and sewer plans. You should be receiving notices on the Providence Pipeline; if not, get signed up.

The job of a council member is to be a team player. There are no bad ideas. All input is welcome. Do outside research; google a topic. Check out other city codes. Visit property sites. Share with your fellow council members. Attend the Utah League of Cities and Towns conferences. Visit other city's council meetings. Get to know your county council member.

As elected officials you are ambassadors representing city government to residents as well as other cities, the county and state government.

— John Drew, Providence City Mayor



Providence City 2021 Municipal Election

Pursuant to Utah Code 10-3-301, Providence City hereby gives notice the following municipal offices will be voted on in the 2021 Municipal Election:

- City Mayor (4-year term)
- Council Member (4-year term)
- Council Member (4-year term)

Terms are expiring for: John Drew (Mayor), Kristina Eck (Council Member), Jeanell Sealy (Council Member).

A person seeking to become a candidate for municipal office shall file a declaration of candidacy, in person with the city recorder at the Providence City Offices, 164 North Gateway Dr, Providence UT, during the office hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and not later than the close of those office hours, between June 1st and June 7th.

An individual may designate an agent to file a declaration of candidacy with the city recorder if: (i) the individual is located outside of the state

during the entire filing period; (ii) the designated agent appears in person before the city recorder; (iii) the individual communicates with the city recorder using an electronic device that allows the individual and city recorder to see and hear each other; and (iv) the individual provides the city recorder with an email address to which the city recorder may send the individual the candidate information.

Any resident of a municipality may nominate a candidate for a municipal office by: (i) filing a nomination petition with the city recorder at the Providence City Offices, 164 North Gateway Dr, Providence UT, during the office hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and not later than the close of those office hours, between June 1st and June 7th.

For more information, call the City Recorder, Ty Cameron at the city office.

— Ty Cameron, Providence City Recorder

Mark your Calendar

Concert in the Park; Saturday, June 12 @ 6:30PM - 8 Track Mind at Zollinger Park

City Recreation

Pickleball

We are planning to offer clinics/lessons, ladder leagues, and a tournament this year.

- Ladder League registration now through 05/23/2021
- Play with a Pro Day registration 05/02/2021 – 06/13/2021, clinic dates: 06/18 -06/19/2021
- Learn the Basics of Pickleball June Session registration now through 05/30/2021, lesson dates 06/14/2021- 06/18/2021
- Learn the Basics of Pickleball July Session registration 05/02/2021 – 06/27/2021, lesson dates 07/12/2021 – 07/16/2021
- Register at <https://providence.sportsites.com/player>
- Please check our website often for more information <http://providencecity.com/pickleball/>

Wiffle Ball

- Adult Wiffle Ball registration 05/01/2021 – 07/02/2021, games mid-August – mid-September
- Youth Wiffle Ball registration now through 06/18/2021

Register at <https://providence.sportsites.com/player>

Adult Kickball

Adult kickball registration now through 06/18/2021, games July – August. Register at <https://providence.sportsites.com/player>

100-Mile Club & Exercise Club

The 100-Mile Club and the Exercise Club begin May 1. No registration required. Tracking sheets available at <http://providencecity.com/other-recreation/>

Concerts in the Park @ 6:30PM – Save the Dates

- Saturday, June 12: 8 Track Mind, Zollinger Park
- Friday, July 16: Down Yonder, Zollinger Park
- Saturday, Sep 18: Bleached Blonds, Zollinger Park
- Saturday, Oct 9: Denovo, Zollinger Park

Movie in the Park @ Dusk – Save the Date

Friday, Aug 20, Von Baer Park

Off-Highway Vehicles (OHVs)

Yes, you can ride your OHVs in Providence City. Yes, there are laws that regulate the operation of OHVs in Providence City. Yes, you must also obey all traffic laws, including speed limits and stop signs. Sorry, but **operators under 16** cannot travel around the neighborhood, or anywhere else in the City, without **adult supervision**.

By State Vehicle Code, adult supervision is required for operators under the age of 16. Adult supervision means direct visual supervision by a licensed driver who is at least 18 years of age. Direct visual supervision means oversight at a distance of no more

than 300 feet; and within which visual contact is maintained; and advise and assistance can be given and received.

For the complete OHV ordinance please visit: <https://providence.municipalcodeonline.com/book?type=ordinances#name=Chapter 5-9 Off-Highway Vehicles>

Thank you for helping to make this a great summer by operating your OHVs safely and legally. Have a great summer and enjoy your OHVs.

Land Use

Before you build

Have you finally decided on the perfect place for a new shed (Detached Accessory Building) in your back yard? Please make sure you check the setback requirements before making the final placement decision. A setback is the shortest distance from a building on a lot to your property line. You can find the minimum setback requirements for your zone on the Area Regulation Chart in the City Code. Prior to building your shed, please submit a Residential Zoning Application to apply for a zoning clearance.

Link to the Area Regulation Chart: <https://providence.municipalcodeonline.com/book?type=ordinances#name=Chapter 10-8 Area Regulations>

Link to the residential zoning application: <https://providence.portal.iworq.net/portalhome/providence>

— Skarlet Bankhead, Administrative Services Director

Public Works

Spring is finally here...with that comes green grass and the mowing of lawns. As you are mowing, please remember that you need to keep all grass clippings on your property. When the clippings are left in the streets and gutters it has the potential to cause flooding with irrigation and storm water, it is also a violation of City ordinances. Thank you for your help in advance and all season long.

Many residents use flood irrigation methods to water their lawns and gardens. While this method is acceptable, it requires a lot more time and diligence on the water user to oversee the process to ensure water does NOT flow onto neighboring properties or into or across city streets.

For customers with underground sprinkling systems. Current state plumbing code requires a backflow preventer on all underground sprinkling systems.

The backflow preventer is a device that prevents impurities or contaminants from being drawn into the drinking water system. Many sprinkling systems already have the proper backflow preventer installed and only need to be tested annually. Others may not meet state and local regulations and may need to be replaced with the proper backflow preventer.

The regulations also require a state certified backflow technician test the backflow preventer annually. After the test has been completed, please submit the results to the City so that we can update our records. For a list of local technicians, please contact the Public Works department at 435-753-0313.

Thank you for helping to keep our drinking water system clean and safe.

— Rob Stapley, Public Works Director

Partial Rebuild Streets Project / Fiber Network Corner

2021 Streets Projects

In the April City newsletter, we commented about plans for a partial rebuild of streets projects in the downtown area. With adequate budget funds available, we have added 3 blocks of Spring Creek Road to the project.

Requests for bids were sent out and received, and the council has awarded a contract to the lowest bidder, LeGrand Johnson. The winning bid was \$1,217,858.50.

Project Scope - Streets Included

- 100 North, 200 West to 100 West (1 block)
- 100 East, Center to 100 North (1 block)
- 100 South, 200 West to 200 East (4 blocks)
- 200 South, 200 West to 100 East (3 blocks)
- 300 South, 200 West to 100 East (3 blocks)
- 100 West, 500 South to 100 North (6 blocks)
- Spring Creek Road, 300 South to Canyon Road (3 blocks)

A total of 21 blocks.

Mill and Fill, Partial Street Rebuild

This will involve doing a “partial” rebuild where we will be milling and reusing the top layer of asphalt, grading and shaping, and compacting the underlying base and sub-base, and putting down a fresh 3” layer of asphalt. A complete rebuild would involve removing and replacing the existing base. This “mill and fill” process is more cost effective and allows us to accomplish more with budget funds.

One street, 200 South will have 3 blocks new main culinary water line in addition to asphalt replacement. Water service from the main to residential water meters will be replaced on 100 South, 200 South, 300 South and 100 West.

Five-Year Plan

2021 is year four of our 5-year plan for streets maintenance/repair/replace. The previous three years we have spent most of our streets funds on maintaining good streets to extend their life. This year we have selected a number of streets, mostly in the downtown area for extensive repairs. Next year we will return to our maintenance program as we have the previous three years.

The basis for our 5-year plan is the Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) Streets Analysis and Recommendations for Street Network. The LTAP is part of the USU College of Engineering. See <http://providencecity.com/public-works/> to view the report.

Coordination with Fiber Project

Our public works department will be coordinating roads projects with the Strata Networks field crew. Most of the installation will be “micro trenching” (1 ¼” to 2” wide) to install fiber conduit that goes down about 16 inches and will precede the “mill and fill” and other streets project.

The Fiber Network Corner

Now that our fiber network project is moving forward and on schedule, we will devote this section of the monthly newsletter to keeping you updated on the status and upcoming events.

Bond Issue Sold and Funds Received

The bond issue for the fiber network was sold, at an interest rate of 2.06%. The bonds have a 27-year term. The proceeds were \$7.75 million received on April 29.

After the bonds were officially sold, a Notice to Proceed was issued to Strata Networks, the project contractor. Construction is planned to start July 1 and continue for up to 3 years.

Build Out Priority

What part of the city will be constructed first? The fiber network design and construction roll-out will be based on the portion of the city with the highest level of interest first. For project design purposes, the city is broken down in to 5 zones. The zone with the highest level of interest will be constructed first. See providence.fibertomycity.com for a map with construction zones, and to sign up for service.

Streets that are part of the 2021 streets project will be trenched and fibered prior to rebuild. Those streets will be getting early fiber service.

Strong Pre-Registration Interest

As of today (May 3) we have about 15% of city residences committed to fiber service. One part of the city, the Southeast bench has most interest at 19% of which an amazing 75% have signed up for Gigabit service. We are very pleased as this is a great response.

When will connections go live?

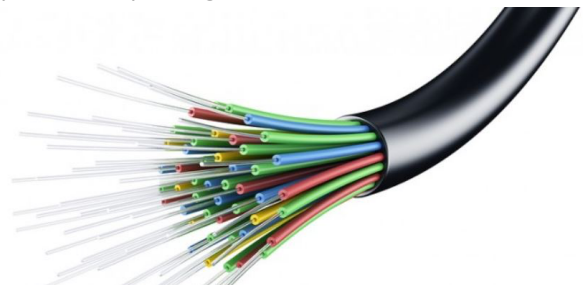
The first live fiber connection is expected to be approximately 90 days after construction begins.

Sister Cities Considering Fiber

The City of Nibley has been discussing the possibility of constructing a fiber trunk line from Providence to Nibley. This would connect the electronics “hut” building in Providence, to be constructed at the city yards near Center and 400 East, and Nibley City boundary. The City of River Heights has expressed interest as well.

A trunk line to connect to sister cities would save both Providence and the other cities construction and operating costs. The fiber conduit for the trunk line to another city would be laid at the same time trenching is being done for Providence residents.

— Ryan Snow, City Manager



New City Employees

Ty Cameron, City Recorder

Natalie Wood, Treasurer

This past month Beth Munson, our Court Clerk and Treasurer retired after 20 years with the city. Also, as our city has experienced an increasing number of land-use related filing (annexations, development plans) we decided to realign job assignments and add another staff member. In doing so, Skarlet Bankhead has given up the City Recorder position and will focus solely on land use related issues.

Job postings resulted in applicants with varied skills and experience. We decided to hire two individuals that stood out well in the interview process.



Ty Cameron's most recent job was working for the 2nd District Court (Davis and Weber counties) handling protective and involuntary commitment orders. Prior to that, Ty has 7 years experience working for Snow College, USU and LDS church history libraries. Ty handles court clerk duties for our Justice Court.

Ty has a degree from Utah State University in Applied Anthropology. Ty Cameron grew up in Payson, Utah



Natalie Wood grew up in Brigham City and served a LDS Church mission in Georgia. She has an associate science degree in general education and sciences from Utah State University.

Her most recent job was working for America First Credit Union for 5 years as a lead teller and loan officer.

Natalie enjoys running, and frequently runs 4 miles a day.

— Ryan Snow, City Manager

"Clean Up After Your Dog" Ordinance Passed

On April 21, after receiving many complaints from property owners about dog feces left behind, the city council considered and approved an ordinance amending City Code Section 5-1-30, Responsibility. The code was changed to add the portions in **RED**.

B. No owner, keeper, caretaker, or attendant of an animal, shall allow an animal to defecate on private or public property other than his/her own, including but not limited to: sidewalks, streets, planting strips, parking lots, parks, trails, and recreational areas or on private property not in the ownership or control of the person having control or purporting to have control over or charge of such animal. If such animal does defecate upon public or private property, the owner, keeper, caretaker, or attendant must immediately and thoroughly clean the fecal matter from such property.

F. Any person violating the foregoing subsections shall be guilty of an infraction and shall be subject to a fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50).

— John Drew, Mayor

Planning and Zoning Commission

Common Terms, Phrases and Acronyms

As introduced in last month's newsletter, the Planning Commission will discuss terms, phrases, and acronyms that are used in the Planning Commission's normal course of business.

Although these terms, phrases, and acronyms may not be familiar to the average person, they are important to understand and may help you comprehend the work of the Providence Planning Commission.

Planned Unit Development

This month's acronym is PUD. PUD stands for Planned Unit Development. Information about a Planned Unit Development can be found in Providence's Municipal Code 10-14-2.

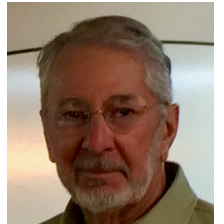
Generally speaking, PUDs are not subject to the standard zoning requirements, but instead a developer will work with the local government that will set rules and standards that will determine common and private areas and building guidelines.

Viewing Providence Municipal Code 10-14-2, you will read that landscaping, permanent sprinkler systems, minimum land area of two acres, set back specifications, specific required open space guidelines, height of buildings, and specific parking requirements including surfacing, are spelled out in detail. Providence Municipal Code 10-14-2 is also very specific in regards to the water system (four of which are required), a fire line system, culinary system, sprinkler system, and storm water system.

An owners' association operates PUDs and dues are generally assessed to the homeowner community similar to a HOA.

Although a PUD may sound similar to a HOA in regards to guidelines, a PUD is much more specific and encompasses parts of Providence Municipal Code 11-3, 11-4 and 11-5.

There "may" be greater flexibility in the configuration of buildings. As in HOAs there are guidelines that PUD ownership must adhere to. With advantages come disadvantages.



—Bob Perry, Providence City Planning Commission

Events Calendar

Date	Event	Location
Saturday, June 12	Concert - 8 Track Mind	Zollinger Park
Friday, July 16	Concert - Down Yonder	Zollinger Park
Friday, Aug 20	Movie in the Park	Vons Park
Saturday, Sept 18	Concert - Bleached Blonds	Zollinger Park
Saturday, Oct 9	Concert - Denovo & Car Show	Zollinger Park

Concerts in the Park are at 6:30PM; the Movie in the Park is at dusk; the

Car Show is from 11:00AM to 3:00PM

Please put these dates on your calendar