

Cottonwood Heights

Weekly Update for Feb. 18-24, 2018

Public Relations

1. Monitored and responded to online complaints and reports regarding snow plowing during the President's Day storm. Nothing major to report, just a few complaints. I passed along any specific issues to the snow event email group.
2. Completed rough draft for March newsletter, and preparing to make final edits before sending it off to the printer by Friday. A big thanks to our great design/editing team of Emily, Megan and especially Kim Horiuchi for their diligence in the face of a fast-approaching deadline in a short turnaround in a short month.
3. Finished a video for Mayor Peterson for his hosting of the Council of Mayors on Wednesday. It highlighted the city's history, finer advantages and beautiful scenery. Everyone seemed to like it, although I used my own narration, with a pretty bad head cold coming on. It was a much deeper voice than normal 😊
4. Met with Communications Group on Wednesday. We are planning a video for the Easter Egg Hunt, and coordinating it with Ann Eatchel. We hope to get it shot when the weather clears and we can stage someone wearing a big bunny costume hiding eggs. It was Ann's idea, and it sounds like fun. We are also planning to promote the LINK Dance festival on behalf of the Arts Council with a special video, too.
5. Set up a meeting with Matt Shipp to go over some of the website updates needed for public works. We will also work out a schedule and strategy for communication going forward.

Police

1. On September 26, 2017 the victim's, vehicle was burglarized in Cottonwood Heights. A checkbook was stolen and two checks were subsequently cashed at a Mountain America Credit Union location on October 6, 2017. Follow-up investigation identified one of the four suspects who has tattoos each side of his neck as well as a unique Utah Ute logo tattoo on the top of his right hand.
The photographs below depict the two unknown male suspects, the unknown female suspect and the suspect vehicle. The suspect vehicle appears to be a Nissan Murano, model year 2003 to 2005.



2. The older green ATV was stolen from the rec center on 2-21-18 between 1130 and 1330 hours. There was a suspicious person who had been hanging around the rec center for the last couple of days that was in the area around the time of the theft. This is one of the Operation Leaf Blower transplants.



Most Police Departments would have taken a report by phone or had the victim enter the information on line and closed the case. But here's the rest of the story in Cottonwood Heights: Here is the afternoon log...

#1058 Stolen ATV Four Wheeler, from the Rec. Center. A description was put out in regards to suspicious male that had been seen in the area. Off Duty??? Sgt. McHugh observed a male

matching the description at the 7-11, 2300 E. Fort Union. Officer Davies stopped the male and he denied stealing anything. Officer Davies located the keys to the ATV in his pocket and the suspect then admitted stealing the Four Wheeler. Officer Alcivar and Sgt. Ricks responded to the cemetery on Bengal Blvd. The tracks to the ATV were located, through the field north of the cemetery. After following the track through the field on foot in five feet of snow for more than thirty minutes, the ATV was recovered.

3. The Citizens Academy starts this week...the first class is just the intros but the following weeks are at the virtual shoot don't shoot simulator, dispatch and the Salt Lake County Jail.
4. The Police Department will distribute a synopsis of calls for service related to ancillary apartments and a burn map of their locations over the past 2-3 years.

Community and Economic Development

Land Use Applications / Meetings

- Public notices have been mailed, posted, and published for the March 7th Planning Commission meeting. The meeting agenda and staff reports will be published next week.
- A conditional use application has been received to construct an 8' fence on the north boundary of the Willow Creek Pet Center to help mitigate noise from barking dogs.
- One GRAMA request was processed for records on the Platinum Heights Subdivision

City Council:

- Action on an ordinance to establish an Appeals Hearing Officer is scheduled for the February 27th City Council meeting.
- Staff is assembling information and gathering additional data for the City Council's discussion of the Accessory Dwelling Unit ordinance proposal. This information is tentatively scheduled for discussion on March 6th.
- Rough draft language on the Animal code revision (to allow Pygmy Goats and Miniature Pigs) will be finished next week, and sent to the Code Enforcement officers for review. We will also be consulting the Health Department and local Exotic Pet Veterinarian to help review the draft ordinance. This draft will be presented to the City Council at a work session in mid-March.

Building Permits (2/16 – 2/22)

- Permits received: 16
 - 1 addition
 - 1 cell antenna
 - 3 single family homes
 - 6 over the counter
 - 2 remodels
 - 2 solar
 - 1 tenant improvement
- Permits issued: 6
 - 4 over the counter
 - 1 remodel
 - 1 solar

CHBA

- CHED employees and several business leaders from the CHBA attended a tour and luncheon at the Junior Achievement building in downtown Salt Lake to see how we can be involved with the JA programs.
- The Business Boot Camp: The Art of Negotiation was held on Thursday, Feb. 22. Author and speaker EksAyn Anderson conducted the workshop.
- The Cottonwood Heights Business Association (CHBA) has adopted a new logo and will start a campaign with the new board members to bring more visibility to the organization. (Logo attached.)

Business Licensing

- 21 Business License Renewals
- 2 New Business License Accepted
- 5 New Business Licenses Completed
- 2 Business Licenses Closed
- 5 Address/Owner/Business Info Updates

Public Works

Gilson Engineering

1. We are coordinating with Pacific Corp on the proposed charging stations that will be installed at City Hall.
2. We are working with the Resident Citizen Committee (RCC) on the pavement treatment options to be used for the pavement model.
3. 2700 East Paving Project will be advertised for bid in 3 weeks.
4. We met with Canyons School District to discuss SNAP plans.

Finance

1. Dave Muir has email the Council the January Finance Report and will review it at the Feb. 27th Council meeting.

Administrative Services

Bryce Haderlie, Assistant City Manager

1. Held meeting with Holladay City staff to finalize court contract.

Mike Halligan, Emergency Manager,

1. Meeting with individual block captains to go over responsibilities for April Shakeout exercise. In addition, working to bring Food Trucks and Fire Department to the event.
2. Reviewing/updating CH Mitigation Plan. We review and update the plan on a 3 year cycle. In anticipation of the county asking for our updated plan later in 2018 I'll make any minor revisions, discuss with Public Works and Fire then review with CH Executive team early summer.

3. Update to Emergency Operations Plan is almost complete. The rewrite has taken longer than anticipated but will finally reflect how CH operates based on resources.

Recorder

For March 6-2018

WORK SESSION

Public Relations Report - Dan Metcalf

(Public Relations Specialist Dan Metcalf, will provide Cottonwood Heights media reports with Staff follow-up, where needed.)

BRYCE – Action Strategy Process

Staff Reports

(Each week City Council and staff provide informational reports from attended meetings and each department to allow for a method of keeping up on the day-to-day activities of the City. This report is available on the internet at www.ch.utah.gov. This agenda item is set aside to allow Council members to ask questions or for staff to bring Council up to date of any changes since the report was made.)

6:00 pm Special Reports

a. Accessory Dwelling Units Proposed Ordinance – Planning Staff

(Director of Community and Economic Development, Mr. Brian Berndt and Senior Planner, Mr. Michael Johnson, will lead a discussion on issues dealing with the currently proposed ordinance.)

b. Define Goals of Strategic Retreat

(The City Council will lead a discussion to refine the goals set forward during the City Council Strategic Retreat of February 9 and 10, 2018 and provide staff with direction to define how these may affect the budget within the next few years.)

Review of Calendars and Upcoming Events

Closed Meeting

City Manager

1. This is the budget calendar I passed out at that City Council meeting on February 20. I want to take a few minutes in council meeting to discuss this after you have had a chance to think about it for a week.

Process to get to the point we can present a proposed budget to Council that reflects your strategic planning process and for staff to offer input prior to staff presenting a tentative budget on May 8th.

Step one – Council gives continues the process of giving input to the action strategy program we worked on at the retreat. Council member Shelton has prepared a spreadsheet available on google docs that will include an opportunity to create a weighted priority for the strategic inputs.

Step two – After Council lists all the strategic inputs, staff will review them and put ball park estimates to those that will require a fiscal note. Also staff will comment whether others agencies will be required to cooperate on the request.

Step three – Council will review and discuss these items with staff and then, according to an agreed upon established weighted criteria, council will establish their priorities based on ranking, discuss

these ranking and finalize their strategic priorities. Council will then give direction to staff how they want the budget presented for appropriate discussion.

Step four – Staff will bring a budget forth based on the councils weighted criteria for discussion prior to finalizing the tentative budget.

I suggest the following dates:

February 20 to March 6 - Council gives continues the process of giving input to the action strategy program we worked on at the retreat.

March 6 - In lieu of our regular scheduled work session. Council will refine their input to the plan.

March 7 to March 20 - Staff will review the strategic inputs and put ball park estimates to those that will require a fiscal note. Also staff will comment whether others agencies will be required to cooperate on the request. This will be available for the council by March 21.

Week of March 20 - Council will review and discuss these items with staff and then, according to an agreed upon established weighted criteria, council will establish their priorities based on ranking, discuss these ranking and finalize their strategic priorities. Council will then give direction to staff how they want the budget presented for appropriate discussion.

March 26 to April 15 – Staff will prepare the budget.

April 17 - Staff will discuss with council specific budget items. Any changes will be reviewed again on May 1 prior to presenting the tentative budget on May 8.

2. Every year I meet with Alene Bentley, of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) to establish goals that we want to accomplish this year. Part of our discussion of course turned to two things we have been working on, namely changing over our street lights to LED lights and electric vehicle charging stations at city hall. During the course of that discussion we brainstormed on what we could do immediately to make a real difference start immediately to capture some of the low hanging fruit to increase energy efficiency and reduce pollution in our city. RMP and the city could partner together on several items to make a difference. Here are some of the items we discussed.

- Through a grant with RMP or others have volunteers go door to door on a light bulb exchange program. Five LED lights for five incandescent lights.
- A program to educate citizens about incentives to exchange low efficiency appliances. Perhaps even line up grants, in some cases, to help make that happen.
- Have either an idle free resolution or ordinance, but have volunteers hand out incentives for being idle free and a reminder to those who are not.
- Help provide EV charging stations at various places around Cottonwood Heights.

I have placed on the agenda an item to briefly talk about this. I am not looking for a decision, but I realize I am not the smartest person in the room on this and would like to brainstorm some other ideas before I put together a proposal for you to consider as you work out your priorities.

Here are my notes from the Legislative Policy Committee meeting held Mon. Feb. 26th.

1. HB 175 This is the government oversight bill. This bill failed last week in a 54 to 20 vote. With our Representatives Eliason, and Poulson voting against it. So if you have a chance, reach out to them a thank them. Representative Spendlove voted for the bill. It was reported to me that he did not want to vote against it because leadership wanted it past. You might reach out to him as well. The bill has now been circled which means it can come up for vote at any time. The League as well as our lobbyist has been promised it would not be voted on again until the bill is amended to remove oversight from anyone else but the executive branch of the state. It would not affect us this time, but I am afraid of the legislature thinking this type of oversight is their prerogative.
2. Senator Bramble spoke to us about SB 189, the legislation controlling small cell wireless facilities deployment. The good Senator has been working with the League and the industry on this. He wanted to let us know he thought this was a really important bill and in the end will be a political compromise. The bill permits a wireless provider to deploy in any city and allows us and other utilities not put them on power poles if there is a decent reason not to do so, but the provider can put up their own poles. It does allow owner of the pole to charge a fee and limits the height of new utility poles. Senator Bramble, promised that he would revisit this bill next year if the league has problems with it.
3. Senator Bramble quickly brought up some work he is doing on the ethics act. From what I got from it, the bill would essentially clean up the bill with better verbiage that make the existing bill actually work.
4. There has been some changes on the transportation bill since we last reported. At the time of LPC the Republicans were actually in caucus and changing the bill further. The bill currently imposes a .15% sales tax state wide for transit, the current edition includes a 5th 1/4 % sales tax for transportation with most of the money going to transit, but that will reportedly be taken out. It would allow the county to impose the 4th quarter percent sales tax, known as Proposition 1 without an election. This undoubtedly will have some major changes.
5. HB 225 deals with referendums. Currently the law reads that any five people can come into the city a file a notice of their intent to file for a referendum, why they are collecting signatures the city would take a parallel course to do the legal research to see if the referendum is valid etc. The new law would require the five people to file a notice of their intent and before the five persons started to collect signature the city would consider whether the referendum is legal, prepare a fiscal note and a 500 word argument against the proposed referendum, and have the proponents prepare their 500 word argument for the action. The referrers, would then go collect signatures. The heated battle about this mainly centered around the cities inability to educate the public in an official manner to counter all the supposed misleading comment being made by the persons getting the signatures.
6. There is a bill SB 120 that specifically makes a transportation utility fee legal, however it exempts cities from collecting the fee from a county. There was concern that this was a slippery slope hat if one tax exempt entity opted out what would keep the others from doing so.
7. The big item was two competing homeless bills. So here it is the state has an almost 600 million dollar surplus and want to fund homelessness by taking it away from our sales tax.
 - a. The first bill is Representative Eliason. This bill is to raise \$3.3 million dollars to give directly to the road home. The amount we pay in this scenario is based on population. However, if you have a homeless shelter in your city you do not pay anything and you

can offset your bill by providing low and moderate income housing. This fee is take out of our sales tax distribution and I think it would impact our budget \$35 to 40 thousand dollars.

- b. Representative Davis' bill would have \$3.6 million go the Midvale and South Salt Lake the help them meet public safety needs. They said they would consider money for Ogden and St. George at a later date. This money would be taken directly from the half of the local options sales tax going to the population distribution. I think this would mean closer to a \$50 thousand dollar hit on us.

There was some discussion on why the cities need to pay, it is directly out of our general funds. There was also a lot of discussion about the state taking some of the local option sales tax was a horrible precedent and we would be better off just getting billed.

Mayor and City Council Member Reports

Mayor Mike Peterson

This past week I've attended numerous meetings with staff, constituents, and other governmental groups. The most noteworthy would be the following:

1. Attended the UFA Board meeting where the focus of the discussion was on the new membership that makes up the current Board and the development of a benefits and compensation package to be proposed for the next budget cycle.
2. Met with the Giverny developers along with Christine and Brian to talk about the challenges facing both the developer and the City. This meeting was the result of concerns raised by neighbors over parking and construction activity impacting the resident to the North. A couple alternatives were proposed to mitigate some of the concerns, and these recommendations are currently being looked at by the City staff and engineer.
3. The Conference of Mayors meeting for the month of February was hosted by Cottonwood Heights. The agenda included reports from Wasatch Front Regional Council and a round table discussion on legislative issues. Thanks to Anne and Dan for their efforts in facilitating the hosting of this event. We have 18 mayors in the valley with the majority being new.
4. John Park and I meet with representatives from the Utah Transit Authority to discuss future planning efforts by both groups and how we can best work together in the future to address the needs of Cottonwood Heights. We discussed bus routes, ridership numbers, park and rides, planning for future demands, etc. etc.

Council Member Tali Bruce

1. The historic committee is beginning the early phases of editing the book on the history of Cottonwood Heights. There is still time for the public to submit photographs for the publication.
2. Emergency preparedness is ramping up for the April 14th shake out. Their preparedness is vital for an excellent response to an event. Watch for more details as the date gets closer.

Photos



Figure 1- Ann Eatchel, Events Coordinator is: A. Busy evaluating acts for 2018 Butlerville Days, B. Acting as a midwife for a snake birthing, C. Participating in a segment of Fear Factor?