

Heber City News

DECEMBER 2018

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December 4

City Council Meeting, 5pm

December 11

Planning Commission, 6pm

December 18

City Council Meeting, 5pm

December 24

Christmas Eve, City Offices Closed

December 25

Christmas Day, City Offices Closed



All public meetings can be listened to live at

<http://ci.heber.ut.us/256/Agendas-and-Minutes>

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Submitted by Mayor Kelleen Potter

Last month I shared information about a survey we are doing to get more public input about the future of our Main Street. We have reopened the survey to make sure people (like me) who haven't used a QR code before have access to the survey. The following is a link to the survey and you can also find it on our city website and Facebook if you want to just click on the link. Hopefully this will be easier to access for those who weren't able to use the QR code. The survey will be open until the end of December. Your voice is important to help shape the future of our Main Street.

<https://goo.gl/forms/vQOp4pSFs7uT99u72>

Also, I am so excited about our Heber City Tree Lighting on December 7th. It is going to be such a fun community gathering. Please join us downtown for a memorable evening.

HEBER CITY TREE LIGHTING

Please join us Friday, December 7, 2018, from 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for the Heber City Tree Lighting. Activities will include cookie decorating, face painting, letters to Santa, music, hayrides, ice sculpting, live reindeer and more! Food trucks will be on site and there will be fire pits to help keep you warm. The fun will take place between the south side of City Hall (75 North Main Street) and the Avon Theatre (94 South Main Street). Santa Claus will be available for photo ops between 5:30 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. Caroling will begin at 7:30 p.m. with the grand finale Tree Lighting at 7:45 p.m. For full details and times of activities please see the flyer at



<https://www.heberut.gov/DocumentCenter/View/616/Christmas-Tree-Light-Up-Event---2018>

CEMETERY NEWS

Niches are now available for purchase in the new Cremation Niche Wall at the Heber City Cemetery. Prices vary from \$725 - \$975 depending upon the location in the niche wall and residency.



HOLIDAY SAFETY

Submitted by Lieutenant Jeremy Nelson

We would like to remind everyone in the community of some safety tips during the holiday season. These may help prevent you becoming the victim of a crime:

1. Do not leave anything of value visible in your vehicle while shopping.
2. Always lock your vehicle, even when parked at home and never leave your keys in your vehicle.
3. Park in a well lit area if shopping after dark.
4. Keep an outside light on at home when you leave so you are not returning in darkness.
5. Keep valuables away from windows or where they can be seen from outside.



If you feel uncomfortable or notice something suspicious, please err on the side of caution and call the police department. We would rather you call the police immediately than wait to report something that may have been prevented.

ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS

Submitted by Heber City Building Official Wes Greenhalgh

As an owner of a commercial building or space and even as one who leases a space you have a very important responsibility to yourself, your employees, your customers, and the public to maintain a safe business environment. Remodeling is often a way to attract new customers with an updated look but not following the proper procedures can put you and the public at risk.

While remodeling your home requires building permits, in many cases, a homeowner can do their own work on such a project. However, places of business do NOT have the same option. The State of Utah has specific rules and laws regulating non-dwelling buildings and what business owners can and cannot do. In all but the smallest décor changes, remodeling requires the use of licensed contractors and the work itself requires a building permit. Our office offers a handout explaining the rules and when you would be required to hire a licensed contractor.

Heber City has ordinances in place which make failure to obtain building permits a class B misdemeanor for the business owner and a class A misdemeanor for contractors. Contractors may also be investigated by the State Licensing Department (DOPL.)

The purpose of the building department is to ensure all construction, including small remodeling projects, is done safely to protect the business owner, employees, customers, and the public. In most cases the permitting process may require a few inspections and will take only 5-10 days to complete.

We would like to be a part of your project planning process regardless of the size. We have a saying in the building department "It is much easier to get permission than forgiveness." If a project needing a permit is not inspected until important elements are covered, we will require them to be uncovered in order for the elements to be inspected. Changes must be confirmed as being done correctly. We can also offer insight with our knowledge of the building code and other federal law requirements for places of business in order to help avoid costly mistakes when remodeling.

Please understand our purpose in sending this letter is to inform you of the laws governing the remodeling of places of business in order to prevent incurring penalties and more importantly to keep everyone safe.

If you need further information, please stop by our office located at 75 North Main St. or call the Heber City Building Department at 435-654-6330. You can also access the following website:

<https://www.heberut.gov/150/Commercial>

*Heber City wishes you a safe and happy
Holiday Season!*

