

HELLO HEBER!

The Heber City Newsletter

April 2022

MAYOR'S MINUTE

Hello Neighbors! Please know how valuable & critical your calls, emails, and feedback are to me as your Mayor. I appreciate all of your time and effort to care about our City's issues and attend any meeting.

I and the Council Members serve at your pleasure, and we must listen to your concerns. That's accountability and responsiveness. That's what we are paid to do.

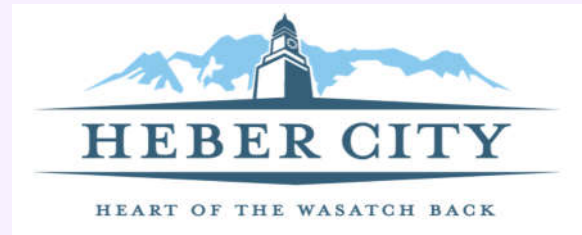
Last month several Council Members proposed a new Resolution 2022-05 which would limit your ability to ask questions or give comments during a City Council meeting. This Resolution would also limit the Mayor's powers to run the meeting & prevent me from recognizing citizens wanting to ask questions. This proposed Resolution does allow citizens to speak at 'public comment' time only at the beginning of a meeting.

I ask you: Is cutting off public comments during the meeting really more effective? Is it more accountable, more responsive, or more transparent for the public's business? I do not believe this is respectful to the public. It is like a gag order. See more information and discussion quotes about this Resolution in the 'CITY COUNCIL REPORT.'

Let's also discuss water. The City Survey in April asks **what kind of water conservation measures** you would like the City to use. We also want your help to **name a new road**. What should we name the City's Eastern Bypass Road from Center Street (about 1500 East) going north, then west to 900 North Mill Road, then west through the City Cemetery & Highway 40? (This road is *not* UDOT's East side Parkway alternative route.) When you the April City Survey submit your road name idea in the 'comments' after the other questions.

Finally, celebrate spring & **Arbor Day** with us by attending the City and Wasatch High School's Celebration on **April 29th, 2 pm, directly south of the WHS football stadium**. Park next to the football stadium to attend. There will be trees to buy, plus fun for the whole family! Thank you to the City's Tree Subcommittee and the Open Space, Trails, Parks and Trees Advisory Board for your great work on this!

Mayor Heidi Franco hfranco@heberut.gov



EVENTS & MEETINGS

April 5

City Council Meeting, Work Meeting 4 pm – Regular Meeting 6 pm - Council Chambers and online.

April 12

Planning Commission Meeting, 6 pm. Council Chambers and online.

April 13

Airport Advisory Board Meeting 6 pm. Council Chambers and online.

April 18

Tree Subcommittee Meeting, 4 pm. Conference Room

April 19

City Council Meeting, Work Meeting 4 pm – Regular Meeting 6 pm. – Council Chambers and online.

April 20

Historical Preservation Meeting, 6 pm. Council Chambers

April 21

Open Space, Trails, Parks and Tree Advisory Committee Meeting, 4 pm. Conference Room

April 26

Planning Commission Meeting, 6 pm. Council Chambers and online.

April 29

Arbor Day Celebration - 2 pm Wasatch High School Orchard – Park near the Football field.



Information on all public meetings can be found at:

<https://www.heberut.gov/256/Agendas-and-Minutes>

GIVING CORNER

- Take the Initiative to Give -

Volunteer or Donate to the **Red Cross** for urgent humanitarian needs, including to Ukraine. <https://www.redcross.org/volunteer/become-a-volunteer.html#step1>

Easter Basket and Food Pantry Needed Supplies or Volunteer: <https://www.ccofpc.org>

<https://userve.utah.gov/family-volunteer/> 10 Ways for your Family to Volunteer!

Let *YOUR* Voice Be Heard!

The NEW April CITY SURVEY runs from April 1st – 30th. The questions this month are on **different Water Conservation measures** the City can use, plus send the Mayor your ideas on a new name for the City's Eastern Bypass Road.

- See real time results. One vote per IP address.

<https://www.heberut.gov/Surveys>

Or get a Hard Copy to take at the City Treasurer's Office.

-Survey Accessible April 1 – April 30, 2022.

City Council Report By Mayor Franco

TRANSPARENCY – ACCOUNTABILITY - RESPONSIVENESS

MARCH 1, 2022 COUNCIL MEETING

_VOTE ON RESOLUTION 2022-03 TO CREATE THE JORDANELLE RIDGE PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE DISTRICTS (PID'S) # 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 AS INDEPENDENT BODIES CORPORATE AND POLITICS, AND APPROVAL OF GOVERNING DOCUMENT AND COOPERATION AGREEMENT.

Voting **FOR** the Resolution: Yvonne Barney, Rachel Kahler, Mike Johnston, Scott Phillips, Ryan Stack.

VOTE TO ACCEPT THE COLLEGE DOWNS ANNEXATION PETITION AT 2800 N HIGHWAY 40

Voting **YES** to accept the Annexation Petition: Rachel Kahler, Mike Johnston, Scott Phillips, Ryan Stack.

Voting **NO** on Annexation Petition: Yvonne Barney

DISCUSSION ON RESOLUTION 2022-05 UPDATING THE RULES OF ORDER & PROCEDURES

-This Resolution proposes to limit public comments to the *beginning* of the meeting *only*. It would not allow the Mayor to recognize or allow other citizen questions or comments during the rest of the meeting, etc.

ARGUMENTS FOR LIMITING PUBLIC COMMENTS:

-Council Member Mike Johnston said: "I would like to educate and help the public know how to communicate with us...." (At 5:53 on Audio link listed below.)

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-Council Member Phillips said: "Some of the best comments are emails we receive ...it's not just a knee-jerk reaction to what they've heard in the meeting. It's easy to send an email with their comments before the meeting. ...We are instituting order in the meetings so they don't ...go on forever." (At 5:55 & 6:13 on Audio link.)

Council Member Kahler said: "The public has ample opportunity to communicate with us... when the decision is on the table to be made, we don't need another hour of public comments to discuss something that they've [the citizens] already had an opportunity in a public hearing." (At 5:56 on audio link.)

ARGUMENTS AGAINST LIMITING PUBLIC COMMENTS:

From citizen Tracy Taylor said: "This is the people's house.... You don't have a problem with people... taking over your meetings. ...How do you expect people to give comments before they've heard the discussion on that issue? Not every issue on the agenda has a public hearing. ...Other councils in our county do not [do] this..." (At 5:59 at audio link.)

Council Member Barney: "...At *no* time should we say to the public, 'listen you are just not important right now and we need you to...go away, don't say anything'. ...This is a public house. This is for the public... We have to be willing to give them that space. ... [This is] first and foremost our responsibility." (At 6:07 at audio.)

Audio link: (Under 'Agendas & Minutes – March 1st mtg) https://heber-ut.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=1&clip_id=1045 ; starting at 5:40 & ending at 6:25.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER STACK TO PUT THIS RESOLUTION 2022-05 ON THE APRIL 5, 2022 AGENDA.

Voting **YES** to Motion: Yvonne Barney, Rachel Kahler, Mike Johnston, Scott Phillips, Ryan Stack.

The Public is welcome to attend the April 5th meeting & send public comments to: citycouncil@heberut.gov .

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MARCH 9, 2022 COUNCIL MEETING

VOTE TO FUND \$40,000 CONTRIBUTION TO BUILD PICKLEBALL COURTS AT SOUTHFIELD PARK.

Voting **FOR** the Funding: Yvonne Barney, Rachel Kahler, Mike Johnston, Scott Phillips, Ryan Stack.

THREE PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE CENTRAL HEBER WATER & SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECTS FOR:

-*Issuing* Pressurized Irrigation Revenue bonds up to \$14 Million; *Issuing* Sewer revenue bonds up to \$17 million; *Issuing* Water revenue bonds up to \$16 million. Learn more at: <https://heberut.gov/heberproject>

VOTE FOR RESOLUTION 2022-10 APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$16 MILLION OF WATER REVENUE BONDS.

Voting **FOR** the Resolution: Yvonne Barney, Rachel Kahler, Mike Johnston, Scott Phillips, Ryan Stack.

Give feedback to the Mayor and City Council at:

hfranco@heberut.gov
citycouncil@heberut.gov

Complete a Survey and You Could Win! **Heber City Internet Survey**

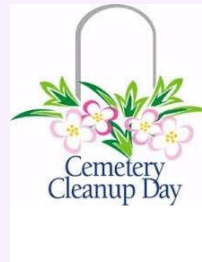


We are gathering information about internet availability and usage in Heber, UT. By completing a quick survey about your current internet experience, you will be entered to win one of

five \$100 grocery store gift cards! Your response will help guide planning for future infrastructure development. Get started by scanning the QR code or visiting the link: <https://bit.ly/HeberSurvey>.

Other City Information

CEMETERY CLEAN UP NOTICE



Heber City Cemetery will be conducting a clean-up beginning on **Monday, April 4, 2022**. The clean-up will last approximately four days. We ask that any decorations that visitors wish to save be removed before the scheduled clean up. All decorations left will be discarded; this includes all floral decorations, baskets, shepherd hooks, solar lights, pinwheels, etc. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Parks & Cemetery Department at 435-654-3952.

DOG LICENSING



License Your Dog
All dogs in Wasatch County are required to have a license. Renew yours TODAY !

All dogs 4 months and older are required to have a dog license. To purchase a dog license you can go to the Heber City Web Site at www.heberut.gov or visit the Heber City Treasures Office located at 75 N Main Street.

You will need to show proof that your dog is current on rabies vaccination. The cost to license is your dog is:

LICENSING FEES

- Annual – altered \$20
- Annual – unaltered \$40
- Lifetime – altered \$40
- Lifetime – unaltered \$60

Other City Information Continued

World Water Day: March 22nd & Water Conservation Tips



Public Works celebrated World Water Day this past month on March 22nd!

World Water Day was established in 1993 in an effort to focus on the importance of water to the health and survival of people across the world, and to bring awareness regarding the fact that millions of people still do not have easy access to clean, safe culinary water.

In light of World Water Day, we want to share with all of you, our fellow citizens of Heber City, ways in which we can conserve our vital water supply as we approach the summer season – the hottest, driest months of the year. Please find a few water conservation suggestions below:

- Wait to landscape your lawn until mid to the end of May when the temperature consistently reaches the mid-70s
- Re-use water from cooking pasta and potatoes to water your plants
- Do not run a full dishwasher cycle for a small load of dishes; the more dishes you can fit per cycle, the more water you will conserve
- Hang bath towels to drip dry after one use to conserve the water used for laundry, as this is one of the biggest uses of water in your home
- Repair dripping faucets and leaky toilets; even small leaks can waste a great deal of water over time!

Thank you for helping us conserve water!

Pay all Citations at the Heber City Justice Court



All citations, including parking tickets, can be paid at the Heber City Justice Court at **301 S. Main Street**. Most court fines, fees and parking tickets can be

paid on line at:

<https://www.heberut.gov/167/Justice-Court>

HEBER MARKET ON MAIN

The Heber Market on Main begins Thursday June 2nd. We are excited to offer our full farmers market and



concert series again this summer every Thursday from 5-9 pm at the Main

Street Park. For **vendor registration** and list of events

please visit www.hebermarket.com or contact jsummers@heberut.gov for more information."

FOOD TRUCKS BY FIRELIGHT

What could be better than a fire pit on a beautiful spring night?

Answer: When you get to eat delicious food from a variety of food trucks! Heber City is hosting "Food Trucks by Firelight" generally held every



Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from Noon – 8:00 pm at the City Hall Fire Pits. The fire pits are turned on from 5-9 pm.

There is plenty of room on the lawn, so bring your picnic blanket and gather your family and join the fun!

HEBER CITY ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

FRIDAY APRIL 29TH AT 2:00 PM

WASATCH HIGH SCHOOL

WE ARE EXCITED TO BE CELEBRATING ARBOR DAY WITH THE STUDENTS INVOLVED IN THE **IDEAL FARMS** OUTDOOR CLASSROOM AS WELL AS THE **CAPS** PROGRAM. THE CAPS PROGRAM IS THE CENTER FOR ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL STUDIES, AND IS BASED OUT OF THE UVU WASATCH CAMPUS.

THE STUDENTS ARE UNDER TEACHER MATTHEW ZIERENBERG AND HAVE PLANTED AN URBAN FOREST, WHERE YOU CAN PERSONALLY PURCHASE TREES FOR YOUR YARD. THEY ARE NOW PLANTING AN ORCHARD. HAVING THE STUDENTS INVOLVED IN ARBOR DAY IS THE LAST STEP IN QUALIFYING FOR THE TREE CITY USA PROGRAM FOR SCHOOLS K-12. THESE STUDENTS HAVE WORKED VERY HARD AND PUBLIC SUPPORT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. TO LEARN MORE ABOUT IDEAL FARMS PLEASE VISIT <https://ideal-farms.org/about/>

WE WILL BE JOINING THE STUDENTS AT THE ORCHARD WHICH IS LOCATED DIRECTLY SOUTH OF THE STADIUM. PLEASE PARK NORTH OF THE WEST CAMPUS ADJACENT TO THE FOOTBALL FIELD.

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED AND THERE WILL BE FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY. COME MEET YOUR MAYOR AND THE MEMBERS OF THE HEBER CITY TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND SUPPORT THIS GREAT PROGRAM AND THE STUDENTS!