



# HEBER CITY NEWS

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### MAYOR'S MESSAGE by Mayor Dave Phillips

Summer is here and it's hot! The Main Street paving project is nearly finished and by the time you read this message, Center Street will finally be opened. I appreciate the dedicated, hard work that Bart Mumford, City Engineer, has put into this project. It would take far more space than this column to enumerate all that went into taking this project from the planning stages to completion.

As a Mayor/Council, we've indicated many times how we appreciate feedback and input from the public. A recent case in point: During the car show held in the City Park on Main Street at the end of June, two individuals came up to me and asked why the park didn't have drinking fountains. I thought there was water over at the covered pavilion, but that didn't turn out to be the case. I talked with the City Council about this last week and they were very supportive in directing that drinking fountains get installed in the park this summer. I think we were all thinking there was water available, but with a storage modification on the west side of the pavilion, the faucet had been shut off. I appreciate the Council's desire to get this problem corrected.

As readers might be aware, we've been down on staffing by one position in the Police Department for several months, and other members of the City staff have assisted the Police Department where they can in code enforcement. Although the police and staff are doing what they can to keep up with this, we still need your assistance in bringing to light areas within the City containing safety hazards, unsightly and unsafe conditions. We'll add these to our list and continue working on the deficiencies. We have often found that when property owners are notified by staff in writing of the problem at hand, they have been good about fixing the problem.

Please feel free to call the City at 654-0757, any of the City Council, or myself. Our addresses are listed on the City website. I am available at: [davphillips@gmail.com](mailto:davphillips@gmail.com), or 435-671-6633. Please have a fun, safe summer and don't forget to join us on Thursday nights at the Farmer's Market and Concert in the Park Series.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR CHICKENS

In 2009, the City Council adopted an ordinance that permits chickens in many residential locations. If you have questions concerning these requirements, please call the Planning Department at 654-4830.

Section 18.68.125 of the Heber City Municipal Code - Chickens in Residential Zones:

- A. Hens (females) of any chicken species may be kept. However, roosters (males) are prohibited.
- B. Chickens shall be kept for personal family use only. Commercial uses (the selling of chicken products) of chickens are prohibited.
- C. Chickens shall be kept controlled on the property at all times.
- D. Coops shall not be located within the front yard, and shall be located at least twenty-five (25) feet from any neighboring dwellings, and shall be located at least twenty (20) feet from the edge of any open waterway that drains into a natural stream. Surface drainage from coops shall not be permitted to drain into a waterway that drains into a natural stream.
- E. Up to three (3) chickens may be kept on a detached single-family home lot which contains at least 5,000 square feet. One (1) additional chicken may be kept for each 1,000 square feet of lot area above the 5,000 square foot minimum, for a maximum of eight (8) chickens permitted on each lot.
- F. The premises upon which chickens are kept shall be maintained in a clean, sanitary, and reasonably odor-free condition.
- G. Definitions.
  - 1. "Coop" means a cage, pen, enclosure, or building for the sheltering of chickens.
- H. The provisions of this Section (Section 18.68.125) do not impair, enhance, or otherwise regulate the uses of other zones which expressly permit the keeping of chickens.

