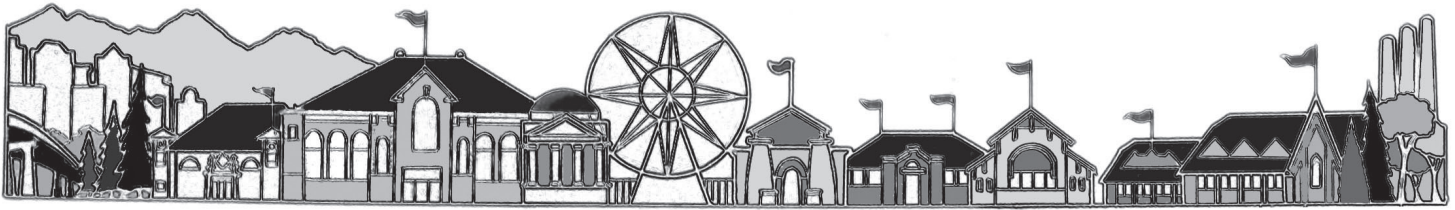


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Old Barriers to the New North Temple

The new Airport TRAX Line on North Temple is a great new way to get around the City. However, according Michael Christensen, a graduate student in City and Metropolitan Planning at the U of U, for many Fairpark Community residents The challenge is getting to North Temple. The Fairpark Community's west side has no street going directly to North Temple. Foot and bicycle travel is blocked by the State Fairgrounds. The Jordan River trail is one route, but folks can only enter it off of 500 North and 300 North. Christensen also notes, travel barriers are not just physical. A sense of

safety is just as important. For many, using the Jordan River trail, especially after dark, is not a comfortable option.

With funding from a small grant, Michael has mapped the major barriers to North Temple (and Redwood Road) for residents of Fairpark and the other communities that abut North Temple. He has also developed ideas on possible solutions. He



will present his findings to the City in a couple months, but, he is still gathering community input. Contact him at mike@accessNorthTemple.org. Some of his findings are at www.access-NorthTemple.org.

Fairpark Council Opposes Rezoning Request

A developer's bid to amend the City's Master Plan to allow the construction of housing project in the middle of a block met strong opposition at last month's Council Meeting.

The project planned to build 37 single-family houses on about 2 acres in the interior of the block between Catherine Street and the Jordan River and 500 and 600 North, adjacent Backman Elementary. But, this can't happen unless the area's current zoning, R-1/7000 Single Family Residential Area, is changed to a SR-3 Special Residential Development area. Current zoning requires minimum lots of 7000 square feet. The new zon-

ing will allow 2000 square-foot lots.

At the meeting, broad concern was expressed with the appropriateness of a moderate density development in the middle of low-density neighborhood. People stated that they had moved to the Fairpark Community because of its large street-front yards.

The Council voted 27 to 3 to oppose the application to amend the Master Plan/Zoning Map. A committee was formed to draft a letter to the City Planning Commission.

Update: The application to amend is on hold. Several prop-

erty owners who had agreed to be part of the project have changed their minds.

For the request to amend the Master Plan/Zoning Map to proceed, a modified application, reflecting a smaller project, is required. Once this happens, the request will quickly go before the Planning Commission.

To stay abreast on this, and other issues/happenings in Fairpark, visit the Fairpark Community Council's Facebook Page.



*If you live within the boundaries of the Fairpark Community you are a member of the Fairpark Community Council.
Come meet your neighbors.*

Emergency Preparedness

Each month we review our emergency evacuation kits. So far, they contain these items:

- Necessary Medications
- Flashlight, Radio & Batteries
- Contact Info & a Place to Meet
- Extra Clothing & a Blanket
- Personal Hygiene Items

Now that our “grab and go” kits have a basic framework, we can add **food and water**. Add three bottles of water (8 or 16 oz. bottles) and six energy bars as a minimum per kit. More food and water would be better, but this is the point where we test the portability of our kits.

We’re going to take them for a walk. It’s time to roll or carry our kits to the specific place we’ve chosen for household members to find each other. This little walk is as important as any of our tangible items: we are enabling ourselves to tailor general recommendations to our individual situations.

We love our neighborhood and we hope this helps others as much as it is helping ourselves. Until next time, Ann and Robert

Fight Summer Theft

Warm weather brings out the flowers and the thieves. The police department is seeing a large increase in theft, including thefts from sheds and yards, burglaries and car prowls. Take steps to deter theft in our neighborhoods.

- 1. A criminal wants to be invisible. At night, keep an exterior light on.**
- 2. Keep your house locked and garage secure, even when you’re home.**
- 3. Don’t leave property out in plain view, either in the daytime or at night.**
- 4. A clean car is a safe car! Clean on the inside. Thieves look for valuables inside of cars.**

Finally, if you see a suspicious person in your neighborhood, report it to the police. Call **801-799-3000** to report suspicious activity and nonemergency issues. - Det. Hudson

Fairpark Community Council Meeting

Thursday, April 25, 2013 / 6:30pm

Northwest Recreation and Community Center

1255 West 300 North

(south building, enter through door on building's north side)

Notes for this Month's Meeting

At the last several Council meetings, Council members have raise safety concerns with the new TRAX Line. Help draft a list of concerns to share with UTA at May's meeting.

The name "River District" is something we're seeing. What is it? Do we live in it?

The Nominating Committee will be presenting a slate of nominees for the new Executive Board. nominations can also be made from the floor. Come participate.

6:30	Welcome	Gordon Storrs
6:35	Mayor's Office Report	Michael Stott
6:45	Public Safety Report	Dets. Hudson and Steele
6:55	Reports from Elected Officials	Those present
7:05	Discussion: Safety Concerns with new Airport TRAX	Gordon Storrs
7:20	Discussion on River District. What is it?	Gordon Storrs
7:30	New Apartment Complex - 24N 600 W	Steve Johnson
7:35	Nominating Committee Report Election of Executive Board New Members	Mike Pieper, Committee Chair
7:50	Other Matters, Concerns	Gordon Storrs
8:00	Adjourn	

March Meeting Recap

Michael Stott, Mayor's Office Liaison, gave an overview of what is being called "**The River District**," an initiative of the City & Metropolitan Planning Dept at the University of Utah, several nonprofits, and the River District (formerly West Side) Business Alliance.

Kate Rybakcave from the **Dual Immersion Academy** (a public charter school) in Glendale reported that the school has openings for new students. For info, call 801-972-1425.

According to Sara Rose Tannenbaum, Salt Lake City Government's **Smart Trips - Fairpark** is a smart deal. Learn about alternatives to the car. Sign up and get neat freebies. Call 801-535-7761 for info.

Discussion on amending the City's Master Plan/Zoning Map to allow a moderate-density development at about 552 North 1500 West led to a vote in opposition. A committee was formed to draft a letter to the Planning Commission. Call Steve Johnson, 801-521-3168, for more information.



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Upcoming Community Events

There's still time (deadline is April 30) to sign up for **Six Weeks to a Healthier You** activities. Call 385-468-1305 for info.

The **Northwest Recreation/Community Center** is seeking arts and crafts vendors (there is a fee) for this year's **RiverFest**, scheduled for Saturday, June 1st. Nonprofit groups can reserve a table, at no cost, to distribute materials. For more info, call 385-468-1305.

People can meet with law enforcement officials at the monthly **Coffee with a Cop**. This month, it is being held at the **Mestizo Coffeehouse**, 631 North Temple, 7-9 am. Talk with policemen on any topic.

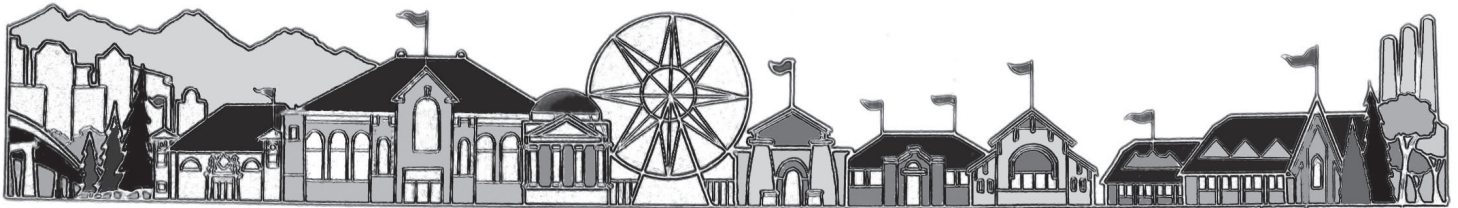
NeighborWorks is accepting applications for its annual **Paint Your Heart Out** project that spruces up the homes of low-income seniors (age 55 and older) and people with disabilities. June 21st is the deadline. Call 801-539-1590 for more info.

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English 11 AM - Noon

Spanish 1 PM - 2 PM

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