STATE OF THE CITY

During the past year we witnessed Eagle Mountain take great strides forward in a number of areas.

Our city continues to set itself apart as a unique area for families to put down roots, for businesses to invest, and for all to experience a healthy, active lifestyle according to their abilities.

There is a growing feeling of optimism about our city, both within Eagle Mountain and throughout the state. Gone are the days when doubt so prevailed over the viability of our city that discussions of investment here by state or industry were non-starters. Now, people want to hear about the good things happening in Eagle Mountain. Now, state officials use our city as an example for other cities to follow.

To get to this place it has taken dedication from every person in every city department over years of time. It took a team effort to get where we are so it is only fitting that credit be given to our exemplary city staff. To communicate a long list of successes and acknowledge all who had a part would make for a long and dry State of the City address. Instead, we put together a video that shows off the great people that work for the city and some of their accomplishments.
I hope you find our State of the City video entertaining and informative. I am sure that it is better than a speech.

In short, Eagle Mountain is fiscally strong, well-managed, has a new and dynamic reputation within the state, and is on course to becoming an inspiring balance of nature and healthy human activity.

Last year was exciting. This year is on track to be even better. I look forward with anticipation to making more announcements in the months to come. Our city is respected and you can be proud to live here.

Speaking of exciting announcements, Eagle Mountain City was happy to participate, along with the Eagle Mountain Chamber of Commerce at another new business ribbon-cutting last month - Quench It!

Offering a variety of sodas with mix-ins, flavored hot chocolate, gourmet cookies and popcorn, soft pretzels, gluten-free treats from EM’s Little Bakery, and flavored waters, Quench It! is located in the Porter’s Crossing Town Center at 4095 E. Pony Express Pkwy.

We welcome Quench It! to the community and expect to have more business announcements soon.

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**City Offices Closure**

The City offices and Library will be closed Monday, February 18 in observance of the President’s Day holiday.

**Utah Valley Job Fair**

The Utah Valley Job Fair will be held March 13 from 2:00–5:00 PM at the Utah Valley Convention Center in Provo. Visit [www.utahvalleyjobfair.com](http://www.utahvalleyjobfair.com) for more info.

**Jr. Ranger Nature Hike**

Meet at the Camp Floyd Cemetery February 16 at 1:00 PM for a nature hike. Learn what animals call Camp Floyd State Park home. After the hike enjoy hot chocolate and cider at the Commissary. $3 per person or $9 per family. For information please call (801) 768-8932 or email campfloyd@utah.gov.

**Household Haz Waste Day**

Utah Co. residents with household hazardous waste items such as old gasoline, paint, fluorescent light bulbs, and batteries may dispose of these items at a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on Saturday, April 13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the west parking lot of the Provo Towne Centre Mall. Visit [Utah Co. Health](http://www.utah.gov) for details.

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**Mayors’ Book Recommendations**

The Mayor’s Choice for February reading is “To Kill A Mockingbird” by Harper Lee. First published in 1960, it has become an American classic set during the Great Depression. This story is rich with lessons to be learned about common sense and decency from role models, good and bad.

For younger readers, “Elijah of Buxton” by Christopher Paul Curtis is a story of courage and adventure.

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**Emergency Preparation Tip**

Preparing a Disaster Supply Kit

- Include foods for infants and family members with special diets.

**Tools and Equipment**

- First aid kit
- Battery powered radio
- Flashlights
- Spare batteries
- Reusable plastic bags
- Washcloths and towels
- Paper cups, plates and plastic utensils

**Water**

- Pack at least one gallon per person per day for at least three days.

**Food**

- Pack enough food to last each family member at least three days.
- Include canned and boxed foods because they require little preparation and stay good for a long period of time. Remember to pack a manual can opener or pack food in self-opening cans.
- Pack food in sealed metal or plastic containers.
- Check food every six months.

**Tools and Equipment**

- Bicycle or a sleeping bag for each family member
- Blankets or a sleeping bag for each family member
- Change of clothing, extra pair of shoes and socks for each family member
- Extra car/house keys
- Personal identification
- Copies of birth and marriage certificates, bank account numbers and other important documents
- Maps
Neighborhood Improvement

What is Stormwater?

Stormwater is water from rain or melting snow that doesn’t soak into the ground and eventually runs off into waterways. It flows from rooftops, over paved areas and bare soil, and through sloped lawns while picking up a variety of materials on its way. As it flows, stormwater runoff collects and transports soil, animal waste, salt, pesticides, fertilizers, oil and grease, debris and other potential pollutants.

Keeping Storm Drains Clear

The pollution entering our waterways doesn’t entirely come from illegal dumping; a considerable amount comes from urban and suburban surfaces. As a vehicle owner and a homeowner there are a number of things that can be done to minimize the pollution entering our waterways.

• Never dump anything directly into a storm drain
• Lawn Debris– Materials such as grass and tree clippings should never be swept into a storm drain or onto a street, they provide excess nutrients and promote unnecessary algae growth which, in turn, can cause severe negative impacts to the rest of stream ecosystems.
• Pick up After Your Pets– Rain washes parasites and bacteria from pet waste into local waterways and also unbalances nutrient loads. This poses harm to those who use the waterway for recreational use and also degrades stream ecosystems.
• Sweep Pesticides and Fertilizer off of hard surfaces and onto your lawn- These applications will be streamlined to local water bodies if left on patios, driveways, or other impervious surfaces.
• Wash Vehicles on Lawn– Washing vehicles on a grassy surface allows the dirty and soapy water to be absorbed by plants and soil, filtering the water and preventing it from washing into a storm drain.
• Properly Dispose of Chemicals– motor oil and batteries can be recycled. Other products that should be brought to a facility for proper disposal include paint, herbicides, pesticides, and swimming pool chemicals. Be careful to clean up after any spills and avoid allowing any chemicals to reach the storm drains.

How to Dispose of Paints

To dry out latex paint, mix in kitty litter (or paint hardener):
1. Add equal parts kitty litter to the paint.
2. Stir until it reaches an oatmeal-like consistency.
3. Allow to sit for at least an hour.
4. Throw away in the trash with the lid off.

Oil-based paint and stains are hazardous, and should be disposed at hazardous waste facilities.

If you see any illegal dumping or open manholes or experience storm-related flooding, please call our 24-Hour Storm Drain Hotline at 801-789-5959, option 5.

For a list of accepted items at the upcoming Utah County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on April 13, visit Utah County Health Department.

What’s Happening?

Following is a snapshot of some upcoming community events. Please visit the city website calendar at www.emcity.org/events for additional events, more details and updates as warranted.

Feb 18
Seniors Bingo & Potluck Dinner
Time: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Location: Senior Center
The Seniors (55+) will play Bingo and hold a Pot Luck Dinner at the Senior Center. Please bring a dish to share.

Feb 19
City Council Meeting
Time: 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM
Location: City Hall
Work Session begins at 4:00 p.m., Policy Session begins at 7:00 p.m. Items are discussed in work session and voted on in policy session.

Feb 21
STEAM at the Library
Time: 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Location: Library
STEAM fun! (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math) This is for kids ages 7 and older. No fees or registration required.

Feb 25
Seniors Valentine’s Dinner & Entertainment
Time: 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Location: Senior Center
Hawaiian Haystacks will be served. Please bring a topping for chicken gravy over rice. Entertainment provided.

Feb 26
Planning Commission Meeting
Time: 6:00 PM
Location: City Hall
Agenda and supporting documents typically posted on the City website calendar by the Friday before the meeting.

Mar 1
Toddler Build at the Library
Time: 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM
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The Eagle’s View

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The Eagle Mountain Public Library is offering a new service this tax season. The library is partnering with IRS-certified volunteers through Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) to provide FREE tax preparation for qualifying families. This will be a 3-step process:

1) intake, where a library supervisor will scan and upload your tax documents to a secure VITA server;
2) an IRS-certified volunteer will prepare your return offsite; and
3) quality review, where your preparer will meet with you through a video conference to go over your completed return.

Appointments for intake will be available within the next few weeks. For more information about VITA and the requirements to qualify, visit utahtaxhelp.org or call 2-1-1.

Sidewalk Snow Removal

Winter snow removal can be time consuming and inconvenient...but it’s important.

It may be tempting to ignore shoveling the sidewalk, but doing so could have serious consequences. Leaving snow on the sidewalk or driveway could put you at risk of liability for damages if someone were to slip and fall.

If you are renting your home, contact the property owner to determine who is responsible for sidewalk snow removal. This applies to single-family dwellings as well as apartment complexes and commercial properties.

Snow and ice in winter can be especially hard on concrete. Ice and snow that are left on the surface can cause pitting from the cycle of freezing and thawing from night to day. During the day, ice may melt and the water penetrate the surface of the concrete and freeze again during the night. The expansion of the ice within the top surface of the concrete slowly ruptures, forming tiny craters, that ultimately begin breaking apart the structure.

For those who use salt to melt ice there are products available that are safe to be used around pets and children and will not cause harm to your concrete walkways. Look for the PTSA Green Product Seal of approval which means it is a product that is eco-friendly.

Here in Eagle Mountain, home owners are responsible for snow and ice removal on sidewalks and driveways. No snow or ice should be removed from private property onto roadways. The street plowing process may create a build-up of snow in front of driveways. It would be neither cost nor time effective for city snow plow drivers to stop and assist in clearing this build-up in front of driveways. We ask for the understanding and cooperation of homeowners with this.

Yellow ribbon kids
We’re HIRING!!

Come work at Eagle Mountain Scout Camp!

We are hiring for youth & adults to help run programs for our participants in the upcoming camp season!

Closing Dates:
- Cub Day Camp: August 30
- Webelos Adventures: August 30
- Activity Day Girls: August 30

Leadership opportunities:
- Directors
- Junior Staff
- Area Directors
- Commissioners
- Trading Post
- Guides

Apply Online at: http://utahscouts.org/summerjobs

To stay up-to-date with City news, events, and more - follow Eagle Mountain City on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Instagram. You may also subscribe to email/text notifications, including emergency alerts at www.emcity.org/notifyme.

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