I have been asked to share more information regarding economic development in Eagle Mountain, our plan, and what it means for the future of our city.

We approach economic development a little differently than most cities—because we are different than most cities. Eagle Mountain is one of the fastest growing cities in the state (averaging about 4,000 new residents a year, with a current population of about 37,000); one of the youngest cities in the country by average age of residents; geographically the third largest city in the state and the largest in Utah County. Add to that the fact that Eagle Mountain is a bedroom community with little industry other than residential development. We are pretty much one big neighborhood at the west end of SR-73.

Our rapid growth and lack of commercial tax revenue has required creativity to fund needed infrastructure and other city services. And yet Eagle Mountain remains one of the most affordable cities in the state. However, if this growth trend were to continue without economic development, at some point, a lean city government and creative thinking would not be enough to hold down property taxes. For this reason, economic development is vital to the future of our city.

I know economic development can be confusing to the lay observer. It is natural to question why some businesses come and others don’t.

All brand retail establishments have strict guidelines that determine where they will consider locating new facilities. There is no salesmanship or pleading that will convince them to abandon the formula for success and financing that they have established through years of business experience. Because we are a community with very little drive-through traffic we do not meet the requirements for larger retail at this time.

However, we have a plan. Our plan is to focus our energies on recruiting companies that do not need drive-through traffic. We are looking for what we call an “industry cluster.” These are companies that will bring other companies and cluster together. To use a metaphor, instead of hunting single businesses that are so hard to catch they take a lot of time and energy, and even if we catch them they yield little meat, what we have done is built a watering hole for businesses to gather around.

The industry that is a good fit and clusters nicely is the data center industry. I won’t go into all the reasons why data centers are a good fit but I will continued on pg. 2...
mention how they fit into our overall and long term plan.

First, data centers have very little negative impact. Specifically they do not add residential growth to an already bursting-at-the-seams city. However, they do bring good paying jobs to the city and they bring a lot of support companies including large construction contractors.

Not only will this bring other data centers but from now on it will mean wallets in the city during the day. Right now most of our working population leaves the city to work, eat lunch and shop outside of the city. Now that we will have a growing workforce that comes here to work, and will want to spend money at close convenient locations, Eagle Mountain will be more attractive to retail and support businesses. Soon there will be over 1,000 construction workers at the Facebook site. They will want somewhere to eat. That means restaurants will want to compete for those dollars, which will employ more people. Then a car wash, a gas station, an auto repair, more restaurants, another school, another grocery store, etc. will come in their time and all bring jobs to the area.

So though we don’t control what companies come, we can create an environment that will bring businesses to Eagle Mountain and through that effort, your favorite restaurant or store will eventually want to be here.

Now, these details may make it sound like Eagle Mountain is destined to become one big commercial complex but that is not the goal. The goal is to become a uniquely balanced city with numerous recreational options year round, including an abundance of preserved open space. In fact, Facebook and other technology companies that will follow will partner with the city to make it a better and healthier place.

Book Recommendations

Family reading: Rush Revere series by Rush Limbaugh

Teen and adult reading: The Good Earth, by Pearl Buck

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**Seniors Activities**

Held at City Hall until the new Seniors Center opens on Sept. 24. Details and updates are posted on the website calendar. Seniors activities are open to those who are ages 55+.

- Sept 17 Bingo & Potluck Dinner, 5 p.m.
- Sept 24 New Senior Center Open House, 5-8 p.m. 1680 E. Heritage Dr. Ribbon cutting, treats, and tour the new center.
- Sept 27 Canasta, 1 p.m., Seniors Center. Bring snacks to share.
- Oct 4 Lunch Bunch, 1:30 p.m. Seniors Center
- Oct 8 Service Project, 1 p.m.

Email: seniorcouncil@emcity.org

**Eagle Mountain Arts Alliance Events**

- Sept 21 - EM Artsccon Writing Boot Camp
- Sept 22 - Eagle Mountain Artsccon
- Sept 27-28 - Musicals Through the Ages Performances

For more information, please visit www.eaglemountainarts.com.

**Vocalists and Instrumentalists Wanted**

Community Messiah seeks vocalists and instrumentalists to join the choir and orchestra. Rehearsals begin Sunday, October 7 from 6-8 p.m. for the choir and 7-9 p.m. for the orchestra. Solo auditions will be held Sat., Oct. 13. Registration and Info at www.CommunityMessiah.com.

**Water Survey**

The Utah Division of Water Resources is engaged in a study to determine water efficiency potential by region. The result of this study will be new regional and statewide water efficiency goals. Please complete the following survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/localgoals.

**Volunteers 55+ Needed**

Mountainland RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) matches volunteers 55+ with their ideal opportunity. Areas include: tutoring in elementary schools, transportation for seniors, meal delivery, and making calls. Enroll in this FREE program and enjoy the benefits: supplemental insurance coverage, mileage reimbursement, Sharetix event tickets, and more.

Info: www.mountainland.org/rsvp, call (801) 229-3820, or email: rsvp@mountainland.org.
Why does the City have Neighborhood Improvement Officers?

Neighborhood Improvement is vital to Community Development. Codes and regulations are adopted by the City Council to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of all citizens and to increase property values.

Purpose & Goals of Neighborhood Improvement

• Promote Health, Safety and Welfare of residents
• Secure a high quality of life
• Help residents take responsibility for solving issues and neighborhood concerns
• Being a resource for residents
• Maintain physical appearance of neighborhoods through code standards

What does Neighborhood Improvement do?

Neighborhood Improvement is responsible for the enforcement of City codes. One of the main goals of Neighborhood Improvement is to bring to the attention of residential and business owners any existing code violation which could have a negative impact on their neighborhood. Many such code violations are referred to as “public nuisances.” Through voluntary compliance, cooperation, and a spirit of personal responsibility for the well-being of our community, conditions which create code violations can be eliminated, making Eagle Mountain a better place to live.

Neighborhood Improvement officers may be contacted to attend neighborhood and organizational meetings to explain city codes and assist citizens with improving their neighborhoods.

What does Neighborhood Improvement mean to me?

As citizens of Eagle Mountain, we owe it to ourselves and to our neighbors to maintain our homes and businesses in a manner which has a positive effect on the overall appearance of our City.

The basis of the Code Enforcement program rests upon each of us acting as good neighbors. We all have property rights that protect us; however, the term “property rights” also implies that a property owner has certain responsibilities. No property within the city may be used or maintained in a manner which downgrades the value, use, enjoyment or safety of one’s own or surrounding property.

Where can I find City codes?

www.eaglemountaincity.com/code

What can I do to help?

Be concerned about the welfare and appearance of your street and neighborhood; then take action:

• Make sure your property is free from code violations.
• Organize a block clean up.
• Remove temporary signs from utility poles.
• Encourage neighbors to maintain their property.
• Arrange for Neighborhood Improvement Officers to speak at your neighborhood gathering.
• Report violations
• Get involved in your HOA
• Encourage your children to care about a clean neighborhood.

How do I report a violation?

The best way to report a violation is by submitting a Request Form. You may also email neighborhoodimprovement@emcity.org or call 801-789-6690.

What can a person do if a neighbor is in violation of an ordinance?

The first step you should take when you believe a neighbor is in violation of an ordinance is to attempt to talk with your neighbor or the property owner about the situation. If you have done so, and the effort has failed, fill out and submit a Request Form.

What will happen if I make a complaint?

Problems are addressed in a confidential, friendly and understanding way. On receiving a complaint, a Neighborhood Improvement officer will notify the property owner to explain the problem, usually in the form of a Courtesy Letter or Notice. The property owner is then given time to take care of the violation. While most property owners comply after the first notification, those who don’t receive additional notices and fees may be assessed. In addition, the code does allow for abatement to be done by the City at the owner’s expense if violation is not taken care of in a timely manner.

Will I receive a response back after I submit a complaint?

No. Neighborhood Improvement may contact you to obtain additional information.

I just received a Violation Notice and I am not sure what to do.

Correct the violation by the compliance date given on the notice. You should contact Neighborhood Improvement to let us know that correction has been made so an inspection can be done.

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What is the difference between Neighborhood Improvement and a Homeowner’s Association?

Code Enforcement agencies are a function of many governments and are in place to ensure compliance with ordinance requirements and adopted regulations related to land use, zoning, sign standards, public nuisance and health and housing codes. In Eagle Mountain City the primary objective is to achieve compliance through education about City Codes and requirements. Most codes and ordinances apply to every property within the city. Ultimately, the purpose is to ensure that all neighborhoods and properties are maintained, protecting property values, and to promote the health, safety and welfare of all residents.

Homeowner’s Associations are private organizations that are paid by designated neighborhoods to oversee their particular maintenance standards, as established by written Codes, Covenants and Restrictions (CC&Rs) for the properties within a specific neighborhood. The neighborhoods were designed to be managed by a Homeowner’s Association. Homeowner’s Associations have the right to enforce and assess fines to members in accordance to the Homeowners Association’s Codes, Covenants and Restrictions. Typically as part of the purchase process, each property owner within these designated neighborhoods signs documents agreeing to the standards that have been established and will abide by any penalties assessed.

A Homeowner’s Association may establish maintenance standards that require a higher standard of upkeep than the City Codes. Neighborhoods that are within Homeowner’s Association areas are still required to also abide by City Code requirements.

Neighborhood Improvement Officers enforce City Ordinances and Code Standards at all properties within Eagle Mountain City, including those properties within a Homeowner’s Association area. However, a Homeowner’s Association enforces maintenance standards within their designated neighborhood. HOA standards can be similar to City Code requirements or more restrictive. However, if an HOA requirement or standard is less restrictive than the City Code, the City’s Code requirement remains and is required to be met.

List of HOAs in Eagle Mountain City
Eagle Mountain Starts Chamber of Commerce
Submitted by Eagle Mountain Chamber of Commerce

We are very excited to announce the creation of the Eagle Mountain Chamber of Commerce. This is a development that has been years in the making, and thanks to the businesses of Eagle Mountain, is now a reality.

Chambers of commerce have been in existence since 1768 to serve as a voice for the business community. Our chamber will serve as a business networking organization, an advocacy group, provide training and business assistance, along with a host of other opportunities. In order for this chamber to be successful, we need your help. We will be launching our website in the coming weeks and hosting a logo design contest open to the whole community.

If you are involved in the business community here in Eagle Mountain, please contact us today to get involved: info@eaglemountainchamber.com

Upcoming Events
Thursday, October 11 – Monthly chamber luncheon (11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.), location TBA
Thursday, October 18 – Connect 4 Lunch
Wednesday, November 14 – North County Business Summit
Thursday November 15 – Monthly chamber luncheon (11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.), location TBA

CERT Training

OCT. 6 & 13
CERT TRAINING

Unified Fire Authority’s CERT program was developed because of the need for a well-trained civilian emergency work force. The CERT Program provides for community self-sufficiency through the development of multifunctional response teams who act as an adjunct to the city’s emergency services during major disasters.

When emergencies happen, CERT members can give critical support to first responders, and provide immediate assistance to victims. CERT members can also assist with non-emergency projects that help improve the safety of the community. Through this unique program, people from community organizations, business and industry, and city employee groups will become CERT members. They work as team members and perform as individual leaders by directing untrained volunteers in the initial phase of an emergency.

Classes each day will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at City Hall. Age requirement is 18+.

Hosted by:

EAGLE MOUNTAIN CITY OFFICES
1650 E. Stage Coach Run
Eagle Mountain, UT. 84005
For Questions call: 801-789-6679 or 801-789-6712

MUSICALS THROUGH THE AGES

Come join us on a journey through time as told through some of Broadway’s hottest numbers throughout the years.

Sept 27 and 28th
7:00pm
Garden Near the Green
3700 E Campus Dr, Eagle Mountain

www.eaglemountainchamber.com
Eagle Mountain City Youth Sports
2019 Jr. Jazz Basketball

Registration Deadline is November 6, 2018

Register online at www.eaglemountaincity.com,
or in person at City Hall, 1650 East Stagecoach Run,
Monday — Friday 7:30am to 5:30pm.

League Information

♦ Registration: September 3 to November 6. Late registration November 7 to November 13. If you miss the late registration deadline you will be placed on a waiting list. If there is room on a team you will be contacted to sign up.

♦ Where: Local Eagle Mountain Schools. For 7th - 10th grades there is a possibility to play against Saratoga Springs depending on registration numbers.

♦ League: K - 1st Grade (Co-ed)
  2nd Grade (Co-ed)
  3rd - 4th Grade (Boys & Girls Teams)
  5th - 6th Grade (Boys & Girls Teams)
  7th - 8th Grade (Boys & Girls Teams)
  9th - 10th Grade (Boys & Girls Teams)

♦ When: Season starts January 12. Games will be played on Saturdays for Kindergarten through 6th grade, 7th and up will play on weeknights. Practice times will be provided at local elementary schools and open times and days will be picked by your coach. One hour long practice a week will be provided.

♦ Fees: $45 (K - 2nd)
  $55 (3rd - 10th)
  $10 (Reversible Jr. Jazz Jersey)
  $5 (Late fee after November 6)
  *$10.00 Family discount if 3 or more immediate siblings register
  *To receive family discounts you must register at City Hall

♦ League Amenities: 8 games, 2 ticket Jazz game voucher, Utah Jazz team picture, certificate of participation and a participation medal, Jr. Jazz discount card. Grades 7th and up will have a single elimination post season tournament.

Team Creation

Friend requests are allowed for K through 6th grade. If 3 or more friends are requesting to be together a coach must be provided from that group. Participants will be placed on teams by school/subdivision. Those coming off the wait list will be filling in spots where players are needed and may not be in their school/subdivision or be able to be granted a friend request. For grades 7th through 10th grade teams will be put together through a draft process. The draft will be held in early December. Friend requests are not granted in this age group. Siblings can be placed on the same team but to keep the draft process integrity no other requests are allowed.
Want your child to do well at school? Eat meals together as a family. Communities That Care encourages everyone to share one more meal at home per week with your families. For a chance to win a free family dinner from Six Sisters Deli, post a photo of what a family meal really looks like in your home to Facebook or Instagram with #eaglemountainfamilydinner. A winner will be chosen at random at the end of the month.

*Must be an Eagle Mountain resident to win.