

AT YOUR SERVICE

A bulletin of community news



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CORONAVIRUS UPDATES

For information or updated news regarding COVID-19 related items, visit:

www.ogdencity.com/coronavirus

PARA INFORMACIÓN de CORONAVIRUS EN ESPAÑOL:

www.ogdencity.com/coronavirus

Sustainability Corner

Colder temperatures mean higher gas bills and carbon footprints! Winter is here, so consider throwing on warmer clothing like thick socks or a sweater before turning up the heat.

801-629-8153

ogdencity.com/sustainability

Discount Carbon Monoxide Detectors Available for Ogden

Carbon Monoxide detectors are available for \$10 at the City Municipal Building (2549 Washington Blvd) with proof of

ogdencity.com/fire

Explore Ogden and Utah

Looking for something to do this summer? Using these explore guide links, you can explore your city and state. Hard copies also available.

<http://explore.visitutah.com/>.

HELP (Home Exterior Loan Program)



HELP provides low-interest home improvement loans for eligible projects to all qualifying citizens city-wide.

801-629-8940

ogdencity.com/HELP

Emergency Home Repairs

Loans are available for low income, owner-occupied households to correct unexpected emergency housing conditions.

801-629-8903

Fair Housing

Everyone is protected under the fair housing Act of 1968!

www.hud.gov/fairhousing

10 Reasons to Shop Local, Shop Small, Shop Ogden

We recognize Ogden's local and independent businesses are an integral part of the vibrant fabric of our downtown and will continue supporting its leaders, makers, and dedicated community members.

During this time it is more important than ever to recommit to intentional support of Ogden's local businesses. Check out the top 10 reasons to shift your spending to support local businesses below.

- **#1** – For every dollar spent in a locally owned Ogden business, 55 percent stays right here in Utah. Every cent counts. Make every cent count for Ogden!
- **#2** – Embrace the character of Downtown Ogden. Our local businesses help create a sense of place and contribute to Ogden's unique culture. We're a one-of-a-kind city with one-of-a-kind shops.
- **#3** – Buying local helps create local jobs. Per consumer dollar spent, locally owned businesses are better than chains or online retailers at creating jobs.
- **#4** – Help the environment. When you shop local, you reduce your carbon footprint and the amount of waste in our landfills.
- **#5** – You benefit from the passion and expertise of Ogden's own. Many business owners have spent years perfecting their craft – making their dedication to their business and quality customer service apparent.
- **#6** – Keep your tax dollars working in Ogden. Sales tax dollars collected from locally owned businesses pave our streets, protect our parks and keep our neighborhoods safe.
- **#7** – You encourage innovation and product diversity. Ogden's local businesses are able to identify the niche markets within our community to create one-of-a-kind products.
- **#8** – Show some love to your Ogden neighbors. Independent businesses give three times more money to local charities than national chains or online retailers. Buying locally strengthens Ogden's non-profit community.
- **#9** – Help keep the American Dream alive. Buying local nurtures entrepreneurship, which fuels prosperity for all of Ogden's residents.
- **#10** – Downtown Ogden is a world-class destination. Our rich history, unique boutiques and one-of-a-kind restaurants bring visitors from across the state (and globe). Buying local helps us all! For more information on shifting your spending to local businesses, check out Local First Utah's website.



Recreation & Senior Lunch Program Updates

Check out the current and upcoming recreation opportunities and Senior Lunch Program offer.

- **2021 Recreation Baseball:** Youth Recreation Baseball is now open for the 2021 season. Registration will be open until 3/29/2021. Cost for 1st-6th grade is \$30 for residents, \$39.00 for non-residents. Cost for 7th-9th grade is \$40.00 for residents, \$52.00 for non-residents. The fee includes a jersey and hat. Playing will begin mid/end of April.
- **Daily senior lunch at Golden Hours Senior Center:** Any senior over the age of 60 can call 24 hours in advance to 801-629-8864 to receive the daily lunch. Lunch is served by curbside pickup at the Golden Hours Senior Center, Monday thru Friday, 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM. A suggested donation is \$3.00. Golden Hours Senior Center is located at 650 25th Street.

801-629-8253

www.ogdencity.com/recreation

Recreation Reminders:

Jr. Jazz Registration (Boys and Girls) - Open
Closes 12/07/20
2021 Baseball Registration - Open
Daily Senior Lunch at Golden Hours Senior
Center - 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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All Events Scheduled are Subject to Change

December

4 First Friday Art Stroll | Virtual 6 - 9 p.m.
24 Christmas Eve
25 Christmas
31 New Year's Eve

Christmas Village Open All Month Long!

January

1 New Year's Day
First Friday Art Stroll | Virtual 6 - 9 p.m.
18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

See more at ogdencity.com/events

Volunteer Opportunity at Union Station

Are you looking for a way to give back to your community by helping people make meaningful, personal connections with history? The Museums at Union Station are seeking volunteers over the age of 16 to serve on Saturdays from 12– 4 p.m. in the John M. Browning Firearms Museum, the Utah State Railroad Museum, and the Browning – Kimball Classic Car Museum.

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Meetings are Virtual Until Further Notice

City Council Meetings

Council Chambers | Tuesdays 6 p.m.

Ogden Trails Network

Public Works Building | Third Thursdays 4:30 p.m.

City Planning Commission

Municipal Building | First Wednesdays 5 p.m.

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801.629.8000

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Fire Safety This Holiday Season

Home heating fires are one of the leading causes of home fires throughout the United States.

Home heating sources include space heaters, fireplaces, wood stoves, and furnaces. Home heating fires peak in January and usually occur in the early evening hours between 5 and 9 p.m. Confined fires such as fires confined to chimneys, flues, or fuel burners, account for 75% of home heating fires. Most nonconfined fires happen because the heat source (like a space heater or portable fireplace) is too close to things that can burn. Did you know nearly half of holiday decoration fires happen because decorations are too close to a heat source? As you deck the halls this season, be fire smart.



Follow these heating tips to help prevent winter fires and to stay safe this winter season:

- Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet from all heat sources, including fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators, space heaters, or candles.
- Never use an oven to heat your home.
- Turn space heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Maintain heating equipment and chimneys by having them cleaned and inspected each year by a professional.
- Inspect holiday lights each year before you put them up and throw away strands that have frayed or pinched wires.
- A dry tree is dangerous because it can catch on fire easily; water it daily.
- Keep candles away from natural and artificial Christmas trees and decorations.

Ensure your family's safety and keep in mind all fire hazards this holiday season.

www.ogdencity.com/fire

The City Council Leadership Selection Process

At the first meeting of each year, the City Council elects a Chair and Vice-Chair to serve for the calendar year.

In addition to their duties as a Council Member, Council Leadership is responsible for setting meetings, creating work session agendas, conducting meetings, meeting regularly with the Mayor and CAO, communicating with Council Members and the Council's Executive Director, facilitating discussions, and acting as spokespersons for the City Council.



Council Members that are interested in serving in leadership can submit an interest form before December 1st. On this form, the Council Member identifies which position they seek and explains why they should serve in Council Leadership. After the documents are received, the Council's Executive Director notifies the Council Members of who is interested in either position. Those interested are expected to reach out to all other Council Members individually to discuss why they want to serve by December 15th.

In the first Council Meeting of the new year, nominations for leadership are made based on the submitted interest forms. The nominated persons then have the opportunity to make comments in the order in which they were nominated if there was more than one nomination. The current Chair calls a motion, and if it fails or the nomination does not receive a majority vote, the second nomination is considered. This process is the same for both the Chair and Vice-Chair.

New Council Leadership will be considered on January 5th, 2021.

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