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New Layton Waste Facility Uses State-of-the-Art Technology

Efforts Extend Life of Layton Landfill to 25 Years

A Message From Council Member Jeanne Groberg

Hello fellow Fruit Heights residents,

If you are still standing after the onslaught known as 2020, congratulations! It has not been easy, but we will get through together.

For a refreshing change of pace, this article contains only good news; read on without fear. There is something new to feel good about and be proud of as Davis County citizens. What's the good news, you ask? Drum roll ... the Davis Material Recovery and Transfer Facility is now online and operational! I know, you're excited—now let me tell you more.

When Robinson hauls your garbage away each week, where does it go? Until now, it went up to the Layton Landfill run by Wasatch Integrated Waste Management District. However, WIWMD has spent the last three years building this new Material Recovery Facility to handle our waste differently—and better. The new facility (also in Layton, and the first in the Western US) has been up and running for a month, utilizing state-of-the-art technology to sort our garbage into 4 different types—3 of them for reuse. Here's the breakdown:

What Will Be Recovered From My Garbage?

- Non-recyclable plastics. These get ground up to become an engineered fuel, sent to the Devil's Slide Cement Plant (in Morgan). They use it to decrease use of coal for fuel in producing cement for this region.
 - Small and organic matter (about 40%)—this goes to the South Davis Sewer District's anaerobic digester to become renewable natural gas, sold to Dominion Energy.
 - Salable recyclables are pulled out (about 10%)—cardboard, aluminum and steel cans, milk jugs, water bottles. These are to be sold for recycling.
 - Difficult to process items like computers, car batteries, propane cylinders, and Christmas lights are removed. These could damage the equipment, and go straight to the landfill.

The residue of the waste then goes to a landfill in Tooele County. The new Recovery and Transfer Facility will extend Layton Landfill's remaining life from 15 years, to approximately 25 years. Fantastic! Get more info at www.wasatchintegrated.org

So now you know—and can feel good about—where your household waste is going every week. Thank you to WIWMD for being a forward-thinking partner and Good Neighbor. And for giving us something to cheer about in 2020.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

Fruit Heights City is proposing to increase its property tax revenue.

The Fruit Heights City tax on a \$481,000 residence would increase from \$480.95 to \$515.87, which is \$34.92 per year.

The Fruit Heights City tax on a \$481,000 business would increase from \$874.46 to \$937.95, which is \$63.49 per year.

If the proposed budget is approved, Fruit Heights City would increase its property tax budgeted

revenue by 7.23% above last year's property tax budgeted revenue excluding eligible new growth.

All concerned citizens are invited to a public hearing on the tax increase.

PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, August 11th 7:00 pm

Fruit Heights City Office City Council Chambers 910 S. Mountain Road Fruit Heights

HIGHWAY 89 CONSTRUCTION

We've seen big changes on US 89 over the past few weeks, and more changes are on the way.

Please visit <u>www.udot.utah.gov/us89</u> for timelines and updates on road closures and changes.

Utah Department of Transportation: http://www.udot.utah.gov/us89/

Email:

us89@utah.gov

Facebook:

facebook.com/groupsus89DavisCounty/

Hotline:

888-752-8789

City Parks Open— Public Restrooms Must Remain Closed At This Time

Fruit Heights City followed state and national guidelines for Coronavirus when parks and playgrounds were closed in March, April and May.

Since then, the City has reopened parks, but due to cleaning restrictions, the public restrooms will remain locked until further notice.

Guidelines are to clean restrooms multiple times throughout the day, every day, and Fruit Heights doesn't have the staff to support these requirements.

What's Happening In Our City?

STREET PROJECTS - Over the next several weeks, residents will notice some concrete removal and replacement throughout Fruit Heights. The purpose for this work is to install ADA sidewalk ramps in older areas of the city, and to also replace some sections of curb, gutter and sidewalk that are badly damaged. The City Engineer and Public Works Department have identified areas that need to be repaired/replaced. Because of limited funds, the City has established a five year plan where the City will continue to identify and replace curb, gutter, and sidewalk in the future.

Beginning this fall, you may also notice crews working on a few City streets, filling cracks that develop in the asphalt. This process helps extend the life of the roads, and prevent water, snow, and ice from getting under the asphalt and causing further damage to the road surface. This is also part of the City's five year street maintenance plan to help improve and extend the life of City streets.

MORE TIDBITS...

FIRE DANGER: Please review your property and remove wildfire fuel such as dried grass, trees and brush.

LAWN WATERING: Please do not water your lawns between the hours of 10 AM and 6 PM.

SUMMER PARKING: The City's ordinances allow for boats, trailers, RVs and vehicles to be parked on city streets for a period of 24 hours.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS: City Hall: 801-546-0861

For after-hour calls, please contact

Davis County Sheriff: 801-451-4150

If your garbage cans aren't emptied, call

Robinson Waste - 801-825-3800

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