



ALPINE

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A Message from our Mayor

I am continuously inspired by the vibrant community we have built together. Alpine thrives because of your engagement, your voices, and your dedication to making our home a better place for all. Today, I want to discuss the importance of surveys and why your participation is crucial.



Surveys serve as a powerful tool for us to understand the needs, desires, and concerns of our residents. They provide valuable insights that guide our decision-making processes, shape our policies, and drive our initiatives. Your input allows us to tailor our services to better meet the diverse needs of our community and ensures that we are prioritizing projects that truly matter to you.

By participating in surveys, you have the opportunity to directly influence the direction of our city. Your opinions matter, and we are committed to listening to each and every one of them. Whether it's feedback on public transportation, suggestions for improving local parks, or ideas for enhancing community events, your input helps us create a city that we can all be proud of.

Starting this month, the city will send out a message to all of the emails we have in the system with a link to our first survey. Although you have the option to opt out, I urge each and every one of you to take the time to participate. Your voice is invaluable, and your input is vital to the continued success of our city. Together, we can work towards building a brighter future for ourselves and for generations to come.

Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to our community.

Alpine City wants to hear from you!

Your opinion matters! Check your emails the first part of April for our first survey. This initial survey will focus on what matters most to you. Once we get the results, surveys will be sent in future months to gather more targeted data on the most important issues.



If you don't receive an email invitation, email alpinecityut@gmail.com, use the link <https://qrco.de/bevrnr>, or scan the QR code to access the survey directly.

PATRIOTIC FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY

By the American Legion Post 49 Commander Hall



Along with AF Police & Fire departments and local healthcare workers



APRIL 17th 7:00 PM

American Fork Quail Cove Amphitheater
851 E 700 N

All are welcome! This is a spiritual, humbling, patriotic event that is perfect for families to experience together.



April Calendar Events

- 9– City Council Meeting
- 11– A.L.L. Class @ the Workshop
- 15– Irrigation Water Switched On
- 19– Flag Retirement Ceremony
- 23– City Council Meeting
- 26– Prime Time RSVPs Due
- 27– Trails Clean Up Day
- 27– Neighborhood Clean Up Day
- 29– Memorial Day Ceremony

Community Events:

PRIME TIME SPRING LUNCHEON

FOR OUR ALPINE RESIDENTS 65 & OVER
MAY 1, 2024 @ 12 NOON

ALPINE ART CENTER
 450 S ALPINE HWY

In order to comply with funding requirements, each attendee must fill-out a one-time form to receive an event ticket. Please drop by City Hall before April 26th to complete the process.

The form can also be downloaded from the Alpine City homepage and emailed to hsmith@alpinecity.org



April

Propagation Station

All April
 Trade seeds and plant cuttings at our self-serve plant propagation station.

Programs

Story Time*

Ages 3-5
 T W Th @ 11am

Baby Story Time

Ages 0-2
 Every Monday @ 11am

Young Writers Group

Ages 9+
 Every Thursday @ 4pm

Highland History Chat

All Ages
 Wednesday, Apr 10th @ 6pm

**AV Editing Class +
 Video Editing:**

**Envato Elements, Blend Modes,
 Audio Effects, & More**

Teens & Adults
 Saturday, Apr 13th @ 1pm
 -Registration Required-

Houseplant Basics

All Ages
 Thursday, Apr 18th @ 6pm

Grandparent Story Time*

Ages 0-5 and Grandparent(s)
 Friday, Apr 19th @ 11am

Craft Club: Earth Day*

Ages 6-11
 Parent Supervision Required Under 9
 Saturday, Apr 20th @ 1pm

STEM Lab: Spy Science*

Ages 6-11
 Parent Supervision Required Under 9
 Saturday, Apr 27th @ 1pm

Details and Registration Information at highlandcitylibrary.org
***Highland City Library Card Required**

HIGHLAND CITY
 LIBRARY

Join us at The Workshop for FREE classes!

Through the Association for Lifelong Learning (ALL), we grow as individuals and as a community, and in the process create a stellar Alpine-inspired quality of life along the way!

We meet the 2nd Thursday of each month from 10:30am-noon
 at The Workshop, 180 East 200 North in Alpine

UPCOMING WORKSHOP:

Apr 11th *Secrets to Helping Your Garden* *Part 3 of 3*
THRIVE and PRODUCE

Taught by Utah State Master Gardeners *Melanie Aird* and *Kaylene Wells*

Join us as we learn the tips and tricks from the experts. This 3rd session of the 3-part series will build on previous class concepts and provide everything you need to know to grow a strong and productive garden!

All classes are open and free to EVERYONE!

Any questions? Call Melanie 801-368-4420, Kaylene 801-592-9966,
 Alice 801-636-1793

For info on these workshops & more, go to www.alpineworkshop.co

Alpine City Trucks and Tunes

Tuesdays 5:00pm to dusk

June & July

Scheduling live entertainment

Call Heidi Smith to be part of the
summer line up 801-756-6347 x 111



Upcoming Bookmobile Dates:

April 1, 15, 29; May 6, 20

Times & Locations:

- 10:30-11:30 River Meadows Senior Living (137 Red Pine)
- 12:00-2:30 Creekside Park (455 Village Way)
- 3:00-5:30 Alpine LDS "Red" Church (165 N 100 E)

Kindergarten Registration Is Open!

All Kindergarten classes in Alpine School District are **Full-Day** next year. Please register your child a.s.a.p. so the district can plan class allocations. Contact your local school or visit <https://alpineschools.org/registration-enrollment/> for details.

Alpine Family Search Center

Alpine North Stake Center 1125 N Alpine Blvd

Upcoming Classes (free to the public):

Thursday April 11 at 7:00 p.m. and
Tuesday April 16 at 10:00 a.m.

Newspapers: Learn how to research newspapers to make new family discoveries.

Tuesday May 2 at 7:00 p.m. and
Thursday May 9 at 10:00 a.m.

Organizing Digital Photos- Use a new software program to add metadata to photo files, creating searchable files for your precious scanned media.

Other free services available through the center:

ACTIVITIES: For Relief Societies, Elders Quorums, Youth Groups, Family Home Evenings, Individuals and Families

PERSONAL HELP: Getting Started, Building Your Tree, Finding Records, Digitizing Photos, Documents and Stories, Research

RESOURCES: High Speed Photo Scanners, Book Scanner, Flatbed Scanner, Slide Scanner, Large Screen TV's for Presentations, 12 Workstations, Free Access to Genealogical Partner Sites along with Knowledgeable Staff, Color Printing for Charts

For more information go to AlpineFamilySearch.org.

Alpine Days—Aug 3-10

Nominate a GRAND MARSHAL!

Do you know someone who has made a large impact on our great city? Nominate him or her for Alpine Days Grand Marshal.

They will get to lead the Saturday parade and be honored with their family at the Rodeo. All nominations are due by May 1st. Follow this link to submit your nomination:

<https://forms.gle/XNwYZGwzXePgk2Es5>

Volunteer for Alpine Days!

We need volunteers to help make this great week a success. From Parade Helpers and Rodeo Parking Guides to Race Check-in and Bake Sale Judges, there are jobs of all sizes and time-commitments available. For a volunteer sign-up form, visit: <https://www.alpinecity.org/277/Alpine-Days-2024>

Let's work together to have a great week!



Free HAM License Training

Alpine City's Emergency Preparedness Committee is hosting free HAM license training and certification. Classes will be held April 13th, April 20th, April 27th. Testing will be on the 27th from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Spots are limited, but there will be a waitlist if space opens. Please the QR code to access the link.



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Trail Committee Update

CITY TRAIL DAY

Alpine City TRAIL DAY will be Saturday, April 27 at 8am. Meet at the Bowery at the bottom of the Spring Trail, just off Box Elder Drive. Please bring work gloves, **pruners**, shovels, rakes and pick axes. If you aren't able to attend, and you would like a project to complete ahead of time, please email heatherpeper@msn.com.



LAWS REGARDING E-BIKES

Our city has seen a **dramatic increase in the illegal use of e-bikes**. This endangers the riders and everyone they pass. Parents, you will be held **liable** if your child breaks the law, especially if they cause an accident that harms a person or their property. Class 2 and 3 e-bikes, which are **illegal** on sidewalks, in Alpine City parks, and on Alpine City trails, are **damaging** our trails and **endangering** trail and park users. If you own one of these bikes or something even more powerful, you are **responsible** to understand these laws:

In Utah, E-Bikes are classified into three categories:

- Class 1:** Pedal-assist e-bikes with a maximum assisted speed of 20 mph. The motor only provides assistance when the rider is pedaling. (Legal on Alpine City Trails, roads, bike lanes, and paths. **Illegal** on sidewalks.)
- Class 2:** Throttle-assisted electric bikes with a maximum speed of 20 mph. The motor can be engaged without pedaling. (**Illegal** on sidewalks, on Alpine City trails, and in Alpine City Parks. Legal on roads and bike lanes.)
- Class 3:** Pedal-assist e-bikes with a maximum assisted speed of 28 mph. The motor only provides assistance when the rider is pedaling. (**Illegal** on sidewalks, on Alpine City trails, and in Alpine City Parks. Legal on roads and bike lanes. Must be 16 and older to legally operate a Class 3 e-bike.)

Labelling: E-bikes must have a label specifying the bike's top assisted speed, motor wattage, and its class. The label must be printed in Arial font, in 9-point type or larger.

An individual under 14 years of age may not operate an e-bike (regardless of the class) with the electric motor engaged on any public property, highway, path, or sidewalk unless they are accompanied by their parent or guardian.

Let's work together to make sure that everyone knows and obeys these laws. Please call our Lone Peak police department at 801-756-9800 to report violations.

NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP DAY

**Free Dumpsters at Creekside Park
Sat. April 27, 8am-2pm**

WHAT CAN I BRING???

Tree limbs , shrubbery, grass clippings, building materials, furniture, limited appliances, household items, any green yard waste.

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:

Sod, dirt, rocks, treated wood, animal waste, construction debris, lithium-ion batteries, anything with freon, hazardous materials, batteries, tanks, drums, barrels, refrigerator's, mattresses, box springs, railroad ties, concrete, toxic or flammable materials, tires, dead animals, liquid or septic loads, abandoned or discarded automobiles, motorcycles, scooters, and motorized vehicles.

Alpine School District Considers Options:

A few months ago, Alpine School Board of Education hired an outside consulting group to study the feasibility of a school district split. In February and March there were a series of public meetings to build public awareness and to present the findings. There are FIVE options being considered. In every option Alpine city would remain with our neighboring cities of Highland, Cedar Hills and American Fork. Four options would divide the western cities into their own district. If the Alpine School Board decides to put the issue to ballot, the citizens of Alpine will be given an opportunity to vote as every property owner in the school district would be impacted.

At this time, there is no final decision as information is still being analyzed. City Council members will be attending informational meetings and keep our citizens in the loop. If you are interested in more information, watch the presentation to the board in QR link.



Memorial Day Ceremony

Residents and friends of Alpine are invited to attend the Alpine City Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 27, 2024 at 8:00 am at the bowery area of the Alpine City Cemetery. This is an opportunity to join together and honor the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military and also honor military veterans still living.

This event will be a military style ceremony with honor guard raising the flag to half mast, a military chaplain offering remarks and a non-denominational prayer, recognition of Alpine's living veterans, a sing along of the Military Medley led by the Alpine Youth Council, remarks from a military speaker and taps to honor the fallen.

At the conclusion please join us for light refreshments and take advantage of the opportunity to meet and speak with our Alpine veterans. Your expression of **"Thank you for serving for ME"** is always appropriate and appreciated.

Veterans are encouraged to wear whatever uniform or military memorabilia they have. No uniform code is in effect; wear what you have and let people know who you are!

For veterans that would like to present their service flag during the ceremony contact Lynn Higgins at 801-319-2264 or lynn@lonepeakaeronautics.com. Seating is limited so feel free to bring folding chairs.



Spring Burn Permits

Spring open burn is allowed from March 30 – May 30 but a **PERMIT IS REQUIRED**. This 60-day period is for burning yard waste and tree trimmings. Forecasting is only available for a 3-day window but multiple 3-day air quality permits can be completed during the 60-day permit window if needed.



Before burning, check that the current air clearing index is greater than 500 (air.utah.gov). We urge those intending to burn yard waste to exercise extreme caution, form small piles, create adequate fire breaks between other fuels, and never leave a fire unattended.

Click here for a link to the permit application:

<https://air.utah.gov/OpenBurning/form/index.php>. The link is also on the Alpine City homepage or feel free to contact the fire department at 801-763-5365 with questions.

Watering Schedule for 2023

Similar to previous years, watering is only allowed during certain times and days as follows:

Odd numbered house numbers—Mon, Wed, Fri *

Even numbered house numbers—Tue, Thu, Sat*

Watering hours are from 7pm to 7am. For example, odd house numbers may begin watering at 7pm on Monday and must be completed by 7am on Tuesday. Even house numbers may begin watering at 7pm on Tuesday and must be completed by 7am on Wednesday, etc.

City parks, schools, churches, and agricultural users will be on a different schedule. In order to balance the use, they may be watering during the day.

*You are not obligated to water 3 times a week, only water when needed. Some have found better results watering 2 times a week for longer periods.

Cemetery Plot Update

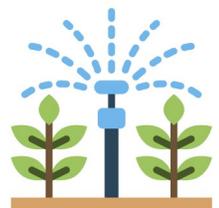
We've heard from many of you who are anxious to pre-purchase cemetery plots and we're working hard to make that happen. **We anticipate that plots will be available for sale in May.** If you are on the waiting list, DeAnn will email you in the order that you joined the list. Rest assured that there will be plenty of plots available in the beautiful north expansion. Thanks for your patience and understanding.

Questions? Please email DeAnn at dparry@alpinecity.org

Pressurized Irrigation (PI)

Water will be turned on by **APRIL 15TH**. Please make sure your PI valve is closed by April 10th to prevent flooding to avoid flooding from unknown leaks that developed over the winter.

Residents who do not have PI will need a Backflow Inspection turned into City Hall by May 31st to avoid a late penalty.



Code Compliance Corner

What are the differences between a zoning change, a variance and an exception?

When a property owner comes into the city offices to seek one of these, they are frequently unclear as to what they are seeking to obtain. Here is a little background on these three options when one desires to get approval for a change in a land use or code requirement.



Zoning Change: The first option is to seek a zoning change, which is the most difficult to do. It can require substantial effort and expense. If you are looking for a zone change, your first step would be to come into the City offices and speak with our City Planner. After a public hearing and review by the Planning Commission, the ultimate decision to change a zoning law is a legislative decision and requires the approval of the City Council.

Variance: A variance is likely the 2nd most difficult to obtain. A variance grants a property owner the ability to use their property in a manner that is against the current zoning. A variance is a waiver a property owner can obtain to deviate from existing zoning laws. However, variances don't modify zoning laws and cannot be used to make a change in allowed uses in a particular zone. A variance is granted only when a property owner shows an undue hardship created by unique circumstances that the current or past property owner did not create. The law is very clear that if the hardship is created by the property owner, a variance should not be granted. An example of a self-created hardship would be if an owner purchased a property expecting to use or make improvements to the property contrary to the current zoning ordinance or building standards, which they knew or should have known through their due diligence, that the current zoning laws prohibit. In this example, the hardship would be considered self-created because the person knew or should have known of the zoning laws before buying the property. They created the hardship themselves when purchasing the property intending to use or to make the certain improvements to it outside the current zoning ordinances for that particular property. Ignorance of local zoning laws does not create undue hardships for property owners.

Variances are granted through an Administrative Hearing. A Hearing Officer can grant a variance only if the following conditions, as required by the State, are met:

- Literal enforcement of the ordinance would cause an unreasonable hardship for the applicant that is not necessary to carry out the general purpose of the land use ordinances.
- There are special circumstances attached to the property that do not generally apply to other properties in the same zone.
- Granting the variance is essential to the enjoyment of a substantial property right possessed by other property in the same zone.
- The variance will not substantially affect the general plan and will not be contrary to the public interest; and
- The spirit of the land use ordinance is observed, and substantial justice done.

One key element of a variance is that once granted, it carries forth with the land and future landowners need not re-apply for a specific variance when purchasing a property. For example, if a granted variance involved the construction of a structure, a future owner need not remove the structure when purchasing the property.

Exception: The last option would be to seek an exception, which is generally spelled out in the code with the requirement that it be reviewed by various public committees before an exception may be granted. Exceptions are minor changes to an incidental use of property or a dimensional requirement in the zoning ordinance. In general, an exception is applied when a proposed use aligns with the overall goals and objectives of the zoning ordinance but is not specifically permitted under the current code. If the code does not specify an exception to that rule can be granted, then it is not possible to be granted an exception without changing the language in the code to allow for a requested exception.

Remember, if you want to do something on your property that is not allowed by City Code you need to ask yourself the following: Are you requesting for an entirely separate use other than what your property is currently zoned for? This would be a zone change. Are you trying to solve a unique hardship that limits the use of your property? This would be a request for a variance. Are you seeking a specific solution for an incidental use of property or a dimensional requirement in a building standard? Then this would be an exception.

Alpine City is hiring for a new City Engineer!

See <https://www.alpinecity.org/Jobs.aspx> for more information and job requirements.

