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CELEBRATING 175 YEARS

The Alpine Finance Committee and Citizen Budget—Chrissy Hannemann

As a new council member I was asked by a long-time resident, “What is Alpine’s greatest asset?” After a few guesses on my end, the resident replied, “Our people.” Your friends and neighbors volunteer their time and generously devote their best efforts to serving us.



Council Member Chrissy Hannemann

Who are we? Today I would like to introduce our **Alpine Finance Committee**. This committee is new to our city and has been working to help provide greater transparency and insight into the financial wellbeing of our city. Kerry Smith, CPA and Steve King, CPA serve on the committee, both have a financial background and provide valuable expertise. Shane Sorenson and Dave Sanderson from the city staff carry the lion’s share of responsibility for managing our city finances.

What do we do? Our committee has reviewed both the year-end audit report and annual budgets to take a deeper look. We invite you to discover the financial reports on the Alpine City website (www.alpineut.gov/Finance). However, most of our citizens will find other ways to spend their time, so...

How will they help me? Our first assignment was to prepare the “**Citizen’s Budget**.” The intent of the Citizen’s Budget is to transform our annual city budget from a lengthy and detailed report into a clear, simple format for easier understanding. Please take the opportunity to view the full version by visiting www.alpineut.gov/CitizensBudget or scan the QR code. Printed copies are available at City Hall.



CITIZEN BUDGET

What’s Important to Know? Revenue: You will learn where the revenue is generated and how it is dispersed. With property taxes due soon, you may be surprised to see for a \$1 million dollar home in Alpine, the property tax is \$5,400 and of that total, the city will receive just 12% or \$660. In addition, Alpine City generates over \$2 million in revenue from sales tax without major retail development. Due to the US Supreme Court Wayfair decision in 2018, states are permitted to collect sales tax from out-of-state sales. With the growth of online shopping in our community, this change has brought a growing source of revenue and has helped Alpine City mitigate inflationary pressures. Expenses: You will find our greatest expense category is the Lone Peak Safety District. We highlight the major projects underway in the coming year including major road improvements to Canyon Crest and a rebuild of the fire station. PARC sales tax of 0.1% was approved by voters in 2023 and will be funding park improvements in Burgess Park and installing cameras in all parks to reduce vandalism.

A condensed version of the Citizens’ Budget is included with this issue of the newsletter as an insert. We hope you find it informative. As a committee we express confidence that our city is operating efficiently, and the public funds are managed prudently. Please don’t hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or would like clarification on any of the report.



September Calendar Events

- 1 – Labor Day (City Hall closed)
- 2 – Planning Commission Meeting
- 9 – City Council Meeting
- 11 – A.L.L. Class at the Workshop
- 11 – Patriot Day

- 13 – National Day of Service
- 16 – Bookmobile
- 16 – Planning Commission Meeting
- 20 – Shredding & eWaste Recycling Event
- 23 – City Council Meeting
- 23 – Bookmobile

Community Events:



Join us at The Workshop for FREE classes!
 Open to everyone...
 We meet the 2nd Thursday of each month from
 10:30am–noon, 180 East 200 North

The ASSOCIATION FOR LIFELONG LEARNING (A.L.L.) presents:

Sept 11th From Milk to Miracle: Homemade Yogurt
 By Susan Nicholes

Would you like to feel incredible, avoid disease, and age well? It's all possible—discover the miracle of homemade yogurt (traditional dairy to plant-based). There'll be tastings, recipes, and a free start for all!

Bookmobile Schedule & Info:



Dates: Sept 9, 23; Oct 7, 21; Nov 4, 18; Dec 2, 16

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)

Friends of Library Activities

Visit www.friendsofalpinelibrary.org for info, event registration or volunteer options.



Story Wagon & Story Times—We are closing our Story Wagon and pausing Story Time during September as we pack up and move our book collection to a new library site. We can't wait to see you in October!

Upcoming Programs & Events:

National Day of Service Book Drive—Sept. 13th, 9am Lone Peak H.S. We are accepting books for all ages.

Storytelling Workshop—Sept. 26th

Alpine Kid's Chronicle—Entries due by Sept. 30th

Tell Your Story—Oct. 9th, Westfield Elementary
 Join us at Family Literacy Night to meet authors, enjoy a storytelling showcase, and shop book vendors.

National Walk to School Day—October 1st

Some of our local schools will participate in the National Walk to School Day on October 1st. Drivers, please be extra careful due to the additional pedestrians on the city sidewalks.



Things to Know

Library Closed for Labor Day
 Mon, Sep 1

Library Programs

Baby Storytime
 Every Mon at 11am

Ages 0-2*
 Read, sing, and play with your baby at Miss Sonia's Baby Storytime.

Storytime+
 Every Tue, Wed, & Thu at 11am

Ages 3-5*
 Read, sing, learn, and craft with Miss Mel. HCL card required for craft.

Young Writers
 Every Thursday at 4pm

Ages 9-18
 Learn creative writing skills and meet other young writers.

Craft Club+
 Wed, Sept 3 at 4pm

Ages 6-11*
 Make a bendy snake or beaded lizard out of pony beads.

Craft & Chat
 Wed, Sep 10 at 6pm

Teens and Adults
 RHINESTONE ANYTHING.
 We'll supply the bling; you supply the thing. Registration required.

STEM Lab+
 Wed, Sep 17 at 4pm

Ages 6-11*
 Learn about Newton's Laws of Motion and design your own marble maze.

Hora de Cuentos
 Fri, Sep 19 at 11am

¡Lee, canta y cree una manualidad en Hora de Cuentos con la Señorita Sonia!
 Read, sing, and craft at Spanish Storytime with Miss Sonia! This story time is open to Spanish speakers of ALL levels.

+Highland City Library card required
 *Children under 9 must be accompanied
 Register at highlandcitylibrary.eventbrite.com

HIGHLAND CITY
 LIBRARY

Highlights from Alpine City Citizen's Budget

FY 2026: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026



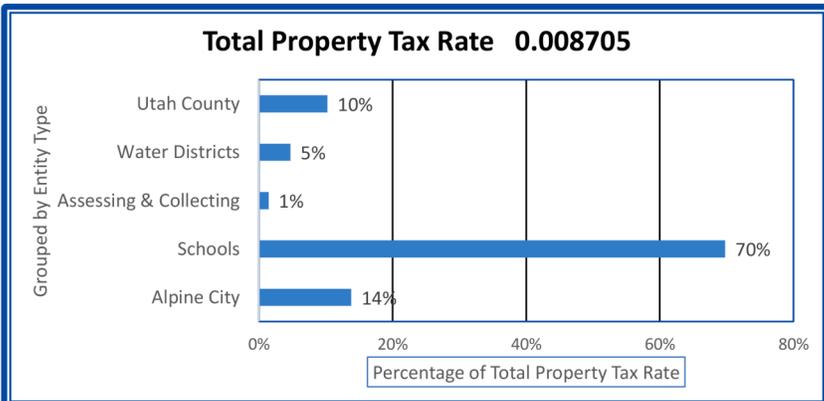
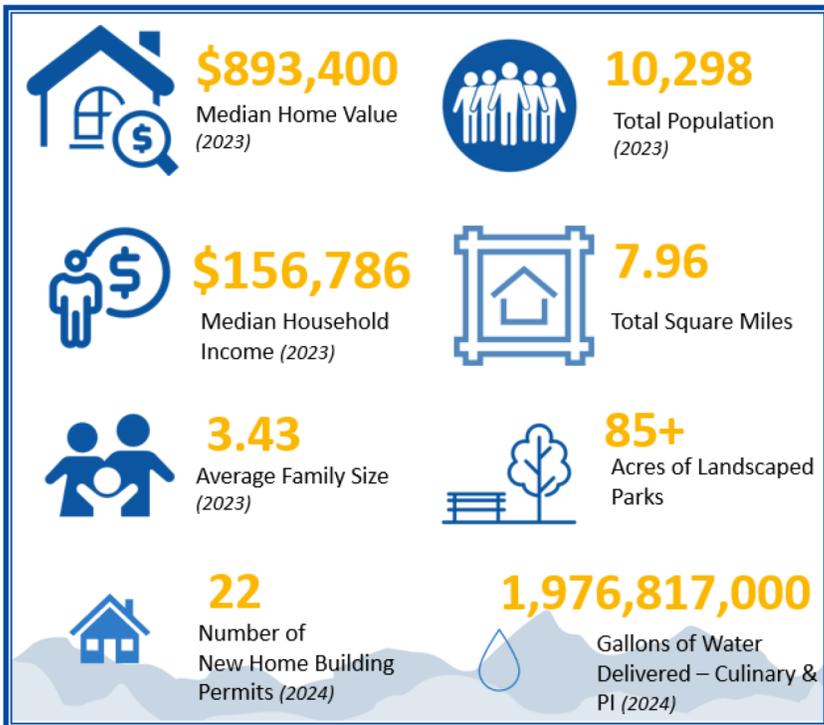
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CITIZEN BUDGET



Budget Timeline

March | April – Revenue and expense projections are reviewed with City Council.

April – Lone Peak Public Safety Board approves tentative budget and submits to City Council for approval.

May – City Administration provides a draft budget with input from City Council to prioritize expenditures.

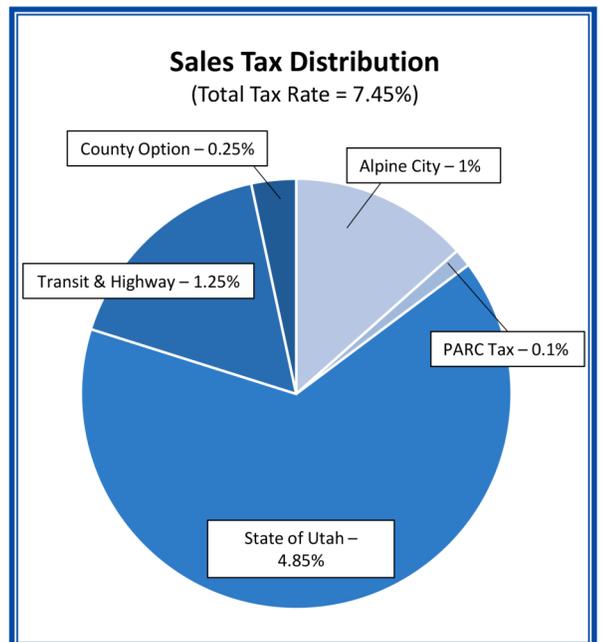
May – Lone Peak Safety Board approves budget.

June – Approve Certified Tax Rate with Utah County.

June – Budget Public Hearing - Public invited to attend hearing to give feedback during City Council Meeting.

June – City Council adopts budget for next fiscal year (July 1 – June 30).

Visit www.alpineut.gov/Finance to learn more and view details.

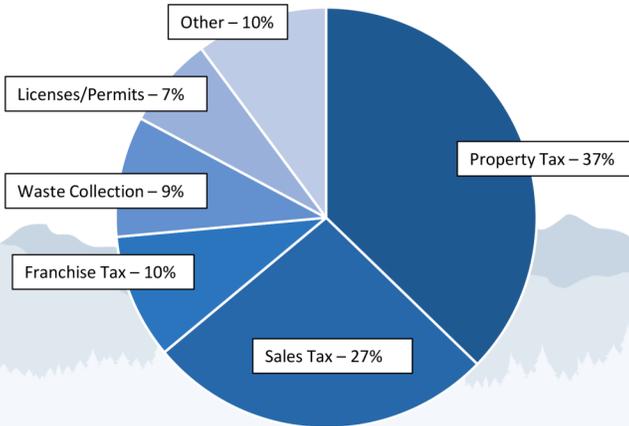


FY2026 General Fund



REVENUES - \$7,865,188

General Fund Revenue - FY2026	
Property Tax	\$2,929,800
Sales Tax	\$2,100,000
Franchise Tax	\$754,500
Waste Collection	\$730,000
Licenses and Permits	\$555,000
Other Revenue:	
Intergovernmental	\$29,122
Miscellaneous	\$210,500
Interest	\$150,000
Charges for Services	\$122,266
Motor Vehicle Tax	\$135,000
Traffic Fines	\$84,000
Facility Rent	\$65,000
Total	\$7,865,188

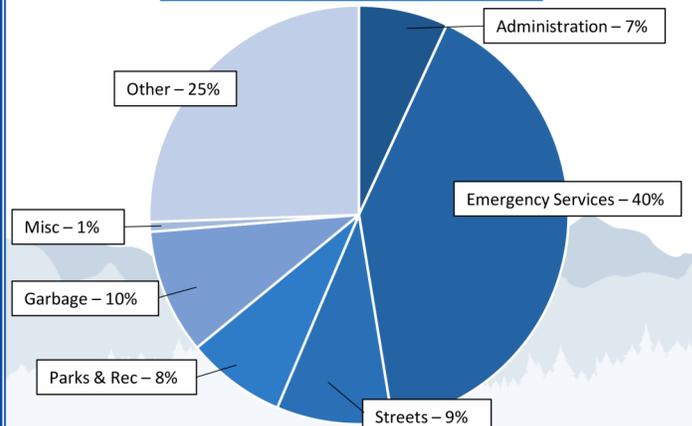


FY2026 General Fund



EXPENDITURES - \$7,865,188

General Fund Expenses - FY2026	
Administration	\$542,000
Emergency Services	\$3,188,501
Streets	\$703,075
Parks & Recreation	\$604,696
Cemetery	\$214,800
Garbage	\$758,550
Miscellaneous/Transfers	\$59,666
Other Expenses:	
Court	\$115,200
Treasurer	\$60,500
Elections	\$40,350
Government Buildings	\$1,055,200
Building Inspection	\$179,600
Planning & Zoning	\$343,050
Total	\$7,865,188



FY2026 Studies



Update to 2021 Water Study

The city is currently updating our water system study to analyze cost elements for maintenance and improvements.



Main Street Planning

With funds provided by MAG (Mountainland Association of Gov't)—we are finalizing our Main Street study to provide clear and concise design guidelines.

Capital Projects

Fire Station Remodel / Addition

Investment: \$5,000,000
\$3 mil FY 2026 | \$2 Future Bond
Timeline: August 2025 – Fall 2026
 The City has hired an architect and project consultant and will have a contractor approved by fall 2026.

Park Improvements

Weather-based sprinkler timers will be installed in Burgess Park and the cemetery. Parking at Lambert Park will also be expanded. Cameras will be installed in parks throughout the city to prevent vandalism.

PARC Tax Projects

Investment: \$100,000
Timeline: Fall 2025 - Spring 2026
 Construction of the Burgess Park Pavillion.
 Installation of benches and garbage cans.



Street Maintenance

Investment: \$1,000,000
Grant: \$1,000,000
Timeline: August 2025 – Fall 2026
 Ongoing maintenance work continues with overlays, sealcoats, crack seal, striping, concrete replacements.



Canyon Crest Road & Bike Path with MAG Grant

Investment: \$5,461,250
MAG Grant: \$5,261,250
Alpine (6.7% of Total) \$200,000
Timeline: August 2025 – Fall 2026
 Alpine and Highland were awarded a grant from Mountainland Association of Governments for improvements to Canyon Crest Rd./4800 West from the roundabout to SR-92. The improvements are planned to include a paved trail that will provide a connection from Alpine to the Murdock Canal Trail.

To view the complete Citizen's Budget, please visit www.alpineut.gov/CitizensBudget



National Day of Service – September 13th Honoring 9/11 Through Community Action

Alpine•American Fork•Cedar Hills•Highland•Pleasant Grove
Join us for the National Day of Service as North Utah County unites to honor the lives lost and forever changed on 9/11 through meaningful community action.

Day of Service Schedule – September 13, 2025

8:30 AM | Opening Ceremony Lone Peak High School A community gathering with a flag-raising, lane of remembrance and a tribute to law enforcement, military, first responders, and the victims and survivors of 9/11.

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM | Service Projects Begin

- **City Projects** across all 5 cities
- **Hands-On Service Stations** at Lone Peak High School Opportunities will be available for individuals, families, and the community at large.

Note – the Food Drive will be held the week prior on **Saturday September 6th**

Choose the service project that works best for you! Learn more and register at: DayofService911.org

Free Shredding and eWaste Recycling— Sat, Sept. 20th at City Hall, 10am-12pm

Recyclable Electronics:

Accepted: Cell phones, computers, laptops, keyboards, tablets, iPods, hard drives, printers, stereos, fax machines, flat screen TVs. **Not accepted:** Batteries, light bulbs, CRT TVs (the old, boxy kind)

Paper:

Please take paper out of 3-ring binders and remove metal binder clips. Staples & paper clips are okay.

****Limit of 3 boxes per household, please****



The Alpine Youth Council (AYC)
invites you to the:

MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT

September 11 at 7:00pm
Timberline Middle School Auditorium



Pressurized Irrigation—PI will be turned off the week of October 15th.

With cooler weather approaching, less water is needed to keep lawns and landscaping healthy. While pressurized irrigation rates remain the same throughout the watering season, **tier allotments adjust each month**. September's allocation is lower than summer levels, and October's is even less. To avoid higher irrigation costs, we encourage residents to begin **reducing water use now** so your usage stays within the appropriate tier. If you would like to analyze your water use and estimate associated costs, please download the Eye on Water app (www.alpineut.gov/IonH2O) to track water use and use the 2025 PI Bill Estimator tool accessible on our city website (<https://www.alpineut.gov/173/Utility-Billing>).



What If I Have Extra Cemetery Plots?

Some fortunate residents have inherited plots from grandpa, who paid \$40 for an entire section back in the day. Many intend to use them for family burials, while others have moved to Kalamazoo and will not need a final resting place in Alpine.

You are welcome to transfer plots to various family members, but it is important to have the transfers recorded. You may think this office visit is required just so the cemetery lady can show you photos of her grandchildren — *plan on that*— but it also updates the city records so that everything is in order when the plots are needed.

Also, the city will always buy back plots at the going rate (currently \$1,700). Simply provide proof of ownership, sign the release form, and a check will be mailed to you within a week. The cemetery lady can advise you on what constitutes ownership, but please note that statements written in crayon will likely be rejected, as will any documents sporting Cheetos fingerprints.

For cemetery questions, transfer forms, or Handi-wipes, contact DeAnn at dparry@alpineut.gov or 801-756-6347 x3.

Election Information

The following candidates will run in the Alpine City General Election on November 4th:

Mayor - Carla Merrill

City Council (in ballot order) -

Sarah Blackwell
Jennifer Wadsworth
Andrew Young
Troy Slade

Ballots will be mailed out beginning Oct 15th and are due on or before Nov 4th. Make sure you are registered to vote at vote.utah.gov.



Alpine Days—Thank You!!



Thank you to all the volunteers and City staff who made Alpine Days 2025 possible! Below is a list of our amazing event chairs, but each of them had many helpers behind the scenes. To everyone who contributed—thank you! Alpine Days could not have happened without you.

<i>Heidi Smith</i>	<i>Event Chairperson</i>
<i>Ryan Wardle</i>	<i>Alpine City Intern</i>
<i>Alpine Days Pickleball Committee</i>	<i>Pickleball Tournament</i>
<i>Alpine West Stake</i>	<i>Senior Dinner</i>
<i>Alpine Youth Council</i>	<i>Kids Water Day</i>
<i>Breezy Anson</i>	<i>Mountain Bike Race</i>
<i>Bridle Up Hope</i>	<i>Service Project</i>
<i>Cody & Shelly Smith</i>	<i>Rodeo</i>
<i>Bob & Kathy Chatfield</i>	<i>Rodeo</i>
<i>Dean, Jacquelynne & Sydney Turner</i>	<i>Rodeo</i>
<i>DUP (Daughters of the UT Pioneers)</i>	<i>Relic Hall Tours</i>
<i>Dylan Ence</i>	<i>Music in the Park</i>
<i>Heather Bruce & Jeanne Martin</i>	<i>Bake Off</i>
<i>Jen Wadsworth, Kristin Hagen, & Melissa Wood</i>	<i>Storytime & Craft</i>
<i>Jessica Smuin & Jeff Davis</i>	<i>Hike to Horsetail Falls</i>
<i>Kiersten Belnap</i>	<i>Youth Market & Boutiques</i>
<i>Kristin Eberling</i>	<i>Parade</i>
<i>LP Cross Country & Dale/Michelle Stanford</i>	<i>5K & Toddler Trot</i>
<i>LPHS Baseball & David Smith</i>	<i>Home Run Derby</i>
<i>Meri Simpson</i>	<i>Family Dance</i>
<i>Paula McKinlay & Sherry Boren</i>	<i>Quilt Show</i>
<i>Paula Nielson</i>	<i>Yoga in the Park</i>
<i>Scot & Brittany Bayles</i>	<i>Golf Tournament</i>
<i>Shelly & Lauren Butterfield</i>	<i>Pet Show</i>
<i>Mark Harris & Lynn Armitstead</i>	<i>Auto Show</i>
<i>Tomi Ann Hill</i>	<i>Chalk the Walk</i>
<i>Wendy Anderson & Family</i>	<i>Youth Kickball</i>

Alpine Youth Council (AYC)

August was a very exciting one for the AYC. We helped out a lot during Alpine Days. We assisted with the home-run derby and the kickball tournament, sold concessions at Movie Night, served food at the Senior Dinner, and hosted the Kids’ Water Day. But it hasn’t been all work and no play as we’ve had team building activities, a BBQ, and rafting the Provo River. We really enjoy serving the community and next month, we will continue to do so by hosting the **Meet the Candidates Night** at Timberline Middle School on September 11 at 7 pm.



Trash Rate Change—effective July 1, garbage can rates are as follows:

	<u>1st Can</u>	<u>Additional Can(s)</u>
Trash:	\$11.85	\$7.60
Recycling:	\$7.50	\$7.50

Code Compliance Corner—Don Quigley, Code Compliance Officer

Alpine City has a **Water Conservation Plan** in place to help make the most of our limited water supply. Please follow the watering schedule below, set by the Public Works Superintendent (MCA 14.06.320):

- **Odd-numbered** addresses may water: **Mon/Wed/Fri only from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.** the next morning.
- **Even-numbered** addresses may water: **Tues/Thurs/Sat only from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.** the next morning.
- **No residential watering is allowed on Sunday (MAC 14.06.210).**

We would like to remind all pressurized irrigation system users to be mindful that we are experiencing record-setting drought conditions and encourage residents to use water wisely. In most cases, watering your lawn three times a week is more than enough to keep it healthy. Please double-check your sprinkler timers to make sure they are set correctly and not scheduled on restricted days. *A water exception may be requested at the City offices for specific time period for a valid reason.*

Alpine City Code (MCA 14.06.320) also prohibits any pressurized irrigation system user from wasting water. This can include allowing water to overflow into neighboring property or onto streets or sidewalks. Violations of the watering schedule will result in the following enforcement: a first offense will receive a warning; a second offense can result in service being locked with a \$50 reconnection fee; a third offense can again result in service being locked with a \$200 reconnection fee; and a fourth offense will result in shutoff for the remainder of the season without notice (MCA 14.06.260). A fourth offense is also a Class B misdemeanor, which carries potential penalties of **up to six months in jail and/or fines of up to \$1,000.**

Please note that businesses, churches, schools and city parks are permitted to water during the day to allow adequate pressure for residents to water at night.

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