City Elections (Non-Partisan)

Would you like to run for Mayor or City Council? Two (2) Council seats and the Mayors seat are up for election.

Qualifications to be a candidate are:
1. Be a United States citizen at the time of filing.
2. Be a registered voter of the municipality.
3. Be a resident of the city for 12 consecutive months before the November election date.
4. Not be a convicted felon.

Filing period and deadline runs from July 1 to July 15 at 5:00 p.m.

Candidate must file (in person) a “Declaration of Candidacy” with the City Recorder before July 15 at 5:00 p.m. For information about the election, please contact the City Recorder—Kimberly Robinson—at 804-4530 or in person at 40 South Main, Suite 130.

City Calendar

July 1—7:00 pm (live on Ch. 17) Planning Commission Meeting

July 3—City Offices closed in observance of Independence Day

July 7—6:00 pm (live on Ch. 17) City Council Meeting

July 13 & 14—Monday and Tuesday recycling pickup

July 13 thru 25
Fiesta Days Events. See article on this page and look for a Celebration Brochure that will be delivered by mail to your home soon.

July 21—6:00 pm (live on Ch. 17) City Council Meeting

July 22 thru 25—Fiesta Days Rodeo

July 24—City Offices closed in observance of the Pioneer Day Holiday

July 27 & 28—Monday & Tuesday recycling pickup

Complete City calendar at www.spanishfork.org.
Add community events at same site.

DEAR MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

From Left to Right, Back Row: Jens Nielsen, Steve Leifson, Wayne Andersen, Rod Dart. Front Row: Mayor Joe Thomas, Richard Davis

2009 Fiesta Days—Living The Dream

The 2009 Fiesta Days Celebration will begin soon, and the theme of this years celebration is "Living the Dream". Each year, Fiesta Days organizers promise that each celebration will surpass previous years, and this year is no different. This years events really get underway with the annual Children’s Day, Saturday, July 18 with the Children’s Parade, Fish Rodeo, other activities in the park, and the 3rd Annual Street Dance with the Jersey Street Band.

The Sunday Evening Fireside will be at City Park with featured Guest, Nathan Osmond. This will be a great evening of music that the whole family can enjoy.

Events then happen all week long, with Sidewalk Sales up and down Main street, the Flag Retirement Ceremony and then the Rodeo and Carnival roll into town on Wednesday, July 22. Tickets for the Rodeo can be purchased online at the City’s website, www.spanishfork.org, or by calling the new Rodeo Ticket Line, 801-804-4666.

This years carnival and games are provided by a new company, Midway West, and they will be bringing new rides and attractions to our celebration. The carnival will be pre-selling tickets at the City Center at a discount: 40 tickets for $18.00. These tickets cannot be used on Dollar night (Wednesday) and must be purchased before July 22.

Midway West will also offer Family Night, on Wednesday evening, July 22 where all rides are $1.00 or 1 ticket. You may also buy an unlimited Ride Wrist Band on Thursday or Friday $25.00 per person.

This year’s Grand Parade will be on Friday, July 24, starting at 9 am, with many other great activities in the park. The celebration will then end with several activities held on Saturday, July 25, including the long-awaited return of the car show.

Be looking for more information in the mail and plan out your fun as we begin Living the Dream.

Please complete the form and return it with your utility bill. You can also send comments to the City via the internet at www.spanishfork.org. Thank you for your comments.
Street Maintenance—Chip Sealing to Begin Around Town

The city will soon begin our annual chip seal project. A chip seal provides a coating of liquid asphalt and rock chips to the entire street. This coating seals up all the cracks, both large and small, in the road. It is important to seal these cracks in the streets so water cannot get under the pavement causing more severe damage to the road section. The rock chips also provide a new wearing course to the road which should last from 7 to 10 years.

Currently chip seals are by far the most cost effective way to maintain streets. Spanish Fork City is a member of a multi-city organization that lays down chip seals for the cities in south Utah County. Individual notice will be given to residents who live along streets to be sealed. This notice will give details on timing and instruction about parking on the street.

If you have any questions about the chip seal process, please call the Spanish Fork City public works department at (801) 804-4550.

Laws Concerning Door-to-Door Sales and Solicitors

The Spanish Fork City Municipal Code allows for Canvassers and Solicitors to conduct business within the City limits. However, before anyone is permitted to go door to door or to otherwise sell services or merchandise in the City, they must obtain a Spanish Fork City Business License. In the event that a canvasser or solicitor knocks on your door you may want to ask them if they have a Spanish Fork City Business License. The City requests that residents report any unlicensed Canvasser or Solicitor who is doing business in the City. Reports of unlicensed Canvassers or Solicitors should be made to the Spanish Fork City Police Department at (801) 804-4700. No Canvasser or Solicitor license is valid during the Fiesta Days celebration. Spanish Fork City genuinely appreciates the assistance of City residents as we work to properly regulate Canvassers and Solicitors in Spanish Fork.

Upcoming Recreation Dates to Remember

Early Bird registration for Speedy Spaniard 10K & mile run is Monday, July 6.

The Early Registration Deadline for the Fall Adult Softball leagues is Monday, July 7. Men’s leagues will play on Wednesday nights with four different divisions for every level of skill. Co-ed leagues will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays with both an upper and lower league each night. Early registration fee is $275.00 per team plus $20.00 per non-resident up to a team cap of $100.00. Games will begin the first week of August.

Early Registration Deadline is July 9th, for the following programs: Youth Soccer, Youth Flag & Tackle Football.

Early Registration Deadline is July 13th, for the Fall Adult Baseball League

Early Registration Deadline is July 17th, for Little Kickers Soccer (Ages 4 & 5)

Utah County Fair is Car Crazy!

Utah County Fair will feature two wildly different car events. Custom paint, well appointed interiors and shiny chrome will be on exhibit at the car and motorcycle cruise-in and show. Stripped down, reinforced, banged-up behemoths will battle it out at the Demolition Derby.

In addition to the Demolition Derby, the Utah County Fair will host a cruise-in plus a car and motorcycle show, August 14 at 5 p.m. and will continue until 9 p.m. on the grassy area to the east of the open class display building. JC Hackett, master of ceremonies will give out awards, dash plaques and trophies. There is no registration fee and no admission fee.

Tickets for the Demolition Derby are on sale at all Utah County Maceys stores. All seats are reserved. Early purchase tickets are Adults $10 and Kids $7; day of the event Adults $12, kids $9.

For people who like to “drive it like a rental” registration is open to compete in the Demolition Derby online at www.utcdemoderby.com. Entry fee $40; $25 Powder Puff entry fee. For questions about the derby send email to info@utcdemoderby.com

The Utah County Fair opens August 12 through 15 at the Spanish Fork Fairgrounds. Free parking. Free admission. Many free family events, entertainment and demonstrations. For more information go to www.utahcountyonline.org/Dept/CountyFair/

Library News

The Library Film Festival submissions are due by July 18th. Check with the library for rules and entry forms. Our next Summer Reading Reward Activity (for children ages 7-12 who are participating in the Summer Reading Program), will be held Thursday, July 16th @ 6:30, behind the library. This fun musical event will be presented by Dave and Lynette Lewis and family. All summer reading programs and activities will end on August 8

SFCN Channel Change

SFCN is moving the Fox Movie Channel from channel 80 on Expanded Basic to channel 279 on Digital Basic. This channel change will occur on or about August 1.

SFCN is looking for a different movie channel to take the channel slot vacated by the Fox Movie Channel but no decision has been made yet on the replacement.

Singin’ In The Rain

Join the Community Theater for an unforgettable evening of music, dance and tremendous talent as we present Singin’ in the Rain. Show dates are July 16, 17, 18, 23, 25 at 7:30pm, with a special matinee presentation on July 24th at 4:00pm.

Tickets can be purchased at Boothe Brothers Music or at the door. The show will be held at Spanish Fork High School Auditorium. Doors open a half hour before the show. More information is available online at www.sfctonline.org.

Farmers Market Coming in August

Every Year, Spanish Fork City offers a place for all residents to buy or sell fresh produce.

The farmers market begins Saturday, August 1, and runs every Saturday in August, September, and October from about 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. If you have ever visited the market, you will remember that it is a very informal setting, but a great place to get fresh fruits and vegetables.

By law, the farmers market is available to local produce growers to sell homegrown produce and food items only. Food items must be prepared according to Utah Department of Agriculture and Food Standards. More information on those standards can be found on the City’s website.