A WORD ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

This is a time of year where we in the Community Development Department see an increase in construction activity throughout the community. For many residents, the most common construction projects involve building fences and accessory buildings. Accessory buildings are structures such as sheds, garages, and carports. Spanish Fork City is eager to help make sure that fences and accessory buildings are constructed in a manner that conforms to the City’s zoning ordinance.

One thing to remember about constructing accessory buildings and fences is the need for everyone to obtain a Building Permit before construction begins. In order to make it as easy as possible for residents to obtain a Building Permit, Spanish Fork City offers fence permits free of charge. Also, permits for any accessory buildings that are less than two-hundred square feet are offered free of charge as well. Typically these permits can be issued the same day that an application is submitted but we suggest that residents submit their plans a week before they plan to start construction.

The City’s greatest concern with the construction of fences and accessory buildings is our effort to ensure that setback requirements are met. For example, the City requires that accessory buildings be at least 5 feet from other accessory buildings and homes. Certain types of fences are not permitted within a certain distance from intersections and driveways. By applying for a permit before beginning construction, residents can be assured that the buildings and fences they construct meet the City’s requirements. For additional information, please contact the Building Division at (801) 804-4540.

DEAR MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

From Left to Right, Back Row: Rod Dart, Keir Scoubes, Jens Nielson, Richard Davis
Front Row: Mayor Wayne Andersen, Steve Leifson

Please complete the form and return it with your utility bill. You can also send comments to the City from the City’s website. Thank you for your comments.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

July 30 Farmer’s Market begins at the City Center Parking lot and then every Saturday thru November 5.

2 City Council Meeting; 6:00 pm. Live on Ch. 17
3 Planning Commission; 6:00 pm. Live on Ch. 17
8 & 9 Recycling Pickup
16 City Council Meeting; 6:00 pm. Live on Ch. 17
17-20 Utah County Fair
22 & 23 Recycling Pickup
27 Low Cost Rabies & Licensing Clinic at the Fire Station

September 1—2012 Fiesta Days
Rodeo Tickets go on sale

Complete City calendar at www.spanishfork.org

The Utah County Fair makes its return to the Spanish Fork Fairgrounds this August. This county-wide celebration is certainly flavored with Spanish Fork’s hometown flair, making it an excellent way to wind the summer down and to prepare for a return to school and the coming autumn.

The County Fair dates are August 17 thru 20 and complete Fair information can be found at www.utcountyfair.com. You can also LIKE the County Fair on Facebook for instant feedback. Tickets for the ever-popular Demolition Derby are on sale at all Utah County Macey’s grocery stores.
A NOTE ON RESIDENTIAL TRASH CANS

Spanish Fork City supplies trash cans for the residents to use and provides service to have them emptied. These cans are owned by the city and leased to the residents.

Residents are responsible to keep the can clean and to not overload them with refuse. When cans no longer can be repaired then a new can will be supplied by the city. The City will repair these cans when possible, instead of replacing the cans to help keep costs down. When you call to report a broken can, City staff will determine at that time what action will be taken. If you move, the cans must stay at the residence or be removed by the city.

Your continued support of these rules will help keep costs low for all residents.

FARMERS MARKET TO BEGIN

The Farmer’s Market begins Saturday, July 30 in the City Center parking lot and runs every Saturday in August September, and October ending on November 5. The Market is open from 8am to 1pm. The market is hosted by the Spanish Fork Salem Area Chamber of Commerce. This is a great place to buy fresh fruits and vegetables. By law, the farmer’s market is available to local produce growers to sell homegrown produce and food items only. Food items must be prepared according to standards set by the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING MEETING SET FOR THE SPANISH FORK AREA

Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG), a regional transportation planning agency, has set an open house to discuss issues surrounding a current transportation study in the Spanish Fork and Springville areas.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE INSERT

The 3 high schools in town have included a flyer with this newsletter that shows their solidarity as a community. While each school is in a separate athletic classification, they support each other. Keep the flyer on hand this fall as the boys hit the grid iron and get out and support all the youth in their high school athletics.

AMBULANCE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Ambulance is seeking day help. If interested, visit the employment section of the City’s website to review the position. Day shifts are from 7 A.M. to 7 P.M.

AUGUST RECREATION CALENDAR

Register for youth sports at reconline.spanishfork.org

1 3rd Session Swimming Lessons begin
1 5th/6th Grade & 8th/9th grade Football Team Selections
2 4th Grade & 7th Grade Football Team Selections
3 3rd Grade & 6th Grade Football Team Selections
4-6 Big Slam Girl’s Fast-Pitch Tournament
8-9 Soccer Clinic @ Centennial Park
9 Youth Spring Soccer Team Selection for Girls Grades 3rd - 9th
10 Men’s Flag Football early registration ends.
10 Youth Spring Soccer Team Selection for Boys Grades 3rd - 9th.
19 SF Friday Nights Lights Co-ed Softball Tournament registration ends.
22 Fall Session Swimming Lessons begin.
22 Water Park Hours – 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. Evening rentals available through fall closing.
23 Water Park Fall Hours begin – Weekdays 3:30 - 6:00 p.m. & Sat, 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. (Weather Permitting) Pool is still available for after hours rental.
26 SF Friday Nights Lights Co-ed Softball Tournament.