November 2016
Community Calendar

Oct 25 thru Nov 4: Early Voting for the General Election

November 1: City Council Meeting, 6pm. Broadcast live on Spanish Fork 17 and YouTube.

November 2: Planning Commission Meeting, 6pm

November 5: Last Farmer’s Market of the season, 8am-1pm @ City Office Parking Lot

November 7 & 8: Recycle pick-up

November 8: Election Day, polls open 7am-8pm

November 15: City Council Meeting, 6pm. Broadcast live on Spanish Fork 17 and YouTube.

November 21 & 22: Recycle pick-up

November 24: Festival of Lights begins, 6pm-10pm @ Canyon View Park

November 24 & 25: City Offices closed for the Thanksgiving holiday

November 25: Winter Lights Parade on Main Street

Good Things All around
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Beginning Thanksgiving Night, Nov. 24th through New Year’s Night, Jan. 1st. Open nightly from 6:00pm –10:00pm, Canyon View Park, 3300 E Powerhouse Road.

Cost: $7 per car; $20 per large passenger van or any vehicle towing a trailer ($20 per trailer); $30 per bus. Only cash or check are accepted.

Gift Certificates are available at the Spanish Fork City Office (40 South Main) or at the Parks & Recreation Office (775 North Main) for $7. **Listen to the holiday music on 99.9 FM while you drive through the displays.

Net Metering
The Utah Municipal Power Agency (UMPA) contracted with Dave Berg Consulting, LLC, to study equitable ways to bill and credit net metering.

This study found that windmills and solar panels need the city power lines in order to push power out onto the grid as well as to receive power when not generating. They should receive credit for the power they give but in fairness should share in the cost of maintaining the power lines.

The study recommends several more equitable ways to bill net metering customers. The City and UMPA will review these recommendations over the next several months. If you have any questions, please contact the billing office at (801)804-4500.

It has been brought to our attention that some solar panel salesmen are claiming to be with the City. The City is not affiliated with any solar panel sales companies. The City is not against the installation of solar panels.

Snow Plowing the City Streets
Spanish Fork City has established the following priorities for street snow removal:

Priority 1: Arterials, major collector roads, school bus routes and streets with steep grades.
Priority 2: Minor collector roads and high volume, through residential roads.
Priority 3: Remaining through streets.
Priority 4: Dead end roads and cul-de-sacs.

In major storm events where plows cannot clear the snow before it is packed and turns to ice, the City may not be able to completely clear all the streets.
Mayor’s Corner

In the words of Ralph Waldo Emerson, “Those who stay away from the election think that one vote will do no good. Tis but one step more to think one vote will do no harm.” Fellow citizens of Spanish Fork; your vote and your voice matter. Please join me by voting on Tuesday, November 8th. Polls will be open from 7am—8 pm. You can register or check your voter registration status at: http://vote.utah.gov/. May we all do our part to keep this, “one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all!”

November 2016 Recreation Calendar

November 3: Youth Basketball early registration ends (grades 9-12)

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November 14: Winter Jr. Co-Ed Tennis Program early registration ends

November 15: Youth Basketball registration ends (grades 9-12)

November 15: Thanksgiving Dodgeball Tournament registration ends

November 24: Festival of Lights begins 6pm-10pm @ Canyon View Park

Register for sports at: reconline.spanishfork.org

New Ordinance for Winter Street Parking

A new City ordinance was passed requiring residents not to park anything along the street once snow starts accumulating and during snow plow operations for up to 48 hours after a storm.

This has the following benefits:
1. Streets will be cleared more quickly and thoroughly.
2. Safer plowing conditions, especially on steep roads, and fewer damaged vehicles and trailers.
3. Nuisance broken down vehicles and trailers will be cleared from the streets regularly.

For more information, visit: http://www.spanishfork.org/dept/pubworks/streets/

Election

The 2016 National General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016. Voting will take place from 7am—8pm.

The Utah County Clerks office will coordinate and administer the 2016 National Election. Early Voting will take place Oct. 25 through Nov. 4 at the Spanish Fork City Office from 12pm—5pm.

Library News

The library offers a variety of children’s activities, check out our website or contact us at 801.804.4480 to see what great activities will be held in November. Some of our regular story times are: Tots Tales, Music and Movement, Preschool Pals, Bouncing Babies, Fun Fridays...Anything Goes!, Legos for Kids and Mother/Daughter Book Club.

The Library invites adults to join author & speaker, Connie Sokol, for her free class, "Back to Basics Chat Night" on Thursday, November 10th at 7pm at the Library. This is sure to be an uplifting event that you won’t want to miss!

Food for Fines will be offered November 1st -23rd. This is a great opportunity to support the food bank, and get rid of overdue charges on your account! Fines of $1.00 will be waived for each can of food brought in, with a limit of $10.00.

Animals in City Parks – Violations Result in Fee

Municipal Code Chapter 7.24 Park Regulations states that animals are not allowed in parks and recreational facilities where it is posted. A person who violates any section of this Chapter is subject to receiving an administrative notice which includes a $75 fee for the first violation. City employees working in the parks are authorized to administer this notice of violation.

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