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BLUFFDALE TIMES

MAYOR'S MESSAGE



I don't live too far from City Hall. I drive 14400 South several times a day and some days, more times than I would like. It is a mess. The traffic

pattern is constantly changing, and it takes forever. I want to say thank you to all our residents. We have the most courteous community. People are patient when the construction light takes too long, they wave to the flaggers, and we have had very few complaints. Thank you to those who live on 14400 South who have struggled getting into their driveways, had their mailboxes destroyed, dust in their homes and garbage often missed.

Our City motto is, "Life Connected." One of the key elements in an effective transportation system is having good connectivity. The construction projects throughout the city improve connectivity of Bluffdale's transportation network as well as improve our utilities. I have had a lot of questions about the 14400 South project and other projects, so I think an update would be helpful.

14400 South Road and Utility

This project is a collective effort

between Bluffdale City, Jordan Basin Improvement District, and Enbridge (formally known as Dominion Energy), to improve 14400 South between 2700 West and 3200 West. Improvements include up-sizing sewer lines, updating old waterlines, installing pressurized irrigation lines and additional storm drains, replacing old steel gas lines and replacing pavement. Combining these projects saves money and frustration from prolonged construction. The project is scheduled to be finished by late Summer 2025. In October, we should see pavement on the section between 2200 West and 2700 West. Construction will then move west to finish the remainder of 14400 South.

13900 South and 2700 West Roundabout

This project is almost finished! There are a few final items, like striping, signage, and turning on the streetlights, but we are estimating that 13800 South will open in the next couple of months.

Freedom Point Way

This connection between Porter Rockwell Blvd and Pony Express Road is needed not only to connect the two roads, but also to divert traffic from residential streets, allow access to new businesses, such as Holiday Oil, and add a much-needed traffic signal on Porter Rockwell Blvd. The project began September 2023 and because it

is progressing well ahead of schedule, should be completed by the end of this year.

1780 West

This project connects the existing dead-end of 13800 South to both the dead-end of 1780 West (behind the Maverik store) and to Redwood Rd with a new roundabout. This will provide new space for businesses and restaurants and divert cut-through traffic from residential streets. The project began in May 2024 and will be completed this fall! As of right now, most of the utilities are installed and curb, gutter and asphalt will be installed over the next month.

14600 South Railroad Crossing/ One-way bridge

The 14600 South project will straighten out and expand the one lane road under the railroad bridge to a 4-lane roadway. The box culvert enclosing the canal was completed earlier this year, which was a big step forward. Design, permitting and property acquisition are ongoing and utility relocation will be the next step.

As always, please reach out to me with any questions you may have regarding construction or any other projects in the city. You can also sign up for construction updates at www.bluffdale.gov/projects. These projects take all of us working together to make it successful.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor:

Natalie Hall

City Council:

Wendy Aston

Alan Lord

Steve Austin

Greg Wilding

Traci Crockett

CITY CONTACTS

2222 W 14400 S | 801-254-2200 | info@bluffdale.gov

Monday-Friday | 8:30 am-5:00 pm

Emergency 911

Police Non-Emergency 801-798-5600 | Public Works After Hours 801-559-7783

SLCo Animal Control 801-743-7000 | Utility Billing 801-254-2200 x 403

Business Licensing 801-254-2200 x 414 | Justice Court 801-254-2200 x 417



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BLUFFDALE BUSINESS BUZZ

We're excited to welcome several new businesses to Bluffdale. These additions help keep Bluffdale vibrant and offer more services right in our backyard. Check out the list of businesses that have joined Bluffdale in September, and be sure to support them as they become part of our growing city!

Integrated Elements Therapy
Wasatch Wellness Chiropractic LLC
Outback Custom Cabinets
KBH Group, Inc dba Maximum Management Group
Feriante Consulting LLC
Starbucks Corporation
Lia Catering LLC
Graphicservices
Smokin Fire Productions
DB Designs dba Redline Plan Design
Mind, Body, Soul Chiropractic
Melissa Henderson Aesthetics
Sharp Whietening LLC
Mountain West Veterinary Specialists, PLLC
Tycon Systems Inc
Standard Landscaping LLC
HHH Building Services
Door Worx LLC
CMR Designs



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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

A robust economy in a city benefits from the service industry. These businesses allow community members to meet their daily needs closer to home. There are some recent new additions to Bluffdale's service providers, such as Mountain West Veterinary Specialists which provides 24-hour veterinary and surgical services in a state-of-the-art facility for our non-human loved ones on 2700 West near Bangerter Highway. Also, along 2700 West, The Children's Courtyard provides early pre-k education for our younger community members.

At the Ranch development, a new medical office building has commenced construction. This two-story building will provide an additional 16,000 square feet of leasable space for services. The Piercing Place also recently opened in the development and provides a modern and comfortable establishment for your body art needs. These add to the Ranch's existing medical, dental, and aesthetician professionals. Another recent full-service salon and spa in the community is SunKisst Salon on 14600 S and Porter Rockwell Boulevard. For your automobile, there are two new car washes in the community - Quick Quack and Holiday Oil, both along Porter Rockwell.

Of course, while you are going to and from your appointments, there are more retail and food user experiences available in Bluffdale than ever before. In The Centrum, located at Porter Rockwell and 14600 South is a new Starbuck's, with a Domino's Pizza following shortly behind. At The Ranch, Costa Vida will open soon, near a newly opened Swig. Across Redwood Road, McDonalds has submitted a site plan application. We now have three convenience stores in the community after two ribbon cuttings in recent months for Holiday Oil and 7-11. In 2025, Smith's grocery store will be ready for us to shop at!

Please contact the Community and Economic Development Department if you want further info or have any questions or leads for new businesses in the city.



If you filed an extension, we can help you avoid added penalties and interest if you owe.



Make an appointment

14241 S REDWOOD RD,
BLDG B
BLUFFDALE, UT 84065 | 801-446-6380

BLUFFDALE CITY CONSOLIDATED FEE SCHEDULE FAQs

What is the Consolidated Fee Schedule?

The City charges a variety of fees for the various services it provides. These various fees are detailed in the Consolidated Fee Schedule. They include:

- Administrative Code Enforcement
- Building Permits
- Business Licensing
- Cemetery
- Engineering
- Finance Charges
- Fire Inspection
- Parks and Recreation
- Planning
- Streets

The monthly utility bill you receive from the City consists of fees from the Bluffdale City Consolidated Fee Schedule and include Culinary Water, Garbage, Public Safety, Secondary Water, Storm Water, and Streetlights.

How often are the fees reviewed?

At least once each year, in conjunction with the annual budget, the city reviews the fees it charges for services. The city may change its fees more frequently than that.

The process starts with each department head evaluating their department's related fees to make sure current costs are covered by the fees. Inflation-driven materials costs, wage increases, and increases in the contract price for some of our goods and services are what cause most fee increases. For example, we contract for our electricity, garbage and other waste services, police services, and water.

Any proposed changes to the fees are presented to the City Council with discussions and explanations justifying the changes. The presentations and discussions occur in conjunction with a public hearing where extensive public input and comment are encouraged. Finally, the City Council may adopt an ordinance amending the fee schedule as proposed by the city staff, or, at its discretion, it can adjust the fees based upon information gained in the public hearing. The amended fee schedule becomes effective after adoption.

What are Fee Studies?

A fee study usually is performed

by a third-party that evaluates the service and proposes a fee to cover the cost of that service. The city council decides the amount of the fee based on the results of the study and recommendations from staff. A fee study is performed from time to time to ensure the fees are reasonable.

Why are the fees increasing?

Although fees decrease or are eliminated at times, because the City's costs are increasing, the associated fees tend to increase as well. This year, like most years, the wholesale cost of water and the contract price of garbage and waste services have increased. The contract with the police department increased this year as well. As result there will be an increase in your monthly bills for these services.

Beginning in October 2024 there will be a new fee included on our utility bills. This year as part of the annual evaluation, the City Council adopted a public safety fee.

What is a Public Safety Fee?

The City Council adopted an amended Consolidated Fee Schedule and made it effective September 1, 2024. The amended Fee Schedule includes a new Public Safety fee that can only be used to pay for public safety costs. The amount of the fee is based on the type of property you own and is calculated to cover the increased cost of public safety services this year. The bulk of the public safety costs are still paid by other revenue sources.

Who can I talk to if I have more questions?

You can always talk to the City Council Members or Mayor about their decision to amend fee schedules or adopt the yearly budget. Please contact the Utilities Department at utilities@bluffdale.gov with any other questions.



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EXPLORE UTILITY FORMS AND INFORMATION

Bluffdale City is continuously improving its website to help residents find answers quickly and efficiently. The Utilities page has recently been updated to include important forms and answers to frequently asked questions, making it easier for residents to get the information they need. Whether it's a missed garbage collection request or changing the mailing address for a rental property, residents can now access a variety of resources online at www.bluffdale.gov/utilities. All the forms go directly to the Utilities department and will be processed quickly by a team member.

Missed Garbage Collection Request:

If your garbage, green waste, or recycling wasn't picked up, simply fill out this form to notify the Utility Department for rescheduling.

Add, Remove, or Replace Cans:

Use this form to request the addition, removal, or replacement of your trash, recycle, or green waste cans.

Change Mailing Address or Change to a Rental Property

Update your mailing address or notify us if your property has become a rental with this form.

Rates and Information

Find current rates for water, garbage, and other utilities, along with a link to the full fee schedule here.

For more help, contact our team at 801-254-2200 or email us at utilities@bluffdale.gov. Be sure to add this email address to your safe sender list to avoid missing any important communications from us.

Healthy Bluffdale Coalition Meetings Schedule Community Welcome

October 8 November 12

6:30 pm in Station #92
Community Room

The mission of the Healthy Bluffdale Coalition is to create a resilient, healthy community by fostering health and overall wellness, connecting youth, parents, families and community members, and by promoting risk prevention through evidence-based initiatives.



BLUFFDALE TIMES PODCAST

Join Mayor Hall each month as she delves into the articles featured in our newsletter.

Find links to all the listening platforms by scanning the QR code or at www.bluffdale.gov/Podcast.



Thank you to Brian Hunter and The Farmhouse Recording Studio in Bluffdale for recording the



podcast each month. Visit www.farmhouserecording.com to reserve studio time.



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Schedule Your Mammogram



Early detection saves lives.
Talk to your provider about scheduling a mammogram.

Scan the QR code or text "MAMMO" to 32037 to schedule your mammogram today.

BLUFFDALE ARTS ADVISORY BOARD OPENING

On February 13, 1990, a group of dedicated volunteers met with the Bluffdale City Council to propose a city sponsored arts organization that would foster community pride and unity, provide good, clean family entertainment, expand the talents of residents and bring quality arts to our area at an affordable price. The council agreed to create the Bluffdale Arts Advisory Board (BAAB). Since then, they have produced almost 80 productions, hosted art shows, talent shows and battle of the band competitions and supported city events.

BAAB is looking for board members to continue their mission to expand talents and provide quality arts in our community. We are specifically looking for residents with a music and/or orchestra background as we expand our program.

Applicants will need to fill out an application at www.bluffdale.gov/Volunteer by October 18, 2024. Mayor Natalie Hall will interview candidates before appointing a new board member. Once appointed, time commitments include attending a meeting every other month along with time needed to fulfill assignments.

Volunteering with BAAB is a unique opportunity to make a lasting impact on our community. By sharing your talents and passion for the arts, you can help foster creativity, build unity, and enrich the lives of residents. Whether you have a background in music, orchestra, or simply a love for the arts, your contributions can continue the legacy of quality entertainment and community pride in Bluffdale. We encourage all interested residents to apply and help shape the future of arts in our city.



BLUFFDALE YOUTH COUNCIL

NEEDS YOU!



Join Bluffdale Youth Council to learn more about government, serve in our community, and make new friends!

Meet every
3rd Tuesday
@5:30 p.m.



Scan for application



Having a Fun, Safe Halloween

The Bluffdale Police Department wants to ensure all our residents have a safe Halloween this year. Trick or Treating can be a fun and exciting activity for all ages if done with a few safety precautions:

Walking

- Trick or Treaters under age 12 should be accompanied by an adult.
- Trick or treat in familiar and well lit areas.
- Kids should never enter any house without an adult.
- Cross the street at intersections using crosswalks where possible.

Driving

- Don't drink alcohol or use drugs and then drive.
- SLOW DOWN and watch for kids.
- If you're driving children around for trick or-treating, make sure everyone is buckled up appropriately in a car seat, booster or seat belt.
 - Put your cell phone down and don't use any other mobile device while driving.
 - Be especially alert for trick-or-treaters during the popular trick-or-treating hours of 5:30 - 9:30pm.

Costumes

- Use face paint instead of a mask as a mask can block vision.
- Wear light colored costumes or use reflective tape, stickers or glow sticks to help you be visible.
 - Use a light colored candy bag for better visibility.
- Wear shoes that fit to avoid tripping or falling.
- Ensure your costume isn't too long to create a tripping hazard.

Treats

- Parents should inspect all candy before children eat any.
- All opened or tampered with treats should be thrown away.

HOWL-O-WEEN PET SAFETY TIPS

Halloween can be a lot of fun for humans, but pets may not appreciate the costumes and candy. Protect your pets from Halloween dangers with these tips!

1. Keep candy out of reach: All forms of chocolate and the artificial sweetener can be poisonous to dogs & cats. Call your emergency vet if your pet has eaten anything poisonous.

2. Keep pets confined and away from the door: Dogs may be likely to dart out the door or become anxious with trick-or-treaters in costumes and yelling for candy. Put them in a crate or a backroom and keep everyone safe.

3. Close the blinds or drapes, disconnect doorbells: If your dog reacts every time someone walks by or rings the doorbell close the drapes and disconnect the doorbell.

4. Keep outdoor pets inside before and after Halloween: Keep dogs and cats indoors to prevent



them from being injured, stolen, or poisoned as part of a Halloween prank.

5. Don't approach dogs while in costume: Even if you know the dog, a strange costume or mask can frighten them. They may not recognize you in costume. If a dog escapes a house or yard and runs up to you, tell your child to stand like a tree, and wait for the owner to grab the dog.

6. Test out pet costumes before: Make sure the costume isn't causing them distress or giving them an allergic reaction. It shouldn't

restrict their movement, ability to breath, bark or meow.

7. Leave them at home: It may be best with all the distractions to leave your pet at home while trick-or-treating. Take them for a walk earlier in the day before the ghosts and goblins come out for the night to spook them.

Find a lost pet? Call Dispatch 801-840-4000. Need to get your pet microchipped? Don't forget all pets in Salt Lake County can receive a free microchip at our location. Email animal@slco.org for more info or visit AdoptUtahPets.org.

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RIVERTON HIGH SCHOOL

Homecoming Week Recap

What an exciting Homecoming Week we had at Riverton High School! The festivities were in full swing with a thrilling football game, a lively Homecoming BBQ, and the ever-popular powderpuff game. The week was capped off with a fun and spirited assembly that brought together students and staff in celebration.

Marching Band Success

A big congratulations to our talented Marching Band for their fantastic Pancake Preview this past Saturday. The event was a huge success and a delightful experience for all attendees. We wish them the best of luck in their performances this year!

Sports Highlights

Our Girls Soccer team and volleyball team are off to a fantastic start this season. The Girls tennis team is serving up some wins Meanwhile our football team is hitting hard and the Cross Country team is on their way to 1st place. Drill, Dance and Cheer are also showing off their skills while entertaining the crowd. Congratulations to all our athletes for their hard work and dedication!

BLUFFDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

October is another reason Bluffdale Elementary School is 'Out of this world!' The month is packed with events at the school designed to connect families and teachers, to engage students and families in reading, to celebrate Halloween, to support families in preventing sickness, to have some time to rest and rejuvenate, and to have some fun along the way. If you are wondering how Bluffdale Elementary is going to do all of this, then take note of the following important dates. October 1-3: Bookfair. October 2: Parent teacher conferences (4:00-7:30); Boo to the Flu Clinic (3:30-7:00). October 3: Parent teacher conferences (1:30-5:30). October 4: No School. October 7: Reflections are due. October 8: Classic Skate Night. October 15: Parents and Pastries. October 21-25: Fall Break. October 28: No school. October 31: Halloween. We love this time of year and can't wait to make out of this world connections with our students, parents, family and school community. physical therapy, mental health counseling, 24/7 caregiving, and much more.

SUMMIT ACADEMY INDEPENDENCE

Thank you from Summit Academy Independence to all who came to eat, play and dance with us at Fall Fest! We love celebrating together with our community. This month we recognize the hard work of our theater and performing arts students as our school makes its 10th consecutive trip to the Cedar City Shakespeare Festival to participate in the annual Shakespeare Competition. Students compete against their peers as they perform monologues, scenes and dances in front of professional judges. Bravo to our Cubs that participate, as they can earn SUU credit and potential scholarships. The Bard himself might as well have been writing about junior high students with the line, "The course of true love never did run smooth." While navigating junior high might not always be easy, it can be a formative time full of joy and memories. We're excited to invite our students to the upcoming dance on October 22nd, where they can celebrate friendships, fun, and the excitement of the new school year. Costumes required, but no masks please.



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MEETING SCHEDULE	CITY COUNCIL October 9, 6 pm November 13, 6 pm	PLANNING COMMISSION October 2, 16, 6 pm November 6, 6 pm	CITY OFFICES CLOSED: Columbus Day, October 14 Thanksgiving, November 28-29
	SECTION LEADER MEETING October 1, 6:15 pm November 5, 6:15 pm	ANIMAL LICENSING CLINIC October 2, 2-4 pm November 6, 2-4 pm	YOUTH COUNCIL October 15, 5:30 pm November 19, 5:30 pm
	HAM CLUB MEETING October 8, 22, 7 pm November 12, 26, 7 pm	HEALTHY BLUFFDALE October 8, 6:30 pm November 12, 6:30 pm	HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION November 7, 5:30 pm

ACTIVITIES - MORE INFORMATION AT WWW.BLUFFDALE.GOV/EVENTS

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS



OCTOBER 14
7 PM • CITY HALL

BLUFFDALE ARTS PRESENTS

ANASTASIA

October 17-19 | 7:00 pm

Saturday Matinee | 1:00 pm

Hidden Valley Middle School
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Community TRUNK or TREAT

Oct 29

5:30 to 7pm

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2024 Green Waste Pickup Ends November 1



Trash Collection DELAYED

November 28, 2024

Normal pick up will be delayed by one day for the holiday





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October 15

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NOVEMBER 15-16

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