PROVIDENCE CITY NEWSLETTER



December 2023

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*second PC meeting as needed

Parking in a Winter Wonderland

Winter parking rules are now in effect! In October, the Providence City Council voted to approve changes to the winter street parking ordinances. Updated restrictions are as follows:

- Winter parking regulation begins **November 15** or the first measurable snowfall and runs through April 15
- Vehicles are prohibited from parking on the streets from 1-9 a.m.
- If the city is experiencing a bigger snowstorm and plows are **still actively** working beyond 9 a.m., the restriction will stay in place
- Street parking exceptions will be made around the schools in Providence when school is in session or official school activities are being held
- The citation fine for prohibited street parking has been increased to \$50

The full ordinance, including the previous version, marked changes and proposed changes that did not pass, can be found under Ordinances on the city website.



Parking Ordinance

Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree



Providence City will kick off the holidays with the fifth annual Tree Lighting and Visit with Santa on Thursday, Dec. 7.

Gather with neighbors to light the Christmas tree in the 100 North/Gateway Drive roundabout. Santa Claus arrives at 5:30 p.m. and the lights will be turned on at 7 p.m. Come enjoy hot

chocolate and donuts while welcoming in the holiday season.

We invite you to put an ornament on the tree that evening, just prior to the lighting. Ornaments will be available for a recommended donation of \$15 (though any and all donations will be accepted) at the Providence City Office beginning November 20, or on-site the night of the lighting. Proceeds from ornament sales will go to The Family Place.

City Sidewalks, Busy Sidewalks

As we get ready for snow, please remember that if vour property is adjacent to a sidewalk, it needs to



be kept clear of snow, ice and other debris. If there is an ADA curb ramp adjacent to the sidewalk, please remember to clear the ramp. Thank you in advance for your diligence in helping to keep our city safe this winter!

Deck the Halls

Providence City is once again hosting the annual Holiday Lighting Contest. If you would like your residence (or a friend's!) to be con-



Holiday Events

sidered, submit the official entry form by 5 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 7. The entry form is available on the Providence City website under City Celebrations. Judging will be held Dec. 8-18.



Tidings of Comfort and Joy

The Sweet Rides & Sauerkraut Car Show was another big success this year. Cars, food, live music and a great crowd made for a perfect fall Saturday. This year's show benefitted Little Lambs Foundation for Kids. Between car registrations, raffle ticket purchases and additional donations, Providence City was able to donate \$2,630 to Little Lambs. This organization supplies low-income families in Cache Valley with diapers, baby supplies, clothing, comfort kits and other hygiene needs. Mayor Kathleen Alder and volunteer car show coordinator Shania Collatz delivered the check to Little Lambs in November.



Let it Snow (With a Word From Public Works)

The Public Works Department would like to wish you all a safe and enjoyable holiday season. With winter and colder temperatures approaching we also have a few reminders for you.

- We are a little over two months into our new garbage schedule. After talking with Logan City it seems the biggest issue is the cans still not being out by 7 a.m. Now that Logan City only provides garbage service for Logan and Providence, they have divided the routes up so they are shorter for the drivers which means they arrive earlier to empty your can(s) than you might be used to. Please have your can(s) out by 7 a.m. on your pickup day.
- We have finished our leaf bag collection for the year.
- Please drive with caution when in the vicinity of a snowplow and remain at least 150 feet behind them. After your garbage and recycling cans have been emptied, please remove them as soon as possible to limit obstructions for the plows.
- To keep our streets as safe as possible during the winter months, please remember that it is a <u>violation of city ordinance</u> to remove snow from your private property and place it in the street. This can create a hazard for you as citizens along with city employees as they are working to keep the streets clear of snow.
- To prevent outside taps from freezing, you may need to leave a small amount of water running. We also recommend locating your water meter and making sure the lid is tightly secured. This will help with the possibility of freezing pipes.
- Logan City is no longer providing Christmas tree drop sites outside of Logan city limits, however, Providence City will still have two drop sites available. These will be located in the parking lot at Von Baer Park (350 East Center) and in the Zollinger Park parking lot (51 North 200 West). Please remember to remove all ornaments from your tree.

We would like to end the year on a festive note so enjoy these fun Christmas facts:

- Ralphie from A Christmas Story was also in Elf
- Hallmark holiday movies only take 2 weeks to film
- "Jingle Bells" was the first song played in space
- If you gave all the gifts listed in "The 12 Days of Christmas" it would equal 364 presents (this would cost you about \$46,729)
- The Rockefeller Center Christmas tree features more than 25,000 lights
- The largest gingerbread house ever made was as big as a real house
- There are nearly 750 different versions of "Silent Night"
- There are more than 630 different kinds of Christmas trees
- Around 28 Lego sets are sold every second during the Christmas season
- Children have been leaving cookies and milk out for Santa since at least 1896

Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fiber

The Providence City fiber project continues to move forward, making good progress as we approach the winter season. The main line construction is complete, which means your address is ready for install. Providence City is under contract with Strata to provide drops to residences through April 2024, so make sure and



schedule yours before then to avoid extra costs. If you are ready for installation, you will need to select an Internet Service Provider and contact them to complete the setup. Find more information and full instructions on the <u>Fiber Utility page</u> of the city website.

Fiber Info

We have over 900 addresses on the fiber network, with more connected each day. Thank you for your support of this project!

And a Happy New Year!

Are you a dog owner? Do you run a business here in town? If you answered yes to either (or both!) question, then be on the lookout for your license renewal coming in the mail.

Business license renewals are due January 1, 2024, with the fees increasing each month after that. Home businesses are no longer required to have a business license unless they are a conditional use business. Other home businesses can still have a license if they want one or it is needed for tax purposes.

Dog license renewals are also due January 1. If your dog's rabies vaccination has expired since last year, the city needs documentation of the updated certificate. A copy can be brought to the office or submitted to providencecityutah@gmail.com. Your dog's new tag can then be picked up at the city office.

Fees paid by check can be mailed to or dropped off at the Providence City office. If you wish to pay by card, please call the office or come by in person. If you have questions or problems with your invoice, please reach out to city staff at (435) 752-9441.

Have a Holly Jolly Survey

With a new year approaching, goals are being set and changes being made. As we provide information to the residents of Providence City, we want to make sure we are do-



Information Survey

ing so in the ways most beneficial to you.

Between social media, the Pipeline text service, the city website and the newsletter, there are many ways we are spreading important information, but it needs to be done in an efficient manner. Want more of something? Less of something else? This survey will provide you the opportunity to give feedback to our staff who can make sure the information being put out is helpful and useful.