



North Ogden News

North Ogden City Corporation | 505 E 2600 N | 801-782-7211

The Mayor and Council Members welcome your input and attendance at council meetings held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM. Work sessions are held as needed on the 1st Tuesday of each month. Check www.northogden.com for changes.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

2014 Sales Tax Goal Achieved!

Last year we set a goal of \$2,090,000 in sales tax income for the city, and we achieved it with sales tax receipts of \$2,107,867. This was nearly 6% higher than our sales tax income from 2013! Sales taxes are very important and help fund important city services like Police, road repair, Parks & Recreation, etc. We are setting a 2015 goal of boosting our sales tax receipts to \$2,225,000, so please keep shopping local and putting your tax dollars back into your own city!

LED Streetlights!

We also took a great step forward in our community by beginning to replace our high pressure sodium streetlight bulbs with new energy-efficient, long-lasting LED bulbs. The LED bulbs last 7-10 times longer, use far less energy, do not require a ballast, and can be replaced by our own Public Works crews instead of an outside electrician. On top of the financial and environmental benefits, the LED streetlights also look much better. They provide a crystal-clear "true color" light, instead of the yellowish haze from sodium lights. This change will save tax money, help the environment, and will provide a more aesthetically pleasing nighttime view in our community. Our Public Works Department switched out the first 40 bulbs in January and will install the LED bulbs as existing sodium bulbs burn out. We expect to have the entire city transitioned over to LED in about 2 years.



Cherry Days Applications

We are now taking applications for parade, brochure and booth spaces for the 2015 summer Cherry Days Celebration! Visit www.northogdencherrydays.com for more information.



North Shore's lifeguarding course will begin Feb. 16th. Registration and dates can be found online at www.northshoreaquaticcenter.com

The 2015 Hiring Process for the Aquatic Center is here. Applications can be found at www.northshoreaquaticcenter.com

We will be accepting applications starting Feb. 23rd.

N.O. Limits Half Marathon & 5K events on May 2, 2015

Register Today Online at nolimitshalfmarathon.com

REGISTRATIONS

Register Online at

www.northogdenrecreation.com

Boys Baseball & Girls Softball

Register: March 1st – March 29th

Cost: 1st-3rd Grades - \$36.00

Cost: 4th – 9th Grades - \$44.00

Kickball \$25.00

Co-ed league for Pre-K ages only

T-Ball - \$36.00

Co-ed for Kindergarten Only

SNOWSHOE RENTAL

Office Hours: Monday-Friday

8:00am – 5:00pm

North Ogden Resident Rate

\$8.00 per pair (one day)

\$12.00 per pair (Friday-Monday)

Garden Boxes are available to rent at \$25.00 per plot. Contact our office for more info.

North Ogden Recreation is **Now Hiring**. Closes March 31st

Must be 15 as of May 1st

Click the link for more info

www.northogdenrecreation.com

Click the tab "EMPLOYMENT"

SENIOR CENTER

MONDAY		TUESDAY		DATE	TIME	EVENT
HOURS	8:00am - 4:30pm	HOURS	8:00am - 4:30pm	5-Feb	5:30pm	Entertainment-Chat & Chew
8:30am	Ceramics	8:30am	Hot Hula Matua	10-Feb	10:00am	Computer Class - Internet Security
10:00am	Line Dancing	9-12pm	Alzheimers Group/Daycare	10-Feb	11:00am	Medicare Billing Questions/Help
10:00am	Free Legal Advice - 1st Mon	9:30am	Art	12-Feb	5:30pm	**Crimson Rose Band(Dinner/Dance)
11:50am	LUNCH*	10:00am	Line Dancing	16-Feb		Closed-Presidents Day
12:00pm	Tap Dance	11:50am	LUNCH*	19-Feb	5:30pm	Entertainment - Bingo
12:30pm	Pinochle / Mah Jong	12:30am	Weight Lifting	21-Feb	7:00pm	Windy Hollow - Potluck
12:30pm	Mah Jong			24-Feb	10:00am	Computer Class - How Stuff Works
12:30pm	Canasta			26-Feb	2:30pm	Grief Class
1:00pm	Computer Lab			26-Feb	5:30pm	Entertainment - Andrew Poll
2:00pm	Cell Phone Help - 1st Mon					**Sign up for dinner
WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		
HOURS	8:00am - 4:30pm	HOURS	1:00pm - 7:30pm	HOURS	8:00am -3:00pm	
9:00am	Wood Carving & Bridge			8:30am	Ceramics	
9:30am	Bridge			8:45am	Magic Workout	
10:00am	Line Dancing			10:00am	Yoga (Bring own Mat)	
10:00am	Foot Clinic - By Appt. Only - 2nd and 3rd Wednesday			11:50am	LUNCH*	
11:00am	Blood Pressure - 2nd and 4th Wednesday	1:00pm	Tap Dancing	12:30pm	Pinochle	
11:50am	LUNCH*	5:00pm	DINNER*			
12:30pm	Pinochle	5:30pm	Entertainment			

We have some fun activities planned for this month. Take a look at the schedule for our activities and hours, then come by and check out the library, billiards, television, exercise equipment and ping pong table. *Cost for lunch/dinner is \$3 for seniors over age 60 and \$6.00 for seniors under age 60.

AARP Defensive Driving February 13th @ 10:00am – 2:30pm

Income Tax Preparation - Call Zella to sign up (801-782-6211) **Taxes –Every Wed and Thurs Starting Wed Feb 4, 2015**

Household Hazardous Waste Program:

The household hazardous waste program is for all Weber County residents. The program is FREE for household quantities of hazardous waste. Small business owners may be assessed a fee depending on quantities brought in.

The hours and months of operation are every 3rd Saturday of the month beginning in April and ending in September. Hours of operation are 8am-1pm. For more information please call 801 399-8803.

We encourage residents to take advantage of our FREE re-use center as well. The re-use shed contains used paint, thinners, approved pesticides and other misc. used products brought in by the public. It is available during regular business hours.

Oil – 5 gallons per day per resident - Free to drop off

Antifreeze - 5 gallons per day per resident - Free to drop off

North Ogden C.E.R.T.

Our next C.E.R.T. Emergency Preparedness meeting will be held on Thursday, February 5th, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the North Ogden Police Department, 515 E. 2600 N. This is a change from our usual second Thursday meetings, and will affect our February and March meetings, only. Come help us prepare for our upcoming Emergency Preparedness Fair.

ANIMAL CONTROL REMINDER:

2014 dog licenses have now expired and are due to be renewed. Licensing fees are listed below. The city has also implemented a \$5.00 surcharge per dog to help off-set the expense of a new dog park being planned in the city. License renewals are due no later than February 28th, 2015. An additional late fee will be added to any dog license renewals after that date. Licensing is available Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., excluding holidays at the North Ogden Police Department.

Spayed/Neutered		Not Spayed/Neutered	
Microchipped	Not Microchipped	Microchipped	Not Microchipped
\$5.00 + surcharge	\$10.00 + surcharge	\$20.00 + surcharge	\$30.00 + surcharge

A VERY SPECIAL THANKS! Thank you to the anonymous Donor/s who left the Christmas jar on our porch Christmas Eve. This was a very generous contribution to our daughter's up-coming Heart & Liver transplant. Thank you ever so much! A Heart Felt Thanks! The Martins

Charrette, Downtown Survey and Market Demand Results

Thank you to North Ogden residents for participating in our public downtown design charrette (public workshop) and downtown surveys. Preliminary downtown plans will be coming forth as a result of the charrette. A lot of different ideas were developed in the charrette: **however some common threads included increasing street connectivity (more streets and more options), importance of green space or plazas in the downtown, more stores and lots of residential housing** (different types). Many of the participants could really see a small urban upscale downtown happening in North Ogden.

Over 300 people responded to the on-line and paper mailed survey concerning downtown issues. Opinions were quite varied and here is short summary of the responses:

- Residents want a better looking street with wider sidewalks.
- Townhouses had a mixed response
- Apartments had a mixed response but both somewhat positive and negative
- Low rise offices were considered a good use
- Big boxes were considered undesirable
- Mid-size boxes were considered favorable
- Smaller stores were considered desirable

As far as specific uses were concerned, the survey results suggested: Dining, Retail Shopping, Festivals, Outdoor Concerts, Farmers Market, Splash Pad, Business/ Jobs, and Entertainment

The market study evaluated the current demand for housing, offices, retail uses, and revealed that past trends do not suggest significant near term demand, but developers are more optimistic than the trend information. Developers have an interest in building townhomes and apartments/condominiums at moderate densities. The short term office market is not particularly good but the City can expect more retail uses to want to locate here every year. This short term study recognized that the timeframe for our General Plan update is quite long, however, and the study does not pretend to know the market 10 or 20 years from now. The finance study showed North Ogden's grocery stores are bringing in outside business. The study also showed that much of the North Ogden resident's dollars on retail, restaurants, entertainment, appliances, services and others are leaving the city. Through discussion with residents on needs and financial studies it is becoming clear that a vibrant mixed-use downtown is viable.

In March you will have the opportunity to provide input on the North Ogden downtown plan at an open house and input on your neighborhood's own needs.



North Ogden residents working on downtown design

In recent weeks, several communities in Weber County have experienced a large number of vehicles that have been stolen or broken into. Unfortunately, North Ogden is among the communities affected. In a recent seven day period, we had almost twenty vehicles that had been reported broken into. Of those, the large majority had been left unlocked and only one showed any signs of forced entry. Two additional vehicles had been stolen, one while it was left idling and unattended, and the other had the keys left inside while the vehicle was parked in the garage. As officers investigated several of these incidents, they were able to track suspect footprints in the snow. It appears that the thieves were checking vehicles in the area, and when they found a vehicle that was locked, they passed those vehicles by and continued on to easier targets.

We are aware that community members have been asking what the police department has been doing to stop these crimes from occurring. Be assured that our officers are actively out looking, but we cannot be everywhere at once. We also have officers who are coming out on overtime shifts to increase patrols. However, as we are patrolling the neighborhoods, it is not uncommon for criminals to hide as we go past, only to resume their activities once we have left the area. The easiest way to reduce the likelihood of becoming these criminals' next victim is to secure your property. Lock your vehicles, do not leave any valuables out to tempt thieves, and do not leave your idling vehicle unattended or leave the keys in the vehicle. While this will not prevent all thefts from occurring, the vast majority of thieves do not want to draw attention to themselves by making noise breaking windows, or risk being discovered by taking the time to slim-jim doors or pick locks.

The North Ogden Police Department will continue to patrol your neighborhoods, and are vigilant in our efforts to stop these and other crimes. However, we ask that each of you also make a concerted effort to make our community a less tempting target for those who seek the opportunity to commit crimes.

As always, we also encourage residents to report suspicious persons or activities to our dispatch center immediately. They can be reached 24 hours a day at 801-629-8221.

REMINDER: We want to remind the community that after every snow fall please remember to clean the snow off of your sidewalks.

***North Ogden's City Offices will be closed
Monday, February 16th, in observance of President's Day.***

The North Ogden Historical Museum has opened with new winter hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. If you would like to buy any of our books or would like to make an Appointment to visit the Museum please call 801-782-4386 or 801-782-0441. Thank you for all your support and visit's.

