



Midway City News

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Midway City Corporation



Mayor's Message

By Colleen Bonner
Midway City Mayor

General Plan Update

The City reported in our December newsletter about the review and revision of the Midway General Plan and we would like to inform the members of our community on the progress we have made since then. The General Plan was adopted in 2011 and we review the plan about every five years. This plan will guide Midway through the next few decades as we continue to grow and evolve as a community. There are many parts of our community that we want to stay the same but there are also elements that can become better if we plan correctly.

The City worked with Mountainland Association of Governments to create a survey to gather information from the residents about what they like about Midway and any changes that they would like to see happen in the future.

There were some main themes that were evident from the survey which included the importance of trails, open space, and animal rights to name some examples. The survey results have been discussed in the General Plan committees and these results are helping those committees make a recommendation regarding the language that should be in the General Plan to reflect the importance that those items have in our community.

Also the City recently held a General Plan Workshop so that we could gather public input regarding the General Plan. About 150 members of the community attended the workshop and hundreds of comments were gathered and will be reviewed by the chapter committees. We felt that the workshop was a great success and we are excited about moving forward with the General Plan review process during the second half of this year.

What is the next step in this process? We plan on reviewing the chapters over the next few months and then taking the chapters to the Planning Commission for their review and recommendation. Then the City Council will review the recommended plan and hopefully by the end of this year the newly reviewed and revised General Plan will be adopted by the City Council.



Come and join us for another wonderful Small Town Fourth of July in Midway!

July 4th will begin with a 6:00am firing of the cannon from Memorial Hill calling everyone to a 7:00am Sunrise Service on Town Square. Our featured speaker this year is Todd Hansen, host of the "Story Trek" television show. This will be followed by a pancake breakfast on the Square. Ongoing Heritage events will be taking place at the Community Center as well immediately after the breakfast:

Midway Beginnings: Stories, artifacts and anecdotes bring the past to life as John Besendorfer shares his knowledge.

Mining and Midway: Original slide presentation by Jerry Springer on local mining activities.

Heritage Home Tours: Meet at the Town Square Gazebo throughout the day.

Children's Melodrama Performance: 11:00am and 1:00pm on the Community Center lawn.

The day will close with the annual fireworks display over Memorial Hill at dusk.

ADDITIONAL EXTENDED ACTIVITIES

HIGH VALLEY ARTS will be presenting their stage production of "The Wizard of Oz" July 1st through July 16th at the beautiful outdoor theater.

MIDWAY ART ASSOCIATION's Annual Plein Air Paradise takes place June 24th – July 4th and is the largest painting competition of its kind in Utah. Events include "paint-outs" in Heber & Midway as well as a "Quick Draw" where artists paint a finished canvas in 90 minutes. For more information visit their website at:

www.midwayartassociation.org



City Fireworks and Open Fire Restrictions

Midway City Council has enacted an ordinance restricting the discharge of fireworks within specific areas of the City.

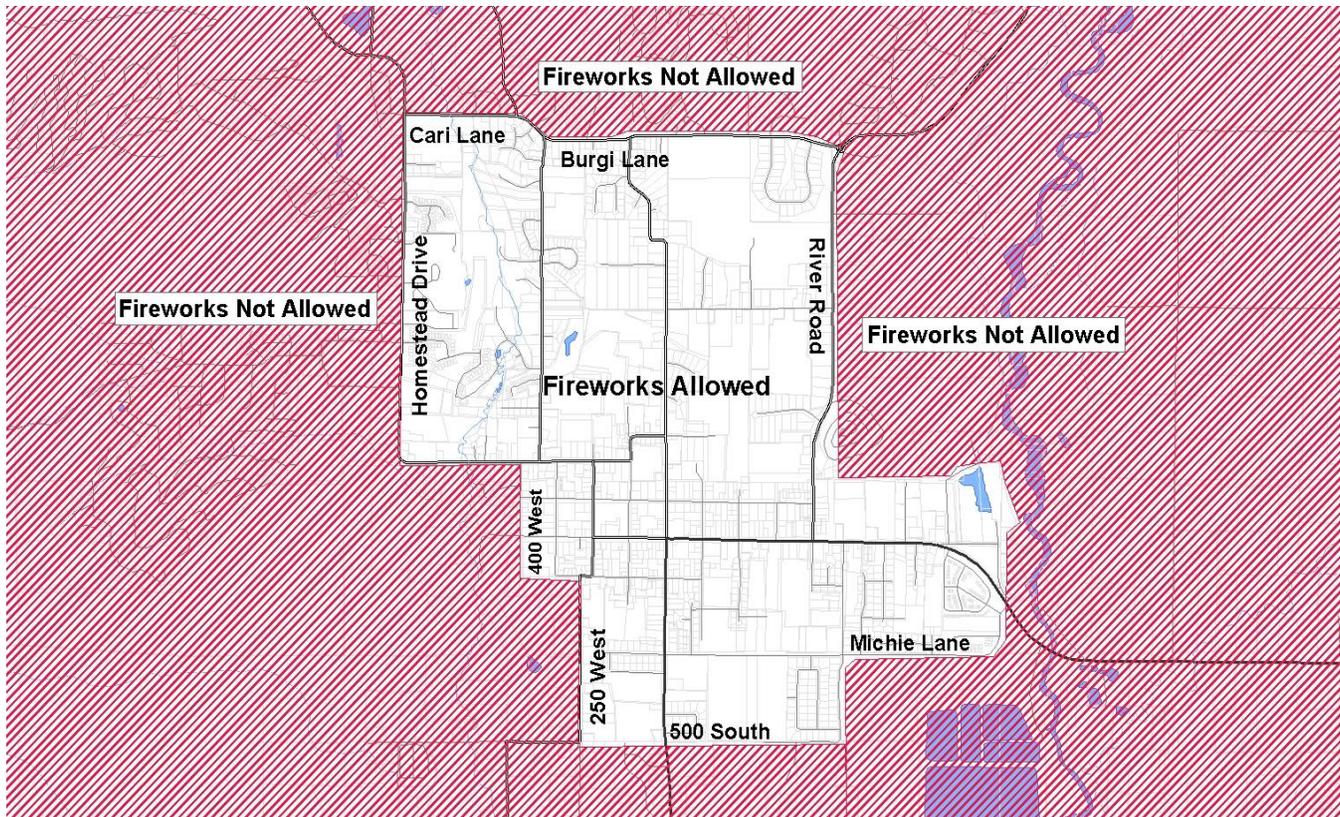
The geographical areas where restrictions are in force are effective July 1, 2016 for the discharge of any fireworks; including Class A, B and C, and open fires (see map on this page):

- North of Cari Lane, Burgi Lane, River Road from the round-about north.
- West of Homestead Drive, 400 West, 250 West.
- East of Michie Lane to Provo River
- South of 500 South
- Other areas where vegetation is overgrown.

Residents living in these listed restricted areas are welcome to come to the Town Square to use Class C fireworks such as igniters, fuses and “common fireworks”, which are the smaller and less powerful fireworks available for sale and use by the general public. Please clean up your debris from your fireworks off the Town Square.

Be conscientious about your surroundings. The wet spring has caused wild grass to grow tall, and now that grass is drying out due to the hot temperatures. Refrain from shooting aerial fireworks near open fields with dry grass.

For more information on the restrictions, please contact the Wasatch County Fire Marshall at 435-671-1474, or visit www.utahfireinfo.gov - OR- www.midwaycityut.org.



ADDITIONAL FIREWORKS INFORMATION

Fireworks may only be discharged as noted:

July 1-3	11:00am to 11:00pm	July 21-23	11:00am to 11:00pm
July 4	11:00am to midnight	July 24	11:00am to midnight
July 5-7	11:00am to 11:00pm	July 25-27	11:00am to 11:00pm
July 8-20	Fireworks Not Permitted	After July 27	Fireworks Not Permitted

- State of Utah approved Class “C” fireworks can only be sold.
- You must be at least 16 years old to purchase fireworks.
- Keep a bucket of water nearby to place spent fireworks in, and keep them there for at least 12 hours.

Why Do I Need A Building Permit?

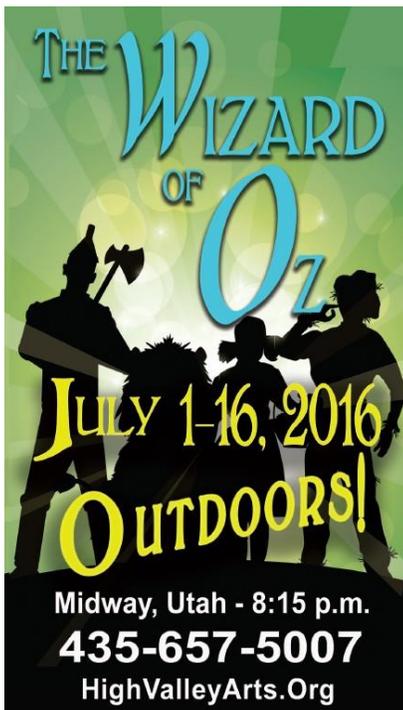
Often in the Building Safety department we are asked why we require a permit to do certain repairs to a home. The best and most important reason is for the safety of the occupants. Take for instance the home that needed the roof repaired and there are two layers of shingles on the roof. The code requires that those layers be removed before new ones are installed. This will allow a new layer of moisture barrier to be applied under the shingles to prevent leaks. The building inspector will inspect this barrier for proper installation in order to insure that later the roof will not leak and cause damage to the home or its contents. Another reason to not just install another layer would be the increased weight on the roof. This could have disastrous results if we experienced a winter with an unusually large amount of snow that could build up on the roof and it were to cave in. This could have serious consequences for the occupants of the home.

The same logic applies to other things such as replacing windows, installing a new heating system or water heater, covering or extending an existing deck, or adding a new deck. There are codes that are in place to protect the safety of the occupants and the permit process is the tool that we use to

insure that the codes are met and the work is completed to insure safety. We have purposely set the permit fees for many of these type permits low in order to encourage people to get their permit before they start the work. To finish the basement of an existing home is only \$100, to reroof a house is \$50, to replace a water heater is \$15. One of the code requirements that is unique to Midway, because our elevation is over 5,000 feet, is that any deck or porch that is attached to the house needs engineered drawings. This is also a requirement for any accessory buildings that exceed 200 square feet.

There are some things that do not require a permit. A tool shed or playhouse that is less than 200 square feet, a fence that is less than 7 feet high, finish work such as tile, carpet, counter tops, cabinets or painting.

If there is ever any question about what requires a permit, we would rather answer the question before you begin than to stop the work while the proper permit is obtained. We charge double for the permit if work is started before the permit is obtained. Please call the Building Department at 435-654-3223 ext. 1, or email jjackson@midwaycityut.org with your questions.



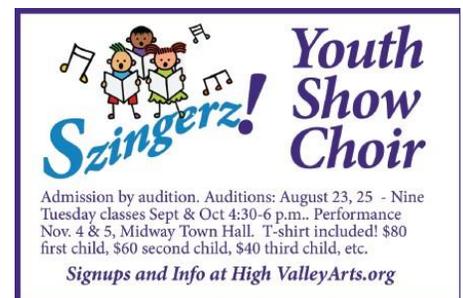
THE WIZARD OF OZ
July 1-16, 2016
OUTDOORS!
Midway, Utah - 8:15 p.m.
435-657-5007
HighValleyArts.Org

"The Wizard of Oz" is coming to Midway!

Dorothy, the Scarecrow, the Tinman, and the Cowardly Lion are coming to Midway July 1st. Kids from 1-99 will love the Munchkins, the monkeys and the trees and the crows and adorable Toto, played by Mia, making her stage debut. Tickets are from \$9-\$16. Group tickets (\$10 each) are available online for Wednesdays. Bring a picnic supper to the 7:15 p.m. live-music preshow! Tickets at Days Market in Heber or online at HighValleyArts.org.

High Valley Arts has added a children's program to our lineup – a new youth show choir ages 8-14 – "The Szingerz!" with none Tuesday classes 4:30-6:00pm in September and October. The Szingerz! Will perform at the Town Hall with the High Valley Singers on November 4 and 5.

The same superb team who taught the Munchkins in "Wizard" (Kristie Engar-music and Mary Eckersley-dance/stage presence) will provide an excellent singing/dancing experience. Information and registration at HighValleyArts.org.



Szingerz! Youth Show Choir
Admission by audition. Auditions: August 23, 25 - Nine Tuesday classes Sept & Oct 4:30-6 p.m.. Performance Nov. 4 & 5, Midway Town Hall. T-shirt included! \$80 first child, \$60 second child, \$40 third child, etc.
Signups and Info at HighValleyArts.org

July Events

June 26 th – July 4 th	Plein Air Paradise Art Exhibit/Competition & Sale "The Wizard of Oz"
July 1 st & 2 nd	High Valley Arts Outdoor Theater / 8:15pm
July 4 th	SMALL TOWN FOURTH CELEBRATION / Town Sq.
July 6 th – 16 th	"Wizard of Oz" – HVA Outdoor Theater / 8:15pm
July 13 th	City Council – Comm Cntr 6:00pm
July 20 th	Planning Commission – Comm Cntr 7:00pm
July 25 th	Utah Pioneer Day Holiday – City Office Closed
July 27 th	City Council – Comm Cntr 6:00pm

August Events

Aug 10 th	City Council – Comm Cntr 6:00pm
Aug 17 th	Planning Commission – Comm Cntr 7:00pm
Aug 24 th	City Council – Comm Cntr 6:00pm

September Events

Sept 2 nd – 3 rd	SWISS DAYS – Town Square
Sept 5 th	Labor Day Holiday – City Office Closed
Sept 14 th	City Council – Comm Cntr 6:00pm
Sept 21 th	Planning Commission – Comm Cntr 7:00pm
Sept 28 th	City Council – Comm Cntr 6:00pm

Wasatch County Fair Days



Mark your calendars for the annual Wasatch County Fair Days, July 30th through August 6th.

This year promises to be another delightful event beginning with the crowning of a new Miss Wasatch, and activities such as the "Strut Your Mutt" competition on Saturday, Arts and Craft exhibits, hoola hoop contest, and of course the Country Market and Carnival opening August 3rd.

Two events always showcase the Fair – a Demolition Derby on July 30th at 7:00pm, and the Mountain Valley Stampedo Rodeo which takes place August 5th & 6th at 7:30pm.

Don't miss all of the young FFA members showing the stock animals they have raised throughout the year – cows, pigs, sheep and chickens.

"Party In The Park" happens August 1st with free hot dogs, drinks & games, and there will be a Movie In The Park on August 3rd.

For more information, visit the Fair Days official website at <http://www.wasatchcountyfair.com>.



Honored Citizens of Midway



This year, Midway City is pleased to announce our Honored citizens for 2016; Lane and Kathy McCotter. Look for more information about this wonderful couple in upcoming publications

New Office Hours for Midway City

In an effort to better serve our community, Midway City has extended office hours during the first four days of the week. This will provide an opportunity for residents who work from 8-5 to conduct City business either before or after their work hours.

Please make note of the new office hours for the Midway City Offices:

Monday – Thursday 7:30am to 5:30pm

Friday 8:00am to Noon

Midway Boosters Host the Annual Patriotic Small Town 4th Celebration

We look forward to our patriotic Small Town July 4th celebration sponsored by the Midway Boosters. It will start at 7 a.m. at the Midway Town Square.

The celebration will feature a flag raising ceremony, performances by the Swiss Chorus, Swiss Bell Ringers and Swiss Miss. Plus, Lane and Kathy McCotter will join us as this year's Honored Citizens of Midway.

Todd Hansen, host of the popular BYUtv series, The Story Trek, will be the featured guest speaker. His experiences of telling the stories of hundreds of people across our nation provide him with a very unique perspective of the rich human tapestry that makes up this nation.

Immediately following the program, there will be a pancake breakfast.

The fireworks show will begin at approximately 10:00 p.m. from Memorial Hill and can be seen from many locations across Midway.

Swiss Miss Royalty:

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Velma Evans who, for the past 20 years or more, has custom made the dresses for our Midway Swiss Miss Royalty. This year's dress will be premiered at the July 4th celebration.

We also thank Karla Jenkins who made the head wreaths for this year.

Scholarships:

We congratulate Kaleb Ethan Turner, Amy Simons, Chad Patterson and Kayla Peirce, this year's recipients of the Midway Boosters' four scholarships. We wish them the very best as they

embark into the universe of possibility and encourage our Midway students who will graduate in 2017 to apply for these Boosters' scholarships. Thank you Launa Nielson and others who made this happen.

Main Street Beautification:

We extend our gratitude to all who helped plant and hang flowers sponsored by the Midway Boosters, especially Lisa and Clay Coleman who took the lead on this project. We also thank Jody Klotovich and Celeste Johnson for overseeing the Crèche storage move and Mayor Bonner for the delicious cinnamon rolls.

Facebook.com/FriendsofMidway:

We invite you to follow our Facebook page (Facebook.com/FriendsofMidway) to find out more about Midway. We welcome ideas by email at friendsofmidwayutah@gmail.com



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