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Planning Commission

While watching the most recent meeting of the Planning Commission it struck me, and not for the first time, that being assigned to the commission might just be against the Geneva Convention, you know, the article against cruel and unusual punishment.

They discussed, and NOT for the first time, Luke Wilson and his parking lot and whether he needs this study or just that study and what constitutes a small business. Can it roll away? Or no. And he didn't get appropriate approval to start this change but then he stopped and made the appropriate requests and submissions. Can they retro ask for something when he felt he had jumped through all the hoops required and so forth and so on and back and forth and should they table it — again.

You might want to read the letters people wrote concerning the project if you're not yet sufficiently confused. They were good, thoughtful, sounded knowledgeable to me and disagreed with each other diametrically.

Ultimately they decided to not approve his request. And here's what's the most impressive: everyone, including Mr. Wilson, stayed calm, engaged, and courteous. To Mr. Wilson's credit, after the discussion and information dissemination and clarification from staff and his **request was denied**, he thanked the Commission, said he felt he had learned enough to where he felt he could re-submit with a better idea of direction to take.

I have neither the smarts nor the motivation to spend the time necessary to give a better summation. If interested: https://www.youtube.com/@SpringdaleTownPublicMeetings

Strong Legs = Longer Life

by Debi Keys

Why Strong Legs Mean a Longer Life

What if one of the best things you can do for your future isn't another diet… but getting stronger?

We spend a lot of time talking about heart health, brain health, healthy weight and nutrition as we get older. And yes, all of those things matter.

But there's another piece of healthy aging that deserves much more attention:

Your legs.

Strong legs aren't just about looking toned in shorts. They're about being able to get out of a chair without using your arms, climb a flight of stairs, carry groceries, get up off the floor, step over a curb—and keep doing the things you love without needing someone else to do them for you.

In other words:

Leg strength is independence.

Research consistently shows that physical capability—including walking speed, chair-stand performance and muscular strength—is associated with future health outcomes and mortality. In one large study of more than 43,000 adults age 50 and older, performance on the five-repetition chair-stand test was associated with all-cause mortality.

And this isn't about becoming a bodybuilder. It's about maintaining the muscle you already have and giving your body a reason to keep it.

Your legs are your "independence muscles"

Think about everything your legs do in a normal day.

You stand up.

You sit down.

You climb stairs.

You walk through the grocery store.

You get in and out of your car.

You carry laundry.

You travel.

You hike.

You chase grandkids.

You get up from the floor.

Those everyday movements require strength, balance and coordination.

As we age, muscle mass and strength naturally tend to decline. But "natural" doesn't mean "unavoidable."

The good news is that strength can be trained at virtually any age.

The current Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans recommend muscle-strengthening activities at least **two days per week**, along with aerobic activity and balance training for older adults.

And you don't need an expensive gym membership to start.

Four simple exercises for stronger legs

1. Chair Squats

Your chair can become your gym equipment.

Stand in front of a sturdy chair with your feet about hip-width apart.

Slowly bend your knees and push your hips backward as if you're going to sit down. Lightly touch the chair with your bottom, then press through your feet to stand back up.

Try **8–10 repetitions**.

Need more support? Put the chair behind you and use your hands on a nearby countertop for balance.

Chair-based exercise has been shown to improve lower-extremity function in older adults, making this a wonderfully accessible place to start.

2. Step-Ups

Find a low, sturdy step or stair.

Step up with one foot, bring the other foot up to meet it, then step back down carefully.

Repeat, alternating legs.

Start with **5–8 repetitions per side**.

Step-ups are especially useful because they mimic something we do all the time:

Climbing stairs.

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And that's the whole point of functional strength training—building strength that actually helps you live your life.

3. Lunges—or Modified Lunges

Lunges can be challenging, so don't feel like you have to perform a deep, perfect lunge.

Try a **small reverse lunge** instead.

Stand tall while holding onto a countertop or sturdy chair. Step one foot backward, bend both knees slightly, then push through your front foot to return to standing.

Alternate sides.

Start with **5 repetitions per side**.

If that doesn't feel comfortable, simply practice stepping backward and returning to your starting position without bending deeply.

Modify the exercise—not the goal.

4. Wall Sits

This one looks innocent.

It isn't. 😉

Stand with your back against a wall and slowly slide down until your knees are comfortably bent. Hold the position for **10–20 seconds**, then slide back up.

Can't go very far?

That's perfectly fine.

Start higher on the wall and gradually work your way down as you become stronger.

Remember, we're not training for the Olympics.

We're training for **Tuesday.**

For getting out of the chair.

For carrying the groceries.

For walking through the airport.

For climbing the stairs.

For getting up from the floor.

For continuing to do the things we love.

Don't wait until you're "old" to start

One of the biggest mistakes we can make is waiting until we notice a loss of strength before doing something about it.

Strength is a **use-it-or-lose-it** kind of investment.

And the goal isn't necessarily to become stronger than you were at 30.

The goal is to be stronger **next year than you are today.**

Even small amounts of activity can provide benefits, and people who aren't currently active can start slowly and build from there.

So here's your challenge:

This week, give your legs a little more work.

Try a few chair squats while you're waiting for your coffee.

Do some step-ups on the bottom stair.

Practice a few supported reverse lunges.

Try a short wall sit.

You don't need an hour.

You don't need fancy equipment.

You just need to start.

Because strong legs aren't just about fitness.

They're about freedom.

They're about staying capable, confident and independent for as long as possible.

And honestly?

That's a pretty good reason to work your legs.

To your best health,

Debs~

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Where do you find an elephant with no legs? Right where you left it.

What do you call a cow with no legs? Ground beef.

What do you call a woman with one leg longer than the other? Eileen

What do you get when you cross a busy road with a broken leg and a blindfold on? Hit

I'm a genius and have 14 legs. What am I? Delusional

Living Well in a Dry Climate

Very dry climates—especially desert and high-desert areas—bring a unique mix of challenges: wildfire, dehydration, intense UV exposure, dry skin and airways, dust, static electricity, and risks for pets. A few habits can make a big difference.

🔥 Protect your home from wildfire

In a wildfire, **windblown embers** can travel far ahead of the flames and ignite roofs, decks, vents, dry vegetation, and debris.

- Keep the first **5 feet around your home** as noncombustible as practical: gravel, concrete, stone, or pavers are preferable to mulch.
- Clean leaves, pine needles, and debris from **gutters, roofs, decks, and under structures**.
- Remove dead vegetation and weeds regularly.
- Keep firewood, lumber, cardboard, and other combustible materials away from the house.
- Trim branches that overhang roofs and structures.
- Consider fire-rated roofing and ember-resistant vent screens
- Be especially cautious with outdoor fires, welding, grinding, chainsaws, cigarettes, and anything else that can create sparks

💧 Stay hydrated

Don't wait until you're thirsty. Dry air increases evaporative water loss, especially during exercise, hiking, or windy weather.
Keep water readily available, carry extra when traveling, and pay particular attention to children, older adults, and pets. During prolonged heavy sweating, electrolytes may also be useful.
C**ool desert weather can still be dehydrating**.

🧴 Take care of your skin

Low humidity can seriously dry out your skin.

- Take shorter, warm—not hot—showers.
- Use gentle, fragrance-free cleansers.
- Apply a **cream or ointment immediately after bathing**, while skin is still slightly damp.
- Pay extra attention to lips, hands, feet, elbows, and around the nose.
- Keep lip balm or petroleum jelly handy.
- Use broad-spectrum **SPF 30+**, sunglasses, hats, and sun-protective clothing.

If you're dealing with persistent cracking, bleeding, severe itching, or other significant skin problems, don't assume they're simply caused by the climate.

🌡️ Measure indoor humidity

A cheap **hygrometer** is one of the most useful purchases for a dry-climate home. The EPA recommends keeping indoor relative humidity around **30–50%**.(Too much encourages mold)
If humidity is consistently very low, a humidifier can help—but maintain it carefully. Dirty humidifiers can introduce biological pollutants into the air.
Very dry indoor air can also contribute to static electricity, shrinking wood, cracks in furniture or flooring, and problems with musical instruments.

👃 Don't ignore your nose and lungs

Dry air and dust can irritate your nose and throat. Saline nasal spray, adequate hydration, humidity control, and good dust management can help.
During wildfire smoke events, keep windows closed and consider creating a **clean-air room** with filtration. People and pets with respiratory problems may need extra precautions.

🐕 Protect your pets

Pets need protection from both **heat and dry conditions**.

- Provide multiple sources of fresh water.
- Walk dogs during cooler parts of the day.
- Remember that pavement can become hot enough to burn paws.
- Watch for excessive panting, weakness, difficulty breathing, confusion, or collapse.
- Keep pets indoors as much as practical during heavy wildfire smoke.
- Have carriers, leashes, food, medications, water, and veterinary records ready for evacuation.

Don't wait until an evacuation order to discover that your cat refuses to enter its carrier.

🧹 Manage dust

Desert dust gets everywhere. Use good entry mats, remove dusty shoes indoors, vacuum rather than constantly stirring dust with a broom, maintain HVAC filters, and clean ceiling fans regularly. Keep windows closed during particularly dusty or windy periods. A **HEPA air purifier** can be worthwhile if dust or smoke is a persistent problem.

🚗 Adapt your vehicle and outdoor habits

Heat and dryness are hard on vehicles. Regularly check tire pressure and condition, coolant, battery, belts, hoses, and your spare tire. When traveling remotely, carry water and an emergency kit rather than assuming you'll have reliable cell service or nearby assistance.
Wear lightweight long sleeves, a wide-brimmed hat, sunglasses, and breathable clothing outdoors.
Finally, remember the desert's great paradox: **you need to respect both fire and water**. Extremely dry conditions can make wildfire spread rapidly, but when heavy rain finally arrives, rocky or compacted ground can produce dangerous flash flooding.
The biggest priorities
If you remember only a few things: **hydrate, moisturize, protect yourself from the sun, monitor indoor humidity, manage dust, protect your pets, and keep combustible material away from your home.** Most importantly, learn your local fire-weather conditions and have an evacuation plan before you need one.

Strokes of an Artist: Maynard Dixon Lines



Maynard Dixon: The Artist Who Found His West in Southern Utah

Few artists captured the American West with the quiet authority of **Maynard Dixon**. His paintings can seem deceptively simple: broad bands of earth and sky, a distant mesa, a cottonwood, a rider or solitary figure. By stripping away the unnecessary, Dixon focused on the essential character of a place—its scale, solitude, light and atmosphere.

For residents and visitors to **Springdale and Zion National Park**, Dixon's story has a special local connection. Although his Southern Utah home was in Mount Carmel rather than Springdale, Zion Canyon and the surrounding landscape became increasingly important to him during the final decade of his life.

A Lifelong Search for the West

Born in California in 1875, Dixon was largely self-taught. He became a successful illustrator as well as a fine artist, traveling widely and painting Native American communities, cowboys, ranchers, miners and settlers, but above all the Western landscape.

His mature paintings often feature low horizons, immense skies and mountains reduced to powerful geometric forms. The result feels remarkably modern. Dixon was less interested in picturesque scenery than in conveying the character of the West.

His personal life also intersected with important artistic currents of the era. He was married to photographer **Dorothea Lange** from 1920 to 1935. In 1937 he married artist and muralist **Edith Hamlin**, who would share his growing attachment to Southern Utah.

Dixon and Zion

The Dixon family's Southern Utah story began in **1933**, when Maynard Dixon, Dorothea Lange and their two young sons spent the summer in the Zion and Mount Carmel area. Dixon was deeply impressed by the red, peach and white sandstone, vegetation and enormous skies.



One result was *High in the Morning*, (right) painted that year and depicting the **Great White Throne** in Zion. Rather than presenting a sweeping panorama, Dixon brought the sandstone wall close, emphasizing massive forms, light and shadow. The Brigham Young University Museum of Art notes the unusual close-up composition.

For someone standing in Springdale today, the connection is striking. The cliffs framing Zion were not simply scenery to Dixon; they became subjects he studied, sketched and transformed through his distinctive visual language.

The Mount Carmel Home

Dixon and Hamlin eventually established a summer home in **Mount Carmel**, completing their pioneer-style log house around 1939–40. The property included the house, studio, garage/studio, bunkhouse and other structures, surrounded by native materials, trees, an irrigation ditch and open meadow.

The property was placed on the **National Register of Historic Places in 2002**.



From Mount Carmel, Dixon had access to a remarkable variety of landscapes: Zion, the Virgin River country, plateaus, mesas, cottonwood-lined fields and the high desert. He painted the spectacular, but he was equally interested in ordinary things—a field, a dirt road, a tree, a distant ridge or changing light on a cliff.

That sensitivity is one reason his Southern Utah paintings still resonate with people who know the country firsthand.

Looking Closely at Dixon

Dixon's Zion paintings aren't photographic records. He reduced scenes to their visual essentials.

In *High in the Morning*, for example, the sandstone formation becomes almost abstract. We feel the weight of the rock rather than simply recognizing "Zion." Strong areas of light and shadow describe the canyon walls, while the limited sky keeps the scene from becoming a conventional postcard.

That was characteristic of Dixon's mature style: **simplify, strengthen and let the landscape speak for itself.**

The Brigham Young University Museum of Art holds what it describes as the largest collection of Dixon's work, including *High in the Morning* and numerous other Western landscapes.

A Home, a Studio and a Final Resting Place

Dixon suffered from emphysema and declining health, spending winters in Tucson and summers in Mount Carmel when he was able. He died in Tucson in 1946.

Edith Hamlin eventually brought his ashes back to Mount Carmel. They were scattered on the hillside above the property, overlooking **Sugar Knoll and**

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Diana's Throne, landmarks Dixon had painted repeatedly.

It is a fitting conclusion for an artist whose work was so deeply tied to place. Dixon spent his career painting the West; in the end, part of him literally became part of the Southern Utah landscape that inspired him.

Visiting Maynard Dixon Country

The strongest surviving physical connection is the **Maynard Dixon Legacy Museum** in Mount Carmel. Operated by the Thunderbird Foundation for the Arts, the site preserves Dixon and Hamlin's home, studio and grounds and offers self-guided and docent-led tours.



It is a living-history museum rather than a conventional fine-art museum, and the Dixon paintings displayed there are reproductions rather than a large collection of original canvases.

Thunderbird Foundation for the Arts — Maynard Dixon Home & Studio

For original works, the **Brigham Young University Museum of Art** in Provo is particularly important, with a significant collection of Dixon paintings.

BYU Museum of Art — Maynard Dixon material

For visitors staying in Springdale, a trip to Mount Carmel can add another dimension to a visit to Zion. Instead of simply seeing the cliffs as scenery, you can consider them through the eyes of an artist who spent years trying to understand them.

Stand in Springdale and look toward Zion. The cliffs can seem almost too dramatic to be real. Dixon reminds us that the West is not only about grand landmarks. It is also about the changing color of sandstone, a shadow crossing a mesa, cottonwoods beside an irrigation ditch, or an immense sky over seemingly empty ground.

That was Maynard Dixon's great gift: he made the West feel both monumental and intimate.

And in the landscapes around Springdale, Zion and Mount Carmel, we can still see the country that helped him do it.

"Navajos in a Canyon" (above)
"Cloud World" (left)
"Zion National Park Landscape" (right)



FEMA AND NEW FLOOD HAZARD MAPS

FEMA has been updating the flood plane maps for Washington County. Most homes in Springdale have not seen a change, but, if concerned, the preliminary maps are done and can be seen at Town Hall in the Community Development Department, or online here:
https://hazards-fema.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=5852ea902db44e55bfce395799315f9c

The two acres next to Town Hall still has a significant portion in the 1% annual chance flood hazard.

A 1% annual chance flood hazard, commonly known as a "100-year flood," indicates that there is a 1 in 100 chance of a flood of a certain size occurring in any given year. This designation is crucial for understanding flood risk and insurance requirements.

Implications of the 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard

- Significant Risk: Properties located in this flood hazard zone face a considerable risk of flooding.
- Flood Insurance Requirement: Homeowners in these areas may be required to purchase flood insurance, especially if they have a mortgage from a federally-backed lender.

Understanding the Statistics

- The term "100-year flood" does not mean that such a flood will only occur once every 100 years. Instead, it reflects the statistical probability of flooding, meaning that multiple floods of this magnitude could occur in a short period.
- Over a 30-year mortgage, there is approximately a 26% chance of experiencing flood damage in a 100-year flood zone.

Conclusion

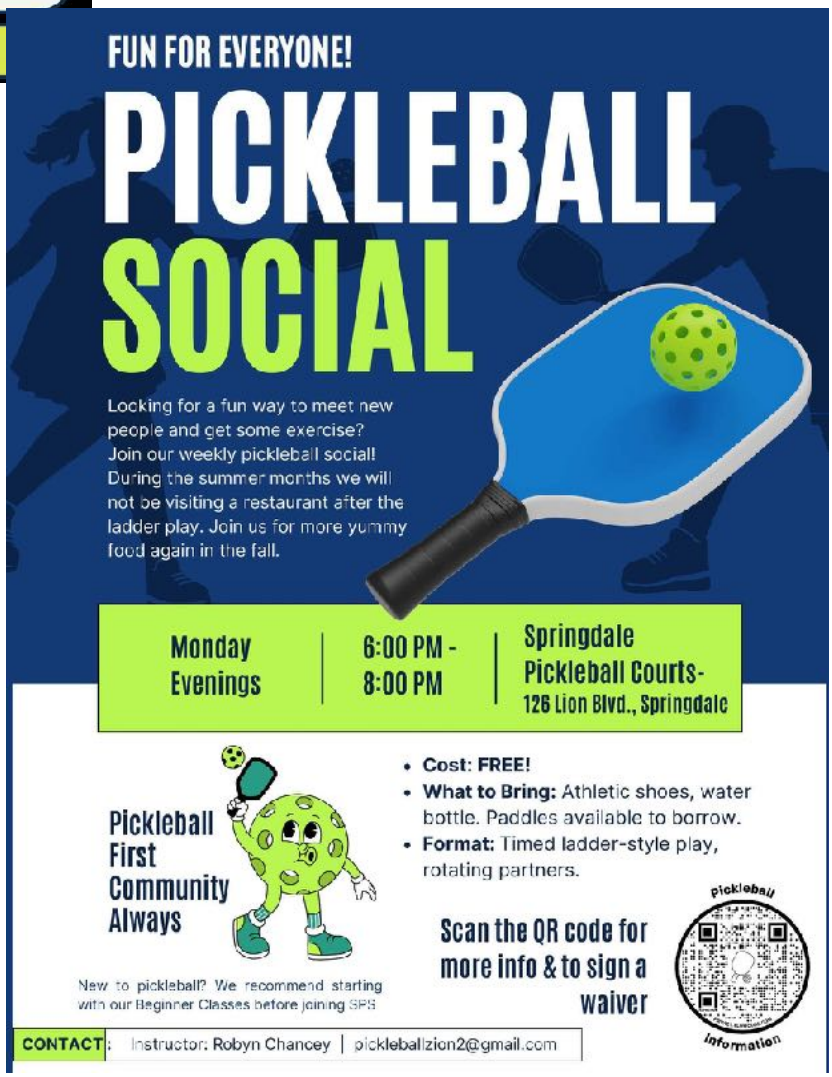
Being aware of the 1% annual chance flood hazard is essential for property owners, as it affects both financial planning and insurance obligations. Understanding this risk can help in making informed decisions regarding property purchases and flood preparedness.



Pickleball's hiatus is over.

Not that pickleball ever really took a hiatus, but the official Town Pickleball Social, Beginner Clinics, Skills & Drills did take a break. They have returned.

The courts were always there for any pickle ballers who were willing to brave the heat. Their funeral was held last week. (Just kidding.)



Never Bored in Springdale

CHECK OUT THE AUGUST TOWN NEWSLETTER!!! https://www.springdale.utah.gov/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/266

TAKE A GANDER AT THE FLYERS AND INFORMATION AT THE END OF THIS ISSUE FOR DETAILS AND CONTACT INFORMATION WHEN PERTINENT.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS:

Sundays:

8:30am, CCC, Catholic Service, every Sunday, enter from the back

Mondays:

9 am, free outdoor exercise class, by the gazebo, bring hand-held weights, yoga mat, bands, and water. Enjoy a warm up, cardio, and stretching.

6:30-7:30 pm, CCC, Alcoholics Anonymous

Tuesdays:

8 am, High Fitness, CCC, weekly, cost

10 am, Yoga, CCC, weekly, cost

2-4 pm, Craft Group, CCC, bring what you're working on and enjoy time with fellow crafters, weekly

Wednesdays:

10:30 am, Storytime, Library, weekly

11:30 am, Adult Book Group, Library, monthly, the 2nd Wednesday, discussing *Hamnet* by O'Farrell for Sept 9

2:30 pm, Scribblers, a writer's club, the 2nd Wednesday so you can go from the reader's to the writer's club, meeting at 650 Watchman Dr. Share what you've written.

2-3pm, CCC, Alcoholics Anonymous

4 pm, Teen Time, 1st Wed: group games, 2nd Wed: D&D, 3rd Wed: Arts&Crafts, 4th Wed: book club

Tween Book Club, 4th Wednesday of the month, discussing *They Both Die at the End* by A Silvers for August 26,

5 pm, Planning Commission Meetings, CCC, twice monthly, the first Wed is a work meeting, the 3rd is a regular meeting

5 pm, Town Council Regular Meeting, CCC, monthly, the 2nd Wed

Thursdays:

Every **first Thursday** of the month from noon to 2, *Let's Get Cooking*, a cookbook club, making a recipe from *The Pinch of Yum Blog* by Lindsey for Sept 3

3-4:30 pm, Sketchers CCC, weekly, **IS TAKING A BREAK FOR THE SUMMER. SEE YOU IN THE FALL. EXACT STARTING DAY TO BE ANNOUNCED.**

5 pm, D&D Club, library, monthly, every second Thursday

8-9 pm, Yoga, CCC, weekly, cost

Fridays:

6-7 pm, Crystal Sound Bath Meditation, CCC, weekly, cost

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

Now - Sept 15, Application submission for the Arts and Crafts Fair: this PDF APPLICATION FORM, see pg 14

Now - Sept 18, Edges exhibition at CCC gallery

August 26, Wednesday, Dominquez-Escalante Expedition & the Spanish Mapping of the American Northwest, 7 pm, CCC see pg 13

August 27, Thursday, Library Craft Night, 5 pm, free, all materials provided, but register in advance, 435 772 3676 or karen.crawford@washco.utah.gov.

August 28, Friday, Edges Reception & Art Talk, CCC, 4-6 pm

Sept 9, Wednesday, Free Botanical Prints with Gelli Plates Workshop for 55+, 3:30- 5 pm, Heritage Town Square 114 S Mill St, Virgin, Limited to 20, ,Must RSVP lanell@listendelicious.art

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Sept 10, Thursday, 3hattrio Returns to Springdale, 7 pm, Bumbleberry Theater, Tickets on sale now https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/3hattrio-returns-to-springdale, see pg 17

TO ACCESS GENERAL INFORMATION

Z-Arts upcoming events: https://www.zarts.org/event-list

For Lion's Club: https://www.springdaletown.com/290/Zion-Canyon-Lions-Club

For Zion Animal Lovers (ZAL): https://www.springdaletown.com/310/Zion-Animal-Lovers-ZAL>

For a great listing of community events with links to greater details: <https://www.springdaletown.com/calendar.aspx>

Information about Wellness and Fitness Classes: <https://www.springdaletown.com/458/Wellness-Fitness-Classes>

Events at Bumbleberry Theater: <https://bumbleberry.com/springdale-utah-theater/>

👀 Looking Ahead

Nov 14, Saturday, Butch Cassidy 10K/5K, Early Registration concluded August 24, see pg 15.

Town Council

better late than never

TOWN COUNCIL NOTICE AND AGENDA
WEDNESDAY , AUGUST 12, 2026
Special Meeting
Approval of the Special Meeting agenda
A. Closed Session
1. Strategy session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation.
B. Action Required by Closed Session
C. Adjourn
Action taken by Council during the Special Meeting
Approved Unanimously
Pledge of Allegiance
Approval of the Regular Meeting Agenda
Approved Unanimously
A. Announcements/Information/Community Comments
1. General Announcements
None
2. Zion National Park Update - Superintendent Bradybaugh (absent)
None
3. Council Department Reports, Questions, and Comments
Mayor Bruno added to her Council Report
4. Volunteer Recognition
Robin Chauncey & Cade Campbell
5. Community Comments
Beth Cutler:

- Request for Council to allow questions in the Rules of Conduct protocol; More than 3 minutes
- Robin Chauncey:
- Possibly use TRT funds for new Police Station on 2-acres adjacent to Town Hall

B. Consent Agenda
1. Review of Monthly Purchasing Report
2. Minutes: June 10, July 8, and July 22, 2026.
3. Appointment of Katie Munson to the Planning Commission as an Alternate with a Term Expiring August 2029
Approved Unanimously
C. Administrative Action Items
1. Craig Neal requests an easement across Town owned parcel S-161-A-1-C to access his property at 117 Quail Ridge Road.
Applicant: Craig Neal.
Staff contact: Niall Connolly
Approved Unanimously
2. Resolution 2026-09: Amending the schedule of fees charged for services provided by the Town of Springdale.
Staff contact: Thomas Dansie.
Approved Unanimously. Council directed Staff to examine and evaluate the Private Events cost for a Police Officer where additional security or police presence is required and to examine the Grading Permit application fees, as appropriate.
3. Review and possible action regarding a RAP Tax funding Agreement for the Zion Canyon Art Festival.
Applicant: Adrienne Gates.
Staff contact: Thomas Dansie.
Approved Unanimously4. Resolution 2026-10: Adopting an updated code of conduct and rules of procedures for public officials and public meetings.
Staff contact: Thomas Dansie.
Tabled for Staff edits
D. Administrative Non-Action Items
1. General Council Discussion
None
E. Adjourn
Approved Unanimously
Pat Campbell
Springdale Town Council
pcampbell@springdale.utah.gov

Construction Update August 20, 2026

(Minimal change since last update-changes or additions in blue)

Zion Fiber Phase; **Through August 27*, crews and equipment will operate in the following areas. No direct traffic impacts are anticipated for any location.**

Hurricane – SR-9 Milepost (MP) 2-4:

- **Crews will continue trenching underneath the roadway, installing junction boxes (conduit connectors that provide access points), and routing conduit around existing utility lines along the shoulder of eastbound SR-9.**

Rockville – SR-9 MP 28-29:

- **Crews will be drilling for conduit installation.**

Mount Carmel – SR-9 MP 51-56:

- **A crew will be connecting and tying into existing conduit along eastbound SR-9.**

Springdale:

- **Work is anticipated to begin next week at the west end of Springdale.***Construction schedules are subject to change due to weather, utility, and material delays.

Zion Fiber Phase II

Phase 2 of the Zion Fiber Optics Project along US-89 and SR-20 is anticipated to begin on Monday, August 24.

- **Work will occur along US-89 between Mount Carmel and the US-89/SR-20 junction and continue onto SR-20.**
- **Operations will primarily occur in roadway shoulders, and drivers should expect minimal traffic impacts during construction.**
- **Pedestrians can expect occasional sidewalk detours.**

Zion Canyon Fiber Optics Project Map (Phases I and II)



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Motorcyclist, Cyclist, and Driver Safety Information
(No change since last update)

Please use caution and prioritize safety while traveling through the construction area. Avoid any equipment in roadway shoulders over the Independence Day holiday while work is paused.

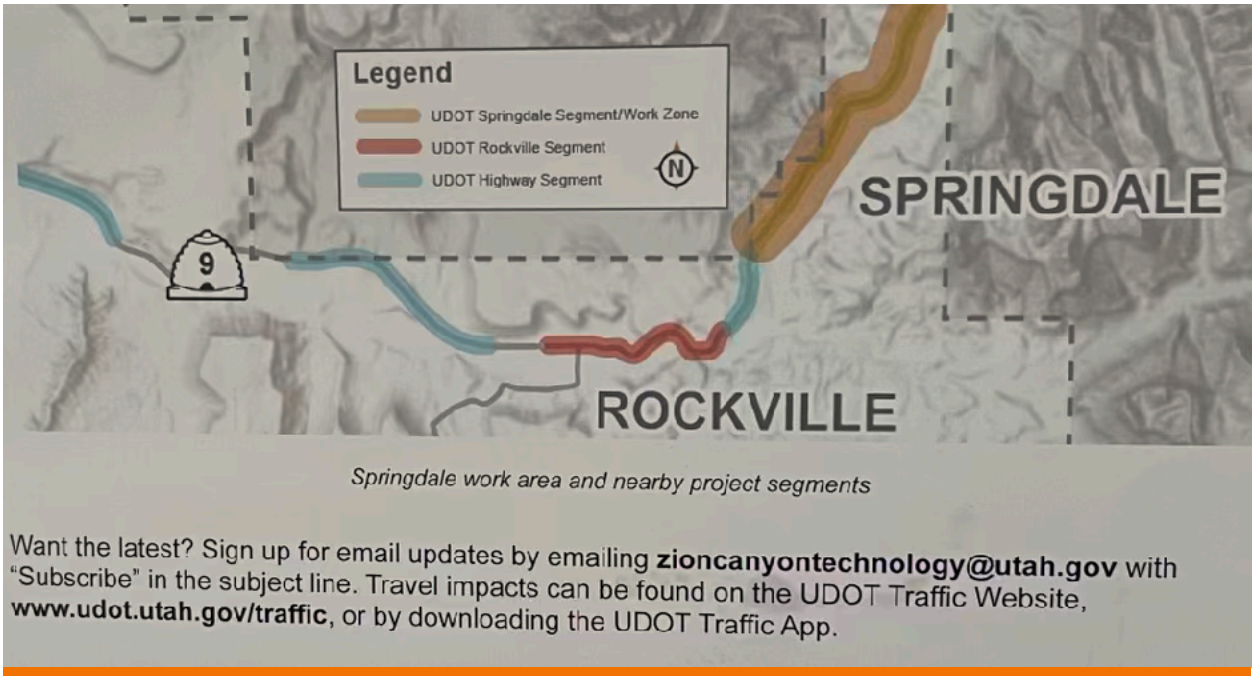
- **Stay alert** and watch for any lane shifts, crews, equipment, and posted signage.
- **Avoid distractions** by refraining from using mobile devices while traveling through the project area.
- **Maintain a safe following distance** from the vehicle in front of you to allow for sudden stops or changes in traffic flow.

Project Overview (No change since last update)

The Utah Department of Transportation's Zion Canyon Fiber Optics Project will:

- Install over 50 miles of fiber optic cable along State Route 9 and the Zion-Mount Carmel Highway
- Support ITS devices such as traffic cameras, road signs, and weather stations
- Help expand and modernize the state's fiber optic infrastructure
- Enhance connectivity

Work began Wednesday, June 3, and is anticipated to be completed by December 2026.



Springdale work area and nearby project segments

Want the latest? Sign up for email updates by emailing **zioncanyontechnology@utah.gov** with "Subscribe" in the subject line. Travel impacts can be found on the UDOT Traffic Website, **www.udot.utah.gov/traffic**, or by downloading the UDOT Traffic App.

HOTLINE 855 663 6800
WEBSITE udotinput.utah.gov/ziontechnology

Police Blotter for Springdale and Rockville

not available for one month until after the Town Council meets
on the second Wednesday of the following month

2026 JULY STATS

SPRINGDALE STATS

CITATIONS

Improper Pass- Unsafe	2
Improper Pass- No Pass Zone	3
Speed	10
Registration- Failed to/Expired	1
Failure to Operate Vehicle in a Single Lane	2
TOTAL CITATIONS	18
WARNING ON CITES	1

ARRESTS

Criminal Trespass-Notice Against Entry	1
Reckless Driving	1
Prohibited Activity in Park or Recreation Area	1
Alcohol-Consume in Public	1
Using Wireless Device While Operating Vehicle	1
Assault	1
Criminal Mischief- Loss<$500	1
Reckless Driving	1
TOTAL ARRESTS	8

ROCKVILLE STATS

CITATIONS

Follow Too Close	1
Registration- Failed to/Expired	1
Speed	9
Display Previous Owner Plate	1
Improper Pass- No Pass Zone	1
TOTAL CITATIONS	13
WARNING ON CITES	3

ARRESTS

Driver License Denied- Non Drug/Alcohol	1
Operate Vehicle Without Insurance	1
Drug Possession of Schedule III	1
Drug Possession of Schedule I/II	1
Use of Drug Paraphernalia	1
TOTAL ARRESTS	5

SPRINGDALE INCIDENTS

911 Hang Up	1	Other	0
Abandoned Vehicle	0	Overdose	0
Agency Assist	13	Panic Alarm	0
Alcohol Offense	0	Paraphernalia	0
Animal Bite	0	Park Security Check	54
Animal Emergency	1	Parking Problem	10
Animal Problem	4	PD Accident	5
Assault	0	Person Down	0
Attempt to Locate	7	PI Accident	0
Attended Death	0	Property Damage	3
Bike Patrol	0	Protective Order Violation	0
Brush Fire	1	Prowler	0
Business Alarm	6	Psychiatric	0
Business Burglary	0	Public Urination	0
Business Checks	53	Residence Burglary	0
Business License Problem	1	Resident Vacation Check	27
Camping Problem	2	Residential Alarm	1
Child Abuse Neglect	0	Retail Theft	1
Choking	0	School Zone Enforcement	0
Citizen Assist	7	Sex Offender Registry	0
Citizen Contact	14	Sex Offense	0
Citizen Dispute	0	Stalking	0
Civil	0	Structure Fire	0
Community Oriented Policing	5	Suicidal	0
Construction Site Checks	0	Suspicious Other	3
Counterfeiting	0	Suspicious Person	3
Criminal Mischief	0	Suspicious Vehicle	1
Crosswalk Enforcement	13	Telematic Alarm	1
Curfew	0	Telephone Harassment	0
Disorderly	0	Theft	2
Drugs	0	Threatening	0
DUI	0	Traffic Hazard	4
DV Assault	0	Traffic Offense	0
DV Criminal Mischief	0	Traffic Stop Warning	15
DV Unlawful Detention	0	Traumatic	0
Evading	0	Trespassing	3
Extra Patrol	107	Unattended Death	0
Family Fight	6	Unconcious	0
Felony Theft	0	Unsecured Premise	1
Fire	0	Utility Problem	0
Fireworks	0	Vagrancy	1
Follow up	11	Vehicle Burglary	0
Found Child	1	Vehicle Fire	0
Found Property	15	Vehicle Theft	1
Fraud	0	VIN Inspection	0
Gas Theft	0	Wanted Person	0
Graffiti	0	Weapon Offense	0
Harassment	0	Welfare Check	4
Hit and Run	1	Wildlife/Poaching	0
Hitchhiking	0	0	0
Illegal Burning	2	0	0
Impound	0	0	0
Intoxication	0	0	0
Jail Release	0	0	0
Juvenile Problem	0	0	0
Keep the Peace	0	0	0
Lewdness	0	0	0
Littering	0	0	0
Lockout	2	0	0
Lost Property	6	0	0
Medical Assist	3	0	0
Missing Person	0	0	0
Motorist Assist	0	0	0
Noise Complaint	2	0	0
Nuisance	0	0	0

TOTAL SPRINGDALE INCIDENTS **424**

ROCKVILLE INCIDENTS

911 Hang Up	0	Other	0
Abandoned Vehicle	0	Overdose	0
Agency Assist	1	Panic Alarm	0
Alcohol Offense	0	Paraphernalia	0
Animal Bite	0	Park Security Check	23
Animal Emergency	0	Parking Problem	0
Animal Problem	1	PD Accident	2
Assault	0	Person Down	0
Attempt to Locate	1	PI Accident	2
Attended Death	0	Property Damage	0
Bike Patrol	0	Protective Order Violation	0
Brush Fire	0	Prowler	0
Business Alarm	0	Psychiatric	0
Business Burglary	0	Public Urination	0
Business Checks	0	Residence Burglary	0
Business License Problem	0	Resident Vacation Check	0
Camping Problem	0	Residential Alarm	0
Child Abuse Neglect	0	Retail Theft	0
Choking	0	School Zone Enforcement	0
Citizen Assist	2	Sex Offender Registry	0
Citizen Contact	1	Sex Offense	0
Citizen Dispute	0	Stalking	0
Civil	0	Structure Fire	0
Community Oriented Policing	4	Suicidal	0
Construction Site Checks	0	Suspicious Other	0
Counterfeiting	0	Suspicious Person	0
Criminal Mischief	0	Suspicious Vehicle	0
Crosswalk Enforcement	0	Telematic Alarm	0
Curfew	0	Telephone Harassment	0
Disorderly	0	Theft	0
Drugs	1	Threatening	0
DUI	0	Traffic Hazard	2
DV Assault	0	Traffic Offense	1
DV Criminal Mischief	0	Traffic Stop Warning	18
DV Unlawful Detention	0	Traumatic	0
Evading	0	Trespassing	0
Extra Patrol	45	Unattended Death	0
Family Fight	0	Unconcious	0
Felony Theft	0	Unsecured Premise	0
Fire	0	Utility Problem	0
Fireworks	0	Vagrancy	0
Follow up	1	Vehicle Burglary	0
Found Child	0	Vehicle Fire	0
Found Property	0	Vehicle Theft	0
Fraud	0	VIN Inspection	2
Gas Theft	0	Wanted Person	0
Graffiti	0	Weapon Offense	0
Harassment	0	Welfare Check	2
Hit and Run	0	Wildlife/Poaching	0
Hitchhiking	0	0	0
Illegal Burning	0	0	0
Impound	0	0	0
Intoxication	0	0	0
Jail Release	0	0	0
Juvenile Problem	0	0	0
Keep the Peace	0		0
Lewdness	0		0
Littering	0		0
Lockout	0		0
Lost Property	0		0
Medical Assist	0		0
Missing Person	0		0
Motorist Assist	1		0
Noise Complaint	0		0
Nuisance	0		0

TOTAL ROCKVILLE INCIDENTS **110**

TOTAL INCIDENTS **534**

What Happened in 1776?

Other than the Signing of the Declaration of Independence

Zion Canyon Mesa

Presents

Community Conversations

The Domínguez–Escalante Expedition 1776
The Spanish Mapping of the North American West

Wednesday, August 26th

Canyon Community Center

7:00 p.m.

A free public event

When people in the United States generally think about 1776, they think about the signing of the Declaration of Independence. But what else was happening during that same period across the continent? Come learn more about what was occurring in the North American West, including the Domínguez–Escalante expedition that left Santa Fe in 1776 to try and find an overland route to California.



Charlotte Hansen Terry, Assistant Professor of History,
Utah State University - Uintah Basin

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Arts and Crafts Fair




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Time & Location
EXHIBITION DATES: AUGUST 10 - SEPTEMBER 18, 2026
RECEPTION & ART TALK - August 28 - 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.
Canyon Community Center Gallery,
126 Lion Blvd, Springdale, UT 84767

About the event
EDGES - 1st Annual Juried Exhibition of Local Canyon artists
COME AND ENJOY THE ARTWORK THAT GETS CHOSEN, AS WELL AS THE RECEPTION AND ART TALK ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 28.





Thu, Sep 10 | Bumbleberry Theatre

3hattrio Returns to Springdale - September 10, 2026, Bumbleberry Theatre

The sensational musical talent of 3hattrio returns to Springdale for a one-night-only extravaganza on Thursday, September 10, 2026! Tickets on sale now!

Bumbleberry Theatre, 897 Zion Park Blvd, Springdale, UT 84767, USA

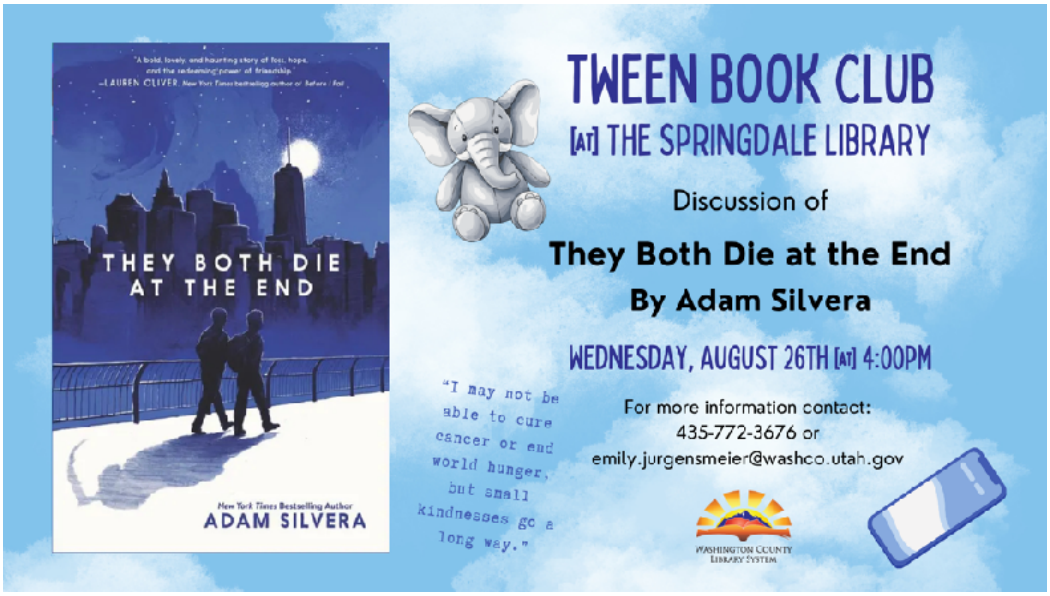
About the event

GET TICKETS

3HATTRIO RETURNS TO SPRINGDALE!
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2026
BUMBLEBERRY THEATRE - 7:00 PM
Food and beverages will be available to purchase, limited seating. Doors open at 6:15 p.m.
Additional tour dates can be found here https://www.facebook.com/3hattrio

Born in the shadow of Zion's red cliffs, 3hattrio emerged from the red rock country of Zion, Utah in 2013, when teenage violinist Eli Wrankle fell in with veteran musicians Greg Istock and Hal Cannon. Their chemistry was instant. Blending their vastly different musical worlds, they forged their own sound, "American Desert Music". After seven albums, four European tours, and a pandemic pause, the trio reunites in September 2026.


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Springdale Library would like you to add your and/or your family's stories to our Special Collections.
We are looking for personal histories, family histories, obituaries, photos and other writings pertaining to the people of Zion Canyon / Springdale / Rockville / Virgin area.
For more information or to donate to this project please contact Emily Jurgensmeier, Springdale Library Branch Manager, @ (435) 772-3676 or emilyj@washco.utah.gov
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ADAM SILVERA
TWEEN BOOK CLUB
[AT] THE SPRINGDALE LIBRARY
Discussion of
They Both Die at the End
By Adam Silvera
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26TH [AT] 4:00PM
"I may not be able to cure cancer or end world hunger, but small kindnesses go a long way."
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OR EMAIL: EMILYJ@WASHCO.UTAH.GOV


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(*SCHEDULE MAY CHANGE ON MONTHS WITH HOLIDAYS)



Let's Get Cooking



Springdale Cookbook Club

When: Thursday September 3rd at 12 p.m.

Where: Community Center Reading Room

More Information:

- Pick a recipe out of The Pinch of Yum Blog by Lindsey
- Substitutions are welcome! Just make sure to list any changes to the recipe.
- Bring your dishware and your own cutlery to eat off of.
- If you wish to make a dish that everyone can eat do not include gluten, cucumbers, or meat.
- Questions? Email alexisdegraw@hotmail.com





St. George to Springdale

Stop	AM Times					PM Times						
1670 S 120 E (Dixie Center) St. George	5:40	7:00	8:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:30
Red Cliffs Mall (Barnes & Noble)	5:49	7:09	8:09	10:09	11:09	12:09	1:09	2:09	4:09	5:09	6:09	7:39
Buena Vista (Boiler Park) Washington	5:58	7:18	8:18	10:18	11:18	12:18	1:18	2:18	4:18	5:18	6:18	7:48
5300 W Regional Park Rd (DMV) Hurricane	6:09	7:29	8:29	10:29	11:29	12:29	1:29	2:29	4:29	5:29	6:29	7:59
3400 W Hurricane (Walmart)	6:15	7:35	8:35	10:35	11:35	12:35	1:35	2:35	4:35	5:35	6:35	8:05
700 W State St Hurricane	6:24	7:44	8:44	10:44	11:44	12:44	1:44	2:44	4:44	5:44	6:44	8:14
300 N State St LaVerkin	6:30	7:50	8:50	10:50	11:50	12:50	1:50	2:50	4:50	5:50	6:50	8:20
Zion White Bison Resort Park and Ride	6:39	7:59	8:59	10:59	11:59	12:59	1:59	2:59	4:59	5:59	6:59	8:29
Kolob Terrace Rd Virgin	6:41	8:01	9:01	11:01	12:01	1:01	2:01	3:01	5:01	6:01	7:01	8:31
1130 Zion Park Blvd (Hampton) Springdale	6:57	8:17	9:17	11:17	12:17	1:17	2:17	3:17	5:17	6:17	7:17	8:47
Lion Blvd Springdale (Arrive)	7:02	8:22	9:22	11:22	12:22	1:22	2:22	3:22	5:22	6:22	7:22	8:52

Spingdale to St.George

Stop	AM Times				PM Times							
Lion Blvd Springdale (Depart)	7:20	8:40	9:40	11:40	12:40	1:40	2:40	3:40	5:40	6:40	7:40	9:10
1210 Zion Park Blvd (Bit & Spur) Springdale	7:23	8:43	9:43	11:43	12:43	1:43	2:43	3:43	5:43	6:43	7:43	9:13
Kolob Terrace Rd Virgin	7:37	8:57	9:57	11:57	12:57	1:57	2:57	3:57	5:57	6:57	7:57	9:27
Zion White Bison Resort Park and Ride	7:40	9:00	10:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:30
300 N State St LaVerkin	7:51	9:11	10:11	12:11	1:11	2:11	3:11	4:11	6:11	7:11	8:11	9:41
700 W State St Hurricane	7:57	9:17	10:17	12:17	1:17	2:17	3:17	4:17	6:17	7:17	8:17	9:47
3400 W Hurricane (Walmart)	8:03	9:23	10:23	12:23	1:23	2:23	3:23	4:23	6:23	7:23	8:23	9:53
5300 W Regional Park Rd (DMV) Hurricane	8:11	9:31	10:31	12:31	1:31	2:31	3:31	4:31	6:31	7:31	8:31	10:01
Buena Vista (Boiler Park) Washington	8:20	9:40	10:40	12:40	1:40	2:40	3:40	4:40	6:40	7:40	8:40	10:10
Red Cliffs Mall (Barnes & Noble)	8:29	9:49	10:49	12:49	1:49	2:49	3:49	4:49	6:49	7:49	8:49	10:19
1670 S 120 E (Dixie Center) St. George	8:40	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:30

TIMES POSTED ARE DEPARTURE TIMES. TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE. PLEASE BE 5 MINUTES EARLY.

ZION ROUTE INFORMATION

SunTran bus service has a new public transit route connecting St. George to Zion National Park! The 42-mile route, with stops in St. George, Washington, Hurricane, La Verkin, Virgin, and Springdale, aims to reduce traffic congestion while providing an affordable and convenient travel option.

Buses operate Monday through Saturday from 5:40 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Fares cost $5 for each one-way trip, with an unlimited monthly pass available for $100 ALTHOUGH PARKING AT THE ‘PARK AND RIDE’ IN VIRGIN IS FREE according to Mayor Bruno.

Riders are encouraged to be at stops at least 5 minutes early. Stop schedules may fluctuate a minute or two ahead or behind the listed stop time, depending on traffic.