



## MAYOR'S CORNER

### RIVERDALE ECONOMY UPDATE

When I attend various meetings throughout Weber County, I am often chided by leaders of other cities about how well off Riverdale City is financially. This is due to our bustling commercial district which other cities view as providing "all" the money we need to operate our city. Those of us close to the budget know that this is only a perception and is not a reality.

We often hear concerns about rising expenses from residents who live on a fixed income. Most of us are not aware that Riverdale City has also lived on a reasonably fixed income for approximately ten years, since the state legislature changed the sales tax distribution laws. Prior to 2007, Riverdale City received \$7.50 in sales tax for every \$1,000 sold in Riverdale. The legislature then passed Senate Bill 35 (SB 35) which changed the distribution so that Riverdale City now receives only \$5.00 in sales tax for every \$1,000 sold in Riverdale. The other \$2.50 now goes to cities other than Riverdale. SB 35 also stipulated that Riverdale City would be guaranteed to receive at least the same amount of sales tax revenue that it received in 2005, up until year 2016. So for the last 9 years, our sales tax revenue has remained at that 2005 level.

The legislature did approve a local option sales tax, for Riverdale, of 2/10 of one percent. This additional tax has provided the city with up to 1.3 million dollars (FY 2015) of revenue annually (see chart #1 on page two). Even with this local option tax, our total sales tax revenue has remained fairly flat since FY 2010. For your information general property taxes account for only 7.3% of our annual 8 million dollars received in total revenue.

As most of you know expenses are always increasing and for the past few years the city has struggled to balance the budget (see chart #2 on page two). For FY 2015, the city is taking many cost saving measures and is looking for other ways to reduce expenses. The city made it a goal and is still operating at the same manpower level as in 2005. Right now the economy within the state is on the upswing and this year looks to be a good year for Riverdale businesses. We also have new businesses coming in along with some possible new developments. This is good news for our community. Sales tax is very important to our community.

I would encourage you to buy locally as much as possible. It does make a difference! I have a resident friend who recently purchased a new Toyota. He found a great deal at a Toyota dealer in Salt Lake County. I suggested he take the deal to our local Toyota dealer. I told him how much the sales tax revenue from an automobile would help our community. He took the deal to our local Toyota dealer, where the deal was matched and everyone went away happy, including Riverdale residents.

Buy local! It helps our economy! If you can't find it in Riverdale, I would encourage you to buy it in Weber County. This helps our schools and the overall economy of the County we live in.

Norm Searle, Mayor

## PRIMARY ELECTION INFORMATION



Riverdale City will be holding a "Vote by Mail" Primary Election for City Council candidates. Residents who are registered to vote will be mailed the official Primary Election ballot beginning July 14<sup>th</sup>. The Primary Election will narrow the field of candidates to six (two for each seat up for election).

Voting is as simple as 1, 2, or 3:

**#1: Mail in your ballot** by affixing a first class stamp and depositing it in the mail. All ballots must be postmarked no later than August 10, 2015.

**#2: Ballots can also be dropped off** at a secure ballot drop box at the Riverdale Civic Center, 4600 South Weber River Drive, Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**#3: The Election Day Vote Center** will allow those who did not receive their ballot to vote in person at the Civic Center on August 11, 2015, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Mail-in Ballots can also be dropped off that day during the same hours.

Additional information including registration deadlines can be found at [www.riverdalecity.com](http://www.riverdalecity.com) or [www.vote.utah.gov](http://www.vote.utah.gov).

## CANDIDATES FOR CITY COUNCIL

Alan Arnold	Ember Herrick
Chris Boots	Steve Hilton
Cody Hansen	Don Hunt
Stacey E. Haws	Braden D. Mitchell

Each candidate has been given the opportunity to submit information about their candidacy. To view the submitted information go to [www.riverdalecity.com](http://www.riverdalecity.com) and click on the election button.

## MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT

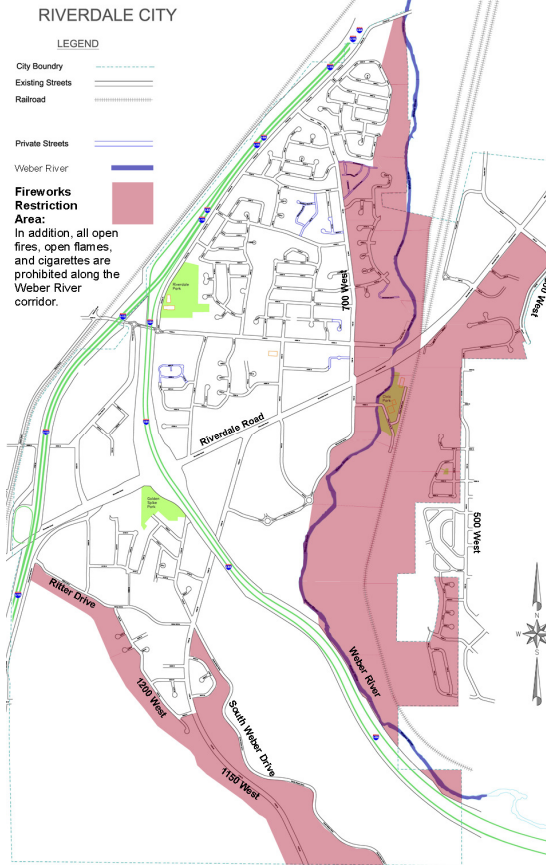
A Meet the Candidates Night will be held on Thursday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at the Riverdale Senior Center, 4433 S. 900 W., from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Residents will have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with the candidates and to submit questions for the question and answer forum. The event will be moderated by the Riverdale Lion's Club. All residents are invited and encouraged to attend.

## FIREWORKS / FIRE RESTRICTIONS

By order of the Riverdale City Council and Fire Department, firework restrictions are in place in high fire risk areas within the city. The areas include all land east of the Weber River on the south end of the city and extending north to include all areas east of 700 West to the River Glen subdivision. The restrictions include the east bench area of the city extending from the south border north to the 300 West and Riverdale Road intersection. An area along the southwest bench is also included in the fireworks restrictions.

In addition, no open fires, no open flames, and no cigarettes are allowed in any public spaces along the Weber River Corridor.

A map of the restricted areas can be viewed to the right and on the Riverdale City website, [www.riverdalecity.com](http://www.riverdalecity.com).



## RECREATION NEWS

### SWIM PARTIES CONTINUE

The summer swim parties continue to be a great success! Riverdale City has rented the Roy Aquatic Center exclusively for Riverdale residents to swim for free (show I.D. at the gate). The remaining dates are:

July 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> August 6<sup>th</sup>

The Aquatic Center is reserved from 6:30-8:30 p.m. each evening. It is located at 2977 West 5200 South in Roy.



### COMMUNITY CENTER MAINTENANCE

The Community Center will be closed to all activities from July 20<sup>th</sup> to July 28<sup>th</sup> for refinishing of the gym floor and the annual deep cleaning.

### YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL

Co-ed Flag Football registration will begin August 1<sup>st</sup> for boys and girls 1<sup>st</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> grades. Cost is \$25 per child for Riverdale and Washington Terrace residents. Registration can be done online at [www.riverdalecity.com](http://www.riverdalecity.com) or at the Community Center. For more information call 801-621-6084.



**Volunteer coaches are always needed.** You may sign up to coach when you register. A background check is required for all volunteer coaches.

### INTRAMURALS

We are very excited to announce a new session of Intramurals. We will be playing Scooter Hockey. It will run July 6<sup>th</sup> thru August 12<sup>th</sup>. The schedule will be Mondays and Wednesdays at the following times:

- Ages 8-9 at 9:00 a.m.
- Ages 10-12 at 10:00 a.m.
- Ages 13-18 at 11:00 a.m.

There is still time to register online or at the Community Center for this program. For more information please call 801-621-6084.

### TENNIS LESSONS OFFERED

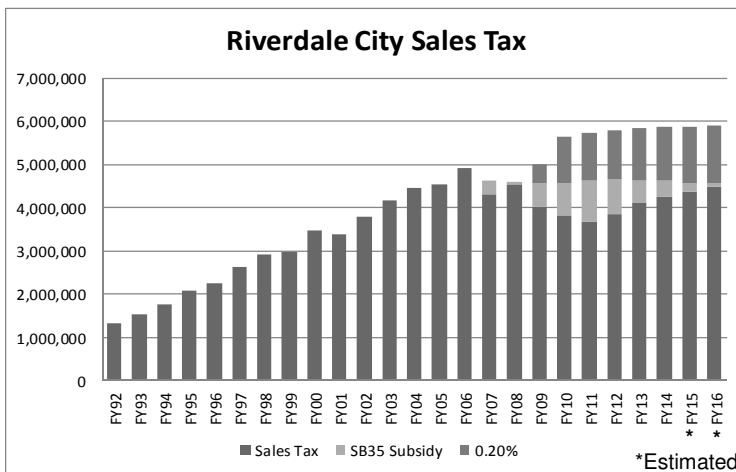
Tennis lessons will be offered from July 13<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>. Classes will be held Mon-Thurs each week at the following times:

- Ages 5-6 from 8:30 a.m.-9 a.m.
- Ages 7-8 from 9:10 a.m.-10 a.m.
- Ages 9-10 from 10:10 a.m.-11:10 a.m.
- Ages 11-12 from 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

The cost will be \$25 for residents. Sign-ups are available online. We will be using the USTA Quickstart Curriculum. Equipment will be provided.

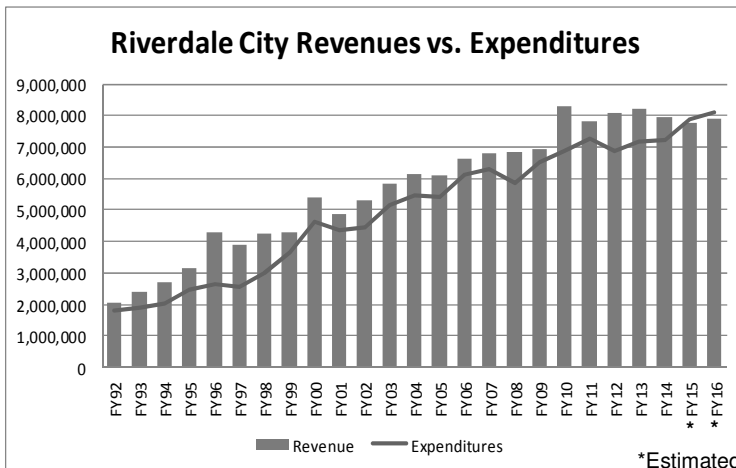
### Mayor's Corner Chart #1

As referenced in the Mayor's Corner article on page one.



### Mayor's Corner Chart #2

As referenced in the Mayor's Corner article on page one.





**DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY REPORT**

**New & Ongoing Developments**



**The Animal Park**, a pet food and supply store, will open in The Crossing at 744 W. Riverdale Road, Suite 111.



**Burger King** is doing an interior and exterior renovation of their restaurant located at 4027 S. Riverdale Road.

**Toll Triathlon Training Center** will open at 1393 W. 5175 S., Suite 201.



**At Home**, a home décor superstore, will open in August at 1134 W. Riverdale Road.



**Advance Auto Parts** will open a store in the building located at 4046 S. Riverdale Road.



**Bravo Arts Academy and Daycare** is building a new facility at 5165 South 1500 West.



**Riverdale Business Park** phase two is under construction at 5175 South 1500 West.

**UTILITY RATE ADJUSTMENT**

To provide for the continuing operation, maintenance, and capital project costs, it has become necessary to make an adjustment in water rates. The new residential rates are:

- The base use fee (first 15,000 gallons of water) will be \$12.10.
- The next 5,000 gallons of water beyond the basic use rate will be \$3.05
- Usage above the first 20,000 gallons will be \$1.20 per 1,000 gallons used.

The new rates go into effect for July water usage which will be mailed in August.

**CITY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

All Riverdale City buildings will be closed for the Pioneer Day Holiday on Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup>. There will be no scheduled change in our garbage or recycling pickup for that week.



**MOSQUITOES SEASON HAS ARRIVED**

We have entered the long hot days of summer with family barbeques, camping trips, baseball games, and – mosquitoes! Unfortunately mosquitoes love summer as much as we do. The Weber Mosquito Abatement District (Weber MAD) recommends the following tips to protect yourself and your family from mosquitoes and West Nile Virus:



- Watch for standing water where mosquitoes breed in areas such as birdbaths, fountains, rain gutters, downspouts, plant saucers, old tires, buckets, overwatered lawns and gardens, pet dishes and horse troughs.
- When outside in the evening or early morning wear long pants and long sleeve shirts.
- Apply a mosquito repellent with the active ingredients DEET, Picaridin, or oil of lemon eucalyptus which are EPA approved. Read and follow label directions carefully for application and, when necessary, to reapply.

When experiencing mosquito problems around your home call Weber MAD at 801-392-1630 or visit the new [www.webermosquito.com](http://www.webermosquito.com) website for help and information.

**SENIOR NEWS**

**RIVERDALE SENIOR CENTER**

4433 South 900 West 801-621-6086

Open 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

Stop by the Senior Center for a daily schedule or go to [www.riverdalecity.com](http://www.riverdalecity.com).



**LUNCH MENU**

Lunch is served at noon weekdays for seniors 55 and older for \$2.50.

**July**

- 6 - Chicken Enchiladas
- 7 - Baked Ham
- 8 - Onion Chicken Casserole
- 9 - Sliced Pork Roast
- 10 - Fried Chicken
- 13 - Roast Beef
- 14 - Chicken Stuffing Casserole
- 15 - Tacos
- 16 - Chicken Breast
- 17 - Swiss Steak
- 20 - Turkey Subs
- 21 - Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
- 22 - Country Fried Steak
- 23 - Pepperoni Pizza
- 24 - Closed for Pioneer Day
- 27 - Beef Gravy Over Noodles
- 28 - Turkey Pot Roast
- 29 - Sloppy Joes
- 30 - Teriyaki Chicken
- 31 - Chicken Salad Sandwich

**August**

- 3 - BLT Croissant Sandwich
- 4 - Lasagna
- 5 - Pork Roast
- 6 - Unbreaded Chicken Tenders
- 7 - Salmon
- 10 - Ham
- 11 - Chicken Cordon Bleu

**SENIOR CENTER NEWS BRIEFS**

- **Our Senior of the Month** is Naomi Lilly. Stop by the Center dining room to learn more about her.
- **The Senior Center will be closed** for the Pioneer Day holiday on Friday, July 24<sup>rd</sup>.
- **Stained Glass Class** is held every Friday at 10:00 a.m. Come join in!
- **Humanitarian Mondays** and Fall craft fair projects are worked on every Monday at 9:00 a.m.
- **Wii Bowling** takes place every Thursday at 9:00 a.m.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **July 9<sup>th</sup>** - Foot clinic at 9:30 a.m. The cost is \$10.
- **July 10<sup>th</sup>** - Entertainment by Robin Arnold during lunch time.
- **July 17<sup>th</sup>** - Ensure pick up.
- **July 21<sup>st</sup>** - Entertainment by Kevin Kula during lunch.
- **July 24<sup>th</sup>** - Senior Center closed for Pioneer Day holiday.
- **August 5<sup>th</sup>** - Blood pressure check at 11:00 a.m.
- **August 13<sup>th</sup>** - Foot Clinic at 9:30 a.m. The cost is \$10.

**RIVERDALE CITY DIRECTORY**

**Mayor / City Council**

Mayor Searle 801-392-2122  
 Councilor Ellis 801-394-8936  
 Councilor Griffiths 801-393-0183  
 Councilor Hunt 801-392-0037  
 Councilor Mitchell 801-627-2321  
 Councilor Staten 801-627-8822

**Civic Center**

4600 South Weber River Drive  
 801-394-5541

**City Administrator**

Rodger Worthen 801-436-1233

**Department of Business Administration**

4600 S. Weber River Drive 801-394-5541

**Community Center**

4360 S. Parker Drive 801-621-6084

**Senior Center**

4433 S. 900 W. 801-621-6086

**Justice Court**

4600 S. Weber River Drive 801-394-9314

**Department of Community Development**

4600 S. Weber River Drive 801-394-5541 x1215

**Department of Public Works / Utilities**

4600 S. Weber River Drive 801-394-5541 x1201  
 After Hours Dispatch 801-629-8221

**Police Department**

4580 South Weber River Drive  
 911 Emergencies  
 801-394-6616 Business Line  
 801-629-8221 Weber Dispatch  
 801-394-6616 Animal Control

**Fire Department**

4334 South Parker Drive  
 911 Emergencies  
 801-394-7481 Business Line  
 801-629-8221 Weber Dispatch

**Riverdale City Offices**  
**4600 S. Weber River Dr.**  
**Riverdale, UT 84405**

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**CITY CALENDAR**

**July / August 2015**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 July	6	7 City Council Meeting* 6:00 p.m.	8 <b>Swim Party</b> Garbage Day Blue Recycle Day	9	10	11 Free Alzheimer Caregiver Support Group at 11a.m. Community Center Scrapbooking Day
12	13	14 Planning Commission* 6:30 p.m.	15 <b>Swim Party</b> Garbage Day Red Recycle Day	16	17	18
19	20	21 <b>Swim Party</b> City Council / RDA Meeting* 6:00 p.m.	22 Garbage Day Blue Recycle Day	23	24 Pioneer Day Holiday All City Buildings Closed	25
Community Center Closed						
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\*Agendas for the meetings are posted in the Civic Center foyer prior to the meetings and on our website, [www.riverdalecity.com](http://www.riverdalecity.com).