We are more than half way through a fun and enjoyable summer. Our 4th of July celebrations were spectacular! Thanks to our dedicated volunteers who spent countless hours preparing a day filled with memorable events. The day started early with the annual breakfast, Rotary Race, and our legendary parade that brings countless people home to Kaysville. The family festival at the DATC Basin drew record crowds as "good old-fashioned 4th of July" activities enhanced the spirit of living in Utah's Hometown.

The day ended on a high note with one of the best music and fireworks shows we've ever seen. Throughout the day, the feeling of patriotism resonated with many as we celebrated our nation's independence and expressed our gratitude to the men and women who have fought, and continue to fight, for the freedoms we enjoy. May we continue to look for opportunities to honor them throughout the coming year.

With so many benefits of living in a wonderful, safe and beautiful community, we are naturally faced with the responsibility to reasonably fund our community's core needs. I have included some important facts and statistics in this newsletter regarding a proposed tax increase, including the impacts, needs and where this additional revenue is programmed to go. A Truth in Taxation public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, August 12 at 6:00 p.m., in Kaysville City Hall.

I feel the need to offer a few points of clarification to help correct some misinformation currently circulating regarding the increase. The vast majority of the increase is a result of improvements to public safety and fiscal impacts from the passage of Proposition 5. The 99.6% increase the City Council is considering is not on your entire property tax bill, rather the Kaysville City portion of your bill. For example, my entire property tax bill is $2,650 a year. The Kaysville City portion of my bill is only $192, or 7% of the entire bill. The proposed increase would apply only to the Kaysville City portion. In my case, this would result in an increase of $192 annually or $16 more per month. While the Kaysville City portion of our property tax bill is a small portion of our entire property tax, any increase in taxes should be taken seriously and be carefully considered. The City Council recognizes that any adjustment can be a major impact to our personal budgets.

The graph to the right helps illustrate that despite our limited commercial tax revenue, Kaysville City currently has the lowest property tax rate of all 15 Davis County cities. If the City Council adopts the proposed increase, Kaysville City's property tax rate would move from the lowest to the seventh lowest property tax rate in Davis County, still lower than eight of our surrounding communities, including Farmington, Fruit Heights and Layton.

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Kaysville City Fiscal Year 2015 Budget
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Kaysville City provides essential governmental services for the benefit of the community. Each year the City adopts a budget allocating resources for these services. Some of the services the City provides include public safety (police, fire and ambulance), public utilities (water, electricity, sanitation, and storm water), parks, recreation, community events, cemetery, streets, snowplo\-wing, planning and zoning, code enforcement and general administrative services.

A budget is adopted each year in June for the new fiscal year beginning in July. However, when a budget includes a request for additional property tax revenue, a Truth in Taxation hearing is held in August, after citizens receive their annual tax notice. A final budget is adopted after the hearing.

The Tentative FY 2015 Budget includes additional property tax revenue in the amount of $1,275,000. The additional revenue request is primarily related to a higher level of service in public safety. The request is as follows:

$255,000 Additional Fire Staffing. The current FY 2014 Budget includes funds for additional staffing for the Fire Department from two to four people at all times of the day. This provides for immediate emergency response for fire and ambulance calls. The additional revenue provides an on-going revenue source for this service in FY 2015.

$200,000 Additional Police Staffing. The FY 2015 Budget includes a higher level of protection adding two additional patrol officers. This revenue provides for the on-going revenue source to fund the additional officers. Additional patrol officers will allow the City to have at least two officers on patrol at all times.

$425,000 Police Station Annual Debt Service Payment. This revenue provides for the annual debt service payment for the new police station.

$265,000 General Fund Transfer. Proposition 5 restricts the transfer of monies from the Electric Utility Enterprise Fund to the General Fund. This revenue is to replace the transfer of funds as a result of the passage of Proposition 5.

$130,000 Inter-fund Utility Services. Proposition 5 restricts the payment of government utility services from being paid by the Electric Utility Enterprise Fund. Electric Utility Services are required to be paid by the General Fund. This revenue provides for this funding.

The average home value in Kaysville is $286,000 and residential properties receive an exemption of 45% for their taxable value. The additional revenue as requested for the average valued home results in approximately $143.00 per year ($11.92 per month). Every resident is encouraged to engage the City Council with your thoughts, ideas and questions, and to attend the Truth in Taxation hearing on August 12th at 6:00 p.m.

Thanks to all of you who take the time to share your suggestions and feelings with the City Council. We live in a great community, filled with wonderful residents who do a great job working together to make Kaysville the very best place to live! I hope each of you have a wonderful summer season.

Please contact the city at 801-546-1235 or mailbox@kaysvillecity.com if you have any questions regarding city services and the city budget. We would be happy to answer your questions.

Road Construction

A widening and improvement project on 200 North and Flirt Street began in July. This project includes construction of new curb and gutter, sidewalks, pavement, and a traffic signal. Periodic lane closures and lane changes will occur throughout the duration of the project. It is anticipated that the work will be completed in October.

Beginning in August, a traffic signal will be installed at the Fairfield Road and 200 North intersection. Work will be done on the side of the streets. Streets will remain open. This project is anticipated to be completed in October.

A pavement project on Angel Street from 200 North to Smith Lane will commence in August and should be finished in October.

Chickens

A lot of people are interested in raising chickens on their property. If you live in an agricultural zone, chickens are a permitted use. If you live in a residential zone, you must fill out an application for a conditional use permit and pay $50.

Chickens are allowed by conditional use on residential lots 8,000 square feet or larger. Five chickens are permitted on a typical residential lot. After you have filled out the paperwork and paid the fee, your application will be considered by the Planning Commission. Because of unique characteristics or potential impacts on surrounding neighbors, or adjacent land uses, the Planning Commission will determine if this request will be permitted with or without conditions. Call the Code Enforcement Office at 801-546-1241 for all the details.
**Kaysville Creekside Clinic**

Kaysville extends a warm welcome to the Kaysville Creekside Clinic, scheduled to open at 435 North Main Street on September 2. The Family Practice and Insta-Care Clinic will be one of the most up-to-date and technologically advanced clinics in the area. Dr. Johnnie Cook, Dr. Jared Potter and Dr. Landon Preece are excited to be a part of this new clinic.

We thank Kaysville Creekside Clinic for sponsoring several events in our community, such as all of the movies in the park held at Heritage Park this summer, printing and signage for the 4th of July community events, and contributing to the Family Festival on July 4th. For more information about the opening or current activities at the clinic, visit www.facebook.com/kaysvillecreeksideclinic or call 801-498-6000.

**Door-to-Door Solicitation**

Kaysville City requires door-to-door solicitors to obtain a business license. A City license protects citizens from annoyance and unwanted harassment and also helps identify solicitors with criminal backgrounds who may pose a threat to citizens or their property. There are legitimate organizations that solicit door-to-door, however, there are also a growing number of individuals who illegally solicit with the purpose of committing fraud.

- When anyone you don't know appears at your door, talk to them at the door, preferably through a locked door. Never let a salesperson inside your home.
- The legitimate licensed salesperson should have a picture identification badge around their neck. The badge should contain their company name and their picture. A con-artist will have many reasons why he or she does not have their license with them or may say their supervisor has it. Every salesperson must wear a badge.
- If they do not have a license or do not leave when asked to do so, call the police immediately at 801-546-1131.
- If you do not want solicitors, post a "no soliciting" or "no trespassing" sign on your door or on the walkway leading to your door.

Also, when a service company representative (gas, water, telephone, cable TV, etc.) approaches your door, request to see their company issued picture identification card.

**Davis County Fair**

The Davis County Fair will be held August 13-16 at the Legacy Events Center in Farmington. Admission is free. There will be many exciting attractions you won't want to miss, such as Demolition Derby, PRCA Rodeo, Princess Day, The Great Bear Show, Elephant Encounter, Senior Day, Science Discovery Tent, Creative Corner, Pony rides, and Baby Derby.

There will also be a flag retirement and military tribute on August 14 at 8:30 p.m. American Legion Post 27 will dispose of hundreds of flags no longer worthy to be flown in a solemn and spectacular ceremony. This breathtaking ritual will dazzle your eyes and fill your heart. If you have a flag unfit to display, bring it to the Kaysville Fire Department prior to August 14.

**Cool Cars and Cold Cones**

Plan to join us for this annual fun family event on August 30 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Heritage Park (new location this year). We will no longer hold this event on Main Street. Come enjoy a great car show, live music, Elvis impersonator, participant drawings from local merchants, and free ice cream cones.

**Stormwater Runoff**

Stormwater runoff is rain water that runs off rooftops, lawns, driveways and streets in our neighborhoods. As it flows, it picks up dirt, leaves, grass clippings, pesticides and fertilizers, oil and grease, harmful bacteria, toxic chemicals, litter and other contaminants. All of these pollutants are carried by storm water into storm drains and ultimately into our streams and rivers. Remember to keep our storm drains clean and our creeks free from pollution. Please do not place anything in the gutter that will wash down the storm drains.

**Garbage Holiday Collection Schedule**

Our garbage hauler, Robinson Waste Services, observes the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Services are not provided on these days. Hauling days that fall on or after these holidays will be delayed one day during the week.

If you have more than one garbage can, please make sure cans are spaced at least 5' apart. Also, please move vehicles out of the way for pickup. Our garbage hauler needs to have clear access to the containers.
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