

# Cedar City This Month

CEDAR CITY, UTAH, COMMUNITY UPDATE



FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2019

## A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



*Mayor Maile Wilson-Edwards*

It is finally beginning to feel like spring (or at least it has for a few days). As we all come slowly out of hibernation and get ready to enjoy the great outdoors, I want to encourage everyone to take advantage of the City's annual Spring Clean-Up which will be starting on the west side of the freeway on April 8th. (Detailed information on the Spring Clean-Up is on the inside pages of this

newsletter.) This is a great opportunity to have our City crews haul away the clutter that comes from a long winter.

Our Public Works crews work extra hard to provide this service to our residents, and I want to take this opportunity to thank them for all they do to keep our community looking good and running smoothly. We appreciate you!

Along with warmer temperatures, daffodils and tulips blooming, and wind (!), other harbingers of spring in Cedar City are yard sales. Although yard and garage sales can be a fun and profitable way to get rid of "stuff," there are some guidelines that our residents need to follow. Sergeant Clint Pollock from the Public Affairs Division of the Police Department would like to share the information below:

With spring fever on the rise, and garage sales on the horizon, we are asking you not to put signs up on streets, sidewalks, and support post or poles. Cedar City Ordinance Chapter 26 - Article XVI -1 states "Signs are an important aspect of the City. Besides providing

identification to commercial and industrial businesses, creative and attractive signs show a community's economic vitality. The proliferation and disrepair of signs can deter their effectiveness, as well as cause dangerous conflicts with traffic-control devices. When abused, signs create a visual blight which detracts from the quality of the environment. The purpose of the sign ordinance is to manage the use of signs as to be compatible with their surroundings, provide effective identification of business establishments, contribute to the protection and the promotion of the health, safety, and welfare of the traveling public and the citizens of the City, preserve and enhance property values, promote healthy commercial and industrial districts, and to enhance the community's aesthetics by establishing standards and regulations for sign design, location, size, type and compatibility."

We understand the importance of spring cleaning and realize yard and garage sales are a handy way to turn unneeded items into cash, but it can become challenging for our Department when we have to clean these signs up. There are other ways to promote your garage sales such as social media, so we are asking our residents to please refrain from placing your for sale or garage sale signs on City property (such as light poles or stop signs, etc.) or in the City's right-of-way.

This has been an ongoing issue for quite some time now and we are asking for your help in this matter. Our Police Department Volunteers and Code Enforcement Division will be out trying to mitigate this issue as they are on their patrols, but if a continued problem persists, appropriate enforcement will take place.

Please refer to the City Ordinance for further information. This ordinance provides clarification, direction, and procedures. Thank you for your consideration.

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# Russel Brunson honored



Fire Captain Russel Brunson has been selected by the Cedar City Employee Advisory Committee as April's Employee of the Month. Russel was nominated by Fire Marshal Mike Shurtz who wrote: "Captain Russel Brunson is our Employee of the Month nominee for April, 2019. For the past several years Russ has overseen the Fire Department training and has done an excellent job integrating new fire ground tactics and procedures. Our training hours are an important part of maintaining our positive Insurance Services Office protection rating (ISO), and Russ has coordinated over 9000 man-hours of training during the last 2 years. Russ has also been tasked with writing, reviewing, and implementing a set of standard operating procedures (SOP's) for the Department. This assignment is a huge undertaking which requires an eye for detail. Russ is very meticulous in his work and it shows in everything he does for the Fire Department."

**Congratulations Captain Brunson!**

Help beautify Cedar City! Please help the City provide a safe and useful community service by following these guidelines:

## CEDAR CITY SPRING CLEAN-UP 2019

**\* Spring Clean-up map has changed \***  
 (Please note new dates, area number rotation and what are acceptable materials that will be picked-up.)

**WHO:** This service is provided to Cedar City Residents, except those living in a Planned Unit Development (PUD). **This is not for Commercial or Industrial Properties.**

**WHEN:** Cedar Collection crews will begin in each area on a Monday. Crews will NOT come on Friday, Saturday or Sunday, or return to streets that have been completed. Have your debris out on the curb by 7:00 A.M. the day your area is scheduled for clean-up (See Map). **Do not put debris out more than one week before your clean-up dates.**

**WHERE:** Debris must be in front of the curb in the street. City crews will not load debris if it is piled on private property.

**\* WHAT:** Brush, branches, clippings, leaves, grass, untreated wood, including pallets and crates. Asphalt, dirt, rocks & concrete. Tires, 4 or less per pile (No Rim's). No Furniture or Appliances

**NOTES:**

- ◆ Please keep vehicles off street during your scheduled week and the following week so that city crews can sweep the street.
- ◆ A maximum of one 10 wheeler dump truck load will be picked up at any one residence.
- ◆ Cedar City citizens are encouraged to report illegal or improper dumping of materials.
- ◆ **All unacceptable piles will not be picked up and must be removed from the street.**

**WE WILL BE ON SCHEDULE.  
PLEASE BE READY.**

**For additional information contact  
Public Works Dept. at 586-2912.**

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## Public Works

**WATER:** Spring is here (finally), and with spring comes the annual outside culinary watering restrictions. Per City Ordinance 37-7-1, it is a violation to use culinary water for outside irrigation between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. This restriction is in effect from April 1st through October 31st. A first-time violation will result in a warning. If you receive a second violation, your water supply will be shut off and you will be required to pay a \$25 penalty. A third violation will result in your water being shut off and a \$100 penalty. If you have questions about how to conserve water, please visit [www.slowtheflow.org](http://www.slowtheflow.org).

Our Water Division is also in the process of flushing fire hydrants on the City's culinary system. The crews will check the hydrants to make sure they are working properly. While we are flushing and checking pressures, you may see water running down the gutter from a hydrant. If you experience a change in your water quality, open an outside tap and let it run a few minutes to clear your line. If you have questions as to whether a hydrant is leaking, and you don't see the Water Division crews or the Fire Department in the area, please call (435) 586-2912 to report any problems or concerns.

**STREETS/SPRING CLEAN-UP:** The Street Division will begin Spring Clean-Up in April 2019. (Please refer to the map on the opposite page). Crews will begin collection in each area on a Monday. This year crews will begin collection as follows:

- **Area 1: west of I-15, April 8th, 2019**
- **Area 2: south of Center Street and east of I-15, April 15th, 2019**
- **Area 3: north of Center Street and east of I-15, April 22nd, 2019**

***\*\*\*Crews WILL NOT come on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday and WILL NOT return to streets that have already been completed\*\*\****

Please have your debris out on the curb by 7 a.m. on the Monday your area is scheduled for the clean-up to begin. Please do not put debris out more than one week before your scheduled clean-up dates. A maximum of one (1) 10-wheeler dump truck load will be picked up at any one residence.

Debris must be in front of the curb in the street. City crews will not load debris if it is piled on private property. City crews will pick up brush, branches, clippings, leaves, grass, untreated wood including pallets and crates, asphalt, dirt, rocks, and concrete. Tires – 4 or less per pile (NO rims.)

***\*\*\*We will NOT pick up furniture or appliances or electronics. All unacceptable piles will not be picked up and must be removed from the street by those who placed it there\*\*\****

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As we begin to look forward to another beautiful Cedar City summer, please keep in mind that Utah is the second driest state in the U.S. and that water is a precious and finite resource.

Here in the Cedar Valley there are multiple water users. There are agricultural operations that purchase the right to use water and develop their own water delivery systems. There are small unincorporated subdivisions that have their own water systems. There are customers supplied by systems developed by the Central Iron County Water Conservancy District. There are also municipalities, such as Cedar City, that have developed water delivery systems for the benefit of residents, businesses, industries, and all sorts of users. All of these groups of water users have one thing in common: they all rely on an increasingly limited resource. Although the snow pack for this year is looking good, Cedar City recognizes the need to conserve water.

Cedar City's water use spikes during summer months due to outdoor irrigation. Watering during the day wastes a significant amount of water due to evaporation. Consequently, one conservation step the City took a number of years ago was to adopt an ordinance restricting watering during daylight hours. Between April 1st and October 31st, those using Cedar City's culinary system are prohibited from outdoor watering of grass, gardens, trees, shrubs, or any other vegetation between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Is your system on the culinary system? It is easy to tell. One piece of information you may want to consider is you are receiving this notice in your water bill! Irrigation with water from a ditch system would be outside of Cedar City's culinary system.

Large water-users such as a schools or recreational venues are using Cedar City's secondary irrigation system, not the culinary system. So, if you are not on the ditch system or a secondary irrigation system for your outside watering, you are using Cedar City's culinary system and the ordinance applies to you!

There are a couple of exceptions to the time-of-day watering restrictions you may want to be aware of. If you have just planted grass, there is no watering restriction for the first 30 days. If you are present and using short cycles of water to maintain your irrigation system, there is no restriction. If you are present at a business licensed as a nursery there is no restriction. Also, the City's Water Superintendent may issue some users a permit. If you don't fall into one of these categories, you are regulated by the City's watering restrictions.

Cedar City's Water Department and Code Enforcement Division will be out enforcing this ordinance in the coming months. Anyone in violation can expect to receive only one warning. Repeated violations will result in water service being shut off and financial penalties.

Water conservation is important for all living in the west. Cedar City hopes that everyone can adopt the time-of-day water restrictions into their conservation practices. Please help us conserve water by being more conscious of your water usage and watering only during the designated hours. If you have questions regarding the time-of-day watering ordinance, please contact the Cedar City Public Works Department at (435) 586-2912.

Another rite of spring/summer is the dreaded road construction! Cedar City and the Utah Department of Transportation have projects planned that may impact local travel during the warmer months. Here is what you can expect from now until the fall.

Cedar City has commenced a project to upgrade the streetlights on Main Street from 200 South to approximately Monterey Drive. This project is currently under construction and is scheduled to be completed by May 1st. Additionally, Cedar City will be upgrading the water lines on Main Street from Center Street to approximately Monterey Drive. This project is expected to commence April 1st and be completed by June 1st. The City will be replacing sidewalks along Main Street from approximately Center Street to 400 South.

The Utah Department of Transportation is going to have projects in Cedar City beginning in May and running through October. The UDOT projects will be on the following roads: (1) Main Street (SR-130) from the north interchange to the south interchange; (2) Center Street (SR-14) from Main Street east approximately 2 miles up Cedar Canyon; and (3) 200 North (SR-56) from Main Street west to I-15. The projects scheduled for these roads include: 180 pedestrian ramp removals and replacements; 40 drive-way upgrades; roto-milling; asphalt replacement; and micro-resurfacing approximately 6 miles of road.

Although these construction projects will be an inconvenience for everyone this summer, ultimately they will make our community more accessible, efficient, attractive, and safe, adding to everyone's enjoyment of our beautiful community. We encourage all drivers to be patient, drive safely, slow down in construction areas, and use alternative routes to avoid traffic congestion.