

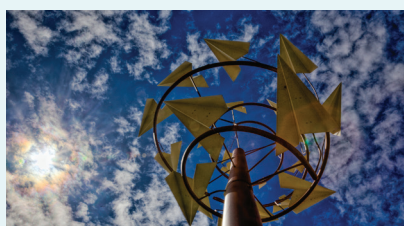
Be Idle-Free Feb. 8 – 15

Ogden City's annual Idle-Free Week is February 8 – 15. Residents are encouraged throughout this week to reduce vehicle idling and become aware of the effects that idling can have on our health and quality of life.



Idling reduces air quality and can cause harmful pollutants to be emitted into the air which contribute to asthma and other respiratory diseases. There are a number of simple ways to reduce unnecessary idling, like turning off the car when going through a drive-thru window and picking-up and dropping-off children at school, and not warming up the car in the morning.

The Ogden City Council and Mayor Caldwell are encouraging residents to participate in this effort and to consider the effects of idling throughout this week and the entire year. For additional information about Idle-free Week visit council.ogdencity.com.



Public Art at The Junction

Looking for an escape from the winter blues? Go on an art hunt in the heart of downtown Ogden.

The Junction Plaza is home to an incredible public art piece called *Glide, Soar, Fly*, an elevated sculpture that will encourage you to take imaginary flight.

2015 City Council Leadership Elected

On January 6, 2015 the Ogden City Council elected Richard A. Hyer as Council Chair and Marcia L. White as Vice Chair for 2015. Council Chair Hyer was elected to the City Council in 2011 and served as Chair in 2014. Vice Chair White was elected in 2013 and will be serving in leadership for the first time.

"I really appreciate the support of my fellow Council members. I hold each of them in high esteem and recognize their significant contributions to the City," Chair Hyer said. "I am looking forward to the continued opportunity to work with Council members and help them to bring forward their ideas."

"I am grateful for the opportunity to serve in Council leadership and to work more closely with Council members and Mayor Caldwell as we continue to create a vibrant atmosphere in Ogden." Vice Chair Marcia White said. "I am also excited to continue collaborations with our county and state elected officials."



Fly Fishing Film Tour Returns to Ogden



The most anticipated and celebrated event in the fly fishing industry, the Fly Fishing Film Tour (F3T), comes to Perry's Egyptian Theater Friday, March 6, for its fifth year in Ogden.

As part of its annual continent-wide trek with over 40,000 attendees, 150-plus shows, and more than 200 fly shop partners, this year F3T will support filmmakers by giving back over \$30,000, and most importantly will create awareness for all of the local conservation groups who benefit from the proceeds of the tour's 150 stops. In Ogden, proceeds from F3T benefit the preservation of the Ogden River trail ways.

Each year the audience in Ogden continues to grow and an even bigger presence is expected at this year's show. F3T sets a stage with first-class films and they engage with Ogden's local angler shops and outfitters while providing an educational component and awareness opportunity for conservation groups like the Department of Natural Resources, Urban Forestry, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, and Trout Unlimited.

The Ogden River offers citizens, locals, and visitors a recreational oasis in the heart of downtown Ogden. Designated a Blue Ribbon fishery, the Ogden River is a gem in our own backyard. The mission of bringing F3T to Ogden is to help residents realize how easily accessible the river is to do some fishing on the weekend or just to enjoy the bike path and the beauty of nature that the river adds to our downtown.

Tickets are \$14 at Smithstix.com, Peery's Egyptian Theater Box Office, 801-689-8700, or www.flyfishingfilmtour.com. Discounted tickets available at Roosters, Angler's Den, and Smith and Edwards.

Ogden City's 2015 Municipal Election

Interested in getting involved in your city government? The following positions are up for election in the Ogden City 2015 Municipal Election: • Mayor, • Council Member Ward 2, • Council Member Ward 4, and • Council Member At-Large C. All positions are a four-year term. The candidate filing period runs June 1 – 8. Declaration of candidacy must be filed in person at the Ogden City Recorder's Office, 2549 Washington Blvd Ste 210. Primary election is Aug. 11 and General election is Nov. 3.



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Take the Priority Needs Survey to Give Your Input on Community Development Needs

Ogden City is asking for your input to determine priority needs in our community and to help identify goals for programs that serve the people of Ogden.

Go to <http://hudconplan.ogdencity.com> and complete the Priority Needs Survey. Your answers will help Ogden City determine its housing and community development needs which will be used in creating a Five Year Consolidated Plan for 2016–2020.

Public participation is vital in developing a plan to determine how grant funds will be expended over the course of the next five years. In addition, HUD requires that the City encourage public participation and emphasizes involvement from low- and moderate-income persons. So please take the survey and encourage your friends and neighbors to do the same.

Stee-rike one! Stee-rike two! Stee-rike...

It's time again for Ogden City Recreation baseball, softball, and tee-ball! Registration is open through April 6 for boys and girls age 3 to 15. Cost is \$25 – \$40 per player. Games are weekday evenings in May and June. Register online at www.ogdenrecreation.sportsites.com or in person at 1875 Monroe Blvd. Our programs are volunteer driven and we are always looking for coaches. Don't strike out; sign up today!



What's Covering Your Car?

Metal carports, canopies, and framed carports with canvas tops are popping up throughout the city. They are both unsafe and usually illegal. If you want to purchase a canopy that is safe and legal, follow these rules and regulations: • Secure a free land use permit to ensure proper placement on the lot and building materials. • If your canopy exceeds 200 square feet, a building permit is required. • If a building permit is required, structural consideration plans must be approved by a Utah-licensed professional engineer, showing in detail how the structure will follow regulations. Call 801-629-8985 with any questions.

Need Help Preparing Your Income Taxes?

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program offers **free tax help** to those making \$53,000 or less, persons with disabilities, the elderly and limited English speaking taxpayers who need assistance in preparing their own tax returns.

IRS-certified volunteers provide free basic income tax return preparation with electronic filing to qualified individuals at seven locations throughout Weber County. The Earn It-Keep It-Save It program is Utah's statewide campaign to strengthen family financial stability through utilization of the Earned Income Tax Credit, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, and asset formation programs.

Call 211 for appointments or visit www.utahtaxhelp.org for more information.



Emergency Preparedness: Always be Ready for Havoc in Winter



We've experienced a relatively mild winter this year, but make no mistake, it is not spring — not quite yet. Last month we talked about being prepared for extreme cold and harsh winters, and all that rings true for this month, too. It is still winter, and a cold snap or heavy snow accumulation could cause havoc. Get prepared so havoc won't strike you.

To keep pipes from freezing, let the water trickle just a little bit. Open kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors to allow air to circulate

around the plumbing. If you lower the thermostat for nighttime or when you're not home, don't set it too low. It may result in a slightly higher heating bill, but you can prevent a much more costly repair job if pipes freeze and burst. To keep pipes from freezing outside, remove hoses and cover the faucets to insulate against the weather.

To prevent winter home fires, check the furnace filter and replace it monthly. Check for frayed or damaged power cords on space heaters, heated blankets, and other electric heating devices. Don't use any alternative heat sources to heat your home unless the device is UL approved for indoor use. Space heaters account for 79 percent of home heating fire deaths. Monitor and maintain your pellet stoves and fireplace. Dirty chimneys are the number one cause of fireplace fires.

Always try to prepare for the worst and hope for the best; then winter havoc won't take you by surprise.

Trash Collection Schedule

No changes or delays in curbside trash collection for the months of February or March.

Questions? Call 801-629-8271.

Free Dump Passes

Ogden City is offering citizens up to two free dump passes to the Weber County Transfer Station. Each pass is good for 280 pounds of waste disposal to help dispose of items not allowed in the Dial-A-Dumpster program or at the Green Waste Facility. Dump passes are available March 2 – June 12 or until they are gone, first come first served. Bring picture ID and current utility bill to the Community Service Building at 1875 Monroe Blvd. or Public Ways & Parks office at 133 W 29th Street.

Fly from Ogden Airport

Ogden area residents enjoy the convenience of flying from Ogden-Hinckley Airport. Commercial passenger service connects Ogden to Mesa, Arizona.

The Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport is a great connecting point to reach at least 40 other great destinations throughout the US.

Reasons to fly from Ogden?

That's easy! Easy parking, easy security lines, easy terminal, easy boarding, and easy returns. Even buying tickets is easy, just visit www.flyogden.com or bundle air and hotel to save at allegiantair.com.


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Down Payment Assistance

The Own in Ogden program offers down payment assistance for qualifying home buyers in target areas. Call 801-629-8940 to see if you qualify.



Home Sweet Ogden



Ogden City refurbishes homes and sells them at a great bargain. Visit ogdencityhomes.com or call 801-629-8940.

Contact Ogden City

• 801-629-8000 Ogden City main line
• 801-629-8159 City Council agenda

• 801-629-8961 Code Enforcement
• 801-629-8752 Graffiti Task Force

• 801-395-8221 Non-Emergency Police & Fire
• 801-629-8701 Accessibility and Language Assistance

• 801-629-8253 City Recreation
• 801-629-8244 Animal Services