

AT YOUR SERVICE

A bulletin of community news



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Join Our Team! Now Hiring

Are you or is someone you know looking for employment? Ogden City has a wide range of full-time and part-time jobs available. Apply today!

ogdencity.com/jobs

Dump Passes Available

A reminder to residents that dump passes will expire July 30th.

801-629-8271

ogdencity.com/1112/Dump-Pass

Discount Carbon Monoxide Detectors Available

Carbon Monoxide detectors are available for \$10 at the City Municipal Building with proof of Ogden City residency.

ogdencity.com/fire

Fair Housing

Everyone is protected under the fair housing Act of 1968!

www.hud.gov/fairhousing

Emergency Home Repairs

Loans are available for low income, owner-occupied households to correct unexpected emergency housing conditions.

801-629-8903

Own in Ogden

Own in Ogden down-payment assistance loans are available for qualifying individuals and properties.

801-629-8940

ogdencity.com/OwninOgden

HELP (Home Exterior Loan Program)

HELP provides low-interest home improvement loans for eligible projects to all qualifying citizens city-wide.

801-629-8940

ogdencity.com/HELP

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801.629.8000

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Property Tax Hearing

The Ogden City Council will be considering a property tax increase to pay for the additional \$3,078,878 million proposed to fund increases for city employees. It's proposed that full-time employees

receive a cost-of-living increase of 13%, sworn fire employees receive a 14% increase, and sworn police receive an 8% increase. Sworn police employees received increases in late November. City employees are necessary to provide residents with a high level of service, and the proposed increases will help Ogden City attract and retain high-quality personnel.

To increase property taxes, the Council is required to go through the Truth in Taxation process, which includes an additional public hearing that will take place on August 2nd, 2022, at 6 pm.

To see how this increase will affect your taxes, scan the QR code or visit ogdencity.com/budgetprocess to use our property tax calculator tool.

Ogden City has not gone through the Truth in Taxation process since 2018, and at that time planned to consider going through the process every other year to keep up with inflation. This was not done in 2020 or 2021 due to the economic slowdown caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. With inflation rates skyrocketing, a tax increase is necessary not only to be competitive in the job market but also to be able to pay for essential materials to support infrastructure within Ogden City.

The Ogden City Council can always be reached by using the contact information found at ogdencity.com/councilcontact, sending an email to citycouncil@ogdencity.com, or by calling the number below.

801-629-8153

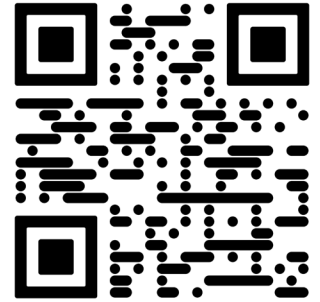
Water Conservation This Summer

Water conservation has been a big concern for the past two summers since there wasn't enough water through the snowpack in previous winters. This has led to severe drought in the City and throughout Northern Utah. Applicable provisions of Ogden's Water Shortage Management Plan are in force, and all residents are asked to take the following steps to conserve water for the remainder of the summer:

- **Outdoor watering is prohibited between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.** This violation is enforceable by fines.
- **Limit the amount you water to two days a week.** Try not to surpass twenty minutes when watering with pop-up sprinklers and not over forty minutes with rotors.
- **All residential water customers of Ogden City are encouraged to reduce their water use by at least ten percent.** Commercial water customers are encouraged to reduce their water use by at least fifteen percent.
- **Maintain and properly adjust your irrigation system to avoid wasting water.** Adjust watering times based on weather. Grass needs less water than you think. It's recommended to follow the state weekly watering guide at conervewater.utah.gov.
- **Avoid hard-surface washing of sidewalks and driveways.** (Except for health or safety) If needed, try and use a broom or a leaf blower instead.
- **Put sod or grass seeding plans on hold.** These require even more water to be successful.
- **Use a positive pressure nozzle when washing vehicles.**

If you have any questions about water conservation, you can contact the Ogden City Water Conservation Coordinator at:

801-629-8329



Recreation Reminders:

Job opportunities available in Recreation!
Apply at ogdencity.com/jobs

Lifeguards wanted!

More sports and programs open now!

ogdencity.com/Recreation

All Events Scheduled are Subject to Change

July

- 1 First Friday Art Stroll | Downtown 6 - 9 p.m.
- 4 Independence Day
- 6 Music on the Plaza | The Junction 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- 13 Music on the Plaza | The Junction 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Jazz At The Station | Union Station 7 - 8 p.m.
- 20-25 Ogden Pioneer Days
- 25 Pioneer Day (Observed)

August

- 4 Ogden Twilight (*local Natives/Lucy Dacus*) | Ogden Amphitheater
- 5 First Friday Art Stroll | Downtown 6 - 9 p.m.
- 6 Ogden Twilight (*The Shins*) | Ogden Amphitheater
- 9 Ogden Twilight (*The National*) | Ogden Amphitheater
- 10 Jazz At The Station | Union Station 7 - 8 p.m.
- 25 Ogden Twilight (*Beach House*) | Ogden Amphitheater
- 30 Ogden Twilight (*Modest Mouse*) | Ogden Amphitheater

Farmers Market Ogden Every Saturday! 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

See more at ogdencity.com/events

Recycling Tip of the Month

Please do not place any fireworks in your recycling bin, especially while hot. Fireworks can melt your trash bin, and the fee for resident responsibility is \$59.97 per cart.

ogdencity.com/recycling

Public Meetings - Details Available Online

City Council Meetings

Council Chambers | Tuesdays 6 p.m.

Ogden Trails Network

Public Works Building | Third Thursdays 4:30 p.m.

City Planning Commission

Municipal Building | First Wednesdays 5 p.m.

Ogden City Arts Advisory Committee Meetings

Virtual | Second Tuesdays 8:30 a.m.

Marshall White Advisory Committee Meetings

Virtual | Second Wednesdays 4:00 p.m.

Diversity Commission Meetings

Second Wednesdays 4:30 p.m.

Battery Fire Safety Message From Your Fire Department

Battery devices are becoming much more common today, and managing those batteries is very important.

Here are a few tips to keep safe and protect your family.

- Place tape over battery terminals before disposal or recycling. Used and "dead" batteries can remain a fire hazard.
- Replace batteries if they get wet or damaged.
- Keep lithium batteries in a cool, dry place.
- Only use lithium batteries designed for the device you want to charge.
- Don't overcharge lithium batteries.
- Don't put lithium batteries in household trash.

ogdencity.com/fire



Firework Season Safety Tips

The Ogden Fire Department encourages residents to enjoy fireworks responsibly this year by attending a professional fireworks show. Consumer fireworks can be dangerous. More fires are reported on Independence Day than any other day, with two of five fires caused by fireworks. Residents that choose to light their fireworks in areas that are legally allowed should follow these safety tips.

- Never use fireworks while impaired by drugs or alcohol. Always wear protective eyewear when using or standing near them.
- Never allow young children to handle fireworks. Older children should use them only under close adult supervision.
- Be aware of current fire restrictions in your area. You may be restricted from using fireworks in your neighborhood. Be aware of Fire Marshal orders.
- Never ignite devices in a container. Do not try to re-light or handle malfunctioning fireworks.
- Soak unused fireworks in water for a few hours before discarding them. Keep a bucket of water nearby to fully extinguish fireworks that don't go off.



Emergency Preparedness: Equip your Car

It's important to prepare your family vehicle(s) for any situation that may occur. When equipping your vehicle with items, keep in mind any emergency or everyday occurrences that may come up, or any items that may be needed to changes in weather or seasons.

Some basic items to include for common situations could be:

- Blankets
- Heavy-duty flashlights
- A container of drinking water
- A collapsible shovel
- A basic first-aid kit
- Jumper cables

Additional less-common items could be high-energy snack bars and weather-conscious clothing items. It's a good idea to include a sharp-pointed rock hammer within the driver's reach. This tool may become a life-saving method of breaking through a window in a flood situation. For more safety tips and to build your plan go to:

<https://www.ready.gov/car>

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