



# THE SARATOGA VIEW

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## New Irrigation Water Rates

The City has adopted new irrigation water rates effective July 1, 2015. The new rates are tied to the new water meters that were installed last summer. The purpose of the new rates and meters are to encourage residents to conserve the City's water resources. A reduction in the overall water usage in the City will improve water pressures and extend the capacity of the existing infrastructure (wells, water lines, and storage ponds). In addition, residents who conserve water will be able to see a savings on their monthly water bill.

A new, lower, base rate will continue to be charged year round to cover some of the City's fixed costs in the water department. This will result in a significantly lower water bill during the non-irrigation months. The rest of the rates will be charged based upon water usage. Each lot will be assigned an allotment of water. This allotment is based upon how much water was purchased for your lot at development. The rates increase as you use more of your allotment.

The new rates will be effective July 1, 2015 to give residents enough time to review monthly water usage (supplied on your utility bill) and make adjustments to your irrigation system. In addition, for the first month of the new rates (July) the city will cap the irrigation portion of each resident's bill at 150% of the allotment. The full rates will be charged beginning August, 2015.

### **New Rates (effective July 1, 2015)**

Single Family Residential Base Fee: \$16.25 per quarter acre (reduced from \$26.18 per quarter acre).

Non-single Family Residential Base Fee: \$65.00 per irrigable acre. This fee includes commercial, industrial,

institutional, condominiums, city parks, HOA parks, or any other non-single family property that the City has a record of the irrigable acreage of the property.

### **Water Allotment**

The allotments are calculated as follows:

Single Family Residential monthly allotment (in thousand gallons): Gross lot acreage multiplied by 108.793732.

Non-single Family Residential monthly allotment (in thousand gallons): Irrigable lot area multiplied by 152.99127.

For example, a 1/4 acre lot would have an allotment of 27.2 thousand gallons. ( $0.25 \times 108.793732$ )

### **Usage Rates**

0 to 75% of allotment	\$0.35 per 1,000 gallons
75% to 100% of allotment	\$1.00 per 1,000 gallons
100% to 150% of allotment	\$1.25 per 1,000 gallons
150% to 200% of allotment	\$2.00 per 1,000 gallons
200% to 250% of allotment	\$3.00 per 1,000 gallons
above 250% of allotment	\$3.80 per 1,000 gallons

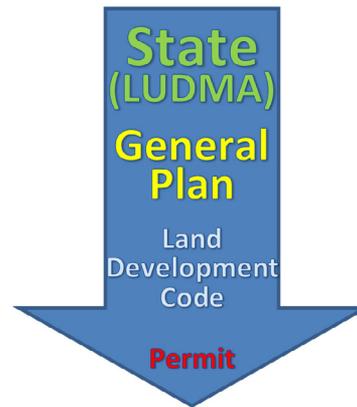
### **Irrigation Calculator**

The City has created an irrigation calculator to help customers determine their monthly irrigation water allotment and estimate the cost of their bill. Visit [www.saratogaspringscity.com](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com) and click on the "New Irrigation Water Rates." You'll be able to enter your lot size to determine your monthly water allotment. You can also estimate what your bill would be at different water usage amounts.



## TIPS TO HELP SLOW THE FLOW

- Adjust the number of days you water each week depending on the season and weather. A helpful map is available online at [www.slowtheflow.org](http://www.slowtheflow.org) and click on the “Utah Weekly Lawn Watering Guide.” Typically in the month of June, lawns only need to be watered once every three days.
- **Irrigation systems may not be turned on between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. except when establishing new grass or performing maintenance on the system. This schedule has been set up by the state and also allows time for the wells to recover.**
- Water smarter by installing rain and moisture sensors. The rain and moisture sensors help shut your sprinkler system off if there is rain and measure the moisture level in the grass to reduce the amount of water used in regular watering. Once the sensors are triggered, the sprinkler system shuts off.
- Schedule a free water check for your sprinkler system between May and August by visiting [www.slowtheflow.org](http://www.slowtheflow.org) or calling (877) 728-3420 to schedule an appointment. Water checks are free and help reduce water waste. The checks analyze the efficiency of your system providing a customized watering schedule based on soil type, grass root depth, sprinkler distribution and water pressure.
- Cross connections between the culinary and irrigation water lines are illegal and can carry a fine. If you think your lines may be cross connected and would like it checked, please contact the Public Works Department at (801) 766-6506. They can help determine if a line is cross connected and if so, assist you on how to go about getting it fixed.
- Sweep your driveways and sidewalks with a broom instead of spraying them off with a hose. It will save 80 gallons of water every time.
- More tips to conserve water both inside and outside your home are available online at [www.slowtheflow.org](http://www.slowtheflow.org).



## Planning 101: Part 2 – General Plan

Have you ever wondered how the City determines land use designations or makes the rules that govern building height and design? How about how the City creates priorities for public investments in parks or transportation systems?

All of the City’s land use and public infrastructure decisions occur within a framework of state, regional and local laws. The most tangible and visible part of this decision-making process are the specific capital projects (i.e., roads and parks), or private projects (i.e., new homes or stores) that you see around the city.

To understand the where, how and why of a project, you need to trace the decision-making process “upstream” through the approval process to find the origin of the regulations. In the State of Utah, there are 3 main areas that govern land use development; the State’s Municipal Land Use and Development Act (LUDMA), the City’s General Plan, and the City’s Land Development Code (Zoning & Subdivision Ordinances).

The Land Development Code was addressed in last month’s newsletter. This month we will talk briefly about the General Plan. The City’s General Plan can be considered the community wide “blueprint” for where and how the City should grow in the coming decades. This long term outlook is an advisory guiding document that speaks in broad and even aspirational terms, painting a picture of a desired future Saratoga Springs.

The General Plan is divided up into different sections, or “elements” that deal with specific disciplines such as Land Use, Transportation, Parks Recreation and Open Space, Public Facilities, Economic Development, etc.

Just as the Land Development code is influenced by the General Plan, so is the General Plan subject to many specific goals and requirements found in the State of Utah Municipal Land Use and Development Act (LUDMA), which will be discussed next month.

For more information about this topic or any other planning related questions, please contact Saratoga Springs Planning Department at (801) 766-9793 or online.



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## LIBRARY NEWS



**Seeking Volunteers:** We're currently in need of volunteers for the following positions: Shelves who can volunteer for just to 2 hours of service a week and tutors for the Summer Session of the Literacy Center. Call the library about volunteering at (801) 766-6513.

**Book Buzz for Book Clubs:** Utah State Library Book Buzz lends book sets to book clubs, book groups, libraries, organizations, schools, and community centers. The Utah State Library acquired the Book Buzz lending program from the Utah Center for the Book, Utah Humanities Council in 2012. There are currently over 400 titles available. The library can submit a request for multiple copies of a single title. They will be delivered to the library for a member of your book club to pick up and distribute. The book club will need to pay the postage cost of mailing these items back to the Utah State Library. The cost varies but is typically from \$20 to \$30.

**Saratoga Springs Literacy Center Summer Session:** June 9 to July 16. There are 24 spots available. **Tutors needed!** For more information and to register go to [www.saratogaspringscity.com/library](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/library).

**Advanced Health Care Directive:** Need to get your affairs in order? Begin with an Advanced Health Care Directive. Two separate one hour seminars will be taught by Rebekah Wightman, J.D. in June. Registration is required to participate and space is limited to 20 participants for each session. Classes will be taught at the Saratoga Springs Public Library: Wednesday, June 10 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. or Saturday, June 13 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Register online at [www.saratogaspringscity.com/library](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/library).

**Weekly Storytime Programs:** June 10 to July 31. The role of storytime is to inspire lifelong reading habits and give children a positive experience with the library. These programs include stories, finger plays, action rhymes, music, movement activities, art activities and more. Adults need to set a good example for their children by being attentive to the activity and by refraining from visiting with others. Programs in the library will be limited to 20 children, due to space.

## Who do I contact to fix...?

*Download the new service request mobile app for Saratoga Springs*

Have you come across a streetlight issue, a pothole, a landscaping issue or something that needs attention in Saratoga Springs? Now you can notify City staff straight from your smart phone with the new Saratoga Springs mobile app.

The Saratoga Springs mobile app is a free, simple and intuitive smart phone application that helps residents and visitors of Saratoga Springs to report issues to the appropriate City department for a quick resolution.

Powered by CitySourced technology, the application uses your smart phone's location services to automatically provide the issue's location, submit pictures and simplifies the reporting process for both residents and City staff. Once residents have submitted an issue, the progress of the service request can be tracked and residents can receive updates about the issue within the app.



Simply download the app by visiting the Google Play store or the App Store on your Android or iOS device and search for "Saratoga Springs City Mobile."

**\* Please note, this app is not intended for use during an emergency.**

# June 2015

Recreation Registration online at: [www.saratogaspringscity.com/recreation](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/recreation)  
 Civic Event Registration online at: [www.saratogaspringscity.com/civicevents](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/civicevents)  
 Library Registration online at: [www.saratogaspringscity.com/library](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/library)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>7. Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Literacy Center 4:30-5:15* City Council Chambers Talent Show Neptune Park 7:30</p>	<p>1. Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Youth Drama Camp begins at Harvest Elementary*</p>	<p>2. Story Time 10:00 City Council Chambers Story Time 11:00 City Council Chambers Senior Citizen Munch &amp; Mingle 12:00 City Council Chambers Fitness for Seniors Presentation</p>	<p>3. Spanish Story Time 11:00</p>	<p>4. Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Community Orchestra 7:00 City Council Chambers</p>	<p>5. Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Community Orchestra 7:00 City Council Chambers</p>	<p>6. Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Community Orchestra 7:00 City Council Chambers</p>
<p>8. Saratoga Splash Days Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Literacy Center 4:30-5:15* City Council Chambers Talent Show Neptune Park 7:30</p>	<p>9. Saratoga Splash Days Library Closed 10:00-12:00 Summer Reading Kick-Off Neptune Park 10:00 AM Friends of the Library Book Sale 12-4 At Bank of American Fork Literacy Center 4:00-4:45* City Council Chambers Science Night at Neptune Park 7:00</p>	<p>10. Saratoga Splash Days Spanish Story Time 11:00 Literacy Center 4:30-5:15* City Council Chambers Estate Planning Seminar 6:00-7:00* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>10. Saratoga Splash Days Spanish Story Time 11:00 Literacy Center 4:30-5:15* City Council Chambers Estate Planning Seminar 6:00-7:00* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>11. Saratoga Splash Days Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Literacy Center 4:00-4:45* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>12. Saratoga Splash Days Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Literacy Center 4:00-4:45* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>13. Saratoga Splash Days Estate Planning Seminar 10:00-11:00* City Council Chambers</p>
<p>14. Stuffed Animal Drop-off Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Family Story Time 2:00 Sponsored by Saratoga Floral Literacy Center 4:30-5:15* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>16. Stuffed Animal Drop-off Story Time 10:00 City Council Chambers Story Time 11:00 City Council Chambers Literacy Center 4:00-4:45* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>17. Stuffed Animal Drop-off Spanish Story Time 11:00 Literacy Center 4:30-5:15* City Council Chambers Merit Badge* - Citizenship in the Community 5:30-7:30 City Council Chambers</p>	<p>17. Stuffed Animal Drop-off Spanish Story Time 11:00 Literacy Center 4:30-5:15* City Council Chambers Merit Badge* - Citizenship in the Community 5:30-7:30 City Council Chambers</p>	<p>18. Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Literacy Center 4:00-4:45* City Council Chambers Stuffed Animal Sleepover Teen Event 7:00-8:00 Community Orchestra 7:00 North Fire Station</p>	<p>19. Senior Citizen Classic Movie 10:00 Scera Theater</p>	<p>20. Senior Citizen Classic Movie 10:00 Scera Theater</p>
<p>21. Fall Soccer Registration Opens</p>	<p>22. Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Literacy Center 4:30-5:15* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>23. Story Time 10:00 City Council Chambers Story Time 11:00 City Council Chambers Literacy Center 4:00-4:45* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>24. Spanish Story Time 11:00 Literacy Center 4:30-5:15* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>25. Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Crafting: Purse Books 1-3* Literacy Center 4:00-4:45* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>26. Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Crafting: Purse Books 1-3* Literacy Center 4:00-4:45* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>27. Merit Badge* - First Aid 10:00-12:00 City Council Chambers</p>
<p>28. Flag Football Registration Opens</p>	<p>29. Move, Rattle &amp; Shake 11:00 Literacy Center 4:30-5:15* City Council Chambers</p>	<p>30. Story Time 10:00 City Council Chambers Story Time 11:00 City Council Chambers Literacy Center 4:00-4:45* City Council Chambers</p>				

Civic Events  
Communities that Care  
Recreation

Library Events (Events marked \* require registration)

## South Secondary Water Well Update

Work for a possible new irrigation well in the southern portion of the City is now underway. The project site is located off the northeast corner of the parking lot in the Reid and Ursula Wayman Park. This project will temporarily restrict the use of the park's parking lot during the summer. The drilling portion of the project is anticipated to take up to 120 days to complete. For more information visit [www.saratogaspringscity.com](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com) and select the South Secondary Well Project under Announcements.

## Employment Opportunity

The City of Saratoga Springs is currently hiring for the following positions: full-time building inspector II, public works/parks seasonal employees, part-time firefighter/paramedic, part-time wildland firefighter/EMT. Job descriptions and application instructions are available on the City's website at [www.saratogaspringscity.com](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com).



### Fall Youth Outdoor Soccer

**Registration:** June 21 - July 18;  
Late registration July 19-25

**Season:** August 22 - October 17.  
This will be an 8-game season. All games on Saturdays. All games will be at local parks. Practices will be up to the coach as to when and where.

**Cost:** \$40 (\$45 during late registration); Jersey: \$9. Jerseys are the same as previous years.

**Ages:** Pre-K to 6th grade. Child must turn four on or before August 22. Shin guards are required for all ages. Everyone who signs up will play.

**WANTED:** Volunteer coaches! Please sign up if you would like to coach. Volunteer coaches are always needed. Co-coaching is available.

For questions, contact the Saratoga Springs Recreation Department at (801) 753-8264.

## 2015 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

A Municipal Election will be held in 2015 to elect the following office:

- Three (3) City Council members - four (4) year term each, January 2016 to December 2019

Candidates must meet the following requirements in order for their candidacy to be accepted: 1) must be a citizen of the United States, 2) must be at least 18 years old by the next election, 3) must be a registered voter within the City of Saratoga Springs and 4) must have resided in the City of Saratoga Springs or recently annexed area for a period of 12 consecutive months immediately before the date to the election. Citizens desiring to run for office must file a "Declaration of Candidacy" in person with the Saratoga Springs City Recorder. The forms will be available in the office of the City Recorder beginning Monday, June 1, 2015. The filing period will run: June 1, 2015 through June 8, 2015, Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For additional information contact the City Recorder's office at 1307 North Commerce Drive, Suite 200, (801) 766-9793 ext. 103.

Opportunities to be a Poll Worker for the City Municipal Election are available. To apply call Saratoga Springs City Recorder at (801) 766-9793 ext. 103 for more information.

## Saratoga Springs Fall Flag Football

**Registration:**  
June 28 - July 25

**Late Registration:**  
July 26 - August 1

**Games:**  
September 3 - October 8

**Ages:** 1st to 6th grade, co-ed. Register child for their grade for the 2015-2016 school year. Everyone who signs up will play.

**Cost:** \$30 (\$35 during late registration); \$9 jersey. Jerseys are the same from previous soccer and flag football seasons.

Volunteer coaches needed. Co-coaching available. For questions, please call at (801) 753-8264.

## Pony Express Construction Project

Road construction on the Pony Express Parkway is scheduled to begin around the first of June, 2015. The project will provide several enhancements, including widening the road between 800 West and Redwood road, adding a signal at the 200 West intersection and extending the existing area trail.

The road widening between 800 West and Redwood Road is necessary to reduce congestion near the schools and will also address future traffic needs. The new traffic signal at the 200 West intersection will allow drivers to safely exit Westlake High School and will also reduce peak hour blockage of the traffic lane at the 200 West intersection by motorists trying to turn left. The new stretch of trail will begin at the trail near the middle school and will continue to Eagle Mountain. A trail will also be added to the east end of Pony Express Parkway. It will begin on the east side of 200 West and continue to Redwood Road.

The Pony Express Parkway Improvements project is a shared endeavor between Saratoga Springs, Eagle Mountain and UDOT. Construction is expected to be complete at the end of August, and most of the work will take place between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

More information about the Pony Express Parkway Improvements Project can be found at [www.udot.utah.gov/go/ponyexpress](http://www.udot.utah.gov/go/ponyexpress). For questions please contact Scott at 1-800-948-4002.



**Saratoga Splash Days**  
**"Who's Your Hero?"**  
**June 8-13, 2015**

For more information and a list of events, activities, and times visit [www.saratogaspringscity.com/civicevents](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/civicevents).

## Saratoga Springs Senior Council

The Saratoga Springs Senior Council has a number of activities scheduled through August. The activities include: Cinco De Mayo Celebration, a Book Club, monthly Munch and Mingles, concerts and much more. The activities are for residents 55-years and older. Visit [www.saratogaspringscity.com/civicevents](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/civicevents) for a complete list of activities.

**"Munch and Mingle"** - Tuesday, June 2, 12 p.m. in the City Council Chambers (1307 N. Commerce Dr.). Lunch provided with a suggested \$3.00 donation. Guest speaker focusing on the topic "Fitness for Seniors."

**Saratoga Splash** - Monday, June 8, to Saturday, June 13, join in celebrating Saratoga Splash Days Events.

**Scera Theater Classic Movie** - Friday, June 19, 10 a.m. Classic movie is \$2 with free popcorn and drawings for prizes. A carpool from Saratoga Springs City Offices will be available to the first 10 people. Contact Darcey Williams for more details.

**Summer BBQ** - Tuesday, July 7, 12 p.m. at Neptune Park for the monthly "Munch and Mingle." Please bring a side dish to share.

**Saratoga Springs Community Orchestra** - Monday, July 13, 7:30 p.m. at Neptune Park

**Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat** - Saturday, July 18, 8 p.m. at the Scera Shell Outdoor Theater. A carpool from Saratoga Springs City Offices will be available to the first 10 people. Contact Darcey Williams for more details. At least 20 people will need to register to get the tickets for \$6.00 otherwise tickets will be \$10.00 per person.

If you have questions please contact Darcey Williams at (801) 822-1159.

Did you know everything that enters our storm drain system ends up in our lakes and streams? Help prevent storm water pollution by properly disposing of pet waste. Take a bag with you when walking your pet and pick up any waste and deposit in the trash or flush it down the toilet.