



## From Mayor Smith

### PEOPLE MOVERS

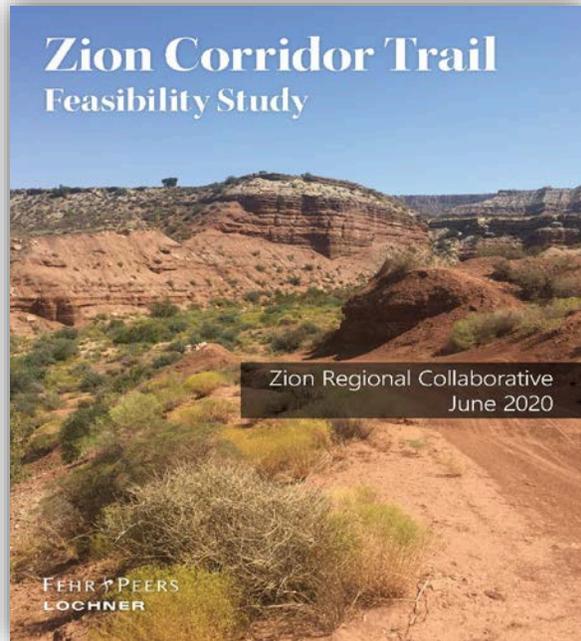
The Zion National Park shuttle system has had to make a number of adjustments this year in order to respond to COVID-19. Their primary goal has been to protect the safety and wellbeing of both drivers and riders, but also effectively move visitors. Shuttles that normally would have run through Springdale were pulled in an effort to utilize them in the Park and deliver as many people as possible up Zion Canyon Scenic Route. Working with Washington County Commissioners and the Utah Office of Tourism we were able to fill that gap and provide shuttles in Town to help move our visitors. St. George Shuttle was chosen from a request for proposal to operate these shuttles. The County and State are using CARES Act money to fund the buses. Without this assistance, Springdale shuttles were not going to run this year. In addition, the County is funding custodial needs for the Kolob Canyons section of Zion and the South Campground so both could open. I want to publicly thank both the County Commissioners and the State Office of Tourism for stepping up and making all this possible. Their support is greatly appreciated by many.

— STAN

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## Following the ZRC Trail



In late June, the Zion Regional Collaborative (ZRC) completed a Feasibility Study on a proposed regional, multi-use trail between the City of Hurricane and the southern entrance of Zion National Park. The engineering firms behind the Study (Fehr and Peers, and Lochner) examined potential user types, funding sources, features like e-bike charging stations, and public opinion.

Most significantly, the Feasibility Study analyzed 4 different potential alignments for the trail, eventually recommending a route that parallels SR-9 for the majority of its length. The “SR-9 Route” is intended to serve as a backbone trail with linkages to recreation, public transit, and more. The ZRC will next focus on environmental clearances for the trail, before moving on to Phase 1 planning, likely for the section of trail between the City of La Verkin and the top of the La Verkin Twist.

The ZRC looks forward to bringing this project to fruition over the next few years. Enthusiastic support from local communities brought this Feasibility Study to life and we are excited to see future progress. Thank you all for providing feedback and encouragement.

One final note: The ZRC plans to launch a website within the next two months! This website will host the Feasibility Study, as well as additional information on the Collaborative’s projects. Look out for a link coming soon!

In the meantime, please direct any questions/comments to Emily Friedman, ZRC Coordinator, at [zrcvista@gmail.com](mailto:zrcvista@gmail.com).



## The Chief's Message

Seems like the pandemic transformed “Spring Clean” into “Fall Clean”. Many folks are cleaning out their homes, sheds, garages, and yards to discard trash or unwanted items. These items may be taken to the Virgin collection station or the main location. Additionally, the Town placed a large dumpster near the recycle bins on Lion Blvd. for residents to discard items that won't fit in their regular garbage cans. Rules for using the dumpster include the prohibition of construction materials and waste from businesses. We have recently experienced a high volume of items such as construction materials, couches, and mattresses that have been left on the ground near the dumpster. Discarded items left on the ground are considered a violation of littering laws.

The police department has been investigating and citing those who violate these rules. If folks are not able to get large items to the appropriate dumping site, they can schedule a bulky item pickup with Washington County Solid Waste at (435) 673-2813. Please report any littering or other crime related incidents to the Dispatch Center (435) 634-5730. We are committed to keep Springdale a clean and a healthy place to live and visit, and I thank you for your help.

— CHIEF BRECKE



## Where's the Code Enforcement?

We often receive questions about enforcement and whether the Town enforces its own Code. The Town absolutely enforces Code; however, most enforcement actions may go unnoticed.

The Town performs a number of routine Code enforcement actions. These include: rigorous review of new development proposals prior to a permit being issued; regular monitoring of development projects during construction; constant monitoring of properties throughout Town for violations the Council has instructed Code Enforcement to proactively enforce; and responding to complaints or questions from the community. All of these ongoing activities result in most properties being in general compliance.

The Town Council has directed Code Enforcement to enforce a number of code violations proactively. Proactive enforcement includes, but not necessarily limited to: weeds, lighting, signage, development/permits, and, health and safety issues. For other violations, enforcement is complaint-driven. When a complaint is received, action to achieve compliance begins. The enforcement process mainly consists of communicating with property owners to bring their properties into voluntary compliance. Compliance is the goal, not punitive action, but understand this process can take time. Only when voluntary compliance is not possible will the Town move forward with more aggressive enforcement.

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## Zion National Park News

If you've been in the park recently, you've most likely seen the orange and white 'DANGER' signs posted at trailheads and river access points. The park has been working with many city and state departments to better understand the conditions of the cyanobacteria that can produce toxins and assess the risk for visitors and residents. Before we launch into it, we still recommend that you do NOT drink from any surface water sources; you should only filter water directly from a spring orifice if you need to obtain drinking water in the park. Standard recreational water filtration and disinfection techniques will not get rid of cyanotoxins.

If you're a fan of Science with a capital S, there's been a lot of that going on lately! Zion staff collected benthic scrapes of algae from rocks, intentionally disturbed algal mats and then measured for the amount of toxin released, and cached SPATT (Solid Phase Adsorption Toxin Tracking) bags in the park and also in Springdale, Rockville, and Virgin to measure the concentration of toxins in the water column over time. Our Chief of Resource Management Cass even clipped a SPATT bag to her backpack as she hiked the Narrows (it came back non-detect for harmful toxins).

We have learned a few things:

1. A very low concentration of anatoxin-a was detected in the water column in the North Fork of the Virgin River and in North Creek. Wading or accidentally ingesting small amounts of water (not near disturbed cyanobacteria colonies) poses a very low risk.
2. Advisories for waterbodies are built from the reasonable worst-case scenario. The reasonable worst-case exposure scenario here is disturbing the colonies by walking through or playing with the rocks the bacteria is growing on and incidentally ingesting pieces of the floating bacteria mat. Recent Benthic Disturbance samples, which models this kind of exposure scenario, still leaves us in the DANGER category using Utah's Health Based Risk Thresholds for anatoxin-a. It's safest to stay on land, but definitely keep small kids and dogs from playing in the water, including at the start of the Narrows where some harmful cyanobacteria colonies are found.
3. Results have found a previously unidentified cyanotoxin, nodularin, suspended in the water column in the North Fork. Samples are currently at the laboratory awaiting results to figure out which cyanobacteria genus might have produced nodularin, a hepatotoxin which damages the liver, which is typically only found in brackish systems. Concentrations of nodularin, like anatoxin-a, are fairly low in the water column meaning accidentally ingesting small amounts of water not near disturbed bacteria colonies also poses a low risk.

We will continue to study this issue through the seasonal changes as temperatures get cooler and days get shorter. We hypothesize that a flood event may scour out these colonies. Maybe we'll get a significant rain event sometime soon??? (Ha.) In the meantime, hydrate safely at home knowing Springdale's culinary water is tested regularly and toxins haven't been detected.

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## Where's the Code Enforcement? *(continued from page 2)*

Sometimes the Town receives complaints about issues that are troublesome to a resident, however they are not violations of the Town Code. Basically, we all have rights and opinions. At some point, we will inevitably disagree. The Code is put in place to resolve certain issues and disagreements, or to address health and safety concerns. The Code has evolved over time and reflects the overall sentiment in the community. The Town cannot enforce an issue for which there is no regulation.

Of course, the Town can become better at enforcement. We are constantly looking for ways to improve processes and be more effective. Members of the community can help in this effort. Here are some things you can do to help the Town enforce its ordinances:

- 1- Be in compliance with all Town Codes on your own property.
- 2- If you notice your neighbor is out of compliance with a Town Code, give them a courteous and helpful reminder to correct the problem.
- 3- If you notice a problem that needs Town intervention, call Code Enforcement and alert us of the problem, and be willing to be a part of the solution. Contact Jeff McKee at 435-414-5098.

Together we can make Code Enforcement as effective as possible with a positive approach, working together as friends, neighbors, and community members to constructively find solutions to violations.

# Springdale Meetings & Events Calendar

October 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	01	02	03
04 <u>8:00am-9:00am Catholic Services</u>	05 <u>6:30pm-7:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous</u>	06	07 <u>5 - 7pm Planning Commission Work Meeting</u>	08	09	10
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November 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
01 <u>8:00am-9:00am Catholic Services</u>	02 <u>6:30pm-7:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous</u>	03	04 <u>2-3pm ZCVB Meeting</u> <u>5 - 7pm Planning Commission Work Meeting</u>	05	06 <u>"Quarterly Clean-up" Dumpsters on Lion Blvd</u>	07 <u>"Quarterly Clean-up" Dumpsters on Lion Blvd</u>

Visit the Community Calendar at [www.springdaletown.com](http://www.springdaletown.com) for the most up-to-date event schedules.

**SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT**

**ONLINE FOR THE**

# **ZION CANYON FLU SHOOTOUT**

**BEHIND THE SPRINGDALE TOWN GAZEBO**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20TH, 2020 9AM-12PM**

**DRIVE THRU (18+)**

**WALKUP (ALL AGES)**



## **LIST OF THINGS TO DO:**

- 1. VISIT SPRINGDALETOWN.COM AND CLICK THE LINKS TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT AND PRINT A CONSENT FORM. PLEASE FILL OUT AND BRING WITH YOU TO SAVE TIME AND REDUCE CONTACT**
  - 2. WEAR A SHORT-SLEEVED SHIRT & A MASK**
  - 3. BRING YOUR PROOF OF INSURANCE**
  - 4. PLEASE STAY HOME IF YOU ARE SICK**
- FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT [SWUHEALTH.COM](http://SWUHEALTH.COM)**

**\$20 (CASH, CHECK (PREFERRED), OR CREDIT) OR  
NO CHARGE WITH PROOF OF THE FOLLOWING INSURANCES:  
AETNA, CIGNA, DMBA, EDUCATORS MUTUAL, HEALTHY PREMIER,  
MEDICAID, MEDICARE PART B, MOTIVHEALTH, PEHP, SELECT  
HEALTH, TALL TREE ADMINISTRATORS, UNITED HEALTH**

# October

# 2020

## CCC Fitness Calendar

126 Lion Blvd, Springdale

The Town of Springdale is taking the following precautions to make sure our fitness classes are a safe place:

- All participants must maintain a 10-foot distance from others.
- In the current yellow phase, total participation in classes may not exceed 20 people.
- Instructors should not hold class if they themselves are showing any symptoms of illness and will symptom check before they teach a class.
- All used equipment (mats, balls, etc.) must be sanitized at the conclusion of the class.
- There will be no sign-in sheets- waivers are now online.
- Instructors will fill out attendance sheet at every class. In the event that someone that attended the class tests positive with COVID-19, that information can be given to the Health Department to assist with contact tracing.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Pilates: 5:30PM-6:30PM Debi	2 Outdoor Yoga: 9:00 AM-10:30AM Sarah	3 All Levels Yoga: 10:15AM-11:15AM Kyndal
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# HEY, SPRINGDALE!

## Ready to VOTE??

### STEP 1: REGISTER

- Go To [vote.utah.gov](https://vote.utah.gov) and click on **Find My Voter registration** to ensure that you're registered.

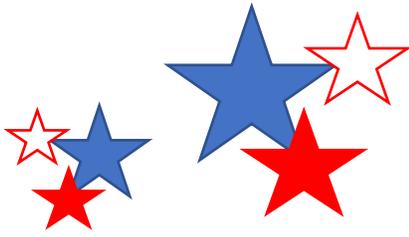
### STEP 2: WATCH FOR YOUR BALLOT IN THE MAIL

- Ballots will drop on **OCT 13<sup>th</sup>**  
(you should receive by **OCT 17<sup>th</sup>**)
- **SPECIAL NOTE:** Springdale is a By-Mail Precinct, meaning that all registered voters will *automatically* be mailed ballots.

### STEP 3: POSTMARK YOUR BALLOT BY NOV 2!

- You can also drop your ballot at the Hurricane Library before polls close on Election Day.

*Computers not really your thing? Have additional questions? Call or come see us! We want to help!  
Call (435)772.3434 and ask for Darci or Katy*



# Voter FAQ



## What is the voter registration deadline?

- **October 23, 2020**
- **HOWEVER**, you can register on Election Day by visiting a polling location and requesting a provisional ballot. This option requires valid photo ID and proof of residency.

## What if I am a Springdale registered voter but will not be in Springdale to retrieve my ballot?

- Visit [vote.utah.gov](https://vote.utah.gov) to update your mailing address.
- You can also contact Washington County Elections at (435)986-3399 and let them know you need an Absentee Ballot.

## What are my options for returning my ballot?

- MAIL IT with a first-class stamp. It must be postmarked NO LATER THAN MONDAY NOV 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- DROP IT OFF in person before election day at:
  - WASHINGTON COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER  
197 E. Tabernacle St., St George 84770
- DROP IT OFF on Election Day at the Dixie Convention Center between 7am - 8pm.
- DROP IT OFF at a ballot drop location before polls close on Election Day. The closest ballot drop box is at the Hurricane Library.

## How can I verify that my ballot has been received/counted?

- Visit [vote.utah.gov](https://vote.utah.gov) and click "TRACK MY MAIL OR PROVISIONAL BALLOT"

**More questions? Call Darci or Katy (435) 772-3434**

# ***The BluCan Recycling Program is changing!***



***What is the same:*** Same great curbside service. Recycle paper, plastic, metal, and cardboard goods in the existing blue cans which will continue to be picked up every other week, taken to the District transfer station to be loaded, and hauled by semi-trucks to the Republic Service recycling facility outside of Las Vegas, Nevada.

## ***What is changing:***

- ***Participation*** – Recycling reduces our need for new raw materials. Recycling keeps trash out of the landfill and extends its useful life. Recycling conserves energy and reduces pollution to our air and water. It's important to recycle correctly and to ensure contamination isn't being added to recycling materials! Future recycling fees will be based on countywide participation. The minimum fees assume at least 51% participation. Fees will increase if countywide participation drops below 51% and the program will stop if participation is below 34%.
- ***Cost*** – The current monthly rate for recycling is \$3.37 and will increase effective February 10, 2021. The new fees are based on participation:
  - Tier 1, which would assume over 51% participation, increases to \$5.66
  - Tier 2, 41%-50% participation, increases to \$6.10
  - Tier 3, 34%-41% participation, increases to \$6.66Fees will increase annually by up to 2.5% for at least the next ten years.
- ***One-Time Opt Out Period – Ends midnight on November 30, 2020.***

No exceptions will be granted. The Washington County Solid Waste District has authorized the Town of Springdale to offer a ONE TIME 90-day opt out period, which is NOW AVAILABLE. If you would like to opt out of the curbside recycling, you can do so by completing the online form at [www.springdaletown.com/464/Recycling-Opt-Out](http://www.springdaletown.com/464/Recycling-Opt-Out) or in person at Springdale Town Hall. Call 435-772-3434 with questions.