

June 2021

- 3** Market on Center
5-8 p.m.
- 4** Free Movie Moab at
Swanny Park 7 p.m.
Screening *The Croods,
A New Age*
- 8** City Council Meeting
7 p.m.
- 10** Planning Commission
Meeting 6 p.m.
- 10-12** Kokopelli Relay
- 11** Free Concert Series
hosted by Friends of
the Moab Folk
Festival at Swanny
Park at 6 p.m.
- 12** Moab Art Walk
- 17** Market on Center
5-8 p.m.
- 18** Science on Screen at
Swanny Park at
5 p.m. Screening
Jurassic Park
- 20** Father's Day
- 22** City Council
Meeting 7 p.m.
- 24** Planning Commission
Meeting 6 p.m.

July 3-4

Fourth of July
Festivities (see page 2
for more information)

Moab Arts hosted the first Market on Center in May. This market is a great way to support local vendors and get out to enjoy your Thursday evenings. The Markets are on the first and third Thursdays of the month in June, August, and September. Moab Arts also painted the crosswalk on Center Street and 200 East. Be sure to check it out when you come to the next Market on Center or stop by City Hall.

Our City Parks are seeing a lot of activity as summer begins and the days get longer; sports practices at the ballparks, picnics at Old City Park, volleyball at Rotary, movie screenings at Swanny, and much more. If you are interested in reserving a City Park for a birthday party, graduation gathering, or other private event, you can do so [here](#). Each facility has a list of features, a calendar, and you can view the parks policies. Please remember, while we are glad you love and enjoy our parks, to treat them with care and pick up your trash after you visit, thank you!

Ranked Choice Voting The City of Moab has opted to participate in the Municipal Alternative Voting Methods Pilot Project and our 2021 election will use [Ranked Choice Voting](#). This allows municipalities to conduct non-partisan races using runoff voting, aka ranked choice voting. This method is a more efficient and accurate way to represent the voices of the voters and produces a true majority winner. The process creates a more fair system by including voter's voices in the final round, and costs are reduced due to the elimination of separate runoff elections (primaries). If Moab residents like ranked choice voting the City can continue to use it, and if not, we can return to the more traditional electoral process.



UPDATE on City Council Meetings: On May 25 the Moab City Council resumed in-person meetings in the Council Chambers at City Hall.



City Council Meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m. Masks are required for those who would like to attend. Citizens To Be Heard can speak in person, or submit comments online by 7 p.m. on the date of the meeting by clicking the link in the meeting's agenda. [Agenda Center](#).



You can also watch the meetings live on our YouTube Channel at youtube.com/MoabCityGovernment.

“The earth, the air, the land, and the water are not an inheritance from our forefathers but on loan from our children.”

– Mahatma Gandhi

Sustainability Updates



Hello from Moab’s new Sustainability Director! I’m excited to help our community move toward a future comprised of equitable, sustainable, and regenerative systems, so we can live here in our beautiful place without end. Sustainability takes into account all aspects of a community, not just natural resources, so I’ll be working on finalizing a Sustainability Action Plan that incorporates key areas ranging from water, energy and climate to health, well-being and equity, and ecosystems and agriculture. Stay tuned for more on this plan in future newsletters.

In the meantime, our first priority is writing the 2021 Water Conservation Plan. This is a state-required plan to take stock of our current water use and look ahead to meeting our regional conservation goal of 25% water use reduction by 2030. We’re incorporating the best available data on our water resources and the most current best practices for conservation and efficient use. You can see draft copies in the packets for Water Conservation and Drought Management Advisory Board meetings on the City website.

I’m thrilled to also be working on issues such as energy, active transportation, shade trees and tree planting, outreach and education, local food systems, composting, and so much more. I welcome the opportunity to connect with the community and can be reached at sustainability@moabcity.org. You can also find information from me here each month, as well as in the Moab Happenings, and I’ll have a booth at some of the Market on Center events on the first and third Thursdays in June, August and September from 5 to 8 p.m. on Center Street. I’d love to hear from you!

– Mila Dunbar-Irwin

Save the Date: Independence Day Celebrations!

Saturday, July 3 at Swanny City Park

8 p.m. Free Movie Moab and Beer Garden, screening *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*

Sunday, July 4 at Swanny City Park

8 a.m. Flag Raising Ceremony at City Hall

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Volleyball Tournament

12 p.m. - 4 p.m. Games and Family Friendly Activities

Beer Garden

Chamber Booths

2 p.m. - 7 p.m. Free Swim at the Pool

2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Bingo at the MRAC

7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Concert featuring *Shuffle*

10 p.m. Fireworks

*Times and events are subject to change. Please check our social media pages for updates closer to the event date.



This event is a collaboration between the City of Moab and the Moab Chamber of Commerce.

