

July 2021

- 3** Free Movie Moab at Swanny Park at 9 p.m. with a Beer Garden. Screening *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*
- 4** *Independence Day*

Beehive Bash Fourth of July Events & Fireworks at Swanny Park
- 5** City Offices closed in observance of Independence Day
- 8** Planning Commission Meeting 6 p.m.
- 9** Free Movie Moab in Swanny Park at 9 p.m. Screening *Onward*
- 13** City Council Meeting at 7 p.m.
- 14** Property Tax Open House at City Hall from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- 22** Planning Commission Meeting 6 p.m.
- 23** Free Movie Moab at Swanny Park at 9 p.m. with a Beer Garden - Screening *The Wizard of Oz*
- 24** *Pioneer Day*
- 27** City Council Meeting at 7 p.m.

We are excited to welcome our new Parks, Rec, and Trails Director Annie McVay! She started with us in June and will be working with the Recreation and Aquatic Center, Recreation and Sports Department, Parks Department, and Arts Center & Film Commission.

Utility Billing Our Treasurer's Office has transitioned to a new software system and you may have noticed some changes or have some questions. All users now have a new account number, please include this in your payment information. If you use [XpressBillPay](#) your account number has automatically updated. Paperless billing will resume in July, the June billing cards were sent to all accounts to help notify customers of new account numbers. Please be patient with us as we work through the kinks of the new system. If you have any questions about your utility account or billing, please call (435) 259-5123 or email treasurer@moabcity.org.

Fire Restrictions As of June 25, Statewide Stage 2 Fire Restrictions were put into effect. Be aware are in widespread drought conditions and extreme fire danger. More information can be found on utahfireinfo.gov. Please be safe and respectful and do your part to help prevent wildfires.

Let the Kids Paint! Moab Arts teamed up with HMK Elementary school to paint the crosswalk on 400 N by the school. It features Utah Raptor prints making their way from the school grounds to the neighborhood across the street.



Fourth of July Beehive Bash at Swanny Park

Saturday, July 3rd

9 p.m. Movie Screening *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*

Join us on Sunday, July 4th in Swanny Park for fun, family-friendly activities throughout the day. There will be Games, Booths, a Volleyball Tournament, a Beer Garden, Bingo and Free Swim at the MRAC, a Concert, and much more!

We're talking **WATER CONSERVATION**. Governor Cox declared a State of Emergency due to drought conditions on March 17, 2021, after Utah had one of the hottest and driest years on record in 2020. Unfortunately, the scant moisture that fell this season did little to alleviate the dryness. Since Moab gets an average of less than 10 inches of rain per year, regardless of drought, we should be doing our best to be conscientious water users. Luckily, it's not time to turn off the taps just yet! If we all do a few of the things below, we'll be working together to create a resilient, sustainable water supply for the future – drought or no drought.

BE WATER AWARE – Think about water! Every time you use water around the house, try not to use more than you need. Turn off faucets and hoses when you're not actively using them – you can save up to 3,000 gallons per year just by turning off the water when you brush your teeth! Take a shorter shower. Do only full dishwasher and laundry loads. Wash the dog and let the kids run through the sprinklers only when you need to water the lawn. There are lots of easy ways to conserve water around the house if you're thinking about it.

LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION – Much of our water use (and waste) is in landscape irrigation. Make sure you're watering efficiently and not overwatering. Aim for 0.5 inches per watering, and only water once or twice a week. Cut your grass to 3 inches (no shorter) to preserve more moisture in the soil. Check out extension.usu.edu/drought for resources.

INDOOR FIXTURES – If you're ready for a change, you can make sure all the bathroom and kitchen fixtures in your house are WaterSense certified, and replace those that aren't. Just replacing bathroom faucets you can save up to 700 gallons / year! (epa.gov/watersense)

FIX LEAKS – the City of Moab can help you identify leaks in your system. If you fix them, you'll get a rebate on the extra water lost from the leak. Contact us for more information.

RE-THINK YOUR YARD – Ready for a change of scenery? Replace your lawn with beautiful, desert-adapted, native wildflowers and plants. You'll be providing the added bonus of habitat for pollinators as well, bringing all of us even more flowers each spring!

City Council Meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m. and meetings have resumed in person in the City Hall Council Chambers. Citizens to be heard can comment in person or fill out the form online in the current meeting's agenda. You can also watch them live on our YouTube Channel at youtube.com/MoabCityGovernment.

Mask Update City Facilities have updated the COVID-19 protocols and mask policy. Masks are no longer required if you are fully vaccinated, although they are encouraged, and masks are still required for individuals who are not vaccinated.



It's hot out there!

As the temperatures rise and stay hot out during the longer summer days, keep in mind that you may need to adjust some of your habits so that you do not get sick. Symptoms of heat exhaustion include feeling light headed, nausea, sweating, muscle cramps, and headaches.

Follow these tips to stay cool and prevent from getting dehydrated or heat exhaustion.

Stay Hydrated: carry water or a sports drink so that you can hydrate consistently throughout the day.

Find a shady area or cool spot inside: if you are working, exercising, or playing outside and start to overheat, take rest in a cooler spot and drink some water.

Use coverings or sunscreen: if you cannot avoid direct sun exposure, wear a hat, sleeved clothing, and sunscreen.

Keep your pets cool too! Plan ahead so that your pet stays safe. Did you know that the temperature inside your car can increase within minutes? That means that if it is 90° outside the internal temperature of your car will rise to 124° after just 30 minutes.