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Mayor's Message

ACTION: Citizens Referendum Vote on November 2nd, 2010 on the PD-2 Zone for Wendell Gibby's Development on Maple Mountain

On November 2nd all Mapleton City voters will have an opportunity to decide the outcome and fate of the Planned Development-2 (PD-2) Zone, approved by the City Council effectively rezoning Wendell Gibby's 120 acres on Maple Mountain and the East Bench. The land was previously zoned as a Critical Environment (CE-1) area, a more restricting zone as it relates to slope protection, grading, and density.

The city approved the PD-2 Zone, and increased the density of the development after several years of negotiations and legal disputes with the landowner. In return for the zone permit, the landowner promised to withdraw all lawsuits against the city. This legal agreement is still in force and is known as The Settlement Agreement. Currently the city is still fighting all of the original lawsuits plus four new lawsuits, which have been filed since the city granted final plat approval on the project. Three of these lawsuits come from the landowner, and one by a neighbor fighting the city on the PD-2 Zone and the conditions for final plat approval.

The PD-2 Zone is not the only option the city has. Yes, Mapleton must comply with the Settlement Agreement, but Mapleton City has only agreed to do the following:

1. *Mapleton will bring forward an ordinance to rezone the 60+/- acres of the Gibby Parties' land to other than in an environmentally restricted zone to a zone comparable to an RA-1 zone development restrictions which are on an area with a slope less than 30%, which is included in the 124+/- acres of the land owned or controlled by the Gibby Parties within the CE-1 zone to allow for a total density on the Gibby Parties' land of 47 separate residential units with clustering of the homes within the 60 +/- acres and a plat to incorporate such development.*

Friends of Maple Mountain were opposed to the PD-2 Zone from the beginning. They argued that it was never contemplated that the city would rezone all 120 acres to a less restrictive zone but only the 60+/- acres on the bench. They also argued that many, if not all of the land restrictions, were removed from the PD-2 Text allowing more damage to the hillside without enforcement options and shifting the policing of the ordinance from the current landowner and future landowners to the City.



October 2010 Newsletter

The Utah Supreme Court ruled this past spring that all Mapleton Citizens had the right to be heard in the process by way of a vote on the zone change.

Your vote will effectively communicate one of two options:

1. "No I Disagree" with the City Council. I would like the city to try again, or
2. "Yes I Agree" with the City Council and uphold the current PD-2 Zone and Text.

Approximately two weeks before the date of the referendum, you will receive in the mail, a Voter Information Pamphlet that spells out the advantages and disadvantages of sustaining or rejecting the PD-2 Zone. These are opinion statements written by opponents of each position. I encourage all citizens to research the issues and ask questions, get educated in each of the arguments, and then make your voice heard.

Diversity is what makes Mapleton strong. I encourage all citizens to get involved. I would be glad to meet with any residents, or hold a series of cottage meetings, to discuss the details of the Settlement Agreement, the Referendum, Development topics, or to simply discuss my point of view. I intend to make my opinion and position public, but cannot use the city newsletter to do so, and I will not use city funds to campaign for a position.

This referendum of all Mapleton City voters will be combined with the Utah County Election arrangements set for November 2nd. I would encourage all residents to take advantage of this unique opportunity on Election Day.

Early voting will commence on Thursday, October 19th and end on Friday, October 29th. For hours and locations, please refer to the Mapleton City website at www.mapleton.org or contact the City Recorder, Camille Brown, at 801-806-9106.

October 2010 City Calendar

Oct 7	7:00pm	Green Committee Meeting
Oct 7	7:00pm	Library Meeting (in Literacy Center)
Oct 7	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting
Oct 5	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Oct 11		City Offices Closed – Columbus Day
Oct 19	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Oct 21	8:30am	Economic Development Meeting
Oct 28	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting

Regularly scheduled City Meetings are held at the Community Center Building, 125 West Community Center Way (400 North).

Public Safety

Driving in and around Schools

With the schools back in session please be mindful of the children walking to and from school along the roadway. Please slow down while driving in and around the schools so we can keep our children safe.

Winter Parking

With winter just around the corner it is time to remove all boats, trailers, and vehicles parked on the side of the roadway. During the months of November, December, January, February and March it is illegal to leave any vehicle parked on the side of the road between the hours of 11pm and 6am. In addition, you cannot leave your vehicle parked, during any time of the year, on the side of the road for more than 48 hours without moving it. The City's street sweeper will be coming through the neighborhoods to clean out the gutters before winter. Also, the snow plow trucks will need to have the vehicles off the street so they can plow the roads effectively and not damage any vehicles.

Website

Watch for the new Mapleton Police Department website coming soon. It will be full of informative information that will be beneficial to the community.

Senior Citizens

The seniors would like to welcome Milo Barney as our new Chairman, and Mary Denna as our new Co-Chair. Thanks to Diana Stafford and Mary Denna for filling in as co-chairs for the last few months.

Computers

A class on "Making signs using MS Publisher" will be held on Tuesday, October 19th at 10am in the computer room in the gym. Sallie Korman will be teaching it.

Health

A foot clinic will be held on Thursday, October 14th at 10:30am. A small fee will be charged if you have your toenails trimmed.

Luncheon Social

The Seniors Luncheon Social will be held on Thursday, October 14th at 11:30am. The main entrée of beef will be provided by the senior committee. Please bring a salad, dessert, or a donation of \$2 if you are going to attend. Please contact the City Offices at 801-489-5655 ext. 0 if you plan to attend so they can get a headcount for the main dish. The guest speaker will be Chief Petterssen. He will speak on new concerns he has for seniors.

Gym

A great big THANK YOU to Peggy Burt, Donna Bleggi, and Luann Diamond for their hard work finding the beautiful furniture for the room next to the gym. Thanks to everyone who contributed any amount of money. We, as seniors, appreciate it very much! Thank you to our local artists whose paintings are hanging in the room also. The paintings will be changed every 4 to 6 weeks. Thanks to Bill Bleggi in helping assist in hanging the paintings. The "Open House" was a success and Peggy would like to thank those who came. The night hours will start up again on October 5th; Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6pm-7pm and Saturdays from 10am to NOON.

Contact Numbers

Mayor:	489-5655	Library:	806-9134
City Council:	489-5655	Public Works:	489-6253
City Administration:	489-5655	Emergency:	911
Community Development:	489-6138	Dispatch Police,	
Building Inspection:	489-6138	Fire, Ambulance:	489-9421
Court:	489-7445	Non-emergency:	489-9668
Recreation:	806-9114	Newsletter:	806-9109
Recreation Hotline:	367-5069	Senior Citizens:	489-0106

Mapleton Justice Court

Notice of Interest

The Mapleton Justice Court will be changing computer programs in November 2010. As a result of the change in programs, the City will be able to readily calculate interest on unpaid fines and restitution. **If you pay the balance in full before November 15, 2010 no interest will be charged.** All unpaid amounts will accrue interest at the legal rate from the date of sentence.

Recreation

Please visit www.mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html for more information, or to register, for any of our Recreation Programs.

Public Works

Pressurized Irrigation

The Pressurized Irrigation (P.I.) system will be left on through the end of October, weather permitting.

Central Utah Gardens

Pumpkin Carving Contest & Pumpkin Walk

The Central Utah Gardens will be having a Pumpkin Carving Contest & Pumpkin Walk on Friday, October 29th from 8am-6pm. This event is FREE to the public. For more information on this event please visit www.centralutahgardens.org or call 801-226-7136.

Weatherization Assistance Program

The Weatherization Assistance Program Housing Authority of Utah County could help you lower your utility bills. This assistance is FREE for qualified applicants. For more information please call Ann Williams at 801-344-5184 ext. 310. Increase your home's comfort.

Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG)

Transportation and Community Planning Open House

You are invited to come out and learn about air quality, road/highway improvements, new community development, transit plans, and how it affects you. Representatives from Mountainland, UDOT, UTA, and communities in Utah County will be available to answer questions on transportation plans and community development at the Spanish Fork City Center, 167 West Center, on October 21, 2010 from 4:30pm-6:30pm.

Aging and Family Services - Caregivers

Are you caring for a family member or friend who is aging, chronically ill, has a disability, or mental illness? The UCARE Caregiver Guide Classes provide hands-on training on a range of topics to help you. Classes will be offered at the below locations:

- Thursday's (Sept. 2, 2010-Dec. 2, 2010) from 11:30am-12:30pm at the Courtyard at Jamestown, 3352 North 100 East in Provo.
- Thursday's (Sept. 2, 2010-Dec. 2, 2010) from 2pm-3pm at the American Fork Library, 64 South 100 East in American Fork.

For more information please call Nancy with Mountainland Aging & Family Services at 801-229-3818 or register online at www.mountainland.org/care.

