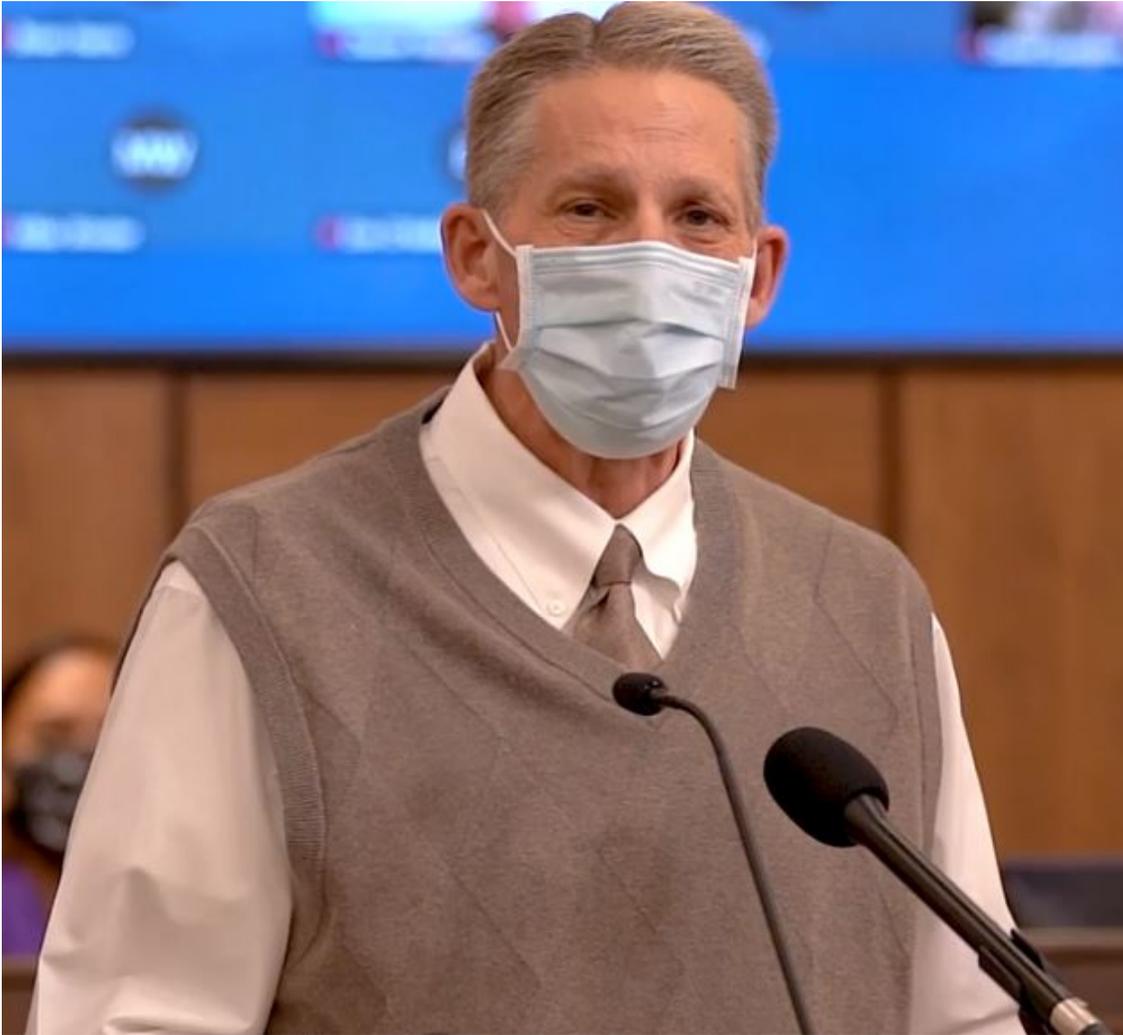

02-12-21: STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS; WEATHER ALERT;
AVALANCHE; BLOOD DRIVE; BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS; etc.

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WEATHER ALERT THIS WEEKEND - See below



Millcreek resident Michael Lasko accepting the City's Volunteer of the Year honor during the February 8, 2021 State of the City address.



NEWS

Announcements

Mayor Jeff Silvestrini State of the City Address

February 8, 2021

Condensed Version

[Click Here to View A Video of the Address in its Entirety.](#)

NOTICE: The City
Offices will be Closed
on Monday, 2/15/21 in
Recognition of
Presidents Day

Happy Valentines Day

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Planning Commission
Wed., 2/17/21, 5 PM
3330 S 1300 E
Agenda Below

Meeting will be virtual
[Click here for link to
Live Stream](#)

MILLCREEK. 2020 was quite a year. In our city's fourth year of existence, we were tested by a pandemic, an earthquake, nearby civil unrest, wildfires and a hurricane-level windstorm. The fabric of our community was surely stressed, but strong threads held it together.

VOLUNTEERS: The threads of a community are its people. Millcreek has many strong and giving people who helped us endure the stresses of 2020. Here are just some of them:

- Pepa Tafui and his family volunteered their time nearly every week, distributing food from the Utah Food Bank at our distribution center at on 1100 East.
- Eagle Scout Anton Goodick built a food pantry at Mill Creek Elementary, stocked it with food donations and raised more than \$8,000 in cash to supply food to kids and their families at both Mill Creek and Moss Elementary in our city.
- Nate Gibby once again organized "Canyon Rim Cares" which conducted a socially-distanced, volunteer effort to collect food, clothing, hygiene kits and raise money for our Millcreek Promise program to provide underprivileged kids and families with internet for school and work.
- Russ Booth and Mark Mumford each completed four years of volunteer service to our community as Planning Commissioners, dedicating hundreds of hours to the planning of our future environment.

- Mount Olympus Community Council Chair David Baird kept his neighborhood informed and prepared in the event an evacuation was required in response to the Neff's Canyon wildfire, working with the City, the Forest Service and Unified Fire and Police to ensure everyone was informed, able to create defensible space if the fire had spread, and ready for an orderly evacuation if that had been required.

Michael Lasko and Tresann Lasko deserve special recognition. Michael assisted Millcreek even before incorporation with engineering assistance. After last fall's windstorm, Michael organized his neighborhood and gave the City maps of the worst damage, suggesting locations for waste trailers so the neighborhood could clean up their fallen trees. He and his family later hauled load after load of green waste to the city's collection site on Wasatch Blvd. For these efforts, we recognize **Michael Lasko as Millcreek's Volunteer of the Year!** Thank you, Michael, Tresann and the Lasko family for your service and your contributions to our community's resilience.

FRONT LINE WORKERS: Many thanks to our police officers in Millcreek UPD Precinct and our UFA firefighters and paramedics at Stations 101, 106 and 112; our health workers, particularly those in Millcreek's St. Mark's hospital; and our teachers, who have faced the challenges of back and forth in-school and online teaching during COVID. These dedicated people risked their personal health and safety during 2020 protecting and caring for us.

CITY EMPLOYEES: City employees rose to the challenges of 2020. They kept City Hall open and functioning every business day during the pandemic. Without a beat, they pivoted to teleworking, yet processed (in record time) more licenses and permits than the prior year. I am so proud of our/your team of city employees.

CITY PROGRAMS: Our Millcreek Promise Program continued to tutor students, only online now. The program obtained grants for rental assistance and internet access for Millcreek residents in need, and leveraged other grants to complete Futsal courts, community garden boxes and better lighting to serve our immigrant and refugee population at Sunnyvale Park. Our Economic Development Department disbursed \$1.35 million in CARES funding to 135 Millcreek businesses, and assisted 98 others to obtain business grants from the County. Our Business Council provided volunteers for Millcreek Promise, held job fairs, hosted a Wasatch Business Forum with then-Congressman McAdams, and cleaned up the Millcreek bank of the Jordan River.

PUBLIC WORKS. We completed several significant public works projects and are working on others. Underground utility work on 3900 South east of 2300 East is completed, and sidewalk and pavement reconstruction has begun. Resurfacing of 3900 South from 900 West to 700 East and from Highland Drive to 2300 East will occur this year. Main Street was redone during 2020; curb, gutter and sidewalks were installed on parts of 300 East; a new storm sewer was installed on Central Avenue, resolving a decades-old drainage problem; and most of 1300 East from our new southern border at the Van Winkle Expressway to almost 3300 South was repaved. We fixed the hazardous “Jupiter Jump” and the “Wasatch Wump“. Construction of the “Mt. Aire Street Scape” on Highland Drive started. Construction of the Millcreek Common begins next month, including a grant-funded ice ribbon and splash pad. We hope to resurface Highland Drive from 3900 South to 3300 South and to fund a more robust program of slurry-seal pavement projects on our secondary streets. Planning continues for a new City Hall in anticipation of our current lease ending.

FINANCES. Due to COVID-19, we planned on a 20% reduction in sales tax collections in our 2020-21 budget. Thanks to our relatively resilient commercial base of grocery stores, as well as Walmart, Home Depot, REI, our thriving outdoor-retail businesses, and internet sales, our sales tax collections were surprisingly 116% of last year's. We did not expect this last year when we enacted the 2.8% property tax increase to fund the 3.5% increase in our policing contract. The additional sales tax revenue has enabled us to end the cycle of borrowing annually to cash-flow our payments to UPD -- so the city is now free of that inherited revolving debt (\$10 million on incorporation). We have been able to shift additional funds toward capital improvements like road repairs and still maintain a rainy-day fund of 23.9%, approaching the 25% maximum allowed by state law. Projects like the new hospital tower at St. Marks Hospital and the Front Climbing Gym are increasing Millcreek's tax base. The capital investment we are witnessing and the expansion of our business base means that our City is vibrant and our future is bright.

Because of our terrific community and the talented and dedicated men and women with whom I proudly work in Millcreek city government, we met the 2020 challenge. I wish everyone a less dramatic 2021.



WEATHER ALERT

UTAH. The National Weather Service issued a Winter Storm Warning for Utah for today (2/12/21) through the weekend. The mountains are expected to receive significant snowfall.

Avalanche danger is currently **CONSIDERABLE** in backcountry areas, and may raise to **HIGH** as the storm moves in. Heavy snow may overload weak snow layers causing the snow to be unstable. Both human triggered and natural avalanches will be likely and can be up to 5 feet deep, several hundred feet wide and likely unsurvivable.

Backcountry travelers should consult WWW.UTAHAVALANCHECENTER.ORG, UAC Phone App or call 1-888-999-4019 for more detailed information.
#WinterSafety #WinterStorm

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR ABOUT LAST WEEK'S AVALANCHE IN MILL CREEK CANYON:

The Millcreek community grieves for the families of the four skiers who were tragically killed in an avalanche on our doorstep this past Saturday in Mill Creek Canyon. We are grateful that four other skiers survived.

Thank you to the first responders who helped address this deadly event, including members of our own Unified Fire Authority, the Canyon Patrol of the Unified Police Department, the State Department of Public Safety and LifeFlight helicopters, and the Salt Lake County Search & Rescue volunteers. As a community, Millcreek is fortunate to have your expertise available.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Salt Lake Wilford Stake Fisher Lane Building

Date: Tuesday, February 23, 2021

Time: 3 PM to 8 PM

Location: 2220 Fisher Lane

Enter Sponsor Code SL Wilford

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**MILLCREEK BUSINESS
COUNCIL PRESENTS**

Building Strategic Business Partnerships



Please join us to discuss how to form strategic business alliances within your community. COVID has forced us to think differently and reframe the way we look at our business and reinforce the importance of connecting with others.

Host: Dr. Delahunty of Canyon Rim Dental

**Time: March 1st, 2021
1:15-2:15 PM**

Please use this link to join

[https://www.gotomeet.me/
JosieAngerhofer/millcreek-business-council](https://www.gotomeet.me/JosieAngerhofer/millcreek-business-council)

**SMALL BUSINESS
QUARANTINED EMPLOYEE**



GRANT PROGRAM DEADLINE EXTENDED

Dear Utah business owner,

The Utah Labor Commission has announced that additional funds have been allocated and the Small Business Quarantined Employee Grant (SBQEG) program will continue into 2021 **until the funds are exhausted or there is no longer a need for the grant.**

The grant was originally set to expire on January 31, 2021.

The \$5 million Small Business Quarantined Employee Grant uses federal CARES Act funds and additional state funds as part of Utah's response to the coronavirus pandemic.

It provides reimbursement to small business employers who pay employees to stay home during quarantine or isolation for a maximum of 40 hours per week for a period of up to two calendar weeks.

To be eligible businesses must have:

- Less than 50 employees in Utah.
- One or more employees receiving notice that the employee must quarantine or isolate due to a positive COVID-19 test or exposure to someone who has tested positive.
- Continued to pay out regular wages to an employee(s) while the employee was in quarantine/isolation.

[Click Here For More Information or to Apply](#)

HOW IS COVID IMPACTING MILLCREEK?

Case Counts through yesterday (2/11/21)*:

Millcreek (surrounding cities) cumulative and current cases by zip code:

84106: 3,147 total cases (135 current cases)

84107: 3,930 total cases (165 current cases)

84109: 2,303 total cases (103 current cases)

84117: 2,374 total cases (71 current cases)

84123: 4,325 total cases (182 current cases)

84124: 2,017 total cases (77 current cases)

TOTAL: 18,096 (increase of 385 since 2/8/20, our last reported data.

* [The County's information is updated](#) Monday through Saturday at 2 PM.

Utah cumulative data (through today, 2/12/21

[Total cumulative case count in Utah](#) as of today is at 359,641, with 1,785 deaths, 13,103 hospitalizations, and 489,716 vaccines administered.

VACCINE TIPS FOR MILLCREEK RESIDENTS:

- If you have registered for a vaccine appointment and never got a confirming e-mail, check your "spam" or "junk" folder.
- If you are over age 70 and don't have an appointment yet, [click here](#) to get on the waitlist. You'll be notified by email when additional first-dose appointments come available.
- In late February, the County will begin scheduling appointments in March for seniors over age 65 and people of any age with qualifying health conditions. [Click here](#) to see what medical conditions qualify.
- [Click here](#) to stay up to date on the County's planning for appointments.
- **Governor Cox has issued a call for volunteers** to help administer the vaccine. Both medical and non-medical people are needed. [Click here](#) for opportunities to sign up.

A MESSAGE FROM WASATCH FRONT WASTE & RECYCLING DISTRICT

Plastic drink containers like red solo cups or small plastic cups are not recyclable because of the kind of plastic it is made of. Plastic bottles are made of strong durable plastics that breakdown easily, whereas, red solo cups are made of plastics that don't breakdown or aren't easily recycled. A useful trick is if a plastic bottle has a cap, then it's recyclable!

Recycling Rule #4



Plastic drink containers are only recyclable if they have a cap. Items like solo cups are not recyclable.



WASATCH FRONT
Waste & Recycling District

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Join the Millcreek team!

- [Building Inspector II or III](#)
- [Grant/CDBG Administrator](#)
- [City Events Director/Millcreek Common Executive Director](#)



Meetings with the Mayor

Fridays from 2-4pm have been set aside for citizens to meet with Mayor Silvestrini (virtually only until after the spread of COVID has calmed down a bit). Please call 801-214-2700 to schedule a slot.

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Millcreek Planning Commission Meeting Agenda February 17, 2021

Public Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of Millcreek will assemble in a regular public meeting on Wednesday, **17 February 2021** at City Hall, 3330 S. 1300 E., Millcreek, Utah 84106, commencing at **5:00 p.m.** Please see additional note below.*

Documents:

[PC 2-17-21 AGENDA.PDF](#)

[ITEM 1.1 CU-21-001 STAFF REPORT.PDF](#)

[ITEM 1.2 CU-21-003 STAFF REPORT.PDF](#)

[ITEM 1.3 HISTORIC PRESERVATION PC STAFF REPORT.PDF](#)

[ITEM 2.2 ZT-20-008 PLANNING COMMISSION MEMO.PDF](#)

[ITEM 3.2 PC 12-16 -20 DRAFT MINUTES.PDF](#)

[ITEM 3.3 PC 1-20-21 DRAFT MINUTES.PDF](#)

5:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

1. Public Hearings

1.1 Consideration of **CU-21-001**, Request for a Conditional Use Permit for 113 New For-Rent Townhomes with Amenities in the RM Zone **Location:** 525-575 E. 4500 S. **Applicant:** JF Capitol **Planner:** Erin O’Kelley

1.2 Consideration of **CU-21-003**, Request for a Conditional Use Permit for a Temporary Fire House in the R-1-8 Zone **Location:** 3856 S. 2700 E. **Applicant:** Unified Fire Service Area **Planner:** Erin O’Kelley

1.3 Consideration of **ZT-21-001**, Amendments to the Millcreek Historic Preservation Ordinance **Staff:** Blaine Gehring, Legislative Analyst

2. Continuing Business

2.1 Accessory Dwelling Unit Progress Report; Erin O’Kelley, Planner

2.2 Consideration of **ZT-20-008**, Amendments to Millcreek Code Chapters 19.04, 19.44, and 19.78

3. Business Meeting

- 3.1 Open and Public Meetings Act Annual Training; John Brems, City Attorney
- 3.2 Approval of December 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes
- 3.3 Approval of January 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes
- 3.4 Updates from the Planning and Zoning Director

4. Calendar of Upcoming Meetings

- City Council Mtg., 2/22/21, 5:00 p.m. at City Hall
- Mt. Olympus Community Council Mtg., 3/2/21, 6:00 p.m. TBD
- Millcreek Community Council Mtg., 3/2/21, 6:30 p.m. TBD
- Canyon Rim Citizens Association Mtg., 3/3/21, 7:00 p.m. TBD
- East Mill Creek Community Council Mtg., 3/4/21, 6:30 p.m. TBD
- City Council Mtg., 3/8/21, 5:00 p.m. at City Hall
- Planning Commission Mtg., 3/17/21, 5:00 p.m. at City Hall

4. Adjournment

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, Millcreek will make reasonable accommodation for participation in the meeting. Individuals may request assistance by contacting the ADA Coordinator, 801-214-2751 or khansen@millcreek.us, at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

The Planning Commission public meeting is a public forum where the Planning Commission receives comment from applicants, the public, applicable agencies and staff regarding land use applications and other items on the Commission's agenda. In addition, it is where the Planning Commission takes action on these items. Actions may include: approval, approval with conditions, denial of legislative items, continuance, or recommendation to other bodies as applicable.

THE UNDERSIGNED DULY APPOINTED CITY RECORDER FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF MILLCREEK HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT A COPY OF THE FOREGOING NOTICE WAS EMAILED OR POSTED TO: City Offices; City Website <http://millcreek.us>; Utah Public Notice Website <http://pmn.utah.gov>; those listed on the agenda.

DATE: February 10, 2021

CITY RECORDER: Elyse Sullivan

Agenda items may be moved in order, sequence, and time to meet the needs of the Planning Commission.

**The meeting will be conducted electronically per Millcreek State of Local Emergency Directive No. 2 of 2020 and live streamed via the City's website at: <https://millcreek.us/373/Meeting-Live-Stream>. Public comment can be submitted before or during the meeting via the City's website at: <https://millcreek.us/FormCenter/Contact-Us-5/Public-Comments-61>.*

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