

City Manager's Weekly Update

WEEK OF 5.12.2023



Master Officer Fernando Miramontes was recognized by the Evans VFW Post 6624 as their Officer of the Year. We would also like to recognize the Paramedic of the Year, Banner Health's EMT Tiffany Meier and Evans Fire Protection District Firefighter of the year, Officer Tory Rein.



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The City Manager's weekly update reflects the diligent work that our employees do each week to serve the residents in Evans and to improve the community. Evans City Council sets the agenda of our organization and their agenda is the focus and direction of our staff. Each day, we aim to carry out their vision to make Evans a destination community to live and raise a family.



37th Street **alot** project

Dewatering efforts deployed to keep the project on track

Northern Colorado has experienced relentless rain, tornadoes, severe thunderstorms, and the subsequent flooding from the heavy precipitation dump. The National Weather Service in Boulder reported nearly 4 inches of rain fell in the region Wednesday-Friday, with a record-setting amount of precipitation in Denver.

The historical downpour washed out plans to pour concrete at the roundabout, but proactive measures are being taken to mitigate the excess water and lost time. Crews will pump water out of the construction site, using hoses and pumps to vacuum the water and redistribute it to a safe location outside of the construction area. The crew will begin pouring once the site is dry and they receive the all-clear.

[Click here to see video of the construction site after heavy rains](#)



Recreation

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Come for a workout, stay for the Price is Right!



The cardio and weight room areas are completely re-organized with the addition of TVs in the cardio area.



Rec staff found a channel that plays 24/7 coverage of The Price is Right reruns.



Parks and Recreation staff would welcome all to join in the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the four most recent playground replacements. The ceremony (and popsicles) will take place at Prairie View Park on Friday, June 2 at 4:30 pm.



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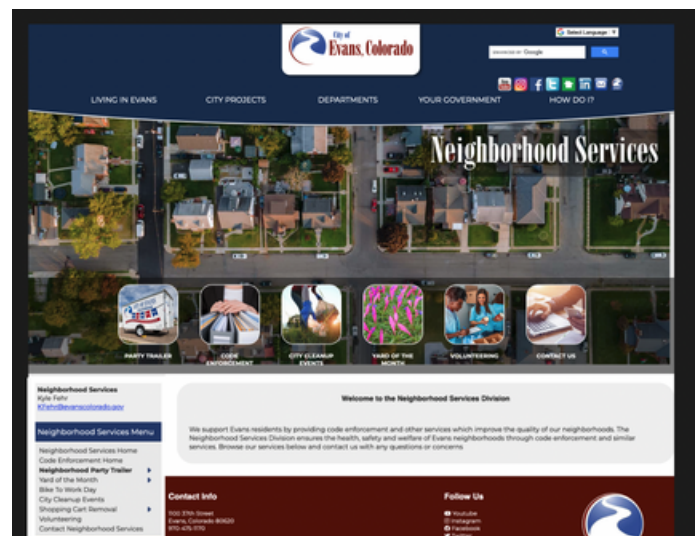
It's been three months since the soft launch of the city's new website. In that time, we've seen success with fillable forms, email newsletters, connectivity improvement, and a tremendous upgrade on the mobile view, which is statistically the most used method by the public. Nearly 85% of our desktop views come from our own employees, while external traffic is roughly 65-35% mobile views. Meaning, the public interacts and consumes the majority of Evans's content through their phones.

With changing technology and user behavior, a website is never finished and there are always areas to improve. One area for improvement is the landing pages and their informational display. We're adding menus to the landing pages on the left-hand side, which provides the end-user with the web pages' full range of services upon arrival on the site. This cuts down on complaints and provides enhanced clarity for the end-user, which ultimately translates into a satisfied user base. Customer service is well aware of the benefits of happier, well-informed residents.

Below is a before and after of the Neighborhood Services page. While we're still working through some coding challenges on the back end, this should be complete in the coming weeks.

Before

After



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CUSTOMER SERVICE



Staff welcomed new Customer Service Rep Bethany Scott

HIRED!



→ SPRING CLEANUP WAS HELD | April 29th-30th and May 6th-7th ←



Police



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Cheer on the Police in the Law Enforcement Torch Run

The Evans Police Department is teaming up with area Law Enforcement agencies to raise money for Special Olympics Colorado in the annual Law Enforcement Torch Run. This Weld County-wide marathon will take place on Wednesday, May 31st and feature multiple agencies throughout the county. The race kicks off near I-25, where the Frederick Police Department will begin jogging with the Special Olympics Torch before the sun rises at 4am. Several departments will follow their lead by running with the torch throughout the morning. The Evans Police Department is slated to receive the flame from the Greeley Police Department around 10 am and run 2.5 miles before passing it to the University of Northern Colorado Police. Employees are encouraged to cheer on the Evans Police as they run past the Evans Community Complex.



DONATE



If you want to donate to the Colorado Special Olympics, you're encouraged to visit <https://www.classy.org/event/2023-weld-county-torch-run/e481372> and contribute.

Planning

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Business is boozing



Knotty Pine Liquor opens new store on 37th Street, east of Ziggi's coffee

The longtime Evans establishment was previously located on the corner of 35th Avenue and 37th Street, next door to Lil' Bit Bar & Grill. Evans City Council has prioritized economic development and we hope to see many more businesses open their doors to the community.

Neighborhood Services

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Celebrate Evans Cycling Week | June 24th-28th



Bike to Work Day and Ride with Hero highlight a week of activities designed to promote and celebrate alternative modes of transportation in Evans.

Ride with a Hero

Bike racing, food trucks, and more at the Ride with a Hero event on June 24th.

Race a firefighter, eat at a food truck, and take part in a bike obstacle course with the Evans Police Department. The event is called Ride with a Hero and will be held on June 24th from 9 am-noon at Riverside Park in Evans. It's free and open to the public. If you've ever wanted to race a firefighter, this is your moment to shine! The Evans Fire Protection District invites you to a trike racing event, where residents can put the pedal to the metal and see if they can beat our first responders to the finish line. The firefighters will also put on a fire hose shooting display, where the kids can shoot at targets with a fire hose. You might get soaked, so bring a towel!

The firefighters are just the start of a morning filled with fun. Everyone is invited to participate in a bike safety obstacle course with the Evans Police Department and play Safety Bingo for your chance to win a new bike! There will be other activities, such as face painting and a chalk walk. Attendees are encouraged to bring an appetite because several food trucks will be on hand with hot meals and ice cream! This fun-filled community event is free and open to the public.

Park the car and Bike to work on June 28th

Grab a helmet, grab a bike, and get outside for Bike to Work Day on June 28th. The City of Evans will have a bike station set up at Roasty's Coffee at 3100 11th Avenue. There are two times available, so ride through on your way to and from work. The morning shift is from 7:30-9 am and the evening shift is from 4:30-6 pm.

The day is designed to celebrate and encourage alternative modes of transportation. The first bike lane in Evans was striped in 2016, and Evans is becoming an increasingly bicycle-friendly city. Grab some swag, grab some sunshine, and grab some exercise while doing your part to reduce traffic. If your four-legged friend is along for the ride, we'll have dog treats on hand as well.

Questions? Holla at 970-475-1170 or fire us an email at info@evanscolorado.gov. Follow us on the socials to stay engaged and up-to-date with the City of Evans.

HR AND RISK MANAGEMENT

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Staff attended the State Emergency Management Northeast Region Stakeholders State/Region Briefing



We welcomed Bethany Scott to the City on May 8,
as our new Customer Service Administrator.