

# Cache Planning News

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**“Alone we can do little;  
together we can do so much.”  
– Helen Keller**

## Your Countywide Planner

*By Tayler Jensen*

I would like to introduce myself, my name is Tayler Jensen, and I've recently been hired as the Countywide Planner for Cache County. I'm excited to get to know all the communities in this amazing valley, and to meet all you, the great Planners, Elected Officials, volunteers and citizens that make this place so special.

A little bit of a background on me. I went to Lehi High School in Utah County. I then studied Political Science at Utah State University, and Town and Country Planning at the Queen's University of Belfast, in Northern Ireland. I interned in Cottonwood Heights (Salt Lake County), was the Assistant Planner in Bountiful Utah, and have spent the last four years as a Planner in Eagle Mountain City (Utah County). I've also served the last 7 months as a Citizen Planner on the Midvale City Planning Commission.

I want you to think of me as a resource, it's my goal to help your community reach (and develop if necessary) its vision, being the best version of itself. I am here to help make sure your codes are compliant with State and Federal Statute, and to make sure you're getting the training and support that you need to be effective leaders in your communities.

While I look forward to reaching out and getting to know you all, please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or service requests, I'm best reached via email at

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## Countywide Planning and Development Office -- CPDO

The Mission of the CPDO is: ***To protect and enhance Cache County's character, as a "valley of communities" by supporting the cities and towns of the valley as they develop, while preserving their strong and unique heritages.***

**"We believe what happens in one valley community has ripple effects in all others"**

The Countywide Planning and Development Office (CPDO) provides you with many invaluable resources, not only can we help simplify the development process ; we can help ensure that you're getting the outcomes you desire, while avoiding negative unintended consequences.

CPDO already provides top notch GIS and mapping services, and the County Trails Planner is creating a world class trail system connecting our communities with each other and the great natural spaces that surround the valley. Now the CPDO office also has a full-time planner dedicated to providing technical planning assistance to you. The Countywide Planner will provide and arrange land use training, ensure you're compliant with State and Federal regulations, provide technical assistance on land use applications and processes, and assist with updates to local ordinances and plans

Moving forward CPDO will assist with coordination efforts between communities, and the county itself. We hope to develop a unified vision that preserves each community's unique heritage while helping to grow the county in a smart, sustainable way, because we believe what happens in one valley community has ripple effects in all others. By collaborating together we can ensure our efforts are working in concert, helping us all achieve success as we define it.

CPDO is also excited to announce that the County is going to be completing a comprehensive rewrite of the County's General Plan which will begin later this year, which we will be providing frequent updates on.



## Compliance Corner

### 10-9a-306 Utah State Code

Each issue of Cache Planning News will have a “Compliance Corner” section. To update you on a common compliance issue that affects many codes throughout the County and the State. This month’s issue: Title 10 Chapter 9a Section 306 of the Utah Code which states:

“(1) A Land Use Authority shall apply the Plain language of land use regulations (2) If a land use regulation does not plainly restrict a land use application, the land use authority shall interpret and apply the land use regulation to favor the land use application (3) A land use decision of a land use authority is an administrative act, even if the land use authority is the legislative body”

The courts have essentially ruled this provision is saying “Anything you don’t specifically prohibit must be allowed.” This can be problematic as most of our zoning codes are written to say what is allowed in a zoning district, not what isn’t allowed.

Luckily there is an easy fix. Adding a statement at the beginning of each zoning chapter stating “Any use not specifically permitted in this chapter shall be prohibited” While this will place you in compliance just remember, if a proposed land use isn’t specifically allowed you should deny it

## Utah APA – Fall Conference

### *Training Opportunity*

The Utah Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA) is holding its annual fall conference on Thursday October 3<sup>rd</sup> and Friday October 4<sup>th</sup> at the *Viridian Events Center* in West Jordan Utah. The conference has a number of interesting topics related to all things planning, and on Friday there is a full-day of sessions specifically tailored to “Citizen Planners”.

APA has put together a group rate that allows any municipality to send as many Citizen Planners (Non-Professional Planners) including Council members, Mayors, Planning Commissioners, for only \$250. (the rate for a single professional planner is \$260) The County encourages you to take advantage of this great offer and send as many officials as possible. Included in this rate is breakfast and lunch for all registered members on both days of the conference.

A link to the registration can be found here:

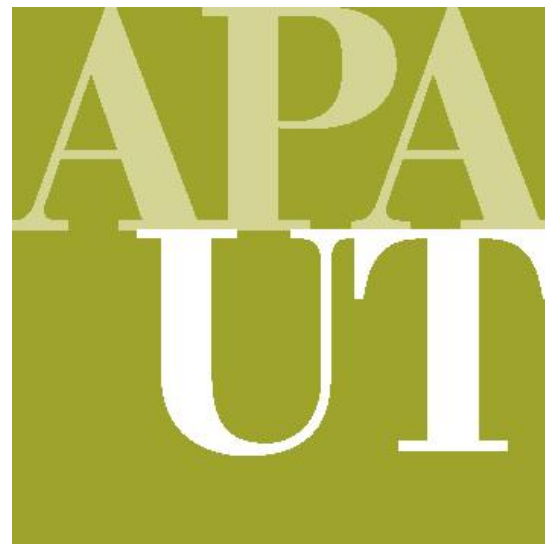
<https://utahapa.eventleap.com/fallconference2018-5b0ed2f21f564-5cdc600b6634e/register>

If you’re having any difficulty registering please don’t hesitate to contact the Countywide Planner Tayler Jensen for assistance

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**“Any use not specifically permitted in this chapter shall be prohibited”**



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## Cache PC Dates

Please contact us if we have incorrect dates or times and we will update our information:

Amalga -- 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month 7:00 PM

Clarkston -- 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month 7:00 PM

County -- 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month 5:30 PM

Cornish -- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month 7:00 PM

Hyde Park -- 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month 7:00 PM

Hyrum -- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month 6:30 PM

Lewiston -- 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month 7:30 PM

Logan -- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month 5:30 PM

Mendon -- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month 7:30 PM

Millville -- 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month 8:00 PM

Newton -- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month 7:00 PM

Nibley -- 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month 6:00 PM

North Logan -- 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month 6:30 PM

Paradise -- 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month 8:00 PM

Providence -- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month 6:00 PM

Richmond -- 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month 7:00 PM

River Heights -- 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month 7:00 PM

Smithfield -- 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month 7:00 PM

Trenton -- 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month 6:00 PM

Wellsville -- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month 6:00 PM

**“Make no little plans;  
they have no magic  
to stir men’s blood.”**

**- Daniel Burnham**



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