



# FRUITA COLORADO

## Weekly Info Update



To: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
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Re: WEEKLY INFORMATION UPDATE

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### Tuesday's City Council Workshop

We have four items on the agenda for our Workshop on Tuesday. We will begin the workshop with a brief discussion on the 2022 Budget, and hear from Council about any potential issues or additional information is needed. After the budget discussion, we have two Engineering related items, the first to review the draft Multi-Modal Transportation Master Plan, and the second is to review the Fremont Street Intersection design. We will conclude our workshop with discussion a proclamation request for Veterans Day in the City of Fruita. See you on Tuesday night!

### Transportation Master Plan Draft Now Available (Continued)

Last week, we received the draft version of the Active Circulation and Multi-Modal Transportation Master Plan and uploaded it to our website for the public to provide comment on it. The draft can be found at this [link](#), and any comments can be submitted to [communications@fruita.org](mailto:communications@fruita.org). We will leave the public comment period open for a little over a week, and then after that, will incorporate the comments into the document.

### General Updates

- **North Fruita Desert Campground Reservations.** Recently, the Bureau of Land Management implemented a reservation program for camping at the North Fruita Desert/18 Road. Users can now use the Recreation.gov app on mobile devices to reserve and pay for campsites. Reservations can be made up to six months in advance, or when users arrive for the upper campground. For the lower camp sites, these are first-come, first served. Fees from camping help pay for campground Maintenance and improvements, trail construction, and maintenance of the 18 Road Trail System. To learn more information, you can visit this [link](#) or see the flyer below.
- **SHIFT Presentation.** On Wednesday, I participated as a panelist at the 2021 SHIFT Summit on a session highlighting all of the great things happening in the Grand Valley. Our panel discussed the importance of partnerships, increasing access to nature and outdoors, and balancing conservation with growth. I covered specific aspects of the PHROST plan related to this and was happy to participate and share all of the great things happening in Fruita and the Grand Valley.

*Honor the Past – Envision the Future* **FRUITA**

- **Top 5 Places in Colorado to Mountain Bike.** Speaking of 18 Road, here is a great article from Pink Bike, a national publication, that was published this week on the top places to bike in Colorado: [Colorado's 5 Most Popular Trail Networks According to Trailforks Data](#). Very exciting to see 3 of the top 5 places here in the Grand Valley.

## Engineering

- **Fremont Street Design.** 90% plans are being review and a scheduled FOR meeting with CDOT is still on for November 8, 2021.
- **Pine Street Bridge.** Right-of-way acquisition process has begun for the bridge over Little Salt Wash at Pine St.
- **Orchard Ridge Subdivision.** Paving has been completed. Dry utilities are being installed.
- **Grand Valley Estates Subdivision.** Paving started this week and will be completed next week.
- **Village at Country Creek North.** Paving is scheduled for next week.

## Planning & Development

To see active reviews of current projects, you may visit: <https://www.fruita.org/cd/page/current-development-projects>

## Land Use Code Amendments:

- Title 17 & 2 Land Use Code Update (Complete and Approved by City Council 10/19/2021)

## Major/ Minor Subdivisions:

- Dwell PUD Final Plan/Plat (Final Plan / Final Plat) (1136 17 ½ Road, Fruita CO 81521)
- Grand Valley Estates 3 (Approved) (1848 J Road, Fruita CO 81521)
- Rose Creek Preliminary Plan (Under Review) (1892 K Road, Fruita CO 81521)
- Patron Annexation and Zoning (Under Review) (1123 19 Road, Fruita CO 81521)
- VACC Final Plat (Under Construction) (1176 18 Rd, Fruita CO 81521)
- Epic Minor Subdivision (Approved) (1092 Wallace St, Fruita CO 81521)
- Cider Mills Rezone (Under Review) (960 Stone Mt Drive, Fruita CO 81521)
- Red Cliffs 3 Preliminary PUD Plan (Approved) (280 Clements Way, Fruita CO 81521)
- Grand Valley Estates 3 Final Plat (Under Construction) (1848 J Road, Fruita CO 81521)
- 1930 Highway 6 & 50 Annexation and Zoning (Approved) (1930 Hwy 6 & 50 Fruita CO 81521)
- Orchard Ridge 3 Final Plat (Under Construction) (Orchard Ridge Subdivision, Fruita CO 81521)
- Sycamore Estates Minor Subdivision (Approved) (945 E. Pabor Ave, Fruita CO 81521)
- Fruita Copper Creek Annexation and Zoning (Approved) (954 19 Rd, Fruita CO 81521)

## Site Design Review/ Other Applications:

- Monument Powder Coating (1596 Cipolla) (Complete)
- Raptor Crossing Concept Plan (853 Raptor Rd) (Under Review)
- 111 S. Mesa Street Site Design Review (Under Construction) 111 S. Mesa St, Fruita CO 81521)
- 241 S Mesa Street Site Design Review (Under Construction)

## Parks and Recreation

- **Truck N' Treat.** Truck N'Treat returns tomorrow at Civic Center Park, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Wear your costume, collect candy, and check out cool vehicles! The full flyer is provided below.
- **Parks and Recreation Bimonthly Newsletter.** The latest edition of the bimonthly Fruita Parks and Recreation newsletter can be found here: [Truck N'Treat](#). It includes information on upcoming events, senior programming, and fall recreation opportunities.

## Public Works

- **Peach Street Lights.** On Wednesday morning, Public Works crews removed the lights above Peach Street (where the Peach Street Outdoor Dining Space was located) after a request from members of the public, damaged lights and clearance for delivery trucks.
- **Building Maintenance Update.** Building Maintenance continues to winterize facilities, made repair to HVAC controls for the Rotary Room and cleaning windows at Civic Center.
- **Fleet Maintenance Update.** Fleet Maintenance continues with normal equipment maintenance, winterizing equipment and is working on scheduling training for Public Works staff. Fleet will be assisting the Waste Water Reclamation Facility WWRF next week with a back-up generator when they perform preventative maintenance on the WWRF main switch gear.
- **Road Maintenance Update.** Road Maintenance crew set up traffic control permit for sidewalk repair on Cherry Street, assisted with irrigation shut off for the season, completed 7 patches on Willow Street from Aspen Avenue to Pabor Avenue, blew out cracks to prep for crack sealing, and fixed inlet boxes on Aspen Avenue and Kayenta Way.
- **Collections/Irrigation Update.** Wastewater Collections Crew/Irrigation crew shut down irrigation system for the season and is working on developing a standard operating procedure to conduct future training and is working with GIS for valve identification. Staff discovered a broken clean out that allowed rain water to drain into the City's wastewater collection system, staff capped the clean outs and CCTV will inspect the service tap to present additional information to the property owner. Crews rebuilt the gate latch for access to Adobe Falls lift station, completed 19 utility locates and responded to a water leak on W. Meadow.
- **WWRF Update.** Wastewater Treatment staff cleaned electrical connections as part of the bi-annual electrical cleaning and replaced the SDR pH/ORP probe with an ATAD 2 probe. Staff is working on categorizing assets within Due Solutions and testing reports for accuracy. Staff met with a representative regarding repairs to the existing hydrants located around the secondary process area and a staff member attended wastewater training. Wastewater Treatment Facility will have power off to perform preventative maintenance on the WWRF main switch gear.
- **FOGS Program.** PW Staff met to discuss the process for implementing the Fats, Oils and Grease Best Management Practices and how we will communicate with local businesses and residents. PW staff and Engineering staff also met to discuss the Right of Way Permit process.
- **PW Administration Update.** Public Works Director presented the 2022 Budget for Public Works to City Council, attended a webinar from the American Public Works Association (APWA) on building the public works workforce, preparing for tomorrow's infrastructure. Attended a meeting with senior leadership to discuss space programming in the Civic Center. Met with Dam Safety Engineer to discuss Fruita Reservoir #2.

**FRUITA IN THE NEWS (and regional news of impact to Fruita):**

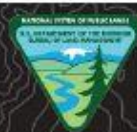
- [Mesa County Workforce Center and CMU Team up to connect students and local workforce.](#)
- [School board selects Kari Sholtes to fill vacancy.](#)
- [The Canfield Yelli Screamy Hardtail Returns.](#)
- [Colorado's 5 Most Popular Trail Networks According to Trailforks Data.](#)
- [10 Grand Junction Colorado Halloween Events Your Kids Will Love.](#)
- [Mesa County Master Plan Focus Groups.](#)

**UPCOMING EVENTS** *(Please let Deb know if you plan to attend so we can make sure to post if multiple council members plan to attend. Deb would also be happy to RSVP for you when needed.):*

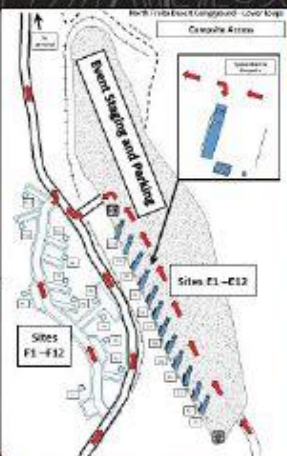
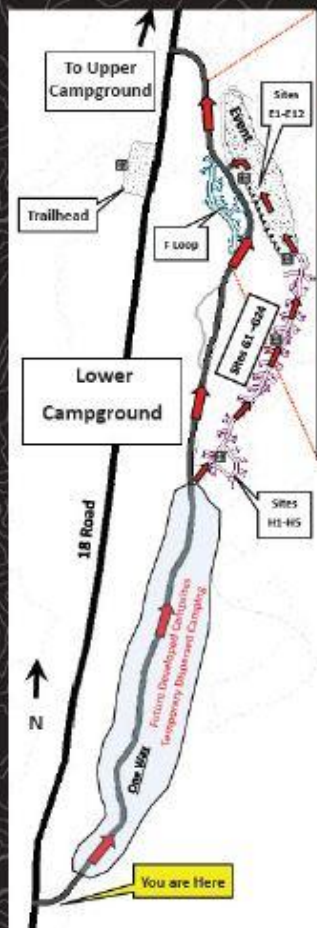
- **October 23, 2021** – Truck N'Treat, Downtown Fruita, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- **October 29, 2021** – Trick or Treat Street in Downtown Fruita, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- **October 30-31** – Trek Dirt Bike Camp at Little Salt Wash Park, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- **November 2, 2021** - Walk Downtown Fruita with the City Manager at 4:00 p.m. - meet at the Fruita Civic Center.
- **November 6, 2021** – Rimrock Marathon, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Colorado National Monument and Fruita Community Center.
- **December 11, 2021** – Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair at the Fruita Community Center, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- **December 11, 2021** – Hometown Christmas and Parade of Lights, Parade is at Dusk, in Downtown Fruita.
- **December 15, 2021** – Cookies N Claus at the Fruita Community Center – 6:30 p.m.

CC. Department Directors

Do you have questions about anything in the Weekly Information Update? Please feel free to email us at [communications@fruita.org](mailto:communications@fruita.org)



# North Fruita Desert Campground and Event Area



## Select a Site

- All developed campsites in the North Fruita Desert require a reservation. \$20/night + one time administrative fee.
- Fall 2021
  - First-come, first-served camping at developed sites in the **Lower Campground** - Follow the instructions above to pay with the Recreation.gov app.
  - Advanced reservations available for camping at the **Upper Campground** - Visit [recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/274413](https://recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/274413) OR call 1 (877) 444-6777 to reserve a site over the phone.
- Spring 2022 - Most campsites will be available for advanced reservation, some will be set aside for day-of arrivals.

# Pay with your Recreation.gov Mobile App




## CAMPING

### NFD Lower Campground

**NOTE:** You must scan and pay daily if you stay for multiple nights.

#### PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

-  **1** Ensure that the Campsite(s) you intend to pay for are available.
-  **2** Open the Recreation.gov app and sign in. \*
-  **3** Click the "Scan" icon in the bottom menu options. (If prompted, allow camera access.)
-  **4** Scan this QR code and follow the on-screen instructions.
-  **5** Follow this facility's instructions below after making your payment.

North Fruita Desert Campground



**\$20.00** per night

\* For security and fraud prevention, Scan & Pay is only available through the Recreation.gov Mobile App. Log into your Recreation.gov account through the mobile app to pay for this Campsite. If you don't have an account, you'll need to create one to use Scan & Pay.

#### WHAT TO DO AFTER PAYING

Have a great stay!



FRUITA PARKS & RECREATION PRESENTS:



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**TREAT** \* 



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

10:00 AM-NOON · CIVIC CENTER PARK

\* 'FREE FOR KIDS'



Wear your costume,  
collect candy, and  
check out cool vehicles.



**BEWARE-ALL HORNS SOUND AT NOON!**



Do you have a cool vehicle you want to enter for FREE?

Email Brittany at [bkline@fruita.org](mailto:bkline@fruita.org)



**QUESTIONS?** \*

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*City of Fruita staff strive to emulate these core behaviors in everything we do in order to show gratitude for public trust, build trust and maintain trust with the public, our partner agencies and with one another.*

## **We are Fruita. We are...**

**Fun**—This is such a critical behavior that impacts everything we do. If we are not having fun, we must ask why and recalculate and adjust. We must love what we do and where we work, live and play. We are positive and put forth focused effort to have a positive attitude. We are smiling. We are friendly. We enjoy serving the public and working together. We care about the experience those who interact with us internally and externally have.

**Respectful**—We are empathetic. We take an active interest in each other, residents, businesses and visitors. We listen. We talk one at a time. We compliment and build up others. We are tough on issues and easy on people. We recognize the role of City Council, Board and Commission Members, residents, supervisors, coworkers and customers. We are kind. We treat people with dignity. We embrace diversity and make every effort to think collectively.

**United**—We are a team. We focus on purpose and work together to achieve our goals. We communicate effectively with each other. We seek consensus, agree to disagree and move forward for the greater good. We support each other. We value partnerships that help us achieve our goals. We remember we are public stewards and serve. We are inclusive. We create synergy by recognizing our strengths and weaknesses and succeeding as a team.

**Innovative**—Simplicity is our key to innovation. We consider and explore alternatives to the way we've always done it. We are open to new ideas. We welcome calculated risk-taking and learning from our mistakes. We seek continuous improvement and welcome constructive feedback. We ask why and why not. We work to continually improve.

**Transparent**—We operate as an open book. We create, over communicate and reinforce clarity in our work. We are trustworthy. We assume a positive intent from others. We work with integrity. We seek ways to increase transparency internally and externally.

**Authentic**—We are unique. We are real. We are different. We are special. We are optimistic. We are exceptional and proud of it. We are comfortable being different. We are open-minded. We are honest. We embrace and value family. We live what we speak. We create clear expectations and work hard to manage those expectations.