



Talk with the Mayor

Tuesday May 12, 2015
10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
City Hall

Future Acquisitions Map
Comprehensive Plan Map

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Road Closure:

Two more accidents occurred in mid-April 2015 at the intersection of State Highway 44 and Murphy Ave. near Burgess Pump. Consequently, the City completed an intersection analysis and decided to close Murphy Ave. to through traffic.

Access is maintained from Murphy Ave. into Burgess Pump and Hometown Family Eye Care. The road closure will be effective until Middleton Road north of the Boise River is constructed.

Middleton Place Park Closure:

On April 27, 2015, the City began to excavate the trail in the park. It is anticipated to take 2-3 weeks and then the base and asphalt will be installed the following two weeks. The park will be closed except for baseball practice and games. During games and practice there will not be heavy equipment running; however there will be excavated pathways which will be at least eight inches deep.

It's Happening!

Middleton Connects – Vision to Reality – Planning to Construction

“Middleton Connects” is a community vision to enhance walkability, health, and livability in Middleton by creating experiences that will educate, entertain and connect the community of Middleton with art and history while utilizing parks, playgrounds, schools, trails and technology.

The Middleton Connects community vision is represented on a future acquisitions map that identifies existing and future parks, schools, sidewalks, trails and subdivision locations.

Middleton Connects was first adopted by City Council in March 2013, and has been regularly updated since. The City has been working to implement the plan. Buildings, businesses, parks, schools, trails, sidewalks, streets and subdivisions are being improved and constructed as a result of Middleton Connects.

NEW AND UPGRADED BUILDINGS

Museum - the Historical Society of Middleton is renovating the interior and exterior of the building. A floor has been installed and new windows and doors will be installed over the summer 2015.

Annex - the contractor is working on final interior punch-list, outside stucco and sidewalks.

Restrooms at Middleton Place Park - the restrooms are complete and are open. The building includes a new shelter and multipurpose room. The shelter and multipurpose room can be rented for events.

Trolley Station - installed new furnace, doors and windows. The 2016 interior remodel will include new ceiling, walls, flooring and electrical upgrade. (continued page 2)

Middleton Connects - It's Happening! (continued)

NEW AND UPGRADED CITY BUILDINGS

Roadside Park Restroom Upgrade - new plumbing, fixtures, drinking fountain, floor drains and stall partitions (2015). The exterior renovation has been drafted to include creating a new facade (2016).

Wastewater plant - completed buildings over grit system and screens

BUSINESSES:

Tsai's Chinese Food Trailer – improving and paving parking lot and fencing property (located across street from Post Office/Clarity Credit Union)

Buck'in Cup Coffee – improving and paving parking lot and drive-thru (opening soon on State Highway 44 next to the east side of Middleton Place Park)

MIDDLETON CITY PARKS

CBH Homes is donating eight (8) acres for a city park north of Falcon Valley Subdivision.

Piccadilly Park - grading and drainage plan is being drafted with skate park construction planned summer 2015.

Middleton Place Park - construction of the approximately one mile, 8-foot wide, asphalt, walking/biking trail inside the park will begin in May 2015. Grass and soil removed from the trail will be used to construct a tumbling/sledding hill inside the park.

TRAIL CONSTRUCTION

Roadside Park to Middleton Place Park Trail - construction of the 10-foot asphalt trail on the north side of State Highway 44 will begin June 2015

SCHOOLS

Middleton School District anticipates constructing an elementary school near West Highlands Subdivision to open in 2017 and an elementary school on Meadow Park Boulevard near The Estates, The Crossing and The Pines subdivisions east of Cemetery Road, north of Willis Road, to open in 2021. School construction and timing of improvements depends on student enrollment.

STREETS AND RIGHT-OF-WAY

Concord Street – utilities and power poles have been relocated, the City installed conduit for fiber optics, ALTA Construction installed seepage beds and irrigation boxes, and is finishing excavation. Some missing segments of road right-of-way are being acquired on Hartley Ln., Willis Rd., Cemetery Rd. and E. 9th Street.

SUBDIVISIONS

The City Council approved final plats for the following subdivisions: TD&D (three commercial lots), Powder River #2 (71 residential lots), and The Crossing (78 residential lots).

The City received an application from Coleman Homes to amend the previously-approved preliminary plat for West Highlands Subdivision to reduce lot sizes, dedicate an elementary school site, and provide approximately 12.8 acres of parks open to the public. Public hearings were held by the Planning and Zoning Commission, which recommended that City Council approve the application with conditions. City Council is scheduled to consider the West Highlands amendment on May 20, 2015. Residents are welcome to attend and comment at public hearings.

The City anticipates receiving an application from CBH Homes to amend the previously-approved preliminary plat for Falcon Valley Subdivision to modify the layout at the City's request to improve drainage, access, dedicate land for a city park, and improve more than one-half mile of paved trail.

MIDDLETON
CONNECTS



ART, HISTORY, PARKS
TRAILS &
TECHNOLOGY

Survey - Idaho Power Transmission Line (238 kV) Connecting Electrical Substations

Idaho Power is connecting the electrical substation at the northeast corner of Hartley Ln. and Willis Rd. to the electricity substation at the northeast corner of Lansing Ln. and State Highway 44 (SH-44).

Please select the route option you think is best. Return this form to Mayor Taylor at City Hall by mail or hand delivery by May 22, 2015. If you wish to submit via email please send to dtaylor@middletoncity.com

- Route Option 1: North on Lansing Ln. then west on Willis Road alignment*
- Route Option 2: West on SH-44, north on Duff Ln. then west on Willis Road alignment*
- Route Option 3: West on SH-44, north on Middleton Rd. then west on Willis Road alignment*
- Route Option 4: West on SH-44 through downtown Middleton then north on Hartley Ln.*
- Route Option 5: West on SH-44 Alternate Route corridor south of downtown then north on Hartley Ln.*



Website Overhaul

More and more people are using the City website to pay utility bills, verify property zoning, monitor monthly City budget and police reports, and search plans, ordinances and other City records. The City recognizes its website is difficult to navigate and find information on. The current website will continue to be regularly updated during the overhaul, which is expected to take few months.

Middleton Police Gun Range

The Middleton Police Gun Range was established on land already owned by the City near the wastewater treatment plant, and is to be used only by police officers and almost always between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Warning signs are being installed around the range. A special "Thank you" to Officer Kightlinger for drafting plans for the gun range and to City Public Works employee Stevan Rogers for doing the earthwork. Officers remind us to please close and lock doors to vehicles, houses and other buildings to prevent theft.

Building in Middleton Using Stucco?

A stucco inspection is required in Middleton to ensure application of the stucco product is according to the residential codes and manufacturers' specifications. Historically, stucco application on residences and commercial buildings has not been inspected, and cracks appear sooner so that exterior siding does not last as long as it is intended. Please contact the City Building Official at 585-3133 before preparing for a stucco installation and application to become familiar with the stucco inspection and checklist.

Local Government Leadership

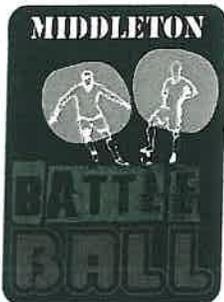
Different entities in town have different leadership, rules, regulations and taxes. Each of these entities has open meetings that can be attended to understand issues and provide input.

<i>City of Middleton</i>	585-3133
<i>Cemetery District</i>	585-9394
<i>Middleton School District</i>	585-3027
<i>Fire District</i>	585-6650
<i>Greater Middleton Park & Rec.</i>	585-3461
<i>Urban Renewal District</i>	585-3461



Emergency 911
Non-Emergency Phone
208-585-0008

BATTLEBALL



JUNE 20TH

5 - 9 P.M. AT MIDDLETON PLACE PARK

Cost: \$100 per team (5-8 players)

Round robin tournament
Recreation & Competitive divisions
for ages 12 and older

REGISTRATION CLOSES JUNE 19TH

Forms available at City Hall or at www.middleton.id.gov



May Calendar

<i>City Council</i> 6:30 p.m. City Hall	May 6
<i>Community Document Shred</i> 10:00 a.m. - noon City Hall	May 9
<i>Planning and Zoning</i> 7:00 p.m. City Hall Considering Future Acquisition and Comprehensive Plan maps	May 18
<i>City Council</i> 6:30 p.m. City Hall	May 20
<i>Memorial Day Flag Ceremony</i> 11:00 a.m. Cemetery	May 25

Property Tax

State law requires cities to use water and sewer utility payments to operate, maintain, repair, and improve water and sewer systems. Water revenue cannot pay for sewer, street or park expenses; likewise, sewer revenue cannot be used to pay for water, street or park expenses.

The Idaho legislature has determined that real property taxes pay for maintenance, operation, repair, and improvement of streets, parks, libraries, law enforcement, and city administration.

Fuel and sales tax revenue is shared between Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) and among all cities, counties, and highway districts responsible for maintaining streets and bridges. This is called "revenue sharing," and Middleton receives a small amount of those taxes.

$$\frac{\text{Property tax dollars (requested by City)}}{\text{Taxable value of all real property in Canyon County}} = \text{Tax Levy Rate}$$

The City's real property levy tax rate is derived by taking the amount of Property Tax Dollars requested by the City divided by the Taxable Value of all real property in Canyon County, which is determined by the Canyon County Assessor. The tax levy rate is the result of a mathematical calculation, and neither the County or City "set" the tax levy rate.