Public hearing for proposed FY 2017 budget Aug. 1

Just a heads up on the city's budget for Fiscal Year 2017, which starts Oct. 1. The City Council met with departmental directors last week and reviewed proposed budgets and discussed priorities. By the end, the Council accepted the proposed balanced budget with a few changes. The bottom line stayed the same.

It's a good solid budget that addresses several needs in the city. The budget remains conservative, and thanks to growth, the city's levy rate will still drop.

You can find the proposed budget by clicking on the link below. There's still time for a few minor changes before the City Council votes to approve a document for publication to announce the public hearing, which is slated for

7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 1. We don't expect to increase the bottom line before the hearing.



Incidentally, you can find other financial information for the city at the link below. That's the same place you'll find the final proposed budget summary for publication later in July.

2017 Draft Budget

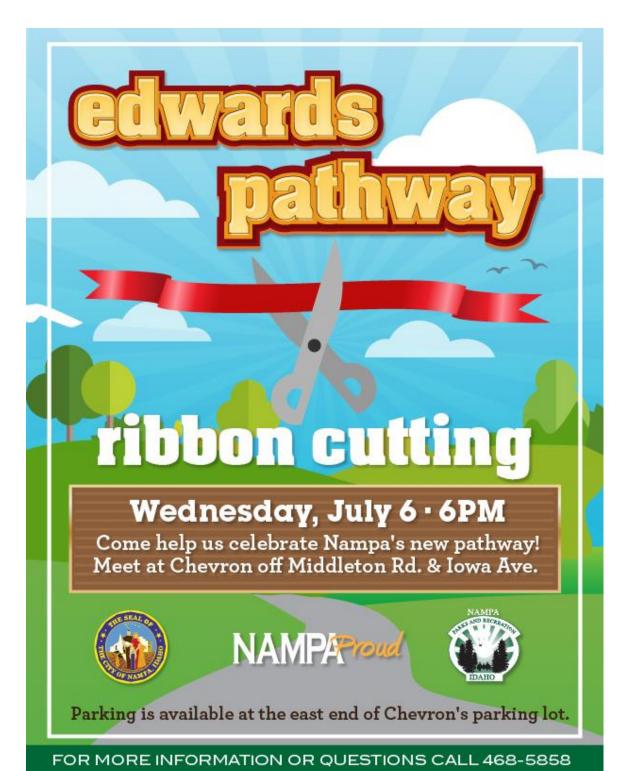
http://www.cityofnampa.us/DocumentCenter/View/3833

The Finance Department

http://www.cityofnampa.us/Index.aspx?NID=191

Edwards Pathway opens July 6

We hope you can join us for the ribbon cutting on the new Edwards Pathway. It's our continued goal in the city to provide more green space and bicycle and pedestrian pathways. The Parks Department just wrapped up this project and we cut the ribbon Wednesday at 6 p.m.



Lloyd Square Park inaugurated last week





Lloyd Square was hopping Friday night for Downtown Nampa's Fourth Friday celebration. And what a celebration. People seemed to really enjoy the new grassed-in park. How about those the giant bubble balls? It looks like the kids did, too. I'm looking forward to more happenings at the park. Special thanks to Justin Ramsey Photography for allowing us to use his photos. For his full collection from last week's event, visit his Facebook page at the link below.

Justin Ramsey Photography

https://www.facebook.com/justinramseyphotography/

Repeat Offender Program targets career criminals

You've heard the proverbial lesson that 90 percent of the problems are caused by 10 percent of the population. Translate that to crime in our city. There's a small percentage of repeat offenders who commit a bulk of the crime. Nampa Police Chief Joe Huff has announced a plan to go after those career criminals. It's called ROP and stands for Repeat Offender Program. Starting July 10, two officers will have one primary goal: identify career criminals and make sure they know they are not wanted in Nampa if they continue to be a nuisance.

I'm excited to see this program kick off. The Chief told me about this plan before his appointment, and I think it's a very pro-active approach to get the problem criminals off the street. I hope those repeat offenders get the message loud and clear. If you would like to learn more about this program visit the links below.

Links to special news coverage on the new Repeat Offenders Program

http://www.cityofnampa.us/civicalerts.aspx?AID=439

http://www.idahopress.com/news/crime_courts/nampa-officers-selected-for-repeat-offender-focus/article_c90d78c5-906f-5191-8021-e35ab7e37a2c.html

http://kboi2.com/news/local/out-of-strikes-nampa-pd-targeting-repeat-offenders

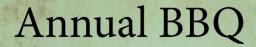
SAVE THESE DATES & DON'T MISS THE FUN!

Please mark 4 p.m. Monday, March 13, 2017, for the annual **State of the City Address**. It will be held at the Civic Center in the Brandt Auditorium.

I love how everyone pulls together for the **Snake River Stampede**. This is the 101st year and several related events are held leading up to one of the nation's top rodeos. http://www.snakeriverstampede.com/

There are several other activities as well and the promotional posters are included below. If you'd like to buy tickets to the breakfast held Saturday, July 16, in Downtown Nampa before the annual Snake River Stampede parade, visit this link. http://www.nampa.com/events/details/snake-river-stampede-rodeo-parade-pancake-breakfast-07-16-16-9215





STEAK FRY

Featuring New York Strip Steak

Thursday July 14th at Lakeview Park from 5:00-8:00

Adults \$12.00 - NY Steak with sides

Kids (12 & under) \$6.00-Cheeseburger with sides

Entertainment provide by:
Country Gold



BEER GARDEN

Sponsored by Crescent Brewery

Nampa Firefighters Charity Fund

BURNOUT FUND BBQ

FRIDAY JULY 15TH 5PM - 8PM STAMPEDE FESTIVAL

DOWNTOWN NAMPA (13TH AVE S.)





5РМ-8РМ

\$10 Suggested Donation
BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich, Coleslaw, Beans, Beverage, and Dessert Bar
Beer-Wine-Drinks available for purchase
Fire Trucks-Kids Games-Sparky



Nampa Firefighters Charity Fund 501(c)3 was established to assist people who have been displaced or injured by fire and help members of the community who are in need.



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