

Midway City Council
18 August 2020
Regular Meeting

Utah Clean City

Brad Wilson

From: Celeste Johnson
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2020 3:56 PM
To: Brad Wilson
Subject: FW: Utah Clean Cities:Be Idle Free

Please put this on the agenda for the 18th.



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From: Chris Firmage <chris.firmage@utahcleancities.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 12:12 PM
To: Celeste Johnson <cjohnson@midwaycityut.org>
Subject: Re: Utah Clean Cities:Be Idle Free

Dear Mayor Johnson,

We hope you are staying safe and continuing to improve your community through this unprecedented time. Utah Clean Cities is asking for your support on our [Be Idle Free](#) program. It is a free program and all we ask is that you encourage your community to turn off the vehicle when idling. This improves the health of your constituents, which is more important than ever. By signing the [pledge to Be Idle Free](#) your community is recognized by the Governor with a Declaration in September. We hope you will join us this year by either responding to this email or signing the pledge form. It takes less than a minute to fill out the form and sends a great message to all of Utah. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Click Here: [Be Idle Free Pledge](#)
or simply respond to this email.

Warm Regards,
Utah Clean Cities

Chris

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Chris Firmage

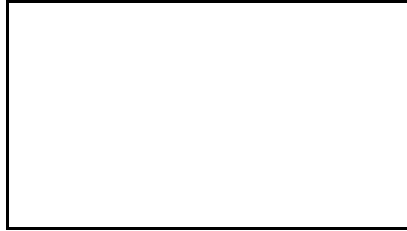
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On Wed, Jun 17, 2020 at 11:50 AM Chris Firmage <chris.firmage@utahcleancities.org> wrote:

Dear Mayor Johnson,

Our team at Utah Clean Cities hopes your community is staying safe in this unprecedented time. We are reaching out on behalf of [Utah Clean Cities](#) as it is that time of the year when we ask you to consider joining the [Be Idle Free](#) program.

The Idle Free program has been in place, here in Utah, for over 13 years and has grown annually. In 2019 over 70 Mayors throughout the state signed on to the Utah Governor's Idle Free Declaration. We have attached 2019 Idle Free Governor's Declaration to this email for your reference. The simple action of turning the key, while the vehicle is stationary for more than 10 seconds, has a positive impact on Utah's air quality and the health of its citizens. Moreover, the Idle Free program inspires individuals to make a difference in their community and that small actions can have a large impact.

We hope that Midway City can join us in our mission to make Utah a cleaner and more sustainable state by supporting Idle Free Utah. As a thank you for the commitment, there will be a declaration ceremony in September to celebrate all cities, communities and businesses that take the 2020 Idle Free Month and Idle Free Season 2020-2021 pledge.

Utah Clean Cities is proud of the nationally recognized, and Utah's campaign, Turn the Key, Be Idle Free program and the support it has achieved.

We hope to add Midway City to the declaration this year. If you are ready to take the pledge **click the link here**, (Turn Your Key, [Be Idle Free Pledge](#)).

If you have any questions please reach out to us and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Thank you,

Chris

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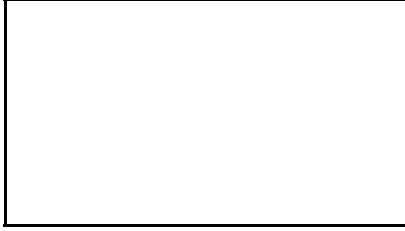
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A CLEANER WAY TO DRIVE

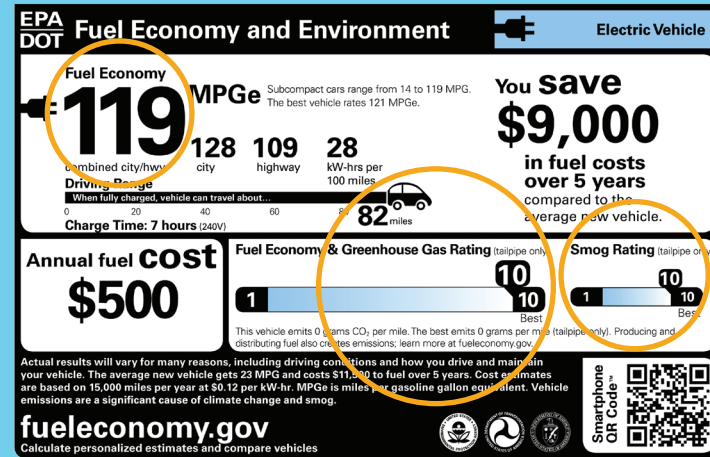
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shop for new and used cars at:
FUELECONOMY.GOV



- Fuel Economy
- Smog Rating
- Greenhouse Gas Rating

Utah Legislators passed HCR 018 encouraging Utahns to consider
the Smog Rating between 8 and 10 when choosing their next car.

Read more at UTAHCLEANCITIES.ORG/MINDFUEL



be idle free

Being Idle Free Is Easy ... Just Turn the Key.



BREATHE EASIER SAVE MONEY PROTECT BLUE SKY

READY TO GO IDLE-FREE? MORE INFO: utahcleancities.org/idle-free • 1-800-458-0145



SAVE MONEY

Limiting idling saves money.

When you idle your car, you use fuel that costs money and then contributes to pollution and smog.

Think of these simple steps when you drive your vehicle:

- Turn your vehicle off if you know you're going to wait.
- Don't idle your car on cold mornings.
- Don't turn on your car until you are ready to leave.
- Use remote starters wisely.
- Reducing idling around town is great, but never turn off your vehicle in traffic.

BREATHE EASIER

Limiting idling reduces air pollution and helps protect your health.

Pollution impacts all of us. Physically, we may experience irritation of the eyes, nose, throat, and lungs. Pollution can be even more serious when it aggravates serious health conditions.

Air pollution above the federal standards can:

- Aggravate asthma
- Decrease lung function
- Aggravate allergies
- Exacerbate cardiovascular problems
- Cause coughing or difficulty breathing
- Lead to chronic bronchitis
- Worsen the symptoms of upper respiratory illnesses

PROTECT BLUE SKY

Limiting idling helps improve air quality.

Cars, trucks, and buses are major sources of air pollution in our communities that contributes to smog and bad inversion days.

Exhaust emitted while driving or idling contains Nitrogen Oxides (NOx), Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), Particulate Matter (PM), Carbon Monoxide (CO), and Carbon Dioxide (CO₂). Excessive amounts of any of these chemicals contribute to air pollution.

“Hot spots” or small pockets of concentrated exhaust are created with many idling vehicles are in the same area — like school pick-up and drop-off zones, park and ride lots, and drive-thru areas. People inside and outside their vehicles may be exposed to higher pollution levels in these “hot spots.”

Children are more vulnerable in these “hot spots” because they breathe more quickly and take in more air per minute to their lungs than adults.

TIPS & TRICKS TO GO IDLE FREE

Small changes and individual actions make a difference when we all do our part.

CHANGE YOUR HABITS:

- Turn off your car when you wait to pick someone up.
- Turn off your car when you run into the store on a quick errand.
- Turn off your car when you stop to talk to friends or family.

OTHER WAYS TO IMPROVE AIR QUALITY

- Park and walk into fast food restaurants, pharmacies, dry cleaners, banks and other drive-thru locations.
- Walk, carpool, telecommute, take public transit, or ride your bike to work.
- Walk to lunch or pack a lunch to eat in.
- Combine errands into one trip.
- Drive smarter keeping your vehicle maintained — replace air filter regularly, keep tires properly inflated, keep vehicle well tuned.
- Use cruise control on highways.
- Accelerate gradually.

TAKE ONE SMALL STEP TODAY!

