



**CITY MANAGER'S
WEEKLY HAPPENINGS
TO THE WEST JORDAN CITY COUNCIL
Week ending April 24, 2015**



Dear Mayor and City Council:

I hope that you can join us for Comcast Cares Days this Saturday, April 25th. Registration will start at the Youth Sports Complex (7800 South 4000 West) or the Copper Hills High School (5445 West New Bingham Highway) at 7:00 a.m. with a breakfast and t-shirt. You will be assigned to a project somewhere in the City where we will work from 8:00-Noon and then break for lunch. We may be in store for a bit of a wet day but hope that clouds won't keep you away.

The finishing touches are being put onto the new Station 54 and we hope that you will join us for the handcuff/hose cutting ceremony on Thursday April 30th at 11:00 a.m. with an open house to follow until 1 p.m. You are also welcome to bring the whole family to the open house on Saturday, May 2 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. where we will have cake and tours throughout the facility. Our many thanks to Julie, Kim and all of the staff members that are making these events possible.

And finally, set your alarms for a few minutes before 5:45 a.m. on Monday April 27th to watch Big Budda and Channel 13 join Chief Diamond and Chief McElreath at Station 54. The morning program will host nine segments on the new facility and equipment. Expect to see emergency personnel demonstrate rappelling, K-9 apprehension skills, the Motors division skill demonstration, and sliding down the fire pole.

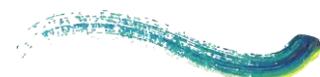
We have some fun days ahead, please read below about what has been happening during the past week in West Jordan.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Building permits issued in the last week included 10 new single family dwellings. Total valuation of all permits was \$3 million.

On April 22nd, the City Council received public input and considered approval of Ordinance 15-09, regarding a rezone of 0.92 acres from R-1-10E to R-1-8D, for a parcel of property located at approximately 7359 South 1300 West. The Council approved the rezone in a 7-0 vote.

On April 21st, the Planning Commission received public input and considered for preliminary approval the Maverik at the Highlands Preliminary Subdivision, Development Plan, and Site Plan located at 7800 South and Loop Road. The Planning Commission approved the applications with amended conditions to the site plan approval in a 5-0 vote.



Planner's Ray McCandless and Greg Mikolash attended the 2015 American Planning Association annual conference in Seattle from April 18th to the 21st. Attendance at this conference was extremely high as planners from all over the nation attended class sessions covering everything from sustainability to climate change to urban agriculture. This conference was needed for APA credit maintenance for AICP members of the APA.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Staff attended the annual Board meeting for the Utah Technology Council. There was a networking session before the meeting and staff approached several attendees to see if there might be some interest in the Fairchild Semiconductor facility. Staff received one positive response. The interested company is looking to build a new facility, but might be willing to take a look at Fairchild before making the final decision.

Staff processed 34 building permits with value totaling \$3 million of construction improvements.

Staff met with IBI group to discuss the status of the City Center project design.

Staff contacted the listing agent for the Murdock land near the airport. They are in negotiations with a charter school for the sale of a couple of acres.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Community Affairs

Fire Station 54/Bagley Park Police Substation will be featured on Fox 13's morning news Monday, April 27. Coordinating nine different live segments with Big Budha.

Forbes Magazine requested photos to feature West Jordan on their online gallery.

Preparing for Comcast Cares Day Saturday.

Fleet

We've been busy, busy, busy in Fleet with all the mowers and the inspections and emissions needed for re-licensing our fleet in June! A little more than half of the mowers, tractors, UTV's and ATV's have found their way through their yearly check-ups. And the stack of completed inspections is getting higher every day!

We're still waiting for a few of our new trucks to arrive from the factory. Two trucks from Ford and two from Mack are due any day now. The other few that are getting service bodies and lighting installed are about 80% done, so I'm hoping in the next week or so that we'll see them going into service. It's going to be great to have the new additions in the fleet.

POLICE

Three new West Jordan police officers graduated from the Police Academy this week. They will now begin our In-House Academy, preparatory for them to advance to the Field Training portion of their training.

Officers responded to a domestic call. After knocking on the door, the suspect abruptly opened it and pointed a loaded pistol in Officer James Kangas' face. Officer Kangas was able to talk the suspect into lowering the gun and he was taken into custody. The suspect was booked into jail for aggravated assault on a police officer.

FIRE

As Company 52 was responding to the report of a vehicle fire, Chief McElreath came on the radio to let E-52 know he was already on scene. He was able to give us a very clear report that there was a passenger car with a fully involved engine compartment fire. He also let us know that all occupants were able to get out of the car prior to any possible injury. Hearing Chief McElreath on the radio was reassuring, but man - o - man did it put the pressure on. We knew this was "Show Time."

Upon our arrival, we found the vehicle to be on fire as reported. The wind was blowing at hurricane strength out of the north, which kept the fire out of the passenger compartment. We put the fire out in record time and due to unknown cause of the fire we called our fire investigator. He found nothing that would cause the fire and deemed the cause as undetermined.

Fire Units responded to a report of fire at The Waste Management facility on 4000 West. There was a moderate amount of smoke in the sorting and bailing building on arrival on the north side. It was quickly determined that the fire was confined to the large bailing machine on the southeast side of the building and ME54 was directed there. Crew from companies 53 and 54 conducted fire attack and achieved initial knockdown with hose pulled from ME54 and worked with employees of the facility to ensure that power to the machine was secured for safety. We coordinated with the facility plant management, when we felt it was safe to do so, to restart the machine and extrude the saturated material. In order to verify that the fire was completely out. The plant manager felt comfortable placing the affected bails into a large metal containment bin and posting a fire watch until the morning when they could properly dispose of the material.

Station 53 and Station 52 were dispatched to a vehicle roll over at 7900 S and Old Bingham Highway. A man was pulling out of the Broadmoor apartment complex when his vehicle was struck on the driver's side causing it to roll. The patient had removed himself from the vehicle before firefighters had arrived on scene. The patient's right hand was crushed during the rollover and at least 2 of his fingers were completely severed. The patient's missing fingers were found and placed on ice. The patient and his fingers were transported to the hospital.

PUBLIC WORKS

Capital Projects

5600 West Project – 6200 South to 7000 South – The project is still ahead of schedule, and poles were removed this week (see below). If current schedule holds, the project will be completed in June before the contractual; deadline of July 2nd.



9000 South Project – 4800 West to 5500 West – The project is expected to start on or near May 1, and will run for 70 days. Completion will therefore be between July 4th and July 24th holidays.

Grizzly and Bingham Junction Reservoirs – The Bingham Junction Reservoir is complete and operational, and the Grizzly Reservoir is being wire wrapped currently. Final work on the Grizzly site will be accomplished in the next two months, with the reservoir to be placed into operation for the July summer peak.

Well #3 – 5700 West and 9000 South – Work at the new pump station is at the punch list stage, with the well already tested and approved for operations. The well was test pumped this last month by the contractor to train City staff on the new equipment.

1300 West – Bingham Creek Box Culvert Project – Ekkert Construction is completing roadway work now, and is scheduled to be paved back this Friday. The cold weather this week may push that schedule until next Monday or Tuesday, April 20th. Additional work on the sidewalks will take place after the road is re-opened.

4000 West – Bingham Creek Box Culvert Project – Ekkert Construction will move to this culvert replacement area at approximately 9250 South on 4000 West after road paving work is completed on 1300 West. This closure is scheduled for 30 days to complete the removal and replacement of the storm drain culvert.

Well # 6 Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) Installation – A contract for a new motor control is slated for City Council approval on May 13. This new electrical control device will allow improved control over the motor that drives the pump, yielding improved water delivery at lower electrical cost due to improved pump efficiency. Due to construction and build time required for the VFD, this project will be completed in August.

8600 South Half Street Completion at Ron Wood Park – The bids for this will open this Thursday, and will be set for City Council award for May 13. The work is expected to take approximately 60 days, and will be complete by mid-August.

2015 Surface Sealing Project - This project will seal approximately 835,000 square feet of roads in the city in various locations. For comparison, there are approximately 53,856,000 square feet of road surface in the City. Thus, this project covers just 1.5% of the existing roads in West Jordan. The project will take place in June and July.

2015 ADA Ramps Project – This project will remove, and/or replace, or construct 74 new ADA ramps at locations near and in the 2014 overlay areas. The schedule for the project lasts 60 days from notice to proceed.

1300 West Bingham Creek

The 1300 West Culvert and road are finished and open! The contractor is completing some final curbing, sidewalk, and grading south of the culvert and cleaning up the site.



4000 West Bingham Creek

The 4000 West road will be closed next Tuesday April 27th for a month to replace the existing corrugated metal pipe to a larger box culvert. Detour routes are the Bangerter Hwy or 4800 West. After the culvert is installed, the road will be widened to the east with new curb and gutter, park strip, and sidewalk. The new road will be much safer for vehicles and pedestrians.

Sewer Operations

Maintenance crews cleaned 25,001 feet of sewer mainline. 13,940' for the Jet Truck South Cleaning crew, and 11,061' for the Jet Truck North Cleaning crew. Mainline cleaning in the following areas: 2200 West from 8300 South to 8200 South, 1300 West 9100 South to 9000 South, 1300 West 8680 South, Fontaine Claire Estates, twin Oaks Estates, Camelot Estates, 2200 West 6750 South to 6600 South.

TV inspection of 6,564' in Addondakis Estates and on 9000 South from 5490 West to 5100 West.