



**CITY MANAGER'S
WEEKLY HAPPENINGS
TO THE WEST JORDAN CITY COUNCIL
Week ending August 14, 2015**



Dear Mayor and City Council:

One of the most exciting aspects of working in local government is watching projects progress from the imagination stage, through planning, development, construction and finally come into use. Examples of this are recently completed Station 54, water storage reservoirs, vehicle/equipment lease programs, the ERP and a host of others projects.

We are in the infancy stages of a similar opportunity with a new recreation center on the west side of West Jordan. Salt Lake County has agreed that this area of the valley is in desperate need of a facility and much has already been done to prepare the way for its future.

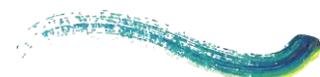
Staff is working with the County and ready to prepare and submit the ZAP application as soon as it is available. The Mayor has been placed on the County ZAP board which will ultimately determine project priority and funding levels. And most recently, we have been evaluating what the facility should house and who it will serve.

We took a tour of the Millcreek Community Center this week and saw how one of 26 County run facilities was adapted to meet that area's needs. Site constraints and land costs resulted in a multi-use facility with a recreation facility, senior citizen center, and library all combined into one building. It was inspiring to see how the uses flowed from one to the other without barriers.

Bev Uipi, Center Manager described how youth get high school credit for volunteering to teach seniors to use cell phones and computers, seniors volunteer to read with youth, citizens of all ages line up for Salmon Thursday at the café, and parents put their kids at a table to do homework while they walk the second story track and can keep an eye on them. It is truly a community center designed and built to include everyone's interests and allow citizens to enjoy it together.

One of the lessons that we learned is the importance of engaging the public early on to determine the needs and wants of those citizens. The west side of West Jordan doesn't need a facility like Millcreek, our needs are different. But we do need to start learning what they want now and where it will be located to have the highest and best use. It's exciting to begin the envisioning process and it will be even greater when we will one day roam the halls of our new facility and see the outcome of our combined efforts.

Here are more examples of all the great work going on around the City.



COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Building permits issued in the last week included 7 new single family dwellings. Total valuation of all permits was \$2.5 million.

Completed building permit plan reviews include:

- 1- Holiday Oil; 2730 West 7800 South, valuation of \$486,468
- 2- Sunridge Assisted Living (65 Units); 7037 South 4800 West, valuation of \$5,526,000
- 3- Utah National Guard Armory Remodel; 7602 South Airport Road, valuation of \$1,400,000
- 4- Checker Properties Warehouse Shell; 5809 Dannon Way, 96,314 square feet valued at \$4,866,746

A certificate of occupancy was issued for Roderick Flex Building, 85,250 square feet located at 9229 South Prosperity Road and valued at \$3.5M.

The City Council held a public hearing on August 12, 2015 and approved a text amendment to Section 13.5E.3 of the Municipal Code allowing “gasoline service stations” as a permitted use in the C-M (Heavy Commercial) Zone. This amendment fixes a non-conforming issue with an existing service station, located at 7800 South 1300 West and allows for this use to be incorporated as an optional land use in the other C-M zoned properties.

Smith’s Food and Drug on 7000 South and Redwood Road had a ribbon cutting celebrating the \$2.5 million remodel of the store. It looks great inside!

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Fleet

Fleet is nearing the end of the preparation of new vehicle specs for 2016. We divide up the vehicles into leased (public safety), purchasing under \$100K and purchasing over \$100K. The leased vehicles are awaiting a contract for the total amount for this year from Bancorp / Mears; the purchasing over \$100K vehicles are awaiting the return of the RFP for new ambulances; and the purchasing under \$100K vehicles are complete and submitted for purchase orders to be generated so that they can be ordered. I want to thank everyone who has had input and has helped with the specifications on these new vehicles. A lot of time and effort has been put into determining and designing the right tool for efficient and safe work to be performed. I will keep you up to date on our expected arrival and in-service dates as they come up.

Software update: The new software is being configured this week, and should have the ‘cleaned’ data installed next week so that testing can begin. The target ‘go-live’ date is being set for the week of September 14. If all goes well, the new fuel software will be coming on board the following week, and we’re hoping everything is running well by the first of October. Keep your fingers crossed!

Community Affairs

Assembling city newsletter, which comes out Aug. 29th. Working with Economic Development on a presentation for the mayor to deliver to the Salt Lake Board of Realtors. Evaluating employee social media policy found in the Employee Handbook.

PARKS



Hosting (United Soccer Alliance) the biggest soccer tournament in the state 360 teams, Parks staff has done a wonderful job in preparing for and hosting the soccer tournament.

Parks weed Abatement crew has been working vigourously on goat head weed abatement- Jordan River trail, Stonecreek trail, Mountain View corridor trail.

Opened bids for the Calsense Central Irrigation Controller upgrade, will be going to council meeting on August 25 for approval.

Continue with the bidding out of projects that are listed on the parks project list.

POLICE

The POP Unit had charges accepted and a \$25,000.00 warrant issued for a sex offender in a restricted area.

Crime Prevention starts their next session of Citizen Academy this week. The class is full.

PUBLIC WORKS

Staff replaced 72 residential 25 mph speed limit signs and 6 stop signs that were faded and non-reflective.



Graffiti was removed from 1 public location (approx. 36 sq. ft.)

Solid Waste

Staff delivered 11 cans

Replaced 70 cans

Repaired 17 cans

Built 74 cans and dismantled 99 cans for recycling.

Road striping crews have been out painting a number of crosswalks. Painting will continue for the next few weeks.



Staff continued working on the overlay project at the following locations:

8210 South from 3200 West to Skyvue Circle

3125 West from 8210 South. to Skyvue Circle

8350 South from 3220 West to Newellwood Circle

3280 West from 8350 South. to end of circle



Work continues at the Ron Wood Maintenance yard.

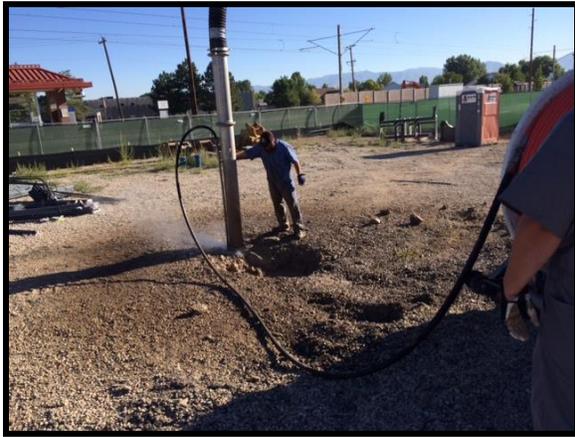


Wastewater

Maintenance crews cleaned 30,123' of sewer mainlines in the city. Jet truck South clean 15,789' in the following areas, Garner Lane and Bagley Industrial Park. Jet Truck North cleaned 14,334' in the following areas, 2200 West from north border to 7800 South, Bunker Hill Estates and McHeather Estates.

Maintenance crews performed TV inspections on 7,344' of sewer mains in the city.

Located and raised two missing manhole at the TOD job site for Engineering. We needed to expose these so that they could be utilized as pump locations for the bypass operation needed for the upcoming TOD connection just South of Trax.



Repairs to the sewer collection box located at Public Works.



Hydro-excavating Jet Truck performing excavation work for water leaks

