



**CITY MANAGER'S  
WEEKLY HAPPENINGS  
TO THE WEST JORDAN CITY COUNCIL  
Week ending December 31, 2015**



Dear Mayor and City Council:

As this is the final Weekly Happenings Report of 2015, I want to take this opportunity to recognize our City employees whose daily efforts have been the stuff of which these reports are made.

Whether it be rushing to aid in emergency situations where lives are at stake, maintaining our roads, keeping our parks safe and beautiful, assisting residents with courtesy and kindness, or planning for growth to ensure beauty and prosperity for our City and quality of life for its residents, our employees continue to set the bar high in service and self-sacrifice.

I'm sure you wish to join me in thanking them for contributing to a successful year of making West Jordan a City of which we can be proud. I look forward to 2016, knowing that as we work together for this common goal, we will continue to guide this City well as it grows and prospers.

Below are some of the happenings around the City over the last two weeks:

**FIRE**

The crew from Station 52 handled a difficult call in the area of 1700 West 8760 south. A 70 year old female was in full arrest. In consult with the Emergency Room doctor it was determined that CPR should be discontinued because the patient was deceased. This was a very difficult decision for the family and it was complicated by a cultural barrier, but after explaining it 3-4 times they finally agreed.

West Jordan Battalion Chief 51 and crews from West Jordan Medic Engine 54 and South Jordan Medic Engine 62 responded to approximately 4300 West 9000 South on a two year-old child in full arrest. ME62 arrived first and found the child unresponsive and a retired firefighter performing CPR. A Pediatric helicopter was requested to rendezvous at Jordan Valley Medical Center. Once at Jordan Valley ME54 assisted the ER team in continuing resuscitation attempts. After approximately 40 minutes the ER Doctor stopped attempts and informed the Mother that her child had died.

West Jordan Battalion Chief 51, Medic Engine 54, Medic Engine 55, Unified Fire Ladder 118 & Engine 107 responded to 4932 West Decora Way on a report of a house fire with smoke coming from the flue on the roof and the front door. While in route dispatch reported that a neighbor had noticed the smoke and knew that the home owners were out of town and called it in. E107 arrived first and took command. BC51 was next to arrive and assumed command. E107 had started forcible entry to the front door and BC51 went to have a face to face with the acting Captain Mark Jones. Smoke was coming from the flue on the roof but nothing at the door. The smoke detector on the inside of the residence was going off.

BC51 did a walk around to determine if there were fire conditions in the home but and was not able to see inside because all of the windows were covered with shutters or drapes. E107 made entry and performed a complete search and found nothing but a faulty smoke detector. WJPD was able to find a phone number for the owner and BC51 made contact with him to explain what had happened. The owner was driving home from Duchesne and would not be home for 4 hours. The owner called his son to have him respond to the home to help secure the home. All units then cleared except BC51 who stayed on scene until the son arrived.

## **DEVELOPMENT**

### *Economic Development*

Payment for the purchase of the Woodbury property was submitted to the escrow company on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup>.

Staff forwarded contact information for the Jensen property to brokers in the development community.

### *Building & Safety*

Building permits issued in the last two weeks included 12 new single family dwellings, 5 new multi-family units, 46 miscellaneous residential permits, with 14 miscellaneous commercial permits. Total valuation of all permits was \$5.7 million. Performed 281 field, investigative, and complaint inspections

### *Planning*

The Zoning Administrator held a public hearing to consider a conditional use permit to allow outdoor storage for KGB Construction located on the northwest corner of Wells Park Road and Feulner Park Road in an M-1 zone. The administrative conditional use permit was approved.

### *Office of Development Assistance*

Pre-Application meetings held:

- West Jordan Storage, a proposed 37,560 sq. ft. storage unit to be located at 7204 South Airport Road
- Salt Lake Parks and Public Works Operations Center to be located at approximately 6400 South Airport Road.

Revised plans returned for staff review:

- Final subdivision plans for Englefield Heights Phase 2, a 41-lot subdivision located at approximately 6350 West 7800 South in the Highlands.
- KBG Construction Shop to be located at 9578 S. Fuelner Park Road.

## **PARKS**

The following are projects the Parks Department has been working on the past week:

- Office renovations in the parks offices.
- Snow removal throughout the city with the streets department. Also clearing of the many miles of sidewalk throughout the city.

- Working with architect on the plan and repairs for the Wild West playground.
- Reviewing last four proposals for playground replacement.
- Coordinating and moving forward with several park projects that are on the parks project list.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

### *Streets*

- Snow removal during the Christmas Holiday.
- Completed the sidewalk installation on 7000 South 5490 West.
- Graffiti abatement along the Jordan Landing Trail – numerous locations adjacent to the trail.
- Crack sealing of various roads.
- Road repair on Center Park Drive.
- Began installation of new Sidewalk on 7000 South 5400 West.
- Staff has started the pavement survey work for the Pavement Management Program for the coming year.
- Staff continues to replace street identification signs.
- Streets staff has assisted the electricians with excavating at City Hall for new lighting

### *Stormwater*

- The Stormwater Division has been televising for the stormwater bond release in the Maple Hills Subdivision.
- Staff completed confined space training on December 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Removed snow at the skywalk on U-111 8200 South after the recent snow storms.

### *GIS*

- Working with the streets department to clean up and update the street lights mapping layer.
- Created a map and list of properties potentially affected by the noise from the rodeo grounds, which included approximately 2,000 properties.
- Working through a list of about 400 addresses to find and fix issues to improve finding those addresses for VECC (ongoing project).
- Conducted training for using the collector app and ArcGIS online to collect tree data.
- All 52 of the parks and recreation addresses have been confirmed. Thirty-two (32) of the 52 were corrected and updated within the West Jordan, Utah Map Portal.
- Began investigating Compass Com to fulfill our need to have an easy to use interface to work with our snowplow tracking mechanism.
- Met with statewide GIS Imagery Committee to discuss latest enhancements and future of statewide aerial imagery.
- Surveyed the sewer network in the Adondakis Subdivision for corrections in our spatial database.
- Worked with the Stormwater Division to correct and update 20,720 feet of stormwater data (ongoing project).
- Working with the Electrical Division to create as-built for City Hall Accent Lighting.

- Began putting together ideas for a new project to find, document and create an interactive map to easily locate city easement for water, storm drain, sewer and other miscellaneous items.
- Updated snow plow priority maps for public facing webpage and Facebook.
- Surveyed and located well site to start design projects in Sugar Factory area.
- Review and layout easements to be owned and maintained by the city
- Correct address errors for residents

## **FLEET**

Things have been very busy in Fleet lately now that the snow is here! We've only had a few repairs that have tied up the trucks or the ATV's for more than a day, and that's a great improvement over past years. We appreciate everyone's patience with us as we strive to keep our snow moving fleet going and get preventive maintenance done too! And patience with fueling... a BIG thanks to the Streets department for working with us over the Christmas weekend when we ran low on fuel. Lessons learned, and we immediately put a contingency plan in place for the next big event.

We've received some new equipment over the past few weeks. The Water Department took delivery of a new John Deere skid steer loader:



And our first replacement vehicle for the 2015-16 year is for Solid Waste:



Also, we have received the lettering for all of the departments, and will begin adding them as the vehicles come in for service. Here's an example of how it will look:

