



**CITY MANAGER'S
WEEKLY HAPPENINGS
TO THE WEST JORDAN CITY COUNCIL
Week ending June 26, 2015**



Dear Mayor and City Council:

As we prepare to converge on one of our biggest events of the season I hope that you are all ready to give a rowdy “YEEEE HAAAA!!”

That is about as western as I get now days. I’m heading to Wyoming this weekend to see family and wander through the meadow muffins of my roots. Although I was considered a city kid, growing up in Star Valley gave me the opportunity to wear cowboy boots, tromp through the alfalfa hauling sprinkler pipe, bucking hay bales, and even going to the rodeo.

So I’m pretty excited to attend the Stampede this year and renew my senses with the taste of cotton candy, hearing the roar of the crowd, and the smell of recycled hay stuck to the back end of an angry bull.

There’s three nights (July 2, 3, & 4) of rodeo starting at 7 p.m. with the ever favorite wool slapping world of Mutton Bustin’. Join us Saturday morning for the flag ceremony at 9:30 a.m., parade at 10:30 a.m., West Jordan Band at 1:30 p.m., and the movie in the park at 9:00 p.m. before the fireworks starts at 10 p.m.

Thanks to everyone that has spent countless hours preparing for the 4th of July weekend. This wouldn’t be possible without the efforts of staff and volunteers that put other things aside to make sure we are ready to party. And thank you to everyone that will be hard at it though the end of next week. We couldn’t do it without you.

I don’t have my Tony Lama boots any more but you won’t see me at the events in sandals either. I learned a long time ago that it is too hard to get that recycled hay out from between my toes if you know what I mean. I hope to see you there.

Read on for more examples of the action happening around West Jordan this week.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Staff met with a development team that is interested in the City Center project. We discussed possible uses for the site. The developers will look at some possibilities and return.

Staff met with the owners of the Penco building. They are trying to sell the building, but are having little success. Staff will assist if possible.

Staff met with the architects that are doing the conceptual design for the City Center project. Staff instructed them to “think big”. The initial concept included some gathering space at the center of the project that will invite the public to gather and enjoy some ground floor amenities.



Staff met with the developer of projects in progress to address some needs and complaints regarding our process. Hopefully, the issues have been addressed.

Permits issued

13 new single family dwelling permit(s)

7 New multi-family units

1 New commercial building

14 misc. residential permits

2 misc. Commercial permits

Total valuation of \$7.2million

Inspections performed

201 field, investigative, and complaint inspections

Commercial Permits Issued

Young Family Dental (shell only) – 7,450 sq. ft. - \$475K valuation

FIRE

6/17/15

We responded to the report of a traffic accident on 7800 So. Grizzly Way. Upon our arrival only one driver was in need of medical attention due to being unconscious. Although both vehicles sustained severe damage, no one was required to be extricated. The unconscious patient was safely removed from the vehicle, assessed, and transported to Intermountain Medical Center for further evaluation and care.

We responded to a child that had fallen out of a tree. Upon arrival the seven year old child was with his grandmother who stated he was climbing in the tree and fell out. Assessment revealed the child had a deformed left wrist. The wrist was splinted and we transported to Jordan Valley Hospital.

We responded to the report of a leaking fire hydrant. Upon our arrival it was found that a vehicle had struck the fire hydrant and completely sheared it off the water main, which in turn was causing large amounts of water to leak into the roadway and adjacent neighborhood. We contacted Public Works, who responded quickly and shut the water main off. We were able to keep storm drains clear so the water did not get into homes.

6/24/2015

We responded on a vehicle vs. pedestrian accident. A 51 year-old male was crossing the street at an intersection when he was struck by a car turning left. The patient went onto the hood of the car and his head struck the windshield, causing the windshield to shatter. Witnesses to the accident state the patient had a loss of consciousness lasting approximately one minute. The patient suffered a head injury and several abrasions and bruises to his body. We transported to Intermountain Medical Center for further evaluation and care.

We responded to a field fire on 5200 W. 7800 So. Upon arrival fire was rapidly spreading towards a vinyl fence and had flame height of six to eight feet. Quick action by first units on scene kept the fire from causing any property damage. It took four grass trucks and one fire engine to completely extinguish the fire. Although witnesses state seeing two juveniles fleeing the scene there were no descriptions or viable evidence to the cause of the fire.

We responded to the report of a vehicle vs. pedestrian accident involving a two-year-old. Dispatch information reported that the father had run over the girl while he was leaving the home after a fight with his wife. Upon our arrival it was found that the patient had only been bumped and knocked down by the door of the car. There were no injuries or medical attention needed.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Fleet

The re-licensing of all EX-plated vehicles is completed! You should be receiving new registration copies and insurance cards in the near future.

The first of the two Mack chassis have arrived at the facility to have their bodies installed! The second one is getting four wheel drive installed on it, and should be arriving shortly. We have one other truck, a new valve exercising truck for the water department, that is still incomplete and will probably be another month or so. But other than that, all of the FY2015 new vehicles have been put into service!

Requisitions are being pulled together right now for the new FY2016 vehicles. We will be ordering 46 vehicles for the public safety lease, and 17 vehicles purchased for the city. We will keep you posted as those begin the ordering and fulfillment process!

Community Affairs

Finalizing last minute details for the Stampede. We have a stellar lineup of contestants including seven world champions! We also have contestants who will be flying a helicopter between our rodeo and another that is the same night in order to compete. Tickets on sale at WesternStampede.com.

The Western Stampede will be featured on Fox 13's morning news Friday, July 3rd.

West Jordan made the list of top 10 best suburbs near Salt Lake City for young professionals.

PUBLIC WORKS

CIP

9000 South Project – The 9000 South project is complete and was opened last Saturday to the public. B Jackson Construction will be completing minor punch list items over the next two weeks. The roadway drives smoothly and the manhole and valve raising and striping look good. Please see the pictures below and go out and take a drive on this reconstructed arterial street.



5600 West Project – Final paving is taking place over 80% of the road surface area this week. 6600 South was repaved and open to local traffic last Friday. 7000 South intersection repaving started Monday and will be complete by today. Kilgore Construction is working with their subcontractors and 3rd party utilities to complete the new signal at the 7000 South intersection. Small storm drain work near the south west end of the detention pond in the upper subdivision will take place in the next two weeks. This is change order work needed to remove an open storm drainage that runs between two homes and replace the ditch with a new pipeline. A new vinyl privacy fence for many of the west side property owners is approved to move ahead. This fence will be placed for the safety of residents along this side of the project to replace the chain link fences that are there. A hard rock layer known as caliche was encountered near Wal Mart that is slowing the removal of the old roadbed and must be removed by jack hammer. This process may cost an extra week of time to complete properly.

7800 South Safe Sidewalk Project near the City Cemetery – Jordan Valley Construction has completed approximately 75% of the sidewalk work and will be 95% complete by next week. The project will then have to wait for Rocky Mountain Power to relocate three poles along the alignment, and then the final sidewalk slabs can be placed. This project should be completed over the next 4 to 5 weeks.

Grizzly Reservoir – Absolute Construction is working on final preparations to place the reservoir into service. Ladder installation, vent construction, cleaning operations, and filling and testing will take place this week. The reservoir is expected to be in operation by Thursday and backfilling will occur as the reservoir is in operation. This “turn on” date is 20 months from the date of financial authorization for this reservoir. The Junction Reservoir was in operation in 15 months from the date of financial authorization.

Bingham Creek - 4000 West

Cody Ekkert Construction has completed the placement of the box culvert, constructed the east headwall structure, and is working on the west headwall structure. The major retaining wall on the east side has also been constructed in preparation for a new curb and sidewalk alignment through this creek section of 4000 West Street. The roadway is open, yet final paving will take place in approximately two weeks. The construction zone advisory speed

limit is 15 MPH through this area at present until paving is completed. The old transite sewer section through the project area has been replaced with new polyvinyl chloride pipe.



New retaining wall



East headwall



West headwall construction



New East channel area

Stormwater

Televised the storm drain system in Bateman Farms Subdivision.

Cleaned the storm drain system in Woodward Estates, Trimble Creek and River Oaks Subdivisions.

Inspected 5 private stormwater basins.

Graffiti Abatement

Graffiti was removed by staff from 8 locations totaling approximately 3363 square feet this month.

Graffiti was removed from 5 public property locations (approximately 2544 square feet).

Graffiti was removed from 3 private property locations (approximately 62 square feet).

Two location reported to UTA.

Below are photographs of some graffiti which was removed from public and private locations during this past week.

Public:

Before

After



Street Maintenance

Asphalt overlay

1950 West from Sugar Factory Road to 8380 South

Wasa Street from 1950 West to 8300 South

8300 S. from 1950 W. to the west cul-de-sac

Asphalt Milling

Creekwood Drive from 8120 South to 8259 South

8120 South from 2310 West to 2200 West

8145 South from 2300 West to 2470 West

8220 South from 2236 West to 2370 West

2370 West from 8220 South to 8270 South

Garden Creek Way

2440 West from 8290 South to 8230 South

8230 South from 2440 West to 8220 South

2940 West from 8025 South to 7897 South

Electrical

LED

Staff installed the samples which were finally installed. The samples are being reviewed and evaluated by the consultant and the committee.

Rodeo Grounds:

Started preparation for the Western Stampede Rodeo. Staff met with the Monster-Tron people and excavated two new 4" chases on the entrance and exits to the rodeo arena to accommodate two dedicated 20 amp circuits for the Monster-Trons. Staff met with the sound coordinator as well as the vendor coordinator. We have put new covers up on the outlets beneath the skybox and checked all of the 1000 watt lightbulbs on the stadium lights. Staff checked all the plugs on the vendor panels to make sure that they are operational. Staff hung one banner and they will be installing a second banner for our major sponsors.

City Hall:

Staff was able to get the parking lot lights at City Hall working again. They found that the chiller excavation interrupted our service to the south parking lot and the corridor lighting down the roundabout on Rosa Parks Dr. however, that has all been restored.

Veteran's Memorial Park:

Staff has checked all the lights in the park and they are all working now in preparation for West Jordan's 4th of July festivities.

7800 S from Redwood Rd to 2700 West:

Staff is currently in the process of getting all the acorn lights in full working order by the 4th of July festival.

Soccer Complex Phase 2:

Staff is preparing to change out the 275 HP motor on the reservoir. Staff has a July 1st deadline to shut the power off and disconnect the existing motors so that we can crane in a new platform.

7800 S & 1300 West:

Inspection for electrical conduit for future street lighting down the south side of 7800 South

Various Work Orders:

Lightbulbs, photocells, defective luminaries, ongoing night inspections to work on problem areas (including 7800 S, 9000 S, City Hall and Veteran's Park), etc.

Wellhouse #6:

Staff obtaining quotes for the 1200 amp service change-out.

Solid Waste

- Repaired 22 cans
- Disassembled 48 cans for recycling
- Built 12 new cans
- Replaced 46 cans

Water Operations

This last week in water operations we inspected the inside of the new Grizzly 4 million gallon reservoir. The suction, discharge, and inlet manifold pipes were opened to flush them out completely. The wash-down and CL2 treatment of the reservoir will be completed by the end of this week, and filled with 4 million gallons of water to begin the 7 day leak test.

POLICE

A residential burglary took place where the victim's dune buggy, four-wheeler, utility trailer, an assault rifle, three handguns, and several thousand rounds of ammunitions were stolen. The victim's daughter's current boyfriend was the suspect. In an interview with the victim's daughter, she admitted to having knowledge that her boyfriend had committed the burglary. In an interview, the suspect admitted he had committed the burglary. The suspect agreed to help recover all stolen items. Detectives McLam and Saunders were taken to the Uintah

mountains where the suspect directed them to where he had stashed the weapons and ammunition. Later that same evening the suspect directed them to a home in South Jordan where they recovered the trailer with the dune buggy and four-wheeler.

Officers responded to a home invasion near 3400 W 7200 S. A woman quietly called dispatch to report someone had just kicked in her door and she was hiding in the bathroom. Shortly after, officers arrived at the home and found the front door kicked in. Officers made entry and arrested three males for residential burglary.

Officers responded to Walmart on a report of a bike theft in progress. The victim reported he parked his \$4,000 bike in front of Walmart and went inside. When he came out, the bike was gone. Officers went inside the store and viewed Walmart video. They observed the suspect ride his own bike to the store and then leave on the victim's bike. Assuming the suspect may return to the store for his own bike, officers waited nearby. Officers saw the suspect return for his bike and ride away. Officers stopped the individual and arrested him. The suspect took the officers to the stolen bike and it was returned to the owner. The suspect was arrested for theft.