



Get an inside look at how your city operates – serve on a committee

There are a variety of city volunteer opportunities, ranging from one-time commitments to ongoing assignments. Share your time and talents to ensure our community continues to be a great place to live. More information and an application can be found online at WJordan.com. Or submit a letter of interest and resume to the following address by **Dec. 3:**

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Volunteers are needed for various city committees including:

The Planning Commission makes recommendations to the City Council regarding annexations and zone changes, commercial development plans, subdivision plans, and various other development and planning activities. Members of the Commission are appointed to three-year terms.

The Board of Adjustment is responsible for considering whether or not a variance to the zoning ordinance should be granted because hardship conditions exist. Members of the Board are appointed to five-year terms.

The Arts Council provides programs

and activities that encourage the promotion of art and cultural events and activities in the community. (Includes: Theater Arts, Literary Arts, Visual Arts, Symphony, Mountain West Chorale, City Band and other sponsored activities.) Voting members are appointed to three-year terms.

The Healthy West Jordan Committee implements goals to ensure West Jordan is a city in which each resident can live a healthy, productive life in a clean, healthy and safe environment. Voting members are appointed to three-year terms.

The Historic Preservation Commission The duties of this commission are to survey and inventory community historic resources; review proposed nominations to the National Register of Historic Places; pursue financial aid and grants; enforce State Historic Preservation Laws; and develop West Jordan historic sites list. Voting members are appointed to three-year terms.

The Parks & Open Land Committee objectives the next few years will be to acquire development rights and review site plans of key open land parcels and parks. Duties include recommending Capital Improvement Plan, review and comment on Master Plan and acquisitions, urban forestry, landscaping, open space preservation and maintenance program. Voting

members are appointed to three-year terms.

The Water Policy Committee is responsible for coordinating programs and activities that establish West Jordan as a community leader in water conservation. This includes developing a comprehensive community education program and implementing a new water rate schedule. They continue to explore opportunities to develop the City's water conservation goals. Voting members are appointed to three-year terms.

The Western Stampede Committee helps with the annual PRCA Rodeo, Demolition Derby, Royalty and other activities designated by the City Council. Preference for appointments will be given to residents or those with the special qualifications needed to perform the duties of the committee. Voting members are appointed to three-year terms.

The newly established West Jordan Youth Committee facilitates better communication with and coordinates the needs and interests of the youth of the city of any age through 18 years. (Includes: Youth Council, West Jordan Youth Theatre, Youth Sports and other sponsored activities). Voting members will be appointed to one-, two- and three-year terms to begin and thereafter to three-year terms.

GIS Day See why geography matters

The mayor proclaimed Nov. 17 as "GIS Day" at the City Council's Nov. 17 meeting. At the meeting, GIS staff shared the latest in GIS technology and showed how GIS affects each of our lives and how it plays a vital role in the everyday function of the city.

So what is Geographic Information System or GIS? GIS is computer software that links geographic information (where things are) with descriptive information (what things are). Unlike a flat paper map, where "what you see is what you get," a GIS can present many layers of different information.

"GIS supports all the city departments," said Clint Hutchings, GIS administrator. "We help the Fire Department with response-time maps. We help Finance with mapping routes for utility meter reading. GIS also helps the Police Department determine where crime 'hot spots' are and where infrastructure such as pipes are located."

Check out the city's online interactive web-based maps (similar to Google maps but tailored to West Jordan information). These maps give users the ability to look up county parcel data for any parcel within the city or find
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The West Jordan Animal Shelter Needs Donations.
Saturday Dec. 11 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 The West Jordan Animal Shelter will be accepting Christmas donations for the animals. The shelter relies heavily on donations and support from you, our community.

Socialized and behaved pets welcome. Light refreshments available for pets and their humans!
PLEASE JOIN US.
 5982 W. New Bingham Hwy * (801) 282-3951

The shelter is looking for:

- Adult cat and dog food
- Cat furniture
- Kitten food
- Scratching posts
- Puppy food
- Treats, toys and bones
- Cat litter
- Dog and cat beds

Register now for Citizen Police Academy

The West Jordan Police Department is gearing up for its next session of the Citizen Police Academy. The 13-week session begins Thursday, Jan. 13, 2011. Participants get an inside look at how the Police Department works and learn about different aspects of police work, including hands-on classes in firearm safety, crime scene investigation, K-9, crime prevention and defensive tactics. Course highlights include field trips to the Adult Detention Center, Firearm Range and the call Dispatch Center. Classes are held each Thursday and last about three hours. Participants must be at least 18 years of age, live or work in West Jordan, and pass a basic background check. There is no fee. Additional information and an application can be found online at WJordan.com by clicking on "Departments," "Police" and then "Citizen Police Academy." For more information, contact Barb Tatangelo at 801-256-2212 or via e-mail at barbarat@wjordan.com.



CITY HALL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
 (8000 S. Redwood Rd.)
Saturday, December 4th at 6 p.m.

West Jordan City Band
 West Jordan Symphony
 Mountain West Chorale

Schorr Gallery will be open
 Refreshments will be served
 Enjoy Free Family Fun!!!

No Street Parking During Winter Months
 Help Snowplows Keep City Streets Clear

- There are over 800 lane miles of streets in the City of West Jordan.
- High traffic roads are plowed first focusing on hills and intersections.
- Subdivision streets are plowed last using smaller trucks, and salt is used only in extreme conditions.
- If there are cars parked on the streets, the plows can't fully clear the roads and run the risk of hitting parked vehicles. Please do your part by keeping your vehicles off the streets during winter months.

NO EXCUSES in 2011!

Weigh Biggest Losers

West of Jordan

For more information, Visit WJordan.com



Mayor's Message

My teenage daughters are busy forming a "Black Friday" shopping plan. It involves maps, time tables, code names, thermal underwear, and waking me up at 3 a.m. to drive them around town. Even though I may be tempted by the convenience of Internet shopping from my home computer, I will don my hat and gloves, put on my warmest coat, and join the madness.

You may think I'm crazy, or you may be the one standing in line next to me, but you all know what I'm talking about. This is unquestionably the biggest single shopping day of the year, and leads the biggest shopping season of the year.

I understand not everyone spends the day after Thanksgiving crossing items off their holiday gift list, but for those who do, please remember to shop close to home. It really does make a difference. By supporting local businesses you help provide jobs for your friends and neighbors and put money back into our local economy. You help schools and local government by expanding our tax base, and help to keep property taxes from increasing. Local shop-



ping also directly benefits the community because a portion of your sales tax goes directly to the city where the store is located.

The money the City of West Jordan receives from sales tax helps pay for snow removal, park maintenance, road repairs, and even our Police and Fire Departments. Every service the city provides is enhanced when people shop in West Jordan.

Also don't be discouraged by the construction projects and orange cones. All roads and turn lanes will be open and major construction will finally be finished for the season.

So please, support our local businesses this holiday season. And if you get up early enough next Friday, maybe I'll see you around.

Mayor Melissa K. Johnson



Smithsonian's 'New Harmonies' on display at Schorr Gallery

Come visit the Smithsonian Traveling Exhibit, "New Harmonies: Celebrating the History of American Roots Music" on display at the Schorr Gallery, third-floor of City Hall, 8000 S. Redwood Rd. The West Jordan Historical Society was selected by the Utah

Humanities Council to host this free exhibit, which is on display Monday-Friday noon-5 p.m. through Jan. through Jan. 21, 2011. West Jordan's Schorr Gallery will be the only venue exhibiting the New Harmonies in the Salt Lake Valley.

Green waste recycling ends Nov. 26



Now is the time to finish your fall yard projects! Gather grass clippings, tree branches, weeds and other compostable yard waste and place it in your green waste can. Green waste collection ends on your designated trash pickup day during the week of Nov. 22-26. There will be no green waste or garbage collection on Thanksgiving Day. Both green waste and trash will be collected the following day. (Thursday will be Friday, Friday will be Saturday.) The seasonal green waste program will resume Monday, April 4, 2011.

Thank you for your help "Keeping It Green!"



CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2010

(Note: Activities are tentative and may change)

NOVEMBER

- 25-26 . . . Thanksgiving Holiday – City Offices Closed
- 26 Last day of green waste pickup

DECEMBER

- 2-13. "1940s Radio Hour" 7:30 p.m.
- 4 City Hall Christmas Program, 6 p.m., (featuring City Band, West Jordan Symphony, Mountain West Chorale)
- 7 Planning Commission Meeting at City Hall, 6 p.m.
- 8 City Council Meeting at City Hall, 6 p.m.
- 11 Animal Shelter "Donation Days"
- 15 City Council Meeting at City Hall, 6 p.m.
- 19 Messiah Sing-A-Long, 7 p.m., Jordan Institute of Religion, 3431 West Wights Fort Rd.
- 21 Planning Commission Meeting at City Hall, 6 p.m.
- 24 Christmas Eve Day – City Offices Closed
- 25 Christmas Day

For information regarding activities and events, call 801-569-5100 or visit WJordan.com.

West Jordan Symphony

Pour your heart into good music!
Call 801-280-1530 for details or e-mail info@wjordan.com.

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your garbage pick-up day or voting precinct. There is a wealth of information located on this map. You can also create your own bookmarks, look up addresses, create text, measure areas and print a custom map.

Or take the "City Tour" map. This map gives a tour of the city beginning from beet farming days to present. You'll find fun and useful facts about West Jordan and see how much West Jordan has to offer. You can find both of these maps in the map section at WJordan.com by clicking on the "Map" quick link on the homepage.

Handel's Messiah Sing Along

Presented by:
The West Jordan Symphony and Mountain West Chorale

Dec. 19th
7 p.m.

FREE

Salt Lake Community College
Institute of Religion
3431 West Wights Fort Road