



**CITY MANAGER'S
WEEKLY HAPPENINGS
TO THE WEST JORDAN CITY COUNCIL
Week ending July 10, 2015**



Dear Mayor and City Council:

You've heard me say that our success is a continuous series of individual accomplishments that we call "a thousand points of light." Examples of this happened all over the city this past week with an outstanding parade, Stampede with record crowds, and a safe and happy holiday weekend. For that I thank each of you for your contribution to making it a memorable occasion.

I learned of another example this week when it was reported that a vegetable garden was growing in a city park. The citizen reported this was happening because the Mayor wouldn't let our parks crews buy flowers. To dispel any vicious rumors, the Mayor and Council approve the budget, they don't set plant purchasing priorities but that is irrelevant to the story.

What I learned is that a few years ago Brooks Nielson saw a raw piece of ground at the soccer complex and decided to purchase some vegetable plants with his own money and see how they did. He didn't do this for his own benefit; he invited the visitors to the complex to share in the harvest. The vegetables didn't go in last year and the guests noticed and said they missed them. Not wanting to disappoint, and being the kind and generous man that he is, Brooks made sure that the plants are back.

Flowers or veggies; it doesn't matter, it's the fact that Brooks and his crew continue to innovate and care for the soccer complex and the users notice and appreciate it. This is one example of many that go on every week around the City. So I salute each of you that made West Jordan a better place this week than it was the last. Looking for ways to raise the bar is what we are after and it shows. Keep up the great work and please pass me a cucumber!

Read on for more examples of the growing improvements around West Jordan this week.

City Council

Our congratulations to Councilmember Chris McConnehey and his wife Noni who have welcomed one of our newest citizens into their family. Oliver Elmer McConnehey was born Thursday morning weighing in at 8 lbs. 2 oz. and starting off at 20 ½ inches tall.



"Dad, when do I get to go to City Council meeting like Henry?"



FIRE

We would like to congratulate Captain Michael Bain for being recognized by the Certification Office at Utah Valley University as one of three 2015 Certification Testers of the Year. Every year the Certification Office recognizes three certification testers during their annual Certification Tester Seminar. These testers promote professionalism while administering exams, return complete paperwork and orderly test boxes and are consistently reliable. Congratulations again Captain Bain!

Operations

We responded on a one-year-old male in respiratory distress. Upon arrival patient was observed to be a child on a ventilator, however the ventilator was not overcoming the respiratory issues he was having. Paramedics suctioned the child's airway and provided Albuterol treatment which seemed to reduce respiratory difficulties. The child was transported to Primary Children's Hospital for further evaluation and care.

We responded to the report of a car on fire. Upon arrival a four door passenger car had fire coming from the engine compartment. The fire was quickly extinguished using a 1 ¾ inch hose line. The owner/occupant of the vehicle stated he was driving the car when it began to smoke and catch fire. The driver of the vehicle suffered no injuries and was advised to contact his insurance company.

Units from South Jordan and West Jordan Fire responded to a vehicle collision at the intersection of Old Bingham Highway and Mountain View Corridor. A four door passenger car traveling east bound on Old Bingham ran the red light and was T-boned in the driver door by a pickup truck. The severity of the crash pinned the driver of the car and she was required to be extricated using our Jaws of Life. It took several minutes to free the driver and she was immediately turned over to Life Flight for transport to trauma facility for treatment. A total of three patients were injured however the other two people were not severely injured and refused treatment or transport.

We responded to the report of a vehicle on top of a person. Upon our arrival we found a sixty-three year old male underneath a car he appeared to working on. The car appeared to have fallen off the jack holding it up and crushed him. Patient was pronounced dead at the scene and turned over to police for investigation.

Medic Ambulance 52 was dispatched on a 19 year old male who had a firework explode in his face. Upon arriving we were met at the curb by several frantic young adults who informed us their friend had a terrible mishap. We were led in the house where we found our 19 year old burn victim with his face in the bath tub flailing uncontrollably in pain. He was alert and oriented with a stable airway; however he had severe 2nd and 3rd degree burns on his nose and forehead with his epidermis sloughing and obvious ocular burns. The patient was rapidly removed from the scene to Medic Ambulance 52 where treatment could begin. The patient was rapidly transported to IMC where his injuries could be stabilized. Upon arrival we were met by IMC trauma team and the patient received a full trauma work-up. The patient is expected to make a full recovery.

We responded to the report of a house fire. Details in route stated that the garage of the home had smoke and flames showing and everyone had evacuated the home. Engine 55 arrived to find a multi-level home with the garage door shut and front door open with light smoke inside the residence. Engine 55 started an offensive attack while pulling a cross lay

from the engine and prepared to attack the fire. Fire was found and knocked down rapidly. The fire was burning inside the corner of the garage. The home owner and several witnesses state that someone had started a firework from outside the garage and shot it inside the garage and then shut the garage door while leaving the scene. Everyone had evacuated the home safely as the search crew confirmed.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Fleet

We've been busy in Fleet collecting specifications and quotes for the new 2016-17 vehicles. It's been exciting working with some of you, and with our vendors, to create the final build specifications for those vehicles.

Speaking of new vehicles... we recently visited Viking-Cives and observed our new Mack Dumptruck being assembled:



And, the new Mack Bobtail awaiting for assembly:



We're hoping to see them later this month!

Human Resources

During the 14/15 Fiscal Year we filled 58 full-time positions throughout the City with external candidates (or part-time employees who moved to full-time positions). Another 33 internal employees received promotions or transfers.

PARKS



The old pump station was removed from the soccer complex. Parks Department took delivery of the new pump station. New pump station is currently being installed to be put into service within the next 2 weeks.

- General Parks Maintenance
- Finished clean up from the Fourth of July celebration.
- Preparing for the Osmond pageant in the rodeo Arena.
- Continue taking care of irrigation issues throughout the city.

Met with playground contractor to discuss installation of the first nine playgrounds.

POLICE

Officer Folsom responded to the intersection of Old Bingham Highway and Mt. View Corridor on a report of an injury accident. Upon arrival he found that a 16-year-old female driving a compact passenger car had been travelling eastbound on Mt. View, ran a red light, and was subsequently “T-Boned” by a southbound truck, and an SUV. The 16-year-old female was pinned in the vehicle and had to be extricated by Fire personnel. The victim was flown by helicopter to IMC in critical condition. The Mt. View Corridor was closed for approximately an hour while the incident was investigated.

Officers responded to a report of an armed robbery at the Holiday Oil located at 8166 South U-111. Officer Gray was nearby and arrived on scene within seconds of the call being dispatched. It was determined that a male had entered the business and aggressively brandished a handgun at both employees and customers while emptying two cash registers of their contents. While investigating this incident, another robbery was reported in Magna with a suspect matching the description of the West Jordan incident. Detective Schaaf and Officer Gregersen did an outstanding job of following up on investigative leads and coordinating with both the UPD and West Valley Police Departments in an effort to quickly solve this crime. The suspect was subsequently located and arrested along with a previously unknown accomplice. Due to the hard work of all officers, the suspects were quickly arrested and charged.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on July 7, 2015 and took the following actions:

- Addenbrook Village located in The Highlands at approximately 6111 West 7800 South received approval for their Preliminary Development Plan, Preliminary Subdivision Plat (180 units on 28.7 acres), and Preliminary Site Plan. Ratification of the development plan establishing a density of 6.30 units per acre will come to the City Council on August 25th.
- With direction from the City Council, planning staff presented an application for removal of the TSOD designation from 10.21 acres of the Brinkerhoff property at 7633-7655 South 1300 West. The Planning Commission forwarded a positive recommendation for the amendments. City Council will hear the request for this change to the Future Land Use Map and Zoning Map as well as an amendment to Section 1(1) of Ordinance #07-27 to reflect the updated legal description for the Gardner Village Station Community on August 25th.
- A Text Amendment to allow “Gasoline Service Station” in the C-M (Heavy Commercial) Zoning District was given a positive recommendation and will be heard by the City Council on August 12th.
- Preliminary approval was given for a 5-lot private lane, single-family subdivision on 2.78 acres for Legacy Grove Subdivision at 7292 S. Redwood Road.
- A Text Amendment to Sections 13-5-5 “Clarification of Zoning” and 13-5-6 “Zoning Conditions” was given a positive recommendation and will be heard by the City Council at a future date. This amendment clarifies the Rural Residential and Residential Estate zoning designations as well as our policy on zoning conditions.

Building permits issued in the last week included 9 new single family dwellings and a commercial permit for chemical storage remodel for Boeing. Total valuation of all permits was \$3.7 million.

PUBLIC WORKS

CIP

5600 West Project – Final paving is taking place over 90% of the road surface area this week. 7000 South intersection repaving is complete and final signal work will take place over the next two weeks. 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 hard rock layer known as caliche has been removed and replaced with geo-grid and granular borrow and road base. Final curb and gutter work near Wal Mart is ongoing, and sidewalk work as well. A gas vault lid will be completely replaced in the 6200 South intersection as part of the planned work over the next two weeks.



Streets

Work Completed

- Overlay circles in overlay area #2
- Did Asphalt repairs in overlay area
- Did mud pumping in area #2
- Overlaid roads in area #2
- Drilled and cut and Mud pumped sidewalk at 8400s 4590w as per Wendell
- Had Three Sweepers Sweeping

Work Planned

- Overlay Area #2 to Finish
- Schedule Milling with NPL for Area #3
- Asphalt repairs and mud pump Area #3
- Pot hole patch as needed

Sewer

Five Great Accomplishments this week:

1. Maintenance crews cleaned 18,378' of sewer mainlines in the city.
2. Maintenance crews performed TV inspections on 7,269' of sewer mains in the city.
3. Crews supported the construction crew with the rehabilitation of three manhole bases that need to have the invert repaired in them on Uranium Dr.
4. Assisting the inspection/Engineering division with sewer issues on the TOD project on Old Bingham High Way.
5. Conducted Cityworks Training on Widget generation and Work order creation.

TOD sewer manhole install, manhole and pipes running under a storm drain and near gas main.



