



**CITY MANAGER'S
WEEKLY HAPPENINGS
TO THE WEST JORDAN CITY COUNCIL
Week ending March 13, 2015**



Dear Mayor and City Council:

With the Legislative session over it's time to take a quick breath and refocus on items that have been sitting on the backburner. I attended a meeting with other city managers at the Jordan School district offices today and we reviewed some of their projects that involve the cities in the district. I've asked Arlene to scan and send you a copy of the upcoming school schedules for next year. They coordinate crossing guards with each city and ensure that safe walking routes are established. The district staff expressed appreciation to our staff for the way they meet with all of the principles, review the routes and sign off on them all at the same meeting. This saves time and improves communication for all involved. The District will be trying a pilot program with an elementary in Bluffdale and our own Riverside Elementary. Due to overcrowding and parents desire to stay with a 9 month school year, these two schools will experiment with an early and late schedule in the buildings. If it is successful, it may become a norm in many overcrowded schools in 2016-17.

We've been hearing from citizens between New Bingham Hwy and 9000 South who's homes abut the railroad track near 4300 West. Savage is installing an additional set of track for car storage on their property and maintain that they are in compliance with Federal standards. The City is exploring the legality of the claim and working to resolve concerns with the citizens. We learned today that Savage is installing a security fence around the property. They have agreed to meet with staff later today and early next week to understand what the concerns are and how to resolve them. We will keep you updated on that progress.

Read on for other news on what has been happening around our great City.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Community Affairs

Working with Healthy West Jordan to incorporate the Jordan School District Foundation into the fun run.

Please take a moment and sign up online at Wjordan.com to help at Comcast Cares Day on April 25th. Our goal is 2,000 volunteers which means a lot of beautification for our city!

League scheduling and invoicing is complete. Changes to schedules will be done March 16 – 26. Parks open and play starts on Monday April 6th (weather permitting).

Putting together March newsletter, which mails March 20th.

Facilities

Facilities accomplished the following:

- Main Fire Water Line broke out in front of the Parks Sexton Building, flooding the basement and upstairs. Pipe was repaired, and Utah Disaster clean up the mud and water in the Building. Removed the carpet, base, set up fans to dry out floors.
- Electric Rooter and Plumbing unplug basement drains and drains in the truck bays.
- Moved piano from Extra Storage Units to the old library.
- Had Fire Extinguishers inspected at the Old library.
- Had Emergency Exit Lights repaired at the Old Library.
- Couch and Chairs were cleaned in the Break Room at City Hall 3rd Floor.
- Sheet rocked the restrooms in the basement at the Parks Sexton Building.
- Finished painting interview rooms 2nd floor at the Justice Center.
- All Fire Sprinkler System were tested at all Facilities for March.

FIRE

We responded to a vehicle rollover on 7000 So. Redwood Road. A suburban and a two-door passenger car collided in the intersection and the suburban tipped onto its side. The driver of the suburban was uninjured and did not require any treatment or transport to the hospital. The driver of the car did sustain injury and was transported to Jordan Valley Hospital for treatment.

We responded on a motorcycle accident on 8860 South Redwood Road. A single rider of a Harley Davidson Motorcycle was traveling south bound on Redwood Road when the front brake locked up causing the motorcycle to skid crash to the ground. The rider suffered only minor injuries and refused treatment or transport to the hospital.

We responded car vs motorcycle accident on 7800 South 4800 West. The rider of that motorcycle was wearing a helmet and other protective gear and only sustained a broken ankle. The patient was transported to Jordan Valley Hospital for further care.

Units from West Jordan, South Jordan, Unified Fire, and Bluffdale responded to a structure fire in Bluffdale. Initial units on scene reported an unattached garage with heavy fire involvement. Prior to our arrival the fire was reported under control and we cancelled.

Prevention and Emergency Management

We participated in the Utah Division of Emergency Management LEPC Workshop. LEPC stands for Local Emergency Planning Committee. The core speaking group was from the preparedness group out of the Environmental Protection Agency for Region VIII, Denver, CO.

We are working to ensure that applicable life safety measures are included in the Welby Rail Yard. We have met with the representatives of the Savage and Garfield Railroad and are working with city staff to obtain compliance.

PARKS



Cleaning up after 4" fireline broke at the Cemetery Sexton/Parks offices, causing interior and exterior water damage to the top and bottom floors. Utah Disaster cleanup was dispatched to assist in the clean up and drying the building out. Still in the process of repairing the damage along with the facilities Department.

In the process of moving storage containers from Public Works to the Parks offices.

Preparing and coordinating for Comcast Cares Day that will be held on April 25th.

Preparing athletic fields for April start date.

In the process of hiring seasonal staff for the 2015 season.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Building permits issued in the last week included 6 new single family dwellings. Total valuation of all permits was \$0.8 million. Received a new commercial permit application for \$100,000.00 addition to the wound care facility at Jordan Valley Hospital.

On March 9, 2015, an Administrative Hearing was conducted for a conditional use permit request for a drive-through at a proposed Beans and Brews, located at 5688 West 7800 South in an SC-2 Zone. Upon finding positively on each of the criteria, the Zoning Administrator granted approval of the conditional use permit.

On March 11, 2015, the City Council received public input and considered for approval Ordinance 15-07 regarding a General Plan Land Use Map Amendment for approximately 4.04 acres from Professional Office and High Density Residential to Very High Density

Residential and Rezone from R-1-8A (Single-family Residential 8,000 square foot lots) and P-O (Professional Office) to R-3-12 (SHO) (Multi-family Residential 12 units per acre maximum density, Senior Housing Overlay) for Cabco Horizon Assisted Living located at approximately 7448-7490 South Redwood Road. In two 6-0 votes, the City Council approved the Land Use Map Amendment and Rezone.

PUBLIC WORKS

5600 West Project – 6200 South to 7000 South – The Contractor is continuing roadway excavation on the east side of the roadway at approximately 6600 South. Storm drain construction is proceeding in 6600 South with half of the work already installed. Kearns improvement district has asked that some of their lines be looped around the existing storm drain. Comcast has installed fiber line in the new conduits and looks to be complete soon. Rocky Mountain Power and Zayo communication are working diligently to install fiber and power line in their newly installed conduits. On the South end of the project the Contractor has begun to lay geotextile fabric and granular borrow. The project is scheduled to last five months.



1300 West Bingham Creek Culvert

Questar gas is installing the new 24-inch steel pipe underneath the future culvert. This pipeline will replace an older 20-inch pipe located off the east shoulder. The new pipeline alignment is shifted to the center of the road in order to keep the older pipeline functional, and to better align with Questar's future regional pipeline in 1300 West through West Jordan and other cities to the South and North. The City's contractor completed more rip rap and channel lining on the west side.

4000 West Bingham Creek and Canal Culverts

The contractor poured the headwall on the completed box culvert installation in the Welby Jacob Canal. They also finished clearing and grading the Creek channel in preparation to start laying in the base course for the pre-cast culvert on the east side.



Streets



Asphalt patch on 8620 South 4800 West around water valves. This work eliminated several complaints.



Before



After mud pumping

Slab jacking/”mud pumping” – this is ongoing. Staff is addressing grade differentials in areas where paving will take place and also addressing work orders/complaints. See photos above for “before” and “after” mud pumping.

Started to prepare for asphalt removal and replacement at north end of Public Works complex.

Staff continues to collect street light field data for City Works.

Approximately 160 sq. ft. of graffiti removed in the Sycamores, utility boxes and poles.

Staff installed two new chevrons, two “no parking” signs, one yield sign, relocated 4 chevrons, replaced one “neighborhood watch” sign, replaced two school signs.



Formed and placed 5 ½ cu yards of concrete curb wall for the Parks dept. at the cemetery.

Solid waste cans (household, green waste and recycling)

7 new cans

Repaired 7 cans
Replaced 71 cans

Master electrician conducted procedural meeting/safety meeting for staff on addressing electrical issues during “off hours.”

Compiled comments on the LED RFP draft and sent it back to the consultant for the final draft.

POLICE

Officer Webster was able to apprehend an adult male that was wanted for felony aggravated assault after a foot pursuit through Columbia Drive, and the suspect barricading himself in an apartment at Geneva Village. The owner of the residence gave permission for maintenance to open the door and for police to go inside. Once the door was open, the male gave up and was transported to the Salt Lake County Jail.

As part of the police department’s effort to be prepared for a mass casualty incident, all current police officers have been trained on and issued trauma kits. These kits will allow officers to treat people suffering from arterial bleeding wounds on the victims’ extremities. This type of immediate medical attention has the ability to save lives that would otherwise be lost due to loss of blood. The kits also allow an officer to treat himself, if necessary.

Officer Ian Adams, PSD Pyro, and Officer Tara Hansen responded to assist West Valley PD with the apprehension of a violent domestic violence offender who had fired a handgun during the incident and ignited an improvised explosive device. Officer Adams deployed PSD Pyro and tracked the suspect to where he was hidden inside a horse trailer. It took four officers and PSD Pyro to remove the suspect from the trailer. The suspect was booked into jail on several violent felonies.

Officers McMullin and Foias responded to a suicidal male. Family stated he was going through withdrawals from heroin and was armed with a knife. On arrival, the family directed the officers to the garage. When they opened the door the suspect immediately confronted them. He had a hunting knife in one hand, a baseball bat in the other, and a rifle at his feet. He was "calling the officers on". Officer Foias covered with his pistol while Officer McMullin successfully deployed his Taser. The Taser worked and they secured him without further incident and he was booked into jail.