



**CITY MANAGER'S  
WEEKLY HAPPENINGS  
TO THE WEST JORDAN CITY COUNCIL  
Week ending October 16, 2015**



Dear Mayor and City Council:

Below are some of the things that happened around the City this week.

**FIRE**

A crew on Engine 52 was doing maintenance on fire hydrants when a Firefighter noticed an elderly lady who was trying to dig a hole. The firefighter asked if he could help. She was very grateful, she wanted to plant some bulbs, but could only dig about 2" deep. She needed the holes around 7" deep. The firefighter helped her dig and plant the bulbs. She was thankful for the help.

Station 52 and West Jordan Police responded to the report of a full arrest. The call details stated that a young child that was unresponsive. Units arrived to find a father performing CPR on his son. Fire personnel relieved the dad from CPR and began using their training in attempt to help the child. The child had a significant heart history with multiple surgeries. Unfortunately, the child had passed away in the early morning hours. Medic 52 crews stayed on scene with the parents to translate and to comfort the family.

Crews from Engine 52 were dispatched to a flooding problem. Upon arrival, they found water running out of the ground in front of a West Jordan resident's home. The resident stated that he left his home to go to work and found water running out of his yard and from out of his sidewalk. He managed to get the water to his home shut off but the problem continued. The water was running down the street and was not entering any homes or endangering any structures. While waiting for the water department to respond, the fire crew helped keep the gutter and storm drains clear and also helped minimize the flow to the complainant's residence. The water department arrived and shut the water off in three different locations to isolate the running water. The water was eventually shut off and stopped flowing.

Station 53 crews responded to a reported large truck fire. Upon arrival, they found a truck used for shredding paper with a smoldering fire in the rear of the truck. Due to the location of the truck in a bank parking lot and the payload that was involved, they opted to move the truck to a more secure location and off load the product to completely extinguish the fire. The crew placed a call to Public Works and spoke to Tim Peters who did not hesitate to help immediately and had his guys ready and waiting when the trucks arrived. Fire crews escorted the truck to the back parking lot of the city shops where they were met by a front-end loader and personnel to assist them from the Public Works Dept. The truck offloaded the involved payload and crews extinguished the smoldering fire. The paper was then loaded into a dumpster and transported to an offsite location. The fire crews are extremely grateful for the

assistance that they received from the Public Works employees and the willingness to help out when needed. Because of this coordination, the businesses in the area were minimally affected and a significant mess was averted. Great team work!



## **COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

### ***Building Safety***

Building permits issued in the last week included 7 new single family dwellings, 4 new multi-family units, 19 miscellaneous residential permits, and 7 miscellaneous commercial permits. Total valuation of all permits was \$2.9 million. Performed 220 field, investigative, and complaint inspections. Received new commercial building permit applications for:

- Checker Properties Warehouse, 14,826 square feet at 9308 S. Feulner Park Road
- Holiday Oil Car Wash at 2700 West 7800 South

### ***Planning***

The City Council reviewed the following planning related items on October 14, 2015:

#### The View at 5600 West Multi-family Development:

The City Council reviewed this proposed density of this development to provide official ratification of the Planning Commission approval of Preliminary Development Plan establishing a density of 8.5 units per acre in the MFR Zone and 16.7 units per acre in the HFR Zone for the View at 5600 West. The City Council voted to table this item to a date uncertain in order to give the applicant additional time to address the City Council's concerns.

#### Jensen Property:

The City Council also received an update from JF Capital Land Co. regarding their proposal to develop approximately 200 acres of residential and commercial development near 7800 South Mountain View Corridor. No City Council action was needed based on the informal presentation.

### ***Office of Development Assistance***

Pre-application meeting was held to discuss the proposed Prosperity Industrial development at 6099 West New Bingham Highway. The applicant would like to subdivide the property to accommodate several uses including an office warehouse, convenience store, retail or restaurant uses, as well as some build-to-suit lots.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

### ***Electrical Division***

Installed 3 new 300 watt LED flood lights in the back yard at the public works building. We mounted two of these up high on the wash bay building to better illuminate the yard. We had to make brackets to mount the lights and pull in a new circuit from the panel to power up the two lights on the wash bay building.



We blue-staked 3 parks in preparation for the parks Calsense system that is being installed for their irrigation system. We traced out the light pole wiring and made sure it wasn't going to interfere with digging.

Replaced wiring and light head on damaged pole on Center Park Drive.

Replaced wire in Maples residential area that was stolen a while ago. The conduit ends have been foamed to deter future theft. These lights will be up and burning shortly.

We had a light pole that wasn't working in the Tintic neighborhood. We discovered that a fuse in the POD box was blown and we were able to replace the fuse with minimum damage to the residents flower bed.



Worked on a high priority area out in the West industrial park, there were many lights that weren't working for various reasons. We have begun to pin point specific problems and have begun to make necessary repairs.

### ***Water Division***

Water crews responded to 6 water line leaks. The water leak located at 8780 South 1338 West was the result of an older pipe in the city that had failed. When the water crews exposed the pipe they found 6 large holes in the pipe. This required the water crews to cut out a 15' section of 6" water line and replace it with a new pipe. Below is a picture of the damaged road and sidewalk surface.



### ***Graffiti Removal***

Graffiti was removed from 11 locations totaling approximately 498 square feet, 6 public property locations (approximately 160 square feet), 5 private property locations (approximately 338 square feet) and one reported to UDOT

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

**Public: Before**



**After**



**Private: Before**



**After**



The in-house paving projects continues. This past week the crew has paved the following streets:

- 8350 South from 3450 West to 3540 West
- 3490 West – entire circle
- 8315 South from 3580 West to Old Bingham Hwy
- 3450 West from 8245 South to 8359 South
- 8200 South from Old Bingham Hwy to 3490 West
- 3490 West from 8200 South to 8180 South
- 8180 South from 3490 West to 3560 West

Partridge View Lane from 8180 South to Pheasant Run Drive  
8070 South from Old Bingham Hwy to 3560 West  
Partridge Run Way from 8070 South to 8180 South  
Palladium Drive from 7800 South to Lexington View  
7900 South from Palladium Dr. to 3530 West  
3530 West from 7900 South to Lexington View Drive  
7980 South from 3530 West to end of circle



Public Services staff assisted our fellow employees in the Fire Department to extinguish a fire that had started in the rear of a paper shredding truck. We are happy to report there were neither injuries to the “shred staff” nor damage to their vehicle as a result.



### ***Solid Waste Division***

Delivered 11, replaced 70, repaired 17 and built 74 cans. 99 cans were dismantled for recycling.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

### ***Fleet***

Fleet has been busy with the new software. Our new system allows us to automatically send out emails notifying drivers that their vehicle is due for maintenance. In addition to the emails, we also will have a portal on the network to request maintenance on your vehicles, look up history and repairs, and see the details about your vehicles. We're about ready to flip the switch on the emails for PM's, so be warned! Some of you may be getting some mail soon! If you do receive an email for a vehicle that you're not driving or responsible for,

please let us know. And as always, we're a phone call or email away for any of your vehicle-related questions!

Fuel software is being installed this week. I will be sending out an email to all employees with information on when the pumps may be down for the upgrade to the controls, and what, if any new rules we will have for fueling. We will NOT have to issue any new cards or PIN's with this system! So rest easy that for the most part, fueling will be the same as it has been. Once this system is in place, any of you that are waiting for new PIN's or fuel cards should get a resolution quickly. Thanks for your patience!

### ***Community Affairs***

The "Hocus Pocus 5K & Stroller Roll/Silent Auction" is Saturday, Oct. 24 at 8:30 a.m. at Jordan Landing. The silent auction bidding will end at 10:30 a.m. There are about 50 baskets to auction and many generous local businesses have donated coupons and prizes. There will be a costume contest for babies, adults and groups. All proceeds go to Joyful Welcome, a nonprofit, which provides essential baby items for mothers and babies at Jordan Valley Medical Center. Information and registration at [www.joyfulwelcome.org](http://www.joyfulwelcome.org).

### **POLICE**

Officer Tara Hansen responded on a civil problem in which the 18-year-old complainant was calling to report that a friend would not return two Xbox controllers that he had lent him. During the course of handling the detail Officer Hansen found that the complainant was living in a garage and did not have any food. The complainant wanted Xbox controllers to sell so he could buy some food to eat. Officer Hansen was touched by the predicament of this young man; she went to a nearby store and purchased him some food items, and returned to his home and presented him with the food.

Officer Jody Wright was dispatched to a residence on a threats detail. She had responded to this residence on prior occasions and was aware of the issues surrounding the call for service. This residence has been divided into two separate residences, with a mother and her 2 children living in one portion of the residence. There have been numerous calls for service to this residence in the last month concerning common areas shared by the residents. Officer Wright met with the mother, who was upset she could not use the microwave to cook her children food. The mother was distraught and crying while speaking to Officer Wright. The mother was being denied access to the common area due to not paying rent, which is where the microwave is located. Officer Wright went to Wal-Mart and bought the mother a microwave, bowls and spoons to feed her children until she can get moved from the residence. Officer Wright felt bad for the children involved and saw this as an opportunity to resolve this particular issue, as well as making sure the children weren't hungry for the night. Officer Wright spent her own money to purchase the items for the mother and her children.

Officers recently received training on "excited delirium". (This is a condition most commonly associated with drug intoxication, which results in elevated body temperature, elevated strength, profuse sweating, and a dangerously high heart rate, and can result in death if the individual becomes overly excited or is restrained for too long a period.) At approximately 5:00 am, officers approached a man at the Cal Ranch store who had been lying in the sprinklers with no shirt on. (Outside temperature was about 58 degrees.) The man was chanting unintelligible words, while dancing around. Officers recognized the man's condition as a possible excited delirium event and called the Fire Department. Officers knew

if they forced the man into custody, the result could be a fatal outcome. Once Fire arrived, the officers quickly restrained the man and placed him in the back of the ambulance. Firefighters rushed the man to the hospital where he was treated for his condition.

Officers responded to a report of a family fight. The female victim (who had escaped her home one hour prior) told officers that her husband had shoved her into a wall, dragged her into the bedroom by her hair, threw her on the bed, strangled her and threatened to use a machete if she called the police. Through further interview, officers learned the incident occurred in the presence of their two children. After surrounding the home, officers attempted to call the suspect but could not get him to answer his phone. A K-9 officer was called out, anticipating the suspect would not come out of his home on his own. Once all officers strategically surrounded the house, a team of officers went to the front door and verbally challenged the suspect to exit the home. After some time the man surrendered without incident. The suspect was charged with aggravated kidnapping, aggravated assault, simple assault, retaliation against a victim, and two counts of domestic violence in the presence of a child. He was booked into Salt Lake County Jail.

Officer Hood, along with school staff at West Jordan Middle School, performed CPR on a young teenage boy who was not breathing and didn't have a pulse (appears he may have a heart condition). He is doing ok at this point at Primary Children's Hospital.

The POP Unit filed felony charges on one male adult sex offender.