



**CITY MANAGER'S
WEEKLY HAPPENINGS REPORT**
Week ending January 8·2016



Dear Mayor and City Council:

Happy New Year! Below are some highlights of what's been going on in the City the first week of 2016:

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Late on New Year's Eve, West Jordan crews were called to a psychiatric problem. Dispatch advised that this was also a possible house fire. Upon arrival, the crews found smoke and flames coming from inside the home. West Jordan Police and Paramedics attended to a patient on-scene. The ladder truck initiated a fire attack, but as the fire rapidly grew a second alarm was requested. Crews from South Jordan, Unified Fire Authority, Murray and West Valley assisted with the fire. When the fire was extinguished, crews were able to search the home where they found multiple pets had perished in the fire. West Jordan Animal Control responded and took custody of the deceased animals. Due to temperatures below freezing, our crews requested assistance from the streets department to bring in a salt truck to handle the ice forming from the fire operations. The building safety department also responded and red tagged the residence due to the extensive damage inside. This incident required help from multiple departments within the city. Thank you to all who responded for your quick and professional

2015 Wrap-up

The Fire Department had a busy year for 2015.

- # of EMS Calls: 4295
- # of Fire calls: 1694
- # of Calls Requiring Patient Transportation: 2174

TOTAL # OF FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLS FOR 2015: 5989

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officers responded to the report of shots fired. Officer Jacobson and others arrived and found an individual with a gunshot wound to her leg. Upon speaking with individuals in the house it was discovered the suspect was in an argument with the victim and because of this he became upset and stated he was going to kill himself. The suspect then got a gun and held it to his head, the victim grabbed the gun in an attempt to disarm the suspect, as this happened the gun got pointed downward and went off striking the victim in the leg (It was later discovered the bullet shattered both tibia and fibula). The firearm

used in this incident was determined to have been stolen. The victim was transported by medical to Jordan Valley Hospital while the suspect was booked to Salt Lake County Jail on a variety of charges.

Officers attempted to stop a vehicle for a traffic violation that had just left a known drug house and was registered to a party with outstanding felony warrants. The vehicle failed to yield to officers and fled at a high rate of speed. The pursuit was terminated due the safety risk to the public. The involved officers felt the risk of pursuing the suspect outweighed the benefit of apprehending the suspect.

Officers were dispatched to the report of a large physical altercation. Multiple officers arrived and found multiple victims in need of medical attention. Officer Folsom investigated the incident and found during the course of a poker game the suspect got into a fight with his father and began strangling him so he could not breathe. The father was able to break free of the strangulation and then his other son got into a fight with the suspect. During this fight the suspect used a guitar to strike the victim in the back of the head. Their mother heard the commotion and came downstairs and when she attempted to break up the fight she was struck in the face which caused her to fall back and strike her head on a counter causing large lacerations that required medical attention at the local hospital. The suspect was arrested and booked on three counts of aggravated assault.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

The database for new reservation software is almost complete with an anticipated launch date of mid-February.

We reached 7,641 people in just a few hours on the City Facebook page regarding snow removal. This continues to be a very hot topic with the majority indicating they are in favor of ticketing offenders so that roads get plowed. Feedback has been predominantly positive with many people thanking our plow drivers for doing a great job. As our Facebook audience grows, so do the number of questions, complaints and compliments that come in through this source.

DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Building & Safety

Building permits issued in the last week included 2 new single family dwellings, 12 miscellaneous residential permits, with 1 miscellaneous commercial permit. Total valuation of all permits was \$750K. Performed 126 field, investigative, and complaint inspections.

New Commercial permit applications were received for Burt Brothers Tire remodel at 1646 West 9000 South (old Good Year) valued at \$300K and Lone Rock Clothing (half of the old PENCO bldg. – 4080 West Farm Road valued at \$225K.

Planning

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on January 5th to discuss and take action on the following applications:

Maverik Convenience Store:

The Planning Commission approved the Final Site Plan for a new Maverik convenience store located in the Highlands Master Plan at 7800 South Loop Road.

The View at 5600 West Apartments:

As directed by the City Council, the Planning Commission provided additional clarification regarding their approval of this 531-unit apartment development.

SME Steel Rezone:

The Planning Commission held a public hearing and forwarded a positive recommendation to the City Council to rezone 13 acres of property from C-M (Heavy Commercial) to M-1 (Light Industrial) zone. The property is generally located at 5650 West Old Bingham Highway. The rezone is needed to facilitate the construction of a new sandblasting building.

Office of Development Assistance

New applications received

- Youth Services Subdivision, a four-lot subdivision located at 5381 West 9000 South.
- AT&T Modification of an existing cell tower located at 7127 S. Redwood Road Administrative Conditional Use Permit.
- Echo Ridge Phase 6, located at 6501 W. New Bingham HWY, request for a Zone Change from R-1-10E to R-1-8D.

Redlines returned to developer:

- Gladstone Place in the Highlands, preliminary subdivision, site and development plan.
- The Station at Gardner Mill, Final Subdivision, Site Plan and Development Plan.

Revised plans returned for staff review:

- Addenbrook Villages Phase 1, plat and development plan for a 35-lot subdivision in the Highlands
- Addenbrook Villages Phase 2, plat, site plan, and development plan a 42-lot subdivision and site plan in the Highlands
- Fox Creek Subdivision Phase 1 final plat, located at 8352 S. U-111 HWY, a 55-acre, 190-lot subdivision.

PUBLIC WORKS

Capital Projects Division

7000 South Utility Project

Stanley Consultants and staff conducted a pre-qualification review of 14 contractors and selected 10 contractors to move forward with the bidding process. Bids were received from 6 of the pre-qualified contractors, and Newman Construction was the lowest qualified bidder for \$2,535,420. A pre-construction meeting is set for Tuesday, January 12th at 2:00 P.M. at City Hall. UDOT is working with the City on a final traffic control permit. License agreements for two North Jordan Canal crossings have been received and will be on an upcoming City Council agenda for final approval. Submittals will be turned in for approval this week for review from the contractor.

7800 South widening project - Airport Road to 4000 West (Jordan Landing Blvd.)

Over the past three weeks staff has worked with Salt Lake Airport Authority (SLAA) staff to resolve two issues from prior projects that allowed the SLAA to sign a letter of support for the 7800 South widening project. Those issues involved a payment for a sewer and storm drain easement across the airport property and a memorandum of understanding regarding certain maintenance items around the airport. The support letter was issued on December 24th, and sent to the Denver office of the Federal Aviation Administration. With this letter, the formal review of the Alternatives Analysis completed by Parsons Brinkerhoff last fall has begun. The review of this report may take up to six months to gain a response. If the FAA approves the desired alternative, final design for the project can begin. Property transaction will also need to have separate approval.

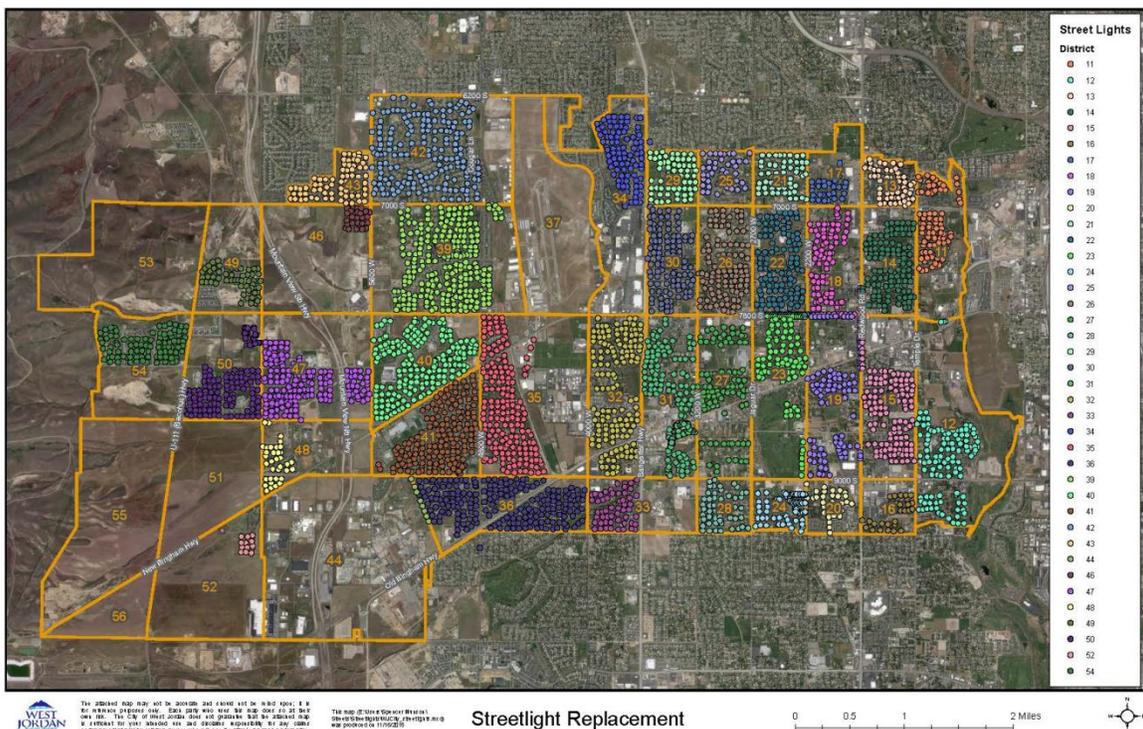
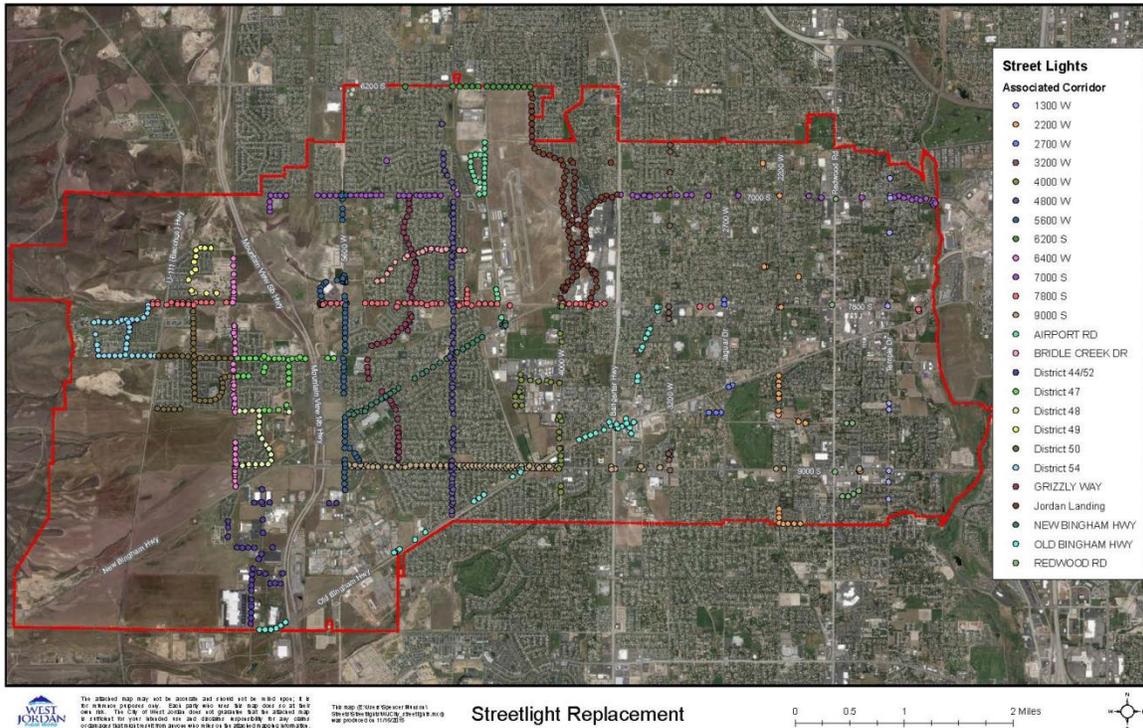
Veteran's Park New Irrigation Pond

Final excavation for the pond has been completed, the wet well for the new irrigation pumps has been constructed and the outlet control box has also been placed. Work over the next month will focus on the pond floor and side wall concrete placement, as well as all connecting irrigation and water pipe work. A change in the design of the water pipeline is forthcoming to allow the City to add a meter to measure flows used from the drinking water supply. The new water pipeline will connect the dead end water line in front of the rodeo grounds to the existing 6" drinking water pipe in the park. The storm pipe in the new roadway has also been redesigned to provide greater slope toward the existing storm drain system connection to the east.

GIS Division

- The interactive City Info map is 74% complete and was built with latest technology and should be launched in approximately two weeks.
- Created and mounted city map for City Council Office.
- Assisted Kim Wells in printing photos to be displayed around City Hall.
- Worked with the storm water division to update and verify accuracy all streams, washes, canals, and other open drainage ditches.
- Surveyed Alberta Place and Fox Pointe North subdivision sewer systems for correction in our spatial database.

- Separated and mapped street lights along corridors and street districts to help with the replacement process.



- Began scanning of approximately 75 easements to create a GIS .shp files of the easements in Deed Plotter.
- Updated and created new address locators to enhance geocoding results
- Printed maps and ran numbers for the Cemetery
- Assisted Falcon Ridge Elementary staff to acquire information for safe walking routes map

Streets Division

- Graffiti removal work completed.
- Graffiti was removed by staff from 23 locations totaling approximately 841 square feet this in December, 21 public property locations (approximately 91 square feet), 2 private property locations (approximately 154 square feet), and 2 private property incidents to Code Enforcement this month.
- Below is a photograph of graffiti which was removed from public property



- Staff are on “pothole patrol” and addressing work orders. Please feel free to report potholes directly to our Public Works office at (801) 569-5700
- Concrete restoration was accomplished following water line repairs
- The malfunctioning pedestrian traffic lights on 2700 W were repaired.
- Several street signs were hit during the recent storms, which have been reinstalled.
- Staff are addressing vehicle and equipment issues as well as replenishing supplies following snow removal.