



## Your voice matters

Contact your Legislators and share your thoughts on the proposed West Jordan prison site. We encourage you to be respectful of the site selection process and focus on the reasons why the West Jordan site at 9000 South 7300 West is not the best location for a state prison. (See the adjacent Mayor's Message and map on page 11 to learn why it doesn't belong here.)

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### PRISON RELOCATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

The Prison Relocation Commission has been working for about three years to identify sites to relocate the State Prison currently located in Draper. When the Legislature was examining options to either refurbish or replace the current prison (built in 1951), they also considered using the site for economic development and relocating the prison. Primary criteria for relocating the prison are location and access to facilities and services such as courts, hospitals, utilities and the labor force, which makes locating the prison in a remote location as many have suggested impractical by those standards. The Prison Relocation Commission will meet on Dec. 22 at 2 p.m. in Senate Room 210 to discuss this further. Info and details at [WJordan.com](http://WJordan.com).

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### MAYOR'S MESSAGE

## Not the right place for a prison

It came as a shock recently to learn that an out-of-state consultant working for the State of Utah identified a piece of property in West Jordan (located at 9000 South 7300 West) as one of six possible locations to relocate the State Prison.

I want to make it clear that I absolutely do not agree with this proposal, and I want to assure you that we are taking aggressive steps to have our community removed from the list immediately. We have been working around the clock to solicit assistance from neighboring cities, key legislators, the State Economic Development team, adjoining property owners and many others.

The Prison Relocation Commission (PRC) has been working for more than three years to find a new site to rebuild the current prison. They have identified the four criteria they will use in assessing each of the potential sites and I have to tell you:

#### **West Jordan simply does not fit the bill.**

The first criteria set forth by the PRC asks if there are any issues that would make the site unreasonably difficult or costly to develop. In West Jordan, utilities and infrastructure must be considered.

Due to elevation, the high water costs could be a factor and sewer lines would need to be installed to service the site. The existing water and sewer lines in the area may not be large enough to handle the facility without substantial investment. Current road infrastructure is also inadequate to accommodate the demand from such a large facility.

The second of the PRC's criteria asks if there is an identified, compelling state interest that would likely be impaired by locating the prison on the site. The answer to this question is a resounding "yes"!

The state benefits from economic development by way of tax revenue. This site holds some of the last remaining property in the Salt Lake Valley to support large-scale industrial and business development. West Jordan's general plan identifies this area and surrounding land for neighborhoods, commercial business and civic use. All of these developments contribute tax revenue in one form or another, whether it be income tax, property tax and/or sales tax. The state prison consumes taxes and does not produce tax revenue.

Consideration should also be given to the impact that a prison would have on our ability to educate our children. The Jordan School District has indicated that taking 400 acres off

the tax rolls would negatively impact their ability to build new schools and to fund education for existing schools. Impairing our ability to provide a quality education for our children should be a compelling interest to the state.

The third PRC criteria deals with population growth. Is the proposed site in the path of expected concentrations of population growth and increasing population density that will likely occur in the foreseeable future? Again, the answer is yes.

West Jordan is one of the fastest growing communities in Salt Lake County, and if this area develops as planned, the population of West Jordan would almost double. The City continues to grow to the west at a rapid pace, with one subdivision already touching the border of the Kennecott mine property. Right now, there are 16 subdivisions under construction west of Bangert Highway and a planned subdivision that will touch the site boundary.

The last of the PRC's criteria asks about the contemplated land use plan of the local community. The City's land use plan designates this area for economic development.

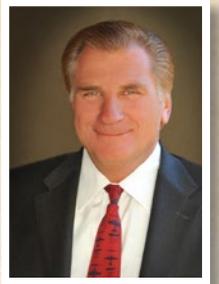
We maintain that the highest and best use for this land is low density residential uses with a mix of business and industry to the southeast of the site. We planned for this type of growth, and we maintain that moving the prison less than 11 miles from its current location will only result in a continuation of many of the same problems it faces at the current location.

If you agree that this is not the place to locate a prison and that such plans will risk the future economic growth, stable economy and adequate tax revenue to supply government services, we invite you to get involved. Contact your legislators and the commission members via email (see sidebar) and add your name to the petition on the West Jordan website at [WJordan.com](http://WJordan.com).

We will continue to work tirelessly to send this message to the decision makers and do our best to ensure that the future of West Jordan is protected.

Best Wishes,

Mayor Kim V. Rolfe  
and the West Jordan City Council





# **THE PLACE FOR OUR STATE'S FUTURE... NOT THE STATE PRISON:**

The Jordan School District would lose tax revenue collected from developing the site for residential and commercial use.

Putting a prison in West Jordan would prevent economic growth in our city and surrounding communities.

West Jordan is one of the region's fastest growing cities and our population expansion is directly in the path of the proposed site.

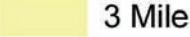
# **KEEP CALM AND SAY NO PRISON**



**TO VOICE YOUR OPPOSITION, ADD YOUR NAME TO THE PETITION AND SEE HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED,  
VISIT [WJORDAN.COM](http://WJORDAN.COM) OR WEST JORDAN CITY HALL ON FACEBOOK**



## Legend

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  | Schools               | <b>Buffer Distance</b>                                                                   |
|  | Places Of Worship     |  1 Mile |
|  | Commercial Parcels    |  2 Mile |
|  | Residential Parcels   |  3 Mile |
|  | Potential Prison Site |                                                                                          |
|  | City Boundaries       |                                                                                          |

### Within 1 Mile of Site

Approximate Residential Properties: 1,948  
 Approximate Commercial Properties: 8  
 Schools: 2  
 Parks: 3  
 Places of Worship: 2

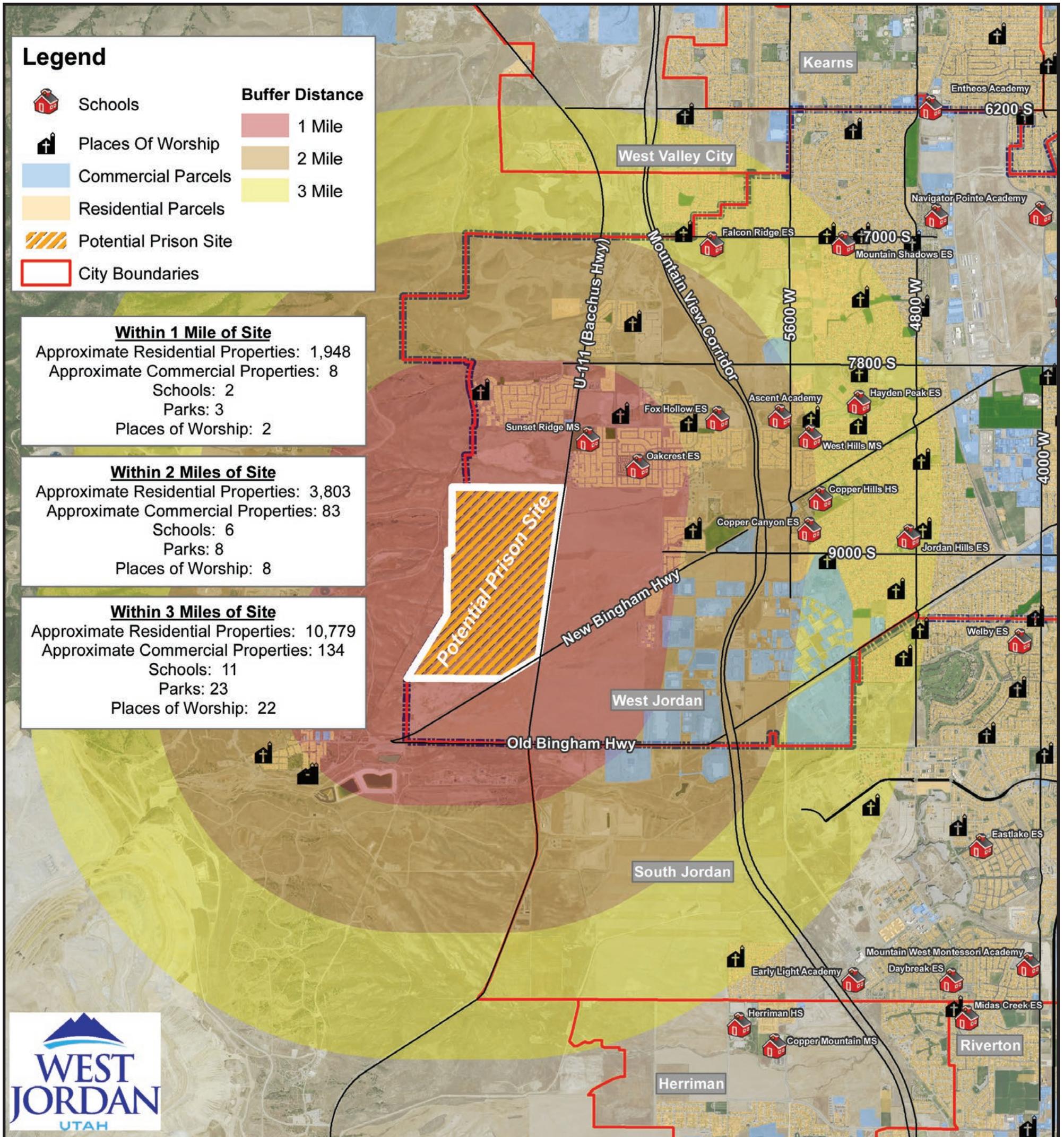
### Within 2 Miles of Site

Approximate Residential Properties: 3,803  
 Approximate Commercial Properties: 83  
 Schools: 6  
 Parks: 8  
 Places of Worship: 8

### Within 3 Miles of Site

Approximate Residential Properties: 10,779  
 Approximate Commercial Properties: 134  
 Schools: 11  
 Parks: 23  
 Places of Worship: 22

Potential Prison Site





# GOOD NEIGHBOR NEWS: WEST JORDAN NEWSLETTER

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

|                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| <p>DECEMBER<br/><b>16</b></p> <p><b>PLANNING COMMISSION</b></p> <p>City Hall<br/>8000 S. Redwood Rd.<br/>6 p.m.</p>             | <p>DECEMBER<br/><b>17</b></p> <p><b>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</b></p> <p>City Hall<br/>8000 S. Redwood Rd.<br/>6 p.m.</p> | <p>DECEMBER<br/><b>21</b></p> <p>Interfaith Council Presents<br/><b>MESSIAH SING-A-LONG</b></p> <p>Jordan Oaks Stake Center<br/>8117 S. Leslie Dr. (3905 West)<br/>7 p.m.</p> |
| <p>DECEMBER<br/><b>22</b></p> <p><b>PRISON RELOCATION COMMISSION MEETING</b></p> <p>Room 210<br/>Senate Building<br/>2 p.m.</p> |                                    | <p>DECEMBER<br/><b>24</b></p> <p><b>CHRISTMAS EVE DAY</b></p> <p>City Offices<br/>Closed</p>                                                                                  |
| <p>DECEMBER<br/><b>25</b></p> <p><b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b></p> <p>City Offices<br/>Closed</p>                                        | <p>JANUARY<br/><b>1</b></p> <p><b>NEW YEAR'S DAY</b></p> <p>City Offices<br/>Closed</p>                              | <p>JANUARY<br/><b>7</b></p> <p><b>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</b></p> <p>City Hall<br/>8000 S. Redwood Rd.<br/>6 p.m.</p>                                                            |
|                                               |                                                                                                                      | <p>JANUARY<br/><b>13</b></p> <p><b>WEIGH BIGGEST LOSERS KICK-OFF</b></p> <p>Gene Fullmer Rec Center<br/>8015 S. 2200 West<br/>5:30-8 p.m.</p>                                 |

Sugar Factory Playhouse & West Jordan Theater Arts present

# The Best Christmas Pageant EVER

by Beverly Robinson

Viridian Events Center  
8030 S. 1825 W.  
West Jordan

December 18, 19  
7:30 p.m.  
and December 20  
2:00 and 7:30 p.m.



SugarFactoryPlayhouse.com



## Holiday Collection Reminder

**There will be no garbage collection on Christmas Day, Thursday Dec. 25.** For the remainder of this week, collections will be made the day following your normal collection day. For example, Thursday's collection will be made on Friday and Friday's will be made on Saturday. Normal collection schedules will resume the following week.

Thanks for your cooperation! Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Public Works Department at 801-569-5700.

## 8th Annual WEIGH BIGGEST LOSER CONTEST

Join to improve your health and a chance to win great prizes

Contest runs from **January 13 - April 21, 2015**

**WEEKLY WEIGH-INS**  
----- tuesday nights -----  
**5:30pm-7:30pm**

**health challenges**  
**FRUITS AND VEGETABLES**  
**EXERCISE AND NUTRITION**

**INFORMATION AND TIPS ON**  
exercise, nutrition, weight loss  
and healthy recipes

**two ways to sign up:**  
1- ONLINE AT ACTIVE.COM  
2- SUBMIT A PAPER FORM  
TO WEST JORDAN CITY

**DON'T DELAY**  
**SIGN UP TODAY!**

For more information find us on:  
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