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West Jordan City Officials to Break Ground for a Cultural Arts Facility

(West Jordan, Utah) – West Jordan City officials are breaking ground for a new Cultural Arts Facility Wednesday, Nov. 1 at 3 p.m. The groundbreaking ceremony takes place at the site of the new facility in Veterans Memorial Park, 1955 West 7800 South.

“During my term as mayor and two terms on the City Council, we have been working to find a permanent home for our Arts Council. For many on the Arts Council, the wait has been much longer,” West Jordan Mayor Kim V. Rolfe said. “I’m excited to announce that we have the funding available and are ready to break ground for the West Jordan Cultural Arts Facility!”

The 20,000 square-foot facility will occupy 2.85 acres in Veterans Memorial Park and include spaces for art and entertainment, including a 300-seat theater, gallery, multi-purpose rooms and concessions. The lobby will connect to an open, west-facing plaza and sculpture garden that will be used for art exhibits and outdoor events. (See renderings next page.)

“Over the years, we have performed in many venues that have been less than ideal including the old sugar factory, school auditoriums, Pioneer Hall, the park bowery and even the rodeo arena,” Arts Council Chair Jen Crabb said. “West Jordan has a long history of community arts that has enriched our city as well as neighboring communities.”

The Arts Facility will be a welcome addition to the West Jordan “Civic Center,” which currently includes City Hall, County Health Center, County Library Headquarters, State Third District Courthouse, West Jordan Justice Center, Fire Station 52, District Attorney’s Office, Gene Fullmer Rec Center, and West Jordan Senior Center. These facilities are all located adjacent to the beautiful 100-acre Veterans Memorial Park where the arts facility will be built.

“An arts facility fits nicely into this mix and provides a much-needed home for the arts,” Rolfe said. “Over the years, I have enjoyed attending plays, concerts, exhibits and performances put on by our Arts Council. I’m always impressed by the quality performances they deliver. I’m pleased that we will now be able to build a permanent home for the arts so they can continue to enrich our community.”

Funding for the facility will come from several sources including proceeds from the sale of city-owned property, including the old library that the Arts Council currently uses for rehearsal space, and other unused vacant properties. With additional funding from the Salt Lake County Cultural Facilities Support Program, this $9.2 million facility is scheduled for completion by spring 2019. CRSA designed the facility, and Okland Construction will serve as the construction manager/general contractor.

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Concept rendering of the West Jordan Cultural Arts Center
With the completion of the new Cultural Arts Facility, the West Jordan Theater Arts, Symphony, Band, Jazz Band, Youth Theater, and Mountain West Chorale, as well as other literary and graphic arts groups associated with the West Jordan Arts Council will have a home for rehearsals, workshops and performances.

Interior rendering of the Cultural Arts Facility
CRSA designed the 20,000 square-foot facility and Okland Construction will serve as the construction manager/general contractor. The facility will have space for art exhibits, multi-purpose rooms, as well as a 300-seat theater.
Exterior rendering West Jordan Cultural Arts Facility
The Cultural Arts Facility will occupy 2.85 acres in Veterans Memorial Park and be located at about 1955 West 7800 South. The lobby will connect to an open, west-facing plaza and sculpture garden that will be used for art exhibits and outdoor exhibits.

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