

Fire Department Welcomes 10 New Firefighters



As you may have heard, we recently hired 10 new firefighters in our department! One fills a vacancy and the other nine fill newly created positions that are funded as a result of an approved property tax increase.

These employees are from other fire agencies in the state and have full-time fire and medical experience. Before starting at their new stations, our training division put them through a rigorous two-week training camp. They concluded the training camp with a new tradition -- running to all four fire stations in the city! You may have seen them out before sunrise, running through the streets of West Jordan. The new recruits, accompanied by a group of our veteran firefighters, ran across the city from west to east! They ran a total of 10 miles on their journey and appreciated all of the supportive honks and waves from those who passed by.

Our crews have worked extremely hard to prepare our new employees to serve our city and are proud to have them as part of our family. You can learn more about the department by following them on their West Jordan Fire Department Facebook page.

*Holiday
Celebration*

December 1 @ 6 PM
Viridian Event Center
8030 S 1825 W
Music & Entertainment

Presented by the Arts Council

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Neighboring Mayors Work Together to Communicate a Shared Vision



At a recent City Council meeting, we held a public hearing about a requested zoning change to accommodate a proposed development that would include high-density housing in the form of senior assisted living. I was so pleased to see the large number of people who came to express their opinions on the project.

I expected many residents would oppose the project, and they did. But I was surprised when a large number voiced their support. It really hit home to me that desirable housing, affordability, and even "quality of life" mean different things to different people and there is certainly not one type or one plan for growth that fits every community.

You've probably heard there is a housing shortage in Utah. According to a document published by the Utah League of Cities and Towns, "Utah has been adding almost 53,000 people to its population each year since 2000. This translates into nearly 16,700 households per year and is the equivalent of adding a city with the population of Taylorsville to our state each year!" ("Keys to Housing", page 1, 2018, ULCT)

And since West Jordan still has a large amount of undeveloped land, the housing plans and legislation that state and county officials adopt will greatly impact the future of our city. Your City Council wants to be part of the population-growth solution and we are working with stakeholders to do so, but it's critical that we remember there is not a one-size-fits-all approach to housing policy. Every community is unique. And because of that uniqueness, local governments must retain the authority to determine how land is used.



Exponential growth has and will continue to lead to higher traffic volume, greater scarcity of natural resources, increased infrastructure costs, larger school populations and a loss of open and green space. To avoid these negative impacts, housing growth must be well-planned and include adequate improvements in these areas. We do want to be part of the growth solution, but it must be smart growth that ensures our community remains a beautiful, safe place to live, work and play.

To that end, your City Council and staff have been doing all we can to work together as a city team and within outside organizations to be part of the process that determines these outcomes. I've been meeting with a coalition of neighboring mayors from South Jordan, Copperton, Herriman, Riverton and Bluffdale to develop a unified voice at the Legislature. We recently met with our legislative representatives to communicate a shared vision and ask for their support on critical issues affecting our communities, including the need to prioritize and fund improvements to transportation and transit connectivity to accommodate the explosive growth we've already had and before we shoulder the burden of providing the housing and subsequent services that will come with continued growth.

This era of cooperation and involvement is new for West Jordan and I'm so proud of the leadership and unity our City Council is demonstrating. As Thanksgiving approaches, I'm happy to report that West Jordan is graduating from the kids' table and seizing our place with the grown-ups where we can take part in determining the menu and actively work to ensure West Jordan receives its share of the proverbial pie.

Jim Riding

Jim Riding, Mayor



Holiday Trash Collection Schedule

Trash collection takes place on all holidays except for Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Day and Independence Day. If your collection date falls on one of these holidays, your pickup will be one day later. For example, Christmas is on a Tuesday this year. If your collection day is on Tuesday, it will be picked up Wednesday that week.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Normal Schedule		Thanksgiving! (No Trash Pickup)	Thursday's Schedule	Friday's Schedule

Keep it Green!

Leaves
Twigs & Branches
Grass
Unbagged

- non-treated wood
- dirt-free vegetative matter

Keep it Clean!

Please DO NOT place these items in container:

- Dirt
- Sod
- Cardboard
- Garbage/Debris
- Concrete
- Rocks
- Asphalt
- Plastic Bags

WEST JORDAN UTAH **Green Waste Collection**
Ends the LAST WEEK of November

New Data Center Opens

We are so excited to welcome Aligned Energy, a leading data center provider, to West Jordan! They celebrated the opening of their new 294,000 square foot facility Oct. 3 with an official ribbon-cutting ceremony. The company's unique approach to infrastructure deployment allows it to deliver the data center platform like a utility-accessible and scalable as needed. It also reduces the energy, water, and space required to operate physical data center environments. Their state-of-the-art energy and water conservation measures demonstrate a commitment to the local and global community. They purchased and renovated the Fairchild Semiconductor building at 9000 South and 3200 West. #WestJordanEconDev



Economic Development Update

By Kent Andersen, Economic Development Director

With 6,000+ acres of vacant land in West Jordan, it is important that future development be consistent with West Jordan's General Plan and what is developed provides a benefit to the community for generations. One of the opportunities for future economic development is the Utah Mega Sites Program.

Administered by the Economic Development Corporation of Utah, a Mega Site is a program which is utilized in other states to attract large-scale industrial projects. Those projects are defined by having 1,000 jobs, \$1 billion in capital investment, and substantial direct and indirect economic impact on surrounding communities. Among other criteria, the property must be 400+ acres and have a two-year lock on listing price.

In September 2018, West Jordan was one of five communities selected by the EDCUtah to receive a match grant for the Stage 1 costs for Mega Site Certification. Of the five communities selected, West Jordan and the Inland Port are the two sites selected in urban areas. This first stage is essentially data collection to confirm zoning, transportation infrastructure, property ownership, etc. Through a successful Stage 1 certification, a community moves on to the next Stage. Stage 2 involves detailed engineering data, environmental review, soil reports, etc. West Jordan Economic Development looks forward to working on Mega Site Certification.

LOCAL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Smith and Edwards

With Black Friday and the ensuing holiday season rapidly approaching, many households are beginning to prepare shopping lists. You will likely do some shopping online, but don't forget to support your local businesses. Located at the corner of 90th South and Redwood Road, Smith and Edwards has an amazing gift selection. But it is not limited to just outdoor gear, there is a great children's toy selection as well. There is something unique for every person on your list. Happy shopping!

Can I Recycle This?

YES

Cardboard, paper, plastic bottles, and cans.



Clean Paper & Cardboard



Empty Plastic Bottles & Jugs



Empty Aluminum & Steel Cans

NO

Plastic bags, food waste, glass, or Styrofoam.



Coated Paper Containers



Other Plastics & Styrofoam



All Glass, Food & Yard Waste



DO NOT bag items!

KEEP IT CLEAN! All items must be free of food & liquids.

Questions? Call customer service at (801) 363-9995, visit www.acedisposal.com, or email recycle@acedisposal.com



Ken Wallentine Named as New Police Chief

On Oct. 24, the City Council approved Ken Wallentine as the city's new chief of police. Wallentine recently served as a special agent for the Utah Attorney General, where he directed the use of force and virtual reality training center and served as the senior advisor for the Officer-Involved Fatality Investigation Team. He is also the chairman of the Peace Officer Merit Commission of Greater Salt Lake County.

Wallentine began his career in law enforcement more than 35 years ago as a police officer and has served in many roles over the years.

"Chief Wallentine brings a wealth of experience to West Jordan," said Mayor Jim Riding. "He is a well-rounded leader who will help mentor our department. I'm confident he will be a great asset to our community."

Wallentine is also a practicing public attorney and holds a Juris Doctor degree from Brigham Young University. He replaces Chief Doug Diamond who retired in May after serving as West Jordan's chief for more than six years.



Call for Volunteers

GET INVOLVED & HELP STRENGTHEN YOUR COMMUNITY

Several West Jordan City Committees have openings. If you have a little time and a desire to make a difference – we need you!

- Events Committee
- Healthy West Jordan Committee
- Parks & Open Lands
- Planning Commission
- Sustainability Committee
- Western Stampede Committee

For more information, contact Heather Everett at heathere@wjordan.com or visit the city website committee volunteer page at WestJordan.Utah.gov/committees.



Register now for Citizen Police Academy

The West Jordan Police Department is gearing up for its next session of the Citizen Police Academy. Classes begin Tuesday, Jan. 22, and run through April 2. Participants get an inside look at how the department works and learn about different aspects of police work, including firearm safety, crime scene investigation, K-9, crime prevention, defensive tactics. Field trips to the Salt Lake County Jail, Murray Gun Range and Police substation are course highlights.

Classes are held each Tuesday and run from 6-9 p.m. Participants must be at least 18 years of age and pass a basic background check. There is no fee, but class size is limited, so register today. Additional information and an application can be found online at WestJordan.Utah.gov by clicking on "Departments," "Police" and then "Citizen Police Academy." For more information, contact Christie Jacobs at 801-256-2032 or via e-mail at christie.jacobs@WestJordan.Utah.gov.



November Elections

Without a West Jordan mayor or city council race this year, it may be tempting to ignore the 2018 election season. However, there are still several items on the ballot this year that will affect West Jordan residents.



You can take part in voting for the next Utah U.S. Senator and U.S. House Representative. There are several other elected officials on the ballot. We encourage you to visit Vote.Utah.Gov and read up on the candidate information to help you make an informed decision.

Other ballot items include legalizing medical marijuana (Proposition 2) and expanding Medicaid health coverage (Proposition 3). You'll also see a "nonbinding opinion question" about a potential gas increase for public education and local roads.

Ballots have been mailed to registered voters. Ballots must be returned and post-marked on or before Nov. 5 in order for the vote to count. You can also drop them off at the drop box at City Hall. In-person voting will take place Nov. 6 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

Volunteer to help us make paracord survival bracelets, write thank-you notes, and make cards.

Saturday, November 10, 9-11 AM
West Jordan City Hall Community Room

More info at facebook.com/pg/WestJordanEvents




Questions? Email events@wjordan.com or call 801-569-5160

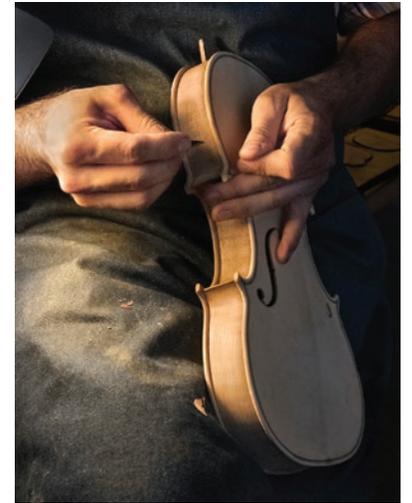


CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p>NOVEMBER 3</p> <p>DOCUMENT SHRED & E-WASTE RECYCLING</p> <p>City Hall West Parking Lot 8000 S 1825 West 10 a.m.-noon</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 3</p> <p>INTERFAITH "MESSIAH" SING-ALONG VOCAL SOLO AUDITIONS</p> <p>City Hall Community Room, 8000 S Redwood Rd, 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 6</p> <p>PLANNING COMMISSION</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>
<p>NOVEMBER 6</p> <p>GENERAL ELECTION</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 7</p> <p>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>City Hall Council Chambers 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 10</p> <p>"SERVE THOSE WHO SERVE" VETERANS DAY SERVICE PROJECT</p> <p>City Hall Community Room 8000 S Redwood Rd, 9-11 a.m.</p>
<p>NOVEMBER 12</p> <p>VETERANS DAY (OBSERVED)</p> <p>CITY HALL OFFICES CLOSED</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 14</p> <p>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>City Hall Council Chambers 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 20</p> <p>PLANNING COMMISSION</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>
<p>NOVEMBER 22-23</p> <p>THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY</p> <p>CITY HALL OFFICES CLOSED</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 28</p> <p>GREEN WASTE PICKUP ENDS THIS WEEK</p>	<p>DECEMBER 1</p> <p>ARTS COUNCIL HOLIDAY CELEBRATION</p> <p>Viridian Event Center 8030 S 1825 West, 6 p.m.</p>

East Meets West — New Schorr Gallery Exhibit

A new art exhibit titled East Meets West is coming to the West Jordan City Hall Schorr Gallery Nov. 5 - Dec. 21. The City of West Jordan will feature photography from Nancy Strahinic, formerly from the windy city of Chicago and Steven Leitch, long-time resident of West Jordan. A reception will be held at the William Schorr Gallery on Nov. 7, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. where friends, family and the public can meet the artists. Light refreshments will be served.



Apply for a West Jordan Planning Commission Appointment

Two seats on the Planning Commission will be vacant beginning Jan. 1, 2019. Residents over the age of 18 with an interest in land-use issues are encouraged to apply. Please submit a letter of interest and resume to heather.everett@westjordan.utah.gov by **Nov. 5**.

Appointment/Responsibilities: The Planning Commission is a seven-member board appointed by City Council after an interview process. Terms are for three years. The Commission's responsibilities include review, approval and recommendations to City Council in matters of land use planning, zoning, and subdivision.

Meetings: The Planning Commission meets regularly on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. with a pre-meeting sometimes at 5:30 p.m.

Document Shred & E-Waste Recycling Nov. 3

West Jordan residents can bring up to two "bankers boxes" of paper for shredding and residential electronic waste Saturday, Nov. 3. Documents will be shredded onsite in the west parking lot behind City Hall, 8000 S. Redwood Road from 10 a.m.-noon. Hard drives can also be shredded if they have been removed from the computer. Unfortunately, televisions, CRT monitors, cracked LCD's and printers are not accepted. However, Trans-Jordan Landfill may allow some of those items to be deposited by our residents. Please contact Trans-Jordan Landfill for more information at 801-569-8994. Bring proof of residency or city employment (driver's license, utility bill or city ID badge).

2019 E-waste and shred events: February 2, May 4, August 3, November 2

GLASS RECYCLING DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

West Jordan residents can drop off glass for recycling at two drop-off recycling bins located:

- Senior and Rec center, 8125 South 2200 West
- Intersection of 7800 South and New Sycamore Drive (7025 West)

The glass recycling program is for residents only. No businesses. All colors, no separation required. But please use the bins ONLY for glass. No garbage, porcelain, ceramic, plate glass windows, light bulbs or cardboard. If the program is abused, it will be discontinued.



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