

Community & Economic Development Brief for Administration



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Report Purpose

Weekly at-a-glance report from the Community & Economic Development Department (CED) prepared for City Administration.

Airport

- The airport was recently awarded the Quality in Construction Award (along with our contractor, Granite Construction) for excellence in quality for the west side road and taxiway Foxtrot, presented by the National Asphalt Pavement Association.
- The project to paint an 80-foot Compass Rose at the airport by the Utah99 organization (for first time since 2008) has been postponed until May 27 due to wet weather.



Arts, Culture, Events – Union Station

- Construction for The Corner Plaza continues to move forward.
 - Sculpture and pin up wall footings to be poured early this week.
 - Flatwork on northside of plaza area to follow later this week if electrician finishes in time.
 - Waiting on public art projects transmittal to be scheduled on city council agenda.
- Members of the ACE team will attend the Utah Cultural Alliance conference on May 15.
- "Black and White" Community Art Show closed May 6. The next art show will open on Aug. 4.
- The first Ogden Twilight of the year was Saturday (May 6) and featured M83.
- Processing Arts Committee re-appointments, and they will be electing a new chair/vice chair at the May 9 meeting.
- Training for the light system at the Dumke Arts Plaza is scheduled for May 9.
- The Arts Grants recommendations are scheduled to be reviewed in city council work-session May 16.
- Working on amendments to the public art and arts committee ordinances.

Building Services

- Proud Announcement
 - Building Services had 100% employee participation in our Make a Difference Day service!
 - We are the best because of our employees!

Business & Economic Development – Business Information Center

- Staff had a great time at Make a Difference Day and helped to improve the landscaped areas around Union Station.
- Staff attended the One Utah Summit. Highlights included a startup pitch event; breakout sessions on the defense and life sciences industries; and a presentation on economic trends in Utah.
- BIC staff met with the Wildcat Microfund Manager for updates on the program and to identify ways to collaborate to support business start-ups moving forward.
- Met last week with Project Compass. The company's production process, that has potential for significant area economic impact, will be in Weber County and the administrative offices will be in downtown Ogden. Considering city administration and council leadership presentation regarding the company plans.
- Met last week with management to determine TIF incentive options (in conjunction with EDCUtah) to support Project Stamper. A follow-up call with the company is being scheduled.

- Preparing for third business recruitment site visit for Project Arkansas coming up this week (May 9).
- Meeting this week (May 12) with several business owners regarding city property leases and options for moving forward.
- Staff is coordinating with Northern Utah Economic Alliance on a new project considering the Ogden Business Exchange.
 - Project Shine is a healthy beverage manufacturer from California, needs 75,000 to 80,000 square feet of space and will bring 100-200 jobs with \$10-15MM cap ex.
- Preparing for Ogden business survey (in conjunction with UDCUtah).
- Posted media from our Apr. 26 *You Make Ogden* open house to our web page (www.MakeOgden.com) and working on related follow-up communications and plans for next public engagement event on May 24 at Union Station.
- Posted about Tech-Moms and The Rosie Project. Both programs are partnered with Weber State University. See full article on our website at <https://ogdencity.com/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=774> .
- Posted communications regarding recent Wheelwright Lumber business support visit (<https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:7057441923820650496>).
- Working on drafting a potential paid parking services administrator job description for consideration.
- Prepared and mailed the Airport CRA public notices to owners-of-record and taxing entities as required by state law for the upcoming June 6 public hearing for the Plan and Budget.
- Completed the annual Tax Increment Participation Payments, and scheduling approvals for disbursement through Finance.
- Continuing to work on the annual TIF Report for Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity.

Community Development

- Infill / New Construction
 - 2831 & 2839 Monroe exterior paint complete, and final grading underway.



- Renovation/Resale Program
 - Ongoing home renovations at 919 Rushton, 1127 23rd and 655 Kershaw.
 - Renovation started on home at 833 Kershaw.
- "Own in Ogden" Down-Payment Assistance Programs
 - Two OIO loans approved/funded, (42 loans funded FY23 thus far).
- Home Exterior Loan Program (HELP)
 - One additional application received/approved. A total of 13 loans are currently underway (26 loans closed in FY23).

Planning

- The Ogden Planning Commission met last week to discuss several items.
 - The commission denied a request for a conditional use permit for a Quick Quack car wash at 1249 Country Hills Drive. The commission cited impacts on noise, traffic, and grading that they felt could not be mitigated.
 - The commission continued a site plan for an apartment building at 195 W. Rushton so that the applicant could address concerns about pedestrian orientation of the building.
 - The commission recommended that the former Grandview Elementary School site at 3841 Jackson Avenue be zoned a new zone, R-2S, that would allow townhomes, duplexes, and small-lot single family development.
 - The commission recommended small boundary adjustments with Marriott-Slaterville and South Ogden.
- The Planning team participated in Make a Difference Day by helping clean the cemetery.

Redevelopment

- During last week's city council work-session, an overview of the proposed FY2024-2028 Capital Improvement Plan was presented for review. Review of CED projects is scheduled for May 16.
- The Bond Parameters Resolution for the Marshall White Center and repairs for the Junction parking structures was approved by the city council last week.
- This week the RDA will consider accepting the Redevelopment Agency budget for FY23-24 for review and setting a date for a public hearing on Jun. 13.