

Community & Economic Development Weekly Brief



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Report Purpose

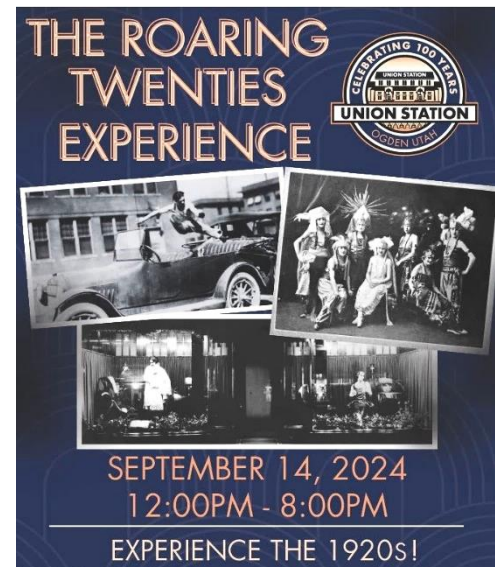
Weekly at-a-glance report from the Ogden City Community & Economic Development Department – prepared for city leaders and community stakeholders. Previous reports can be viewed at the [Community & Economic Development webpage](#).

Airport

- The public is invited to attend an open house at the airport terminal to meet our new airport manager, Brian Condie, on September 26 from 4:00 – 7:00 pm.
- We are finalizing logistics to support the historic B-29 arrival/tour/ride event at the airport September 23-26 ([article](#)).

Arts, Culture, Events – Union Station

- Our Ogden Twilight Concert Series hosted *Broken Social Scene* on Sep. 6.
- The Community Art Show “Street Art” opened at last week’s First Friday Art Stroll.
- Finalized logistics for [Union Station’s Roaring Twenties Festival](#) coming up this Saturday (Sep. 14) from 12:00 to 8:00 pm (*poster right*).
 - At this free, interactive festival, guests will be able to celebrate the 1920s with food, music, costume, vintage photography, silent films, immersive light projections, and much more.
- The [Ogden Downtown Alliance](#) annual [Harvest Moon](#) event is coming up on September 21.
- We will be holding a public engagement session to discuss the possible future of DRGW #223, our disassembled historic steam engine.
 - The session will be held on Sep. 24 at 6:00 pm in Union Station’s Gallery 51.
- The exhibit, “Transcendence,” by local artist [Noelle Perry](#) is on display at the Station’s Myra Powell Gallery through Sep. 28.
- The Megan Geckler installation at the Dumke Art Plaza is currently open through September.
- The artist call for our Community Art Show, “Ogden Begins Here,” is now open for a new show that will open November 1.
- Hosted teacher training for local teachers participating in National History Day in 2025, which encourages students to create a history project for a national competition.
- Led guided tours for the Ogden Rotary Club and National History Day history teachers on the Union Station Centennial.
- Updating Union Station loan agreements for art shows and other loaned items.



Building Services

- All inspections for the new YCC transitional housing facility have been completed and they have received their permanent occupancy certificate.
- The Union Walk apartments at 144 25th Street have been issued a new building permit and are ready to begin construction.
- The Stowell Crayk law office at 2788 Washington Blvd has been completed and received approval to occupy.

Community Development

- Renovation/Resale Program:
 - 450 30th Street construction is now complete and is listed for sale: [Listing on UtahRealEstate.com](#)
 - 2329 Quincy Avenue is currently under construction. 2823 Eccles Avenue renovation is now ready to begin.

- New Home/Infill Construction Program:
 - Construction of the home at 2809 Jackson Avenue is listed for sale (*photo right*) – [Listing on UtahRealEstate.com](#)
 - The first Towns at 24th units are complete and currently being sold, with additional development phases in various stages of completion – [Listing on UtahRealEstate.com](#).
 - To date, 15 townhomes have been sold or are under contract.
 - Construction has begun on two new homes at Sycamore Cove.
 - 2343 Quincy Avenue framing is complete and is ready for 4-way inspection.
 - 2321 Quincy Avenue framing is nearing completion.
 - Exterior finishes are ongoing on the first section for new LITC Housing at 25th Street and Quincy Avenue (Q25).
 - Exterior finishes for Ogden Housing Authority Permanent supportive housing for homeless is nearing completion at 31st and Lincoln Avenue.
- [“Own in Ogden” Down-Payment Assistance](#): 9 loans funded since July 1 (FY25); 25 applications received; 10 under review.
- [Home Exterior Loan Program \(HELP\)](#): 12 loans have been approved since July 1 (FY25), with 5 more being processed. 24 applications have been received.
- [Volunteer Partnership Grants](#): 5 grants have been approved for My Hometown Initiative projects since July 1 (FY25).
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program for At Risk Homeless: 63 housed (30 adults, 33 children); 9 applications under review.
- Community Development posted a Draft CAPER (HUD performance report for FY24) online and published a notice for a 15-day public comment period in English and Spanish.
- Met with Community & Economic Development’s Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) to review HUD plans. CAC recommended to the Mayor and City Council approval of Community Development’s Citizen Participation Plan.
- Consulted with Community & Economic Development’s CAC to review data and formulate action items for a HUD-required Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI).



Economic Development – Redevelopment – Business Information Center

- Continued due diligence work for the Union Station campus development (civil survey, title work, environmental assessment).
- Met again with the Union Station campus pre-development team to review previous/upcoming expected costs and next steps.
- Working on action items from recent TOD meeting with state agency leaders to support Union Station campus development.
- Met with local outdoor recreation manufacturer about potential new facility options in Ogden.
- Continued working on logistics information for Project Amelia and their potential development at the airport.
- Reviewed options for moving forward on development at the capital square area with a potential developer.
- Met with legal and planning staff to review remaining elements relative to the River Parkway project.
- Preparing the Annual RDA Report for printing/distribution.
- Meeting this week with the County Economic Development Committee to review elements related to the Airport CRA.
- Meeting this week with County and WSU staff regarding the Weber Block development project proposals.
- Proposing funding for Nine Rails Arts programming via the Adams Community Reinvestment Area to the RDA this week.
- Proposing an amendment to the *WonderBlock* Land Transfer and Development Agreement to the RDA this week.
- Continued work on business loan collection accounts, started work on several business loan modifications, and paid invoices for technical assistance training classes for business participants.
- Worked with Ogden School District and Ogden-Weber Technical College to write and publish an article on the opening of OTECH High and its impact on northern Utah's workforce.
- Attended the ATP Flight School expansion open house event at the Ogden Airport Gateway Center. The business has expanded its operations at the airport to include approximately 100 students, flying 24 aircraft and multiple simulators.

Planning

- The Planning Commission met this week to consider several items, and they...
 - Approved two accessory buildings to residential buildings in commercial zones.
 - Recommended approval of a rezone a 139 N. Wall to allow additional garages for an existing townhome project.
 - Recommended approval of a rezone at 150 32nd Street from C-2 to R-4/CO or R-2S.
 - Approved the final group dwelling and preliminary subdivision plat for the Ogden Towns project at 355 7th Street.
- The City Council approved a zone change at 4336 S 1650 W from Airport Commercial to FLEX.