

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

- Terminal Construction Project: A [ground-breaking ceremony](#) for the expanded terminal construction project was held last Monday at 10:00 am (*photo right*). By 2:00 pm construction officially began, and by 4:00 pm, the front of the terminal was removed to make way for the new design. Positive media coverage included:
 - [KSL TV News: Ogden kicks off \\$4.4 M airport expansion](#)
 - [KSL Radio News: Ogden Airport kicks off \\$4.4 million expansion project](#)
 - [Deseret News: The first step in many -- Ogden begins \\$4.4M airport terminal expansion project](#)
 - [Standard-Examiner: Ogden airport breaks ground on plan to add terminal space](#)
 - [KUTV News: Ogden Airport breaks ground on new terminal project](#)
 - [Building SL: Hoping to court new airlines, Ogden Airport begins \\$4.4M expansion](#)
 - [ABC4 TV News: Ogden Airport breaks ground for terminal expansion](#)
- Operations Office Relocation: During construction, the airport staff have moved the operations office to the snow removal hangar located south of the terminal. The temporary move will allow continued operations while terminal work is underway.
- Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Training Meeting: Airport staff and Ogden Fire met to discuss necessary training, expectations, and needs for aircraft rescue/firefighting. This collaborative effort aims to ensure readiness and effective responses to emergencies.
- Snow Removal Efficiency: Response to the third snowstorm of the season showed significant improvements in the airport's snow removal process. Thanks to implemented best practices and process improvements, the time taken to clear snow was reduced from 3 hours to just 1 hour, ensuring compliance with FAA snow removal timelines.
- AvFlight is hosting a ribbon-cutting event to commemorate their new FBO operations at the Airport this Tuesday (Jan. 14 at 11:00 am).



L-R: Brian Condie (Airport Director); Jared Johnson (CED Executive Director); Mara Brown (Chief Administrative Officer); Ben Nadolski (Mayor); Adam Nelson (Airport Deputy Director); Lynn Hinrichs (Airport Project Coordinator).

Arts – Culture – Events – Union Station

- Preparing/supporting the Mayor's Office for the upcoming State of the City event at the Copper Nickel on January 29 at 6:00 pm.
- Currently reviewing demonstrations of several new Special Event Application platforms.
- Working on Ramp Grants and working with partners to support upcoming event programming.
- The Arts Grant application cycle review process is now underway. Reviews will be completed by January 24.
- The art call for the Community Art Show "Elements" exhibition will go live Tuesday (Jan. 13) and be open until 4:00 pm on Feb. 24.
- Met with an engineering firm to engineer cables on Keisel Avenue for a public art opportunity.
- Received LaToya People's final designs for public art murals for the Marshall White Center, which are now being reviewed for approval.
- We are thrilled to share that we're upgrading our ticketing area at Union Station (enhancing comfort/aesthetics) to better serve the community and create a more engaging experience for our valued customers.
- Our Car Museum updates are nearly complete, with a new layout of cars/exhibits highlighting the trailblazing/competition/money that went into Ogden's car culture in the early 1900s. Exhibit opens Jan. 17. A reception with car historian Jon Clark is on Jan. 24 at 6:30 pm.
- The physical inventory of the DRGW #223 will be completed the week of Jan. 20, with the physical reorganization of component parts.
- Hosted the Guatemalan dignitaries for a tour of Union Station, where they were able to learn more about Ogden's history.
- Hosted the annual Spiker Installation Dinner, the Interfaith Meeting, and our quarterly Brunch & Learn series with our staff/volunteers.
- Hosting/partnering with Skin it Tattoos for the annual Tattoo Winter Convention coming up Jan. 17, 18 and 19 at Union Station. Join us for the event with over 100 award winning tattoo artists. Kid friendly, music, vendors, food trucks, and more!

Building Services

- We welcomed our new Building/Code Services Director, Christian Stucki, to the team last week!
- Our Business Licensing team is in one of their peak license renewal periods and are very active in completing the renewals in a timely fashion. Business Licensing has recently hosted and will continue to host "Good Landlord" classes for many of our local real estate agents, management companies, and individual property owners.

- Our Building Inspectors recently conducted the final inspections on the Autoliv solar farm project.
- The Union Walk Apartment building on 25th Street is under construction again after being demolished last year.
- Last week, our Permitting team issued the building permit for the airport terminal expansion project. And through coordination with our Sustainability and Fleet teams, new fleet EV chargers have been permitted for both the Fleet and Public Safety buildings.

Community Development

- Renovation/Resale Program:
 - The newly renovated home at 450 30th Street is now listed for sale: [UtahRealEstate.com listing](https://www.utahrealestate.com/listing).
 - Renovation of the historic home at 2329 Quincy Avenue is progressing, and renovation of the home at 2823 Eccles Ave. is ongoing.
- New Home/Infill Construction Program:
 - Construction on the final phase of the [Towns at 24th](#) for sale units is complete. Only three units remain unsold. Landscaping at the new development is planned for completion in the spring.
 - Our new homes at Sycamore Cove are progressing.
 - 2321 Quincy Avenue construction is complete and it is now [listed for sale](#).
 - Construction on the home at 874 Cahoon Circle is currently underway.
 - Exterior/interior finishes are ongoing for the LIHTC housing at 25th and Quincy.
 - Supported the opening event for Ogden Housing Authority's permanent supportive housing – "Solace" (photos right). Apartments are 100% complete and occupied.
- ["Own in Ogden" Down-Payment Assistance](#): 29 loans funded since July 1 (FY25); 52 applications received; 2 under review.
- [Home Exterior Loan Program \(HELP\)](#): 24 loans approved since July (FY25). Only funds for utility line repairs remain.
- [Volunteer Partnership Grants](#): 10 grants have been received for My Hometown Initiative projects since July 1 (FY25).
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program for Homeless (TBRA): 75 housed and 3 households have completed one year in program and been approved for a second year.
- CED's Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) reviewed and approved the 5-year Draft [Fair Housing Plan](#) (FY26-30). Plan is posted online.
- CAC was consulted and began the planning process to apply to HUD for Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area designation in the East Central area.



"Solace" permanent supportive housing facility

Economic Development – Redevelopment – Business Information Center

- Planning for Acceler8 Wasatch Week 2025. Event will focus on connecting businesses with defense industry opportunities/resources.
- Pursuing a major aerospace business expansion at the Ogden Airport.
- Distributed our Ogden City Business Development [winter newsletter](#) to our business community.
- Met with our RDA administration team to review project updates.
- Evaluating potential RDA support for new projects in the Adams CRA, including a market-rate multifamily and a hospitality project.
- Continuing pre-development activities for the Union Station Neighborhood.
- Met with an aerospace company that plans to bring 30-40 jobs to Utah; discussions to follow on potential sites in Ogden.
- Attended the Utah Economic Outlook & Public Policy Summit with policy and academic leaders to share insights on Utah's economy and policy priorities for the upcoming legislative session.
- [Visited White Clouds](#), a company headquartered in Ogden that creates unique sculptures made from materials such as foam and steel.
- Met to review and provide input for the 311 software selection process.
- Collaborating with community partners on ways to best support our small business/downtown community.
- Attending the 47th Annual Utah Aerospace Day at the Utah State Capitol on Jan. 28, representing the only city from Utah.

Planning

- Residential Development Trends
 - Residential development continued strong in 2024, as we issued permits for 390 new dwelling units. The main multi-family project was permits issued for WonderBlock. We issued permits for 22 new single-family units. While a small number, it still is 18% over the average for the last five years.
- Zone Ogden: The Zone Ogden advisory committee met to discuss the procedures chapter in the proposed code update.
- Planning Commission: Met last week and approved a subdivision and a subdivision amendment for Riverwalk Phase 3, approved a modification to the commercial building design for Midtown Village, and reviewed the vision statement for the General Plan update.
- Upcoming meetings:
 - General Plan [Vision Celebration](#): January 22 at 5:30 pm at Union Station.
 - 24th Street Interchange Area Planning: January 30 at 6:00 pm at Catholic Community Services (2504 F Avenue, Ogden).

Dwelling Units Issued Permits			Ogden 2020-2024		
Unit Type	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Single Family	30	13	23	5	22
Duplex	8	0	4	0	8
Townhome	106	124	142	348	19
Multiple Family	186	267	656	176	341
Total	330	404	825	529	390