

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

- Presenting proposed Airport Title 8 ordinance change updates for further discussion again at this week's city council work session and during the council's regular meeting.

Community Development *(housing – neighborhood improvements)*

- Renovation/Resale Program:
 - Renovation of the home at 2654 Brinker is complete.
 - The home is now under contract and is scheduled to close this week.
 - Interior renovations of the home at 1183 28th Street are nearing completion, and landscaping is now underway.
 - Renovations are underway for the homes at 470 30th Street and 1065 21st Street.
- New Home/Infill Construction Program:
 - Construction of a new home at 866 Cahoon is currently underway.
 - The 175-unit affordable housing project at Quincy Avenue and 25th Street ("Q25") is being completed and now accepting tenant applications (*photo right*).
 - A ribbon-cutting event for the new facility will be Sept. 10 at 1:00 pm.
 - The Salvation Army has opened the pre-leasing waiting list for the new Ogden Silvercrest Residence at 2655 Grant, a 52-unit affordable senior housing apartment complex, and is accepting applications for age 62 and over at or below 50% AMI.
- Public Improvement Projects:
 - A contract has been awarded to BHI for CDBG CARES Act funded sidewalk improvements in two East Central neighborhoods.
 - The pre-construction meeting has been completed, and construction is scheduled to begin this week.
- ["Own in Ogden" Down-Payment Assistance](#): Since July 1; 7 loans funded, 19 applications received, nine applications are under review.
- [Emergency Home Repair Loan Program](#): Since July 1, three loans have been approved. Two now underway, one is in the bidding process.
- [Home Exterior Loan Program](#): Since July 1, 11 loans have been funded, 17 applications received, and six applications are under review.
- [Volunteer Partnership Grants](#): Since July 1, 12 volunteer projects have been approved and are underway.
- Staff, as a Trustee, attended the Weber County Charitable Trust meeting to review seven applications received for a new grant that will fund homeless solutions for Weber County's homeless systems.
- Ogden City's Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program currently aids 85 previously homeless persons (including dependent children):
 - 26 households receive rent assistance and supportive services, 21 households have successfully completed one year of housing with supportive services and are renewed for a second year, and 17 previously homeless persons receive HOME ARP Supportive Services to facilitate long-term housing solutions for persons who have acute disabilities.



New Q25 apartments – corner of Quincy and 25th

Cultural Services *(arts – events – museums – Union Station)*

- Supported our 7th [Ogden Twilight Concert](#) of the season at the Amphitheater (Aug. 13), which featured "The Head and the Heart."
- Our community art show installation, "Folk Art," is currently in the breezeway outside of Union Station's Gallery.
- The art exhibit, "Wondrous West," featuring original art from 1848-1942, and is on display at Union Station until Sept 27.
- The art exhibit, "For the Love of Wildlife and Wildlands," is also on display at Union Station.
- Facilitated a Union Station walkthrough with our internal redevelopment team – to support plans for Station updates/transportation changes/facility uses going forward as part of the Union Station Neighborhood development.

Economic Development *(redevelopment – business development – Business Information Center)*

- Initiated retention and expansion visits with several local companies to learn more about their challenges and opportunities, and how we can support, including
 - Scott USA – considering expansion of its corporate headquarters at Business Depot Ogden, which would grow their workforce from 35 to 60 employees. [LinkedIn post](#)
- Facilitated a site tour at Business Depot Ogden for a southern California-based advanced manufacturing company and discussed their potential operations expansion in Ogden.
- Met with representatives from a major consulting agency about the potential to locate a new office in Ogden.
- Conducted a site visit with a machining company looking to expand their operations.
- Initiated discussions with a commercial airline company about the potential for a new flight/route offering out of the Ogden Airport.
 - Technical support from our Airport Director was appreciated!
- Engaged with the planning team focused on athlete preparation for the 2034 Winter Olympic Games.
- Met with the president/CEO of BioUtah about the potential to collaborate to increase the growth and strength of Ogden's life sciences industry. [LinkedIn post](#)
 - BioUtah is Utah's trade association for life sciences, representing a diverse and dynamic community – from biotech and pharmaceuticals to medical devices and diagnostics.
- Working with staff from several divisions to document/map our interdepartmental new business start-up process.
- Finalizing details and promoting this week's Elevate Ogden Speaker Series presentation – "An inside look at our City's Concept Review Team" – to assist those considering a business start-up. The event will take place this Thursday, August 21 at 6:00 pm, at Union Station.
 - Those thinking of starting a business can reserve a spot at:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/elevate-ogden-speaker-series-tickets-1474749157429>
- Working on the logistics for a second career resource event to support local impacted federal employees. [LinkedIn post](#)
- Began analyzing and developing the Tax Increment Financing models for a potential Capitol Square mixed-use redevelopment project.
- Reviewing and modifying our 2024 RDA Annual Report draft.
- Continuing work with our internal/external development partners on the Union Station Neighborhood project. This week we will focus on details related to developing transportation/parking funding requests.
- The application period for our open Redevelopment Coordinator position has now closed and we are now scheduling interviews.
- Participating in the County's Weber Block presentation and partnership discussion this week (Aug. 20).
- Two Ogdenites were recently presented with a piece of history from the US Army Reserves: Ogden City's Assistant Economic Development Division Director, Kelli Pendleton (*photo right*), and Major Brent Taylor Foundation Founder/CEO, Jennie Taylor. Both are Civilian Aides to the Secretary of the Army and were presented with a significant artifact from Fort Douglas, presented by Major General Dean Thompson of the U.S. Army Reserves.
 - The U.S. Army Reserve, currently located at Fort Douglas on the University of Utah campus, is relocating to a new, \$100 million headquarters at Camp Williams. Its transfer highlights Utah's growing role in preserving and honoring U.S. military legacy, and reinforces the state's commitment to supporting veterans, civic education, and patriotic service.



Left to right:

- Command Sergeant Major, Jason Goodman
- Ogden City Assist. Economic Development Director, Kelli Pendleton
- Major General (Commanding General), Dean Thompson

Planning

- Presented a small subdivision and a private subdivision to the mayor for approval.
 - The mayor approved both.
- Followed up on potential development projects after last week's Concept Review Team meeting.
- Presenting a Zone Ogden update at this week's city council work session.
- Hosting a Housing Focus Group Discussion this week (August 21) to review our Livable Neighborhood chapter of Plan Ogden.
- Our Wall Avenue Corridor Plan will be presented/reviewed at a public open house event on August 27 at 5:30 pm at Union Station
 - The presentation begins at 5:45 pm, followed by a review of the street design (entire corridor).

