

Community & Economic Development

Weekly Brief



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Weekly at-a-glance report from Ogden City's Community & Economic Development Department. Previous editions are available on the [Community & Economic Development webpage](#).

Airport

- The downstairs airport restroom remodel is now complete, and travelers are already enjoying the refreshed, modernized facilities (*photo right*).
- Young Subaru continues to see growth in its airport car rental operations.
- We met with Hertz Car Rental, which has now committed a full-time, on-site employee at the airport throughout the week to better support operations.



Newly remodeled restrooms at Ogden Airport

Building Services (*building permits/inspections – business licensing – code services*)

- The [Plan Review Team](#) continued to support a range of commercial and residential projects, ensuring code compliance and development momentum. Notable reviews last week included:
 - A new luxury spa tenant at 4341 Harrison Boulevard
 - Carport additions for the Lotus Riverwalk project at 1864 Lincoln Avenue
 - A new building for Weber Human Services at 2765 Madison Avenue
- 46 [Building Permits](#) were issued last week, with the majority involving new builds, mechanical installations, and plumbing work. Highlights included:
 - 44 townhome units for the Midtown Village subdivision were permitted and are ready to begin construction
 - A new single-family dwelling at 862 Cahoon Circle
 - A remodel permit for the new Lendmark Financial Services location at 4283 Harrison Boulevard
- 256 [Building Inspections](#) were completed last week. The most common inspection types included:
 - Residential final simple inspections (32); residential re-roof inspections (20); residential firewall inspections (18)
- 7 new [Business Licenses](#) were issued last week, including:
 - Morning Star Tattoo LLC – a new tattoo studio at 3586 Brinker Ave, Suite 110
 - Good Health Wellness – a wellness store focused on CBD products at 101 25th Street
 - Corey Malan Construction Inc. – a general contractor who relocated within Ogden to 445 West 17th Street
- We presented the [Message Establishment Ordinance](#) at the City Council last week (Dec. 9) and the new ordinance was approved/adopted.
 - The new code offers clearer guidance for business owners and supports the operation of safe and professional massage establishments.
- [Code Services](#) and [Business Licensing](#) held a joint training session to align procedures on overlapping case types.
 - The session focused on maintaining consistency in documentation, processing, and follow-up across both teams.

Community Development (*housing – neighborhood improvements*)

- Renovation/Resale Program:
 - Renovations of the home at 1183 28th Street are complete, a purchase offer has been received, and the single-family home is now under contract and scheduled to close by the end of December.
 - Renovations are complete for the single-family home at 470 30th Street and the home is now listed for sale. [utahrealestate.com listing](#)
 - Renovations are currently underway for the home at 1065 21st Street.
 - Bids have been received for the renovation contract for the home at 2248 Van Buren Avenue and a bid award will be considered soon.
- New Home/Infill Construction Program:
 - Construction of the new single-family home at 866 Cahoon Circle is now complete and the home has just been listed for sale and an offer has been received. [utahrealestate.com listing](#)
 - The new single-family home to be built at 862 Cahoon Circle is in the permitting stage and construction is expected to begin this month.
- Public Improvements: Demolition and cleanup of the previous dilapidated facility at 2325 Madison has now been completed.
- “Own in Ogden” Down-Payment Assistance: Since July, 21 loans funded and 31 applications received.
- Home Exterior Loan Program: Since July, 20 loans have been funded.
- Volunteer Partnership Grants: Since July, 14 volunteer projects have been approved and are underway.
- Staff met with CED's Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) to review Amendment #1 to Annual Action Plan FY26 (AAP FY26). The CAC recommended City Council approval of the proposed AAP FY26 Amendment #1.
- City Council held a public hearing and approved adoption of AAP FY26 Amendment #1.

- 39 previously homeless households (73 persons) are currently receiving HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance and are in stable housing. Five previously homeless households successfully remained housed for two years with assistance from the TBRA program.
- Five emergency home repair projects have recently been completed. Four projects leveraged Weber County Healthy Homes Program funding.

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

- The Landmarks Commission reviewed and unanimously approved the plan for the new Merci Car canopy cover, and the Certificate of Historical Appropriateness has been received.
- Opened a new exhibit, *2026 Chinese New Year Paper-Cutting Exhibition: Year of the Horse*, in the Gallery at the Station. Created by students in the Weber School District Chinese Immersion Program (grades 2–12), the beautiful exhibit celebrates Lunar New Year traditions. On display through Feb. (photo right).
- We honored our Union Station Museums volunteers at the annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon last week, recognizing 2,522 hours of service contributed in 2025 (photo right). These volunteers help create a welcoming, educational experience for every guest exploring Ogden's history. While the state values this service at \$86,882.90, the impact on our community is truly priceless.
- Working on updates to our Union Station strategic planning initiatives.
- Met with [Visit Ogden](#) to explore potential partnerships that would expand and enrich how Ogden's history is shared with the public.
- Hosted *WinterFest 2025* at Union Station on Saturday (Dec. 20). In partnership with seven community organizations, the event brought children and families together for festive activities that strengthened community connections and engagement.
- Hosted two additional private events last week at Union Station.
- Final edits to the Olympic Mural and Kiesel Cable project RFQ's are being made in preparation for their release in early January.
- Our Amphitheater stage performance programming in support of [Christmas Village](#) continued last week and will run throughout December.



One of the displays at the Chinese New Year Paper-Cutting Exhibition in the Gallery at Union Station



Museums Volunteer Luncheon – Dec. 16

Left to right: Mayor Nadolski, Hope Eggett (museum administrator), Union Station Volunteers (12), Jared Johnson (community & economic development exec. director), Christy McBride (cultural services director)

Economic Development (business support and recruitment – development – redevelopment)

- Successfully hosted a meeting with Utah Manufacturers Association representatives and discussed mutually beneficial opportunities.
- Held discussions with a commercial airline company to support awareness of flight demand and opportunities at the Ogden Airport.
- Installed new artwork at the airport (photos below) and launched new commercial flight service marketing initiatives.
- Met with the Pan Am marketing team to explore future collaborative opportunities.
- Continued work on multiple redevelopment activities, including RDA project team meetings and preparations for today's (Dec. 22) monthly RDA administration meeting.
- Worked with our environmental consultant team on review activities to support the Union Station Neighborhood redevelopment project.
- Provided comments at the Weber County Commission meeting in support of Powder Mountain's proposed park and ride lot.
- Communicated and met with Engineering and a key company at Ogden Business Exchange regarding utility access for our new surf wave project.
- Continued work to support the communications related to the managed parking system implementation plans.
- Coordinated SASPO Industry Days planning communications related to hosting an upcoming event at Weber State University.
- Promoted our next Elevate Ogden Speaker Series event, *Digital Strategy & Planning for Your Small Business*, scheduled for January 29 and featuring Nelson Altamirano, owner of Strategica Marketing Agency.
- Promoted [holiday gift ideas from our local businesses](#), our upcoming [State of the City](#) event, our City's [Utah First Homes Award](#), and our Planning Division's [Zone Ogden](#) work.
- Our business recruitment manager, KC Sanders, has been selected as an Honorary Commander for Hill Air Force Base's Ogden Air Logistics Complex. KC will serve a 2-year term supporting our military community while strengthening ties with our city and promoting the Ogden Way.



New artwork at the Ogden Airport promoting our Breeze flights

Planning

- The Planning Commission held a work session last Wednesday (Dec. 17).
 - The commission discussed updates to the city's sign code.
 - The updates are intended to maintain a city that is attractive to visitors, customers, and residents, to comply with legal standards, and to be clear and useable.

