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SOUTH JORDAN MAYOR AND COUNCIL OPPOSE PRISON RELOCATION IN WEST JORDAN

SOUTH JORDAN, UT – Dec. 4, 2014, The Mayor and City Council of South Jordan City oppose a recent state prison relocation proposal from the Prison Relocation Commission which would place a new prison in West Jordan City at approximately 9000 South and 7300 West. On December 3, 2014 the commission announced this location is the recommended top potential location out of six different locations that are currently under review.

"We support the mayors and city council members of West Jordan, Herriman, and other southwest Salt Lake Valley communities in complete opposition to locating the prison in West Jordan. The prison would be 500 feet from existing neighborhoods and have two schools within 3,000 feet. Both South Jordan and West Jordan have long envisioned the area selected as a place for homes, businesses, schools, parks and families to grow. The prison is not consistent with that vision," said South Jordan Mayor David Alvord.

The Mayor and City Council encourage residents to voice their opposition to this proposed prison location. Residents can sign an online petition from the City of West Jordan website at www.ci.west-jordan.ut.us/Residents.aspx?pgID=7.1. More information on the proposed prison location will soon be available on South Jordan's website, www.sjc.utah.gov and the official City of South Jordan Facebook page, www.facebook.com/cityofsouthjordan.

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The City of South Jordan, one of the fastest growing cities in the United States, is located 20 miles southwest of Salt Lake City, and home to more than 62,000 residents. In 2010, 2012, and 2014, South Jordan was named one of the Top 20 "Best Place to Live in America" by Money Magazine.

