Dear South Jordan City Residents,

As another year comes to an end and we begin the year 2017, I would like to share with you some of our accomplishments that happened over the year. I would like to thank our Mayor, City Council and the City staff; I know these accomplishments wouldn’t be possible without their support and direction.

Here are just a few of the many accomplishments South Jordan City achieved over the past year:

- **Selected a New Assistant City Manager** – Dustin Lewis will replace Chief of Staff, Paul Cunningham when he retires in February.
- **Selected New Justice Court Judge** – We bid farewell to our long time South Jordan City Judge, Clint Balmforth as he retired, and welcome our new Judge, Michael Boehm
- **New utility bill payment system** – This new system will allow residents to pay online faster and easier
- **Completion of new City Website** – Based on feedback we received from our residents we designed a new website to assist in finding information quickly and easier
- **South Jordan Fire Department Received grant from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation in the amount of $8,015.90 which were used to purchase video laryngoscopes** – These laryngoscopes are a huge technological improvement for our first responders when a patient is experiencing a critical airway problem. The images from the video laryngoscopes are displayed on a small screen attached to a device and display in real time by the paramedic or EMT conducting the procedure
- **Completion and Grand Opening of Fire Station 63** – This is the City’s 3rd Fire Station and will primarily cover the eastern portions of South Jordan but will be available to respond to any location in the City and surrounding areas as needed
- **Implemented the use of body worn cameras for the Police Department**
- **Completion of Rushton Meadows Park** – This is an all abilities park, come check it out at 10450 South Harvest Point Drive
- **Improved the road conditions of 3200 West**
- **Celebrated the 10-Year Anniversary of the Gale Center of History and Culture Museum** – Relive South Jordan’s History at our museum, 10300 South Beckstead Lane

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• Completed the Bingham Mine exhibit at the Gale Center Museum – Stop by the Gale Center Museum and check out this newest exhibit
• South Jordan City’s crime rate remains one of the lowest in Salt Lake County – Despite the increased growth, South Jordan continues to be one of the safest cities in the County
• Integrated and updated several City technology programs and software – Including a paperless system for all building, engineering, planning and business licenses and a crime predictability software for the police department
• Created the Police Community Advisory Board – The Police Chief created this board to receive feedback from the community
• Developed the 5-year Operations Staffing Plan – This plan will help us in our staffing needs as we continue to grow as a City
• Negotiated the future 20-acre city park in Daybreak
• TOD Development – In May we broke ground on the first-of-its-kind Transit Oriented Development for SoJo Station. This development will include two, six-story towers, parking structures and an Embassy Suite hotel.
• Processed 488 new business applications
• Issued 105 commercial permits, issued 924 new residential permits, all permits issued 2,258 in 2016
• Added 15 million square feet of commercial use

There’s a lot of great things happening in our city in the upcoming year. If you would like to be the first to know about these upcoming events or if you want to hear about the latest news, please follow us on Facebook and Twitter, @SouthJordanUT. You can also sign up online to be added to our email lists at sjc.utah.gov.

I want to thank you for choosing South Jordan as your home, and I hope you stay here for years to come. It’s a great place to be. I hope you feel so too.

-Gary L. Whatcott, City Manager

SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY

Interested in serving your community? The South Jordan Historic Preservation Committee and the South Jordan Arts Council currently have vacant committee positions to fill. Volunteers are appointed by the Mayor and City Council and serve for 2-year terms. Visit sjc.utah.gov to complete a committee application.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

In March the City will be removing the pedestrian overpass bridge on 10400 South and 1300 West while making some sidewalk improvements. This will require a 24-hour closure at the intersection which will be schedule most likely on a Saturday. Upon completion crossing guards will be added to this intersection. More information to come. To find out the latest like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, sign up for the email notifications or check our website.

For questions contact the City’s Information Center.
801-446-HELP
South Jordan Parks and Recreation

For more information on events or programs contact the South Jordan Information Center or visit our website.
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Recreation Programs

Women’s Spring Basketball – Register by March 19
Hunters Education – Register by March 6
Spring Outdoor Soccer – Register by March 19

Arts

Arts at the Gale – February Quilting
February 7 – Quilting Demo
February 21 – Quilting Demo

Mulligans Golf & Games

Heated driving range open year round!

Gale Center

Terrific Tuesday (Flint Knapping) – February 28

Fitness & Aquatic Center

Weight Room Orientation – February 18
Kick Start Your Heart – February 11

Aquatics

Group Swim Lessons
March 4 – 25 • SAT • Register by February 18
March 7 – 30 • T/TH • Register by February 21

Precomp Swim Team – First 3 Weeks of the Month

BSA Merit Badges – Wednesday Nights

Senior Programs 60+

Mardi Gras Celebration – February 28
Valentine’s Day Lunch – February 14

Gale Center of History & Culture

Presents

Terrific Tuesday
Flint Knapping
February 28
6:00pm-7:00pm

Join us for demonstrations of replicating stone tools and creating lithic art.
Great scout activity.

10th Annual South Jordan Art Show
February 28 - March 10

Artists may drop off art and register.
February 23 | Noon - 5:30pm
February 24 | 9:00am - Noon

Art will be displayed at the Gale Center
February 28 - March 10
10300 S. Beckstead Lane
www.sjc.utah.gov
A Look at Air Quality
Written by | Rachel Otto, Assistant City Attorney

One of the most unwelcome signs of winter in the Salt Lake and Utah valleys is an inversion. Inversions happen when cold air is trapped under warmer air, acting like a lid over the valley that traps all the pollution that we emit from our cars, homes, and businesses. The particulate matter in the air is a health hazard, particularly for children. It passes through the nose and throat, deep into the lungs and into the cardiovascular system. Children breathe up to 50% more air per pound of body weight than adults, and their immune and respiratory systems are still developing.

The City of South Jordan recently adopted an employee policy on vehicle idling and air quality as an easy and common sense way to save money and reduce unnecessary pollution. Employees are expected to not idle, plan the most efficient route, and combine trips for more efficient travel.

Quick facts on idling:
- It takes a modern vehicle engine twice as long to warm up when idling than when the car is moving.
- Most car manufacturers state that idling for more than 30 seconds is inadvisable. Excessive idling can harm engine components.
- Studies show that restarting a modern engine many times has little impact on a car battery or starter motor.
- An idling vehicle gets ZERO mpg!

Consider turning off your engine while you’re in a drive-through or stopped to talk to a friend. And especially remember to turn it off when you are in front of your child’s school for pick-up – vehicle emissions are especially harmful to our children’s health.

For more information, check out:
Utah Clean Air Partnership: www.ucair.org