



West Haven City

December 2011

Mayoral Message

By Mayor Brian Melaney

Elections

City elections were held on November 8 with three four-year council seats being filled from a field of five candidates. Thanks to all who participated either by running or voting. Congratulations to Dawnell Musselman, Stephanie Carlson, and Blaine Holmes for again being chosen to serve on the city council. In two years, two council seats and the Mayor position will be up for election.

Holiday Lighting Event

Thanks to Sharon Bolos and her team of volunteers, especially the youth city council and their wonderful leaders, for the many hours of devoted service to make this annual event successful. Santa showed up promptly at 6PM, the lights were turned on, Fremont High choir sang, donuts and hot chocolate were served (we didn't run out this year), and hay rides were provided to all who attended. Special thanks to the many neighbors near city hall who decorated their yards to make the hay rides very scenic. See you next year!

Pathways

Work is underway for the trail from I-15 to the west side of 1900 West thanks to the \$460,000 RAMP grant we were awarded by the county. Spring flooding delayed our project, but construction is now underway.

Thanks to Dawnell Musselman and her team for securing the grant.

Emergency Services

Thanks to many hours of work and education by Stephanie Carlson, the city is positioned to be compensated by the federal government to repair damage sustained in our parks system along the rivers which were severely damaged during the spring runoff. We fully expect to receive something in the neighborhood of \$75,000 for building the banks for our parks system along the river. I believe our city is the first in the county to have their paperwork turned in to the appropriate government agencies for consideration. I want you all to know that Stephanie really provided a lot of leadership to make this happen. We were the first city visited by the government agencies thanks to her watchful eye and training she received back in Washington DC to prepare us for such situations.

Recreation

Thanks to the participants and coaches who make West Haven recreation a department that is greatly admired and one that keeps on growing. Our department works hard to please our citizens and the hundreds who participate in our city's programs.

Merry Christmas

The season is upon us, and may I on behalf of the entire City Council thank you for all you do for the city and wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Please be safe and considerate.

-Mayor Melaney

Community Calendar

December 8: Youth City Council Meeting– 5:00 p.m. @ West Haven City Hall

December 25: Christmas Day

December 26: City Offices closed all day for the Christmas holiday.

January 1: Happy New Year

January 2: City Offices closed all day for the New Year's Holiday



City Council Meetings
1st and 3rd Wednesdays
6:00 pm at City Hall

Planning Commission Meetings
2nd and 4th Wednesdays
6:00 pm at City Hall

Special Services District Meetings
3rd Monday
6:30 pm at City Hall



Annual Holiday Lighting Event a Huge Success

Our second annual holiday lighting event was amazing! Santa himself turned on our lights with his magic dust and then visited with kids of all ages. We also enjoyed music by Fremont High's Legacy Choir, hay rides, and refreshments.

Thanks to the Youth City Council elves and advisors, the hay ride drivers, and the choir for volunteering their time. Thanks to the neighbors who decorated their homes and yards. The city employees also put in hours of work to light up City Hall.

They added more lights this year and it looks fantastic! Most of all, thanks to **you** for supporting our event. We live in an incredible community! Have a wonderful holiday season!

-Councilmember Sharon Bolos

Winter Weather Reminders

Removing Snow From Sidewalks

Homeowners are responsible, by city ordinance, to remove snow, hail or sleet from the sidewalks abutting their property within 24 hours after it has ceased falling. Here are some tips on how to remove snow from your sidewalks and what to expect during and after a snow storm.

Throwing or pushing snow onto a public roadway creates a hazard. Please place snow from your sidewalks and driveways in your yard where the ground will absorb any run-off.

If you place snow on your park strip, pile it on the down street side of your mailbox and driveway.

Also please place garbage cans behind

the curb & gutter out of the roadway making it easier for plows to get down the street

Expect snow to be pushed into your drive approach until the streets are cleared curb to curb.

Be patient. Not all the streets can be cleared immediately.

When driving in the snow, stay back and slightly to the driver side of snow plows so your vehicle can be seen in the driver's mirrors.

Street Parking

Parking on the street is prohibited 12 hours before the time of the projected arrival of an imminent snow storm, and the time it takes for the street to be plowed or otherwise treated by the City from November 15th to March 15th.

Thanks to the citizens of West Haven who acknowledge our snow removal efforts.



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The project team has been meeting and will continue to meet with residents, farmers, city councils, resource agencies and other stakeholders as they begin preparing the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The information and feedback that is gathered during the upcoming months will continue to help improve the alternatives with the goal of finding a transportation solution that will benefit western Davis and Weber Counties.

Through spring 2012, the team will continue to perform a thoroughly detailed analysis on the alternatives. The results of this analysis will be reflected in the DEIS, which will be

made available for public comment and presented at public hearings in summer 2012. After the formal comment period next summer, any resulting changes will be included in a Final EIS which will be made available to the public in spring 2013. A final decision on a preferred alternative is not expected until 2013.

As always, we encourage you to share your thoughts and ask questions. If you would like to meet with a study representative or hold a neighborhood meeting, please call or email us. Our project hotline is 877-298-1991, or email us at westdavis@utah.gov.



Thank You

A big "THANK YOU" to the 2nd grade classes at West Haven Elementary for making Ornaments to be displayed on the Christmas Tree at City Hall.



CERT

HAM Radio Communication Training

A HAM radio is a great communication option in the event of a disaster or when traditional communication methods (cell phones/land lines) are limited or become unusable. To use a HAM radio, one needs to pass a test and obtain an amateur radio license. A Technician HAM radio training course will be held January 4 - January 25. Class will be held once a week, 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Weber County Sheriff's Office, 721 West 12th Street in Ogden. The test will be on February 1. One can register for this class at ogdenarc.org. For more information, contact Stephanie Carlson at 801-643-0224.

Basic CERT Training January 19 thru March 1

Class will be held once a week, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Ogden. To register, or for more information, contact Tammy at 801-778-6686.

There is a \$30 participation fee for all new CERT participants. The fee covers the government required personal safety gear which is issued to each participant at the beginning of the class. West Haven City will reimburse the first 25 residents to complete the CERT training this fiscal year.

What is CERT?

CERT stands for "Community Emergency Response Team". CERT is a group of individuals who have taken the CERT training and have the basic skills needed to be better prepared in the case of an emergency.

-Council Member Stephanie Carlson