

WEST JORDAN  
GOOD NEIGHBOR  
**NEWS**

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**JUNE 2022**

**MAYOR'S MESSAGE**



Get your calendars ready because West Jordan is gearing up for all our summer events and activities!

As a resident, you know that West Jordan is a city that was built on fantastic

traditions. Our first Western Stampedo Rodeo was held in 1954, when The City of West Jordan was the Town of West Jordan. Back then, the town's board president suggested it sponsor a fourth of July celebration as a community project. Board members agreed to chair different committees and assigned responsibilities to civic organizations and church groups to make the event happen. That's when the Western Stampedo celebration was born.

Volunteers contributed their time, labor, and equipment. They laid cinderblocks for the ticket booth and refreshment stand; others went as far as bringing their own backhoe to help bury pipe for the new bathrooms.

Today, the city offers a number of events throughout the summer. Many of which wouldn't be made possible without the volunteers that offer their time and services.

A lot has changed but many things still stay the same. Our events are made possible by hardworking residents who have a love for our city and for these spectacular traditions.

If you'd like to become a volunteer for the city, please visit our website: [westjordan.utah.gov](http://westjordan.utah.gov).

Sincerely,

Mayor Dirk Burton

# WESTERN STAMPEDO

From July 1st to 4th

Rodeo, Carnival, Grand Parade, Fireworks, Food Trucks and More!

## Rodeo Tickets Start at \$8

Visit [WesternStampede.com](http://WesternStampede.com) for tickets and more information

### FRIDAY JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>

**CARNIVAL**  
4:00 PM - 11 PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

**PRCA RODEO**  
7:30 PM - 10 PM  
RODEO ARENA

**FOOD TRUCKS**  
4:00 PM - 11 PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

**VENDOR FAIR**  
4 PM - 9 PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

### SATURDAY JULY 2<sup>ND</sup>

**CARNIVAL**  
1:00 PM - 11 PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

**PRCA RODEO**  
7:30 PM - 10 PM  
RODEO ARENA

**FOOD TRUCKS**  
1:00 PM - 11 PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

**VENDOR FAIR**  
1:00 PM - 9 PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

**SPIKEBALL**  
STARTS AT 9:00 AM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

**5K RUN**  
STARTS AT 8:30 AM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

### SUNDAY JULY 3<sup>RD</sup>

**CARNIVAL**  
5:00 PM - 10 PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

**FOOD TRUCKS**  
5:00 PM - 10 PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

### MONDAY JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>

**PARADE**  
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM  
REDWOOD ROAD

**CARNIVAL**  
11:00 AM - 11PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

**RODEO**  
7:30 PM - 10 PM  
WEST JORDAN ARENA

**FIREWORKS**  
STARTS AT 10:15 PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

**VENDOR FAIR**  
1:00 PM - 9 PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

**FOOD TRUCKS**  
11:00 AM - 11PM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK



The City of West Jordan would like to extend a special thank you to Itineris Early College High School for pulling weeds at the Big Bend Habitat Restoration along the Jordan River trail. Mayor Dirk Burton stopped by to pull a few weeds himself. Thank you, Itineris Early College High School Students!!





## Salt Lake County Adopts West General Plan

The Salt Lake County Council has voted to adopt the West General Plan, guiding the long-term vision for conservation and development in the westernmost unincorporated areas of the County, after four years of planning and engagement with municipalities and stakeholders.

The Plan's area has a diverse geography, from the shorelines of the Great Salt Lake to the Oquirrh Mountains and south to the Traverse Mountains. The Plan serves as a starting conversation for the region to manage the growth that is coming.

"We want to come to a cohesive regional solution together," said Helen Peters, Salt Lake County Planning & Transportation director. "The West General Plan is innovative in its vision and the result of years of listening and collaboration."

During the 4-year process, Salt Lake County met with the eight bordering municipalities, landowners, stakeholders, the military, and the public more than 125 times.

"Early on, we set the standard with the team that the County would engage more with stakeholders and the public in this planning process than ever before," Mayor Jenny Wilson said. "It takes a village to establish a vision for the future. I'm grateful to the municipalities, landowners, and residents who invested their time to produce the final plan we have today. The West

General Plan will be critical to smart growth in our unincorporated areas."

Surveys of thousands of residents showed top concerns in the Plan area were traffic and transportation, housing, air quality, and water. The Plan outlines goals and strategies for three elements required by the State: land use; housing; and transportation.

But Salt Lake County also included five additional elements of importance in the Plan: environment and conservation; water conservation; parks, trails, and recreation; economy; utilities and public safety.

The plan's inclusion of and vision for water conservation is unique – a first in a County general plan and incorporated before 2022 Legislative action. It also emphasizes planned communities and smart growth for the open land that remains in the west. An important part of that is conservation and space for recreation and trails. Both will positively impact the valley's air, as well as residents' health and quality of life.

Multiple entities support the adoption of the West General plan, including the City of West Jordan.

"Salt Lake County's West General Plan sets realistic expectations for future growth on the west side for infrastructure needs," said West Jordan Mayor Dirk Burton. "It also provides a great jumping-off point for growth-related discussions with neighboring municipalities, as well as County officials, moving forward."

To explore the different parts of the West General Plan, visit <https://slco.org/west-plan>.



Photo courtesy: Jake Young

**FOOD Truck**  
ROUND UP

**RON WOOD PARK**  
**EVERY TUESDAY**  
MAY 31 - SEPT 27 @ 5 - 8 PM

**FOR MORE INFO**  
**PLEASE VISIT**  
[THEFOODTRUCKLEAGUE.COM/FINDTRUCKS](http://THEFOODTRUCKLEAGUE.COM/FINDTRUCKS)

WEST JORDAN

**MEET THE MAYOR**  
SALT LAKE COUNTY AND WEST JORDAN CITY  
WELCOME YOU

**Saturday, June 25**  
**Mayor Burton at 4pm**  
**Free Event!**

SALT LAKE COUNTY'S WEST JORDAN OUTDOOR POOL  
8125 SOUTH 2200 WEST  
[slco.org/west-jordan-pool](http://slco.org/west-jordan-pool) | (385)-468-1941

SALT LAKE COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION

WEST JORDAN



## The Right Documents, Right Now

### A MESSAGE FROM WEST JORDAN'S EMERGENCY MANAGER

**SCENARIO:** The City of West Jordan just suffered a 7.0 M earthquake which caused a lot of damage to infrastructure and homes and forced many people into shelters.

Imagine you and your family in a shelter and following a short stay, you return to your home, only to find a family "squatting" there, and claiming that it is their home.

What about this scenario? Following the earthquake, you find the location where the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has set up its disaster assistance unit, and they don't believe you are who you say you are, because you've lost your wallet or purse. And they don't believe that your children are yours.

There are other examples, but you get the point. Proving your identity, ownership, and insurance/title information can make the difference between getting disaster assistance or having to go find proof. During a mandatory evacuation and curfews, good luck finding proof.

A quick recovery is much easier with all the right information/documents. Build a binder that contains identification information for you and your family, which has an inventory of valuables in your home, photos, titles, deeds, insurance, wills, trusts, financial information, etc. This would also be a good place to stash some cash and a thumb drive with this data.

You may be thinking, "That's it! I have it all on a thumb drive, so no need for a binder."

During disasters, most often, the power goes out making information on a thumb drive a challenge to access. Flooding could cause damage to your electronic data as well.

The above examples are not exaggerations. Assistance centers, law enforcement and other public safety organizations, have had to deal with these very problems during disasters.

Having the right documentation could have made the difference in these family's lives.

Don't wait, start gathering documents that will help you and your family help to recover more quickly, rather than being told, "...you'll have to go have a seat and wait."

If you would like information for building your emergency binder, or about emergency preparedness in general, contact Jeffery Mulcahy, West Jordan Emergency Manager, 801-834-8502, or [jmulcahy@westjordan.utah.gov](mailto:jmulcahy@westjordan.utah.gov).

## COUNCIL CORNER

Now that summer is knocking on our doors, let's take another moment to talk about water. While swimming pools, reservoirs, lakes, rivers, and splashpads are great places for family fun, they can be dangerous without following proper safety measures.

There are several steps you can take to keep you and others safe while playing in water this summer.

First, teaching children how to swim is not only a fun activity, but also a lifesaving skill. Small children should also be taught to stay away from drains or suction outlets in shallow pools, so they don't get stuck.

Second, even when there is a lifeguard at the body of water where your family is swimming, parents and caregivers should continue to serve as "water watchers."

"Water watchers are adults who are tasked with supervising children in the water," explained Council Member Melissa Worthen. "A water watcher shouldn't be reading, texting, or playing games on their phone while watching. Sometimes it is helpful to have multiple adults available to take turns being the water watchers during these outings so everyone can enjoy their day and find some time to relax."

Third, if you are boating, kayaking, paddle boarding, or floating, make sure you have life jackets on board that fit everyone properly.

"According to the U.S. Coast Guard, you will know a life jacket fits properly if it fits snugly and does not rise above the wearer's chin or ears while in the water," said Council Member Kelvin Green. "Don't forget that children 12 years and younger must wear a life jacket when participating in motorized, paddling, and floating water crafts."

Following these tips can help you have a fantastic summer by creating a framework where you can "cool off" in the water safely!

## 1300 West Construction

The City of West Jordan, in cooperation with the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), plans to widen 1300 West between Winchester Street and



9400 South. The proposed project will create a consistent cross-section with one lane in each direction, a center turn lane, where possible, bike lanes and sidewalk.

If funding allows, additional features could include full width pavement rehabilitation, street lighting, curb, gutter, and other drainage upgrades.

Roadway construction will be phased as funding allows, with Phase 1 planned for 2023. More detailed phasing information will follow. The project has a dedicated communications team to assist

with questions or comments. Please feel free to contact the public information team by phone: 888-556-0232 or by email: [1300WConstruction@gmail.com](mailto:1300WConstruction@gmail.com).



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## DUMPSTER DROP-OFF DAYS

### June 11th and October 8th

Located at Public Works Maintenance Yard  
7960 South 4000 West  
7 AM to 3 PM



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p><b>JUNE 7</b></p> <p><b>COMMUNITY MARKET</b></p> <p>Ron Wood Park 5 – 8 p.m.</p>	<p><b>JUNE 7</b></p> <p><b>FOOD TRUCK ROUNDUP</b></p> <p>Ron Wood Park 5 – 8 p.m.</p>	<p><b>JUNE 7</b></p> <p><b>PLANNING COMMISSION</b></p> <p>View the agenda at <a href="http://westjordan.utah.gov">westjordan.utah.gov</a> or watch at: <a href="http://bit.ly/WestJordan">bit.ly/WestJordan</a> 6 – 9 p.m.</p>
<p><b>JUNE 8</b></p> <p><b>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</b></p> <p>View the agenda at <a href="http://westjordan.utah.gov">westjordan.utah.gov</a> or watch at: <a href="http://bit.ly/WestJordan">bit.ly/WestJordan</a> 7 – 10:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>JUNE 14</b></p> <p><b>FOOD TRUCK ROUNDUP</b></p> <p>Ron Wood Park 5 – 8 p.m.</p>	<p><b>JUNE 18</b></p> <p><b>BIKE WITH THE MAYOR</b></p> <p>Ron Wood Park</p>
<p><b>JUNE 18</b></p> <p><b>BABYSITTING CLASS</b></p> <p>West Jordan Fire Department <a href="http://westjordan.utah.gov">westjordan.utah.gov</a></p>	<p><b>JUNE 20</b></p> <p><b>JUNETEENTH</b> (Observed, City buildings closed)</p>	<p><b>JUNE 21</b></p> <p><b>FOOD TRUCK ROUNDUP</b></p> <p>Ron Wood Park 5 – 8 p.m.</p>
<p><b>JUNE 21</b></p> <p><b>PLANNING COMMISSION</b></p> <p>View the agenda at <a href="http://westjordan.utah.gov">westjordan.utah.gov</a> or watch at: <a href="http://bit.ly/WestJordan">bit.ly/WestJordan</a> 6 – 9 p.m.</p>	<p><b>JUNE 22</b></p> <p><b>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</b></p> <p>View the agenda at <a href="http://westjordan.utah.gov">westjordan.utah.gov</a> or watch at: <a href="http://bit.ly/WestJordan">bit.ly/WestJordan</a> 7 – 10:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>JUNE 28</b></p> <p><b>FOOD TRUCK ROUNDUP</b></p> <p>Ron Wood Park 5 – 8 p.m.</p>



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West Jordan – City Hall

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8040 S. Redwood Rd.  
West Jordan, Utah 84088  
801-256-2000  
801-840-4000 Dispatch

**BABYSITTING CLASSES**

MUST BE AGES 12-14 TO ENROLL  
CLASS FEE IS \$25  
CALL OR TEXT AT 385-602-3960  
FOR MORE INFO

**WEST JORDAN**

TO REGISTER, VISIT: [WESTJORDAN.UTAH.GOV/FIRE](http://WESTJORDAN.UTAH.GOV/FIRE)

## What's that BOOM!?

West Jordan residents have reported hearing booms and feeling rumblings over the last few weeks. We now know the culprit and know to expect more booms throughout the Summer and Fall.

The Tooele Army Depot's detonation season lasts from April 1st through October 31st. The detonations start in the morning and go through the afternoon. Officials post schedules and updates for the week every Monday on what residents can expect.

The Army Depot conducts detonations on old, obsolete, and damaged explosives. This makes way for safer storage of explosives for soldiers.

**YOUR DRINKING WATER IS TESTED MORE THAN 100 TIMES EACH MONTH.**

VIEW THE WEST JORDAN WATER QUALITY REPORT AT [WESTJORDAN.UTAH.GOV/PUBLIC-WORKS/WATER](http://WESTJORDAN.UTAH.GOV/PUBLIC-WORKS/WATER)

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