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CITY CHOOSES PREFERRED ALIGNMENT FOR WEST DAVIS CORRIDOR

More information can be found on UDOT's website, udot.utah.gov/westdavis.

There are some important points we want to emphasize at this time to try to keep the community informed:

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While the City has expressed a "preferred alignment" choice, do not assume this is fixed at this time. UDOT still has to finish their environmental assessments and obtain approvals with the Federal Highway Administration for the various choices before a final alignment can be set. Each choice has different pros and cons and must be evaluated.

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Physical design features, widths and exact property impacts have yet to be determined for any of the alignment choices. The City is working with UDOT to get them talking to large stakeholders to address specific concerns. For example, this C-1 alignment would impact the Oakridge Golf Course and the Shepard Lane area and the City wants those impacts to be as minimal as possible.

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Construction is a long way off and both funding and dates are uncertain at this time. Think of the three largest stages of the project this way and it makes more sense: Stage 1) Determination of alignment, public input, environmental impacts and costs;

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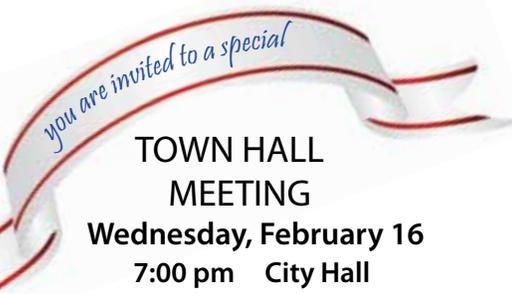
UDOT recently asked Farmington to pick a preferred alignment choice for the West Davis Corridor, which is the continuation of Legacy Highway to points north and will significantly impact area residents in the coming years. The C-1 alternative is preferred by the City because it keeps the north/south traffic in a consolidated area parallel to I-15 and is the least costly of the three choices. The other alternatives (A-1 and B-1) would have more negative impact on West side residents, wetlands and would create major challenges for future development. The City is quite pleased C-1 is being considered because both the A-1 and B-1 alternatives were strongly opposed in past discussions for a variety of reasons. Within this newsletter is a copy of the Resolution and Exhibit expressing the City's preferred alignment choice. We strongly encourage you to stay informed and attend one of the UDOT public input open houses listed below.

February 8 - West Point City Hall
or online

February 9 - Legacy Events Center
in Farmington

February 10 - West Haven
Elementary

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TOWN HALL MEETING Wednesday, February 16 7:00 pm City Hall

Senator Stuart Adams and Representatives Julie Fisher and Roger Barrus will attend Farmington's February 16th Town Hall meeting to discuss legislative issues. Don't miss this special opportunity to meet with Davis County legislators and hear first hand about the issues that affect our city and state.

CODE ENFORCEMENT SURVEY

Farmington City is seeking your input regarding the City's code enforcement program and its effectiveness in making and keeping Farmington a beautiful place to live, work and do business. Enclosed with this newsletter you will find a survey. Please take time to complete it, fold it in half, secure the three open sides with tape, stamp it and drop it in the mail.

Stage 2) Funding approval for property acquisition and design; and Stage 3) Actual construction.

City staff and Mayor Harbertson have recently met with officials from UDOT to receive a preliminary update of UDOT's analysis of the pros and cons of the three proposed alignments of the West Davis Corridor through Farmington. Considerable past public input has been sought from residents and businesses and the City has always preferred the proposed C-1 alternative. While this alternative in the past was thought not practical by some, UDOT, upon more specific study, now believes this alternative is very possible. UDOT plans to present all three alternatives in public forums in the coming months and has asked the City to express its preferred alignment choice as part of that public input process. This resolution was prepared for that purpose and staff recommends approval. The resolution has been signed by Mayor Harbertson and forwarded to UDOT to assist them as they focus on the final alignment of the West Davis Corridor.

RESOLUTION WEST DAVIS CORRIDOR

WHEREAS, UDOT has been studying proposed alignments for the future West Davis Corridor (WDC) through Farmington and has requested the City to express its preferred alignment decision as part of the public input process; and

WHEREAS, UDOT has identified multiple alignment possibilities which all have positive and negative effects on Farmington area residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, UDOT has now identified multiple possible alignments which may be summarized into three groups as shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, that being Option A-1 on the extreme westerly side of the City, Option B-1 through the center of the west



Map of City's Preferred Alignment for West Davis Corridor

side of the City along the D R G & W historic railroad right of way, and Option C-1 paralleling I-15 between Park Lane and Shepard Lane; and

WHEREAS, the City has received substantial public input from city residents, business owners, traffic consultants related to these options; and

WHEREAS, the City has previously expressed a desire for the alternative most closely following the I-15 corridor, or the C-1 alignment, as set forth in its 2005 Master Transportation Plan; but was informed in past discussions with UDOT this alternative may not be viable; and

WHEREAS, the City is strongly opposed to Option B-1 because it splits the city into long, thin, rectangular zones which will be very difficult to service with future infrastructure and hinder economic development within the City's planned commercial areas and is the least desirable of the three choices; and

WHEREAS, the City believes Option A-1 would be a second choice to Option C-1 because of its greater impact on area wetlands and its failure to serve but a small fraction of west side residents' transportation needs; and

WHEREAS, the City reluctantly modified its Master Transportation

Plan in 2009 to accommodate Option A-1 based upon information provided at that time by UDOT that Option C-1 would not be considered; and

WHEREAS, based upon more in-depth study and analysis by UDOT, Option C-1 now appears to be a very viable alternative, the City will seek to modify its Transportation Master Plan accordingly should that option be approved by Federal Highways; and

WHEREAS, based on all this input and analysis, the City believes that Option C-1 would have the least negative impact on wetlands, relocation of existing homes, noise generation, current and future area businesses, and would have the most positive effects to address current and future area transportation needs,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF FARMINGTON CITY, STATE OF UTAH, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Preferred Alignment. Farmington City formally conveys to UDOT as part of the public input process that for all reasons cited above that Option C-1 is the preferred alignment of the West Davis Corridor

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

February 2011



Feb 1	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
Feb 9	WED	UDOT WDC Public Input Open House Legacy Events Center see page 1 for details	4:30 - 8:00 pm
Feb 10	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm
Feb 15	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
Feb 16	WED	Town Hall Meeting at City Hall Meet with Senator Stuart Adams and Representatives Julie Fisher & Roger Barrus	7:00 pm
Feb 17	THURS	City Trails Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm
Feb 21	MON	Presidents Day City Offices Closed	
Feb 23	WED	Historic Preservation Commission 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm public welcome
Feb 24	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm

...just a few more weeks to go...

Farmington City Ordinance states that from November 15 through February 28, no vehicles of any kind may be parked in the street right-of-way from 1:00 am to 7:00 am. Traffic citations will be issued to violators.

Within 48 hours after snowfall stops, citizens are required to remove snow on the public sidewalks fronting their residences. More snowplow information is available on the city website.



Eric Johnson and Margy Lomax have been recognized by Farmington officials and the Bountiful Elks Lodge for their outstanding contributions to our community. CONGRATULATIONS!

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Parks & Recreation.....451-0953
Building Inspection.....451-2383
Water Department.....451-2624
Planning & Zoning.....451-2383
Historical Museum.....451-4850
Animal Control.....444-2200
Garbage.....825-3800
Benchland Water District.....482-4929
Weber Water District.....771-1677

After Hours Emergency

Davis County Sheriff.....451-4150
Emergency.....911

Farmington City Hall
160 South Main
P O Box 160
Farmington, Utah 84025

PARKS & RECREATION

Parks & Recreation 720 West 100 North 801-451-0953

MILLIE PERFORMANCES

When? March 23rd-March 26th
Time? 7pm & 1pm matinee on Sat
Cost? \$5 per person or \$20 per family of five

Come enjoy watching some of Farmington City's talented youth perform this fun musical. Play will be held at the Community Arts Center.

NEEDED TENNIS INSTRUCTOR

If you would like to teach summer tennis please contact Rich @ 451-0953

VOLUNTEERS

Farmington City is always looking for people who would like to help with programs & shows. If you have interest in producing the summer musical, The Secret Garden, please contact Parks & Recreation.

FOR INFORMATION ON BASEBALL SIGN-UPS VISIT:

WWW.FARMINGTON
BASEBALL.INFO

ADULT SOCCER COMING SOON! WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION...

LITTLE MISS DRAWING

Who? ages 6-10

If you would like a chance for your daughter to be crowned Little Miss Farmington, please bring your information to Parks & Recreation between Jan 31st & Feb 11th. If you have any questions call 451-0953.

BEGINNING WATERCOLOR

When? March 15th-April 26th
Time? 4pm

Register now through March 11th or until full.

BALLROOM DANCE

When? March 4th, March 11th, April 1st & April 15th
Time? 7:30pm

Taught by experienced dance pro Richard Driggs. If you have any questions call 451-0953.

FARMINGTON FLASH SOCCER

Who? ages 3 years - 6th grade
When? April-May
Time? 5:30pm or 6:30pm

Register now through March 4th

GOT TALENT AUDITIONS

When? Feb 12th
Time? 10am-2pm
Cost? \$10/residents
\$20/non-residents

Proceeds will go to benefit Breast Cancer Research and the Children's Miracle Network. Please call 451-0953 to schedule a time to audition.

ART ATTACK

When? March 15th-April 26th
Time? 4pm

Register now through March 11th or until full.

Art is a difficult word to define. Some assume that in order to see art they must visit a museum or listen to a symphony or read classical literature.

Here in Farmington, Rebecca Mann reminds us not only of the necessity of art in our lives, but its abundance—if we only remember how to look for it.



R E B E C C A M A N N

“You love life,” Rebecca states, “and you see something that’s beautiful, and you think ‘oh, I want to capture that’ ... it’s the drama of life.”

Rebecca Mann, a Farmington resident for over thirty years, has been painting since she was eight years old, and is just as passionate about it now as she was then. From the colors in the sky to the cars flowing past her house on Main Street, she has learned to find happiness—and art—in the simplest things of life. When asked about how she finds inspiration for her paintings, she is quick to use an example of a regular day seen through an artist’s eyes. “One autumn morning I got up and opened the door. The leaves had all fallen on the ground,” she explains, “and the lights were on up and down the street, just enough, and there was a wind. The streets were covered with leaves and suddenly all the leaves fluttered along the ground to the left and then fluttered to the right. You’ve seen pictures of crabs on the beach—the whole thing moved... it was really inter-

esting. I thought, ‘I’m sorry no one is getting to enjoy this but me.’ I loved it.” And Rebecca has passed on her love for art and for life not only to her three children, but also to her community.

Prompted by a strong desire to be involved in art, Rebecca decided to lease the Rock Barn as an art studio. “It was frightening to open my own business, but it was a fun adventure and each month I was able to break even. I was doing what I loved. It was the smartest thing I ever did.” As word spread, artists brought their work to the Rock Barn. Rebecca’s involvement with the art community grew. However, the time spent interfacing with other artists and in matting and framing, left her no time to paint. Eventually, Rebecca decided that if she was ever going to paint, she would have to back out of showing other artists’ work. A few years

later, Rebecca and Gene added on to the Rock Barn and moved into it, making it her business and her home. Although the Rock Barn is now being leased as offices, Rebecca speaks of it as a place of beginning, of inspiration, and perhaps most importantly, of art. “Sometimes I look back and wonder now what if I hadn’t lived on Main Street?” Rebecca smiles. “It would have been an entirely different story.”

Rebecca’s art can be found in buildings and homes all over the state. “I’ve been so blessed. There have been so many businesses I have painted for. They have sustained me.”

Rebecca’s paintings are a beautiful reminder that art can be found where we look for it, and beauty is only a glance away.

through the City of Farmington should approval by obtained from Federal Highways.

Section 2. 2nd Choice. Farmington City would prefer Option A-1 only if Option C-1 cannot be built.

Section 3 No support. Farmington City would not support Option B-1 as a viable alternative.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF FARMINGTON CITY, STATE OF UTAH, THIS 4TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2011.

Code Enforcement Survey continued

If you prefer to complete the survey online, you may do so on the Farmington City website, www.farmington.utah.gov. Please complete and return surveys by February 28, 2011. Your input will help city officials develop a plan for addressing code enforcement violations throughout the city. It will also provide valuable feedback on the effectiveness of the current code enforcement program at encouraging compliance with ordinances dealing with issues such as junk vehicles, weeds, graffiti, noise, illegal dumping, illegal signs, and zoning violations. Code enforcement efforts are budget-driven and this survey will help officials determine and/or allocate limited resources related to this city responsibility. Again, thank you for your participation and willingness to help keep Farmington a beautiful place.

W A N T E D

Arts and Special Events Coordinator

Farmington City is now recruiting for an Arts and Special Events Coordinator. Applications may be filled out and resumes submitted at the Parks and Recreation Department (720 West 100 North). Closing deadline is 5pm on February 11, 2011. For additional information call 801-451-0953.

Part Time Secretary

The Farmington City Community Development Department is seeking part time secretarial help (up to 30 hours per week). Applicant must have good people and computer skills, and be proficient in organizing, filing, and record keeping. Applications can be obtained from the website, www.farmington.utah.gov. Send completed application/resume by 5:00 pm on Friday, February 8, 2011 to City Hall, 160 South Main, Farmington, Utah 84025, or via email to hgadd@farmington.utah.gov. For further information please call Melissa Jackson at 801-939-9215 or Holly Gadd at 801-939-9205. Farmington is an equal opportunity employer.

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