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ENVISION LAYTON

What is Envision LAYTON?

Envision LAYTON is a community visioning effort.

It began with the Layton City Council and Planning Commission looking for a creative and effective way to gather public input in a city-wide planning effort to update the City's General Plan.

The General Plan outlines the goals and policies for the growth and development of the City. Working with a matching grant from the Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC), Layton City has enlisted the help of Envision Utah to facilitate a city-wide public outreach and visioning effort, known as Envision LAYTON.

Envision LAYTON is guided by a citizen-led Executive Committee and Stakeholder Group, appointed by the Mayor and City Council. The Executive Committee is heading the Envision LAYTON effort and they are committed to a transparent and public process in which citizens can explore the challenges associated with growth and work toward the creation of a long-term vision for the City.

The charge of the Stakeholder Group is to interact with City residents, through a series of public workshops, to examine a baseline of growth and create a range of scenarios (snapshots of potential futures) to ultimately select a preferred scenario (or vision) to guide the growth and development of Layton City over the next 35 years.

Increasingly, Layton is known as a major hub of economic activity in northern Utah and the Wasatch Front. Conservative estimates predict that by 2050 Layton's present population of about 72,000 people will reach over 100,000 residents. Given the likelihood of continued growth, it is helpful to examine our recent development patterns in order to discover what life might be like if we continue growing as we have in the past.

The charge for residents and decision makers throughout the Envision LAYTON process, is envisioning a place that our children and grandchildren will appreciate—a place that preserves and enhances the quality of life that residents currently enjoy. Challenges associated with this task include thinking about growth and redevelopment locations with regard to transportation, economic development, job growth, agriculture, housing, open space, and recreation.

The Envision LAYTON Stakeholder Group held a successful Kickoff Meeting on January 6, 2105 to begin preparing for upcoming public workshops this spring and later this summer. Several community-wide issues came to light during the kickoff meeting including the need to examine growth specifically as it relates to transportation, farmland, jobs, affordable housing and Layton's identity.

Since January 6, Layton City and Envision Utah staff have been working on the mapping and data behind a baseline growth scenario, as well as public survey questions, the project web page and materials for the upcoming public workshops.

ADD YOUR VOICE TO THE CONVERSATION!

Layton residents and business owners will have the opportunity to participate in the conversation about anticipated growth in our community. Upcoming public workshops will give citizens and business owners the opportunity to brainstorm how growth and redevelopment should occur in coming decades. There will also be an opportunity for the public to provide input online through the project web page.

Envision LAYTON

Public Workshops – Spring 2015

Two identical Public Workshops are offered for the convenience of Layton residents to choose a date that works best.

Wednesday, April 29:

Public Workshop - 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Layton High School (Commons Area)

440 Wasatch Drive, Layton, UT

Tuesday, May 5:

Public Workshop - 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Layton High School (Commons Area)

440 Wasatch Drive, Layton, UT

Check project web page for project updates beginning April 1st at www.envisionlayton.org

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Citizen preferences will be captured and analyzed relative to a “baseline” growth scenario to create various “growth scenarios”—potential pictures of the future that address growth, including housing, transportation, open space, and employment in different ways. Residents are invited to participate in one of two upcoming Public Workshops, which will engage participants in interactive activities to document community desires. During the workshops residents will have the opportunity to participate in keypad surveys and Stakeholder Group members will facilitate small group discussions called “Conversation Cafés” to identify what is great about Layton and what needs to be preserved or enhanced for 2050. Participants will then engage in a fun and creative mapping exercise to show, for example, how and where growth makes sense, including the location of housing and desired/types of jobs in the City.

The Public Workshops are scheduled for Wednesday, April 29 and Tuesday, May 5, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Layton High School. The workshops will be identical so you may choose which date best fits your schedule. The input from these workshops will be used to craft various growth scenarios for future input and evaluation during a second set of Public Workshops late Summer/early Fall 2015. These are decisions that Layton residents must make together.

Check project web page for project updates beginning April 1st at www.envisionlayton.org



Public Workshop Mapping Exercise

SEWER, GARBAGE UTILITY RATE INCREASES IN LAYTON

The City Council is currently going through the budget process for fiscal year 2015-2016. Part of this process is a review of utility rates for water, storm sewer, sanitary sewer, refuse, and street lighting.

As was noted last year in a letter from Mayor Stevenson, the North Davis Sewer District (NDSD) will be raising their rates again effective July 1, 2015. The base sewer rate for both residential and commercial customers will go from the current amount of \$20.45 per month to \$23.45 per month. This increase is solely associated with activities of the NDSD and does not represent an increase by the City. It is also anticipated that NDSD will increase rates an additional \$3 in 2017 and 2018.

The City is currently renegotiating the refuse collection contract with Waste Management. It is proposed; that citizens and customers of refuse services will see an increase of \$0.35 per month on their first can and \$0.25 per month on their second can. This increase represents a 1.8% increase in the cost of the contract. Based on the proposed contract this increase should cover collection through June 30, 2020.

The rates for water, storm sewer, and street lighting will remain unchanged during fiscal year 2015-2016.

LAYTON TRIVIA

- The Layton area had an outbreak of diphtheria in 1892, prompting the closure of schools for most of the year.
- In an 1850 census, the Layton area had just 61 residents.
- Verdeland Park, a government housing project, located where Commons Park is now, had 1,450 residents in February of 1944.
- The Layton Trailer Park, 300 units, used to sit where today’s Layton Hills Mall is, from the early 1940s, to the 1970s.
- The first time the Layton area had a woman leader was in 1937, when Mable Sills Adams was the town board president of Laytona (annexed into Layton in 1957).
- Chlorination was first added to Layton’s culinary water system in August of 1929.
- The first “park” in Layton was a “downtown park” at 20 South Main.
- Layton’s first motel appeared in 1944, the Jim and Dick’s Motel, at 46 North Main Street.



The historic Layton Sugar Factory, started in 1915, was demolished in 1972.

'LOST INDUSTRIES' FEATURED AT THE HERITAGE MUSEUM OF LAYTON

Did you know that most of Layton City used to run on the factory whistle? For some 44 years, from 1915 to 1959, the change of shift whistles at the Layton Sugar Company – particularly the 4 p.m. siren – is what many Layton residents used to set their clocks by. “Lost Industries,” a fascinating look back at some of the key agricultural industries of old in Layton and Kaysville, is the new featured exhibit at the Heritage Museum of Layton. Located at 403 North Wasatch Drive, this display will be open through November.

According to Bill Sanders, Museum Curator, to remember these businesses, the museum has gathered pictures and artifacts that tell the story of how important these businesses were to the development of Davis County and the State of Utah. “The economic impact was huge,” Sanders said of these industries; especially back in the era before Hill Air Force Base, when Layton was principally a rural, agricultural community.

With the progress of time, most of these industries had closed their doors by the mid-1950s. Agriculture was the basis for most of these businesses and they became the victims of urbanization as Davis County grew in population during the 1950s and 1960s and the available farmland decreased. The earliest of these “Lost Industries” were the grist and flour mills. In 1854, John Weinel built the first grist mill in the northern end of Davis County. This Kaysville mill operated for over 40 years and was one of the area’s most important businesses.

In 1866, Christopher Layton (namesake of Layton City) and William Jennings established the Layton Flour Mill in Kaysville, just a block and a half west of the Weinel Mill. This mill was steam powered and operated for over 35 years. In 1890, the Layton Milling and Elevator Company was established and in 1902 the Kaysville Flour Company was started.

In 1922, these two mills were combined into one company and these two mills produced thousands and thousands of pounds of processed flour that was sold throughout the western United States.

In 1892, the first canning company was established in Davis County and within ten years, there were five canneries operating in Woods Cross, Kaysville, Layton, Syracuse and Clearfield. These plants processed and canned peas, beans, corn, tomatoes, and produced ketchup and pickles. All were gone by the 1950s.

In 1915, the granddaddy of all such area industries, the Layton Sugar Company, was established on what became known as Sugar Street. Thousands of acres of land were devoted to the raising of sugar beets and the Layton factory produced “Mountain Brand” sugar for 44 years. At one time the Layton Sugar Company was the largest employer in Davis County and boasted an adjacent hotel. The factory, which was located just northwest of today’s Smith’s Plant, closed in 1959 and most of its equipment went to a factory in Garland, Utah. Sanders said it was Hill AFB that killed the sugar beet industry in the area. Farmers could earn a much better salary – with benefits – by working at Hill. Also, the rising popularity of cane sugar was another factor.

Layton and Kaysville were also large producers of cattle, horses and sheep. By the mid-1920s thousands of sheep and cattle were loaded onto railcars in Layton and shipped to eastern markets. For example, in 1925, a huge shipment of Layton area sheep was orchestrated by Dell Adams. Some 64 railcars holding 17,391 sheep were shipped from Layton to the east. Two important ranching companies were the Morgan Land and Livestock Company and the Thornley Land and Livestock Company. Both ceased operation in the 1930s, victims of the Great Depression.

In 1915, Dr. Summer Gleason started the Utah Fruit Juice Company in Kaysville. It processed cherries, apricots and peaches for sale to restaurants and grocery stores in Salt Lake City and Ogden as well as other large cities in the West. Over 9,000 quarts of fruit juice were processed per year.

This business died as a result of the Great Depression, but not before the Gleason Early Elberta Peach was developed by Gleason, a variety that’s still a mainstay in Utah today – particularly the Brigham City area. The museum hours are: Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 1-5 p.m. The museum is closed on Sundays and Mondays. Admission is free.



The entrance to the Heritage Museum of Layton.



An interior portion of the "Lost Industries" exhibit.



Some old cans produced in Layton's industries of old.

LAYTON CITY POLICE'S TWO VITAL K9 MEMBERS

The Layton Police Department has had police K9's as partners helping to serve and protect our community for nearly 25 years. As a result of their service, large quantities of illegal drugs have been seized, and many criminals have been apprehended.

The department currently has two PSD's (Police Service Dogs) in service.

PSD TRUS:

Handler: Officer Kelley
 Breed: Belgian Malinois
 Born: October 8, 2009
 Weight: 61.5 pounds
 Birthplace: Germany
 Certifications: Patrol and Narcotics

PSD UTAH:

Handler: Officer Howard
 Breed: Belgian Malinois
 Born: November 21, 2008
 Weight: 61.5 pounds
 Birthplace: Slovakia
 Certifications: Patrol and Narcotics

These dogs live with their handlers and come to work every day eager to perform and please.

If you see Layton's K9 Officers around town, feel free to stop and meet them and ask questions but remember that these dogs are not pets and are focused on doing what they are trained to do.

Always ask the handler for permission before approaching the dogs.



Trus the Police Dog.



Utah the Police Dog.

POLICE ADVICE ON 'ACTIVE SHOOTER' SITUATIONS

Unfortunately there are reports about "Active Shooter" type incidents more and more often these days. Some have speculated that the media is simply reporting them more, but FBI data indicates that mass shooting events are in fact on the rise.

(<http://leb.fbi.gov/2014/january/active-shooter-events-from-2000-to-2012>).

Responsible citizens should consider what to do if they found themselves in that situation, and have a plan to respond. The Layton Police Department works with local businesses and employers to integrate their emergency procedures with what the Public Safety response will look like.

The Layton Police Department encourages employers and the public to generally follow these guidelines:

Option 1: RUN

If you even suspect that someone is actively shooting or similarly threatening people where you are, and you are able to get out of the area, DO IT! Evacuating the area greatly reduces the number of potential victims. Call 911 as soon as it is safe to do so.

Option 2: HIDE

If evacuating is not an option, fortifying your area by locking or blocking access points and hiding can make it more difficult for a suspect to locate victims, and may give you the additional time needed for law enforcement to locate and stop the threat. If you are hiding, call 911 to report where you are and what is happening. Be prepared to tell dispatchers exactly where the suspect is currently located if you know.

Option 3: FIGHT

You may find yourself directly confronted by the suspect, with no option to run or hide. At that point you should be prepared to aggressively fight to protect yourself. Physically attacking and resisting the suspect, BY ANY MEANS AVAILABLE AND NECESSARY, may be able to stop or delay the suspect long enough for additional help to arrive.

Remember RUN-HIDE-FIGHT!

Here is a link to an excellent video that will help demonstrate this concept:

http://countermeasureconsulting.com/active-shooter-prevention-video/?goback=%2Egde_1002437_member_5804713124082769921#%21

WEBER BASIN SECONDARY WATER

Although it has felt like spring most of the winter, it is almost officially here. This means irrigation water will be running again from the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District and conservation efforts also need to begin.

As always, the water year at this point is unpredictable. We had an unusually dry January and February, but anything can happen in the next month. Members of management and board members of Weber Basin Water will meet at the end of March to discuss the 2015 water year. Included in this discussion is when the secondary shut off date will be (October 1 versus October 15).

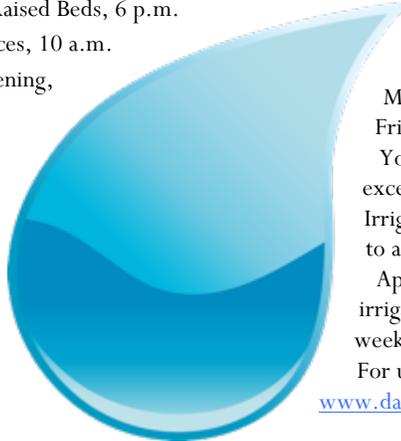
Indoor Conservation Tip: Turning off the faucet while you brush your teeth can save up to 4 gallons per minute. That's 200 gallons a week for a family of 4!

Outdoor Conservation Tip: Now is the time to check your irrigation system and valves for leaks, breaks, and any sunken or tilted heads. Remember, a broken head can waste up to 40 gallons per minute. Running an irrigation system with a broken head for 30 minutes is comparable to taking a 7-hour shower.

Here is the schedule for the free Landscape Class Series being offered by Weber Basin at 2837 East Highway 193, Layton (Advance registration is required on the Weber Basin website):

- March 18, Vegetables, Herbs & Raised Beds, 6 p.m.
- March 28, Proper Pruning Practices, 10 a.m.
- April 8, Organic Vegetable Gardening, 6 p.m.
- April 18, Thrillers, Fillers, and Spiller: DIY Container Plantings, 10 a.m.
- May 13, Common Irrigation Myths Debunked, 6 p.m.

For more information on Weber Basin Water, call 801-771-1677, or go to: www.weberbasin.com



DAVIS AND WEBER SECONDARY WATER

The Davis and Weber Counties Canal Company will begin to pressurize the secondary water system beginning April 1, 2015 and secondary water service will begin approximately April 15, 2015, weather permitting. It is the user's responsibility to ensure that their systems are secure and ready to receive water by April 1, 2015.

Additional time may be needed to repair leaks and charge all the lines in our service area.

All residents should make sure their secondary water valves are closed before April 1, 2015.

It is the responsibility of each water user to maintain their own isolation valve and replace it if necessary. Owners are responsible for any damage caused by their system failures.

Customers who have a two-inch or larger connection and are using the pressurized irrigation water must follow the large users watering schedule. To request a large-users schedule or in case of an emergency with your secondary water system, call the office at 801-774-6373 or 801-698-6374 on weekends, holidays or after regular office hours. To minimize evapo-transpiration, we also ask that you continue to observe the daily no-watering period between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

WATERING SCHEDULE – We will be staying on the same watering schedule as last year.

If your house number ends in: 0, 1, 2, 3 – Water on Monday and Thursday; 4, 5, 6 – Water on Tuesday and Friday; 7, 8, 9 – Water on Wednesday and Saturday.

You are allowed to water at any time on your scheduled day except between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Irrigation Users: Please make sure your gate or siphon is ready to accept water by

April 1, 2015. In case of an emergency regarding your irrigation water, please call 801-774-6373 or 801-698-5880 on weekends, holidays or after regular office hours.

For updated information during the water season visit:

www.davisweber.org

HOW TO PROPERLY DRIVE THROUGH A ROUNDABOUT

Layton City's road system features several roundabouts, including ones on Rosewood Lane and the east end of Antelope Drive. According to the Utah Drivers Handbook, roundabouts were created in an effort to reduce the number of points where conflict can occur between vehicles and other vehicles or pedestrians. A roundabout has 12 potential points of conflict compared to 56 potential points of conflict at a regular intersection. A typical roundabout has a mountable curb around the outside of the center island to accommodate big trucks and semis as necessary.

Roundabouts also bolster the flow of traffic at moderately busy intersections and they are far less expensive than installing traffic signals everywhere.

According to <http://driverlicense.utah.gov> here are four important points to remember when using a roundabout:

1. Always yield to the traffic that is already in the roundabout.
2. Roundabouts run counter clockwise, always enter the roundabout to your right.
3. Always yield to pedestrians.
4. Always signal going in and out of a roundabout. The roundabout is a free flowing traffic lane; therefore, it is not regulated by traffic lights. It is extremely important for the driver to be aware of pedestrians that might be crossing the traffic lanes of a roundabout.

Layton City's website also has an educational illustration available on driving through a roundabout at:

<http://www.laytoncity.org/downloads/pubworks/RoundaboutHowTo.pdf>

There are also many good depictions for driving a roundabout on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qVh04m6xHxw>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XcK8sjzTIWI>

THE BEST WAYS TO AVOID SEWER LINE BACKUPS

One of the worst possible house disasters to deal with is a sewer line backup. However, there are some simple things that homeowners can do to lessen the likelihood of a major sewer problem.

Not putting waste in the sewer that can lead to a backup is paramount, according to Layton City Public Works employees who regularly maintain Layton's sewer lines. Do not put grease, eggshells, baby wipes or paper towels into the sewer system – even if you put eggshells, or grease through your kitchen disposal first. Those four items cause the greatest problems. (And, see below for other items that should not go into the sewer system.)

In addition, having large trees in the yard, near the sewer line lateral into the home, means there's a chance trees roots can encroach on the line. "It would be wise to avoid planting trees that may interfere with the sewer laterals, or any other type of structure that may need to be removed to repair the line if it were to become inoperable," Steve Lamb, Collections Systems Inspector for the North Davis Sewer District, said.

Some of Layton's oldest neighborhoods are at risk for backups, because the lateral piping into homes is not only old, but may also be made of tile, or pipe wrapped with tar paper. These lines may eventually erode or collapse.

Layton City has several sewer line maintenance trucks, which travel about the City inspecting for clogs in the sewer lines under City streets. If an obstruction is discovered, equipment with a camera can also be sent back to closely inspect the problem. Some city trucks are also equipped with vacuum systems.

Since Layton City is so large, the City also contracts out with private companies to aid with its sewer maintenance work. Sometimes while inspecting sewer lines under the street, crews may also find a problem with the lateral line to a home. If so, the homeowner may be notified in advance of a sewer problem. Homeowners and businesses are responsible for the maintenance and repair of the lateral lines that come off the City's sewer lines.

According to www.FEMA.gov, homeowners will likely need special sewer back up insurance, which may be necessary to cover damages that occurred where no surface water flooding also occurred. Sewer backup insurance is available on most homeowners and commercial policies, usually as an additional rider. There is a limit on coverage and a separate deductible. Average policy coverage of \$5,000-\$10,000 costs in the range of \$75-\$150 per year. Homeowners should check with their insurance agent on extra coverage. The main sewer trunk lines are maintained by the North Davis Sewer District. Here's a reminder on things that should NEVER be flushed, or sent down the drain, according to the North Davis Sewer District:

- Paints and Solvents
- Gasoline or Combustible Fuels
- Toxic Chemicals
- Antifreeze
- Medicines and Pharmaceuticals
- Fats, Oils, and Greases
- Baby Wipes
- Needles and Razor Blades
- Pesticides, Herbicides, and Fertilizers
- Poisons including Rat/Mice Bait

Other things that you should avoid sending through the sewer include:

- Large amounts of food waste through the disposal. Fats and oils aren't just bad for arteries or one's waistline – they can clog sewers too. Never send grease, meat fats, lard, oil, shortening, butter, margarine, food scraps, baked goods, sauces and dairy products down the drain, or flush in a toilet – Put them in a trash can instead.
- Substances or objects that could plug a line and cause backups.

Also, do not flush medications down the toilet. For how to properly dispose of drugs, visit:

<http://www.useonlyasdirected.org/drop-off-locator/>

For more information on how to properly dispose of household products, please visit:

<http://www.wef.org/AboutWater/ForThePublic/FactSheets/FactSheetDocuments/HouseholdWaste.htm>



Layton City performs periodic sewer line checks and cleanings, but keeping sewer lines clean is also a homeowner responsibility with wise practices.

Q&A: LAYTON BUILDING PERMITS

The following information is important for residents in knowing about Layton City's regulations regarding building permits and when they are required.

Q: What is a building permit?

A: A building permit gives residents legal permission to start construction of a building project in accordance with approved drawings and specifications.

Q: When do you need a permit?

The best way to find out if a permit is needed for a project is to contact the Layton City Building and Licensing Services. Providing the City with information regarding specifics of a project before beginning will determine the steps needed to obtain a permit.

A: Even if a permit is not needed, the code official will answer construction questions and may provide valuable information. Permits are usually required for the following: New buildings (garage or storage sheds), additions, finished basements, decks, covered patios, carport enclosures, fences exceeding 6 feet, pools, re-roofing, solar panels, electrical, plumbing, and HVAC systems. Any storage shed larger than 200 square feet needs a permit (but all sheds must meet the required setbacks). A permit is also required for any sprinkling systems that connect to the culinary water system.

Q: I want to install an alarm in my house. Do I need a permit?

A: A permit is required for any type of house alarm. Permits for house alarms are obtained through the Police Department.

Q: Why do I need a permit?

A: A home is an investment. If a project does not comply with state and local codes, the value of that investment could be reduced. Insurance companies may not cover work done without permits and inspections.

A permit allows the code official to protect the public by reducing potential hazards of unsafe construction.

By following the building code guidelines, a resident's completed project will provide minimum standards of safety to that resident and his or her family.

Q: Where is more information available?

A: Layton residents can access an on-line building permit application and find more details for such subjects as: Basement finish requirements, Additions, Decks, Detached and attached garages/sheds and residential solar panel requirements.

For additional information, go to:

<http://www.laytoncity.org/public/Depts/ComDev/BuildingDivision/default.aspx>

Or, contact the Building and Licensing Services at 801-336-3760.



Building and Licensing Services is located inside Layton City Center, 437 North Wasatch Drive.



UDOT PLANNING 3 PROJECTS IN LAYTON THIS YEAR

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) has three projects scheduled in Layton City this year, although there are no specific starting dates yet:

The largest project, estimated at \$6.1 million, involve modifying 0.75 of a mile of Hill Field Road starting at the Main Street junction and going northeast to the east side of the Layton Hills Mall.

See the Layton Improved web site:

<http://www.udot.utah.gov/LaytonImproved/>

The goal is to relieve traffic congestion.

There will be "ThrU" turns installed at the intersections of Hill Field and Main (west side) and Hill Field and Gordon Avenue (east side).

Left turn and through access at the mall (at Gordon Ave) will be restricted as well.

Traffic from the Mall will be spread across the other access points, aiding in the elimination of congestion so close to the interstate. An additional left turn lane will be added to the NB to WB turn lanes at Gordon Avenue and Main Street on the west side. An additional lane will be added under the I-15 structures in each direction.

The second UDOT project in Layton is bridgework, pavement overlays and lane widening on State Road 108 (Antelope Drive), from 1000 West to State Road 126 (Main Street). This project is currently underway and work will increase as the weather warms.

See the Layton Improved web site at:

<http://www.udot.utah.gov/LaytonImproved/>

This work will cost \$1.4 million and will expand the lifetime of the bridge deck and pavement in the area.

The third project will be installing a traffic signal at State Road 193 and 1700 East.

This will be constructed in 2015. Cost of the project is \$250,000.

BACK WHEN PIGS WERE HOT ITEMS FOR THIEVES IN LAYTON

Layton City has deep farming roots and back at the start of the 20th Century, pigs were apparently among the prized items for thieves. “Stole some pigs. And now there is a lack of young pork in Layton,” a Nov. 19, 1902 headline in the Ogden Standard-Examiner stated. “Down in Layton there is a scarcity of pork on hoof this morning and it is probable that the Layton people will suffer this winter from a lack of home-cured hams. And this is no reflection on the theatres of the intermountain country either,” the story reported. “The cause of the close pork market in the Davis County city is that two thieves last night visited the pork ranch of John W. Evans of Layton, and took away eight pigs which were just budding into that fulsome hoggishness so much admired by pork packers,” stated the story. Almost two decades later, “Seven hogs stolen from Layton farm” was a similar headline on July 23, 1922 in the Standard-Examiner. S.H. Nalder reported the eight pigs stolen were stolen from his Layton pig farm.

RENOVATIONS AT THE ED KENLEY AMPHITHEATER

Lots of things are happening at the Ed Kenley Amphitheater this year. There are some important renovations taking place. This year you will notice that the cement patio outside the amphitheater has been completely replaced, with the addition of planters, benches and picnic tables.

As you enter the Amphitheater you will notice that the entry walk has been widened. Widening the entry will make it easier to enter and exit the Amphitheater. It will also make it much easier to get by when autographs and merchandise are being sought at the end of a concert. A new separate stairway to the grass area will make it easier to access this popular seating area.

At the back of the berm where the spotlights are you will also see a new light truss system. This truss system will allow better light coverage on stage for both the large concerts and our smaller events. The Amphitheater is located next to the Museum at 403 North Wasatch.

For more information, call Layton City’s Parks and Recreation at 801-336-3900, or visit the Davis Arts Council’s website at <http://www.davisarts.org>.



ALL POLY FOOTBALL CAMP AT LAYTON’S ELLISON PARK IN JUNE

Layton City is proud to host the All Poly Football Camp held each year at Ellison Park, 2200 West Hill Field Road. This Camp is the only one of its kind in the United States. Most football camps are put on by a single University and the University’s coaches evaluate the participants for future scholarships at his University.

At the All Poly Football Camp, All Poly Sports partners with Layton City and Davis County to bring over 500 participants and coaches from all over the nation together. The Camp will consist of more than 80 Division I, II, and III coaches. There will be coaches from all the Utah Universities and Colleges as well as Texas A&M, USC, UCLA, Wisconsin, Washington, Oregon, Arizona, Nebraska, Tennessee, and many others. Coach Stoopes from Oklahoma came and spoke to the Camp participants during the 2014 camp.

Last year, over 50 scholarships were offered to participants who attended the camp. Nowhere else in the world can a high school player go and be scouted by this many schools at one time.

The All Poly Football Camp is split into 2 sections. The first 3 days are for underclassmen and the next three days are for the varsity players. In between the two camps is the Nike Combine. The Combine tests or benchmarks the performance of all the participants for future reference. This benchmarking is a reference point for coaches recruiting at the college and professional level. It is definitely a thrill to see all this talent, including many local players congregated on one field.

Players of all ages can participate in a mini-camp called NFL 60. The NFL 60 is put on by the National Football League and uses current and past NFL Players to teach skills and run drills with the participants. The NFL 60 will be held in the afternoon on Wednesday, June 17 and is FREE to everyone who attends.

The camp runs June 16 – 20.

If you have additional questions you can go online at www.allpolysports.com to view their website, or call Layton City Parks and Recreation at 801-336-3900.

LAYTON: A BUSTLING CITY BUILT ON TWO “HILLS”

Modern Layton City is a community that has truly been built on two “Hills” – Hill Air Force Base and the Layton Hills Mall – to become Davis County’s largest town, as well as a regional shopping hub.

First there was “Hill Field.”

According to the “History of Hill Air Force Base,” by the Ogden Air Logistics History Office, there was an intense competition in the 1930s between Salt Lake and Ogden for location of the new “Army Air Force Base” (precursor to the United States Air Force).

Northern Utah, as an air base in the Intermountain area, had been rated a suitable location for an air mail terminal back in 1934, during the U.S. Army’s failed Air Mail experiment.

However, in the end, it was geography, not lobbying that tilted in favor of the Ogden area. Weber Canyon, “the largest hole in the Wasatch Front,” was a very attractive natural asset. The winds kept the canyon’s mouth and area mostly free of fog and early airplane pilots had followed the canyon as a landmark that also boasted high visibility.

The former “Sand ridge,” a plateau north of Layton City, was selected as the best location for an air base.

The U.S. Congress approved \$8 million in July of 1939 to establish the Ogden Air Depot. Six months later, in December, the War Department selected the name “Hill Field,” in honor of the late Major Ployer Hill, who had perished in an experimental aircraft accident in 1935.

An official groundbreaking was held on Jan. 12, 1940 and the facility was built and expanded from there.

Surprisingly, the main gate to Hill, the “South Gate” (also ironically on a high hill/plateau in the area) emptied into Layton, not Ogden. After the bombing of Pearl Harbor in 1941, many additional aircraft were transferred to Hill from the west coast, for additional protection.

It was the presence of Hill Air Force Base that weaned Layton from an agricultural base into a more urban setting. Layton’s population soared by 435 percent, from 646 in 1940, to 3,457 in 1950, mainly because of Hill.

New housing also boomed in Layton because of Hill. The Layton Trailer Park, with 300 units opened in 1942; Sahara Village, with 400 units came by 1944; Hillcrest Village, on the west corner of today’s South Gate, opened in 1942 and could house 2,500 residents.

Layton also experienced a business boom in 1946, following World War II, with its expanded population.

By 1947, the Army Air Corps became the U.S. Air Force and Hill was renamed Hill Air Force Base.

While Hill’s workforce was some 22,000 in 1943, it was reduced to just over 3,000 in 1946, following World War II’s end. Yet, new contracts, responsibilities and the Korean War increased employment steadily after that.

Hill had 11,864 military and civilian personnel in 1954; by 1966 the total was 18,436 and by 1986 it was 21,775, all as Utah’s largest single employer – all on the doorstep of Layton City.

According to the latest Hill AFB economic impact statement, there are now 23,969 total personnel within Hill Air Force Base, including 8,606 military and dependents and

12,363 civilians. Hill AFB has an annual federal payroll of \$1.23 billion and annual expenditures of \$907 million. Annually, Hill AFB creates approximately \$1.19 billion in jobs created with a total of \$3.32 billion in total annual economic impact.

The Layton Hills Mall is Layton’s other significant “hill.”

“Work set to begin on Layton Hills Mall” was an Aug. 4, 1978 headline in the Davis County Clipper.

The Mall was then described as a mammoth indoor shopping center with some surrounding businesses, conveniently next to I-15. It opened after more than two years of construction.

Some of the land eventually developed into the Layton Hills Mall used to be the old 20-acre Layton Trailer Park.

The Layton Hills Mall opened in the spring of 1980 and was renovated in 1996.

Today it has more than 100 stores, with three anchor tenants and more than 576,000-square-feet of retail floor space.

The Layton Hills Mall, though not on an actual “hill,” has over the decades attracted many more businesses to Layton. “Restaurant Row,” Layton’s famed cluster of eateries, grew out of the Mall’s success. Layton had only two “sit down” restaurants in 1983,” but thanks to the Mall it boasts dozens and dozens today.

In addition to the Mall, Smith’s Food and Drug constructed its regional offices, plus dough/dairy plants and a distribution warehouse in Layton in the late 1970s in Layton.

Additional reference source: <http://www.hill.af.mil>;

(Right) The Layton Hills Mall was the cornerstone to making Layton City a regional retail and restaurant attraction.

(Bottom) Hill Air Force Base helped make Layton the city it is today.



WHERE IS 'WEST LAYTON'?



West Layton is often thought to be just west of the old Denver and Rio Grande Railroad track line, where today's "Rail Trail" is. There's still some open farmland west of there too.

Where's "West Layton"? Is there even such an area?

In his official biography on the Layton City website, City Councilman Jory Francis states he "is a resident of West Layton." Francis lives on 2975 West.

Layton City's General Plan offers more insight into the boundaries of "West Layton."

This study, released in 2000, was conducted under the premise that anything in Layton City – and any unincorporated land that is potentially annexable – that is west of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Tracks (now the "Rail Trail") is located in "West Layton."

So, at the time, the "other side of the tracks" was indeed a fixed boundary line.

This area of "West Layton" covered 3,599 acres, or 5.62 square miles. It also represents almost 20 percent of Layton City's ultimate landmass. At the time of the study, those nearly 3,600 acres include 2,254 acres of actual land inside the city's boundaries and 1,345 acres outside.

Elevation in this area ranges from a high of 4,400 feet above sea level on its eastern edge, to 4,212 feet out in the mud flats of the Great Salt Lake. The GSL's all-time high mark was 4,218 feet and

so anything at or below that elevation is deemed unbuildable by Davis County, in line with State mandates.

Old United States Geological Survey quadrangle maps from the 1970s also show "West Layton" as being west of the former Denver and Rio Grande Railroad tracks.

When I-15 opened and sliced through Layton City in 1966, that also created an "east side" and a "west side" of Layton City. In fact, during the mid-1990s when the Layton City Council was debating the feasibility of taking secondary water to the city's west side, anything west of I-15 was in that discussion often characterized as "West Layton."

Also, MapQuest designates "West Layton" as essentially any part of town that is west of the freeway.

Still some conversions of Layton residents over the years have sometimes meant that "West Layton" could also be viewed as anything west of Main Street.

That definition of the boundaries of "West Layton" is also how the city's pioneer and early history is often visualized.

However, in an overall sense, all of the east and west land, or even the north and the south territory of Layton City is all still just "Layton City."

THE LAYTON CITY BUDGET APPROVAL PROCESS

The City budget process starts in December and ends with adoption of the budget on or before June 22, 2015.

On March 3, 2015, the City Manager presented his recommended budget for fiscal year 2015-2016 to the Mayor and City Council. This meeting served to provide a general overview of the revenues, expenditures, capital equipment needs, and net position of the City.

On March 26, 2015, the City Finance Director will discuss the Capital Improvement Plan of the City and the budgets of the various enterprise funds or public utilities.

Once the budget is reviewed and changes made, the City Council will adopt a tentative budget at Council meeting on May 7, 2015 and will set a public hearing for June 18, 2015

From May 7, 2015 to June 18, 2015, the tentative budget is available for review by the public.

On June 18, 2015, a public hearing will be held concerning the adoption of the 2015-2016 budget.

Citizens of the community are encouraged to review the tentative budget and express their concerns to the Mayor or City Council prior to the public hearing or at the public hearing.

NEW BUSINESS LIST

B & B Auto Repair
687 North Main Street

GiGi's Playhouse
471 Heritage Park Boulevard, No. 4

Sweet Colmena
1155 North Main Street, Suite 6

West Gordon Pharmacy
3225 West Gordon Avenue, No. 2

*Want more information about businesses inside Layton City?
Want to browse what businesses are available in Layton?
An alphabetical, on-line business browser is available at:*

<http://www.laytoncity.org/public/Depts/ComDev/BL/businessbrowser.aspx?fl=R>

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PUBLIC WORKSHOPS FOR ENVISION
 LAYTON

Two identical Public Workshops for Layton residents are offered:

Wednesday, April 29:
 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
 Layton High School (Commons Area)
 440 Wasatch Drive, Layton

Tuesday, May 5:
 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
 Layton High School (Commons Area)
 440 Wasatch Drive, Layton, UT

Check project web page for project updates beginning April 1st at www.envisionlayton.org

LAYTON CITY EVENTS

City Council Meetings:

1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7 p.m.

Planning Commission Meetings:

2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

March 23

The last day to register for boy's baseball, girl's recreation softball and adult spring softball.

Register at Layton Recreation Offices
 465 North Wasatch Drive

Surf 'n Swim's Annual Easter Egg Dive

Saturday, April 04, 10:00 a.m. to noon.

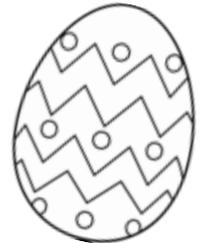
The cost is \$5 at Layton's Surf 'n Swim in Commons Park.

Advance registration is required and now open.

Children will be split into age groups and will be able to dive for their Easter eggs. Everyone will receive candy and prizes to take home. After the event, enjoy the waves for the rest of the day. Tubes will cost an additional \$3.

Register on-line at www.laytoncity.org or in person at the Layton Recreation offices.

Call 801-336-3939 for more details.

Liberty Days 5K Fun Run/Walk Registration Begins

Friday, May 1

Pre-Registration for the Layton City Liberty Days 5K Fun Run/Walk.

Pre-Registration will end on Friday, June 26, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

The cost is \$15 to register. After June 26, the cost to register is \$25. The race will be held on Saturday, July 4, 2015. Walkers will begin at 7:15 a.m. and runners will begin at 7:30 a.m.

Race registration includes a tech style race shirt.

Register online at www.laytoncity.org

Family Golf Night

Monday, May 18

4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

At Swan Lakes Golf Course

850 North 2200 West, Layton.

9-hole course, \$8 a person

Call Swan Lakes at 801-546-1045 for tee times and mention Layton Recreation for the discounted cost.

Cart rental not included.

Miniature Golf, 18-Hole Putting Course, Batting Cages and concessions available for an extra cost.



Flapjack Friday & Bingo

Friday April 10, 2015

6-8 p.m.

At Central Davis Junior High School Gymnasium,

663 North Church Street, Layton

Cost: FREE

Family Recreation will be serving pancakes while attendees play games of Bingo and try for chances to win prizes.

All ages are welcome!

