

Layton City Newsletter

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LAYTON BUSINESS HELPS WITH CROSSWALK IMPROVEMENTS

January 11, 2016 was a tragic day for Layton City. In the course of an hour on that morning, auto pedestrian collisions at two separate locations had taken the lives of a 42 year-old man and a 17 year-old girl, and put another teen boy in the hospital.

The man struck by a truck on Main Street was not in a crosswalk, but the two teens were struck while in the crosswalk at 199 North Fort Lane. The crosswalk was examined as part of the investigation, and was determined to be in compliance with safety standards. However, the City decided to do more. Additional pre-crossing signage, road paint, and solar powered flashing pedestrian signs were all approved by the City Council to increase safety.

As City officials were reviewing the crossing, the owners of O.S.I. (Object Systems International), which is the business right next to the crosswalk, approached City management and offered to pay for the improvements. Representatives of the company did not want any public recognition, but we wanted to let our employees and community know that in the end they donated \$5,500 (entire costs of the project) to enhance the safety at that crossing.

Layton City greatly appreciates their generosity and willingness to partner with the City in an effort to improve community safety.



The new crosswalk at 199 North Fort Lane.



O.S.I. (Object Systems International), a nearby Layton business, donated funds for a crosswalk to Layton City.

LAYTON CITY'S 2016-2017 BUDGET

On June 16, 2016, the City Council passed Ordinance 16-26 adopting the City Budget for fiscal year 2016-2017. The fiscal year runs from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

Each year the County and the Utah State Tax Commission set the certified property tax rate for the City and all other entities. This rate is the maximum rate the City can charge without going to the voters for a rate increase. The adopted budget includes a 2% decrease in the property tax rate. In other words, the adopted rate is 2% less than the certified tax rate. This decrease pertains to the City portion of a property owner's tax bill.

Citizens will see an increase in their utility bills. The North Davis Sewer District (NDSD) has approved a treatment cost increase of \$3 per month per residential connection. This cost is passed on to Layton City sanitary sewer customers and will result in an increase in the amount paid for sewer service. There are also increases in these areas for non-residential users which will be included in the consolidated fee schedule.

Revenues for all funds, excluding transfers and budgeted uses of fund balance are \$62,993,124. This is an increase of \$2,943,534 or 4.9%. Based on trends in sales tax revenue it is estimated that this revenue source will increase \$1,149,000. For budget year 2017 we have also added estimates for the new RAMP tax and Proposition 1 transit tax. These two new taxes account for \$1,221,630 of the increase in revenue. Revenues for development impact fees and building permits continue to come in at levels that are above historical averages. Utility revenues, particularly in the water fund are not increasing at the same pace as development. It appears that conservation on the part of users has decreased consumption and revenue to the City.

In addition to current period revenues, \$3,290,159 of prior year fund balances and net assets will be appropriated. Approximately half of these funds come from the general fund balance and the remainder from the impact fee fund in support of growth related infrastructure projects.

Expenditures for all funds, excluding transfers to other funds and budgeted additions to fund balance are \$64,573,310. This is a decrease of \$306,351 or 0.5%. This decrease does not appear to be very substantial when considering the City as a whole. However, there are fluctuations in the individual funds and departments that warrant explanation.

A 3% increase for total personnel costs is proposed in the budget.

Projects associated with RAMP and Proposition 1 have attributed to increases in expenditures.

Increases in operational costs are mostly associated with street maintenance and needs in the utility funds. Capital equipment and projects fluctuate from year to year. Utility projects have been cut back to more sustainable levels for this budget year as net assets have dwindled supporting projects in prior years. General projects have increased due to participation in State projects and timing of projects in the Capital Improvement Plan. Debt service on bonds was reduced in this budget due to the refinancing of the outstanding bond issue to a lower interest rate.

Expenditures for the General Fund total \$32,618,499. This is an increase of \$1,620,143 or 5.2%. Increases in personnel and transfers to the capital projects fund account for most of this increase.

The budget includes increases in personnel positions. Personnel will increase by 4.5 full time equivalent units.

This is accomplished by adding 3 full time positions, enhancing 2 positions from part time to full time, adding 3 part time positions and eliminating 1 full time position.

The 2016-2017 budget is available for review on the City website:

http://www.laytoncity.org/downloads/finance/budget/2016_2017Budget.pdf

If you have any questions about the City budget you can contact the Finance Director, Tracy R. Probert, CPA at 801-336-3881.



RAMP TAX REWARDS FOR 2016

The Layton City RAMP (Recreation, Arts, Museum, and Parks) Initiative was passed by residents in the fall of 2015. The RAMP tax is a sales and use tax of one-tenth of one percent (0.1%), which is equivalent to one penny for every ten dollars spent in Layton. (The RAMP tax is not applied to grocery items.) With the revenue from this small tax, Layton citizens will see big improvements throughout the City; improvements that the general City budget would not be able to support.

The RAMP Advisory Commission is a planning and advisory body that was established by the Mayor and City Council. The RAMP Commission helps the City Council manage the revenue collected from the RAMP tax, by providing recommendations to City Council on its usage. This Commission is made up of volunteers, and employees selected by the Mayor and City Council.

The RAMP Advisory Commission accepted applications for 2016 RAMP Grant Funding from qualified organizations in February of 2016. They conducted a detailed review of each funding request and forwarded their recommendations to City Council for review and approval.

Layton City Council and Mayor are pleased to announce that the following RAMP projects will be funded in 2016:

- **Surfacing for a New Playground at Ellison Park: \$41,200** This project will use the funding to upgrade the playground surface from bark mulch to a pour-in-place safety surface.
- **Modular LED Wall Units at the Ed Kenley Amphitheater: \$33,000** This project will use the funding to assist in the purchase and installation of high definition modular LED video screen for use at Davis Arts Council events.
- **Splash Pad Shade Structures: \$21,500** This project will use the funding to provide six shade structures at the Splash Pad located in Ellison Park.
- **Replace Speakers for the Ed Kenley Amphitheater: \$17,500** This project will use the funding to replace the speakers in the Ed Kenley Amphitheater. The current speaker system in the amphitheater is over eight years old and has passed its life span.
- **Soccer Goals: \$13,000** This project will use the funding for soccer goals. The soccer goals purchased will replace existing goals that are broken or damaged beyond repair. Additional goals purchased will be placed at City parks to provide additional practice space for teams and individuals.
- **Entertainment & Advertising for Layton FEST: \$6,000** This project will use the funding to purchase advertising materials and entertainment for Layton FEST (Farmers, Entertainment, Shopping, and food Trucks). Layton FEST is a new open air market in Layton Commons Park, held every Friday night from July 15 to September 30.
- **Andy Adams Park Dugouts & Fencing: \$5,600** This project will use the funding for dugouts and fencing at Andy Adams Park. Andy Adams is currently used for the Layton City T-ball and Rookie league divisions of baseball and softball. These funds will be used to construct dugouts and baseline fencing for the fields.
- **Surf 'n Swim Lobby & Concession Revitalization: \$5,000** This project will use the funding to update the lobby and concession area of Surf 'n Swim. This funding amount will provide five table and chair sets for the lobby.
- **Museum Shelving: \$4,000** This project will use the funding to construct and install additional display shelving for the Heritage Museum.
- **Arts in the Park Trailer: \$2,200** This project will use the funding to purchase a new enclosed travel trailer for the Arts in the Park program.
- **Portable Pitching Mound: \$1,000** This project will use the funding for a portable pitching mound. The portable pitching mound allows for softball fields to be converted to baseball diamonds as needed and allows baseball diamonds to be used for different age groups.

Project specifics and additional grant details are available on the website

www.laytoncity.org/ramp.



The Ed Kenley Amphitheater will be improved with two RAMP funded projects.

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Money Under 30

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USA Today



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Layton Hills Mall



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INTERACTIVE AQUARIUM

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at the Layton Hills Mall



WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY

Ed Kenley Amphitheater



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THE POLICY ON ANIMALS IN GROCERY STORES

The only animals permitted to be inside a grocery store or restaurant in Utah are trained service animals, according to the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food.

This means that pets who are for the "provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship" does not meet the ADA definition of a trained service animal. So, these animals are NOT legally allowed to be inside grocery stores or any food establishment.

(Purchasing special tags or pet vests on-line does not of itself qualify an animal to be a "service animal.") Service animals are "trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability."

Having a fraudulent service animal in a grocery store may tend to erode the rights and authenticity of legitimate people with disabilities who do have legitimate support animals.

Service animals must be under the control of their handlers and not in the grocery cart, where other customers are going to place their food items.

Under the handler's control means that the service animal "shall have a harness, leash, or other tether" unless the handler is unable to use one of these devices due to their disability.

Store personnel "may ask an individual with a disability to remove a service animal from the premises if the animal is out of control and the animal's handler does not take effective action to control it; or the animal is not housebroken."

In addition, a public accommodation shall not ask about the nature or extent of a person's disability, but may make two inquiries to determine whether an animal qualifies as a service animal. A public accommodation may ask if the animal is required because of a disability and what work or task the animal has been trained to perform.



ALARM RESPONSE AND REQUIREMENTS IN LAYTON CITY

In 2015, Layton City Police Department responded to 1,455 calls for service associated with residential and business alarm activations. The majority of these alarms were false and/or accidental activations. Conservatively, Layton officers spent 970 hours investigating false alarms. Resources expended are better served handling legitimate problems in the city; therefore, ordinances are in place to mitigate loss of productivity due to false alarm activations.

Layton City requires a permit for each property having an alarm system. Permits can be obtained by contacting the Police Department or visiting www.laytoncity.org and clicking on downloads under the Police Department tab. There is no charge to obtain a permit. Completed permits must be submitted to and reviewed by the Police Department before a permit number will be issued. If the Police Department is called to more than one alarm at a property where no permit exists, a fine for each occurrence can be assessed and the Police Department may not respond to future alarms until the permit issue has been rectified.

Each residence and business location shall provide their alarm company with information identifying a minimum of three people, including telephone numbers, who will respond to silence/reset an activated alarm and take charge of the premises. Any changes to this information will be forwarded to the alarm company within five working days. In the event of an alarm, the monitoring company is responsible for making notifications to the listed responsible parties and directing a response. Upon notification, a responsible party shall proceed immediately to the location of the activated alarm and render any necessary service. In the event the monitoring company cannot contact one of the responsible parties, the owner, occupant, or permit holder may be assessed a civil penalty, for each occurrence. The police, after assessing the situation, shall be under no obligation to remain at the location emitting the alarm.

After having two false alarms on the same premises, outside a 24-hour period, within a yearly quarter, beginning on January 1, monetary assessments and other sanctions may be imposed.

Failure to pay any fees associated with violating the City's alarm ordinance can result in the homeowner or registered agent for a business being charged with a Class B misdemeanor pursuant to 5.28.190.

For more information, please visit www.laytoncity.org, select Municipal Code, and then select section 5.28 under Business Regulations and Licenses. Residents or businesses may also contact Lt. Alex Davis at 801-336-3457.



First National Bank's parade float was titled, "Forging New Adventures."



The Layton Mayor and City Council were represented with some family members in the parade, riding an antique fire truck.



The Central Davis Junior High School Cheerleaders provide some high-flying action during the parade.

Layton Liberty Days parade

JULY 4TH 2016



The Layton High School Marching Band.



Military personnel escorted the colors in the parade.



Young children on the "Together in Harmony" float in the parade.

LAYTON: A FOCAL POINT IN HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS IN NORTHERN UTAH

Just over 98 years ago, "Road from Ogden to Salt Lake a disgrace" was a headline in the Ogden Standard Examiner newspaper.

The story, published on March 3, 1918, noted that automobiles had sunk 18 inches in the soft mud on the State Highway – the forerunner to Utah Highway 91 (now State Highway 126 and including Layton's Main Street). And the worst spot? It was located just south of Layton and vehicles had to be pulled out of the mud a lot that wet spring in Davis County.

People were reported "indignant over neglect of the State Highway."

Jump ahead in time just over seven years to 1925 and Layton was once again the focal point of this State Highway.

A story in the Standard Examiner on July 3, 1925 stated that the two-mile stretch of concrete surfaced road from Layton northward into Clearfield marked the final completion of a more than 140-mile long stretch of paved highway in Utah, going from Nephi on the south to Brigham City on the north.

Move ahead another 52 years to 1977 and with the completion of I-15 in Northern Utah, Layton was once again the focal point. The Lagoon to Layton section of the interstate was the last section finished in the Ogden area.

The widening and resurfacing of the existing section of Highway 91 from Layton to Lagoon into I-15 was not open until 1977 through a \$10 million project. This finally meant uninterrupted freeway travel existed between Juab County on the south and Box Elder County on the north.

This completion of the freeway north of Salt Lake City also helped to create subdivision growth that led to Layton becoming the largest city in Davis County by 1985.

Return to the present and in 2016 Layton is the first Utah City north of Salt Lake to have ThrU-Turns installed as a revolutionary way to better move traffic in congested areas.



FLAG RETIREMENT & MILITARY TRIBUTE AUG. 18

The fourth annual Flag Retirement & Military Tribute will be Thursday, Aug. 18, 8:30 p.m., at the Outdoor Arena of the Davis County Fairgrounds, Farmington.

Sponsored by American Legion Post No. 27 in Farmington, hundreds of U.S. Flags no longer worthy to be flown will be retired at the event in a solemn and spectacular ceremony.

The U.S. Flag Code states that "worn and torn American flags should be properly disposed of by fire." Anyone in Davis County with flags unfit to display may drop them off at their local fire department.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR SENIORS

You have superpowers! One of the greatest things about retirement is that you finally have time to devote to causes that are important to you. What are you passionate about? Through Davis County Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), you can serve at more than 35 volunteer locations, allowing you to impact the causes you care most about.

- Seniors
- Literacy
- Domestic Violence
- Animals
- Hunger
- Health & Wellness
- Environment
- Veterans



For people age 55 plus in Davis County. RSVP can help find the perfect volunteer opportunity for you.

Call 801-525-5052 or 801-525-5094.

LAYTON F.E.S.T. IS EACH FRIDAY NIGHT

Layton F.E.S.T. (Farmers, Entertainment, Shopping, Trucks) is an open air market bringing together a variety of craft and merchandise vendors, delicious food trucks, local fresh produce farmers, and live entertainment. F.E.S.T. is held every Friday evening July 15 through September 30.

F.E.S.T. runs 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. each night inside Constitution Circle at Layton Commons Park. F.E.S.T. brings out the best that Layton City, Davis County, and Northern Utah has to offer. Each evening features over 35 vendor booths, different entertainers or performances, and a variety of the best local food and drink trucks. F.E.S.T. is a family-friendly event that offers something for everyone.

Visit the Layton F.E.S.T. website, www.laytonfest.com, to stay up to date on all F.E.S.T. activities, featured entertainers, and a week-by-week lineup of vendors and food trucks. Be sure not to miss special event nights such as the F.E.S.T. Carnival Kick-Off featuring local group, the String Chix Band, and FREE games and activities for kids. Other special engagement nights include; dance group night on July 29, the Dog Days of Summer on August 19, and Family Movie Night in the Park on September 2.



REMEMBER TO STOP FOR SCHOOL BUSES

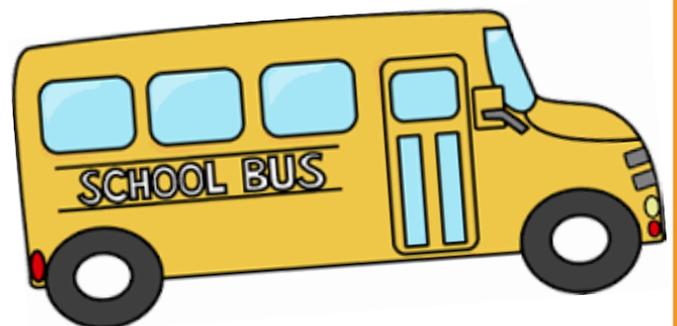
If when driving you come across a school bus with alternating flashing red light signals, you should stop. That's the law.

And, this includes vehicles coming from the opposite direction of a bus with flashing red lights. However, one bus driver in Layton from the Davis School District said you'd be surprised at how many drivers fail to stop — especially those coming in the opposite direction.

She also noted how some drivers follow school buses too closely or pass her bus hastily in unsafe conditions.

With some schools on a year-round schedule in Layton, stopping for school buses is always important, even in the summer. This law helps protect students on roadways.

According to the Utah Code — The penalty for violation of not stopping for a school bus is a class C misdemeanor and the minimum fine is: \$100 for a first offense; \$200 for a second offense within three years of a previous conviction or bail forfeiture; and \$500 for a third or subsequent offense within three years of a previous conviction or bail forfeiture ("Bail forfeiture" means that you simply paid the fine for a traffic ticket).



NEW BUSINESS LIST

99 Thai Fusion

768 West 1425 North, Suite B

Bliss Dresses

1201 North Hill Field Road, Suite 1076

Dionysian Cellars

1558 West Hill Field Road No. 2

Layton Physical Therapy & Sports Medicine

1868 North Heritage Park Boulevard, Suite A

Lotus Park Memory Care

101 North Fort Lane

Planet Beach Contempo Spa

1320 East Highway 193

Premier Remodeling

1035 West Gentile Street

Red Wing Shoes

936 North Main Street, Suite C

Rocket Pizza and Pasta

1058 North Main Street

Young KIA

308 North Main Street

*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>*

Layton City Statistics:

2016 Population Estimate – 74,660

2016 Total Housing Units – 24,571

Estimated buildout population of
110,000 at year 2050

City size – 22.21 square miles

STAYING SAFE AROUND SWIMMING POOLS

Summer season is here and swimming pools are one of the most popular pastimes and ways to stay cool. However, pool users and owners should keep some important safety factors in mind.

For pool users:

- Do not run around swimming pool decks.
- Never dive into above-ground pools; they are usually not deep enough.
- Never dive into the shallow end of any pool.
- Never dive through inner tubes, or other pool toys.

For pool owners:

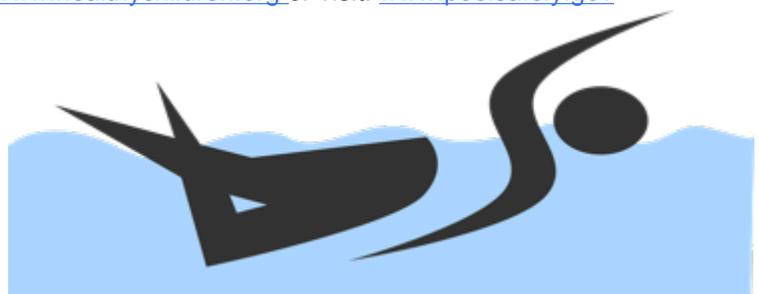
- According to Layton City ordinances, swimming pools, or the entire property on which they are located, shall be walled or fenced to a minimum height of six feet. The fence shall be constructed to limit any individual from accessing the pool area. All gates on said fences shall be self-closing and fitted with a self-latching device located on the interior side of the gate.
- Empty blow-up above ground pools after each use. Otherwise, these pools, if deeper than two feet, should also be fenced off from open access, according to Layton City Ordinance.
- There should not be anything alongside a pool fence (such as lawn furniture) that could be used to climb it.
- An adult should actively watch children at all times while they are in a pool. For infants and toddlers, an adult should be in the water and within arm's reach, providing "touch supervision." For older children, an adult should also keep a watchful eye on swimmers.
- Keep toys away from the pool when the pool is not in use.
- No tricycles or other riding toys at poolside.
- No electrical appliances near the pool.
- Keep rescue devices and first aid supplies near the pool.
- Consider purchasing a pool alarm system. These float in the pool and go off when there is a disturbance in the water.
- Make sure that vacant and un-used pools are drained of all water, or removed to prevent creation of a mosquito breeding area.

For parents:

- Strive to teach your children how to swim, or have them take swimming lessons.

For more information, go to:

www.healthychildren.org or visit: www.poolsafely.gov



ANSWERS ABOUT THE ANNUAL SEWER RATE INCREASES

Why does my sewer rate keep going up? When is this going to stop? Isn't there something Layton City can do about it?

These are questions that the Utility Department of Layton City receives every day. Here are some answers:

Why does my sewer rate keep going up?

Here's a statement issued by North Davis Sewer District (the District) a couple of years ago when this all started. The District provided the following explanation:

"To meet the demands of our growing community and comply with State and Federal regulations"

"The District currently serves a population of approximately 200,000 in seven cities and unincorporated parts of Weber and Davis counties. The units that treat the solids contained in sewage were originally constructed in the 1950's and have not been expanded since the early 1980's, when the population was only 95,000. The District's lines are getting older, some having been in service for more than 70 years."

"The District recently updated its Facility Plan to identify the most critical needs of its sewer lines and treatment plant. The Plan identified an estimated \$167 million in upgrades, expansion, repairs and rehabilitation needs."

"Rate increases are necessary to provide for the needs mentioned."

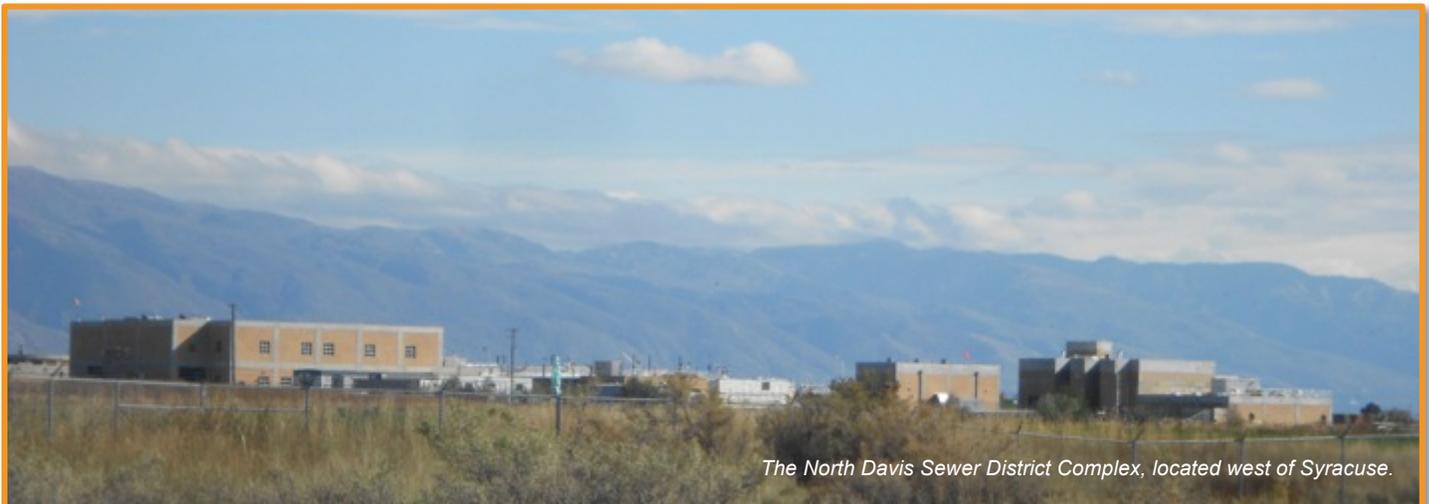
When are these annual increases going to stop?

In December 2013, the District Board voted to enact new rates in order to provide for the above mentioned needs. Those rates call for a \$3 per month increase each year through July 1, 2017. Thus, the rates will increase one more time in July 2017. Keep in mind that these are just the increases that have been approved. It does not mean that the Board will not extend this practice with a new vote next year.

Isn't there something Layton City can do about it?

Layton City is part of a group of Cities and Counties that contract with the District for treatment of solid sanitary waste. As a member of this group the City has one vote on the Board of the District. This limits the amount of influence of the City.

Despite the increases we are experiencing, it is important to note that the rate paid by Layton residents is still considered to be in the middle of the range of rates paid by others in the State. Even though the rates Layton residents pay may seem unreasonable, it is fortunate that the City belongs to the District. If each City were to operate its own facility, the rate would be about twice what it is right now.



The North Davis Sewer District Complex, located west of Syracuse.

1921: WHEN LAYTON'S FIRST 'SIDEWALKS' CAME ALONG

It is easy to take many things for granted. For example, take sidewalks. A century ago they didn't even exist in Layton City as dirt or mud dominated a walk through town.

Even the City's first sidewalks weren't like today – they consisted of long stretches of cinders spread around. According to the Ogden Standard Examiner of March 3, 1921, Layton City's first "sidewalks" appeared that year. "The Town Government has surfaced considerable sidewalk with cinders and is now preparing to construct many sidewalks," the story stated.

These first cinder walks were constructed on the south end of Main Street. Concrete sidewalks, used today, didn't exist in Layton until several decades later.

STAY SAFE AND LEGAL: KEEP SKATES, SCOOTERS AND UNLICENSED VEHICLES OFF CITY STREETS

Please remember, it is all about safety. If you own any unlicensed motorized vehicles – scooter, go cart, pocket bike, mini motorcycle – it is unlawful to operate them on any public street inside Layton City's limits.

Likewise, it is illegal for any person to ride a coaster, sled, toy wagon, unmotorized scooter, skateboard, or ride on roller blades or skateboards upon any Layton City roadway – except when crossing such roadway on a crosswalk.

The Layton City Council evaluated these modes of transportation years ago and quickly realized the issue of safety if these were to share the roads with full sized cars and trucks. The major problem, as one can easily recognize, is that many of these are low-profile vehicles and not easily seen by motorists. Underscoring that concern is the fact that children and young teenagers are the most common users of these items. But even so, adults using them on roadways is also illegal.

It should also be noted that notwithstanding any flag, antenna, or other device attached, or modifications made thereto, these items are still unlawful on Layton's roadways. Those issues were also weighed when the Council passed this ordinance.

Violation of this law is a class C misdemeanor.

Skates, roller blades, skateboards, scooters, wagons, etc., are safest when used in a private yard, on a sidewalk, or at a park or public place – if the use there is not posted as prohibited.

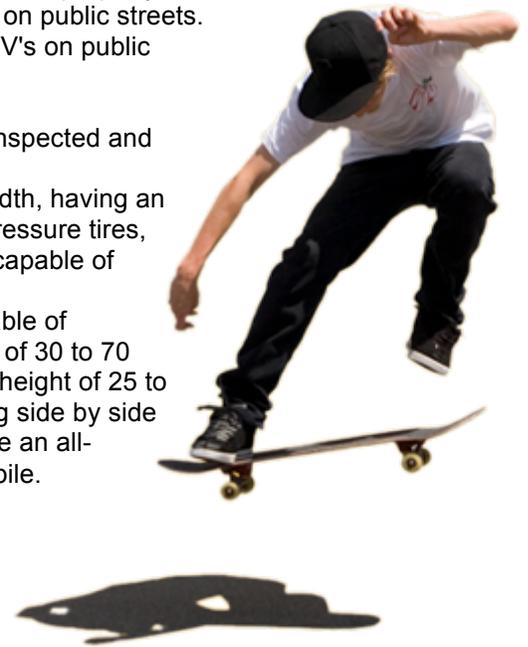
Unlicensed motorized vehicles are best used under adult supervision on private property. Some ATVs and all golf carts are for off road usage and are not safe or legal on public streets. There has been a recent change in the State's laws that allow designated ATV's on public roadways, but only if they are properly licensed and registered.

Types of street-legal ATVs:

An all-terrain vehicle that is a Type I or Utility Type Vehicle (UTV) may be inspected and registered as a Street-legal ATV. These types are defined as:

"All-terrain Type I Vehicle" means any motor vehicle 52 inches or less in width, having an unladen dry weight of 1,500 pounds or less, traveling on three or more low pressure tires, having a seat designed to be straddled by the operator, and designed for or capable of travel over unimproved terrain.

"Utility Type Vehicle" means any recreational vehicle designed for and capable of travel over unimproved terrain: traveling on four or more tires, having a width of 30 to 70 inches, having an unladen dry weight of 2,200 pounds or less, having a seat height of 25 to 40 inches when measured at the forward edge of the seat bottom, and having side by side seating with a steering wheel for control. "Utility type vehicle" does not include an all-terrain type I vehicle, an all-terrain type II vehicle, a motorcycle or a snowmobile.



LAYTON POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFERS 2 FREE DEFENSE CLASSES

The police department offers two different programs to help residents defend themselves from an attack.

RadKIDS is a four day program offered for free and is taught by Layton City Police Detectives to children 7-12 years of age. RadKIDS teaches children safety and how to physically defend themselves against abduction. Layton City has offered this program for the last five years and nearly 2,500 children have been trained. All classes are taught during the summer break at elementary schools in Layton. The schedule is available each spring and enrollment procedures are made available online at www.laytoncity.org.

The Assault Defense for Women class is new this year. It is a 4-hour class for women, focusing on techniques that can help prevent or defend against an assault. It is free of charge, and is taught by two of the department's defensive tactics instructors. It is held every 2-3 months, and upcoming classes are announced on the department's Facebook page.

The Layton Police Department encourages the public to take advantage of these classes and any other programs that can improve personal safety.

Cement is a key element in many construction projects. Here's a question and answer on the subject:

Q: Is a permit required to replace or add an additional driveway approach?

A: Yes. Replacement or addition of drive approaches requires a permit, which can be found at www.laytoncity.org, under "Services & Payments" and under a subheading of "Street Cut Permits." A drawing of the property, which includes dimensions from property lines and the total width of the existing and new approach, will need to be attached to the permit. The drawing will be reviewed by Engineering and Community and Economic Development to ensure it meets Layton City code.

Q: Will the City help with any of the sidewalk replacement costs?

A: The City does an annual sidewalk replacement project, determined by a physical survey of the City sidewalks, and using URMMA guidelines and ADA standards. The project focuses on 1/5th of the city each year. If your sidewalk does not qualify for replacement, or if you desire replacement before the annual project will be in your area, the City can schedule the cutting out and hauling off of your curb and gutter or sidewalk. An agreement must be signed in Engineering at 437 North Wasatch Drive, Lower Level, and a Street Cut Permit must be applied for before Public Works will schedule the removal. The property owner would be responsible for installing new sidewalk or curb and gutter in a timely manner.

Q: Where do I obtain a Sidewalk/Curb & Gutter/Drive Approach permit? What information will I need to bring to obtain this permit?

Street Cut Permits can be obtained online at www.laytoncity.org under the banner "Services & Payments." One of the options is "Street Cut Application." Follow the steps to fill out the permit and submit it to Engineering. The permit is reviewed by Engineering and Community and Economic Development, and approved. Most permits will have comments from Engineering and Community and Economic Development, which the homeowner will need to adhere to. Mark Stenquist from Engineering can answer any questions about Street Cut Permits. He can be reached at 801-336-3700.

The permit requires a drawing and a traffic control plan. The drawing must include the dimensions of the property frontage and the distance from property lines to the existing and new drive approach. For drive approaches and sidewalk work, the drawing can be attached for the Traffic Control Plan. If there will be work in the road, detailed Traffic Control Plans can be downloaded at www.laytoncity.org/public/Depts/PubWorks/downloads.aspx. The fee is \$45 for inspection. There is also a refundable bond from \$100 - \$500 depending on the scope of the work. This bond is refundable in its entirety once the inspector has signed off on the work.

Q: What about driveway thickness?

A: Driveways must be a minimum of 6 inches of roadbase and 6 inches of concrete.

Q: When would a resident require a wider driveway?

A: According to Layton City's Municipal Code, all vehicles must be parked on a hard surface and not on grass or dirt. "Areas designed for parking must be concrete, asphalt, or similar solid surface of sufficient size to house the entire vehicle," the Code states.

The reasons for this include that vehicles parking on grass will wear the grade down to dirt, which becomes muddy and full of ruts when wet. This mud will then be transferred to the adjacent sidewalk and roadway, creating a nuisance in the area.

Q: What about some cement companies, who when finished pouring cement, clean out their waste and dump cement residue in the nearby gutter?

A: This practice is illegal and prohibited in the Layton Municipal Code 13.16.060. Concrete must be washed out in approved locations. The slurry material stains sidewalk and curb and gutter and clogs the storm drain system. Please contact the City immediately if anyone is seen washing out in the street or gutter and take note of the company doing so. The City will contact the company and take the necessary actions from there.

Q: What if my curb cracks or begins to fall apart, what can be done?

A: Special caulking for cement can be used on small cracks on curbs, to lessen future cracking. For larger problems, please contact the Public Works Department. They will assess the damage and place it on a repair list, as well as determine the cause of the damage. If you or your contractor or agent caused the damage, the City may, at its discretion, notify the property owner that repairs are necessary to put such curb, gutter, or sidewalk in good order. The Law states: "If the person fails to make the required repairs, the City may repair same and the owner shall be liable to the City for the cost of repairs."



Not having a solid surface to park on can produce a muddy sidewalk situation.



Vacation home security tips

Summer is traditionally the time for family vacations and is a time of relaxation and enjoyment. However, it can also be a busy time for criminals to take advantage of vacationers, if appropriate crime prevention measures are not followed.

The following crime prevention tips are designed to allow Layton residents to enjoy their vacation and return to a safe and secure residence:

- Have locks on all doors and windows and use them.
- Make sure your home looks lived in and not empty.
- Plug in timers to turn lights, radio or television on and off at appropriate times.
- The "lived in" look is a critical part of your home security strategy.
- Ask a trusted neighbor to watch your home while you are away. Leave contact information so you can be reached in case of an emergency.
- Ask a neighbor to occasionally park in your driveway.
- Vehicles parked outside should be moved occasionally to appear that they are being used.
- Stop all deliveries and/or have a neighbor pick up the mail and newspapers.
- Close and lock garage doors and windows.
- If you have an alarm, make sure you set it before leaving. Also, make sure your alarm company has a list of at least three people who can respond to meet police in the event your alarm goes off while you are away.
- Avoid posting news of an upcoming trip, or of a vacation in progress on Facebook, Twitter, or other publicly accessible Web sites – wait until after you return home to do so.

If anyone has information regarding burglaries or any suspicious activity in their neighborhoods, please report it to the police.

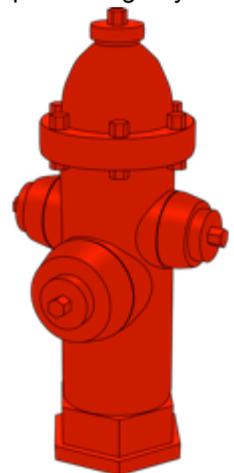
(Call 911 if it is an emergency, or 801-497-8300 for non-emergencies.)

LAYTON CITY PARKING REGULATIONS

Layton City has many more important parking regulations than just the winter no parking on the street at night ordinance.

Here are some of the other parking restrictions:

- Recreational vehicles may only be parked on the road for purposes of loading and unloading and never more than 24 hours.
- (A resident purchasing an RV, boat or new vehicle should always be sure they have enough parking on-site first to legally accommodate it.)
- It is against City Ordinances to park any vehicle, trailer, boat, or similar apparatus upon any developed parcel at a location other than that designed for parking, this means lawn or dirt.
- Areas designed for parking must be concrete, asphalt, or similar solid surface of sufficient size to house the entire vehicle.
- It is unlawful to park any vehicle over, above, on, or across the public easement (or parkway) between the sidewalk and curbing abutting any public street.
- It is illegal to park any vehicle over, above, on, or across any sidewalk or portion thereof, or to otherwise park a vehicle in such a manner so as to obstruct access upon, or use of, the entire surface of any sidewalk.
- It is against City ordinances to park upon any street, public right-of-way, or publicly owned or controlled property a vehicle that is mechanically inoperable, unlicensed, or that cannot be lawfully operated on public streets.
- It is illegal to park a vehicle upon any street for the principal purpose of performing maintenance or repairing such vehicle, except as is necessitated by an emergency.
- It is unlawful to park any vehicle in any location that interferes with the delivery and monitoring of essential services, such as utilities, postal services, and refuse collection.
- It is illegal to park any semi truck or disconnected semi truck trailer on any Layton City street. Exceptions would be moving vans in current usage. Note that semi trucks can legally park along any State Highway in Layton
- Also note that according to Utah State Law, it is illegal to park in front of a public or private driveway, except for loading or unloading; to park within 15 feet of a fire hydrant; or park within 20 feet of a crosswalk.
- Vehicles should also always be parked in the same direction as traffic flows on that side of the street; and vehicle's inside wheels should be within 12 inches of the curb.



ENVISION LAYTON to LAYTON ENVISIONED

The Envision Layton process wrapped up a few months ago with a Vision Summit that was held on April 15th at the Layton Hills Mall. The Vision Summit celebrated the unveiling of the preferred growth scenario, or Vision, based on input from Layton residents who helped create this vision for Layton's future with energy, enthusiasm and love for the City. The vision is the culmination of 18 months of hard work by hundreds of Layton residents, all of whom chose to participate in shaping the future of our community. Citizens worked together to take a look at the past, assess the present, and imagine the future.



The vision for Layton illustrates what the City will become over the next 35 years. This vision is the guiding document for Layton's General Plan update and describes the kinds of neighborhoods, housing choices, economy, transportation choices, trails and open spaces that the City's policies should be designed to create. It is a product of unprecedented public engagement, developed with the guidance of hundreds of residents, stakeholders, city staff, and an executive committee. With help from surveys, workshops, town hall meetings, and growth scenarios, the shared vision for Layton's future is represented by a vision statement, vision principles, and a vision map.

VISION STATEMENT - Our Vision for Layton

Layton lies nestled between the beautiful Wasatch Mountains and the Great Salt Lake, just north of Salt Lake City. With a unique natural setting and tremendous access to the region and beyond, Layton's residents enjoy remarkable quality of life and economic opportunity.

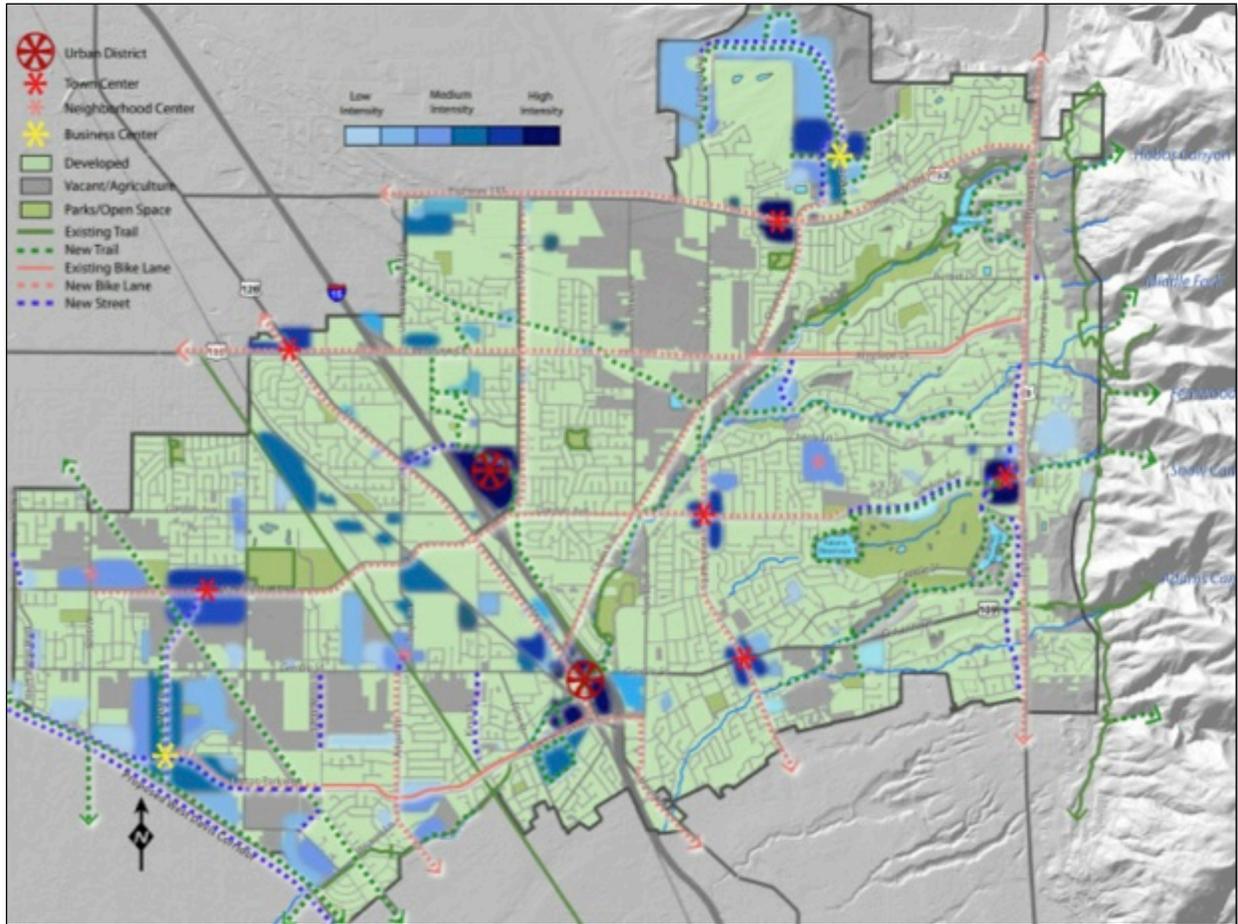
The city's residents enjoy diverse opportunities for life-long learning, creating, working, playing and relaxing, all within the city itself. Residents enjoy a friendly atmosphere and ample places to know and enjoy one another, whether in vibrant urban districts with a regional draw, where many live and enjoy employment, shopping, dining and other activities; or in quiet neighborhoods that feature gathering places with churches, schools, shops, cafés and places to enjoy other activities. Residents also appreciate Layton's open lands, taking advantage of creek side trails running from the mountains to the lake, where nature and rural character are treasured and neighborhoods are specially designed to preserve and enhance natural lands and agricultural heritage and operations. In Layton, life is great from the mountains to the lake.

VISION PRINCIPLES

The Vision Statement is accompanied by fourteen Vision Principles that are focused on neighborhood and housing, the economy, recreation, culture, open space, agriculture and mobility. Like the blueprints of a new home, these vision principles serve as a foundation for how Layton will move forward to realize a strong, well-constructed and innovative future. This set of vision principles is a collection of Layton residents' shared values and will shape the City, preserving what we love and introducing needed changes. The details relating to each of the vision principles are outlined in the Vision Brochure, which can be downloaded on the project web page at www.envisionlayton.org.

VISION MAP

The Vision Map is an illustration of Layton's future, as shaped by the Envision Layton participants and stakeholders through the analysis of four alternative growth scenarios. This map is not a zoning map or a general plan map; it is simply one plausible way the vision could be carried out on the ground. In addition, the Vision Map does illustrate concepts that could be considered as the City moves ahead with the General Plan update.



The Vision Map indicates that Layton draws a distinction between urban and rural areas, with a collection of new and redeveloped neighborhood and town centers featuring a variety of housing and attractions, and more compact, mixed-use neighborhoods. While there is some new suburban-style growth, considerable farmland preservation is possible.

Thanks to all those who participated! Your input has been valuable and helped *Envision Layton* evolved into *Layton Envisioned!* For more information about the process, vision principles, vision map, brochures, and public workshop presentations, visit www.envisionlayton.org.

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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.

Summer Programs

Arts in the Park
Skateboard Lessons
Tennis Lessons
Babysitter Training
Fit Kids

Register: www.laytoncity.org

**19th Annual Taste of the Town**

Saturday, July 23

4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

The Davis Chamber of Commerce invites the public to sample some of Davis County's fabulous fare at Layton Commons Park.

This is a family friendly and affordable way to taste your way around favorite local restaurants in a festive outdoor setting.

For pricing and additional details visit:

<http://davischamber.wpengine.com/taste-of-the-town/> or visit the event

Facebook page at <http://bit.ly/249nT6A>

Riders in the Sky Free Concert

Saturday, July 23, 8:00 p.m.

At the Ed Kenley Centennial Amphitheater, 403 North Wasatch Drive

Gates open at approximately 6:30 p.m.

This is a free Pioneer Day celebration concert by the Layton City Recreation Department. Seats will fill up fast and are available on a first come first serve basis. For questions call 801-336-3900.

**First Annual Electric Light Parade and Walk**

Saturday, July 23, 9:30 p.m.

Along Wasatch Drive, between Gentile Street and Layton High School.

To help celebrate Pioneer Day.

Free.

Layton City Offices Closed

Monday, July 25

In commemoration of the observed Pioneer Day State Holiday.

Recreation Registration

Through July 25 For Adult Fall Softball League, Youth Cross Country and Flag Football.

Register: www.laytoncity.org

Recreation Registration

August 1-August 29 for Adult Fall Volleyball and Adult Men's 6-foot and Under Basketball.

Register: www.laytoncity.org

Layton F.E.S.T. [Farmers, Entertainment, Shopping & Trucks]

Every Friday, 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m., from July 15 until Sept. 30

At Layton Commons Park (inside Constitution Circle).

For more information, go to: www.laytonfest.com

Recreation Registration

September 1 – 19 for Itty Bitty Jr Jazz Basketball (K - 3rd Grade boys and girls);

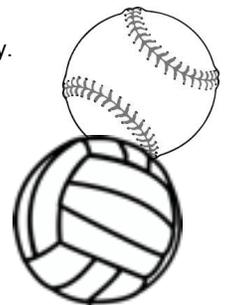
Girls Jr Jazz Basketball (4th - 9th Grade);

Boys Competition Team Basketball Fall League (4th - 8th

Grade Competition Teams);

Youth Volleyball; and Youth Wrestling.

Register: www.laytoncity.org



Friday, August 26

7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

At Surf 'n Swim,

465 North Wasatch Drive

Kids with 10 or more 2016 G.O. Tags receive free entry for the entire family
Also, anyone entering a cardboard boat receives free entry

For all others: \$1 admission

Music, food, fun and several prize drawings

For questions or more information on the cardboard boats contest contact Surf 'n Swim at 801-336-3939