



Cottonwood Heights

Weekly Update for the Week of Dec. 25-31, 2016

City Manager

1. Spent most of Christmas monitoring and answering comments on our social media channels regarding snow plowing.
2. The January newsletter off to the printer.

Police

1. The police department has purchased ice scrappers with forfeited funds. They are marked with "Compliments of CHPD" and are given out to motorists who are pulled over for having an obstructed windshield in lieu of a citation.

Engineering

1. The concrete construction on Union Park Ave has been postponed until after the New Year to accommodate holiday traffic.
2. We obtained traffic counts on 2184 East Lionsdale Drive for a traffic calming request from the residents. A traffic study on the roadway will be issued after the holidays.
3. We are working on CMAQ/STP/TAP grant applications that are due in mid-January.
4. We are coordinating with the County on the detection for the signal at Bengal and Highland Drive. It cycled through 2 patterns on Wed evening and there might be a problem with the detection. Keep me informed if you notice any problems.
5. The Giverny Plat Final Plat was approved
6. We are working with Matt Shipp and Mike Allen to procure a contract for the city road striping
7. We have been coordinating with geotechnical engineers on the northern gravel pit property and the proposed Ivory Homes development between Creek and Bengal Blvd. We are evaluating the slope stability and areas of unconsolidated fill material.
8. We continue to coordinate with UDOT on the proposed High-T intersection at SR210 and Wasatch Boulevard
9. We are working on the second phase of the public works site which includes the new access road, more site grading and the 3000 E signal.
10. The Union Park Avenue concrete median project was delayed to minimize impact to the businesses during the busy Christmas rush. It will help the concrete if we wait until we have warmer temperatures.
11. The steel structure for salt building is being constructed.

Administrative Services

1. Ann has been responding to a high number of requests to rent the building.
2. Preparations underway for the Legislative Breakfast on January 12th and the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on January 28th.
3. Staff prepared the 2016 TAP Award Application for the Trust which will result in a 1.5% decrease in some insurance premiums that the City pays.

Safety Moment

Cottonwood Heights Admin. Services staff met with Sandy Risk Management staff this week to find out what practices they were pursuing to keep employees safe. While we have a long list of ideas that we will be discussing with senior staff, one interesting story we learned about was Herbert William Heinrich who was an industrial safety pioneer during the 1930's. Chase Parker, Sandy Risk Management Manager told us how Heinrich developed a theory that for every 300 accidents in the workplace, 30 would be serious, and 1 out of 300 would be tragic or fatal.

Sandy developed the theory that the best way to prevent a tragedy was to cut down on the number of accidents. They had a high of almost one reportable accident for every 3 employees many years ago when they decided to tackle the problem. Now with close to 600 employees they have on average 30 reportable accidents per year. This has lowered their insurance premiums and protected the employees. What can you do to help us reduce the number of accidents that we have in the workplace? Please let us know if you see something that is a safety concern so that we can resolve it.

Photos



Figure 1- The steel structure is going up on the public works salt shed.



Figure 2- The yard is busy as crews move in and out during work throughout the day.



Figure 3-It's a little muddy with all of the traffic and salt falling off the trucks that keeps the ground from freezing?