

Mayor's Report

18 December 2023 – 7 January 2024

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Greetings, boss! Thanks for reading this report.

These reports are not intended to replace the official public notifications on Nibley's website (www.nibleycity.com) and the Utah Public Notice website (www.utah.gov/pmnl/), but rather to provide advance information about what the city is working on before the official notifications.

Please note that the Nibley City Council schedule is changing for 2024. The new schedule sets up a rolling, three-week interval between meetings. The logic for this change is to provide a cadence that gives one week for follow-up from the previous meeting, gives one week for staff to prepare information for the next meeting, and gives one week for the council to review that information before the next meeting. The total number of meetings for 2024 is nearly the same as the old, twice-a-month schedule because meetings that fell on a holiday used to be canceled, and now they are simply shifted by one week. Here is the important part for you: please check the Nibley City website for the council meeting schedule. As before, the meeting schedule for the entire year is posted, and the website gives links to agendas and information packets on the Utah Public Notice website. Despite the change in meeting schedule, I plan to stay on a two-week schedule for these status reports, as that seems like about the right amount of work to report on.

This report is going to be a bit different from others. Rather than talk about efforts from the previous couple of weeks, I want to give a partial list of some of the items Nibley City is looking forward to working on in the coming year.

- Complete the Master Plan for Parks, Recreation, and Open-Space and start implementing it
- Start and complete Nibley's first stand-alone Active Transportation Plan
- Make a plan to cooperate with the county, neighboring cities, or go it alone on an indoor recreation facility
- Start construction on phase 1 of the park in Ridgeline Park
- Complete the engineering design for phase 2 of the park in Ridgeline Park and apply for a grant from the Utah Division of Outdoor Recreation to help build it
- Finish the soccer fields next to Nibley City Hall
- Complete the Walk-to-School Initiative at Nibley Elementary
- Prepare for a General Plan update
- Review and update Nibley City Ordinance for affordable housing (state requirement)
- Start and complete construction of the portions of 1200 West that have been funded by the Cache Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMPO)
- Secure a CMPO grant for the last half of the final phase of 1200 West
- Finish updates on security systems for city hall and public works
- Modify or trigger the start date for the Malouf Community Reinvestment Agency
- Continue planning, maintaining, and operating municipal services for streets, water, sewer, stormwater, law enforcement, and public safety.

As mentioned, this is a partial list that does not include the normal processing of annexation requests, land-use applications, writing and adopting a budget, and the many city events throughout the year. In addition, it doesn't include the unanticipated opportunities (hmmm... think trash collection from 2023) that will crop up during the year.

How do you feel about this list? Are these the right things for Nibley City to be working on? Please let me know. Write, text, or call anytime.

Thanks for reading,
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