



South Ogden City Sound

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How did the City do this past fiscal year?

By Scott Darrington, City Manager

While many cities across the nation and in Utah are financially struggling, South Ogden City is not exempt. We have seen sales tax revenues, building permit revenues, interest revenues, amongst other revenues all decline. This is a budget abnormality that hasn't happened in our City for a long time. We have our challenges, but we have made plans to overcome the soft economy.

When we drafted the City budget last year we had anticipated that it would be different than in years past. We lowered revenue projections and cut back on some spending. We didn't foresee how bad it would actually get. We had our mid-year planning session and reduced operations budgets by 5%. We also eliminated all capital monies in individual department budgets. We hoped that by mid-2009 that things would start to rebound.

We are happy to report that preliminary reports (final numbers won't be available until August) show that the City budget will come close to breaking even for our current fiscal year. We haven't seen the rebound that we have hoped for, but the cost cutting measures have helped us to not spend any of our reserves.

Which leads us to our new fiscal year 2009/2010 budget. We expect that because of how slow the economy is rebounding that it is possible that we will have to use reserve funds to balance our budget. Our current reserves are about \$1.6M and we anticipate that the worst case scenario would be that we would need to use \$300,000 of that.

The City has cut operations an additional 7% and we don't think that any layoffs will be done this year. We have implemented a soft hiring freeze which allows the City to examine each position that comes open.

Everything we have prepared for this budget year is under an assumption that the economy won't recover. Any signs of recovery can only shed a positive light on our current budget situation. We feel optimistic that the City will survive the troubled economy and will soon be able to gain a stronger financial footing to better serve the future of the City.



South Ogden City Night with the Ogden Raptors

Come out and enjoy a fun night at the ballpark. South Ogden City residents, city employees and businesses will receive **FREE** General Admission Tickets to the Raptors game for **Monday, July 13, 2009**. The FREE tickets can be used to enter Lindquist Field on South Ogden City Night, or can be upgraded to Reserved Box Seats for \$5 each (1/2 off the walk-up price). Fans can also purchase a meal voucher that includes a hot dog, soda, and chips for \$6. Two free tickets will be included with your July utility statement. Tickets for additional family members can be picked up at City Hall.

2009 Municipal Election

Citizens still have until July 15, 2009 to become a candidate for the 2009 Municipal Election. Positions up this year include the Mayor and two Council Members. If you are interested, there is information on the city's website, at southogdencity.com, look under Elections, and review the Election Guide. There is a Declaration of Candidacy you can download, or drop by the city offices during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) Monday through Friday and fill one out. The fee to file for candidacy is \$25.00. Please contact the city recorder at 801-622-2707 for more information or if you have questions.

Ogden Clinic Hosts First Aid Tent for South Ogden Days

South Ogden City would like to recognize Ogden Clinic for their participation in this years South Ogden Days. Ogden Clinic joined us this year as a Sponsor in hosting the First Aid tent at Friendship Park. The South Ogden Days Publication that was mailed out did not include a copy of Ogden Clinic's logo on the sponsor page so we would like to recognize them at this time.



Message from the Fire Department

Fireworks Safety: With the Independence Day and Pioneer Days celebrations at hand, here are some reminders for using fireworks safely and legally:

- Fireworks are only legal to use during the month of July from the 1st thru the 7th and from the 21st thru 27th.
- Any fireworks that leave the ground under its own power (i.e. bottle rockets, roman candles, etc.) are NOT legal to use anywhere in Utah.
- Children under the age of 18 who discharge common and approved, class C fireworks must be supervised by an adult.
- When discharging approved fireworks, have a water supply handy (garden hose connected to a spigot, bucket of water, etc.)
- Discharge fireworks in areas away from combustible materials or dry grass / vegetation fields.
- When disposing of spent fireworks, soak them with water (or better yet, submerge them in a bucket of water) before putting them in a trash container.
- Never hold on to or throw lit fireworks at another person or animal.

Have a safe and happy summer from YOUR South Ogden City Fire Department

New Businesses in South Ogden

Welcome to South Ogden! The following new retail business licenses were granted in South Ogden. Please support our new businesses at their retail locations:

Business	Owner	Retail Location	Phone
Sheffield/Shaw Photography	Sheridan Sheffield/Amy Shaw	5922 S 1000 E	476-3327
Bank of America	Bank of America	1481 E 5600 S #101	479-1244

**In last month's newsletter, Bank of Utah was listed as a new business with the owner as Bank of America. This was listed incorrectly and Bank of Utah is not owned by Bank of America. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

2009 Curbside Recycle Schedule

Your recycle service day will be every other week on the same day as your trash service according to the designated weeks on the calendar below. Your scheduled week is the **NON-SHADED** week only. For questions regarding your service schedule call Customer Service at 801-731-5052.

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****Holiday Schedule:****
 New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas

American Red Cross Blood Drive

South Ogden Fire Department is sponsoring the American Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday July 27, 2009, 1:00-6:00 PM, in the EOC Conference Room at City Hall. Beginning July 20th, to schedule an appointment contact Kathy Olsen at 801-622-2753 or email at kolsen@southogdenfire.com. Walk ins are welcome.

"America's Night Out Against Crime"

To all residents of South Ogden City – On Tuesday, August 4th, you are invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "26th Annual National Night Out" crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out is designed to: (1)Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2)Generate support for local anticrime efforts; (3)Strengthen police-community partnerships; and (4)Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are fighting back.

From 6:00 to 9:00 pm on August 4th, residents in South Ogden and across the nation are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors, police and fire department. Come join us at the 40th Street Park (located east of the South Ogden Police and Fire Departments) for an evening of fun and learning. Here are just some of the things to look forward to:

- Free hot dogs and drinks
- UHP Helicopter from 6:30 to 8:30 pm
- Bouncy toys
- Dunk Tank (dunk an officer / fire fighter!)
- Coloring Contest (children aged 4-10 can get a drawing off the website beginning July 1st, or pick one up at the police department, color it, and submit it to the police dept on or before Friday July 31st. A prize for the winners. Age categories apply.)
- Poster Contest (children aged 11-17. Design a poster for "Giving Crime and Drugs a Going Away Party." Submit to the police department on or before Friday July 31st. Prize for the winner. Age categories apply.)
- Face painting, balloons, and more!
- Health and Safety Informational Booths
- A "No questions asked" Drug Drop-Off Box will be available. Bring any drugs you want to dispose of.

So come join us for a night of fun in "Giving Crime & Drugs A Going Away Party."

Child and Babysitting Safety Program

The South Ogden Department of Public Safety will be sponsoring a Child and Babysitting Safety program for youth, ages 11-15. This course will provide students with in-depth information from deciding if babysitting is right for you, to how to entertain and properly supervise children of all ages. Other topics include safety, feeding, how to handle emergencies, basic first aid, CPR and the Heimlich maneuver. Part of the curriculum includes training on safety practices when caring for children and first aid procedures which are endorsed by the American Academy of Pediatrics. Upon completion, students will receive completion cards which are nationally recognized along with their own babysitting tote bag and handbook. Two separate sessions will be offered free of charge. 1st Session: Tuesday and Wednesday, August 11th and 12th, 10 am to noon; 2nd Session: Tuesday and Wednesday, August 18th and 19th, 10 am to noon .

To register, please contact Cindee Paulsen at 622-2804.

The Big Fix

The Big Fix register is full for June 16th, but they will be coming again on July 22nd. We will be accepting applications from South Ogden residents only until Monday, July 6th, after which any remaining spots may be filled by anyone. To sign up for July, please bring a check or money order made out to the Big Fix to the Police Dept. at 3950 Adams Ave.

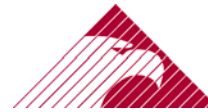
Portable Swimming Pools

We have seen an increasing number of portable swimming pools throughout the City. These pools are permitted in the rear yard of a dwelling as an accessory use, provided the following requirements are met: **Location:** Pool and pool equipment must be ten feet (10') from any property line. **Enclosure:** Outside swimming pool(s) must be completely enclosed by a substantial fence of not less than six feet (6') in height with self-locking gate(s). Our goal is to provide public safety, health and general welfare.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please feel free to contact the building department at 801-622-2709.



Thank You!



Goldenwest CU - Mindful Yoga & Mindful Women Spa - Creative Times Academy

Zucca - Savers - Manor Care - Northern Wasatch Association of Realtors

Standard Examiner Intermountain T-Shirt Crown Trophy Absolute Power
Diamond Rental Tips R.V. Scott Photography Vipers Football
Utah Drivers License Division Weber County Mounted Posse

*Mayor Garwood South Ogden City Council South Ogden City Department of Public Safety
South Ogden City Public Works South Ogden City Parks South Ogden City Employees
Volunteers Vendors Entertainers*

Please be sure and thank these great South Ogden Days Supporters!

For another great celebration!

