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City Budget Passed With No New Tax Increase

After four months of work sessions and public review, the Bountiful City Council passed its 1993-94 fiscal budget—and, for the 12th consecutive year, the budget contains no new tax increase.

"It's a responsive budget that reflects the goals, desires, wishes and work program of the City Council and citizens," said City Manager Tom Hardy. "It meets the dual needs: the desire to have efficient public service while placing constraints on taxation and public spending."

Among the budget highlights:

- New Capital projects including the total reconstruction of Orchard Drive (5th South to 4th North), total reconstruction of Main Street (5th South to 1500 South), extension of 4th

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North-13th East to Bountiful Boulevard, a traffic signal at Main and Center Streets, sidewalk widening of Bountiful Boulevard, and purchase of a tub grinder for the landfill.

- A \$1 per month sanitation and landfill increase to help offset the additional costs of Environmental Protection Agency compliance. Even with the increase, Bountiful's sanitation rates are much lower than comparable rates in other Southern Davis County cities. (see breakdown on Pg. 4)

- A 3% cost-of-living adjustment for the city's full-time employees.

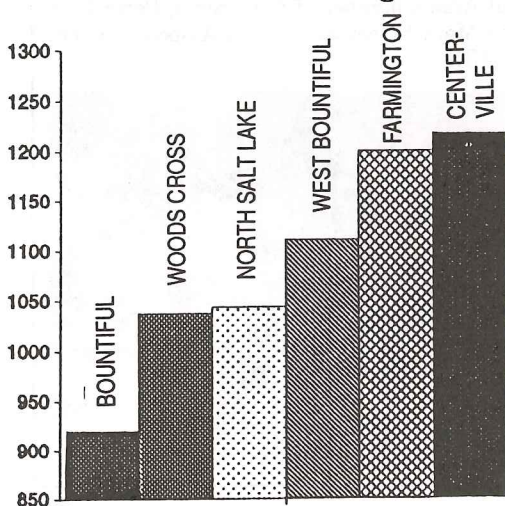
Funding for the budget comes through a variety of sources with sales tax being the largest individual portion. More than three-quarters of revenue is derived from five sources: sales tax (27%), power fund transfers (15%), prior year's fund balance (15%), property tax (12%) and franchise taxes (11%).

According to Hardy, taxes represent only a small portion of the total revenue. User fees comprise a large portion, and 90% of the enterprise funds (golf, pool, ice rink, sewer, water, power, sanitation, and cemetery) entail the collection of specific "user fees." These funds are treated as separate "businesses" and, in order to transfer money from one fund to another, the transfer must be approved by the City Council.

Says Hardy, "The budget is more than a bunch of numbers and dollar figures. What the city budget really reflects is the city's quality of life."

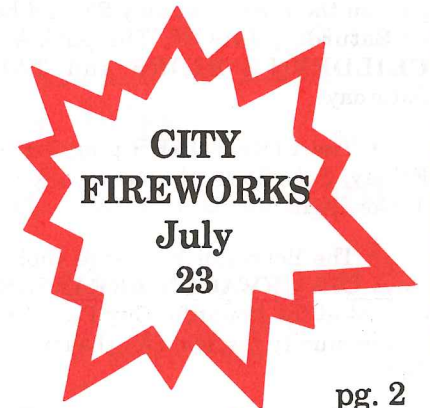
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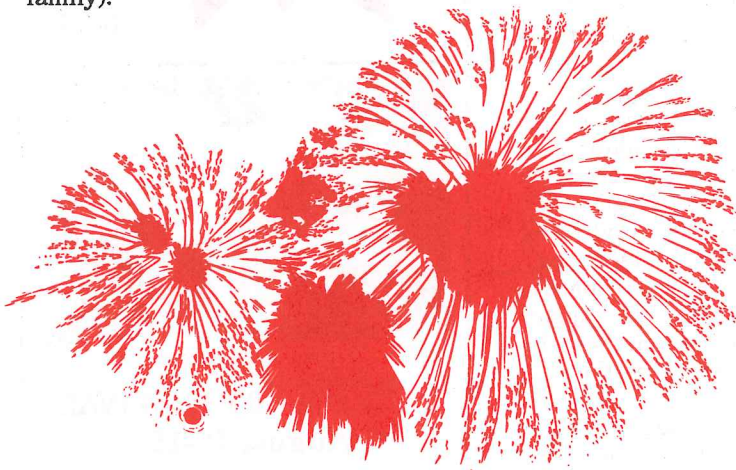
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HANDCART DAYS

The traditional Handcart Days, one of Utah's best-attended historical and patriotic celebrations, will once again showcase community pride and heritage with a non-stop schedule of parades, entertainment and fireworks.

- The **PARADE** will trail through Bountiful from 6-8 p.m. on Friday, July 23. The parade route begins at Five Points Mall, continues through Main Street, then turns west on 4th North before disbanding in front of the Bountiful City Park (4th North and 2nd West).
- The **PARK CONCESSIONS** will open from 6-10:30 p.m. on the evening of July 23, and between 8 a.m. - 5p.m. on Saturday, July 24. The park area will also feature **CHILDREN'S RIDES** and **TALENT SHOWS** on Saturday.
- The **FIREWORKS** program will begin at dusk on Friday, July 23 in the east park area of Mueller Park Junior High. Admission is free.
- The Bountiful Exchange Club will host a Handcart Days **CHUCKWAGON BREAKFAST** from 7-10 a.m. on July 24 at the Bountiful City Park. The breakfast is open to all community residents for the low cost of \$2.50 (or \$12 per family).



■ Fireworks begin at dusk at Mueller Park Jr. High ■

SUMMERFEST

Bountiful's annual Summerfest, the single largest folk and cultural arts event in the United States, will feature a spirited romp through world culture on Aug. 12-15 with performances by some 400 entertainers from around the globe.

Folk dancers and musicians from Argentina, Bolivia, China, Indonesia, Russia, Turkey and the U.S. have agreed to perform, and organizers are also trying to finalize appearances from dance troupes in Peru, Costa Rica and Canada.

"The variety is a key to the enjoyment," says Larry Baird, festival chairman. "The festival combines the romantic dance and music of the Spanish countries to the more exact mechanics of the Turkish troupe...from the pan pipe musicians of Bolivia to the drum corps of Beijing. In Los Angeles, an event like this would charge at least \$10 admission."

But the price for Summerfest is only \$1 per person. Unlike in past years, all events will be held in a fenced-in festival site at the Bountiful City Park. (Children 11 years and younger will be admitted free.) The fee includes admission to the 75-booth area manned by Utah artists and craftsmen selling fine art and handmade crafts. (For booth

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information, contact the Bountiful Davis Art Center at 292-0367.)

The festival opens **Thursday, Aug. 12** with a parade on Main Street (6:30 p.m.) followed by opening ceremonies on the park stage featuring Gov. Mike Leavitt and Mayor Bob Linnell. Performances by each of the groups will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The performances continue **Aug. 13-14** with 30-minute presentations from 11 a.m. and a complete evening show beginning at 7:30 p.m. with a variety of 10-minute performances. Entertainment on Sunday begins at noon until 3 p.m. (The exhibit area will be open from 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.)

Ethnic foods will also be sold at the area during all four days. Ethnic flavors expected include Chilean, Samoan, Swiss, Philippine, Russian, Argentine, Native American, Palestinian, Bolivian and Chinese.

Some 300 chair and bleacher seats will be arranged in front of the stage, according to Katie McMahon, assistant director. "We advise people to come early and enjoy the entire festival. Bountiful is really fortunate to have such a high-class festival."

This year's Summerfest is being sponsored by Bountiful City, the Bountiful Area Chamber of Commerce, Pepsi-Cola, Bank One and the Main Street Merchants Association. The media sponsor is KUER.



Main Street Merchants Set August 5-7 For Sidewalk Days

With Sidewalk Days scheduled for August 5-7, the Bountiful Main Street Merchants will be celebrating a tradition along with increased optimism for the future.

"With the construction of the U.S. Post Office at Main and Center, the planned widening of Center Street between Main and 1st West, and placement of a traffic semaphore at the Post Office intersection, the downtown merchants are optimistic about future economic vitality," said Keith Barton, president and executive director of the business association. "Actually, downtown business has stabilized and some of the merchants are doing quite well. We will continue to be seen as the heartbeat of Bountiful."

Sidewalk Days has traditionally been an economic boost to the area. With many merchants closing out end-of-season apparel and wares, discounts frequently approach 50% off retail prices.

"It's usually been very successful, and Bountiful was one of the very first communities in the West to sponsor a sidewalk promotion," said Barton.

Sidewalk Days sales generally begin about 9 a.m. and continue through 6 p.m. on the Thursday through Saturday promotion. Some 70 businesses are expected to participate.

Recycling Center Now Open, Grinder To Be Purchased

To help preserve its resources and the natural environment, the city's new recycling center at 950 South 200 West is now accepting tin cans, aluminum, newspaper (but not "office paper"), glass, and plastics (milk jugs, 2-liter containers, polystyrene egg cartons and meat trays).

In addition, the city will purchase a tub grinder to reduce the amount of wood formerly taken to the landfill. The grinder can shred limbs, woods, brush, paper and other similar materials, resulting in production of sawdust and wood chips that can be sold and used as compost or ground covering. The grinder will be especially helpful in increasing the capacity of the landfill since wood is hard to compact and takes up a large portion of landfill space. With the landfill "life" increased, citizens will benefit since the city will not have to search for expensive alternate methods of garbage disposal.

New Post Office Off The 'Freeze List' Says U.S. Postmaster General

Bountiful's new U.S. Post Office has been taken off the "freeze list" and construction on the regional facility could begin as early as this winter for a 1994 opening.

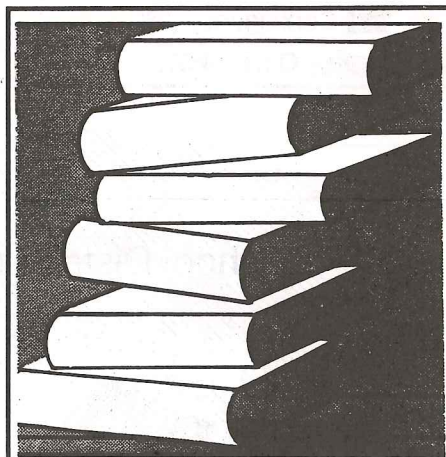
The facility, to be built on 3.5 acres of Block 29 at Center Street and Main Street, was initially publicized but then "frozen" when the Layton Post Office was approved. With the Bountiful site in doubt, Utah's Congressional delegation appealed directly to Postmaster General Marvin Runyon who, in a June 8 letter to Rep. James Hansen, wrote, "Based on the demonstrated needs for a new Bountiful facility, I have authorized the project to proceed."

Rep. Hansen applauded the decision. "The city of Bountiful has worked with a variety of property owners, the Postal Service and the community to accommodate the needs of all concerned, and the Postal Service has recognized Bountiful's increasing postal needs."

Sen. Orrin Hatch agreed. "The need for the Bountiful facility is apparent to all concerned. The decision to move forward with construction is the positive reward of a combined effort

of the entire community."

The new facility will contain approximately 23,000 square feet, a large increase over the current site. The new downtown center will also contain expanded parking for postal customers.



Did You Know

That the Davis County Library's Bountiful Branch has more volumes and more circulation than any other county branch? The branch will be featured in the city's Fall publication.

Fire Code Standards Met With Improvements To Stoker School Campus

The Stoker School was rededicated June 14 to acknowledge the completion of improvements made to comply with the modern fire codes. The renovations were funded by the 1993 Utah Legislature.

Mayor Bob Linnell of Bountiful spoke along with University of Utah President Arthur K. Smith, Academic Vice-President Jerilyn S. McIntire, Continuing Education Dean James J. Gosling, and Utah Rep. Nancy Lyon.

The improvements include the following:

- New fire-rated doors installed in all the doorways.
- The main stairwell enclosed to separate the basement from the rest of the building.
- An upstairs storage room turned into a hallway in order to have unobstructed access to the existing fire escape.

• Old flammable ceiling tile taken out and replaced with a new fire-resistant suspended ceiling with fluorescent hallway lighting.

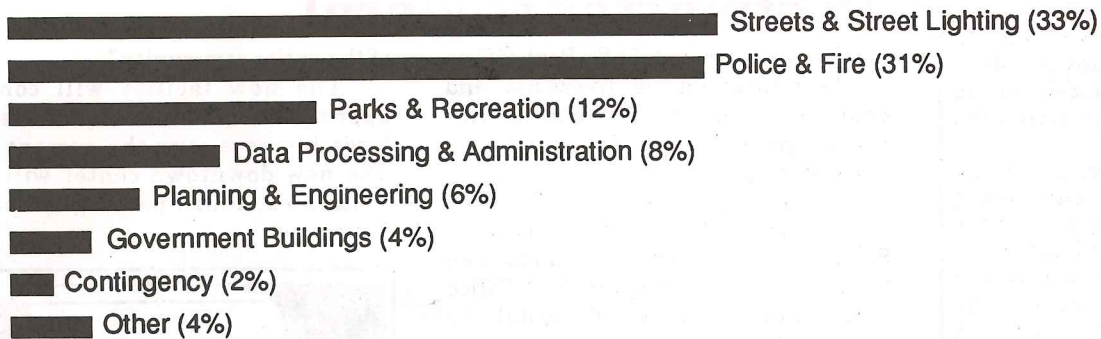
• All windows adjacent to the fire escape replaced.

Also, the University of Utah financed aesthetic improvements including window dressings, Levelors, and carpet on the main and upper floors. (The basement was excluded because of the instructional ceramic area.) The hallways were also repainted.

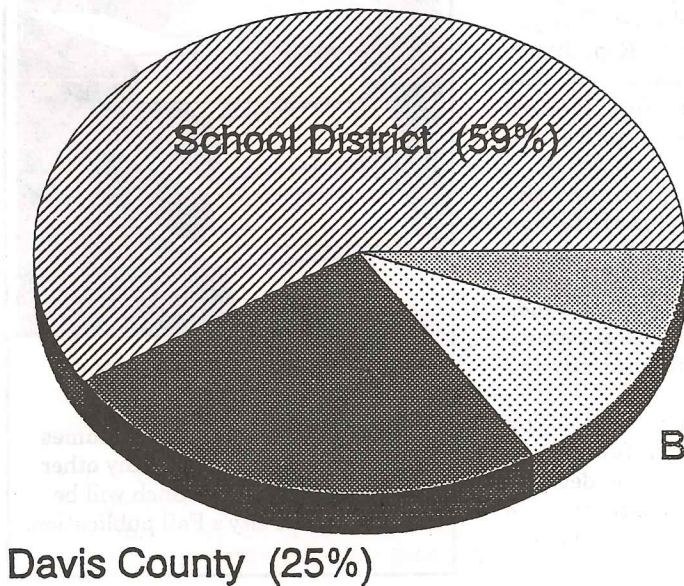
Stoker School currently has 22 classrooms and offers 291 courses. These courses are offered mainly in the evening to accommodate people employed full-time. Students are now able to fulfill all general and liberal education requirements for graduation from the University of Utah at Stoker School.

WHERE THE TAX MONEY IS SPENT IN BOUNTIFUL CITY

(General Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, Debt Service Fund)



WHO RECEIVES YOUR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TAX



Special Districts (6%)
Includes Weber Water, Bountiful Subconservancy, Mosquito Abatement and Sewer.

The Property Tax on a \$80,000 home is \$866. Of that amount, the following entities receive:

Davis County	
School District	\$ 510
Davis County	\$ 215
Bountiful City	\$ 87
Special Districts	\$ 54

Comparative "Cost-of-Living" Index

South Davis County Cities

	Property Tax ¹	Franchise Tax ²	Water ³	Sewer ⁴	Electric ⁵	Garbage	Total
Bountiful	\$ 88	\$ 85	\$ 69	\$ 89	\$ 530	\$ 60	\$ 921
Woods Cross	86	0	84	92	657	119	1,038
North Salt Lake	94	0	87	92	657	114	1,044
West Bountiful	86	0	138	92	657	138	1,111
Farmington	92	71	102	152	657	126	1,200
Centerville	91	71	187	92	657	120	1,217

¹ Property Tax based on home with \$80,000 market value and 1992 rates

² Franchise tax based on \$50 monthly electric, \$60 month gas, and PSC-approved tele. rate (\$7.98)

³ Water based on 6000 gallon monthly consumption

⁴ Sewer based on monthly charge and sewer district tax levy.

⁵ Electric based on 800 KWH monthly consumption