For many of us, the warm glow of the holidays is as much about giving as it is about receiving. I am in a unique position as mayor of being able to both give and receive so many things that enrich our community. Every year, residents, businesses, faith communities, civic organizations and caring individuals donate time, money and resources to lifting up people and building a better society. Let us all celebrate with gratitude this month.

Utah Philanthropy Day, a part of annual National Philanthropy Day on November 15th, celebrates this spirit. Philanthropy is defined as “the love of humankind.” I was honored this year at Utah Philanthropy Day with the Lt. Governor’s Public Service Award. Our community’s work with Promise South Salt Lake was on center stage and many of the partners and donors who make it possible, including Westminster College, United Way of Salt Lake and Granite School District were celebrating there with us. The honor is a true testament to the hundreds of people and organizations who have recognized that transforming a community is possible through kindness.

Another honor, the “Heart & Hands” Award, was given to three youth in our Promise SSL program who regularly work on community service projects to improve parks and buildings in South Salt Lake. Bella Bloss, Rudy Mota and Danny Hernandez were recognized by their mentors and peers for cheerfully tackling projects from planting trees and spreading compost, to painting a bicycle course. Their positive outlooks and leadership roles have attracted other youth to be a part of Promise SSL programs and join them on the path to success.

As we wrap up this year, I hope you look back at the many ways we have shared our “love of humankind” and can see we are making a difference. Please join us in 2019 by volunteering, donating, attending meetings, or sharing your ideas. Best wishes for a warm holiday!
City Council Corner

Recently there has been a lot of discussion about the possibility of a new county library on the former Granite High property. At a recent special meeting on October 3, 2018, the majority of the council expressed support and commitment to move this project forward.

The word conditional use permit has been frequently used in this discussion, but what exactly does that mean? According to the Utah Department of Commerce, it is a land use that has unique characteristics or negative effects that may not be compatible in an area without conditions to mitigate or eliminate the detrimental impacts.

This process is unique because Salt Lake County is not the applicant. Wasatch Group, a multifamily developer, has applied to change the zoning from single family residential to allow 113 townhomes, most likely for rent. Granite School District still owns the property but it is under contract to sell to Wasatch Group pending approvals.

It is important to remember that poor planning now, can lead to regrets later. The conditional use part of the process ensures that we get the library along with the townhomes. We would hate to change the zoning and have the library deal fall through. Many residents have told me they only support this project because of the library.

The large outdoor space surrounding the library is a welcome asset but safety is my primary concern throughout this process. It is our job to ask hard questions and build in conditions to eliminate possible detrimental impacts. I am confident all parties can work together to come to terms to do what is best for our residents.

Our city council will have final approval of both the conditional use permit and the zoning change. The planning commission will serve as a recommending body. This matter is expected to come before the planning commission in the next two months, then on to the council for final action.

Every city council meeting residents have the opportunity to make comments. Looking to the future, I hope to never hear comments about safety issues at our new library. And that will be because our staff had the foresight to create a proactive, detailed conditional use permit.

Note: Opinions expressed here may not be representative of all Members of the City Council.

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SNOW REMOVAL

Removing snow in a timely manner from your driveway and sidewalk provides for safe pedestrian travel and accessibility into and out of your driveway. Please place snow in your yard or park strip, not in the gutter or roadway.

All Night Parking on the street is prohibited on any night where snow removal shall be necessary on South Salt Lake roadways. Public Works is responsible for plowing over 70 miles of city streets. Keeping roadways clear of vehicles enables plows to effectively clear streets.
75 Years of South Salt Lake Fire Department

We are thrilled to say Happy 75th Birthday South Salt Lake Fire this December 2nd. As with all of South Salt Lake, the Fire Department has humble beginnings. Fire Chief Samuel Davies was appointed as the first Fire Chief where he was the only employee of the fire department. Chief Davies also served as the City Building Inspector and lived with his family in Fire Station 1 located on Oakland Avenue. The volunteer department of about 20 men from the community listened for the call-out siren indicating a fire and often received their first fire training during a response. The legacy of those founding members of the department lives on today.

Early in our history, firefighters often purchased outdated equipment with their own money. In 1961 Station 42 was built. This expanded our ability to provide much needed fire protection to the city’s booming industrial area. The station was also a permanent residence to one of the department’s firefighters and his family until 1968. Under Chief Heddleston, South Salt Lake Fire began providing Emergency Medical Services in the later part of the 1970’s. In 1974, the department finished its transition to mostly full-time firefighters.

Chief Robert Adams was appointed in 1980 and served until 1998. Chief Adams oversaw significant changes to fire prevention, fire investigation and EMS services and also relocated Station No. 1 to its current location on Main Street where it’s now known as Station 41. Chief Steven Foote was appointed in 1998. Chief Foote grew the department by 33% when almost 8,000 new residents were added through annexation to the City. He also started city ambulance service in 2001.

While each Chief’s accomplishments moved the department forward, it has always been the firefighters who put their lives on the front lines each day that make South Salt Lake Fire the best department in the state. Firefighters respond to many different calls ranging from mostly medical to hazardous materials responses and fires, large and small. I’m proud to have worked with firefighters in South Salt Lake in the late 70’s as a Paramedic with a cooperating agency to today as Fire Chief. Our current organization consists of 51 full-time firefighters augmented by a staff of part-time, paid firefighters. We are a tight family of brother and sister firefighters dedicated to the safety of all who call for our help. Our motto is “Our Family Serving Your Family”.

Today, our committed firefighters work tirelessly to contribute to our community on a daily basis. We have a passionate group and are constantly training to provide the highest quality service to you, our customers. I look forward to continued progress as a department as we carry this great legacy forward. I always welcome your comments, feedback or friendly conversation. Please feel free to reach out and thank you for your support.

Register your Bicycle

Starting January 2019, the South Salt Lake Police Department will be offering bicycle registration for residents. There are 40 to 50 bicycle theft reports taken annual. With the continued growth, increased population and additional bike lanes in the City we are seeing an increase of cyclists. More bicycles on our streets can easily lead to more thefts. Help us protect your bicycle by registering your bike.

Why register your bike? When you register your bike with the South Salt Lake Police Department, all the important identifying information about your bike, along with your contact information, is stored in the department’s database. If your bike is ever stolen, all of the information needed to list it as stolen, as well as to identify and contact you – if it is recovered, will be immediately available to officers.

What do I do if my bike is stolen? You can file a theft report with the South Salt Lake Police Department by calling 801-840-4000. If you have already registered your bike with SSLPD, tell the officer and provide them with the registration sticker number if possible. If you don’t have or can’t remember your registration number, it can easily be located by the name of the individual who registered the bike.

How do I register my bike? Registering your bike with the South Salt Lake Police Department is FREE! To register your bike, visit the South Salt Lake Police Department in person with the bike to be registered. An officer will verify the information and place a registration sticker on your bike.

It’s just that easy! Bring your new or old bike down starting this January and have it registered with the South Salt Lake Police Department.
South Salt Lake 2018 PROJECTS

THE ZELLER APARTMENTS OPEN AT 2255 SOUTH 300 EAST.
Zeller is a new 292-unit transit oriented multifamily development that replaced the Zellerbach Warehouse. The development is four stories tall and features two large open air atriums providing amenities and open space to residents. Ground level units have street level private entrances along 300 East, 400 East, S-Line, and a private lane.

WASATCH RENAL CENTER OPENS AT 3702 S. STATE STREET.
Wasatch Renal Center is a 52,000 square foot medical building that will house six tenants; a hemodialysis treatment center; vascular medical practice; medical practice; urgent care facility; medical imaging center; and a pharmacy.

NEW RIVERFRONT FLEX INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS COMPLETED AT 3678 SOUTH 700 WEST.
Thackeray Garn Company developed a 60-acre site between 700 West and the Jordan River, at approximately 3700 South. This spring nearly 500,000 square feet of flex industrial office was completed. Future development within the Riverfront Development includes a new elementary school, another flex industrial building, and 77 new single family homes.

NEW COMMERCIAL BUILDING AND GRAND OPENING FOR QUENCH IT AND A BARBER LOUNGE AT 3144 S. STATE STREET.

S-LINE DOUBLE TRACK AT 300 EAST.
The new double track built along the streetcar line in South Salt Lake, between 300 East and 500 East will increase the streetcar line’s frequency by five minutes. It is anticipated that ridership along the S-Line will increase significantly over the next five years as 2,676 new residential units are under construction between Sugarhouse and South Salt Lake. The track is set to be open in January.
Community Happenings

**Lions Park gets new Playground**

Lions Park gained a new KaBOOM! playground in August. jetBlue sponsored the build and brought their employees to lend a hand. In total, over 200 volunteers built the playground, from the ground up, in under six hours. Huge shout out to residents and employees who stepped up to see this through. Children from all over the city are enjoying this amenity and will for years to come!

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**Award Winning Recreation Staff and Programs**

The Recreation Department takes pride in coordinating quality programs and events that bring the community together. This past spring our staff came away with several recognitions. Tony Fabela received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the URPA (Utah Recreation Parks Association). It is given to individuals who have shown outstanding effort, contribution and achievement in the field of parks, recreation, and leisure services. Dustin Permann graduated from the URPA Leadership Academy. The Academy is designed to identify and train talented individuals to assume leadership roles. Lastly, SSL Recreation received the URPA Outstanding Program Award for our 5 on 5 on 5 Coed Softball League (winning team pictured). Recreation has a full schedule of events and activities for 2019, stay tuned!

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**Breakfast with Santa**

Saturday, December 1, 2018, 8 to 11 a.m.

Health Fair sponsored by Select Health, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**INDOOR SOCCER**

Season: January 16 – February 27
PK/K Monday & Wednesday 6-7 or 7-8 p.m.
Columbus Community Center: 2531 S 400 E
1st – 3rd grades Tuesday & Thursday 6-7 or 7-8 p.m.
Central Park Community Center: 2797 S 300 E
4th – 6th grades Monday & Wednesday 6-7 or 7-8 p.m.
Granite Park Junior High: 3030 S 200 E
Cost: $25 for 1st child, $20 for 2nd, $15 for 3rd
*Additional $5 non-resident fee Scholarships available
Deadline: December 28th (Space is Limited!)
Register at Recreation Office: 2531 S 400 E
Office hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
For more information call 801-412-3217

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**Pickleball**

Central Park Community Center
2797 S 200 E
Dec. 3 – March 15
Mon, Wed & Fri
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Monday Evenings 7 – 9 p.m.
18 & Older
Equipment for Checkout
For registration contact:
Dustin 801.412.3209 or dpermann@sslc.com

**Adult Open Play Basketball**

Columbus Community Center
2531 S 400 E
18 years and older
Dec. 4 – March 14
Tues & Thurs nights
7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Fee: $20 Season Pass or $1 Night Pass
For more information call 801-412-3217

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the SSL Justice Court on their Justice Court of the Year Award! The hard work of our employees keeps the court running smoothly.

The Board of Justice Court Judges awarded this to SSL for its continued excellence in serving the public.

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Special thanks to the SSL Lions and Rotary Clubs. For more information call Myrna at 801-483-6076 or email mclarke@sslc.com
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Arts Council Hosts Two Inaugural Events

The South Salt Lake Arts Council had an eventful year. Early in the year they received the South Salt Lake Chamber’s Community Champion Award, this is a testament of their dedication to SSL and to building a better place for all.

May brought the first ever Mural Fest to downtown. In total, ten public art murals brightened buildings. October saw the inaugural Craftoberfest. This event featured local businesses offering craft drinks and included the unveiling of kegs and barrels painted by local artists for the participating brewers and distillers.

The New Creative Arts for Life classes have been offered free of charge to SSL adults and senior residents. An array of talented local artists have taught the classes in a variety of mediums. Watch for new offerings starting in January. The Arts Council has supported over 90 artists, creative businesses and arts organizations and engaged over 1800 individuals through Arts Council events, programs and projects this year.

PAL Thanksgiving THANK YOU

South Salt Lake PAL youth, board members, police officers, firefighters, community members and business partners prepared Thanksgiving dinner kits and cooked meals for over 65 South Salt Lake families in need. We appreciate the efforts of Codie Massey our head volunteer and Promise SSL staff. A special thank you to our business partners: Salt Lake Valley GMC, Cameron Construction, Kimball Industries and Salt Lake Culinary Center!
South Salt Lake Angel Tree

Stop by City Hall and visit our Angel Tree from now until mid-December. The tree is located on the 2nd floor of South Salt Lake City Hall (220 East Morris Ave). It is ornamented with tags that have a description of wants or needs of a local resident that the Youth City Council will be distributing for families in need. Gifts may be dropped off at City Hall. Please don’t forget to attach the tag to your wrapped gift so we know who it is going to. Monetary donations can also be made at the Finance Department on the 2nd Floor. The South Salt Lake Youth City Council would like to thank everyone in advance for participating. Questions contact Edward Lopez: elopez@sslc.com or 801-455-1729

Commonwealth Center

Commonwealth Performing Arts and Youth Entrepreneurial Center’s recent move to the HipHop Education & Resource Center has brought with it many new and exciting opportunities for SSL’s teens. On November 16, Commonwealth hosted Fall Fest, a ‘Lights On for Afterschool’ event, planned by youth at the center to bring awareness to the need of afterschool in our community. The event included a short poetry slam plus Q&A session for youth interested in spoken word poetry. It also showcased original artwork, food, games, clothing donation for those in need, and a HEAT Assistance representative.

Commonwealth is integrating spoken word into their programming as part of the Promise Collective (Promise SSL’s new spoken word group) each Friday to give teens a safe place to express themselves. In addition, to prepare them for upcoming open mics sessions and an end of year youth poetry slam. Commonwealth extends an invitation to any 6th-12th graders to sign up for their upcoming Career Days. During these sessions professionals from varying career paths will speak about their employment, the education behind their career, and scholarship opportunities at local institutions should youth be interested in exploring discussed career paths. The first career of the series will be ‘Creative Careers’ on Thursday, December 13 4:30-6:00 p.m., with guest speaker Joshua Perkins; CEO of The Bboy Federation. For any questions, interest in attending Career Days and/or enrolling at Commonwealth, contact Tori Smith at 385-630-9753 or tsmith@sslc.com.

Youth Champion of the Year! – Ben Daniel, Program Manager

Hser Ner Moo Program Manager Ben Daniel received the Utah Afterschool Network Youth Champion of the Year! Ben has been employed with Promise SSL for 5 years. Ben’s colleagues report he is an incredible and inspiring person to work with. His grace, communication style, compassion, and positive attitude are only the beginning of how he is a light at Hser Ner Moo. He has not only helped grow the program from 8 to 80 teens over the past five years, but he has become an anchor and mentor to the youth by supporting them through every challenge associated with being a refugee and a teenager. He is committed to ensuring the teens grow up to their highest standards and helps the teens maintain academic excellence and good school-day attendance through mentorship and tutoring. Ben knows everything that is going on in the teens’ personal lives, knowing which days the youth cook dinner for their families to which youth is preparing for a test. He has each youth’s best interest in mind and prioritizes high quality lessons being taught, that will benefit the youth’s academic advancement and career readiness. Congrats Ben!

Chess Tournament & BreakThru Chess

In November, South Salt Lake Recreation Department hosted the annual Chess Tournament. Annually, youth ages 5-18 participate in this high class affair at the Columbus Community Center. Youth are split into pairings based on age and skill and spend the day competing and learning together. Not only was the tournament incredibly well organized, so youth were able to move quickly from round to round, it was also well attended! Recreation staff helped keep kids engaged between rounds with fast-paced mini-games, a fun giant chess board, and tasty snacks. This year was extra special because of a budding partnership between the Recreation Department and the new Promise SSL Afterschool Chess Clubs.

Last spring, Promise partnered with BreakThru Sports to begin offering chess in two of the city’s afterschool programs. After an early success, the number of clubs has grown to six clubs in locations all across the city. In these clubs, youth advance both their academic and social skills. Coaches have seen youth learn innovative problem solving that can be applied to many different situations. Youth have the opportunity take on cooperative leadership roles by co-teaching one another. Youth from different backgrounds learn to build community and understanding across language and cultural barriers through play. Recreation generously sponsored 27 of Promise’s first-time players to attend the tournament. While many of the kids spent the day practicing the art of “losing gracefully,” they all enjoyed the experience. The coaches wanted to give a special shout out to Aasutosh Acharya, an 11th grader from the afterschool program at Cottonwood who took home a 1st place trophy! He played well and set such a positive example for the other youth. Congratulations Aasutosh!

Promise’s Afterschool BreakThru Chess Clubs are available to any child, age 9 and older, who lives, works, worships, or attends school in South Salt Lake. If you know a child who would like to sign up for one of these clubs, or any other afterschool activity in the city, please contact Promise at 801-828-8678, kmeranda@sslc.com.