

6. COMMUNITY FACILITIES



I. Introduction

This section addresses the various aspects and policies of public facilities, services and activities in the City including administration, public works and public safety.



II. Goals

Following are the general goals of Farr West City pertaining to community facilities. Each general goal is accompanied by several specific goals listed below it.

- Provide effective and efficient public services to the community.
 - Maintain sufficient levels of staffing and programs to serve the public needs.
 - Create, maintain and utilize capitol improvement planning and funding.
- Promote coordination and joint planning between all public and private entities for the provision of services.
 - Work with public and private utility and other service providers to encourage adequate and safe public infrastructure and public services for residents, including the upgrade and expansion of existing deficient systems.
 - Require the provision of adequate public services for new developments at the time of building occupancy.
 - Prepare, monitor and update a comprehensive Capitol Improvements Program.
 - Prepare Farr West City for self-sufficiency in the event of a major emergency.
- New development and growth should pay its own way, particularly concerning infrastructure expansion.
 - Ensure that the City's present and future fiscal balance of revenues and expenditures is maintained.
 - Require new public and/or private developments to demonstrate the ways in which they can contribute to the achievement of the City's fiscal balance.
 - Require developers to provide fiscal impact analyses to the City on proposed development projects.
 - Allocate the cost of public services, facilities and utilities on a fair and equitable basis based on service, demand and benefits derived from the services/improvements.
- Promote community beautification efforts.
 - Prepare a citywide Beautification Plan to identify theme and locations of beautification projects.

- Plan and budget funding for City beautification projects.
- Promote beautification theme in architectural guidelines for future commercial district development.

III. Existing Facilities

The Farr West City Hall is located at 1896 North 1800 West. Offices and services found in this building include the Mayor’s office, City Council and Planning Commission chamber, administrative offices , Sheriff precinct office, and the Justice Court. The City Hall was built in 2003. It is a pleasant building with a comfortable and welcoming feeling. The architecture style sets an appropriate standard for new development within the City.

The City Hall is the anchor of a central community facility campus. Additional facilities included on this campus are a senior center, a recreation center, tennis courts, a basketball court, a park bowery with restrooms, a playground, a volleyball court and a walking track. The recreational elements of this center will be discussed further in Section 7 Parks and Recreation.

Farr West has a traditional style of government with a Mayor and a five-person City Council. The City also has a Planning Commission made up of a Commission Chair and five Commissioners. City staff includes full-time employees and part-time employees who work in the administration, public works, recreation, senior center, and building inspection departments.



III. Public Works

The Public Works department of Farr West City has three primary tasks which are road maintenance, storm water management and snow removal. The City’s current road maintenance plan includes revamping each road within the City during a ten-year cycle. Storm water management includes control and removal of storm water throughout the city by means of a citywide storm drain system. Snow removal includes removal of snow from City roads and City facility parking lots.

Public Works Department maintains equipment as needed to support the City.



IV. Community Services

Services provided to the community include electricity through Rocky Mountain Power, natural gas through Questar, telephone service through Century Link, and in some areas of the City, Comcast provides cable service.

Farr West City itself provides sewer, storm drain and garbage pick-up services. Culinary water is provided by Bona Vista Water Improvement District located in Farr West City. Secondary/Irrigation water is provided by Pineview Water Systems. Western Irrigation, a local water company, also provides irrigation water and has several open ditches located throughout the City.

After the text of this section there are four maps showing the location of several utilities located in Farr West City. **Map 6.1 – Sanitary Sewer** shows the existing sanitary sewer. **Map 6.2 – Storm Drain** shows the existing storm drain lines. Data from these first three maps has come from similar maps prepared by Jones & Associates Consulting Engineers. The final and fourth map, **Map 6.3 – Surface Hydrology** shows surface hydrology (water). The types of surface water are divided to show the Willard Canal, Major Ditches and Drainage Channels and Irrigation Ponds. It should be noted that some portions of the ditches and drainage Channels are piped underground.

Police services in Farr West are provided by the Weber County Sheriff. Fire protection and emergency medical services are provided by the Weber Fire District. Station 61 is one of the newest fire stations of the Weber Fire District and is located on 2000 West Street in Farr West City.



Citizens of Farr West are involved in the community and desire to make it an enjoyable and safe place to live. Senior citizen and emergency preparedness are some of the community-based and volunteer-run programs available.

Community related services and activities located outside but near Farr West include:

- Weber County Library branches in North Ogden, Roy and Ogden
- McKay-Dee Hospital and Ogden Regional Hospital in Ogden
- Weber State University in Ogden



- Utah State University in Logan
- Ogden-Hinckley Airport in Ogden
- Salt Lake International Airport in Salt Lake City

V. Future Community Improvements

Looking to the future, Farr West recognizes there is much to do to have the City become what is envisioned. Improvements will be required in all aspects of the City. It is the purpose of the General Plan to direct, guide and manage growth and improvement efforts.

Future improvements Farr West City would like to make include building an additional park on land donated from the Bert Smith Family and dedicated for the enjoyment of Farr West City residents; considering a good location to build a cemetery to serve the residents, completing sidewalks throughout the City, and continuing road improvements and maintenance on a ten-year cycle.

Another area where the City should focus improvement efforts is along its main thoroughfare, 2000 West Street. This road is currently a UDOT highway. It is the intent of Farr West that this road remain under UDOT'S management and maintenance. However, the City should create guidelines and standards for new development that will occur along this route. These guidelines should encourage new development to incorporate certain enhancements to their frontages that will improve the corridor and the City image. Also, as a part of this same 2000 West Street improvement concept, Farr West should look for opportunities where the City can enhance this corridor in key locations.

Additionally, this plan identifies other planning documents that should be prepared to give a more detailed perspective on guiding and managing growth and City improvements in specific areas. These additional plans are:

- Economic Development Plan
- Transportation Master Plan
- Capital Improvement (Community Facilities) Plan
- Parks and Recreation Master Plan
- Broadband Strategic Plan

Each of these plans is mentioned in their respective sections of this General Plan. The purpose of having these supplemental plans is to give more detailed and specific information regarding their specialized areas of community growth and improvement.

