

Memorandum

Planning Division Community & Economic Development Department

- To: Planning Commission
- From: Nick Britton, Senior Planner
- **Date:** March 14, 2012
- Re: West Salt Lake Master Plan Status Update

On March 14, the Planning Division will brief the Planning Commission on the current status of the *West Salt Lake Master Plan.* Staff will present an outline of the plan and review the goals and general recommendations of the plan. We will also discuss the public process, including the remaining steps for public input. Finally, we will brief the Planning Commission on any immediate zoning or policy changes that are recommended in the plan.

As a reminder, the Salt Lake City Planning Division began the process of updating the *West Salt Lake Master Plan* (a map showing the area covered by the Master Plan is attached) in January of 2011. The current area master plan was adopted in 1995 and a prior update was initiated in 2005 but not finished.

A draft of the *West Salt Lake Master Plan* has been finalized and Planning staff is currently in the process of reviewing the final draft with members of the public and ensuring that the feedback has been properly reflected in the plan. Staff anticipates that the public process will be finished in March or April and a final draft will be ready for the Planning Commission in April.

As noted in the previous briefing in November, the plan focuses on specific geographic areas and topics in addition to the standard land uses. Those specific sections are community gateways, Redwood Road, 900 West/900 South district, the 900 West corridor, industrial parks west of Redwood Road, the Jordan River, and the Surplus Canal. These topics were identified throughout the public process as particularly important and, as a result, staff determined they required additional attention in the plan.

The West Salt Lake Master Plan also makes recommendations for strategies and action items to implement the plan, including projects for the city's capital improvement plan. Two of the significant short term action items are possible changes in zoning and possible changes to the zoning ordinance language.

The attached study area map highlights locations where changes are accepted or anticipated based on the master plan's recommendations. Not all of the parcels in these locations would be rezoned. The attached map just indicates generalized areas and specific nodes that were highlighted in the master plan.

Again, it is anticipated that Planning staff will return with a final draft of the West Salt Lake Master Plan in April.

The latest version of the master plan is at http://www.westsaltlake.com.

Thank you.

