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Music near the park

The Viridian Event Center in West Jordan hosts First Friday concerts each month, with activities starting at 6:30 p.m. and music at 7 p.m. The next two concerts are on April 3 and May 1. Visit thecountylibrary.org/concerts for more information.



An aerial view of the Power District with downtown Salt Lake City in the background. (Courtesy Larry H. Miller Co.)

LHM Co. announces \$3.5 billion redevelopment plan along the Jordan River

Tom Haraldsen
Salt Lake Business Journal

If Soren Simonsen’s dream comes true, by the year 2032, kayaks will fill the Jordan River, while a home run hit by a Major League left-handed batter splashes into the waters near them. That’s part of the vision behind a major redevelopment plan for the Power District that runs adjacent to the river and a revitalized Utah State Fairpark.

Simonsen, executive director of the Jordan River Commission, spoke along with other dignitaries at a press event Feb. 26 on the Fairpark grounds, announcing a \$3.5 billion private investment from the Larry H. Miller Co. for the district, a com-

munity-driven plan for revitalization of a one-mile loop of the Jordan River. Field Operations, a nationally known landscape architecture and design firm, has been hired to work on the massive project.

“Our approach begins with listening to the community and working closely with partners, while grounding the design in the realities of the river’s ecology and infrastructure,” said Richard Kennedy, partner with Field Operations. He said his company has a long history of helping cities with such transformations, coordinating natural resources into public spaces.

Plans for the Power District include a one-mile loop of riverside restoration, including restored habitat and improved public access; 4,700 housing units offering diverse types and price points, includ-

ing family-friendly two- and three-bedroom options; 1.3 million square feet of office space designed as a corporate campus; 320,000 square feet of retail space; and 300 hotel keys (for hotels to be developed within the district). Central to the plan is a potential stadium for a Major League Baseball team that Salt Lake City hopes will be awarded during future league expansion. Salt Lake is considered a front-runner for a team when MLB makes a decision about expansion, with that announcement expected in 2028.

“Bringing the Jordan River to life is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to invest in this critical Utah asset,” said Steve

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‘Chosen,’ ‘Housewives’ get state incentives

Brice Wallace
Salt Lake Business Journal

Utah once again has been chosen for “The Chosen.”

The series about the life of Jesus was among three productions approved for state tax credit incentives by the Utah Board of Tourism Development at the board’s most recent meeting. Also receiving incentives was “The Real Housewives of Salt Lake City” and an Olympics-related short series.

Together, the incentivized productions are expected to spend \$11.3 million in Utah and employ over 175 people. The incentives total about \$2 million.

“The Chosen” will shoot half of its seventh season in Utah and Juab counties this spring, with the other half being shot in Texas.

“We love filming in Utah and look forward to being in Utah for another season of ‘The Chosen,’” said Brad Pelo, president of “The Chosen.” “The people are wonderful, the landscape is stunning, and the locations we use work perfectly. We hope we get to be guests here frequently, as it’s a beautiful place to bring the story of Jesus to life.”

The show was approved for a tax credit incentive of up to \$1.63 million, based on Utah spending of more than \$8.1 million. It will employ 82 cast and crew and 400 extras.

Producers are Chad Gundersen, Chris Juen and Jamie Elliott. The director is Dallas Jenkins.

Virginia Pearce, director of the Utah Film Commission, told the tourism board that “The Chosen” has 280 million viewers. Streaming on Amazon and thechosen.tv app, it has been translated and dubbed in over 600 languages. “It’s a huge show,” Pearce said.

Pearce said the production last year spent \$4.9 million in Utah, occupying 2,800 room-nights at hotels for 240 cast and crew. It also had 600 fan extras book their own hotel rooms.

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Starks, CEO of the Larry H. Miller Co. “Together with our partners and neighbors, we will create a safe, welcoming place for families, expanding access to nature, and building a vibrant gateway to Utah’s capital city.”

Artists’ renderings of the Power District — showing kayaks on the river, improvements at the Fairpark, walking paths and of course the ballpark — were on display at the event. Attendees were also invited to leave suggestions for what they’d like to see in the development on Post-it notes pasted on a message board. Several efforts have been made over the past few years to improve and clean up sections of the Jordan River. The Power District plan will be the most intense and aggressive of any so far.

“A healthy Jordan River means a health-

ier future for all of us, and the abundant wildlife that shares in the life-giving elements of this resource,” Simonsen said. The Miller Co. plans to improve the water quality and add native species of plants and fish to the river as well.

Salt Lake City Mayor Erin Mendenhall expressed her gratitude to the Larry H. Miller Co. and said the city “already has work underway along the Jordan River, and this Power District vision will complement that effort. It shows what’s possible when public and private investment head in the same direction.”

The district already has over 100 acres of “shovel-ready” property, with flexible zoning and building options. It will also be home to Rocky Mountain Power’s 10-story, 300,000-square-foot corporate campus that’s already under construction.

No starting date for other construction has been announced, as Field Operations is still seeking more input from the community before the project begins.



An artist rendering of the proposed MLB stadium in the Power District, even as efforts continue to get an expansion team for Salt Lake City. (Courtesy Larry H. Miller Co.)

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“We love this team,” Pearce said. “They’re incredible to work with. The producers are great. They’ve developed a rapport with the county, and they really know how to do it when they come in. I love this project and I think it’s good for us.”

Another project that Pearce described as “a cultural zeitgeist” is “The Real Housewives of Salt Lake City,” which airs on Bravo and Peacock. The seventh season will take place through November, with about 95 percent of the show being shot in Utah.

“Utah provides a stellar background for filming from both a creative and technical perspective,” said a representative from Forest Productions Inc. “The ‘Real Housewives’ production will showcase the spectacular locations that Utah has to offer, including mountain vistas, ski resorts and the surrounding towns, featuring a top-quality crew base and filming infrastructure.”

The show was approved for an incentive of up to \$221,000, based on Utah spending of \$2.2 million. It is expected to employ 47 cast and crew. Producers are Lisa Shannon, Lex Pascual and Daniel Crunkhorn.

Pearce cautioned that “Real Housewives” is not “The Secret Lives of Mor-



Crews shoot part of “The Chosen” in 2023. Half of the show’s seventh season will be shot in Utah. (Photo courtesy Utah Film Commission)

mon Wives,” even if the housewives sometimes are “ridiculous.”

“This one (‘Housewives’) is really more about these women that live here and own businesses,” she said, noting that it is the favorite reality show of many celebrities.

“They do show a ton of great locations in Salt Lake. They do a great job of showcasing the city,” she said, adding that it has helped bring other projects to Utah and they hire local people.

“I think there’s other economic factors that I can get behind,” she said.

The tourism board also approved a tax credit incentive of up to \$185,542 for the YouTube streaming show “Unwell Winter Games.” Podcaster Alex Cooper (“Call Her Daddy”) hosted the competition series between teams of celebrities, athletes and Internet personalities in Summit and Wasatch counties and which aired in February, during the most recent Olympic Winter Games.

“Filming in Park City allows us to leverage Utah’s iconic scenery as well as its production infrastructure, world-class hospitality and vibrant creative community,” said Producer Larissa Beck.

The production was expected to employ 46 cast and crew and five extras, with total spending in Utah expected to reach \$927,710. Producers were Beck, Matt Kaplan, Chris Foss and Jordyn Rochweg. The director was Jackie Robbins.



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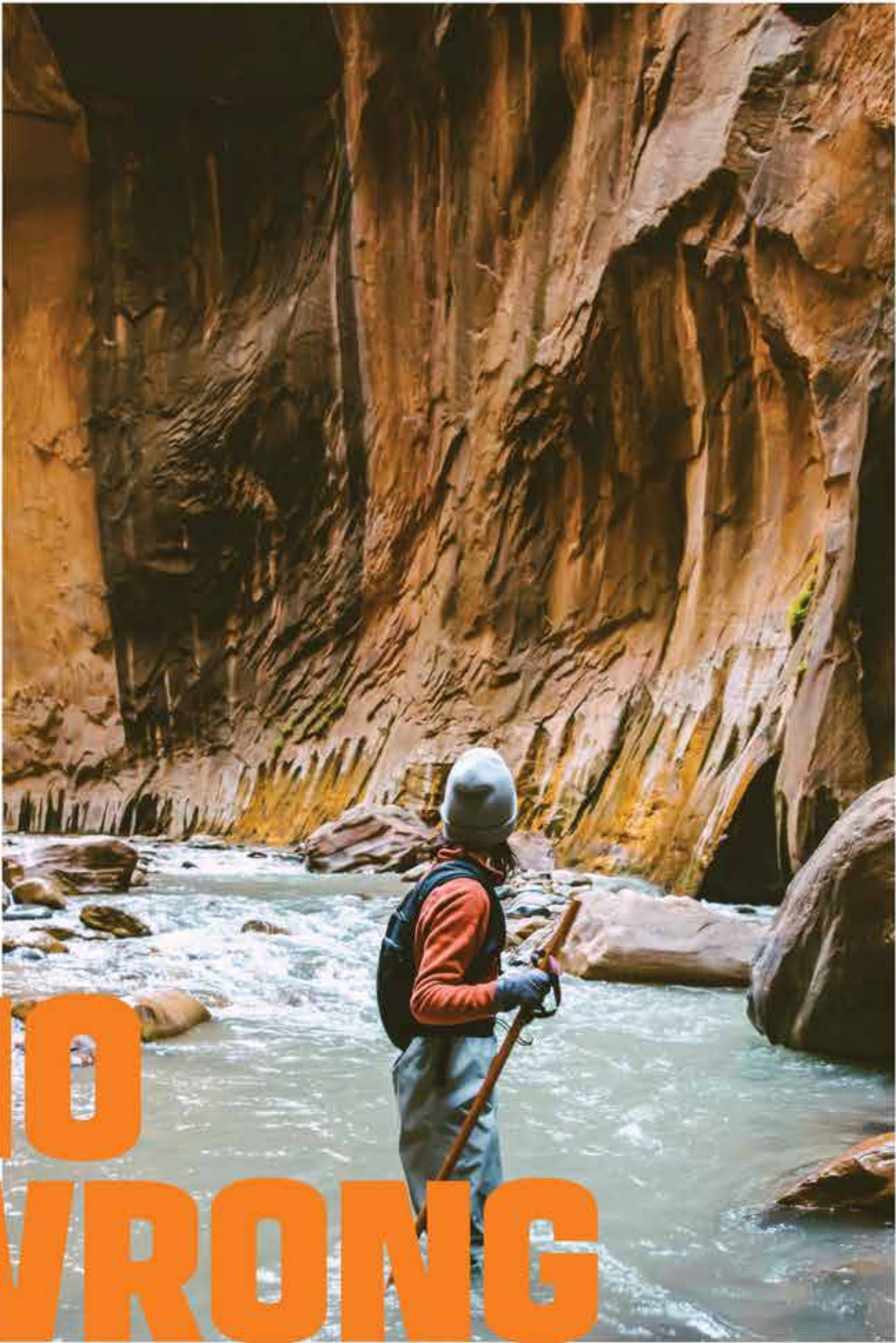
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U.S. Patent Office opens community engagement office at University of Utah

In a salute to the entrepreneurial spirit evident in Utah, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) has opened a community engagement office at the University of Utah.

Housed in the University Research Park's Myriad Genetics building, the office will help drive innovation by providing intellectual property education, resources and expertise for students, entrepreneurs, businesses and communities across the Mountain West.

In an agreement signed recently at an event on the UofU campus, the university will partner with the USPTO to build a hub for outreach under the Unleashing American Innovators Act of 2022.

"The Mountain West Community Engagement Office is present and accounted for to the citizens of Utah to help their intellectual property dreams of today become the reality of tomorrow," said USPTO Director John Squires with Jamie P. Dwyer, a nephrologist serving as the UofU's executive associate vice president of research and interim chief innovation officer. The USPTO, part of the U.S. Commerce Department, has set up similar offices at the University of New Hampshire and Montana State University, with more planned to come.

"It's more than outreach offices. It's engagement. It's standing shoulder to shoulder, to embrace the future together," Squires said. "That's why taking office and with my deep experience with startups and emerging companies, we've reimaged our future footprint as one of immersive community engagement, an agile and responsive model to meet innovators where they are in their context, in their experience to engage head-on with the elusive shape-shifter that is inherently innovation in whatever vestige it takes."

The new community engagement of-

fice will cover an eight-state region that includes Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Nebraska. The UofU was selected to host the office because it has built one of the strongest commercialization pipelines in the Mountain West, fueled by \$781 million in research activity last year, with an aggressive plan for growth.

"Our industry partnerships span biotech, AI, advanced engineering and energy," said Dwyer. "Each year, our researchers submit hundreds of invention disclosures. Those disclosures become patents. Those patents become licensed technologies, startup companies and solutions that improve lives."

Speakers at the signing event highlighted innovations developed at the university that went on to have real-world impact, from a folding cot patented in 1921 to the artificial heart to the Utah Bionic Leg.

"Strong intellectual property systems make that translation possible," Dwyer said. "The USPTO's community engagement offices are designed to cultivate and expand vibrant innovation, investment and entrepreneurship supported by intellectual property. By embedding this presence within our startup, university and innovation communities, the USPTO is strengthening regional access and reinforcing the Mountain West as a nationally competitive innovation economy."

University of Utah Librarian Talli Casucci also touted the role of her department in the patent process during the event.

"We're part of a network of libraries across the nation that provide intellectual property support, patent and trademark searching and educating the public about everything USPTO, demystifying that process."



U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Director John Squires (left) and Jamie P. Dwyer, University of Utah executive associate vice president of research and interim chief innovation officer, sign an agreement establishing a regional community outreach office on the university campus to help inventors navigate the patent process and bring their inventions to market. (Photo by Kristan Jacobsen for the University of Utah)

Squires is a veteran patent lawyer who recently left private industry to serve the Trump administration as undersecretary of commerce for intellectual property.

He noted that the USPTO is among the nation's oldest agencies, established under the Constitution "to promote the progress of science and useful arts, by securing for limited times to authors and inventors the exclusive right to their respective writings and discoveries."

"Now here in Utah, we extend that legacy both in a new direction and at the same time back to the future," Squires said. "The future of tomorrow's innovation ecosystem does not exist one-dimensionally or linearly only in faraway examination rooms in Alexandria," he said. "It lives and breathes and takes flight in the places where ideas are first imagined, where a flash of genius leaves its indelible mark, where

sweat of the brow of 99 percent perspiration in the research lab like those on this campus."

As part of UofU's agreement, the USPTO will place up to three full-time employees on campus for an initial one-year period, with the option to extend by mutual agreement. Leading the team is Ken Takeda, interim acting director of the USPTO's Mountain West Community Engagement Office. As the longest-serving regional outreach officer, Takeda helped establish USPTO's western office in California's Silicon Valley and oversaw its daily operations for more than a decade.

"The community engagement offices allow us to be more agile," Takeda said. "We can customize the resources and information we provide the public to meet the needs of the communities by focusing on the technologies and issues driving innovation in the region."

AI task force membership announced

Nine humans have been named as members of the Utah Pro-Human Artificial Intelligence Task Force.

The Utah Department of Commerce and the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity announced the membership of the task force, which aims to ensure Utah leads the nation in responsible, pro-human AI development. The department includes the Office of Artificial Intelligence Policy, which is dedicated to fostering a safe and innovative AI landscape in Utah.

The task force members are:

- Co-Chairs Margaret Busse and Jefferson Moss. Busse is executive director of the Utah Department of Commerce. Moss is executive director of the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity. Combined, they have experience in strategy, innovation, education, and state-level policy and administration.
- Kirk Cullimore, Utah Senate majority leader and a legislator who has focused on government accountability and helped shape business-friendly policy.
- Marvin Dodge, executive director of the Utah Department of Government Operations who is a veteran of state finance and operations, specializing in technology services HR.

- Molly Hart, state superintendent of the Utah State Board of Education, a career educator and advocate for student achievement and community engagement.
- Geoff Landward, commissioner at the Utah System of Higher Education and an expert in administrative and education law with more than 20 years of legal experience.
- Lesi Pasi, co-founder of Lucidity Sciences, a mathematician and machine learning innovator specializing in developing machine learning and AI solutions.
- Scott Pulsipher, president of Western Governors University and a national leader in technology-based education and workforce development.
- David Wingate, associate professor at Brigham Young University and a machine learning scientist whose research focuses on the intersection of large language models and social science.

"Utah is leading out because we know that AI technology must remain human-guided, and if we don't help create that paradigm, it won't happen," said Gov. Spencer Cox. "By bringing together our best minds across government, industry, and academia, we are ensuring that Utahns aren't just passive observers and users of

AI, but architects of a future that protects dignity and empowers our workforce."

The Pro-Human AI initiative bridges economic growth and public protection through a unified approach anchored in two core values. One is that AI must be human-guided, with systems that protect dignity, preserve human agency, and ensure individuals stay in control of the tools that shape their work and their lives. The other is that AI must be human-enhancing by expanding people's capabilities, not diminishing them; by opening new opportunities, not closing them; and by empowering workers with better tools, strengthening communities through accessible innovation, and enabling problem-solving at unprecedented scale.

"We cannot afford to wait for the future to happen to us," Busse said. "These values push us to be proactive; protecting our children and ensuring transparency in AI interactions while providing the regulatory clarity that businesses need to thrive."

The initiative has been divided into six pillars: academic research and development, industry innovation, learning and education, public protection, state government deployment, and workforce empowerment.

"Our goal is to foster an ecosystem where innovation and accountability

thrive in tandem," said Moss, who also is CEO of the Nucleus Institute. "To lead the nation on AI and in solving human problems, we must be proactive: equipping students for an AI-powered future, moving concepts from the lab to the marketplace, and inviting the world's best innovators to build here in Utah."

Legislation in 2024 created the Utah Office of Artificial Intelligence Policy and the idea of an AI task force congealed at a December AI Summit in Salt Lake City. At the summit, Cox proposed huge growth in the number of AI companies in the future, rather than having AI controlled by a small handful of companies. Cox said thousands would be needed, while Matthew Prince, co-founder, executive chairman and chief executive officer of Cloudflare, pegged the number at 500,000.

Cox said at the time that he wanted AI to avoid the model of social media, in which only a few companies are in control. He said they have "been basically strip-mining our souls, and, even worse, they've been employing our children in their effort to strip-mine our souls. It's not a pretty picture." Those companies, he said, acted "under the guise of doing good for humankind" and it has taken a decade for people to discover the harm they are doing to society.

What’s in a name? GOEO may become GOED

Brice Wallace
Salt Lake Business Journal

A state agency is looking to go — with apologies to Huey Lewis & The News — “back in time.”

The Governor’s Office of Economic Opportunity is supporting a bill that would revert its name back to the Governor’s Office of Economic Development.

HB475, sponsored by Rep. Calvin Roberts, R-Draper, also would create the Economic Development Council to coordinate economic development efforts in the state, and also have that council create a working group to provide oversight for the opportunity zone application process in 2026.

HB475 passed out of a House committee by a 7-1 vote and then the full House by a voice vote. A Senate committee voted 3-0 to advance it to the full Senate. The legislative session ended March 5, after the *Salt Lake Business Journal* press deadline.

Roberts told the House committee that reverting to the Governor’s Office of Eco-

omic Development would put Utah in line with other states that have “economic development” as part of their names.

“It’s been challenging for GOEO when they go to national conferences and they talk about what they do,” he said. “Most of their peers have some kind of ‘economic development’ in their title. So, there’s this big rebranding happening at the executive-branch level around all the agencies, so they’d like to, as part of that rebrand, go back from GOEO to GOED.”

The roots of GOEO go back to 1981, when the Utah Department of Community and Economic Development was created. In 1986, the office was known as the Division of Business and Economic Development within that department. In 2005, Gov. Jon Huntsman Jr. changed it from a department to part of the governor’s office and named it the Governor’s Office of Economic Development. At Gov. Spencer Cox’s insistence, the Legislature changed the name to the Governor’s Office of Economic Opportunity in 2021. For a brief period, the agency referred to itself as “Go Utah” but later switched to GOEO.

The Economic Development Council would unify and coordinate economic development projects that have regional or statewide impact and would provide a written report annually to the Economic Development and Workforce Services Interim Committee. The coordination would happen with the Utah Inland Port Authority, the Point of the Mountain State Land Authority, the Utah Lake Authority, the Utah Fairpark Area Investment and Restoration District, the Military Installation Development Authority, and regional associations of governments.

“The challenge is, none of these land authorities really talk to each other and there’s no cohesive strategy,” Roberts said.

During the House committee hearing, Alissa Daily of the Utah Association of Realtors and Karson Eilers, policy director at the Utah League of Cities and Towns, spoke in favor of the bill.

“We really see this as a coordination bill,” Eilers said. “Unlike some efforts in the past that might have tried to dictate what economic development policy should be from the top down, this bill does not do that. Instead, it invites local

government to have a seat at the table at the coordinating council and make sure we’re involved in the process, make sure we’re all working together in partnership to try to achieve the overall economic objectives of both local governments and the state.”

The economic development council would seem to carry on the work of the Unified Economic Opportunity Commission, which became inactive last summer. Established in July 2021, it developed, directed and coordinated Utah’s statewide and regional economic development strategies.

HB475 also would require a report by May 31 to the Economic Development and Workforce Services Interim Committee about coordinating efforts around opportunity zone application development.

Opportunity zones are a federal, place-based tax incentive program created by the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, designed to stimulate investment in over 8,700 economically distressed communities. The program was made permanent under the 2025 One Big Beautiful Bill Act.

AI usage is increasing litigation volume, and costs, for law practices

Tom Haraldsen
Salt Lake Business Journal

There was a time when many turned to the use of artificial intelligence as a way to shortcut workflows and decrease the need for study or investigation. While it can help draft items such as a federal ADA complaint in just minutes, it also reduces labor time and thus billable hours. And then there’s the possibility of inaccuracies — true with any procedure, either human or tech.

This means that litigation is no longer limited to cases where attorneys see a clear profit. AI is expanding access in ways that create many more potential plaintiffs — and each new filing adds incremental discovery, response and defense costs for defendants.

From the law practice perspective, that may mean more money. Each time a complaint is written using AI, defendants have to respond and do their homework, perhaps at higher rates.

“AI can reduce drafting time, but the total time we litigate — discovery, finding expert witnesses and actual court time — rises because we get more cases and more volume,” said attorney Matt Fibroski, who now works in private practice in Utah. “With AI, there’s always a risk and more regulations to work through, so attorney fees can be higher, sometimes significantly higher.”

That’s because AI-generated filings can be inaccurate or sanctionable. A study by Stanford University’s HAI (Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence) program revealed

that 1 in 6 AI-generated cases have been sanctioned.

“Large language models have a documented tendency to ‘hallucinate,’ or make up false information,” the Stanford program reported. “In one highly-publicized case, a New York lawyer faced sanctions for citing ChatGPT-invented fictional cases in a legal brief; many similar cases have since been reported. And our previous study of general-purpose chatbots found that they hallucinated between 55 and 82 percent of the time on legal queries, highlighting the risks of incorporating AI into legal practice.”

So law firms are spending more on AI integration for training and oversight. Those costs can be passed on to clients. AI usage reduces some costs but can increase others, so contemplating budgets

can become tricky.

The Stanford study pointed out how the usage of AI technology has changed strategies and operational procedures in many industries. Insurance companies are adjusting to AI-related risks that can challenge underwriting models and cause potential losses. Corporate legal departments are adding in-house litigation expenditures for personnel while moving away from simple cost-based decisions involving risks to their reputations. And there are industry reports that private rights of action in new AI laws could create repeat litigation with limited actual harm. That means burdening courts and budgets in ways similar to past patterns under consumer-protection statutes.

Something more for law firms to be aware of in this day of AI.



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SLCC Leadership Series continues this spring

Salt Lake Community College’s NexStep Leadership workshops have three more events set up for spring, with the first one set for March 11, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

“Our NexStep leadership workshops are designed to energize and equip your team with the skills that matter most,” said Paul Glanton, workforce manager over Custom Training Solutions at the college. “With over 2,000 professionals already trained, these workshops help participants build the confidence and capability to lead effectively in today’s fast-paced work environments. Through engaging, hands-on sessions, attendees develop practical skills in communication, coaching, conflict resolution and more — all essential for driving team and organizational success.”

The workshops are held at the school’s Westpointe Training and Education Center, 1060 N. Flyer Way, east of Salt Lake International Airport. Each full-day session includes lunch to ensure a seamless and productive day of training. Eligible participants may qualify for Custom Fit funding, enhancing accessibility and affordability. If there are 10 or more participants, the college also offers private on-site workshops that are tailored to an organization’s specific needs, providing a personalized learning experience.

Glanton said the next three workshops and subject matters are as follows:

March 11: Leading Change. Successful change is intentional, strategic and people-focused. This interactive workshop is designed to equip leaders, managers and change agents with the tools and confidence to guide their teams through transition.

April 15: Leading Teams. Effective teams don’t just happen, they are intentionally built, nurtured and led. This day-long workshop offers leaders the tools and frameworks to evaluate team performance, align vision and purpose, and foster a culture of trust and learning.

June 17: Leading with Strategic Planning: Leaders need more than a plan; they need the ability to inspire others, foster collaboration and solve problems in ways that align with a shared vision. Through a blend of interactive discussions, case studies, and hands-on exercises, participants will explore the power of distributed leadership, the central role of relationships in strategic success, and methods to turn vision into action.

To register or learn more, call 801-957-5359 or go online to slcc.edu/corporate/workshops/frontline-leader.

AF energy storage company Lion Energy agrees to be acquired by Reno firm

American Fork-based Lion Energy LLC, a producer of portable lithium-based commercial and residential energy storage systems, has signed a term sheet agreeing to be acquired by Aqua Metals Inc. of Reno, Nevada.

Aqua Metals specializes in sustainable lithium-ion battery recycling, using its patented, low-emission AquaRefining technology to recover materials like cobalt, nickel and lithium hydroxide.

Following the closing of the transaction, Aqua Metals plans to leverage Lion Energy’s solutions, brand, intellectual property, capital, technical talent and manufacturing capabilities to transform Aqua Metals into a comprehensive domestic power player capable of managing the entire battery lifecycle, from manufacturing and deployment to intelligent grid participation and end-of-life recovery, the company said in a release.

“This transaction is intended to add meaningful revenue to Aqua Metals while expanding our participation in the rapidly growing energy storage market,” said Steve Cotton, president and CEO of Aqua Metals. “Energy storage is a natural extension of our battery materials strategy, and Lion Energy has built a complementary platform that spans systems, software and customer relationships. Together, we believe this combination would strengthen our path toward a more vertically integrated, U.S.-based battery supply chain and supports our long-term vision for a robust domestic battery materials industry led by our new combined entity.”

Founded in 2014, Lion Energy has built a growing presence in the U.S. energy storage market through the deployment of software-enabled residential and commercial energy systems. Lion has advanced its business from delivering portable power stations and power banks and into more robust energy storage systems and software for home, commercial and industrial applications. Lion achieved approximately \$50 million in revenue in 2025.

As contemplated by the term sheet, Aqua Metals would acquire Lion Energy through an all-stock transaction that preserves executive and board control of the combined company. At the closing, Lion Energy owners would receive approximately \$25.8 million of Aqua Metals capital stock. It is anticipated that the Lion Energy executive and management team will remain in place.

As part of the transaction, Aqua Metals would also acquire Lion Energy’s minority ownership interest in American Battery Factory, an American Fork-based company focused on advancing domestic battery materials and manufacturing capabilities.

“From the beginning, Lion Energy has focused on building more than batteries,” said Tyler Hortin, CEO of Lion Energy. “We have invested heavily in a U.S.-based energy management platform combining software, firmware, hardware and cloud connectivity designed to give customers intelligent control over their energy systems. This transaction could accelerate that vision; our energy management systems and virtual power plant capabilities; and help extend our platform across portable, residential, commercial and grid-connected applications.”

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Here’s a quick rundown. I’m someone with zero motivation. Someone with few skills and fewer abilities. Someone with no people skills, unless you consider making people really dislike you a skill.

In short, the only strength I have as a job candidate is the knowledge that, as a job candidate, I stink. All of which explains why I was surprised to receive an email from the ginormous job site LinkedIn, announcing that 20 people had viewed my profile in the last 90 days, resulting in seven — count them, seven — “top job picks.”

According to my LinkedIn profile, I am “Major Retired at Not Working Inc.”

“Not Working Inc.” is a company I invented. It doesn’t exist, but “Not Working Inc.” certainly does describe my efforts, or lack thereof, when I was gainfully employed. The “Major Retired” is more accurate, though based on my current income, a better job title would be “Minor Retired.” (It’s difficult to imagine someone who is as bad at retirement as they were at working, but I don’t want to brag.)

As for the seven companies that somehow got the idea that I would be a reasonable candidate for employment, let’s take a closer look at five of them. Better do it fast, because with this kind of magical thinking,



BOB GOLDMAN

it won’t be long until they’re out of business.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Position: Special Agent Psychology Counseling Experience
Salary: \$100,00

to \$130,000
While I’m sure no one across the political spectrum wants me working for the FBI, my college major in Experimental Psychology did somehow trigger a response deep within the LinkedIn system. I doubt the system understood that all the experimentation in my program was done on pigeons, not humans. So, if any of the pigeons currently working at the FBI need counseling, I’m your man. If any of the humans are looking for psychological support, sorry, you’re on your own.

Anthropic
Position: Startup Partnerships
Salary: \$170,00 to \$215,000
Apparently, this cutting-edge AI company is looking for someone who has a skill in “wearing multiple hats,” and, in this area, I surely qualify. I have two hats and I often wear both at the same time.

If that isn’t worth \$215K a year, I don’t know what is.

Amazon
Position: Public Policy
Salary: \$125K to \$206K
According to the job description, my day will be “a blend of strategic planning, relationship building and policy development.” This is exactly my day right now, though I don’t get paid \$206K a year to do it. I strategically plan which doughnut I will order at the nearby branch of Fractured Fritters, where I have built a close relationship with Marcel, who is in charge of icing the maple bars. Together, Maurice and I are building a policy whereby I get a free Long John with every six bear claws I order. I’m not sure this agreement will ever make it to a government office, but if the U.S. Senate is willing to get involved, I’m here for it.

Louis Vuitton
Position: Client Relationships Manager
Salary: \$120K to \$150K
Though I am not generally known as a fashion plate, I do cut quite a dashing picture in my bedazzled mom jeans and pleather chaps. I am, therefore, perfectly qualified to “elevate the Maison’s positioning in the luxury market.” I will require an immediate transfer to the Maison’s office in Paris, where I will swan around town

and lounge in 4-star bistros, all at the company’s expense. By the time I return state-side, I will be so unbearable that local merchants will purchase all kinds of merch simply to get me out of their stores.

Santa Rose United Soccer Club
Position: Office Manager
Salary: \$26/hr. to \$34/hr.
Though the salary is considerably lower than my other job choices, I was immediately drawn to this opportunity. LinkedIn apparently agrees, appending to the listing a “high skills match” logo. Though I have zero interest in establishing “clear, reliable communication with families and volunteers,” I’m sure these Santa Rosa weirdos will eventually come to respect the “don’t bug me and I won’t bug you” policy I learned from the HR department in every job I ever had.

I’m still deciding which of these jobs I will apply for, though any of these companies would be lucky to have me. In the meantime, I’ll keep checking LinkedIn to see if any new opportunities pop up.

It’s much more fun than working.
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The Beehive Stage offers great views from any of its 300 seats at the expanded Hale Centre Theatre in Sandy.



Patrons can gather in the lobby and near the concession stand at The Beehive, which adds to the two existing stage areas at Hale Centre. (Photos by Tom Haraldsen/Salt Lake Business Journal)

Hale Centre Theatre opens new Beehive Stage

Tom Haraldsen
Salt Lake Business Journal

It was 41 years ago when Nathan and Ruth Hale opened their first theater-in-the-round performance center in South Salt Lake. It was in a space converted from an old lingerie factory and had 220 seats. The Hales, along with their children and grandchildren, fostered the growth of the theater from that early beginning into a legacy today.

Weeks ago, the curtain was raised on the new Hale Centre Theatre Beehive Stage at the Mountain America Performing Arts Center in Sandy. It's the third performance space in the Hale Centre complex, where productions now provide for a capacity of over 1,600 seats each night. And along with the theater's budding education program, it's part of a dream come true for founders Mark and Sally Dietlein and the family that continues Nathan and Ruth's legacy.

"My mother, Sally, has wanted this place to honor the amount of work that has to be done by everyone involved," said Quinn Dietlein, vice president and

executive director for Hale Centre Theatre. "There are a lot of people coming in here and making their living with the arts, and this new stage expands on our ability to do that."

He said more than 250 people work at the theater on a regular basis, and coupled with part-time, paid performers, Hale had over 1,000 W-2s to send out in 2025.

"We're bringing in 10 productions here this year, so we are in constant rehearsals," he said. "This new addition, including the Beehive, adds space for our education programs, and we're able to share those rehearsal and education spaces more efficiently."

The Beehive Stage differs from the two other venues — the Sorenson Legacy Jewel Box Stage and the Young Living Centre Stage — in two main ways. First, the Beehive has a smaller capacity of 300 seats, and second, its traditional design of "direct" viewing across a wider stage allows for more intimate productions. Centre Stage offers theater-in-round-productions and Jewel Box seating is more amphitheater-style.

"This theater changes everything for us," said David Smith, the director of ed-

ucation and resident director for HCT. "It especially gives our kids a venue to perform showcases. We have our fully produced youth shows that finally have a home. It's nice and wide, and when we cast shows with 40 kids, it allows all of their faces to be seen."

The Beehive has a state-of-the-art lighting and LED production system and literally offers a great view of the stage from any seat in the house.

"The technology in this theater allows us to do really cool stuff with the LED, to change settings quickly and allows the focus to be on our youth on stage and in the background," Smith said.

"Those rehearsal stages are a huge benefit to our directors and actors," Quinn Dietlein said. "All being together is a huge plus. Since we are in essence a theater factory, to have a place where everyone feels comfortable, safe and at home is tremendous."

Patrons of Hale Centre Theatre who have season passes can attend any of the productions in any of the three theaters. The Beehive name was chosen not only as homage to the state of Utah icon, or the decor on the walls of the theater, but also

as symbolic of the constant movement of those who helped build the addition over two years and the actors, directors, crews and support staff who "are busy as bees six days a week," Quinn Dietlein said. "Everything here is in constant motion, just like a beehive."

The first production on the Beehive Stage is "Hallmark'd," an original romantic comedy that Quinn Dietlein and Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Michael D. Fox co-wrote, with Quinn Dietlein and family writing the music. It plays through June 6 and many performances at least into March are already sold out.

"The mission of the theater is to enrich lives with world-class performance," Quinn Dietlein said. "The theater has always been about quality of life, about escapism, and to be entertained. Everyone who comes in these doors enters at a different stage in their lives — some are happy, some are saddened with challenges — and the productions become a sanctuary for them. How they feel when the shows end is important to whatever they take home."

More info on the theater's productions can be found at hct.org.

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Keeping local history alive with new Bingham Canyon Mine book

Laura S. Crapo
Salt Lake Business Journal

The Bingham Canyon Mine is the world’s largest excavation site and is visible from outer space. This mine and the now buried Bingham Canyon have kept the interest of many. The Bingham Canyon History group is especially unique because the town of Bingham Canyon no longer exists. Almost the entire town has been mined away by the Utah Copper open-pit mine or has been buried beneath its waste dumps. This curiosity has evolved and created an effort to have them remembered.

“Yes, it is a history that is unique in all the world. I live in Daybreak, which literally lies in the shadows of the copper mine and the ghost towns of Bingham Canyon,” club founder Anne Sheppard-Kurek said. “Two years ago I started the Bingham Canyon History Club of SpringHouse Village so that our residents could better appreciate the interesting, quirky history of Bingham Canyon.”

When Sheppard-Kurek found out that 2026 was the centennial year for the small town of Copperton, which is the last surviving town of Bingham Canyon, she thought this was a great chance to expand her club and educate a wider community. Author and Bingham Canyon expert Tim Dumas has been a guest speaker at their club.

They have made a 100th anniversary quilt that will be displayed at the Daybreak library, then it will be specifically showcased at Copperton’s Fourth of July

celebration in 2026. For more information, check their Facebook page at Bingham Canyon History.

“My first book talks about Bingham Canyon and its people. My new book talks about the mine and the work to get the ore out of the ground,” Dumas said.

“Many people in this area (South Jordan, West Jordan, Riverton, Midvale, Murray and Sandy) worked at the mine. If you didn’t, you knew someone who did.”

Dumas’ book became available Feb. 24.

The activity in the Bingham Canyon Mine was first recorded in 1863 when ore was discovered. It was Daniel Jackling’s idea to mass-produce what was mined there. The catalyst to major growth was when they processed low-grade copper with steam shovels and trains. This was a genius start to the mine’s success. When open-cut mining started in 1906, it needed many more employees. These men and their families lived right next to the mining operation. The town grew with stores and schools to accommodate the growing population.

“It was a booming town; I think at one time it was the third-largest town in Utah,” Dumas said. “Communities around Bingham like Copperfield and Highland Boy were the first to go; they



A historical image of Bingham Canyon Mine. (Courtesy Don Strack collection)

were eventually dug away. Bingham the town was both buried and dug away.”

A narrative history and research notes about railroads and mining in Utah’s Bingham Canyon can be found at utah-rails.net. This includes information about Kennecott Utah Copper’s railroad locomotives and is found in the index under Bingham Canyon – “To Move A Mountain.”

“My goal of these two books is to keep Bingham History alive,” Dumas said. “Thanks for your interest. I love Bingham’s history.”

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American Fork-based **Domo**, an AI-driven business data platform, has launched **Domo MMM**, an AI add-on for marketers that powers data measurement and is designed to help organizations understand which marketing investments are driving growth and which are not. Developed in collaboration with Stella Growth Intelligence, Domo MMM brings causal marketing measurement, scenario modeling and AI-guided recommendations directly into the flow of business decision-making. Domo said the platform differentiates between what is happening in marketing and why it is happening using AI and Bayesian modeling to isolate causal impact, quantify incremental lift and show how changes in spend will affect future revenue. “Marketing leaders are under pressure to defend spending with real financial evidence, not assumptions or correlations,” said **Mark Boothe**, chief marketing officer at Domo. “Domo MMM turns marketing measurement from a retrospective exercise into a living, decision-making system.”



Dental practice management systems provider **Henry Schein One** of American Fork has introduced AI-driven **Image Verify**. Image Verify is embedded in the firm’s Dentrax and Dentrax Ascend management platforms and aims to systematically eliminate friction points that lead to claim delays, denials and costly resubmissions. Image Verify evaluates clinical images in real time at capture. By alerting teams to blur, misalignment and incomplete coverage immediately, it helps prevent one of the most common and avoidable causes of claim denials: missing or low-quality imaging. “Every year, the industry loses billions of dollars to preventable denials — from incomplete documentation to missing images to manual errors that require costly rework,” said **Dr. Ryan Hungate**, chief clinical and strategy officer at Henry Schein One. “Image Verify is an important advancement, and it’s part of a bigger mission — to help eliminate errors before submission.”

audience town

Audience Town, a Logan-based marketing platform for homebuilders, has expanded its offerings with the addition of **advertising solutions** powered by real-time home mover intelligence. These ads help builders reach and convert in-market homebuyers, move inventory faster and stay visible as buyer behavior shifts. The ad program connects marketing analytics, market intelligence, CRM attribution and precision advertising in one system, built for measurable growth. “There’s been a real gap in the market,” said **Ed Carey**, CEO of Audience Town. “Builders have listings. They have search. But until now, there hasn’t been a company that runs advertising designed specifically to precisely reach in-market home buyers and reflect how they shop.” With advertising built specifically for them, homebuilders can now reach in-market homebuyers across multiple channels, including connected TV, digital display, streaming audio, geofencing, Meta retargeting and targeted direct mail for high-intent households.



Cricut Inc., a South Jordan-based craft technology company known for its vinyl cutting machines, has introduced a new line of heat presses for use in heat transfer processes for decorating clothing and other fabric products. The company said the new **Cricut EasyPress SE** line is designed to remove common pain points from the heat transfer process, delivering a simplified, friction-free pressing experience while maintaining quality and reliability. Without the need for complex industrial equipment, home hobbyists can use the EasyPress SE in a number of processes, including iron-on, infusible ink, sublimation and direct-to-film transfer methods. EasyPress SE models include an insulated safety base to protect work surfaces and an auto-off feature for safety. The ceramic-coated heat plate delivers dry, edge-to-edge heat and reaches controlled temperatures of up to 400 degrees F. The press comes in two sizes: 9 inches by 9 inches and 12 inches by 10 inches. The smaller model fits regular T-shirts, tote bags, youth apparel, home decor and more, while the larger press accommodates larger T-shirts, sweatshirts, blankets, pillows and projects that require bigger transfers. The user guide includes instructions for most processes and materials. Both models are designed to be lightweight, portable and easy to store. The EasyPress SE is available in the U.S. and Canada at Michaels and at cricut.com in a variety of colors, with universal availability later this year. The smaller press is priced at \$99 while the larger model sells for \$119.



American Fork-based **ELB Learning**, a workforce development and video training platform, has announced the launch of **AI Roleplay**, a new simulation tool that helps teams practice challenging, real-world conversations before they happen and helps manage mentor fatigue. AI Roleplay is a new feature within Rehearsal, ELB’s video practice and coaching platform, as a real-time practice engine with an AI avatar. Conversational role play helps prepare people in sales, customer service and leadership roles for situations where critical business outcomes depend on how a difficult conversation unfolds, the company said. “Traditional role play has always been one of the most effective ways to prepare teams for high-stakes conversations. But it can’t scale,” said **Andrew Scivally**, CEO of ELB Learning. “AI Roleplay brings that same practice model into a modern, AI-powered experience, so organizations can deliver realistic simulations aligned to their playbooks.”



Kodiak, a Park City company that produces protein-rich, whole-grain breakfast and snack products, has added **No Sugar Added Homestyle Power Waffles** to its lineup. Now available at select retailers, the new frozen breakfast food is made from 100 percent whole grains with 16 grams of protein per serving. “At Kodiak, we’re proud to continue to innovate and provide delicious products that empower our customers to tackle their day without compromise. The launch of our new Homestyle Power Waffle does just that,” said **Sonali Dalvi**, vice president and head of research and development at Kodiak. “Crafted with whole grains, packed with protein and made with no added sugar, we’ve blazed a new trail in the freezer aisle with a waffle that truly stands alone. Using high-quality, real ingredients is a standard our community has come to expect, and we’re excited to continue to deliver.”

Nearmap, a Lehi-based property intelligence platform specializing in high-resolution imagery, has introduced Nearmap Roof Assessment, a new AI-powered capability that allows teams to remotely evaluate roof condition across entire property portfolios using high-resolution aerial imagery and automated condition insights. Designed for commercial property owners; architecture, engineering, construction and operations firms; and government facility management teams, Roof Assessment replaces fragmented site visits and subjective reports with a centralized, visual system of record for roof health, helping organizations detect issues earlier, prioritize capital investments and standardize decision-making across distributed assets, the company said. “When you can view all the buildings and see and prioritize where you need to spend the money, this is perfect. Instead of having to inspect 150 buildings, we’ve been able to narrow it down to just 15,” said **Anu Karunaratne**, Nearmap’s asset management and systems manager.

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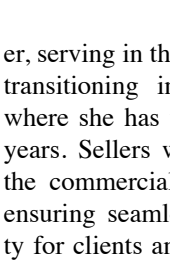
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BANKING

• **Bank of Utah**, based in Ogden, has promoted **Kelly Hale** to senior vice president, business development team lead. She is succeeded by **Jared Sellers**, who has been appointed as commercial lending team lead at the bank's Orem branch. Hale will oversee and advance the bank's business development strategy. She will work closely with the bank's sales force to identify growth opportunities, strengthen client relationships and support overall organizational expansion. Hale has four decades of banking experience, including 25 years with Bank of Utah. She began her career as a teller, serving in that role for 10 years before transitioning into commercial lending, where she has worked for more than 30 years. Sellers will assume leadership of the commercial lending team in Orem, ensuring seamless service and continuity for clients and team members. He has more than 20 years of commercial lending experience and eight years of management experience. Sellers has extensive experience in commercial and business lending, including C&I, CRE and SBA 7(a) and 504 lending, managing loan requests up to \$70 million. His education includes earning a bachelor's degree from the University of Utah. Bank of Utah also has appointed four new banking managers and one new branch manager across four locations. Banking managers lead daily branch operations and support clients with their accounts, transactions and everyday banking needs. Branch managers help clients explore financial options



Kelly Hale



Jared Sellers



Ryan Feltner

A retired U.S. Air Force veteran, Feltner served in both the Signals Intelligence and Training Management career fields. He later spent two years as a banker at KeyBank, where he developed a foundation in customer service and financial operations. Feltner joined Bank of Utah in May 2025 as a customer service representative. **Brynlee Watts** has been named banking manager of the Brigham City branch. Watts has three years of client service experience in the financial services industry. **Marci Hansen** has been named banking manager of the Orem branch. She most recently served as a customer service manager at Bank of Utah, giving her a deep understanding of the bank's operations, culture and commitment to community banking. Before joining Bank of Utah, she held roles at Wells Fargo as a branch operations coordinator and at Mountain West Credit Union as a financial services representative, gaining extensive experience in sales leadership and management. Before her corporate banking experience, Hansen spent 15 years gaining an entrepre-



Brynlee Watts



Marci Hansen



Mason Brown

neurial background. **Mason Brown** has been named banking manager of the Lindon branch. Brown most recently served as branch manager at Bank of Utah's Orem branch. He has also served as assistant manager at Atomic Credit Union in Ohio, senior loan officer at Mountain America Credit Union and finance manager at Cedar City Motor Co. **Quinn McClune** has been appointed branch manager of the Layton branch. McClune has five years of experience in the financial services industry, with a background in underwriting and client service. Before joining the Bank of Utah, McClune worked at Zions Bank, where he held roles as a commercial real estate underwriter, SBA underwriter and small-business underwriter, gaining experience supporting business clients and in complex lending processes. He also served as a wealth management operations analyst at Morgan Stanley. McClune holds a bachelor's degree from Utah State University's Jon M. Huntsman School of Business. The Bountiful and Lindon branches will retain their current leadership teams, including existing branch managers Wendy Gray and Jason Steenstra. McClune will work alongside Brian Paniagua, who will serve as banking manager of the Layton location.

board convened to establish its officers for 2026. The group of officers includes Utah-based **Jared Perry** and **Lara Shields**.



Quinn McClune



Jared Perry



Lara Shields

CONSTRUCTION

• **HKS**, a California-based interdisciplinary global design firm with an office in Salt Lake City, has promoted **Joshua Rushton** to vice president. This rank promotion recognizes his leadership, dedication to design excellence, and continued contributions to the firm and its clients. HKS also has promoted **Aarthi Saravanakumar** to job captain, **Brock Terwilleger** to Architect II, and **Madison Merwine** to Architect I.

Joshua Rushton

MANUFACTURING

• **Biomerics**, a Salt Lake City-based vertically integrated contract manufacturer for the interventional medical device market, has appointed **Tyler Reed** as president of its Micro Metals Division. Reed is responsible for managing commercial, engineering and operational excellence deployment across areas such as customer satisfaction, delivery performance, manufacturing automation, cost optimization and facility performance for the Micro Metals Division. Founded in 1994, Biomerics supplies 20 of the top 30 medical device OEMs globally, providing engineering design and development services; technology transfer manufacturing services; and contract manufacturing services for medical device components, subassemblies and finished medical devices. It has nine locations in the United States, two in Costa Rica and one in the Dominican Republic.

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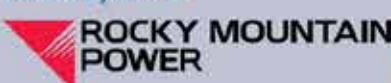


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ADVISORY

• **Ascentis Independent Advisors**, a Texas-based platform for independent advisors and part of Ascentis Holdings, has announced that **Strada Wealth Advisors**, with locations in Scottsdale, Arizona, and Salt Lake City, has selected AIA as its new RIA (Registered Investment Adviser) partner. Strada Wealth Advisors is led by founders James Matt and Michael Otterson. Ascentis Holdings was recently launched as a unified wealth management and asset management platform. It is composed of three businesses: Ascentis Wealth Management, Ascentis Asset Management and AIA, which includes the fee-based advisory business and related advisor affiliations previously operating as part of Golden State Equity Partners. As part of the action, Strada Wealth Advisors will gain access to the broader Ascentis Holdings platform.

ASSOCIATIONS

• The **Mountain West Chamber of Commerce** has named new members to its board of directors. New members and their businesses are **Tiffany Isbel** (board chairperson), The Sport Connection; **Gabe Garcia** (past board chair), Utah Community Credit Union; **Heidi Patzold** (treasurer), City Publishing SLC South; **Mike Agrelius**, Nothing Bundt Cakes; **Mard Dominguez**, Active Digital Marketing; **Cassie Eisenberger**, Pet Suites; **Steve Frantz**, First Utah Bank; **Jen Gardner**, Organize Joy; **Catrina Holmes**, Live Well Animal Hospital; **Stephanie Isiko**, CMIT Solutions; **Shea Quintanna**, America First Credit Union; **Wanda Tolman**, Canyon View Credit Union; and **Elissa Tran**, My UT Real Estate Group.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

• The **cost of divorce** is trapping 183,247 Utahns in unhappy marriages, according to a survey of people in long-term relationships by **Henderson & Henderson Attorneys at Law**. Sixteen percent of married Utahns say they cannot afford to divorce. The national figure is 21 percent, or 27.6 million people. The highest percentage is in Mississippi, at 47 percent. Details are at <https://hhlawsc.com/divorce-affordability-survey-2026/>.

• **Harmony** in Provo has Utah's "**friendliest small-business staff**," according to a survey by direct business loan lender **Advance Funds Network**. It is ranked No. 94 nationally. It is followed by **Burns Cowboy Shop** in Park

City (No. 128) and **Deseret Book's** flagship store in Salt Lake City (No. 136). The top-ranked business in the U.S. is Matchbox Candle Co. in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Details are at <https://advancefundsnetwork.com/survey-reveals-the-top-150-friendliest-small-businesses-in-the-us-2026/>.

• **Liberty Park** in Salt Lake City is the top place in Utah for a "**micro-escape**," according to a survey by **A Mission for Michael** that asked people to identify the urban parks, gardens, riverwalks and public green spaces that help them feel calm, grounded and able to switch off. Liberty Park was ranked No. 50 nationally. It is followed by No. 115 **West Ogden Park** in Ogden and No. 147 **Kiwanis Park** in Provo. The top-ranked location is Kanaha Beach Park in Kahului, Hawaii. Details are at <https://amfmtreatment.com/blog/green-get-aways/>.

• **Ogden**, at No. 164 nationally, is the top Utah city for **DIY outdoor weddings**, according to a survey by Lawn Love. It considered average yard sizes; access to park space and beaches; climate access to wedding services like caterers and bridal shops; and local interest for outdoor, beachfront and backyard weddings. The lowest-ranked Utah location is No. 475 **West Valley City, Salt Lake City** is No. 281. The top-ranked location nationally is Santa Fe, New Mexico. Details are at <https://lawnlove.com/blog/best-cities-outdoor-weddings/>.

• **Salt Lake City** is ranked No. 10 on a list of "**Best Capitals to Live In**," compiled by personal-finance company **WalletHub**. It compared all 50 state capitals across 48 key metrics, ranging from the cost of living to K-12 school-system quality to the number of attractions. The top-ranked capital is Austin, Texas. The lowest-ranked capital is Jackson, Mississippi. Details are at <https://wallethub.com/edu/best-state-capitals/19030>.

• **Utah** is ranked No. 2 on a list of states with the "**least lonely seniors**," compiled by **CareScout**. It used six metrics of federal data from the states and the District of Columbia. The study indicates a record 26.9 million seniors are single; a record 8.7 million are depressed; and 41 percent are lonely, up from 32 percent in 2010. Utah is ranked No. 4 for depression (18.8 percent), No. 5 for regularly discussing issues with family and friends (68 percent), No. 13 for psychologists (15 per 10,000 population), No. 42 for self-reported loneliness (5.2 percent), No. 50 for living alone (35.4 percent) and No. 51 for being single (51 percent). The loneliest seniors are in Louisiana. The least-lonely are

in Hawaii. Details are at <https://www.carescout.com/resources/how-loneliness-is-impacting-older-adults-across-the-country>.

• **Utah's Rocky Mountain accent** is American's No. 9 accent **disappearing from everyday talk**, according to a survey by word search tool **The Word Finder**. It surveyed 3,042 people, asking which accents or slang they use less, hear less or have stopped saying entirely. The top dialect Americans say they are using or hearing less is Appalachian. Details are at <https://www.thewordfinder.com/accents-amnesia/>.

GOVERNMENT

• **MyUtah**, a new state online portal at myutah.gov, has launched. It brings many of the most common state services into one site. Gov. Spencer Cox described it as "a practical upgrade that saves time, reduces confusion, and helps people trust what they are seeing online." The portal is designed for on-the-go access and streamlines the steps people often take to find the right agency, the right page and the right form. The portal connects users to services while data remains in the originating state systems, rather than being centralized in a new database. Utah.gov averages more than 300,000 views per month, with more than 150,000 active users. Across state websites, Utah sees more than 12 million views per month and more than 2.8 million active users.

• A traveling, interactive installation appeared at Utah High School Activities Association basketball championships as part of the statewide **CHAT campaign**, an initiative led by the **Utah Governor's Office of Families** in partnership with the **Utah Department of Health and Human Services** to strengthen family connection. The installation supported the CHAT campaign's mission to strengthen youth mental health by encouraging positive childhood experiences and open communication at home. Designed to replicate a small living room, the installation at UHSAA basketball championships invited parents and kids to pause, sit down and have a meaningful conversation. The installation was in place for games at Utah Valley University, the University of Utah and Salt Lake Community College.

HEALTH CARE

• **ARUP Laboratories**, a Salt Lake City-based diagnostic medicine and non-profit reference laboratory, has launched a new **Innovation Central Laboratory** to facilitate collaboration with pharmaceutical, biotechnology and other industry partners. The ICL will serve as an

ecosystem for validating technologies and accelerating next-generation diagnostics from concept to commercialization. The lab provides an opportunity for biotechnology and pharmaceutical partners to collaborate with ARUP on early-stage exploration and refinement of novel diagnostic concepts outside of routine clinical workflows. ARUP offers a full suite of services and full life cycle management to help partners accelerate innovation and get products to market efficiently and effectively.

INTERNATIONAL

• A **Germany/Switzerland trade mission** being organized by **World Trade Center Utah** has new dates, April 13-22. It was originally scheduled for April 17-25. The trip cost is \$4,000. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis through March 13. Details are available by contacting trademissions@wtcutah.com.

MANUFACTURING

• **Innovative Labs**, a Springville-based contract development and manufacturing organization for the health and wellness industry, has opened a new facility in the city. The company said the expansion significantly increases production capacity and introduces advanced automation to meet global demand for high-performance health and wellness products. The expansion includes expanded liquid manufacturing lines for high-absorption formats, new powder stick pack production to meet consumer demand for convenience, advanced R&D labs focused on flavor science and delivery systems, and streamlined operational efficiency to support high-volume distribution.

MILESTONES

• **Utility Trailer Manufacturing Co.** recently celebrated a production milestone, producing its 200,000th refrigerated trailer at its Clearfield manufacturing facility. Utility's first Clearfield plant opened in 1965 and closed in 2001. A new larger facility adjacent to the area opened in January 2000.

PARTNERSHIPS

• **Canary Speech**, a Provo-based company focused on vocal biomarker technology, has announced its entry into the consumer health space through a partnership with **JubileeTV**, an app-to-TV caregiving system that supports families caring for aging loved ones. The collaboration aims to bring Canary Speech's voice analysis into everyday at-home caregiving, giving families early insight into emotional, mental and



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cognitive wellness trends through natural conversation. Canary Speech analyzes acoustic and linguistic patterns from brief snippets of natural speech, generating simple, non-diagnostic scores related to wellness, mood, stress, energy and cognitive patterns. Integrated directly into JubileeTV's video calls, the insights are generated quietly in the background during the conversations families already have. Canary Speech's integration with JubileeTV focuses on trend awareness and early signals rather than diagnosis. Voice analysis occurs only during JubileeTV video calls when enabled. Insights are visible only to authorized family members within the JubileeTV app.

• **Valinor Discovery**, based in California, and **Renew Biotechnologies**, based in Pleasant Grove, have announced a strategic collaboration to generate the largest clinical multi-omics dataset to date for neurological disorders. Designed to improve the prediction of disease onset and therapeutic responses, the initiative will provide Valinor access to multimodal datasets derived from thousands of patients spanning Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), and other neurological disorders to support large foundation model development. The collaboration combines Valinor's expertise in machine learning with Renew's clinical laboratory infrastructure and expertise in generating high-resolution multi-omics data from well-characterized patient samples. Under the collaboration, Renew will source clinical samples and apply its native-read sequencing workflows within a quality-controlled translational environment to generate genomic and epigenomic data for downstream modeling. Valinor will deploy its proprietary machine learning architectures to identify disease-relevant patterns and predictive signatures of therapeutic response from the longitudinal, multimodal data. The partnership aims to increase decision-making confidence, accelerate programs toward clinical milestones, and reduce R&D costs. Financial terms were not disclosed.

• **Nearmap**, a Salt Lake City-based property intelligence company, and **New Light Technologies**, a D.C.-based provider of emergency management and disaster response solutions, have announced an enterprise agreement supporting the Federal Emergency Management Agency's geospatial disaster response operations. Together, Nearmap and New Light enable FEMA to rapidly capture, integrate and operationalize post-event aerial imagery to support response, recovery and coordination efforts following major disasters. The collaboration has supported FEMA's geospatial response office across nine presidential disaster declarations, including hurricanes, tornadoes, wildfires and floods. Nearmap imagery provides a consistent visual baseline before and after major natural events, helping FEMA and its partners better understand changing conditions across impacted communities. New Light ensures the imagery is efficiently accessed, integrated and applied across FEMA's operational systems.

PHILANTHROPY

• The **2026 Special Olympics USA Games** is joining forces with 50 **Jersey Mike's Subs** locations in Utah for the 16th annual March **"Month of Giving"** campaign. During March, Jersey Mike's customers will have the option to round up their purchase to the nearest dollar or make a donation when placing their order to help 48 local Team Utah athletes and the 2026 Special Olympics USA Games, set for June 20-26 in locations across Minnesota's Twin Cities. Nearly 3,000 athletes will compete in 16 sports, including athletics, gymnastics, swimming and basketball, with pickleball and cornhole making their debut. The Month of Giving campaign culminates with **"Day of Giving"** on March 25, when local Jersey Mike's restaurants will give 100 percent of the day's sales to the 2026 Special Olympics USA Games and the local state programs attending the USA Games. Jersey Mike's hopes to exceed last year's record-breaking national fundraising total of \$30 million. Since Month of Giving began in 2011, Jersey Mike's has raised more than \$143 million for local charities.

RECOGNITIONS

• **Zions Bancorporation NA**, based in Salt Lake City, has been recognized by **Coalition Greenwich** as a **2026 Best Bank Award** winner, receiving 15 Best Bank Awards for serving middle-market and small-business clients. Since the start of the awards in 2009, Zions is one of only four U.S. banks to have averaged 15 or more middle-market and small-business Coalition Greenwich Best Bank Awards annually and has received the second-highest number of awards in the middle-market category. These awards are based on approximately 25,000 market research interviews with businesses nationwide, evaluating more than 500 banks. This marks Zions' 17th year of recognition by Coalition Greenwich, with 261 total awards earned to date. Zions received Best Bank awards in the following middle-market categories: trust, values long-term relationships, customer service, ease of doing business, advisory capabilities of relationship manager, satisfaction with relationship manager and satisfaction with relationship manager (West). Zions received Best Bank awards in the small-business categories for trust,

values long-term relationships, likelihood to recommend, customer service, satisfaction with relationship manager, product capabilities in cash management, likelihood to recommend (West) and satisfaction with relationship manager (West).

• **NetSTAR Global Inc.**, a Salt Lake City-based company focused on OEM web categorization and threat intelligence solutions, has been named a finalist in the **Best Network Security & Fraud Prevention (Mobile Tech)** category at the **GSMA Global Mobile Awards**. The GSMA awards recognize the most innovative and impactful technology solutions across the global mobile ecosystem. The Best Network Security & Fraud Prevention category honors technologies that protect mobile networks, reduce fraud exposure, and strengthen operator security infrastructure. NetSTAR was shortlisted for its in-Compass platform, an OEM-grade URL and IP address categorization and filtering technology, and threat intelligence engine, deployed at scale by mobile operators, security vendors and network providers worldwide.

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Calendar

Information about upcoming events may be sent to brice.w@thecityjournals.com.

March 9, 2-5 p.m.

International Women's Day 2026, hosted by World Trade Center Utah and the Women's Business Center of Utah. Location is Gallivan Center, 50 E. 200 S., Salt Lake City. Details are at <https://luma.com/s7c7c0uf>.

March 10, 2-3:30 p.m.

"Starting Your Business 101," a Small Business Development Center event taking place online. Details are at <https://clients.utahsbdc.org/events.aspx>.

March 11-13

Intermountain DealSource Summit and Ski Event 2026, an ACG Utah event that is a gathering for investors, business leaders and industry experts seeking to shape the future of the Utah market. Location is Grand Hyatt Deer Valley, 1702 Glencoe Mountain Way, Park City. Details are at <https://www.acg.org/utah/events/intermountain-dealsource-summit-2026>.

March 11, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

NexStep Leader Workshop, a Salt Lake Community College event with the theme "Leading Through Change." Location is SLCC Westpointe Training & Education Center, 1060 N. Flyer Way, Salt Lake City. Details are at <https://www.slcc.edu/corporate/workshops/frontline-leader.aspx>.

March 11, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

"Build Then Bless," a Commerce Catalyst event featuring Utah leaders sharing how to build a culture that leads to happier people, better communities, and a healthier bottom line and exploring what it looks like to build organizations rooted in service. Location is Thanksgiving Point Show Barn, 2476 W. Sycamore, Lehi. Cost is \$70. Details are at <https://buildthenbless.com/btb-conference-2026/>.

March 11, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Membership Engagement Event: "Courtside Connections," a Point of the Mountain Chamber of Commerce event. Location is The Picklr, 629 Saratoga Road, Building 2, Saratoga Springs. Free for members (silver or above), \$25 for members (bronze and Business Builder), \$30 for nonmembers. Details are at thepointchamber.com.

March 11

Women in Business, presented by the Mountain West, South Jordan and West Jordan chambers of commerce. Speaker Drea Leary, founder and CEO of

Induo Marketing Group, will discuss "Elevate Your Business Visibility." Location is Legacy Banquet Room, 1617 Temple Lane, South Jordan. Cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for nonmembers. Details are at <https://sj-chamber.org/>.

March 11, 4-6 p.m.

International Women's Day, hosted by BioHive's Women in Technology and Science and Healthtech Hub communities and Myriad Genetics. Location is Myriad Genetics, 322 N. 200 W., Salt Lake City. Details are at <https://luma.com/fsl1rv7x>.

March 11, 5-7 p.m.

"Business After Hours," an Ogden-Weber Chamber of Commerce event. Location is Goal Foundation, 2440 Washington Blvd., Ogden. Free for members and first-time guests, \$35 for nonmembers. Details are at ogdenweberchamber.com.

March 11, 6-7:30 p.m.

"Online Marketing Fundamentals," a Small Business Development Center event that takes place online. Details are at <https://clients.utahsbdc.org/events.aspx>.

March 12-13

Wilson Sonsini Entrepreneur & Investor Life Sciences Summit, presented by BioUtah and the Brigham Young University College of Life Sciences & Tech Transfer Office. Summit is March 12, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., at the Hilton Hotel, 255 S. West Temple, Salt Lake City. Ski Day is March 13, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., at Snowbird Resort. Details are at <https://eilifesciencessummit.org/>.

March 12, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Women in Business Luncheon, a Davis Chamber of Commerce event. Speaker is Talia Riley, motivational speaker, bestselling author, and TV and podcast personality. Location is Roosters Brewing Co., 748 W. Heritage Park Blvd., Suite 101, Layton. Cost is \$25 for members, \$35 for nonmembers. Registration deadline is March 9, 5 p.m. Details are at davischamberofcommerce.com.

March 12, 6-8 p.m.

"Business Essentials," a Small Business Development Center event that takes place online. Details are at <https://clients.utahsbdc.org/events.aspx>.

March 13, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Leadership Symposium, presented by Leadership Park City, Intermountain Health, Park City Municipal Corporation, Summit County and the Park City Chamber/Bureau. Theme is "Leadership in Action: Building Our Future Together."

Location is Blair Education Center, Park City Hospital, 900 Round Valley Drive, Park City. Cost is \$50. Details are at <https://parkcity.gov/departments/leadership-park-city/leadership-symposium>.

March 13, noon-1:30 p.m.

"D2C Acquisition Funnels," a Commerce Catalyst event. Speakers are Liz Reiss of Hyperbloom and Makenzie Alvey of Gruns. Location is The Anata, 1657 N. State St., Lehi. Details are at <https://luma.com/bgw4dra8>.

March 16, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

2026 Legislative Update, a ULI (Urban Land Institute) Utah event. Panelists are moderator Sam Elder, senior vice president of public finance, D.A. Davidson & Co.; Chris Gamvroulas, president, Ivory Development; and Karson Eilers, policy director, Utah League of Cities and Towns. Location is 95 S. State St., Salt Lake City. Cost ranges from \$15 to \$30. Details are at <https://utah.uli.org/events-2>.

March 18, 8-9:30 a.m.

"Breaking Barriers Over Bagels: Understanding AI's Role in Today's Built Environment," a ULI (Urban Land Institute) Utah event. Location is Parsons Behle & Latimer, 201 S. Main St., Suite 1800, Salt Lake City. Cost ranges from \$10 to \$25. Details are at <https://utah.uli.org/events-2>.

March 18, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

2026 Legislative Wrap-Up, a Herbert Institute for Public Policy event. Speakers are Utah Sen. Kirk Cullimore; Utah Rep. Val Peterson; Utah Rep. Candice Pierucci; and Utah Sen. Stephanie Pitcher. Location is Utah Valley University, Clarke Building, 800 W. University Parkway, Orem. Free. Registration can be completed at Eventbrite.com.

March 18, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Business Alliance Networking Luncheon. Location is Boondocks Fun Center, 525 Deseret Drive, Kaysville. Free (lunch is available for purchase). No RSVP needed. Details are at davischamberofcommerce.com.

March 18, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

"Point of Leadership: UVU Entrepreneurship Institute," a Point of the Mountain Chamber of Commerce event. Location is Utah Valley University Business Resource Center, 815 W. 1250 S., Orem. Cost is \$25 for members, \$30 for nonmembers. Details are at thepointchamber.com.

March 18, noon-1 p.m.

"Building a Personal Brand that

Drives Your Business," a Women's Business Center of Utah "Solve the Business Puzzle" event. Speaker is Robyn Cohen, senior vice president of sales and business development at Universal Media and the founder of The After Co. Event takes place online. Free. Details are at wbcutah.org.

March 18, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Tax Planning Clinic, a Small Business Development Center event that takes place online. Details are at <https://clients.utahsbdc.org/events.aspx>.

March 18, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

"2026 Shark Tank Competition: Bright Minds and Big Ideas," a South Valley Chamber of Commerce event. Open to high school students from the Canyons and Jordan school districts, the competition gives students the opportunity to pitch real business ideas to real business leaders. Location is Loveland Living Planet Aquarium, 12033 S. Lone Peak Parkway, Draper. A member-exclusive event. Cost is \$15 for chamber members. Free for all school advisors, students and their family members, but registration is required. Details are at southvalleychamber.com.

March 18, 6-8 p.m.

"Marketing Clinic," a Small Business Development Center event that takes place online. Details are at <https://clients.utahsbdc.org/events.aspx>.

March 19-20

17th Annual Intermountain Sustainability Summit. Theme is "Building Resilience." Event will feature more than 40 speakers discussing sustainable practices, particularly in the context of climate change, clean energy, resilience and regeneration. Keynote speaker is K Baja, executive director of the Resilience Hub Collaborative. Location is Weber State University in Ogden. Details are at <https://www.weber.edu/issummit>.

March 19, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Financial Wellness Roundtable, hosted by the Utah Worksite Wellness Council and Elevated Retirement Group. Location is Elevated Retirement Group, 11925 S. 700 E., Draper. Cost is \$35. Details are at Utahworksitewellness.org/events.

March 19, 11 a.m.-noon

"Utah Rising Webinar: Water 101," hosted by the Utah Chamber and Salt Lake Chamber and featuring Brian Steed, Great Salt Lake commissioner and executive director of the Janet Quinney Lawson Institute for Land, Water and Air at Utah State University. Event takes place online. Free. Details are at slchamber.com.

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NONUSE APPLICATION(S)

31-5330 (U20953): Utah Department of Transportation is/are seeking a nonuse period for 0.1111 cfs from groundwater (Centerville) for IRRIGATION; STOCKWATERING.

31-5331 (D5370): Utah Department of Transportation is/are seeking a nonuse period for 0.082 cfs from the Ricks Creek and Drain (1 Miles NW of Centerville) for IRRIGATION; STOCKWATERING.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENT AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Probate No. 253700717
IN THE
Second Judicial District Court
DAVIS COUNTY
STATE OF UTAH
In the matter of the Estate of THE ESTATE OF BRECK C. JENSEN
Jason Arlan Jensen
Whose address is 1151 Charlton Ave- nue, Salt Lake City, Utah 84106 has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-entitled estate. Creditors of the es- tate are hereby notified to:
(1) deliver or mail their written claims to the Personal Representative at the address above;
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(3) file their written claims with the Clerk of the District Court at Farmington District Court, 800 W State St, Farmington, UT 84025 in Davis County, or otherwise present their claims as re- quired by Utah law within three months (90 days) after the date of the first publication of this notice or be forever barred.
Dated this February 23, 2026
/s/ Jason Arlan Jensen
/s/ Brian Edwards
991 Shepard Ln Suite 210, Farmington, UT 84025
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