

The Facts

ON WEBER COUNTY LIBRARY BOND ELECTION JUNE 25, 2013



What

- Replace the Southwest Branch with a larger, modern library constructed on land made available by Roy City
- Renovate and upgrade the historic Main Library
- Modernize and double the space of North Branch
- Add safe, street parking at Ogden Valley Branch

Why

- Library use is at an all-time high and increasing every year
- The Main Library, built in 1968, has significant structural and mechanical problems
- Southwest Branch is too small and is inadequate to meet the demands of a growing population
- Land has been provided by Roy City for a new Southwest Branch
- North Branch is too small to serve northern Weber County, and has unfinished space that can double the size available to the public
- With expanded parking, Ogden Valley Branch can accommodate large groups and serve as a community center
- The cost of borrowing money for construction is historically low, but will increase in the future
- Library funds are increasingly being used to repair buildings instead of enhancing library facilities or programs

How

- Right now, County residents with an average home value of \$161,000 pay approximately \$18 per year for bonds that were issued in 1998 to build the Weber County Jail. Those bonds have a current balance of \$8.41 million and will be paid off in January 2018.
- The County plans to structure the new Library bonds in a manner that will increase taxes on an average residence by approximately \$13.50 per year bringing the total tax paid to \$31.50 per year. This annual amount of \$31.50 per year will continue until the bonds are paid off in 20 years.
- For commercial and business property with the same value, the tax will increase by approximately \$24.43, for a total annual tax of \$57.27 per year for 20 years.



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