

**BOND PROPOSITION FOR  
WEBER COUNTY LIBRARY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS  
WEBER COUNTY, UTAH  
SPECIAL BOND ELECTION, JUNE 25, 2013**

Shall Weber County, Utah, issue bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$45,000,000 for a maximum period of 21 years to final maturity for the purpose of completing capital improvements in the Weber County Library System, including construction of a new Southwest Branch Library at approximately 4000 S 2025 W, in Roy City; renovation and upgrade of the Main Library in Ogden; expansion and modernizing services of the North Ogden Branch Library; and addition of street parking at Ogden Valley Branch Library in Huntsville?

**Property Tax Cost of the Bonds.** If the bonds are issued as planned, an annual property tax to pay the debt service on these bonds will be required over a period of 20 years in the estimated amount of \$31.50 on a \$161,000 residence, and in the estimated amount of \$57.27 on a business property having the same value.

The County currently has general obligation bonds outstanding that are anticipated to be retired in 2018. The County plans to structure the bonds that would be authorized from this election in a manner that would increase the property tax levy by \$13.50 on a residence (\$24.43 on a business) during the time the existing bonds are outstanding and continue the \$31.50 levy on a residence (\$57.27 on a business) for the remainder of the time the bonds authorized at this election are outstanding. An otherwise scheduled tax decrease may not occur if these bonds are issued.

The foregoing information is only an estimate and is not a limit on the amount of taxes that the governing body may be required to levy in order to pay the debt service on the bonds. The governing body is obligated to levy taxes to the extent provided by law in order to pay these bonds.

**WHEN AND WHERE WILL WE VOTE?**

The Special Election will take place on June 25, 2013, and will be conducted primarily by mail, with limited polling locations on Election Day. Ballots will be mailed to all registered voters in Weber County and may be returned in any of the following ways:

- **United States Postal Service:** All ballots submitted in this manner must be postmarked by June 24, 2013, one day before Election Day.
- **Official Ballot Drop-Box:** Beginning May 28, 2013, six (6) Vote Centers will have official ballot drop-boxes in which you may deposit your voted ballot.
- **Election Day Voting:** On June 25, 2013, you may deposit your voted ballot at any one of the six (6) Vote Centers. You may also choose to vote at the polling places on Election Day. Polls will be open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Election Day Vote Centers and official ballot drop-box locations are as follows:

MARRIOTT-SLATERVILLE CITY OFFICES ..... 1570 W 400 N, MARRIOTT-SLATERVILLE  
 NORTH OGDEN CITY OFFICES ..... 505 E 2600 N, NORTH OGDEN  
 OGDEN VALLEY BRANCH LIBRARY ..... 131 S 7400 E, HUNTSVILLE  
 ROY MUNICIPAL BUILDING ..... 5051 S 1900 W, ROY  
 SOUTH OGDEN MUNICIPAL BUILDING ..... 3950 S. ADAMS AVE., SOUTH OGDEN  
 WEBER CENTER ..... 2380 WASHINGTON BLVD., OGDEN

For more information: [www.co.weber.ut.us](http://www.co.weber.ut.us)



**Weber County Clerk / Auditor**  
 2380 Washington Blvd, Suite 320  
 Ogden, UT 84401  
[www.co.weber.ut.us](http://www.co.weber.ut.us)



Mail Ballot by June 24, 2013 or Vote on June 25, 2013



**W E B E R C O U N T Y  
LIBRARY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS  
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**\$45,000,000  
GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND**



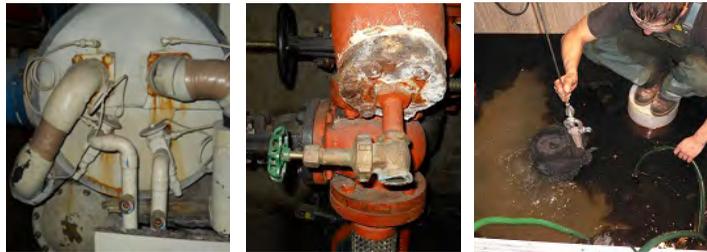
OR VOTE AT POLLING PLACES

**TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2013  
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

WATCH FOR YOUR MAILED BALLOT AFTER MAY 28

**OVERVIEW**

The Weber County Library is addressing life/safety issues in aging buildings, usage increases that average nine percent (9%) per year, and inadequate space to meet the demands of County residents. The Library commissioned an independent feasibility study which identified several safety, age and growth-related problems in four of the County's five library facilities. These include an urgent need to bring the Main Library into safer electrical, mechanical, and seismic code compliance and the need to expand existing facilities to accommodate the demands of a growing population.



AIR CONDITIONING

CORRODED PIPES

FLOODING

**THE NEED**

1. The Main Library in Ogden, built in 1968, has significant structural, mechanical, and electrical problems.
2. The Southwest Branch, built in 1976, is too small and is inadequate to meet the demands of a growing population.
3. The North Branch, built in 1983, is too small to serve northern Weber County, and has unfinished space that can double the size of the Library.
4. The Ogden Valley Branch parking accommodations are not adequate to serve the users of this Library.
5. Library funds are increasingly being spent to repair buildings instead of enhancing collections and services.
6. Library use is at an all-time high and increasing every year.

**THE COST**

Weber County is asking voters to authorize a \$45,000,000 General Obligation Bond to pay for the proposed Library improvements. The County plans to issue debt for the projects in two stages, as the buildings are being renovated and constructed.

**THE PLAN**

	ESTIMATED COST
1. Renovate and upgrade the historic Main Library.....	\$16,810,000
2. Replace the Southwest Branch with a larger, modern Library constructed on land made available by Roy City.....	23,025,000
3. Modernize and double the space available to users of the North Branch.....	5,000,000
4. Add safe, street parking at the Ogden Valley Branch.....	<u>165,000</u>
<b>TOTAL BUILDING COST.....</b>	<b>\$ 45,000,000</b>

- Lower ongoing building repair and operation costs so more Library funds are available for library collections and programs.
- Provide libraries capable of meeting current and future public demands for services.

**WHY A JUNE ELECTION?**

The 45-year-old Main Library is experiencing electrical events and flooding that could result in injury and loss by fire or water damage.

The cost of borrowing money is at a historic low.

A June election allows the design to be completed before spring 2014, avoiding the extra costs of building under winter conditions, and addresses the life/safety issues of the Main Library sooner.

**HOW WILL THE PLAN AFFECT MY TAX BILL?**

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.

**USAGE DURING 2012**

- At 1,300,000 visits, Library use is at an all-time high
- More than 2,100,000 books were borrowed/used
- More than 103,000 residents are active Library card holders
- 79,000 attended Library sponsored educational and literacy programs
- 77,000 attended community gatherings held in Library meeting rooms
- 344,000 sessions were logged on Library public computers

