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West Valley City to be Rebourne

(West Valley City, UT) – West Valley City officials broke ground today on Fairbourne Station, a major redevelopment project that will become the new focal point of the city.

Governor Gary Herbert, U.S. Rep. Jason Chaffetz, U.S. Rep. Jim Matheson and Mayor Mike Winder spoke this morning at a formal ceremony at the project site, a four-block area south of 3500 South between 2700 West and 3200 West.

Mayor Winder calls Fairbourne Station “the premier transit-oriented development in the mountain west.” While mixed-use developments are becoming more common throughout the Wasatch Front, Fairbourne is unique in its:

- *Accessibility:* In addition to light rail and traditional bus service, Fairbourne’s intermodal center will also offer Utah’s first bus rapid transit service. Fairbourne is located between major west-side thoroughfares, within minutes of all of the Salt Lake Valley’s major freeways and the Salt Lake International Airport. Fairbourne will also be pedestrian- and bike-friendly.
- *Anchor of civic services:* Fairbourne will continue to be the civic center of West Valley, anchored by City Hall, police headquarters, a courthouse and library branch.
- *Welcoming public spaces:* A public plaza and promenade will provide a gathering place for community events, and an enjoyable green respite from the surrounding urban environment.

The name Fairbourne Station refers to Joseph Fairbourne’s weigh station, an important stop for west-side settlers in the 19th century. Fairbourne’s corner was the birthplace of commerce in the area, becoming a transportation hub and a crossroads for people of diverse nationalities who built the community that became West Valley City.

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Already Utah's second-largest city, West Valley is expected to experience continued growth in population, average household incomes and average home values for the next several years. The redevelopment project will harness the energy of progress occurring at other sites throughout the city and focus investment at the city's center.

When completed, Fairbourne Station will include:

- 200,000 square feet of retail space.
- 200,000 square feet of office space.
- 1,000 urban residences.
- 162 upscale hotel suites.
- Four acres of urban lineal park and plaza space.

The Redevelopment Agency of West Valley City is the master developer of the project.

Partners in the redevelopment project include:

- Embassy Suites, an upscale Hilton-brand hotel.
- Hines, a world-class office development and leasing firm.
- ICO, one of Utah's largest commercial developers.

While many elements of the project begin this year, the development may take several years to complete.

Information about Fairbourne Station is available at fairbournestation.com. Construction updates will be available through the West Valley City website, wvc-ut.gov/citycenter.

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