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## GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

### NEW OFFICE BUILDING IS SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETE

September saw the substantial completion of the new office building for the White City Water Improvement District ("WCWID"). There were however, a number of delays in finishing the building due to last year's Covid pandemic, supply disruptions and contractor issues.

With completion of the new public entrance on the east side of the building and parking lot, WCWID's architect, engineer and Board of Trustees were happy to certify the building's completion and officially accept it from the General Contractor - Wasatch West Construction. (Prior to substantial completion, staff was using the building but had to work with and around the contractor who was striving for completion. Now, the contractor will have to work around staff to complete some "punch list" items.)

We want to thank everyone involved in the project and thank our water users, for supporting us as we have transitioned to the new building. It is designed to last 50 plus years and meets seismic requirements for the area. Thank you again.

We hope to have a formal "open house" sometime in November. We wish to invite everyone to come and tour the new building. In the meantime, you are welcome to come to the building to pay your bills or attend the public Board of Trustees meetings which are held on the third Wednesday of the month.

On the back side of this newsletter is a diagram of the new parking lot. The entrance and exit are marked, as well as showing the new location of the "drop off" box for after-hours water payments. Entrance is on the east side of the parking lot.

### 2021 PIPELINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT COMPLETED

WCWID has made a goal of replacing a minimum of 1000 feet of aging/deteriorating mainline pipe per year and again this year we have achieved that goal. We have replaced the water lines on Garnet Dr. running from Galena Dr. to Onyx Ln. All galvanized services have been upgraded to copper lines from the newly installed main to the meters. In addition, we replaced an old fire hydrant as well as added another to help assist in the event of a fire in the surrounding area. We understand that these construction projects, although necessary and beneficial to the district as we replace the aging infrastructure, can become a nuisance to the residents residing in the "construction zone", we would like to thank them for their patience and understanding.

### WATER USERS HAVE CONSERVED WATER THIS YEAR

On March 17 of this year, Governor Spencer Cox issued an emergency drought declaration, due to last year's dry fall and inadequate snowpack. WCWID, along with the rest of the water communities

encouraged its water users to join in the conservation effort. The water users have complied and WCWID has seen a drop in water usage from last year in the range of between 10 to 20 per cent. Thank you for using water wisely. At the same time, please be aware that because WCWID relies solely upon cost-based rates to fund itself, the drop in water use also means there has been a corresponding drop in water income. Thus far this year, WCWID's income has dropped in excess of \$150,000 and by the end of the year will be behind the equivalent of one year's pipeline replacement project.

**Other water systems are making up for this loss of income by reliance upon property taxes.**

**WCWID does not impose such a tax and believes retail water systems should be run using cost-base rates only.** We will keep you informed of how WCWID will deal with the challenges of "water conservation" and "water income." Thank you.

Please pay attention to the traffic flow for the new parking lot. The **entrance** is on the east and **exit** is on the west.

