

December 2016 – Mayor’s Message

The saying goes, “Time flies when you’re having fun.” As I reflect back on the past year, I must have had a blast as the time has passed too quickly. December is a time for holiday traditions with family and friends, company parties and the joys of shopping for just the right gifts for loved ones. It is also a time to reflect on 2016 and all that has happened in the past year. The challenges we faced bring strength and refinement; the lessons learned, give us the knowledge to make better decisions; and the gratitude we have in our hearts help us have a deeper understanding and respect in every aspect of our life. As I ponder, I am so proud to be your mayor. There are many exciting projects in the planning stages for the upcoming year, but at this special time, I’d like to focus on a few of the City’s newer developments of this past year.

- Fashion Place Mall – Macy’s will be a two-story building. The exterior construction is almost complete and the interior work is underway. There will be 50,000 square feet of leasable space for new businesses that connect Macy’s with the rest of the mall.
- The TNT Gun Range at 5669 S. Commerce Dr. opened in June. It is the largest indoor shooting range in the Mountain West. Security National, at 434 W. Ascension Way, started construction and will be a six-story office building with a four-story parking structure. This is the first building in a multi-phase project at this site.
- Murray Crossings at 5059 S. to 5075 S. Commerce Dr. and 248 W. Vine St., has a proposed mixed-use project in two buildings. There will be 293 residential units and almost 10,000 square feet of commercial space available.
- A proposed project at 737 E. Winchester St. has started and will be home to The Advocates Law Office.
- The Sleep Number store is in full construction at 5310 S. State St.
- Groundbreaking for the Gardner Transformation Center on the Intermountain Medical Center campus will take place in January of 2017, but the planning processes have taken place this year.

As you can see, our year flew by; Murray City was very busy.

During this holiday season, I’d like to give some heartfelt thank yous for the accomplishments of this year. First of all, to our many businesses that provide employment opportunities and contribute to our local economy – thank you for your quality services, commitment to our city and your hard work. Next, to those serving in volunteer capacities and community groups – thank you for making our city the best place for anyone to live and for enriching and enhancing the lives of others. And to our Murray City employees – you are simply the very best; it is a privilege to rub shoulders with you, to solve problems with you and to plan the future with you – thank you for your hard work, loyalty and dedication to our Murray City.

A final 2016 thought to our Murray City residents – thank you for this opportunity to serve you, it means the world to me to give back to this city and to help make the future a better and more beautiful place for generations to come. My wish for you and yours is a peaceful and joyous Christmas and a prosperous, healthy and happy New Year.