

# THE *FLASH* OF TALENT

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An update from City Administration, Planning, Public Works, and Police Departments.  
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## Talent welcomes its new City Councilors:

**Councilor Yap, Councilor Hill, Councilor Turner, and Councilor Roberts**

Each City Councilor was sworn into office by Mayor Telerski at the January 3, 2001 meeting of the City Council. Councilors Hill and Turner had been appointed to City Council previously, but ran for their current positions in the November 2000 election. Councilors Yap and Roberts have replaced former City Councilors Tessa West and Tom Grauman.

To find out more about your local government, visit our website at [www.cityoftalent.org](http://www.cityoftalent.org)

## Good news for playground users

The Talent Parks and Recreation Commission would like to announce that new play equipment will be installed in Library Park by Spring 2001 (weather permitting). Purchase of the equipment has been made possible by a large donation from a family here in Talent.

The City's Public Works Department is working to finish the playground at Chuck Roberts Park and, with cooperation from Mother Nature, will also have the playground complete by Spring 2001. Talent residents can look forward to **two** new playgrounds this year.

## Holiday wishes come true...

At the beginning of the holiday season, Talent's Court Clerk Coleen Bradley locates families for the City to adopt for Christmas. This year, in cooperation with CERVS and Access, Inc., Coleen found three families in need of some holiday cheer. City staff, employees of Jackson County Fire District No. 5 and even a few Talent residents pitched in to help Santa finish his shopping list and wrap all his presents. When Santa was ready, his sleigh (the fire truck) was loaded with all the gifts, toys and food baskets, for our families.

This is always a magical time of year for all involved in spreading holiday cheer. We'd like to send huge thanks to Santa and all his helpers for making this season special for all

## Become involved with the City of Talent

The City of Talent has vacancies on many of its committees and commissions. The following is a list of possible opportunities waiting for you: we currently have one vacancy on our Architectural Review Committee, four vacancies on the Budget Committee, three vacancies on the Enhancement Month Committee, four vacancies on the Parks and Recreation Commission, five vacancies on the Advisory Board to the Parks and Recreation Commission, two vacancies on the Transportation Committee, three vacancies on the Urban Renewal Agency, and two vacancies on the Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee.

If you're interested in filling a vacancy on one of our committees or commissions, please stop by City Hall, 204 East Main Street, to pick up an application.

## City Council Agenda Items January 17, 2001 – 6:45 p.m.

### New Business:

Committee assignments

Discussion of procedure to submit articles for the newsletter

State of the City Address

(Complete agenda packets available for review at City Hall, 204 East Main Street)

## Future plans for Main Street

On January 9, 2001, the Talent Urban Renewal Agency held a public meeting to review and comment on plans for the improvements that are intended for Main Street between Talent Avenue and the railroad tracks. Joyce Jackson from the design firm CIDA Inc. reviewed the draft designs for each block of Main Street.

The creative juices were flowing and the group present narrowed down the options to two. The options include parking and a possible drop-off area for the downtown park, bicycle lanes, seven to nine foot sidewalks, landscape stripes throughout Main Street with special emphasis on the corner of Main Street and Talent Avenue. You have another chance to comment on the future Main Street improvements on January

us – including our adopted families.

23, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. If you have any questions or would like to see the current draft options, please call Kelly Madding, Urban Renewal Executive Director at 535-1566.