



Community-Centric Website Redesign

September 26, 2016

Why Redesign?

Salem's Commitment

- Communication and Engagement

Community Need

- City Website top resource for information

Why Redesign?

Content

- Department-centric
- Not being used as effective messaging tool

Governance

- Many authors
- Inconsistent review process
- No strategy for priority content

Redesign Goals

Community-centric

- Consistent messaging

Organizational efficiencies

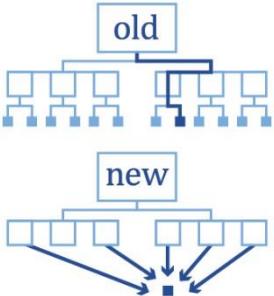
- Reduce cost of ownership
- Staff efficiency

Sustainability

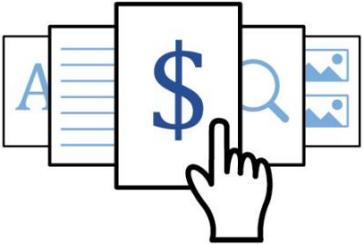
Community-Centric Principles



Easy to Browse



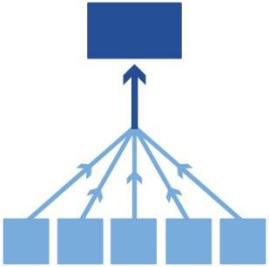
Easy to Find



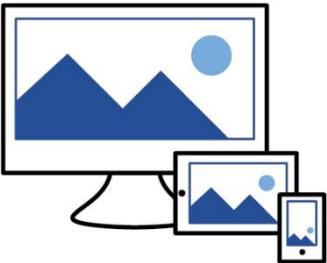
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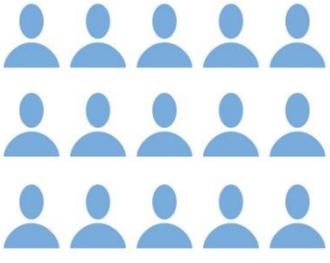
Relevant Content



Consistent Message



Mobile-friendly



Accessible to All

Strategy

- **Learn from others**
- **Build in-house**
- **Staff engagement**
- **Flexible approach**

Example:

Find parking information

- About Salem**
 - [Awards](#)
 - [Community Connection](#)
 - [Press Releases](#)
 - [Salem News](#)
- Your City**
 - [Mayor](#)
 - [City Manager](#)
 - [City Structure](#)
 - [City Government](#)
 - [City Charter](#)
 - [Revised Codes](#)
 - [Budget](#)
 - [Urban Renewal Agency](#)
 - [Salem Housing Authority](#)
 - [SalemMaps Online](#)
 - [Mid Willamette Homeless Initiative](#)
- Salem Calendars**
 - [Public Meetings](#)
 - [City Calendar](#)
 - [Boards & Commissions](#)
- Council Meetings**
 - [Meeting Agendas](#)
 - [Council Calendar](#)
 - [Future Reports](#)
 - [Land Use Decisions](#)
 - [Public Hearing Notices](#)



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- Administrative Services
- Budget
- City Manager
- City Recorder
- Community Development
- Contracts & Procurement
- Finance
- Fire
- Housing Authority
- Human Resources
- Information Technology
- Legal
- Library
- Municipal Court
- Police
- Public Works
- Urban Development



Police Facility Planning
Recognizing the limitations of the current Police space, the City Council has been working to address the goal of building a new headquarters for the Salem Police Department since 2007.

[Police Facility Proposal](#)



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how it is treated, and how it is tested for quality.



The Salem Connection
Watch the latest installment of the City's local news show, The Salem Connection.



Minto Island Bridge & Trail
The last critical link connecting 1000 acres of parks and more than 20 miles of off-street trails between south, downtown, & West Salem.



Online Crime Reporting
You can now submit crime reports to the Salem Police Department directly online using the new Community Online Police Reporting application.

THE CITY OF SALEM

Select Language
Powered by [Google Translate](#)

- E-Payments**
[All E-Payments](#)
[Court Fees & Fines](#)
[SPLASH \(Permits\)](#)
[Tickets & Citations](#)
[Utility Billing](#)

- Permits & Licenses**
[Building Safety](#)
[Land Use Application](#)
[License Search](#)
[Parking Permits](#)
[Permit Search](#)
[Public Works Permits](#)

- Services**
[Center 50+](#)
[City Recorder \(Public Records\)](#)
[Contracts & Procurement](#)
[Housing & Social Services](#)
[Human Rights](#)
[Library](#)
[Parks](#)

- News & Tools**
[City Calendar](#)
[E-mail Subscripti](#)
[Emergencies](#)
[Maps](#)
[Road Work Traff](#)
[RSS Feeds](#)
[Salem Traffic C](#)

Help & Information

City of Salem Home > Departments > **Urban Development**

Urban Development Department

Mission

To provide for the sustainable expansion of the community's prosperity, measured in terms of jobs and income growth, economic and human development, education, health, and environmental sustainability.

Urban Development administers and oversees a variety of programs and services aimed at strengthening Salem's economy including Salem's **seven** urban renewal areas. In addition, the Department provides loans and grants to finance activities that create emergency, transitional and permanent affordable rental housing for low and moderate income families in Salem and Keizer; allocates funds to non-profits to provide emergency services to homeless and families at-risk of being homeless; facilitates economic opportunities and reinvestment; invests in economic empowerment for individual prosperity and small business growth; issues commercial loan and grant programs; performs real property management, acquisition, sales and leasing services for the City; manages downtown parking services and revitalization; manages Salem's Municipal Airport; and functions as the liaison to community organizations, businesses, and City Council and Agency Board appointed advisory groups.

- City Manager
- Contracts & Procurement
- Finance
- Housing Authority (SHA)
- Municipal Court
- Urban Development**
- About Us & Contacts
- Boards & Committees
- Downtown Revitalization
- Economic Development
- Federal Programs
- Financial Resources
- News & Links
- Parking
- Projects
- Real Property Services
- Salem Airport
- Urban Renewal Agency
- Urban Renewal Areas



North Gateway Loan and grant program

- Divisions**
- Financial Resources
- Urban Renewal**
- Boards & Committees
- Contact Us
- News & Links
- Projects



Director's Office
Oversees Urban Development Department operations.



Downtown Revitalization
Leverages the City's resources to improve and maintain the vitality and prosperity of the downtown core. Includes Parking Services.



Economic Development
Facilitates economic opportunities and private investment by attracting prevailing wage employment and creating awareness of development programs, services and incentives. Includes Airport.



Federal Programs
Funds and monitors social services programs serving low income residents of Salem and Keizer.



Real Property Services
Manages leases, acquisitions, and sales of City and Urban Renewal Agency property.

About Us & Contacts
Boards & Committees

Downtown
Revitalization

Downtown Action Plan
Downtown Toolbox
Minto Bridge Project
Parking Services
RiverfrontDowntownURA
South Waterfront URA

Economic Development
Federal Programs
Financial Resources

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Real Property Services

Salem Airport

Urban Renewal Agency

Urban Renewal Areas

Downtown Revitalization

City of Salem Home > Departments > Urban Development > Downtown Revitalization



Downtown Revitalization Division

The Urban Development Department leverages resources to continue to improve and maintain the vitality of the downtown area and meet the needs of our community.



Parking Services

Helps maintain the livability and economic prosperity of downtown by maximizing the benefits of on and off street parking.



Downtown Grants & Loans

Program offers the opportunity to make improvements to buildings located within Salem's Riverfront-Downtown.



Downtown Resource Guide

Quick reference: includes parking, public transit, and contact information.



Riverfront-Downtown

Comprised of a block from the River to the west.



South Waterfront

Centered around the downtown core.



Downtown Strategic Action Plan

Adopted by the City Council.

Parking

Getting around Salem is easy with electrical vehicle charging stations.

Community

- Animals & Pets
- Complaints & Concerns
- Donations
- Financial Assistance & Grants
- Getting Around
- Home Building & Remodeling
- Housing

- Library
- Move to Salem
- My Neighborhood
- Neighborhood Resources
- Parking**
- Public Safety
- Plans & Projects

- Schools & Education
- Seniors & Center 50+
- Visit Salem
- Volunteer & Get Involved
- Water & Utilities
- Youth & Families



New Parking Meters to be Installed at the Capitol Mall

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[Learn more >>](#)



Bicycle Lockers



Electric Vehicles



Parking Permits



MORE

Parking

Getting around Salem is easy whether you walk, bike, drive, or take public transportation. Convenient customer parking in the downtown area, electrical vehicle charging stations, and new parking meters that accept credit and debit cards ensure there is a parking spot for you.



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Bicycle Lockers ▾



Electric Vehicles ▾



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What's happening

- Jan. 2 Airport tours
8 a.m.–3 p.m.
Public Hearing
6:30 p.m.
- Jan. 5 Bicycle safety course
11 a.m.
Just Walk Salem
1 p.m.
- Jan. 11 Ask a traffic cop on Twitter
10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Contact us

- ? transportation@cityofsalem.net
- ? Phone 503-588-1234
- ? Hours 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
Monday–Friday
- ? Location and Map
- ? 123 Mailing Address St
Salem OR 97301

Downtown Parking District

The Downtown Parking District was created to give customers options for parking in the main downtown area. Downtown businesses are assessed a parking tax that partially funds the operation and maintenance of the free customer parking within the District.

District parking options

The following options are available as part of the Downtown Parking District:

Three-hour parking

- On-street parking
- Limited to three hours from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday
- Limited to once per day, per block

Parkades: free customer parking

- Available all day
- Three [parking garages](#)

30-minute and/or loading zones

- For commercial business loading/unloading
- Located throughout downtown area

Employee, student and volunteer permits

You must purchase a parking permit to park in the Downtown Parking District if you fall into one of the following groups:

- Employees who are parking while working
- Construction workers and consultants parking while they are working
- Volunteers parking while they serve
- Students parking while they attend class (beginning on day 2 of class)
- Jurors

Downtown employees, students, and volunteers without permits can be issued a parking ticket for using customer parking options. The fine increases with repeat occurrences.

Apply for a permit

Once you have determined you need a parking permit, apply in person at the Permit Application Center. Parking permits are subject to availability and charged a one time processing and automation fee.

- Application form
- Parking fees

If you work part-time, you may be eligible for a part-time permit. You will need a letter from your employer on business letterhead, stating you work 25 hours or less.



Contact us

- 🔍 Permit Application Center
- 📍 555 Liberty ST SE RM 320
Salem OR 97301
- 📞 Phone 503-588-6256
- 📧 Email: baspac@cityofsalem.net
- 🕒 Office Hours
Monday–Friday
8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
- 📄 Plans Accepted
Monday–Friday
8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Additional information

- 🔍 [Apply for a permit](#)
- 🔍 [Parking permit rates](#)
- 🔍 [SRC Chapter 102 Parking](#)
- 🔍 [Downtown Parking Tax](#)
- 🔍 [Downtown Advisory Board \(DAB\)](#)
- 🔍 [Contest a parking citation](#)

Explore related topics

[Parking Permits](#) [Downtown](#)

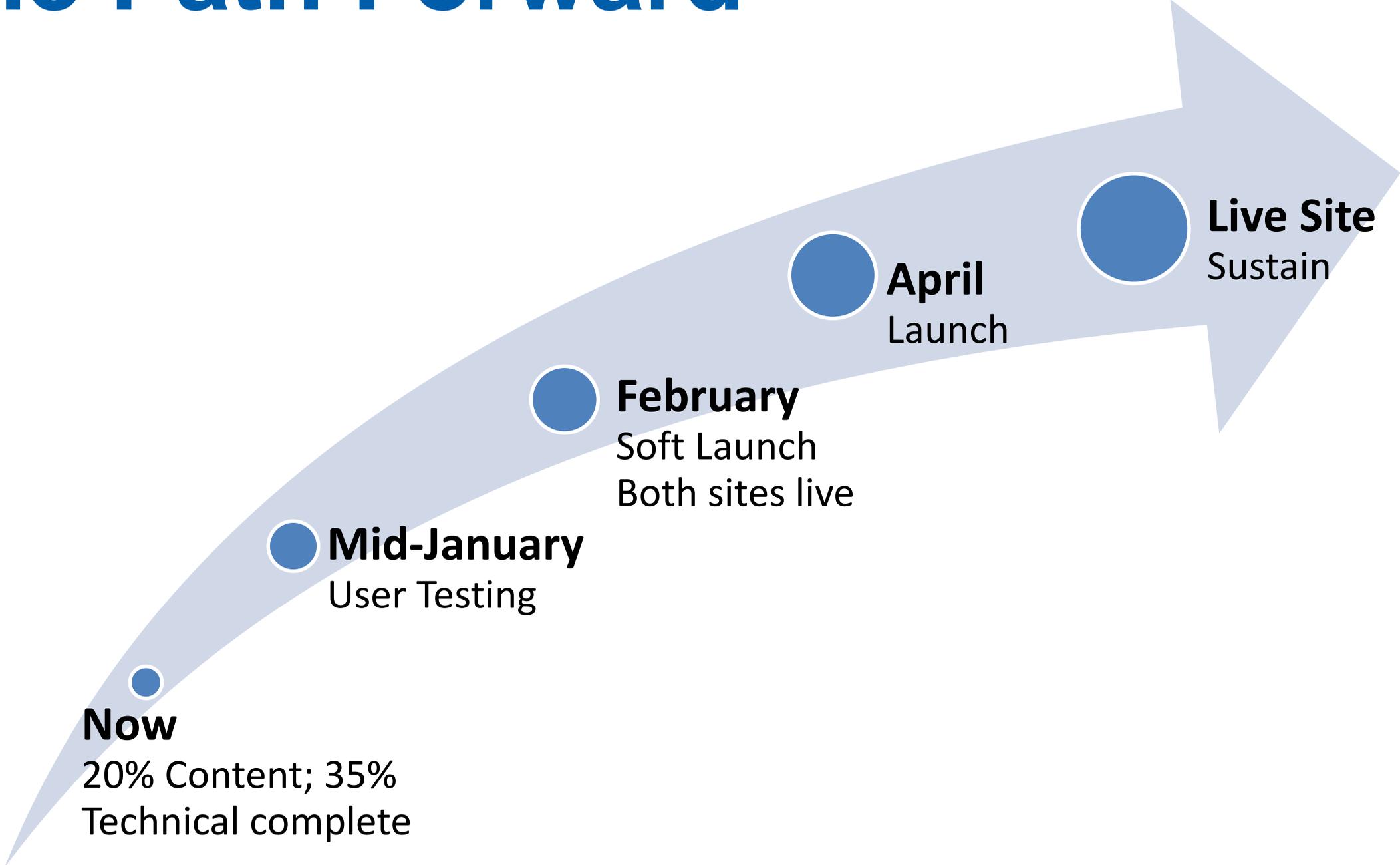
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[Getting Around](#) [Parking](#) [Permits](#)

Content Consolidation



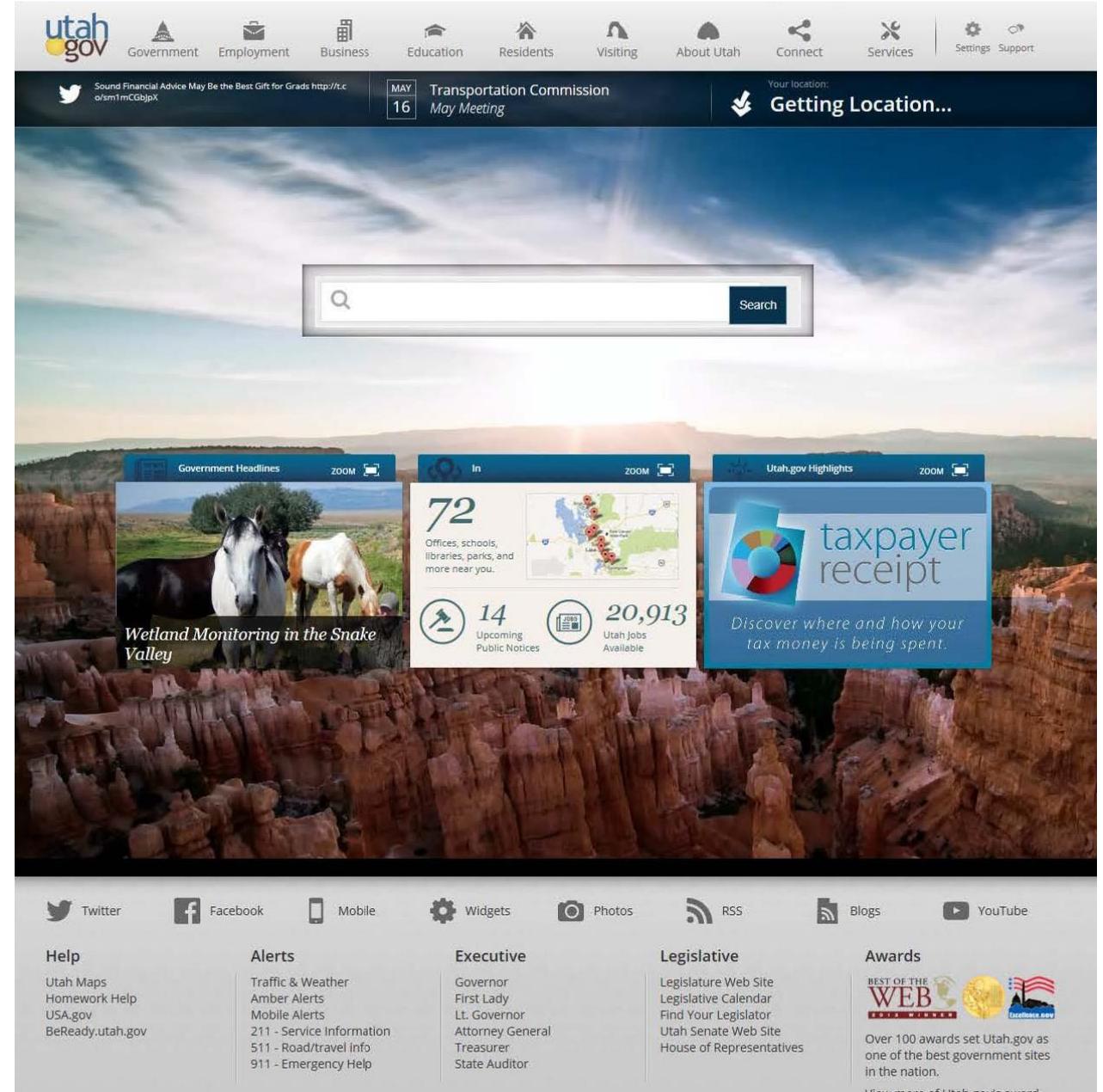
The Path Forward



Community-Centric Website

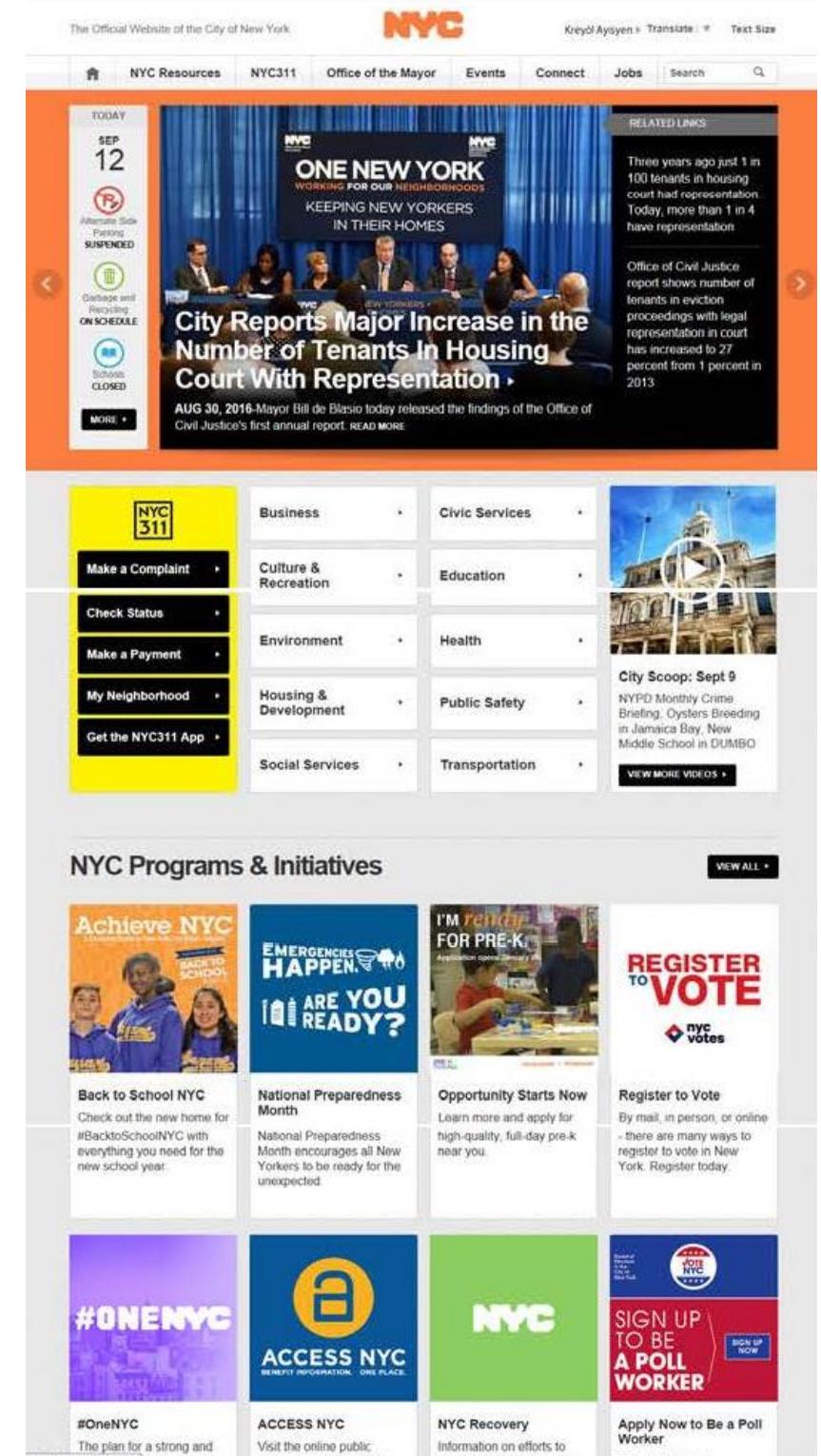
Learn From Others

- Visually interesting, integrated images
- Prominent search
- Menu icons and words group content



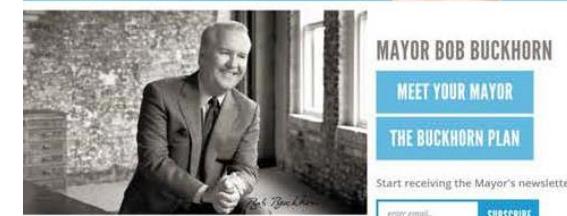
Learn From Others

- Most frequented services are “above the fold”
- Images as menu icons
- Home page in distinct sections



Learn From Others

- Emphasis on news, calendar
- Personalized content – meet the people



Learn From Others

- Push (City stat) and Pull messaging (“trending now”)
- Segmented by audience/interests (“I am a Parent”)

The screenshot displays the City of Independence website with the following sections:

- Header:** Navigation menu (Government, Residents, Business, Visitors, Services, Utilities), Search bar, and utility buttons (PAY, CONNECT, DISCOVER, JOBS).
- Trending Now:** A carousel of featured content including "Experience", "2016 State of the City Address", "Follow the City of Independence", "The Harry S. Truman Award", and "Interactive Zones".
- Online Services:** A section for "Top 5 Services" featuring "City Stat" (3,206 customers), "I am a Parent" (Birth Certificates, Child Identification Program, etc.), and other utility links.
- Open Government:** A blue section with "Learn" (Public Meetings, Videos, etc.), "Track" (Financial Reports, City Audit Reports, etc.), and "Share" (Open Data, Share Ideas, etc.) sub-sections.
- Latest Tweets:** A Twitter feed showing a tweet from @cityofindep about a South rocker to be assessed.
- Events:** A list of upcoming events such as "City Council Study Session", "Citizens Advisory Board on Solid W...", "Planning Commission", "Traveling the Parker Trail", and "Board of Adjustment".
- Mobile:** A section titled "Start Exploring" with a mobile app interface preview.
- Footer:** "Places" (City Hall, Visitor Experience Center, etc.), "City Directory" (Mayor / City Council, City Departments, etc.), "Resources" (Open Government, Animal Services, etc.), a "flickr" gallery, and a "DIGITAL CITIES SURVEY" link.