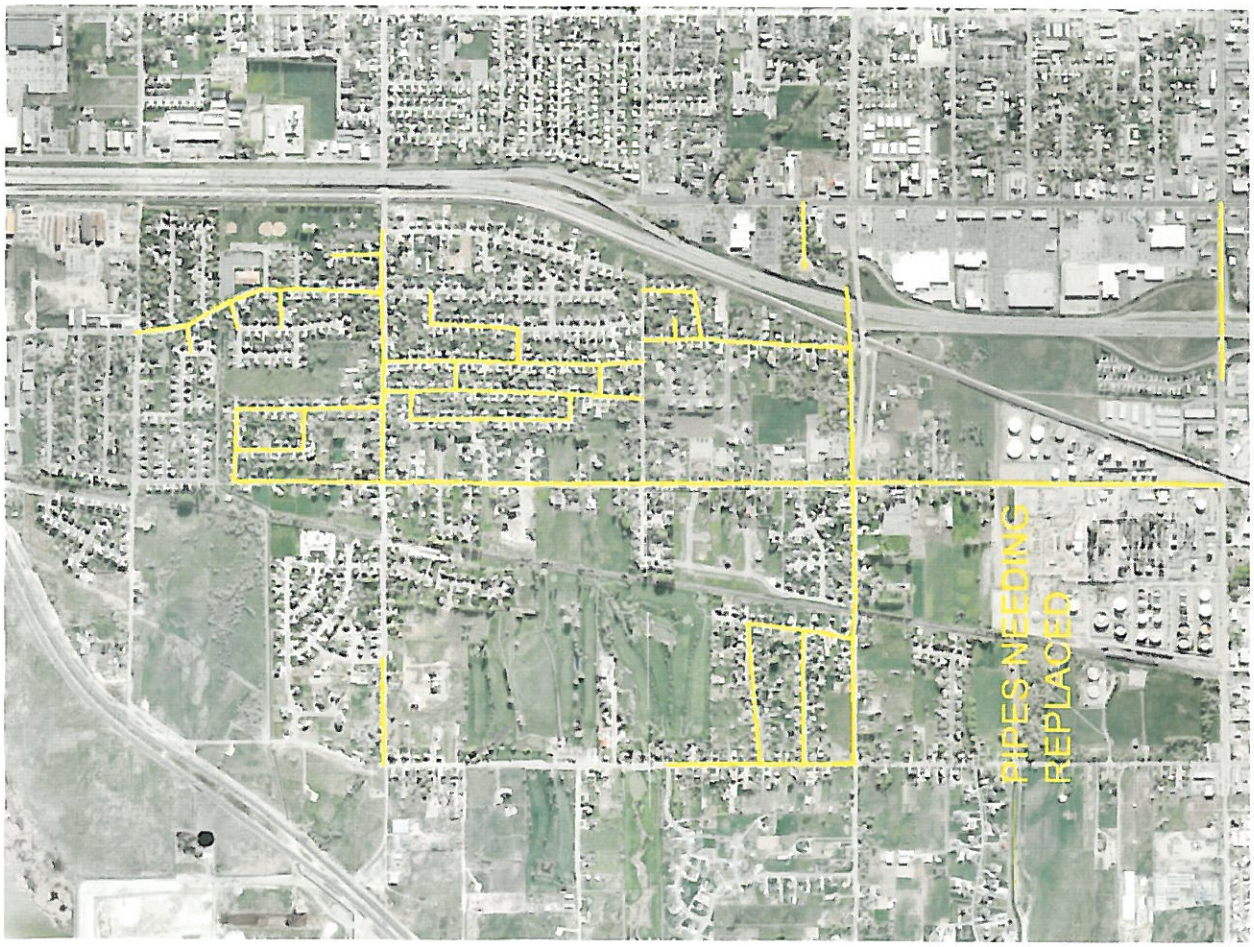
Water Rate Public Hearing

January 28, 2008 7:00 pm

West Bountiful Elementary School

West Bountiful city has approximately 50,000 feet of metal water lines many of them as much as sixty years old. These old pipes are routinely breaking and leaving parts of the City temporarily without water until they can be repaired. The metal pipes also are the source of discolored water that is periodically experienced. For the past forty-seven years, West Bountiful has kept their water rates and taxes as low as possible. The result of low rates and taxes is that the City does not have the capital reserve to replace the necessary water lines. It is critical to the health and safety of the community that the old pipes be replaced. A water rate increase is proposed to pay for replacing the old water lines. The increase will generate $500,000 per year which would replace about 3300 feet of pipe for each $500,000. This will require the pipe replacement program to continue for many years into the future. A Public Hearing will be held on January 28, 2010 where the Mayor and City Council will receive public comment on this issue.

PROPOSED BASE WATER RATE = $63 PER MONTH