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OPEN WORLD DELEGATION FROM TAJIKISTAN VISITS LEHI

Program Focuses on Engaging Government Leaders in Eurasian Countries

Lehi, Utah | October 16, 2014 – On Monday, October 13th, Lehi City Mayor Bert Wilson, City Administrator Derek Todd, and other city officials welcomed a delegation of government leaders from Tajikistan as part of the Open World Program. It was the third visit of international government leaders Lehi has hosted as part of the Open World Program, administered by Utah Valley University. Over the past two years, Lehi has also hosted delegations from Ukraine and Russia.

The Tajiki delegation, made up of government officials in areas such as budgeting and planning, finance, tax policy, and municipal administration, held an hour-long discussion with Lehi City officials. Among the topics discussed were Lehi's organizational structure, land use issues, budgeting, and transparency.



Lehi City officials welcomed an Open World Delegation from Tajikistan.

“This is a great opportunity to reach out and help emerging countries learn more about local government administration in the United States. We enjoy working with Utah Valley University on this program, and we look forward to hosting more delegations in the future,” said Lehi City Administrator Derek Todd.

According to Utah Valley University, “Managed by the independent Open World Leadership Center at the Library of Congress, the Open World Program enables emerging Eurasian political and civic leaders to work with their U.S. counterparts and experience American-style democracy at the local level.”

For more information about the Open World Program, please visit www.openworld.gov.

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