



March 2012

City Council Members:

- Mike Winder, Mayor
- Corey Rushton, At-Large
- Don Christensen, At-Large
- Tom Huynh, District 1
- Steve Buhler, District 2
- Karen Lang, District 3
- Steve Vincent, District 4

Public Meetings

City Council – first four Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Planning Commission – second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 4 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

City Phone Numbers:

- Main Number..... 801-966-3600
- City Manager..... 801-963-3220
- Police Department. 801-963-3386
- Police Dispatch..... 801-840-4000
- Fire Department..... 801-963-3336
- Justice Courts..... 801-963-3590
- Emergency911
- Family Fitness Center..... 801-955-4000
- Garbage Questions 801-955-3720
- Storm Water Utility.. 801-963-3448
- Housing Authority . 801-963-3320
- Parks and Rec..... 801-955-4000
- Harman Home 801-965-5822
- Stonebridge Golf Course..... 801-957-9000
- West Ridge Golf Course..... 801-965-5800
- Graffiti Hot Line 801-963-3467
- Animal Services..... 801-965-5800
- Victims Services 801-963-3223
- Ordinance Compliance 801-963-3289
- Utah Cultural Celebration Center 801-965-5100

Website:

www.wvc-ut.gov

West Valley City Hall
3600 S. Constitution Blvd.
WVC, UT 84119

City Hall Hours:
Monday – Thursday
7 a.m. – 6 p.m.

SPRING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

By Councilman Steve Vincent

As spring approaches it becomes time to do some good old-fashioned Spring Cleaning. As residents we need to take an active role in making sure our neighborhoods are clean and attractive. We can begin by starting in our own homes and yards. The City has a very generous bulky waste program. Not just once or twice a year but each and every month you can put your bulky waste (junk) on the curb for disposal. Old appliances, old furniture, boxes, tree clippings (bundled), can be placed at the street curb for pick up.

Start with your gardens, clean up old flowerbeds and get them ready for planting. Rake and gather up the fallen leaves that have gathered in your yard and put them out for pick up. Paint and fix up your fences, clean up graffiti, pick up any litter left from the winter winds, clean and sweep your sidewalks and gutters, and straighten out your carports. Have a neighborhood cleanup party and

help our senior residents and those with disabilities with their yards. Cleaning our yards costs little but has a high return in property values and it just feels good.

When we do our part as homeowners and take care of our property, the City is able to shift resources from code enforcement to other areas of the City that need attention. As we work together to take care of our neighborhoods we will see a change in the way we feel about our City and the great people who are our neighbors. Our neighborhoods will not only look great but crime will decline as we do our part to take care of our neighborhoods.

For details on sanitation services to help with neighborhood cleanup, contact the West Valley City Sanitation Division at 801-955-3720, Waste Management at 1-888-496-8824 or visit www.wvc-ut.gov/sanitation for more information.

West Valley City's Nicole Cottle receives Utah Business 40 Under Forty Award

On February 29 at The Little America Hotel, West Valley City Director of Community and Economic Development Nicole Cottle received the Utah Business 40 Under Forty Award for outstanding and innovative work.

Utah Business magazine recognizes smart, hard working and young leaders on the rise. This prestigious award is given every year to individuals from the community who, Utah Business states, "do more – more service, more involvement, more hard work – all before they've turned 40." The honorees are not only improving Utah's economy but bettering the lives of everyone around them as well.

"It is a great honor to receive this award and be mentioned amongst so many young and talented individuals," said Cottle. "However, this has been a team effort and it is because of the hard work of my amazing team at West Valley City that we continue to see success."

Under the direction of Cottle, West Valley City has experienced intense revitalization and development projects including the \$500 million Fairbourne Station. "I am proud to say that West Valley City is focused on real construction and the city's economic development is constantly increasing because of this work," said Cottle.

Nicole Cottle began working for West Valley City nearly fourteen years ago as an Assistant City Attorney. She has since served as Deputy City Attorney and currently serves as Deputy City Manager and is the Director of Community and Economic Development. She holds a law degree from the University of Wyoming. Cottle is working on special assignment as the City's Legislative Liaison, coordinating the City's legislative priorities during each legislative session.

Have you visited the West Valley City website lately? Check out the new design, new information and new features at www.wvc-ut.gov!

Unused Gas Lines Can Be Dangerous

By Ed Domian, C.B.O. Chief Building Official

In my travels as a building inspector I have entered hundreds of homes. Some of these homes have gas-piping outlets that were never used or abandoned. Often, higher end homes are constructed with both electric and gas options for kitchen ranges and clothes dryers. Previous homeowners sometimes add an extra gas line for a gas clothes dryer, fireplace, kitchen range, or garage space heater. If any gas appliance has been removed, and there is no pipe cap threaded onto the end of that gas outlet, your home could experience a gas explosion.

While there is always a gas shut off valve at the end of each gas line for an appliance, these gas shut off valves may leak over time. You can see an example of a gas shut off valve at your water heater or furnace right before the gas piping connects to the appliance. **For that reason both Questar Gas and all national building codes require that any gas outlet not connected to an appliance be capped.**

While you may have an electric cooking range or electric clothes dryer, you should still check to see if there is an unused gas outlet located behind each appliance as well. If there is, make sure the

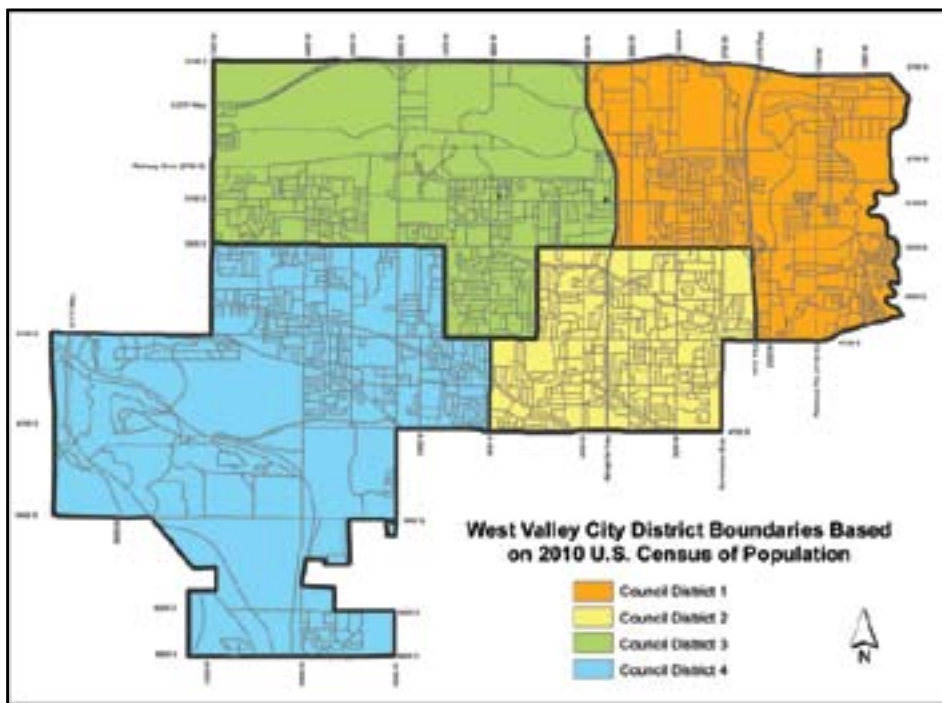


gas outlet is capped. An iron threaded cap for a 1/2" or 3/4" iron gas pipe costs less than \$2.00 at most local hardware stores.

These simple threaded iron caps can prevent extensive property damage, injuries, and deaths from a gas explosion. I have personally walked into a vacant townhouse constructed after the year 2000 and smelled natural gas throughout the basement because the previous tenant took the gas dryer and the gas shut off valve was leaking. There was no cap at the end of the line. **If you need an inspection or have questions about this matter, you can call our Building Inspection Division at 801-963-3283.**

New West Valley City Council District Map

Due to the 2010 Census, the West Valley City Council Districts have been changed by the City Council. To view the new map, please visit www.wvc-ut.gov/council.



Recycling Container

If your garbage or recycling container is broken or damaged, you may contact the Sanitation



Division at 801-955-3720 to have the container replaced. There is no charge to replace containers that are broken or damaged through normal use. If containers have been damaged or abused by the resident, there will be a \$75.00 charge to replace the container.

Fire Academy Classes Available



Applicants may apply now for Fire Academy Classes being offered by the West Valley City Fire Department. For class specific dates or for more information, contact Lee Monsen at 801-558-2492 or lee.monsen@wvc-ut.gov, or visit www.westvalleyfireacademy.com.



Did you know income tax preparation help is available?

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) is a **FREE** program is available for households with an income below \$49,000.

West Valley City Hall will be one of dozens of sites around the County.

The City Hall site will be open:
January 31 - April 17
Tuesdays and Thursdays
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Please dial 2-1-1 for more information about this site and others in Salt Lake County.

Harman Senior Recreation Center Activities

4090 South 3600 West
801-965-5822

The Harman Senior Recreation Center is a recreation and activity center for active seniors, offering a variety of fun and exciting classes, outings, and adventures. The Harman Center also offers a variety of informational seminars specifically for seniors.

March

16 St. Patrick's Celebration Entertainment, 11 a.m.

19 Yoga Class, 9:30 a.m.

20 Crafty Eileen, 11 a.m.

20 Blood Pressure Clinic, WVC Firefighters, 11 a.m.

20 Life Review Presentation, 11 a.m.

21 Craft Exhibit, 9:30 a.m.

23 Art Institute, 9 a.m.

23 BINGO
(Sponsored by McDougal Funeral Home), 10:30 a.m.

26 Yoga Class, 9:30 a.m.

27 Life Review Presentation, 11 a.m.

28 Hairum Scarium Play, 11 a.m.

29 Podiatrist, 9 a.m.

30 Fun Bunch Lunch, 10:45 a.m.

For a complete calendar, visit www.wvc-ut.gov/harman

Weekly Activities

Taste "buds" - Daily Enhance Fitness, Tuesday and Thursday, 9:15 a.m.

Pinochle, Wednesday, 10 a.m.

Piano Lessons, Wednesday, 11 a.m.

Bowling at Delton Lanes, Monday, 12 p.m.

Scrapbooking/Card Class, Monday, 1 p.m.

Chess Club, Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m.

Railroad Club, Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.

Tai Chi Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m., FREE

Bingo - Tuesdays, 12:45 a.m.; Fridays, 10:15 a.m.

Choir - Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10 a.m.

Drama Class - Wednesdays, 1 p.m.

Billiards and Cards - Daily



Calendar March

1 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) (through April 17) City Hall, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

8 Renewal: Finding Life through Art (through April 25) Utah Cultural Celebration Center

19 Ugandan Orphans Choir Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 7 p.m.

20 Kelly Clarkson Maverik Center, 7:30 p.m.

21 Mundi Project "AIR" Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 6:30 p.m.

22 Diversity Seminar Series Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 6:30 p.m.

23 Utah Grizzlies vs. Colorado Eagles Maverik Center, 7 p.m.

24 Utah Grizzlies vs. Colorado Eagles Maverik Center, 7 p.m.

27 Utah Shakespearean Performance Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 10 a.m.

31 Jackie Evancho Maverik Center, 7:30 p.m.

April

2 Baity Egg Exhibit (through April 5) Utah Cultural Celebration Center

3 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) (through April 17) City Hall, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

4 Milk with the Mayor Mayor's Office, West Valley City Hall, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

17 The Great Utah Shake Out www.BeReadyUtah.gov, 10:15 a.m.

19 Diversity Seminar Series Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 6:30 p.m.

28 National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Public Safety Building (3575 South Market Street)

Police West Substation (5315 West 3100 South)

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