

# Update

WEST VALLEY CITY *Utah*

## News from West Valley City Hall

### February 2014

#### City Council Members:

- Ron Bigelow, Mayor
- Corey Rushton, At-Large
- Lars Nordfelt, 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.....	801-963-3300
Police Dispatch.....	801-840-4000
Tip-a-Cop Hotline.....	801-963-3459
Fire Department.....	801-963-3336
Justice Court.....	801-963-3590
Emergency.....	911
Family Fitness Center .....	801-955-4000
Garbage Questions.....	801-955-3720
Storm Water Utility.....	801-963-3334
Public Works.....	801-963-3448
Housing Authority.....	801-963-3320
Parks and Recreation.....	801-955-4000
Harman Sr. Rec Center... ..	801-965-5822
Stonebridge Golf Course.....	801-957-9000
The Ridge Golf Club .....	801-966-4653
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](http://www.wvc-ut.gov)

#### City Hall Address:

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

#### City Hall Hours:

Monday – Thursday  
7 a.m. – 6 p.m.

### What is the council-manager form of government?

*A message from Councilmember Steve Vincent*

The council-manager form is the system of local government that combines the strong political leadership of elected officials in the form of a municipal council, with the strong managerial experience of an appointed City Manager. This form establishes a representative system where all power is concentrated in the elected council and where the council hires a professionally trained manager to oversee the delivery of public services.

The council-manager form of government is a common form of local government, serving 112 out of 199 cities with populations greater than 100,000. Some examples are West Jordan; Phoenix; San Diego; Dallas; Cincinnati; San Antonio; and Kansas City.

In council-manager government, the council is the elected legislative body; its members are the community's decision makers. Power is centralized in the elected council which approves the budget and represents the community and concentrates on policy issues that are responsive to citizens needs. The council also focuses on the community goals, major projects, land use development, capital improvement plans and strategic planning. The council hires a professional manager to carry out the

administrative responsibilities and supervises the manager's performance.

The Mayor is a member of the council and presides at council meetings, serves as a spokesperson for the community, facilitates communication and understanding between elected and appointed officials, assists the council in setting goals and is a key political leader and policy maker. The mayor is responsible for soliciting citizen views in forming these policies and interpreting them to the public. In addition, the mayor serves as a key representative in intergovernmental relations.

The City Manager is hired to serve the council and the community and to bring to the local government the benefits of training and experience in administering local government projects and programs on behalf of the City Council. The manager prepares a budget for the council's consideration; recruits, hires, and supervises the staff; and carries out the council's policies. Council members and citizens count on the manager to provide objective information, pros and cons of alternatives, and long term consequences. If the manager is not responsive to the council's wishes, the council has authority to terminate the manager at any time.



**WILLOW STORIES:**  
CONTEMPORARY NAVAJO BASKETS  
AND NATIVE AMERICAN TREASURES  
JANUARY 16 - FEBRUARY 26

gallery hours: monday - thursday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.



### New Elected Officials Sworn In During Ceremony

During a ceremony on January 6, 2014, Ron Bigelow (Mayor) and Lars Nordfelt (Councilmember At-Large) were sworn in to serve their first terms along with Steve Buhler (District 2 Councilmember) and Steve Vincent (District 4 Councilmember) who were sworn in to serve their second and fourth terms respectively.



Ron Bigelow



Lars Nordfelt



Steve Buhler



Steve Vincent

## Snow Removal Information Hotline

West Valley City has implemented an information hotline to provide snow removal status updates during winter storms. The hotline provides regularly-updated information on current conditions and snow removal progress as well as information on ordinances requiring property owners to remove snow from sidewalks adjacent to their property and prohibiting on-street parking when there is an accumulation of one inch or more of snow.

**801-965-7575**



### West Valley Journal Discontinued - UpDate and InShape Newsletters Still Available Electronically

For more than ten years, West Valley City's UpDate newsletter has been available monthly in the West Valley Journal. In recent Months, the Journal management has made the difficult decision to discontinue the West Valley Journal.

This issue will be the last printed and delivered West Valley Journal; future UpDate and InShape newsletters will be available electronically online and via email; we will also include an insert in your monthly Stormwater and Sanitation bill.

If you would like to receive the monthly West Valley City UpDate and InShape newsletters via email, subscribe at [www.wvc-ut.gov/subscribe](http://www.wvc-ut.gov/subscribe) or email [info@wvc-ut.gov](mailto:info@wvc-ut.gov).

### Heavy Fleet Overhaul Saves Taxpayers Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars

A decision to prolong the life span of some of West Valley City's hardest-working vehicles is expected to save taxpayers more than half a million dollars over the next two years. The heavy fleet overhaul plan, implemented this year, aims to refurbish rather than replace six large vehicles in the city's fleet, realizing a savings of approximately \$100,000 per vehicle.

The idea to refurbish rather than replace was presented by West Valley City's Fleet Manager, Eric Madsen, who oversees the city's fleet of more than 500 vehicles. "The cabs and chassis on these trucks are in great shape," says Madsen. "Replacing the beds, hydraulics and plows – the parts that see the most wear and tear – will give these trucks another six-to-eight years of life."

Madsen says innovative cost-saving ideas are a priority of Public Works Director Russ Willardson. "It's really not hard to disagree with a good idea," says Willardson. "The engines on these trucks still have a lot of life in them and it makes perfect sense to keep them on the road, especially when the savings are this significant."



*Unity. Pride. Progress*

### 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.

#### Weekly Activities

##### Ceramics

Monday, 9:15 a.m.

##### Chair Exercise

Mon., Wed., Fri., 10:30 a.m.

##### Enhance Fitness,

Tues. & Thurs., 9:15 a.m.

##### Railroad Club,

Tuesday, 11 a.m.

##### Bingo

Tues. & Thurs., 12:45 p.m.

##### Walk Club

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.

##### Pinochle

Wednesday, 10 a.m.

##### Chess Club,

Wednesday, 12:30 p.m.

##### Bingo

Tues. & Thurs., 12:45 p.m.

##### Wii Games

Thursday, 10 a.m.

##### Shuffleboard

Thursday, 11 a.m.

##### Card Making

Friday, 10 a.m.

For a complete calendar, visit our website: [www.wvc-ut.gov/harman](http://www.wvc-ut.gov/harman)

## Calendar

### February

- 1 Utah's Native Treasures & Willow Stories: Contemporary Navajo Baskets Exhibit (thru February 26)**  
Cultural Celebration Center
- 11 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (Tuesdays and Thursdays through April 15)**  
Dial 2-1-1 for Appointment
- 12 The Art & History of Mexico, A Great Country: The Muralists And Mexican Identity**  
Cultural Celebration Center, 6:30-8:30PM
- 19 WVC Watch Wednesday - "Eyes and Ears" What to look for and Current Trends in Law Enforcement**  
West Valley City Hall, 6:30 - 8PM
- 20 Boy Scout First Aid Merit Badge Class**  
Fire Station 74, 6 - 8 PM
- 26 Uni-Versity Di-Versity Mashup**  
Cultural Celebration Center, 3 - 6 PM
- 26 Boy Scout Fire Safety Merit Badge Class**  
Fire Station 74, 6 - 8 PM

### March

- 4 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (Tuesdays and Thursdays through April 15)**  
Dial 2-1-1 for Appointment
- 4 Boy Scout First Aid Merit Badge Class**  
Fire Station 74, 6 - 8 PM
- 6 Utah Travels Exhibition (thru April 30)**  
Cultural Celebration Center
- 11 Boy Scout Fire Safety Merit Badge Class**  
Fire Station 74, 6 - 8 PM
- 12 The Art & History of Mexico: Pablo O'Higgins and Death of Realism**  
Cultural Celebration Center, 6:30-8:30PM
- 19 WVC Watch Wednesday - "Observation - Mobile Patrol Training"**  
West Valley City Hall, 6:30 - 8PM

New events are added daily. For a complete list, visit [www.wvc-ut.gov/events](http://www.wvc-ut.gov/events)

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for a list of all the City's social media pages.



# InShape

## West Valley City Fitness and Recreation Center News



### Looking for a great start to the New Year?

Want to do something the entire family can enjoy?

The West Valley City Family Fitness Center has you covered!

For about a \$1 per day, your family can get a membership and enjoy all that we have to offer.

#### Membership has its **ADVANTAGES...**

- Affordable rates... family memberships for about a \$1 per day
  - Free member fun events
  - Free Childcare (1st hour free, \$1.50 each additional hour per child)
  - 2 free Fitness Assessment sessions per year
  - 1 free 4-week Fitness Class Pass each year
  - Free Body Composition Testing
  - Members-only locker rentals
- Discounts on Birthday Party Packages
  - Free use of rental equipment
  - Discounts on programs and special events
- Ask about our Recruitment Rewards Program...Bring a friend!

**Call 801-955-4000 or stop by the front desk today and start the New Year off right!**

### Personal Training

Members, don't forget to use your FREE 30 minute fitness evaluation coupon you received upon joining or renewing your membership at the West Valley City Family Fitness Center.

Personal Training Programs Available:  
Fitness evaluations, body composition testing, individual personal training & equipment orientation.

For more information stop by the front desk or call 801-955-4000.

### Before School Kamp (Kids 5-12 years old)

Before school camps from 7 - 8:30 a.m. include snacks, super sports, rock climbing, arts, super science and more! Transportation is available to Valley Crest Elementary only (children from any school may attend, however transportation will not be provided).

**\$20 per week per child OR \$4 per day per child  
(No refunds, late registration or date changes)**

### After School Kamp (Kids 5-12 years old)

After school camps from 3:30 - 6 p.m. include sports, games, swimming, rock climbing, Kidz Yoga, study time and more! Transportation is available from Entheos Academy (Magna), Monticello Academy, Valley Crest, Neil Armstrong, West Valley, Whittier and Wright Elementary schools to the Family Fitness Center (children from any school may attend, however transportation will not be provided).

**\$30 per week per child OR \$7 per day per child  
(No refunds, late registration or date changes)**

**Fee for both kamps: \$45 per week per child OR \$9 per day per child**

All registrations are due by Tuesday at Fitness Center close of business the week prior to the beginning of camp.

### Busy Bee Preschool

Preschool program designed for children 3 to 5 years old (must be potty trained).

Activities include arts and crafts, number and letter recognition, music, dancing and story time, field trips and much more!

Choose either Mondays & Wednesdays, 9 - 11 a.m. or Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 - 11 a.m.

Registration due the 25th of the month prior to the month enrolling.  
\$45 for members, \$50 for non-members.

Registration is on a month-to-month basis.  
Class sizes are limited - sign up early!

### Host Your Next Birthday Party at the Family Fitness Center

Host your next birthday party at the Family Fitness Center. Enjoy activities like swimming, rock climbing, basketball or playing in the Edutainment Center.

**Several options to choose from. Call 801-955-4000 for more information.**

Party may be in the party rooms near the pool or in the Edutainment Center.

**Reservations must be made one week in advance.**

5415 West 3100 South, West Valley City, UT 84120 801-955-4000 [www.wvc-ut.gov/fitnesscenter](http://www.wvc-ut.gov/fitnesscenter)

Facility Hours: M-F 5 a.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday 6:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. Sunday 10:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Lap Swim: M-F 5 a.m. - 9 p.m. Saturday 6:30 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sunday 11:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Open Plunge: M-F 11:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. (slide opens at 5 p.m.) Saturday 11:30 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sunday 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.