



Update

News from West Valley City Hall

January 2008

City Council Members:

- Dennis Nordfelt, Mayor
- Corey Rushton, At-Large
- Mike Winder, At-Large
- Carolynn Burt, District 1
- Joel Coleman, District 2
- Russ Brooks, 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..... 966-3600
- City Manager..... 963-3220
- Police Department..... 963-3386
- Police Dispatch..... 840-4000
- Fire Department..... 963-3336
- Emergency911
- Family Fitness Center... 955-4000
- Garbage Questions 955-3720
- Storm Water Utility..... 963-3334
- Housing Authority 963-3320
- Parks and Rec..... 955-4000
- Harman Home 966-5540
- Stonebridge Golf Course... 957-9000
- West Ridge Golf Course... 965-5800
- Graffiti Hot Line 963-3467
- Animal Services..... 965-5800
- Victims Services 963-3223
- Ordinance Compliance... 963-3289
- Utah Cultural Celebration Center ... 965-5140

Web Site:

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.

We Have Made A Difference

A Message from Councilmember Russ Brooks

We have just completed another year and the City Council and Mayor would like to wish each of you a happy and prosperous New Year in 2008. We would also like to tell Margaret Peterson thank you for her many years of service to the city and its residents.

We received a report last month from our Community & Economic Development Department that I feel needs to be shared with all of you. Each year, we ask the City departments to set goals to improve their value to the City and to be able to quantify their results. I was really pleased with some goals that the CED department accomplished.

They had a goal of creating from business development efforts 500 new jobs. Not only did they meet this goal, but they generated 1,175 new jobs in the City from business like Kenworth (160), Costco (230), and Backcountry.Com (420) to name a few.

Another goal was to increase the new capital investment in the City by \$50 million in 2007. Again, this goal was met and exceeded by increasing it \$70.5 million. The department was able to attract a number of different businesses who now make West Valley City their home; they also negotiated with several businesses and convinced them to remain in the City. These include Ore Pac (\$12M), Codale Electric (\$13M), Costco (\$12M) and Henry Day Ford (\$8M).

Most importantly, the Community & Economic Development Department was able to increase new sales tax in the City by \$1.97 million, helping us as residents with our tax base.

I would personally like to thank all the departments for their excellent reports and for the accomplishments and goals they set. It will be the Council's goal to once again suggest topics that have been related to us by the citizens to help the different departments improve the City in 2008.

West Valley Animal Services Pet Vaccination Clinic

West Valley City Animal Services holds a Pet Vaccination Clinic on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month, from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. This month, clinics will be held on the 14th and 28th.

Services Available:

- Rabies Vaccinations - \$10
(Required by state law)
- Microchips - \$20
- Feline Leukemia - \$10
- Feline Combo - \$10
- Dog Combo - \$10
- Dog Bordetella - \$10
- Deworming - \$5
- West Valley City & Taylorsville Licenses
- \$25 for unaltered pets and \$5 for altered pets

West Valley & Taylorsville Resident Special for \$45, includes license (altered pets only), dog/cat booster combos (includes bordetella/leukemia), rabies vaccination, and microchip.

Three Sworn-In as West Valley City Councilmembers

On January 7, 2008, three candidates were sworn in as West Valley City Councilmembers during a ceremony held in the lobby of West Valley City Hall. District #1 representative Carolynn Burt and District #3 representative Russ Brooks were sworn in after being re-elected, while At-Large representative Corey Rushton was officially made a member of the City Council.

"It was a hard fought campaign," said Burt. "Our common goal as a council is to serve the citizens of this City in the best way possible." Burt enters her tenth year on the City Council after being appointed to fulfill an unfinished term in September of 1998 and winning re-election the following year. She also promised to strive to represent her constituents and the City with intelligence, integrity and dignity.

Councilman Brooks enters his 13th year representing West Valley City's District #3. He was originally appointed to the council to fill an unfinished term in 1995 and won re-election later that same year. "I am honored to have been elected to this position for the fourth time" commented



Council Member At-Large Corey Lynn Rushton is sworn into office by City Recorder Sheri McKendrick

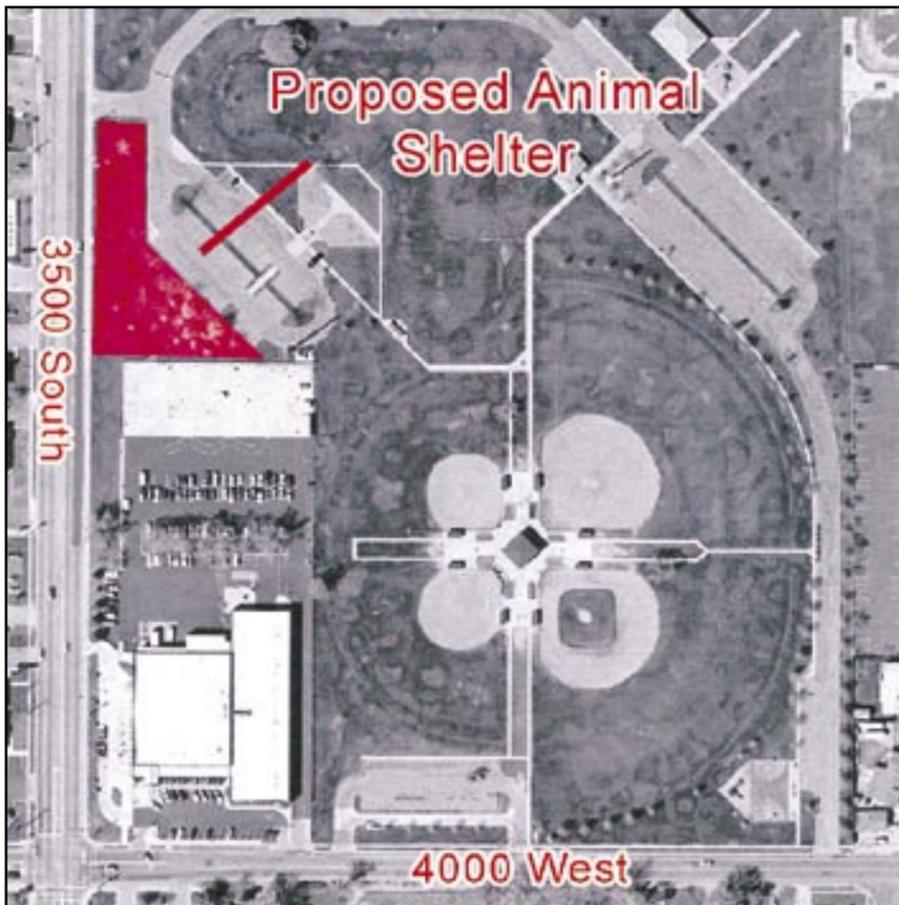
Brooks. "I'd like to thank the citizens of District #3 for trusting me to represent them for another four years."

Entering his first year as an elected official for the City, Councilman Corey Rushton noted the need for more diplomacy in our society. "I'm overwhelmed by the show of support I've received by being elected

to represent this City," remarked Rushton.

The public is welcome to attend all City Council meetings to see their newly-elected officials in action. Meetings are held the first four Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at West Valley City Hall, 3600 South Constitution Blvd.

West Valley City Announces Plans for A New Animal Shelter



West Valley City officials have announced plans to build a new, state-of-the-art facility to replace the City's aging animal shelter, giving animals in West Valley City a new temporary home while they await adoption. Following an extensive study by a task force created to examine the City's need for additional facilities and office space, a site has been proposed utilizing land currently owned and occupied by West Valley City.

The proposed site, located at 4200 West 3500 South, will occupy the southeast corner of West Valley City Park, and will provide a more visible, more accessible facility. In addition to housing dogs, cats, and other small domestic animals (larger animals such as horses and livestock will still be housed at the existing shelter where there is more open space) the new facility will include office space for the Animal Services and Ordinance Enforcement offices.

"This is an ideal location for the new shelter, as our animal control and ordinance enforcement officers will be able to get anywhere in the City quickly," says City Attorney Richard Catten, a member of the building task force. "In addition, the new central location will be much easier for the public to access."

The 12,000 square foot facility is estimated to cost \$3 million, and will be financed using money that has already been allocated to new facilities. An architect for the project is expected to be chosen this month. The shelter is expected to open later this year.

Winter Snow Removal Guidelines

The West Valley City Code Enforcement Office would like to remind residents of the following guidelines concerning snow removal on sidewalks:

- Sidewalks should be cleaned before 8:00 a.m. the morning following a storm.
- It is unlawful to place snow, dirt, etc. in a gutter or prevent free flow of water in the gutter.

In addition, the Public Works Department would like to remind residents of the following snow removal guidelines:

To facilitate snow removal, City ordinance prohibits on-street parking whenever there is snow or ice on the road. Any vehicles parked on a West Valley City street after an accumulation of ice or snow of one inch or more will be subject to ticketing or towing.

- City **Ordinance 22-2-115** states that no vehicle shall be parked on any street
- (1) While there is an accumulation of snow or ice of one inch or more on the roadway;
 - (2) For a period of longer than 72 consecutive hours; or
 - (3) For any period longer than allowed by appropriate signs, markings, or parking meters giving notice of such parking time limitation.

In addition, **Ordinance 22-2-119** gives the City Authority to move or remove illegally parked vehicles

- (1) Whenever a peace officer determines that a vehicle parked in violation of this Chapter must be moved to avoid public inconvenience, ensure public safety, or because it appears to be abandoned, the officer is authorized to move the vehicle, cause it to be removed, or to order the owner or operator of the vehicle to move or remove it;
- (2) A peace officer who causes a vehicle to be removed under this Section shall have the vehicle removed by a tow truck service that meets the standards established by Title 72, Chapter 9, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended, and that is authorized by the Police Department to perform towing services for the City;
- (3) The City shall not be liable for any lost, damaged, or stolen items or damage to any vehicle moved or removed pursuant to this Section;
- (4) The registered owner of a vehicle removed under this Section is strictly liable for all costs of removal.

To ensure efficient removal of snow during this winter season, please abide by the City Code regarding parking and snow removal. For more information, visit www.wvc-ut.gov/snow.

Harman Senior Recreation Center Activities

4090 South 3600 West
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.

January

- 16 **Scrabble**, 11 am
 - 18 **Clark Planetarium Ultimate Universe**, 9:30 am
 - 21 **Harman Center Closed**
 - 23 **Sequence**, 11 am
 - 24 **Let's Talk**, 11 am
 - 25 **Fun Bunch Lunch, Sizzler**, 11 am
 - 28 **Movie Monday & Lunch Out**, 10 am
 - 30 **Yahtzee**, 11 am
- For a complete calendar, visit www.wvc-ut.gov/harman.

Weekly Activities

- Line Dancing** – Mondays, 9:30 A
- Hats, Etc.** – Mondays, 9:30 AM
- Ceramics** – Thursdays, 10:00 AM
- Watercolor Painting Class**
Wednesdays, 9 AM
- Railroad Club** – Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10 AM
- S.E.A.L.S.** – Thursdays, 12:45 PM.
- Tai Chi** – Thursdays, 9:30 AM,
\$1 per class
- Chair Exercise** – Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 10:30 AM
- Bingo** – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12:45 p.m., Fridays, 10:30 AM
- Choir** – Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10:00 AM
- Scrapbooking** – Mondays, 1:00 PM
- Bowling** – Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m.
- Billiards and Cards** – Daily
- Oil Painting** – Mondays, Call for time
- Basic Computer Classes**
Call for more information

Survey

West Valley City will be conducting a random telephone survey of City residents throughout the next several months. This survey is designed to measure our residents' satisfaction with service in West Valley City and to gather information on what areas, services, and projects the City should focus on in the future. If you receive a phone call asking for your opinion, please take the time to participate in the survey. This is your chance to let your voice be heard!

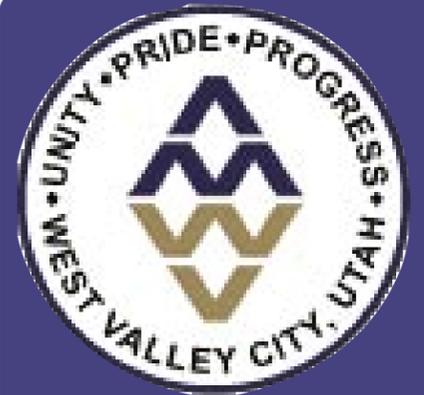
ICE - In Case of Emergency

In the event of daily emergencies which we all may be involved in, the West Valley City Fire Department is asking for your assistance. In an emergency, fire and police personnel who respond want to treat you quickly and also notify your family and friends about the incident and needs which you may have.

With **ICE**, first responders and hospital staff will turn to a victim's mobile phone address book and know immediately who to contact. When seconds matter, this information may be vital. For example, the emergency contact may be able to provide critical information about the victim's medical history.

The idea is to store the word **ICE** in the address book of mobile phones with the name and phone number of the person that should be contacted in the event that the cell phone owner is injured and unable to communicate this information. For more than one contact name and priority, use **ICE1, ICE2, ICE3**, etc. It's that simple!

By adopting the **ICE** program, your cell phone becomes a life saving tool, allowing first responders to know right away who to notify.



Calendar

January

- 14 **Crowns Exhibit**
(through February 29)
Utah Cultural Celebration Center
- 21 **Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday**
City Hall Closed

February

- 1 **Crowns Exhibit**
(through February 29)
Utah Cultural Celebration Center
- 18 **President's Day Holiday**
City Hall Closed
- 21-23 **3A Boys/Girls State High School Basketball Tournament**
The E Center



Did you know you can vote early in the Presidential Primary Election? Early voting is available at West Valley City Hall and other locations throughout Salt Lake County on January 22 – 31, from 12 noon – 6:00 p.m., and on February 1 from 12 noon – 5:00 p.m. For more information, visit www.slco.org/elections.

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