



August 2009

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..... 801-966-3600
- City Manager 801-963-3220
- Police Department. 801-963-3386
- Police Dispatch..... 801-840-4000
- Fire Department..... 801-963-3336
- Emergency 911
- 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 801-966-5540
- 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 801-965-5140

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.

How is the City Doing?

A Message from Council Member Steve Vincent

As council members, we are frequently asked, “How is the City doing in this economic downturn?” The answer is, we are doing pretty good considering the difficult times. Development continues in West Valley City, even as we see major developments stop in other cities. Construction at Valley Fair Mall, projects near the E Center, the City Center project, TRAX extension, and other development projects throughout the City continue to move forward. Additionally, the City’s financial viability remains strong with the recent receipt of an AA bond rating and continued savings.

While many large projects in the valley have come to a complete stop, the construction around Valley Fair Mall continues to move forward. With the opening of Olive Garden, Wingers, TGI Fridays, Smash Burger and soon to be In-N-Out Burger, the prospects look great. The next expansion phase of the mall will begin after Christmas as the Mall begins its transformation into a new and improved shopping destination.

Construction near the E-Center has also been strong with the opening of two new Hotels and a new apartment complex that will be served by the new Trax line E-Center station. Trax construction continues to move forward along the West Valley City extension, and the City Center project continues to move forward as the City Center Plaza and Trax/Bus station nears completion. Near City Center, the Utah Department of Transportation continues to work on 3500 South. This project has been difficult for all of us, but when completed you will notice great improvements that will bring new growth to an area that was struggling. Construction along 5600 West has also been strong with a new regional grocery store being completed along with new residential growth at Highbury.

The City’s financial viability continues to remain strong, and we recently received an AA bond rating, which is a reflection of our strong budget and budget controls. The City’s debt has been reduced each year over the last several years and the savings realized have been substantial. The City has saved hundreds of thousands of dollars each year without adding to our debt or length of our existing bonds. For example, just last month the City was able to refinance the Family Fitness Center; with the AA rating, the City realized a savings of \$400,000 – a 3.5% savings over the life of the bond.

So how are we doing? We are doing pretty well and the future looks bright as we continue to reduce debt and expand our commercial districts allowing the City to work within a balanced budget and continue to grow at a manageable pace. We are making great progress, with more to do and wonderful things to come.

Vishing – New Crimes during Hard Times

*By Officer Jesse Buchanan,
West Valley City Police*



The recent economic woes have affected everyone in different ways. Americans have been spending less and being more protective with what they have. This has caused thieves to “step up their game” in the quest to take what is yours. Identity theft has constantly been on the rise for the past several years and crooks are always changing their tactics to stay one step ahead of public knowledge.

A new scam, which is a twist on email “phishing”, aims to gather your personal information over the phone. Known as “vishing,” this method of identity theft gathers personal information from a victim by causing them to believe they have already been victimized. An automated message is generally sent to the victim’s phone number alerting them that there has been fraudulent activity on their credit card. The victim is then encouraged to call a toll-free number to verify their personal information. The “Vishers” will ask for the victim’s credit card number and other personal information to verify their identity. Once they have this information, they will use it to make fraudulent purchases.

Experts suggest that if you receive such a call, go online or check your credit card documents and find your credit card company’s fraud department telephone number and call them yourself.

It is unfortunate that we have to go through such great lengths to guard our basic sense of safety and security. It is up to us to be the first line of defense against identity theft by being aware and protective of our personal information.

West Valley City Golf Course Lunch Specials

West Valley City’s two golf courses, Stonebridge and West Ridge, are open every day for dining. Daily lunch specials are available, as well as weekend breakfast specials and many other promotions. Come enjoy great food and fantastic views.

**Buy one special & get one at equal or lesser value for half price.
Must present coupon at time of purchase.**

Offer good through 09/30/09



West Ridge
5055 South West Ridge Blvd. (5950 West)

Stonebridge
4415 West Links Dr. (2400 South)

Vote Local September 15!



Top two Primary Election winners will proceed to General Election...

Candidates: Mayor: Kevin Fayles, Mike Winder, Gerald Wise; Councilmember At-Large: Bill Barton, Don Christensen, Phil Conder, Devin Heaps, Tom Huynh, Sarra McGillis, Charles Sipes, Jeff White; District #2: Steve Buhler, Joel Coleman, Rodney Marshall, David Musselman; District #4: Weyland Karl Bangerter, Luis de la Cruz, Matthew Harris, Steve Vincent.

Locations:

Council District #1 – Vote for Mayor and Councilmember At-Large

- 1306 Mt. Calvary Family Worship Center, 3280 West 3100 South
- 1308 Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 1355 West 3100 South
- 1312 Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 1355 West 3100 South
- 1313 Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 1355 West 3100 South
- 1327 Mt. Calvary Family Worship Center, 3280 West 3100 South
- 1328 Mt. Calvary Family Worship Center, 3280 West 3100 South
- 1334 West Valley Library, 2880 West 3650 South
- 1344 West Valley Library, 2880 West 3650 South
- 1345 West Valley Library, 2880 West 3650 South
- 1346 Granger Elementary, 3700 South 1950 West
- 1347 First Baptist Church of West Valley City, 3831 South 2700 West
- 1348 First Baptist Church of West Valley City, 3831 South 2700 West
- 1349 First Baptist Church of West Valley City, 3831 South 2700 West
- 1350 Granger Elementary, 3700 South 1950 West
- 1351 Granger Elementary, 3700 South 1950 West
- 1352 First Baptist Church of West Valley City, 3831 South 2700 West

Council District #2 – Vote for Councilmember District #2, Mayor and Councilmember At-Large

- 1216 Monroe Elementary, 4450 West 3100 South
- 1302 West Lake Junior High, 3400 South 3450 West
- 1303 Monroe Elementary, 4450 West 3100 South
- 1315 Granger High School, 3690 South 3600 West
- 1316 Pioneer Elementary, 3860 South 3380 West
- 1320 West Lake Junior High, 3400 South 3450 West
- 1322 West Lake Junior High, 3400 South 3450 West
- 1332 Granger high School, 3690 South 3600 West
- 1340 Pioneer Elementary, 3860 South 3380 West
- 1430 Life Church, 3818 West 4700 South
- 1431 Life Church, 3818 West 4700 South
- 1432 Granger Christian Church, 3232 West 4100 South
- 1436 Granger Christian Church, 3232 West 4100 South
- 1438 Harry S. Truman Elementary, 4639 South 3200 West
- 1441 Granger Christian Church, 3232 West 4100 South
- 1446 Harry S. Truman, Elementary, 4639 South 3200 West

Council District #3 – Vote for Mayor and Councilmember At-Large

- 1204 West Valley Elementary, 6049 West Brud Drive (3100 South)
- 1206 Whittier Elementary, 3585 South 6000 West
- 1210 Valley Crest Elementary, 5240 West 3100 South
- 1211 Valley Crest Elementary, 5240 West 3100 South
- 1212 Hunter Library, 4740 West 4100 South
- 1214 Sunrise Baptist Church, 3550 South 4400 West
- 1218 Sunrise Baptist Church, 3550 South 4400 West
- 1220 Philo T. Farnsworth Elementary, 3751 South 4225 West
- 1224 Carl Sandburg Elementary, 3900 South 5352 West
- 1226 Hunter Library, 4740 West 4100 South
- 1228 Sunrise Baptist Church, 3550 South 4400 West
- 1230 Philo T. Farnsworth Elementary, 3751 South 4225 West
- 1236 Carl Sandburg Elementary, 3900 South 5352 West
- 1242 Hunter Library, 4740 West 4100 South
- 1302 West Lake Junior High, 3400 South 3450 West
- 1412 John F. Kennedy Junior High, 4495 South 4800 West
- 1413 John F. Kennedy Junior High, 4495 South 4800 West
- 1414 John F. Kennedy Junior High, 4495 South 4800 West
- 1420 Academy Park Elementary, 4580 West Westpoint Drive (4575 South)
- 1422 Academy Park Elementary, 4580 West Westpoint Drive (4575 South)

Council District #4 – Vote for Councilmember District #4, Mayor and Councilmember At-Large

- 1201 West Valley Elementary, 6049 West Brud Drive (3100 South)
- 1202 Hunter Junior High, 6131 West Wending Lane (3785 South)
- 1203 Gearld L. Wright Elementary, 6760 West 3100 South
- 1204 West Valley Elementary, 6043 West Brud Drive (3100 South)
- 1205 Hunter Junior High, 6131 West Wending Lane (3785 South)
- 1207 Whittier Elementary, 3585 South 6000 West
- 1208 Gearld L. Wright Elementary, 6760 West 3100 South
- 1209 Gearld L. Wright Elementary, 6760 West 3100 South
- 1213 West Valley Elementary, 6043 West Brud Drive (3100 South)
- 1215 Hunter Junior High, 6131 West Wending Lane (3785 South)
- 1222 Douglas T. Orchard Elementary, 6744 West 3800 South
- 1232 Douglas T. Orchard Elementary, 6744 West 3800 South
- 1400 Silver Hills Elementary, 5770 West 5100 South
- 1402 Silver Hills Elementary, 5770 West 5100 South
- 1403 Hunter High School, 4200 South 5600 West
- 1404 Hunter High School, 4200 South 5600 West
- 1405 Silver Hills Elementary, 5770 West 5100 South
- 1406 Grace Baptist Church, 4737 West 4100 South
- 1408 Hunter Elementary, 4351 South 5400 West
- 1409 Hunter Elementary, 4351 South 5400 West
- 1410 Grace Baptist Church, 4737 West 4100 South

For West Valley City Municipal Election information, contact the City Recorder's office at (801) 963-3203. For voter registration information, contact Salt Lake County at (801) 468-3427.



Transformation West: Changing the Face of West Valley City

3500 South Reconstruction

One of the major projects transforming West Valley City is the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) 3500 South Project. Construction is currently underway on 3500 South to widen the road to add more travel lanes. Additionally, the project will include the installation of a dedicated lane for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) as well as burial of power and fiber optic communication lines. New curb, gutter, and sidewalk will also be installed, and UDOT will partner with the City to install trees and lighting.

Marking a project milestone, major construction activities on the 3500 South project have shifted to the north side of the road. Traffic has been shifted to the new concrete roadway on the south side of 3500 South between 3200 West and Bangerter Highway. The shift between 2700 West and 3200 West is scheduled for late August.

With most utility work already complete on the north side of 3500 South, excavation and concrete work on that side will be more streamlined than the south side. While crews will continue to monitor and adjust traffic plans to maximize traffic flow and access, motorists should continue to expect the two/one lane configuration, favoring peak times, that has been used during the prior phase.

UDOT is engaged in a full-scale effort to keep businesses aware of impacts and to help them during construction. The 3500 South project is scheduled for completion by summer 2010; however, the contractor has been offered an incentive to complete the project by the end of November 2009.

During the 3500 South Project, the Public Information Team will be distributing regular updates by e-mail. If you are interested in receiving these updates, send a request to 3500southinfo@utah.gov. Additionally, information is available by calling 801-608-6369 or at www.udot.gov/3500south.

City Center - Valley Fair Mall Reconstruction

Valley Fair Mall is bustling with activity inside and out. On Monday, August 10 the internationally loved T.G.I. Friday's opened their doors. This national chain is the second grouping in the Slaymaker restaurant portfolio, and currently there are over 900 Friday's brands in 60 countries around the globe with operations in 47 states. On Wednesday, August 12, Smashburger, Utah's newest "better burger" restaurant opened for business, bringing a fresh concept to the burger market. Using 100% fresh Angus beef, their burgers are smashed on a flat grill and seared to seal in juices. Smashburger is currently scheduled to open ten restaurants along with Wasatch Front over the next few years.

Inside the Valley Fair Mall a handful of subtle changes are taking place. Vanity, the favorite shopping destination of teens and twentysomethings received a new storefront remodel in July. In addition, three new retailers have opened their doors: Wasatch Gold Exchange, Murano Style and Extreme Style. Wasatch Gold Exchange offers cash for gold, silver and platinum jewelry, coins or other items, Murano Style offers necklaces, earrings and rings with designs inspired by those from the island of Murano near Venice Italy, and Extreme Style features the all-natural mineral makeup that has exploded on the cosmetics scene.

Look for more exciting openings as Valley Fair Mall continues to remain open during construction. With a targeted completion in 2010, you'll see continued changes as the property moves from a 600,000 square foot regional shopping mall towards an approximate 1,000,000 square foot super-regional shopping and entertainment center. For more information on events, sales and coupons visit the Valley Fair Mall website at www.shopvalleyfairmall.net.

Fire Academy Classes Available

The West Valley City Fire Department is offering a Fire Academy Class beginning September 21, and is accepting applicants now. For more information, contact Lee Monsen at 558-2492 or lee.monsen@wvc-ut.gov, or visit www.wvfireacademy.com.

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.

August

- 19 Shingles Presentation, 11AM
- 20 Buffet in the Park, and Fear Factor
- 21 Lagoon, 10:15AM
- 24 Movie Monday
- 25 Ko Ko Nuts Practice, 11AM
- 26 10,000 Dice Game, 11AM
- 27 Basic Computer Class, 10AM
- 28 Joe's Crab Shack, 10:40AM

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

Weekly Activities

- Chess Club – Wednesdays, 1 p.m.
- Line Dancing – Mondays, 12:30 p.m.
- Hats, Etc. – Mondays, 9:30 a.m.
- Ceramics – Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.
- Railroad Club – Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10 a.m.
- Tai Chi – Thursdays, 9:30 a.m., \$1 per class
- Chair Exercise – Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 10:30 a.m.
- Bingo – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12:45 p.m., Fridays, 10:30 a.m.
- Choir – Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.
- Billiards and Cards – Daily
- Oil Painting – Mondays, call for time



Did you know West Valley City will hold a Meet the Candidates Night for the 2009 Elections? The event will be held September 2, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Utah Cultural Celebration Center (1355 West 3100 South). For more information, visit www.votelocalutah.com.



Calendar

August

- 13 Celebrating the Diversity of Women Exhibit (through September 30) Utah Cultural Celebration Center
- 20 Seminario Para Latinos Centro de Celebracion Cultural, 6:30 p.m.
- 25 Depeche Mode The E Center, 8 p.m.
- 27 Family Safety Fair Family Fitness Center, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
- 29 Dog Days of Summer Family Fitness Center, 2 - 5 p.m.
- 29 Slipknot The E Center, 7 p.m.

September

- 2 Meet the Candidates Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 7 p.m.
- 7 Labor Day Holiday City Hall Closed
- 14 Community Crime Prevention Seminar Family Fitness Center, 6:30 p.m.
- 17 Seminario Para Latinos Centro de Celebracion Cultural, 6:30 p.m.
- 26 The Killers The E Center, 7:30 p.m.
- 28 Pearl Jam The E Center, 7:30 p.m.

Send comments, questions and story ideas to:

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West Valley City, Ut 84119

or E-mail: info@wvc-ut.gov



West Valley City Fitness and Recreation Center News

Membership Has Its Advantages!



Did you know that for less than one dollar per day, your family can have access to West Valley City's award-winning Family Fitness Center? Featuring a lap pool, a leisure pool with the state's tallest indoor waterslide, basketball and racquetball courts, an indoor track, cardio equipment, a weight room, a climbing wall, dance and aerobic rooms, and a soft-play "edutainment" room for children, the Family Fitness Center has something for every member of the family!

In addition to the many amenities, your membership includes free child care (first hour free, \$1.50 for each additional hour), two free personal training sessions for each adult on the membership (up to four sessions), free monthly body composition testing, discounts on programs and special events, free use of rental equipment, discounts on party packages, free movies and crafts in the edutainment center, one free four-week fitness class pass each year, and more!

For more information, call 955-4000 or visit www.westvalleyfitnesscenter.org.

After-School and Day Camps for Kids

Field Trips! Face Painting! Western Day! Games! Sports! Friends! Safari Day! Dancing! Roller Skating! Ice Skating!

After School Camp (K-6)

After school camps include sports, games, swimming, rock climbing, study time, and more! Transportation is available from Valley Crest, Monroe, Whittier, and Wright Elementary schools (children from any school may attend, however transportation will not be provided).

\$25 – one week; \$7 – one day

Kidz Kamp

Ages 5 - 11

Camps include sports, crafts, swimming, ice skating/roller skating, rock climbing, and field trips. Lunch and snacks are provided.

Monday – Friday
7 a.m. - 6 p.m.

\$20 per day; \$90 per week (additional children, \$80)

Kindergarten Kamp (Ages 5 - 6)

Mon.-Fri. 7 a.m. – 12 noon for Afternoon Kindergarteners
Mon.-Fri. 11:30 a.m. – 6 pm for Morning Kindergarteners

Registration includes lunch & snacks, Kidz Yoga, swimming lessons, rock climbing, field trips, silly games and much more.

\$45 per week or \$10 per day per child (No Refunds)

***We provide transportation to & from Valley Crest ONLY**

Registration for all camps are due by Wednesday at 1 p.m. the week prior to the beginning of camp. No late registrations or date changes accepted.



Free Junior High School Program



The Family Fitness Center is now accepting registrations for the Junior High School program.

Registration includes all activities (swimming, leadership, field trips, golf training, and more!).

Call 955-4000 for more information or to register.

Swimming Lessons

Parent/Infant Classes:

Four 30-minute lessons
Members, \$15; non-members, \$21

Private Lessons:

30-minute lesson - \$15

Semi Private Lessons

(up to 3 people):
30-minute lesson - \$20

For more information about aquatics programs, call 801-955-4001.



West Valley Dance Force

The Family Fitness Center offers all formats of dance, including ballet, hip-hop, jazz, cheer, tap, and more! Adult classes are also available.

For more information, call 801-955-4030.

Dog Days of Summer

Before we close our swimming pool for cleaning, you are invited to bring your well-behaved best friend for a dip in our pool! Each dog will get a doggy bag of goodies and there will be raffles throughout the event.

2 – 2:30 PM: Small Dogs (under 25 pounds)
2:30 – 5:30 PM: All dogs
\$3 per dog

For your talented best friends, a Doggy Long Jump contest will be held from 2:30 pm to 3:00 pm. And a Doggy Paddle race from 3:30 to 4:00 pm.

Need vaccinations for your dog? WVC Animal Shelter will be on hand for a Pet Vaccination Clinic.



5415 West 3100 South, West Valley City, UT 84120 (801) 955-4000 www.WestValleyFitnessCenter.org
 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 10:30 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 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

