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News From West Valley City Hall

July 2007 Edition

City Information

City Council Members:

- Dennis Nordfelt, Mayor
- Margaret Peterson, 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
Emergency	911
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.

They Need Our Respect

A message from Council Member Russ Brooks

I wanted to tell all of you in the City about the wonderful learning experience that the Council and members of the media had in April. Our City Fire Department wanted to help us know what skills and training they need to have to accomplish the excellent jobs they do for the City. We were invited to Station 71 on a Saturday to train side by side with them.

Upon arrival we were fitted with a fire suit, gloves, helmets, boots, and a gas mask. The fire suit was very heavy and hot and the boots were hard to walk in; they made sure that the gas mask fit snug around our face. We were divided into four groups to perform four difference exercises:

1. Help a person having a heart attack.
2. Get trapped people out of a crashed car.
3. Enter a burning building with a hose to put out a fire.
4. Enter a smoke-filled building to retrieve people trapped.

As Council members, we are often asked why we send an ambulance and fire truck to a home or business when there is a health problem. After doing CPR, gathering information, applying medical treatment and transporting person to an ambulance, I understood the Fire Department's reasons for responding as they do. Each of these exercises required different abilities for each to accomplish the result needed.

Our next assignment was to cut open a car. During this exercise, we used the jaws-of-life and an air cutter to extract "victims"

from a crashed car. It was interesting to learn that 15 minutes is the critical time period to get someone out of a car so they can be treated. I also learned that having a spring loaded nail punch in my vehicle could save my life if I needed to break a window. I didn't realize how physically strenuous this vehicle extraction was until the next day when I felt the pain from holding and using the jaws-of-life and air cutter.

The hardest exercises of all were those involving entering a burning building to fight a fire or rescue trapped individuals. Among the tools we used to fight the fire was an infrared gun, which we used to see the fire through the smoke. During the rescue, we were taught to hold on to the foot of the person in front of us in order to safely exit the building. Throughout the exercise, the Fire Department made sure we were safe, but I was certainly relieved when we made it outside and I breathed fresh air.

I came away from this activity with a greater appreciation of the great job our Fire Department employees do. The knowledge and professionalism that they use is learned over years of training and actual calls. They are our first responders in most cases and want our City to be a safe place to live, work, and play. I hope all of us will look upon these fine City employees with great respect and appreciation for the professionals they are. I know that they opened my eyes and help me understand how important they are to our City and its residents.

VisionWest 2030 – West Valley City's General Plan

The General Plan

West Valley City's General Plan is a long range planning document that will help West Valley City better anticipate and prepare for the next 20 to 30 years. It helps City leaders decide where and when to place roads and services such as storm drainage, police and fire stations. The General Plan also helps guide the design and location of residential and commercial development.

The Update Process

It is important to update the General Plan now because West Valley City has experienced rapid population growth. Home and land values have increased dramatically. Major new roads and transportation links have been introduced and will be built in the coming years. Also, West Valley City's cultural mix and ethnic diversity are changing. The process of updating the General Plan requires the community to assess existing conditions and shared values and then to establish a long-term unified vision of the future.

The City Council and Planning Commission are committed to building an increasingly more beautiful, economically vibrant and sustainable city that provides a healthy and safe environment now and in the future. They have established several areas of focus for planning the future of West Valley City. These include: annexation, community services, economic development, existing neighborhoods, financial impact analysis, new housing, sustainability, transportation and urban design. The

General Plan update process will emphasize these issues and will require approximately two years to complete.

It's a Public Process – WVC Needs Your Help

This is your city – how do you want it to look and function in the future? How can we celebrate diverse ethnic and cultural values and create an orderly and beautiful place to live, work and have fun? How can we create a unique sense of identity for our community?

You Can Participate in this Process and You Can Make a Difference

There will be several great opportunities for you to discuss the future of West Valley City and provide meaningful input. We are especially interested in your ideas regarding the issues referred to above.

Planners will be available to discuss your

Poll Workers Needed for Upcoming Elections

With local elections fast approaching and a 2008 Presidential Primary not far behind, the Salt Lake County Clerk's Elections Division is recruiting several thousand poll workers to staff the polls on Election Days.

To help cope with the challenge, the County is introducing its "Partners in Democracy" program, aimed at recruiting local businesses, non-profit organizations and individuals to encourage poll worker service. Each volunteer will receive a minimum \$120 stipend, in addition to commendations from the mayor and publicity from the local media and the division's website.

All poll workers will be required to undergo training on the new voting equipment and procedures. Those wishing to become a Partner in Democracy or learn more about poll worker service opportunities may call the Elections Division at 468-3477 or logon to www.clerk.slco.org.

The West Valley City Police Department is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Crossing Guard. Applications will be accepted now through August, with interviews beginning in August.

For more information, call West Valley City Human Resources at 963-3552.



ideas in the West Valley City tent at WestFest at Centennial Park (5405 West 3100 South) from June 21st through the 23rd. Planners will also visit other local public events throughout the summer and there will be several general public meetings held in the fall of 2007 to gather specific input from the public.

You can visit West Valley City's General-Plan-Update website to learn more about and monitor General-Plan-Update progress, share suggestions and ideas or request personal contact by a planner at www.wvc-ut.gov.

For more information, call 963-3531 or 965-5841, Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., or email visionwest@wvc-ut.gov.



UDOT Construction Update

I-215 West, 3800 S & 4100 S Bridges:

- Crews have begun pouring concrete for the 3800 South Bridge widening, and will begin work on the bridge abutments in June. 3800 South will remain closed through the month of June for your safety. 4100 South or 3500 South to Constitution Blvd. or 2200 West are suggested alternate routes.
- Crews will begin digging trenches to replace electrical cables under the bridge on 3800 South in early June. Pedestrians are advised that some sidewalk will be removed and are reminded to please use extra caution when walking in this area.
- I-215 near 3800 South remains restricted to 3 lanes in both directions. These lane restrictions are anticipated to last through fall 2007.
- The project will widen the 3800 South bridges to the center of I-215, and rehabilitate the 4100 South Bridge on I-215 West.

Contact: Leah Jaramillo
801-661-7285

I-215westbridges@comcast.net

3500 South & Bangerter Highway Continuous Flow Intersection

- Some work activities may be required to take place during nighttime hours in early July. Further information is forthcoming, if necessary.
- Left turn lanes on 3500 South (turning onto Bangerter Highway) have been reduced from two left turn lanes to one left turn lane. Two through traffic lanes will remain open in each direction.
- Please plan for extra travel time during peak daytime hours.
- Please observe speed limits, obey traffic signals, and drive carefully through the work zone.
- The right lane closures in each direction at Bangerter Highway and 3500 South will continue into the near future.
- Pedestrians: the south sidewalk across Bangerter Highway remains closed. Please use the north sidewalk (crossing 3500 South, if necessary) and follow the designated pedestrian path.

Contact: Wendy Hansen
1-877-350-2346

www.udot.utah.gov/cfci@utah.gov



3500 South Project – Decker Lake Drive to Bangerter Highway

The State Environmental Study of 3500 South divided the project into two phases for design and construction:

- Phase 1-2200 West (Decker Lake Drive) to 2700 West (Constitution Boulevard)
- Phase 2- 2700 West (Constitution Boulevard) to Bangerter Highway.

While Phase 1 design is complete, advertising and construction have been postponed due to funding priorities. Phase 2 is currently being designed. Web site: www.udot.utah.gov/3500south Email: jsmart@langdongroupinc.com Phone: 801-608-6369

Redwood Road, 2320 South to 3500 South

- Crews are reconstructing the west-side lanes of Redwood Road. The project is scheduled to be complete in fall 2007.
- Concrete paving on Redwood Road began on Wednesday, June 4. Paving will be done in two passes starting on the north end at the center lane moving south. The second pass will begin at 3100 South and move north. After the two passes are complete, crews will pave the intersections and the remaining unpaved sections.
- Crews will pave Monday through Friday beginning at approximately 5 a.m. with intermittent work on Saturdays. The majority of the paving is anticipated to be complete by mid July, with tie in work continuing through July.
- Redwood Road is restricted to one lane in each both directions with a center turn-lane.
- All businesses are open in the area. Please remember to support your local businesses during construction.

Contact: Sydne Jacques
1-800-948-4002
gosydne@msn.com

Harman Senior Recreation Center Activities

4090 South 3600 West
965-5822

The Harman Senior Recreation Center is pleased to announce the addition of a model railroad club. Join and build a rail like no other. You're certain to be "well-trained."

June

- 20 Father's Day Bingo, 11AM
- 21 Let's Talk 1930's, 11AM
- 22 JB's Breakfast Bar, 9:15AM
- 25 Movie Monday & Lunch Out, 10AM
- 25 Breakfast Instead of Lunch, 12PM
- 26 Podiatrist, 12:30
- 27 10,000 Dice Game, 11AM
- 28 Fall Prevention, 11AM
- 29 Hill Air Force Base Museum & Lunch Out, 9:30AM

Weekly Activities

- Hats, Etc.** – Mondays, 9:30 a.m.
- Ceramics** – Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.
- Pinochle Lessons** – Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.
- S.E.A.L.S.** – Thursdays, 12:45 p.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.
- Scrapbooking** – Mondays, 1:00 p.m.
- Billiards and Cards** – Daily
- Oil Painting** – Mondays, Call for time
- Basic Computer Classes** – Call for more information

Road Resurfacing

West Valley City Public Works, along with Salt Lake County Public Works, will be performing road resurfacings throughout the City from June through August. Traffic will be affected by the resurfacing and the Public Works Department is asking drivers to take notice of the electronic signs that will be posted near the areas affected by the resurfacing for more information.

Resurfacing is done as part of West Valley City's Pavement Management Program to help extend the life of the roads. Following is a list of areas and dates where roads crews will be working:

- June 18** – 4700 south from 5600 W. to 6400 W. and on 6000 W. from 4100 S. to the railroad tracks
- June 19** – 4100 S. from 5600 W. to 7200 W.
- June 20** – 4800 W. from 3100 S. to Lake Park Dr.
- July 30** – Parkway Blvd. from 5600 W. to 7200 W.
- July 31** – 4000 W. from 3500 S. to 4100 S.
- August 1** – 3200 W. from 2100 S. to Parkway Blvd.
- August 14** – 2200 W. from 3500 S. to 3800 S.
- August 15** – 1300 W. from 4100 S. to 3650 S.
- August 16** – 3100 S. from 2200 W. to 1400 W.

Want to Make a Difference in Your Community? Run for City Council!

There are three City Council seats open for election in 2007; a councilmember at-large, the District #1 councilmember and the District #3 councilmember. At-large candidates represent the City as a whole while a candidate who is running for a City Council district seat must be a resident of that district. A map of the voting districts is available on the West Valley City website at <http://www.wvc-ut.gov/citycouncil/votingdistrict.cfm>.

Anyone desiring to run for an open Council seat must file a Declaration of Candidacy form, in person with the City Recorder. The forms will be available in the City Recorder's Office (3600 S. Constitution Blvd. Suite 120) beginning July 2, 2007.

Candidates can file with the City Recorder from July 2, 2007 through July 16, 2007 during regular City Hall hours (Monday-Thursday 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.) but no later than 5 p.m. on July 16th.

To be eligible to run for office, a candidate must have been a resident of West Valley City for at least 365 consecutive days immediately prior to the date of the election. A candidate also must be a registered voter in order to run for office. The Primary Election will be held on September 11, 2007 with the General Election following on November 6, 2007.

A filing fee of \$25.00 will be charged. Call the City Recorder's Office at 963-3203

or 963-3207 with questions or for more information.

Open Seats:

Councilmember At Large
Councilmember, District #1
Councilmember, District #3

All open seats in the 2007 municipal election are four-year terms.

THE BIG FIX ON TOUR

Date: June 28, 2007 (Intake starts at 8:00 a.m.)
Place: Magna - West Valley City Animal Services
Address: 4063 S. 7200 W.

First come, First served! Visit www.utahpets.org to find out whether online reservations are also available!

NO MORE HOMELESS PETS IN UTAH Want to help animals in your area? Become a Community Coordinator! Need a trap to fix a feral (wild) cat? For more information on the Big Fix or the Feral Fix Call toll-free 1-866-PETS FIX or www.utahpets.org

Discount Prices!

*While predator-susceptible on animals between 8 to 16 weeks of age or weekly accepted as safe, your pet is best protected from commensal disease transmission when it is at least 18 to 20 weeks old & has received its full vaccine series from a veterinarian in such or more prior to surgery.

Female dog \$55	Male dog \$45
Female cat \$35	Male cat \$25
Pregnancies & Dogs over 60lbs \$10 extra
Cat family plan \$100 (Moms & kittens, all kittens must be from one litter and less than 5 mos. old)		

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Calendar

June

- 21-24 WestFest**
Centennial Park
- 25 Landlord Training Class**
City Call
- 25 2007 Honda Civic Tour with Fall Out Boy**
The E Center, 6:00 PM

July

- 2 Filing Period for Municipal Election Begins** (through July 16)
- 2 World Stage Concert Series** (Monday Nights through August 2)
Utah Cultural Celebration
- 4 Independence Day Holiday**
City Hall Closed
- 17 Michael Buble**
The E Center, 7:00 PM
- 24 Pioneer Day Holiday**
City Hall Closed
- 30 Dream Theater**
The E Center, 6:30 PM

August

- 6 Neighborhood Nights Kick Off Event**
Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 6:00 PM
- 7 Nathional Nigh Out**
- 10,11 Police Fair**
Valley Fair Mall
- 15 Community Resource Fair**
City Hall, 5:00 PM
- 22 Mobile Patrol Training**
City Hall, 7:00 PM
- 29 Child Safety Fair**
Family Fitness Center, 5:00 PM



Did you know the 24th annual National Night Out will be taking place on August 7, 2007? Traditionally, participants in the National Night Out put on a display of outdoor lights and front porch vigils. In addition some neighborhoods host other activities like barbecues, service projects, music, games, and parades. For more information about West Valley City's neighborhood programs or National Night Out, call Craig at 963-3285.

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