

WEST VALLEY CITY, UTAH
ORDINANCE NO. 26-20

Date Adopted: 05/26/2026

Date Effective: 05/27/2026

**AN ORDINANCE ENACTING SECTION 2-1-115,
AMENDING SECTION 4-5-101, AND REPEALING SECTION
4-5-102 OF THE WEST VALLEY CITY MUNICIPAL CODE
TO MAKE UPDATES REQUIRED BY STATE LAW.**

WHEREAS, Titles 2 and 4 of the West Valley City Municipal Code govern the operation of the City Council and management of City property; and

WHEREAS, legislation passed during the 2026 legislative session requires that provisions concerning City Council vacancies and disposal of City property be enacted and amended; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of West Valley City, Utah does hereby determine that it is in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of West Valley City to enact Section 2-1-115, amend Section 4-5-101, and repeal Section 4-5-102 of the West Valley City Municipal Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of West Valley City, Utah as follows:

Section 1. Repealer. Any provision of the West Valley City Municipal Code found to be in conflict with this Ordinance is hereby repealed. In addition, Section 4-5-102 of the West Valley City Municipal Code is repealed as follows:

4-5-102. ~~DISPOSAL OF SIGNIFICANT PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY.~~
REPEALED

~~If at any time, the City desires to surplus and dispose of a Significant Parcel of Real Property, the City Recorder shall provide reasonable notice. The City Council, following the provision of reasonable notice, shall hold a public hearing to allow for public comment on the proposed disposition of the property in question.~~

Section 2. Enactment. Section 2-1-115 of the West Valley City Municipal Code is hereby

enacted as follows:

2-1-115. CITY COUNCIL VACANCIES.

- (1) Vacancies on the City Council shall be filled according to state law.
- (2) In the event of a tied vote between two candidates to fill a vacancy, the winner of a coin toss shall be appointed. In the event that two candidates tie to receive the second-most votes (and if no candidate has received a majority), the winner of a coin toss shall advance to the next vote.
- (3) In the event of a tie between three or more candidates, the candidates shall draw playing cards at random, with aces considered the high card.
 - a. All but the two highest cards shall be eliminated.
 - b. If the two candidates remaining are the final candidates to fill the vacancy, a vote shall be taken between the two candidates remaining.
 - c. If the tie was for second place and no candidate received a majority, the winner of a coin toss between the two candidates with the highest cards shall advance to a vote against the candidate receiving the most votes in the first vote.

Section 3. Amendment. Section 4-5-101 of the West Valley City Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

4-5-101. DEFINITIONS. DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY.

~~(1) “Significant Parcel of Real Property” means a single parcel of real property, owned by the City, that exceeds one (1) acre.~~

~~(2) “Reasonable Notice” means for purposes of this Chapter, publication of notice in a newspaper of general circulation at least 14 calendar days prior to a public hearing.~~

The City shall meet all requirements established in state law prior to disposing of real property. The City hereby adopts the definition of “significant parcel” set forth in state law.

Section 4. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall not be affected thereby.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon posting

in the manner required by law.

PASSED and APPROVED this 26th day of May 2026.



WEST VALLEY CITY

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY RECORDER