



West Point City

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

**FEBRUARY
2021**

WEST POINT OFFICIALS

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CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

**1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS
6:00 PM**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION
7:00 PM**

GENERAL SESSION

PLANNING COMMISSION

MEETINGS:

**2ND & 4TH THURSDAYS
6:00 PM**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION
7:00 PM**

GENERAL SESSION

CITY HALL

3200 W 300 N

801-776-0970

WWW.WESTPOINTCITY.ORG

In the next five years, growth in West Point City will be the number one challenge we face as elected officials. Seeing that Kaysville and the west side of Layton are quickly filling up, development is being pushed farther north into West Point and the south western part of Weber County and managing and planning for that growth is going to be a top priority moving forward. There are also some major road projects coming that will attract and facilitate that growth, and I thought I would share with you what I know about the two major projects starting this year – the extensions of the West Davis Corridor (Phase 1) and SR-193. For quick reference, I will put the information in a Q&A format.

When will construction on the West Davis Corridor and SR-193 begin and when do they estimate completion?

Construction on these two projects will start this spring of 2021, and as of right now, both are planned to be completed by the end of 2024.

What is the route for the extension of SR-193?

The extension of SR-193 will continue straight west from 3000 W and curve south around the Schneiter's Bluff Golf Course. At that point, it will curve slightly to the southwest until it reaches the West Davis Corridor just east of 4000 W. In the future, there will be another extension to the west, terminating at 4500 W. This future extension will only be a two-lane road.

How far north will the West Davis Corridor go in Phase 1?

Phase 1 will start from the Legacy Highway in Farmington and enter into West Point just east of 4000 W and 700 S. It will continue north until it intersects with the extension of SR-193. Phase 2 of the project will continue north to 1800 N, however there are no plans or funding currently in place for that future phase.

Where will West Point residents be able to access the new West Davis Corridor?

After the completion of Phase 1, the closest access for West Point residents will be from SR-193. To the south will be an interchange at Antelope Drive in Syracuse. Once Phase 2 is eventually built, there will be another interchange at 1800 N. There will also be overpasses at 300 N, 800 N, and 1300 N.

What will happen to our portion of the Emigration Trail?

At the necessary locations, the Trail will be relocated as part of the project. During construction, temporary routes will be made so that the Trail will continue to be accessible from both the north and the south.

How much input does our City have with both of these projects?

UDOT has been coordinating these projects with West Point and other affected cities for a few years now. Although not involved in the design, the City has been working together with UDOT on all other aspects of the project and providing input when appropriate.

I hope that this information was helpful. UDOT and their team will be working with community representatives in order to keep City Staff updated, and we will pass that information on to our residents the best we can – checking the City's Facebook page will be a great way for you to stay informed on any changes or notifications. Moving forward, I will also share with you any new information we receive about these two projects.

As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me or City Staff.

Stay safe and stay healthy.

- Mayor Erik Craythorne

ESSAY CONTEST

This contest is sponsored by the West Point City Youth Council to encourage all residents to recognize how fortunate we are to live in our City and to express their appreciation and pride in West Point!

Contest Applications and guidelines are posted on the City website under Community Affairs & Events. Essay entries must be emailed to ssargent@westpointcity.org and are due **no later than 11:30 AM on February 26th**. An Essay Contest Application must be submitted with each entry.

Essay winners will be notified by phone and announced at the City Council meeting on March 16th.

Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners!

YOUTH COUNCIL

This last month has been really fun for the Youth Council. We were able to meet virtually through Zoom and play an online "Kahoot!" game to learn more about West Point City. This helped get us thinking about all the reasons we love our City, and we are looking forward to this year's Essay Contest and hope that we get a ton of entries!

We also started a Valentine's activity where we have been going around, as a Youth Council, and heart-attacking friends, neighbors, family, etc. It has been really fun to spread some cheer throughout the City!

We are so grateful that we can continue to do activities and that we can spread love to those around us! Thank you for supporting the West Point Youth Council!
- Angelina Orton

West Point Youth Council City Recorder

SENIOR LUNCH

Until further notice, senior lunches will be canceled due to the concerns surrounding COVID-19.

Seniors 65+ are considered higher risk and recommended to avoid large gatherings.

Once there are no longer health concerns, we will resume our monthly senior lunches!

If you have questions about COVID-19, the Utah Department of Health has established a hotline at 1-800-456-7707 and has information available at www.coronavirus.utah.gov

FEBRUARY						
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The Caregiver Academy

The Caregiver Academy is a free series of six workshops that assist family and community caregivers in developing the skills needed to manage an in-home care environment. Each participant receives a free Managing Care Guide.

***Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this series will be offered online as a virtual meeting.**

The Six Workshops:

Tuesdays at 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Feb. 9: Finding Caregiver Resources

Feb. 16: Building Caregiver Resilience

Feb. 23: Setting Good Care Boundaries

Mar. 2: Involving Family and Others

Mar. 9: Managing Difficult Behaviors

Mar. 16: Understanding Care Options

**Call
801.525.5050, Option 5
to sign up!**

CITY COUNCIL & PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS

Written Determination of the Mayor and Planning Commission Chair of West Point City Concerning Electronic Meeting Anchor Location:

PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE ANN. 52-4-207(4), We, the undersigned Mayor and Planning Commission Chair of West Point City, hereby determine that conducting City Council and Planning Commission meetings at any time during the next 30 days at an anchor location presents a substantial risk to the health and safety of those who may be present at the anchor location. The World Health Organization, the President of the United States, the Governor of Utah, and the Davis County Health Department, have all recognized that a global pandemic exists related to the new strain of the coronavirus, COVID-19.

Further, according to information from state epidemiology experts, Utah is currently in an acceleration phase, which has the potential to overwhelm the state's healthcare system. This written determination will expire thirty days from the date it is signed.

The public may monitor or listen to the meeting electronically and provide public comment when appropriate by following the instructions below:

- Open the Agenda posted on the City website
 - Click on the "Join Meeting" link

or
Connect via Telephone: Dial 1(669) 900-6833 and enter Meeting ID: *listed on agenda*

Members of the public may also participate in the Citizen Comment or Public Hearing items via email prior to the meeting.

Email your comments by 7 PM to:

City Council: carnold@westpointcity.org

Planning Commission: mbailey@westpointcity.org

Subject Line: Must be designated as Citizen/Public Hearing Comment for: (Reference Meeting Date)

Email Body: Must include Full Name & Address and a succinct statement of your comment.

DATED January 2, 2021.

The original of this Written Determination is on file in the City Recorder's office and on the City website.

BUILDING/DEVELOPMENT

A drop-spot container is placed at the front doors of City Hall with a number to call to inform Staff that documents have been placed in the container. Staff will retrieve the documents as quickly as possible.

Payment for permits will be taken over the phone. If you are picking up a building permit, please call ahead and we will make arrangements.

Building inspections will continue as normal.

ANIMAL CARE OF DAVIS COUNTY

On February 27th from 8:00 AM-12:00 PM, Animal Care of Davis County will have a vaccine clinic in the West Point City parking lot.

This is for dogs only and no appointment is needed. All attendees will be asked to stay in their vehicles the entire time. This service is for Davis County Residents only.

UTILITY ACCOUNTS

Utility Payments can be placed in the drop box in the northeast corner of the parking lot, mailed, paid online, or made by calling City Hall at 801-776-0970.

New Utility Applications can be printed online and emailed to ldavies@westpointcity.org, faxed, placed in the drop box, or mailed. Once received, City Staff will contact you for the deposit payment and any additional information. Utility terminations or account updates may be done via email or phone.

STREET PARKING

Remember there is no overnight on-street parking between the hours of 1 AM and 6 AM from November 1st - March 1st

PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION DISPOSAL

The Syracuse Police Department has a drop-off box for the safe disposal of prescription medicines. The drop box is in the lobby of their Police Department and is open Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. No paperwork or fee is required to dispose of medications.

DAVIS MINDFULNESS CENTER

Davis Mindfulness Center has created a FREE podcast called *Just This Breath*.

Grown or still growing, we can all benefit from a few minutes of listening and relaxing as we regain peace that this world tends to dissolve.

Just This Breath is designed to support you in cultivating a personal mindfulness practice.

Join us for guided practices and discussions of mindfulness-related topics.

CODE ENFORCEMENT CORNER

BASKETBALL STANDARDS IN STREETS

During the early spring months when the snow starts to recede from the streets, we see an increase in the number of basketball standards set out on curbs so that the City street can be used as a basketball court. This practice presents a serious danger both to those people playing basketball and to the vehicles driving there.

West Point City Code Chapter 12.05.30 states:

"It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, construct or maintain any building, structure or obstruction, any part of which shall extend on, over or beneath the property platted or dedicated to the city for street or sidewalk purposes, or to obstruct travel thereon in any manner, except as herein provided."

Please be aware of this dangerous practice and help keep West Point a safe and pleasant place to live. Should you have any questions, please call or email Bruce Dopp, West Point City Code Enforcement Officer at 801-776-0970 or bdopp@westpointcity.org. Complaints may also be submitted via the City website at www.westpointcity.org

Mindfulness involves learning to pay attention to what is happening in the present moment in a manner that is compassionate, nonreactive, and nonjudgmental, and can assist us in getting out of the cycle of habitual stress reactivity and develop greater stress resilience.

COVID-19 VACCINE

The COVID-19 vaccination is an important tool to help stop the pandemic.

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the state of Utah has been committed to providing Utahns with accurate, transparent, and up-to-date health information and recommendations so individuals can make informed decisions to protect their families, businesses, and our communities. Our goal is to keep Utahns safe, healthy, and working.

Visit www.coronavirus.utah.gov/vaccine

to sign up for vaccination updates, find out when and where to get vaccinated, find answers to vaccine FAQ's, and discover everything you should know about the COVID-19 Vaccine: safety, side effects, and more.



NOTICE!

GARBAGE COLLECTION CHANGES

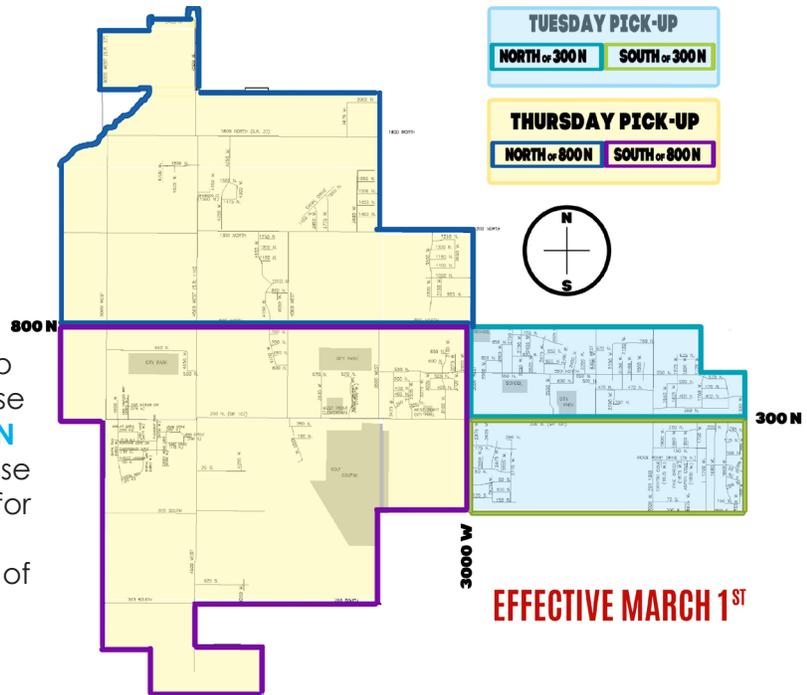
**EFFECTIVE
MARCH 1ST**

**READ BELOW FOR SOME IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING CHANGES
TO GARBAGE COLLECTION IN THE CITY!**

EFFECTIVE MARCH 1ST:

Below is a **NEW** map designating the two different garbage collection pick-up days in the City. Those in the BLUE section will be on **TUESDAY** pick-up and those in the YELLOW section will be on **THURSDAY** pick-up. This updated map does not create a change in the garbage pick-up day for most residents, but will affect some neighborhoods around 3000 W.

ALSO CHANGING is the collection of the blue **RECYCLING** containers. Although still collected every-other-week, recycling containers will be collected on alternating weeks within each pick-up day (blue/yellow). The recycling containers for those homes on **TUESDAY** pick-up that are **NORTH of 300 N** will be picked up on the alternating week than those that live **SOUTH of 300 N**. The recycling containers for those homes on **THURSDAY** pick-up that are **NORTH of 800 N** will be picked up on the alternating week of those that live **SOUTH of 800 N**.



This updated map, as well as the updated 2021 Waste Collection Calendar, can be found on our website at www.westpointcity.org



MONTICELLO ACADEMY

What ever happened to knowledge?

One of the things that sets Monticello Academy apart from other schools is the Core Knowledge curriculum.

With the rise in standardized testing over the past twenty years and more, schools have focused increasingly on the "skills" that are tested in state assessments--math skills and reading skills. This has been to the detriment of knowledge as a goal of public schooling.

After all, the reading tests don't care whether a child has any background knowledge about the passages students read. They just want to know if kids can read

and process the information.

This emphasis on skill has come at a cost: our children in regular public schools get a scattershot exposure to the rich historical and cultural knowledge that enriches our lives and informs an educated citizenry. They don't learn history in any organized way until 4th grade when they learn Utah history and 5th grade when they learn American history for the first time.

The Core Knowledge curriculum was developed to fix this problem. It lays out the topics in American history and geography, world history and geography, art, music, and literature, that children should be exposed to in every grade

level--starting in kindergarten--to ensure a growing foundation of knowledge and understanding of the world around them.

But what about those standardized tests?

Well, it turns out students who know things do better on those assessments, too. Students with a rich web of background knowledge are better able to read and interpret all kinds of information. It's a win-win for our students, who get to experience the joy of learning about these fascinating topics and end up doing very well on measures of academic achievement. We are grateful to be able to bring this curriculum to the West Point community.

WEST POINT RECREATION

BASEBALL

REGISTRATION DATES

March 1ST - April 9TH

COST

Pre-K thru 2nd grade - \$40.00
3rd Grade thru Jr. High is \$50.00



SPRING SOCCER

REGISTRATION DATES

February 1st - March 5th

GRADES

Pre-K -6th

COST

\$40

Contact Kelly Ross at 801-529-3352 or Karly Norwood at 801-931-9716 for more information on recreation activities and sign-ups.