

# West Point City

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<p><b>CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:</b>  <b>1<sup>ST</sup> &amp; 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAYS</b>  <b>6:00 PM ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION</b>  <b>7:00 PM GENERAL SESSION</b></p>	<p><b>PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS:</b>  <b>2<sup>ND</sup> &amp; 4<sup>TH</sup> THURSDAYS</b>  <b>6:00 PM ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION</b>  <b>7:00 PM GENERAL SESSION</b></p>
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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

I cannot believe that it is already November in this unforgettable year of 2020. Pandemic, earthquake, wildfires, protests, and a crazy presidential election. Did I miss anything, or does that pretty much cover it? At this point, I don't even know what to think, who to believe, or what is on the horizon as we inch closer to 2021. I have had fortunate times throughout the year when I head out of town or escape to the mountains for a few days and everything seems normal. I revel in that blissful feeling of normalcy, until I come home and see elementary kids walking to school with face coverings and I am quickly brought back to reality. I am sure that we are all looking forward to a vaccine that can help us get things back the way they used to be or at least a little bit closer in the direction of 'normal.'

In the meantime, I want to share some quick City updates. I have mentioned the growth we are experiencing in previous newsletters, but I saw some numbers the other day that are worth passing along. We have in West Point 587 building lots that have become available in the past couple of years. Some of these have already been built on, but the majority are lots that have final approval and are just waiting to be built on, or are waiting for the improvements to be put in. In addition to that, we have 541 total building lots in developments that have received preliminary plat approval. Final approval for these lots will likely be spread out over

a few years. We are obviously seeing unprecedented amounts of growth, especially as some of our neighboring cities to the south start filling up.

Construction on the West Davis Corridor is expected to start this next year, starting in Farmington and ending at the SR-193 extension at about 400 S. This is a huge project that will bring a lot of transportation options out west. UDOT is expecting to have this finished the Fall of 2023. Stay tuned for more updates as the construction starts to ramp up.

In regards to the 800 N Reconstruction Project, I want to first thank those who live on and travel the road often for your patience. At the time I am writing this, the new section of road from 2000 W to 2525 W is not currently open, but I am told that by the time you are reading this, it will be. I have had a chance to look at the project and it is looking really good; I appreciate all the coordination that Clinton City did to be the lead city on this project. So, the good news is that half of the total project is done. The bad/good news is that the next half will be started next spring. Both West Point and Clinton received funding through State sales tax distributions that are earmarked for road projects that will allow us to finish this total reconstruction next year.

As we approach Thanksgiving this year, I have a feeling this one will probably be a

little bit different for most of us. It may be a good time for us to reflect on what we do have and focus a little less on what we don't. It may be a good time for us to be thankful for our family and maybe forgive and move past old grudges. It may be a good time to go meet a new neighbor and welcome them to the neighborhood. I know it is a good time to surround yourselves with your immediate family, hug your kids, your parents or grandparents, and tell them how thankful you are that they are in your life. We don't even have to blame everything on 2020 – we can just be grateful and thankful for this great land in which we live and value the freedoms we have afforded to us by living in the greatest country on earth. So, it would be my hope that this upcoming 2020 Thanksgiving is just a little bit different, not because it has to be but because you want it to be.

If you don't already, be sure to follow our City Facebook page for information and updates. We have some of our annual holiday events coming up that we are hoping can be done safely outside, so look for more information about those as we get into December.

As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me by calling City Hall and leaving me a message.

Stay safe and stay healthy.  
 - Mayor Erik Craythorne

# SENIOR LUNCH

Each month West Point City holds a lunch for Seniors 55 and older. The cost is \$2.00 per person and both residents and non-residents are welcome to join!

**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](http://www.coronavirus.utah.gov)

# NOV 2020

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3 ELECTION DAY	4	5 SPECIAL JOINT CITY COUNCIL & PLANNING COMM. MEETING	6	7 FLAGS ON VETERANS GRAVES
8	9	10	11 VETERANS DAY CITY HALL CLOSED	12 PLANNING COMMISSION 6 PM	13	14
15	16	17 CITY COUNCIL 6 PM	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 THANKSGIVING CITY HALL CLOSED	27	28
29	30 CITY HALL LIGHTING CEREMONY	1 CITY COUNCIL 6 PM	2	3	4	5

# YOUTH COUNCIL

**Hello, West Point City Residents!**

Even though COVID is still going on, we have been able to continue meeting and it has been a wonderful month for the Youth Council! Last month for our meeting, we held our big birthday celebration for all the Youth Council Members. We had a great turnout and it was fun to be able to catch up with everyone. We also received our new Youth Council shirts for this year and they look awesome! They are maroon in color and have this year's theme on the back, which is:

**"We Can and We Will!  
Watch Us!"**

On November 7th, we will hold our Veteran Flag Placement and Program. As a Youth Council, we place flags on the headstones of all the veterans in the West Point Cemetery, and we are really pleased this year to be able to hear from one of our West Point residents who is a veteran. This is always such a wonderful, inspiring experience and it means a lot to each of us to have this opportunity to recognize all of the men and women who have, and are serving, our country.

We are also looking forward to the City Hall Lighting Ceremony coming up on November 30th! Although it is likely going to be done a little differently this year, it is always a fun event so stay tuned for details! Looking ahead to next month,

we will be doing the Cemetery Luminary wherein we place candles on all of the headstones in the cemetery, which is another special experience we get to have.

We are so thankful that we can still have the opportunity to meet together as a Youth Council and serve our beloved West Point!

-Angelina Orton, YC City Recorder



## CITY HALL LIGHTING CEREMONY

This year's City Hall Lighting Ceremony is scheduled for November 30th. As we receive more information and guidelines from the State and Davis County Health Department, we will be able to provide more details about this annual event. Stay tuned! Follow the City's Facebook page and watch the City website for updates!

## CHILD REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

The Child Remembrance Ceremony is held each year on December 6th. As we receive more information and guidelines from the State and Davis County Health Department, we will be able to provide more details about this annual event. Stay tuned! Follow the City's Facebook page and watch the City website for updates!

# CITY COUNCIL & PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS

Members of the public not wishing to attend the meetings in-person due to health concerns may 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.

# GREEN WASTE COLLECTION

Beginning December 1st, you may begin using your Green Waste Can for regular trash.

Green Waste Service will resume on April 1st.

Please make sure that your containers are 6 ft. away from other objects, at least 20 ft. away from any vehicles, and not over-filled.

Thank you for helping to keep our City as clean and sanitary as possible!

# 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.

# 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.

# CODE ENFORCEMENT CORNER

## WINTER PARKING

We remind you once again that Winter Parking regulations are in effect from **November 1st to March 1st** of each year.

WPCC Sections 10.05(H)(1)&(3) state: "No person shall park a vehicle on any street for any period of time between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. of any day. . .commencing the first day of November of each year and up to and including the last day of February of the following year."

This regulation is designed to keep streets free of vehicles so that snow plows can efficiently clear the roads without obstructions. Code Enforcement and the Davis County Sheriff's Office will be patrolling the City during this time and will be issuing compliance notices and citations for violations.

Please also be aware that pushing or blowing snow onto public streets is prohibited. As you clear snow, please ensure that the snow stays on your property and is not blown or plowed into the street.

Your cooperation in helping the City handle another winter is greatly appreciated!

Thank you for your efforts in keeping West Point City a beautiful and safe place to live and raise a family.

Please call or email Bruce Dopp, Code Enforcement Officer at 801-776-0970 or bdopp@westpointcity.org. Complaints may also be submitted via the City website at [www.westpointcity.org](http://www.westpointcity.org)

# COVID-19

## TRANSMISSION INDEX

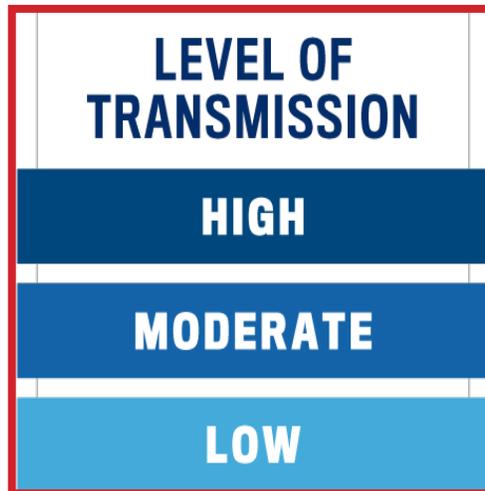
The transition from the phased guidelines of red, orange, yellow and green to the new COVID-19 Transmission Index was done to further strengthen the balance in our response to protect communities. It represents the collaborative work of state and local public health, the Governor's Office, the hospital industry, business leaders, and important guidance from legislative leadership on the elements of the approach that will persist beyond the two week circuit breaker that was imposed.

The transmission index clarifies the public health metrics used to determine which counties are placed in which transmission level. Counties will be placed in one of three transmission levels: High, Moderate, or Low. These levels correspond directly to case rates, positivity rates, and ICU utilization.

Data will be analyzed weekly, and counties will be placed into a transmission level depending solely on what their data show. Changes from a lower level to a higher level may occur weekly. Changes from a higher level to a lower level may occur every 14 days at minimum, when thresholds are met.

The data helps us understand the real risk of transmission in our communities. Important health behaviors, based on epidemiology and medical science, are outlined at each level to protect yourself, your family, and your community from COVID-19.

See <https://coronavirus.utah.gov/utah-health-guidance-levels/> for more information.



## FREE HELP for COVID-19 related stress

THE UTAH STRONG RECOVERY PROJECT

If you or someone you know is experiencing stress, anxiety or depression because of COVID-19, talk to a crisis counselor seven days a week, 7a-7p. All information is confidential and free of charge.

Services include:



emotional support



crisis counseling



copng strategies



mental health education



referrals if more help is needed

**Call/Text: 385-386-2289**

**Email (first name and phone number only):**  
[UtahStrong@utah.gov](mailto:UtahStrong@utah.gov)

**For immediate response after hours:**  
**1-800-273-TALK (8255)**

Counseling in Spanish and other languages available.

# WEST POINT RECREATION

**KELLY ROSS**  
REC DIRECTOR:  
801-529-3352

**KARLY NORWOOD**  
REC COORDINATOR:  
801-931-9716

RECREATION SIGN-UPS ONLINE AT  
[WWW.WESTPOINTCITY.ORG](http://WWW.WESTPOINTCITY.ORG)

## JR. JAZZ BASKETBALL

**Practices will start this month and games will begin in January!**  
To inquire about late registration, or if you don't receive an email with your team and schedule, please give us a call.

## SPRING SOCCER

**Spring Soccer Registration will begin in January!**

Recreation Aide positions may be available!  
Visit "Job Openings" on the City website for more information!

# WEST POINT MILITARY MEMORIAL

LOY BLAKE PARK - 3500 W 550 N

WEST POINT MILITARY MEMORIAL COMMITTEE CHAIR:  
MARV DRAKE - 801-825-5321

I get the impression from most people with whom I discuss the subject, that the end of WWI all came together on the morning of the 11th of November 1918 and was complete by 11:00 a.m.

Not true! There are ample evidences of efforts by many people on both sides of the conflict well in advance of the actual signing of the Armistice document.

In an address to Congress in January of 1918, President Woodrow Wilson first advanced the idea of bringing the War to an end. This presentation is famously referred to as the "Fourteen Points Speech." He laid out 14 points that had to happen before, at the time of, and following, a surrender by Germany and her allies. Space does not allow a detailed investigation of the many discussions which led to the actual Armistice. Even the German Commander of the Western Front felt something needed to be done. In September 1918, he sent a letter to the German High Command informing them that the situation facing Germany was "hopeless" and requested permission to surrender. He recommended acceptance of Wilson's Fourteen Points. His request was not approved. On October 3rd, Prince Maximilian of Baden was appointed Chancellor of Germany with hopes of negotiating an armistice.

A little explanation might be appropriate here. An armistice is not a surrender. It is not a capitulation. It is not a guarantee of peace. It is only an

agreement to cease hostilities.

Leading the Allies involvement in the negotiations was Marshall of France (a rank commensurate with the United States' five-star ranks during WWII), Ferdinand Foch (pronounced Fosh or Fawsh). As the date for the signing neared, negotiations broke down as the senior German negotiator took issue with the provisions which seemed to denigrate Germany's standing in the World of Nations. Marshall Foch was able to work around these problems. Four German senior officers and politicians had traveled by auto a few days earlier and were being housed in Marshall Foch's private railcar, with all the other delegates. Foch worked all night finalizing the document, which was approved by the principals at 5:00 a.m. and signed between 5:12 and 5:20 a.m.

The Armistice called for a cessation of all hostilities some six hours later at 11:00 a.m. on the 11th day, of the 11th month. The terminology required all to stop where they were at that time. Some took this for approval to engage more seriously in order to gain additional territory by the effective time. As a result, on the "last day of the war," there were another 2,738 fatalities added to the record of war dead.

Even after that, the Armistice did not, really, end the fighting. In fact, there were additional conflagrations and the Armistice needed three "prolongations"

– one on 13 December of that year, one on 16 January 1919, and the last on 16 February 1919. The war actually ended with the Treaty of Versailles on 28 June 1919.

We apologize we will not hold our annual commemoration at the Memorial this year, but in keeping with the wishes of our Governor, this is one public gathering which will not be held.

Stay safe and stay healthy.

- Marv Drake, Committee Chair

