



West Point City

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

**SEPTEMBER
2021**

WEST POINT OFFICIALS

**ERIK CRAYTHORNE
MAYOR**

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MAYOR PRO-TEM**

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COUNCIL MEMBER**

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COUNCIL MEMBER**

**ANNETTE JUDD
COUNCIL MEMBER**

**KYLE LAWS
CITY MANAGER**

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

IMPACT FEES 101

At our last City Council meeting, a presentation of the recently completed Storm Drain Master Plan and Impact Fee Analysis was given to the Council. I know this may be less interesting for some of you than others, but I thought I would share some information on what impact fees are, how they are calculated, when they are collected, and how they are allowed to be used, all of which is governed by Utah State Code.

West Point, like other cities and towns, collects impact fees for storm drain, water, roads, parks/trails, and sewer. Google provides a simple definition of an impact fee as a "one-time charge imposed by local governments to mitigate the impact on local infrastructure caused by new development." In other words, these fees are collected to make sure that current residents are not paying for the impact new residents have on infrastructure and services. So how are they calculated? The process begins with a study of a service's current system and analysis of future service needs. Using our storm drain system as an example, a consulting firm was hired by the City to conduct this study and analysis of the current state of our storm drain system, its capacity, and projections of future needs over the next 10 years. Once that data was collected, the consultants created a very detailed report of what improvements will be necessary to meet these needs and estimates of the associated costs for those improvements.

Determining the West Point's future needs for the next ten years involves using historical data, planned zoning designations and resulting densities, upcoming projects, etc., to calculate the growth rate of a city, and what infrastructure improvements will be needed to handle that growth. The total estimated cost of those improvements is divided by the projected number of new homes that will be built. That number is the maximum fee that the city can charge for impacts to that system; a city council can decide to assess a lesser fee, but they cannot collect more than that number. While the projections are calculated for a ten-year period, cities are required to spend the fees within six years of being collected and must complete a new study and analysis of the system every 5 – 6 years. This process helps to ensure that growth rates are periodically re-estimated to make sure that the new growth is paying for their impacts on the system and not current residents.

The impact fee for each system is assessed on every building permit for a new home. The

building permit is paid for by the contractor, which cost is likely passed on to the buyer of the home as part of the purchase price. Once collected, the impact fees are considered "restricted funds" which means that they cannot be considered as part of a city's General Fund, and cannot be spent on anything except for the purpose they were collected for. For example, road impact fees cannot be used to resurface and pave an existing road within the City, but they can be used to construct a new road that was projected to be needed in the impact fee and master plan analysis. We also couldn't use those impact fee funds to supplement our budget for city police protection that would include that new road; as a general rule, impact fees are used for tangible, physical projects and new infrastructure planned for in the master plan.

You can see that as a growing city, it is very important to conduct these impact fee analyses of our services on a regular basis so that sufficient amounts are being collected and calculated using the most current data possible we have available. As some of the larger landowners in West Point continue selling and/or developing their properties and the growth we are already experiencing continues to increase, I know many of you are concerned that current residents are paying for the impact costs new and future residents have on our infrastructure. Hopefully, I have some provided some information that helps ease some of these concerns. As always, I invite you to attend our Planning Commission and City Council meetings, held both in-person and virtually, to stay informed with what is happening in our City.

NEW CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT TOOL

On a different note, West Point City is now utilizing the Poly Platform, a resident engagement tool to enhance your voice via polls and surveys! The Poly Platform app will keep you up to date with a robust dashboard of city events and activities. We will also use the app to keep you informed about announcements through notifications and alerts. Employing the Poly Platform app aligns with our goals to improve West Point's civic engagement and increase access to city information for residents. Our aim is for this app to be a one-stop-shop for all things West Point City. There are many more features on this app, such as the ability to access Xpress Bill Pay, so be sure to download the app on September 1st!

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

- Mayor Erik Craythorne

YOUTH COUNCIL

Congratulations to the
2021-2022 Youth Council!

2021-2022 Youth Council Officers

Mayor - Emily McCarrey
Mayor Pro-Tem - Jacob Orton
City Manager - Angelina Orton
City Recorder - Lydia Merrill
City Treasure - Brooklyn Hamblin
City Historian - Matt Bodiker

2021-2022 Youth Council Advisors

Youth Council Advisor - Brenda Pehrson

2021-2022 Youth Council Service Members

Lexi Alberts, Rylee Baptist, Lucia Dorman, Emma Griffin,
Emma Hamblin, Lillia Hamblin, Matthew McCarrey,
Cooper Merrill, Blake Miles, Carson Miles, Sydnee
Oliver, Isaac Pehrson, Madi Pehrson, Brinlee Price,
Karlee Price, Sariah Richins, Jaren Smith, Shailynn
Spangler, Corban Tobler, Dallan Tobler, Kendall Visser,
Lola Ward, Tommy Wolford



These students were sworn-in by
Mayor Pro Tem Gary Petersen at the City Council
meeting held on August 3rd.

If your student missed the deadline and is still
interested in joining the West Point Youth Council,
please submit an application found at
[www.westpointcity.org/community-affairs-events/
pages/youth-council](http://www.westpointcity.org/community-affairs-events/pages/youth-council).

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!

This month's lunch will be held on:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH
@ 11:30 AM

The menu for the Senior Lunch will be:

**COLD CUT SANDWICHES,
FRUIT, PASTA SALAD &
COOKIES FOR DESSERT**

YOU MUST RSVP TO RESERVE A SPOT

**PLEASE CALL CITY HALL BY
SEPTEMBER 8TH AT (801)776-0970 TO RSVP.**

To view the 2021 Senior Lunch
Calendar, visit the City Website under the
Community Affairs Page.

**If you are interested in volunteering for
the Senior Lunch Program, please contact
Shelby Sargent at (801)776-0970 or
ssargent@westpointcity.org**

SEPTEMBER

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			1 SECONDARY WATER SYSTEM SHUT OFF DATE	2	3	4
5	6 LABOR DAY	7 CITY COUNCIL AT 6 PM	8	9 PLANNING COMMISSION AT 6 PM	10	11
12	13 SENIOR LUNCH FLU SHOT CLINIC	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 CITY COUNCIL AT 6 PM	22	23 PLANNING COMMISSION AT 6 PM	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Are you 55+? The Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) has volunteer opportunities for you.

RSVP is one of the largest volunteer networks in the nation for people 55 and over. Locally, it is sponsored by the Davis County Health Department-Senior Services Division and has over 300 volunteers.

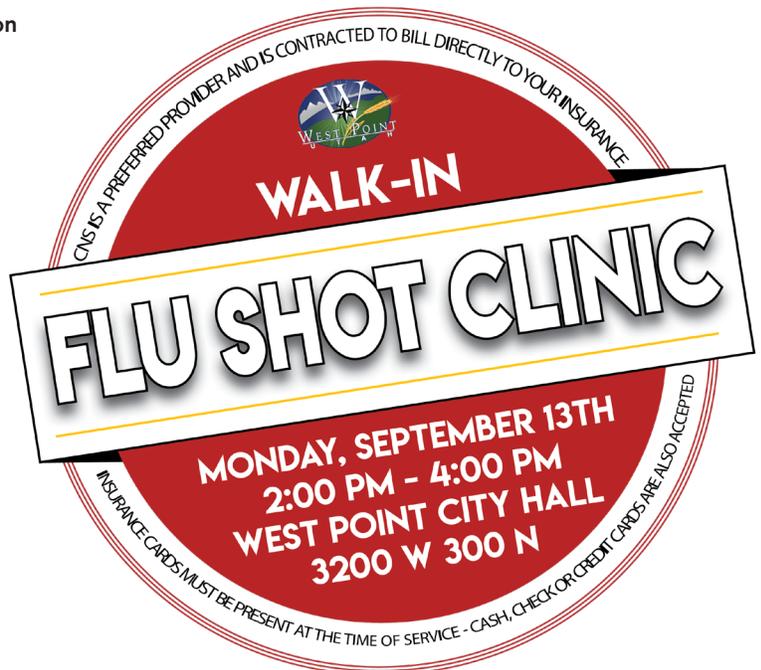
Volunteering is a great way to stay active, meet new friends, and make a positive impact by helping those around you. You can use the skills and talents you've learned over the years, or develop new ones while serving in a variety of volunteer activities.

Opportunities include:

- Animal Shelter • Antelope Island • Museums
- Food Pantries
- Eccles Wildlife Center • Safe harbor
- Meals on Wheels • Tutoring in Elementary Schools • Long Term Care Advocates
- Making Scarves/Hats for Military • Making Baby Blankets • Virtual Senior Activity Center Instructor

For more information contact

Jennifer Chaffee
(801)525-5052
Email: jchaffee@co.davis.ut.us
co.davis.ut.us



ANNUAL FALL CLEAN-UP

October 22nd - 23rd

West Point will be providing dumpsters for our Annual Fall Clean Up at the following Parks:

Loy Blake Park: 2 dumpsters

Bingham Park: 1 dumpster

East Park: 1 dumpster

If the dumpsters are full, please try a different location.

DO NOT PILE GARBAGE OUTSIDE OF THE DUMPSTER.

No hazardous materials, concrete, tires, etc. Contact City Hall with questions (801)776-0970.

A CALL FOR HELP

Bring the family for fun, games and food while supporting our Veterans with a fundraiser for **A Call For Help**, a non-profit foundation supporting Veterans and others to find help and resources for mental health.

This event is to remember the 22 Veterans that commit suicide every day to escape their demons.

Join us at Loy Blake Park on October 29, 2021. We will kick off with a 2.2 mile walk starting at the Park and going down 300 N before circling back. There will be food, bouncy houses, horseshoe tournament, corn hole tournament, booths, a silent auction and more!

For more information, please contact Tara Evans at tearbear1027@gmail.com

NORTH DAVIS FIRE DISTRICT FIRE PREVENTION NIGHT

Come meet Firefighters and Police Officers along side their K9's and learn about fire prevention!

Sunset City - October 4, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Clearfield - October 6, 2021 at 6:00 PM

West Point - October 8, 2021 at 6:00 PM

PLEASE CHECK THE NDFD FACEBOOK OR WEBSITE FOR CHANCES OF CANCELLATION

GARBAGE INFORMATION

As a reminder, garbage services will be one day late on the weeks the following holidays fall before your regular pick-up date:

New Years - Memorial Day - Labor Day - Thanksgiving and Christmas

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

Don't forget about our annual Halloween carnival sponsored by our Miss West Point Pageant! The Royalty is well underway with the planning of the carnival, so stay tuned for more information to come!

CODE ENFORCEMENT CORNER

GETTING READY FOR WINTER

Early fall is a busy time for all of us; gardens need to be put away for winter, sprinklers need to be drained and repaired, fall fertilizer needs to be applied, lawn toys put away, and the list goes on and on.

I want to remind the residents of West Point City to add to your to-do list by taking a look at your trees, especially those growing in park strips, and cut them back so that vehicles can pass and pedestrians can walk on the sidewalks. This is especially important for those of you who live on the streets that children use to walk to/from school. If a tree creates a line of sight issue, it is very dangerous for young children who might not be paying attention.

Weeds can also become a problem for our school kids. Goat heads puncture tires of bikes and stick to their soles as they ride or walk on the sidewalks, and overgrown weeds can block the sidewalks and cause them to walk in the street. Please look at your property and keep it well-kept and trimmed so that there is safe passage for all of those using the sidewalk and streets.

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

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.



THE NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE TO COMMEMORATE THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11TH

NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE SEPTEMBER 11TH

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SERVICE PROJECT
BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!!!

LOY BLAKE PARK
9 AM - 12 PM
550 N 3500 W
WEST POINT, UT

JOIN US TO HELP WITH THE LAYING & SPREADING OF NEW BARK AT THE PLAYGROUND!

BRING YOUR WHEELBARROWS, SHOVELS & RAKES IF YOU'VE GOT 'EM!

VISIT SERVE911.ORG FOR MORE INFO AND OTHER WAYS TO PARTICIPATE!

9/9: FOOD DRIVE

Give to our local food banks! It's as easy as putting some non perishable food out on your porch. All food will be picked up by volunteers on the evening of Sept 9 between 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm. Please place your food in a grocery sack and have it on your porch by 5:00 pm. The food collected will go to Catholic Community Services. Watch for flyers to arrive on your porch one week before the event.



9/11: LOCAL SERVICE PROJECT

9 AM - 12 PM

Loy Blake Park Playground - 550 N 3500 W, West Point UT 84015
Objective: Spread new wood chips throughout the playground to provide a soft surface for the kids to play
What to bring: Shovels, rakes, buckets and wheelbarrows

9/11: 5K RUN/ 2 MILE WALK FUNDASIER

Emma Russel Park - 4300 W. 5700 S. Roy, UT 84067
7:00 am - \$20 per person (T-shirt included)

Register at serve911.org

All proceeds go to Fire & Police Departments in Clinton, Roy & West Point

9/23: BLOOD DRIVE

2 pm - 8 pm

550 N 2300 W, West Point UT 84015

Sign up at RedCrossBlood.org

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND OTHER PROJECTS PLEASE VISIT SERVE911.ORG

WEST POINT MILITARY MEMORIAL

LOY BLAKE PARK - 3500 W 550 N

COMMITTEE CHAIR: MARV DRAKE - 801-825-5321

The first colonial blood spilled at the start of what would become the war for independence was what is generally referred to as the Boston Massacre on March 5th, 1770. Eight British soldiers were being harassed by a mob of colonists when one fired at the mob and was rapidly followed by all the soldiers. Three colonists were killed outright and eight wounded, two later dying of their wounds. Many odds and ends skirmishes culminated in the battle of Lexington and Concord (the famous "The Shot Heard Round the World.") War was formalized with the Declaration of Independence and continued until the surrender of General Cornwallis and the British troops at Yorktown in October 1781. Preliminaries for peace were signed in Paris in January, 1783 and in February, 1783 King George III issued the Proclamation of Cessation of Hostilities. In April of 1783 Congress ratified peace with Great Britain, and on September 3, 1783, the Second Treaty of Paris formally ended the American War for Independence. Great Britain followed by formally acknowledging the independent United States of America. The next obvious move would be the formalization of a nation.

The 2nd Continental Congress, which had written the Declaration of Independence and had been the de facto colonial ruling body during the war, now turned to building a foundation upon which the new nation could grow. It took a while, but on May 25, 1787 a Constitution Convention was convened in Philadelphia to complete the process. Neither time nor space permit here a full discussion of the conversations, debates, and arguments which ensued. Principally, contention centered around States' rights versus federal rights, but after many concessions and compromises the Constitution was approved with the last signature being inked on the 17th of September 1787. Ratification by the States was required and during the ratification process, thirteen amendments were proposed. Ten of those were centered on personal freedoms and were accepted, becoming what we now call the "Bill of Rights."

It is interesting to note that no formal state or federal recognition of the date of the signing existed until 1911 when schools in Iowa observed a Constitution Day. In 1917 the Sons of the American Revolution formed a committee to promote Constitution Day. In 1939, in conjunction with the New York World's Fair, a "I Am an American Day" was designated. In 1940, Congress designated the third Sunday in May as I Am an American Day then, in 1944 again changed the date to September 17th and re-designated it "Citizenship Day." In 1953 Congress passed a resolution designating the week of 17-23 September as Constitution Week which President Eisenhower then signed into law.

On September 2017 President Trump re-affirmed the date but called it Constitution Day and Citizenship Day, which is the way it shows on calendars I have seen which have anything at all on that date. Most, unfortunately, have nothing.

DON'T FORGET OUR VETERANS' DAY COMMEMORATION ON NOVEMBER 11TH AT 10:45 AM.

PROGRAM WILL BEGIN WITH AN INVOCATION AND THE RAISING OF THE COLORS, FOLLOWED BY THE SINGING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.

THE TRADITIONAL TWO MINUTES OF SILENCE WILL BEGIN AT 11:00 AM.

THE GOAL IN HOLDING THIS COMMEMORATION IS TO HELP KEEP ALIVE THE EVENT WHICH ENDED THE SHOOTING IN A WAR WHICH WAS TO HAVE ENDED ALL WARS.

WITH YOU, WE HONOR ALL VETERANS, BOTH THE LIVING AND THE DEAD WHO SERVED IN ALL THE WARS, BUT STILL HOPE TO RECOGNIZE THE ORIGINAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TIME AND DAY THE SIGNING OF THE ARMISTICE TOOK PLACE:

THE ELEVENTH HOUR OF THE ELEVENTH DAY OF THE ELEVENTH MONTH.

COMPLETE CEMETERY CLEANING
 THURSDAY
OCTOBER 7
 ALL ITEMS MUST BE REMOVED BY OCTOBER 6TH
 REMAINING ITEMS WILL BE DISCARDED.
 ITEMS MAY BE REPLACED STARTING OCTOBER 8TH

Stay Informed Using Poly!

Poly is a new mobile app designed for West Point City residents to stay in touch. Available for download starting September 1.

Scan Below for App Download!

SCAN ME

WEST POINT RECREATION

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

VOLLEYBALL
REGISTRATION:
 July 30th-August 22nd
SEASON:
 September 7th - October 21st
COST:
 \$40
GRADES:
 3rd-9th

JR. JAZZ
REGISTRATION:
 September 27th- October 31st
SEASON:
 Nov 28th- March 19th
GRADES & COST:
 1st-4th boys - \$50
 5th-8th boys - \$60
 1st-8th girls - \$50