



WEST VALLEY CITY

City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2026

THE WEST VALLEY CITY COUNCIL MET IN ELECTRONIC REGULAR SESSION ON TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026 AT 6:30 P.M. AT WEST VALLEY CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 3600 CONSTITUTION BOULEVARD, WEST VALLEY CITY, UTAH.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AND CONDUCTED BY MAYOR LANG.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

Karen Lang, Mayor
Lars Nordfelt, Councilmember At-Large
Don Christensen, Councilmember At-Large
Tom Huynh, Councilmember District 1
Scott Harmon, Councilmember District 2
William Whetstone, Councilmember District 3
Cindy Wood, Councilmember District 4

STAFF PRESENT:

Ifo Pili, City Manager
Nichole Camac, City Recorder
John Flores, Assistant City Manager
Eric Bunderson, City Attorney
Colleen Jacobs, Police Chief
John Evans, Fire Chief
Jim Welch, Finance Director
Steve Pastorik, CED Director
Dan Johnson, Public Works Director
Jamie Young, Parks and Recreation Director
Jonathan Springmeyer, RDA Director
Sam Johnson, Strategic Communications Director
Craig Thomas, Community and Culture Director
Paula Melgar, HR Director (*electronically*)
Tumi Young, Chief Code Enforcement Officer
Travis Crosby, IT

OPENING CEREMONY- COUNCILMEMBER TOM HUYNH

Councilmember Tom Huynh asked members of the Council, staff, and audience to rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD MARCH 24, 2026

The Council considered the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 24, 2026. There were no changes, corrections or deletions.

Councilmember Nordfelt moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 24, 2026. Councilmember Christensen seconded the motion.

A voice vote was taken and all members voted in favor of the motion.

AWARDS, CEREMONIES, AND PROCLAMATIONS

A. A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2026 AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Councilmember Wood read a Proclamation Recognizing the Month of April 2026 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

B. A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE 24TH DAY OF APRIL, 2026 AS ARBOR DAY IN WEST VALLEY

Councilmember Nordfelt read a Proclamation declaring the 24th Day of April, 2026 as Arbor Day in West Valley.

C. LEADERSHIP ACADEMY RECOGNITIONS

Craig Thomas, Community and Culture Director, introduced graduates from the first Neighborhood Leadership Academy and noted their individual projects.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Calvin Fors, a representative of Carpenters Union Local 801 and a longtime West Valley City resident, expressed appreciation for the recent town hall meeting. He spoke to concerns about tax fraud in the construction industry, including worker misclassification and cash payments, noting that these practices are widespread both locally and nationally and result in significant lost tax revenue. He emphasized that this loss of revenue impacts funding for essential public services such as infrastructure, veterans programs, and homelessness support. He referenced the union's "Tax Fraud Days of Action" as an effort to raise awareness and stated that construction work should provide honest wages while

contributing to the community. He encouraged the City to explore ways to address the issue and highlighted House Bill 396 as a tool to help ensure proper payroll practices, workers' compensation coverage, unemployment insurance, and tax compliance.

Lori Cox of the Family Support Center expressed appreciation to the Council for recognizing child abuse prevention. She shared that the Family Support Center operates a crisis nursery in West Valley City and emphasized the importance of continued awareness and action. Joined by a representative from Prevent Child Abuse Utah, she highlighted that Salt Lake City ranks high in rates of child abuse and stressed the need to change that trajectory. She indicated that her organization will be increasing outreach efforts over the coming year and called on municipalities to partner through funding, advocacy, proclamations, and community engagement to support prevention programs and improve outcomes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. **ACCEPT PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING RE-OPENING THE FY 2025-2026 BUDGET**

Mayor Lang informed a public hearing had been advertised for the Regular Council Meeting scheduled April 14, 2026 in order for the City Council to hear and consider public comments regarding Re-Opening the FY 2025-2026 Budget

Written documentation previously provided to the City Council included information as follows:

State Statute Title 10, Chapter 6, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended, allows the City of West Valley to amend its budget during the year. The West Valley City holds public hearings on budget amendments on a quarterly basis each fiscal year.

Mayor Lang opened the Public Hearing.

Jim Vesock commended the Finance Department for their efforts.

Mayor Lang closed the Public Hearing.

ACTION: ORDINANCE 26-11, AMEND THE BUDGET OF WEST VALLEY CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2026 TO REFLECT CHANGES IN THE BUDGET FROM INCREASED REVENUES AND AUTHORIZE THE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS

The City Council previously held a public hearing regarding proposed Ordinance 26-

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11 that would amend the Budget of West Valley City for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026 to Reflect Changes in the Budget from Increased Revenues and Authorize the Disbursement of Funds.

Upon inquiry by Mayor Lang there were no further questions from members of the City Council, and she called for a motion.

Councilmember Harmon moved to approve Ordinance 26-11.

Councilmember Christensen seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

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| Councilmember Wood | Yes |
| Councilmember Whetstone | Yes |
| Councilmember Harmon | Yes |
| Councilmember Huynh | Yes |
| Councilmember Christensen | Yes |
| Councilmember Nordfelt | Yes |
| Mayor Lang | Yes |

Unanimous.

ORDINANCE 26-12: AMEND SECTION 17-1-107 OF THE WEST VALLEY CITY MUNICIPAL CODE TO UPDATE REQUIREMENTS TO SERVE ON THE LICENSE HEARING BOARD

Mayor Lang presented proposed Ordinance 26-12 that would amend Section 17-1-107 of the West Valley City Municipal Code to Update Requirements to Serve on the License Hearing Board.

Written documentation previously provided to the City Council included information as follows:

Appeals of business license denials or revocations are heard by the License Hearing Board established in Section 17-1-107. The LHB is a three person panel. Of the three, two must be residents, one must be a City employee, and one must own a substantial business interest in the City (an individual may meet multiple criteria).

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Recently, the City employee serving on the board retired. While the other two board members remain, the member representing a business interest is now retired as well. Both are City residents. The LHB meets infrequently but serves an important role in offering due process to City business license holders and applicants.

The proposed change would retain the requirement that two of the three members be City residents but remove the employee and business interest requirements. This allows the third member of the board to be a nonresident with a business interest, a resident, or any other individual who the City Manager and City Council deem to be qualified. This also removes the possibility that a City employee may have a conflict due to prior involvement with the application or business in question.

Upon inquiry by Mayor Lang there were no further questions from members of the City Council, and she called for a motion.

Councilmember Christensen moved to approve Ordinance 26-12.

Councilmember Wood seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

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| Councilmember Wood | Yes |
| Councilmember Whetstone | Yes |
| Councilmember Harmon | Yes |
| Councilmember Huynh | Yes |
| Councilmember Christensen | Yes |
| Councilmember Nordfelt | Yes |
| Mayor Lang | Yes |

Unanimous.

RESOLUTION 26-33: APPROVE A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT BETWEEN VAIX INC. AND WEST VALLEY CITY FOR A TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK IN THE CITY

Mayor Lang presented proposed resolution 26-33 that would approve a Franchise Agreement Between Vaix Inc. and West Valley City for a Telecommunications Network in the City.

Written documentation previously provided to the City Council included information as follows:

Applications for telecommunications networks in West Valley City are governed by Chapter 20-5 of the City Code. The franchise granted by this Agreement is for a 10 year period, with the option to renew for an additional 10 years with the same terms and conditions. Chapter 20-6 of the City Code permits the City to require all telecommunications providers to collect taxes from their customers and deposit them with the Utah State Tax Commission. This agreement memorializes this provision as well as acknowledging Senawave’s duty to secure permits from Public Works for any excavation or construction.

Upon inquiry by Mayor Lang there were no further questions from members of the City Council, and she called for a motion.

Councilmember Huynh moved to approve Resolution 26-33.

Councilmember Harmon seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

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| Councilmember Wood | Yes |
| Councilmember Whetstone | Yes |
| Councilmember Harmon | Yes |
| Councilmember Huynh | Yes |
| Councilmember Christensen | Yes |
| Councilmember Nordfelt | Yes |
| Mayor Lang | Yes |

Unanimous.

RESOLUTION 26-34: AWARD A CONTRACT TO ACE DISPOSAL, INC. FOR RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES

Mayor Lang presented proposed resolution 26-34 that would award a Contract to ACE Disposal, Inc. for Residential Solid Waste Collection Services.

Written documentation previously provided to the City Council included information as follows:

The City’s current solid waste/recycling collection and disposal service agreement with Ace Recycling and Disposal expires in June 2026. The Public Works

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Department issued a request for proposals for the next service agreement. Two responsive proposals were received: Ace Recycling and Disposal, and Waste Management of Utah. Ace was selected to provide services for the next contract beginning in July. The new agreement has a term of six years, with two optional two-year extensions.

Ace's proposal included a cost-sharing arrangement on recyclable material processing costs to address market fluctuations. Ace also proposed a price escalation method that adjusts contract unit prices according to the BLS Water, Sewer and Trash Collection Services Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) and a cost escalation for solid waste disposal of \$0.50 per ton per year, (approximately 1.5% per year).

The primary services include weekly garbage collection and disposal, bi-weekly curbside recycle collection, bulky waste pickup, and the neighborhood cleanup program. Supplemental services include glass recycling drop-off locations, community service project dumpsters, Christmas tree disposal and City facility and park garbage collection.

Upon inquiry by Mayor Lang there were no further questions from members of the City Council, and she called for a motion.

Councilmember Whetstone moved to approve Resolution 26-34.

Councilmember Wood seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

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| Councilmember Wood | Yes |
| Councilmember Whetstone | Yes |
| Councilmember Harmon | Yes |
| Councilmember Huynh | Yes |
| Councilmember Christensen | Yes |
| Councilmember Nordfelt | Yes |
| Mayor Lang | Yes |

Unanimous.

RESOLUTION 26-35: APPROVE A REAL ESTATE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND 5700 WEST WVC OWNER, LLC

Mayor Lang presented proposed resolution 26-35 that would approve a Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement Between the City and 5700 West WVC Owner, LLC.

Written documentation previously provided to the City Council included information as follows:

West Valley City owns a parcel of land north of 2300 South west of 5700 West. 5700 West WVC Owner, LLC owns the adjacent parcel north of the West Valley City parcel along with property south of 2300 South. 5700 West WVC Owner, LLC owns a total of approximately 5.0 acres west of 5700 West, north and south of 2300 South. They will also be requesting vacation of 2300 South west of 5700 West.

The sale price of \$101,000.00 for the 7,006 square foot parcel (0.161 acre) was based upon an appraisal prepared by Integra Realty Resources.

Upon inquiry by Mayor Lang there were no further questions from members of the City Council, and she called for a motion.

Councilmember Nordfelt moved to approve Resolution 26-35.

Councilmember Harmon seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

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| Councilmember Wood | Yes |
| Councilmember Whetstone | Yes |
| Councilmember Harmon | Yes |
| Councilmember Huynh | Yes |
| Councilmember Christensen | Yes |
| Councilmember Nordfelt | Yes |
| Mayor Lang | Yes |

Unanimous.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Upon motion by Councilmember Wood all voted in favor to adjourn.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE WEST VALLEY COUNCIL, THE REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY APRIL 14, 2026 WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:02 PM BY MAYOR LANG.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true, accurate and complete record of the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of the West Valley City Council held Tuesday, April 14, 2026.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nichole Camac". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Nichole Camac, MMC
City Recorder