



Council Goals for 2009

The West Linn City Council met on March 6 – 7, 2009 to develop City Council goals for 2009. Goals should be accomplished by December 31, 2009. In some cases, goals will continue through 2010. The City Council also identified priority areas that will be addressed by staff during 2009. City staff will periodically report to the Council on the status of these goals; status updates will be made available to the public on the City's web site.

Council Goal: Community Facilities

Police Station

- Secure an option on suitable land for a police station
- Obtain a conceptual design plan and cost to build a police station on identified land
- *2010 Goal:* Refer to voters and if approved, begin building the facility

Aquatic Center

- Secure an option on suitable land for an aquatic center
- Obtain a conceptual design plan and cost to build and operate an aquatic center on identified land
- *2010 Goal:* Refer to voters and if approved, begin building the facility

Parks & Recreation Capital Plan

- Review a five-year capital plan that is consistent with the Parks Master Plan

Council Goal: Planning & Sustainability

Stafford Area

- Advocate effectively on behalf of the City of West Linn: engage the public and speak with one voice on the City's position

Comprehensive Plan & Community Development Code

- Develop staff and Planning Commission priorities for updating/improving both documents for review by the City Council
- Prioritization by City Council of Comprehensive Plan and Community Development Code improvements

Sustainability

- Consider inclusion of sustainability concepts in all City policy documents
- Direct the Sustainability Advisory Board, with assistance from the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, to recommend a community outreach plan drawing on existing community partners and resources
- Create and implement a model sustainability plan in one City department (and possible implementation in other departments)

Council Goal: Economic Development

Creation of an Economic Development Toolkit

- Support the Main Street Program
- Support the Economic Development Task Force and act on its recommendations

Council Priority: Administrative Professionalism

Finance

- Maintain City's economic viability while preserving the integrity of services
- Continue optimal performance while addressing issues as identified in audits

Utilities

- Create a financial plan for the future of the water system

Council Priority: Community Relations

Customer Service

- Provide training opportunities to staff to ensure optimal customer service
- Hire and retain talented employees who perform good work

Outreach

- City Council members to visit all Neighborhood Association and Citizen Advisory Group meetings on a rotating schedule
- City Council members to proactively write letters and commentary for the local newspaper
- City staff to contribute letters and information as needed for the local newspaper and other communications tools

Neighborhood Associations

- Adopt a clear City Council statement of the purposes and expectations of Neighborhood Associations
- Support a facilitated process for Neighborhood Associations to agree on recommended bylaws, rules, and/or guidelines consistent with the Council's purposes and expectations statement.