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# West Linn Update

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## Local elections...

There are three vacancies on the West Linn City Council: the Mayor's office and two City Councilor offices are on the November 2008 ballot. Potential candidates must complete an application before the August 26, 2008 filing deadline. Stop by City Hall at 22500 Salamo Road between 8:00 and 5:00, Monday through Friday, to pick up an application. Complete applications must be submitted before 5:00 on August 26 .

## New look...

You may have noticed that the West Linn City Bill (water, sewer, storm water, parks, and street fees) looks different now than in past months. With the implementation of the new City web site, the City has also revised other materials (including this newsletter, the budget, financial reports, and more) to promote consistency across all materials created by the City. These changes are part of the City Council's goal to enhance communications with our residents.

## Looking Forward & Looking Back

*City launches new web site & celebrates Willamette's history*

### [www.westlinnoregon.gov](http://www.westlinnoregon.gov)

It is West Linn's turn to enter the electronic age and launch a new City web site . Unlike the slow-loading, teal web page of the past, you won't find sluggish loading bars or hidden information behind labyrinths of confusing lists on the newly launched site... the new City web site has turned over a new leaf in appearance, and is easily accessible. This new user-friendly and personable website will change the way people in our community communicate with and view the City of West Linn.

Offering a more interactive experience, the new web site lets users explore the site based on topic, and lets the user learn more about current events, such as meeting agendas, special events like the Old Time Fair, and neighborhood meetings. Also, the West Linn Municipal Code, Community Development Code, Comprehensive Plan, and Design & Construction Standards are organized and linked on the site.

A special section of the site is dedicated to the parks in the area including each park's features and schedules. Users can find answers to their questions about City finances, upcoming events, elected officials, meetings, projects, and more.

The importance of images and organization of information are applied with the citizen in mind.

This improved web site's main purpose is to give people the chance to interact with the City from the comfort of their own home. The public can now access all the City's functions and events with just a click of a mouse.

Log on today and be a part of this significant step as West Linn joins the 21st century. The new web site reflects our community. Visit West Linn's new web site: [www.westlinnoregon.gov](http://www.westlinnoregon.gov)

### Willamette Centennial

The anniversary of the Willamette neighborhood marks the 100th year of this historic West Linn neighborhood! Willamette has come a long way since its inception, when it only had seventeen blocks and two-hundred city lots, so it is time to commemorate the success of the past 100 years. A myriad of activities and events will be held during this landmark 2008 summer.

As an official kick off, there will be a *Historical Picture Display* of "the olden days" of the humble beginnings from July 5th to July 30th. The display will be located at the local West Linn Library. An *Olde Time Commerce Classic Golf Tournament* will also be held on Thursday, July 17th.

The fun continues with *100 Years of Music* held in Willamette Park, on August 20th. Go to: [www.willamettecentennial.org](http://www.willamettecentennial.org) for the full list of events and as well as times and dates, and contact information. Volunteer opportunities are also available! Let's celebrate one-hundred years of Willamette together, old school style.

The articles in the August 2008 edition of the *West Linn Update* were written by Sam Hanlin, an incoming senior at West Linn High School. Miss Hanlin assisted the City with data entry and conversion from the old City web site to the new City web site.



# City of West Linn Calendar

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August						
					1	2 Ivy League
3	4 City Council	5 Taste of Tuesdays	6 Planning Commission	7 Music in the Park	8	9
10	11 City Council	12 Taste of Tuesdays	13	14 Music in the Park	15	16
17	18	19 Taste of Tuesdays	20 Planning Commission	21 Music in the Park	22	23
24/31	25	26 Taste of Tuesdays	27	28 Music in the Park	29	30

### Other City Meetings:

- Historic Resources Advisory Board - August 5, 6:00, City Hall
- Police Advisory Committee - August 11, 6:00, City Hall
- Transportation Advisory Board - August 12, 7:00, City Hall
- Southfork Water Board - August 14, 7:00, Treatment Plant
- Sustainability Advisory Board - August 19, 7:00, City Hall
- Utility Advisory Board - August 20, 7:00, City Hall
- Parks Board - August 21, 7:00, City Hall
- Library Board - August 27, 5:45, Public Library

### Neighborhood Association Meetings

- Tanner Basin - August 7, 7:00, City Hall
- Robinwood - August 12, 7:00, Emmanuel Presbyterian Church
- Willamette - August 13, 7:00, Willamette Methodist Church
- Hidden Springs - August 19, 7:00, Adult Community Center
- Marylhurst - August 26, 7:00, Adult Community Center
- Parker Crest - August 27, 7:00, City Hall
- No meetings: BHT, Bolton, Rosemont Summit, Skyline Ridge, Sunset

**SAT | ♦** **IVY LEAGUE**  
 9:00 AM  
*Mary S. Young Park*  
 Bring your own work gloves and meet at Mary S. Young Park for the monthly work party! Help rid MSY of invasive species.

**MON | 4, 11** **WEST LINN CITY COUNCIL**  
 6:00 PM  
*City Hall*  
 The City Council will hold a work session on August 4 and a regular meeting on August 11.

**TUES | ♦** **TASTE OF TUESDAYS**  
 4:00 - 8:00 PM  
*Willamette Neighborhood*  
 Enjoy a wide variety of local produce, flowers, art, children's activities, and entertainment.

**WED | 6, 20** **PLANNING COMMISSION**  
 7:00 PM  
*City Hall*  
 The Planning Commission meets on the first and third Wednesdays of every month.

**THUR | ♦** **MUSIC IN THE PARK**  
 6:30 PM  
*Tanner Creek Park*  
 Concert lineups include:

- August 7 - Metro
- August 14 - Kathy Walker
- August 21 - Schwing Daddies
- August 28 - Bob Miller's Band