



West Linn Update

NOVEMBER 2008

Shared Values...

The West Linn Library and the West Linn/Wilsonville Public Schools work together:

The library strives to meet and anticipate curriculum goals for West Linn schools. Library materials are selected in accordance with known curriculum and assignments at all grade levels.

The library offers free resources to families including children's and young adult books and audiovisual materials, story times and early literacy programs, educational programs, and access to information and homework help seven days a week, 52 weeks a year. Students have access to two computer labs and can also take advantage of WIFI access throughout the library.

The public library is a popular destination for students, particularly after school and on nights and weekends when school libraries are closed. Library tours and instruction are offered to introduce students to library resources and research.

Questions & Answers About the Proposed Library District

The November ballot includes a library district measure referred to voters by the Clackamas County Commissioners. Here are some questions and answers about the proposed district:

■ What is a library district?

A library district is a service district with funding dedicated to library operations. The library district would provide a long-term source of funds for libraries in Clackamas County, including the West Linn Library.

■ What does a library district do?

The library district proposal would provide stable and dedicated revenue for the West Linn Library. The West Linn Library receives \$500,000 in operations funding from the County. However, following the County's loss of federal timber dollars, the County will no longer provide financial support for the West Linn Library. A library district would provide dedicated funding to the West Linn Library.

■ What would the library district cost?

The proposed rate is \$0.39 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. The average assessed home value in West Linn is \$245,000. The average West Linn homeowner would pay an additional \$97.36 annually to fund the library district.



The West Linn Library provides story times, concerts, computer classes, art exhibits, databases and more - it's the cultural center of West Linn.

■ How would funds be used?

Library district funds would be used to meet the Oregon Library Association standards for open hours, staffing and library materials. This would mean more programs, services and improved collections at the library.

■ What are library district administration costs?

The district would distribute 100 percent of the revenue collected in West Linn to the West Linn Library. The County would not collect any administration fees. The West Linn Library's annual budget would be deliberated on and approved by West Linn's citizen budget committee, and the budget would be adopted by the West Linn City Council.

November in West Linn

Public Meetings:

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Agendas and minutes for City of West Linn public meetings are posted online. Please visit the City's web page: <http://westlinnoregon.gov/agendas>. Neighborhood Associations also post meeting agendas and minutes on their neighborhood pages. Please visit <http://westlinnoregon.gov/residents>.

- 4 - Election Day
- 4 - Historic Resources Board, 7:00, City Hall
- 5 - West Linn/Wilsonville School Board, 7:00, School District Offices
- **5 - Planning Commission, 7:00, City Hall**
- 6 - Tanner Basin NA, 7:00, City Hall
- **10 - City Council Meeting, 6:30, City Hall**
- 11 - Veteran's Day - City Offices & Library are closed
- 12 - Willamette NA, 7:00, Pacific West Bank Community Room
- 17 - West Linn/Wilsonville School Board, 7:00, School District Offices
- 17 - Bolton NA, 7:00, Bolton School
- 18 - Sustainability Advisory Board, 7:00, City Hall
- 18 - Hidden Springs NA, 7:00, Adult Community Center
- 19 - Utility Advisory Board, 7:00, City Hall
- **19 - Planning Commission, 7:00, City Hall**
- 19 - Rosemont Summit NA, 7:00, City Hall
- **24 - City Council Meeting, 6:30, City Hall**
- 25 - Marylhurst NA, 7:00, Adult Community Center
- 26 - Library Board, 5:45, Library
- 26 - Parker Crest NA, 7:00, City Hall
- 27 - Thanksgiving Day - City Offices & Library are closed
- 28 - Thanksgiving Holiday - City Offices & Library are closed

New Stafford/Borland Roundabout

Drivers will soon be driving a new roundabout at the intersection of Stafford Road and Borland Road. This is the County's third roundabout, but this roundabout is slightly different to drive than the other roundabouts in the County because it has more than one lane of traffic.

As drivers approach the intersection, they will need to pick between a left and right lane in order to travel left, straight or right at the intersection. Pavement striping and directional signs will help drivers navigate the roundabout. Traffic flows through the roundabout, moving counter-clockwise. Use right turns to enter and exit the roundabout. As with any intersection, a driver needs to choose their lane as they come to the intersection based on where they are planning to go – right, straight or left.

Roundabout Basics

- Always turn right into a roundabout, whether you plan to turn right, go straight, turn left or make a U-turn.
- Yield to traffic already in the roundabout.

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