

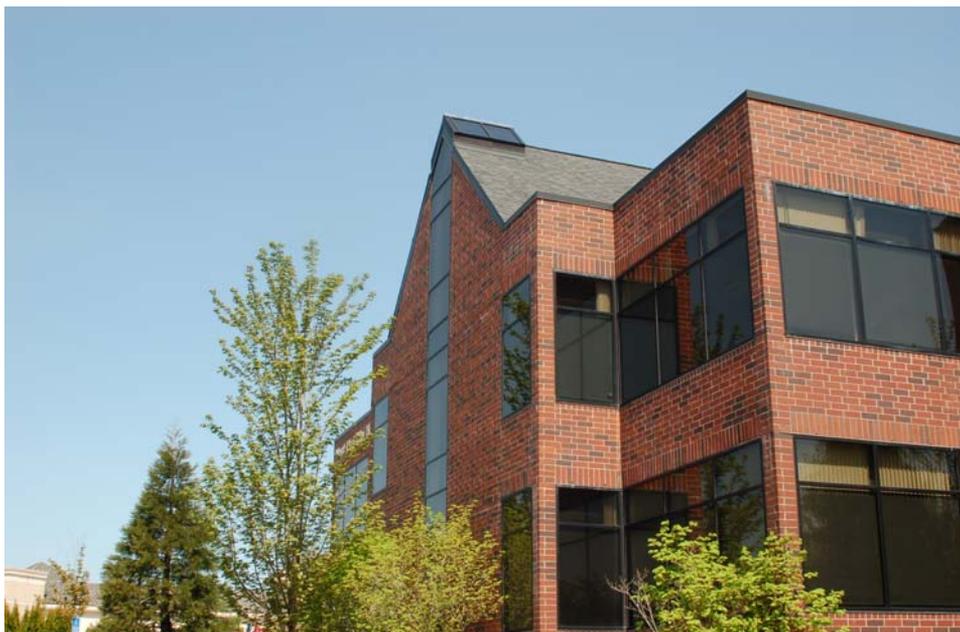


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2011 City Council Priorities

West Linn City Council

May 2011 Update



West Linn City Council

Mayor and Councilors

Mayor John Kovash

Council President Jody Carson

Councilor Teri Cummings

Councilor Mike Jones

Councilor Jenni Tan



Left to right: Jones, Cummings, Carson, Kovash, Tan

There are five members of the West Linn City Council. Each member serves four-year terms, and are elected at-large by West Linn voters. Email the entire Council at cwl_council@westlinnoregon.gov.



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Goal 1 - Public Safety Facility

- *In the next 30 days, the City Council will facilitate the formation and leadership of a political action committee (PAC) in support of a ballot measure on this topic.*
- *In the next 60 days, City staff will prepare a report to the City Council with an analysis of potential public safety facility sites.*
- *By November 2011, the City Council will be prepared to pass a ballot measure funding a public safety facility.*

May 2011 Update:

- *The City Council has been working with Bill Hill on political activities.*
- *Staff presented due-diligence information to the City Council at the April 25, 2011 executive session and per the guidance received at that session, has begun negotiations on a potential facility site.*
- *A tentative date of June 6, 2011 has been set for the first of several “community conversations” to engage the community in the due-diligence research and site selection process.*

Goal 2 - Stafford Strategy

- *The City of West Linn will continue to support the preservation of the rural nature of the Stafford area as a buffer between surrounding cities.*
 - *The City of West Linn will work on this issue with surrounding cities and regional partners.*
 - *Litigation will be successful, and the Stafford area will be designated as a rural reserve.*
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May 2011 Update:

- *Staff continues to monitor the pending legal challenge.*
- *Metro has forwarded its revised ordinance to DLCD and an August 2011 hearing is expected.*

Goal 3 - Community Vision/Comprehensive Plan

Highway 43/Willamette Falls Drive

- *City staff will develop an action plan and initiate the citizen visioning process for a targeted Comprehensive Plan change affecting Highway 43 and Willamette Falls Drive.*
 - *The City Council and staff will actively communicate this process with the community so there is understanding about the vision and involvement in the process.*
 - *The City will work with regional governments to achieve a satisfactory ownership and maintenance agreement for transportation corridors.*
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May 2011 Update:

- *Staff identified project approaches and public outreach possibilities and presented them to the Planning Commission in March 2011.*
- *The Planning Commission offered suggestions and indentified groups that should be involved with the project.*
- *On March 28, 2011, Patrick Condon made a presentation to the West Linn City Council regarding sustainable development practices*
- *Three project phases were identified:*
 - * *Phase I: development of a conceptual vision for the residential and commercial areas in the Highway 43/Willamette Falls Drive Corridor;*
 - * *Phase II: a workshop process or charrette to refine, map, and illustrate the vision and analysis of the market viability;*
 - * *Phase III: development of implementation measures.*
- *An RFP for Phase I was released on April 20, 2011 with a May 6, 2011 deadline; RFP review has commenced.*
- *An important first step will be characterization of the current reality (e.g. zoning and current code restrictions) for this corridor, so the future phases can address the items of greatest importance.*

Goal 4 - Political Advocacy & Citizen Engagement

- *2011 will yield a communications and outreach strategy that engages residents, leading to knowledge, trust and involvement by a diverse group of informed citizens.*
 - *This plan will result in a knowledgeable, trusting, and diverse representation of our citizens who are poised to become dynamic future leaders of West Linn.*
 - *Civic engagement is measured by more than attendance at public meetings and now includes technology, social media, and other opportunities that promote involvement with city affairs.*
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May 2011 Update:

- *The City Council will receive a detailed update on the Communications Plan at its May 16, 2011 work session, and will accept the Communications Plan at its May 23, 2011 meeting.*
- *Highlights from the update include:*
 - * *Development of Neighborhood Association work plan;*
 - * *Completion of CIP and biennial budget documents;*
 - * *Citizen advisor training;*
 - * *Volunteer summit and wiki outreach;*
 - * *State of the City delivery and outreach.*

Goal 5 - Water Infrastructure Maintenance

- *The Utility Advisory Board will recommend a plan to the City Council for maintaining, upgrading and sustaining the West Linn water system.*

May 2011 Update:

- *The Utility Advisory Board (UAB) has been briefed on this Council Priority and UAB meeting agendas will focus on the plan to recommend to the City Council at the end of 2011.*
- *Resources and informational support from Public Works, Engineering, Finance, and Communications will be utilized by the UAB as they work on the plan recommendation.*

Interest 1 - Recreation Center

- *A ballot measure regarding the aquatic community center will be on a future ballot pending the successful outcome of the public safety facility measure.*
 - *The City Council designates Councilors Tan and Cummings to converse with potential partners, the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board and the Aquatic Community Center Taskforce on this issue.*
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May 2011 Update:

- *The City Council formally acknowledged and accepted the Aquatic Community Center Taskforce's recommendation on April 25, 2011.*
- *Councilors Tan and Cummings continue to pursue potential public/private partnership opportunities.*
- *The Parks & Recreation Department will prepare a Request for Information (RFI).*

Interest 2 - Public Art Process

- *The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board will suggest a new process regarding public art for City Council consideration.*
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May 2011 Update:

- *The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board has been working on a policy, that will advance to the City Council for a work session discussion and meeting adoption later in 2011.*

Interest 3 - 2013 Centennial Celebration

- *City staff will assist with the long-range planning process for this event and work closely with the volunteer planning committee.*

May 2011 Update:

- *The WL 100 steering committee is meeting monthly on the first Tuesdays of each month. The committee is moving forward aggressively with organizing.*
- *Committee members have written and sent a letter to approximately 55 organizations and groups asking them to participate in monthly meetings and organizational activities.*
- *The Committee has advertised a contest for the WL 100 logo and tagline contest, which will begin the public awareness campaign.*

Interest 4 - Sustainability

- *Sustainability should be incorporated into all City processes moving forward; sustainability is integral to the West Linn culture. Sustainability is how we do business.*

May 2011 Update:

- *The Sustainability Advisory Board (SAB) commenced and completed a sustainability lecture series.*
- *On March 28, 2011, Patrick Condon made a presentation to the West Linn City Council regarding sustainable development practices*
- *In February 2011, the City Council passed Resolution No. 2011-05 to support legislation regulating the use of single-use plastic bags and non-recycled paper checkout bags at retail stores.*
- *Cooperative office supply purchasing program at City Hall is underway; a sector lighting upgrade at City Hall was completed; and City expenditures on paper/plastic products for City Hall lunchrooms has decreased.*

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