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New State Law Requires Changes in Municipal Election Dates

Under new legislation signed by the Governor last year, many California cities with low voter turnout will soon be required to change long-standing election dates to consolidate their local elections with state elections. At its study session last month, the Westlake Village City Council reviewed the new law enacted through Senate Bill 415 (SB 415).

Concerned with turnouts in the single-digits in many city elections across California, the intent of SB 415 is to boost voter turnout by requiring municipal elections to take place concurrent with statewide general elections when voter turnout tends to be higher. The new law prohibits cities from holding a local election other than on a statewide election date (i.e., June or November of even years) if holding an election on a noncurrent date has previously resulted in a "significant decrease in voter turnout." SB 415 defines a "significant decrease in voter turnout" as voter turnout that is at least twenty-five percent (25%) less than the average voter turnout in that city for the previous four (4) statewide elections. In the case of Westlake Village, its most recent municipal election turnout was 29.61% less than the average voter turnout within the City for the previous 2008, 2010, 2012, and 2014 statewide elections; therefore, this new law requires the City Council to establish a plan by January 1, 2018 to consolidate future general elections with statewide elections.

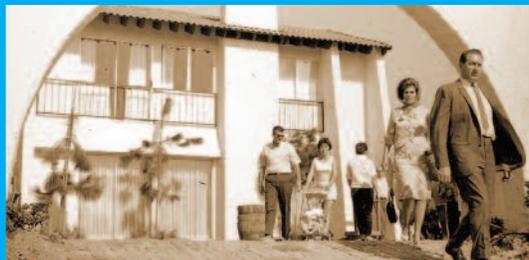
What does all this portend for Westlake Village? It essentially means that the City's traditional municipal elections held in November of odd years will need to be changed to coincide with statewide elections in even years. To accommodate this change, Westlake Village along with other cities impacted by SB 415 will be required to modify existing councilmember terms on a one-time basis to align them with the statewide election dates. To meet this requirement, SB 415 permits cities to either increase or decrease terms of office by no more than twelve (12) months depending on their election schedule.



At its study session last month, the City Council directed staff to return with a draft ordinance at its upcoming September 14 regular meeting to implement the required election date changes. If adopted, the ordinance would result in a one-time twelve (12) month increase in existing City Council terms as the November 2017 and November 2019 general municipal election dates would be changed to coincide with the November 2018 and November 2020 statewide election dates, respectively.

For further information or questions concerning SB 415 and its impacts, please contact the City Manager's office at 818-706-1613.

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CELEBRATING 35 YEARS

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Westlake Village City Hall

31200 Oak Crest Dr., Westlake Village,
CA 91361
(818) 706-1613

Westlake Village Public Library

(818) 865-9230

Time Warner Cable

2323 Teller Rd., Newbury Park, CA 91320
(888) 892-2253

AT&T

(855) 868-6514

Southern California Edison Company

3859 Foothill Dr., Thousand Oaks, CA 91360
(800) 655-4555 - office for service
(800) 611-1911 - Emergency

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

4232 Las Virgenes Rd., Calabasas, CA 91302
(818) 251-2200 - office

Southern California Gas Company

(800) 427-2200 - office for service

GI Industries/Waste Management

(818) 782-2474

Calabasas Landfill

(818) 889-1430 or 889-0363

Los Angeles County Dept. of Building & Safety

26600 Agoura Road, #110, Calabasas, CA 91302
(818) 880-4150 - office
(626) 458-4357 - Road Dept.

Las Virgenes Unified School District

4111 N. Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas, CA 91302
(818) 880-4000 - office

Los Angeles County Sheriff's

Department-Malibu/Lost Hills Station

27050 Agoura Road, Agoura, CA 91301
(818) 878-1808 - office • Emergency - 911

Los Angeles County Fire Department

Station #144 (Foxfield / Lindero Canyon Rd.)
31981 Foxfield Dr., Westlake Village, CA 91361
(818) 889-1626 - Station • Emergency - 911

Los Angeles County Health and Human Services Programs

Dial - 211

Recycling Hotline

(800) 579-4979

School is Starting - Remember to use Extra Caution out on the Road



As the beginning of another school year approaches, the City would like to remind drivers to use extra caution when out on the road, especially in the areas near Westlake Village Transit vehicles, crosswalks, and White Oak Elementary School. Access, circulation, and parking at White Oak Elementary School works well as long as everyone understands the system and complies with local traffic signs and markings. Parents with children who attend White Oak Elementary School are asked to familiarize themselves with the drop-off areas, turn restrictions, crosswalk areas, and general traffic flow prior to the start of school on August 24. Also, remember that the drop-off areas tend to be particularly busy the first week or two of school, so please try to arrive a little early (supervision for early drop-off is provided by the City and is available in the courtyard beginning at 7:45 am).

Over the years, the City Council's Public Safety Committee, City staff and school officials have met to review and update the morning drop-off procedures at White Oak Elementary School. Please take a moment to go over the traffic safety suggestions below:

- Observe the red zones and parking restriction signs. These restrictions have been established to improve visibility, reduce conflicts, and provide other safety benefits.
- Note there is a red zone on the street in front of the Faculty parking lot. This is intended to improve safety by reducing the pedestrian traffic through the parking lot. Parents walking their children to school from the east side of White Oak Elementary should use the walkway on the east side of the parking lot. This walkway goes around the parking lot, thereby providing a path that avoids conflicts with moving cars in the lot.
- The Faculty parking lot is to be used for kindergarten drop-offs only (no parking, even for a few minutes). Other students may be dropped off in the drive-through in front of the multi-purpose room or across the street from the kindergarten drop-off area.
- Try to plan your route so it is unnecessary to make left turns in the vicinity of the school zone. In addition to improving overall safety, this will reduce the delay experienced by you and other parents.
- Note that the drop-off area by the multi-purpose building is one-way so that the students can be safely dropped off directly next to the walkway. City-sponsored Traffic Aides will assist your child in/out of your vehicle during the morning and afternoon peak periods. When using the drop-off area, pull forward as far as possible to permit the most effective use of this area. This is one of the most important contributions you can make to reduce congestion and overall delay.
- There is no stopping or drop-off next to the frontage road median. Traffic arriving from the west side of White Oak Elementary may access the parking lot drop-off areas or use the curbside drop-off area across from the faculty parking lot on the south side of Village School Road.

A little pre-planning and patience can help ensure the safety of all residents during these busy morning and peak traffic times.

SUMMER'S NOT OVER YET!

Residents of all ages are invited to join in on several exciting end of summer activities in the City.



★ TGIF at the Westlake Village Civic Center

August 5 • "Sinatra Night" featuring Vaughn Suponatime Performance • 7:00 pm

★ Concert in the Park at Berniece Bennett Park

August 20 • "Platinum Groove" a dance and party music tribute band • 7:00 pm

★ Hop Aboard the "Village Trolley"

Friday and Saturday evenings • 3:00 pm – 10:00 pm through September 3.

★ Save the Date – CITY CELEBRATION IS COMING ON OCTOBER 15!!



City Recognizes the

Citizen, Youth, and Older American of the Year



Recipients of the Citizen and Youth Recognition Programs were announced at the May 25 City Council meeting. Nominees for both the Citizen and Youth of the Year awards must be residents of Westlake Village and are recognized for

making significant contributions to the City and for displaying a strong sense of volunteerism, civic pride, and commitment toward the betterment of the community.

The City Council selected Michelle Curtis-Johnstone as the 2016 Citizen of the Year and Ana Simons as the 2016 Youth of the Year. Each recipient received a commemorative plaque from the City and their names are now displayed on a perpetual plaque located in the City Hall Council Chamber. In recognition of these outstanding residents, a \$500 check was donated to the White Oak Parent Faculty Club in Ms. Curtis-Johnstone's honor and Ana is donating her \$500 scholarship to the United Cerebral Palsy organization.

Additionally, the Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults has asked cities to identify one older resident that exemplifies the spirit of volunteerism in their community. This year, the City selected Sheldon Mende to represent Westlake Village. On May 25, Sheldon joined his fellow award recipients at a luncheon at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion.

Instant Emergency Information

In addition to posting important updates on the City's website (www.wlv.org), the City uses two other communication tools to inform residents of emergency related events.

EMERGENCY ALERT TEXT MESSAGES - Sign up to receive text message alerts from the City. These messages will be used for general emergency related information such as road closures, minor flooding, and road hazards. Visit the City website, www.wlv.org and click on the "Notify Me" icon on the left side of the home page.

Connect - CTY EMERGENCY ALERTS - The City's reverse 911 call out system is used for major emergency alerts such as neighborhood evacuations, flooding incidents, earthquakes, etc. All City landlines are automatically registered in the system. Residents are encouraged to add additional phone numbers such as mobile devices and office numbers to receive important emergency related messages from the City. To register, visit the City website, www.wlv.org and click on the Emergency Notification Services icon on the home page.



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Safety**
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**SEE SOMETHING
SAY SOMETHING**

The City and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department would like to remind residents that if they see anything suspicious in their neighborhood they should immediately report it to the Lost Hills Sheriff's Station. This includes vehicles that seem out of place, overly aggressive solicitors, and anything else that seems out of the ordinary. Too often when asked why they did not call, victims of a crime often say that they "didn't want to bother the police." Remember, the Sheriff's Department is here to serve you. In addition, residents should take steps to secure their home and vehicles by ensuring all doors and windows are locked and by not leaving valuable property in plain sight. The Lost Hills Sheriff's Station can be reached in one of two ways: (1) in case of an immediate or life threatening emergency, always call 911; and (2) for non-life threatening calls, dial the station directly at 818-878-1808.

Westlake Village Transit Bus Pass Sales Have Begun

Residents will once again have the option to avoid traffic delays associated with drop-off/pick-up at White Oak Elementary, Lindero Canyon Middle, and Agoura High Schools by utilizing the Westlake Village Transit service. This City-subsidized program offers stops in all major neighborhoods and the three public schools that serve Westlake Village residents.



An annual round-trip bus pass costs \$238 and a one-way (morning or afternoon) pass is \$158. Bus passes can be purchased in one of three ways: (1) online via the City website and the pass will be mailed; (2) mail-in, forms can be downloaded from the City website (mail-in ends on August 19); or (3) in person at City Hall. Residents may also ride one-way without a bus pass for \$2.00. Additional information including bus routes, registration forms, and signing up for bus alert notifications can be found on the City website, www.wlv.org by clicking on the WV Transit Icon on the left hand side.

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Upcoming City Council Meetings:
 September 14 and 28, 2016

City Council meetings can be seen live on WVTV Channel 10 and via web streaming on www.wlv.org

City Events Calendar

Date	Event	Time
Aug 1	Senior Recreation Program: "Fall I" Session begins	9:00 am
Aug 3	Book Club in the Community Room	Noon
Aug 5	Summer Recreation Program Ends	
Aug 5	TGIF at the Civic Center "Sinatra Night"	7:00 pm
Aug 6	Fairy Tales in the Park at Foxfield Park - The Snow Queen 2: Trouble in Arendelle	11:30 am
Aug 17	Senior Concerns Lecture Series in City Council Chambers	1:30 pm
Aug 20	Saturday in the Park at Berniece Bennett Park - "Platinum Groove"	7:00 pm
Aug 24	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - LVUSD	
Sept 1	Cultural Recreation Advisory Board	7:00 pm
Sept 3	Fairy Tales in the Park at Foxfield Park - The Boy Wizard in the Land of OZ	11:30 am
Sept 5	Labor Day - City Hall and Library Closed	
Sept 7	Book Club in the Community Room	Noon
Sept 14	City Council Meeting	6:30 pm
Sept 21	Senior Concerns Lecture in City Council Chambers	1:30 pm
Sept 28	City Council Meeting	6:30 pm