



# CITY OF WESTLAKE VILLAGE

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **CITY OF WESTLAKE VILLAGE CREATING A TECHNOLOGY STRATEGIC PLAN COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ONLINE SURVEY**

The City of Westlake Village is currently undertaking the process of creating an Information Technology Strategic Plan (ITSP). Once completed, the ITSP will serve as a guide to the City Council on technology initiatives for both “internal” operations at City Hall and “external” use throughout the City by residents and businesses. The current ITSP process provides several opportunities for citizen engagement. The first was a series of focus groups for residents, businesses, and public agencies that were held in early May. The next stage of the project calls for an online public survey.

The survey, which can be found on the City’s website, [www.wlv.org](http://www.wlv.org), asks a series of questions related to technology in the community, the City’s website, communication strategies, and broadband availability. Residents of all ages, community members, and those who work in the City are encouraged to take part in the brief survey that will assist the City in the development of its technology plan.

In addition, the City will host three community workshops on June 17, 23, and 24 at 6:00 pm at Westlake Village City Hall. These “Visioning” meetings will synthesize the survey and focus group results through the findings of the City’s 2015 Strategic Plan (originally

adopted in 2006.) The first workshop will review the findings and evaluate them in light of the City's 2015 Strategic Plan's core values involving: (1) Quality Setting; (2) Engaged Lifestyle; (3) Collaborative Approach; and (4) Responsive Local Government. The subsequent two workshops will review the findings and measure them against the 2015 Strategic Goals of: (1) Sense of Community; (2) Quality Environment; (3) Open Space Preservation; (4) Community Health Initiatives; (5) Strong Economy; (6) Technology; and (7) Accessible Government. It is anticipated that these workshops will involve any and all interested residents and businesses along with others potentially identified in the earlier focus groups or appointed by the City Council.

This overall IT project was initiated by the City in an effort to identify both immediate and long term needs and strategies associated with both the use of technology and the potential enhancement of the community's technology infrastructure. All residents are encouraged to become engaged and involved in this important project. For more information please contact Kerry Kallman, Senior Administrative Analyst at 818-706-1613 or [Kerry@wlv.org](mailto:Kerry@wlv.org).