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OCTOBER 2026 WOODLAND HILLS

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT THIS HALLOWEEN NIGHT! FROM 6:00 -8:00 PM IN THE SUWH STAKE CENTER PARKING LOT AND PAVILION. FAMILIES AND KIDS ARE INVITED TO ENJOY A SAFE, COMMUNITY FRIENDLY EVENING OF TREATS AND FUN. DECORATE YOUR CAR (OR JUST COME AS YOU ARE), BRING THE LITTLE ONES IN COSTUME, SHARE SOME CANDY AND TAKE PART IN THE CITY-WIDE EVENT FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES. WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!



WOODLAND HILLS DAYS



COUNCIL'S COMMENTS

I absolutely love the month of October! It has only gotten better since we moved to Woodland Hills. Living among all the fall colors just makes my heart happy. I always tell people that there is no place quite like this community, and autumn here is absolutely idyllic.

It also means that my favorite holiday is coming, Halloween! I love to see everyone go all-out with costumes and decorations. With our Woodland Hills Days just completed, I can't wait to see this wonderful community come together again to enjoy each other's company and celebrate. I think that these events really help cement our friendships before the snow of winter rolls in and all we want to do is cuddle up in a blanket by the fire.

As I think about our little slice of heaven, I can't help but think about the state of the world we are living in. Wars across the globe, struggles between different ideologies, religious persecution, inflation, taxes, fuel prices, complaints, lies, AARGH! It is so hard to keep any perspective anymore. I have made a very successful career of finding root causes to problems and solving them. Unfortunately, we can't solve the world's problems from Woodland Hills. So I ask myself, what CAN I do? As I reflect on that question, one thing comes to mind, listen better. When I am forwarded anonymous complaints about loud semi-truck engine brakes, I automatically get defensive and angry. That is absolutely the wrong way for me to look at things, whether I am a public servant or just Joe Q. Public. I need to assume that this person didn't know that this has been discussed in council meetings and that safety is the reason we don't ban them like some other city's do. Our roads are steep and the trucks need all the braking power available to be safe for themselves and others. Sometimes our unique city must take a different approach to things to deal with our specific needs.

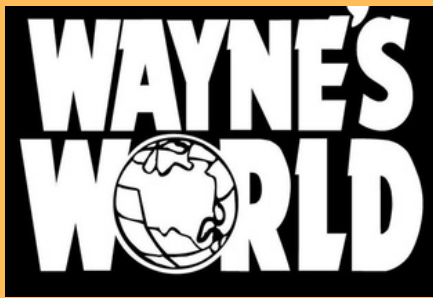
When anonymous parties complain that the residents weren't asked before we got a grant for the new pickleball court. Instead of getting defensive and upset, I need to be sympathetic to the fact that they are only seeing their own view and don't remember that we have asked and surveyed the population, and that is what they overwhelmingly asked for. They also probably don't know that the city has begun efforts to raise funds for the match to that grant with fundraisers so that it doesn't burden the city finances.

I don't get upset at the AI cartoon satire (I actually enjoy most of the depictions of me) because that is what I signed up for when I ran for office. I went off on a rant in one of our council meetings about someone complaining about pay raises, that was wrong. I want input from ALL our residents and shouldn't get upset when they anonymously attack me/us. I must understand that that is the way they communicate and I need to be more accepting of everyone's communication style. Please complain directly to me all you want, I just want to know that you are a resident and someone who I am representing. That is the only ask I have.

I look forward to seeing everyone at Trunk-or-Treat later this month.

Sincerely,
Brian Hutchings
City Council





I want to take somewhat of a different approach this month to my Wayne's World article. With a very successful Woodland Hills Days last month, I think it is worthy to recognize the efforts of all the city council, the co-chairs and many others, not only with Woodland Hills Days, but ongoing, addressing the assignments each of the council members have, exercising their legislative authority, budget matter decisions and other matters that come before them. I see much of this first hand as I have an opportunity to work with them and for them as they govern the city, together with our mayor. Their time is precious to each of them as they all have jobs or do volunteer work in various capacities. Their knowledge of city government is growing for those who have been recently elected. Both they and others who have been on the council before have much to contribute to the efficient workings of the city. We live in an ever changing environment. We often catch our own mistakes and errors as we go fourth to serve, addressing the concerns of the residents and trying to make our city the best it can possibly be. Often the residents concerns are brought forth by the various council members for discussion and resolution where possible. Is the city perfect in all that is done. No it is not, but corrections are quickly made when necessary to comply with our own or State mandates, and residents are always encouraged to bring their concerns to any of the council members for consideration. Council members will be the first ones to tell you, if you can do a better job, throw your hat into the ring and run for office. Yes, council members are subject to criticism. As they say, it goes with the job, but make it constructive and not personal. Sure, they each may have their own ideas about things, just as you do. Respect that as you would like to be respected. With open dialogue and discussion often minds and ideas can be changed. Can yours?

Wayne Frandsen, Code Enforcement Official



SAFETY TIPS FOR HALLOWEEN NIGHT

- **Add reflective gear:** put reflective tape or striping on costumes and treat bags. Have kids carry a flashlight or glow sticks.
- **Stay Supervised:** Always accompany children under 12 on their rounds. Old kids should trick-or-treat in groups.
- **Use sidewalks:** Stick to well-lit sidewalks and paths. no sidewalk, walk on the far edge facing traffic.
- **Put devices down:** Tell kids to keep their heads up, put away phones, and avoid listening to loud music.
- **Check everything at home:** Inspect all candy in a well-lit room before kids eat it.

SEPTEMBER 2026 STATS



Abandoned 911	9
Animal Complaint	5
Agent Assist	2
Citizen contact	1
Domestic Violence	1
Explosive	1
Fire Assist	6
Fraud/hazard	2
Medical	2
Property damage	1
Weapon Offense	1
Total	31



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