



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER JOHN L. BREWER, AICP
DATE: DECEMBER 13, 2012

FURLOUGH DAYS:

December:

Friday, December 14th
Friday, December 28th

HOLIDAYS:

December 24th & 25th (Monday & Tuesday) – Christmas Eve & Christmas Day
January 1st (Tuesday) – New Year's Day

CITY MANAGER'S NOTES:

Sales Tax Recovery:

We received an email message from the Board of Equalization stating that we should expect to see the "Flying J" Sales Tax reimbursement in our December sales tax warrant from the state. I've asked them to provide us a final amount. I'll update when that information is provided or, better yet, when the warrant arrives.

Meeting with Umpqua Bank Staff:

Roy Seiler and I met with representatives of Umpqua Bank and Jeff Land of Brandis Tallman to discuss the City's financial position and the specifics of a loan agreement for the refinancing of the PERS Side fund. The meeting went very well. We responded to their questions and they responded to ours.

Garbage Collection Rate Increase Public Meeting:

As reported in the November 1st Friday Notes, Waste Management/Corning Disposal, is seeking a 1.96% increase in the refuse collection rates. That includes the annual Consumer Price Index increase for the 12 month period ending on September 30th (1.47%) and the fuel index increase (0.49%) for the same period. The proposed increases would mean an additional 41 cents a month for typical residential customers and 21 cents a month for seniors. We've scheduled the hearing for the Tuesday, January 8th City Council meeting and sent out the notices of the proposed hearing on November 20, 2012.

Woodwaste Facility:

I've received a few emails and phone calls from an investigator at The State Brownfields and Environmental Restoration Program of the Department of Toxic Substances Control regarding the former Burn-dump site at Carona and Rawson Rd. He is interested in doing some site testing and evaluation for contamination. He said there may be funding provided by another state agency. I expect to have a conference call with him and others regarding that matter sometime next week.

TRAX 13th Annual Corning Christmas Lights Tour:

Friday, December 21, 2012 is the 13th Annual TRAX (Tehama County Rural Express) **Free** Corning Christmas Lights bus tour. They will depart from the Corning Transportation Center at 6:30 p.m. Seating is limited therefore those wishing to reserve a seat should call the TRAX office (385-2877) before Wednesday, December 19th.

2013 Center for Economic Development (CED) Economic Forecast Conference:

Please see the attached information regarding the upcoming 2013 Economic Forecast Conference to be held in Oroville at the Gold Country Event Center on January 17th (8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.). Council members interested in attending please contact Lisa at 824-7033 by December 7th.

CITY CLERK:

League of CA Cities New Mayors & Council Members Academy:

The League of CA Cities New Mayors and Council Members Academy will be held in Sacramento beginning January 15th through January 18th. Council members interested in attending should contact either John or Lisa (824-7033) by December 7th.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Rodger's Theater Bid:

As you know, we re-advertised Phase 2 of the Theater Project to comply with the Public Contract Code. We received no responsive proposals. We can now complete the project via negotiated contract with the contractor of our choice.

Assistant Public Works Director Position:

We conducted interviews and a written test for three candidates on Monday. We have offered the job to one of the candidates, conditioned upon a positive physical exam and successful background check. We expect the new employee will start work for us on December 31, 2012.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 204 calls for service, a total of 27 officer reports were taken and there were 71 officer-initiated incidents. Officers made 9 misdemeanor and 3 felony arrests, 47 traffic stops and issued 17 citations of which 12 were misdemeanors, 5 infractions during the period of December 5 – December 12, 2012.