



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER JOHN L. BREWER, AICP
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CITY MANAGER'S NOTES:

Rodger's Theater Phase 2:

Lance and Rick Jones are making real progress at the Theater. New concrete floors have been placed in the two restrooms and walls have been framed. Rick brought in some color samples for the restroom partitions. Lance brought in some floor tile samples for our consideration. We'll ask the Community Foundation Directors to weigh in on the colors & tile.

Wood Waste Facility:

Patrick Walker and I participated in a conference call with representatives of the State Division of Toxics, Cal-Recycle and the Tehama County Environmental Health Department regarding the upcoming site investigation and possible subsequent plan for clean-up. We talked about scheduling and potential funding sources for remediation. Two funding programs were mentioned; one a 50/50 cost share with the State, and a second where the State essentially pays for remediation. We made it clear that we preferred the second funding option. The participants understand our position.

Meeting regarding feral cats:

Police Chief Don Atkins and I met with Colleen Johnston Adorno on Monday here at City Hall. Ms. Johnston Adorno had previously sent a letter regarding feral cats in our City. In her letter she sought permission to advertise for volunteers to assist her with catching the stray animals and transporting to have them neutered. Once neutered, she would simply release the animals. She also inquired about seeking public donations at the counters of local merchants. We told her we wanted to do some checking to make sure that proposed solicitation and the "trap, neuter, release" plan was legal. We'll check with the City Attorney and report back to her. At that point, we'll ask her to prepare a narrative that better describes her intended use so that we can weigh in on it from a Zoning/Land Use perspective.

Following that, she may wish to appear before the City Council to introduce herself and her program.

Phase 1 of the Park Project:

We're still sorting out the details of the Bids submitted for the Park Project. The lowest proposals will facilitate most of the options and alternatives that were included in the multi-faceted Plans and Specifications. We expect to present a recommendation for bid award at the next City Council Meeting.

City Audit & Mid-Year Budget Review:

We expect Don Reynolds to present the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Audit at the February 26, 2013 meeting. We'll be presenting the Mid-Year Budget report at the same meeting.

CITY CLERK/COUNCIL:

Corning Exchange Club Annual Police and Fire Recognition Dinner:

The Corning Exchange Club will be holding their Annual Police and Fire Recognition Dinner on Saturday, February 23rd at the Corning Veteran's Memorial Hall with the dinner beginning promptly at 6:30 p.m. An invitation has been extended to the Mayor and Council. A silent auction and raffle will be held and prime rib with all of the trimmings will be served at a cost of \$15 per person.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Rodgers Movie Theater:

Lance Jones Construction has completed the plumbing and poured the concrete in the women's bathroom. Fire protection sprinklers are now being installed in the men's bathroom prior to the drywall installation.

Public Works Crew members have been working on sidewalks on 2nd Street. There were areas where roots had lifted the sidewalk almost 2" making the sidewalk a major trip hazard. The area has been dug down, an additional 6" of new base was installed and concrete is to be poured on Thursday morning.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 164 calls for service, a total of 40 officer reports were taken and there were 91 officer-initiated incidents. Officers made 15 misdemeanor and 7 felony arrests, 45 traffic stops and issued 19 citations of which 15 were misdemeanors, 4 were infractions, during the period of February 6 – February 14, 2013.