



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: STEPHEN J. KIMBROUGH, CITY MANAGER
DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2012

FURLOUGH DAYS:

February:

Friday, February 24th

March

Friday, March 9th

Friday, March 23rd

Holidays:

Monday, February 20th

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Lifeguards:

The application closing date for returning lifeguards was Friday, February 17th. Six of the ten lifeguards have turned in their applications. We are actively seeking 4 new lifeguards to fill the positions of those not planning on returning. The temporary part-time employment opportunity will be advertised in the Corning Observer and can be found on the City website. The closing date for applications is March 16, 2012.

Temporary PGE Outage:

PG & E is planning to replace a power pole in the area of Fripp and Divisidero Avenues on Monday, February 27th. To do that they'll need to shut off the power to area residents between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The Fripp Well is included in that area.

Solano/Marguerite Pavement:

The crew was removing the pavement "hump" in the intersection, and replacing it with new asphalt on Wednesday.

Safe Routes to School:

John has been working with Ed Anderson to better identify this year's Safe Routes to School application. Ed suggested that we reduce our project to increase our funding chances. Therefore, we have prepared a plan that would install curb, gutter and sidewalk and widen the street on that portion of Fig Lane between Marguerite Avenue and the Centennial High School. We'll ultimately present that proposal for Council's consideration and approval prior to submitting the application.

Fourth Street Curb Mitigation:

John picked up the "wrought iron" railing and posts that we ordered for the west side of Fourth Street, between Solano Street and the alley. The crew is scheduled to install it next week. The purpose is to reduce the hazard posed by the "double" curb that adjoins the sidewalk there.

Potential Solar Lease:

Two separate companies are investigating the potential of a Solar Power Purchase Agreement with the City for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. We expect one of those companies to present a draft proposal within the next couple of weeks.

A Power Purchase Agreement is a contract that would commit the City to purchasing power from a company that would install a large solar array system at the WWTP. The previous agreement we've seen has envisioned a commitment of up to 30 years. Over that term, significant energy cost savings can result.

Last week yet another company (Ecoplexus) expressed interest in leasing vacant airport property with the intent of erecting solar panels and selling the power produced to PG & E. This is an interesting alternative to a Solar Power Purchase Agreement that we'll evaluate. We mentioned that there might be vacant property at the WWTP that could be utilized as well. We've tentatively scheduled to meet with their representatives in mid-March.