



# City of Corning

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## THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

**TO:** MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
**FROM:** STEPHEN J. KIMBROUGH, CITY MANAGER  
**DATE:** FEBRUARY 9, 2012

*Steve*

### FURLOUGH DAYS:

#### February:

Friday, February 10th  
Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>

#### March

Friday, March 9th  
Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### Holidays:

Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>

### SCHEDULES:

**Lisa:** Lisa will be out of the office on Thursday and Friday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

#### Clark Park Well:

The well is nearly complete. John, Terry Hoofard and Patrick Walker inspected the well house and site on Wednesday. We prepared a "punchlist" of items that needed completed prior to our signoff on the project. Of course the big ticket item is the emergency generator that won't be delivered until March. Kendel Trent plans to have a well start up for us to attend early next week. We've tentatively scheduled it for Tuesday morning with Ed Anderson and Win Benbow attending as well.

#### Senior Citizens Hall Dishwasher:

We received a letter from Linda Lima of the Corning Senior Citizens Group advising of an issue with the deficient water temperature of the dishwasher. According to Linda, the water being provided to the machine was incapable of properly sanitizing the dishes. The dishwasher is quite old and replacement parts are difficult to find.

We looked in to replacing the entire dishwasher. That would have cost about \$5,000. Due to that cost, we started checking to see if there were used dishwashers available. We weren't having much success.

Patrick Walker spoke with the person who installed the dishwasher many years ago. He suggested we might simply replace a small booster water heating unit that is a component of the dishwasher. That device further heats the hot water to achieve the required sanitizing temperature. Patrick was able to find an exact model match for just over \$1,250. That price included shipping. He checked on some other suppliers and found that to be the best price. The City Manager OK'd the purchase.

Patrick has relayed this information to Linda Lima. We'll plumb the device using our Staff, but may use an electrician for the necessary electrical work.

**Safe Routes to School Cycle 10:**

John is working on a draft plan for another Safe Routes to School Project. We'll need to have the package completed by the end of March. John spoke with Ed Anderson about resurrecting our previous application that was ultimately rejected. Ed suggested that we pare it down to focus on one neighborhood instead of the two that we previously included. So, this plan will identify sidewalk features in the neighborhood of Olive View Elementary and Centennial High Schools. It will include new sidewalks along the north and east sides of Olive View and along the north side of Fig Lane, from Marguerite to the east side of the Continuation High School.

**Fourth Street Curb Issue:**

You'll recall that there was a tripping incident some months ago that prompted our insurance provider to recommend measures to remedy the "dual stepped" curb. Our solution is to limit public access by installing a decorative fence barrier that directs "parked" motorists to a single mid-block set of compliant steps or to the accessible ramps at the Solano Street or alley intersections. That way they'll avoid the trip hazard posed by the tall and "dual-stepped" curb.

We have now installed a set of concrete steps along the west side of Fourth Street, north of Solano Street. We've also ordered some "wrought iron" fence rails that we'll install to limit access from the street elevation to the sidewalk. We expect to pick up the fencing at our supplier next week. Installation will occur soon after that. Note this is not a solution that we'll often employ, due to cost and loss of access. However, the conditions required a more creative solution in this particular case.