



# City of Corning

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## THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

**TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL**  
**FROM: CITY MANAGER JOHN L. BREWER, AICP**  
**DATE: JULY 5, 2013**

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### CITY MANAGER'S NOTES:

#### Vacations:

Fire Chief Martin Spannaus and City Clerk Lisa Linnet are currently on vacation. Martin returns July 8<sup>th</sup>, and Lisa on July 9<sup>th</sup>. We have a short staff on Friday, as a number of employees are taking that day off to extend the July 4<sup>th</sup> Holiday.

#### Corning Community Park:

Pat Walker, Dawn Grine and I met with City Engineer Ed Anderson on Monday to go over the preliminary plans for Phase 2 of the Park project.

Work continues on Phase 1 of the Park. Kanten Russell of Stantec, the Skateboard Park designer, is to be onsite early next week to check the forms for some of the skatepark "bowls" and other features.

#### Safe Routes to School:

Pat Walker and I met with Tom Williams to discuss progress on the safe Routes to School Project. Tom's crew has completed much of the preparation work for the widening of Fig Lane. He expects they'll install the curb & gutter early next week. They've also completed the edge grinding in preparation of repaving Marguerite Avenue from Fig Lane south to Moon Rd.

#### Wood Waste Site:

The City owns 10 acres at the southeast corner of Carona Ave. and Rawson Rd. The site was previously used as a burn-dump site and then transitioned to a refuse transfer station. On July 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> the Dept. of Resource Recycling (CalRecycle) will be conducting some soils tests on the site to determine if additional "closure-related" measures are necessary. We have provided them with the key to the gate so that they can complete the soils tests. CalRecycle has its own funding for this type of research, so there is no immediate cost to the City.

We received a letter from the State Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) dated June 27<sup>th</sup>. The letter asks us to prepare a work plan to complete some soil analyses and groundwater tests at the former burn dump site. The letter requests that we prepare the plan by September 1, 2013. The results obtained by CalRecycle might negate the need for some of the testing recommended by DTSC.

The letter from DTSC was copied to Debbie Eaglebarger, who operates the City Animal Shelter that's also on the same site. Debbie responded to me in an email, requesting the City complete testing of the onsite water well. I spoke with the County Director of Environmental Health

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and then I responded to her email on Tuesday. We collected water samples from the onsite water well for testing on Wednesday.

We've also received a copy of another letter from CalRecycle to the Tehama County Environmental Health Dept. (TCEHD) that questions our use of the site to store woodwaste. TCEHD is the Local Enforcement Agency regarding refuse storage and disposal in the County. They have permitted our current use-with operational conditions. They also annually inspect the site and provide copies of their findings. This "dovetails" with last week's Friday Note regarding how we store and dispose of City generate greenwastes. All of this interest in the site will likely result in changes in our current practices. Patrick Walker is investigating our options for greenwaste disposal.

**Solano Streetscape Project:**

We plan to present the City Council information regarding the Solano Streetscape Improvement Project on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. We'll schedule the matter for an earlier-6:30 p.m. start. Ed Anderson and I are preparing a Powerpoint presentation that'll describe what's being proposed. We'll also discuss the matter of changing Solano Street from its current four lane configuration to three with bike lanes. However, the streetscape project is independent and can occur with or without any restriping/lane changes.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

**Patrol:**

In addition to responding to 182 calls for service, a total of 26 officer reports were taken and there were 95 officer-initiated incidents. Officers made 11 misdemeanor and 1 felony arrests, 49 traffic stops and issued 22 citations of which 13 were misdemeanors, 4 were infractions, 3 were parking and 2 were unclassified during the period of June 26, 2013 through July 3, 2013.

**Personnel:**

Police Officer Matt Ferguson and Dispatcher/Clerk Courtney Matz have been hired and will begin their Field Training programs on July 7, 2013.