



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: KRISTINA MILLER, CITY MANAGER
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CITY MANAGER:

Corning Downtown Revitalization:

The Corning Business Improvement District Brainstorming meeting was held on March 9th at 5:30 PM at the Corning City Council Chambers. During the meeting many concerns were relayed and ideas exchanged. A small group of residents agreed to develop a group that would identify vacant buildings available for lease. There was a typo in the Corning Observer regarding the date of the meeting. Another public meeting will be planned in the near future.

Mid-Year Budget Review:

Increases in revenues and expenditures when weighed against the General Fund Balance, work out to a projected positive net change in the fund balance of \$252,677. This amounts to an \$110,903 increase from the projection presented as part of the 2016-17 Budget Staff Report presented on June 28, 2016.

Refinancing of Water and Sewer Debt:

The refinancing of the water and sewer debt is being finalized. A final report of the refinancing will be presented at an upcoming City Council meeting.

Proposition 64- Legalization of Recreational Marijuana:

The City Council will discuss the impacts of the passage of Proposition 64 during the March 14th City Council meeting. Locally in the City of Corning 53.76% of registered voters voted in support of Proposition 64. Proposition 64 allows up to six marijuana plants per residence. No matter how many persons over 21 years of age are living in a "residence," only 6 living plants may be cultivated at one time Health & Safety § 11362.2(b)(3). This is despite our City Ordinance banning indoor grows inside the primary residence. At a minimum our local ordinance must be amended to allow up to six plants within the primary residence.

A joint City/County meeting to discuss Proposition 64 will be held March 20th at 6 PM at the Tehama County Board of Supervisors Chambers.

Bargaining Unit Negotiations:

We have reached agreement with the Miscellaneous, Management, and Dispatcher Bargaining Units. The respective MOU's will be considered by the City Council at the March 14th City Council meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Public Works:

Public Works is currently seeking proposals for roof repair at the Blackburn Avenue rental property.

Public Works Crewmembers and Severn Trent Services responded to a sewer main line blockage near the 600 block of Toomes Avenue. Normal flow was restored within a short period of time.

Public Works Crewmembers are currently making water line repairs on Solano Street near the intersection of Hwy 99W and Edith Avenue.

Corning Airport Cattle Grazing Property:

The Tehama County Condors are a club that operates "Radio Controlled Airplanes" at the Corning Airport and they have contacted the City requesting permission to enter the adjacent property of the Corning Airport in order to retrieve errant planes that end up in the field. Norman Oiler has been leasing this property from the City for the purpose of cattle grazing and has granted the Tehama County Condors permission to retrieve their planes when needed.

Streetscape Post Construction Review:

CalTrans Construction Oversight Engineer Osama Abu-Markhieh met with Dawn Grine, Steve Lindeman and Ed Anderson on Wednesday. Mr. Abu-Markhieh is assigned by CalTrans to visit agencies that use Federal-Aid funds in construction projects such as our Downtown Streetscape. His goal is to prepare agencies for possible State Audits which are randomly chosen by the State of California and could happen to any agency within a three year time frame from the end of the project. Mr. Abu-Markhieh will be returning to Corning to continue the review in about 30 days.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 187 calls for service, a total of 30 officer reports were taken and there were 98 officer-initiated incidents, including 54 traffic stops. Officers made 13 misdemeanor arrests and 1 felony arrest. Officers issued 20 citations, of which; 10 were misdemeanors, 1 was a felony, 4 were infractions, and 5 were parking-related during the period of March 1, 2017 through March 8, 2017.