



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: KRISTINA MILLER, CITY MANAGER
DATE: DECEMBER 1, 2017

Holidays: City Hall, Finance and the Corporation Yard will be closed on these days.

December 22nd & 25th: Christmas Holiday

January 1, 2018: New Year's Day

CITY MANAGER:

City Christmas Party: Friday, December 15th:

The City's Christmas Potluck Party will be held at the Fire Hall Annex on Friday, December 15th from noon to 1:30 p.m. Service Year Awards will be presented at this time. We hope to see everyone there to celebrate the holidays, our employees, and another successful year in the City.

Fire Chief Retirement Party:

The Corning Volunteer Fire Department is hosting a retirement party for Fire Chief Martin Spannauš on December 8th at 6 p.m.

Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) Hearing:

As Finance Director for the City, I conducted a TOT Hearing on November 30th with a local operator that is appealing late penalty assessments. I requested the operator to provide further data to me by December 15th. Upon receipt, I will make a decision. If after I make a decision the local operator disagrees with the decision, they may appeal to the City Council.

Fire Engine Purchase:

Financing for the Fire Engine is being researched and proposals are being finalized. I intend to have the Council approve financing for the fire engine at the December 12, 2017 City Council meeting to guarantee rates. It is anticipated the Federal Reserve will increase interest rates sometime before the end of the calendar year. Also, if banks pay less in federal taxes as a result of the proposed Senate GOP tax plan being passed, then there is less of a savings (from the Governmental Exemption) to pass on causing the City's costs to increase.

New Fire Chief:

Tom Tomlinson will begin his first day with the City on Monday December 4th. Please welcome him to the City and be willing to answer and assist his transition into his new role.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Public Works Crew:

City Crewmembers have been picking up leaves around town as their schedule allows. Christmas banners and lights have been hung up along Solano Street.

Community Event Street Closures:

Solano Street between Houghton Avenue and 3rd Street will be closed on Saturday, December 2, 2017 beginning at 5:30 p.m. for the Hometown Christmas Parade. The staging will take place on Yolo and Houghton prior to the event.

Solano Street between Toomes Avenue and East Street will be closed on Sunday, December 10, 2017 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Immaculate Conception Church will be having their annual Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe procession and celebration. In addition, they will be using Toomes Avenue at Solano Street as a staging area beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Training:

Public Works Director Dawn Grine will be out of the office December 4th through the 8th for a Federal Aid Series training course hosted by Caltrans and located in Santa Ana California.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:**Patrol:**

In addition to responding to 186 calls for service, a total of 31 officer reports were taken and there were 65 officer-initiated incidents, including 25 traffic stops. Officers made 9 misdemeanor and 1 felony arrests. Officers issued 11 citations, of which; 1 was a felony, 5 were misdemeanors, 4 were infractions, and 1 was unclassified during the period of November 22, 2017 through November 29, 2017.

Community:

For the month of November, private property statistics are as follows: 11 letters sent, 2 vehicles towed, 6 vehicles corrected by owner. Other time and energies were also spent on public vehicle abatements.