



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER JOHN L. BREWER, AICP
DATE: OCTOBER 18, 2012

FURLOUGH DAYS:

October:

Friday, October 19th

November:

Friday, November 2nd
Friday, November 16th
Friday, November 30th

December:

Friday, December 14th
Friday, December 28th

HOLIDAYS:

November 12th (Monday) – **Veterans Day**

November 22 & 23rd (Thursday & Friday) - **Thanksgiving Day and post-Thanksgiving Day**

December 24th & 25th (Monday & Tuesday) – **Christmas Eve & Christmas Day**

January 1st (Tuesday) – **New Year's Day**

City Manager's Notes:

NCCSIF Meeting:

I will be attending a Northern California Cities Self Insurance Fund meeting in Yuba City on Thursday, October 18th.

Labor Negotiations:

Bill May and Lisa Linnet met with representatives of the Dispatch, Public Safety and Management Unit for the first round of negotiations on Tuesday. After each meeting they met with me in my office to brief me. We have scheduled a closed session prior to the October 23rd City Council meeting to discuss the contracts for the three units which expire at the end of the calendar year.

Public Works Director Interview:

We have scheduled a professional panel to interview our one promotional candidate on Wednesday, October 24th. After the interview, I will meet with the panelists over lunch to gather their thoughts regarding the candidate's qualifications.

Note that I've also received a Jury Summons for that date. I sent a written request to be excused due to the scheduling conflict. As of this writing I've not heard a response from the Jury Commissioner.

1791 Colusa Street:

Assistant City Attorney Jody Burgess is preparing a letter to Ms. Beck detailing the Council's denial of her request for water service at 1791 Colusa Street.

City Attorney Mike Fitzpatrick has met with the District Attorney regarding the unauthorized residency, and subsequent steps that owners and/or City may take to end the occupation. He's also been in touch with the family of the now deceased owners regarding the estate probate process. Staff provided the daughter's telephone number to the wife of the gentleman who expressed an interest in purchasing the residence at the City Council meeting.

Veteran's Day Parade:

The Veteran's Day Parade will be held on Solano Street Monday, November 12th at 10:00 a.m. and will run from Third Street to Houghton Avenue.

Hometown Christmas:

We received a letter from the Chamber of Commerce advising that the 17th Annual "Hometown Christmas" will occur on Saturday December 1, 2012. Scheduled events include free train rides, kid's activities, craft / food booths and entertainment as well as the Parade of Lights.

I have forwarded notice of the event to the Police and Fire Departments and to Assistant P/W Director Patrick Walker so they may take the necessary preparatory actions.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Marguerite Avenue Utility Trench Repairs:

The crew has been working on repairing the sunken utility trenches in Marguerite Avenue, south of Fig Lane. This work has included grinding, sweeping and then replacing the asphalt within the trenches. The work may continue into the first part of next week.

Assistant P/W Director attending Caltrans Class:

Patrick Walker has been attending a Caltrans Transportation Planning Workshop all week in the Bay Area. Caltrans is sponsoring Pat's tuition and lodging. The workshop is intended to provide Public Works personnel with information about how transportation projects are funded and then constructed in California. We expect it'll be particularly valuable since our Solano Streetscape Project is on the horizon.

Rodger's Theater Plans:

I'm happy to report that the Rodger's Theater Phase 2 Plans and Specifications are now out for bidding. We will conduct a pre-bid walk-thru on November 6th and then open bids on the November 15th.

CORNING POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 213 calls for service, a total of 44 officer reports were taken and there were 97 officer-initiated incidents. Officers made 14 misdemeanor and 2 felony arrests, 42 traffic stops and issued 15 citations of which 1 was an infraction, 12 were misdemeanors, and two animal-related citations during the period of October 10 - October 17, 2012.

Personnel:

The Police Department conducted the written examination on October 12 and are awaiting the results.

Carla Schutter will be retiring effective November 9, 2012 after 21 years with the Corning Police Department. We wish Carla the best of luck in her retirement!