



City of Corning

794 Third St. Corning, CA 96021 (530) 824-7020 Fax (530) 824-2489

THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: KRISTINA MILLER, CITY MANAGER
DATE: OCTOBER 20, 2017

CITY MANAGER:

Retail Sales of Cannabis Ordinance:

The Planning Commission at its meeting on October 17, 2017 made a recommendation to the City Council to not approve the Ordinance allowing retail sales of cannabis on a 4-1 vote. The Planning Commissioners seemed to feel the Ordinance was well written, but philosophically are against cannabis retail sales. The City Council will consider the Ordinance at a public hearing held at the November 14, 2017 City Council meeting.

Proposition 47 Grant:

I met with Gary Fortenberry of River Cities' Counseling and the Center for Evaluation Research regarding a budget amendment for the Proposition 47 grant. The budget amendment was discussed during the meeting with the Board of State of Community Corrections. There are a total of 14 youth in the Restore Program, two of which are from Corning. The Restore Program is having a hard time getting referrals to the Program within the City of Corning for a myriad of reasons. We are working on a process to ensure this occurs.

Hometown Café:

The current owners of Hometown Café, Mark and Tami Olsen, are proposing to sell the business to Joi Gonzalez and Alton Thurston. I met with the proposed new owners on October 18th. A Closed Session meeting will be held on October 24th in regards to the property negotiation.

Kaufman Building:

Shad Design Group has informed me that the City should receive a preliminary design proposal for the Kaufman property by October 27th. They indicated they are planning to construct a building somewhat similar to what was there previously.

Small Business Revitalization \$500,000 Grant Submittal:

The City has submitted a 500 word essay to Small Business Revolution – Main Street for consideration of a \$500,000 Small Business Grant. This is the first step in seeking consideration for this highly competitive grant (over 14,000 competed for the most recent awarded grant).

If awarded this could possibly provide funding assistance for our existing small businesses with such things as: Façade improvements, design of professional business plans, financial and personnel management guidance, etc.

Meetings:

- **California Product Stewardship Council Meeting:** As the treasurer of the California Product Stewardship Council, I will be attending a meeting on October 26th.
- **Association of Pacific Coast Geographers Annual Conference:** I was asked to give a presentation at the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers Annual Conference on October 27th.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Red Ribbon Week:

Adam Zuccato and the Corning High School Friday Night Live Students will be tying red ribbons on the trees and light posts along Solano Street from Third Street to Edith Avenue/Hwy. 99W on October 23rd (and will remove them October 30th) in support of Red Ribbon Week; *"I pledge to be Drug Free!"*

Corning Skate Park, 1485 Toomes Avenue:

North State Skate Series (NS3) Event Coordinator Kevin Marshall has announced that they will be hosting an event at the Skate Park on October 21st from 8 a.m. until dark.

City Water Well:

Two of the City's water wells are currently offline with one undergoing repairs and expected to be back online by next week. The Public Works will tackle repairs of the second once the first is back online. A Staff Report will be prepared for the November 14th City Council Meeting.

Building Maintenance:

FY 2017/2018 Budget includes funding for the repair of the exterior walls of City Hall. The exterior wall facing Solano Street has a gaping crack just east of the Finance Department's front door. It is possible that there is wood damage underneath the plaster. It has been determined by the Public Works Director and City Building Official that Public Works will wait until spring to remove the plaster and make any necessary repairs to any damaged wood and then re-plaster. Until that time, the crack has been 'tightened up' and caulked for the winter.

Leaves:

Leaf pick up begins in early November unless Mother Nature dictates any earlier.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 244 calls for service, a total of 49 officer reports were taken and there were 85 officer-initiated incidents, including 38 traffic stops. Officers made 4 felony and 21 misdemeanor arrests. Officers issued 31 citations, of which; 21 were misdemeanors, 1 was a felony, 3 were infractions, 3 were parking-related, 1 was animal-related, and 2 were unclassified during the period of October 11, 2017 through October 18, 2017.

Community:

The Corning Police Department has enrolled in participation of the 14th National Drug Take-Back Event scheduled for Saturday, October 28, 2017 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Corning Police Department. For more information you may call 824-7015 or visit the Drug Enforcement Agency website at www.dea.gov.