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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER JOHN L. BREWER, AICP JB

DATE: SEPTEMBER 25, 2015

General Fund Ad Hoc Committee:

They will meet again prior to the October 13th City Council meeting at 5 p.m., the Agenda will be posted on the City's website the Friday prior to the meeting.

CITY MANAGER:

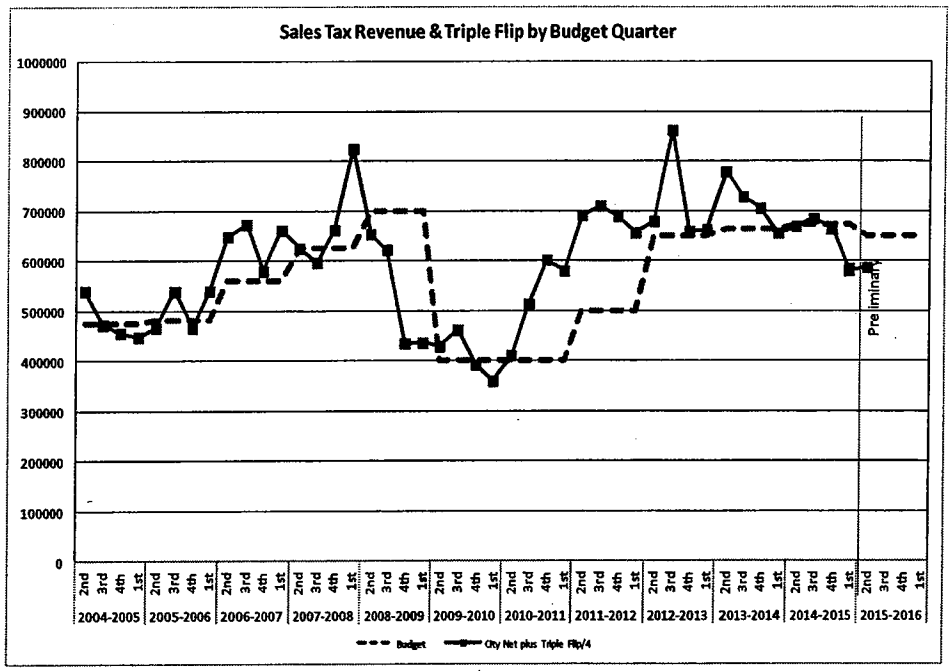
Staff Retirements & Replacement Plans:

City Manager Position:

The advertisement is posted on the *Western City* online Jobs Forum, and appears on page 44 of the September issue of the printed magazine. We're accepting applications through September 25th; so far we have received ten applications. Following the close of the application period, Staff will schedule to meet with the City Council's Ad Hoc Selection Committee (Mayor Strack and Council Member Cardenas) to review the qualifications of each applicant.

Second Quarter 2015 Sales Tax Information:

We received the 2nd Quarter 2015 Sales Tax totals from Hinderliter de Llams (HdL). The 2nd Quarter totals were down 8.5% from the previous year's (2014) total. The primary contributor was a 19.2% reduction in fuel sales tax. The final numbers, which apply the triple flip, County revenue share, and other modifications aren't yet in, so the total appears as "Projected" on the chart. But if we apply the previous quarters' ratios, we can readily see that our sales tax receipts are significantly below our quarterly budget milestones. Note this is the second consecutive quarter that shortfall has occurred. If that trend continues, we'll fall about $250,000 short of our $2.6 million budget Sales Tax projection.



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Meeting with 3CORE:

Tony Cardenas, Dawn Grine and I met with Marc Nemanic and Courtney Weeks of 3CORE at City Hall on Thursday morning to discuss the City's economic development objectives which continue to be extending water and sewer services across the freeway at Solano Street and South Avenue. They will research to see what alternatives are available for funding the utility extensions.

Senior Accounting Technician Position:

Pala Cantrell's last day was Thursday, September 24th. We will all miss Pala, and we wish her the best on her relocation to her new home in Virginia. Former employee Mary Brimm has taken over as the Senior Accounting Technician in the Finance Department.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

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 24th from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Corning Union High School:

Corning Union High School will be hosting its annual Homecoming (Alumni) Parade on Friday, September 25th from 3 to 4 p.m.

Streetscape Project:

The Public Works Department is currently seeking bids for the Streetscape Project. We hosted a pre-bid Field Review on September 22nd. Nine contractors were present and the City received some very helpful input. City Engineer Ed Anderson has issued an Addendum extending the Bid Opening date to October 21, 2015 to allow more time to address a few concerns that the contractors expressed to City Staff. The primary concern being the length of time it takes to install brick pavers and the impact the extra time will have on local business owners. One possible solution is to incorporate an Additive Bid Item to install stamped pavers v.s. the brick pavers possibly reducing both installation time and labor costs. Ed will readdress the plans and specifications and issue a second Addendum addressing the concerns presented at the Field Review.

Public Works Director Training & Meetings:

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) training provided by Caltrans on September 29, 2015 at 9 a.m.

Tehama County Transportation Commission meets at 1:30 p.m. on September 30th; Public Works Director Dawn Grine will be unable to attend due to the scheduled Streetscape Bid Opening that same day.

Tehama County Drought Task Force meets at 1:30 p.m. on October 7th at the Tehama County Sheriff's Office. Contact Dawn Grine at 530/824-7029 for more information.

Department of Water Resources; Division of Flood Management meets on October 27th at the Red Bluff Agricultural Center located at 1834 Walnut Street, Red Bluff. This meeting will be hosted by County Offices of Emergency Services in partnership with the State-Federal Flood Operations Center to provide regional and local updates on annual preparedness activities.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 218 calls for service, a total of 41 officer reports were taken and there were 90 officer-initiated incidents, including 51 traffic stops. Officers made 18 misdemeanor arrests and 6 felony arrests, and issued 38 citations of which 2 were felony, 23 were misdemeanors, 9 were infractions, and 3 were animal-related, 1 was parking-related during the period of September 16, 2015 through September 23, 2015.