



**CITY OF CORNING**  
**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2011**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**794 THIRD STREET**

**A. CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.**

**B. ROLL CALL:**

**Council:**

**Toni Parkins  
John Leach  
Vacant  
Darlene Dickison  
Gary Strack**

**Mayor:**

All members of the Council were present with one vacancy remaining on the Council pending appointment.

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by the City Manager.**

**D. PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITION'S, APPOINTMENTS, PRESENTATIONS:**

Jerry Lequia, representing the Corning Tea Party Patriots, presented the Council with a check in the amount of \$1,460 for the construction and placement of the City Seal and "In God We Trust" on the corner wall behind the Mayors seat in the Council Chambers.

**E. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: None.**

**F. CONSENT AGENDA: It is recommended that items listed on the Consent Agenda be acted on simultaneously unless a Councilmember or members of the audience requests separate discussion and/or action.**

- 1. Waive reading, except by title, of any Ordinance under consideration at this meeting for either introduction or passage, per Government Code Section 36934.**
- 2. Waive the Reading and Approve the Minutes of the January 25, 2011 City Council Special Closed Session Meeting and City Council Meeting with any necessary corrections:**
- 3. February 2, 2011 Claim Warrant - \$206,548.03.**
- 4. January 2011 Building Permit Valuation - \$311,815.**
- 5. January 2011 Wages and Salaries - \$329,888.**
- 6. January 2011 – Treasurer's Report.**
- 7. City of Corning Wastewater Operation Summary Report – January 2011**
- 8. Resolution No. 02-08-2011-01 Authorizing the Tehama County Sanitary Landfill Agency Submittal of a CalRecycle Grant Application for FY 2010/2011 Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup and Amnesty Event Grant.**
- 9. Approve Progress Pay Estimate No. 6 in the Amount of \$31,492.17 to Azevedo Construction for the 2010 Rodgers Theater Improvement Project.**
- 10. Approve Progress Pay Estimate No. 2 in the Amount of \$59,722.20 to Franklin Construction for the 2010 Traffic Signal Installation Project.**

**11. February 2, 2011 Business License Report.**

Mayor Strack introduced the Consent Agenda Items by title and with little discussion Councilor Parkins moved to approved Consent Items 1-11. Councilor Leach seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach and Dickison. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with one vacancy remaining on the Council pending an appointment.**

**G. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.**

**H. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETINGS: None.**

**I. REGULAR AGENDA:**

**12. Ordinance No. 643; An Ordinance Amending the Speed Limit on Solano Street from 35 mph to 25 mph from Marguerite Avenue to a Point 1,000 Feet to the East.**

Mayor Strack introduced this item by title. Councilor Leach asked the exact location and Public Works Director John Brewer referred Councilor Leach to the map attached to the Staff Report. Mr. Brewer explained that the proposed location was a result of a speed survey that was recently completed. Dave Linnet asked if a more gradual reduction in speed could begin further east of the proposed site; he was informed no because that would be outside of the City's jurisdiction.

With no further discussion, Councilor Dickison moved to introduced Ordinance No. 643 (she read the title), an Ordinance amending the speed limit on Solano Street, from Marguerite Avenue to a point 1,000 feet easterly thereof, from 35 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour. Councilor Parkins seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach and Dickison. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with one vacancy remaining on the Council pending an appointment.**

**13. Resolution No. 02-08-2011-02 to Tax Defer Member Paid Contributions – IRC 414(h)(2) Employer Pick-Up.**

Mayor Strack introduced this item by title. With little discussion, Councilor Dickison moved to approve Resolution 02-08-2011-02 Confirming Employer Paid Retirement Contributions. Councilor Parkins seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach and Dickison. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with one vacancy remaining on the Council pending an appointment.**

**14. Resolution No. 02-08-2011-03 Adopting Standard Plan S-24 Street Sign Details.**

Mayor Strack introduced this item by title and Public Works Director John Brewer presented a visual display of the proposed Street Signs. Mr. Brewer explained that if adopted this Resolution would be the new standard design for our City's Street Signs. Councilor Leach asked if the City will be replacing all the street signs now. Mr. Brewer stated that the signs would be replaced as needed explaining that the new signs cost a little more than the previous signs, however the new signs will also be cohesive to the proposed "way-finding" signs. Councilor Parkins stated that she believed that citizens in her neighborhood would come together and pay to replace the signs on her street. She was informed that citizens could contribute for the purchase of signs on their street.

Following discussion, Councilor Parkins moved to adopt Resolution 02-08-2011-03; the Resolution adding Drawing No. S-24 "Street Sign Details" to the City of Corning Construction Specifications and Standard Details booklet. Councilor Leach seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach and Dickison. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with one vacancy remaining on the Council pending an appointment.**

**15. Feral Cat Informational Report to the City Council.**

Mayor Strack introduced this item by title and Chief Cardenas gave a brief outline of his report. He stated that the best programs they have reviewed are the "Community-Based Programs". Chief Cardenas will come back to the Council if the members of the Community come up with a viable program.

**16. Approve Contract Change Order No. 5 Amending Scope of Work and Increasing the Rodgers Theater Improvement Project by \$11,635.98 for a Total Project Cost of \$200,538.34.**

Mayor Strack introduced this item by title and explained the scope of work that this Contract Change Order will cover. Councilor Leach asked if we are coming to the end of the Change Orders; Mr. Brewer stated that PG&E contacted him yesterday and informed him that the City will now have to underground the service as PG&E cannot do the overhead service. This will be another unexpected cost that will result in another Change Order. Mr. Brewer emphasized that unexpected costs arise when working on older buildings, etc. Councilor Leach confirmed that we are still "in the green" on the budget.

With no further discussion, Councilor Dickison moved to approve Contract Change Order No. 5 revising the Scope of Work to complete unanticipated roof structural and sheeting repairs at the Rodgers Theater Improvement Project, increasing the contract amount by \$11,635.98 for a total project cost of \$200,538.34. Councilor Parkins seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach and Dickison. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with one vacancy remaining on the Council pending an appointment.**

**17. Presentation and Acceptance of Annual City Audit for Fiscal Year 2009-2010.**

Mayor Strack introduced this item by title. He then introduced City CPA Don Reynolds who performs the annual City audit. Mr. Reynolds stated that the financial statements accurately reflect, in their opinion, the results of operations and financial condition of the City for year end of June 30, 2010. He stated that the financial statement this year is a little bit different than past years primarily because of the addition of a single audit resulting from the Airport Expansion Project. The City expended more than \$500,000 the City fell under OMB-133 requirement of a single audit. Mr. Reynolds stated that there were no new findings found. He stated that the General Fund incurred about a \$600,000 deficit, which was less than what was predicted and budgeted which was primarily the loss of sales tax revenue. He stated that because of the economy there is not much the City can do. He stated that the City is bumping up against the City's reserves. He stated that the City has adequately responded to the lack of revenues, holding vacant positions, furloughs, etc.

City Manager Kimbrough reminded Council that since 1992 up to this particular fiscal year the State of California has taken \$1,884,000 in property tax away from the City of Corning in ERAF in order to fund the State Budget. This doesn't include the 4 billion dollars taken from the State Transportation fund leaving the City with no road money.

Councilor Dickison moved to receive and accept the annual audit for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2010. Councilor Parkins seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach and Dickison. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with one vacancy remaining on the Council pending an appointment.**

**J. ITEMS PLACED ON THE AGENDA FROM THE FLOOR: None.**

**K. COMMUNICATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION:**

The City received a letter from New Life Assembly, they are praying for us.

**L. REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS:** City Councilmembers will report on attendance at conferences/meetings reimbursed at City expense (Requirement of Assembly Bill 1234).

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**Parkins:** JPA2 changed JPA1 meetings to every other month.

**Leach:** No longer "Chair" on the CAA Board.

**Dickison:** LAFCO meeting canceled due to lack of agenda.

**Strack:** Attended Indian Gaming Commission meeting today, the City will be receiving \$19,000 plus which goes into the General Fund to support the front line law enforcement. Asked Council about scheduling a special meeting to discuss and appoint the new council member. Legal Council stated that discussion must take place in an open session. March 1<sup>st</sup> was suggested for the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Dave Linnet stated that he and his grandson collected 41 shopping carts and returned them as a community service project. They also have done some street sweeping.**

**M. ADJOURNMENT!: 8:21 p.m.**

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**Lisa M. Linnet, City Clerk**