

THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: KRISTINA MILLER, CITY MANAGER
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CITY MANAGER:

FY 2020/21 Budget Preparation:

Capital Improvement Plans are due from City Department's on April 10th. Departmental budget proposals are due on April 17th. I will be meeting with all Department Heads and other responsible employee's regarding their budgets on April 20th. As discussed with Management personnel, the impact COVID-19 will have on the City's finances will be significant. Department Heads are being asked to reduce expenditures by 5%. The City has been building its reserves for an economic downturn such as this.

At this point there is no Federal funding stream to assist local governments with populations less than 500,000. There is legislation being proposed to provide low interest loans to local governments to help assist them at this time.

Business Assistance:

The CARES Act is providing numerous programs to help assist businesses during this difficult time. Businesses should visit www.sba.gov or visit their local financial institution (banks). Financial institutions will be distributing the funds through a few different programs. The funds are available on a first come first serve basis. I encourage local businesses to immediately apply for funding.

The Governor also issued an executive order to offer a 90-day extension for tax returns and tax payments (including sales tax) for all businesses filing a return for less than \$1 million in taxes. That means small businesses will have until the end of July to file their first-quarter returns.

COVID-19:

On April 1st, the City was notified of the first reported COVID-19 case in Tehama County. I caution that there are likely many more unreported cases in Tehama County. Tehama County Public Health recommends you follow all guidance available from the California Department of Public Health and to check the website regularly. Please be vigilant about protecting your safety and those of others.

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx>.

I signed an Executive Order authorizing the County Public Health Officer to issue public health orders related to COVID-19 within the city limits of Corning. The City of Red Bluff is issuing a similar order.

Recreation and Youth Enrichment Program:

The 2nd Grade Swim Lesson program is cancelled this year due to COVID-19 pandemic. At this point Spring recreation programs are delayed until mid-May. I will be meeting with the Grant Manager regarding program alternatives should we not be able to offer courses through the summer.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Airport Water:

On Friday the site well that serves the Airport, specifically the hangars, administrative building and the restroom stopped producing water. On Monday we were able to get the well tested and it was discovered that the wire connected to the pump motor was broken. The pump was pulled and a new 140' wire has been placed. The well is back up and running.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 111 calls for service, a total of 3 officer reports were taken and there were 15 officer-initiated incidents, including 0 traffic stops. Officers made 1 misdemeanor arrest. Officers issued 3 citations, of which; 2 were parking, and 1 was a misdemeanor during the period of April 2, 2020 through April 8, 2020.

Training:

Officers continue to participate in POST Portal Training and Lexipol Daily Training Bulletins. Other POST on-line training continues for Patrol and Dispatch personnel.

Notice:

For the health and safety of our Citizens, Officers, Dispatchers and Staff, our lobby will remain closed due to COVID 19. Please use the intercom system at the lobby door if you need our assistance.

“Storms make trees take deeper roots.”

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Corning Volunteer Fire Department Call Volume:

The Corning Volunteer Fire Department responded to 16 calls for service last week, they consisted of: 11 medicals, 2 fires and 3 public service.

Orland, Capay, Artois, Glenn Codora, Ord Bend and Butte City Volunteer Fire Departments Call Volume:

The combined total of dispatched incidents for these Departments were 8 last week. These consisted off: 3 medicals, 4 fires, and 1 public service.

Training:

Training for the Corning Volunteer Fire Department was suspended due to the social distancing order.

Stay separated, stay clean and be safe.