



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: KRISTINA MILLER, CITY MANAGER
DATE: APRIL 3, 2020

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.

I will be participating in a conference call with economist, Dr. Eyler along with many other City Managers on April 3rd to better understand how COVID-19 is affecting our economy locally and what we can do to help mitigate some of the impacts.

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.

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](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx) and to check the website regularly. Please be vigilant about protecting your safety and those of others. Please visit the following website for additional information: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx>

City Managers and the County Administrator are meeting twice weekly with Tehama County Health Services Agency Executive Director, Val Lucero regarding COVID-19.

The Poor and the Homeless (PATH) has opened a temporary Homeless Shelter at the County Fairgrounds in Red Bluff for the duration of the COVID-19 emergency. A van was offered to drive Corning homeless to the Shelter on Tuesday. Sadly, out of fears the shelter was a concentration camp, no homeless took advantage of the opportunity. Aside from providing a safe place where they can keep clean and socially distance from each other, many other services are being provided including a mobile medical clinic, medically assisted treatment, etc. All homeless are being screened for COVID-19 symptoms upon arrival. High risk individuals (those over 65 or with underlying health issues) are being sheltered in a separate building from others. A handwashing station, port-a-potty, and garbage cart are being provided at each of the homeless encampments in Corning to help prevent the spread of disease.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Vandalism:

- Graffiti was discovered on multiple structures at the Skate Park. City Staff sandblasted and removed the graffiti the same day it was found.
- The lock on the restroom in Martini Plaza was broken and the light was damaged. Staff has replaced the lock on the door and has secured the restroom but the damage to the interior still needs to be fixed.

Solano Street Storm Drain Repair:

It was discovered that a concrete arch culvert that crosses Solano Street at the Toomes Avenue intersection was starting to fail as a reoccurring pothole was investigated by Staff. Wahlberg Construction was contacted to expose the culvert and to make the structural repairs to the concrete culvert. It is anticipated that all structural repairs will be finished this week.

Sewer Concerns:

It is important to remind residents that the only thing that should be flushed down the toilet is toilet paper. Flushable wipes, paper towels and baby wipes are not flushable and should be thrown in the trash. When these items are flushed down our toilets that can very easily create blockages in the City sewer lines and also make the treatment of waste at our Wastewater Treatment Facility much more difficult and costly.

Parks:

City Staff is in the process of installing the new Park Rules signs in all the City parks.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 90 calls for service, a total of 18 officer reports were taken and there were 58 officer-initiated incidents, including 10 traffic stops. Officers made 2 misdemeanor and 3 felony arrests. Officers issued 7 citations, of which; 4 were parking, 1 was infraction and 2 were misdemeanors during the period of March 26, 2020 through April 1, 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.

“Act as if what you do makes a difference. IT DOES.”

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Corning Volunteer Fire Department Call Volume:

The Corning Volunteer Fire Department responded to 16 calls for service last week, they consisted of: 13 medical and 3 public service.

Orland, Capay, Artois, and Butte City Volunteer Fire Departments Call Volume:

The combined total of dispatched incidents for these Departments were 14 last week. These consisted off: 3 medicals, 2 fires, 3 traffic collisions, 2 investigations and 4 public service.

Please stay safe and adhere to shelter orders.