



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: KRISTINA MILLER, CITY MANAGER
DATE: May 11, 2018

CITY MANAGER:

FY 2018/19 Budget:

Roy Seiler and I met on Monday May 7th to continue work on the FY 2018/19 budget. I will also meet with HdL (Hinderliter De Llamas) to discuss fourth quarter 2017 results and FY 2018/19 sales tax projections.

Planner I and Recreation Coordinator Recruitments:

The City Council approved the recruitment of a part-time Recreation Coordinator and a part-time Planner I. John Stoufer, JBS Planning Consultant Services will be retained for one additional year for approximately 5-10 hours per week to train the Planner I and to provide specialized planning services. Both positions are hoped to be filled by July 1, 2018

Negotiations with Waste Management:

I met with Waste Management on May 10th regarding franchise hauling negotiations. We talked through my concerns with their latest proposal including unattainable anti-contamination goals. They will be providing a revised proposal to the City.

29 Counties sue over Opioid Epidemic:

Twenty-nine California Counties are suing the nation's largest pharmaceutical companies for their role in creating a nationwide epidemic of opioid abuse. The lawsuit was announced Tuesday by the law firm Baron & Bud which is representing the consortium of Counties. It says it has uncovered evidence that manufacturers deliberately misled Doctors about their products' addictiveness. The lawsuit is also blaming some of the nation's largest drug distributors for failing to adequately identify and monitor the products.

Economic Development- Business Walk meeting:

Chico Chamber of Commerce CEO Katie Simmons discussed how to best implement business walks and lessons learned to members of the Corning Economic Development Action Committee. Members of the Committee will be discussing which entities will form a team to complete business walks in Corning. The purpose of business walks are for business retention and to ensure business concerns are being addressed.

Utility Bill Payments:

It has come to my attention there is a third party website (doxo.com) that is erroneously accepting payments for utility bills on the City's behalf. This problem is not unique to the City of Corning. City Staff made contact with doxo.com and are trying to resolve the issue. The City has no control over the doxo.com website. Customers should pay the City of Corning directly through the City's website www.corning.org. A notice is being placed in utility bills to warn customers.

2nd Grade Swim Lesson Program:

All 2nd graders attending Corning Schools will receive a week's worth of free swim lessons beginning May 21st. At the end of the week those that can still not save themselves should they fall in the water will receive another week's worth of lessons as part of the City's regular swim lesson program. I would like to thank Rick Fitzpatrick, Corning Elementary School District, Jared Caylor, Corning High School Superintendent, and the Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians for collaborating to make this possible. The goal of the program is to ensure all Corning students can save themselves should they fall in the water. In addition, 2nd grade students and their families will receive 5 free swim days at the City Pool.

Corning Recreation and Youth Enrichment Program is looking for Instructors:

The City is looking for Instructors to teach numerous different recreation and youth enrichment courses. The interested course instructor form will soon be on the City's website. In the meantime, if you are interested or know of someone who may be interested, please call 530-824-7033 or email CorningRecProgram@Corning.org.

CITY CLERK:

Corning Library Mural Dedication:

A Library Mural dedication ceremony hosted by the Corning Friends of the Library and County Librarian Todd Deck will be held on Thursday, May 10th at 4:00 p.m. They have invited the Mayor and City Councilmembers, Library Commission Members and City Staff to attend the event. Mayor Hatley will be present to speak and acknowledge all those involved in this project.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Lifeguard Interviews:

Lifeguard interviews for the upcoming swim season were held on May 2nd & 3rd. Thank you to Angel Garman for setting up the annual event and for talking Chief Fears into assisting Pool Manager Nathaniel Borer during the interview process.

Senior Center:

The Public Works Director met with the Senior Center Board Members on May 8th. She updated the Board with the current status of the Senior Center building repairs. Streamline Engineering is currently preparing construction drawings and the Public Works Department will begin preparation of the bidding documents.

Corning Airport Fencing Project:

In December 2017, The City submitted an application to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for federal funding to construct a security fence at the Corning Airport. The application process required a letter of justification from the City to allow the City to utilize the engineering services of the City Engineer to design the fence and produce the Plans and Specifications. The letter from the City was submitted to the FAA on January 29th.

During a conference phone call between the FAA and City Staff, the FAA is recommending that the City seek RFQ's for an Airport Engineer Consultant and to seek funding in Fiscal Year 2018/2019 for the fencing project.

The Public Works Director will provide a Staff Report for Council discussion at the May 22, 2018 Council Meeting. If Council has any questions or concerns prior to the Meeting, please contact the Public Works Director.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 223 calls for service, a total of 31 officer reports were taken and there were 151 officer-initiated incidents, including 74 traffic stops. Officers made 14 misdemeanor and 3 felony arrests. Officers issued 24 citations, of which; 14 were misdemeanors, 6 were infractions, and 4 were parking-related during the period of May 2, 2018 through May 9, 2018.

Training:

Officers continue to participate in POST Portal training and Lexipol Daily Training Bulletins. Other Officer Field Training and Dispatcher Training is continuing. This week sworn officers participated in range and ballistic shield trainings. One officer is attending Interview & Interrogation training this week.

Community:

The Peace Officer Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at High Point Assembly Church in Red Bluff beginning at 7:00 p.m.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Call Volume:

The Corning Volunteer Fire Department responded to 10 medical calls 12 requests for service and 2 fires last week. They also dispatched 7 calls for Orland Fire; and 1 for Capay Fire.

Weed Abatement:

Thank you to all the people cleaning up their weeds and fields, it is drying out fast. Please mow dry grass before noon.