

THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

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

COVID-19 Updates:

In addition to the CDBG-CV1 funding that will be made available to businesses in the next few months, the City Council authorized the full allotment of CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds the City is to receive to provide small micro grants to assist our small businesses. At the City Council meeting on September 8th, the City Council directed City Staff to coordinate with 3CORE in the development of the City's Business Micro-Loan Grant Program with two priorities using the Butte County Program as a model. The first priority allows for grant applications in the amount of \$5,000 for businesses located in Corning that have been shut down for at a minimum of one month. The second priority of grants would be for up to \$1,500 for businesses located in Corning that have incurred costs associated with the impacts of business closures; costs associated with adherence to local requirements for safe business re-openings; or financial impacts due to loss of sales as a result of COVID-19.

There were significant changes in how counties are being evaluated utilizing a Four Tier system. Tehama County is currently in the highest tier, the purple tier. The State is now looking at two markets: **1)** The case rate (7-day average with a 7-day lag); and **2)** Case positivity (>8%). Tehama County case rates and positivity rates are looking good. If these trends continue, we may be able to move to the red tier on September 21st. Detailed information on how the new tiered system works and which businesses can be open in which tier can be found at:

- <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/>
- <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/COVID19CountyMonitoringOverview.aspx>
- https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/CDPH%20Document%20Library/COVID-19/Dimmer-Framework-August_2020.pdf

Up-to-date information regarding COVID-19 can be found at:

<https://www.tehamacohealthservices.net/services/communicable-diseases/>

Dr. Wickenheiser, Tehama County Public Health Officer, is producing a weekly podcast in collaboration with the Tehama County Love Local Campaign. I encourage everyone to watch the very informative short videos weekly (on Wednesdays) by visiting:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv9T462ocrFB_6-xnW4sITQ

2nd Quarter Sales Tax Results:

Initial sales tax results for the second quarter (April 1- June 30, 2020) are looking less dire than original estimates. I state this with a point of caution because under any other circumstance a drop in sales tax receipts of 6.6% would have been seen as significant. The losses in sales tax from fuel sales and restaurants were partially offset by increases in auto sales.

Once I receive the full report, I will compile the first quarter FY 2020-2021 budget update for the City Council.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Vandalism:

Significant vandalism has occurred this week at multiple City Parks. The four windows in the restrooms at Lenox Fields were broken. The stall door in the men's restroom at Woodson Park was broken from its hinges. Staff is working to make the necessary repairs to both restroom buildings.

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Water Leaks:

The following water leaks have been marked for USA and are scheduled to be repaired by City Staff late this week or early next week:

- A water service in the alley behind Rogers Theater.
- A water service in Del Norte Avenue.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:**Patrol:**

In addition to responding to 164 calls for service, a total of 20 officer reports were taken and there were 65 officer-initiated incidents, including 30 traffic stops. Officers made 11 misdemeanor and 4 felony arrests. Officers issued 16 citations, of which; 10 were misdemeanors, 1 were infractions, 1 was unclassified and 4 were parking during the period of September 2, 2020 through September 9, 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. Four Officers are in drone pilot license training for certification.

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.

“Keep your eyes on the stars, and your feet on the ground.”

FIRE DEPARTMENT:**Corning Volunteer Fire Department (CVFD) Call Volume:**

The Corning Volunteer Fire Department responded to 17 calls for service last week, they consisted of: 12 medicals, 2 fires, 1 traffic collision, and 2 public service.

The Orland, Capay, Artois, Bayliss, Glenn Codora, Ord Bend and Butte City Volunteer Fire Department Call Volumes:

The Orland, Capay, Artois, Bayliss, Glenn Codora Ord Bend, and Butte City Volunteer Fire Departments were dispatched to a combined total of 18 calls for service last week, they consisted of: 10 medicals, 3 traffic collisions, 4 fires, and 1 public service.

Training:

Training for the Corning Volunteer Fire Department consisted their monthly business meeting.

Chief's Message:

We are experiencing extreme fire danger, please be careful. Please make sure that your address markers are visible from the street.

“It is easier to build strong children that to repair broken men.” -Frederick Douglas