



# City of Corning

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## THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

**TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL**  
**FROM: KRISTINA MILLER, CITY MANAGER**  
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### HOLIDAYS:

**Presidents' Day:** Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> City Hall, the City Finance Department, and the City Corporation Yard (Public Works) will be closed.

### CITY MANAGER:

#### **General Fund Budget:**

A General Fund budget update will be given to the Council at the January 24<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting.

#### **Pharmaceutical Drug Take Back Program:**

The Tehama County Sheriff's Department, Tehama County Health Services Agency Drug and Alcohol Division, and the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency are looking at options to aid in the safe disposal of unwanted medications to prevent them from being stockpiled in homes, where they can be abused or improperly disposed of in toilets or in the trash. Currently the City holds two DEA funded drug take-back events twice annually. Soon the Corning Police Department will have a kiosk that will allow residents to dispose of their pharmaceuticals on a daily basis. An Ordinance that would require pharmaceutical manufacturers to manage and pay for the collection and disposal of medications is also being discussed. Stakeholders, including local pharmacists, will be invited to attend a meeting in Red Bluff or Corning in February. I will provide the date of the meeting once it is finalized.

#### **Meeting with Local Businesses:**

I have been meeting with local businesses to get to know them, better understand their business, and identify potential opportunities that may exist. This past week I met with owners/managers of Quilt'n Thyme Sew and Vac, Inc., Little Caesar's Pizza, State Farm Insurance, West-End Pharmacy, and Olive City Pharmacy. One of the businesses is interested in expanding its storefront significantly over the next five years.

#### **Economic Development:**

I will be attending the Tehama County Jobs Development Committee meeting at 6:00 p.m. on January 5<sup>th</sup> to discuss the potential of an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District along South Ave.

The second Economic Development Action Committee meeting will be held January 9<sup>th</sup>. I will also attend the Regional Economic Development Strategy Committee on January 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:**

### **Lead Water Sampling at Local Schools:**

During December the State Water Board distributed information to all water system owners servicing K-12 Schools that it would be encouraging all schools (Statewide) to test their drinking water for lead. The information received indicates that the State will be issuing a permit amendment to all community water systems informing them that it will be the responsibility of the public water system to cover the costs associated with collecting, analyzing and reporting the results to the Division of Drinking Water and the School. However, if the school plumbing systems need to be replaced or upgraded to address lead exceedances, these costs will be the responsibility of the School. If the testing results are above the maximum contamination level and eradication actions are necessary, the State Water Board's Division of Financial Assistance will have funding available for the Schools. The Schools would have to request the testing by the City.

The City does test for lead at various locations throughout the City every 3 years and the cost of the testing is \$16 per sample. There are only six Schools inside the City Limits, therefore the expense would be minimal should the Schools chose to request lead testing.

### **WWTP; Sewer Call-Out:**

The year 2016 ended with a sewer call-out on December 31<sup>st</sup> near Petro Travel Stop on South Avenue. City Crewmember Wayne Jobe and Severn Trent Services Staff Members responded to the call and were able to quickly access the area for possible problems. The sewer mainlines were clear of blockages.

### **Bridge located on Hwy 99W:**

There are two bridges located along Hwy 99W. The bridge nearest South Avenue (crossing Burch Creek) received guardrail damage from a single vehicle accident. The guardrail was repaired in November 2016. The City has received reimbursement in the amount of \$10,383 from GEICO Insurance for the cost of the repairs.

### **Upcoming Storm Event:**

In response to the prediction of the upcoming storm, the Tehama County Sheriff's Department will be hosting a meeting on 1/5/2016 at their office in Red Bluff. They have invited surrounding area emergency response personnel from local agencies to meet and discuss readiness needs/efforts related to this storm.

The Public Works Department has been working diligently to pick up leaves from local City streets and clearing debris from storm drains. Public Works Crewmembers will be on Stand-By throughout the weekend. Sand is available at the Corporation Yard (1106 Butte Street) and in the empty lot across from the Corning Volunteer Fire Department (814 5<sup>th</sup> Street); sandbags will be available at Fire Dispatch for citizens to pick up and fill with sand. An emergency Public Works call-out can be initiated by contacting the Corning Police Department at 824-7000 or the Corning Volunteer Fire Department at 824-7044.

### **Public Works Director Meetings and Training:**

- Groundwater Commission Ad-hoc Committee at 1:00 p.m. on January 12, 2017.
- Pavement Preservation Workshop on January 20, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Groundwater Sustainability Agency Groundwater Commission 8:30 a.m. on January, 25, 2017.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

**Patrol:**

In addition to responding to 212 calls for service, a total of 36 officer reports were taken and there were 103 officer-initiated incidents, including 48 traffic stops. Officers made 11 misdemeanor arrests and 1 felony arrests. Officers issued 18 citations, of which; 11 were misdemeanors, 4 were infractions, 1 was parking-related, and 2 were unclassified during the period of December 28, 2016 through January 4, 2017.