



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: KRISTINA MILLER, CITY MANAGER
DATE: JULY 21, 2017

VACATIONS:

City Manager Kristina Miller: Out of the office July 27th through August 2nd camping with family and attending a Proposition 47 conference.

Administrative Assistant/City Clerk Lisa Linnet: July 12th – July 24, 2017

Building Official Dan Redding: August 30 through September 7, 2017

CITY MANAGER:

Wood Waste Facility

On February 9, 2010 the City of Corning and the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) entered into a Consent Agreement whereby the City would sign and record a Land Use Covenant approved by DTSC to restrict the use of the Corning City Disposal Site (Wood Waste Facility) if lead and/or other hazardous wastes will remain. A significant amount of testing of the site has been conducted over the years. In April 2016, the uppermost groundwater zone was monitored and no contaminants were detected. On July 25, 2016 DTSC stated no further groundwater investigation was required, the monitoring wells could be destroyed, and requested a schedule for implementing further closure activities be submitted. On December 21, 2016, Tehama County Environmental Health indicated the site meets the performance standards of State Minimum Standards requiring no further corrections. Following the December 21, 2016 letter provided by Tehama County Environmental Health, DTSC reasserted the requirements set forth in the February 9, 2010 Consent Agreement. As a result, the City agreed to apply for a CalRecycle Closure Grant and record a Land Use Covenant restricting the use of the site. The application cycle is now open. The Legacy Disposal Site Abatement Grant requires a 50% match, but according to the grant manager, CalRecycle has some flexibility in what the match can consist of. City Staff will submit application documents as agreed. The City may ask if it determined as an allowable grant funded expense for CalRecycle to fund \$12,814 for Lawrence and Associates to develop the site closure plan. Within the grant, the City must also budget for closure costs. While the amount will not be clear until the Closure Plan is developed, Lawrence and Associates gave the City a ballpark figure of between \$500,000 - \$1,000,000. The maximum grant amount is \$750,000. CalRecycle indicated the site will not likely be funded, as it is not a high priority given there is no evidence of ground water contamination. This being said, the City is still required to apply for the grant. The Land Use Covenant cannot be recorded until after the facility is closed.

Façade Grant Program

The City is working with 3CORE to implement a Façade Grant Program within the City. Marc Nemanic, 3CORE, and I plan to ask each local bank to contribute \$10,000 each to the program. Applicants will submit an online application to 3CORE, the review committee will decide if it is an eligible project, business/property owner will receive notification, obtain appropriate permits, perform the improvement, and submit for reimbursement. Permit fees for all façade improvements are currently being proposed by City staff to be waived by the City. Approval of the waiver will require City Council action. 3CORE will manage the funds and receive and review grant applications for a \$175 all-inclusive fee. The overall intent is to entice business/property owners to make improvements to the exteriors of their buildings to beautify the City.

Sales Tax Projections

I met with representatives from HdL in regards to sales tax projections for FY 2016/2017 and FY 2017/2018. HdL anticipates we will close out the year with sales tax receipts totaling \$2,564,000, which is \$114,000 more than budgeted and \$39,000 more than anticipated at mid-year. This is good news. For FY 2017/2018 HdL estimates the City will receive \$2,618,000, which is only \$18,000 more than what was budgeted within the FY 2017/18 budget approved by the City Council.

Proposition 47

The City Council will be asked to approve agreements between the City and River Cities' Counseling, the Tehama County Health Services Agency, and the Center for Evaluation Research to implement and evaluate the effectiveness of the Proposition 47 grant the City was fortunate to receive. The amount of grant funds awarded to the Tehama County Restore Program is \$1,000,000, which shall implement Michigan State's Adolescent Diversion Program, provide mental health and substance-abuse treatment with coordinated care that includes housing and employment services to youth and their families. The grant cycle begins in late June 2017 and ends Aug. 15, 2020. I would like to thank the Tribe for their efforts in obtaining grants that led the City to be competitive in this grant. Without their prior efforts and successes, this grant would not have been possible. The City ranked 3rd of 58 statewide applications; outranking large urban cities such as, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update:

The City is currently under way to update its Hazard Mitigation Plan against natural disasters. You can help by taking a short on-line survey. The link is <https://goo.gl/aZTCfV> or log on to the City Website at www.corning.org. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Public Works at 530/824-7029

Water Leak:

- The water leak near Corning Chevrolet has been repaired. The Public Works Crew is scheduled to replace the entire lateral to the main next week.

Neighborhood Crime Watch:

The Program Members are gearing up to install 6 more signs. They are proposed to be installed within the southwest quadrant on July 29, 2017.

For more information on the program, please contact Colette Glattfelder at 530/840-0466.

Swim Team:

The Corning Manta Rays Swim Team has approached the Public Works Director. They would like to paint a "swimming" mural at the pool entryway on the inside of the gate. Swim Team Coach Renae Turner will be submitting a written request along with a drawing of the mural.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 196 calls for service, a total of 40 officer reports were taken and there were 111 officer-initiated incidents, including 29 traffic stops. Officers made 12 misdemeanor arrests and 3 felony arrests. Officers issued 15 citations, of which; 1 was a felony, 10 were misdemeanors, 2 were infractions, and 2 were unclassified during the period of July 12, 2017 through July 19, 2017.