

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE

July 9, 2015

WATER CONSERVATION UPDATE

Galt is currently under a state mandate to reduce water usage by 32% compared to 2013. During the month of May 2015, there was a 42% reduction compared to May 2013 usage. The June water conservation number was a 37% reduction compared to June 2013 usage. Galt residents and businesses are doing an outstanding job of reducing water usage.

The Water Conservation Officers continue their patrols, one in the early morning and one in the evening. Nearly fifty door hangers and 20 informational flyers were issued this week. The officers made contact with 20 residents to educate them on the City's current Stage 3 Water Warning.

GRANT FUNDING

Staff has submitted two applications to SACOG for grant funding. The first application was for the Regional Active Transportation Program and Regional Bicycle & Pedestrian Funding Program. The second application was for the Regional Local Funding Program. This project is for Lincoln Way road rehabilitation, with bicycle and pedestrian improvements, which includes enhancing bike lanes to green bike lanes.

Grant funding recommendations are anticipated to be announced in the fall of 2015, with SACOG Board consideration to follow.

EASTVIEW ANNEXATION AND SPECIFIC PLAN DRAFT EIR

The Eastview Annexation and Specific Plan Draft EIR started its Public Review period on July 8, and will run for 45 days, ending on August 21 at 5:30 pm. The public can view this document either at the Community Development Department, Library or online on the City website. The Galt City Council and Planning Commission will hold a joint meeting to discuss the project on July 16.

CAL WASTE MRRF EXPANSION AND TRANSFER STATION PROJECT

Cal Waste is seeking approval to increase capacity of its recycling facility from 150 tons per day to 480 tons per day and approval to operate a 150 ton per day transfer station at 175 Enterprise Ct. The project Initial Study/Negative Declaration is available for public review and comment until July 30. The project is scheduled for a public hearing at the Planning Commission on August 20.

CODE ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

Code Enforcement last month handled over 75 cases (35 newly opened cases and closed 41). This month, staff is visiting commercial businesses that are in violation of Galt's sign ordinance and displaying an overabundance of advertising signs, banners, etc. in an effort to clean up the appearance of shopping centers, busy streets and plazas. Staff is also mailing out informational flyers to all commercial businesses regarding the new sign ordinance that will take effect on July 17.

DRY CREEK CLEAN-UP

The Dry Creek Clean-Up project started Wednesday by posting "No Trespassing" signs. The actual clean-up is scheduled to begin in August.