

CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE
March 10, 2017

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department will partner with the Drug Enforcement Administration for the 13th National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. Medications no longer needed, have expired, or otherwise require disposal can be taken to the collection site at the Galt Police Department on Saturday, April 29, 2017, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Prescription Drug Take Back Day aims to provide a safe, convenient, and ecologically responsible method of prescription drug disposal while also educating the public about the potential for abuse of medications.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING REMINDERS

- Saturday, March 25, 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm, Breakers Court. Topics will include current crime trends, Community Park activity and graffiti hot spots.
- Monday, March 27, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm, regional neighborhood watch meeting will be held at Comfort Inn, 10380 Twin Cities Road. Topics will include crime trends and business safety.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – BUILDING

Supercuts completed work on its tenant improvement permit and is ready to open.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The California State Board of Equalization (BOE), in partnership with the City of Galt and various resource agencies, have confirmed that they will be hosting a Small Business Seminar and Resource Expo on May 18, 2017, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm at the Littleton Center in Galt. The event will be targeted towards winery operators and owners in the Galt, Lodi and Amador region. Several new tax laws impacting winery operations have recently been implemented and the BOE would like to take this opportunity to educate winery operators on the new regulations. Additional resource agency representatives will be on hand to speak on other topics related to small business development during the seminar. Staff is working closely with BOE representatives in developing marketing material and outreach efforts.

PUBLIC WORKS

Industrial Water Treatment Plant (IWTP) 2016 Deep Well Project

The plans and specifications for the Deep Well Project, Phase 1, have been completed and the project is currently being advertised for bids. The pre-bid site walk is scheduled for Tuesday, March 21 and the bids are due on April 5, 2017.

Vegetation Management

With recent rains and warming weather, roadway shoulders and open spaces are exhibiting prolific vegetation growth. In response, staff has commenced spray and mowing programs, which will continue in the weeks ahead as weather and soil conditions allow.

4th Street Improvements

The contractor has been issued a notice to proceed with construction of the 4th Street Complete Streets Project on or about April 3. Though the construction is primarily on the west side of 4th Street (railroad side), intermittent, short term traffic and parking impacts may occur. All businesses will remain open during construction. Efforts will be made to keep access to businesses available at all times. The project is expected to be completed by mid-August 2017.

PARKS AND RECREATION

- Lake Canyon Park playground safety surface was repaired due to wear and tear damage.
- Field maintenance at the Sports Complex, Community Park and McCaffrey Middle School.

Parks and Recreation management staff attended the California Parks and Recreation Society (CPRS) Conference. Topics ranged from social media, working with millennials, branding your facility, conflict resolution, senior health and wellness and “outside the box” thinking.

A certified playground safety inspection course was offered in which four parks maintenance staff employees were able to attend and upon passing of final exam, become certified inspectors.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Kids Art Class; Ages 8-13; March 13 – April 3, 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm; Parks and Recreation Classroom.
- Galt Youth Commission Teen Art Exhibit; March 24, 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm; Littleton Center