

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE

November 1, 2012

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Staff had received numerous complaints from the public about the pigeon mess near store fronts at the Galt Plaza shopping center. Code Enforcement staff worked with the property owner to implement a solution that involved the installation of pigeon netting in the open rafters and roof sections.

AQUATIC CENTER POOL LEAK

The source of a significant leak in the competition pool has been identified as coming from the main drain plumbing. The leak is under the pool deck which will require maintenance staff to remove a portion of the deck and shade structure. This will allow staff to excavate to the plumbing, which is approximately eight feet deep. Excavation work will begin on Monday, November 5 and continue until repairs are completed.

AERATION AND FERTILIZATION

Parks Maintenance staff has begun fall aeration and fertilization of all turf areas citywide. Aeration was completed the week of October 29. Fertilization will begin the week of November 5, weather permitting.

SEWER SYSTEM CLEANING

Staff began the quarterly sewer cleaning of problem areas with a history of blockages. Quarterly cleaning is necessary to avoid sewer blockages and overflows. Approximately 36,000 lineal feet, or almost seven miles of sewer main is included in problem area cleaning.

STORM DRAIN

Staff recently completed annual pre-winter inspection and cleaning of storm drain inlets. Drainage ditch cleaning continues and is expected to be complete by mid-November. No reports of localized flooding were received as a result of the first storm event of the year.

CCSD 2x2 MEETING

Council members Crews and Singleton and I met with General Manager Jeff Ramos, Fire Chief Tracy Hansen and Board members Rutter and Orrick as part of the regular 2x2 meetings between the City and CCSD to facilitate communication and cooperation between the two agencies. Topics of discussion included the demolition of the old Fire Admin building on A Street, current and anticipated use of old Fire Station 44 building for storage, reduction in Fire Impact Fees, Fire code issues at various locations in the City and the floor renovation at Station 46 that will require the relocation of fire department personnel for a few days later this year. No impact to services will occur as a result of the remodel.

MARKET BUSINESS LICENSES

IT staff developed a program that will allow Market staff to issue business licenses for Galt Market vendors at the Galt Market office. Currently, Market vendors are required to come to the Finance Department to apply for a business license or renewal each year in order to sell at the market. This will save staff time and also provide a significant benefit to Market vendors.