



City Hall Weekly Highlights

May 19, 2016

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: City Departments

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Historic Preservation: At its meeting of May 10, 2016, the Historic Preservation Commission considered a request from the Lake Norconian Club Foundation (LNCF) to assist with the storage of architecturally significant lighting fixtures in the Bob & Karlene Allen Room at the Community Center, where the City's Historic Collection is now maintained. Pursuant to a court ruling, the LNCF is permitted to store some hotel artifacts offsite, and the Commission enthusiastically voted to approve of the proposed storage accommodations. At its meeting of May 18, 2016, the City Council directed staff to follow through with those arrangements.

Business Attraction: The City's Economic Development Consultant and Planning Director will join Mayor Bash and Council Member Hoffman in representing Norco at the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) conference, May 22-25 in Las Vegas, where the City of Norco will be an exhibitor. This gathering, the world's largest exhibition and networking event for shopping center developers and retailers, is an excellent opportunity for the City to present itself as an attractive site for a wide variety of retail chains, hotel operators and restaurants.

FISCAL AND SUPPORT SERVICES:

Reminder: Yard Sale permits are \$9 for three days only, once every three months. Fines for unauthorized yard sales are \$100 for the first warning and \$250 for the second warning per the Municipal Code Section 5.32.020.

Bill Processing: Staff mailed out 2,052 utility bills to Group 2 customers and assessed penalties to 379 delinquent accounts totaling \$6,218. We also mailed out 220 delinquent notices and billed for tag fees totaling \$3,520 to Group 1 utility customers that had not paid their bill on time.

Business License and Cash Receipts: There were 15 new business license applications and 1 renewal Business license applications during the week. Staff processed a combined total of 1,802 cash receipts from the building counter, Parks and Recreation, utility customers and other miscellaneous accounts receivables totaling \$444,230.

Miscellaneous Accounts Receivable: A total of 7 miscellaneous accounts receivable invoices were sent to individuals/agencies totaling \$1,390. Miscellaneous accounts receivable invoices are sent to bill for EMS services, hydrant meter billing, damage to City property, encroachment permits, loan payments, trash billing to California Rehabilitation Center and any other services provided by the City other than utility billing and business licenses.

PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Youth T-ball and Summer Basketball: It's great seeing the kids out there learning skills, sportsmanship and creating memories! Thank you to all the parents and volunteers who are dedicated to creating community through people, parks, trails and programs!



Register now for SUMMER KIDZ CAMP! This 9-week recreational program for kids 5-12 years of age is filled with weekly activities, fun projects and field trips for children to enjoy while on summer break. Summer Kidz Camp is available Monday through Friday 7 a.m.-6 p.m. from June 6, 2016 - August 5, 2016. A minimum number of participants are required in order for the camp to be held. Fee: Residents \$110/Non-Residents \$115 per weekly session.

Weekly themes:

June 6, 2016 - June 10, 2016—"The Force Awakens Week"

June 13, 2016 - June 17, 2016—"Camp Kikiwaka Week"

June 20, 2016 - June 24, 2016—"Tropical Safari Week"

June 27, 2016 - July 1, 2016—"Put me in the Zoo Week"

*July 5, 2016 - July 8, 2016—"Welcome to New York Week"

July 11, 2016 - July 15, 2016—"What's Cooking' Week"

July 18, 2016 - July 22, 2016—"Knights, Damsels & Dragons Week"

July 25, 2016 - July 29, 2016—"Symphony of the 5 Senses Week"

August 1, 2016 - August 5, 2016—"Roll Out the Red Carpet Week"

Summer Kidz Camp is held at 3939 Cedar Ave, Norco CA 92860. For more information please call (951) 272-1619.

Seniors celebrated a luncheon "Around the World in 80 Days" on Thursday, May 19, 2016. The day's activities included a time travel game, state/country musical chairs, fun facts, geography trivia and singing of America the Beautiful. Fun was had by all!

Party Parners will celebrate the "Wonders of the World" on Friday May 20, 2016 at the Rose M. Eldridge Senior Center. They are able to take an adventure through the wonders of the world with this travel themed event! Activities include music from different parts of the world, fun facts, crafts and refreshment. Event Hours: 6:00-8:30 p.m.



Concerts in the Park: Are you ready for some summer fun!? The 2016 Concerts in the Park Series is right around the corner, beginning Friday, June 10, 2016 with a kickoff concert featuring "Yard Sale!" The concerts this year are on the following selected Friday nights at Pikes Peak Park from 6-8 p.m.:

- June 10 – Yard Sale
- June 24 – Kirk and the Crazy Hillbillies
- July 8 –The Cougrzz
- July 22 – Sterling Sylver
- August 5 – Woodie and the Longboards
- August 12 – Rockstars of Tomorrow

Admission and parking are free. Refreshments will be available for purchase, courtesy of the Norco Lions Club. The Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services would like to give a HUGE THANK YOU to our sponsors: Riverside County District 2 Supervisor Tavaglione, Norco Lions Club, Norco Mounted Posse, RURAL, Norco Horsemen's Association, Air Temp, Inc., and Waste Management. Hope to see you at the park!

Astronomy Night: Mark your calendars for the next Astronomy Night in Norco! Come join the Riverside Astronomical Society to learn about the wonders of the night sky! Everyone will look through a telescope and experience what astronomy has to offer! This night, we are hoping to view Earth's only natural satellite, the Moon! We will also glimpse "The Red Planet" Mars, the amazing Saturn and its rings, and the "Giant Planet" Jupiter.

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Time: 8 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

Place: Corydon Staging Area

Cost: FREE!

FUN FACT Did you know...62 moons are known to orbit Saturn, of which 53 are officially named. For further information, contact the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services at (951) 270-5632.

George Ingalls Equestrian Event Center

- George A. Ingalls Veteran's Memorial Plaza is OPEN daily from 10 a.m. - dusk.
- Weekly Community Barrel Racing will be held Thursday, May 19th.
- Roping 4 Ropers World Series Qualifier Team Roping Saturday, May 21st & Sunday, May 22nd at Arena level.
- The City of Downey Senior Center is visiting Norco on Saturday, May 28th and will stop at the event center to experience the National Miniature Horse show. The 45 guests may have plans to shop and have lunch at Polly's Pies.
- Mark your calendars for the Memorial Day celebration at the George A. Ingalls Veteran's Memorial Plaza on Monday, May 30th with a continuous salute starting at 9 a.m. and official ceremony commencing at 11 a.m.
- Add to your event calendar: Horse Town Brew N' Que will be back on Saturday, June 4th from 12 p.m. – 7 p.m. at the arena level and Super Big Oldies Concert will be held at Nellie Weaver Hall Amphitheater on Sunday, June 12, 2016 from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Update

- Staff met with the Ingalls Park Master Plan Committee along with the Arts Committee on Thursday, May 19, 2016 to review placement of the remaining art pieces at the George Ingalls Equestrian Event Center which was approved by City Council.

Animal Control Services

Staff prepared for mailing 128 late notices for licenses that were due in April.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Water Conservation: The City of Norco has been tasked by the State of California to reduce water usage by 36%. Over the past 12 month the City of Norco has been able to achieve a 25% reduction in water usage. Due to the increase in water storage conditions in the State due to above normal rainfall, the State has rescinded is mandatory water reductions for each water purveyor and replaced

it with a new methodology where each agency must self-certify its supply of water can meet customer demands over the next three years. Staff will be providing City Council with an update and recommendation regarding conservation on June 1.

Potable Water Meter Repairs:

- 4435 Corona Avenue – excavated reported meter leak – leak was on customer’s service past the meter. Resident notified.
- 1461 Foxtrotter – replaced MXU, attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 259 Crossrail - replaced MXU, attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
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- 1444 Shire - replaced MXU, attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 4599 Temescal - attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 4508 Hillside – reconnected magnetic coupler to MXU, attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 189 Wild Horse - reconnected magnetic coupler to MXU, attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 1456 Foxtrotter – cleared system alarms on end point, , attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 289 Crossrail - attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 249 Haflinger - cleared system alarms on end point, attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 1487 Andalusian - cleared system alarms on end point, attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 1495 Andalusian - cleared system alarms on end point, attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 710 Sixth - cleared system alarms on end point, attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 2374 Corydon – changed meter register, attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system

Potable Water Service Repairs:

- 3701 Buckskin – vacuum excavated and repaired leaking 1” poly service
- 820 Fourth – “Jumped” in new ¾” curb stop
- 2998 Corona - vacuum excavated and repaired leaking 1” poly service
- 2387 Valley View - vacuum excavated and repaired leaking 1” poly service
- 2850 Shadow Canyon – replaced broken angle meter stop with new brass curb stop
- 2160 Santa Anita - replaced nonfunctional angle meter stop with new brass curb stop, attached portable programmer and linked meter to AMI system
- 2489 Vine - replaced leaking angle meter stop with new brass curb stop

Fire Hydrant Repairs:

- 3038 Corona – rebuilt internal operating assembly, installed new safety couplings, painted hydrant, operation tested and placed back in service
- 3519 Corona – removed small trees growing around the hydrant that blocked access to the ports
- 3120 Sierra – replaced aged and inoperable dry barrel Rensselaer hydrant. Installed new wet barrel hydrant using 4 bolt X 8 bolt adaptor.
- 259 Crossrail – replaced wet barrel fire hydrant.

Non Potable Water System:

- Irrigation well “A” suffered roof damage of the protective weather cover over the motor controller during the last wind episode resulting in breakage of the steel panel fasteners used to attached the roof panels to the support structure. Staff has welded the steel roof panels to the substructure, eliminating the need for panel fasteners which were the apparent “weak link” in the roofing structure.

Collection System Maintenance:

- Corona lift station – removed blockage (flushable wipes) from impellor case of both pump, primed pumps and placed back in service
- Norco Drive lift station – replaced radio for existing SCADA end point with used radio, site prepared for switch over to new SCADA network
- Old Hamner lift station – installed conduit from the wet and dry wells to the new SCADA panel in preparation for cut-over to the new network components.

Streets:

- Potholes were addressed at the following locations
 - Eastbound Seventh at Pedley
 - 1600 Industrial
 - 3951 Corona
- Tree maintenance
 - 746 River Drive - Removed broken tree branch snagged in the tree and hanging on telephone wires
 - 2380 Fifth – authorized WCA to remove very large, dead eucalyptus tree located in the public right of way immediately adjacent to the parking area for CRC
 - 3105 Appaloosa – authorized WCA to remove one dead sycamore in the parkway
 - 746 River Drive – removed large broken branch snagged in the tree and laying on the phone wires approximately 15 feet off the ground
- Signs
 - Mountain at Second – reinstalled downed STOP sign
 - Norco Hills Road at Valley Drive – installed new 25 MPH speed limit sign and “NO PARKING ENTIRE BLOCK” sign damaged in hit and run traffic collision.

Weed Abatement:

- Calfire inmate fire crews are assisting the City with weed abatement in the following areas
 - River Road – Sundance to Corydon
 - River Road – Corydon to Kips Korner
- Chemical weed abatement compounds were applied at
 - Hamner Avenue – on center median south of Second Street
 - Hamner Avenue – on the center median south of Hidden Valley
 - Hamner Avenue – in the center lane from Citrus to the north Silver Lakes driveway
 - Hamner avenue – east and west sides of the street south of Citrus to the end of the street improvements
 - North Drive – center median and north side of horse trail.

Graffiti/Debris Sites:

- 2103 Alhambra – removed tree limb dumped in the street
- 932 Fifth – removed couch dumped in the right-of-way
- 1019 Fifth – removed couch dumped in the right-of-way

DG and Miscellaneous Aggregate:

- 3951 Corona – placed 3 tons of 1” rock in pooling depressions at road edge
- 4364 Valley View – dumped and spread ¼ ton DG in driveway ruts
- 2127 Belmont – dumped and spread 4 tons DG
- 3376 Temescal – dumped and spread ½ ton DG in driveway ruts
- 3413 Dales – dumped and spread 5 tons DG in erosion ruts
- Walking Horse Ranch Road – grade trail area with skip loader, added 24 tons DG to low areas and heavy driveway ruts

Facilities Maintenance:

- 1281 Fifth – cleared overgrowth and undergrowth of trees and bushes obscuring security visibility and proper irrigation coverage

Special Notes:

Congratulations to George Walker for successfully fulfilling the requirements for certification by the State Department of Water Resources as a Potable Water Distribution Operator I.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND BUILDING DIVISION:

Approved Special Events:

- 9-1-15 to 6-1-16: Temporary food preparation and service modulars (SilverLakes)
- 5-21-16: E-cycle event, east side Hamner Ave. north of Bob’s Big Boy
- 6-6 thru 6-10, 2016: Cub Scout day camp, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 3600 Norconian Dr.

Planning:

New Applications:	
Sign Permit	(1 wall sign)
Conditional Use Permit	(1 commercial, 0 residential)
Site Plan	(0 commercial, 1 residential)

Surrounding Jurisdictions: Western Municipal Water District (WMWD) has issued a notice that the draft update to the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan will be available for public review from April 21 to May 12, 2016 and that the Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing to adopt the plan on June 1, 2016 in the WMWD Boardroom, 14205 Meridian Parkway, Riverside, CA. After adoption the plan will be submitted to the California Department of Water Resources by July 1, 2016. For more information regarding the plan the contact information is: kgaynor@wmwd.com.

Riverside County Planning Department issued a Notice of Availability for a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) regarding the 5th Cycle Housing Element Update for the county including other related revisions to Elements of the General Plan and revisions to ten General Plan Area Plans to reflect the revisions to the Housing Element. The DEIR is complete and available for public review with all comments due by May 30, 2016. All comments should be directed to William Gayk at Riverside County Planning Department, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, CA 92502-1409, or at BGAYK@rctlma.org. The DEIR may be reviewed at the Corona Public Library, 650 South Main St.

The Orange County Water District issued a Notice of Preparation for an EIR in regards to a proposed deviation to the Prado Dam Water Control Plan and a Sediment Removal Demonstration Project in

the Prado Basin. The Feasibility Study Area extends up to the west side of Hamner Avenue along the Santa Ana River. The public review period for the NOP is from April 26 to May 26, 2016. Comments and questions should be submitted to Daniel Bott at Orange County Water District, dbott@ocwd.com.

Building Division:

Permit Applications:	8	(0 commercial, 8 residential)
Building Permits Issued:	17	(4 commercial, 13 residential)
Valuation of Construction:		\$ 543,693.00
Building Fees Collected:		\$ 12,101.89
Field Inspections:	44	
Stop Work Notices:	1	
Occupancy Permits Issued:	0	
Sewer Permits:	1	
Estimated sewer flow:		
Capacity Fees collected:		
Connection Fees collected:		\$ 307.50

Code Enforcement:

	2015	2016
Total Cases:	313	128
Open Cases:	31	88 (57+31 carry-over from 2015)
New Cases:		6
Cites Issued:		7
Closed Cases:		2
Yard Sign Removal:		19

Additional Highlights:

- Working with the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control regarding two properties with green pools.

NORCO SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

UNITY/UNLOAD Town Hall Meeting: Part of the on-going mission of the City of Norco, CNUSD, and the Norco Sheriff's Office effort through the UNLOAD coalition is to educate our students about the dangers of drug, alcohol, and tobacco use. On Tuesday, May 17, 2016, a Town Hall Meeting was held for our students, in the City of Corona. The Town Hall was widely attended by both students and parents from the school district, who were presented with information and discussion pertaining to their health and safety. Our SET Team deputies were on hand to provide education about the dangers of youth using marijuana. Special thanks to Mayor Kevin Bash and Councilmember Robin Grundmeyer, who donated their time to attend and speak to the students. Mayor Bash spoke about students "armoring up," against negative peer pressure and temptation. We'd also like to thank the Jurupa Valley Station Explorers for participating and answering questions about our explorer program. This was a great event for our students and parents and we look forward to next year's event. Anyone who has questions about the UNLOAD coalition and how to become involved is welcome to contact our office at (951) 270-5673.



Pedestrian Safety Enforcement Operation Planned: The Norco Sheriff's Office will step up pedestrian safety enforcement operations on May 20, 2016, Friday, with focused enforcement on collision causing factors involving motorists and pedestrians. Officers will be looking for traffic offenses made by drivers and pedestrians alike that can lead to life changing injuries. Special attention will be directed toward drivers speeding, making illegal turns, failing to stop for signs and signals, failing to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks or any other dangerous violation. Additionally, enforcement will be taken for observed violations when pedestrians cross the street illegally or fail to yield to drivers who have the right of way. Pedestrians should cross the street only in marked crosswalks or intersections.

Pedestrian fatalities are rising in California as more people use non-motorized means of transportation. A national study reveals that pedestrians and drivers do not obey laws and signals consistently and many often use cell phones, text, and listen to music while walking or driving. Only 60 percent of pedestrians said they expected drivers to stop when they were in crosswalks, even though they have the right-of-way. Routine traffic patrols will focus efforts in trouble spots, while special targeted crosswalk patrols will also be deployed to crackdown on drivers and pedestrians who violate traffic laws meant to protect all roadway users. The following safety tips can save lives and stop a tragedy from occurring in the City of Norco:

Drivers can:

- Look out for pedestrians, especially in hard-to-see conditions such as at night or in bad weather.
- Slow down and be prepared to stop when turning or entering a crosswalk where pedestrians are likely to be.
- Stop at the crosswalk stop line to give drivers in other lanes an opportunity to see and yield to the pedestrians too.
- Be cautious when backing up – pedestrians, especially young children, can move across your path. See www.safercar.gov/parents/backover.htm ↗

Pedestrians can:

- Be predictable. Follow the rules of the road, cross at crosswalks or intersections, and obey signs and signals.
- Walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible if there is no sidewalk.
- Pay attention to the traffic moving around you. This is not the time to be texting or talking on a cell phone.
- Make eye contact with drivers as they approach. Never assume a driver sees you.
- Wear bright-colored clothing during the day and reflective materials (or use a flashlight) at night.
- Look left-right-left before crossing a street.

Funding for this program is provided to the Norco Sheriff's Office by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

FIRE DEPARTMENT / CAL FIRE:

Equipment: Battalion Chief Owens received his replacement Command Vehicle in December 2015. The new vehicle is a 2015 Ford F-250 4X4 outfitted with an LED light bar and siren package. The bed of the truck is equipped with a new command module to allow Chief Owens to command major emergencies from the rear of his vehicle. The new vehicle was purchased by CAL FIRE and replaced his old 2007 Chevrolet 1500, which will be recycled back into the State fleet.



SNAKE SAFETY

Dos and don'ts in snake country

First, know that rattlesnakes are not confined to rural areas. They have been found near urban areas, in river or lakeside parks, and at golf courses. Be aware that startled rattlesnakes may not rattle before striking defensively. There are several safety measures that can be taken to reduce the likelihood of startling a rattlesnake.

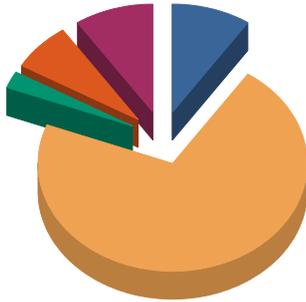
- ◇ Never go barefoot or wear sandals when walking through wild areas. Wear hiking boots.
- ◇ When hiking, stick to well-used trails and wear over-the-ankle boots and loose-fitting long pants. Avoid tall grass, weeds and heavy underbrush where snakes may hide during the day.
- ◇ Do not step or put your hands where you cannot see, and avoid wandering around in the dark. Step ON logs and rocks, never over them, and be especially careful when climbing rocks or gathering firewood. Check out stumps or logs before sitting down, and shake out sleeping bags before use.
- ◇ Never grab "sticks" or "branches" while swimming in lakes and rivers. Rattlesnakes can swim.
- ◇ Be careful when stepping over the doorstep as well. Snakes like to crawl along the edge of buildings where they are protected on one side.
- ◇ Never hike alone. Always have someone with you who can assist in an emergency.
- ◇ Do not handle a freshly killed snake, it can still inject venom.
- ◇ Teach children early to respect snakes and to leave them alone. Children are naturally curious and will pick up snakes.

For more information please visit www.wildlife.ca.gov



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Response Activity - Norco



False Alarm	4	9.5%
Medical	30	71.4%
Other Fire	1	2.4%
Public Service Assist	3	7.1%
Traffic Collision	4	9.5%
Total:	42	100.0%

Incidents Reported for Date between 5/12/2016 and 5/18/2016 and Norco City

False Alarm	4
Medical	30
Other Fire	1
Public Service Assist	3
Traffic Collision	4
Incident Total:	42

Riverside County Fire Weekly Activity Report- Norco

5/12/16 - 5/18/16

	CITY
Activity Totals	Norco
PLAN REVIEWS	TOTAL
All Plan Reviews	5
INSPECTIONS	Norco
Annuals	
New Construction	3
Re-inspections	9
Title 19 Inspections	
Business License Review	
C of O's	
Weed Abatement	
MEETINGS & OTHER	Norco
Meeting	1
Training	
Special Inspections/Events	