

**City of Fillmore Weekly Update
02/06 to 02/12/10**

Police

Crime Data:

Traffic Collisions:

Hit and Run 1000 Block Wileman Street
Hit and run 1000 Block 4th Street
Hit and Run 400 Block Saratoga Street
Injury Accident 500 Block Sespe

Fights:

Santa Clara and Glen Way
200 Block Lora Lane
300 Bard Avenue

Theft:

800 Block Santa Fe
700 Block River Street
500 Block Ventura Street (Vallertas and Papa Loys Parking Lot)
600 Block Ventura Street (Vons Shopping Center Parking Lot)
500 Block Kensington
400 Block Fillmore Street

Burglaries:

700 Block Blaine
600 Block Ventura Street
800 Block Central Street

Domestics:

800 Block 2nd Street
700 Block 5th Street
900 Block Blaine Avenue
300 Block Market Street
300 Block Bard

Stolen Vehicles:

400 Block Price
600 Block 4th Street

Current Projects / Upcoming Events / Community Issues:

Youth Explorer Program: The group of approximately 17 members has been having meetings and is successful.

Loitering near the Heritage Valley Tourism Bureau office has subsided.

Economic Development

Current Projects/Issues:

EDC-VC Economic Development Managers Roundtable:

The discussion at the Roundtable was encouraging in that there are signs of recovery are being seen through an increase in lease interest and negotiations for office, commercial and light manufacturing spaces. Retail in smaller markets is still struggling. Many of these deals are preliminary in nature; however, interest is strong and broad based. Lease profiles are not presently suited to Fillmore's space availability, but the leasing community is aware of vacancy opportunities within Fillmore.

Business Enhancement Program: There is one new referral for a start up business from Fillmore.

G.E.T. Trade (Global Entrepreneur Training in Trade): The second round of G.E.T. Trade is starting on February 16th. The training program is being offered by the EDC-VC to help Ventura County businesses that are poised for success in the Pacific Rim learn how to access global trade opportunities. The program includes classroom instruction, one-on-one specialized counseling, and a private tour of Port of Hueneme to help businesses develop core international business skills. Any questions can be directed to the EDC-VC at 805 384-1800 or Bill Bartels at 805 524-1500 ext. 227.

Manufacturing Outreach Program: This program provides local manufacturers with low or no-cost assistance. Services include: personalized business consultation, customized training, international trade, developing sustainable business, access to capital, operating efficiencies, energy efficiency, and job retention. Any questions can be directed to the EDC-VC at 805 384-1800 or Bill Bartels at 805 524-1500 ext. 227

Status of Business along Central Avenue:

A business owner had an initial consultation with the EDC-VC relative to his business and a follow up meeting has been scheduled. Further information will be forthcoming.

Upcoming Events:

EDC-VC Economic Development Managers Roundtable Meeting: Wednesday March 10th.

Special Projects

Current Projects/Issues:

Redevelopment Five Year Plan:

Staff has provided the consultant, David Gruchow with Urban Futures, with initial information for plan preparation and staff is in communication as additional informational needs arise. Further information will be forthcoming.

Community Development Block Grants:

Staff from the City and County are working together to review the applications for this coming year. County Staff is preparing overviews of each project and will distribute those overviews to the Cities with preliminary funding recommendations. Further information will be forthcoming.

Boys and Girls Club:

Staff has been talking with the Boys and Girls Club staff about renegotiation of the agreement and has communicated that a utilities offset needs to be a part of a new agreement.

Towne Theatre:

The Staff has talked to the Moorpark's High Street Theater management and also to an independent theater owner about options for the theater. In addition, further assessment of costs for repairs has been initiated.

Facilities, Parks & Recreation

Current Projects/Issues:

Equestrian Center RFP update: Proposals closed February 4th at 3 p.m.; five proposals were received. Staff is developing an RFP scoring sheet in preparation for evaluation of the proposals.

Facilities:

Senior Center: Flooring replacement: The floor will be replaced at the Multi-Purpose Center/ Senior Center starting on Friday, February 12th with completion on Monday, February 15th.

Computer room: the modem for the Senior Center needed replacement due to the previous roof leak; a new modem has been ordered and Internet will be restored by next week.

Temporary Staff: On Tuesday, February 9th, interviews were conducted for the part-time temporary position at the Fillmore Senior Center. The interviewing committee consisted of staff and two Senior Center Board members. There were five applicants that interviewed for the position and the top candidate was Beverly Fox. The interviewing committee agreed that she would be an asset to the Fillmore Senior Center with her of her job experience.

Staff met with Ms. Fox on Wednesday, February 10th, to explain the job in detail; how the programs work, days and hours of operation. Ms. Fox will start on Tuesday, February 16th, and work part-time.

Memorial Building & Youth Building: No leaks reported. Staff is preparing to gear up for the Miss Fillmore Pageant on April 24th.

Roof Leaks: No leaks reported at the Community Center/ Boys and Girls Club, Towne Theatre or City Hall. See Risk Management for other reports.

Aquatics Facility: Knorr, the pool chemical contractor, installed new software at the facility to manage the pool's chemistry. At this time the system is working and chemistry is staying in balance.

Recreation:

Fillmore Towne Theatre is hosting the Valentine's event on Saturday, February 13th. This event has been cancelled due to slow ticket sales. Staff is planning another event for the summer.

Last week of Men's League Softball.

Youth Basketball is winding down with only three weeks left in the 2009/2010 season.

Staff is preparing for the Spring League for Men's Slo-Pitch, Co-ed League and Women's Slo-Pitch.

Staff is working on the first Kickball League starting in May 2010.

Men's Pickup Basketball is still going strong in the Community Center/Boys and Girls Club on Saturday & Sunday evenings.

Dance and Theatre classes continuing at the Multi-Purpose Center/Fillmore Senior Center.

Finance

Current Projects/Issues:

Two finance department employees are attending a governmental accounting course this week. The finance staff is currently reviewing the 2009-2010 budget and working with staff on the mid-year numbers. The RFPs for auditing services will be passed out for review this week. IT staff is currently installing Springbrook software onto the department head computers. Finance staff is working on day-to-day assignments, utility billing, accounts receivable, utility billing, accounts payable and payroll. The contract accountant is currently working on bank reconciliation and special finance projects.

Risk Management:

Police Station – Vehicle vs. Building

On February 7th a vehicle was driven through the front doors of the Police Station. Repairs to doors and side windows are underway.

Senior Center – Vehicle vs. Brick Wall (Hit and Run)

On February 8th a vehicle hit the brick wall at the Fillmore Senior Center. Repairs will begin when adjuster has received the case.

SML business (next to Towne Theater) sustained a small amount of water damage due to a leaky roof. According to staff this is an ongoing problem when in heavy rains. The leak has been fixed and staff is currently addressing the damages to the business owner's inventory.

Midyear and Budget:

Staff has completed the mid-year review of the operating piece of the budget, and is now working on the capital improvement portion.

Fire Department

Calls:

Fire Department ran 34 calls: 7-Public Service, 2-Miscellaneous Fire, 1-Fire Alarm, 1-Traffic Collision, 2-Assault, 3-Investigation and 18 Medical Calls.

Current Projects:

The Fillmore Fire Department had a CPR save on Saturday, February 6th. Fillmore Fire was first on scene and started CPR on a resident who lives on Kensington using a new device called a King Tube. This is the tenth time the Fillmore Fire Department has performed a King Tube procedure. County EMS started an 18 month study last September on the effectiveness of this

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device and Fillmore Fire Department's success with this procedure is beneficial information to this study.

The Fire Chief met with County EMS on February 10th to provide an update and status on the Department's Paramedic program. County EMS governs all County Emergency Medical Services and Fillmore Fire Department has maintained a positive relationship and very good standing County EMS. In some cases, the Fillmore Fire Department is setting the standards for the rest of the departments in the County.

Upcoming Events:

Second Smoke Detector Day: The Fire Department assisted the Lions Club with a Smoke Detector Day at the El Dorado Mobilehome Park on Saturday, February 6th. Ten units received assistance. To increase participation, the same service will be offered again on February 27th 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. This event will be been announced in Fillmore Gazette.

Community Development Department

Current Projects/Issues:

Planning Department

Housing Element:

The 2nd draft of the Housing Element will be presented to the City Council for the first time on February 23rd. At this meeting, the Council will consider community input and provide direction to staff so that processing of the Housing Element may proceed.

Greenbelt:

The Greenbelt Ordinance is being present to the Planning Commission on February 17th.

Sespe Court:

The City Council approved about 18 months ago for a 10 lot subdivision. The City Council approved a one-year time extension.

Building Department

Shah residential project:

The conceptually approved Shah residential project on the northeast corner of Mountain View and Santa Clara St. submitted full sets of construction plans for plan check#1. The project consists of 18 residential units and about 5,000 sq. ft. of commercial retail space. This plan check typically takes four weeks. This is RDA-owned property with a Disposition and Development Agreement with the applicant. The record is not clear as to whether this is a condominium or apartment project.

Certificate of Occupancy

All City Departments are conducting their Certificate of Occupancy inspections for the Cabrillo project along the railroad property.

Public Works

Current Projects/Issues:

Mountain View Closing: The Mountain View railroad crossing will be closed beginning Tuesday February 16th until Friday March 12th. With good weather the work should go quickly. Flyers in English and Spanish were distributed to households near the project.

Proposition 84 Riverparkways Grant Application: Staff has learned that our application for a \$1M Riverparkways grant will not be approved by the State selection committee. The proposal was to renovate the Waste Water Treatment Plant site into an extension of Two Rivers Park. The committee felt the proposed park improvements were “too urban” and desired more of a nature park.

Citywide Landscape bids: Bids were received from 12 contractors. The low bid is from Quality Landscape, our current landscape contractor. The bids for each landscape area varied with some coming in higher, some lower. Overall, there will be a slight reduction in the landscaping costs for the Assessment Districts and the City Landscaping. Staff will present the bid results to the City Council on February 23rd for potential award of contract.