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Weekly Info Update

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To: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
From: MIKE BENNETT, CITY MANAGER
Date: October 28, 2016
Re: WEEKLY INFO UPDATE

Tuesday's City Council Meeting

We will present an overview of the 2017 Community Center budget. Also on the consent agenda is the second reading on the hospital bonds and first readings on Adobe View North annexations, a resolution supporting two GOCO grants and the land dedication fee disbursement to the school district.

TID BITS:

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- Quick, short and early update this week.
- As reported by the GJ Regional Communication Center, Fruita PD incidents were down 14% in Sept. compared to the same month last year—for the year we are down 3%.
- The Western Colorado Conservation Corps has been working the last 2 weeks on construction of the newly approved mountain bike trails in McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area (Photos below).
- Last weekend Colorado Canyons Association lead a volunteer work trip on the Ruby-Horsethief stretch of the Colorado River to restore Dog Island after a human caused fire consumed most of the riparian vegetation at this popular campsite in 2015 (Photos below).
- Wednesday night we had a crowd of about 40 people attend the City-Chamber ED Summit and had a great conversation with local business owners about our goals, efforts and needs—thanks for the support from the Mayor and Council members.
- We had 30+ in attendance at the Feral Cat Forum and appreciate Carrie's work on that.
- The Police Department collected about 50 pounds of prescription drugs during the give back event Saturday.
- The drainage at Copper Club that was caused during downtown improvements and found later is completely fixed now.
- Design continues on the Kokopelli Section of the Riverfront Trail, North Aspen Alley project, Downtown Phase II, Gateway and the lagoon redevelopment project.

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- Staff has finished meetings with boards and commissions, Southside Business group, Mesa County, Riverfront Commission, State Park and others to gather feedback on the lagoon project.
- Staff completed the surveying of Aspen and Laura Alley.
- The Mayor and I with our Sports Programs Supervisor, spoke with first graders from Shelledy Elementary.

FRUITA IN THE NEWS (or related news to the area):

- Tree and rock drawings gave shepherd an artistic outlet: <http://www.gjsentinel.com/lifestyle/articles/tree-and-rock-drawings-gave-shepherd-an-artisti>
- CSP: Semi-trailer runs off I-70 into waterway west of Fruita TV spot: <http://www.nbc11news.com/content/news/398117641.html>
- Man found dead after Fruita motorcycle crash TV spot: <http://www.nbc11news.com/content/news/398031941.html>
- Two candidates for county seats receive \$10,000: <http://www.gjsentinel.com/news/articles/two-candidates-for-county-seats-receive-10000>
- Coroner: Motorcycle rider died as a result of drowning: <http://www.gjsentinel.com/breaking/articles/coroner-motorcycle-rider-died-as-a-result-of-drowning>
- Fruita 0.038 marathon is perfect for the fitness challenged: <http://kool1079.com/fruita-0038-marathon-rimrock-run/>
- Get the idea: Gain and share knowledge through series of Intellectures: <http://www.gjsentinel.com/lifestyle/articles/get-the-idea-gain-and-share-knowledge-through-seri>

UPCOMING EVENTS *(When an RSVP is required I will include the information. I also ask that you let Deb know if you plan to attend so we can make sure to post if multiple council members plan to attend. Deb would also be happy to RSVP for you.):*

- Tomorrow, Friday, October 28 is the Gears Frozen Yogurt Ribbon Cutting at 11 am.
- **This Saturday, Oct. 29** is Truck-N-Treat from 10 am – 12 pm at Civic Center Park.
- **Oct. 31** is Trick or Treat Street from 3-5 pm in BOTH downtown and the Southside Marketplace.
- **Nov. 1** we have been invited to attend the Fruita Middle School's Award Ceremony at 7:35 am and 8:40 am (I will attend) to recognize the students who have scored proficient or advanced in all of their essential academic skills in their core elective classes.
- **Nov. 4** from 4-7 pm is the Mesa Land Trust Annual Open House.
- **Nov. 7** is the Rim Rock Marathon and the Fruita 0.038 marathon: <http://www.rimrockmarathon.com/>
- The Fruita Community Calendar is available on the website at: <http://www.fruita.org/calendar>.
- The **2016** Events Information is also available online at: <http://www.fruita.org/parksrec/page/special-events>

CC: Department Directors







