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Weekly Info Update

To: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
From: MIKE BENNETT, CITY MANAGER
Date: OCTOBER 30, 2015
Re: WEEKLY INFO UPDATE

Tuesday's City Council Meeting

Tuesday's agenda includes a proclamation for Prematurity Awareness Day, swearing in of Officer Gianinetti, a 2016 General Fund overview, an item to repeal and reenact ordinance sections relating to solicitation and peddling, an item to repeal a section regarding loitering, an item concerning the nomination petition deadlines for the municipal election, and a Brandon Estates Subdivision Improvements Agreement (SIA).

Little Salt Wash Trail

The low bid contractor is in the process of appealing CDOT's non-concurrence of the bid related to not meeting the state's established Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal. There is a high chance we will need to conduct another bid process. We have updated GOCO regarding the status and need for an extension and staff will support an extension request to the GOCO Board in December, so it looks promising an extension may be granted. We are continuing to work closely with CDOT and GOCO to see this trail completed.

EXTENDED TO NOV. 13--Community Engagement---Residents as the Designers of our Gateway

We continue to have press cover our unique community engagement project and continue to receive packets. To give more time to receive more feedback, we extended the deadline to Nov. 13th since it would not impact UTA's timeline for analyzing the data. Packets are found at the following link:
<http://www.fruita.org/community/project/fruita-gateway-enhancement-project>
and also at the Civic Center, Community Center, Chamber, The Hot Tomato, No Coast Sushi, Aspen Street Coffee, Pablo's Pizza, Copper Club Brewing Co., Munchies, Suds Brothers, Camilla's and Rib City. Packets are due by Friday, November 13th. Please spread the word and encourage people to participate—it's easy and fun.

Fruita's Inaugural 0.038 Marathon & Rim Rock Marathon—Nov. 7th

The Rim Rock Marathon finish line will end at Circle Park – runners are expected in Fruita starting around 11:00 am. The 0.038 will be from 9:00 – 10:30 am and will have 5 races— the last is a family run starting at 10:20 am. Runners start at Circle Park, run a half mile and turn around and finish at Circle Park. At Circle Park, there will also be vendors, a beer garden (Rotary) and live music (The Navigators from Cavalcade) from 12:00 – 2:00 pm. We're excited to create a fun event for the community that also supports cheering on the runners finishing the grueling Rim

Rock Marathon. I think I will go for the .038 Marathon. The Fruita 0.038 Marathon entry is \$10.00 per person (may participate in two categories).

TID BITS:

- Check out GJEP's new "Calling You Home" campaign:
<http://www.nbc11news.com/home/headlines/Fruita-gateway-needs-public-help-for-design-renovation-337272581.html>
- I may have already shared this, but here is another great tool out there promoting Fruita trails:
<http://www.outdoorproject.com/adventures/colorado/mountain-biking/kokopelli-loops-horsethief-bench-mountain-bike-trial>
- Staff is writing articles for the next edition of City Link that goes out the end of November.
- Sorter has been completing the final list of minor completion items downtown this week.
- The base for the new Rotary sign at Triangle Park was poured this week.
- Engineering has begun working on alignments toward design of the Kokopelli section of the Riverfront Trail.
- Truck-N-Treat was a huge success and continues to grow each year. Loves Truck Stop won the award for the Most Tricked-Out Truck—turning the truck into a monster.
- Rim Rock Marathon will end in Circle Park this year on Nov. 7th and that morning we will have our first .038 Marathon in downtown Fruita on Aspen Ave.
- Two of our officers assisted a Sheriff's Deputy this week in a search of a vehicle traveling on I-70 near Loma resulting in the seizure of 40 pounds of methamphetamine.
- Congrats to local manufacturer Johns Manville for being awarded the "24-Karat Gold Challenge Award" from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment for their efforts that resulted in eliminating 863 tons annually of material from the landfill:
<http://www.marketwatch.com/story/johns-manville-receives-24-karat-gold-challenge-award-from-colorado-department-of-public-health-and-environment-2015-10-28>
- We had a sewer leak on the south side near the roundabouts and crews worked quickly to cap the leak.
- Subway Restaurant is aiming for a Nov. 15 open date.
- Checkout our group photo from this year's City Hall staff "Peter Pan" themed costumes.

FRUITA IN THE NEWS:

- Fruita asks for help from residents to redesign gateway TV Spot:
<http://www.nbc11news.com/home/headlines/Fruita-gateway-needs-public-help-for-design-renovation-337272581.html>
- Truck-N-Treat celebrates biggest year ever:
<http://www.nbc11news.com/home/headlines/Truck-or-treat-celebrates-biggest-year-ever-336687311.html>
- Fruita officials predict a flat budget TV spot: <http://www.westernslopenow.com/news/fruita-officials-predict-a-flat-budget>
- \$2,000 stolen from Grand valley Raptors Baseball TV Spot:
<http://www.nbc11news.com/home/headlines/2000-stolen-from-Grand-Valley-Raptors-Baseball--336417401.html>

- WCCC Students Pitch Logo Designs to Fruita City Council TV Spot:
<http://www.westernslopenow.com/news/local-news/wccc-students-pitch-logo-designs-to-fruita-city-council>
- Music events in the area: <http://www.postindependent.com/news/grandjunction/18444348-113/music-this-week>
- Fruita Woman Gives Horses a Second Chance TV Spot:
<http://www.westernslopenow.com/news/local-news/fruita-woman-gives-horses-a-second-chance-at-life>

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Monday, November 2nd** at 7 pm is our annual Boards and Commission Appreciation Night at the Community Center (invite copied below).
- **November 4th** is the Joint Stakeholders Roundtable Discussion with the GJ Chamber, BIC and GJEP from 3-6 pm at Ute Water Conservancy District (2190 H ¼ Rd). Invite below. I will be attending.
- **November 5th** from 9 am – 4:30 pm will be the AGNC Economic Development Summit in Rifle at the Ute Theater, 132 E. 4th St. Rifle, CO 81650 (Agenda copied below). From staff Ture and I plan to attend. PLEASE LET DEB KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND BY NOVEMBER 2ND AND SHE CAN RSVP AND POST IF NECESSARY.
- **November 7th** is the Rim Rock Marathon ending at Circle Park with vendors, a beer garden and live music from 12-2 pm—runners expected around 11 am.
- **November 7th** in conjunction with the Rim Rock Marathon, is the City's first .038 Marathon with 5 different one-mile races beginning at 9:30 am, the last starting at 10:20 am that is a family run.
- **December 5th** at 6 pm will be the City Christmas party.
- **December 12th** will be Fruita's Hometown Christmas.
- The Fruita Community Calendar is available on the website at: <http://www.fruita.org/calendar>.
- The **2015** Events Information is also available online at: <http://www.fruita.org/parksrec/page/special-events>

CC: Department Directors

*Thank
you*



FOR HELPING US MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

TO: *City of Fruita Boards And Commissions Members and their families*
FROM: *Fruita City Council*
RE: *Appreciation Night at the FCC*
WHEN: *Monday, November 2, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.*
WHERE: *Fruita Community Center (324 N. Coulson)*

*****Dessert, Fruit, Coffee and Tea will be served*****

*PLEASE RSVP by October 26, 2015 to:
Debra Woods, Deputy City Clerk
858-3663 or dwoods@fruita.org*



Joint Stakeholders Roundtable Discussion

The Grand Junction Area Chamber, Business Incubator Center and Grand Junction Economic Partnership Boards of Directors cordially invite you, as a community leader, to attend a facilitated discussion about what is needed to make our businesses, the local economy and the Grand Valley more successful. Your thoughts will help serve as the basis for our three organizations' 2016 planning efforts.

**Wednesday, November 4, 2015
3:00 PM to 6:00 PM
Ute Water Conservancy District
2190 H 1/4 Rd**

Please consider staying and inviting a guest to join us for casual networking with beverages and appetizers from 5:00 to 6:00 PM.

Please RSVP by emailing one of the following diane@gjchamber.org, kristi@gjep.org, Jmaraschin@gjincubator.org or by calling the Chamber office at 970-242-3214.

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AGNC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUMMIT

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2015

UTE THEATER – 132 E. 4th St.

RIFLE, CO 81650

9:00 am – 4:30 pm

9:00 – 9:05 Welcome – Jeff Eskelson

Business Support Opportunities:

9:05 – 9:35 Enterprise Zone – Re-designation and Benefits -Terri Benson for Mesa County EZ
Maria King for NWEZ

9:35 – 10:00 Jump Start Colorado – Kristi Pollard

10:00 – 10:20 Air Service Expansion Effort in Western Colorado – Diane Schwenke

10:20 – 10:30 BREAK

Economic Development Marketing Ideas:

10:30 – 11:00 Colorado Innovation Network COIN – Connecting NW Colorado to the Network
Anna Ewing – (INVITED)

11:00 – 11:30 Expanding Colorado's Aerospace Industry in Western Colorado – Joe Rice from
Lockheed Martin

11:30 – 12:00 Colorado Manufacturer's Edge – What's missing in Colorado manufacturing
Tom Bugnitz, CEO

12:00 -1:15 LUNCH - Outdoor Recreation as the door to Economic Development – Luis Benitez
Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT)

1:15 – 1:45 LNG Export Update – David Ludlam

Why do Businesses come to NW Colorado – Panel: (Moderator Julie Moray SBDC)

Businesses located in NW Colorado – why are they here? What works for them in NW Colorado? What makes doing business here difficult? Ideas to make doing business here easier:

- Jeff Eskelson – Bowstring Mfg. – Meeker, CO
- Sarah Shrader – Bonsai Design – Grand Junction, CO
- Page Tucker – ProStar – Grand Junction, CO

2:45 – 3:00 BREAK

The Missing Link – Broadband Service:

3:00 – 3:30 What does it take to hold a virtual job in NW Colorado?

- Virtual worker from the region (INVITED)
- BB requirements of businesses that hire virtual employees – Joe Rice, Lockheed Martin

3:30 – 4:30 Who is Doing What?

- CenturyLink – CAF II investments– Tim Kunkelman, Abel Chavez
- Charter Investments – Wendy Moser
- Local Government Efforts - Blake Mobley – Rio Blanco County

HAPPY HALLOWEEN FROM CAPTAIN HOOK, PETER PAN AND CREW!!!

