

CITY Spotlight CHOWCHILLA



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**CITY HALL OFFICES
BUSINESS HOURS**
Monday - Friday, 8AM - 5PM

CALENDAR

- Apr 5-7** - American Legion Yard Sale, 445 Trinity Avenue, 8AM-3PM
- Apr 6** - VFW Auxiliary Craft Fair, 245 S 5th St, 10AM-3PM
- Apr 8** - HOW (Helping One Woman) Fundraiser Dinner, Farnesi's Steakhouse, 6PM
- Apr 9** - City Council Meeting, City Hall, 7PM
- Apr 13** - American Legion & VFW Breakfast Fundraiser, Edward Ray Park, 8AM-12NN
- Apr 13** - Chowchilla Easter Egg Scramble, Edward Ray Park, 9AM-12NN
- Apr 13** - Annual Chowchilla Fair Dinner & Dance, Eastman Hall, Fairgrounds, 6PM
- Apr 15** - Airport Committee Meeting, City Hall, 5:30PM
- Apr 16** - Coffee with a COP, McDonalds, 8AM
- Apr 17** - Planning Commission Meeting, City Hall, 7PM
- Apr 19** - Easter Egg Hunt, Chowchilla Skilled Nursing, 1104 Ventura Ave, 7PM
- Apr 21** - Easter Sunday
- Apr 23** - City Council Meeting, City Hall, 7PM
- Apr 26** - Chowchilla Athletic Foundation Golf Tournament, Pheasant Run GC, 1PM
- May 1** - Summer Outdoor Watering Regulations Begin
- May 6** - HOW (Helping One Woman) Fundraiser Dinner, Farnesi's Steakhouse, 6PM
- May 7** - 12th Annual Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony, Madera Courthouse Park, 12NOON

City recruits for top administrative positions

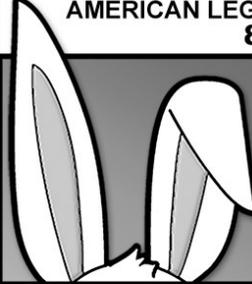
Two top level positions in the City are currently being advertised across the State and nationwide to seek qualified candidates who will be able to further guide the City of Chowchilla to more successes.

A priority is to fill the vacant City Administrator position with a creative, results oriented professional who as a strong leader is committed to serving a diverse community with untapped potential. The best candidate will have experience as a public agency management professional with a

demonstrated success in community relations, strategic planning, staff management, and supporting an elected governing board. The City Administrator has a tremendous opportunity to build upon the organizational strengths and community interests and truly make a significant difference in forming a community of distinction.

The City is also seeking a highly motivated, innovative, goal oriented and result driven senior-level executive to serve as the Director of Community and Economic Development. This person will have the skills

**AMERICAN LEGION & VFW PANCAKE BREAKFAST
8:00AM-12:00NOON**



**Chowchilla's
EASTER EGG
SCRAMBLE**

Saturday, April 13 • 9am-12noon
Candy Eggs, Tattoos, Contests, Bouncers, more...

**CITY OF CHOWCHILLA
Edward Ray Park
15th Street & Sonoma Avenue**

**EGG
SCRAMBLES
START PROMPTLY AT
10:00AM**

and abilities to build strategic collaboration and partnerships, guide and achieve successful industrial/commercial developments, focus on creative downtown renovation and address growing housing demands, along with numerous other areas of responsibility.

More information can be found on the City website under employment opportunities.

City Council appoints Safety Tax Committee

Five community members have been appointed by the City Council to serve on the new Public Safety Transactions and Use Tax Citizen's Oversight Committee. Last November Chowchilla voters overwhelming approved the sales tax that will directly benefit our local police and fire departments.

Residents Brian Esteves, Kelly Hanna, Paige Hill, Daniel Red and Cheryl Salter will have the singular purpose to annually review the public safety sales tax revenue and expenditures. They will ensure that all revenues are spent or appropriated for the intended permissible uses per the set expenditure plan, and not for any other purposes, as set forth in the Chowchilla Municipal Code.

Town hall will discuss the next city budget

Planning the next fiscal year budget has started and City officials want to hear from the residents and stakeholders about their priorities for projects, programs and services. Developing a responsive and strong fiscal plan is important along with striving to ensure the community interests and needs are heard and considered throughout the decision-making processes to establish the new budget.

The City Council will hold a town hall on Wednesday, April 24 starting at 6:00 PM where they would like to hear from residents about their interests.

**OUR TOWN
CHOWCHILLA
CITY COUNCIL TOWN HALL**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24 - 6:00PM
Chowchilla City Hall
130 S. Second Street

TOPIC: 2019-2020 BUDGET

- ◆ Learn how the City receives revenue and assigns expenses
- ◆ Share your ideas and priorities for future budget spending
- ◆ Present topics of interest from you and your neighbors

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CITY COUNCIL

John Chavez, *Mayor*
Waseem Ahmed, *Mayor Pro Tem*
Ray Barragan, *Council Member*
Dennis Haworth, *Council Member*
Diana Palmer, *Council Member*
Dave Riviere, *Acting City Administrator*

City Council meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The agenda can be viewed or downloaded from the City web site.



PHONE NUMBERS

City Hall	(559) 665-8615
City Council	x 102
City Administrator	x 100
City Clerk	x 102
Airport Information	x 789
Building & Inspections	x 787
Code Enforcement	x 787
Community Development	x 787
Community Engagement	x 110
Finance	x 783
Fire	x 600
Human Resources	x 102
Planning	x 787
Police Department	x 785
Public Works & Parks	x 789
Recreation	x 110
Utilities	x 783

Anonymous Tips	665-8624
Chamber of Commerce	665-5603
City Bus (CATX)	665-8655
Fairgrounds	665-3728
Fire Department	665-8625
Mid Valley Disposal	237-9425
Police Department	665-8600
Senior Center	665-8647



accepted for in-person payments
made at Chowchilla City Hall



City water patrols strive to help residents

Chowchilla Public Works personnel perform outreach to help residents comply with the existing outdoor watering regulations. These employees work varying days and hours including evenings and weekends to help residents understand and set their outdoor watering schedules according to the current rules. They also help interpret any new rules that are mandated by the State of California.

They travel through all of the Chowchilla neighborhoods to identify irrigation violations and provide information to property residents on the efficient use of water. Property owners with repeated offenses or who don't comply with irrigation violations will have administrative fines issued to the property.

Until April 30, outdoor watering remains limited to one day a week, either Saturday or Sunday, depending on the property address. No watering is allowed any day between 10AM and 7PM.

The summer outdoor watering schedule begins May 1 when outdoor areas can be watered up to two times a week.

For your questions contact the City Public Works Department at (559) 665-8615, ext. 789. Be sure to leave a message if you reach voicemail. Or, send an email to PublicServices@CityOfChowchilla.org.

SUMMER OUTDOOR WATERING SCHEDULE

May 1 - November 30

EVEN Number Address
(Ends in 0,2,4,6,8)
Tuesday and/or Saturday

ODD Number Address
(Ends in 1,3,5,7,9)
Wednesday and/or Sunday

OUTDOOR WATERING of RESIDENTIAL or BUSINESS PROPERTIES is NOT ALLOWED on MONDAY, THURSDAY or FRIDAY

NO WATERING EVERY DAY BETWEEN 10:00AM AND 7:00PM

www.CityOfChowchilla.org/189/Water-Conservation



DID YOU KNOW...

Your utilities bill shows your water usage in cubic feet not gallons.

To calculate the number of gallons just multiply the number of cubic feet by 7.48.

UTILITIES BILL

Account Number	Service	
	02/28/	
Water Meter Reading (000's)		
Present	Previous	Usage
129,024	128,514	510
CURRENT CHARGES:		Unpaid Previous Balance Sub
Meter Fixed Service Fee	19.24	510 cu ft
Level 1 (510)	4.64	
Total Water Charges	23.88	x 7.48
Sewer	24.83	
Sewer Bond	1.41	3,815 gal
Chowchilla	22.30	

Pay utilities bills ONLINE

Using Xpress Bill Pay is a simple, safe and FREE way to pay your monthly City utilities bills online. It's easy to setup your account.

Go to CityOfChowchilla.org and select Online Bill Payments from the HOW DO I... drop down menu or click the Bill Pay graphic. You will be redirected to the Xpress Bill Pay website where you can create your online account.



Weed abatement program now underway

Property owners within the Chowchilla city limits of must maintain their properties so they do not detract from the surrounding neighborhoods. Each spring the City of Chowchilla devotes additional time and effort to the annual Weed Abatement Program to get properties clean and clear of weeds.

Though a year-round activity, the Weed Abatement Program becomes more significant in the spring. Property owners are required to mow their lots and remove vegetation and trash. Additionally, open grounds need to be tilled to rid the property of dry grass, weeds and trash that could pose a significant fire threat during the dry fire hazard season through September.

City staff work with property owners to bring their properties into compliance. The property must be abated by Tuesday, April 23. Those who do not meet this deadline will be notified by mail that they are in violation. After that date the City will schedule the property to be cleared by a contractor. The property owner will be billed for the full abatement costs plus an administrative fee that can amount to more than \$300.

If you have questions or want more information about the Weed Abatement Program call the Community and Economic Department Code Enforcement office (559) 665-8615, ext. 787.