

CITY Spotlight CHOWCHILLA



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

CALENDAR

Nov 10 - American Legion & VFW Breakfast Fundraiser, VFW Hall, 7-11AM

Nov 11 - Veterans Day Holiday Observed, City Offices Closed

Nov 11 - Veterans Day Ceremony, Veterans Memorial Park, 11AM

Nov 11 - HOW (Helping One Woman) Fundraiser Dinner, Farnesi's Steakhouse, 6PM

Nov 12 - City Council Meeting, City Hall, 7PM

Nov 16 - Chowchilla Lioness Lions Harvest Festival, Chowchilla Fairgrounds, 6PM

Nov 19 - Coffee with a COP, McDonalds, 8AM

Nov 21 - Planning Commission Meeting, City Hall, 7PM

Nov 26 - City Council Meeting, City Hall, 7PM

Nov 28 - Thanksgiving Day

Nov 28-29 - Thanksgiving Holiday, City Offices Closed

Dec 7 - Lions Club Christmas Tree Lighting, Veterans Memorial Park, 5:30PM

Dec 7 - Tenaya Guild Children's Hospital Fundraiser Event, Fairgrounds, 6PM

Dec 8 - American Legion & VFW Breakfast Fundraiser, VFW Hall, 7-11AM

Dec 10 - City Council Meeting, City Hall, 7PM

Dec 17 - Coffee with a COP, Starbucks, 8AM

Veterans Day Ceremony November 11

Chowchilla's annual Veterans Day Ceremony to honor veterans who have served the United States of America as a member of the Armed Forces, will be held on Monday, November 11 at 11:00AM at Veterans Memorial Park on Robertson Boulevard at 6th Street in downtown Chowchilla.

The event is proudly presented and sponsored by American Legion Post 148, VFW Post 9896, VFW Auxiliary 9896 and the City of Chowchilla.

The community is encouraged to join together and pay tribute to those who served to preserve the principles of justice, freedom and democracy for our nation. Everyone who attends will gain a stronger appreciation for the men and women who selflessly strive to protect us today and to commemorate our local veterans who have unselfishly served this country in the past.

Refreshments will be served after the ceremony.



One-day-a-week watering starts December 1

The beginning of December marks the start of the winter outdoor irrigation regulations that limit watering to a one-day-a-week watering schedule.

Residential and business properties with addresses that END with an EVEN number can irrigate on SATURDAYS, and those addresses that END with an ODD number can water outdoor landscapes on SUNDAYS. Outdoor watering is PROHIBITED Monday through Friday.

The outdoor watering day of public parks, schools, and common areas (medians, berms, roadway shoulder strips, public areas, etc.) throughout the city and in the Greenhills neighborhood are separate from residential and business watering days. These areas are allowed to irrigate ONLY on MONDAYS. This helps reduce the demands for water on the same days as residential and business watering needs. Outdoor watering of these separated areas is PROHIBITED Tuesday through Sunday.

Outdoor watering is PROHIBITED FOR ALL ADDRESSES EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK between 10AM and 7PM including the scheduled irrigation days.

If you have questions call the Chowchilla Public Works Department at (559) 665-8615, ext. 789.

**Chowchilla City Hall Offices
will be CLOSED**

Nov. 11 and Nov. 28 & 29

for Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Holidays

OUTDOOR WATERING SCHEDULE

WINTER SEASON

December 1 - April 30

RESIDENTIAL & BUSINESS

EVEN Number Addresses

(Ending in 0,2,4,6,8)

Saturday ONLY

ODD Number Addresses

(Ending in 1,3,5,7,9)

Sunday ONLY

**NO OUTDOOR WATERING OF
RESIDENTIAL OR BUSINESS PROPERTIES
IS ALLOWED MONDAY, TUESDAY,
WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY OR FRIDAY**

WATERING SCHEDULE for
PUBLIC PARKS, SCHOOLS and
COMMON AREAS (City & Greenhills)

Monday ONLY

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

www.CityOfChowchilla.org/189/Water-Conservation

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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*
Rod Pruett, *Interim 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



The effectiveness of STOP signs

A stop sign can be an effective control devices when used at the right place and under the right conditions. It is intended to help drivers and pedestrians at an intersection decide who has the right-of-way. Public understanding the function of stop signs is one of the most critical elements in reducing speeding and traffic accidents.

The City of Chowchilla policy on intersection traffic controls and the correct use of stop signs embodies the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, a set of well-developed, federal and state recognized guidelines. These guidelines take into consideration, among other things, the probability of vehicles arriving at an intersection at the same time, the length of time traffic must wait to enter, traffic delays, and the availability of safe crossing opportunities. The stop sign is used to assign right-of-way at an intersection and to make sure that traffic flows smoothly and predictably.

Contrary to common thought, a stop sign is not an effective means to control speeding. Research shows that where stop signs are installed as "deterrents" or "speed breakers," there are high incidences of intentional violations resulting in accidents. When vehicles must stop, the speed reduction is only near the stop sign, and drivers tend to speed up between stop sign controlled intersections. When not required to stop by cross-street traffic 20-40% of drivers pass through stop signs at speeds higher than 5 mph. Signs placed on major and collector streets are the most flagrantly violated.

Studies show that the stop sign may cause such an inconvenience that traffic detours through other residential streets, parking lots, etc. The overuse of stop signs will cause many drivers to ignore them, creating a more hazardous situation, especially in low volume areas, such as residential neighborhoods.

When a request for a stop sign is received City staff evaluate the intersection following State and Federal guidelines to ensure uniformity in traffic control. This includes a review of the criteria outlined in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices such as vehicle and pedestrian volumes, traffic speeds, intersection visibility, e.g., trees and shrubbery, and accident history. Experience has shown that improving the intersection visibility by prohibiting parking near the intersection or removing sight obstructions is often more effective at reducing accidents.

Visit www.CityOfChowchilla.org/191/Streets-Lights to learn more about street traffic modifications.



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Chowchilla Lions Club

*Christmas Tree
Lighting Ceremony*

Saturday, December 7

Veterans Memorial Park
600 Robertson Boulevard

5:30 PM

In collaboration with the
City of Chowchilla

Thanksgiving Holiday Trash Service Delayed One Day

NO TRASH PICK-UP SERVICE on Thanksgiving Day
THURSDAY customers trash bins emptied on FRIDAY
FRIDAY customers trash bins emptied on SATURDAY.

Put trash bins out NO EARLIER than the night before and
NO LATER than 6:00AM on the morning of the pick-up day.



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