

CITY Spotlight CHOWCHILLA



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

Apr 8 - Easter EGG Scramble,
Edward Ray Park, 9AM-12NOON

Apr 8 - American Legion & VFW
Breakfast Fundraiser, Edward
Ray Park, 8AM-12NOON

Apr 10-17 - Chowchilla Schools
Spring Break

Apr 11 - City Council Meeting,
City Hall, 7PM

Apr 17 - Airport Committee
Meeting, City Hall, 7PM

Apr 18 - Coffee with a COP,
McDonalds, 8AM

Apr 18 - Community CONVER-
SATION, Pheasant Run Golf
Course (Greenhills), 5:30PM

Apr 19 - Planning Commission
Meeting, City Hall, 7PM

Apr 22 - Chowchilla Fair Fund-
raiser Dinner & Auction, Eastman
Hall, Fairgrounds, 6PM

Apr 25 - City Council Meeting,
City Hall, 7PM

Apr 28 - Chowchilla Athletic
Foundation Golf Outing, Pheas-
ant Run Golf Course, 12NOON

May 6 - Treasure Hunters Market
event, Veterans Memorial Park,
9AM-12NOON

May 8 - HOW (Helping One
Woman) Fundraiser Dinner,
Farnesi's Steakhouse, 6PM

May 9 - City Council Meeting,
City Hall, 7PM

May 14 - American Legion &
VFW Breakfast Fundraiser, VFW
Hall, 7-11AM

May 17 - Planning Commission
Meeting, City Hall, 7PM

May 18 - Chowchilla Fair Open-
ing Ceremony, Fairgrounds, 3PM

May 18-21 - Chowchilla Fair,
Fairgrounds

City seeks your top five priority budget items

RESIDENT INPUT PLANNING 2017-2018 BUDGET WANTED

City officials are currently developing the next fiscal year budget that begins on July 1. As part of the participatory budgeting process officials want to hear from residents of their priorities for City projects, programs and services. Many have already submitted ideas and Rod Pruet, City Treasurer and Director of Finance, says, "We still want to hear from the community and we hope people will continue to submit their comments to help us develop a strong fiscal plan."



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU "2017-2018 Fiscal Year Budget"

Residents are asked to share the top items they want to be considered for funding in the next budget. The topics can be as general as overall road and drainage upgrades, or as specific as stop signs and marked pedestrian street crossings for a particular intersection. You can write your remarks in the form above, cut it out, then mail it or drop it off at Chowchilla City Hall, 130 S. Second Street, Chowchilla, CA 93610, Attn: Community Relations Manager. You can also email your remarks to Info@CityOfChowchilla.org.

The Spring Treasure Hunters Market has a NEW location, a NEW time and a NEW price

Changes are in store for the springtime Treasure Hunters Market presented by the City of Chowchilla. The popular "community yard sale" has moved to the Veterans Memorial Park on Robertson Blvd at 6th Street. The event will be on Saturday, May 6 from 9AM to 12NOON and the price for a booth space has been reduced to only \$15 if paid by the first deadline date.

The Treasure Hunters Market appeals to both sellers and buyers! It is where folks can sell used goods and collected treasures and is a perfect event for sellers of repurposed and refurbished furniture, shabby chic items, do-it-yourself projects, handcrafted jewelry and artwork, plus antiques and collectibles.

Sorry, NO THIRD PARTY RESALE ITEMS or UNAUTHORIZED FOOD OR BEVERAGES can be sold at this event.

Individuals, families, neighborhoods, clubs, service organizations, churches and community groups can rent a 15ft x 15ft booth space. The cost is \$15 for applications received and paid by Monday, May 1. Starting May 2 the cost is \$20. The application deadline is Friday, May 5 at 3:00PM.

A printed application can be picked up at the Chowchilla City Hall, or download and print your own from the City's website at www.CityOfChowchilla.org. If you need more information call the Community Relations Office at (559) 665-8615, ext. 110.

5th Annual Fair Fundraiser Dinner Dance

Saturday, April 22

Eastman Hall, Fairgrounds

6:00pm

Tickets: \$25 each

Steak Dinner, Live & Silent
Auctions, Live Music

Call the Fair Office for details

(559) 665-3728



Chowchilla Madera
COUNTY FAIR

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CITY COUNCIL

Mary 'Trinket' Gaumnitz, *Mayor*
Dennis Haworth, *Mayor Pro Tem*
Waseem Ahmed, *Council Member*
Ray Barragan, *Council Member*
John Chavez, *Council Member*
Brian Haddix, *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

Civic Center	(559) 665-8615
City Council	ext. 102
City Administrator	ext. 100
City Clerk	ext. 102
Airport Information	ext. 305
Building & Inspections	ext. 410
Code Enforcement	ext. 407
Community Relations	ext. 110
Finance	ext. 783
Fire	ext. 600
Human Resources	ext. 102
Planning	ext. 400
Police Dispatch	ext. 590/591
Public Works	ext. 789
Recreation	ext. 110
Utilities	ext. 783

DIRECT NUMBERS

CATX & CATLinX	665-8655
Senior Center	665-8647
Police	665-8600
Anonymous Tips	665-8624
Fire	665-8625



accepted for in-person payments
at Chowchilla City Hall and the
Police Department.



Safe disposal of sharps & unused medicines

When you have unused or expired medicines, or used sharps (needles, syringes and lancets) around the house you have an unsafe situation. You need to safely get rid of them. It is a bad idea to flush medicines down the toilet because the chemicals affect the wastewater at the water treatment plant. If used sharps are put in the trash they become a hazard to anyone who handles your trash including sanitation workers, children and even pets. There is a better solution!

The City of Chowchilla has placed separate bins for sharps waste and drugs in the lobby of the Police Department. You can drop your items into these safe and convenient disposal containers 24-hours a day, seven days a week. Simply bring in your filled sharps containers, or any prescription or non-prescription drugs, to 122 Trinity Avenue and drop them in their respective bins.

City officials hope to reduce the chances of poisoning and dangerous cuts or infections through accidental contact with these materials and minimize the amount of dangerous chemicals that flow into the City's treatment plant.



Weed abatement underway

Property owners must maintain their properties so as to 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 also required to till any open grounds that fill with dry grass, weeds and trash that could pose a significant fire threat during the dry fire hazard season of March through September.

City staff work with property owners to bring their properties into compliance. Property owners will be notified by mail if they are in violation. If no visible attempt is made to clean the property within the specified timeline, the property will be cleared by the City. The property owner will be charged for the cost of the abatement in addition to an administrative fee that can total more than \$300. The City prefers that property owners properly and safely maintain their own properties to not detract from their neighbors.

If you have questions or want more information about the Weed Abatement Program call (559) 665-8615, ext. 787.

OUTDOOR WATERING SCHEDULE

SUMMER SEASON May 1 - November 30

EVEN Numbered Addresses
(Ending in 0,2,4,6,8)
Tuesdays and/or Saturdays

ODD Numbered Addresses
(Ending in 1,3,5,7,9)
Wednesdays and/or Sundays

**NO WATERING IS ALLOWED ON
MONDAYS, THURSDAYS OR FRIDAYS**

**NO WATERING
BETWEEN
10AM AND 7PM**

www.CityOfChowchilla.org/OurWater.htm

Athletic Foundation golf fundraiser

Supporters of Chowchilla community recreation youth athletic programs are invited to play in the 12th Annual Chowchilla Athletic Foundation Golf Tournament on Friday, April 28 at Pheasant Run Golf Course in Chowchilla. Lunch and registration begins at 12:00NOON with a "Shotgun Start" at 1:00PM. The cost is \$100 per person.

For more information contact Andrew Creighton at (559) 706-3328. The Chowchilla Athletic Foundation is a non-profit 501 (c)3 organization.