

To: City Council

From: Nathan Cherpeski,
City Manager

Subject: Friday Update

Date: February 17, 2012



Calendar

CITY HALL IS LOCATED AT 300 HUNT				
Date	Time	Event	Location	Additional Information
February 22, 2012	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	CML Legislative Workshop	History Colorado Center, 1200 Broadway, Denver	**
February 23, 2012	8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	CML Policy Committee Meeting	CML Offices, Denver	**
February 23, 2012	7:00 p.m.	Ice Rink Public Forum	Alamosa Family Recreation Center	***
February 29, 2012	5:30 P.M.	Work Session with Sam Mamet, CML	Council Chambers	*
March 5, 2012	6:30 p.m. social hour 7:00 p.m. dinner	Board Appreciation Dinner	Blue Foxx, 6615 North River Rd.	This is a social event. No City business will be discussed.
March 22, 2012	6:00 p.m.	Ward 4 meeting	Alamosa Family Recreation Center	***
May 18/19, 2012	Fri. 10 a.m. to Sat. 11:30 a.m.	Summer Retreat	Cucharra Inn, Cucharra	*
June 19-22, 2012	Various	CML Annual Conference	Breckenridge	**
* Work sessions are informal Council meetings for the purpose of discussion among Council members. No action is taken. The public is invited to attend, but public comment is generally not received unless otherwise noted.				
**Sponsored by outside entity. Council members have been invited to attend. Please check with originating entity for registration information				
*** Citizens are encouraged to attend this community event				
<p>Alamosa Family Recreation Center will be open at no charge every Wednesday from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. for those wishing to "Walk with the Mayor and Council". The Mayor has committed to walking two miles every Wednesday as part of the "Let's Move City" program. Come and chat as we walk!</p>				

City Manager

Construction appears to be on schedule for a mid-March move in for the police department. Flooring should continue through this weekend into next week. Test and balance of the HVAC should occur the first week in March. Landscaping the remainder of the project could begin in about two weeks depending upon the weather.

Staff is currently exploring options for finance software specifically with a goal of allowing on-line transactions. It would be our goal to make interactions with the City more convenient. This could also lessen printing and mailing costs for some transactions meeting council's goal for environmental sustainability. I will keep you apprised of what we discover.

Police Department

1. **Click it or Ticket.** The Alamosa Police Department will once again be participating in the CDOT Click it or Ticket program. Our participation will involve the staffing of additional officers for the specific purpose of identifying and citing those not wearing seatbelts as required by state law.
2. **Drug Take-Back.** The Alamosa Police Department will again be participating in the National Prescription Drug Take-Back initiative on April 28, 2012. The location and times of this event will be identified and publicized in the coming weeks. As always, if citizens wish to turn in old prescription drugs for destruction they can be dropped off at the police department Monday thru Friday during normal business hours.
3. **Property Numbering Initiative:** The Alamosa Police Department is undertaking an initiative to remind residents of our "Building Numbering" ordinance. Our intent is specifically aimed to improve our ability as police officers and service providers to quickly respond to calls for service to our local homes and businesses. Essentially, when we can't readily locate a street number attached to a home or business, this delays our ability to quickly respond to citizens request for services (Fire, Police, Ambulance). Below, is our ordinance describing our "Building Numbering" requirements.

Sec. 4-61. - Housing numbering required.

All the buildings in the city shall be numbered in accordance with sections 4-62 through 4-65. It is hereby made the duty of all the owners or occupants of all buildings situated in the city to number them in the manner provided in this article.

(Code 1964, § 18-5)

Sec. 4-62. - On north-south thoroughfares.

All the avenues or streets running north and south shall be numbered consecutively from the north to the south, beginning at the north side of the city on First Street with one hundred (100) and there shall be assigned one hundred (100) numbers to each and every block. The odd numbers shall be assigned to the west side of the avenues or streets and the even numbers on the east side thereof.

(Code 1964, § 18-6)

Sec. 4-63. - On east-west thoroughfares.

All the streets and avenues running east and west shall be numbered consecutively from the east side of the city, same being the boundary line of section ten (10), and shall be numbered from east to west, beginning with one hundred (100). There shall be one hundred (100) numbers assigned to each block. The odd numbers shall be on the north side of the streets or avenues, and the even numbers on the south side thereof.

(Code 1964, § 18-7)

Sec. 4-64. - Numbers per footage; numbering diagram.

While one hundred (100) numbers are allotted to each block, only one (1) number shall be used for each frontage of twenty-five (25) feet, and the city clerk shall cause to be prepared a statement, or diagram, showing the numbers of all houses in the city. The city clerk shall assign to each house its proper number, and upon application shall deliver to the owner or occupant thereof a certificate designating such number.

(Code 1964, § 18-8)

Sec. 4-65. - Size of figures.

Each of the figures shall not be less than three (3) inches in length, being marked so as to be distinctly and easily read. The numbers shall be placed in a conspicuous place on or above the front door of the buildings to which the same are attached.

(Code 1964, § 18-9)

Sec. 4-66. - Penalty.

It shall be unlawful for any person being the owner or occupant of any building now erected or hereafter erected in the city, thirty (30) days after being notified by the city clerk of the number so allotted to the building as provided in this article, to neglect or refuse to number such building owned or occupied by him in conformity with the provisions of this article or to number any such building with any number other than that allotted to the same.

4. **Dog licensing:** The Alamosa Police Department is currently researching and will be implementing a system to remind dog owners annually of their need to renew dog licenses. Citizens are reminded that any person owning, keeping, or having custody of a dog over three months old in the City Limits must apply for and obtain a license within 30 days after obtaining the dog. The licensing period shall begin with the calendar year and shall run for one year; expiring on the thirty-first day of December of the year of issuance. Licenses can be purchased at the Alamosa Police Department Monday through Friday during normal business hours. Licenses are \$2.00 for dogs that are spay/neutered and \$10.00 for those that are not.
5. **Expanded Services:** The Alamosa Police Department recently realigned code enforcement, animal control, and investigative services work schedules for the purpose of expanding services and availability to community members. In addition, we have merged the duties and responsibilities of the code enforcement and animal control officers who now have dual responsibility for both areas. This change will enable us to provide more

timely and consistent response to our citizens as one of them will be on-duty 7 days (instead of 5 days) per week during normal business hours.

- 6. New Police Vehicles:** As per the approval of City Council, our two new Police Crown Victoria's are due to arrive and be placed into service in the next two weeks. In addition, and as scoped/authorized at the February 1st Council Meeting will hopefully be arriving in the next few weeks as well. The vehicle is a White (unmarked) 2007 Dodge Charger and it will become the Police Chief's assigned vehicle. This vehicle was selected not only because it will meet our operational needs, but knowing that we will no longer be able to purchase Ford Crown Victoria's in coming years. The Charger is a police package vehicle that we will consider in future years and this gives us about 9 months to evaluate its performance and suitability for the City of Alamosa.

Parks/Recreation/Library

Upcoming Special Events

- 10th Annual Alamosa ArtWalk – April 14, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm
- 10th Annual Summerfest on the Rio (June 1-3)

Father Daughter Dance – 2/17/12

A Valentine's themed Father-Daughter Dance has been planned for Friday, February 17 at the Alamosa Family Rec Center. A DJ will provide a variety of music while cookies, popcorn and punch will be served. The cost is \$5.00/dad or guardian and the dance is scheduled from 6:30 – 9pm. Action Photography will be on-site providing professional pictures at a reasonable rate. This event has proven to be a popular activity in past years and staff is excited to administer this year's offering.

Carroll Park Ice Rink Public Meeting – 2/23/12

A special public meeting will be held from 7 – 9pm Thursday, February 23rd here at the Alamosa Family Rec Center. The topic will be the future of the Ice Rink; in other words keep it as it is and continue to maintain or looking at possible improvements and funding mechanisms.

Youth Sports:

Wrestling: January 30 - February 17. For Kids ages 4-12 (born 1999-2007).

Participants must be in the 5th grade or younger! Please provide birth certificate or proof of age at registration or first night of practice.

Practice is Tuesday or Thursday evenings depending on age division, 7:00pm @ Alamosa High School.

Cost: \$40 Per Wrestler (includes tournament entry fees). A Club Singlet will be checked out at time of registration. Online registrants must come to AFRC to pick-up singlet.

Cost after 5pm on Friday, February 17th is \$45. You may register the first night of practice on February 21 or 23 at the Alamosa High School wrestling room.

Volleyball League: Play started both the 3rd/4th and 5th/6th grade leagues. League play continues through March 10th.

Adult Sports:

Volleyball - Co-ed & Women's Divisions

Registration: January 25 – February 17

Men's Basketball has begun their double-elimination tournament. The tournament concludes Thursday, February 23rd with the Championship game schedule for 7pm here at the Rec Center.

Fitness Equipment:

Two new treadmills and five new spin bikes are here and operational. Come on out and enjoy a group cycling workout during one of our regularly scheduled free member classes or get that daily walk done in the comfort of our cardio exercise room.

Ice Rink:

Due to weather starting to warm up, the rink is currently closed. The rink will reopen February 18, Saturday (9-noon), and February 19, Sunday (9-noon), for public skating - no sticks. After Sunday, the rink will be closed for the season.

Rec Center/Library Closure Dates

- February 20 - Presidents Day
- May 28 – Memorial Day