

To: City Council

From: Nathan Cherpeski,
City Manager

Subject: Friday Update

Date: February 3, 2012



Calendar

CITY HALL IS LOCATED AT 300 HUNT				
Date	Time	Event	Location	Additional Information
February 4, 2012	8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Winter Retreat	Large Conference Room, City Hall	*
February 8, 2012	5:00 P.M.	Walk with the Mayor and Council	Alamosa Family Recreation Center	***
February 15, 2012	5:00 P.M.	Walk with the Mayor and Council	Alamosa Family Recreation Center	***
February 15, 2012	5:30 P.M.	Interview Board Applicants	Council Chambers	*
February 22, 2012	5:00 P.M.	Walk with the Mayor and Council	Alamosa Family Recreation Center	***
February 22, 2012	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	CML Legislative Workshop	CML Offices, Denver	**
February 23, 2012	TBD	CML Policy Committee Meeting	CML Offices, Denver	**
February 29, 2012	5:00 P.M.	Walk with the Mayor and Council	Alamosa Family Recreation Center	***
February 29, 2012	5:30 P.M.	Work Session with Sam Mamet, CML	Council Chambers	*
March 7, 2012	5:00 P.M.	Walk with the Mayor and Council	Alamosa Family Recreation Center	***
March 14, 2012	5:00 P.M.	Walk with the Mayor and Council	Alamosa Family Recreation Center	***
March 21, 2012	5:00 P.M.	Walk with the Mayor and Council	Alamosa Family Recreation Center	***
March 22, 2012	6:00 p.m.	Ward 4 meeting	Alamosa Family Recreation Center	***
March 28, 2012	5:00 P.M.	Walk with the Mayor and Council	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				

City Manager

The remodel is moving forward. Paint and texture is nearly complete in the old library portion. Drywall is nearing completion on the old city hall side as well. Tile setters will be on site Monday to start the bathroom work. The ceiling grid will also begin on Monday. Overall it is still tracking to have the police move in by early to mid-March.

Police

1. Lexipol Update

APD has now finalized a draft of its new policy/procedure manual (Lexipol) and we are currently completing a 5 week employee review period. During this period, all employees have been given the direction to review all policies and to provide questions/feedback to their direct supervisors. In early March, the supervisory/command staff will review the feedback/questions, make final decisions, and complete our manual that will then be published and go-live. Once we go-live, we will begin incorporating ongoing daily training bulletins into the equation. Essentially, each working day during daily shift briefings employees will be required to log onto the system and each will be presented with a training scenario that specifically relates to our policies.

2. Hiring Update

APD is currently going through the background investigation phase of our hiring process and we are hopeful to conclude these investigations, hold final interviews, and make conditional job offers within the next 3-4 weeks. Once completed, we are hopeful to fill our two current vacancies and establish an eligibility list.

3. Meeting with Department of Social Services

APD met recently with the supervisory staff of the Department of Social Services (DSS). Although the initial intent of the meeting was to discuss specific topics, the meeting turned into a great discussion about how we can work together more closely and effectively. Coming out of the meeting we all had a much greater understanding each other's roles and we have already made plans to continue our dialogue by inviting DSS to provide training to our entire staff during May in-service training. Likewise, we will be providing DSS with instruction surrounding caseworker safety.

4. Fitness Study

One of our goals in 2012 is to evaluate/update our incumbent/new hire fitness standards and fitness policy for legal defensibility purposes. As a result, we will be completing a validation study that compares the job tasks/responsibilities of a certified APD police officer with specific fitness tests/standards that are customized for us based on what we, as Alamosa Police officers do and are expected to do. Although we don't know yet what tests we will use, or the standards that are derived from the study, both will be consistent with what many other agencies already do. We hope to have a new set of standards/policy by 4th quarter/2012. Once in-place, all

prospective new hires and incumbents will utilize the same set of tests/standards and employees will be tested and expected to maintain the standards annually.

5. Training

Chief Dodd will be in Denver next week attending the Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police "New Chief's" training program.

Parks/Recreation/Library

Upcoming Special Events

- 10th Annual Summerfest on the Rio (June 1-3)

19th Annual Coming Alive Worksite Health Fitness Program:

The City of Alamosa will be participating in the upcoming Coming Alive program. What is the Coming Alive program? It is a worksite fitness program that encourages businesses to provide a supportive environment for employees to be physically active. The program is sponsored by a group of enthusiastic community partners. Coming Alive starts February 20 and continues for 10 weeks. The Coming Alive program offers health and nutrition education, tips and advice on fitness, and creative activities centered on a fun theme to get participants moving to help motivate and encourage a healthier lifestyle. This year's theme is: Time To Step It Up! The City's Site Coordinator is Erin Moore. For more information, you can contact Erin by phone at the Rec Center (589-2105) or via email at emoore@ci.alamosa.co.us.

Youth Sports Registration Deadline:

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.

Youth Volleyball League:

Play starts this Saturday, February 4, at 9:00 for both the 3rd/4th and 5th/6th grade leagues. League play continues through March 10th.

Ice Rink Special Closings:

The ice rink will be closed the following dates and times for special youth hockey games:

- Saturday, February 4: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
- Sunday, February 5: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Come support your local youth hockey teams as they take on regional competition and enjoy the bonfire scheduled for Saturday night!

Adult Sports Registration Deadlines

Volleyball - Co-ed & Women's Divisions

Registration: January 25 – February 17

Rec Center/Library Closure Dates

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

City Clerk

Make A Difference In Your Community By Volunteering To Serve On An Advisory Board APPLICATIONS CURRENTLY SOLICITED

Lend your expertise by volunteering to serve on an advisory board. Citizen input is a critical component of a successful local government. Your involvement can help direct the future of the City of Alamosa.

Applications are continually accepted for service. If no openings are currently available, applicants will be notified when there is an opportunity. To be considered during this round, please apply by March 30, 2012

Historic Preservation Advisory Committee **ONE POSITION OPEN**

- Meets quarterly on second Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
- Desired qualifications include special interest or professional experience in a preservation related discipline, such as design, landscape architecture, architecture history, archeology history, planning, cultural geology, culture anthropology. This committee makes recommendations to City Council in accordance with the City's Historic Preservation ordinance.

Library Board **TWO POSITIONS OPEN**

- Meets monthly on fourth Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m.
- This board advises City Council and the City Manager on all issues pertaining to the public library, including effective operation.

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Personnel Board **ONE POSITION OPEN**

- Meets as needed.
- The Personnel Board hears appeals of disciplinary actions, and exercises final authority over these actions. It may also consider recommended rules and regulations, and investigate conditions of employment. Persons sitting on this board must not be an

employee or related to any City of Alamosa employee; and must not have been so in the past 12 months. Members of this board may not serve on any other City board.

Planning Commission ONE WARD 3 POSITION OPEN

- Meets monthly on fourth Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.
- Duties of the Planning Commission are to prepare and submit to the Council for its approval a master plan for the physical development for the City; and to advise the Council on zoning, subdivisions, annexations, major public and private projects, public works matters, city buildings, capital outlay budgeting and long range planning. This commission also acts as the Zoning Board of Adjustment to hear requests for zoning variances. Members of this Commission must have been a City resident for at least two years prior to appointment and live in the respective ward.

Ranch Board

- Meets monthly on second Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m.
- The Ranch Board provides advice to Council on issues surrounding the management of the Alamosa Ranch properties, including water issues, the coexistence of recreation and ranching activities, weed control, planning and other management issue.

Recreation Advisory Board FOUR POSITIONS OPEN

- Meets monthly on second Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m.
- This board is charged with advising administrative functions relating to operation of city parks, recreational facilities and programs.

Tree Board THREE POSITIONS OPEN

- Meets second Wednesdays at 12:00 noon
- The Tree Board provides advice to Council on issues surrounding the planting, care, and maintenance, including replacement, of trees on City owned property and rights of way.

*For more information and application form, go to www.cityofalamosa.org
or call the City Clerk's office at 589-2593 ext. 8.*

City of Alamosa
POB 419
Alamosa, CO 81101
Application For Board or Commission

Applicant Name: _____ Date: _____

Street Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: (home) _____ (office) _____

Email: _____

How long have you lived in the City of Alamosa? _____

Board or Commission you are applying for: _____

Why do you want to serve on this Board or Commission? _____

Do you have any special qualifications for this Board or Commission? If so, please describe.

Are you available to serve at the time this board currently meets?

Yes _____ No _____

Signature of Applicant: _____