



CITY MANAGER COMMUNITY REPORT

May 2017

Message from the City Manager

This will be my last official City Manager Report. I have accepted a position as the City Manager for another city in California. This decision was not reached lightly, and I will always cherish my time here in Banning. The City Council will select an interim City Manager in the coming weeks and determine the process for seeking a permanent replacement.

The City staff has been one of the best I have ever worked with and I know that the City is in good hands and will only continue to improve under their direction and hard work. I also want to personally thank all of the stakeholders and community groups for your support including the Banning Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club of Banning, and the Banning Lions Club.

I am proud of the work we have accomplished together, including the development of a balanced budget with several new positions being hired back, the opening of several new businesses with more on the way, the approval of nearly 8,000 new residential units, and the resolution of several lawsuits, including the successful implementation of council districts.

I thank you again for the opportunity to serve the residents of Banning and wish you all the best.

Aquatic Center Opens for Summer

The Repplier Park Aquatic Center is officially open for summer! The recently-renovated facility includes a large recreational pool, two water slides, a snack bar, and cabanas available for rent. The cost for admission is \$2.50/day for adults (18-59 years old), and \$1.50/day for Youth and Seniors. Visit the link below for more details:

<http://banning.ca.us/DocumentCenter/Home/View/600>

City Council Meetings Report

The Banning City Council met on May 9th and 23rd and took action on several items including:

- Approved mid-year budget adjustments to the FY 2016-2017 budget. The City Council also had a workshop to review recommended budget adjustments to the FY 2017-2018 budget and will be finalizing those changes on June 27th.
- Renewed landscape maintenance contracts to help maintain several public properties in an effort to continue beautification efforts throughout the community.
- Appointed two members to the Planning Commission. Incumbent Eric Joseph Shaw was reappointed, and Ingeborg Schuler was selected from a group of six candidates. We appreciate your dedication to the community and look forward to your service.
- The City Council held a special meeting regarding Electric Utility rates on May 24th. The presentation given by Electric Utility Director Fred Mason provided details on regulations, billing cycles, and how Banning compares to other utilities. A video of the presentation will be available at: <https://banninglive.viebit.com/>

