



# CITY MANAGER COMMUNITY REPORT

July 2017

## Interim City Manager Message



I am honored that the Banning City Council has selected me as the Interim City Manager. As the City moves towards the hiring of a permanent replacement, I will work to ensure that our City continues to move forward.

I have had the privilege of serving the Banning community for over 12 years, most recently as the Chief of Police. In this capacity, I have worked with numerous community organizations, the local schools, neighborhood associations, and community leaders. I look forward to continuing my Police Chief duties while also serving my new role at City Hall.

Banning is a city destined for great things. We have several new businesses set to open, we are investing in the improvement of our parks and roads, and we continue to make transparency a top priority.

The City of Banning also has tremendous employees who work every day to enhance the lives of local residents and businesses. Working with such talented individuals makes my job much easier!

Once again, thank you for this opportunity to serve the Banning community.

- Alex Diaz, Interim City Manager

## City Council Meetings Report

The Banning City Council met on June 13th and 27th and took action on several items including:

- Appointed Alex Diaz to serve as the Interim City Manager. Diaz will continue his duties as Chief of Police.
- Received the 2017/18 Waste Management Rate Adjustment Request. More info on the new rates can be found here: <http://banning.ca.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=513>
- Honored longtime employee Rick Diaz, Sr., who served the City of Banning for 42 years. Diaz retired as the Electric Operations Manager and spent most of his career in the Electric Department.
- Approved a construction agreement to begin improvements at Roosevelt Williams Park. Amenities will include new playground equipment, basketball courts, a multipurpose field, and upgraded security features. Construction will begin later this summer.
- Adopted a resolution to upgrade traffic lights along Ramsey Street, which will improve the safety of vehicular drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians.

## Playhouse Bowl Starts Next Month!

The Playhouse Bowl has been a tradition in our community for many years and, in its support, the City of Banning has made this concert series a City Signature Event. The 2017 lineup has some terrific acts that will be performing every Thursday throughout the month of August. All concerts will begin at 7:30 PM at Repplier Park. Click the link below for more details.

[www.playhousebowl.com/](http://www.playhousebowl.com/)

