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CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Happy New Year, I hope everyone had a great holiday and enjoyed their time off.

The following City Administrator's Report, while respectfully submitted to the Mayor and City Council, is provided and available to the general public to inform them of the status of City projects and activities. This report, as well as the monthly department reports, is placed on the City's website.

Not a lot has taken place since our last Council Meeting, the time between Christmas and New Year's is typically our quietest time at City Hall.

- There is still a vacancy on the Board for the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission serves a very important role in making recommendations to the City Council. Anyone interested in serving on the Board may write a letter addressed to the Mayor.
- The electric vehicle charging station was finally completed! A big thank you to PUD staff and Hans van der Meer of Greenlots for partnering with the City to bring this project to Connell. Due to the weather we decided to hold off on the ribbon cutting ceremony until this Spring.
- Attended the Community First Annual Client Banquet dinner. Community First provides the banking services for the City.
- Along with the Mayor and Public Works staff, met with Kathy Jones, the Executive Director for the Pasco Housing Authority, to discuss housing needs in Connell.
- Along with Public Works, working on upgrading the City's email system and computer systems to help alleviate computer issues currently taking place. All computers would be brought up to Microsoft Operating System 365 and emails will be moved to the cloud.
- Our Christmas gathering was a huge success! There was plenty of food and fun for everyone. This year Staff provided essentials boxes to four families. Families received laundry detergent, dish soap, toothpaste, toiletries, gift certificates to local businesses, gifts for the kids, and other items. I would like to thank the City staff for their generosity as well as the community members who also were very generous in their donations!