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## CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

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.

For the month of August:

- Held monthly department head meeting with staff and Mayor.
- Met with staff from Benton-Franklin Workforce Development Council (B/F WDC), People for People, and Mid-Columbia Libraries, in regard to a grant that was received by B/F WDC. Governor Inslee awarded \$5.8 million in grants to fight poverty in Washington, of that \$856,775 was awarded to B/F WDC. The expected outcome of the grant is to move 115 families in the Connell area out of poverty. B/F WDC is forming partnerships to help provide transportation, healthcare, childcare and employment for Connell residents. A community informational meeting is being planned for September to launch off the program.
- Attended the National Night Out with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office where they had delicious food, prizes, games and a lot of fun!
- Along with Mayor Barrow, Police Chief Turner, and Public Works Director Tuck, met with Department of Corrections for monthly meeting.
- Attended the annual WA City Managers Conference. This year the conference was held at the Three Rivers Convention Center in Kennewick which made it nice that I could travel back and forth each day. I got to tour the new Richland City Hall, if you get a chance I would recommend stopping by. This year's theme was Be Well to Lead Well and I was asked to be a speaker on a panel for mentoring.
- Along with Planning/Building Clerk Joyner, met with Nicole Stickney of AHBL to discuss a plat submittal and the Comp Plan
- Participated in a phone conference in regard to the Rail Interchange Project. BNSF has committed to letting us know in January if they will be providing a capital contribution to the project.
- Held a Planning Commission meeting on August 26<sup>th</sup> where fencing requirements, chicken keeping, and Sidewalk Permits were discussed.
- I enjoyed the food and the "City" bingo game at the Annual Staff Appreciation BBQ. Thank you to everyone who helped with the event and to all those who attended!