

CITY OF GALT

CITY-WIDE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

JANUARY – JULY 2012



- Changed medical coverage to CalPERs health resulting in significant savings to the City and employees.
- Reduced or eliminated furloughs for all employees.
- Completed first year of citywide training program.
- Hired 21 part-time or temporary employees and 1 full time employee.
- You Make the Difference Employee Recognition Program recognized 80 employees for outstanding efforts during the first six months of the program.
- Completed employee job satisfaction survey and implemented departmental changes as a result of feedback.
- Improved cash handling processes by utilizing cash receipt module at off site collection locations.
- Initiated armored car transport for 3 offsite collection locations.
- Negotiated first banking services agreement with F&M financial institution.
- Adopted multi-year operating and CIP budgets.
- Developed RFP for consulting services for a comprehensive fee study.
- Changed revenue report to be more consistent with audit and now budget to facilitate analysis.
- Adopted revised Purchasing Policy.
- Analyzed change in business license renewals from Finance to Market in an effort to facilitate the renewal process for vendors.
- Created Oversight Board of former Redevelopment Agency and held numerous meetings.
- Prepared various Enforceable Obligation Payment Schedules (EOPS) and Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules (ROPS) pursuant to the winding down of the Redevelopment Agency.
- Prepared and completed State Board of Equalization work necessary to transfer the sales tax received by the Redevelopment Agency previously pledged to debt service of bonds issued by the Galt Middle School Joint Powers Authority back to the City of Galt.
- Hosted Child Safety Day Program and Bike Rodeo.
- Completed update of Emergency Plan.
- Assigned police officer to the Regional Gang Task Force.
- Assigned second police officer to the joint Elk Grove/Galt SWAT team.
- Increased training including Frontline Leadership Course, K-9, branding, grant writing, etc. for police department.
- Sponsored two leadership classes at GPD allowing five police staff members to attend for free.
- Purchased defensive tactics training equipment (mats, headgear, redman suit) for GPD.
- Developed TLO (Terrorism Liaison Officer) Position for GPD.
- Started intern program with college seniors with Law Enforcement Majors.
- Conducted two joint Parole/Probation compliance operations.
- Purchased new computer aided dispatch and records management system (RIMS).
- Purchased three new patrol vehicles, one from Measure R and two from General Fund salary savings.
- Completed outside audit of GPD evidence room.
- Held team building with all GPD supervisors.

- Developed and advertised temporary, single family residential building permit fee reduction incentive program to encourage new residential construction in the City. One developer is in the process of making a submittal, and others have said they are seriously considering.
- Issued 165 building permits and completed 644 building inspections.
- Completed CEQA analysis for Simmerhorn Commercial conceptual shopping center project and worked with prospective developer to address development questions.
- Approved CUP of Cal Waste's Material Recovery Facility and Recycling Center, adding 65 jobs to the community.
- Provided various data (Buxton healthcare analysis, insurance and demographic data) to Lodi Memorial officials which resulted in their decision to offer basic radiological services at the Galt Clinic and to also introduce certain physician specialties on a limited basis to see whether the community can support additional medical services.
- Modified Architectural Review process for single family homes, including requirements for previously approved subdivisions, to make it more streamlined and flexible.
- Planning, Building and Public Works staff worked and continue to work diligently with engineers and architects for the Walmart project to address required conditions of approval and mitigation measures so that construction can proceed as quickly as possible within Walmart's schedule.
- Guided Softcom Internet communications through the Use Permit and construction process for the new communication tower and ancillary support facilities in the industrial park.
- Assisted The Gathering Place through remodeling process of City owned residential properties.
- Documented ADA issues in numerous City buildings and facilities for use by the City's consultant (MIG) in preparing the City wide transition plan.
- Remodeled Aquatic Center offices and resolved various access complaints at City facilities.
- Opened 206 code enforcement cases in the six month period, of which 132 were proactive efforts and the rest were from resident complaints. 209 cases were closed during that time period.
- Worked diligently with owner of 326 Oak Avenue to clean up property. The site was a significant neighborhood blight with accumulated storage of dozens of vehicles, junk and debris stacked all over the property, overgrown vegetation and an abandoned house. Although it took some time to accomplish due to the owner's health and his heirs' residence outside the area, the Code Enforcement Officer was able to work with the family to resolve the issue cooperatively at no cost to the City and with generous assistance from Cal Waste donating refuse bin services. The last remaining issue is demolition of the house and final cleanup. The owner has pulled the demolition permit and is working with CCSD Fire to coordinate a controlled burn exercise on the property in the near future.
- Coordinated with property owner to abate weeds and rubble on the Sego Milk Plant property (Third/F Streets). The owner also removed graffiti on the water tower on the site and fully fenced it to discourage further vandalism and improve public safety.
- Completed CEQA for Fairway Oaks Residential Subdivision.
- Initiated work on CEQA/NEPA compliance for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Facilities Master Plan.
- Completed Conditional Use Permit for Real Life Church of Galt.
- Prepared two land use scenarios for SACOG to evaluate using their I-PLACE3s software which evaluates various indicators like vehicle trips, energy usage, jobs, etc. for different land use plans so they can be easily compared. In addition, staff provided SACOG with an industrial site to evaluate in terms of infrastructure needs and costs to support a potential large scale agricultural industry.
- Issued RFP to have a consultant evaluate the Historic Resource Inventory, provide more detail on the historically significant features on the list, and make recommendations for updating the list.
- Completed site plan review for new BMD outdoor storage facility at 104 Industrial Court. Project is under construction.

- Moved several projects from final design/decision making to actual contracts: WWTP Facility Plan, Live Oak Pump Station, Pavement Maintenance projects, Kost well design, and Utility Master Plans adoption.
- Improved preventative maintenance programs for utilities.
- Completed Market restroom renovations following fire.
- Completed Carillion Blvd. Pedestrian crossing at Deadman's Gulch trail.
- Assisted and prepared for citywide church volunteer projects involving landscaping and maintenance projects.
- Completed feasibility study for old town entertainment complex.
- Presented development concept for entertainment complex with potential developers.
- CSD Newsletter Insert – Worked with CSD to have Independence Day Celebration information put in the CSD guide book.
- Remodeled Aquatic Center office to comply with Cash Handling Manual.
- Partnered with Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA) to insure the parents and volunteer coaches receive proper training when coaching or watching our youth sports. PCA provides training tools and seminars that are utilized to assure the organization is headed in a positive direction.
- Submitted a staff report to City Council identifying facility needs for current and future Parks and Recreation programs.
- Installed community message sign at the corner of A St. and Lincoln Way to advertise City events.
- Opened Walker Park's artificial turf field to the public on Sundays and installed bleachers.
- Developed new Galt Market TV commercial running on KCRA 3, CW31, Univision 19, and Comcast.
- Presented staff report to City Council regarding the feasibility of a City-owned and operated concession stand at the Galt Market.
- Added landscaping to the South sound wall of the Market grounds.
- Repaired south west restroom at Market grounds that was vandalized.
- Held 5th Annual Galt Winter Bird Festival.
- Held 2nd Annual Independence Day Celebration and fully funded event with private funds.
- Increased parking for Chabolla Center by working with GJUSD to make Fairsite parking available.
- Cultivated active youth volunteers.
- Stood our ground with State and County governments.
- Approved CAD and RMS system for the Police Department.
- Launched new Galt-Sacramento commuter bus.
- Stayed ahead of schedule on the Central Galt Interchange project.
- Issued RFP for first part of the firing range at the WWTP.
- Approved Twin Cities roundabouts and are in final design.
- Launched online registration at the Parks and Recreation.
- Clarified our distinction between part-time and temporary employees for the entire City and they now receive PTO.
- State of the City address by the City Manager
- Purchased new sewer cleaner
- Held steady on reserves which are 65% of the General Fund.
- Held recognition luncheon for volunteers.