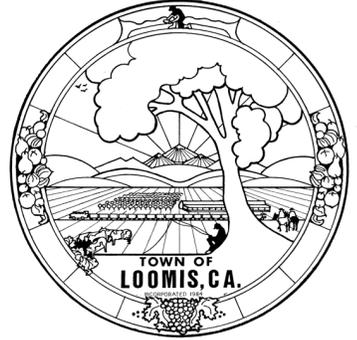


TOWN OF LOOMIS



TO: Honorable Mayor and Council Members
FROM: Sean Rabé, Town Manager
DATE: February 8, 2022
SUBJECT: Town Manager Report for February 2022 Council Meeting

Mayor and Council Members,

The following report provides an update on some of the major activities Town Staff has been working on in the past month.

Town Hall Closed This Friday

Town Hall will be closed this Friday as the building will have its carpets cleaned for the first time since we moved here about 12 years ago. Staff will be working from home that day but will be available by email. We will also check phone messages remotely throughout the day.

COVID-19 Update

Town Hall is now back to normal operating hours (8 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday, except for this week). As you know we moved to a minimum staffing level in early January due to staffing shortages.

The State's hospitalization rate has dropped 65 percent since the Omicron peak. The State's mask mandate is set to expire next week (February 15), but it appears that those who are not vaccinated will still be required to wear a mask indoors.

Loomis Garage Update

The Loomis Garage building, located at 3701-3705 Taylor Road, continues with its renovations. At this point the building owner has secured leases for Pepper Jack Interiors, Valiant Coffee, and recently, Loomis Mercantile. Loomis Mercantile will be a new bike shop/market from the owners of A-Town Bicycles in Auburn.

Hidden Grove Project

As you know, the Town received the formal application for the Hidden Grove project just before the Christmas holiday. That application is for a housing project, to be processed under a new California housing law called SB-330, located behind Raley's on the former Village at Loomis site.

The Hidden Grove project application can be found here: <https://loomis.ca.gov/hidden-grove-application-submittal-received-12-17-2021/> .

The Town had 30 days to deem the formal application complete, plus an additional 14 days (as agreed to by the Developer because of the Holidays). That period ended on January 28. The Town deemed the application incomplete (the letter deeming the application incomplete can be found here: <https://loomis.ca.gov/documents/application-21-10-hidden-grove-completeness-response-01-28-2022/>).

The Developer must now respond to the issues identified in the Town's review. Once that is done and the Town declares the application complete, the process is as follows (prescribed by SB-330):

- Once the application is deemed complete, the Town has 60 days to determine if the project is consistent with the objective standards of the General Plan.
- Assuming the project is consistent with the General Plan, the Town will begin the EIR and project processing.

The Town is only allowed five public hearings under SB-330. The Town Attorney has prepared a memo that we hope provides a comprehensive review of SB 330 and how it impacts the planning process. That memo can be found here: <https://loomis.ca.gov/documents/town-of-loomis-sb-330-overview/>

Town Manager Tuesdays

Town Manager Tuesdays will start back up this month on the fourth Tuesday (February 22) from 9 am to 10:30 am at the Loomis Train Depot. These meetings are informal, without an agenda. They are meant as an opportunity for community members to discuss Town issues directly with the Town Manager.