

CALENDAR

State of the City Address

Tuesday, Jan. 28

5:30 p.m.

City Hall, 300 LaPorte Ave.

Join Mayor Doug Hutchinson and City Manager Darin Atteberry for a re-cap of 2007 and a look ahead to the future of Fort Collins. Live TV broadcast on cable channel 14, or streamed online at fcgov.com/video.

Old Town Ice Rink

Old Town Square

Skating: \$2/person, Skate Rental: \$1/pair

November 17 – December 20

Monday – Thursday: 4–8 p.m.

Friday: 4–9 p.m.

Saturday: 11 a.m.–9 p.m.

Sunday: Noon–6 p.m.

December 21 – January 6

Monday – Saturday: 10–9 p.m.

Sunday: Noon–6 p.m.

January 7 – January 31

Friday: 4–8 p.m.

Saturday: 11 a.m.–8 p.m.

Sunday: 1 p.m.–5 p.m.

Special Dates and Hours

December 24: 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

December 31: 10 a.m.–10 p.m.

January 21: Noon–6 p.m.

Ice Rink Closed

December 25 and January 1

Culture Corner

Bas Bleu Theatre Company

Presents outstanding theater that inspires both audience and artist alike, Bas Bleu offers Fort Collins a unique and intimate theater experience.

Now showing:

1940's Radio Christmas Carol

November 10 - December 30

Visit www.basbleu.com for details and upcoming shows.

DECEMBER 2007



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CITY PHONE GUIDE—
WHO TO CALL WHEN

OTHER FEATURES:

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CITY COUNCIL/CITY MANAGER

Doug Hutchinson, Mayor

Ben Manvel, District 1

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Darin Atteberry, City Manager

CITY HALL

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CLIP AND KEEP FEATURE

city phone guide: who to call when

REPORT AN EMERGENCY

- Emergency – police, fire, or medical: **9-1-1**
- Electrical outage or emergency (i.e. downed electric line): **221-6710**
- Water, wastewater, stormwater, or water quality emergency (flooding, water main break, etc.): **221-6700**

NON-EMERGENCY

- Non-emergency police: **221-6540**
 - Report a crime in non-emergency situations
 - Report suspicious activity
- Non-emergency electrical or water problems: **221-6700**
 - Partial power outage, damage to equipment (light poles, utility boxes, etc.)
- Streetlight in need of repair: **221-6313**
- Street snow removal: **221-6615**
- Report a pothole: **221-6614**
- Report a hazard on bike and pedestrian trails: **221-6660**

NUISANCES

- Nuisance Hotline (weeds, rubbish, sidewalk snow removal, etc.): **416-2200**
- Animal Control (Larimer County): **226-3647**
- Graffiti Hotline: **416-2400**

INFORMATION

- Transport routes and schedule: **221-6620**
- Dial-A-Ride: **224-6066**
- Utilities Billing and Customer Service: **212-2900**
- Reserve park shelters or ball fields: **221-6660**
- Drivers License (Colorado State Government): **494-9804**
- Motor Vehicle/License Plates (Larimer County): **498-7878**
- Passports: **221-6516**
- Business Licenses: **221-6780**
- Parking Tickets: **221-6608**

STAY INFORMED IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

Fcgov.com

The best source for up-to-date information

PUBLIC INFORMATION HOTLINE: 416-2617

Provides timely recorded information.

E-MAIL NOTIFICATION

fcgov.com/subscriptions - subscribe to the Emergency Information newsletter to receive e-mail updates

CABLE TELEVISION

Emergency announcements will interrupt regularly scheduled programs to provide important information.



Street Snow Removal

When the snow falls in Fort Collins, City street crews are ready to plow. The City Streets Department is on the alert 24 hours a day during the snow season. When the first snow flake falls, 20 snow plows are dispatched to cover an area that spans more than 540 lane miles of streets. Streets are designated by the following priorities:

Priority One (Emergency Snow Route)- Main arterials that must be kept open to provide a minimum transportation system connecting hospitals, fire stations, police stations, and rescue squad units. During a declared Snow Emergency, vehicles parked on Priority 1 streets may be towed at the owner's expense.

Priority Two- Collector streets that feed into priority one streets.

Priority Three- Remaining collector streets, school areas and bus routes.

Residential streets are considered Priority 4 and are usually not plowed, except when snow depths completely block traffic movement. However, deicing materials may be applied to residential intersections on a case-by-case basis. Depending on the severity of the storm conditions, it may be necessary to drop Priority 2 and 3 streets in order to keep Priority 1 streets open.

Citizens can view the snow route maps at fcgov.com/streets/snow-ice.php or contact the Streets Department at 221-6615 for more information.

Remember to use extra caution when driving in winter conditions. Refrain from passing any snow plow until the plow vehicle stops or turns. If you do decide to pass, make sure there is a clear path to do so. In severe weather conditions, citizens are advised to avoid driving if possible.

Character Quality of the Month "Determination"

Purposing to accomplish right goals at the right time, regardless of the opposition.

For more information about Character Fort Collins, visit characterfortcollins.org or call 266-2671.

CITIZEN NEWS

CityWorks 101

WANT TO KNOW EXACTLY HOW CITY TAX DOLLARS are spent? Curious about the specifics of City operations? Are you interested in making Fort Collins a better place? Then CityWorks 101 is for you.

The City of Fort Collins is offering an eight-week program that gives residents a behind the scenes look at running a city. CityWorks 101 provides a unique opportunity to learn more about what services the City provides, and how the City provides them. Participants see first hand how the City makes decisions and allocates funds.

The CityWorks 101 program will begin March 27, 2008 and continue through May 15. Classes will take place on Thursday evenings from 6-9 p.m. and cover the following topics:

- **Ready, Set, Gov** - an introduction to Fort Collins local government explaining how decisions are made, introducing resources to stay informed and opportunities to get involved.
- **Creating a Vibrant Community** - information on city finances, economic health, community planning and neighborhood services.
- **Rescue Me** - a close-up look at police and fire operations.
- **The Way You Move** - focusing on transportation planning, street operations, and transit.
- **The Utility of it All** - an inside look at Fort Collins water, wastewater, stormwater, and electric utilities.
- **Let's Play** - an in-depth look at City culture and recreation and what it takes to maintain City parks and programs.
- **Open and Natural** - information on Natural Areas and environmental programs.
- **Pay it Forward** - this last session brings it all together and gives participants a chance to see how the topics discussed over the eight-week program come together to form the City's budget.



Each session will be held at a different City location creating a mini-tour of City facilities. Plus, to address the locations not included in the series, the program offers an optional Saturday tour of additional City buildings.

Armed with new knowledge about the City of Fort Collins, officials hope that program participants will educate

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friends and neighbors about City services, and become more involved in the community.

Those interested in applying for the program should have a desire to be involved and help make Fort Collins a great place to live. The class size will be limited to create an open, interactive environment. Visit fcgov.com/cityworks to apply online or call 221-6207. Applications are due **February 29, 2008.**

Recycle your Christmas Tree

Bring your undecorated tree to any of the locations. Remove all lights, tinsel, ornaments, string and wire. No flocked trees (sprayed on fake snow) or Christmas tree bags. Dropping off your tree is free!

Dates: Dec. 26, 2007-Jan. 20, 2008

Locations:

- Edora Park, 1420 E. Stuart St.
- Rolland Moore Park, 2201 S. Shields
- City of Fort Collins Streets Department, 625 Ninth St. (NE corner of Lemay Ave. and E. Vine Dr.)
- Fossil Creek Nursery, 7029 S. College Ave.
- Larimer County Landfill, S. Taft Hill Rd. (Mon.-Sat. 8 a.m.-4:30p.m.)

The collected trees are processed into garden mulch that will be available to residents in the spring.

Call 221-6600 or fcgov.com/recycling for details.

Air Quality Tip

Did you know that idling to warm up your car in the mornings contributes to pollution? Idling for more than 30 seconds wastes gas, contributes to the "brown cloud," AND it doesn't do your engine any good either. The engine warms up most efficiently while it's being driven, not while idling. Learn more at fcgov.com/airquality.

ECONOMIC E-NEWSLETTER

- It's a new way to be connected to what's happening with businesses in Fort Collins.
- It's electronic--saving you paper and time.
- It's brief-great highlights on interesting topics.
- It's free-just sign up at fcgov.com/business
- It's for anyone interested in the local economy and the City's role in promoting, retaining, creating, and attracting businesses.