

BUILDING OFFICIALS CORNER

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WOW! September already.....time sure flies by.

It's official, City Council adopted the 2011 National Electrical Code at their July 19th meeting. The adoption became effective five days after final publication. No big changes in this cycle, basically the same amendments that were previously adopted were adopted again. One exception, Article 690.47(D), Additional Electrodes for Array Grounding had been deleted in the 2011 NEC, the Construction Trades Advisory & Appeals Board felt it was important to retain the Article for lightning protection, so they voted to amend the code accordingly. Look soon to our webpage to see the adopted amendments to the 2011 NEC

As of the writing of this newsletter, we have issued 26 single family dwelling permits for the year.

Leprino Foods has completed the office portion of the cheese/whey factory and are occupying it. At this time they have over 1000 craftsman on the jobsite at any given time. They have made great progress with the wastewater treatment plant. Had a little setback, a welder, cutting a hole in the metal roof decking, ignited the foam insulation board that had just been stocked on the roof. Destroyed the bar joists and decking, it set them back around two weeks, but could have been worse. They have also started on the street improvements on 1st Avenue and also on 13th Street. As I said last time, drive by when you get a chance, very impressive project.

Noble Energy is also making great progress on their new office building, when I was out by the site in early August, they had almost completed the tilt up panel installation. Framing and other trade work was already happening on the second floor.

For you shoppers, TJ Maxx is coming to town! They picked up their permit August 12th, and have started work. They are building out in Centerplace II, just to the east of Sports Authority. The new building will be 25,000 square feet.

In case you haven't been by, the old Villa site, on 6th Avenue and 18th Street, has been demolished. Definitely quite a different look for that corner. The folks that purchased it and demolished the existing buildings, plan on replacing them with student housing.

That's it for now, I'll be shooting to get the next one out before the end of the year.