



## City of Coeur d'Alene Municipal Milestones Newsletter

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### IN THE NEWS

#### CDA Arts Commission Announces Winners of 22nd Annual Mayor's Awards in the Arts

The City of Coeur d'Alene Arts Commission announced the winners of the 22nd Annual Mayor's Awards in the Arts. The award for Excellence in the Arts will be presented to Teresa McHugh, Support of the Arts to Kevin Jester, Arts in Education to Terry Jones, and Student Excellence in the Arts to Ryan Hamm. Mayor Steve Widmyer will present the awards on Wednesday, October 11, 2017, at 6 p.m. at the Hagadone Event Center. This event is open to the public and anyone interested in attending to support the winners is invited. The Mayor's Awards in the Arts are presented by the Coeur d'Alene Arts Commission and the City of Coeur d'Alene to recognize and encourage excellence in the arts and to stimulate and support awareness of the arts throughout the city. For more information, contact Amy Ferguson, Arts Commission staff support, at 208.666.5754.



#### CDA Seeking Input on LED Lighting

The City of Coeur d'Alene is inviting residents to provide feedback until the end of October on different LED (Light Emitting Diode) street lights to determine if specific standards

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#### **Dana Johnson: Seeking Diversity and Education in the IT Field**

Municipal Milestones recently caught up with Dana Johnson newly hired IT Technician, to learn more about his role with the City.

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should be adopted. Input is being sought prior to all Avista-owned streetlights in the community being transitioned to LED in 2018. Avista has already changed 606 of 1,825 lights to LED fixtures, as the energy saving bulbs are installed when lights need replacement.



The City has partnered with Avista on a street light pilot project to determine if certain color temperatures of LED lights are preferable in residential areas. Several lights between 8th & 11th Street and Boyd and Pennsylvania avenues (west of Lakes Middle School) within the Garden District neighborhood have been changed from high pressure sodium bulbs to either 3,000 Kelvin or 4,000 Kelvin LED lights. The Kelvin measurement indicates the color temperature rating of the light, with a higher number indicating the light radiates more bluish-white. In addition to the energy savings, LED streetlights last two-to-three times longer than high pressure sodium, improving reliability and reducing maintenance costs. Community members are invited to view lights in the pilot project area and share their feedback by emailing [led@cdaid.org](mailto:led@cdaid.org). Specific lights can be noted by referencing the lightpole's identifying tag, which includes letters and numbers. For more information on Avista's LED change out program, visit [myavista.com/streetlights](http://myavista.com/streetlights). [CLICK HERE](#) to view a map of the pilot project street light locations.

### City of CDA Receives Community Builders Technical Assistance Grant

The City of CDA was recently selected as an award recipient of a technical assistance grant from Community Builders.Org This grant, amounting to more than \$90,000 of value, will help us to

#### Tell us a little bit about your

#### background and experience: I

graduated from Spokane Falls Community College in June, 2015 with an AAS in Information Technology. I was hired as a temporary seasonal worker with the City of Spokane shortly after graduating in July, 2015 and worked there for a little over 2 years until I accepted a position with the City of Coeur d'Alene.

#### What interested you in a job with the City of Coeur d'Alene?

The IT Technician role was much more diverse in duties as opposed to any place that I have researched. This will give me the ability to dive into many different aspects of the IT field, which will not only provide me with experience, but will help to grow a better understanding of how the City operates as a whole.

#### What are your current duties and responsibilities?

At the moment it's been primarily computer building and repair, but my duties will greatly expand as I become more familiar with the back-end systems and in-house applications.

#### What do you love about this area?

The outdoors of the entire Inland Northwest is some of the best that this country has to offer. I do love

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finish the East Sherman Master Plan! This will include more community engagement over the next year. Thanks to CDA 2030 for assisting us in writing the successful grant application.



the downtown area, which still has that small town feel, but with amenities which no other city of similar size can even match. I am a bit nervous once winter arrives, as I've never been much of a winter activities enthusiast, but I am open to suggestions!

### Star Wars Reads Day October 7 at the Library



Star Wars Reads Day—a program to encourage early reading through the popular sci-fi franchise—will be hosted by the Coeur d'Alene Public Library Saturday, October 7, 1-3 p.m., in the Community Room. The event will feature Star Wars games, crafts, activities—and a visit from the 501st Legion. At 3 p.m., a free movie—Rogue One (PG-13) will be screened in the Community Room. “Star Wars Rebels: Spark of Rebellion” -the two-part pilot for the animated series—will be screened in the Shirley Parker Story Room, also at 3 p.m.

### What about your family and interests?

I was born and raised in Spokane, but consider the entire Inland Northwest home. My hobbies include computers and electronics, hiking, kayaking, rock climbing and I'm an aspiring movie buff!

### Saturday with the Symphony Concert at the Library on October 21

The Saturday with the Symphony concert series continues at the Library on Saturday, October 21, beginning at Noon, with musicians from the Coeur d'Alene Symphony. Weather permitting, the performers will play on the library's veranda and the audience is invited to bring lawn chairs, lunches, and blankets to the park to listen. Another concert is scheduled for November 4 at Noon, which will be hosted in the Community Room.

