



CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

For Week Ending March 1, 2013

Paul Eldredge, City Manager



ADMINISTRATION

Science on Saturday Returning to Brentwood

On Saturday, April 20, the Lawrence Livermore National Lab will hold its Science on Saturday program in the Brentwood Community Center (35 Oak Street), from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Although aimed at middle and high school students, this event will provide Brentwood residents of all ages the chance to learn from Lab scientists about artificial retinas – technology that provides sight to people with certain types of blindness. For more information, please see the attached flyer.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development Grant Program

Applications are now being accepted for the annual Economic Development Grant program. This program provides local organizations the opportunity to receive grants for marketing, events, and business development activities that help to promote Brentwood, attract shopping and tourism to the city, and improve the overall business climate in the community. Applications for grants must be submitted to the Community Development Department by 5:00 p.m. on March 29, 2013. The application form, including detailed instructions and review criteria, is available at City Hall (150 City Park Way) or online at: <http://apps.ci.brentwood.ca.us/ed/modules/showdocument.aspx?documentid=570>. For more information, please contact Peggy Trudell at (925) 516-5187.

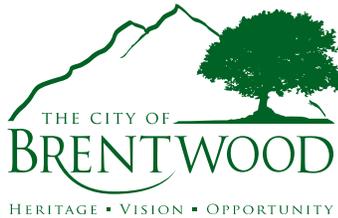
Meetings with Site Selection Consultants

On February 21, staff attended a business conference that brought together six prominent site selection consultants from across the country. These consultants are typically hired by large companies that are trying to determine where to locate major office, research and development, industrial, or retail projects. The conference gave staff the opportunity to meet one-on-one with consultants to discuss how to plan, prepare, and market various opportunity sites in Brentwood; how to identify potential office and industrial prospects; and how to collaborate with site selection consultants in order to have Brentwood potentially considered in a national site search.

FINANCE AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Standard & Poor's Bond Rating Update

Following the dissolution of redevelopment agencies throughout the State, Standard & Poor's ("S&P") rating agency placed debt secured by former redevelopment agencies on "CreditWatch with negative implications". This reflected the rating agency's concerns regarding the ability of



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some agencies to continue making their debt service payments. The City's CIP 2012 Revenue Refunding Bonds were placed on negative CreditWatch as a part of this statewide review process. On February 21, following conversations with City staff along with a review of the finances of the former redevelopment agency, S&P amended their rating on the City's CIP 2012 Revenue Refunding Bonds, removing the bonds from negative CreditWatch and assigning them a "stable" outlook rating. S&P, in their written report announcing the rating change, commented that their rating change was due to continued sound cash flow management along with an alleviation of their concerns regarding the availability of funds for debt service payments.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Lifeguard Instructor School at Brentwood Family Aquatic Complex

The Jeff Ellis & Associates Lifeguard Instructor School will be held at the Brentwood Family Aquatics Complex and Senior Activity Center from Friday, March 8 through Sunday, March 10. The school will host 25 instructor candidates from California, Idaho, Oregon, and Nevada. Jeff Ellis & Associates is the risk management company the City of Brentwood contracts with for certification of lifeguards and swim instructors, and they provide safety audits throughout the year at our facilities.

Youth in Government Program

The Youth in Government program will continue on Monday, March 4 with the mock City Council meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber. This is the second day of this two-day program, which is sponsored in part by the Brentwood Lion's Club and provides Brentwood high school seniors the opportunity to become acquainted with the basic functions of City Council and staff. Immediately following the meeting, a reception will be held and awards will be presented to the participants.

PUBLIC WORKS

PG&E Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan Update

As a part of PG&E's multi-year Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan, PG&E is replacing an old existing gas pipeline with a new 24-inch gas pipeline in Fairview Avenue. PG&E has completed the construction of the pipeline replacement between Grant Street and Fairview Court and will continue to pave this area next week. The current area of pipe placement work is from Sand Creek Road southerly to approximately 500 feet south of Buena Vista Street. Traffic delays and detours should be expected in these areas between the weekday hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., and Saturdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. For more information please contact Tony Del Greco of PG&E at (510) 846-1397. The latest traffic alert information associated with this work can be found on the City of Brentwood's website by clicking on the following link: [Road Conditions](#).

Fuel Dispensing System at the Corporation Yard

Public Works recently completed installation of a Fuel Management System and two 10,000 gallon fuel tanks (one unleaded and one diesel) as part of the "In-House" Fuel Dispensing System CIP project. The fuel tanks were filled last week and Public Works staff has begun training in order to test the fueling system and software. This project was budgeted with an estimated fuel savings to City vehicles of approximately \$0.25/gal. The first fuel purchase order has shown a savings of \$0.36/gal for unleaded and \$0.67/gal for diesel. City vehicles use, on

average, 81,900 gallons of unleaded and 65,100 gallons of diesel annually. If savings remain consistent with the first fuel purchase, the City's annual savings will be more than \$70,000.



Public Works staff utilizing the "In-House" Fuel Dispensing System

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LAWRENCE LIVERMORE NATIONAL LABORATORY PRESENTS
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BRIDGING THE MEDICAL GAP WITH TECHNOLOGY

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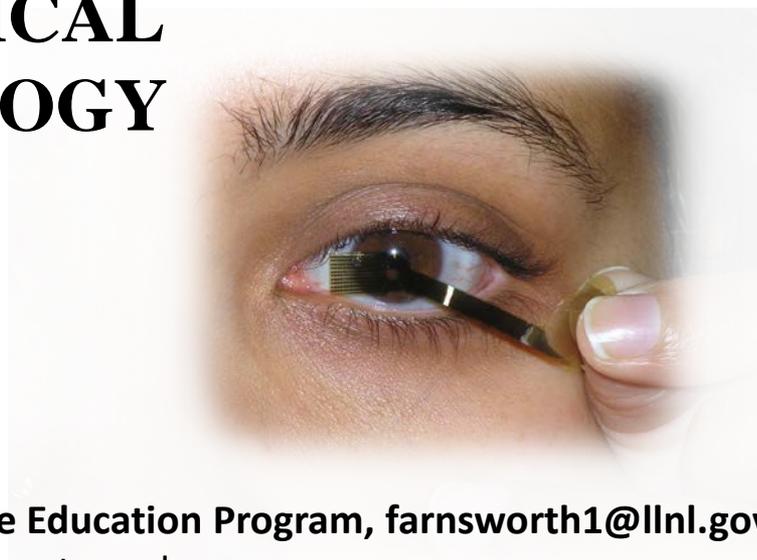
Sarah Felix, Mechanical Engineer

Kedar Shah, Mechanical Engineer

Heeral Sheth, Biomedical Engineer

Vanessa Tolosa, Chemical Engineer

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City of Brentwood**

LOCATION: Community Center - 35 Oak Street - Brentwood, CA 94513-1164

DATE: April 20, 2013

TIME: 9:30 – 11:00 A.M.

Students, teachers and parents are invited to attend Science on Saturday (SOS). SOS provides science talks with demonstrations highlighting cutting edge science at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL).

FREE OF CHARGE

