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Civic Center Update

The construction of City Hall is complete! City Administration, Finance and Information Systems, Community Development and Public Works/Engineering have moved into their new offices at 150 City Park Way. Work continues on the Community Center, Civic Plaza, and City Park. The next building to be occupied will be the Community Center and it is anticipated that Parks and Recreation will be moved into this building soon. The classrooms, meeting spaces, and banquet hall will be available to the public in January 2012.



Following the opening of the Community Center, work on the Civic Plaza and City Park, including the water-play feature and the performance area, will continue. Additionally, the public art features, which are comprised of the fountain tile, City Hall mural, and children's fence in City Park, will begin at the end of October. We anticipate that City Park will reopen in May 2012.

120 local residents have worked, or are working on, the project; this is approximately 30% of the total number of workers on the project.

Under Construction

Capital Improvement Projects:

- Sand Creek Road Widening between Fairview Avenue and Villa Amador Apartments. Construction started in summer 2011. Estimated completion: December 2011
- Energy Efficiency: Installation of grant funded solar panels on Police Station building roof. Construction expected to start in November 2011. Estimated completion: March 2012
- Fiber Optic Link – Phase II: Installation of fiber optic from City Hall to Public Works Corporation Yard on Elkins Way. Construction expected to start in November 2011. Estimated completion: February 2012
- Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation: Rehabilitation of about 40 sewer manholes along Sellers Avenue, Sunset Road, and Brentwood Boulevard. Construction expected to start in December 2011. Estimated completion: October 2012
- Summerset Commons: Installation of a new park with a vineyard setting on Fairview Avenue. Construction expected to start in November 2011. Estimated completion: summer 2012

Developer Projects:

- Marsh Creek Road and Vineyards Parkway Roadway Improvements. Currently under construction. Estimated completion: spring 2012

For more information: Community Development (925) 516-5405

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It's a Grand Slam! Brentwood is a Playful City USA again for 2011!

The Parks and Recreation Department is excited to announce that the City of Brentwood, for the fourth consecutive year, has been designated a “Playful City” for 2011! We are one of 151 cities so designated – with 14 in California and Brentwood, Redwood City, and San Francisco the only ones in Northern California. The Playful City USA program, KaBOOM!—a national non-profit organization dedicated to saving play—honors cities and towns determined to prioritize play and ensure that children are healthy by providing the time and space for play.

For more information: Barbie Gary (925) 516-5444

Proper Disposal of Pharmaceutical Products

Regulators are taking a closer look at how pharmaceutical products affect the quality of our streams, rivers, and lakes. Current research is helping state and federal regulators determine what limits will be imposed on cities that discharge traces of some pharmaceutical products in wastewater. Please refrain from flushing your unused pharmaceutical products down the toilet. For proper disposal, contact your medical care provider, local pharmacy, or Delta Diablo Sanitation District Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility, where residents can dispose of non-controlled substances free of charge, at (925) 756-1990 or www.ddsd.org.



For more information: Public Works Wastewater Division (925) 516-6060

Boat, Trailer and Recreational Vehicle Storage

The Brentwood Municipal Code requires that boats, trailers, and recreational vehicles be stored either:

- In a rear or side yard behind a properly located, solid 6-foot fence
- In the garage; or
- At an off-site facility

If you intend to build a fence, please call (925) 516-5405 and check with the Planning/Economic Division to make sure the fence is erected in compliance with the Municipal Code requirements regarding height and location on the property.

**For more information:
Code Enforcement
(925) 516-5405**

Sign Code Amendment / Enforcement

The Brentwood City Council recently adopted the first comprehensive update to the City’s sign ordinance since 1987. The Council’s primary goal was to balance the needs of the business community for reasonable advertising, while maintaining design standards of visual quality for the entire community. The City’s Code Enforcement division is currently undertaking a program to implement the new ordinance.

For more information: Code Enforcement (925) 516-5405

Fats, Oils, and Kitchen Grease

Fats, oils, and grease can cause significant problems in the sewer collection system. When oil and grease are poured down kitchen drains, it congeals on the inside of the sewer pipes, restricting water flow. Over time, the pipe will become so restricted that it can cause a sewer back-up. Please do your part to prevent sewer back-ups by properly disposing of oil and grease in the garbage, not the kitchen sink.

For more information: Public Works Wastewater Division (925) 516-6060

Now Renting! New Brentwood Community Center



Applications are now being accepted for events occurring January 3, 2012 and beyond.

Additional Discounts available for Sunday –Thursday use

Early Bird Special!
Save 20%
Book before 1/31/2012

BMX Use at Brentwood Skate Park Continues

As a result of the extension of the trial period originally approved by the City Council in June, staff has been operating the Brentwood Skate Park to allow use by BMX bikes three days a week since May (on Sundays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays). Skate boarders have the remaining days of the week. In September, the City Council approved the indefinite extension of BMX bike

use at the Skate Park. Safety rules for the park mandate that helmets, and knee and elbow pads be used by all participants utilizing the park. In addition, all BMX riders' bikes are required to be outfitted with plastic pegs, plastic pedals, and plastic grips.

For more information:
Barbie Gary (925) 516-5444

Leaf Bags

Free leaf bags are available to residents during the fall months. Please fill these bags with leaves only, and place the bags curbside on your regular green-waste pickup day. Leaf bags can be picked up from City Hall, 150 City Park Way, or are available upon request from your garbage and sweeper operators.

For more information: Public Works/Operations (925) 516-6000



Brentwood Boulevard Specific Plan

Work is currently underway to prepare a new and updated plan for the Brentwood Boulevard corridor, in anticipation of Caltrans turning its jurisdiction of this roadway over to the City of Brentwood sometime later this year. When Caltrans relinquishes Brentwood Boulevard, it will then take over jurisdiction of the Highway 4 Bypass. The draft specific plan is intended to establish a vision for the next generation of development along Brentwood Boulevard. The plan would provide for a range of uses, including commercial, office, industrial, residential, mixed-use, and parks/open space. A Draft Specific Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) have been prepared, and are available for public review until the end of November. Public hearings with the Planning Commission and City Council are tentatively scheduled for January and February 2012 to consider adopting the Specific Plan and EIR. More detailed information is available on the City's website at: <http://www.brentwoodca.gov/departments/cd/brentwoodsplan.cfm>.

For more information: Erik Nolthenius (925) 516-5405

Keep Storm Drains Clean

Storm drains flow into creeks and the Delta. Storm drain inlets located near homes, landscape areas, or gardens need to be kept clean in order to prevent waste from entering the storm drain system.

For more information:
Public Works Wastewater Division (925) 516-6060

Sand Bags

In preparation for the rainy season, the City of Brentwood Public Works Department has sand bags available for city residents. Residents may pick up sand bags from the Public Works Corporation Yard located at 2201 Elkins Way, Monday - Friday, between the hours of 7 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Limit: 10 bags per household. Residents may also report flooding to the Public Works Department.

For more information:
Public Works/Operations (925) 516-6000

Christmas Tree Disposal



The City of Brentwood recommends disposing of your Christmas tree in one of the following ways: 1) Local organizations will be collecting Christmas trees for recycling. For more information, call (925) 634-7933; 2) Unflocked trees may also be recycled by removing all decorations, cutting the tree into sections of three feet or less, and placing the cuttings in the green waste cart for collection; or 3) The City will pick up flocked or uncut trees for a fee. The fee for pickup will be based on the tree size and will be reflected on your utility bill.

For more information: Public Works Solid Waste Division (925) 516-6090



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Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

As we await completion of the construction of the renovated City Park, the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place at the Brentwood Senior Activity Center. This year's celebration will take place on Friday, December 2, 2011. Festivities will start at 6 p.m. and include music, singing, a



visit from Santa, and light refreshments, followed at 7 p.m. by the official lighting of the Christmas tree. This "holiday happening" is sponsored by the City of Brentwood and the Brentwood Advisory Neighborhood Committee (BANC).

**For more information:
Barbie Gary (925) 516-5444**

Report It! – A Free Smartphone Application for City Work Requests

The City of Brentwood now offers a free Smartphone application to submit work requests. The application is available for Android and iPhone users with the Blackberry application forthcoming. "Report It!" is a real time mobile civic platform providing a means to identify civic/maintenance issues with your Smartphone such as water leaks, potholes, graffiti, weed abatement, and malfunctioning street lights/



signal lights. Android users can download the application through the Market and iPhone users through the App Store. Search the application by typing "Brentwood Report It" and click "Download." Using a Smartphone, residents can take a photo of a maintenance problem, comment on the problem, and transmit a work request for review and repair by City staff. Download "Report It!" today!

For more information: Public Works/Operations: (925) 516-6000

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Please refer to our Web site for City Council, City Meetings and City Phone Numbers ■ City General Phone: 516-5400 ■ City Hearing Impaired: 516-5409