



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Planning Commission

At its November 19 meeting, the Planning Commission took the following actions:

- Approved a Conditional Use Permit application for a new 4,150 square foot veterinary clinic at 1280 Central Boulevard, a two-story office building that is located just west of Brentwood Boulevard.
- Approved a Design Review application submitted by William Lyon Homes for a portion of the Palmilla project, located on the north side of Central Boulevard, just west of the railroad tracks. This approval was for a total of 56 lots within a specific neighborhood of Palmilla, known as Cielo. The homes on these lots will be constructed in a “cluster” style, with a typical layout of four homes clustered together and served by a common driveway. Combined with the action that was taken on November 5 for the El Sol neighborhood, home designs for a total of 107 lots within Palmilla have now been approved.

Brentwood Business Roundtable

On November 19, the City held the first “Brentwood Business Roundtable” at the Brentwood Community Center. The event was attended by 34 local business leaders and five City staff, with the aim of maintaining strong communication and collaboration between the City and the local business community. City staff provided a brief overview of recent economic trends, the General Plan Update process, and the City’s ongoing economic development initiatives and services for local businesses. The group then engaged in a one-hour facilitated discussion that focused on several topics:

- “As you plan for 2014, what are the biggest threats facing your business and what are the greatest opportunities?”
- “During the past year, have you noticed any changes in the local economy that significantly impact your business, such as changes in customer activity, the competitive environment, or business openings and closings?”
- “From a business development perspective, where should the City focus its efforts in 2014?”

The event was viewed very favorably by the business representatives who attended, and there was a request for the City to hold a similar event next spring.



CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

For Week Ending November 22, 2013

Paul Eldredge, City Manager

General Plan Update

On November 21, a regular meeting of the Working Group was held, with the focus being on discussion of what land uses would be most appropriate for the area known as Special Planning Area 1. This area is located in the far northwest part of the city, just south of Lone Tree Way, and on both sides of State Route 4. Several members of the public attended and provided input, and the Working Group ultimately determined that the area should be designated for a mixture of job-generating uses and medium to high density residential housing. This discussion was the Working Group's third and final one with respect to the draft land use map. The Working Group's map will now be forwarded to the City Council for consideration at a special meeting on December 3. For more information on the project, including future events, please visit the City's General Plan Update website at www.brentwoodgeneralplan.org, or contact Erik Nolthenius at (925) 516-5405 or enolthenius@brentwoodca.gov.

PUBLIC WORKS

Winter Preparations and Storm Awareness

The City performs a variety of creek and storm detention basin maintenance as part of its annual storm preparedness. All City-maintained creeks (portions of some creeks are maintained by the Flood Control District), creek inlets and detention basins have been inspected, cleaned, cleared of debris/vegetation and are ready for the rainy season. City staff also inspected and cleaned catch basins/curb inlets and trash capture devices city-wide to help eliminate possible flooding problems.

Also in preparation for the rainy season, pre-filled sand bags will be available to city residents on a first-come first-serve basis (up to ten per household) and can be obtained from the City's Corporation Yard located at 2201 Elkins Way. For more information, please contact Public Works/Operations at (925) 516-6000.

PG&E Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan Update

As a part of PG&E's multi-year Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan, PG&E replaced an existing gas pipeline with a new 24-inch gas pipeline in Fairview Avenue. PG&E has completed all of the major pavement repair work, and is currently working on temporary roadway striping. Traffic signal loop replacement, street landscaping repair, and other miscellaneous clean-up activities will be completed in the coming weeks. The final pavement slurry seal and permanent striping will be completed when warmer weather returns in spring next year.

Traffic delays should generally be expected between the weekday hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. For more information, please contact William Calvin of PG&E at (925) 421-5255. The latest traffic alert information associated with this work is available on the City of Brentwood's website by clicking on the following link: [Road Conditions](#).

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