



CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

For Week Ending August 28, 2015

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State of the City Address

Save the date for the State of the City Address: Thursday, September 17th. The event will be held in the Brentwood Community Center (35 Oak Street) at 6:00 pm. More details to follow.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Boards/Commissions Vacancies

The City is currently accepting applications to fill positions to serve on the Arts Commission, Brentwood Advisory Neighborhood Committee (BANC), Park and Recreation Commission, Planning Commission, and the East Contra Costa Fire Protection District Board of Directors. For details, please see the attached Press Release as well as the City’s website: <http://www.brentwoodca.gov/gov/boards/vacancies.asp>.

Budget-in-Brief

The Fiscal Year 2015/16 Budget-in-Brief is now available on the City’s website. The Budget-in-Brief provides a condensed version of both the FY 2015/16 Operating Budget and the FY 2015/16 – 2019/20 Capital Improvement Program. It includes an overview of the City’s budgeted revenues and expenditures and key information impacting budget development. The Budget-in-Brief can be viewed at: <http://www.brentwoodca.gov/gov/finance/docs/budget.asp>.

PARKS AND RECREATION

“Hot August Nights” at Brentwood Family Aquatic Complex



On Saturday, August 29th, the Brentwood Family Aquatic Complex, 195 Griffith Lane, will host its final “Hot August Nights” event and the theme is **Princess and Pirates Night!** This event will wrap up the Hot August Nights program for this year. This event will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and participants will enjoy music, games, themed activities and night swimming. Take this opportunity for the family to come together and have fun. Entry fee is \$2 per person.

For more information, contact Parks and Recreation at (925) 516-5444.



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PUBLIC WORKS

Doing More with Less

Since the City declared a drought emergency on May 26th, the Brentwood community has united in its efforts to conserve potable water and meet the State mandate. In August 2015, residential potable water use was down by 44% compared to August 2013. Residents are encouraged to keep up the good work.

As a reminder, the following water conservation measures, rebates and penalties are in effect and began with the July utility billing cycle.

Two Ways to Comply

There are two ways for residential and commercial customers to comply with the required monthly potable water use reductions:

1. **Percentage** - reduce monthly potable water usage by 35% from 2013 usage (compared by month); **OR**
2. **Citywide Averages** - stay within the following Citywide **monthly** averages
 - ◆ **Residential:** May – Oct. = 11,000 gallons or less; and Nov. – Apr. = 5,000 gallons or less
 - ◆ **Commercial:** May – Oct. = 32,000 gallons or less; and Nov. – Apr. = 24,000 gallons or less

2013 Usage and additional details are available at: www.brentwoodca.gov/2013usage.

Rebates and Penalties (Residential & Commercial Customers)

Based on your water usage as compared with the same month in 2013, you may either qualify for a rebate or receive a penalty as shown in the table below.

***Reduce water use by:**

more than 50%	\$50	Rebate
41% - 50%	\$25	Rebate
36% - 40%	\$10	Rebate
35%	No Rebate and No Penalty	
21% - 34%	\$100	Penalty
0% - 20%	\$200	Penalty
Increased Water Use	\$300	Penalty
*Based on 2013 usage.		

NOTE: Penalties will **NOT** apply to customers that stay within the City-wide averages above.

Penalty Appeal Information

The City implemented an appeal process for customers that would like their penalty reviewed. For details and information about the appeal process, visit the City's website at www.brentwoodca.gov/savewater and click [Water Penalty Appeal Information](#). Customers may complete and submit an [Appeal Form](#) in one of the following three ways: 1) online; 2) via e-mail to: waterappeal@brentwoodca.gov; or 3) by mail or hand-delivery to: City of Brentwood Public Works, Attn: Water Penalty Appeal, 150 City Park Way, Brentwood, CA 94513.

Free Water Use Evaluations and Water Saving Devices

The City offers a free water use evaluation that includes:

- ◆ a demonstration on how to read your water meter and check for leaks
- ◆ reading and calculating current water use
- ◆ checking all water-using fixtures for leaks and efficiency
- ◆ reviewing your sprinkler timer and making watering suggestions

Customers must be home during the evaluation, which takes approximately 30 minutes. The City also offers free water saving devices such as low flow showerheads; available while supplies last in the Payment Center at City Hall, 150 City Park Way.

For more information or to schedule an appointment: call (925) 516-5373 or email savewater@brentwoodca.gov.

Recycled Water Fill Station – Closed Saturday, 9/12, 9/19 and 9/26



The Fill Station, located at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant, 2251 Elkins Way, will be closed Saturday, 9/12, 9/19 and 9/26 to help accommodate the additional vehicle traffic generated by the City's Neighborhood Cleanup Events scheduled for these dates (see article below). The Fill Station will be open all other days these weeks during their regular operation hours: Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information and guidelines, visit the City's website at: www.brentwoodca.gov/savewater and click [Recycled Water Fill Station](#), or call Public Works/Operations at (925) 516-6000.

Neighborhood Cleanup Events – Online Registration

Brentwood residents with an active garbage collection account are invited to participate in the City's Neighborhood Cleanup Events. Residents can bring up to two yards of unwanted household items including yard waste, appliances, mattresses, e-waste (such as TVs and computers), furniture and garbage, all free-of-charge, to the City's Solid Waste Transfer Station. The fall events will be held on September 12th, September 19th and September 26th.

The City has transitioned from mailed invitations to an online registration process to provide more flexible scheduling of dates and times for residents. In order to participate in the Cleanup Events, residents must register online. For more information, look for an insert included with your August utility bill or to register, visit the City's website at <http://www.brentwoodca.gov/cleanup>.

Also, new this year to the City's diversion and recycling efforts, is a reuse or donation area staffed by DR3, an industry leader in donation reuse and mattress recycling. When loading your vehicle, please separate the following items to be donated: furniture, books, clothing, kitchenware, tools and toys. A more detailed list of acceptable items is available online at <http://www.brentwoodca.gov/cleanup>.



MEDIA RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

AUGUST 11, 2015

Contact: Margaret Wimberly, City Clerk
Phone: 925.516.5400
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Commission/Committee Vacancies

BRENTWOOD, CA – The City of Brentwood is accepting applications from interested citizens for the following Commissions and Boards. Applicants must reside within the city limits.

Planning Commission: Applicants for this Commission must reside within the incorporated city limits. This five-member Commission meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. The Commission recommends plans for the regulation of future growth, development and design of the city, and carries out the provisions of the General Plan and the Zoning Ordinance. Two vacancies due to term expirations on 12/31/15. **Application deadline: Friday, September 11, 2015.**

Arts Commission: The Arts Commission is an advisory Commission to the City Council made up of five (5) Brentwood citizens. Applicants for this Commission must reside within the city limits. This Commission meets on the third Wednesday of each month. Arts Commissioners make recommendations on arts. Commissioners should be knowledgeable about and represent a cross section and distribution of membership among the major art and cultural fields which may include one or more of the following art disciplines: architectural arts, dance, art education, fiber arts, literature, music, painting, performing arts, photography, ceramics, sculpture, murals, visual, functional art, and crafts. Three vacancies (two vacancies due to term expirations on 12/31/15 and one unexpired term expiring on 12/31/16). **Application deadline: Friday, September 11, 2015.**

East Contra Costa Fire Protection Districts Board of Directors: The East Contra Costa Fire Protection District was established in 2002 with the consolidation of the Bethel Island, East Diablo, and Oakley-Knightsen Fire Protection Districts. The District serves the cities of Oakley and Brentwood as well as the unincorporated areas of east Contra Costa County, including Bethel Island, Byron, Discovery Bay and Knightsen. Pursuant to the Fire Protection District Law of 1987, the District operates as an independent public agency and the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors initially served as the District's governing board. In late 2009, the Cities of Brentwood and Oakley, the County and ECCFPD consented to local governance of the District. The Board of Directors includes nine members: four from Brentwood, three from Oakley and two from the unincorporated County area, each residing within the District. The ECCFPD Board meets the first Monday of each month in the evening. There is no compensation provided for Board Members. Two citizen vacancies due to term expirations, expiring on 12/31/15. **Application deadline: Friday, September 11, 2015.**

Park and Recreation Commission: The Park and Recreation Commission is an advisory commission to the City Council made up of five (5) Brentwood citizens. Applicants for this Commission must reside within the city limits. This Commission meets on the fourth Thursday of each month. The Commission makes recommendations on park and recreation facility designs, use of City parks and recreation facilities, and provides feedback and recommendations in regard to program and facility rules, regulations, policies, and procedures. Three vacancies; one vacancy of an unexpired term, expiring on 12/31/17 and one vacancy due to term expiration, expiring on 12/31/15. **Application deadline: Friday, September 11, 2015.**

Brentwood Advisory Neighborhood Committee: The Brentwood Advisory Neighborhood Committee (BANC) is an advisory committee made up of residents from the city's 53 neighborhoods. The committee serves on special task forces to study city issues and to work on projects such as the committee's "Home of the Season" program, National Night Out, and assists with the annual Christmas tree lighting. Meetings take place at 6:00 pm on the second Wednesday of each month in the Brentwood Community Center Meeting Room. BANC continually accepts applications for new members and requires applicants to observe a BANC meeting before consideration for appointment.
Application deadline: Ongoing

Applications are available at City Hall, 150 City Park Way, or by calling 925.516.5400, or on our website www.brentwoodca.gov. For additional information, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 925.516.5400 or via e-mail at CityClerk@brentwoodca.gov

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