



CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

For Week Ending October 2, 2015

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CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Annual Heritage Day Event

The John Marsh Historic Trust and California State Parks is hosting the Annual Heritage Day event on October 17, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Stone House in Marsh Creek State Park. There will be activities for children, musical and theatrical performances, and educational presentations. This year, visitors will be able to walk right up to the house and peek through the windows (which are usually covered) to see the progress of the current stabilization work. For more information, please see the attached flyer or visit www.johnmarshhouse.com.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Planning Commission

At a special meeting held on September 29, the Planning Commission considered the following items:

- An application submitted by Daub 4 Kidz for a conditional use permit to establish a non-profit bingo operation within an existing 5,000 square-foot tenant space to be operated in four sessions, three days per week, located at 161 Sand Creek Road, Suite A. This application was continued to the Commission's meeting of October 20.
- An application submitted by The Grupe Company for a Mitigated Negative Declaration, a General Plan amendment to amend the development standards of the Medium Density Residential land use designation of the Brentwood Boulevard Specific Plan, a tentative subdivision map to create 50 single-family residential lots and a 1.2-acre open space parcel, and a design review for five home plans (three detached and two attached). The project site consists of a vacant 6.7-acre parcel located west of Brentwood Boulevard, east of Marsh Creek, and south of Applewood Court. This application was unanimously approved, with the Mitigated Negative Declaration and General Plan amendment to be scheduled for final consideration by the City Council at its meeting of October 27.
- An application submitted by New Urban Communities Partners for a rezone to amend the PD-55 Zone and the Sciortino Ranch Design Guidelines, establishing a revised list of allowable uses and development standards, and a vesting tentative subdivision map to create 331 single-family residential lots and eight commercial lots on a 61-acre site, located east of Brentwood Boulevard and west of Garin Parkway, on both sides of Sand Creek Road. The Commission expressed a few significant concerns about the project, including the overall residential density being too high, the lack of remaining commercial

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land, and the degree of flexibility afforded by the Sciortino Ranch Design Guidelines. Rather than approving or denying the application, the Commission referred further discussion to its Design Review Subcommittee in order to address the stated concerns.

- An application submitted by TRI Pointe Homes for a design review to construct three house plans and related improvements on 34 lots remaining in the Penrose neighborhood of the Barrington development, located between Stratford Way and Milford Court, on both sides of Colerbrook Lane. This application was unanimously approved.

The Commission also received two informational reports from staff. The first report was an update of the City’s ongoing efforts to develop a two-year Strategic Plan, especially as it relates to the recent City Council workshop that was held on September 1 and 2. The second report was an update of the completed pylon sign located at The Streets of Brentwood, near the intersection of Sand Creek Road and State Route 4.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Utility Box Public Art Project Update

Artwork on the second of nine utility boxes has been completed. “Brentwood Hills,” by artist Debra Janis, is located at the corner of Sand Creek Road and Shady Willow Lane. The artist has let staff know that public response to the art has been great and many residents have stopped to talk with her and have shown appreciation for the City’s support of such public art projects. Contracted artists have until the end of October to complete the seven remaining utility boxes that are part of this project.





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Marsh Creek Trail Closure

The Marsh Creek Regional Trail is temporarily closed between just north of the Sand Creek Road/O’Hara Avenue railroad undercrossing and south of the bridge across from Sun Gold Park for the installation of a storm drain and outfall as per conditions for the Palmilla (Pulte) development project. This closure will remain in effect thru October 15.

Oktoberfest Special Event

The Brentwood Downtown Coalition will host an Oktoberfest celebration this Saturday, October 3, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on First Street. Please see the attached flyer for details.

Art Guild of the Delta at the Brentwood Community Center

The 2015 “Public Art Walls” fourth quarter show starts on October 5 and runs through December 18 at the Brentwood Community Center (35 Oak Street). Stop by and enjoy east Contra Costa County’s vibrant and diverse group of artists, the Art Guild of the Delta. A reception for the artists will take place on Thursday, October 8, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., hosted by the Brentwood Arts Commission. Light refreshments will be served and this event is free and open to the public. The exhibit is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS

PG&E Pipeline Construction

PG&E will be assessing the condition of their pipeline located in the southbound direction of Fairview Avenue between Baldwin Drive and Wolfe Road/Regent Drive. The work is scheduled to begin next week and may last six to eight weeks, weather permitting. Southbound traffic will be diverted to the other side of the median with one lane open in each direction and traffic control and flaggers in place. All lanes will be reopened at the end of each day. Residents in the adjoining Summerset communities have been informed of this work. For more information please contact Lyndon Graham with PG&E at (925) 244-3759 or Chad Sedam at (847) 867-0581 with MEARS Group, PG&E’s contractor.

Hazardous Waste Drop-off Event

The City of Brentwood Annual Hazardous Waste Drop-off Event (oil, batteries, paints, e-waste, etc.) is scheduled for Saturday, October 3, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the City’s Solid Waste Transfer Station, 2301 Elkins Way. This event is open to all east county residents. Residents will be required to present a valid driver’s license at the event. For more information, please call (925) 756-1990 or visit Delta Diablo Sanitation District’s website at www.ddsd.org.

Delta Diablo Sanitation District is located at 2500 Pittsburg-Antioch Hwy in Antioch. They operate the regional household hazardous waste drop-off facility and provide three annual household hazardous collection events for east county residents. These programs are funded by the east Contra Costa County communities of Antioch, Bay Point, Bethel Island, Brentwood, Byron, Discovery Bay, Knightsen, Oakley and Pittsburg.



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Winter Storm Preparations

Fall has arrived and with it, the hope of a rainy season. With this in mind, residents should begin preparing for the upcoming winter season to help prevent flooding and protect against possible losses to your property. Following are a few storm preparation tips:

- Clean and clear roof gutters of leaves and debris
- Clean and clear curb outlets
- Clear backyard drains of leaves and debris
- Grade property to help move water away from your home or foundation
- Keep front yard trees trimmed to a height of 15 feet for easy Street Sweeper access for leaf removal at your curb
- Properly dispose of leaves utilizing the City's [Leaf Bag Program](#)
- If a V-Ditch is in front of your property, keep clear of debris

Later this month, as storm season approaches, City staff will be placing a sand pile and empty sandbags at the end of Elkins Way outside the cardboard recycle area. This will be a self-filling station for Brentwood residents only and will be limited to 10 bags per household. For more information, please contact Public Works/Operations at (925) 516-6000.

Leaf Bags

In efforts to reduce impacts to local landfills, the City will be providing free leaf bags during the fall months. These special bags should only be filled with leaves, and placed curbside on your regular green-waste pickup day. Starting October 1, leaf bags can be picked up at the Payment Center inside City Hall (150 City Park Way). For more information, please call Public Works/Operations (925) 516-6000.



John Marsh Historic Trust
presents

STONE HOUSE HERITAGE DAY

Marsh Creek State Park

21789 Marsh Creek Road @ Vintage Parkway



Saturday, October 17th 10 am – 4 pm



THE JOHN MARSH STORY

Hear the story of the remarkable life of John Marsh, pioneer who blazed a trail across America and was the first American to settle in Contra Costa County.



GUIDED HIKE

 (\$5 donation suggested)

Enjoy an easy, guided hike through 3 miles of Marsh Creek State Park



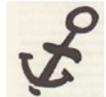
ARCHAEOLOGICAL DISCOVERIES

View important archeological finds dating 7,000 to 3,000 years old, including items associated with an ancient village.



NATIVE AMERICAN LIFE

See members of the Ohlone tribe making brushes, rope, jewelry and acorn meal



RANCHO LOS MEGANOS – LOS VAQUEROS

Experience the work of the Vaquero, who worked John Marsh's rancho.



WESTWARD MOVEMENT

Learn about the importance of John Marsh's Rancho as the destination for first wagons on Overland Trail, triggering pre-Gold Rush migration to California.

Scheduled Presentations

- 10:00 Opening Welcome
- 11:00 Presenting Dr. John Marsh
- 11:00 Guided hike begins
- 11:30 Stone House history
- 12:00 Ancient archaeology of MCSP
- 12:00-1:30 Brentwood Concert Band
- 12:30 Marsh Creek State Park plans
- 1:30 Professional ropers/Vaqueros
- 2:30 Presenting Dr. John Marsh

Enjoy Kids' Activities All Day



Rope a
'steer'



Dig for
Artifacts



Take a 'Pioneer family'
picture

Support preservation of the John Marsh House with your tax deductible contribution today at www.johnmarshhouse.com, at www.razoo.com/john-marsh-historic-trust, or by check to John Marsh Historic Trust, P.O. Box 1682, Brentwood, CA 94513

Preserve our history!

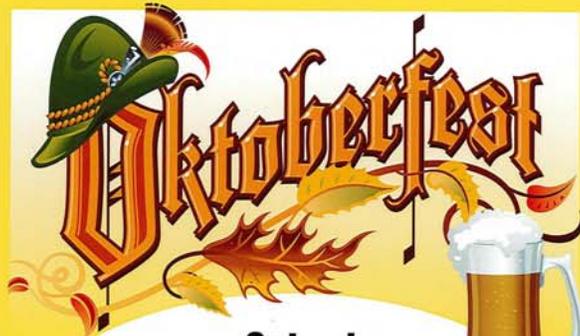
Expect outside terrain Wear closed-toe shoes!

Information: 925-679-5811



Co-hosted by California State Parks





**Saturday,
Oct. 3rd • 3pm - 7pm
Downtown Brentwood First St.
FREE ADMISSION!**



Music by...

**Public
Eye**



And Featuring



 **German
Beers!**



 **Bratwurst**



 **German
Pretzels**



 **Dachshund
Parade**

 **Beer Stein
Obstacle Race**

 **RAFFLE
PRIZES!**

EXPERIENCE
**DOWNTOWN
BRENTWOOD**
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Downtown Brentwood Coalition
For more information, call
516-6200 or 783-0050

OR VISIT

www.brentwooddowntown.com