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## Water Conservation – Drought Update

City of Brentwood water customers have done a remarkable job, conserving over 35% of potable (drinking) water compared to 2013. While drought conditions are far from over, Brentwood has been able to eliminate water conservation



requirements, remove penalties, and eliminate the two-day per week watering restriction.

*The following are the changes you need to know about:*

### ◆ Elimination of Water Use Penalties

Last year the City implemented water use penalties you may have seen on your utility bill listed as Excessive Water Use Penalty. These have been eliminated.

### ◆ Elimination of Two-day Per Week Limit on Outdoor Irrigation

You are no longer required to limit outdoor watering to two days per week. Wasteful water uses such as creating excess runoff, or watering between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m., remain prohibited.

### ◆ Water-use Prohibitions Made Permanent

Although the State has allowed us to eliminate mandatory water conservation, it acknowledges drought conditions continue

in some parts of the State. As a result, efficient, reasonable water use is to continue to be a way of life for Californians, and certain water use restrictions have been continued indefinitely to eliminate water waste.

### Permanent water-use prohibitions are:

- Do not irrigate landscaping within 48 hours after measurable rainfall.
- Washing of vehicles, trailers, boats must be done with a shutoff nozzle.
- Do not wash paved or hardscaped surfaces.
- Fountains must recirculate water.
- Do not irrigate with potable water between 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- New construction landscaping must be irrigated by drip and/or microspray systems.
- Public street medians with ornamental turf may not be irrigated with potable water.
- Drinking water will be served at restaurants only upon request.
- Daily linen laundering is optional for hotel guests.

For more information call:  
(925) 516-5373 or visit [www.brentwoodca.gov/savewater](http://www.brentwoodca.gov/savewater).

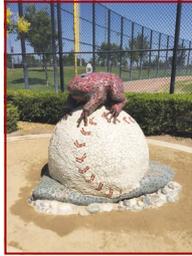
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# Public Art Mosaic Sculptures at Sunset Park Athletic Complex

Late last year the City Council approved funding for the Liberty High School Public Art and Design Academy to create five mosaic sculptures featuring native animals with classic sports in the lunette areas near the ballfields at Sunset Park Athletic Complex.



All five sculptures are now complete and an unveiling ceremony was held on May 31, 2016. This is the fifth

project that the graduating senior art students have provided for the City.

**For more information call:  
Poldina Scherff (925) 516-5444**

## Tree Clearance

In order for the City to provide efficient curbside services, i.e., street sweeping and garbage collection, residents are asked to maintain proper tree clearance standards:

- 15 feet from the street to the lowest tree branch
- 10 feet from the street sign/light to the nearest tree branch
- 8 feet from the sidewalk to the lowest tree branch

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

## Graffiti Removal Program

The City is dedicated to keeping our community beautiful and is proud to have an aggressive Graffiti Removal Program. Since July 2015, the Street Maintenance Division has removed 14,841 square feet of graffiti throughout the City. This includes graffiti on sound walls, creek structures, tunnels, parks, sidewalks, utility cabinets, and signs. The City's goal is to respond within 24 hours for graffiti abatement, with the exception of holidays and weekends. If you see someone in the process of committing an act of graffiti vandalism, please call Police Dispatch at: (925) 778-2441. To report existing graffiti, please submit your request for removal via a smartphone using Report It!, a free application; call Public Works/Operations, or submit a service request via the City's website at: <http://www.brentwoodca.gov/gov/pw/service.asp>.

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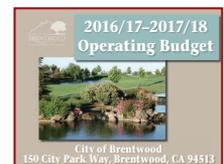
## Fix It For Good

Purchase water saving appliances, or change your lawn to a drought friendly alternative, and you may be eligible for a rebate while funding lasts. Some rebates require pre-approval, so be sure to visit [www.brentwoodca.gov/savewater](http://www.brentwoodca.gov/savewater) for program details and requirements.



## 2016/17 – 2017/18 Operating Budget

The 2016/17 – 2017/18 Operating Budget was adopted by the City Council on June 14th. The City's Operating Budget establishes the funding allocations for all of the services provided by the City including police, parks and recreation, street maintenance, and water, sewer and garbage services.



The operating budget also includes funds to support initiatives included in the adopted 2016/17 – 2017/18 Strategic Plan. The total Operating Budget for fiscal year 2016/17 is \$273.0 million. The City's General Fund includes approximately \$53.5 million in revenues and operating expenses, and retains 30% of annual expenses in reserves.

**For more information call: Administrative Services (925) 516-5460**

# Recycled Water Fill Station

The City's Recycled Water Fill Station (for Brentwood utility customers) is located at 2251 Elkins Way. Operating hours have been extended for the summer season. Recycled water is wastewater that has undergone extensive treatment in order to be used in non-potable water applications, such as landscape irrigation.

Customers may bring containers (up to 300 gallons) to fill with recycled water, free of charge, to take for appropriate use. To claim this recycled water, customers will need to show their current utility bill, complete a short application, and receive a brief, one-time training on the regulated uses of recycled water. Hours of Operation are Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. and Saturday – Sunday, 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.; the facility is closed on day of, and day after, measurable rain fall, and all City-observed holidays. Hours are subject to change.

For more information and guidelines, visit the City's website: [www.brentwoodca.gov/savewater](http://www.brentwoodca.gov/savewater).

## Water Softener Removal Financial Incentive Program

Chloride is a naturally occurring mineral found in drinking water. Chloride levels at the City's waste-water treatment facility are above maximum levels set by the state. This is due, primarily, to the use of salt-based, self-regenerating water softeners. To reduce the level of chlorides coming into the treatment facility, the City is offering a financial incentive of \$700 to residents willing to remove their sodium and potassium salt-based, self-regenerating water softeners, or \$300 for first-time water softener buyers. To be eligible for these incentives and participate in the program, residents are required to complete an application. This program is nearing the end stage and won't be available much longer. Residents are encouraged to submit applications before the program ends.

For more program information and/or to download the application, visit the City's website, [www.brentwoodca.gov/wsprogram](http://www.brentwoodca.gov/wsprogram).



## Free Water Use Evaluation

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; and answering general water use questions. Customers must be at home during the evaluation, which takes approximately 30 minutes.

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

## Under Construction

### City Capital Improvement Projects:

- Non-Potable Water Distribution (Grant St. between O'Hara Ave. and Fairview Ave.) – Estimated Completion: winter 2016
- Park Way Rehabilitation (between Oak St. and Chestnut St.) – Estimated Completion: winter 2016.

### Developer Projects – Infrastructure Work:

- Best Western (41 Valdry Court, adjacent to Brentwood Blvd.) Off-site improvements being installed.
- Maffeo (north of Grant St., east of O'Hara Ave., west of Adams Ln.) Construction to start in the summer of 2016.
- Mangini (north of Grant St., east of O'Hara Ave., adjacent to Big Basin Dr.) Underground utilities being installed.
- Palmilla Phase III (north of Central Blvd., east of Griffith Ln.) Construction to start in the spring 2016.
- Tractor Supply (425 Harvest Park Dr., adjacent to Brentwood Blvd.) Construction to start in summer 2016.

### Developer Projects – Homes/Buildings being built:

- Amber Park, Phase III (north of Grant St., east of Empire Ave.)
- Barrington (south of Sunset Rd., along Garin Pkwy.)
- Bella Fiore (north of Amber Ln., east of Shady Willow Ln.)
- Cedarwood, Phase 2 (north of Sycamore Ave., west of Garin Pkwy.)
- Villagio (north of Balfour Rd., east of Griffith Ln.)
- Mission Grove, Phase II (south of Balfour Rd., west of UPRR Tracks)
- Palmilla, Phase II (south of Central Blvd., east of Griffith Ln.)
- Prewett Ranch (north of Grant St., west of Adams Ln.)
- Sprouts, *Now Open* (north of Sand Creek Rd., west of Shady Willow Ln.)
- Steeplechase (north of Lone Tree Way, west of O'Hara Ave.)
- Vineyards at Marsh Creek, Phase 4 and 5B (north of Marsh Creek Rd., west of SR4)

### Regional Projects:

- Balfour Road Interchange (Balfour Rd. and SR4): Utility relocation work in process with construction estimated to begin late in the summer of 2016.

For more information call: Public Works/Engineering (925) 516-5420



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## Fall Movie in the Park

The fall Movie in the Park will feature "Zootopia" on the big screen in City Park on Friday, October 21st, beginning at 6:30 p.m. This free event will take place rain-or-shine.



**For more information call:  
Parks and Recreation (925) 516-5444**

## Hot August Nights

During the month of August, the Brentwood Family Aquatic Complex will open every Saturday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for music, games, themed activities and night swimming. Hot August Nights is a great opportunity for the family to come together and have fun. Entry fee is \$2 per person.

- August 6 Disney Night
- August 13 Luau Night
- August 20 80's Night
- August 27 Safari Night

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## New Playgrounds at Appaloosa and Palomino Parks



**N**ew playgrounds were recently completed at Appaloosa Park, 2413 Tamalpais Court, and Palomino Park, 2293 Black Stone Drive. Both playgrounds feature play equipment for 5-12 year olds, and the Palomino playground also includes a large shade structure. These playgrounds were originally built in 2007 and featured wood play structures that were deteriorating. Parks and Recreations staff met with neighbors in the area for input in determining how to update the new play features.

**For more information call:  
Aaron Wanden, (925) 516-5444**

## Starry Nights in Brentwood Summer Concert Series

**T**he summer concert series will conclude with concerts by Mania (a Beatles tribute) on August 5th, Steel Horse (a Bon Jovi tribute) on August 12th, Stealin' Chicago (a Chicago tribute) on August 19th, and the Kenny Frye Band (Country) on August 26th. All concerts begin at 7 p.m. in City Park, 710 Second Street. Patrons are encouraged to bring a picnic dinner.

**For more information call: Parks and Recreation (925) 516-5444**

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