



## CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

*For Week Ending November 15, 2013*

Paul Eldredge, City Manager



### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

#### General Plan Update

On Thursday evening, the City hosted an open house event to inform the public about the General Plan Update and to answer questions about the land use map that is being prepared by the Working Group. The event was held in the main hall of the Community Center, and was attended by approximately 20 members of the public. A second open house is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. tomorrow (Saturday, November 16), in the Bristow Middle School Gymnasium at 855 Minnesota Avenue. The public is encouraged to attend, and light refreshments will be provided.

On November 21, the Working Group will continue its discussion of the land use map, with the focus being on the large area known as Special Planning Area 1 (located south of Lone Tree Way, on both sides of State Route 4). For more information about the General Plan Update project, please visit [www.brentwood.generalplan.org](http://www.brentwood.generalplan.org), or contact Planning Manager Erik Nolthenius at (925) 516-5405 or [enolthenius@brentwoodca.gov](mailto:enolthenius@brentwoodca.gov).

### FINANCE AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

#### Utility Billing “Pay by Phone”

The City Council identified “Customer Service – Deliver Excellent Public Services” as a priority in the City Council’s Goals and Strategic Plan.

Working toward this goal, the City’s utility customers are now able to utilize “Pay by Phone,” giving them access to their utility account information and allowing them to make secure and immediate payments over the phone, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

To access Pay by Phone, or to speak with a live account representative, call (925) 516-5415. Customers may also access account information, pay their utility bill and request services online by selecting Utility Billing Online at [www.brentwoodca.gov](http://www.brentwoodca.gov).

### PARKS AND RECREATION

#### Upcoming Park Improvement Projects

At a regular meeting on November 12, City Council approved the purchase of replacement play equipment for Spirit Park and Glory Park. Replacements are anticipated to be completed by spring of 2014. Also approved was the City Wide Park Shade Improvement Project that will be



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funded by East Bay Regional Park District Measure WW Park bond funds. This project includes the installation of shade structures over the bleachers at Sunset Park Athletic Complex, Oak Meadow Park, and Balfour-Guthrie Park, and over play equipment and seating at Blue Goose Park and Veterans Park. These projects are expected to be completed in early 2014.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

#### **PowerPay for PG&E Program**

The Public Works Wastewater Division has enrolled in PowerPay, a demand response and notification program offered by PG&E at no cost to the City. This program is targeted to large industrial facilities that use considerably more energy than typical commercial or residential customers, and allows PG&E to reimburse the City \$20.00/kWh for reducing electrical usage at the Wastewater Treatment Plant during specified periods of higher energy demand in the summer.

#### **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 cleaning up their temporary construction staging areas. Temporary pavement striping, along with additional work to replace the traffic signal loops and repair street landscaping, will also 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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