



FINANCE AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

New City Website Coming Soon

City staff is currently working on a major redesign of the City's website. This redesign effort will bring a fresh, new look to the City's web presence and will more effectively showcase the City and the many features, resources and amenities available to the public. The project will also include new technologies that will help City staff more effectively manage and maintain its webpage content to ensure that content and features remain up-to-date. The new website is expected to launch in June of this year.



Financial Dashboard

The quarterly update is now available on the City's Financial Dashboard. The Financial Dashboard is a web-based reporting tool that provides interactive information on the City's finances, which includes analysis of the City's year-to-date revenues, expenses and budgetary information for the City's operations. It also allows users to view financial information from previous years, providing an easy way to compare trends over time. In addition, the Financial Dashboard provides financial information concerning the City's Capital Improvement Projects. The Financial Dashboard can be found on the City's website at:



www.brentwoodca.gov/department/fi/assets/resources/fidashboard.swf.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Arbor Day Planting Event

This year, the City of Brentwood is recognizing National Arbor Day on Saturday, April 26. The Park/Maintenance division has coordinated a joint effort with local volunteers from Friends of Marsh Creek Watershed to assist with this community event. In addition to local volunteers, Marina Landscape is donating time and tools for planting, Terracare Associates is donating time as well as 72 one-gallon plants, and West Coast Arborists is providing 16 trees for this project.

This year's event will take place along Sunset Park Athletic Complex frontage just north of Sunset Road. This remnant piece of roadside has no formal landscaping. After Arbor Day, residents will see trees on the street softening the look of the right-of-way, along with colorful plant material brightening the entrance to Sunset Park. With the Arbor Day event, Brentwood will continue to qualify for Tree City USA recognition.



Persons interested in volunteering at this event should arrive at Sunset Park (655 Sunset Road) between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

Spirit and Glory Playgrounds Re-Open with New Play Equipment

Spirit and Glory Parks (located off of Walnut Boulevard) have new play equipment for the younger community members. Both parks had wooden playgrounds built in 1998 which had exceeded their 15-year lifespans. In February, Park Maintenance staff demolished the old play structures, and construction began on the new features. The new play structures are installed and open for play. In addition to the playgrounds, Spirit Park also received a new Fitness Station for community members of all ages.





CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

For Week Ending April 25, 2014

Paul Eldredge, City Manager

POLICE

Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

On April 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. the City of Brentwood and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the local public its eighth opportunity in four years to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs. Bring your medications for disposal to the Brentwood Police Department at 9100 Brentwood Boulevard. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Last year, almost 400 tons of prescription medications were collected from members of the public at more than 5,829 locations manned by 4,312 state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies that partnered with DEA on the event. When added to the collections from DEA's previous seven Take-Back events, more than two million pounds of prescription medications have been removed from circulation.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines - flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash - both pose potential safety and health hazards.

The National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day aims to provide a safe, convenient and ecologically responsible method of prescription drug disposal while also educating the public about the potential for abuse of medications.

For more information regarding the prescription drug take back initiative, contact Lt. Doug Silva at the Brentwood Police Department (925) 809-7712.

PUBLIC WORKS

2014 Pavement Management Program

The slurry seal project and the grind and overlay project were both awarded by City Council on April 22. Both projects will have their pre-construction meetings in early May, with the grind and overlay project starting construction the last week in May and slurry seal starting the first week in June. Both projects are expected to be fully completed by the start of the next school year at the end of July 2014. The attached map provides information on the areas of work for slurry seal.

Solid Waste Transfer Station

The new Solid Waste Transfer Station has been operational since March 3, 2014. This new facility has increased and improved the efficiency of the solid waste operations.



Construction continues at the old solid waste transfer station site, transforming this site to an overflow parking lot for the Sunset Sports Complex. The new parking lot is scheduled to be complete by early July 2014. The following photos show the progression of grading work.



March 12, 2014



Work in progress



April 21, 2014

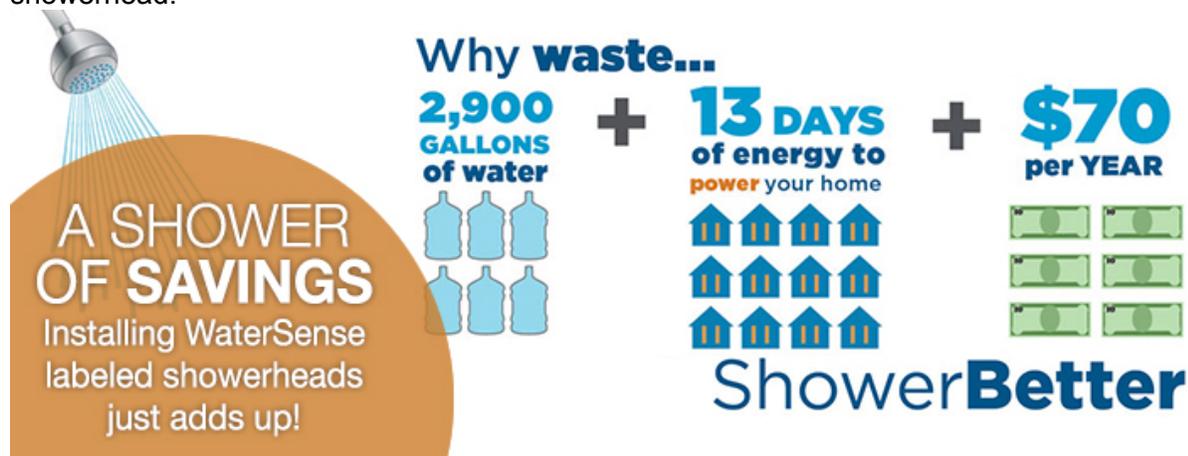
City Council Requests the Voluntary Reduction of Water Use by 10 Percent

On April 22 the Brentwood City Council adopted a resolution (attached) calling upon City water service customers to voluntarily reduce water use by 10 percent. In accordance with the City's Urban Water Management Plan, the City is proposing to address the current drought conditions by implementing a voluntary 10 percent reduction goal that will focus on outdoor water use. Customer participation is voluntary and customers have the option to determine how best to implement reductions. The City will be increasing its public information campaign consisting of distribution of literature, billing messages, conservation messages printed in local newspapers and on the City's internet web page.

The City offers water conservation services to assist customers in meeting the 10 percent conservation goal. Examples include free conservation site surveys, free water-efficient fixtures, outreach programs, and educational materials. For additional information, please contact the City's Water Conservation Specialist, Diana Williford, at (925) 516-6045 or dwilliford@brentwoodca.gov.

Water Conservation – Water Saving Showerheads

Do you want to conserve water but you aren't sure where to start? The City of Brentwood recommends using a water saving showerhead. Swap out your existing showerhead for one that uses less water. Contact the City's Water Conservation Specialist, Diana Williford, at (925) 516-6045 to schedule a free home water use survey and receive a free water saving showerhead.



A SHOWER OF SAVINGS
Installing WaterSense labeled showerheads just adds up!

Why waste...

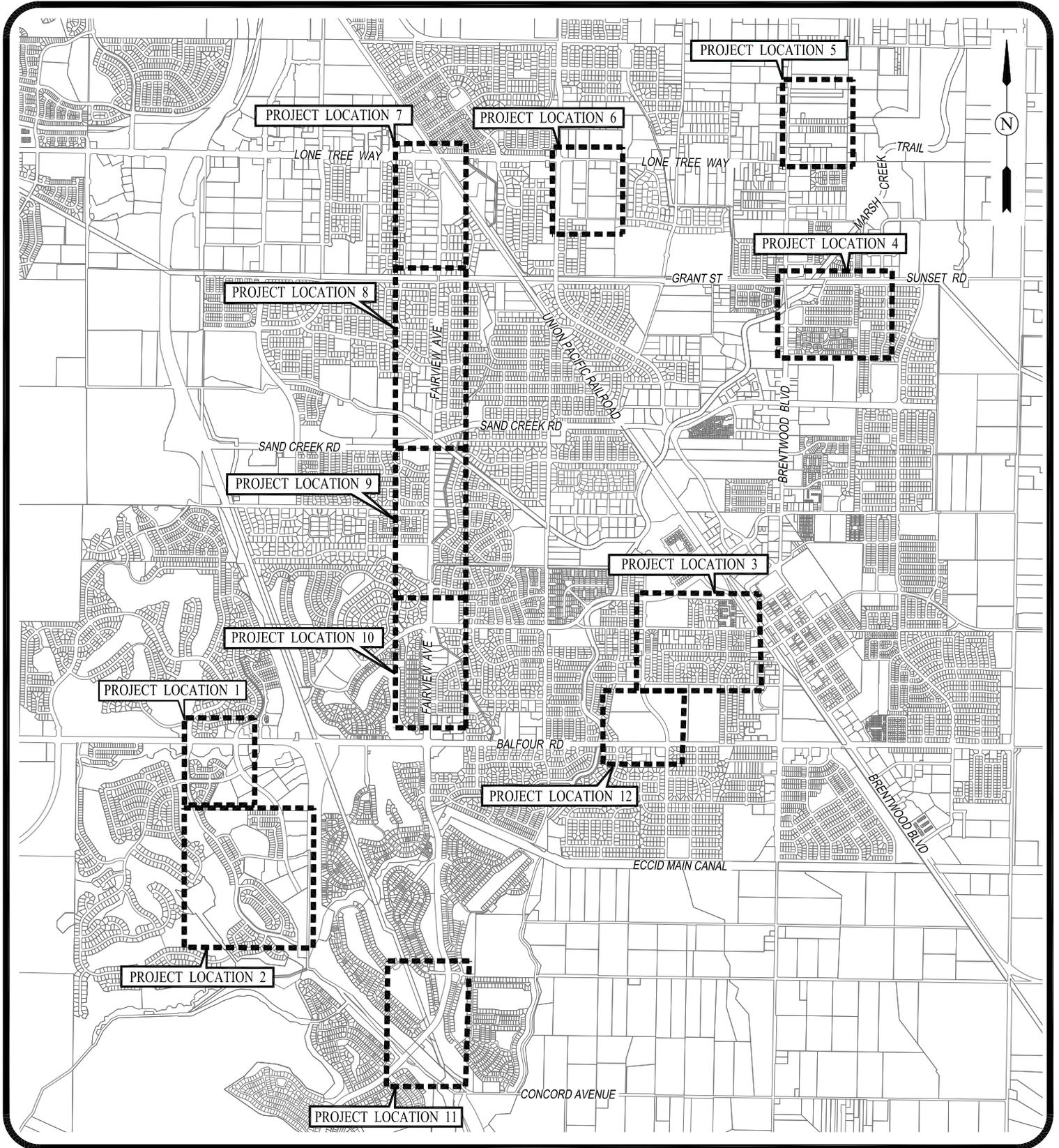
- 2,900 GALLONS of water** (represented by 6 water bottle icons)
- 13 DAYS of energy to power your home** (represented by 12 house icons)
- \$70 per YEAR** (represented by 6 dollar bill icons)

ShowerBetter

Source: http://www.epa.gov/watersense/our_water/shower_better.html



2014 PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM VICINITY MAP - SLURRY SEAL



RESOLUTION NO. 2014-45

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRENTWOOD CALLING UPON CITY WATER SERVICE CUSTOMERS TO VOLUNTARILY REDUCE WATER USE BY 10 PERCENT; AND DIRECTING STAFF TO WORK WITH CONTRA COSTA WATER DISTRICT ON WATER CONSERVATION EDUCATION AND OUTREACH.

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2013, by Proclamation, City Council proclaimed that the water users of the City of Brentwood should collectively and voluntarily help protect our source waters from pollution, to practice water conservation and to get involved in local water issues; and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2013, by Resolution No. 2013-176, City Council adopted the Final 2010 Urban Water Management Plan as recommended by the California Department of Water Resources; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Urban Water Management Plan (“UWMP”) includes the Water Shortage Contingency Plan; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2014, City Council received a report and provided direction on the City of Brentwood’s water supply and water conservation practices; and

WHEREAS, California’s Water Year 2014 (October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014) has been one of the driest in decades and follows two consecutive dry years throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, water is a valuable natural resource that provides public health protection, fire protection, support for the economy and the quality of life we enjoy; and

WHEREAS, the City highly recommends and encourages its customers to practice water conservation at all times; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the City’s UWMP, the City proposes to address the current drought conditions by implementing a voluntary 10 percent reduction goal; and

WHEREAS, customer participation is voluntary and customers have the option to determine how best to implement reductions; and

WHEREAS, the City will increase its public information campaign; and offers water conservation services to assist City customers in meeting the 10 percent conservation goal; and

WHEREAS, fiscal impact is unknown as it is dependent upon customer participation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Brentwood hereby calls upon City water service customers to voluntarily reduce water use by 10 percent and directs City staff to work with Contra Costa Water District on water conservation education and outreach.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Brentwood at a regular meeting held on the 22nd day of April 2014 by the following vote:

AYES: Barr, Bryant, Clare, Stonebarger, Taylor
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None