



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Planning Commission

Mayor Taylor attended the January 19 Planning Commission meeting to swear in John Fink and Dirk Zeigler for their re-appointment to two-year terms (expiring December 31, 2017). The Commission elected its officers for 2016: Dirk Zeigler - Chairperson and Lance Crannell - Vice Chairperson. The Commission also appointed Joe Weber as the representative to TRANSPLAN, and Lance Crannell and John Fink as the representatives on the Design Review Subcommittee. The Commission then took the following project-related actions:

- Approved a two-year time extension to Discovery Builders for the previously approved design review application which allows construction of 33 single-family residences located west of Brentwood Boulevard and south of Marsh Creek.
- Approved a design review application to Discovery Builders for nine single-family home plans at the Villagio project (formerly known as the Ferro-Ronconi property). This is a 160-unit single-family project located north of Balfour Road and east of Griffith Lane.

PUBLIC WORKS

Storm Response Update

Throughout the recent storm events, Public Works staff has been inspecting and monitoring the City’s storm drain system. These inspections consist of areas with slow drainage, catch basins, storm ponds and creek level verifications, and allow staff to take corrective action.



Inspection of creek level at Grant Street



CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

For Week Ending January 22, 2016

Gustavo “Gus” Vina, City Manager

The City asks residents to continue to do their part in staying prepared for incoming storms by:

- Maintaining gutters and drainage on their property.
- Cleaning and clearing curb outlets.
- Keeping leaves and debris clear of the gutter for easy movement of storm water.
- Keeping front yard trees trimmed to a height of 15 feet for easy Street Sweeper access for leaf removal at the curb.
- Preparing sandbags before the storms arrive, if needed.
- Reporting flooding or rising water levels to City staff at (925) 516-6000 from 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., or to Police Dispatch during afterhours at (925) 778-2441.

City staff has placed a sand pile and empty sandbags at the end of Elkins Way outside the Cardboard Drop-off area. This is 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 an effort to reduce impacts to storm inlets and local landfills, the City will be providing free leaf bags through January. These special clear bags should only be filled with leaves, and placed curbside on your regular green-waste pickup day. Leaf bags can be picked up at the Payment Center inside City Hall (150 City Park Way) or at the Recycled Water Fill Station (2251 Elkins Way) during its operating hours (shown below). For more information, please call Public Works/Operations at (925) 516-6000.

Recycled Water Fill Station – Hours of Operations Change

Effective January 1, 2016, the operating hours for the City’s Recycled Water Fill Station, located at 2251 Elkins Way, has changed to the following:

Open: Monday and Wednesday 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Closed: All other days, day of and day after measurable rainfall, and all City-observed holidays

State Route 4 (“SR4”)/Balfour Road Interchange Project (“Project”)

SR4 eastbound lanes will be closed south of Balfour Road on Monday evening, January 25, beginning at 11:00 p.m. and re-opening Tuesday morning, January 26, at 4:00 a.m. This closure is required in order to conduct electrical work on the traffic signals in preparation for the Project construction, which is anticipated to begin this year. SR4 eastbound traffic will be detoured onto Balfour Road, Walnut Boulevard and Marsh Creek Road. SR4 westbound traffic will not be affected by this closure. For more information please contact Andy Gust with Psomas, Project Inspector at (916) 869-6912.



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Water Conservation Program

Brentwood residential water customers continue to respond to California’s drought and the City’s request to reduce water use. The City’s overall water use from June – December 2015 is down 41% compared to June – December 2013. Although the drought continues, your conservation efforts have allowed the City Council to make the following changes (shown in the comparison charts below - changes shown in bold) to the Water Conservation Program effective November 1, 2015.

- Extend the summer season and Citywide average volume for the upcoming winter season

	Season	Previous	Revised
Residential	Summer	May – October 11 units/month	April – November 11 units/month
	Winter	November – April 5 units/month	December – March 8 units/month
Commercial	Summer	May – October 32 units/month	April – November 32 units/month
	Winter	November – April 24 units/month	December – March 24 units/month

1 unit = 1,000 gallons of water

- Decrease in monthly penalties and rebates

	Water Reduction	Previous	Revised
Rebates	More than 50%	\$50	\$20
	50% - 41%	\$25	\$10
	40% - 36%	\$10	\$10
Penalties	34% - 21%	\$100	\$100
	20% - 0%	\$200	\$100
	Increased Water Use	\$300	\$200

Remember there are two ways to comply to meet the City’s potable water use reduction requirements:

- 1) Reduce your monthly water use by 35% as compared to 2013; or
- 2) Maintain your monthly water use at or below the Citywide reduced average.

MTC Grant for Pedestrian Crossing Beacons

The City of Brentwood was awarded a grant last September by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (“MTC”) for the 2015/16 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Program for funding in the amount of \$46,000. This grant has funded the purchase and installation of four rectangular rapid flashing beacons located on Walnut Boulevard at Orchard Drive, and at Dainty Avenue; Brentwood Boulevard at Maple Street; and on Sunset Road at the Marsh Creek Regional Trail Crossing. These beacons are solar powered and activated by use of a push button, similar to a traffic signal crosswalk, and provide a bright flashing light to make drivers aware of pedestrians crossing. They have been installed using City forces and weather permitting should be activated by the end of this week. Photo shows an existing beacon.

