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Council Baylands Proceedings Commence

At their meeting of August 25, 2016, the Planning Commission, who, since September 2015 deliberated over the applicant's (UPC's) Brisbane Baylands Specific Plan, amendments to the 1994 Brisbane General Plan, and of course the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the Baylands, arrived at the following recommendation to the City Council:

- That the Brisbane General Plan be amended as it relates to the Baylands to allow for a 1-2 million square foot net increase in building area and a utility-scale renewable energy generation facility;
- That the Baylands Final EIR be certified as it pertains to the General Plan recommendation;
- That permitted land uses include Light Industrial, Research and Development, Office, Retail, Commercial Recreation and Open Space; and

- That no housing be developed.

The Baylands Planning Process has moved to the City Council, with the Council's Notice of Public Hearing dated 9/16/2016 and their first scheduled meeting of **Thursday, September 29th**. All meetings are taped and broadcast live on Ch. 27, as well as live-streamed and archived on the City's website. A full meeting schedule can be found on the City's website here: <http://brisbaneca.org/baylands-city-council-proceedings>. Council deliberations and public hearings are expected to continue through early-mid 2017. A Baylands Hearing page has been created for the public to view both Planning Commission and City Council schedules and correspondence and can be accessed here: www.brisbaneca.org/baylands-hearing-process.

Don't miss an update about the Brisbane Baylands Planning Process by signing up for project updates at: <http://www.brisbaneca.org/baylands-email-list-sign-form>.

Engine 81 Responds to California's Wildfires

As part of the 5 Engine and 2 Battalion Chiefs North County Fire Engine Strike Team deployment, Fire Engine 81 out of the Brisbane Fire Station was sent to the wildfires that occurred this month in Central and Southern California. For 11 days, Fire Captain Dave Rosenlund, Firefighter/Paramedic Craig Briscoe and Firefighter Joel Lisboa, along with other firefighters all part of the North County Fire Engine Strike Team aided in the firefighting effort at the Clayton Fire in Lake County, the Blue-Cut Fire in San Bernardino and the Cedar Fire in Kern County.

Working in temperatures of over 100 degrees, with high winds, smoky conditions and poison oak infested wilderness areas, the Engine 81 crew came through and did their part. The crew was successful in clearing brush around buildings,

including St. Helena Hospital in Lake County and provided much needed structure Defense in residential neighborhoods.

The North County Fire Engine Strike Team, along with the Engine 81 crew returned back home safely and wants to remind all Brisbane residents of the importance of keeping their property fire safe by clearing all weeds and dry brush around their homes and businesses. Be sure to watch our wildland safety video, "Ready, Set, Go," at www.northcountyfire.org



SSF Scavenger Pilot Project

Rolling out in early-October

You may notice some neighbors with tan-colored 32-gallon garbage receptacles. This is because SSF Scavenger has rolled out a pilot project to 72 residences with carts that contain a locking mechanism on the lid to prevent animal intrusion, limit trash spills, and prevent litter on the ground and ultimately in city storm drains due to carts being knocked over by the wind or animals. If you're interested in seeing a prototype of the cart, there is one for the public to check out at City Hall. There is also a YouTube video (search "Rehrig Raccoon Institute") that you can view to familiarize yourself with the cart. SSF Scavenger will be tracking residents' feedback and working with city staff to see what next steps will be. Stay tuned!



Bay Area SunShares. Simple. Affordable. Together

You may recall the program name Peninsula SunShares from last year; this year, the solar group buy program is called Bay Area SunShares. The program launched on August 3rd with a free workshop in Brisbane on August 31st. The second and **last free Brisbane workshop is scheduled for Saturday, October 8th at 10am at City Hall.** If you're interested in the prospect of having solar panels installed on your rooftop, you'll want to come and hear more about the program, which this year features three installers that will offer a free site evaluation and proposal, with no obligation to commit to install solar panels. Additionally, and brand-new this year, Bay Area SunShares is offering a discount on two electric vehicle models: the 2016 Toyota Mirai and the 2016 Nissan Leaf S!

The Bay Area SunShares program is available for homeowners living in the City of Brisbane or those working in participating

communities but living throughout the nine Bay Area counties. To take advantage of the volume discount, participants must:

1. Sign up at www.bayareasunshares.org by November 4, 2016
2. Get your discounted quote from a pre-selected solar installer, visit a participating vehicle dealership, or learn about programs that help renters access renewable energy
3. Sign a contract by November 18, 2016 to take advantage of program discounts!

Visit www.bayareasunshares.org today to sign up or register for workshops.



REVISED ALTERNATIVE A- TOTAL 231



Councilmembers' modified Alternative (close-up of Park Lane and Park Place)

City Council Provides Direction on Parkside Land Use Alternatives

At the September 1, 2016 City Council study session, the City Council continued their discussion of potential preliminary land use alternatives for the Parkside Plan. Parkside consultants MIG also presented several photosimulations and renderings to help better envision the pedestrian environment and visual impacts of Alternatives A & B. A highlight of the meeting was the presentation by Councilmembers O'Connell and Davis of a modified Alternative they had prepared for residential development on Park Lane and Park Place. Several community members addressed the Council regarding the preliminary Parkside land use alternatives. Speakers voiced support for the modified alternative.

The City Council directed MIG to use the modified alternative prepared by Councilmembers O'Connell and Davis as the

basis for further plan preparation. The Council also determined that a broader vision was appropriate for the Brisbane Village Shopping Center and adjacent parcels, with a focus on land uses that would encourage public gatherings and attract visitors from out of town (such as a microbrewery or boutique hotel).

Over the next few months, MIG will work on the draft preferred land use plan and other Parkside Plan components, including draft design guidelines, to prepare for public hearings at the Planning Commission likely in early 2017. To be the first to know about future Parkside workshops and public meetings, visit the Parkside Plan webpage at <http://www.brisbaneca.org/parkside-brisbane-village-precise-plan-about> and follow the instructions to sign up for email notifications!

Speed Humps in Brisbane?

While Brisbane is miles from the dense traffic challenges of downtown San Francisco, we do experience our own unique traffic issues. At times, residents feel that speeding is an issue on certain streets in town and then ask, “Why can’t I get a speed hump installed on my street?” Speed humps are raised sections of pavement or rubber that are placed mid-block and are designed to slow vehicles on residential streets. According to the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), they typically range from 12 to 14 feet in travel length and are about three inches in height. Speed humps were introduced in the U.K. in the 1980s and were adopted by multiple U.S. municipalities as a popular traffic calming measure.

Unfortunately, speed humps have unintended consequences. They cause an increase in noise from vehicle acceleration, braking, and suspension rattling, affecting those who live near them. Based on general engineering practice, speed humps are not installed on steep streets with grades greater than five percent (5%) because they can gather water, creating unsafe braking conditions. In addition, speed humps are rough on automobile suspensions and drivers’ backsides when they are driven over on a regular basis. Perhaps most seriously, speed humps impact emergency vehicle response. According to the ITE, speed humps can cause up to a ten-second delay for an ambulance with a patient.

Because of the unintended consequences and resulting backlash from the public, some cities have had to recover from installing too many speed humps. For example, the City of Berkeley installed over 150 speed humps in the early 1990s. After their placement, the Berkeley Fire Department claimed that these devices caused damage to fire trucks and led to significantly longer response times. Residents with disabilities stated that the rough motion when driving over speed humps, even at very low speeds, caused serious pain and discomfort. These concerns led the City to impose a moratorium on the installation of speed humps in 1995 while it explored other traffic calming measures.

The traffic calming “toolbox” has grown over the years, and there are other effective alternatives to speed humps that have less physical impact on moving vehicles. Dragon’s teeth, a method widely adopted in the U.K., are teeth-shaped pavement markings that slow drivers through psychological measures. “Botts dots” are small ceramic bumps that are primarily used as lane dividers, but can be arranged into rectangular rumble strips that create a vibrating sensation. Traffic calming measures such as these are being widely implemented in municipalities to address speeding issues.

If you have concerns regarding speeding on your street, please contact Public Works. Staff will observe the location in question, and if necessary, will conduct a more thorough technical investigation, possibly including 24-hour speed surveys, to determine if a hazard that can be corrected through engineering techniques is present.



Speed hump.
Photo courtesy of <https://brentwood-tn.org/index.aspx?page=215>



Dragon’s teeth markings on Solano Street in Brisbane. Photo courtesy of Google Earth.

Botts dots.
Photo courtesy of <http://www.paverpatch.com/traffic-calming-devices/>



Please make an effort to slow down and to be mindful of bicyclists and pedestrians. Enjoy the beauty of your home while driving safely!

For any questions or concerns regarding speed humps, please contact Deputy Director of Public Works Karen Kinser at (415) 508-2130 or kkinser@ci.brisbane.ca.us.

Apply to Serve on the City's Planning Commission!

The Planning Commission is responsible for making recommendations to the City Council on re-zonings and amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and the City's General Plan. The Commission typically reviews and acts upon applications for Use Permits, Design Permits, Variances and Sign Permits.

The Planning Commission meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month @ 7:30 p.m.

Your application would be for one of three 3-year terms ending in 2020.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications are available on the City's website (search "Planning Commission Application") or by calling or e-mailing:

Ingrid Padilla, Interim City Clerk, at 415-508-2113 or cityhall@ci.brisbane.ca.us

The deadline for submitting applications is **Friday, October 28th, 2016 at 1:00pm.**

Completed applications can be submitted via:

Fax @ 415-467-4989; e-mailed to cityhall@ci.brisbane.ca.us OR delivered in person to City Hall at 50 Park Place.

Brisbane's Sustainability Framework Highlighted in *Western City*

In November 2015 the Brisbane City Council officially accepted the Sustainability Framework for the Baylands (<http://brisbaneca.org/baylands-sustainability-framework>), a document that was the product of five years of effort by the Baylands Sustainability Committee, multiple drafts and numerous rounds of community review and feedback. An article about the Framework was recently featured in *Western City*, the monthly magazine of the League of California Cities (notably, this article appeared as part of an issue that was centered around Sustainability). We are excited to see the Framework and its 10 principles being shared with other cities in the state! Check out "Brisbane Adopts Its Sustainability Framework for the Brisbane Baylands" on www.westerncity.com!



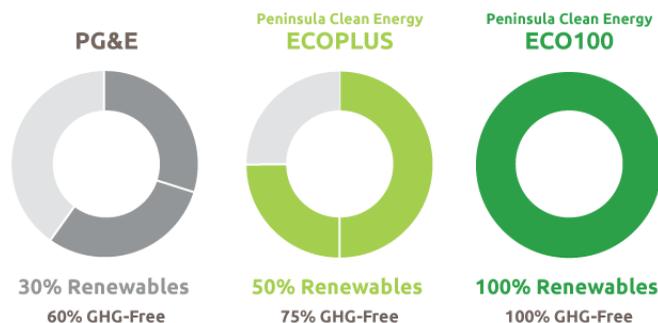
Peninsula Clean Energy

Coming October 2016!

Peninsula Clean Energy, or PCE, is San Mateo County's official electricity provider. Beginning this month, PCE will provide residents and businesses in San Mateo County with clean, renewable energy from resources like solar and wind at lower rates than you're currently paying. Residents and businesses will be automatically enrolled in PCE in phases. Enrollment groups have been randomly selected by neighborhood to ensure an equitable county-wide process.

Electricity will continue to be delivered by PG&E through the existing power lines. Your level of service and billing won't change, and PG&E will continue to manage your billing and general maintenance, as it always has. On August 29th, a PCE Workshop was held at City Hall. The workshop was

ENERGY COMPARISON



taped and is being replayed on Ch. 27 and is also archived on the City's website here: <http://brisbaneca.org/peninsula-clean-energy-0>. If you have any questions, please visit the Peninsula Clean Energy website, www.peninsulacleanenergy.com, or call: 1 (866) 966-0110.

Priority-Based Budgeting

Shooting for Long-Term Accountability

Whether you've lived in town 5, 10, 20, 30 years or your entire life, there's a reason why you're here and have decided that this "City of Stars" is home. With approximately 4,500 residents, Brisbane is one of the Bay Area's "tiny towns." When considering its direct neighbors—South San Francisco, Daly City, and San Francisco—Brisbane is not just the quaint town nestled at the base of San Bruno Mountain, it's the Peninsula's "hidden gem."

To that end, the City Council, with input from the community and assistance from the City Manager and department heads, is committed to adopting fiscal plans that achieve the following five "Results":

1. Ensuring Brisbane is a **Safe** community
2. Enhancing residents' lives through **Community Building**
3. Promoting **Ecological Sustainability**
4. Creating opportunities through **Economic Development**, and
5. Safeguarding community services through **Fiscal Prudence**

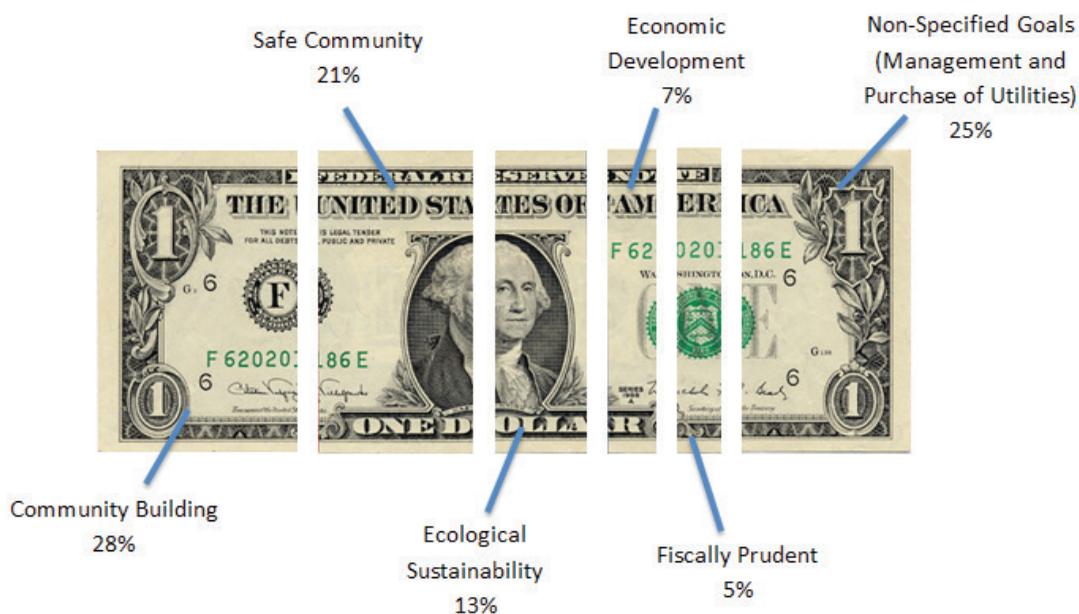
For the past several years, the City Council has been working on developing an objective Priority-Based Budgeting process, with the goal being increased fiscal accountability with a long-term focus. This will allow the Council's policy discussions regarding city programs, services and capital projects to be in line with the overarching Results desired by the community. When fully implemented, the budget will be organized and developed to reflect the five Community Results. By adhering to a Priority-Based Budgeting method, Council will ensure that the City's programs, services, and projects are routinely evaluated in order to maintain the quality of life our citizens rely on, want and deserve.

This past June 30th, the City Council approved a two-year budget, with \$18 million in General Fund dollars anticipated to be spent in 2016-17 and another \$18 million in General Fund dollars anticipated to be spent in 2017-18. Below is a breakdown of the spending by Result (Note: Governance Results, which are Management and the Purchase of Utilities, together comprise 25% of total costs).

Examples of programs that enhance residents' lives through **Community Building** are the Day in the Park Festival and Derby, City Co-Sponsored Events such as Artists' Evening of Sharing, and maintenance of public spaces such as the Community Park and Mission Blue Center. An example of a program that ensures Brisbane is a **Safe** community is having a dedicated School Resources Officer from the City's Police Department present and interacting with students at the elementary, junior high, and high school levels. An example of promoting **Ecological Sustainability** would be the implementation of various measures in the City's first Climate Action Plan, which the Council adopted in September 2015. In 2018, Council will be scoring the City's various programs and evaluating their effectiveness in meeting the above five Community Results.

Brisbane has become one of the handful of cities across the country that are working to create a truly Priority-Based Budget. While this process is still in its infancy, the City Council is confident that it will lead to better fiscal, policy, and community-oriented decisions. For more information about the City's budget, please visit: <http://brisbaneca.org/departments/administration/finance/about>.

Result Spending At a Glance



Donate Your Books and Help Those in Need!

St. Vincent de Paul Brisbane Book Drive Oct. 8 & 9

St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) was founded in 1933 in San Mateo County with the initiative of helping the poor. They currently have a campaign called Books 4 Hope, with a goal of bringing in 1 million books by next year. How do they do this? They host citywide drives for people to come and donate their books. For every book SVDP is able to sell, whether online or in their stores, SVDP is able to provide approximately 3 meals to individuals in need.

On the weekend of **October 8 & 9, from 9am-4pm each day, representatives from St. Vincent de Paul will be on-site at the Christmas Tree Lot** (corner of Old County Rd. & Bayshore Blvd.) for their Brisbane Book Drive. Let's help them make their goal! If you would like to volunteer on either day of the book drive, or if you have any questions, please contact Kristen Trojel at (408) 420-0307.

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OF SAN MATEO COUNTY'S

BOOKS 4 HOPE
1 MILLION BOOK
CAMPAIGN

Saturday Oct. 8 & Sunday Oct. 9
Christmas Tree Lot

To volunteer or for more info: (408) 420-0307



If you have 10 gallons or less of antifreeze, paint, pesticides, motor oil or any other household hazardous waste, make an appt. with San Mateo County to drop off your waste properly. Drop-off days are the first Saturdays of the month until December 3rd. The exact drop-off location in SSF will be given upon making an appt. at www.smchealth.org/hhw or by calling (650) 363-4718, select option 3.



We regret to inform you that **City Hall will no longer serve as a PG&E Payment Center** due to changes in the requirements by PG&E's bill processing company, CheckFree Pay.

The **last day** City Hall can process PG&E payments will be **Friday, October 14, 2016 (unless unforeseen circumstances arise).**

Please do not drop any PG&E payments into the Water Utility boxes after Friday, October 14, 2016.

For in person payments, there are a dozen other payment centers within a five mile radius of Brisbane. Please visit www.pge.com to locate a Payment Center near you.

For questions regarding the change, please feel free to call the Finance Department at 415-508-2150.

PARKS AND RECREATION PRESENTS:



RELAX IN THE WATER UNDER THE NIGHT'S SKY AND ENJOY A FILM ON THE BIG SCREEN!



SEPTEMBER 10TH



OCTOBER 15TH

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7:30-10:00PM

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pumpkin patch

Saturday,
October 8th
1:00-3:00pm

Entrance Fee is \$5.
Pumpkins will range from \$2-\$20 based on size. There will be fun seasonal games and races for children of all ages!

Pick out your Halloween pumpkin at our Aquatic Pumpkin Patch!



North County Fire Authority *Presents* Fire Service Day

Event: Open House
Date: Saturday, October 15, 2016
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Place:

Fire Station 72 – 1100 Linda Mar Blvd., Pacifica
Fire Station 81 – 3445 Bayshore Blvd., Brisbane
Fire Station 93 – 464 Martin St., Daly City
Fire Station 94 – 444 Gellert Blvd., Daly City
Fire Station 95 – 191 Edgemont Dr., Daly City



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Specialized Equipment Display
Activities for Kids and Adults





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RecycleWorks@smcgov.org
888.442.2666 / 650.599.1498

THE SUSTAINABILITY ACADEMY

The County of San Mateo's Office of Sustainability is excited to announce the launch of the 2016-2017 Sustainability Academy (Academy)!

The Academy (formerly known as the *RecycleWorks Volunteer Academy*) offers resource conservation courses at **no-cost**. The courses are hands-on, provide participants with the concrete skills and knowledge to conserve resources at home and at work, and offer an opportunity for participants to promote environmental awareness in the County as a volunteer. The courses are a great way to meet new people, build leadership skills, and participate in meaningful, locally focused, and fun volunteerism!

We have two exciting Academy offerings coming up this fall. See below for more information about each!



Get a good start on your spring garden by building your backyard compost pile now!

MASTER COMPOST & SOLID WASTE COURSE



Tuesdays starting Oct 11th to Dec 6th, 2016
(excluding Thanksgiving week)
5:30 pm to 9:00 pm
Location: Beresford Recreation Center,
2720 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Mateo

In this no-cost 8-week Master Compost and Solid Waste Course, participants will learn the ins and outs of backyard and vermi (worm) composting through in-class discussion and hands-on activities. You'll also learn about how solid waste is managed in San Mateo County. For participants that attend *at least seven out of eight classes*, they will each get a choice of taking home their own backyard or vermicomposting unit! **A 40-hour volunteer commitment is required for participating in this course.**

This popular course tends to fill up quickly, so **sign up now** for the chance to get your hands dirty this fall!

Register:

www.recycleworks.org/sustainability/rva_composting.html

WEBINAR: ZERO WASTE FOR YOUR HOME & OFFICE



Thursday, November 3rd, 2016
12 pm to 1 pm

This one-hour webinar will introduce you to solid waste management basics specific to San Mateo County. You'll learn where your waste, recyclables, and compostables go, how some materials are re-manufactured through recycling and composting processes to reduce waste, and what you can do to reduce waste and increase recycling and composting in your own home and work place.

Sign up now to start your journey towards becoming a solid waste management guru!

Register:

www.recycleworks.org/sustainability/rva_resource_101.html

For more information, please visit www.recycleworks.org/academy.html or contact Eun-Soo Lim, our Sustainability Academy Coordinator at RecycleWorks@smcgov.org or 888.442.2666 / 650.599.1498.

The Sustainability Academy is available only to residents, business owners, employees, or students located within San Mateo County.

October 2016 Library Calendar

Special Events

Saturday, October 1 at 11am - Tricycle Music Fest

Join us for our Tricycle Music Fest extravaganza in the Community Park! Rock out to a concert by Frances England and engage in other fun family activities! All children in attendance will be entered to win a tricycle or a scooter!

Recurring Events for Children and Families

Saturday Family Fun, 11:00am

October 1 - Lego Building. Bring your imagination and we'll supply the Legos. For ages 3+.

October 15 - Block Play. Playing with blocks develops your child's eye-hand coordination as well as math and science skills. Come play, build, and learn together at a block party - library style! Suitable for children from 3 months-8 years.

Mondays, 10:30am - Preschool Early Learning

Centered around parent/caregiver-child interactions, this participatory experience engages everyone in creating developmentally appropriate fun and the early literacy practices of reading, singing, talking, writing, moving, and playing. *NOTE: There will be no Preschool Early Learning program on Monday, October 10.

Mondays, 3:30pm-4:30pm - Afterschool Crafts

Join us every Monday for a fun craft. Best for ages 8-13 years. *NOTE: There will be no Afterschool Crafts program on Monday, October 10.

Tuesdays, 11:30am - Baby Bounce and Rhyme Time

Bring your bouncing baby to our weekly playtime, full of nursery rhymes and games you can play together to stimulate their development. Ideal for children from newborn up to 18 months old.

Wednesdays, 10:30am - Toddler Early Learning

Centered around parent/caregiver-child interactions, this participatory experience engages everyone in creating developmentally appropriate fun and the early literacy practices of reading, singing, talking, writing, moving, and playing.

Saturdays, October 8 and October 22, 11am - Sensory Storytime

This storytime welcomes all children with special needs and children without special needs. It goes at a slower pace to engage and stimulate their senses with visual aids, songs, and more. For ages 2 and up.

Friday, October 21, 7pm - Mom & Me Book Club

Girls ages 9-12 and their mothers are invited to attend our Mother Daughter Book Club! We will be discussing Bloomability by Sharon Creech at our October meeting. Aunts, grandmothers or other adults are also welcome to attend with the girls. Please contact Stephanie Saba if you have any questions or need help ordering a copy of the book (sabas@smcl.org).

Thursdays, 3pm - Homework Hour

This program provides students with the quiet space to study, homework help, and access to computers to complete homework assignments.

Recurring Events for Teens

Friday, October 14, 5pm - Teen Crafts

Join us for some after-hours crafting! Due to the more advance nature of the projects, this event is not appropriate for children younger than middle school age. Ages 12+.

Thursdays, 3pm - Homework Hour

This program provides students with the quiet space to study, homework help, and access to computers to complete homework assignments.

Recurring Events for Adults

Mondays, 11:30am - Drop-in Computer Help

Drop into this relaxed and welcoming tutoring session with all your technical questions for one on one help.

Tuesdays, 10:30am - Drop-in Computer Help

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October City Calendar

All Public Meetings take place at City Hall, unless otherwise noted. Occasionally meetings are canceled or changed; please call 508-2113 to verify. You can also check the City's online calendar for the latest: www.brisbaneca.org/calendar.

Brisbane Farmer's Market: Thursdays, 3-7pm in the Community Park
Residential Street Sweeping: 2nd Monday of Every Month
Commercial Street Sweeping: Every Weds. AM (Visitacion Ave. enforced 3-6AM)

1 Saturday, 6:30pm-10:30pm

City's 55th Anniversary Celebration at Mission Blue Center

5 Wednesday, 6:30pm

Complete Streets Safety Committee Meeting

8 Saturday, 10:00am

Bay Area SunShares Workshop at City Hall

8 Saturday, 1-3pm

Underwater Pumpkin Patch at the Community Pool

8 & 9 Saturday and Sunday, 9am - 4pm

St. Vincent de Paul Book Drive - "Books 4 Hope"

Christmas Tree Lot (corner of Old County & Bayshore)

10 Monday, all day

City Hall closed in observance of Columbus Day

12 Wednesday, 6:30pm

Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, T

13 Thursday, 7:30pm

Planning Commission Meeting, T

15 Saturday, 10:00am-2:00pm

Fire Service Day/Open House at Brisbane Station 81

15 Saturday, 7:30pm

Dive-In Movie at the Pool! (Zootopia)

19 Wednesday, 6:30pm

Open Space and Ecology Committee Meeting, T

20 Thursday, 7:30pm

City Council Meeting, T

27 Thursday, 7:30pm

Planning Commission Meeting, T

T - Meeting cable-cast on Ch. 27 and on www.brisbaneca.org/live-streaming

City Hall Regular Hours of Operation: M, T, Th 8am-5pm, W 8am-8pm, F 8am-1pm

For questions or comments about The STAR please call the City's Community Engagement Office at (415) 508-2157

Wednesday, October 5, 7pm - Adult Book Club

Join us for a lively book discussion on the first Wednesday of every month at 7pm. We will be discussing Arranged Marriage by Chitra Bannerjee Divakaruni at our October meeting.

Tuesdays, October 11 & October 25, 6pm - Craft Time & Coloring for Grown Ups

Join us for this new and exciting drop-in program!

Tuesday, October 18, 7:00pm - Friends of the Brisbane Library Meeting

Do you love your library? Would you like to have a say in its future? Come to a Friends of the Brisbane Library meeting. New people are always welcome.

The Brisbane Library will be closed on Monday, October 10.



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Local Invasive Species to Watch

Periwinkle (*Vinca minor*)

Periwinkle originates from southern Switzerland and the Mediterranean basin; it was introduced to the U.S as an herb and groundcover. Periwinkle is an evergreen herb; it elongates by several yards each year and matures at 6 inches tall. The purple-blue flowers bloom in late March and April.

This plant is found in disturbed grounds in shaded woods and roadsides; it flourishes in moist soil and quickly resprouting after slowed growth from winter conditions, periwinkle easily dominating the understory and crowds out other low growing plants in the area. Periwinkle may be manually removed, although it is likely that resprouting will occur.

Potential alternatives to plant: Dwarf Crested Iris (*Iris cristata*), Palm Sedge (*Carex muskingumensis*), Wild Ginger (*Asarum canadense*), Creeping Phlox (*Phlox subulata*), Yerba Buena (*Clinopodium douglassii*) and Woodland Strawberry (*Fragaria vesca*)

Also, consider purchasing native plants from the Mission Blue Nursery, right here in Brisbane: <http://www.mountainwatch.org/mission-blue-nursery/>

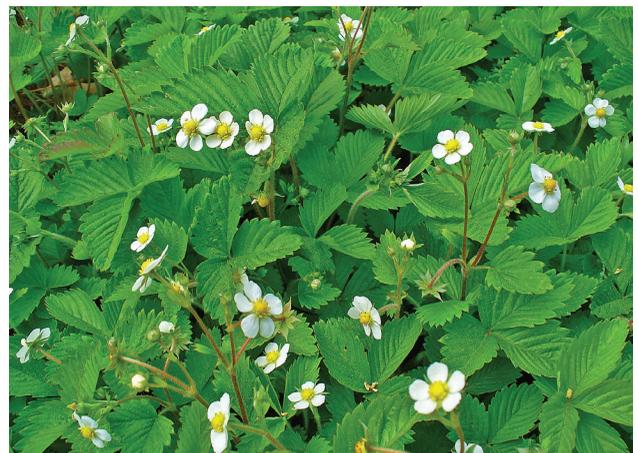
To learn more about local invasive species you can pick up a copy of Protecting San Bruno Mountain, a Guide to Conserving Local Flora and Fauna. This pamphlet is produced by the Open Space and Ecology Committee of the City of Brisbane and San Bruno Mountain Watch, and is free thanks to the Arthur and Elena Court Nature Watch Conservancy. Stop by City Hall for your free copy!



Periwinkle (Invasive)



Yerba Buena
(Native Alternative available at Mission Blue Nursery)



Woodland Strawberry
(Native Alternative available at Mission Blue Nursery)

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