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The City of Brisbane Condemns Racism

At the June 4, 2020 City Council meeting, City Councilmembers and Mayor O'Connell closed the meeting in memory of George Floyd, an African American man who was killed by police on May 25, 2020, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Earlier that day, the City put up memorial signs honoring George Floyd and countless others who lost their lives due to police brutality. This was the first time in Brisbane history that someone with no prior affiliation with Brisbane was remembered on the City signboards.

Earlier that week, Police Chief Lisa Macias also issued a personal statement (brisbaneca.org/police) that was shared widely with community members and both Councilmembers Cunningham and Conway addressed racial injustice in their Letters from Council (brisbaneca.org/citycouncil/page/letters-council), which the City has been sending out each Sunday since mid-April.



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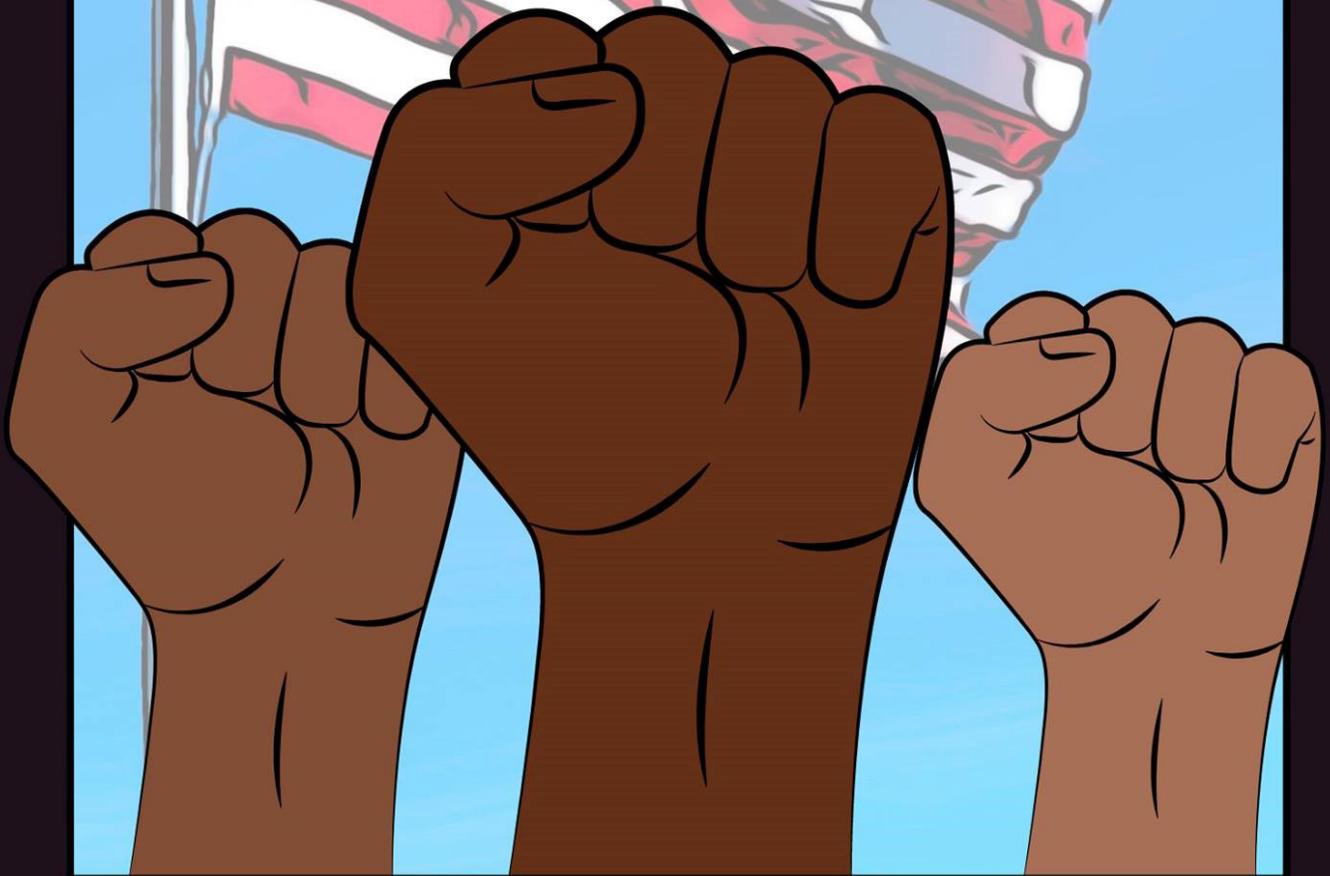


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BRISBANE, CALIFORNIA

* CITY OF STARS *

**BLACK LIVES
MATTER**



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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In response to Floyd's death, protests calling an end to police brutality and racial discrimination quickly spread across the country and abroad. On June 6, 2020, a group of local Brisbane residents also wanted to speak out against Floyd's death and organized a vigil in the Brisbane Community Park. Over 150 residents peacefully gathered to honor George Floyd and stand for justice, not just for this generation but for our future children. See tinyurl.com/georgefloydvigil for more pictures and videos.

On June 18th, the City Council adopted a Resolution affirming the City's commitment to stand in solidarity with the Black community and condemn racism. Read it below:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-47
A RESOLUTION OF THE BRISBANE CITY COUNCIL AFFIRMING THE CITY'S COMMITMENT TO STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE BLACK COMMUNITY AND CONDEMN RACISM

WHEREAS, our country is mourning the senseless killing of George Floyd that occurred in Minneapolis on May 25, 2020. The actions and inactions of the police officers involved were deplorable, horrific, and unacceptable; and

WHEREAS, the most basic form of injustice and inequity occurs when a group of people feels their safety is placed into jeopardy by the very people entrusted with ensuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, police brutality and racism against the Black community has been persistent in our larger society, with the unrest regarding racial injustice, particularly towards the Black community, building up for decades; and

WHEREAS, the murders of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, David McAttee, Tony McDade, Ahmaud Arbery, Yassin Mohammed, Finan H Berhe, Sean Reed, Steven Demarco Taylor, Ariane McCree, Terrance Franklin, Miles Hall, Darius Tarver, William Green, Samuel David Mallard, Kwame Jones, De'von Bailey, Atatiana Jefferson, Christopher Whitfield, Anthony Hill, Eric Logan, Jamarion Robinson, Kayla Moore, Gregory Hill Jr., JaQuavion Slaton, Ryan Twyman, Brandon Webber, Jimmy Atchinson, Willie McCoy, Emantic Fitzgerald Bradford Jr., D'etrick Griffin, Jemel Roberson, DeAndre Ballard, Botham Shem Jean, Robert Lawrence White, Anthony Lamar Smith, Sandra Bland, Ramarley Graham, Manuel Loggins Jr, Trayvon Martin, Wendell Allen, Kendrec McDade, Pamela Turner, Larry Jackson Jr, Johnathan Ferrell, Jordan Baker, Victor White III, Dontre Hamilton, Eric Garner, John Crawford III, Michael Brown, Ezell Ford, Dante Parker, Kajieme Powell, Laquan McDonald, Akai Gurley, Tamir Rice, Romain Brisbon, Korryn Gaines, Jerame Reid, Charly Keunang, Tony Robinson, Walter Scott, Freddie Gray, Brendon Glenn, Samuel DuBose, Christian Taylor, Jamar Clark, Mario Woods, Quintonia LeGrier, Gregory Gunn, Akiel Denkins, Alton Sterling, Philando Castile, Terrence Sterling Crutcher, Natasha Terence, Keith Lamont Scott, Alfred Olango, Jordan Edwards, Stephon Clark, Danny Ray Thomas, DeJuan Guillory, Patrick Harmon, Johnathan Hart, Maurice Granton, Julius Johnson, Jamee Johnson, Nia Wilson, Oscar Grant and Michael Dean represent just a few of the black lives that were taken as a result of racial discrimination. Their lives mattered and black lives matter; and

WHEREAS, it is important that the City take the lead, speak out against racial injustices, and stand in solidarity with Black communities across the country; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brisbane is a diverse and multiracial community that supports positive relationships and mutual respect in order to build healthy and safe neighborhoods; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Brisbane does hereby affirm its commitment to stand in solidarity with the Black community, and resolves as follows:

The City of Brisbane condemns racism in all forms and violence against the Black community by law enforcement in particular; and

The City of Brisbane does not tolerate discrimination, racial injustice, or police brutality; and The City of Brisbane will oppose any attempts to undermine the safety, security, and rights of members of our community and will work proactively

to ensure the rights and privileges of everyone in the City – regardless of race; and

The City of Brisbane will promote safety, a sense of security, and equal protection of constitutional and human rights, leading by example through equitable treatment of all by City officials and departments; and

The City of Brisbane encourages the community to stand together through peaceful exchange and discourse to enact change and move forward towards a future with more equity and inclusion in Brisbane, California, and our country.



Terry O'Connell, Mayor

A Message from Brisbane Library Branch Manager, Tomika Price



The graphic features a white central box with blue and green text. To the right of the text is a vertical list of three steps: 1 Place Hold, 2 Schedule, and 3 Pick up. Below the list is a dark blue bar with the URL smcl.org/curbside. The background is light blue with abstract shapes and a white outline of a car with a person inside.

We now offer
curbside >
pickup

- 1 Place Hold
- 2 Schedule
- 3 Pick up

smcl.org/curbside

Welcome to Curbside Pickup at the Brisbane Library, which kicked off Saturday, June 6th!

Curbside Pickup is available three days per week:

Tuesdays from 3-7 PM and Thursdays & Saturdays from 10-2 PM.

Your library materials will be checked out and packaged in a paper bag that is labeled with your last name, first initial, and the last 4 digits of your telephone number and placed on a table at the entrance of the library, which will be located at the bottom of the walking ramp.

Should a line of people develop, please stand 6 ft. apart on the clearly marked spaces.

All library items are due back July 31st; if you'd like to return items, place them inside the travel wagon under the table.

Returns will be held for 3-5 days before being checked in from your library account.

Please contact our Customer Care Team with any questions or feedback that you have by calling 1-833-YES-SMCL (937-7625) or texting (650) 851-0147. We hope you enjoy this new service! For more information, please visit:

smcl.org/curbside-pickup.

Brisbane's Core Services Agency Is Here to Help!

DALY CITY COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER

350 90th St., Daly City
(650) 991-8007

Area Served: Daly City,
Broadmoor, Colma

YMCA COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

1486 Huntington Ave.,
South San Francisco
(650) 276-4101

Area Served: Brisbane, San Bruno,
South San Francisco

PACIFICA RESOURCE CENTER

1809 Palmetto Ave., Pacifica
(650) 738-7470

Area Served: Pacifica

COASTSIDE HOPE

99 Avenue Alhambra, El Granada
(650) 726-9071

Area Served: Montara, Moss Beach,
El Granada, Half Moon Bay

LOCATIONS

SAMARITAN HOUSE

4031 Pacific Blvd., San Mateo
(650) 347-3648

Area Served: Belmont, Burlingame,
Foster City, Hillsborough, Millbrae,
San Mateo, San Carlos

SAMARITAN HOUSE SOUTH

1852 Bay Rd., East Palo Alto
(650) 294-4312

Area Served: East Palo Alto,
Menlo Park

PUENTE DE LA COSTA SUR

620 North St., Pescadero
(650) 879-1691

Area Served: La Honda, Loma Mar,
Pescadero, San Gregorio

FAIR OAKS COMMUNITY CENTER

2600 Middlefield Rd., Redwood City
(650) 780-7500

Area Served: Redwood City,
North Fair Oaks, Portola Valley,
Woodside, Atherton

Did you know that San Mateo County has 8 Core Service Agencies that work in close collaboration with the County's Human Services Agency to provide you and your family with basic emergency and support services to stabilize your living situation? Brisbane's Core Service Agency is the YMCA Community Resource Center, located in South San Francisco (1486 Huntington Ave.); there, they even offer free Brown Bag Groceries each Thursday after the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month in July, that's Thursday, July 16th and July 30th) from 12pm - 4pm. Please wear comfy shoes and bring your ID !

Although regular "safety net" services and financial aid for rent/utilities have certain eligibility requirements and restrictions, some of those have been loosened or dismantled during this time, especially if you can provide evidence showing your normal income levels have dropped due to COVID-19 and you are unable to sustain paying your rent and/or utilities. You must be a Brisbane resident, have a lease/letter with the owner of the property you rent, and be willing to provide some financial documents to the core service agency for processing.

Please call them at (650) 276-4101 to learn more and get the help you need! Or search "Core Service Agency" on the City's website, brisbaneca.org.

If you are looking for shelter when the Community Resource Center is closed, please call 2-1-1. For a complete listing of community services in San Mateo County please visit: smc-connect.org.



DID YOU KNOW...

You can stay connectd with us on Instagram
and other social media outlets?



 Nextdoor



Pedestrian or Walk Routes to Schools/Green Infrastructure Project: Currently Under Construction

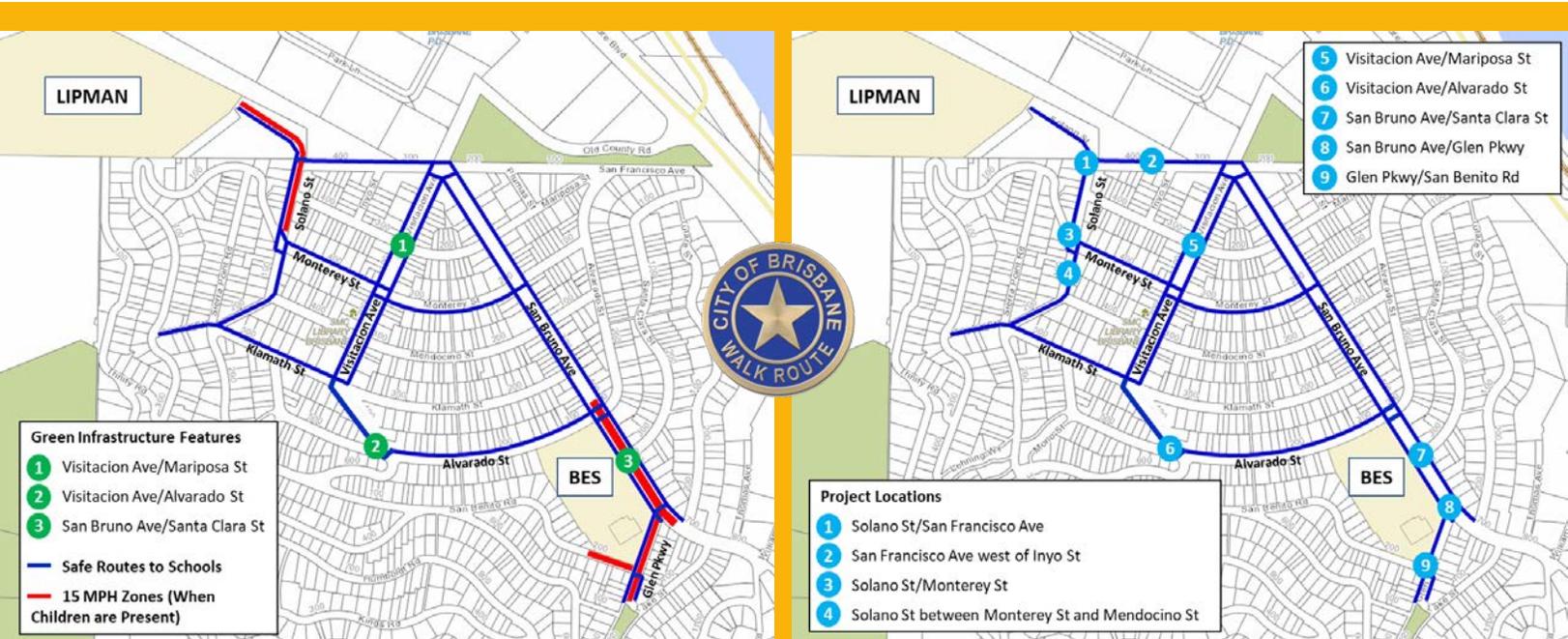
The City's contractor, Kingdom Pipelines Inc., began construction of the Pedestrian Routes to Schools/Green Infrastructure Project on Monday, June 8th. The project will last approximately two months, although construction at each individual location will be significantly shorter, as the work will be done in phases. Working hours will be from 8am – 5pm from Monday to Friday. There will be no road closures, but please be aware of traffic control measures in the vicinity. **If you live in the immediate vicinity of the locations shown on the second map below in light blue, please be aware of parking restrictions during various times between now and early August.**

The project will include street improvements along the Pedestrian or Walk Routes to Schools, which are designated sidewalk routes between Brisbane Elementary School and Lipman Middle School. At the three intersections shown below in green, the City of Brisbane will be installing green infrastructure (GI) bioretention basins, which capture and treat stormwater, next to the sidewalks and integrating them with curb ramp “bulb-outs.” Other improvements in some areas along the Walk Routes will include new sidewalk extensions, curb ramps, crosswalks, and striping modifications. On street segments near the schools, a new 15 MPH speed limit will be in effect while children are present.

Keep an eye out for the blue and gold-colored medallion markers (depicted below) which will be placed in the sidewalk to mark the Walk Routes in early August.

The project is partially funded by a grant from City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County (C/CAG).

For more information, please contact Justin Yuen at jyuen@brisbaneca.org or call Public Works at (415) 508-2130. Thank you for your cooperation as we move forward with this project to enhance walking conditions and improve stormwater quality.



June Water Bill Got You Puzzled?

If you noticed your June water bill is higher than expected, please remember that your April usage was an estimate and any usage not captured in the estimate were included in your June bill. *Thank you. If you have any further questions, please contact the Water Dept. at (415) 508-2154.*



Jessica Tiatia Named Westmoor Teacher of the Year



In late May, we learned of the remarkable and praiseworthy achievement of Brisbane resident and teacher Jessica Tiatia, who was given the high distinction of Westmoor High School's 2020 Teacher of the Year! This honor was based in part to Jessica's partnership with San Bruno Mountain Watch, who is an active member of the San Mateo County Office of Education's Environmental Literacy Initiative. Jessica herself though designed the "solutionary" curriculum, which she learned more about after attending a SMCOE Environmental Learning Collaborative program offered last summer. The result? With support and guidance from Ariel and Carly of San Bruno Mountain Watch, and many months of hard work, Jessica worked alongside the students to research, acquire, and plant approximately 50 native plants on Westmoor's campus this past year with the goal to increase biodiversity on campus. We are so proud of Jessica for this achievement, and grateful that we have stellar organizations like San Bruno Mountain Watch right in our backyard to help connect school landscapes to the mountain!

NO FIREWORKS ALLOWED IN BRISBANE



We are sure that many residents have heard the fireworks/explosives going off throughout the night. Due to the low ambient noise level in Brisbane, the noise sounds louder than normal as it echoes throughout the City. The Brisbane Police Dept. has identified that these explosives are coming from the Visitacion Valley/Bayview District in San Francisco. This will very likely be the case on the 4th of July, with the noise probably even more pronounced. As a reminder, Fireworks of any kind, even safe and sane, are prohibited within the City of Brisbane. (The City of Pacifica is allowing fireworks, just not on the beach.) **If you see any fireworks going off within Brisbane's city limits, please call the Brisbane Police non-emergency line (415) 467-1212 to immediately report it and provide the officers a chance to catch the individuals in the act.** Thank you and be safe this Independence Day!

5/5 Fire at Eagles Hall Quickly Extinguished



Just after 1pm on May 5th, North County Fire Authority responded to a reported structure fire at the Eagles Hall, 185 Visitacion Ave., Brisbane. The standard structure fire response included 6 Fire Companies, 2 Battalion Chiefs and 1 Fire Investigator, with Engine 81 first to arrive quickly and finding a fire that was partially extinguished upon arrival, with the firefighters fully extinguishing the fire and completing an assessment of the building to ensure there wasn't any further fire spread. A building inspector with the City also responded that same afternoon. A fire cause and origin investigation determined that the fire was caused due to hot ash being placed into a trash receptacle that also contained some paper. North County Fire Authority reminds all residents and businesses to carefully handle and ensure any ashes are completely extinguished prior to disposal.

July City Calendar



All meetings listed below will be conducted virtually and are compliant with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020 allowing for deviation of teleconference rules required by the Brown Act. The purpose of this is to provide the safest environment for staff, City Council, Commission, Committee Members, and the public while allowing for public participation. Agenda materials may be viewed online at brisbaneca.org/meetings at least 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting, and at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting.

The City's Meals for Seniors Lunch Program takes place every Monday & Wednesday from 12-12:30pm in the Mission Blue Center parking lot (475 Mission Blue Drive, Brisbane). Call (415) 508-2144 if you would like to participate in the meal program.

The Brisbane Farmers' Market takes place each Thursday afternoon from 3-7pm in the Community Park; physical distancing and face coverings are required.

The City Council is currently on summer recess, and will resume regular meetings in September. Check brisbaneca.org/meetings for the latest public meeting information.

Community calendar link:

brisbaneca.org/calendar

Residential Street Sweeping: 2nd Monday of Every Month

Commercial Street Sweeping: Every Weds. AM

(Visitation Ave. enforced 3-6AM)

06, Monday, 6:30pm

Regular Complete Street Safety Committee Meeting

09, Thursday, 7:30pm

Regular Planning Commission Meeting, B

15, Wednesday, 6:30pm

Regular Open Space and Ecology Committee Meeting, B

23, Thursday, 7:30pm

Regular Planning Commission Meeting, B

B – Meeting broadcast on Ch. 27 and on

www.brisbaneca.org/live-streaming

City Hall Regular Hours of Operation:

M, T, Th 8am-5pm, W 8am-5pm, F 8am-1pm

Do you have questions about the STAR or have an article to suggest? Articles are due by the 15th of each month. Contact Caroline at ccheung@brisbaneca.org or call her at (415) 508-2157.

Water Main Replacement Project Summer Status Update



This project, which was about two-thirds complete on Kings Rd. when COVID-19 hit, resumed at the end of June. The City's contractor, JMB, has once again set up their main staging area at Firth Park, and are also utilizing the Fire Station yard, and the small laydown area close to 292 Kings. Please drive carefully when approaching the construction area. JMB will try to avoid full road closures when possible, but some will be needed when the new water mains are installed. These road closures will be widely announced so that the residents on Kings, Margaret, Paul, and Harold are fully aware of the traffic impacts. If you have any questions about this project, please visit the project website, accessible at: brisbaneca.org/projects, or call the Public Works Dept. at (415) 508-2130.



BRISBANE CITY HALL
NOW OPEN
MONDAYS & THURSDAYS
9AM - 1PM

City Hall Open for Limited Hours and Services

We began a phased, soft re-opening to the building on Monday, June 1st. Please view our What's Open Guide here: tinyurl.com/whatsopenguide. City Hall is still fully staffed to respond to requests for services by phone, email, or online, and the public is encouraged to continue to use these services in order to help limit the spread of COVID-19. Note: the Utility Team is also servicing the utility payment drop boxes outside Midtown and City Hall.

City Hall staff can continue to be reached by phone or email during the following business hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 8am – 5pm

Wednesday: 8am – 5pm

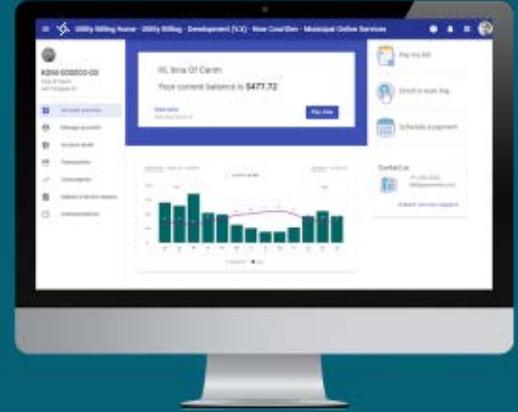
Friday: 8am – 1pm

- City Hall Main Line: (415) 508-2100
- Community Development: (415) 508-2120
- Finance: (415) 508-2150
- Water Bills: (415) 508-2154
- Marina Office: (650) 583-6975
- Parks & Recreation: (415) 508-2140
- Public Works: (415) 508-2130
- 24/7 Non-Emergency Dispatch Line: (415) 467-1212

Attention!

Make utility payments online or by phone

Stay home and stay safe!!!



For your safety and benefit you can submit your payment by calling our automated 24/7 line at 1-833-273-7450 or pay online at www.municipalonlinepayments.com/brisbaneca

WHAT WE ARE DOING STAY SAFE. STAY HEALTHY.

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We keep sick employees at home

We wash our hands frequently

We use disinfectants that meet CDC guidelines

We clean countertops/tabletops regularly

We wear gloves when handling your transactions

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WHAT YOU CAN DO STAY SAFE. STAY HEALTHY.

Feeling sick? Please come back later

Please complete our health screening

Maintain 6' of social distancing

Use hand sanitizer

Wear a face covering

Walk on the disinfectant mat

Stay behind the acrylic shields

Enjoy your time with our staff!

THANKS FOR DOING YOUR PART!

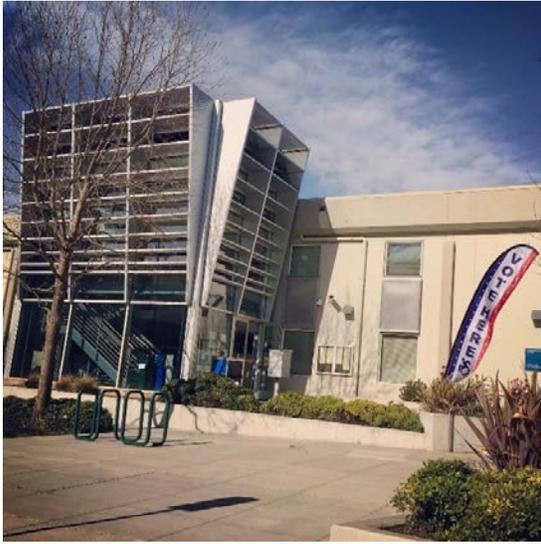


Farmer's Market Adds New Vendors



In June, we saw new vendors at the Brisbane Farmers' Market, including Old Fashioned Kettle Corn, Nob Hill Pizza and Pasta, and Alexandre's Family Farm. We also learned that Hummus Heaven has way more than just hummus and pita chips – they also offer Greek labne (in a variety of flavors such as mixed berry, coconut, and orange), dolmas (stuffed grape leaves), tzatziki, couscous salad, beet salad, and seasoned & spicy green olives. Food trucks have been stopping by, offering customers more dinner options. Still, the bright red strawberries and extremely fresh produce are what's weighing down most shoppers' bags. If you haven't checked out the farmers' market lately, come visit! They take place Thursdays in the Community Park, from 3-7pm. And there's even reserved parking for Low Mobility customers right in front along San Francisco Ave. Thank you for supporting the local farming industry!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: City Council Candidate Filing Period Begins July 13, 2020 & November 3, 2020 is Election Day



Mark your calendars – November 3, 2020 is Election Day. This election will be San Mateo County’s first Presidential General Election under the California Voter’s Choice Act. Under this act, all voters will be mailed a ballot. Voters will have the option of voting by mail (postage is pre-paid), returning their ballot at a Ballot Drop Box or a Vote Center, or voting in person at any Vote Center in the County. Brisbane City Hall will continue to be a 3-day Vote Center.

San Mateo County Elections Division will be taking the necessary precautions based on the COVID-19 prevention guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and the County Health Department to ensure this election is conducted as safely as possible.

Secondly, a Municipal Election will be held in the City of Brisbane for **Three (3) Members of the City Council with a term of four (4) years each.**

The candidate filing period begins July 13, 2020 and closes on August 7, 2020 at 1pm.

If nomination papers for an incumbent officer of the City are not filed by August 7th, the voters shall have until August 12th at 5pm to nominate candidates other than the person(s) who is/are the incumbents for that incumbent’s elective office.

For more information, please contact City Clerk Ingrid Padilla at (415) 508-2113 or at ipadilla@brisbaneca.org.

STAR Volunteer of the Year - Call for Nominations



Now Accepting Nominations for the Volunteer of the Year and Youth Volunteer of the Year!

Each year, the City recognizes a Brisbane resident as its “Volunteer of the Year”, who is selected by an ad hoc subcommittee comprised of City Councilmembers and Parks and Recreation Commissioners after carefully reviewing letters of recommendation from community members. The Volunteer of the Year award is bestowed upon a dedicated community member that has demonstrated ongoing commitment to the City of Brisbane. They act with the purpose of community in mind and give selflessly to others.

Last year, the subcommittee also established a method for acknowledging youth volunteers of our community. The Youth Volunteer of the Year award is presented to an outstanding young person who has demonstrated a strong commitment to helping others and who serves as an example to their peers.

Do you know someone who has tirelessly given of their time for the betterment of the community? We want to hear about them! Please send your submissions for the 2020 Volunteer of the Year and Youth Volunteer of the Year to Noreen Leek at nleek@ci.brisbaneca.org. These special individuals will be announced later this year.



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HELPING BRISBANE FAMILIES WITH...

FREE COLLEGE COUNSELING



Do you have a rising High School Senior ready to get ahead of the curve this summer? Mary can help! She is offering Brisbane families 1 FREE hour of college admission counseling to help them focus on two things: finalizing a "great fit" college list, and digging into the college application essays. She can answer all of your college admission questions. Thank you, Mary, for your great offer to help during these uncertain & unusual times.

**Contact: Mary Stodder, Independent Educational Advisor (IEC)
artofadmission@gmail.com or (415) 516-2830**

Fall Soccer for Kids 4-13

Brisbane AYSO youth soccer is opening **pre-registration** in anticipation of their fall 2020 season. Due to the uncertainty surrounding the return to youth sports in late summer, and the evolving nature of guidelines and requirements, the fall 2020 season remains tentative. Parents can pre-register their children until July 31st; no payment is due until AYSO confirms that the fall soccer season will move forward.

AYSO soccer is a fun, exciting program whose main goal is to get kids on the field, provide them with good coaches, and teach them to play the game. No previous soccer experience is needed—the focus is on developing players and cultivating good sportsmanship at all ages. Brisbane AYSO soccer welcomes participants from Brisbane and surrounding areas, and offers generous scholarships. Email brisbaneayso@gmail.com for more information.

Pre-register now at: www.brisbanesoccer.org.