



AGENDA

**Regular Meeting of the Bradbury City Council
Tuesday, November 20, 2012
7:00 p.m. REGULAR MEETING
To be held in the Bradbury Civic Center
600 Winston Avenue, Bradbury, CA 91008**

OPEN SESSION 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Mayor Lathrop, Mayor Pro-Tem Pycz, Councilmembers Barakat, Hale and Lewis

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA Majority vote of the City Council to proceed with City business.

DISCLOSURE OF ITEMS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 1090 & 81000 ET. SEQ.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Any one wishing to address the City Council on any matter that is not on the agenda for a public hearing may do so at this time. Please state your name and address clearly for the record and limit your remarks to five minutes.

Please note that while the City Council values your comments, the City Council cannot respond nor take action until such time as the matter may appear on a forthcoming agenda.

Routine requests for action should be referred to City staff during normal business hours, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at (626) 358-3218.

The City of Bradbury will gladly accommodate disabled persons wishing to communicate at a City public meeting. If you require special assistance to participate in this meeting, please call the City Manager's Office at (626) 358-3218 at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

- A. Public Safety Presentation by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department on Crime Stats in Bradbury and surrounding communities

ACTION ITEMS*

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items on the Consent Calendar are considered by the City Council to be routine and will be enacted by one motion unless a Council Member request otherwise, in which case the item will be removed and considered by separate action. All Resolutions and Ordinances for Second Reading on the Consent Calendar, the motion will be deemed to be "to waive the reading and adopt."

- A. Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting of October 16, 2012
- B. Resolution No. 12-29 - Demands & Warrants for November
- C. Financial Statement for the month of October 2012
- D. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 326 Amending the Bradbury Municipal Code by Updating Chapter 3 Section 2301 Regarding City Treasurer
- E. Assignment Agreement Between the City of Bradbury and the City of Torrance for the Exchange of Proposition A Local Return Funds
- F. Resolution No. 12-32 – Granting Permission to Close a Street Temporarily to Host the Hayden Child Care Center 5K

2. DISCUSSION – Presentation of *Nextdoor*- Private Social Network for Neighborhoods – Overview of Tool to Increase Community Building and Communications for the City of Bradbury

Nextdoor is a free, private/secure social networking website for neighborhoods. This website encourages neighbor communications and assists cities with interacting with their residents. *Nextdoor* is free for both residents and the City to utilize, and it builds stronger, more connected, and safer neighborhoods.

It is recommended that the City Council authorize Staff to move forward in partnering with *Nextdoor* and establish the social-networking site in the City of Bradbury as a tool to increase community building and communications

3. DISCUSSION – Consideration of Adoption of Election Resolutions (Resolution No. 12-30, including Ordinance No. 327, and Resolution No. 12-31) Calling the May 7, 2013 All Mail-in Special Municipal Election and Submitting to the Voters a Measure Creating a Utility Users Tax and Consideration of Arguments Regarding the Measure by the City Council

Following over a year of discussion on how to close the City's fiscal gap and achieve long term financial sustainability, on October 18, 2011 the City Council unanimously approved the placement of Measure A – Bradbury Utility User Tax (UUT) on the April 10, 2012 ballot. As a UUT dedicated to general government services and stated in the text of the measure, Measure A required a 50 +1% majority to pass. If approved, Measure A would have provided approximately \$359,000 in protected revenue to maintain basic City services. Measure A did not garner the necessary votes needed to pass. As a result, the City of Bradbury continued to look at alternative ways to resolve the fiscal difficulty. The Council appointed a Finance Committee who reviewed incorporation vs disincorporation; city budget and at the October 16, 2012 meeting reported its findings that the best solution was for the City to take a revised UUT measure back to the Bradbury voters. The elections resolutions calling the election and placing the measure on the ballot were prepared by the City Clerk (and reviewed by the City Attorney) and presented for the Council's consideration.

4. DISCUSSION – Consideration to Support the extension of Puente Hills Landfill Operating Permit

On September 25, 2012, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, led by Supervisor Don Knabe, voted to close the Puente Hills Landfill on October 31, 2013. Due to the economic consequences of the closure, it is recommended that the City Council consider authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter urging the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to amend the Conditional Use Permit to keep the landfill open until October 3, 2018.

5. DISCUSSION – Consideration of a Mills Act Property Tax Abatement Program for Historic Preservation

The Mills Act is a State of California law enacted in 1972 that allows owners of historic designated properties to enter into a contract with municipalities where the historic property is located to preserve maintain and possibly rehabilitate the structure, while receiving a reduction in property taxes to care for the historic structure.

It is recommended that the City Council review information regarding the Mills Act and provide further direction to staff regarding creating a Mills Act program for the City.

6. DISCUSSION – Introduction Meetings with Newly Elected Local Officials Representing the City of Bradbury

Following the recent November 6, 2012 election and the redistricting of California the City of Bradbury has new representation at the State and Federal levels of government. This item is to discuss how the City would like proceed to work with the representatives.

7. DISCUSSION – Long-term Revenue Solutions to Reduce Taxes in Bradbury for Sustainable Viability and/or Cost Savings

The City Council will consider ideas and comments from residents regarding long-term solutions or cost savings to the City's fiscal challenges, specifically potential strategies for enhancing and creating new revenue.

8. MATTERS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

9. MATTERS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Brief reports of individual Councilmembers activities relating to City business occurring since the last meeting.

Mayor Lathrop

*LA County City Selection Committee
San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (COG)
Duarte Education Foundation
Duarte Community Education Council (CEC)*

Mayor Pro Tem Pycz

*Southern California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (JPJA)
Civic Center Sub-Committee*

Councilmember Barakat

*LA County Sanitation Districts
San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District
Foothill Transit
Temple Station Booster Club*

Councilmember Hale

*California Contract Cities Association (CCCA)
Civic Center Sub-Committee
Duarte School District Bond Oversight Committee*

Councilmember Lewis

*Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)
League of California Cities
Director of Bradbury Disaster Committee
Area "D" Office of Disaster Management*

10. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council will adjourn to a Regular Meeting at the Bradbury Civic Center, 600 Winston Ave., Bradbury, CA 91008 on Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

* *ACTION ITEMS* Regardless of a staff recommendation on any agenda item, the City Council will consider such matters, including action to approve, conditionally approve, reject or continue such item. Further information on each item may be procured from City Hall.

"I, Claudia Saldana, City Clerk, hereby certify that I caused this agenda to be posted at the Bradbury City Hall entrance gate on Friday, November 16, 2012, at 5:00 p.m."


CITY CLERK - CITY OF BRADBURY