# Bradbury News

## BRADBURY

#### June 2012

#### Plan for Bradbury's Future!

#### Volunteer to Serve on the City's Finance Committee



Welcome to Bradbury

Like all local governments, Bradbury faces numerous fiscal challenges. Why? It stems from a lack of leadership in Sacramento, State takeaways of local dollars and eroding local control to wielding State and Federal mandates that push the responsibility off of them and onto local cities, like Bradbury.

The City Council needs your help and input to overcome these challenges and avoid the mistakes by others or worse - becoming an unincorporated area of Los Angeles

County. The City Council is appointing a finance committee to review the City's budget, revenue stream and expenditure forecast. Together we can "Preserve Bradbury's Uniqueness and Independence."

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#### **Emergency Preparedness**

What if our water was unsafe to drink?

What if Bradbury's water company (California American Water) the water too dangerous to use? What if officials issued a not to drink or cook with the tap water? During an earth-tap water may become unsafe or unpredictable.

#### declared warning quake,

#### **REMINDER**

To enhance service to residents agendas, minutes, newsletters and more are all on-line at www.cityofbradbury.org



Back in April, Baldwin Park and La Puente had high levels of perchlorate in their tap water. This type of chemical is commonly found in rocket fuel, and citizens were urged not to drink or cook with the tap water until further notice. This situation can just as easily occur within our own City.

On Thursday, June 21st at 7:00pm, a representative from California American Water will be speaking to residents and Bradbury's Emergency Response Committee to address issues of water safety during a disaster. Come listen as we discuss water issues that could affect our City at any moment.

#### City Council

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#### MONROVIA TRANSIT Available to Bradbury ... Check it out!

Through a great partnership with the City of Monrovia, the City of Bradbury has arranged to provide Monrovia Transit, a great community service, with low-cost, curb-to-curb transportation for residents and visitors. The Monrovia Transit vans will take anyone anywhere within the service area, which includes the entire City of Monrovia and Bradbury, unincorporated areas south of Monrovia, medical facilities on Duarte Road, Arcadia Methodist Hospital, Santa Teresita and City of Hope. Other locations include Target and Wal-Mart. All it takes is a call to the dispatch operator at (626) 358-3538. Requests for rides may be made up to half-an-hour before the start of service in the morning, and no later than a half-an-hour before the end of service in the evening. Please allow for 24 hours for Medical trips.



#### **FARES**

75 cents for seniors (62+) and persons with disabilities. \$1 for all others

#### **HOURS**

Monday - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

CHILDREN under 2 ride free. Children 2 and over will pay the regular fare of \$1 each. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: All Monrovia Transit vans are lift equipped. If regional transportation is desired, Access Services provides transportation throughout the San Gabriel Valley for persons with disabilities. For more information, call toll free 1-800-827-0829 (TDD 1-800-827-1359).

Brochures with more information are available on the city website or City Hall or visit the transit website www.cityofmonrovia.org/transportation.



## Buy a Brick - Beautify Bradbury



#### **Donation Opportunities**

8 x 8 Brick

\$300

Four lines / 18 characters per line

4 x 8 Brick

\$150

Three lines / 18 characters per line

#### Yes, I want to help Beautify Bradbury:

Make checks payable to City of Bradbury Civic Center and complete the form on the back. Donations to the City for this project are tax deductible under the IRS code.

#### Civic Center Dedication Patio

The value of Open Space has been recognized in Bradbury since the early days of incorporation. The City's mission has been to maintain its open rural spaces and preserve nature. Today, you have the opportunity to preserve nature, provide beautiful open spaces and become a part of community history at Bradbury's Civic Center. The existing desolate areas of the Civic Center are ready to become a community focal point of pride with your help. While the City was able to fund the construction of the new Civic Center through years of saving and planning, current economic conditions finds the City without the funds to provide the planned native landscapes. The Civic Center landscape plan encompasses a natural habitat with drought tolerant local plants, demonstration gardens and small infiltration areas to manage storm water run-off.

Through the Buy a Brick – Beautify Bradbury Campaign, the City will raise the necessary funds to complete the landscape project. The City needs to raise approximately \$100,000 to complete the project including installing irrigation, utilities, plants, trees, bulletin board, monument sign, site preparation and infrastructure. Buy your Brick today and become a part of Bradbury's History!

Order#	
Office use only	

Email:

### **City of Bradbury Order Form**



Your inscription must fit into the white boxes below, 1 character per box. Each brick can have a maximum, of 18 characters per line. A character is defined as a letter or a number of 18 characters per line.

a space or punctuation mark.	A character is defined as a letter or a number
	4x8 Brick Cost per brick: \$150
	8x8 Brick Cost per brick: \$300
Name:	Diagon return vour form
Address:	
City	City of Bradbury
State: Zip:	
Contact Number:	Tel (626) 358-3218
Alt. Number:	Fax (626) 303-5154 Attn: Kevin Kearney
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#### BRADBURY NEWS

#### Bradbury welcomes new LASD Lieutenant Paula Tokar

Paula L. Tokar, a 22-year veteran of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in April 2004. She is currently the Operations Lieutenant for Temple Sheriff's Station, responsible for law enforcement operations in the Temple City, South El Monte, Rosemead, Bradbury, Duarte, and unincorporated Pasadena and San Gabriel patrol areas.

Lt. Tokar's career with the Sheriff's Department began in 1990. After graduating from the Training Academy as a Deputy Sheriff, she held assignments at Pitchess Detention Center South Facility, Court Services Central Bureau and Century Sheriff's Station.

She became a Detective in January 2000, and was assigned to Narcotics Bureau. In December 2000, she was promoted to Sergeant and held positions at Pitchess Detention Center East Facility, Santa Clarita Sheriff's Station, and the Respect-based Leadership Training Unit. Since her promotion to Lieutenant to 2004, Lieutenant Tokar has held positions in Custody and Patrol (Lancaster Station), as well as being assigned to several administrative posts. She was the Operations Lieutenant for Personnel Administration and the Executive Aide for Administrative Services Division.

Lieutenant Tokar earned her Bachelor Degree in Criminal Justice from the California State University, Los Angeles. She has been married to her husband Michael Wright, a Sergeant at Santa Clarita Sheriff's Station for 16 years. They have two children, James 14 and Caitlin 9. In her spare time, Lieutenant Tokar enjoys photography, reading, and playing word games with family and friends.

#### Summer Safety Tips Did You Know...?

- Most car and property thefts can be prevented by following three simple guidelines: Don't leave property
  in plain view. Don't leave purses or other valuables in your car. Lock your car.
- Don't be a victim of mail or identity theft! Give your outgoing mail to a carrier or drop it off at a local postal drop point instead of leaving it in your mailbox. Locking mailboxes can also serve as a deterrent.
- Learn how to prevent, recognize and care for summer-heat and water emergencies for safe summer fun. First Aid and CPR classes are available through the American Red Cross.
- All fireworks are dangerous and illegal in the Bradbury. Fireworks can cause burns, injuries and fires. Violators can be criminally charged and held financially responsible for injuries or damage to property. Instead, attend a community fireworks program.
- You should talk to your kids about personal safety and making good choices, especially when they are not with you!

#### Personal Security and Safety Is Everyone's Responsibility!

Important Phone Numbers						
Emergency	911	LA County Sheriff	285-7171	Fire Station 44	358-3118	
Animal Control	962-3577	Southern CA Edison	800-655-4555	So Cal Gas	800-551-8463	
Burrtec 800	)-325-9417	Mosquito & Vector Co	ntrol 814-9466	Time Warner Cable	888-twcable	
Dept. Fish & Game 909-484-01 <i>67</i>						



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City Hall Hours

Monday through Friday

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Building Department Hours** 

M, W, T

8:30 a.m. -11 a.m.

Email: cityhall@cityofbradbury.org

(626) 358-3218

#### **Dates to Remember for June**

- June 11 6:00 PM General Plan Steering Committee
- June 19 7:00 PM City Council Meeting
- June 21 7:00 PM Emergency Response Committee Meeting
- There is no Planning Commission Meeting due to lack of agenda items

#### Planning Commission

Chairperson Karen Dunst, District 5

Vice-Chair Bill Novodor, District 2

Susan Collins-Esparza, District 4

Darlene Kuba, District 3

Frank Hernandez, District 1

City Treasurer

Laurie Stiver

<u>Staff</u>

Michelle Keith, City Manager

Claudia Saldana, City Clerk

Kevin Kearney, Management Analyst

Cary Reisman, City Attorney

David Meyer, City Planner

Dominic Milano, City Engineer

Stephen Fagan, Building Inspector

#### City Council Meeting Highlights & Items to Come

Please call City Hall at 358-3218 if you have any questions. The following agenda items are tentative and subject to change until posted at the City Hall entrance gate on the Friday before the meeting.

The City Council took the following actions on May 15:

- The City Council decided to form a Finance Committee and will continue to explore revenue enhancements
- Approved the Bill of Sale to Transfer the Winston Hydrant Main to Cal
   — Am Water
- City Council introduced new LASD Lt. Paula Tokar to Bradbury
- Reviewed the Los Angeles County Clean Water, Clean Beaches Protection Measure
- Approved Delegation of Claims Handling to the CJPIA
- Closed Session Reviewed the Contract for Building & Safety Services

#### Tentative City Council Items for Tuesday,

#### June 19 at 7:00 PM

- Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 & Approval of the Gann Appropriation Limit
- Conformance with Congestion Management Program (CMP) and Adoption of the CMP Local Development Report (LDR)
- Annual Rate Adjustment for Residential Solid Waste Collection and Recycling Franchise Agreement
- Long term Revenue Solutions and/or Cost Savings
- Closed Session Review of Engineering Services

**REMINDER:** All Agendas are posted on the City's website for viewing the Friday before the meeting. Visit at www.cityofbradbury.org