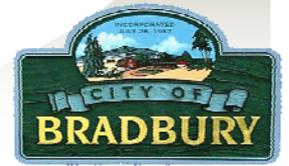


Bradbury News



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City Seeking Solutions to Fiscal Crisis



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 away

from them and onto local cities, like Bradbury.

The City Council needs your help and input to meet these challenges and avoid the mistakes by others, or worse, becoming an unincorporated area of Los Angeles County. The City Council and Planning Commission have held several community meetings to discuss these issues and how we as a community can work together to "Preserve Bradbury's Uniqueness and Independence." These meetings have been helpful, but just scratched the surface, and the conversation continues as the City Council analyses solutions including a Utility User Tax and/or a valuation-based Parcel Tax.

Join the discussion. You have several ways to participate and share your ideas and concerns.

- Speak during the next City Council meeting on August 16, 2011

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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

Proposed Redistricting Map Seeks Public Input

During a Special City Council meeting held on July 26, 2011, the Council reviewed the Bradbury Counts! population data. As a result of the data some minor adjustments need to be made to Councilmanic district boundary lines in order to balance the district populations as required by State and Federal law.

The old and new maps are provided on page 2 of the newsletter and on the homepage of the City's website www.cityofbradbury.org for the community's review and comment. The City Council will hear public input at its regular meeting on August 16, 2011. The Council encourages your participation in this process.

Should you have questions please feel free to contact City Hall at 626.358.3218.

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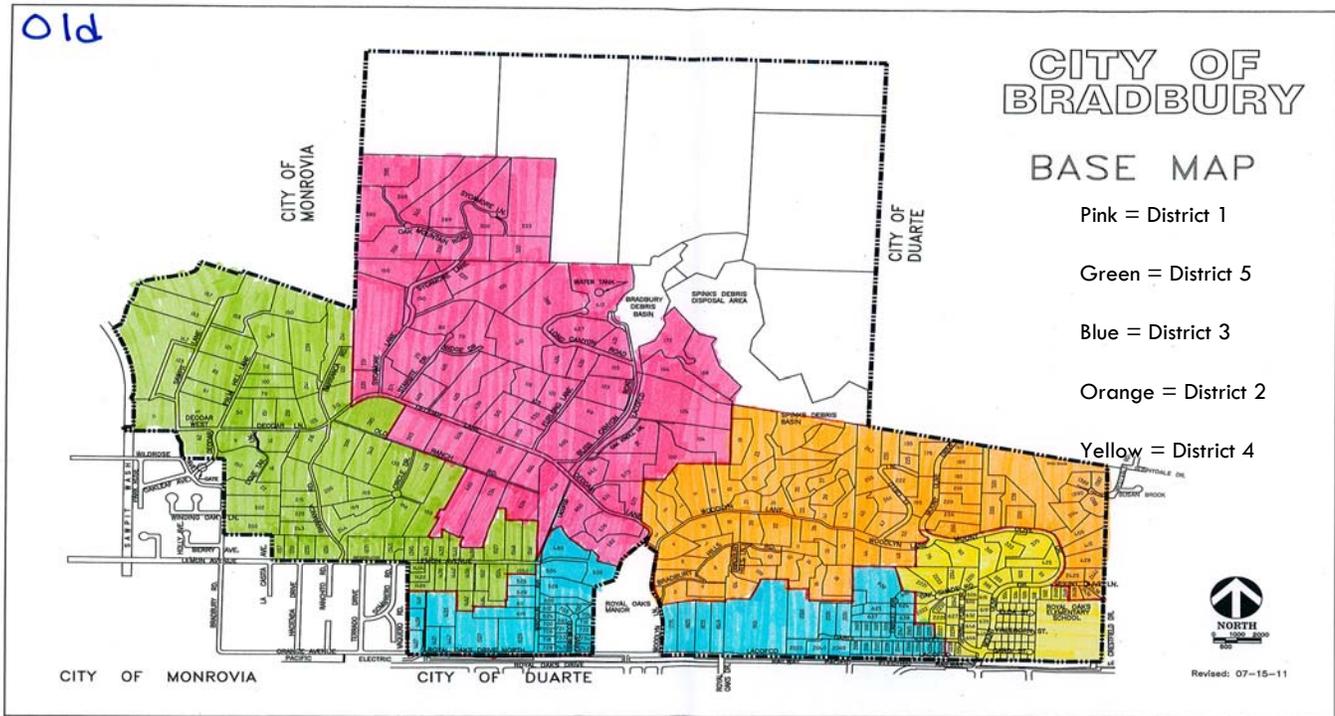
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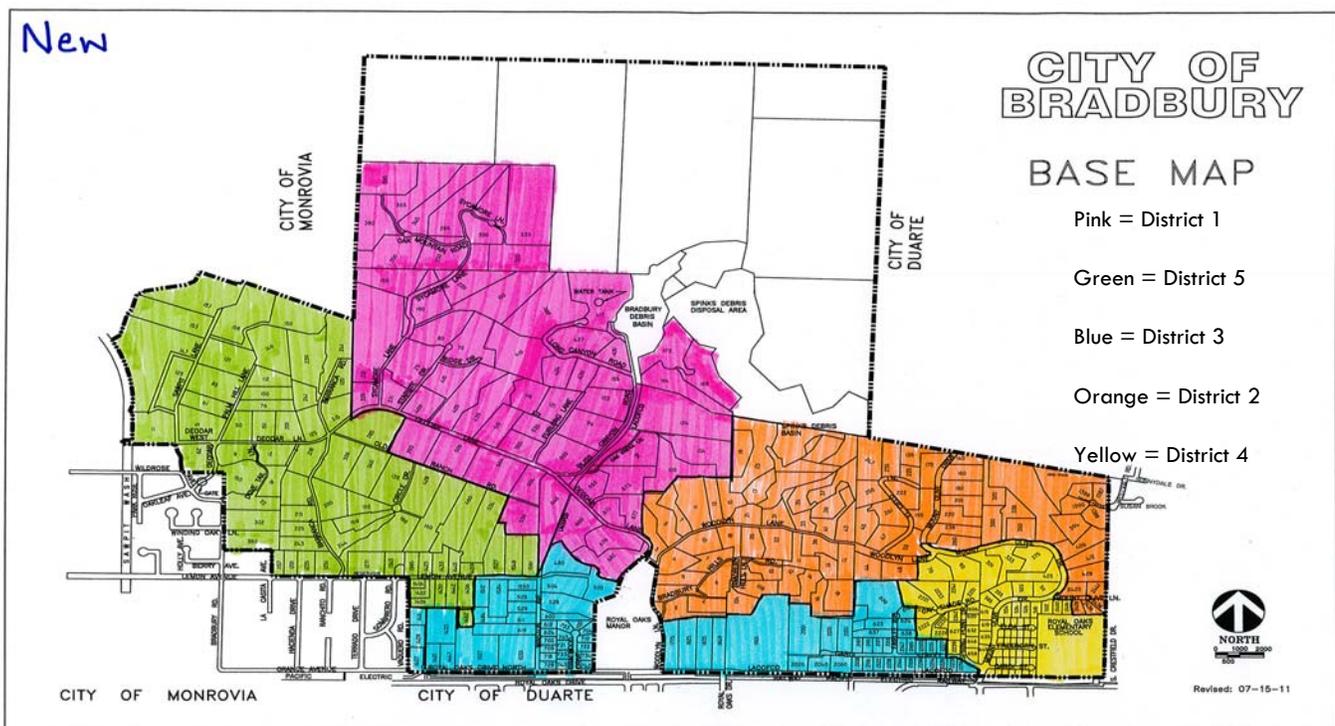
Proposed Redistricting Maps



Proposed Changes: Formerly District 1 now in District 5: 534 Old Ranch Road & 460 Old Ranch Road

Formerly District 5 now in District 3: 1550 Lemon, 1524 Lemon, 1512 Lemon & 1484 Lemon

Formerly District 4 now in District 3: 2227 Gardi, 2238 Gardi & 2254 Gardi





Did You Know...?



Sheriff's "Volunteers on Patrol" will conduct vacation checks of your residence when you leave town. Going on vacation? Want someone to help your family/friends to keep an eye on your home? Civilian "Volunteers on Patrol" with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) will do that for you if you live within the patrol area of the LASD where the service is available. Patrol certified volunteers work at sheriff's stations and assist deputies in patrolling the community and helping to keep an eye on your home.

Contact Duarte Sub-Station or Temple Sheriff's station and request a vacation check. Once they know you're on vacation, their volunteers on patrol will stop by your residence and check on things. When time permits, this includes checking all doors and windows, remove flyers from your door step, gather up all newspapers from the driveway and placing them out of view. They will also inspect your vehicles in the driveway and make sure they are fine too. The volunteers sometimes leave a card in a secured location showing the check was done.

If you happen to return from vacation early, residents are required to notify the Sheriff's Department and cancel the vacation check. LASD volunteers respond in a marked sheriff's Volunteers on Patrol car which aids in deterring crime in the area.

LASD volunteers do not provide lawn watering or feeding the pets. However, if they notice any oddities with the property such as a crime in progress, broken window, or an open door, Deputies are immediately notified and respond to the residence to investigate.

If they discover your sprinklers are not shutting off, or other obvious problems, they will contact the emergency contact person you provide them, and advise of the situation.

This is a free service made possible in some Sheriff's Station areas by dedicated volunteers from your local community who partner with your local Sheriff's Deputies. Please thank them for their service when you see them. If you would like to be a volunteer, please call your local Sheriff's station to get more information.

Important Phone Numbers	
Emergency	911
LA County Sheriff	448-9861
Fire Station 44	358-3118
Animal Control	962-3577
Southern CA Edison	800-655-4555
So Cal Gas	800-551-8463
Burrtec Waste Services	800-325-9417
Mosquito & Vector Control	814-9466
Time Warner Cable	888-twcable
Dept. Fish & Game	909-484-0167

Bradbury's Fiscal Crisis (continued)

- Send your ideas or thoughts to city-hall@cityofbradbury.org
- Visit the City's website and review the FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)
- Call City Hall at 626.358-3218

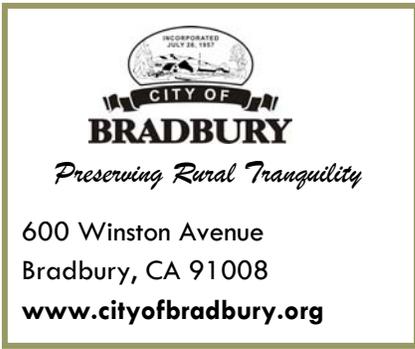
The bottom line – let's find a solution together and preserve the uniqueness of Bradbury.

What happens if Bradbury can't remain an independent city?

We could ...
become a minor neighborhood of Duarte or Monrovia;
be given to LA County as an unincorporated area, faceless and without representation; or
be handed a fate determined solely by Sacramento.

Do you want to keep local control?

- Local control means power over services & standards of your community
- Ensures tax money goes directly to your community
- Ensures the needs of your community are met and addressed at City Hall
- Ability to call City Hall for code enforcement concerns
- Ability to get building permits at City Hall instead of downtown Los Angeles
- Preserves your property values
- Maintains decisions about land use policy here by your local City Council and not in downtown Los Angeles



Planning Commission

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Joe Gifford, District 4

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Cary Reisman, City Attorney

David Meyer, City Planner

Dominic Milano, City Engineer

Stephen Fagan, Building Inspector

Dates to Remember for August

- August 5, City Hall Closed for Furlough day
- August 16, 7:00 PM City Council Meeting

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

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 July 19th:

- Continued discussion regarding the City's Fiscal Challenges considering a Utility User Tax or Parcel Tax
- Redesigning the Civic Center Fencing to place for bid
- Second reading of Ordinance No. 320 amending the Property Maintenance Standards restricting parking of oversized vehicles
- Public Hearing - Congestion Mitigation Program Report
- Approval of Pest Control Agreement with Los Angeles County
- 2011 Redistricting - Review of Bradbury Count data and approval of methodology
- Closed Session - Evaluation of the City Manager

Tentative City Council Items for Tuesday,

August 16th at 7:00 PM

- Discussion regarding the Consideration of a Utility Users Tax or valuation-based Parcel Tax
- Civic Center Fencing Options
- Public Hearing - regarding the Proposed 2011 Redistricting Map for City of Bradbury
- Long-term Revenue Solutions to Reduce Taxes in Bradbury for sustainable viability
- Planning Policies for Review of Variances Pertaining to Grading, Height and Set-Backs
- Closed Session - Evaluation of the City Manager