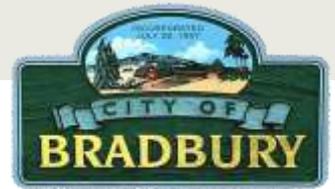


# Bradbury News



JUNE 2017

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## Bradbury's New City Manager

Kevin Kearney is the new City Manager of the City of Bradbury. If that name sounds familiar, it's because Kevin was Bradbury's Management Analyst from 2011 to 2015. He left Bradbury for two and a half years to work in the City Manager's Office with the City of Beverly Hills. Welcome back to the City of Bradbury, Kevin!

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MAY 16, 2017

Highlights from the May 16 City Council Meeting:

- ◆ Proceeding with Studies and Entitlement Research for the Mount Olive Lane Sewer Extension.
- ◆ Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018
- ◆ Award of Contract for Landscape Maintenance
- ◆ Financial Analysis of City Associations

## Winter Showers Bring Summer Flowers

In Summer of 2015, the City built a park behind it's civic center. The City planted drought tolerant plants, added a park bench, and dirt trail to beautify the Civic Center. For a year, the plant beds were bare and the greenery seemed scarce. However, after the rains in December 2016 and January 2017 the park is green like the City envisioned!



## City Council

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## Summer Awareness

### Mosquitos & The Zika Virus

Now that the weather is warm, mosquitos come out looking for a meal and a home to lay their eggs.

Mosquitos can carry viruses such as Zika, West Nile Virus, Chikungunya, etc... Therefore, it is important to limit areas where mosquitos find attractive to lay their eggs.

Some steps you can take to avoid a mosquito habitat in your home is to:

- Dump standing water from barrels and pots, change the water in bird baths, and clean roof gutters.
- If you're going to spend a lot of time outdoors, use insect repellent.
- Make sure windows and doors have tight-fitting screens .

For more information, visit the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District website.

[www.sgvmosquito.org](http://www.sgvmosquito.org)

### Living With Bears

Another wildlife inhabitant that has always been in Bradbury is the well known brown bear. It's that time of year when they come out of hibernation and search for food. If you don't want the bear to be a constant visitor in your yard, here are some tips that will make your home unattractive to the bear:

- Don't keep food outside in your trash long before trash day. Bears have a strong sense of smell and know when a good meal is around.
- If you have a deep freezer with food inside in your garage, keep the garage door locked and closed.
- Keep your kitchen windows locked and closed when you're not home.
- If you have fruit trees, pick the fruits after they ripen. Bears love fruit trees!

## Solar Power

Now that the warm months are here, the California Sun is shining bright again! In order to help residents harness that energy, the City of Bradbury offers streamlined solar permits for small residential solar projects. The City hopes that the streamlined process will offer incentives for residents to use other forms of energy.

## Brush Clearance Tips from LA County Fire Department

Brush clearance should be done in the spring. If it begins too late in the year, the live and dead vegetation have both dried out, increasing the risk of starting a fire. If you start too early on the annual weeds, they will grow again and need repeated treatments. However, as we have learned from the Spinks Canyon Fire, wildfires can begin at any time of year. Defensible space is as critical as ever, but care must be taken in creating it.

### Defensible Home Landscaping

- ☞ Remove flammable vegetation and other combustible growth within 30 ft. of any structures or 50 ft. in high hazard areas.
- ☞ Maintain any tree adjacent to or overhanging any building free of dead wood.
- ☞ Landscape with plants that are drought tolerant and fire resistant. Maintain plants!
- ☞ Space trees and shrubs a minimum of 15 ft. apart or three times their diameter from other shrubs
- ☞ Store firewood, manure, compost or other combustible materials a minimum of 30 ft. from any building or structure.



## Watershed Restoration Program

**Saturday June 24, 2017 and Saturday July 29, 2017**

USDA Forest Service & Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District are looking for volunteers to help cleanup San Gabriel Canyon. Volunteers will help clean up litter along the San Gabriel River, and Students can earn community service hours for school projects.

**Meeting Location:** Highway 39 & E. Fork Road  
Azusa, CA

For more information call **The Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District :**

**626-443-2297**

**JUNE 2017**

**City Hall Hours**

Monday through Friday

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

**Building Department Hours**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

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



**Tentative City Council Items for June 20, 2017**

- ◆ Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018
- ◆ Second Reading and Adoption of Building Codes Ordinance No. 347
- ◆ Fiscal Year 2017-18 Annual Rate Adjustment for Solid Waste Collection and Recycling
- ◆ Discussion on a City Council/Planning Commission Retreat

**REMINDER**

To enhance service to residents, agendas, minutes, newsletters and more are all posted on-line at :

**[www.cityofbradbury.org](http://www.cityofbradbury.org)**

**CITY HALL CLOSURES**

Due to holidays and monthly closures City Hall will not be open:

- ◆ Friday, June 2
- ◆ Monday July 3
- ◆ Tuesday, July 4 for Independence Day

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

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Vice-Chair Karen Dunst, District 5

Susan Collins-Esparza, District 4

Bill Novodor, District 2

Frank Hernandez, District 1

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Laurie Stiver

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Kevin Kearney, City Manager

Claudia Saldana, City Clerk

Ryan Parker-St John, Management Analyst

Cary Reisman, City Attorney

Anne McIntosh, City Planner

Dominic Milano, City Engineer

Steve Bailey, Building Inspector