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CITY OF BELMONT COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

You are Cordially Invited to the
2016 Council Reorganization
Selection of
Mayor and Vice Mayor



December 13, 2016
6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, Belmont City Hall
Reception following in the EOC

Streetlight Pole Replacement Project (Update 12-09-16)

Construction for the streetlight pole replacement project is now in progress

- 13 steel streetlight poles have been replaced as of December 8th.
- 27 additional steel streetlight poles will be replaced by late February (pending weather)
- 63 Wood pole lantern-style streetlights will be replaced by late February (pending weather)



Old streetlight pole



New streetlight pole



For more information:
Contact Public Works at 650-595-7425



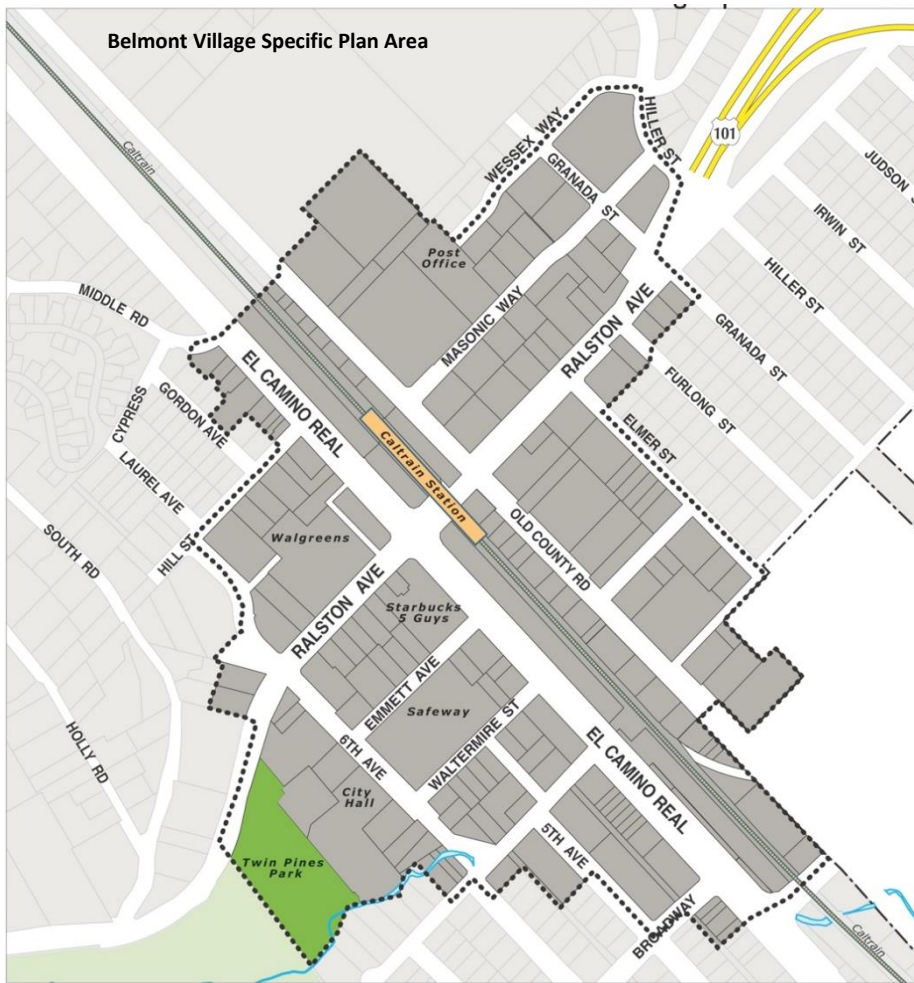


BELMONT VILLAGE SPECIFIC PLAN (BVSP)

The City of Belmont invites you to attend a Planning Commission Study Session to discuss Draft Belmont Village Zoning on:

Monday, December 12th 2016 - 7:00 PM

**Belmont City Hall
Council Chambers – 2nd Floor
One Twin Pines Lane, Belmont CA**



Source: City of Belmont, 2015; Dyett & Bhatia, 2015.

Please address questions to:

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City of Belmont
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The BVSP Public Review Draft has been posted to the project website – to review and/or provide comments, please visit:
www.planbelmontvillage.com

..... Belmont Village Specific Plan Area
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Belmont Fire Department 2016 Santa at the Firehouse & Toy Drive



The Belmont Fire Department wants to remind residents that their annual Toy Drive for children in need is in full swing. As part of this effort the department will be hosting their annual Open House at Fire Station 14, located at 911 Granada Street on Thursday, December 15th, 2016 from 5:30pm-8:00pm. The event will include an opportunity to visit Santa, play in the snow tour the firehouse, meet your local firefighters and enjoy some refreshments. Although not required, people attending the open house are encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped toy to support the toy drive.

Additionally, anyone wishing to donate toys between now and December 25th can drop them off at either of the two fire stations:

- Station 14- 911 Granada Street (corner of Granada St. & Ralston Ave.)
- Station 15- 2701 Cipriani Boulevard (corner of Cipriani Blvd. & Ralston Ave.)

We accept new, unwrapped toys such as dolls, puzzles, board games, toy trucks/cars and action figures. Please do not give DVD's or video games, as we never know what technology the child has access to. Also, we are unable to accept bicycles. For further information on the Belmont Firefighters Toy Drive please contact the Belmont Fire Department Administrative Office at (650) 595-7492.



Winter Holiday Fire Safety Tips



The Belmont Fire Department wants to remind residents and businesses of the importance of safety to ensure a happy and fire-safe holiday season. According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), two of every five home decoration fires are started by candles and nearly half occur because decorations are placed too close to a heat source. Some suggestions when decorating include:

- Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- Keep lit candles away from decorations and other things that can burn.
- Replace any string of lights with work or broken cords or loose bulb connections.



More detailed information can be found at the Belmont Fire Department's website by [clicking here](#).

American Red Cross Home Fire Campaign



The Belmont Fire Protection District wants to extend a huge thank you to the American Red Cross for the Home Fire Campaign Event they held on Saturday, December 3rd at the Belmont Mobile Home Park. The goal of the program is to save lives, reduce injuries and build more resilient communities through raising awareness, facilitating preventative actions, and fostering community participation in fire safety.

The event utilized over 40 volunteers, including Belmont CERT members who installed free smoke alarms in homes and provided education on how to maintain the alarms as well as emergency preparedness information. As a result, 59 smoke alarms were installed in 38 homes serving 107 individuals. The event emphasizes the true partnership between the Red Cross, San Mateo County Office of Emergency Services (OES), G. Gasivoda & Associates and the fire district.





PUBLIC WORKS WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS



Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon will soon replace Crosswalk In-Pavement Lights

We have been experiencing continuing problems with our In-Roadway Lighting pedestrian crosswalk warning systems. The system presently deployed at 5 locations in Belmont is starting to break-down and require significant resources to keep operational. We have problems with 2 of the 5 locations right now with estimated repair costs of more than \$4,000.00 per location.

The City of Belmont is planning to replace the existing In-Roadway Lighting systems with Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon systems as failures occur rather than spend our resources repairing our outdated systems. We recently installed one at a mid-block location on Shoreway and are confident that it is a superior system.

Why Change Out Systems?

The in-roadway lighting systems degrade the roadway, are costly (upwards of \$700.00 each) and require replacement every couple of years. It can also be very disruptive of traffic and dangerous for staff. Approximately half of our present inventory of in-roadway light signs are no longer supported by the manufacturer and will require replacement in the foreseeable future (two currently require replacement at an estimated cost of approximately \$4,000.00 per location)

The upcoming Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon systems can be installed and serviced without need for staff to be in the roadway. Additionally, they do not degrade the street, and studies have shown they increase driver yield rates 73% over traditional beacon systems. These new systems are substantially less expensive than the current In-Roadway Lighting system we currently use.

Public Works Traffic Operations staff will be removing the following in-roadway lighting systems with the new Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon systems within the next few months:

Replacement by March 2017:

- Alameda De Las Pulgas @ The Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM)
- Ralston Avenue @ Villa

Replacement Summer of 2017

- Alameda De Las Pulgas @ Garden Court
- Ralston Avenue @ Maywood
- Middle Road @ Central Elementary School



New Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon Aids Pedestrians Crossing Shoreway Road

Sewer Division Attends Mock Pump Station Failure Training



This week the Sewer Division had Pump Station emergency response training which entailed using the new portable by-pass pump.

City crews set up the by-pass pump at several sewer pump stations in mock pump station failure scenarios to be prepared for an actual emergency.



Fill-Your-Own Sand Bag Locations



The City of Belmont has designated "fill your own" sites for residents in need of sandbags. Sand and bags are available anytime 7-days a week (shovels provided) at the following locations:

- **One Twin Pines Lane** (Rear of City Hall parking lot)
- **110 Sem lane** (Belmont Corporation Yard)
- **Barrett Community Center** (Parking lot off Ralston Avenue)

Residents, particularly those who live in areas that regularly experience some flooding, are strongly encouraged to pick up sandbags to ensure they are prepared for possible flooding. Residents may obtain up to 10 bags per Belmont address.

For more information call Public Works at 650-595-7425



Message brought to you by the Public Works Storm Division





"At Your Door" Household Hazardous Waste Program to end on December 31, 2016.

Residents can still schedule a curbside pickup appointment before the end of the year.

Although the curbside collection is ending, **residents can dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW) for free at San Mateo County's permanent HHW facility** Thursdays-Saturdays (except holidays). You must make an appointment at www.smchealth.org/hhw or call (650) 363-4718, select option 3. Limit 10 gallons or 50 pounds per appointment. Exact location revealed once appointment is made.

At-Your-Door Household Hazardous Waste Collection Service Ends December 31, 2016.

Call 1-800-449-7587 by December 15 to schedule a final pick up.



After December 31, please contact San Mateo County HHW program to make an appointment to bring your items to the drop-off facility. Visit www.smchealth.org/hhw or call (650) 363-4718 (*Select option 3*). Appointments are available Thursday through Saturday.

Youth

V.O.I.C.E.S.



VOICES completed an in-house service project, making cat and dog toys for animals at the SPCA animal shelter. The toys were made out of fabric and yarn, which is safe and pet friendly. Each VOICES member created a unique toy for the donation. The goal was to tap into the teens imaginations, and allow their creative spirits to come shine. The plan now is to set up a SPCA tour and drop off the toys for donation.



YAC

The Youth Advisory Committee is excited for the upcoming YAC Social which takes place this week in Burlingame. The event will be host to many different Cities and their respective YAC's. Our members are looking forward to being the first set of teens to represent the City of Belmont.

Twin Pines Senior & Community Center

Staff at the Center took the opportunity to thank all the volunteers for their time and dedication this past year. The Center has 65 active volunteers of all ages and from all over the Bay Area that give of their time and efforts Mondays through Fridays from 8:30am-4pm, when the Center is open to the community. Volunteers range from teachers, health & wellness leaders, arts & craft makers, front desk receptionists, lunch program hosts, bread program hosts, and more. A nice social took place in the Lodge, with live interactive holiday music from Jim Stevens, delicious treats and a special thank-you gift given at the end. The Parks & Recreation Department is very grateful to the volunteers for making the Center a welcoming and fun place to be.

**Thank you Belmont Community Center Volunteers
your time and dedication is invaluable!**



Other Agency Reports



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
HEALTH SYSTEM

Make Sure Your Pets Are Safe-Get Them Licensed and Vaccinated Against Rabies

Licensing is the foremost way to ensure your pet makes it home. Of course getting your pet microchipped is another form of effective identification, however if your pet ends up at a neighbor's house, school or local park and can't be identified, he or she may be taken to the animal shelter. A citizen can call the number on the tag and will receive your vital information in order to return your dog home to you.

- **IT'S THE LAW that all dogs over four months must be licensed.** Cats in Belmont, Brisbane, Hillsborough, Millbrae, Redwood City, San Mateo and unincorporated areas of the County must also be licensed.
- Visit petdata.com to license your pet today or find other ways to license at smchealth.org/AnimalLicensing.
- Rabies vaccinations are available from your veterinarian, or visit smchealth.org/rabies for a list of low-cost vaccination clinics. You must provide proof of vaccination to get a license.

You'd do anything for your pet, so make sure they make it home safely-license them today at petdata.com.



December 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Children's Events Teen Events Adult Events All Ages</p>				<p>1 10a Imagination Playground 10:30a ESL Conversation Group 10:30a Toddler Story Time</p>	<p>2 10a Coloring for Adults 10a 3D Reservations 10:30a Preschool Story Time 4p Science Club 7p 1st Friday Flicks: Pete's Dragon (2016)</p>	<p>3 ALL DAY: Holiday Open House & Friends of the Library Holiday Book Sale 10:30a Family Story Time 2p Gabrielle's Trumpets</p>
4	<p>5 10:30a Signs & Rhymes Story Time 3:30p Lego Club</p>	<p>6 10:30a Musical Story Time 3:30p Kid's Craft Club 3:30p Teen Center Food: Holiday Cookies & Tea</p>	<p>7 10:30a Computer Class: Cooking & Recipe Websites 12:30p 3D Printing (Regs Req.) 1:30p Tween Time: Snowball Fight 3:30p TAG Mtg & Holiday Party 7p Inclusive Story Time 7p First Wednesday Book Club: <i>The Outsider: My Life in Intrigue</i></p>	<p>8 10a Imagination Playground 10:30a ESL Conversation Group 10:30a Toddler Story Time 2p Mystery Book Club: <i>The Last Dickens</i> 3:30p Snowball Fight 6:30p Pub Trivia (ages 21+)</p>	<p>9 10a Coloring for Adults 10a 3D Reservations 10:30a Preschool Story Time 4p Science Club</p>	<p>10 10:30a Family Story Time 2p Curious Blend A Capella Group</p>
11	<p>12 Winter Learning Begins! 10:30a Signs & Rhymes Story Time 3p Open Study Hall 3:30p Lego Club</p>	<p>13 10:30a Musical Story Time 3:30p Kid's Craft Club 3p Open Study Hall 3:30p Teen Center Craft Watercolors/Ice Writing 6:30p Documentary Club: Art & Craft</p>	<p>14 10:30a Computer Coach 12:30p 3D Printing (Regs Req.) 1:30 Tween Time: Games 3p Open Study Hall 3:30p Gingerbread House Making Contest 7p Holiday Songs & Poems</p>	<p>15 10a Imagination Playground 10:30a ESL Conversation Group 10:30a Toddler Story Time 3:30p Life Hacks for Teens De-Stress with Yoga & Dogs</p>	<p>16 10a 3D Reservations 10a Coloring for Adults 10:30a Preschool Story Time 3:30p Teen Center Birthday Party 4p Science Club</p>	<p>17 10:30a Family Story Time 2p Fratello Marionettes</p>
<p>18 2p The Brothers LeNain Art Docent Talk 5:15p After Hours Study Hall</p>	<p>19 10:30a Signs & Rhymes Story Time 12p Maturing Gracefully: Healthy Holiday Eating 3p Open Study Hall 3:30p Lego Club</p>	<p>20 10:30a Musical Story Time 3:30p Create a Calendar 3p Open Study Hall 6:30p Paws for Tales</p>	<p>21 10:30a Computer Coach 11:30 Breakfast & a Movie 12:30p 3D Printing (Regs Req.) 2p Giant Candyland Game 4p Teen Hangout 7p Inclusive Story Time</p>	<p>22 10a Imagination Playground 10:30a ESL Conversation Group 10:30a Toddler Story Time 2p Geronimo Stilton Party</p>	<p>23 10a Coloring for Adults 10a 3D Reservations 10:30a Preschool Story Time 2p Build Marble Roller Coaster</p>	<p>24 10:30a Family Story Time</p>
<p>25 Library Closed</p>	<p>26 Library Closed</p>	<p>27 10:30a Musical Story Time 2p Dress a Potato as Your Favorite Book Character 3:30p Kid's Craft Club 7p Classical Argentinian Guitar Recital</p>	<p>28 10:30a Computer Coach 12:30p 3D Printing (Reg Req.) 2p Kids Cook 7p Inclusive Story Time</p>	<p>29 10a Imagination Playground 10:30a ESL Conversation Group 10:30a Toddler Story Time 2p Elephant & Piggie Party</p>	<p>30 10a Coloring for Adults 10a 3D Reservations 10:30a Preschool Story Time 2p Ancient Egypt Party 7p Reel Great Films: <i>Peter's Friends</i></p>	<p>31 10:30a Family Story Time 11a Noon Year's Eve Party</p>



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