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News and Updates on the City of Brentwood

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Citizens Help Shape Vision of Downtown

In June of this year, more than 120 area residents participated in the first of a series of community workshops designed to help the City with its broader vision for the Downtown.

Dubbed "Downtown Brentwood 2010," the citizen-driven process is helping City leaders determine a number of civic and cultural uses appropriate for the Downtown as well as where those uses should be located.

It is critical to hear what the residents of Brentwood foresee for their downtown, says Management Analyst Gail Leech, the City's project coordinator.

"We want everyone to feel that they've made a contribution to the future," Leech says.

During the first workshop, moderated by Jim Heid of UrbanGreen, residents broke into five working tables and had the opportunity to position and locate several buildings around City Park, in-



— Community Development Department Photo

Residents at workshop table try different ways to shape look of the downtown.

cluding City Hall, the community center, a library, arts center, teen center, senior center and parking options. Each group had a chance to decide how many and which uses to interface with the Park.

Workshop participants also had the opportunity to select images of downtown building and structures that they liked and disliked. The images were then posted for the entire workshop to review.

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Two More Public Art Projects Grace Park

Monkeys, banners, children, native plants and arts — quite a diverse assortment, yet they all have a common denominator: Brentwood public art.

Two new art projects, one depicting climbing monkeys and the other sea-

sonal banners reflecting native plants and local architectural themes, are being installed in Brentwood.

"Spiral Monkeys," created by San Joaquin County artist Scott Runion is going into the park in the Granville

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City's Police Chief Davies to Retire

Brentwood Police Chief Michael R. Davies set his sights on a law enforcement career early. He was a police Explorer in Oakland when he was 13.

Now, after presiding over one of the most rapid expansions in the department's history, Davies is retiring at 50.

A search for his replacement has begun, Brentwood City Manager Donna Landeros says.

Davies says that he is proud of his accomplishments and is looking forward to new opportunities.

"After more than 30 years in law enforcement, I just felt it was time to do something else. I enjoy teaching," he says. He teaches some classes at the

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Drop Off Electronic, Hazardous Wastes

Brentwood residents can dispose of electronic and household hazardous wastes at a special, free collection from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7, at the Brentwood Solid Waste Division's Transfer site at 2300 Elkins Way.

The event is expected to save residents a trip to the Delta Diablo

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