

Construction to Start on Longest Segment of Highway 4 Bypass

Now that the Bypass Authority has authorized the work, construction of the longest portion of the Highway 4 Bypass — from the junction of Highways 4 and 160 to Lone Tree Way — is about to start.

The \$44 million highway project will feature:

- An interchange at the junction of Highways 4 and 160; and
- A new interchange at Highway 4 and Lone Tree Way; and
- Six lanes total from Highway 4 to Laurel Road in Oakley and four lanes from Laurel Road to Lone Tree Way.

The first phase of this project will be construction of the Highway 4 and 160 interchange so eastbound traffic on Highway 4 can pass through and go south on the Bypass and for northbound Bypass traffic to segue westbound on Highway 4.

Help for First-Time Brentwood Home Buyers

The City now has a program that will make it easier for first-time buyers to purchase a home in Brentwood.

Modeled after programs in Livermore, Oakland and Walnut Creek, the Brentwood program sets aside some homes as part of its affordable housing stock.

Those who qualify can pick from three different types of loans but cannot build equity in the property the

A flyover ramp will be built for traffic going eastbound on Highway 4 and continuing northbound on Highway 160 while the existing connection from Highway 160 to westbound Highway 4 will remain in place.

Completion date is currently anticipated to be in late 2007, according to the Highway 4 Bypass Authority.

The Contra Costa voter-approved half-cent sales tax, which is funding numerous transportation and roadway projects, is funding the Bypass construction.

A highway bill passed by Congress in July and signed by the President in August has about \$36 million earmarked for Highway 4 widening.

To see a map illustrating the Highway 4 Bypass construction, log on to www.sr4bypass.org and click on [vicinity map](#).

usual way. The homes remain part of the City's affordable housing stock, even after someone in the loan program sells and moves out.

The program is open to moderate-income families (a family of four making \$98,000 or less), low-income families (\$66,250 or less) or very-low income families (\$41,000 or less).

Developers will pay "in lieu" fees to help pay for the program. Developers
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New Reservoir Getting Finishing Touches

Architectural work is in progress on the City's new 4-million gallon hillside reservoir at the northwest corner of San Jose Avenue and St. Regis Drive and is expected to be completed this fall.

The structural work is complete, and the reservoir is operational, says Assistant City Engineer Paul Eldredge.

Before construction started in fall

2004 on the \$2.9 million facility, City officials met with local residents to discuss the project and to solicit input on the proposed project.

"The City is trying to be sensitive to the concerns of the nearby residents," says Eldredge. "Therefore we've put in a great deal of time and effort on screening plans for the water reservoir."

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City Meetings

The City Council encourages citizens to participate in local meetings.

• **City Council:** meets 2nd & 4th Tuesday each month, 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber at 734 Third St.

• **Planning Commission:** meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays each month, 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber at 734 Third St.

• **Park & Recreation Commission:** meets 4th Thursday each month, 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber at 734 Third St.

• **Arts Commission:** meets 4th Wednesday each month, 7 p.m. at the Technology Center, 101 Sand Creek Rd., B.

• **Youth Commission:** meets 1st Wednesday each month, 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber at 734 Third St.

• **Brentwood Advisory Neighborhood Committee:** meets 4th Wednesday each month, 7 p.m. in the Community Development Lobby Conference Room at 104 Oak St.