

Facts ... Community Preservation



One of the most requested services by our community is Code Enforcement. Four code enforcement officers respond to the various requests and complaints related to animal control, rent control, property maintenance, building and zoning violations and nuisance conditions. The following is a snapshot of their accomplishments this past fiscal year (July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016):

- Service requests or complaints were received: 3,575
- Resulted in Code Enforcement Cases: 1,138
- On-site inspections were conducted: 5,564

If you would like to contact us for Code Enforcement services or rent control matters, please call 310-285-1119. You can also submit a service request or code violation report online at: <https://clients.comcate.com/newrequest.php?id=31>.

Key Dates ...

Upcoming Development Projects

Please check Agendas and City Calendar to confirm schedule.

Proposed Hillside Ordinance

- ▶ Formal City Meeting of August 16, 2016

One Beverly Hills

- ▶ Planning Commission Special Meeting of August 23, 2016

Upcoming Election

November 8 – Public Election

Holidays

City Hall is closed on September 5 for Labor Day.

Construction is restricted and is not allowed in observation of the Labor Day holiday. Please check our website for the full list of holidays at www.beverlyhills.org/contractorcorner

Standing Meeting Schedule

Architectural Commission

- ▶ Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 1:30 PM

Cultural Heritage Commission

- ▶ Meets 2nd Wednesday of each quarter at 1:30 PM

Design Review Commission

- ▶ Meets 1st Thursday of each month at 1:30 PM

Planning Commission

- ▶ Meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 1:30 PM

Traffic and Parking Commission

- ▶ Meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 9:00 AM

These dates are subject to change. Please check the City Calendar at <http://www.beverlyhills.org/exploring/calendar/>
Visit the Commission page for agendas and more info at <http://www.beverlyhills.org/commissions/>

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City Hall Hours:

Monday–Thursday 7:30 AM–5:30 PM
Friday 8:00 AM–5:00 PM

Community Development Walk-ins:

Monday–Thursday 8:00 AM–10:00 AM
Call ahead to confirm.

Schedule an Appointment:

<http://www.beverlyhills.org/appointments>

Construction Hours:

Monday–Friday 8:00 AM–6:00 PM

Community Development Department

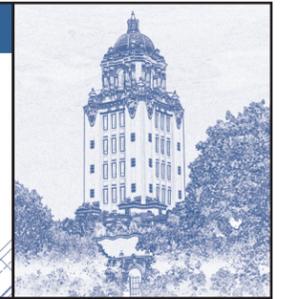
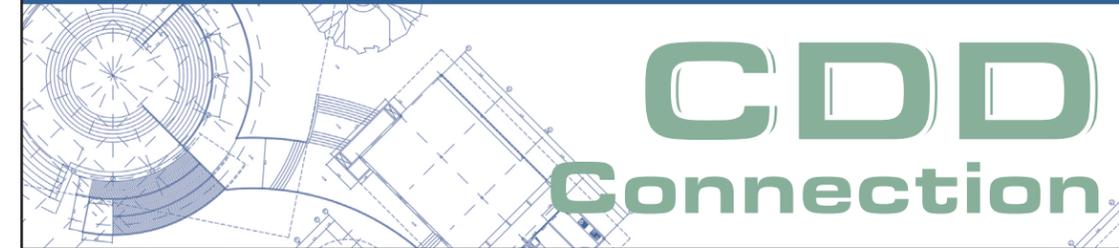


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CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS



A quarterly newsletter of the Community Development Department of the City of Beverly Hills

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What We Do ... Community Development Department

Welcome to the CDD Connection! This quarterly newsletter will provide information about the City of Beverly Hills Community Development Department (CDD) as well as updates on projects in the city and other useful information.

The Community Development Department (or CDD) is tasked with guiding the development of the built environment to enhance and maintain the quality of life in the city. In order to achieve this, the Department provides a variety of services to the public and works closely with the community to ensure that it remains a great place to live, work and visit. More specifically, a few of the services we provide include:

Zoning Review and Plan Check –

Reviews and permits new development and renovation projects for compliance with the city and state codes

Building Inspection –

Ensures that projects are built per the approved drawings and in compliance with appropriate local, State and Federal codes

Community Preservation –

Enforces city codes and administers the rent stabilization program

Transportation Services –

Conducts traffic and engineering studies and plans



the installation of traffic and pedestrian infrastructure. They handle preferential parking zones and also manage the City Trolley, Bike Share, Taxi Coupon, Dial-A-Ride shuttle and MTA bus pass senior discount programs.

Advanced Policy Planning –

Addresses the future of the city through plans and implementation of policy

Urban Design and Historic Preservation –

Provides architectural and design review and implementation of the historic preservation program

You may see members of the Department at City Council or commission meetings (the department staffs 5 of the City's 11

commissions), conducting site visits, inspecting a new project, meeting with applicants at the counter (located on the first floor of City Hall), completing traffic observations, or holding public meetings.

Through this newsletter, we hope to provide you with more insight into the variety of services that we provide to the community and various projects that are being undertaken in the city. Each issue will include information describing the work products of the division, useful tools that are available to the community, spotlights on people in the department, a "how to" section, and information on a chosen policy, program or project.

Tools Corner ... On-line Services

Community Development Department (CDD) offers a full range of services on-line.

- Apply for permits
- Make appointments
- Submit for plan review
- Schedule inspections
- Contractor Corner
- Make payments
- Look up property information
- Recent building permits issued
- Proposed project information

Look Up Property Information

<http://apps.beverlyhills.org/obcpi>

Want to know more about your property? Look up zoning, permit history, and Los Angeles County Assessor data through our website.

Proposed Project Information

www.beverlyhills.org/currentplanningprojects
Information about proposed projects

How to ... Change Landscaping for Homes

Thinking of doing yardwork this summer? Did you know that many landscaping changes (yes, even small ones!) might require approval from the City? Before you make changes in your yard, make sure you understand what permits are required. Below is some information that may help you before you begin your landscaping project:

Water Efficient Landscaping Permit: If you are changing more than 500 square feet of landscaping on your property, then



that require discretionary review in and around your neighborhood. Check the map for summary information about each project and staff contact information.

Contractor Corner

www.beverlyhills.org/contractorcorner

Planning to do work at your house or business? The website provides information for contractors, such as Construction hours, holidays and more.

you will need to work with the City to ensure that you meet the requirements of the Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance. Information about the ordinance can be found on the website:

www.beverlyhills.org/waterefficientlandscapes

This ordinance helps ensure that landscaping in the city is water efficient, which is especially important during times of drought. To make an appointment with someone to review your landscape plan please call (310) 285-1141 and ask to make an appointment for a Water Efficient Landscaping Permit.

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Spotlight on Director Susan Healy Keene, AICP

I have always appreciated beautiful architecture and well-designed communities so it is a privilege to work for the City of Beverly Hills as Director of Community Development.

I grew up in Worthington, Ohio, a community planned in the early 19th century and now a suburb of Columbus. While the urban area grew around



it, Worthington managed to retain its historic character and still provide opportunities for newer development. My interests led me to the University of Cincinnati where I received a bachelor's degree in Urban Planning and Design. I later earned a master's degree in Organizational Leadership from Woodbury University.

Prior to joining the City of Beverly Hills team, I was Community Development Director for the City of West Hollywood and an urban planner for the City of Santa Monica. While all three West-side cities share similar challenges, including ever-increasing traffic and land values, each community has its own character and vision for the future. Here in Beverly Hills, I lead an experienced team of professionals with both technical knowledge and the ability to listen carefully to the specific needs and goals of the community.

I hope you find our newsletter to be informative and interesting! Please email or call me with your suggestions of how we can improve our services for you.

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How to ... Change Landscaping for Homes (continued)

Tree Removal Permit: If your landscaping work involves the removal of trees in your front yard, please consult with the Development Services Program to determine if you will need a tree removal permit. You'll want to make sure to have an arborist report from a certified arborist detailing the size and condition of the trees, as well as the reason for the removal. There are regulations in place that protect native and heritage trees and you may need a permit before you remove these trees from your front yard! Please visit <http://www.beverlyhills.org/treeremoval> for more information on trees.

Artificial Turf Permit: Artificial turf is allowed in Beverly Hills, just not in parkway areas (the area between the street and the sidewalk). You don't need to consult with the City if you are putting artificial turf in your back yard but if you have plans to install artificial turf in your front yard please check out www.beverlyhills.org/turf for more information on the types of turf and the requirements for turf placement. You will need to work with the City to obtain a permit to install artificial turf in your front yard.



Project Highlight ... Beverly Hills Bike Share Pilot Program



BECOME A FOUNDING MEMBER!

\$99 /YEAR

90 minutes of daily ride time
Available 24/7/365
Free gear (while supplies last)

QUESTIONS - ASSISTANCE (323) 302-8130
CREATE AN ACCOUNT - DOWNLOAD MOBILE APP - PROGRAM INFO
BEVERLYHILLSBIKESHARE.COM

BEVERLY HILLS BIKE SHARE

Bike share is here! The Community Development Department hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony on May 10, 2016 to officially launch the **Beverly Hills Bike Share** pilot program. The program gives anyone the ability to conveniently rent bikes in the city. Riders can pick up a bike in one part of Beverly Hills and return it at any **Beverly Hills Bike Share** station for free, or at any public bike rack for a \$2 fee. The system consists of 50 smart bikes with onboard GPS technology and 100 docking racks. Bike share stations can be found at the following locations:

1. **City Hall** (South Santa Monica Boulevard / North Crescent Drive)
2. **Wells Fargo Bank Adjacent** (South Santa Monica Boulevard / North Camden Drive)
3. **Beverly Hills Courthouse** (Civic Center Drive / Burton Way)
4. **Chase Bank Adjacent** (Wilshire Boulevard / Beverly Drive)
5. **280 South Beverly Drive** (South Beverly Drive / Gregory Way)
6. **Entertainment Business District** (Third Street / North Maple Drive)

Transportation Planning staff is currently looking into additional station sites for the program and welcomes suggestions

from the community. The **Beverly Hills Bike Share** will be compatible with the bike share system in the City of Santa Monica and future adjacent jurisdictions.

The current **Beverly Hills Bike Share** payment plans are as follows:

- **Pay-As-You-Go:** \$6/hour; 10¢ per minute after the 60-minute period is exceeded
- **Monthly:** \$25/month; includes 90 minutes daily ride time; 10¢ per minute after the daily 90-minute period is exceeded. Daily unused minutes do not carryover or accumulate.
- **Founding Member*:** \$99/year; includes 90 minutes daily ride time; 10¢ per minute after the daily 90-minute period is exceeded. Daily unused minutes do not carryover or accumulate.

*Founding Members: Annual plan purchased from May 10, 2016 to December 31, 2016; members will receive a gift pack (while supplies last)!

Visit www.BeverlyHillsBikeShare.com for more information or send an e-mail to transportation@beverlyhills.org for questions, comments, or if you have suggestions for future docking locations!