



# NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2019

## City Council Approves The Landscape Architecture Conceptual Design for the Long Valley Road/Valley Circle/US 101 On-Ramp Improvement Project

The City Council recently reviewed and approved the landscape architecture conceptual design for the Long Valley Road Improvement Project. The approved design includes above ground improvements to the City's recently purchased parcel east of the Long Valley Gate House. Currently, the unimproved lot is used to stage construction related traffic prior to 7:00 am each work day. This staging of vehicles has significantly improved traffic flow on the Long Valley on-ramp to the freeway.

The envisioned improvements include a sidewalk to the Long Valley on-ramp, which will eventually be continued to Valley Circle Boulevard, creating sufficient access for pedestrians in and out of the City at Long Valley. In addition, the design will feature drought tolerant landscaping, a dry stream bed, two pedestrian bridges, and a faux bridge. Included in the design is a new off-street parking lot for the real estate building immediately to the west of the Long Valley gate. This will provide for a more aesthetic frontage for the commercial building, while providing for improved traffic flow.

The improvements provide for potentially relocating the Long Valley Gate House in an effort to create a turn-around lane for vehicles that are denied entry into the community. The Hidden Hills Community Association is reviewing this potential change.

Funding for the Long Valley Improvement project is provided by both Measure R and M which is a 1/2 cent sales tax approved by Los Angeles County voters to fund transportation improvement projects. The approved landscape design will be incorporated into the final engineering plans. It is anticipated that construction documents will be completed in early summer, with construction beginning as early as Fall 2019. Prior to commencement of construction, the City will alert residents to potential construction delays and road closures. For more information on the Long Valley Improvement Project, please contact City Engineer Dirk Lovett at [dirklovett@caaprofessionals.com](mailto:dirklovett@caaprofessionals.com) or by calling City Hall at 818-888-9281.

## Calendar

DATE	EVENT	TIME
4/1	Theater Committee	10:00 a.m.*
4/1	Architectural Committee	7:30 p.m.*
4/5	Landscape Committee	8:30 a.m.*
4/8	City Council Goals Study Session	5:00 p.m.
4/8	City Council	6:30 p.m.
4/8	Gate Committee	6:30 p.m.*
4/16	HHCA Board of Directors	7:30 p.m.*
4/22	City Council	6:30 p.m.
4/30	Public Safety Commission	7:30 p.m.
5/3	Landscape Committee	8:30 a.m.*
5/6	Theater Committee	10:00 a.m.*
5/6	Architectural Committee	7:30 p.m.*
5/13	City Council	6:30 p.m.
5/13	Gate Committee	6:30 p.m.*
5/14	Parks and Recreation Committee	12:00 p.m.*
5/15	Equestrian Services Committee	6:30 p.m.*
5/21	HHCA Board of Directors	7:30 p.m.*

\* Hidden Hills Community Center (24549 Long Valley Road)  
Non asterisk meetings held at City Hall, 6165 Spring Valley Road

## City Council

Mayor	Larry G. Weber
Mayor Pro Tem	Bret Katz
Council Member	Steve Freedland
Council Member	Laura McCorkindale
Council Member	Stuart E. Siegel

## City Staff

City Manager	Kerry Kallman
City Clerk	Deana L. Graybill, CMC
Accounting Specialist	Theresa Folk
City Attorney	Roxanne Diaz
Special Counsel	Larry Wiener
City Engineer	Dirk Lovett
Building Official	Greg Robinson
Building Inspector	Steve O'Hara
Emergency Services Coordinator	Mike Woodard



# 26 COMMUNITY MEMBERS COMPLETE Community Emergency Response Team Training Program

On March 12, 26 individuals completed Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training put on by the Los Angeles County Fire Department. An additional five people will still need to take a make-up class for full completion. Hidden Hills CERT played an instrumental role assisting the City and community during the Woolsey Fire. CERT volunteers helped answer phones 24 hours a day at City Hall, performed welfare checks for those residents who chose not to evacuate, and assisted others with evacuation.

Thirty of the recent CERT graduates have officially joined the Hidden Hills CERT and will attend monthly meetings/trainings and are committed to serving if called upon. In addition, CERT members will be grouped and receive additional training in a variety of duties including emergency administration, public information, fire suppression, and welfare checks. The City would also like to recognize Ricardo Garcia, Yosue Garcia, and Billy Welch, who work for Covered 6, and all graduated from the CERT program. These three special individuals will continue to serve Hidden Hills residents daily and provide additional resources should the need arrive. Finally, those CERT graduates who elected to not join the Hidden Hills team officially will remain on stand-by if called upon by the City.



CERT training is offered free of charge by the Los Angeles County Fire Department. The twenty (20) hour training includes basic search and rescue, first aid, fire suppression, disaster and terrorism awareness, and hazardous material training. CERT members are often activated by a City, Fire Department or law enforcement to assist during a major disaster, such as an earthquake or fire. In addition, Hidden Hills CERT assists at the Fiesta and Halloween with basic first aid, missing persons, and other duties.

If you would like more information on CERT, please contact Mike Woodard, Emergency Services Coordinator at 818-888-9281 or [eoc@hiddenhillscity.org](mailto:eoc@hiddenhillscity.org).



Hidden Hills CERT Volunteers stand ready to assist in the event of an emergency



## Sheriff's Blotter March 2019

	CURRENT MONTH	YTD 2019	YTD 2018	CHANGE
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0
Robbery				
Armed	0	0	0	0
Strong-arm	0	0	0	0
Assault	0	0	0	0
Burglary				
Residential	5	9	0	9
Business	0	0	0	0
Garage/Out Bldg.	0	0	1	-1
Vehicle (locked)	0	0	0	0
Theft				
Grand (\$950+)	1	1	2	-1
Petty	0	0	0	0
Vehicle (unlocked)	1	1	0	1
Grand Theft Vehicle	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0
Domestic Violence / Misdemeanor	0	1	1	0
Trespassing Calls for Service	13	20	8	12

All residents are encouraged to remain alert and to report any and all suspicious activity directly to the Sheriff's Department by calling 911 or 818-878-1808.

## Noteworthy Events:

- A residential burglary was reported in the 24100 block of Hidden Ridge. The master bedroom window was smashed to gain entry. No property was stolen.
- A residential burglary occurred in the 25100 block of Jim Bridger. Suspect(s) unknown smashed a bedroom window on the first floor, ransacked the master bedroom and exited the residence by smashing a sliding glass door. Jewelry was stolen.
- An attempted residential burglary occurred in the 6000 block of William Bent Road. One of the victims was home when she heard a banging noise from the downstairs area. Moments later the alarm system in the residence was activated. Video surveillance showed three unknown suspects entering the victim's backyard. The suspects faces were covered with masks and appeared to be canvassing the home. The suspects fled when the alarm activated. No vehicle was seen.
- A residential burglary was reported in the 25100 block of Jim Bridger Road. The downstairs master bedroom sliding glass door was smashed to gain entry and all the bedrooms were ransacked. It was unknown what was stolen at the time of the report.
- An attempted residential burglary occurred in the 25200 block of Eldorado Meadow Road. A witness saw three suspects hiding in the bushes in the area. The suspects were described as possibly males who were wearing dark colored clothing and hooded sweatshirts. They fled in a grey 2017 Nissan Rogue which was found abandoned in the Boda Place in Woodland Hills. The vehicle was a rental vehicle.
- A subject was arrested for conspiracy to commit burglary and trespassing in the 6100 block of Spring Valley Road. The witness, a security guard, saw the subject peeking over two residence fences in the area. The subject attempted to hide but the witness was able to detain the subject for deputies pending a burglary investigation.
- A theft from an unlocked vehicle was reported in the 24000 block of Long Valley Road. A briefcase, gift cards, and check books were stolen. Video surveillance showed two suspects wearing dark clothing and hooded sweatshirts enter the victim's driveway and one suspect making entry into the victim's unlocked vehicle.
- A theft of a firearm occurred in the 24000 block of Little Valley Road. The weapon was taken from a night stand. The investigation is on-going.
- A resident of Los Angeles was arrested for a traffic violation warrant (driving without a valid driver's license) in the area of Jed Smith Road and John Fremont Road.

# FIESTA 2019

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

2019 Fiesta dates are Saturday, September 21st and Sunday, September 22nd. It's never too early to express interest, submit possible theme ideas and volunteer. Call or email Deana at City Hall (818.888.9281 or [staff@hiddenhillscity.org](mailto:staff@hiddenhillscity.org)).



# City Council Updates

At their meeting on March 11, the City Council adopted the 2018 Las Virgenes Malibu Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan; approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Hidden Hills and the Las Virgenes Unified School District for the Round Meadow School Student Pick-Up/Drop-Off Improvements Project; and reviewed the FY 2018/19 mid-year budget report.

The Hidden Hills City Council meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. City Council meetings start at 6:30 pm and can also be watched on Channel 3 (Charter/Spectrum Cable.)

## City of Hidden Hills

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## Metropolitan Water District Introduces

# Turf Reduction Program

The Metropolitan Water District is offering a turf replacement program to promote water use reduction and sustainability. Following in the success of other incentive programs focusing on landscaping and turf grass removal, the program aims to combine turf removal, irrigation modification, and rainwater retention or filtration to support reuse or soil absorption of rainwater.

The Turf Replacement Program takes a multi-pronged approach to maximize water utilization and conservation. Removing turf grass is one of the most water conscious adjustments a homeowner can make to reduce their water usage and associated costs. Converting irrigation systems to drip, hand-watering or installing water efficient micro-spray systems or rotating nozzles ensures that landscape watering is as efficient as possible. Finally, the addition of a sustainable approach in the new landscape works to reduce or prevent wasteful runoff through the use of a rainwater capture or filtration system.

The Turf Replacement Program is a two-part application process. In order to receive a rebate, you must apply to reserve rebate funds prior to starting your project. After the reservation, you will have 180 days to complete the project and submit your request for a rebate. Metropolitan Water District is offering a rebate of \$2.00 per square foot up to 5,000 square feet of converted yard per year.

For more information on the program and to apply, please visit [ocalwatersmart.com](http://ocalwatersmart.com)

