



The Backbone

Go Paperless

As a Department that promotes sustainability and as we continue to build our readership, our goal is to eventually distribute the newsletter electronically only. We encourage you to subscribe to the following link and opt-in by selecting the Public Works Newsletter for the electronic version. The electronic newsletters allow the City to share more information while reducing paper production. www.beverlyhills.org/enotice

Sustainable New Year's Resolutions 2023

Live more sustainably by practicing these easy tips:

- Water your landscape wisely.
- California is in a drought
- Water up to 2 days a week as needed.
- Install water saving devices like sprinkler heads, smart irrigation controllers, toilets and washing machines and receive a rebate SoCalWaterSmart.com.
- Stay on top of leaks by signing up for the City's Free Water Tracker program which notifies you of abnormal water use. water.BHSaves.org
- Place your food scraps along with your yard trimmings in your green waste can. We sort all paper, bottles and cans from your black mixed waste.

- Donate your unused items to local charities.
- Drink Beverly Hills' delicious tap water. Tap water has higher government regulations than bottled and can save you hundreds of dollars and bottle waste a year!
- Watch your thermostat - Keep it at 78° or higher in the summer and 68° or lower in the winter.
- Drop off hazardous waste, electronic waste & universal waste for proper disposal. CleanLA.com or 1-888-CleanLA for event locations and more details.

Practice and share these tips with friends and family!

For more information, visit BHSaves.org or call 310-285-2467

Bi-Annual Alley Clearance Trimming

The City of Beverly Hills will be conducting its bi-annual alley clearance trimming (vegetation growing into the alley way.) This work is performed to assure the City service and/or emergency vehicles have adequate access to the alleys in the City. You will receive notice by email if your alley will be impacted by the trimming. Please contact Public Works Customer Service at AskPW@Beverlyhills.org or (310) 285-2467 for any questions.

2023 Transportation Safety Campaign

We watch out for each other!

The Public Works Department is excited to announce its 2023 Transportation Safety Campaign. Each month in 2023 will focus on a different transportation safety theme, from driving the speed limit and obeying stop signs to safe school drop-off and respecting cyclists.

Under the campaign slogan – **We watch out for each other!** – the campaign aims to teach all road users how to travel safely and keep each other safe on Beverly Hills streets. This slogan is meant to convey the community's strong sense of pride in their City and support for their Beverly Hills neighbors, friends, and businesses. Sometimes the stress of traffic can distract from this, so the slogan is meant to remind residents that their care for one another translates to their personal actions on the roads, as well.

The January campaign theme is pedestrian safety. This month the City reminds drivers and cyclists: **Watch out for the walkers. Keep an eye out for pedestrians crossing.** Per California State law, all intersections are legal crossing points (unless signed otherwise) with or without a marked crosswalk. Drivers and cyclists should look for people crossing at intersections and yield to them. Drivers and cyclists should also come to a complete stop when exiting alleys and look for pedestrians before crossing over the sidewalk.

The City reminds pedestrians: **Let's see eye to eye! Make eye contact with drivers before crossing.** People walking should stop, look both ways, confirm drivers see them, and only cross when the street is clear. When available, pedestrians are encouraged to use marked crosswalks to cross the street.

Regardless, the City encourages pedestrians to cross at intersections where they are most visible and where other road users expect to see people walking in the street.

Stay tuned for additional safety tips over the remainder of 2023!

Tips for Managing Space in Trash Containers & Alleys

For properties that receive alley collection service, bulky item pick-up and alley maintenance services are provided twice a month to collect items and yard debris too large to fit in containers. The alley service schedule is as follows:

- Alleys located North of Santa Monica Blvd. are serviced every 1st and 3rd week of the month.
- Alleys located South of Santa Monica Blvd. are serviced every 2nd and 4th week of the month.

To help with space management in the alley and containers, please break down boxes before placing into containers. If you have multiple boxes that will take up too much space in the container or alley, break down boxes, place next to the container and call Public Works Customer Service at 310-285-2467 for a special pick up.

For properties serviced by curbside collection that have bulky items too large to fit into the container, please call Public Works Customer Service to arrange for a special pickup.



Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP) Update

In an effort to reduce the community's greenhouse gas emission and manage the effect of climate change, the City of Beverly Hills is in the process of adopting a Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP). The City has been working with community members in developing action items to reduce emissions and making our City resilient of the effects of extreme weather as a result of climate change. The Draft CAAP is available for public review and comment. The Draft CAAP can be downloaded at beverlyhills.org/BHCAAP. Comments can be emailed to AskPW@beverlyhills.org or members can attend several commission meetings starting in February 2023.



Clean your Roof Drains, Area Drains and Hillside Drains

With the La Niña weather this year, the Los Angeles region is expecting rainfall to continue in January through February. To prevent flooding, hillside erosion or rain damage to your property, we recommend that you perform routine maintenance on your roof drains, area drains and slope drains. Roof drains can be maintained by removing leaves and other material from the gutter. Area drains can be maintained by hydro jetting and/or snaking your drains by a reputable contractor or plumber to make sure there's no blockages. Slope drains can be maintained by physically removing dirt or vegetation from the structure. Since these are typically located in hillside properties, contractors must use proper safety procedures and equipment to perform maintenance.

UPCOMING Meetings

City Council Meeting Formal Session

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 | 7:00 PM

► City Hall Council Chambers

Purple Line Extension Outreach Meeting

Wednesday, February 1, 2023 | 12:00 PM

► Online

Traffic and Parking Commission Regular Meeting

Thursday, February 2, 2023 | 9:00 AM

► City Hall Room 280A

City Council Meeting Formal Session

Tuesday, February 7, 2023 | 7:00 PM

► City Hall Council Chambers

Public Works Commission Meeting

Thursday, February 9, 2023 | 8:00 AM

► City Hall Room 280A

Live with Lili

Monday, February 14, 2023 | 7:00 PM

► Municipal Gallery

City Council Meeting Formal Session

Tuesday, February 21, 2023 | 7:00 PM

► City Hall Council Chambers

City Council Meeting Formal Session

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 | 7:00 PM

► City Hall Council Chambers

To View City Council Meetings please visit www.beverlyhills.org/councilmeetings

To View Purple Line Outreach Meetings please visit www.beverlyhills.org/purpleline

RESOURCES

Helpful Links:

Public Works Website:

www.beverlyhills.org/publicworks

Link to sign up for the bi-monthly Newsletter:

www.beverlyhills.org/enotice

Water Tracker:

www.beverlyhills.org/watertracker

Water Conservation:

www.bhsaves.org
www.beverlyhills.org/rebates

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