



CITY of BRISBANE

Council Subcommittee Update

From July 12th, 2025 to August 29th, 2025

1. Report Out on Subcommittees/Committees

A. Infrastructure, Utilities & Franchise Subcommittee

7/15

Lentz, O'Connell

The subcommittee met with the Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) to review the Proposed Updates to Tier 2 Plan and Water Supply Agreement (WSA) Amendments. These revisions will update the existing agreement between San Francisco and its 26 wholesale customer agencies, including Brisbane.

Key Changes:

- Updated Tier 2 Plan methodology for determining each Wholesale Customer's allocation from the Regional Water System during a water shortage emergency.
- A "family plan" approach to supply allocations, which avoids excess use charges for individual agencies if the overall group remains within the collective Tier 1 allocation.
- Modified Minimum Purchase requirements for four Wholesale Customers to better reflect evolving local supply conditions and support regional alternative water supply opportunities.

Why It Matters for Brisbane:

- Provides greater flexibility for Brisbane to meet water use requirements during droughts or mandatory reductions.
- Reduces the risk of penalties or shortfalls by allowing Brisbane to balance usage with other agencies.
- Adjusting minimum purchase requirements for agencies with stronger local supplies helps strengthen the overall reliability of the Regional Water System, benefiting Brisbane and all users.

Next Steps 1: Councilmembers are encouraged to meet with staff for a more detailed briefing on this project before Council review.

Next Steps 2: The Updated Tier 2 Plan and WSA Amendments will be brought to Council in September for consideration and possible adoption.

To view the agenda report and presentation online, please visit:

<https://www.brisbaneca.org/citycouncil/meeting/infrastructure-franchise-utilities-subcommittee-1>

B. Public Art Advisory Committee

7/21

Davis, O'Connell

The committee toured the Bank of America (BoFA) site and the skatepark. For the BoFA, there was discussion regarding art exhibits, makerspace opportunities and other possibilities. For the skatepark, the focus is on the new rock formation on the corner of Park Lane and Old County Road. Currently, the committee is not interested in painting it.

Next Step #1: The BofA site will be on future agendas with other subcommittees/city committees as appropriate for brainstorm sessions.

The Committee discussed opportunities for art at Firth Park, such as a fence or barrier separating the park from Glen Parkway, sculptures, new Firth Park mosaic and the stairway. They also reviewed the draft Request for Proposal for this project.

Next Steps #1: Staff will inquire with Public Works on their estimate of an engineered fence or barrier.

Next Steps #2: Staff to update the Request for Qualifications (RFQ), bring back to PAAC, and then present to Council in the Fall.

The committee continued discussion regarding an artfully designed bench program throughout the City. Aside from bringing art to the community, it would provide opportunities for local artists, increase civic engagement, and contribute to a more vibrant and welcoming streetscape. The Committee decided to focus on refurbishing three existing benches and commissioning three new benches.

Next Steps #1: Staff will identify ten existing benches poised for refurbishment as well as ten prospective locations for new benches and bring it back to the PAAC.

Next Steps #2: Staff will reach out to NINEdotARTS to determine an appropriate budget for this project.

Next Steps #3: Staff will bring back the City's memorial bench policy and donation policy for review.

Meeting Link:

<https://www.brisbaneca.org/bc-artadvisory/meeting/public-art-advisory-committee-meeting-23>

C. Quarry Subcommittee

7/23

Lentz, O'Connell

The subcommittee received an update on the Quarry development from Orchard Partners. They recapped the 2nd Open House and shared the comments and concerns they heard, such as noise and trucks. The developers then discussed their revised plans: building 1 will be a primary data center, which will have minimal traffic, offer well paid jobs, but will require less employees; Building 2 will be a mix of advanced manufacturing and warehousing. The data center they are proposing is on a closed loop cooling, which means that it does not require water and has lower noise.

Orchard Partners will conduct virtual offices hours every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month throughout the Fall for the public. They are aiming to submit their revised design permit in August to the City.

Meeting Link: <https://www.brisbaneca.org/citycouncil/meeting/quarry-subcommittee-meeting-1>

D. Sierra Point Parks & Open Space Subcommittee**7/24****Kern, Lentz**

The subcommittee explored options for city owned land in the Sierra point Parkway District that would enhance the open space and public amenities. Willet Moss from CMG and Len Matterman and Summer Bundy from One Shoreline joined the meeting to also discuss opportunities and provide guidance. Matterman discussed the Regional Shoreline Grant received from the State; the grant is a two-year process to develop the shoreline from SSF to Candlestick Point. Moss reviewed the past work provided and the potential to focus on specific areas by creating renderings in relation to Sea Level Rise as well as resolving parking concerns for boaters. One Shoreline and CMG work together on many projects.

Next Steps: Staff, with support from CMG, are reviewing existing recreational opportunities/attributes identified in previous work products on this project to determine their compatibility with the approximately 1.5 acres site. The subcommittee has directed staff to schedule a meeting with the boating community to ensure all feedback has been collected, given thorough consideration and incorporated as possible. The subcommittee will use this combination of effort and data collection to set clear delineation between any work in the upland area (Parcel R) and those projects best overseen by the Sea Level Rise Subcommittee. In addition, the subcommittee will have further future discussions regarding engagement with the broader environmental community, as appropriate.

Meeting Link:

<https://www.brisbaneca.org/citycouncil/meeting/sierra-point-parks-open-space-subcommittee>

E. Communications, Outreach & Engagement Subcommittee**8/6****Mackin, Kern**

The subcommittee reviewed the results of the City's Communications Survey, which was to see how residents access City information, educate them on the various tools available, as well as hear resident feedback on the City's communication efforts. There were 109 respondents, and a summary of the survey responses are on the meeting link below.

The subcommittee then discussed the layout and design of the expanded STAR newsletter. The City Manager's office has decided to move to a 12-page issue to allow for more content for items such as: Commission and Committee's work and current projects, additional City news, and a standing "Seniors Corner". Staff is also retooling the STAR's formatting by featuring 3-column spacing for articles and other styles to allow for better readability and visual breathing room. The subcommittee provided feedback and would like to see a full mock-up in September. The four sample templates may be viewed on the meeting link below.

Next Steps 1: Staff will create a mock-up and bring back to the subcommittee in September.

The subcommittee viewed various city websites designed by CivicPlus and shared initial feedback. Staff also showed a homepage layout and color proposal prepared by CivicPlus for the City. It is anticipated that the new website launch will be in November.

Next Steps 2: Staff will continue to work on the redesign with CivicPlus and meet with the subcommittee in September.

Meeting link:

<https://www.brisbaneca.org/citycouncil/meeting/communication-outreach-engagement-subcommittee>

2. Upcoming Subcommittees:

Communications Subcommittee	9/9 3:30pm	Kern, Mackin
Public Art Advisory Committee	9/15 5:15pm	Davis, O'Connell
Facilities Subcommittee	9/16 3:30pm	Davis, Mackin

3. Proposed Subcommittees:

Does any councilmember wish to propose any items for a subcommittee to discuss?