

2019 Brentwood Green Space Questionnaire

The Citizens for Brentwood Green Space, Inc. (CBGS) is a volunteer citizens group organized as a 501(c) (3) nonprofit corporation. A series of questions about green space preservation and connectivity were submitted to Brentwood City Commission candidates. This year's survey was done in partnership with Bike Walk Brentwood.

Below are the responses, in alphabetical order, from candidates Wyatt Rex Allen, Nelson Andrews, Anne Dunn, Susannah Macmillan, John Magyar, Dale Pacetti, Stevan Pippin, Terrence Smith and Ken Travis.

Candidate Questions

1. Where would you rank the preservation of green space in Brentwood compared to other priorities facing the City?

Allen: The preservation of land has been the core value of the city for the last 50 years. Brentwood has the unique distinction of requiring one-home-per-acre zoning for residential property. This low density zoning has allowed Brentwood to maintain and preserve its green space within the residential zoning. As a City Commissioner, this would be a core responsibility to ensure this is maintained for generations to come.

Andrews: There is a hierarchy to the needs of our City, and at the front are things like public safety (police and fire) as well as roads and other city services. After we insure adequate resources for the fundamental city services, we should continue to invest in our world-class library and preserving our green space. Our open spaces, park system and trails play a vital role in the identity of our community. Done well, there is an opportunity to improve our system in a way that improves walkability/bikability and reduces congestion in Brentwood.

Dunn: I think it is a high priority with the residents. When asked what they like about Brentwood they always say one- acre density, the parks, the library, and greenspace. It is one of those features people have grown to expect.

Macmillan: Preservation of green space is a top priority which is why I support our one-home-per-acre density zoning, along with supporting our fire and police departments, protecting our infrastructure, and supporting our schools.

Magyar: I believe it is one of the highest priorities! So much so, I put my priorities on my yard signs. They include Green Space preservation and Bike/Hike path connectivity!

Pacetti: Extremely important.

Pippin: Definitely in the top 3.

Smith: The preservation of green space is perhaps our highest priority for two reasons. First, our green space and our rural character stands in contrast to metropolitan Nashville and is the very essence of Brentwood. It is what makes our community such a special place to live and raise a

family. Second, acreage in Brentwood is a prized and limited commodity and once it is developed for anything but green space, it is essentially lost.

Green space, however, can only be preserved if we treasure this resource through closely monitored growth and development along with sound fiscal management.

Travis: I believe green space is at the core of Brentwood. Open spaces are what people talk about; open spaces are what people want! When the Oman property was presented to both the City Commission and Planning Commission I voiced my support because every lot was at least one acre! One acre is at the core of Brentwood wants and needs! One acre is what I support.

2. As a City Commissioner, please outline your view on the role you believe the City should play in the acquisition of park land or dedicated green space in our community. Please address whether you feel the city should be active in the acquisition of such types of land or should only address requests or offers made by developers.

Allen: I do believe that that the City should be active in the acquisition of land so long as the necessary funds have been designated for such purchase with the support via a referendum from the community during a special election or general election. I believe that this should be left up to the community to decide whether or not the community wants to fund it.

Andrews: As a city commission, we have a number of tools to use in getting the job done, and I believe the commissioners should use the approach that best fits the situation. Commissioners should be actively investigating opportunities to improve and expand our parks and dedicated green spaces, but should also welcome conversations with land owners.

Dunn: My thoughts on this remain as they have always been. While realizing the city cannot purchase open -space every time an owner wants to sell, we need to be aware of any opportunity that falls in our lap such as the Smith property and try to make it a reality. Sometimes it is too good to pass up and plays a key role in balancing greenspace and parks for the various quadrants of the city. Also, when possible, we need to be working with those who may want to use the Land Trust to dedicate their property. Of course, development is the easiest, if not always the most desirable, way to obtain green space and trails.

Macmillan: As a City Commissioner, my role is to support projects that help maintain our city's unique character. Each potential opportunity for the city to expand our park land and dedicated green space is unique and should be evaluated on a case-by-case basis to determine how additional park land and/or green space would complement our current system and to work with property owners that have a desire to keep their property green.

Magyar: I believe what we, as a city, are missing, is a true master plan for our community. If we had such a plan, we would already know where parks would likely be; we would already know, when we approved a development, where paths need to run from and to; we would actively be pursuing those lands that fit our master plan. 2020 and 2030 express where we would like to go, but I fear that we're not actively pursuing the plots that offer us greatest design.

Pacetti: I think that the City should be active in acquiring small parcels of land where appropriate to add parks in areas that need them. I like the idea of "fill-in" playgrounds (or "pocket parks") for both children and adults with the goal of having them within walking distance of neighborhoods wherever possible. I'd like to see us start to reverse the trend of always having to drive to a park. When our children were small, we lived in walking distance to a wonderful (small) city-owned playground in Atlanta where everyone with kids in our 800 house neighborhood gathered on nice days. It was great for both our children and for us and fostered a great sense of community.

Additionally, whenever a developer requests a zoning variance, I feel we should try to negotiate something in return for the greater community. I know that my neighborhood has a few miles of walking/biking paths that residents from several neighborhoods come to use (thanks to OSRD negotiations). This open space never would have been possible without the OSRD zoning.

Pippin: I would like to see the city be as proactive as fiscally possible in the acquisition of land for additional green space and parks. To me, our parks are the jewels in our crown.

Smith: As a city commissioner, I would very much propose an active role in the acquisition of park land and green space. Undeveloped land in Brentwood is too important a resource to be monitored in a casual or careless manner. We must, at every opportunity, seek to expand our green space, parks, and trails through a thoughtful, fiscally responsible presence.

Travis: Dedicated green space is essential in our community. People love Brentwood because of the rolling hills, 1 acre lots, and parks. We have a number of parks, and with the addition of Smith Park, we have added lots of green space and in the future, athletic fields for use by our citizens. I feel we still have improvements to make at some of our parks (like Smith Park). Wikle and Flag Pole Parks are great example of parks that are small but benefit sections of the community. I would like to see more of this type of park. Not huge, but open spaces with walking trails, playgrounds, and athletic fields. I believe the city should investigate when this type of land is available.

3. Do you feel like Brentwood has enough park land and green space or would you like to see more added?

Allen: I don't believe you can ever have enough parks or green space. I would like to see more added personally but any additional park would need to be vetted from a financial purpose. What makes Brentwood so attractive to residence and our community is the respect and dedication to the preservation of land weather that is the one-home-per-acre zoning density or the current parks and green space we currently enjoy.

Andrews: Brentwood has some spectacular parks and green space, but I believe we should continue to add additional acreage. The Little Harpeth River runs through our city and opened up the opportunity to develop an interconnected park and trail system on the east side of I-65. My desire is that over the long term this corridor is the opportunity to connect our park and trail system between both sides of our city with the added benefit of improving walkability and bike-ability. This single effort could potentially improve long-term mobility and reduce congestion

throughout our city. That said, improving this aspect of our city would have to be done in a financially responsible way, and in keeping with the wishes of our residents.

Dunn: I believe since we are getting closer to build out it would be beneficial to set a goal for how many acres we would eventually like to have. That at least presents a target number to work toward.

Macmillan: Brentwood has done a great job of planning for parks and green space. In fact, according to the 2016 NRPA (National Recreation and Park Association) Field Report, in terms of acreage per resident nationally and compared to Franklin:

Brentwood - 24 acres per 1,000 residents
Franklin – 10 acres per 1,000 residents
National Average – 6 acres per 1,000 residents

Brentwood has four times the national average of acres per 1,000 residents and it is important that we strive to maintain this very unique asset as we approach the build out of our city.

Magyar: I'm not sure that the question should be, "Do we have enough?" I believe the question should be more about appropriate preservation for the populations that surround them, and the connectivity to/from each. Again, a true master plan would begin to map that out. Currently, we have relatively good connectivity of our parks with bike/hike trails. Obviously, more on the east side than the west side. My goal will be to work on plans that continue that process, over the freeway and connectivity to the neighborhoods on the west side of 65.

Pacetti: I think the current amount is good, but could be better, mainly in the areas of localized neighborhood children's parks and greater connectivity between existing walking and biking paths.

Pippin: I would love to see more.

Smith: I have small town and country roots. I cannot therefore imagine a Brentwood with "enough" park land and green space.

Travis: MORE! As stated, I don't think there will be huge tracts available (maybe Turner), but Wikle and Flagg Pole are the smaller type of park that can add to a community!

4. Surrounding communities like Nashville and Franklin have adopted Open Space Master Plans. Nashville is in the process of revising their original Plan. Open Space Master plans include such things as an inventory of the City's remaining open space; specific criteria to guide the City in evaluating parcels being considered for open space acquisition; defined measurements for the assessment of the costs and benefits of acquiring open space; and funding strategies for the Plan's implementation. The city has indicated there are approximately 27 tracts greater than 25 acres are still left as undeveloped or significantly underdeveloped in Brentwood totally about 6,500 acres. Would you support the commissioning of such a study for the City of Brentwood?

Allen: In order to answer this question, I really need to understand the cost aspect of the commission study to fully answer this question. If they cost was reasonable, I would be in support of the Open Space Master Plan. I do see the value in understanding Brentwood's current inventory of open space as well as benefit to the community. In order to make thoughtful decision, it is always better to have all the facts.

Andrews: Brentwood is neither Nashville nor Franklin – we have our own way of doing things, and we have done so with great success (and, in many cases, with envy from our neighboring cities). The city administration and planning staff keep an inventory of properties, and the city commission makes use of that information when making decisions. There are certainly strategic locations around the city that could help with either connecting our existing green corridors or that could improve our distribution of open space. That said, we need to keep this “wish list” in mind while being open to other opportunities as they present themselves while also taking care of our financial resources.

Dunn: Some of these questions we already have answers to due to our much smaller geographic size than Nashville. I would welcome a citizens committee much like our Bike/Pedestrian Committee which undertook their own study authorized by the city and presented us with a very thorough study outlining short term, medium, and long range goals. We have been able to implement some already.

Macmillan: Independent and objective information performed by outside experts can provide valuable information to help us better plan for the future of Brentwood. In May 2018, Brentwood received the Pedestrian Connectivity Study with recommendations to help with our east-west bike and pedestrian connectivity issues which is a good start to planning and to address any challenges with connecting the east and west sides of the city. We also have traffic congestion that is created by commuters entering and leaving our city during rush hour(s) on Concord Road and Moores Lane as they access I65, which is increasing our residents' commute time to get from one side of the city to the other. A study to help design a Master Plan for addressing the east-west divide of the city for commuter, bike, and pedestrian traffic, along with connecting more of our green spaces and parks, would be helpful.

Magyar: Absolutely! Without realizing where these questions were headed, I've articulated in above questions that this is the missing link to connectivity and preservation of what we have left.

Pacetti: Yes.

Pippin: Conceptually, I would support that study, but of course, I would need to see how the study would be done in order to make sure it gave us the information we needed to make good decisions about this issue.

Smith: Yes, I would support an open space master plan. It is imperative that all aspects of green space acquisition be explored and recognized.

Travis: I would like to know what it would cost for the study; that being said I did support the Bike and Pedestrian Study. If it was a reasonable cost I would support a study.

5. Objective 1.C.4 of the Brentwood 2030 plan is to preserve the visual character of the Cal Turner property and the City is to explore tools (such as purchase of land) to preserve visible open space of the property should development of the property be proposed.

a. Would you be in favor of purchasing the Turner property if it were to come on the market? And what is your vision of the property if the City was able to make the purchase?

Allen: Yes, I would be in favor of exploring a means purchasing the Turner property should it become available. I would like to see it become a park and green space.

Andrews: The Turner property is a complex piece of real-estate. It represents the holiday postcard for many residents, as well as the view you show your relatives when they come to town. It is also a flood plain for the Little Harpeth River, has a railroad track running through the middle, is adjacent to I-65, and adjoins multiple parcels along Franklin Road that are not owned by the Turner family.

While I am very much a believer in private property rights and the principle of limited government, I think the right thing to do would be to work collaboratively with the property owners to see if there is an opportunity to create a greenway that connects the east side and west side of Brentwood and allows improved access to all our parks and trails while preserving the view shed we love and residential character of our city. We must be willing to preserve what we love about our city while carefully keeping an eye on short and long-term financial implications.

Dunn: I would be in favor only under certain conditions which I will go into in part b). Ideally, the whole parcel would be available as Crockett Park and Smith Park were for a complete master plan to be developed over a period of time. I would like to see the historic home preserved and the bike trail to the other side of I-65 included, but other than that I am happy to leave it to the residents to decide. Crockett Park's master plan was derived from a citizen committee envisioning what it should be like.

Macmillan: I, like most in Brentwood, love the scenic vista the Turner farm provides all of us and would hate to see it change. Mr. Turner has the right to develop the property as long as it meets our planning codes. The Turner property is a very valuable tract of land in the heart of the city and, in order to decide if it makes strategic and financial sense for the city, we would need to know the purchase price of the property, how it would be financed, and what the use will be. If the city does decide to purchase the Turner property, then like the survey sent to residents for their input on how to best use the money given to the John P. Holt library; we would need to poll the Brentwood residents to see what their vision for the land would be.

If the city were to finance the purchase of the Turner Property, even at a discount for the price of what the Oman Property sold for, then this would be an increase of approximately 40% in our

property tax rate to cover the debt service. I would recommend this decision go to a referendum, for citizens to decide.

Magyar: This I do know: This is Cal Turner's property and he will likely do what he wants to do with his property. Though, he'll have to get his plan by the Planning Commission and the City Commission before it's approved. Therefore, it will likely never be developed into a commercial property, unless the Commission ends up being packed with commercial-leaning commissioners. But imagine the city going to Mr. Turner with a plan that could end up being a win/win situation for Mr. Turner and for the city, instead of sitting on the side lines and waiting for something to happen. What if that plan made it so attractive for Mr. Turner that he would have the interest in selling part or all of it to the city because he knows and can see that it's perfect for the city. Where is that plan? Again, this is the missing element that could make the difference in what happens with his land.

Pacetti: Let's stop kidding ourselves. The City is not going to be able to purchase the Turner property either in part or in whole. I've seen verbal estimates of the land value that run from 200 million to more than 400 hundred million dollars. I also doubt that Cal would be interested in selling just a piece.

We can be certain that this important land will be developed, and when it is, I hope that the City can work with the Turner Family on a plan that will maximize green space that is open to the entire community (as opposed to green space within a gated community). Cal Turner's plan in 2003, as it evolved over many months of community and commissioner input, called for more than 270 acres of open space (as I recall) with walking, biking, and horse trails included. Plus, it provided the much-desired pedestrian and bike connectivity between east and west Brentwood.

I'd love to see this plan revisited and updated with current citizen input. It could be Brentwood's Central Park!

The alternative, with existing R1 and Agricultural zoning, could be 400-500 mega-homes with zero community green space.

No. It would be completely unaffordable (something that many people fail to mention). Besides, with the right spirit of cooperation between the city and the Turner family, this property could foreseeably offer the community a significant amount of green space (as noted above) with relatively modest cost to the City.

Pippin: I said at the last forum that I would love to see that land preserved for passive park use if at all possible.

Smith: Yes, it would be wonderful for the city to purchase all or at least some of the property should the Turner family make it available to our city. Retaining areas as a combination of parkland, trails, woodlands, and a Brentwood historical village would be optimal in my opinion (we could even call it "Turner Village").

Travis: I would be in favor of purchasing the property if we could afford it! A large portion should be in the form of a park - perhaps even calling it Turner Park!

b. Would you be willing to support the increase of taxes to purchase all or a significant portion of the Turner Property, or to support a bond initiative for the purchase of the Turner property in order to preserve green space beyond that of publicly visible open space?

Allen: I believe that any purchase of this size need to be vetted via a referendum in an election for funds to be earmarked specifically for green space purchase. I do not believe the City Commissioners should be responsible for levying an increase in the current city property tax structure without the buy-in of the community.

Andrews: Brentwood has been able to make it almost 30 years without increasing property taxes. During this time, the city added over 750 acres to the park system in addition to funding our core services and building and expanding a world class library. I would like to think that as a member of the commission, we will be clever enough to find a solution to connect Brentwood's East and West sides that also lets us extend our record of no tax increases.

Dunn: The cost of purchasing and maintaining this property would certainly necessitate a tax increase. I would support a referendum to approve/deny a bond issuance to do so. I thought the last time we had an "open space" referendum it would have passed if it had been specific to the Turner property. We can finally see if the community heart really beats for the beauty of this site.

Macmillan: Again, the Turner property is a very valuable tract of private property in the heart of the city and, in order to decide if it makes strategic and financial sense for the city, we would need to know the purchase price of the property, how it would be financed, and what the use will be. This city has an Adequate Facilities Tax Fund (AFT) that was used in the initial purchase of the land that is now Smith Park. Unfortunately, the AFT fund was depleted when the city agreed to donate \$2.4 million for the financing cost of the new STEM building on the Brentwood Middle/High campus. We have to make sure our county develops a long-term funding strategy to funds our schools so that we are not choosing between parks/green space and schools.

Magyar: Yes! And I believe the citizens of this great city would stand behind it wholeheartedly.

Pacetti: No.

Pippin: Ideally, I would support a bond initiative before I would support anything that created a property tax increase.

Smith: Any tax increase for such purposes would have to be placed on the ballot as a limited referendum to the people of Brentwood. If approved, the moneys from the referendum would have to be used solely for that specific purpose.

Travis: YES!

6. What is your view of the priority of bicycling/walking infrastructure implementation so that our community becomes more “walkable and bicycle friendly” in the future? Would you be willing to vote for increasing the City of Brentwood’s property taxes, by a small amount to fund new trail development, sidewalk improvements and an East-West connector across I-65?

Allen: This question needs a lot more thought, facts and financial impact to answer in any great detail. In general, I’m not for an increase in our property taxes.

Andrews: Once we take care of our fundamental city services, library, and support our schools, we should certainly focus on improving our bicycling/walking infrastructure and general mobility. I believe we will find avenues to improve sidewalks as well as create an east-west connector without increasing taxes.

Dunn: I think the city has come a long way but has more to do. At this point I would not suggest a tax increase because we are already spending a lot on biking and yet the public is often unaware of that. The Turner situation is sitting out there, and the public will only accept so much in terms of tax increases. I have included an email with this questionnaire detailing some of what has been done recently. I was talking with Graf Hilgenhurst about some of these same issues and I suggested he get a list from the city on what has been done in regard to some of the goals that his committee set. This is the list Kirk sent him. Of course, there are some short term goals they have already met.

Macmillan: Creating a walkable and bicycle friendly city is very important for our future and we need to develop a strategy of connecting the various parks and trails across the city so the residents can truly choose different modes of transportation to get from point A to Point B, and to have plenty of miles for walking/biking for exercise and recreation. We have I65 and two railroad crossings dividing the city so any connections would be a major undertaking requiring approvals from TDOT and CSX and should be addressed in a comprehensive plan. The green space study can help identify possible solutions for our existing and future connectivity. The study can also guide us in future developments where we incorporate bike paths while maintaining our one-acre density. Based on the options available, a tax increase is NOT required to accomplish the connectivity and I am opposed to a tax increase.

Magyar: I believe there may be ways to do this without raising taxes. But if not, I would support that. Though, I would explore every other option before raising taxes. I also believe, as I mentioned above, that it all starts with a great master plan. The plan typically spawns ideas for how to get it done and will also allow the city to plan to move funds toward that if they have a target.

Pacetti: High Priority. Yes, by a small amount. I'd prefer to see it included as part of any future Turner development.

Pippin: Again, I would hesitate to initiate anything that created a property tax increase. I would be open to the idea of a referendum to gauge citizen support.

Smith: New trail development and some type of East-West connection to cross I-65 are ventures that must be pursued. Funding for such projects, however, should be from federal or state grants, private partnerships, or existing discretionary funds. Discrete, focused referendums could also be proposed (as above) but I would not support a property tax increase.

Travis: I voted to do the study recommended by the Bike and Pedestrian Committee; we have seen the results of the study and shared east-west connection opinions with the public. We are gathering data on the costs of the east-west connectors. Depending on the costs we will determine how to pay for the project. First priority right now is a new Police Headquarters - we hope to do that without a property tax increase. I would hope we could fund the connector in a like way.

7. What city (besides Brentwood) do you admire for their healthy outdoor living infrastructure and what characteristic(s) would you like to see more of in Brentwood?

Allen: To be honest, Nashville. It is hard to imagine Nashville without the Warner Parks. What an absolute treasure it is to have the amount of open green space and trails available for our community to enjoy.

Andrews: Having lived in Brentwood a vast majority of my life while also having been able to travel a great deal, there is not another city that I believe should be copied as Brentwood is truly unique and beautiful. Ironically, for me, Brentwood represents both the best and one of the more challenging of what I've experienced in terms of healthy outdoor living infrastructure.

One of the best aspects of Brentwood as it relates to outdoor living is that if you are in reasonable physical shape and live anywhere along the Little Harpeth River east of I-65, you can access Crockett Park, the Eddie Arnold Amphitheater, the Williamson County Indoor Sports Complex, the Brentwood Library, the Martin Center, the Brentwood Family YMCA, Tower Park, the Heritage, Crockett Elementary, Woodland Middle, Ravenwood High School, and Smith Park without ever getting on a public road. It is all accessible by bike or on foot through our trail system. Weather and endurance permitting, you could live the outdoor dream right here in our city, no internal combustion required.

The more challenging aspect is if you don't live near the connected parks or trails. In this circumstance, you may have to try to get over the interstate or travel one of our roads with open drainage and no shoulders, in which case you have to choose between driving and living dangerously.

Brentwood has it right, but there are improvements we still need to make.

Dunn: I have family members that are avid bikers. My brother in law and his son biked the entire Natchez Trace trail to New Orleans and are always involved in some biking event. My other nephew and his wife are into biking also and live in Oregon. Based on family

conversations and hearing them discuss the various places they have visited for biking they are very outspoken in favor of Portland, Oregon. Also, there is a lot of hiking there and skiing is nearby. It sounds like a healthy place to live.

One thing I would like to see us do here is something I saw in my daughter's new residence in Naperville IL. I am not happy they moved but this was a nice feature. The whole city is flat so they have sidewalks everywhere. They have a park called Nike Sports Park and they have bike days where bike safety is taught, obstacle courses for riding the bikes are set up, bike games, etc. This is for four years old and up through elementary school. It is not a once a year event. If you really want to change a culture, though, you start with the young people. From what I was told by my daughter, the NPD basically handles the oversight of the program but has a lot of volunteers. We could do something like that and have ex-Police Academy students be volunteers or regular citizens.

I think it could be fun, healthy, and educational.

Macmillan: I have traveled to many different cities across our great nation and abroad and have found Brentwood to be the most desirable place to call home that is why I chose Brentwood. Our existing athletic fields, green space, parks, and trail system are very good. That doesn't mean we should stop, we should continue to grow and improve them in a fiscally responsible manner. The balanced approach has served the resident well.

Magyar: I don't have an answer for this question. My wife and I moved her from Houston 22 years ago; coming from Houston, we think we already have it pretty good here! But, it's a great question. Perhaps the best place to start is with great examples for a template.

Pacetti: San Diego, because of its great 75° weather, abundant parks and green spaces, and beach. Can we do that here?

Pippin: While I have not visited any of these trails personally, I have read good things about them: Listed in no particular order of importance: the Mount Vernon Trail in Northern Virginia, the Schuylkill River Trail in Philadelphia and the Willamette River Trail in Eugene, Ore.

Smith: Some cities have more water features that are readily accessible in or near their downtown areas (ponds, fountains, etc.). Other park features tailored to our senior population (pavilions, bocce courts, e.g.) and our children (the planned splash pad, e.g.) should be explored and planned as revenue and space allow. Historic preservation and education should also be emphasized when and where appropriate.

Travis: I actually admire Brentwood the most! As the City of Brentwood website states - 'The Goal of the Parks and Recreation Department is to provide a variety of active and passive parks facilities and programs to accommodate the needs, interests, and expectations of local residents or other users.' We have 14 parks and a dog park! I think that is exceptional for a city our size... and we have Williamson County recreation facilities too!

About Citizens for Brentwood Green Space, Inc.

The Citizens for Brentwood Green Space, Inc. (CBGS) is a volunteer citizens group organized as a 501(c) (3) nonprofit corporation. Our mission is to preserve open space in the form of parks, trails, historic sites, and flood plains while being sensitive to the rights of landowners and developers. CBGS desires to assure that ongoing development of land resources is accomplished in a way that is beneficial to landowners, to existing citizens of the city, and to future generations of Brentwood residents.

For more information please visit www.brentwoodgreenspace.org, our Facebook site “Brentwood Green Space” or follow us on Twitter @BrentwoodGreenS.

About Bike Walk Brentwood

Education and Awareness - We are committed to bringing education to our citizens and community leaders about the benefits of walking and biking. We are committed to bringing awareness of laws for safe walking and biking. We do this through community events, outreach and communication.

Bike and Pedestrian Infrastructure - We work to make Brentwood more walkable and bikeable. From every area of Brentwood, we want to connect neighborhoods, schools, parks and businesses with safe sidewalks, bike paths, streets and highways.

Advocacy - We serve in support locally of the region and statewide Bike Walk Tennessee organization. With support of involved citizens and areas businesses, we believe that local funding for improving walking and biking should be prioritized yearly as part of the Brentwood City budget.

For more information please visit <https://www.bikewalkbrentwood.org>.