



ABOUT TOWN ▪ JUNE 10, 2016 UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF



SAND VOLLEYBALL COURTS NOW OPEN



After multiple weather delays, the Moraga Commons park volleyball courts are open and ready for play. A new drainage system, special volleyball sand and an adjustable height net system will complement the award-winning Moraga Commons park. Court reservation forms are available at [Moraga Rec.](#) For questions about use policies, please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 888-7036.



RHEEM BOULEVARD LANDSLIDE REPAIR JUNE - OCTOBER 2016

The primary purpose of the Rheem Boulevard Landslide Repair project is to stabilize an existing landslide and repair the roadway to improve public safety and provide a better travel surface. Detour signs have been placed to notify motorists that the section of Rheem Boulevard between Fay Hill Road and 591 Rheem Boulevard will be closed to through traffic until the road is completely repaired. All residents along Rheem Boulevard will continue to have access to their homes during construction. **Work is expected to begin on June 15, with completion expected in late October 2016.** Emergency services, the school districts, bus companies, garbage, postal service, Saint Mary's College and other agencies affected by the temporary closure have all been notified. To minimize the duration of the road closure, the Town will allow construction activities from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm on weekdays and from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm on Saturdays. For questions, contact Paul Medeiros, pmedeiros@shhomes.com, 408-529-6020, or Moraga Public Works, publicworks@moraga.ca.us, 925-888-7026,.



BUY A ROCKET AND 4TH OF JULY EVENTS

SUPPORT THE FIREWORKS – BUY A ROCKET!

Continue the tradition and help raise \$27,000 for the annual July 4th community fireworks! Please contribute to the Buy-A-Rocket fund to help continue this event. [Donate online](#) or send a check to Moraga Parks and Recreation, 2100 Donald Drive, Moraga, CA 94556, Attn: Buy-A-Rocket. Thank you for your donations.

JULY 4th FUN FOR EVERYONE

Enjoy a full day of food, parades, fun and games at the Moraga Commons park on Monday, July 4th! The day starts with a [fun run/walk](#), pancake breakfast, dog parade, children's bike parade, magic show, jumpies, food booths, beer and wine, a free concert with [The Floorshakers](#) and ends with a bang with FIREWORKS!

PUBLIC SAFETY ALERT

Due to increased danger from illegal fireworks on the golf course over the past few years, nobody will be allowed to view the fireworks show from the golf course. The only viewing area will be near the putting green off of St. Andrews Drive. Anyone on the course will be escorted off or subject to trespass laws. The public needs to understand that if the illegal activities continue this year, the event will be canceled. Please be respectful and support the continuation of this meaningful civic event.



CITY VENTURES PROJECT UPDATE

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on June 6 to consider approval of a General Development Plan and Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map for the proposed 36-unit Moraga Town Center Homes project (the City Ventures project). This approval is the second step of the three-part Planned Development review process for subdivisions, and follows the Town Council's May 2015 approval of a Conceptual Development Plan and re-zoning for the project. The Planning Commission continued the public hearing to June 20, and staff plans to request an additional continuation to a future date in July at that meeting. For more information contact Holly Pearson, Senior Planner, at hpearson@moraga.ca.us. The plans currently under review are available on the [project webpage](#).



SLOW DOWN LAMORINDA!

Moraga, Lafayette and Orinda Police Departments are launching the **Slow Down Lamorinda** campaign this summer to address speed violations through enforcement and education, to improve traffic safety and to reduce vehicle accidents. Teams of officers from all three departments will rotate among the three cities on selected days for concentrated enforcement. Please do your part and SLOW DOWN LAMORINDA!



Get in the swing of summer...

Slow Down Lamorinda!



RECENT TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS ON JUNE 8, 2016

COUNTYWIDE TRANSPORTATION SALES TAX

Town Council unanimously adopted a resolution of support for a proposed County-wide half-cent sales tax measure for transportation, to be placed on the November 2016 ballot by the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA). The new measure, if approved, would generate approximately \$2.8 billion over its 30 year life; approximately 23% of these funds would be returned to Contra Costa cities for local streets and road maintenance, in addition to funding major streets improvements; BART capacity improvements; congestion relief; senior and school transit; and bicycle and pedestrian projects. For more information on the sales tax measure, visit the [CCTA website](#).

2016 FULL DEPTH RECLAMATION PAVING PROJECT

The construction contract for the 2016 Full Depth Reclamation Paving project was approved by Town Council to reconstruct: 1) Bollinger Canyon Road (St. Mary's Road to Joseph Drive); 2) Corliss Drive (Wakefield Drive to Camino Ricardo); and 3) Larch Avenue (#1160 Larch Avenue to Camino Pablo) with a recycling technique that provides cost savings of 30% to 40% when compared to traditional reconstruction methods.

Please consider volunteering for the door-to-door public outreach program. Each member of the project team will play an integral part in keeping friends and neighbors informed about this year's project and the long-term pavement management program. A Volunteer Outreach Orientation is scheduled for Monday, June 20, at 6:00 pm at the Hacienda de las Flores, La Sala Building located at 2100 Donald Drive, Moraga. RSVP by signing up [online](#) by Wednesday, June 15. For more information contact KC Bowman at kbowman@moraga.ca.us or by calling 925-888-7028.

FISCAL YEAR 2016/17 BUDGET UPDATE

The Town Council was presented with the FY 2016/17 draft budget document and provided direction to staff on outstanding unfunded items. The Council's direction will be incorporated into the budget document for consideration and adoption on June 22, 2016. While the operating budget is structurally balanced, the lack of asset replacement funds has left several capital improvement projects unfunded until a mid-year review of the Town's financial status. Additionally, the Town Council provided direction on funding repairs for the sinkhole at Rheem Boulevard/Center Street, estimated at \$2.8 million for FY 2016/17. Anticipating that any emergency financial assistance received will be provided on a reimbursement basis, the Council determined that a combination of one-time developer funds (Palos Colorados) and General Purpose Fund reserves will initially be used to pay for the sinkhole repairs. Any reimbursements received will be deposited back into those funds, with funds applied to the one-time developer fund first.

JOINT MORAGA-LAFAYETTE PAVEMENT PROJECT

Town Council authorized additional funding to fully fund the Town's portion of the Joint Moraga-Lafayette Pavement Maintenance Surface Seal Project. The next step is for the Lafayette City Council to award the construction contract on June 13, 2016.



CONCORD BEES NOT AFRICANIZED

Test results requested by the Mt. Diablo Beekeepers Association (MDBA) to determine the type of bees involved in the May 13 Concord bee incident showed no evidence of Africanized Honey Bee ancestry. The bees in Concord were identified as European Honey Bees. The swarm season, a natural phenomenon when masses of honeybees leave their old hives in search of a new home, is drawing to a close. Right now, honeybees are out during the day foraging for nectar and pollen, a normal activity that continues until wintertime. For information about the MDBA, visit diablobees.org; for information about honeybees, go to beeinformed.org.



MORAGA CRIME STATISTICS FOR 2016 YEAR-TO-DATE

The Moraga Police Department (MPD) reviewed crime statistics for the first five months of 2016 and found fewer thefts, burglaries and motor vehicle thefts reported than in 2015. MPD attributes the reduction to residents who have been diligent in securing their property and reporting suspicious activity, allowing officers to investigate. Keep up the good work!

Crime Type	2015	2016	% change
Homicide	0	0	0
Rape	1	0	-100%
Robbery	1	1	0
Assault	9	9	0
Burglary	18	7	-61.1%
Larceny (theft)	44	35	-20.5%
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	7	-12.5%



RHEEM BOULEVARD SINKHOLE UPDATE

The Town's initial request for financial assistance to repair the sinkhole was denied by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) through the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). The Town disputes the findings and will appeal the decision. The Town Council award of construction contract for the sinkhole repair has been postponed to July 13, due to the pending appeal. The Town will continue to do everything possible to get the repairs done quickly; support the business community during the repair phase; and seek financial assistance until all options are exhausted.



SUMMER DAY CAMP FUN AT THE HACIENDA



Kids looking to have fun this summer, without having to leave Moraga, need look no further. Camp Hacienda is a day camp for kids ages five through ten where weekly themes set the stage for a great variety of activities to keep them entertained every day! Daily rates and extended care are also available. Camp is held at the Hacienda de las Flores; 2100 Donald Drive with occasional trips to the Moraga Commons park. [Register](#) today!



COFFEE WITH A COP - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

Join Moraga Police Department personnel for "Coffee with a Cop" on Wednesday, June 15, beginning at 6:00 pm at Starbucks, 500 Moraga Road. Officers will be there for coffee and informal conversation with Moraga residents. Call MPD at 925-888-7052 for more information.



LIVABLE MORAGA ROAD TO COUNCIL - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22

On Wednesday, June 22, the Town Council will consider approval of the overall corridor concept for the Livable Moraga Road project, which covers Moraga Road from Campolindo High School to the Commons Park. The Town Council [previously considered](#) potential options for Segment 3 of the study area between Donald Drive and Corliss Drive, voting 3-2 to support a revised configuration for this half mile segment that would include one southbound lane, two northbound lanes, and a center turn lane, as well as bike lanes, parking, and a separated eight-foot wide path for pedestrians and cyclists. The overall Livable Moraga Road concept, developed through a highly engaged public process over the past three years, proposes improvements along the corridor's length to improve intersection functionality, improve aesthetics, and provide safe facilities for pedestrians and cyclists, while maintaining traffic flow. For more information contact [Coleman Frick](#), Assistant Planner.



FIRST FREE SUMMER CONCERT - THURSDAY, JUNE 23

Start the summer off right Thursday night, June 23, and enjoy the sights and sounds of [Apple Z](#), a popular Bay Area rock and roll band. Concerts start at 6:30 pm at the Moraga Commons park. Arrive early and visit the food concession sponsored by the Moraga Park Foundation. [Full Concert Schedule](#).



FIELD DAY AT THE COMMONS PARK - SATURDAY, JUNE 25

Join Lamorinda Area Radio Interest Group (LARIG) at the Moraga Commons park on Saturday, June 25, for Field Day, the most popular amateur radio on-the-air event in North America. The annual event is free and open to the public from 11:00 am to dusk. Field Day is partly educational, partly an operating event and all about fun! LARIG power is provided by batteries, generators or solar power and demonstrates its off-the-grid capabilities in emergencies. LARIG volunteers train to assist civic and first responders in the event of an emergency and also provide radio communications during community events.



FAMILY CAMP-OUT AT RANCHO LAGUNA PARK - JULY 23 AND 24

Enjoy an overnight family camping experience at Rancho Laguna park Saturday, July 23 to Sunday, July 24, featuring family games, crafts for kids, and a campfire under the stars. Dinner and continental breakfast will be provided. Families should bring camping equipment including a tent and sleeping bags, chairs, flashlights, snacks, a change of clothes and personal items. No pets are allowed at this event. ALL FAMILY MEMBERS ATTENDING MUST BE REGISTERED BY JULY 15! Cost is \$18 per person. [Register online](#) or call 925-888-7036 for additional information.



UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

Monday, June 13, 7:00 pm – [Design Review Board](#), CANCELLED

Tuesday, June 14, 5:00 pm – [Art in Public Spaces Committee](#), Council Chambers, 335 Rheem Boulevard

Monday, June 20, 7:00 pm – [Planning Commission](#), Council Chambers, 335 Rheem Boulevard

Wednesday, June 22, 7:00 pm – [Town Council](#), 335 Rheem Boulevard

Wednesday, June 29, 7:00 pm – [Park and Recreation Commission](#), Hacienda, Mosaic (Special Date)

All meetings are open to the public. Visit the [Town's](#) website for updated agendas and packets.



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