



## ABOUT TOWN - JUNE 11, 2020 UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF



### TOWN'S NEW WEBSITE GOES LIVE ON MONDAY, JUNE 15



The Town's new website platform is scheduled to "go live" to the community on Monday, June 15. The updated website will provide residents with increased functionality and improve the availability of information through customizable options in the "Notify Me" module. New features include mobile-friendly design and a robust agenda center with improved search functions. The dynamic website will help keep residents informed through the use of "News Flashes" which allow for customization so that residents stay informed on topics of interest. Current agenda

subscribers will be automatically signed up to receive the Town Council agenda and will be sent information on how to add Commission and Committee agendas to their subscription. We hope you enjoy the new look and the new website!



### MORAGA POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

The Town Council received an [update](#) from Police Chief King regarding the Moraga Police Department (MPD). The Chief noted that members of MPD were disgusted by what they saw in the video of the death of George Floyd. MPD is currently reviewing its policies and the Chief provided a comparison of current policies to those recommended by #8cantwait (a campaign by Black Lives Matter to bring change to Police Departments), noting that MPD policies meet five of the eight recommendations and explaining why they do not meet the other three recommendations. The Council was also advised of the Department's outreach efforts and that the officers are dedicated to serving the Moraga community in the best way possible.

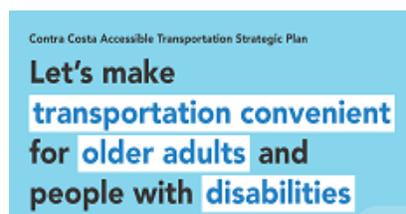


### CANYON ROAD BRIDGE WILL BE OPEN MOST DAYS STARTING ON JUNE 19

The Canyon Road Bridge Replacement Project is in its eighth week of construction. In the past two weeks, abutment #1 footing and abutment #2 wall have been poured, and falsework installation has begun. Due to the Project Team's hard work and the cooperation of the community, the last day for the daily bridge closure will be June 18. Future closures will be scheduled on an as-needed basis. The Town's new website will be able to provide email updates to the community regarding progress on the bridge. On or after June 15, please go to the Town's [website](#) and sign up via Notify Me to receive updates on the Canyon Road Bridge and any other information you'd like to receive.



### CONTRA COSTA ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC PLAN



Contra Costa County and the Contra Costa Transportation Authority are conducting an Accessible Transportation Strategic Plan to improve transportation for disabled individuals, seniors, and veterans. Input from this sector of the population and their caregivers is greatly needed to help guide the future of public transportation. Please take the survey at [Transportation Survey](#) and be entered into a drawing for a \$25 gift card. The survey closes

June 30, 2020. For more information visit [Accessible Transportation Strategic Plan](#).



## MORAGA CHAMBER TOWN HALL MEETING RECAP

On Monday, June 8, the Chamber of Commerce hosted a virtual Town Hall meeting. Speakers included: Supervisor Candace Andersen, Mayor Korpus, Town Manager Battenberg, Police Chief King, Parks and Recreation Director Brandt, Fire Chief Winnacker, AUHSD Superintendent Nickerson, MSD Superintendent Burns, VP for Alumni Poppingo from Saint Mary's College and Ellide Smith, Chair of the Campolindo Parents Club on Diversity and Inclusion. The 90-minute plus Town Hall meeting was recorded and is available at the [Chamber of Commerce's website](#).



## MORAGA FIREWORKS CANCELLED - VIRTUAL JULY 4th CELEBRATION

The Town of Moraga has cancelled the traditional 4th of July Celebration and fireworks display. The display typically draws large crowds and does not meet current COVID-19 guidelines on community events. In lieu of the typical celebration, the Town encourages residents to celebrate at home and share photos on social media of their participation in a virtual dog parade, children's bike parade, and front-yard barbeque to connect with their friends and neighbors. More information regarding how to participate will be available with the launch of the Town's new website.



## RECENT TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS ON JUNE 10

### ***FY 2020/21 OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGETS***

Town Council reviewed and discussed the proposed \$22.75 million budget for FY 2020/21 which includes \$9.82 million Operating Budget and \$12.93 million Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget. The budget projects a small surplus of \$2,196 and a year-end General Fund Reserve level of \$4.87 million, or 51%. The proposed budget includes \$8.3 million for construction on the permanent Canyon Road Bridge, \$3.1 million of investment in other transportation related projects; \$300,000 for enhanced storm drain operations and maintenance program; \$376,000 for capital asset replacement; and \$165,000 to begin rezoning the Bollinger Valley Study Area. The proposed budget will be presented for consideration and adoption at the June 24, 2020 regular Council meeting.

### ***ORDINANCE TO STREAMLINE SIGNS APPROVAL PROCESS***

The Town Council voted unanimously to amend several sections of Chapter 8.88 – “Signs” of the Moraga Municipal Code to streamline the approval process for certain types of signs and to allow for new master sign programs to include a greater degree of variation from the current standards. At the same time, Council also directed staff to revisit the Town's Design Guidelines pertaining to signs to confirm that none of the approved amendments to Chapter 8.88 require any amendments to those guidelines, and report back to the Council at a later date with its findings.

### ***SHORT-TERM RENTALS ORDINANCE***

The Short-Term Rentals Ordinance was approved and adopted on a split vote of 3-2. With this adoption, the Moraga Municipal Code will now include Chapter 8.114. The Ordinance will become effective on July 10, 2020. At that time all Short-Term Rentals must be “*Hosted Short-Term Rentals*” which are a rental with an owner/operator who lives on-site for the majority of the calendar year and treats it as a primary residence. Additionally, Short-Term Rentals shall not be rented for a duration of less than two (2) consecutive nights and must be located within a permitted and permanently constructed dwelling unit.

### ***RIGHT-OF-WAY LANDSCAPING RESPONSIBILITIES***

On May 27, 2020 the Council considered a proposed Ordinance clarifying abutting property owners' responsibilities within the public right-of-way (which includes the sidewalk area from the roadway edge to the private property line) for maintaining trees, shrubs, hedges and other landscaping. On June 10, the Town Council adopted the Right-of-Way Landscape Responsibility Ordinance. The Ordinance goes into effect 30 days after the adoption.

### ***CONSOLIDATION OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION***

Town Council adopted a resolution calling for the election; requesting the County authorize consolidation with other elections; and authorizing the Town to reimburse the County for all election

services. They also adopted a resolution setting policy for the candidates' statements. There are three Council seats open for the 2020 election with the open nomination period running from Monday, July 13 through Friday, August 7. Contact the [Town Clerk](#) (or 925-888-7022) for more information.

### ***STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT***

The Town Council continued this item to the June 24, 2020 Town Council meeting.

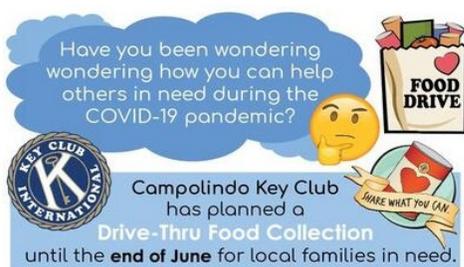


### **VIMEO LIVESTREAM WILL NO LONGER SUPPORT INTERNET EXPLORER**

Vimeo has informed the Town that as of June 16, 2020, Vimeo Livestream will no longer support playback on Internet Explorer 11 (IE11). Viewers who are currently using IE11 will be asked to switch to one of the following modern browsers for playback. Supported desktop browsers include: *Google Chrome 45+; Mozilla Firefox 49+; Safari 10+; and Microsoft Edge 15+.* Supported mobile browsers include: *Google Chrome 45+ and Safari 10+ (iOS).* The public will no longer be able to view the Moraga Town Council, Commission or Committee meetings via LiveStream without using one of the listed browsers.



### **CAMPOLINDO KEY CLUB FOOD DRIVE THROUGH JUNE 30**



Campolindo High School Key Club has launched a Food Drive for the month of June benefiting the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano. It's easy - Email [campokeyclub@gmail.com](mailto:campokeyclub@gmail.com) with your name and address; Friday morning place a bag of nonperishable food next to your mailbox; Friday afternoon volunteers will drive by and pick up your donation. The Kiwanis Club is providing drivers to pick up donations.



### **UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS**

Monday, June 15, – [Planning Commission](#) **CANCELLED**

Tuesday, June 16, 7:00 pm – [Park and Recreation Commission](#) **TELECONFERENCED**

Wednesday, June 24, 7:00 pm – [Town Council](#) **LOCATION TBD**

The Town Council Chambers are located at [335 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga, CA 94556.](#)

The Hacienda de las Flores is located at [2100 Donald Drive, Moraga, CA 94556.](#)

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



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