



ABOUT TOWN - APRIL 14, 2022 UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF



JOINT TOWN COUNCIL/PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING - WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

Mark your calendar for the upcoming Town Council and Planning Commission joint meeting to discuss Housing Element zoning incentives for developments. Zoning incentives are a method to encourage private development of affordable housing units consistent with the vision and goals developed in the Housing Element. The study session will cover the following: reduced parking standards and parking incentives; use of Floor Area Ratio in lieu of density; adoption of an Inclusionary Housing Requirement (a requirement that a percentage of new residential units be affordable) and transfer of density rights.



MORAGA ENERGY GENERATION STUDY WEBINAR - THURSDAY, APRIL 21

The Town will provide a webinar regarding the Moraga Energy Generation Study to seek input from the community on Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 6:00 pm. The webinar will present the initial findings regarding alternative energy sources and back-up power for Town facilities. The Zoom webinar may be accessed at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85048511299> or by telephone at: 1-669-900-6833 (webinar ID: 850 4851 1299).



RECENT TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS ON APRIL 13, 2022

COUNCIL APPRECIATION OF OUTGOING COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION MEMBERS



The Town Council thanked and honored the Town's outgoing Committee and Commission members, including: David Zeimer (Art in Public Spaces), Tim Freeman (Audit and Finance Committee), Graig Crossley and Bob Foxall (Local Sales Tax Oversight Committee); Bob Giomi (Park and Recreation Commission) and Andrew Lueder (Planning Commission). The success of the Town is largely due to those who dedicate their time and energy toward making Moraga a better place to live, work and play. Thank you to all who volunteer.

MORAGA SMALL BUSINESS RECOVERY GRANT PROGRAM

The Council approved \$150,000 in funding for a Business Recovery Grant program to provide up to \$5,000 in grant funding to small businesses in Moraga impacted by the pandemic to assist with economic recovery. Grants will be awarded on a first come, first served basis. A completed [Business Recovery Grant Application](#) should be submitted via email to Planning@Moraga.ca.us; or dropped off / mailed to : Town of Moraga, Planning Department, 329 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga, CA 94556.

HOUSING OPPORTUNITY SITES AND REZONING

The Town Council provided direction on Housing Opportunity Sites and Rezoning Options. View the [staff report](#) and [PowerPoint presentation](#). As part of the State-mandated Housing Element, the Town is required to demonstrate that it has the capacity to accommodate 1,118 additional housing units by 2031. The availability of housing sites is one of the major factors considered. Council provided feedback on increasing the density for multi-family units in several Moraga Center areas in order to meet the additional capacity while other areas would be modified or remain as is. Council also provided direction on portions of the

Rheem Center areas to allow for multi-family in new Mixed Office-Residential and Mixed Commercial/Residential districts.

LOCAL ROADWAY SAFETY PLAN

The Local Roadway Safety Plan (LRSP) project was launched to inform the Council and community and request feedback. This was the first of three anticipated meetings in which the LRSP will be presented. A website has been developed to inform interested community members about the project and receive community feedback. The website can be reached through the Town's website: [Local Roadway Safety Plan | Moraga](#), or directly through [Moraga LRSP Information and Feedback](#). Check out the 2015 – 2019 Collision data and report your areas of concern relating to traffic safety, including motorized vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian traffic along Moraga's roadways.

CAPITAL ASSET REPLACEMENT FIVE-YEAR PLAN

Town Council considered the Five-Year Capital Asset Replacement Plan and provided direction to staff. The Town has invested nearly \$1.3 in the asset replacement program over the past three years. This includes grants, donations, and investments from both General and Restricted Town funds. Staff recommends \$315,500 in asset replacement projects in Fiscal Year 2022/23 which include: Hacienda / Pavilion Flagstone Staircase Phase 1: Design; Hacienda Metal Entrance Gate; Picnic Tables at Rancho Laguna Park; one Police vehicle and one Public Works Vehicle; and IT server and hardware. The recommendations will be included into the Five-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and approved as part of the Fiscal Year 2022/23 budget. View the [PowerPoint presentation](#).

DETERMINING THE ANNUAL NPDES ASSESSMENT

The Town Council continued the Town's Equivalent Runoff Unit (ERU) assessment rate at \$35 per ERU, known as National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) funding. The \$35 per ERU rate is the maximum currently allowed and has been in place since Fiscal Year 2003/04. The assessment is collected by the Contra Costa County Flood Control & Water Conservation District to fund the Contra Costa Clean Water Program (CCCWP) and the Town's programs for compliance with the Federal Clean Water Act.

PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL AS NATIONAL SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

The Town council presented a proclamation declaring April as National Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Sexual assault is a critical issue as 13,439 forcible rapes were reported in California during 2020; 283 of those in Contra Costa County. There are a number of resources to support victims, especially Community Violence Solutions, which is a group that operates the Rape Crisis Center and the Children's Interview Center and is dedicated to working towards a society where all can live in peace, free from violence and exploitation. For more information visit the Community Violence Solutions [website](#).



UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

Monday, April 18, 7:00 pm – [Park and Recreation Commission](#), TELECONFERENCE

Tuesday, April 19, 6:30 pm – [Planning Commission](#), TELECONFERENCE

Wednesday, April 20, 5:30 pm – [Local Sales Tax Oversight Committee](#), TELECONFERENCE

Thursday, April 21, at 6:00 pm – Moraga Energy Generation Study, TELECONFERENCE

Wednesday, April 27, 6:30 pm – [Town Council](#), Council Chambers

Wednesday, May 4, 6:00 pm – [Joint Town Council and Planning Commission](#), TELECONFERENCE

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](#).

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