

ABOUT TOWN - DECEMBER 2, 2022 UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF



AFFORDABLE HOUSING ORDINANCE

On December 7, the Town will consider an Affordable Housing Ordinance that requires 10% affordability as well as Policy Incentives for new residential developments. The ordinance is a commonly used tool to ensure that some of the units in new developments are affordable to seniors, students and the workforce. Inclusionary housing requires and incentivizes developers to provide residential units at a price that is considered affordable to low or moderate-income households. The Policy Incentives would provide additional density, reduced parking and an additional concession to make production of affordable housing more viable in the Town. Residents and those who work in the Town are encouraged to provide input at the December 7 Town Council meeting.



TOWN MANAGER RECRUITMENT COMMUNITY SURVEY



The recruitment for a new Town Manager is ongoing. The Town Manager is appointed by the Town Council and is responsible for addressing the priorities established by the Council and overseeing day-to-day operations. The Council would like to continue getting feedback from the community to guide the recruitment and selection strategies. Please take a few moments to respond to the brief survey. The survey is open and accessible via this link: Town Manager Survey.



MORAGA FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL PROJECT

EBMUD and our contractor Condon Johnson have completed all the landslide remediation work including hydroseeding. Next week, Monday, December 5 through Wednesday, December 7, the trail will be closed at 161 Westchester to allow for the removal of the detour ramp, demobilization of the staging area, and for final cleanup. After completion of this work, trail users will be able to make a Uturn on the trail at Westchester. The hillside will remain fenced off until East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) completes the restoration and paving of the trail at a later date. This is to prevent any damage to the hydroseeding and planting and to protect pedestrian safety.



COMMENT ON THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DRAFT EIR)



Draft Environmental Impact Report

The Town is soliciting comments pertaining to the content of the Draft EIR for the Town's Comprehensive Advanced Planning Initiative. The Draft EIR identifies and discusses potential impacts resulting from implementation of the proposed Initiative aimed at ensuring the Town has a sufficient number of appropriately zoned sites to meet its Regional Housing Needs Allocation of 1,118 residential units. View the Draft EIR and Report Appendices. Comments should be emailed to makemoragahome@moraga.ca.us prior to the deadline of 5:00 pm on December 12, 2022.



LETTERS TO SANTA

Moraga can now send mail directly to the North Pole! Drop your letter to Santa in the mailbox at the Moraga Commons Park and get a very special letter in return. Santa's bright red mailbox is located in front of the Holiday Tree at the park. Please make sure letters include a legible name and return address. Letters to Santa must be received in the mailbox by Wednesday, December 14 at 5:00pm.





TOY DRIVE TO BENEFIT THE USMC TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM



The Moraga Police Officers Association has begun their annual toy drive to benefit the USMC Toys for Tots program. The participation was started by Moraga's late Detective, Kevin Mooney, who was also a Marine Corps officer. Through Kevin's efforts and in his memory, thousands of toys and over \$10,000 has been collected to benefit this program and provide toys to many children who otherwise might not receive gifts at Christmas. Collection bins are at the Town Hall, Ace Hardware, Starbucks, Safeway, OSH, TJ Maxx and Campolindo High School. Please consider donating unwrapped toys to benefit children in need throughout the Bay Area.



SEE'S CANDY HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER

The Kiwanis Club of Moraga Valley has been selling See's candy during the holiday season annually since 2010. Their fundraiser store is open 10:00 am – 5:00 pm from November 18 through December 23 in the Rheem Shopping Center near CVS with 100% of the net proceeds going to local charities and organizations that benefit the Moraga community. Thanks to the generous support of the community members, over the past three years, the Kiwanis Club of Moraga Valley has donated over \$170,000 to local organizations. For more information visit the Kiwanis website.





AUGUSTA DRIVE PIPELINE REPLACEMENT

EBMUD plans to begin pipeline replacement on Augusta Drive starting Wednesday, January 4, 2023, weather permitting. The project is expected to take approximately 8 weeks to complete including mainline installation, service transfers, and breakdown of the 2" temporary main and service connections. Typical activities and community impacts resulting from a pipeline replacement project are described at EBMUD's Community Impact webpage



UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

Tuesday, December 6, 6:30 pm – <u>Planning Commission</u>, CANCELLED Wednesday, December 7, 6:00 pm – <u>Special Town Council</u>, Council Chambers Wednesday, December 14, 6:30 pm – <u>Town Council</u>, Council Chambers

The Town Council Chambers are located at <u>335 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga, CA 94556.</u> The Hacienda de las Flores is located at <u>2100 Donald Drive, Moraga, CA 94556.</u>

All meetings are open to the public. Visit the <u>Town's</u> website for updated agendas and packets. The Town of Moraga Livestreams Town Council, Commission and Committee meetings using Vimeo. <u>View live streaming of meetings</u>.



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