



ABOUT TOWN

UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF

JANUARY 20, 2022

CANYON ROAD BRIDGE IS NOW OPEN TO TWO-WAY TRAFFIC

This week marks a significant milestone, as both lanes of the Canyon Road Bridge are now open! The new Canyon Road Bridge is the largest public works project in the Town's history. The bridge is a modern superstructure, a cast-in-place, post-tensioned concrete box girder to be exact, that will stand strong for 75+ years serving generations to come. The magnificent project has been in the works since 2013 and includes the coordination of two bridge designs (an original design, and a redesign) as well as the installation and removal of a temporary bridge.

The new Canyon Road Bridge boasts 380,000 pounds of steel rebar and 5 million pounds of concrete. The bridge is supported by 2,000 feet of underground piling support structures. The new bridge incorporates two lanes for vehicle traffic, and also includes wide bike lanes, and a 10' multi-use pathway that connects to the regional trail network. The \$12.7m project has come in under budget and includes funding from Caltrans (\$11.3m) and Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) Measure J funds (\$1.4m) to fully-fund the new Canyon Road Bridge.

Town Councils past and present have prioritized this project and Town staff have worked tirelessly to ensure minimum disruption and inconvenience to our residents. Thank you to the many partners who made this vision a reality – Contra Costa County, Caltrans, CCTA, East Bay MUD, East Bay Regional Park District, and the numerous contractors and consultants working on this project. We appreciate the support and patience of the Moraga residents, and the community of Canyon who have been impacted by this project for many years.

The remaining work on the bridge is mostly cosmetic. Over the coming months contractors will work to finish decorative railings, install lighting, and complete landscaping and site restoration.



BOLLINGER CANYON COMMUNITY MEETING - JANUARY 25

On Tuesday, January 25, 2022 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm the Town will host a Bollinger Valley Community Meeting via Zoom to obtain early input and feedback from residents on re-zoning options for the Bollinger Valley area which is currently

designated a “Study Area”. Zoning determines, among other things, what type and amount of development can be allowed on a parcel. This project is a Town Council goal and a part of the Comprehensive Advanced Planning Initiative to update the Housing Element, complete an Environmental Impact Report, and Rezone including the Bollinger Valley Special Study Area. Visit the [Town website](#) for more details. To join the Zoom meeting, Zoom Access - Meeting ID: 890 4654 8293 / Passcode: 715060

WELCOME ANNIE TO - ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR



The Town of Moraga welcomes Annie To, Administrative Services Director. Annie joins the Town of Moraga from her most recent role as Finance Director for the City of Alameda. Annie has over 20 years government finance experience including serving as Deputy Finance Director for the City of San Jose and Administrative Services Director for the City of Hercules. Annie has an MBA from JFK University and has passed the CPA exam. Annie is excited to join the Moraga team and take on the responsibilities of managing the Town's finance, human resources, risk management and information technology functions.

TOWN WELCOMES "WINGS" SCULPTURE TO RANCHO LAGUNA

The Town welcomed “Wings” by Artist [Patrick E.](#) to Rancho Laguna Park thanks to the work of the [Moraga Garden Club](#). A generous local donor funded the magnificent monarch butterfly sculpture which stands over six-feet tall. “Wings” is the newest addition to the Town’s permanent art collection and is located in front of the Moraga for Monarchs pollinator garden at Rancho Laguna Park. Finishing touches are still being made, but the new public art installation is already attracting a lot of attention from park patrons and the community.



VOLUNTEER FOR 2022 TOWN COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS



WE WANT YOU

Moraga is known for its strong sense of community and volunteerism. The Town is actively seeking civic-minded volunteers to fill critical roles on Town Committees and Commissions. Terms begin in March 2022, and most positions are two-year terms. If you are interested in applying for a Town Committee or Commission, please consider applying today! There are openings on the [Audit and Finance Committee](#) (1 opening), [Art in Public Spaces Committee](#) (1 opening), [Local Sales Tax Oversight Committee](#) (3 openings), [Park and Recreation Commission](#) (3 openings)

and [Planning Commission](#) (3 openings). If interested, please click on the Committee or Commission name for more information and to complete an application packet to submit to the Town Clerk's Office, 329 Rheem Boulevard, or email to [Town Clerk](#) by 5:00 pm on Thursday, January 27, 2022.

MORAGA LIONS CLUB CRAB FEED - JANUARY 22

The Moraga Lions Club is holding their Annual Crab Feed fundraiser on Saturday, January 22, 2022. Tickets are \$60 each and can be ordered online at [EventBrite.com](#) or via email at DanaGlasgow@comcast.net. Dinner is provided by drive-through at Holy Trinity Church, 1700 School Street, Moraga and can be picked up from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Each meal includes fresh clean cracked crab, pasta, salad, Semifreddi bread and cookies. For more information, please contact Dana Glasgow at 925-212-9341.



MOFD AWARDED \$6.3 MILLION FIRE PREVENTION GRANT

The Moraga-Orinda Fire District has been awarded a \$6.3 Million CAL FIRE Prevention Grant for the Tunnel-East Bay Hills Fuel Break Project. The project will remove hazardous fuels in an area covering more than 20,000 residents and 2,775 acres, running from western Orinda through Oakland, Berkeley, Moraga and into the unincorporated communities of Canyon and Bollinger Canyon. CAL FIRE officials are impressed with MOFD's performance, especially with its public outreach, including detailed weekly progress reports on their [website](#).

FREE AT-HOME COVID-19 TESTS NOW AVAILABLE

To ensure that all Americans have access to timely COVID-19 testing, the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services has announced a national program that enables every home in the U.S. to order four free at-home COVID-19 tests. Tests are free and arrive to your home through the mail by the U.S. Postal Service. The rapid antigen (not PCR) at-home tests can be taken anywhere and results are available within 30 minutes. Orders ship in 7 to 12 days. [Order your test now](#) so that you have them on hand when you need them.

TOWN COUNCIL GOAL SETTING - WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

The Moraga Town Council will develop goals for 2022 on Wednesday, January 26 during the regular Town Council meeting which begins at 6:30 pm. Mayor Sos and Vice Mayor Woehleke's proposed goals will be discussed and prioritized with the Council and the community. Public input is an essential part of the process to ensure that the communities' priorities are incorporated into the annual Town goals. The public is invited to provide input by sending comments to townclerk@moraga.ca.us or by participating in the meeting via Zoom webinar. To prepare for this discussion, the Town Council received a [Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats \(SWOT\) Analysis](#) at the January 12, 2022 Town Council Meeting.

APPLY NOW FOR FULL AND PART-TIME ACCOUNTING POSITIONS

The Town is hiring! The Administrative Services Department is seeking applicants for a [Full-Time Accountant](#) and a [Part-Time Accounting Technician](#). This is an excellent opportunity to join the dynamic team of Town staff and work for the Moraga community. The Full-Time Accountant position includes an excellent salary and benefit package with compensation. The Part-Time Accounting Technician position offers flexible hours and is the perfect opportunity for someone looking to work in Moraga. Apply today through [Caloops](#).

MORAGA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SEEKING BOARD MEMBERS



Are you passionate about Moraga? The Moraga Community Foundation (MCF) is looking for additional board members. MCF raises funds to finance community projects that enhance the quality of life in the Town

of Moraga. If you live or have a business in Moraga, you are eligible to apply. MCF terms are for two years, and board members meet monthly. Please email a letter of interest to applicants@moragacommunityfoundation.org. MCF is a 501(c)(3) organization. For more information about the Moraga Community Foundation, please visit their [website](#).

NEW SOCIAL SECURITY RESOURCE CENTER

The Social Security Resource Center (SSRC) was created to help workers, retired, elderly and disabled people live fruitful lives and retire with confidence. This free resource provides clear and practical information to answer every question about Social Security, Medicare, aging, and retirement. Visit their website at <https://socialsecurityofficenear.me/in/state/ca/>.

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