



## ABOUT TOWN - JANUARY 19, 2023

### UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF



### VOLUNTEER FOR 2023 TOWN COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Moraga is known for its strong sense of community and is actively seeking civic-minded volunteers to serve on all of its Committees and Commissions. In 2023 there will be openings on the:

- [Art in Public Spaces Committee](#) (1 opening)
- [Audit and Finance Committee](#) (3 openings)
- [Local Sales Tax Oversight Committee](#) (6 openings)
- [Park and Recreation Commission](#) (4 openings)
- [Planning Commission](#) (4 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 26, 2023. Please consider applying today!



### SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE FROM JANUARY 18, 2023

#### **HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE**

An informational meeting was held on the Comprehensive Advanced Planning Initiative (CAPI). The driver of the CAPI has been the Regional Housing Needs Allocation, zoning for Moraga's share of 1,118 new residential units, new State Laws, zoning of properties and affordable housing. With the CAPI, the Town has opportunities to focus most of the zoning and future development in the infill areas of its two commercial districts. Housing in these two areas can provide benefits, including revitalizing Moraga's shopping centers and creating more walkable and dynamic neighborhoods. Both the Moraga and Rheem Centers present the opportunity not only for new housing, but for civic gathering places, restaurants, shops, and new amenities. This will enable the Town to preserve the qualities residents love about Moraga such as the open space, while making the town more vibrant and prosperous. View the [staff report](#) and [PowerPoint presentation](#).



### STATUS OF STORM CLEANING

The Town of Moraga ratified an emergency proclamation that a state of emergency exist due to the storms beginning in late December. This will help facilitate relief funding to the community for damages that occurred during and due to the recent storm events. Public Works staff continues to work on the clean-up of the roads, parks, and other Town facilities. We greatly appreciate the community's cooperation during this time. Thank you!



### MORAGA GARDEN CLUB PROGRAM



"Healthy Soil, Healthy Plants" will be presented by UC Master Gardener, Mike Corby. There's no better time than now to prepare for your healthy spring planting! Please join us at 9:30 a.m. on February 16 for nibbles, with a 10 a.m. program to follow. Location is at Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School Street. We are open and free to the public!



## VEGETATION MANAGEMENT AND FUEL REDUCTION AT MULHOLLAND

Con Fire is managing a Wildfire Mitigation Program, funded by Measure X. The Fire Abatement Report provided to the Town Council on May 11, 2022 included recommended phased in funding for hand crews to clear the 100 foot perimeter of Mullholland Ridge. The FY 2022-23 Budget included two days of a 5 person hand crew to complete fire abatement work at Mullholland, and this program is offering the work at no charge to the Town. The hand crew is comprised of 16 individuals and the work is estimated to take 25 hours (5 days) total for Phase 1. Work commenced on January 17 and will finish during the week of January 23. Staff was recently notified that Phase 2's applications were accepted and will include an additional parcel in Mulholland, one on the Hacienda property, and one adjacent to West Commons Park.



## EMERGENCY RELIEF FUNDING FOR BAY AREA ARTISTS

The Minnesota Street Project Foundation has created an emergency relief initiative to offer financial resources to support artists in the San Francisco Bay Area impacted by the record-breaking rainfall and floods. Minnesota Street Project Foundation's Artist Emergency Relief Grants will provide immediate assistance to visual artists with an initial seed fund of \$20,000 to provide grants up to \$1,000 to cover unforeseen expenses resulting from emergencies that impact artists ability to work, including restoration, storage, and temporary studio space. Visual Artists who primarily reside and/or primarily work within the nine counties of the Bay Area (Marin, Sonoma, Napa, Solano, San Francisco, San Mateo, Contra Costa, Alameda, and Santa Clara) are eligible to apply. Grants are awarded based on need. Applications are available and will be accepted and reviewed immediately. [APPLY HERE](#).



## UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

Tuesday, January 24, 6:00 pm – [Special Planning Commission](#), Council Chambers

Wednesday, January 25, 6:30 pm – [Town Council](#), Council Chambers

Wednesday, February 8, [Town Council](#), **CANCELLED**

Monday, February 13, 5:00 pm – [Special Art in Public Spaces Committee](#), TELECONFERENCE

Monday, February 13, 7:00 pm – [Special Park and Recreation Commission](#), TELECONFERENCE

Wednesday, February 15, 7:00 pm – [Special Town Council](#), Council Chambers

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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