



## ABOUT TOWN - MARCH 27, 2024 UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF



Moraga was incorporated as a town in 1974 and is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year! The Town will have events and activities planned to celebrate Moraga's Semicentennial, including a parade prior to the Pear and Wine Festival on September 28. If you would like to be in the parade, please fill out the [application](#) before May 31 as space is limited!

For information on upcoming activities, visit [www.moraga.ca.us/50thAnniversary](http://www.moraga.ca.us/50thAnniversary).



### TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS ON MARCH 27, 2024



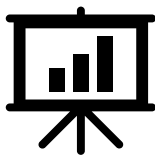
**NEW FEATURE:** Click the title of the item below to view the slide deck presented at the Town Council meeting. *(if an item is not linked, there was no presentation for that item)*

#### [MORAGA GARDEN CLUB PRESENTATION](#)

#### [COUNCIL OPPOSES POTENTIAL NOVEMBER 5, 2024 STATE BALLOT INITIATIVE: "TAXPAYER PROTECTION AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY ACT"](#)

Your Town Council adopted a resolution opposing a Statewide ballot initiative that would amend the California Constitution to change the rules with respect to how the State and local governments may impose taxes, fees, and other charges.

View the [Staff Report](#).



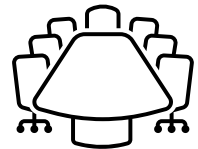
#### [APPROVAL OF FY 23-24 MID-YEAR BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS](#)

Town Council received an update on the financial condition of the Town at the mid-point of FY 23-24 and adopted a resolution approving the mid-year budget adjustments.

View the [Staff Report](#).

#### [INTERVIEW AND APPOINTMENT OF ROB PIERSON AS THE NEWEST PARK & RECREATION COMMISSIONER](#)

During the course of the regular Council meeting, your Council interviewed and appointed candidate, Rob Pierson to the final open seat on the Park & Recreation Commission. This appointment is the final appointment filling all but one open seat on the Town's Committees and Commissions.



**The last remaining vacancy is on the County Connection Advisory Board. If you are interested, please email the Town Clerk at [aheavener@moraga.ca.us](mailto:aheavener@moraga.ca.us).** View the [Staff Report](#).



## UPDATE ON SPECIAL JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION/COUNCIL MEETING

Town Council and Planning Commission held a joint study session to discuss Economic Vitality. In October 2023, the Council directed staff to develop an Economic Vitality chapter as part of the General Plan 2040 update. A White Paper provides a summary with an overview of Moraga's Economy, Retail Sector, Office Sector, Hospitality Uses, and Proposed Economic Development Policies. The White Paper also includes insights from stakeholder groups including commercial real estate brokers, major property owners, Moraga Chamber of Commerce, service organizations, Saint Mary's College students and Campus Facility and Planning Committee.



## SUSTAINABLE MORAGA!

There's still time to play the **Sustainable Movement Challenge!** Take 5 minutes to test your knowledge to promote walking/taking public transportation over driving. Just by playing, you'll be entered into a drawing (in early April) to win a \$50 gift card to Sports Basement! Play BEFORE March 31 to be entered in the drawing.

**CLICK ON THE GRAPHIC BELOW TO PLAY!**



## ARTIST'S SKETCH CRAWL @ SAINT MARY'S!

**Join Saint Mary's College Museum of Art (SMCMoA) and the Town of Moraga in our 1st Artist's Sketch Crawl!**

To begin, meet at the SMCMoA at 1 p.m. Bring your own artist's materials and sketchpad. This can be pencils, ink, watercolor, charcoal, etc. Artists will select a place on campus to sketch for 30 minutes; after the first 30 minutes, they will move to a new location and start a second sketch, then a third location for another 30 minutes and a third sketch. Artists will meet at the museum to share the three sketches at 3 p.m.



### **Date & Time**

Saturday, April 27, 2024, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

### **Location (On-campus)**

Saint Mary's College Museum of Art  
1928 St. Marys Road  
Moraga, CA 94575

[Link to Webpage Here](#)



## MORAGA CITIZEN OF THE YEAR...WENDELL BAKER!



Wendell Baker is well-known for his steady leadership and promotion of the iKind Project, launched by him in 2013. The tenets and actions of this program have powerfully impacted the environment at JM Middle School. Wendell has also had a positive influence on hundreds of Scouts in Troop 234, and beyond. Read more about his significant contributions to our town in the ***March 27 issue of the Lamorinda Weekly***.

In the meantime, make plans to attend the community celebration for Wendell on Sunday afternoon, April 14, from

4 - 6 p.m. You can secure your \$35 ticket [here with this link](#).



## UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

Wed., 4/2/24, 6:30 PM – Planning Commission Meeting - **CANCELLED**

Tue., 4/08/24, 6:30 PM – Park & Recreation Commission Meeting, Council Chambers

Mon., 4/10/24, 6:30 PM – Town Council, Council Chambers

The Town Council Chambers are located at [335 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga, CA 94556](#). The Casita, Terrace Room, La Sala Room, and Hacienda de las Flores are 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.

### How to watch live streaming of the Town Council meetings:

The Town of Moraga Livestreams Town Council and Planning Commission meetings using YouTube. Click here to [view live streaming of meetings](#) or type or paste this link in your browser <https://www.youtube.com/@TownofMoraga335/streams> to view these meetings.



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Lafayette Reservoir - Rim Trail Loop

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