



# ABOUT TOWN

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*Updates from Moraga Town Staff*



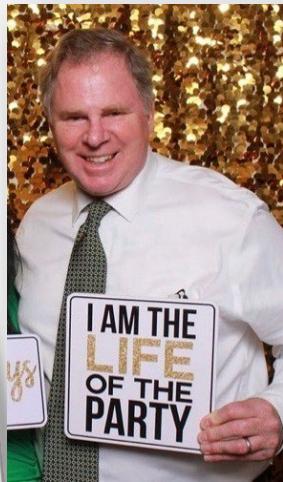
## TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS on December 10, 2025

### Presentations

#### Commendation in Honor of the Retirement of Shawn Knapp

After serving eight years as Moraga's Public Works Director and dedicating 25 years to public service in local government, Shawn Knapp is retiring this month. Former Mayor Teresa Onoda, Cherise Khaund of Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer Kahan's office, and Supervisor Candace Andersen provided public comment and congratulations to Shawn.

Town Council thanked Shawn for his years of dedication and service to the Town by presenting him with a [Commendation, which can be viewed here](#).



### Department Reports

#### The Year in Review by Mayor Steve Woehleke

Mayor Woehleke presented a Year in Review, reporting on the many accomplishments that all Town of Moraga departments achieved in 2025. [View the Presentation here](#).

#### Reorganization of the Town Council – Nomination and Election of Mayor and Vice Mayor



Mayor Woehleke presided over the reorganization by calling for a nomination for Town Council Mayor. Mayor Woehleke nominated Vice Mayor Hillis and Vice Mayor Hillis was elected Mayor.

Newly-elected Mayor Kerry Hillis called for a nomination for Vice Mayor. Councilmember Thiel nominated Councilmember Dolan for Vice Mayor, and Councilmember Dolan was elected. Thus, the 2025-2026 Town Council reorganization was completed.

MANY THANKS to Steve Woehleke for his service to the Town as Mayor in 2025!



Pictured: Supervisor, Candace Anderson (left), and Cherise Khaund, representing Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan (right)



**CONGRATULATIONS to the 2026 MORAGA TOWN COUNCIL**

## Housing Resources for Moraga Residents

The Planning Department maintains a webpage of [housing resources](#) available in the Town of Moraga, which include the Contra Costa County Mortgage Credit Certificate Program, Neighborhood Preservation Program, First Time Homebuyers Resources, ECHO's First-Time Home Buyer Counseling, Programs for Seniors, Fair Housing Programs, Housing Services for Persons with Disabilities, Landlord/Tenant Issues, California and Housing Finance Agency, and Mortgage Revenue Bonds.



Visit the website [link](#) for more information.

## Save Money & Energy with MCE



Moraga residents and businesses can save money with help from [MCE](#), our local clean energy provider since 2018:

- **[MCE Cares Credit Extended](#)**: Customers enrolled in the program will continue to receive up to \$25 off their electricity bills through March 2026 — no action needed!
- Extra Bill Savings: Check if you qualify for [California Alternate Rates for Energy \(CARE\)](#) or [Family Electric Rate Assistance \(FERA\)](#) discounts to save up to 35% each month.
- Maximize rebates: Use [MCE's Rebate and Incentive Finder](#) to find savings on EVs, solar, batteries, and more.
- **[Simple Energy-Smart Pro Tips](#)**: For most households, electricity rates are highest between 4 and 9 pm. Run major appliances earlier in the day to save money and use cleaner energy.



## Clear Debris to Prevent Flooding Prior to Rain

### “V” Ditch and Driveway Culvert Maintenance

Property owners are responsible for the concrete drainage swales on their property, known as “V” ditches. Proper “V” ditch care includes removal of debris and foreign objects, removal of vegetation that may obstruct flow, ensuring the ditch is structurally intact, and repair of ditch deficiencies.



Also, it is just as critical to maintain drainage culverts underneath your driveway in the same manner.



**For recommended guidelines, visit the Town’s website:**  
<https://moraga.ca.us/474/Storm-Drain-and-Creek-Maintenance>

*Please clear the debris to prevent flooding on your property and as a courtesy to your neighbors.*

## Rescue 1 Foundation - Vacancy

### The RESCUE 1 FOUNDATION is seeking applicants to fill a vacancy on its Board of Directors



The RESCUE 1 FOUNDATION has served as the community support organization for the Moraga-Orinda Fire District’s lifesaving paramedic services for over 48 years. The mission of the Foundation is to receive and administer donations in order to enhance public safety by providing advanced medical equipment, supplies and educational services to the community.

Residents living within the Moraga-Orinda Fire District’s service area are eligible to apply. Letters of interest may be submitted **no later than December 19, 2025**, and addressed to:

Greg Reams, RESCUE 1 FOUNDATION  
c/o Moraga-Orinda Fire District  
1280 Moraga Way, Moraga, CA 94556

For further information, please visit:  
<https://www.rescue1foundation.org/>  
or call (925) 998-8411

## GFOA Budget Award for FY 25-26 & FY 26-27 Biennial Budget Document



The Town of Moraga was awarded the **"Distinguished Budget Presentation Award"** for the third year in a row by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).

This reflects the Town's commitment to following "Best Management Practices" with respect to how the local taxpayers' monies are budgeted, expended, managed, and documented. This recognition also helps the Town retain its AAA credit rating.

**We thank and congratulate our Administrative Services Team for their hard work!**

*Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) advances excellence in government finance by providing best practices, professional development, resources, and practical research for more than 25,000 members and the communities they serve.*

### Lions Club Crab Feed - January 17th



### UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

**Tuesday 12/16/25 CANCELLED** Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chambers

**Town Offices CLOSED for HOLIDAY BREAK – December 19 through January 2**

**Wednesday 1/14/26 5:30 PM** Town Council Meeting, Council Chambers

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/@TownofMoraga335streams> to view these meetings.

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## Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!



*As you reflect on the blessings of life, family and loved ones during this holiday period, the Town of Moraga wishes you a warm and peaceful holiday season and a hope-filled New Year.*