



ABOUT TOWN - MARCH 2, 2018 UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF



LAMORINDA SUMMER CAMP JOB FAIR TOMORROW - MARCH 3



REMINDER: The Lamorinda Summer Camp Job Fair will be held TOMORROW, Saturday, March 3, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at the Lafayette Community Center, Live Oak Room, 500 St. Mary's Road, Lafayette. This job fair is intended for teens looking for a summer job and features summer camp operators looking for local talent. In addition to meeting with employers and finding out which jobs are available, there is also a workshop to help teens create or update their resumé. For more information, visit moragarec.com.



STORMWATER FEE UPDATE

The Town of Moraga has experienced catastrophic storm drain failures in the past several years in the form of sinkholes that have disrupted the drainage system and traffic patterns and have negatively impacted the Town's financial situation. The Town's Storm Drain Master Plan identified over \$26 million of needed stormwater projects. In last fall's Community Survey, 80% of respondents said that repairing deteriorating pipes and infrastructure to prevent failures and sinkholes was a high priority. Additionally, a majority of respondents said they would support some type of local stormwater funding. Based on this public input, a feasibility study was conducted on how to raise this funding. As a result, a Stormwater Fee (SWF), which is a property-related fee, was proposed. This fee requires a two-step process of a protest period, which began on January 26, and a mailed ballot. A Public Hearing is scheduled for March 14, 2018 to introduce the proposed SWF ordinance and receive any protests about it. Written protests must be received by the Town Clerk before or during the Public Hearing. If the Town Clerk receives less than a majority protest from registered parcel owners, then Town Council will decide whether to initiate the SWF mail ballot process. A simple majority of received ballots is required to approve the SWF. For more information, visit [Storm Drain Funding](#).



HILLSIDE AND RIDGELINE STUDY SESSION - WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7

The Town Council will conduct a third study session to review the draft amended Hillside and Ridgeline regulations at a Special Meeting on Wednesday, March 7, at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers. The draft includes amendments to the General Plan, Municipal Code, MOSO Guidelines and Design Guidelines. The draft regulations were developed through an extensive community process, initiated in 2014, were recommended for adoption by the Planning Commission at their October 16, 2017 meeting and are one of the Council's continuing priority goals. The staff report for the study session will be available on the Town website on March 2. For more information, contact [Derek Farmer, Acting Planning Director](#).



MORAGA CITIZEN OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS REQUESTED

Nominations are being sought for the 2018 Moraga Citizen of the Year award. Visit the Lamorinda Weekly [website](#) next week for information and criteria for nominations. Please email your nomination to nominations@lamorindaweekly.com or mail it to Moraga Citizen of the Year Nominations, Lamorinda Weekly, P.O. Box 6133, Moraga CA 94556 before Thursday, March 15. A celebration dinner will be held on Saturday, April 28, at the Saint Mary's College Soda Center to honor the

winner. The 2018 Moraga Citizen of the Year Award is co-sponsored by the Moraga Chamber of Commerce, Saint Mary's College, the Lamorinda Weekly and the Moraga Valley Kiwanis Club.



RECENT TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS ON FEBRUARY 28

FIREARMS ORDINANCE INTRODUCED TO TOWN COUNCIL

Town Council introduced an ordinance requiring all firearms to be safely stored while kept in residences, unless the firearm is being carried by or is in the immediate control of a person. After public comments and a discussion by the Council, the Town Council voted to waive the first reading of the ordinance, which will be considered for final approval at the March 14, 2018 meeting. Please contact Police Chief [Jon King](#) for additional information.

PDA GRANT TO COMPLETE THE MORAGA CENTER SPECIFIC PLAN

Town Council adopted a resolution authorizing a Priority Development Area grant application to Bay Area Metro (ABAG/MTC) for funding to complete the Moraga Center Specific Plan Implementation Project. Although there is a small local match, if the grant is approved, it would reduce the amount of General Fund money needed to complete this important project.



UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

Monday, March 5, 7:00 pm – [Planning Commission](#), Council Chambers

Wednesday, March 7, 6:00 pm – [Hillside and Ridgeline Study Session](#), Council Chambers

Thursday, March 8, 7:00 pm – [Moraga Youth Involvement Committee](#), Hacienda de las Flores

Monday, March 12, – [Design Review Board](#), **CANCELLED**

Wednesday, March 14, 7:00 pm – [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](#).

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