



## ABOUT TOWN - MARCH 15, 2019 UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF



### PG&E'S WILDFIRE SAFETY PROGRAM



PG&E is performing accelerated safety inspections of their electric infrastructure in high fire-threat areas as a precautionary measure intended to reduce the threat of wildfires. They are currently performing safety inspections in Moraga and plan to complete the inspections and needed repairs before the next fire season. Visit PG&E's [Community Wildfire Safety Program](#) for more information.



### LIBRARY HVAC REPAIR UPDATE

After Town Council authorized the Town Manager to execute a construction contract to replace the HVAC boiler at the Moraga Library, a third contractor evaluated the system and confirmed that a full boiler replacement is required. A boiler has been ordered and the estimated lead time is four to five weeks with installation anticipated in mid-April. The Library currently has no plans to adjust its operating hours.

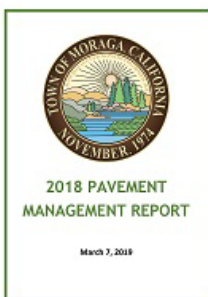


### RECENT TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS ON MARCH 13, 2019

#### **LOCAL SALES TAX OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (LSTOC) REPORT**

The Town Council received a report from the LSTOC on their review of the revenue and expenditures of the Measure K Local Sales Tax. This review affirmed the use of the funds consistent with goals and objectives of Measure K, specifically the funding of the Town's Pavement Management Program. The committee's independent report was timely and essential as the Town Council and staff lays the framework in preparation for the upcoming budget for FY 2019/20.

#### **2018 PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT REPORT**



Staff prepared a comprehensive [2018 Pavement Management Report](#) to evaluate the Town's progress since 2015 and assess additional funding needs. In 2015, the Town implemented four new pavement strategies: 1) focus on one type of treatment per year; 2) budget an appropriate percentage of funding for each treatment type; 3) budget non-Measure K funds at or greater than pre-Measure K levels; and 4) partner with other agencies to reduce costs. The impact of these strategies along with new SB1 Gas Tax (RMRA) revenue and additional Garbage Vehicle Impact Fees have resulted in an increase in the Town's Pavement Condition Index (PCI) to 74. This is exceptional news as the 2015 projection was that the Town's PCI would decrease 1 point annually from 70 in 2015 to 67 in 2018.

The presentation provided to the Town Council is available at [Pavement Management Presentation](#).

#### **MORAGA WAY AND CANYON/CAMINO PABLO INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS**

Staff presented the proposed project improvements which will rehabilitate roadway, close sidewalk gaps, and improve bicycle facilities on Moraga Way (Moraga Road to Ivy Drive) and improve pedestrian crossing at Canyon Road and Camino Pablo. The Council discussed potential project enhancements based on public input at numerous community meetings and directed staff to obtain bid options for the enhancements. Funding, however, would need to be identified in order to implement the enhancements. Caltrans has authorized the project's bidding and construction is scheduled for this summer. Visit the project [webpage](#) for additional information.

## **WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS ORDINANCE**

The Town Council gave direction to staff to revise the Town's wireless Ordinance ([Moraga Municipal Code 8.144](#)) to develop aesthetic criteria for the installation of small cell wireless (5G) facilities within the Town in response to the Federal Communications Commission Declaratory Ruling and a Third Report and Order relating to wireless communications issued on September 26, 2018. Revisions to the Town's Wireless Ordinance will be developed in two stages – one to address aesthetic criteria for 5G facilities and other immediate updates, followed by a comprehensive update to the Town's Wireless Ordinance to make sure it is consistent with all applicable State and federal laws concerning wireless communications. This latest order significantly impacts the Town's ability to regulate where facilities are located. Previous regulations have prohibited jurisdictions' ability to regulate based on health impacts from wireless facilities.

## **ANNUAL GENERAL PLAN REPORT**

Town Council reviewed and accepted the [Annual General Plan Implementation Report](#), allowing it to be forwarded to the State Department of Housing and Community Development and Office of Planning and Research. In accordance with State law and the General Plan (GP), the report provides a narrative summary of the Town's 2018 progress toward implementing the GP's goals and actions, and also reports on the number of housing units permitted and constructed in Moraga. In 2018, construction was completed on nine new residential units, and 35 permits were issued for new residential units.



## **PROCLAMATION FOR AMERICAN RED CROSS**

Town Council proclaimed March as Red Cross Month. The American Red Cross, the largest humanitarian organization in the world, responds to an average of more than 62,000 disasters across the country, from small home fires to massive disasters every year. Briana Taylor, Contra Costa County Leadership Council Chair, received the proclamation.



## **REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY**

Moraga Police (MPD) needs your help in reporting suspicious activity and persons in our Town. Each person is uniquely familiar with different parts of Town and can immediately identify suspicious or unusual activity. If this is reported, MPD can possibly intervene and prevent a crime from occurring. When reporting suspicious activity, please be able to articulate to the Dispatcher why it is suspicious and provide a description of the person and activity. Call 925-284-5010 to report activity or a crime or request assistance from MPD.

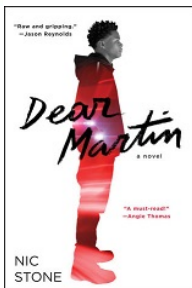


## **LAMORINDA JOINT MEETING UPDATE**

The Town Council met jointly with the City Councils of Orinda and Lafayette on March 6 to hear a presentation from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) on the CASA Compact, a regional policy directive to address the housing crisis in the Bay Area. The Mayors are now working on a joint letter to our State elected officials regarding issues that must be considered when evaluating the hundreds of bills that are being proposed to address the State's housing crisis. The major concerns are Moraga's ability to retain local land use regulation rights and maintain the already inadequate percentage of property tax revenue that we currently receive.



## **LAMORINDA TEENS READ!**



The school libraries of the Acalanes Union High School District and the Lamorinda community libraries have teamed up again to offer "One Community, One Book" to local teens in the area. The program offers free copies of the selected book to teens who live or go to school in the Lamorinda community. This year's book is Nic Stone's powerful *Dear Martin*. A bestseller, *Dear Martin* tells the story of an African American student at a predominantly white prep school, who, after nearly being arrested over a misunderstanding, grapples with his anger by writing letters to Martin Luther King, Jr. If you would like to borrow the Town's copy of *Dear Martin*, contact [Marty McInturf](#).



## CONGRATULATIONS MORAGA BUSINESSES!



Congratulations to the following Moraga businesses that participated in the [Food Recycling Project](#) and helped divert over 29 tons of food waste from the landfill. This program converts commercially produced food waste into clean, renewable energy. The Chamber of Commerce continues to work for 100% Town-wide participation. Congratulations to: Aegis of Moraga, Bagaan, Bianca's, Camino Pablo Elementary School, Campolindo High School, Chef Chao, China Moon, Golden Palace, I Tea, Joaquin Moraga Intermediate School, La Finestra, Lamorinda Pizza, Los Perales School, Moraga Country Club, Moraga Library, Moraga Post-Acute, Moraga Royale, Mountain Mike's Pizza, Nation's Giant Hamburgers, New Rheem Theatre, Noodle Theory, Ranch House Café, Donald Rheem Elementary School, Ristorante Amoroma, Round Table Pizza, Royal Siam, Saint Mary's College, Starbucks, Sushi Fighter, The Saklan School and the Town of Moraga.



## FREE FILM SCREENING EVENT FOR PARENTS AND YOUTH

On March 25, parents, youth, and community members are invited to attend a free screening of short, student-produced films about suicide prevention and mental health. Attendees will be inspired by the creativity of local student filmmakers, learn about suicide prevention and how to implement [Directing Change Programs](#), and have the opportunity to ask questions of suicide prevention experts and youth filmmakers as part of a Q&A panel. [Event Details: Monday, March 25, 7:00 to 8:30 pm, Rheem Theatre, 350 Park Street, Moraga. Free parking. Seating is limited.] RSVP at [Directing Change](#).



## APPLY NOW FOR SUMMER RECREATION JOBS



Do you want a FUN summer job for a change? Are you creative, organized, energetic, motivated, resourceful, and a team player? The Town of Moraga is currently recruiting for Summer Recreation leaders to work at Moraga Day Camp. Moraga Day Camp activities are planned around a different theme each week, including a field trip! Recreation Leaders (I) and Recreation Leaders (II) are both needed. The minimum age for employment is 16 years. For more information and to apply visit [CalOpps](#). Not 16 yet? Consider joining the Counselor in Training (CIT) program for ages 13 to 16. Gain real life work experience as you volunteer alongside Recreation Leaders at camp. More information is available at [Moragarec.com](#).



## UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

- Monday, March 18 – [Planning Commission](#), **CANCELLED**
- Tuesday, March 19, 7:00 pm – [Park and Recreation Commission](#), Council Chambers
- Wednesday, March 27, 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](#).

All meetings are open to the public. Visit the [Town's](#) website for updated agendas and packets.



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