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Tatzin Wins 2016 Outstanding Commissioner Award

By Pippa Fisher



Don Tatzin

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he Statewide Local Agency Formation Commission recently honored Lafayette City Council member Don Tatzin with the 2016 Outstanding Commissioner achievement award.

recognized Tatzin for his achieve- to preserve agricultural and openment at the Nov. 14 council meeting

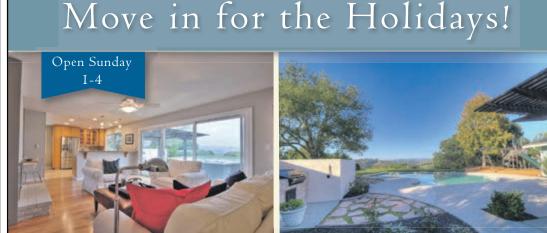
on the Lafayette City Council, letter went on, "He is a skilled fa-Tatzin also served on Contra Costa LAFCO since 1998 – initially always willing to listen to both as an alternate city representative, and since 2011, as a regular citv member. LAFCOs are regional are many highly qualified and planning agencies located in all hard-working LAFCO commis-58 counties of California.

presented the award at the city a surprise and an honor." council meeting.

Mayor Mark Mitchell read aloud the nominating letter, which said that Tatzin exemplified the meaning of LAFCO in his ability to balance the competing interests of orderly growth The Lafayette City Council and development while working space lands.

In addition to multiple ac-Not only has he spent 30 years complishments for LAFCO, the cilitator (and) negotiator, and (is) sides."

Tatzin commented, "There sioners throughout California. Lou Ann Texeira, executive Being selected as Commissioner officer of Contra Costa LAFCO, of the Year for the state was both





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RESIDENTIAL BROKERAGE

Happy Valley Road Pilot Parking Program to Start Dec. 1 **By Pippa Fisher**



Forty parking spaces on Hap- usefulness." py Valley Road from the of a pilot parking program.

toward increasing numbers of BART riders from outside the neighborhood using the Lafayette station who take up parking Lafayette address. spaces, leaving residents unable to find parking in their own city.

reserve spots for residents over a year ago when she attended a Parking Task Force meeting.

"I suggested that we require street parking," she said. "Parkidea to give it a try for a limited months. time period and then assess its

To sign up for the permit, resfreeway to Deer Hill Road are idents may submit a form found about to be reserved for city of on the city of Lafayette website Lafayette residents only, as part or fill out a hard copy at the city offices located at 3675 Mount The program is aimed at Diablo Blvd., Suite 210. Locals easing parking frustrations felt will have to register their car license plates and show their Department of Motor Vehicles registration card, confirming their

While there is no cost for this permit, residents who are ap-City Council member Traci proved for a permit will still have Reilly came up with the idea to to pay the parking meter adjacent to their parking space. It also does not guarantee space availability.

Permits are being issued to the residents to obtain a permit all qualified applicants. One hunto allow them the use of the on- dred and six vehicles have been signed up for the program with ing permits are common in other some residents registering mulcities, so it seemed like a reason- tiple cars. The program is set able thing to try. The task force to begin on Dec. 1 and will run thought that it would be a good for an initial trial period of six

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