



Public Meetings

City Council

Monday, Feb. 13, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Planning Commission

Tuesday, Feb. 21, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Design Review

Monday, Feb. 13, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Arts & Science Discovery Center,
3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

School Board Meetings

Acalanes Union High School District
Wednesday, Feb. 15, 7:30 p.m.
AUHSD Board Room
1212 Pleasant Hill Road, Lafayette
www.acalanes.k12.ca.us

Lafayette School District

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 7 p.m.
Regular Board Meeting
District Office Board Room
3477 School St., Lafayette
www.lafsd.k12.ca.us

Check online for agendas, meeting notes and announcements

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Chamber of Commerce:

www.lafayettechamber.org



Lafayette Police Department Incident Summary Report Jan. 8 - Jan. 21

Alarms	82
911 Calls (incl hang-ups)	45
Noise complaints	4
Traffic stops	149
Suspicious Circumstances	12
Suspicious Subjects	20
Suspicious Vehicles	14
Welfare Check	21
Patrol Request	13

Abandoned Vehicle
3600 Block Chestnut St.
1600 Block Reliez Valley Rd.
Reliez Valley Rd./Silver Dell Rd.
Circle Creek Dr./Circle Creek Ln.
Moon Ct./Crescent Dr.
1000 Block Circle Creek Dr.

Auto Burglary
1000 Block Upper Happy Valley Rd.
10 Block Ruth Ct.
900 Block S Thompson Rd.
50 Block Lafayette Cr.
1000 Block Carol Ln.

Beat Info
Eb Sr 24 At Pleasant Hill Rd.
Wb Sr 24 Eo Acalanes Rd.
4100 Block Canyon Rd.
St Marys Rd./Rohrer Dr.
Pleasant Hill Rd./Reliez Valley Rd.
Burton Dr./Murray Ln.
3900 Block Happy Valley Rd.
Wb Sr 24 At Acalanes Rd.

Civil Disturbance
3500 Block Wilkinson Ln.

Civil Problem
Unk Add On Mildred Ln.
3900 Block Leroy Way
3900 Block Los Arabis Dr.
600 Block N Silverado Dr.

Commercial Burglary
3100 Block Camino Diablo

Dui Misd
3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Fire/Ems Response Info
3000 Block Rohrer Dr.

Forgery
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Found Property
Police Department
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Mt Diablo Blvd./Golden Gate Way
Mt Diablo Ct./Mt. Diablo Blvd.
3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Fraud Credit Card
3500 Block Via Los Colorados

Fraud False Pretenses
3300 Block N Lucille Ln.
3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
1100 Block Camino Vallecito

Grand Theft
4000 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
3400 Block Black Hawk Rd.
3500 Block Springhill Rd.

Hit And Run Misdemeanor
3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Mt Diablo Blvd./Moraga Rd.
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Lafayette State of the City: Constantly moving forward

By Nick Marnell



Mayor Mike Anderson Photo Andy Scheck

In his state of the city address at the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce Business Person of the Year Award dinner, Lafayette Mayor Mike Anderson spent little time patting the city on the back for what it has accomplished. Instead, he outlined what Lafayette can do better in 2017.

"The city is in very good shape," the mayor told the audience Jan. 26 at the Lafayette Park Hotel. "Sales and property taxes came

in higher than projected at 11 percent over budget, and our reserves are at 60 percent of our annual budget." Lafayette reported 2015-16 fiscal year general fund revenue of \$15.5 million with expenses of \$10.9 million.

Anderson then outlined areas of focus for the coming year, including traffic and parking, below-market housing opportunities and how to keep downtown Lafayette as one of the most popular spots in the region.

"With more and more people moving into the city, how will they get around?" Anderson asked. Projects like the Downtown Congestion Study and a parking ordinance review are nearly completed and should help folks deal with that issue, and the mayor said that more signage is on the way to show available in-town parking.

Anderson pointed to the KD Home Town Center III development as offering some of the units that retail for \$700,000 at a below-market rate of \$300,000, and he directed the city to make people aware of the opportunity to get on a lottery list for those homes. The city will also review its notification proce-

dures. "The developer is sending prospective clients to the city, and the city is sending prospects to the developer," Anderson said at the Jan. 23 city council meeting. "We need to get this figured out."

The mayor noted how packed the restaurants are in town and urged people to work together to keep the city looking good. "Even something like adding a flower pot in a window," he said.

But Anderson saved his most eloquent words for the winner of the Business Person of the Year Award, Brenda Oum, owner of Papillon Gourmet Coffee and Tea in La Fiesta Square. Oum spent her childhood during the brutal Khmer Rouge regime in Cambodia, survived the horrors and atrocities and immigrated to the United States in 1987.

"In this particular year, it's great that we are honoring an immigrant to our country who has proved to all of us that this is the place where, if you have the drive, interest and desire, you can be a real success," Anderson said.

Plans for improved dog park unleashed at Lafayette's Deer Hill development

By Nick Marnell

Not only humans are debating the merits of a passive or active city park but canines may soon face the same quandary over a proposed park of their own.

Part of the development plan for the Homes at Deer Hill project in eastern Lafayette includes construction of a dog park with limited amenities. But by using funds accumulated through its recycle program, the city proposed adding educational signage, picnic tables, benches, play structures and even recycled art to bump up the park from the bare bones facility currently on the books.

"You've been saving for a dog park for many years and you didn't know it," Parks, Trails and Recreation Director Jonathan Katanayagi told the city council Jan. 23.

The money will come from an account created by the Central Contra Costa Solid Waste Authority, a joint powers authority also known as RecycleSmart, from revenue generated by the sale of recyclable material collected from Lafayette residents. RecycleSmart wholesales the items to various vendors and the city gets a cut of the proceeds.



A sample of dog park recyclable artwork. No fire hydrant art allowed. Photos courtesy Lafayette Parks, Trails and Recreation department

"We can use the money for these types of projects or to defer rate increases, which we've done," said Mayor Mike Anderson, a RecycleSmart board member. The account holds roughly \$1.3 million, and the dog park improvements are expected to cost \$450,000.

Gates and Associates, a San Ramon-based landscape architect, together with CCCSWA and the city, will design what will be known as the RecycleSmart Dog Park. The materials used will be made out of as much recycled material as possible, and

the educational signage will promote recycling. Compliance with the standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act needs to be worked into the final project recommendation, which the city staff will bring back to the council.

"The money's there. It's not going anywhere," Anderson said, as time to complete the park is not of the essence.

The city will upgrade the dog park only if the Homes at Deer Hill development happens, but the project remains under litigation.

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