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Public Meetings

City Council

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 14, 7 p.m. Council Chambers and Community Meeting Room, 335 Rheem Blvd.

Planning Commission

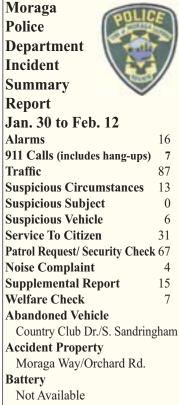
Monday, March 5, 7 p.m. Council Chambers and Community Meeting Room, 335 Rheem Blvd.

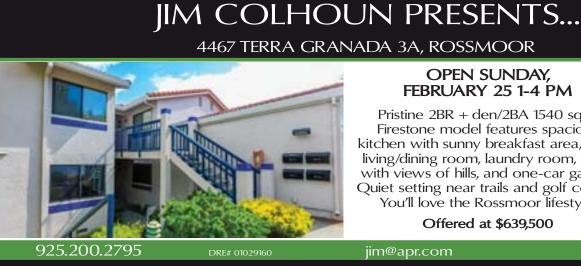
Design Review

Monday, March 12, 7 p.m. Council Chambers and Community Meeting Room, 335 Rheem Blvd.

School Board Meetings Moraga School District Tuesday, March 13, 7 p.m. Joaquin Moraga Intermediate School Auditorium 1010 Camino Pablo, Moraga www.moraga.k12.ca.us See also AUHSD meeting page A2

Check online for agendas, meeting notes and announcements **Town of Moraga:** www.moraga.ca.us Phone: (925) 888-7022 **Chamber of Commerce:** www.moragachamber.org Moraga Citizens' Network: www.moragacitizensnetwork.org





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Cynthia Battenberg tapped as Moraga's next town manager **By Sophie Braccini**



Cynthia Battenberg Photo provided ayor Dave Trotter said at the Feb. 14 town council meeting that as the council members searched for a new town manager, they were looking for the next Jill Keimach, and that he believed they found her in Cynthia Battenberg.

The council members unanimously approved the employment contract of the woman who will direct the town staff.

Like Keimach, who came to Moraga in November of 2010 from Fremont where she was the community development director, Battenberg comes from the city of San Leandro where she served in different positions for 16 years, her last title being community development director. Her department included planning services, economic devel-

enforcement. She was previously the business development manager for that city, as well as deputy finance director for San Leandro.

A graduate from UC Berkeley with an MBA from UCLA, she also worked for the private sector in marketing and management before transitioning to the public sector.

Vice Mayor Teresa Onoda noted that Battenberg had been interested in the Moraga position for a while, as soon as she heard of Keimach's departure two years ago, and that she has attended numerous council meetings since.

During the Feb. 15 council opment, housing services, and code meeting, Battenburg expressed

her eagerness to start working for Moraga, a town she considers full of charm and opportunities, while not ignoring the challenges.

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The employment agreement includes a salary slightly below the \$200,000 threshold, less than previous town manager Bob Priebe's compensation. The town attorney also noted that Battenberg declined the medical coverage proposed by the town, which will also reduce the impact on the town's budget.

Battenberg promised the city of San Leandro that she would finish some work there before she comes to Moraga; she will start her employment with the town on March 12.

MCF announces ADA bathroom funding initiative **By Sophie Braccini**



Rendering of the proposed bathroom building

oraga Community Foundation, the volunteer-led group that raised funds for the surveillance camera police network in Moraga, recently announced its intent to fund a campaign to update the bathrooms located at the are pleased to see the effort being ture that is now often provided in public asset, should the property Moraga Commons Park next to made to make the restroom facilithe recently inaugurated all-access ties conform to ADA standards to standards. The town council will area," she added. have to approve the project before the service group starts its cam- exploring possibilities and best

Dianne Wilson for the Moraga Rotary said the club has worked for the past year and a half to create and finance the finest all-access playground for children in the whole Bay Area. "Therefore, we Graphic provided

meeting that the project's cost would be between \$225,000 and \$275,000. The project was to be reviewed by the parks and recreation commission on Feb. 20. MCF will also present it to the Parks Foundation, the Moraga Rotary Club, Moraga Lions Club and Moraga Valley Kiwanis for advice and support.

If approved, the project will be conducted by the town staff. The pricing presented by MCF takes into account a turnkey solution that would include the installation of the new bathrooms.

The MCF was created at the beginning of 2016 to build a vibrant future for Moraga. It is common knowledge that this philanthropic group has a watchful eye on the Rheem Theatre and would want to support efforts to turn it into a owner cooperate. Schnurr says that the foundation can handle several

Civil

Rheem Blvd./Moraga Rd. 300 Block Rheem Blvd. 100 Block Brookline 2000 Block Donald Dr. 1300 Block Camino Pablo 3900 Block Campolindo Dr. Not Available Campolindo High School Court

Walnut Creek Superior Court Walnut Creek Traffic Court Death Non Criminal 30 Block Kinston Ct. **Dependent Child** Shuey Dr./Rimer Dr. **Disturbing the Peace** 300 Block Rheem Blvd. **Excessive Speed** Rheem Center Moraga Way/Hardie Dr. Moraga Way/Eastwood Dr. Fire/Ems Response Info 700 Block Crossbrook Dr. Found Property Subway **Grand Theft** Canyon Bridge **Grand Theft From Building** St. Marys College **H&S** Violation Greenfield Dr./Camino Ricardo **Identity Theft** 60 Block Lynwood Pl. 600 Block Rheem Blvd. (2)

10 Block Magee Ct. Juvenile Disturbance 20 Block Idlewood Ct. Lost Property Moraga Country Club Police Department

Mentally Ill Commit Campolindo High School

Ordinance Violation 1000 Block Alta Mesa Dr. Other Felony Police Department

paign. Tom Schnurr, current president of the foundation, came to the town council on Feb. 14 to present the idea. Schnurr explains that when the foundation board saw the great work Moraga Rotary had done raising funds for the all-access playground, it was inspired to contribute to the improvement of the park.

Other Misdemeanor 10 Block Dolores Ct. **Petty Theft** 3900 Block Paseo Grande (2) 500 Block Moraga Rd. **Petty Theft Bicycle** 200 Block Calle La Mesa **Petty Theft From Vehicle** St. Marys College **Possesion of Weapon** 100 Block Greenbriar **Public Assembly Check** Rheem Valley Shopping Center, 400 Block Center St. Camino Ricardo/Ashbrook Pl. 1500 Block Canyon Rd. **Public Nuisance** 100 Block Corliss Dr. **Reckless Driving** Campolindo High School Moraga Way/Miramonte Dr. Larch Ave./Canyon Rd. Josefa Pl./Francisca Dr. **Traffic Hazard** Valle Vista Staging Area Moraga Rd./Rheem Blvd. Vandalism St. Marys College Verbal Dispute St. Marys College Safeway

The group of volunteers started

playground to the highest ADA complement the beautiful play fountain would also be upgraded projects at a time, and MCF recentfor cyclists, pedestrians and their ly raised enough money to install four-legged companions. Schnurr said at the council town.

The exterior existing water

practices, and is proposing a new

facility that would not exceed the

existing bathroom footprint. It

would include four unisex fully

ADA-compliant bathrooms, one

with an adult changing table, a fea-

California, explained Schnurr.

a network of security cameras in

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