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#### **Public Meetings**

## **City Council**

Monday, Nov. 23, 7 p.m. Lafayette Library & Learning Center, Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

## **Planning Commission**

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

## **Design Review**

Monday, Nov. 23, 7 p.m. Lafayette Library & Learning Center, Arts & Science Discovery Center, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

## **School Board Meetings**

Acalanes Union High School District Wednesday, Nov. 18, 7:30 p.m. **AUHSD Board Room** 1212 Pleasant Hill Road, Lafayette www.acalanes.k12.ca.us

## **Lafayette School District**

Wednesday, Dec. 9, 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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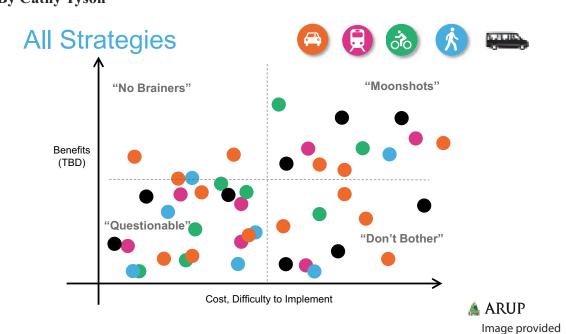
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# **Downtown Congestion Reduction Study Kicks Off**

Feedback needed at www.LafayetteCongestion.com By Cathy Tyson

www.lamorindaweekly.com



traffic and congestion are unfortunately a growing problem in Lafayette, and appear to be getting worse. Looking to address these complex issues, city leaders obtained grant funding to pay for a comprehensive study to take a hard look using game-changing data along with public feedback to identify when, where and why congestion happens and to make recommendations that weigh costs and benefits of potential fixes.

It is no secret to city leaders that

Introducing Phase I of the roughly year-long Downtown Congestion Reduction Study at a recent city council meeting, Arup Principal Will Baumgardner described the overall purpose of the study:

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## Lafayette Police **Department Incident Summary Report**

Nov. 1-7 **Alarms** 911 Calls (includes hang-ups) **Noise Complaints Traffic Stops Suspicious Circumstances Suspicious Subjects Suspicious Vehicles Abandoned Vehicle** 

Natasha Dr/Rahara Dr Saranap/Old Tunnel Rd (2)

**Auto Recovery** Taco Bell

**Burglary**, Auto

1000 block Hoedel Ct

**Civil Problem** 4100 block Happy Valley Rd 1000 block Lizann Dr

**Disturbance** 

Safeway **Drunk in Public** 

Mt Diablo Blvd/El Nido Ranch Rd **DUI** 

Brown Ave/Deer Hill Rd Hamlin/Moraga Rds

**Fireworks** 1300 block San Reliez Ct

Harassment

3500 Mt Diablo Blvd (phone) 1200 block Rose Ln (phone) **Health & Safety** 

ViolationVista Bella/Martino Ro 1000 block Carol Ln Springhill/Pleasant Hill Rds

Hit & Run

1000 block Oak Hill Rd 3300 block Deer Hill Rd Pleasant Hill/Hwy 24 900 block Dewing Ave **Indecent Exposure** 

3500 block Moraga Blvd

Loitering Springhill Elementary School

**Panhandling** 

Safeway Police/Fire/EMS Response 1000 block Carol Ln

700 block Moraga Rd

El Curtola area **Public Nuisance** 

Whole Foods

Dawkins Dr/Helen Ln **Reckless Driving** 

Happy Valley Rd/Upper Happy Valley Rd Mt Diablo Blvd/Dewing Ave Hwy 24/Pleasant Hill Rd Pleasant Hill Rd/Stanley Blvd Taylor Blvd/Withers Ave Shoplifting

3500 block Mt Diablo Blvd CVS

**Shots Fired** 

Acalanes Rd/Valente Ct

Theft, Petty 1200 block Quandt Rd

# Construction Set to Begin on First Stage of Pumping Plant

## By Cathy Tyson

ob number one for the new East Bay Municipal Utility District Diablo Vista pumping plant is to reroute the existing storm drain that cuts diagonally from the edge of the Lafayette Cemetery across the parcel where the new plant will be built at the corner of Mt. Diablo Boulevard and Mt. Diablo Court, and bisects the Blodgett's Abbey Carpet and Flooring parking lot. When complete, the rerouted storm drain will follow the sidewalk on the south side of the street, rounding the corner to connect with an existing storm drain down Mt. Diablo Court.

The new pumping plant replaces the plant built in 1956 adjacent to Ace Hardware; it will have the capacity to deliver 16 million gallons of water per day to Lafayette, Walnut Creek and Pleasant Hill. In addition to the plant, a massive new 30-inch diameter water pipe will be installed along the freeway side of Mt. Diablo from the old plant to the new one.

Store owner and operator Larry Blodgett calls this the worst part of the entire project. He is concerned about customers as well as delivery trucks being able to access the longtime family-owned business. Contractor GSE has been very cooperative so far, according to Blodgett. Utilities are marked, but with more rain in the forecast, EBMUD spokesperson Michelle Blackwell was vague about a start date for the project: "Possibly November, maybe December."

Planning for the new water pumping plant has taken four years to get to this point. Part of the problem was the murky ownership of the parcel in question. Streets were realigned many years ago to make way for Highway 24 to be widened to accommodate BART. The newly created right-of-way land was never officially transferred from the county to the city of Lafayette.

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## Theft, ID

3500 block Mt Diablo Blvd 700 block Los Palos Dr 40 block Bacon Ct 3300 block Moraga Blvd 1000 block Via Roble

**Unwanted Guest** Safeway

Vandalism

Reliez Highland/Reliez Valley Rds

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Image provided by EBMUD depicting location of existing and future storm drains.

