



Orinda

Public Meetings

City Council

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 7 p.m.
Auditorium, Orinda Library,
26 Orinda Way

Planning Commission

Tuesday, Dec. 22, 7 p.m.
Auditorium, Orinda Library,
26 Orinda Way

Citizens' Infrastructure Oversight Commission

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 6:30 p.m.
Sarge Littlehale Community Room,
22 Orinda Way

School Board Meeting Orinda Union School District

Monday, Jan. 11, 6 p.m.
OUSD Office, 8 Altarinda Road,
www.orindaschools.org
See also AUHSD meeting page A2

Check online for agendas, meeting notes and announcements

City of Orinda:

www.cityoforinda.org
Phone (925) 253-4200

Chamber of Commerce:

www.orindachamber.org

The Orinda Association:

www.orindaassociation.org



Orinda Police Department Incident Summary Report Nov. 22-28

Alarms	62
Noise Complaints	0
911 Calls (includes hang-ups)	4
Traffic Stops	92
Suspicious Circumstances	12
Suspicious Subjects	14
Suspicious Vehicles	27

Abandoned Vehicle
10 block El Toyonal (2)
Davis Rd/Bryant Way
Arbolado Ct/Muth Dr
Knickerbocker/Stein Way (2)
Monte Vista/Marston Rds
Arbolado Ct/Muth Dr

Battery
10 block Overhill Rd

Barking Dog
10 block Rio Vista

Burglary, Auto
60 block Moraga Way
BevMo
200 block Camino Pablo

Burglary, Residential
100 block Camino don Miguel
200 block Monte Vista Ridge Rd
80 block Oak Rd

Civil Problem
100 block Estates Dr
10 block Tara Rd
100 block Scenic Dr

Dependent Child
Safeway

Disturbance
200 block Monte Vista Ridge
40 block Overhill Rd

Embezzlement
20 block Orinda Way

Excessive Speed
10 block Moraga Way

Fraud
200 block Orchard Rd

Harassment
Miramonte High School
40 block Underhill Rd

Hit & Run
20 block Altarinda
Safeway
Moraga Way/Glorietta Blvd
20 block Bryant Way
St Stephen's Church

Health & Safety Violation
Moraga Way/Ivy Dr

ID Theft
5400 block San Pablo Dam Rd
10 block Oak Dr
Reported to police

Litter
Camino Pablo/Ardilla Rd

Juvenile
600 block Moraga Way
Unocal station
500 block Dalewood Dr

Ordinance Violation
20 block Orinda Way (2)



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Selection of New Mayor and Vice Mayor Caps Lighthearted Year-End Council Meeting

By Victor Ryerson

No doubt about it: The Dec. 1 Orinda City Council Meeting was a love fest. Fulfilling outgoing Mayor Dean Orr's promise at the outset that it would be a "fun packed agenda," there were wine, women and song, not to mention flowers and lots of loving praise for those who have served the city over the years.

The wine came in the form of gifts to those honored during the course of evening. But it was the women and song that set the tone for the events that followed. Receiving a proclamation from the council on the occasion of its 50th anniversary, WomenSing – which started in 1969 as the Orinda Women's Chorale – treated the council members and audience to a beautiful a capella performance at the beginning of the meeting. "If we would start every meeting with a song, perhaps we would be in a better spot," quipped Orr.

The most serious business conducted at the meeting was the selection of the city's new mayor and vice mayor for the one-year term that started that evening. Following tradition, Vice Mayor Victoria Smith was selected as the new mayor by the other council members. Council



The Orinda City Council and staff smile with members of WomenSing at the Dec. 1 council meeting.

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Member Eve Phillips, the most recently elected member, was chosen to be the new vice mayor. (See the article on page A7; Smith will be highlighted in the Dec. 30 issue.)

Before that last bit of city business was accomplished, however, there were awards, proclamations, plaques, certificates, flowers and encomia bestowed on many of those in attendance. Kicking off the cele-

bration, Orr presented the 2016 Mayor's Award for Excellence to the city's Public Works and Engineering Services Department. Department head Chuck Swanson responded with thanks and a slide show of his employees doing the work for which they were being recognized.

Then there was a ceremony to recognize former mayor and council

member, now State Senator Steve Glazer's service to the city. Orr spoke about Glazer's many contributions to the city: roads, drains, the Monteverde project, and so on. A plaque was presented to him, and each council member offered remarks. Then Orr presented a gift (that's where the wine came in), and so did each council member.

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Council to Discuss Road Repair Funding Options at Dec. 15 Meeting

The Orinda City Council will discuss how to fund the continued restoration and maintenance of Orinda's roads at its Dec. 15 meeting. The council's determination may have potential tax ramifications for Orinda residents. Members of the public will be permitted to offer comments during the public hearing on this matter.

The item is an outgrowth of a joint meeting held by the council and the Citizens Infrastructure Oversight Committee (CIOC) on June 10, 2015. At that meeting the two organizations discussed updating the current Road and Drain Repairs Plan previously approved by the council on April 22, 2014. Following the meeting, the

CIOC was tasked with updating the plan, and the city's Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) was tasked with calculating the tax rates required to fund the estimated cost of each option identified by the CIOC.

The CIOC presented its plan to the council on Nov. 17, and the CIOC, FAC and city staff were directed to

focus their efforts on Scenario C of the plan, which calls for all public roads in Orinda to be restored at a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) of 50 or better. The cost of implementation will vary according to the timeframe for completion of the repairs. Scenario C was presented with 8 year and 10 year alternative timeframes,

but the actual timeframe has not been determined.

The various tax rate types available to fund the work are discussed in the FAC report and will be considered by the council, which is expected to provide comment and direction to the staff at the meeting. For information, visit cityoforinda.org. – Victor Ryerson



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