



Public Meetings

City Council

Monday, Nov. 28, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Planning Commission

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

Design Review

Monday, Nov. 28, 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. 16, 7:30 p.m.
AUHSD Board Room
1212 Pleasant Hill Road, Lafayette
www.acalanes.k12.ca.us

Lafayette School District

Wednesday, Dec. 14, 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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Phone: (925) 284-1968

Chamber of Commerce:

www.lafayettechamber.org



- Alarms** 64
- 911 Calls (incl hang-ups)** 13
- Noise complaints** 6
- Traffic stops** 154
- Suspicious Circumstances** 9
- Suspicious Subjects** 24
- Suspicious Vehicles** 28
- Abandoned Vehicle**
- 3200 Block Marlene Dr.
- 3900 Block N Peardale Dr.
- 3900 Block S Peardale Dr.
- 10 Block Topper Ct.
- Oak Hill Rd./Deer Hill Rd.
- Deer Hill Rd./Elizabeth St.
- 3900 Block N Peardale Dr.
- 1300 Block Sunset Lp.
- 100 Block Bacon Ct.
- 3400 Block Moraga Blvd.
- Arson**
- 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- Auto Burglary**
- 4000 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- 3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- 20 Block Camino Ct.
- 1300 Block Reliez Valley Rd.
- Olympic Blvd./Pleasant Hill Rd.
- 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- 3200 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- Disturbing the peace**
- 3200 Block Marlene Dr.
- Stanley Blvd./Pleasant Hill Rd.
- 3700 Block Mosswood Dr.
- 900 Block 4th St.
- 1st St./Golden Gate Wy
- Drunk in public**
- 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- DUI Misd.**
- Mt. Diablo Blvd./Lafayette Cir.
- Upper Happy Valley Rd./Canyon Rd.
- Embezzlement**
- 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- 3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- Fire/Ems Response**
- 3300 Block Las Huertas Rd.
- Fireworks**
- 500 Block Merriewood
- Found Property**
- 1000 Block Upper Happy Valley Rd.
- Fraud False Pretenses**
- 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- 800 Block Solana Dr.
- H&S Violation**
- 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- Hailed By Citizen**
- 3400 Block Springhill Rd.
- Harassment**
- 1300 Block El Curtola Blvd.
- 700 Block Old Jonas Hill Rd.
- Hit And Run Misdemeanor**
- Pleasant Hill Rd./Deer Hill Rd.
- 3100 Block Old Tunnel Rd.
- Moraga Rd./St. Marys Rd.
- Pleasant Hill Rd./Stanley Blvd.
- 3400 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- Identity Theft**
- 3500 Block S. Silver Springs Rd.

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Lafayette Voters Reject Measure C, City's Sales Tax

By Pippa Fisher



Former city council member Brandt Andersson and City Manager Steve Falk await election returns. Photo Pippa Fisher

Lafayette voters made clear last Tuesday by a vote of 57 percent to 43 percent their disapproval of Measure C, a proposed one per-

cent sales tax that was slated for various enhancements of the city. It would have put the sales tax on par with Moraga.

Michael Griffiths, president of Save Lafayette that led the No on C campaign, says that in spite of being outspent five to one, they were able to endure thanks to the donations and support of Lafayette residents.

"As a result, local small businesses and valuable apartments will not be replaced by unnecessary

city buildings ... we can always come back with a better, transparent proposal if that's what the citizens decide."

Griffiths says that if you believe that something is right, you should persist. "We will continue to be the city's watchdog and to work for a better community. We love this city and we want to make sure it gets the loving care it deserves, both now and for future generations." He quotes that it is a "government of the people, by the people for the people."

Incoming Lafayette City Council member Cam Burks says that he respects and values above all else the voice of the voters, and appreciates the sincere enthusiasm, passion and efforts of those who advocated on both sides of the measure.

City Manager Steve Falk expressed sadness that it failed because many of the improvements it promised, such as protected open space, more and better parking and a revitalized Park Theater, "are simply beyond the city's reach. But the voters spoke quite decisively

and the city will, of course, respect and carry out their priorities."

Council member Brandt Andersson, who led Community Conversations to identify the improvements wanted by residents for Measure C, said that, "We sought guidance from our citizens with our Community Conversations, they provided us with their Citizens' Vision, and we asked for the means to put that vision into effect. Win or lose, we did our best, and I am comfortable with their verdict." He points out that the Citizens' Vision remains.

In part the success of the No on C campaign can be attributed to an effective use of social media, which got their word out. Mayor Mark Mitchell acknowledges additionally, a lack of positive endorsement from a regional newspaper and the combination of many other taxes on the ballot contributed to its failure.

But, he says, he is an optimist. "So I tend to look at it as an endorsement of the council's work satisfying the needs of the community within our existing budget."

Traffic Will Flow like Water at Diablo Vista Pumping Plant, Easing Congestion Woes

By Pippa Fisher



The new Diablo Vista pumping plant. There is great news for traffic on Mount Diablo Boulevard in Lafayette: East Bay Municipal Utility District's contractor has almost finished installing a 30-inch diameter pipeline and related service lines at the southwest corner at Mt. Diablo Court, next to the cemetery.

The lane shifts and cones that residents have become used to will soon be a distant memory as the

pipeline has been installed on the freeway side of Mt. Diablo Boulevard. Once the new pumping plant is finished and tested, the existing plant will be demolished and turned into a parking lot.

Already the below-ground base and walls have been erected and electrical and support work are currently taking place onsite. Additional concrete pours will be necessary to form the above-ground walls and to complete the roof. More electrical and mechanical work will take place inside the new pumping plant following structural completion.

Pumping plant construction vehicles and deliveries will continue to access the site via the entrance on Mt. Diablo Court until the project is complete. Work will continue into the summer of 2017 with the majority of heavy construction at the new site to be completed by spring. Once the new structure is complete, systems will be tested and it will be placed online to pump water to the community.

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