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## Letters to the editor

Painted Rock - Does Moraga want it?

Seems as though many residents favor donating \$100,000 of city funds toward its purchase. Why then did the Moraga city council vote against the donation?

The city council, as their elected representatives, did what the community expects them to do. Using their experience and understanding, they voted based upon what they believe to be in the best interest of their Town. In this case, weighing the two alternatives was difficult, because each is extremely important to the community. On the one hand, was 'donating toward the purchase and preservation of a unique piece of land as open space'. The other alternative was 'fiscal responsibility', an ever present challenge. The Moraga City council voted 3 to 2 in favor of fiscal responsibility.

Okay, let's not lose sight of the 'Forest for the Trees'. Given, the city council cannot accomplish both alternatives at this time, let the solution come from the collective efforts of Moraga residents and their friends throughout Lamorinda and the greater area.

This is a one time opportunity to purchase and preserve land that will provide recreational opportunities for current and future generations. The window will close May 31.

Some folks in Moraga are executing a plan to contact all residents. I will be contacting the chicken families in Lamorinda, feeling assured that they will support this task of raising \$100,000.

Only 200 friends at \$500 each, and the goal of \$100,000 is reached!

Finally, I will donate \$500, being confident that another 199 will join me, in doing likewise.

To make a donation, visit http://jmlt.org.

Yes, we can! Preserve the land, and exercise fiscal responsibility.

Papa John Kiefer The 'chicken man', Lafayette

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