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# **Planning Commission** updates Moraga Design **Guidelines with regards** to MCSP



Scenario 2: View 4- looking west on School St. from Moraga Rd. and Saint Mary's Rd. intersection.

## By Vera Kochan

During its Sept. 21 meeting, the Planning Commission unanimously recommended to the town council revisions and updates regarding the Moraga Center Specific Plan Design Guidelines that were adopted in 2010.

Among the updates were minor changes to sections including lighting; signage; walls and fencing; street design standards; pedestrian and bicycle-friendly design; Town Square design guidelines; and other minor nonsubstantive changes with modifications. Many of the adjustments were based on community input combined with staff and consultant analysis.

The town's General Plan has been incorporated into the MCSP Design Guidelines with regards to maintaining

the town's semi-rural character; protecting ridgelines and hillside areas; complimenting existing landscaping; enhancing the town's scenic corridors; minimizing the impacts of development; thoughtfully designing single-family residential neighborhoods and multifamily residential developments; and promoting commercial centers as community places.

The Moraga Design Guidelines, according to the Planning Commission, are merely a variety of encouraged design approaches which will allow for flexibility within the Moraga Municipal Code. It will assist the town with its vision, conformity and objectives while creating an aesthetically pleasing guide for developers to follow in keeping with the town's standards and



#### **Giving back to Our Community!**

Hello, I am Kendall Langan and I have lived here in Moraga and Orinda since 1953. In 1974 I was one of the original members of the Town of Moraga Incorporation Committee. For another 14 years, I served the youth community as the President of the Lafayette- Moraga Youth Association. This program gave opportunities to over 5,000 youth sports participants each year. I have been operating a successful Food Industry business since 1968, it was incorporated in Moraga.

As your council member, I will bring professional experience that has prepared me to deal with the complex policy decision making processes on the town council. As a seventh-generation Californian, and having raised my family here in Moraga, I appreciate what Moraga has to offer and will work hard to maintain our quality of life. I am ready to give back to the town by serving on the Town Council.

#### As your council member, I will:

Communicate clear visions of the future for the Town of Moraga. Support Local Businesses.

Engage shopping centers to be a walkable, bike-able and enjoyable destinations. Preserve and maintain Moraga's open space and semi-rural environment. Improve the Town's relationship with Moraga's School District and St. Mary's College. Be accessible and responsive to constituents providing information and guidance.

Thank you, I will appreciate your vote!

## Taking Your Voice to the City Hall

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### **Town Council**

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 7 p.m.

**Planning Commission:** Monday, Oct. 5, 7 p.m.

expectations.

Park and Recreation Commission: Tuesday, Oct. 20 7 p.m.,

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