Town of Moraga Seeks Volunteers By Lee Borrowman

The Moraga Planning Commission, Design Review Board and the Park and Recreation Commission are among the Town entities currently accepting applications from Moraga residents who are interested in serving the community on a voluntary basis as a Commissioner.

The Park and Recreation Commission makes recommendations to the Town Council regarding parks and recreation facilities, and advises other Town bodies concerning planned developments as they relate to park, recreation and open space concerns. The incoming Commission will be working to implement a new Master Plan for Moraga Parks and Recreation. Parks and Rec Director Jay Ingram hopes that the composition of the Commission will reflect the different interests in Moraga. A balanced Commission would include folks who can speak on behalf of seniors, families with both young and teenage children, and youth sports enthusiasts. Applications for these positions are available on the Town website, and are due on January 11, 2008. Questions may be directed to Ingram, jingram@moraga.ca.us or 888-7034.

The Town is encouraging individuals with expertise and/or education in architecture, civil engineering, landscape architecture construction or graphic design to apply for volunteer positions on the Design Review Board. The DRB meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month.

The Planning Commission advises the Town Council on physical projects in the Town, and hears and determines applications for planned development, conditional use permits, zone changes and subdivision. The four Planning Commissioners whose terms are expiring may seek reappointment.

Applications and instructions for the DRB and Planning Commission are available on the Town website and are due on Wednesday, January 9, 2008. Questions can be directed to the Planning Department, 888-7070,

or planning@moraga.ca.us.

Visit the Town website for more information, applications, or to view other volunteer opportunities, such as the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee and the Town Beautification and Tree Planting Program Committee, http://moraga.ca.us/production/moraga_employment_volunteer.php?mn=7.