

## MOSO 2008 signatures

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John Leuteneker gives signatures to the Town Clerk Photo Sophie Braccini

The Friends of Lamorinda Open Space turned in a petition for the Moraga Open Space Ordinance 2008 (MOSO 2008), bearing more than 2000 signatures, to Moraga’s Town Clerk on May 7th. The signatures were sent to the County for verification, a process that will take up to 30 business days. If the signatures are validated, the Town Council should receive the initiative at its June 25th session and decide whether or not to direct staff to conduct an impact report of the initiative. Staff could take a month to complete the report and the initiative could be back in front of the Council in time to be added to the November ballot.

“MOSO 2008 includes provisions to protect ridgelines, hillsides, wildlife, and creeks in undeveloped areas,” says Renata Sos, a Moraga resident who helped author the measure. “It will enhance our town’s quality of life by protecting the scenic views that we all cherish and by limiting traffic growth.”

A competing measure, the Moraga Initiative for Expanding Open Space and Residential Land Use Designations and Adopting Development Agreement, has already been approved by the Town Council for placement on the November ballot.

This promises to be a most interesting election year in Moraga