



Lafayette Civic News

Public Meetings

City Council

Tuesday, Oct. 14, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Planning Commission

Monday, Oct. 6, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Design Review

Tuesday, Oct. 14, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Arts & Science Discovery Center,
3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

School Board Meetings

Acalanes Union High School District
Wednesday, Oct. 1, 7:30 p.m.
AUHSD Board Room
1212 Pleasant Hill Road, Lafayette
www.acalanes.k12.ca.us

Lafayette School District

Wednesday, Oct. 8, 7 p.m.
Regular Board Meeting
Stanley Library
3477 School St., Lafayette
www.lafsd.k12.ca.us

Check online for agendas, meeting notes and announcements

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www.ci.lafayette.ca.us
Phone: (925) 284-1968

Chamber of Commerce:

www.lafayettechamber.org



Lafayette Police Department Incident Summary Report, Aug. 31 to Sept. 13

- Alarms** 64
- 911 Calls** 17
- Animal Cruelty** Trader Joe's
- Battery**
3400 block Monroe Av
- Brandishing Weapon**
10 block Rancho Diablo Rd
- Burglary, Auto**
Golden Gate Plaza
Glenside Dr/St Mary's Rd (2)
3500 block Brook St
4100 block Los Arabis Dr
Bentley School
4000 block Canyon Rd
3500 block Mt Diablo Bl
3300 block Deer Hill Rd
1000 block 2nd St (2)
1100 block Nogales St
- Burglary, Commercial**
3300 block Mt Diablo Bl
- Disturbance**
Mt Diablo Bl/Dewing Av
- DUI**
Mt Diablo Bl/Mountain View Dr
- Embezzlement**
70 block Lafayette Cr
- Grand Theft**
500 block Silverado Dr
1300 block El Curtola Bl
3000 block Camino Diablo
3400 block Mt Diablo Bl
- Harassment**
900 block Paulson Ct
3500 block Moraga Bl
Lafayette Park Hotel
- Hit & Run**
800 block Moraga Rd
1300 block El Curtola Bl
3000 block Camino Diablo
Mt Diablo Bl/Happy Valley Rd
Roundup Lounge
Bickerstaff St/Dewing Av
- Missing Adult**
1000 block S Thompson Rd (2)
3400 block Mt Diablo Bl
3600 block Robertson Rd
- Panhandling**
3500 block Mt Diablo Bl
- Petty Theft**
30 block Lafayette Cr
1100 block Via Roble
10 block Greenvalley Dr
Acalanes High School
3800 block Happy Valley Rd
1000 block Brown Av
3100 block Plymouth Rd
- Pickpocket** Peet's

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No Drama for Housing Element

By Cathy Tyson

With very little hoopla and a couple of supportive public comments, the Lafayette Planning Commission recommended that the City Council send the current administrative draft of the Housing Element to the state for its review. After an extensive public outreach effort last spring, with community workshops hosted by mayor Don Tatzin, not a single person at the commission's Sept. 15 meeting came forward with a complaint or negative comment.

State law requires that cities examine the housing needs in their community, and come up with an eight-year plan to address what the state considers a way to accommodate the jurisdiction's fair share of housing needs.

The next cycle runs from 2014 to 2022. Lafayette has until Jan. 31 to submit an adopted Housing Element; by submitting the administrative draft early in the process, careful to point out this will be a streamlined review, meeting that deadline shouldn't be a problem. The state's Department of Housing and Community Development has 60 days to review the draft, which then comes back to the city for further discussion, if needed, and adoption.

Consultant Diana Elrod pointed out the many benefits of providing the state with a streamlined review of the draft housing element, which highlights those sections that have materially changed since the last adopted Housing Element in 2011. She received positive feedback for

her extensive work thus far; commissioner Will Lovitt called it "focused, meticulous and careful – I'm always impressed."

Key elements of the Housing Element include an inventory of adequate sites and assessments of goals, policies and programs. The proposed document includes some new programs: offering incentives to encourage rehabilitation of deteriorating multi-family housing, conversion of illegally converted residential units, and green building incentives.

As Lafayette becomes more and more built out, it's a significant challenge to ensure that there's an inventory of adequate sites that have the correct zoning to allow for housing at all economic levels to be built.

The Association of Bay Area

Governments looks at existing need and projected need for housing; the total projected need is 400 housing units for the cycle that starts in 2014. Those units are divided into categories that include very low income, low income, moderate income and above moderate income – with an average yearly need of 57 housing units.

City staff compiled a list of vacant and underutilized parcels downtown to determine what land was available for development. The state does not require cities to actually build the housing necessary to meet the community's need, however it does require that each community adopt policies and programs to support housing development.

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Local Little Leaguers Win Championship



Lafayette Little League's 11-year-old All Star team had a civic double-header at the Lafayette City Council meeting Sept. 8. After a quick reminder from mayor Don Tatzin to take off their hats, the team led a full house in the Pledge of Allegiance. The talented players are the first team in Lafayette history to win the Northern California Division 2 State Championship. Each of the players got a special certificate of recognition and handshake from the mayor. *C. Tyson*

Photo courtesy Julie Davidson

- Promiscuous Shooting**
3200 block Walnut Ln
1700 block Reliez Valley Rd
- Prowler**
3500 block Herman Dr
- Public Nuisance**
10 block Charles Ct
Acalanes High School
Lindsey Ct/Buchan Dr
1100 block Upper Happy Valley Rd
1100 block Garden Ln
Highland Rd/Mosswood Dr
Mt Diablo Bl/Moraga Rd
10 block Charles Ct
- Road Rage**
Stanley Bl/Pleasant Hill Rd
- Reckless Driving**
Oak Hill Rd/Hwy 24
Pleasant Hill Rd/Hwy 24
Deer Hill Rd/Happy Valley Rd
Echo Springs Rd/Reliez Valley Rd
Pleasant Hill Rd/Stanley Bl
Springhill Rd/Pleasant Hill Rd
- Shoplifting**
Safeway (3)
CVS
- Suspicious Circumstances** 7
- Vehicle** 30
- Subject** 28
- Traffic Stops** 150
- Trespass**
1100 block Glen Rd
Springhill Elementary
1000 block 2nd St
Burton Valley Elementary
- Vandalism**
3200 block Camino Diablo
3200 block Marlene Dr
3200 block School St
900 block Dewing Av
Stanley Bl/Vacation Dr
Brown Av/Deerhill Rd
1100 block Nogales St
1000 block Leland Dr
- Vehicle Theft**
Brook St/Dewing Av

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