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The Chickens Are Coming!

Following up on the recommendations of the Climate Action Plan, Moraga planning staff developed a small farm animal ordinance that will be studied by the Planning Commission starting at 7 p.m. Aug. 17 at the Moraga Library, 1500 St. Mary's Road. The ordinance text addresses animals such as chickens and bees. Staff examined the comparable ordinance recently passed by the city of Lafayette. Staff also met with residents interested in this type of regulation, as well as Lafayette resident John Kiefer, a.k.a. Papa John, who has been training generations of chicken owners in Lafayette and who developed a maintenance- and odor-free chicken coop concept that can be seen at the Lafayette Community Garden. The purpose of such an ordinance is to allow residents to safely and legally grow some of their own food, such as eggs and honey. Currently, one acre of land is required in Moraga to raise any kind of farm animal, one cow, one horse, one bee, or one chicken. For more information, contact Brian Horn, associate planner at (925) 888-7044 or via email at bhorn@moraga.ca.us. S. Braccini

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