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Storm drain work will presumably begin in the near future; in theory, it should not cause major traffic impacts. However, when the time comes to install the enormous new water pipeline, drivers will see a string of orange cones and will have to deal with intermittent lane closures.

According to EBMUD the project is slated to be complete in September of 2017. Noting the likely wet winter forecast, Blackwell said EBMUD built in potential rain delays to the construction schedule.

public parking will take its place.

Clarification:
 The Nov. 4 Lamorinda Weekly article, "No Drought in EBMUD Employee Compensation," stated that the East Bay Municipal Utility District publicized the names of excessive water users, but, to clarify, the agency released the names of customers with excessive use violations to the media and the public when requested under the California Public Records Act.

Moraga Moraga Library Gets an AED

By Sophie Braccini



From left: Battalion Chief Jerry Lee, Jay Ingram, Ann Miller and Greg Eames
Photo Sophie Braccini

Automated External Defibrillators save lives. This is why the Town of Moraga would like to see AED devices installed anywhere a lot of people gather, such as at the Moraga Library where a defibrillator was installed Sept. 25. "We are extremely grateful to the Rescue One Foundation for buying this device," said Parks and Recreation Director Jay Ingram, who is in charge of public facilities. Police cars and paramedic vehicles are already outfitted with AEDs, and there is one at the Hacienda de las Flores. The Moraga-Orinda Fire District trained library personnel to use the device. "The machine tells you exactly what to do," said Ann Miller, Moraga's new children's librarian who feels empowered now that she knows how to use the AED. Dr. Eugene Gottfried, board member of the Rescue One Foundation, explained that with this machine people can start saving lives right now. "When a heart stops, seconds count," he said. Battalion Chief Jerry Lee added that recently a defibrillator was used with great success on an Orinda city employee who collapsed. Rescue One president Greg Reams said that the more money the foundation raises, the more units they will be able to gift to the cities of Moraga and Orinda.

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The superintendent emphasized the effectiveness of early intervention in math. He also indicated that the assessment test children took last spring was detailed enough to help the district select those areas of mathematics that need most remediation.

The governing board members asked questions about last spring's parent survey, and how children would have been impacted by an extended kindergarten day. Director of Curriculum and Instruction Carolyn Parker, who participated in the extended kindergarten day committee, said it would have meant 30 to 45 minutes of additional instruction time. The extended day would have also included lunch at school.

"The earlier we can start math intervention the better," said board president Shari Simon. "This will open a whole world of possibilities to those children." She highlighted the importance of making the intervention a playful and interesting experience for the children to help them master mathematical concepts.

"This does not mean we are shutting off the extended kindergarten day project," said board member Jim Obsitnik. "We are just reprioritizing it for a later date."

Burns plans to bring additional details about the math intervention program to the next board meeting in December. The board will also decide at that meeting how to replace board member Parker Colvin, who is moving with his family to Chicago. The missing fifth member will be either elected by residents or nominated by the board.

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