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# Mike Metcalf Decides Not to Run for Re-election in the Fall

By Sophie Braccini

When councilmember Roger Wykle asked about a minor item on the May 11 Moraga Town Council meeting agenda – finding a replacement for Mayor Mike Metcalf on the Hillside and Ridgeline Steering Committee – and questioned why the mayor wanted to be replaced, Metcalf dropped a bombshell: He would not be seeking re-election on the council in November.

Because Metcalf thought that the work of the H&R committee would not be completed by the end of the year, and since he would not seek re-election, he thought that someone else from the council should be sitting in his seat to complete the last phase of the committee's work.

Up until now, Metcalf had left an aura of doubt hovering as to whether or not he would run again.

Metcalf has been on the council for three terms, spanning 12 years, and he has served as mayor three times. Before being an elected official, he volunteered on the Planning Commission, making that 18 years of service in Moraga politics. At the liaison meeting that followed the council, he said 18 years was enough and added that Supervisor Mary Nejedly Piepho, who said she believed in self-imposed term lim-

its, had also inspired his decision.

The mayor said he was looking forward to not participating in the November local election, but that he would certainly warn his fellow citizens against any "wingnut" that might be running.

Wykle, whose seat is also up for re-election this fall, volunteered to take Metcalf's place on the committee. Is his decision to be on the committee indicative of a decision to run again? Wykle would not confirm.

## Chamber Conducts Survey on Future of Rheem Center

By Sophie Braccini

For years, there have been town-organized workshops and planning efforts to support the transformation of the aging Rheem Shopping Center. Every time, nothing seemed to come from these efforts.

This time might be different.

Jay Kerner and U.S. Realty Partners, the new owners of the Rheem center, are surveying the community for their opinion. The survey, designed by the Moraga Chamber of Commerce with Kerner's input, can be accessed at Moragachamber.org.

Chamber vice president Bob Fritzky said he was very hopeful

when he saw Kerner at the economic symposium the chamber had organized because the center owner was so receptive to residents' input. That is when the idea of the survey was born. Fritzky set up a small committee with chamber director Kathe Nelson, town council member Phil Arth, local business owners Tom Schnayer and Tony De Venuta, and Saint Mary's College director of student life Jennifer Herzog.

Fritzky explains that the 28-question survey is different for the student population than for the rest of Moraga, but the objective is the same: trying to pinpoint the type of experience people want and

would really support at the Rheem center. Questions address types of shopping and dining people would want, as well as additional events they would like to see there.

The survey is run through Fritzky's Survey Monkey's account, so there is no cost to the city or chamber. Fritzky reports that Kerner said that he was very excited that the residents were engaged in the process and looking forward to seeing the results.

The survey will be opened until May 31, and Kerner will get the results on June 15. This newspaper will follow up with him and get his reaction to what the people want.



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