



Lafayette

Public Meetings

City Council

Monday, Dec. 12, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Planning Commission

Monday, Dec. 5, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Design Review

Monday, Dec. 12, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Arts & Science Discovery Center,
3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

School Board Meetings

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

Lafayette School District

Wednesday, Dec. 14, 7 p.m.
Regular Board Meeting
District Office Board Room
3477 School St., Lafayette
www.lafsd.k12.ca.us

Check online for agendas, meeting notes and announcements

City of Lafayette:

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

Chamber of Commerce:

www.lafayettechamber.org



Lafayette Police Department Incident Summary Report Nov. 6 - Nov. 12

Alarms	27
911 Calls (incl hang-ups)	5
Noise complaints	5
Traffic stops	44
Suspicious Circumstances	6
Suspicious Subjects	12
Suspicious Vehicles	10
Abandoned Vehicle	
3400 Block Moraga Blvd.	
Topper Ct./topper Ln.	
Quandt Rd./stanley Blvd.	
Mt. Diablo Ct./Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
3700 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Marianne Dr./Acalanes Rd.	
Auto Burglary	
1200 Block Cambridge Dr.	
3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Mt. Diablo Blvd./moraga Rd.	
3400 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Civil Standby	
10 Block Greenvalley Dr.	
Commercial Burglary	
3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Drunk In Public	
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
DUI Misdemeanor	
3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Mt. Diablo Blvd./Happy Valley Rd.	
Fireworks	
3300 Block Sweet Dr.	
Forgery	
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Grand Theft	
3700 Block Mosswood Dr.	
Hit And Run Misdemeanor	
Olympic Blvd./Pleasant Hill Rd.	
3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Reliez Station Rd./Glenside Dr.	
2nd St./Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
2nd St./Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Missing Adult	
90 Block Lafayette Cr.	
Motorist Assist	
Oak Hill Rd./Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Acalanes Rd./Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Neighbor Dispute	
500 Block Antonio Ct.	
Outside Assist	
900 Block Hough Ave.	
Petty Theft	
3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
3500 Block Terrace Way	
30 Block Circle Creek Ct.	
Reckless Driving	
Olympic Blvd./Reliez Station Rd.	
Pleasant Hill Rd./Taylor Blvd.	
1st St./Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Pleasant Hill Rd./Eb Sr 24	
1200 Block Pleasant Hill Rd.	

STILL #1 FOR A REASON

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Dana Green & Branagh Development are once again proudly joining the Chamber of Commerce in sponsoring the 4th Annual Community Holiday Celebration and Tree Lighting.

Please join us
Friday, December 2nd from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. in the Lafayette Plaza

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Lafayette Identifies New Home for Police

By Pippa Fisher

City officials have solved the problem of finding a new home for the Lafayette Police Department.

The Lafayette City Council, with all four current members present, unanimously agreed recently to authorize City Manager Steve Falk to lease property and a building located to the east of Boswells at 3471, Mount Diablo Blvd.

With the lease agreement, the council also approved the allocation of \$1.4 million for rent and improvements to the property.

The master lease will include an option to buy in the future, solving not only the short-term problem but also that of the long term.

In a departure from its previous game plan, which was to find a new location for the police department and the city offices together in one location, this property would house the police only, with the administrative offices remaining in their current location at Desco Plaza. The landlord of the current police department building has given the city until June 30, when their current lease expires, to find somewhere else.

Falk explained to the council that they had been looking at four semi-viable options but that this was by far the best of the choices.

“Chief (Eric) Christensen and I are both very excited about this new location for the police station,” Falk said. “Its location in the center of town is perfect for public access, and ideal for response times.”

The building was most recent-



The police department will move to this vacant building at 3471 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Photo Pippa Fisher

ly used as a workout studio and before that, by Feathered Follies. It was built originally for the Pool Tech Company and has 20 parking spaces in a secure, fenced, onsite parking lot. Since the parking lot would not be shared, cars could be double-parked, further increasing capacity.

The building itself is 3,200 square feet, an increase of 500 square feet over their current location, which, Falk pointed out, would accommodate a women’s locker room — something previously identified as a need. The cost of the lease is \$9,800 per month, slightly under the going rate for retail space in Lafayette but slightly more than the city is currently paying.

Christensen said that this is the

“perfect place.” He particularly liked how readily visible it is to the community and pointed out that it provides easy and fast access to the freeway and all downtown locations.

Council member Traci Reilly brought up the point of defensibility. Christensen said that requirements and guidelines for building police stations will be followed, and listed ways of making the front of the building secure, such as using concrete bollards or even decorative rocks, which can provide a safe yet attractive barrier against the possibility of vehicles crashing into the building.

To some of those who remembered the last city council meeting, when Falk stressed the importance of keeping the location

of both the police and the city offices together, this move for the police only was confusing. Lafayette resident Jim Burns said he didn’t want the city to be “rushed into it.” He said that while he understood how this solves the short-term problem, he couldn’t see where it fits in with the long-term plan.

Falk said, “Co-locating the city’s administrative offices with the police would have been preferable, but this building and its location are too good to pass up. ... It should serve Lafayette and its citizens well for decades to come. With that matter behind us, we will now concentrate on a solution for (finding a location for) the city’s administrative functions.”

Help Keep Your Neighborhood Safe

By Pippa Fisher

The Lafayette Police Department and Lafayette Crime Prevention Commission will host a meeting entitled “Community Neighborhood Watch” on Dec. 7 at the Lafayette Veterans Memorial building, 3780 Mt.

Diablo Blvd., Lafayette.

Chief Eric Christensen and other speakers will offer insights and suggestions, as well as answer questions relating to crime prevention in the city of Lafayette.

The meeting will run from 7-9 p.m. Residents, business owners, employees and other interested individuals are invited.

Shoplift	3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Threats	3200 Block Judith Ln. 1300 Block Sunset Loop
Traffic Hazard	Pleasant Hill Rd./Greenvalley Dr. Deer Hill Rd./Brown Ave.
Vandalism	900 Block Hough Ave. Upper Happy Valley Rd./ El Nido Ranch Rd. 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. 3200 Block Lucas Dr.
Vehicle Theft	3100 Block Sunridge Ct. 900 Block Bell St 3100 Block Sunridge Ct. 3100 Block Sunridge Ct.
Welfare Check	Golden Gate Wy/1st St 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. 900 Block Oak Hill Rd. 900 Block Hough Ave. 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. Wilkinson Ln./Moraga Rd.

Andersson’s City Council Seat up for Grabs

By Pippa Fisher

Following Brandt Andersson’s midterm resignation, it falls to the current Lafayette City Council to elect a member who will serve out the rest of Andersson’s term until it expires in November 2018.

The board voted at the last city council meeting to accept applicants until Dec. 9, with a plan to conducting interviews from Dec. 13 – 20. Further discussion

on how to proceed with the interview process will take place at the Dec. 12 city council meeting.

Residents interested in applying should fill out and submit the council vacancy application, found on the city website, and may contact the city clerk, Joanne Robbins, at 925-284-1968 for further information.

COFFEE TALK

with Greg Gaskin

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TOPIC:
Effectively managing your 401K
(Consistently picking the right investments)

Join us December 10th, 2016

Time: 9:30am—10:45am
Limited to first 20 people

Telephone: **925.376.7335**

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Please RSVP to
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by December 7th, 2016