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MOFD campaign ad correction

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A Sept. 19 Lamorinda Weekly campaign ad for Moraga-Orinda Fire District Division 1 candidate Greg Baitx stated that he had received the endorsement of the Moraga Town Council.

"It is not true," Moraga Mayor Dave Trotter said. "That would require a properly agendaed action taken by the Council at a public meeting, which did not happen. To my knowledge and as a matter of policy, the Council has never collectively endorsed candidates for other elected positions."

Baitx' campaign manager Jon Bensley said the incorrect endorsement was printed because the campaign mistakenly heard that members of the town council had endorsed Baitx at a public event, and the campaign never received confirmation of any endorsement. Bensley has since apologized to each town council member and to Baitx' Division 1 opponent, Nathan Bell.

"We have removed all town council endorsement statements from our election material and future advertisements," Bensley said.

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