

MOFD short-term finances sluggish, long-range forecast improved

By Nick Marnell

A conservative 10-year financial forecast shows the Moraga-Orinda Fire District with a lower than desired general fund balance, but a more upbeat projection has the district hitting its general fund balance goal of 50 percent of revenue by 2028. Dis-

trict administrative services director Gloriann Sasser presented the numbers at a March 20 public workshop, and the district board is expected to adopt the financial plan at its April 17 meeting.

MOFD revamped the format of its Long Range Financial Forecast, most notably lowering the outlook from 15

to 10 years. It also provided two projections – one using a 3 percent increase in annual property tax revenue, and the other using a 4 percent increase. Property tax revenue has risen on average just under 5 percent a year for the past four years.

Highlights of the forecast include the payoff of the \$13

million balance of the district pension obligation bond in 2023, and the continued funding of both the pension stabilization and retiree health care trusts. The pension trust was created to offset the unrealistic projections provided by the district pension administrator, the Contra Costa County Employees' Re-

irement Association, which had forecast a 7 percent gain on its investments for 2018, far higher than the actual 2.7 percent loss. MOFD also uses a more conservative formula to calculate its net pension liability than does CCCERA. ... continued on Page A9

Broschard formally takes over county's largest fire district

By Nick Marnell

The torch was passed from outgoing Fire Chief Jeff Carman to his successor, Deputy Chief Lewis Broschard, at the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Change of Command ceremony March 22 in front of dozens of friends, officials and family members.

"From the time I began here, I knew that Lewis would be my successor," Carman said, as the two semifi-

nalists for the fire chief position in 2013 became not only synchronous coworkers but good friends as well. "I hope he gets a deputy chief that he can count on as much as I have."

Broschard vowed to continue the positive momentum of the district, and promised to maintain the high level of public trust that the district has realized under Carman. He also said he will continue to advance one of Carman's top priorities as chief.

"Relationships are special and relationships are important, and I will continue to foster them," Broschard said. "I look forward to our becoming the premier fire district we all strive for."



Photo courtesy Steve Hill ConFire

Lewis Broschard's wife, Alyce, pins him at his swearing-in as ConFire's 12th fire chief.

ConFire reopens reserve fire station near Lamorinda



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Reserve firefighters sworn in at March 11 reopening of Fire Station 19 in Briones

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The Contra Costa County Fire Protection District added further protection from a wildland fire roaring into Lamorinda when it reopened refurbished Fire Station 19 in Briones, less than four miles from the Lafayette and north Orinda borders. The rededi-

cated reserve station lies in a rural area west of Briones Regional Park, and will be staffed by ConFire reserve firefighters.

"We are celebrating not only the reopening of Fire Station 19 but of the ConFire reserve program," said then-Fire Chief Jeff Carman at the March 11 dedication ceremony.

Battalion Chief Paul Silva and Capt. Sam Nichols revamped the reserve program, which had been placed on the back burner after the Great Recession, adding 11 new firefighters who went through an orientation program that included CPR, communications and wildland training. Each reserve must commit up to six hours a week at the station. "Someone will be here regularly," Silva told the attendees.

The station has been updated, and ConFire purchased and equipped a new Type 6 wildland firefighting engine dedicated for the reserve program. The small, nimble engine used in wildland settings like Briones will be the front-

line engine for the station, which also houses a Type 3 wildland firefighting engine. The Type 6 engine is the only one of its kind in the district. "There were a lot of false starts, and there was a lot of frustration with the fire district," Carman said, as he tried to assure the local residents that ConFire is committed to staying in Briones and providing continuous service. "With all of the wildfire threats, I am much more relaxed knowing that we have coverage here." Fire Station 19 is located on Garcia Ranch Road, just east of Bear Creek Road in Briones.

Fire District Public Meetings

Moraga-Orinda Fire District
Board of Directors
Wednesday, April 17, 7 p.m.
Go to the website for meeting location, times and agendas.
Visit www.mofd.org



ConFire
Board of Directors
Tuesday, April 9, 1:30 p.m.
Board Chamber Room 107,
Administration Building
651 Pine St., Martinez.
For meeting times and agendas, visit www.cccfpd.org



Public Safety

Emergency response:
Emergency: 24 Hours
Police Dispatch: 24 Hours
Nixle: Text your zip code to 888777 or go to www.nixle.com

Lafayette Police Department:
3471 Mt. Diablo Blvd. 925-283-3680
Chief of Police, Ben Alldritt 925-299-3221
Police Department Tip Line 94549Tip@gmail.com
Police Department Traffic Issues 94549Traffic@gmail.com

Moraga Police Department:
329 Rheem Blvd., 925-888-7055
Chief of Police, Jon King ext. 7049
Orinda Police Department:
22 Orinda Way 925-254-6820
Chief of Police, Mark Nagel 925-254-6820
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Lafayette Police Department Incident Summary Report
March 10 - 23

Alarms 67
911 Calls (includes hang-ups) 17
Traffic 177
Suspicious Circumstances 10
Suspicious Subject 25
Suspicious Vehicle 24
Service to Citizen 46
Patrol Request/Security Check 29
Vacation House Check 14
Supplemental Report 14
Welfare Check 11

Vehicle violations

Auto Burglary
4000 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
3400 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2)

Exhibition Of Speed
Pleasant Hill Rd./Deer Hill Rd.

Grand Theft From Vehicle
3400 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Hit And Run Misdemeanor
1100 Block Upper Happy Valley Rd.
900 Block Moraga Rd.
3600 Block Boyer Cr.
Happy Valley Rd./Valory Ln.
30 Block Lafayette Cr.

Petty Theft From Vehicle
Deer Hill Rd./1St St.

Reckless Driving
Reliez Station Rd./Pleasant Hill Rd.
1000 Block Pleasant Hill Rd.
Police Department
Briones Regional Park
Pleasant Hill Rd./Springhill Rd.
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Pleasant Hill Rd./Wb Sr 24
Mt. Diablo Blvd./1St St.

Other criminal activity

Commercial Burglary
3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Fraud False Pretenses
500 Block Silverado Dr.

Grand Theft
500 Block Silverado Dr.
Happy Valley Rd./Deer Hill Rd.

Identity Theft
St. Marys Rd./Moraga Rd.
3300 Block Las Huertas Rd.
Police Department

20 Block Camellia Ln. (2)
Panhandling
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Petty Theft
Wb Sr 24 At St Stephens Dr.
Petty Theft Bicycle
10 Block Wallabi Ct.
Shoplift
3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (6)

Nuisance to the Community

Harassment
1000 Block Carol Ln.

Loud Music
3300 Block Kincheloe Ct. (2)
Pleasant Hill Rd./Quandt Rd.

Loud Noise
3200 Block Mt. Diablo Ct.
Wilder/Hwy 24
3600 Block Chestnut St.

Loud Party
3400 Block School St.
3900 Block Franke Ln.
1000 Block 2Nd St.

Public Nuisance
3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Happy Valley Rd./Baker Ln.
S Peardale Dr./Upper Happy Valley Rd.
300 Block Castello Rd.

School Assembly Check
1200 Block Pleasant Hill Rd. (2)

Other

Animal Cruelty
Mt. Diablo Blvd./Acalanes Rd.

Brandishing Weapon
3600 Block Deerhill Rd.
1200 Block Pleasant Hill Rd.

Dependent Adult Abuse
1900 Block Reliez Valley Rd.

H&S Violation
3300 Block Mcgraw Ln.

Vandalism
3400 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Moraga Police Department Incident Summary Report
March 12 - 25

Alarms 13
911 Calls (includes hang-ups) 4
Traffic 128

Suspicious Circumstances 9
Suspicious Subject 5
Suspicious Vehicle 8
Petty Theft 48
Patrol Request/Security Check 34
Supplemental Report 10
Vacation House Check 5
Welfare Check 7

Vehicle violations

Accident Injury
800 Block Villa Ln.

Accident Property
Iv Dr./Ardith Dr.

Auto Burglary
Rheem Valley Shopping Center

Dui Misd
Moraga Way/Camino Ricardo

Excessive Speed
Moraga Way/Moraga Valley Ln.
Rheem Blvd./Fernwood Dr.
Moraga Way/Moraga Rd. (2)
Moraga Rd./Dolores
Moraga Rd./Natalie Dr.
Moraga Rd./Moraga Via
Larch Ave./Wandel Dr. (3)
St. Andrew/Cypress
Ascot Dr./Moraga Rd.

Hit And Run Misdemeanor
1700 Block St. Andrews Dr.

Reckless Driving
Moraga Way/Ivy Dr.
Canyon Rd./Moraga Rd.
St. Marys Rd./Rheem Bl

Vehicle Theft
300 Block Rheem Blvd.
10 Block Bal Tusrol

Other criminal activity

Burglary
Cvs
Disturbance-Domestic
70 Block Greenfield Dr.

Identity Theft
500 Block Moraga Rd.

Shoplift
Cvs

Nuisance to the Community

Juvenile Disturbance
Safeway

Loud Party
Sanders Ranch Rd./Camino Pablo
100 Block Draeger Dr.
2000 Block Ascot Dr.

Other

Minor Ill Commit
100 Block Danefield Pl.

Moraga Commons Park
1400 Block Camino Peral

Other Infraction
St Marys Rd./Moraga Rd.

Public Assembly Check
Rheem Valley Shopping Center (2)

Violation Custody Order
1700 Block St. Andrews Dr.

Orinda Police Department Incident Summary Report
March 10 - 23

Alarms 44
911 Calls (includes hang-ups) 10
Traffic 170
Suspicious Circumstances 3
Suspicious Subject 6
Suspicious Vehicle 12
Service to Citizen 58
Patrol Request/Security Check 35
Vacation House Check 8
Supplemental Report 9
Welfare Check 3

Vehicle violations

Auto Burglary
10 Block Country Club Plaza
Starbucks

Dui Misd
Moraga Way/Ivy Dr.

Hit And Run Misdemeanor
Orinda Country Club

Petty Theft From Veh
Police Department
Fish Ranch Rd./Sr 24

Reckless Driving
Bear Creek Rd./San Pablo Dam Rd.
St Stephens Dr./Wb Sr 24

Road Rage
Camino Pablo/San Pablo Dam Rd.

Other criminal activity

Fraud False Pretenses
300 Block Village View Ct.

Identity Theft
10 Block Estates Dr.

Petty Theft
10 Block Orinda Way
Beverages And More
10 Block Las Aromas

Warrant Arrest
California Shakespeare Festival
Cvs

Nuisance to the Community

Harassment
20 Block Glorietta Ct.

Loud Music
500 Block Miner Rd.

Loud Noise
500 Block Miner Rd.

Loud Party
Buena Vista/Moraga Way
40 Block Estates Dr.

Phone Harass
60 Block Orinda Way

Public Assembly Check
Cvs (3)
Sleepy Hollow School (2)
300 Block Camino Pablo
Wagner Ranch Elementary

Public Nuisance
100 Block Orchard Rd.

School Assembly Check
Miramonte High School (2)

Other

Accident Property
Santa Maria Way/Camino Pablo
200 Block Village
Wells Fargo
20 Block Orinda Way
Ivy Dr./Ardith Dr.
300 Block Camino Sobrante

Brandishing Weapon
10 Block Camino Del Monte

Death Non Criminal
10 Block Irwin Way

Disturbing The Peace
10 Block Casa Vieja
30 Block Charles Hill Cr.
10 Block Lost Valley Dr.

Ordinance Violation
Mira Loma/Via Farallon
Dias Dorados Rd./La Cintilla

Other Non Criminal
Safeway

Trespass
Orinda Country Club
Camino Sobrante/El Ribero
300 Block Camino Sobrante
Quarry Hill Rd./Quarry House Dr.

Unauthorized Possession
Starbucks

Unwanted Guest
400 Block Tahos Rd.

Vandalism
Rite Aid