

## Letters to the editor ... continued

### Re-elect Carl Anduri to Lafayette City Council

I'm supporting Carl Anduri for re-election to the Lafayette City Council because one of the issues I feel strongly about is gun safety -- and so does he. When our group (Moms Demand Action) urged the Council to enact a safe firearms storage ordinance, Carl responded and worked with us from start to finish. Lafayette's safe firearms storage ordinance was unanimously adopted by the Council in late 2022 and went into effect in January 2023. Carl's re-election campaign has been awarded the 2024 Moms Demand Action Gun Sense Candidate distinction.

I have also been a member of the City of Lafayette Public Arts Committee. Carl has been our Council liaison; he shares a thoughtful, inclusive voice to bringing public art to our community.

Please join me in voting for Carl to keep Lafayette a safe and beautiful community.

Carol Reif  
Lafayette

### Lafayette City Council Endorsements

Dear Editor,

The citizens of Lafayette are fortunate to have three experienced incumbents who have expressed their willingness to run for another term on the City Council. Carl Anduri, Gina Dawson and John McCormick are well qualified to lead Lafayette for the next four years. I have had the pleasure of working with all three and appreciate the passion and dedication they provide to our City.

I spend much of my time looking back at the history of Lafayette and how the settlement and later the city were established. Over the years Lafayette has had men and women who have given their time and talent to make this community a great place to live. Lafayette has just celebrated 175 years since its founding and over those years it has been the people who provided the leadership which led us to where we are today. Carl, Gina and John are the most recent examples of positive leadership and fiscal responsibility and I urge support of their reelection.

Let us celebrate the past while we look forward to the future.

Please vote for experience on Nov. 5.  
Mary McCosker  
Lafayette

### Elect Stacey Scheppe to AUHSD Governing Board

I was thrilled to learn that Stacey Scheppe is a candidate for Acalanes Union High School District governing board. Please join me in voting for Stacey.

I worked alongside Stacey for 8+ years as a PTA volunteer. I know her to be thoughtful, practical, and deeply engaged in the work of meeting the needs of our community's kids.

Stacey is the most well-qualified candidate. She has been working on

behalf of the students at every level (K-12) of our local public schools for over 20 years. She has demonstrated her commitment to our students through active involvement as a parent leader and participation in multiple district sponsored committees, including the AUHSD parcel tax oversight committee. As the parent of two AUHSD graduates (Campolindo and Las Lomas), Stacey has a valuable perspective on what the district already does well for its students and what it can do better.

I trust Stacey to be fiscally responsible and promote positive change for all students. I urge you to join me in voting for Stacey Scheppe for AUHSD governing board.  
Aimee Moss

### Carl Anduri for City Council

I am proud to offer my enthusiastic support for Carl Anduri's re-election to the Lafayette City Council. With over 14 years of service, including three terms as Mayor, Carl's wealth of experience and steady leadership are exactly what our city needs as we continue to face increasingly complex challenges like wildfire risk, rising costs, and important updates to our General Plan.

Trust is an essential quality in any elected official, and Carl has earned ours time and time again. His leadership is marked by professionalism, thorough preparation, and an unwavering commitment to collaboration—whether he's advocating for senior services, improving our city's infrastructure, or partnering with local schools. His dedication to the people of Lafayette is evident in everything he does.

Carl's open-minded approach, and his deep understanding of Lafayette's values, make him an indispensable asset to our city. Carl absolutely has my vote and I hope he can count on yours, too.

Katy Foreman  
Lafayette

### Carl Anduri for Lafayette City Council

Please join us in supporting incumbent Carl Anduri for Lafayette's City Council on Nov. 5. Carl is an extremely dedicated and very experienced council member, having served Lafayette from 2002-2012 and from 2020 to the present. Within the context of today's enormous pressures from insurance cancellations and Sacramento's housing mandates and its challenges to our small-town ethos, to re-igniting Lafayette's post-pandemic economic stability and growth, Carl's history of long and productive service to the community is critical to its future, and to the preservation of the qualities of life here that we all hold so dear.

We have witnessed firsthand Carl's constructive engagement with Lafayette's diverse neighborhoods, his thoughtful, well-researched responses and innovative solutions to complex issues before Council. He is open-minded, has a keen, questioning man-

ner, and an independent but compassionate demeanor that colleagues and constituents alike admire and value. He is a consensus builder with a focus on the best long-term interests of our entire community. His vision for Lafayette manages and balances growth in a way that includes more downtown parks and greater protection for our hillsides and open spaces, and keeps a practical eye toward providing the services and infrastructure Lafayette residents need. We need Carl Anduri like never before. Please help re-elect him to council so he can continue to serve us all.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Glenn and Tracey Farrell  
Lafayette

### Please vote for incumbents Carl Anduri, Gina Dawson and John McCormick for Lafayette City Council.

We live in the most amazing city in the bay area and these three leaders have worked hard to make our town a special place. I served Lafayette as Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Council Member; and currently as a Crime Prevention Commissioner. I know the type of stable leadership it takes to sustain the hometown experience we have all grown to love. Carl, Gina and John are who we need. In particular, their focus on public and fire safety, and police services, has enabled our community to remain peaceful and secure. They take a rational and measured approach on growth & development, listening to all sides. They support local business and a vibrant downtown. And, importantly, they advocate for our senior community. As we look to the future, Carl, Gina and John will 100% deliver for us. Thank you.

Cam Burks  
Former Mayor of Lafayette  
Lafayette

### Jim Cervantes for City Council

As Lafayette residents cast their vote for City Council, I strongly recommend Jim Cervantes for the Council's two-year term position. As a municipal bond broker, I worked with Jim for over 25 years as he was one of our leading Public Finance bankers and a partner at our firm. During that time, Jim presented hundreds of municipal bond financings to our sales team, bringing a solid understanding of a wide variety of bond issues. He was universally respected for his deep understanding of California city finance, but beyond this, he was as widely respected for his integrity. In a competitive business environment, Jim always worked to advance the well-being of the entire firm and dealt fairly with individuals at all levels of the company.

Through my work coaching foot-

ball at Acalanes High School, I know something about how groups succeed. On our team at work, Jim was one of our go-to players, effective on the field but also willing to set a block to let someone else shine. He will be a great addition to Team Lafayette.  
Sincerely,  
Greg Young  
Lafayette

### YES on Measure H

As a two-time mayor during 8 years on the City Council in the 1990's, I supported the best possible services for Lafayette. A part of that was working with others to build our new Library and Learning Center, the Veterans Memorial Hall, undergrounding downtown utilities, as well as passing a measure to repair our roads and drains. That was a long time ago. I am now supporting Measure H because I don't want to see our past investments in our city get run down. Voting "YES" on Measure H is the best way to keep city services in place.

By increasing the local sales tax rate half a percent, Measure H allows the city to continue fixing our streets, maintaining police services, preserving our parks and public spaces, and sustaining our wildfire preparedness efforts. In my service to the city, I have witnessed firsthand how the people of Lafayette care for one another. Supporting Measure H helps us continue the level of care that makes us "Love Lafayette". Measure H will help us keep our neighborhoods safe, protect our students going to and from school, keep our pedestrians and bikers safe on our streets, and look out for our senior citizens.

We can be assured that the funds will be well spent; for the ninth year in a row the City has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association. The award is for consistent commitment to excellence and transparency in financial reporting.

These tax funds will stay local and cannot be stolen by the state. This would not be a permanent increase; it requires a fresh look by voters after 7 years in order to be renewed. The City of Lafayette currently has sales tax lower than Concord, Moraga, Orinda, Pleasant Hill and Walnut Creek.

For a fraction of a cent on a dollar spent, the sales tax is the sensible way to a successful future. Vote "YES" on Measure H.  
Love Lafayette,  
Anne Grodin  
Lafayette

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**Election Season SPECIAL POLICY:** Letters to the Editor Letters related to a candidate running for office should be a maximum of 200 words so that we will have room to publish as many letters as possible. Letters regarding ballot measures will remain up to 350 words maximum. Deadline is now NOON on Thursday prior to the issue date.

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# VOTE FOR John McCormick Lafayette City Council 2024

Trusted Leadership, Community Commitment

## Civic & Community Experience

- 15 Year Local Business Owner (Lamorinda Music)
- Lafayette City Council Member
- Lafayette Planning Commissioner
- 20 Year LPIE Volunteer (Supporting our schools)
- Lafayette Chamber Board (President for two years)
- Park Theater Trust Board Member
- Lafayette Businessperson of the Year
- Lafayette Land Acknowledgment Task Force Chair
- Author, "Chinese in Napa Valley" History Book (2023)
- Napa County Historical Society Board Member

"John's track record as a local business leader speaks volumes about his ability to get things done. I wholeheartedly support John's candidacy—he will continue to make Lafayette an even better place to live."

- Teresa Gerringer,  
Former Mayor

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Discover why John is the right choice for our community. Explore his positions on key issues and see the impressive list of local leaders who stand behind him at [McCormickforLafayette.com](http://McCormickforLafayette.com).

## Values I Bring to the City Council

- **Collaborative & Inclusive:** Engaging all voices to make thoughtful decisions.
- **Community Focused:** Prioritizing what's best for our families, neighborhoods, businesses, and open spaces.
- **Service Oriented:** Serving residents with respect and compassion.
- **Integrity:** Honesty and transparency in every action.
- **Financially Responsible:** Ensuring taxpayer dollars are used wisely and effectively, support Measure H.
- **Green & Sustainable:** Championing policies that protect our environment.
- **Dedicated & Hardworking:** Committed to putting in the work to do the job right.



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