

Published December 22nd, 2010 This Year's Mayor and a Council Member Say Goodbye and Hello By Cathy Tyson



Both Brandt Andersson and Don Tatzin won re-election; Andersson steps down as mayor, but returns to the City Council with Don Tatzin, a council member since 1985.

New Mayor Carl Anduri introduced former Mayor Brant Andersson, saying he was particularly good at bringing order to chaos. Anduri recognized the importance of the acquisition of the Acalanes Ridge Open Space as one of the hallmarks of Andersson's tenure.

"It's been a real pleasure - time well spent. The Mayor gets credit for what a lot of other people do," said Andersson. He recognized and thanked his family and city staff for all that they accomplish along with citizens who fill up the Community Hall every other Monday trying to make the city a better place.

Andersson credits much of the success this year to planning, "Acalanes Ridge didn't just happen - the City gained a beautiful open space for a quarter of the cost with a coalition of Muir Heritage Land Trust, East Bay Regional Park District and the City of Walnut Creek."

Council members Don Tatzin and Brandt Anderson Photo Cathy Tyson

"Winning is a lot better than the alternative," said Don Tatzin, who will continue his record-breaking quarter century position on the City

Council. He estimates he visited 1,000 homes in the area, knocking on doors to ask voters for their support. Looking forward he envisions, "Continued periods of uncertainty and we will continue to be in a weak economic environment."

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