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**Four to Vie for Three Town Council Seats**

With Mayor Mike Metcalf and Phil Arth opting not to run for reelection, there is a fairly open field for the three spots coming up for election on the Moraga Town Council this November.

**Incumbent Running:**  
Roger Wykle

**Other Candidates:**  
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**Parks Commission Recommends Commons for All Access Park That Rotary Will Gift to the Town**

By Sophie Braccini

Many different locations have been considered since the Moraga Rotary offered to gift the town of Moraga with an all-access playground. Last month, the town council asked the parks and recreation department to study placing the playground at the Moraga Commons Park.

Now, the parks and recreation commissioners have recommended locating the structure close to the tot lot at the Commons. The town council is expected to make the final decision Aug. 24 so the

Rotary can start its fundraising campaign and gift the town with this feature for kids of all abilities.

The Moraga Rotary wants to mark its 50th anniversary with giving to the town a playground for all children, including those who have various disabilities. The idea is that all children should have the opportunity to play together and experience this carefree time. The park proposed by the Rotary has been designed to appeal and be adapted to all,

whether or not they suffer a disability.

The first location proposed was at Rancho Laguna Park where flat space is available. But the town council decided on July 13 that since the mission of the new play structure is inclusion, the new equipment should be located in a central part of town where all kids go. Parks and Recreation Director Jay Ingram was tasked with gathering information to determine the possibilities at the Commons and evaluate how

much it would cost to nestle the new 5,500-square-foot of play equipment among the existing two playgrounds.

At the July 13 meeting, the council members had unanimously supported the idea that developers' fees that the town has collected could be used by the town to support the additional work that would be needed to locate the all-access equipment at the Commons. The council members had been given an estimate in the \$100,000 range. ... continued on page A14

**And The New Name Is...**

By Sophie Braccini

West Commons. That is the new name the parks and recreation commissioners announced for the open space pocket park located west of Moraga Commons, between Moraga Road and the new Camino Ricardo development.

Several meetings have been held on the topic. The commission started with 20 names that were narrowed down to four. These four were subject of a town online survey where some 220 residents participated.

West Commons came in first with 98 votes, followed by Dos

Arroyos with 80 votes.

The new 1.4-acre park will be accessible through the development, and via a bridge on Moraga Road. The concept is that of a passive park, with open meadow, trails and interpretative signs, showing local natural habitats. It could possibly be an educational resource for schools.

The town does not have a set policy to name parks. The commission decided that their recommendation would be sent to the town council for approval as a consent item in September.



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As summer comes to an end and kids go back to school, it's a good time to embark on home projects, such as painting, updating hardware and lighting, refreshing a back splash, without as many distractions. We have resources for many local service providers and would be happy to share them with you. And remember to clean your gutters, check your chimney, reverse your ceiling fans when it gets colder!

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