

City Council

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PLEASE REVIEW THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING UPCOMING ROAD WORK IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

Dear Resident:

Beginning at the end of July the City of Lafayette will be repaving Reliez Valley Road from Pleasant Hill Road to Rossi Street and Moraga Road from Rimrock Drive to the City Limits with the Town of Moraga. Due to the ongoing restrictions in place for public meetings City staff will host an informational zoom meeting on Wednesday May 26th at 7:00 pm. Please visit the Calendar on the City's website www.lovelafayette.org for the meeting's Zoom link and information handout. This presentation is an opportunity for residents to learn how the construction project may impact existing frontage improvements as well as your street access and traffic flow during construction.

In preparation for the project, we request that each property owner evaluate the condition of the house sewer line (or lateral) as soon as possible. Since these lines typically connect the house plumbing to the sewer main in the street, any needed repairs should be completed before the street repaving. If you have not replaced your sewer lateral within the last five years, or your lateral requires regular maintenance, consider having the line inspected, and if necessary replaced, prior to **August 1st**, **2021**. This work will require an encroachment permit from the City; but if the work is completed prior to August 1st, the City will waive the usual permit fee. A permit from the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (CCCSD) will still be required. While this work is at the property owner's discretion, please be aware that any road excavation after the street resurfacing is complete will require extensive (and more expensive) restoration measures at the property owner's sole cost.

As part of the road work, the City's contractor will trim shrubs, low hanging tree limbs, and all other forms of vegetation to one foot beyond the existing edge of pavement or pathway and to 14 feet above the road. This is necessary to allow access clearance for construction equipment and to prevent even more extensive damage to vegetation during construction. In some cases, trimming may expose the bare interior of some plants such as juniper bushes or redwood trees. Construction contractors are not trained gardeners, and if you are concerned about the aesthetics of any vegetation along your property frontage, please do the clearance work yourself in advance of the project. Please be reminded that any vegetation that requires trimming or removal is likely on public property but is still the maintenance responsibility of each fronting property owner.

Related, if your property has private improvements such as sewer cleanouts, drainage, irrigation, lighting, or any other facilities within five feet of the existing edge of pavement or pathway, please notify me in writing immediately so that we can account for them in the road construction. While we

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will make all reasonable attempts to protect private improvements that are readily visible, please be advised that property owners have located these facilities on public property at their own risk.

The project is anticipated to be completed by the end of October 2021 with road work occurring between 9:00 am and 4:30 pm Monday through Friday. While Reliez Valley Road is under construction traffic will be reduced to one lane. Due to the very high traffic volumes on Moraga Road the road will be closed in the southbound direction of travel and detoured down Saint Mary's Road to Rheem Boulevard and back to Moraga Road. These hours have been selected to minimize the impact on the morning commute and morning school traffic. Schedule updates and construction activities forecast for the following week will be posted every Friday on the City's website.

If you have questions regarding this project, please contact me at 925-299-3247 or mluttropp@ci.lafayette.ca.us. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely

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