



The Town of Corte Madera's Newsletter for February 22, 2019

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COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

Our Department of Public Works invites you to a community workshop for the Central Marin Regional Pathways Gap Closure Project.

The gap closure project has spanned more than 10 years of planning efforts involving a wide range of stakeholders, including: the Town of Corte Madera, local citizens, school parents, local advocacy groups, the City of Larkspur, Caltrans, the Bay Trail, and the Transportation Authority of Marin. These efforts resulted in the award of a competitive Active Transportation Program grant for the further planning and design of project elements.

The gap closure project sits at the nexus of five active transportation pathways and routes. Current conditions in the project's vicinity leave users with sub-standard and aging pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, uncontrolled pedestrian crossings, lack of bicycle facilities, challenging intersections and congested streets. The gap closure project involves providing a number of pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular improvements on Wornum Drive, Nellen Avenue and Fifer Avenue in the Town of Corte Madera. Potential project components consist of the following:

- Improving the multiuse pathway along the south side of Wornum Drive between Tamal Vista Boulevard and Redwood Highway Frontage Road
- Installing a roundabout at the intersection of Wornum Drive and Nellen Avenue
- Providing a two-way cycle track on Nellen Avenue between Wornun Drive and Fifer Avenue
- Enhancing uncontrolled pedestrian crossings across Fifer Avenue at Nellen Avenue
- Enabling direct access to southbound Nellen Avenue via eastbound Fifer Avenue

Please join us on Wednesday, February 27th from 6PM to 8PM at Town Hall, 300 Tamalpais Drive, to provide your input. If you are unable to attend the workshop and wish to provide comments by e-mail you can address them to R.J. Suokko, the Town of Corte Madera's project manager, at rsuokko@tcmmail.org.

To view a PDF of this announcement, [please click here](#).



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING:

PROJECT NAME: Residences at Preserve Subdivision

PROJECT ADDRESS: Paradise Drive at Robin Drive (APN NO. 038-011-21)

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, February 26, 2019

TIME AND PLACE: 7:00 P.M., **Corte Madera Town Hall**, 300 Tamalpais Drive

SUBJECT: Public Hearing for consideration and possible recommendation to the Corte Madera Town Council regarding a mitigated negative declaration, zoning amendment, planned development with preliminary and precise plan, subdivision tentative map, design review for a 24-unit residential subdivision including 8 accessory dwelling units and associated site improvements.

APPLICANT: AIMCO ROBIN DRIVE L.P.

PROJECT CONTACT: Adam Wolff, Director, Planning and Building Department

awolff@tcmmail.org; (415) 927-5064

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Corte Madera Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing to review information, receive public comments, and consider making a recommendation to the Corte Madera Town Council regarding certification of a Mitigated Negative Declaration and applications by Aimco Robin Drive L.P. for:

1. **A Zoning Amendment** to rezone the subject property from Hillside Land Capacity Overlay District to a Planned Development Overlay District;
2. **Planned Development with a Preliminary Plan, Precise Plan, Policy Statement, and Subdivision Tentative Map** to subdivide the property into 19 lots and a private street for the development of 16 single-family homes and 8 accessory dwelling units, including modification of zoning standards; and
3. **Design Review** to construct 16 structures for 16 single-family units and associated site improvements.

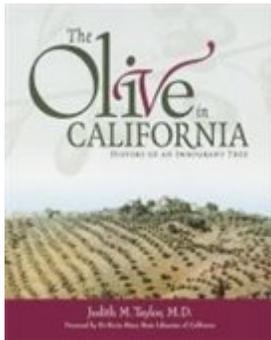
Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for the project. All public comments, and the Planning Department's responses to public comments, are included in a revised Mitigated Negative Declaration and Staff Report.

- All interested persons are welcome to attend and to comment, in person or in writing, at the public hearing. You may also submit written comments prior to the public hearing by contacting the project contact (listed above).
- Additional information regarding the Planning Commission's prior meetings, project plans, prior staff reports and presentations can be found on the Town's Active Projects webpage for the project: http://bit.ly/AIMCO_RobinDrSubdivision and at the Town of Corte Madera Planning Department, located at 300 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera, California, lower level, during public hours: 8:00am – 11:30am and 1:00pm – 3:00pm Monday through Thursday.
- Planning Commission meetings are also streamed live and may be viewed at: www.townofcortemadera.org/623/Watch-Live-Video.
- Staff reports are usually available by 5:00 p.m. on the Friday before the meeting and may be obtained from the project contact (listed above)
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- If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this NOTICE, or in written correspondence delivered to the Town of Corte Madera at, or prior to, the public hearing. All written responses will become part of the public record (Government Code Section 65009(b)).

I do hereby certify that the foregoing Notice of Public Hearing was duly processed according to the California Government Code and the Corte Madera Municipal Code.

Adam Wolff, Planning Director

To view a PDF version of this notice, [please click here](#).



The Olive in California: History of An Immigrant Tree

The Corte Madera Library invites you to a free event on the history of the olive of California.

Dr. Judith M. Taylor, author of [The Olive in California: History of An Immigrant Tree](#), will trace the tree's journey, beginning in the sixteenth century, when it arrived in Mexico, through the present day.

Registration is not required, however seating is limited.

This free event is cosponsored by the Corte Madera Library and Corte Madera Parks & Recreation Department. It will be held on Monday, February 25, 2019 from 10:30AM to 11:30AM at the Corte Madera Library, 707 Meadowsweet Drive.

For more information, contact the Corte Madera Library at 415-924-4844.



Start Smart - A FREE Teen Driver Safety Class

Do you have a teen driver in your family? Help them to "start smart." Central Marin Police Authority (CMPA) is pleased to partner with the California Highway Patrol's Marin Office and offer the Start Smart class to our

communities. Start Smart is a FREE two-hour traffic safety class designed specifically for teen drivers or soon-to-be drivers (15 to 19 years of age) and their parents. The class will teach teens about some of the most common mistakes that new drivers make, and the most common reasons that law enforcement officers will contact them while driving. The class also serves to educate parents and clarify some of the confusion about the laws regarding provisional drivers licensing.

At least one parent or guardian must attend with their teen. (exception for Court referrals over 18 years old)

You must register for the class in advance. The Eventbrite links are listed below. Each person attending will need their own ticket, including parents. Please select "2" when registering for tickets.

Start Smart will be offered at:

Larkspur – Saturday, March 9, 2019 10 am to noon

Central Marin Police Authority community room

250 Doherty Drive, Larkspur

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/copy-of-free-start-smart-class-central-marin-police-authority-offices-tickets-56079170308>



Monet - The Late Years: An Illustrated Presentation With Docent Virginia

The Corte Madera Library invites you to a free presentation with Docent Virginia Ernster.

The exhibit at the DeYoung museum features 50 paintings from the final phase of Claude Monet's long career, inspired by the variety of elements making up his own garden at Giverny. Boldly balancing representation and abstraction, these radical late works redefined the master of Impressionism as a forebear of modernism.

This free event will be held on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 from 7AM to 8PM at the Corte Madera Library, 707 Meadowsweet Drive.

For more information, contact the Corte Madera Library at 415-924-4844.



JOB ANNOUNCEMENT from Central Marin Fire

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Central Marin Fire is currently accepting applications for a Firefighter/Paramedic.

Please visit the link below for more information.

<https://www.calopps.org/regional-government-se.../job-19681321>



**Corte Madera Women's Improvement Club
GIANT INDOOR YARD SALE**

The yard sale will be held on Saturday, March 2nd, from 9AM to 3PM at the Corte Madera Community Center, 498 Tamalpais Drive.

DONATE! DONATE! VOLUNTEER! SHOP!

Mark your calendar, and rummage through your cupboards, cabinets, and closets for items to donate.

DONATION GUIDELINES 2019

Items in good condition are welcome but the following CANNOT be accepted (Not an exclusive list)

- **Hazardous materials**
 - paint/stain, herbicide, pesticide, construction material, household cleaners, glass, automotive parts, medications
- **Electronic/appliances**
 - batteries, cell phones, computers/monitors, televisions, microwave ovens, large appliances
- **Furniture**
 - large/heavy items (sofas, etc.), mattresses/box springs, blinds/drapes, ceiling fans
- **Books & Prints**
 - encyclopedias, magazines and textbooks
 - *Most welcome book donations:* cookbooks, children's books, hard cover or large format coffee table and best sellers, paperback novels
- **Perishables**
 - Food, cosmetics
- **Children Items**
 - Strollers, cribs, high chairs, car seats
- **Other**
 - Exercise machines, skis, etc., weapons/ammunition, broken or strained items, home burnt CDs & videos (copyrighted material)

Deliver donations to the Community Center on Friday, March 1st, 11:30AM to 7PM. Proceeds benefit scholarships for local high school girls active in community service. For questions of more information email yardsale@cortemaderawomensclub.org. To download and share the flyer, [please click here](#).



An Environmental Forum of Marin (EFM) Community Educational Event is being co-sponsored by Drawdown: Marin - Building to Cool the Planet-Beyond 'Green Building'



Drawdown Marin is co-sponsoring an Environmental Forum of Marin community education event. With an imperative 20-year time horizon for dramatic action, reducing Greenhouse Gas emissions generated in constructing buildings and other infrastructure is now seen as even more vital than minimizing operational emissions over our lifetimes. We've been focused on energy efficiency in the built environment for a long time, but what is embodied carbon and why does it matter so much?

New materials, designs and policy will enable buildings and other infrastructure to sequester carbon. Can the built environment be a carbon sponge? A part of the solution instead of part of the problem? Find out at this educational event.

This event will be held on Wednesday, February 27th from 6:30PM to 9PM at the Marin

Health and Wellness Campus, 3240 Kerner Blvd. in San Rafael. Admission to the event is \$15. To register and get more information, [please click here](#).

Maker Educator Night

The South Novato Library invites educators to Makers Educator Night. This is an open lab for educators to ideate, brainstorm, build, test and debug "maker" activities educators want in their classrooms. Bring your ideas, lesson plans, and test materials to work with and you will receive help on how to support your experimentation and design process.



Marin Makerspace is providing their experience as maker educators to ideate and design maker projects for your classroom. No materials or instruction will be provided.

This is an adult only program. RSVP is recommended, but not required. If you wish to RSVP, [click here](#). This event will be held on Tuesday, February 26th from 5:30PM to 7:30PM at the Marinovation Learning Campus, Marin Makerspace, 931 C Street, Novato, CA 94949

Marin County Parks Community Survey

Marin County Parks wants to hear from you.

Marin County Parks cares for 34 open space preserves and 43 parks across 16,000 acres within Marin County. As they plan for the future, they want to hear from you by getting feedback on how you enjoy the parks and open spaces in the County. They want to know what you think can be improved and on what projects you think they should focus their efforts.



To take the survey, [please click here](#).

Firewise Workshop

Fire Safe Marin will be hosting a Firewise Community workshop on Friday, March 8, 2019 from 9AM to 11AM at the Marin Valley Community Center, 100 Marin Valley Drive, Novato, CA 94949.



This workshop is intended to introduce resident and neighborhood leaders to the Firewise USA program, and provide resources and networking opportunities for potential Firewise sites that intend to seek national recognition in 2019. There will also be an opportunity to meet with residents and stakeholders following the presentation.

For more detailed information about this event, please take a look at the [event flyer](#) or visit the FireSafe Marin website by clicking [here](#).



FEBRUARY 2018 AGE-FRIENDLY CORTE MADERA INTERGENERATIONAL CENTER

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Intergenerational Center

The Intergenerational Center is a gathering place for seniors, children and young adults, featuring programs in art, games, yoga, literature, technology and more. AFIC offers events and activities for all ages -- preschool to 100+.

For information or to view the [February program schedule](#), please visit the Intergenerational Center website: <https://agefriendlycenter.org> or call 415-991-4040

Intergenerational Center Members are FREE. Membership cost for Corte Madera residents is \$15; for those outside of Corte Madera, \$25.

This is a tax-deductible donation to *Age-Friendly Solutions*, a 501(c)(3) tax-deductible organization. Membership entitles you to **ALL** Intergenerational Center activities at **NO CHARGE** for the rest of 2018.

Please contact Pam at The Center at 415.991.4040 to reserve space for your child or email pwaterstone@tcmail.org.

The Intergenerational Center is located by the "pencil bench" at 498 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera CA 94925



Town Manager Cusimano: Cusimano mentioned the kick-off to the Climate Adaptation Plan took place on Friday. He attended the state-wide City Managers conference in San Diego. He also mentioned he is hoping he will be able to join the Sales Tax Committee of Managers and State Legislators so that he can serve as a voice for the Town. Cusimano

stated the Town is also a part of the City Managers Pension Sustainability Working Group and the Town was mentioned in one of their publications which will be uploaded to the website. He stated that one of the best practices being recommended by this group is that jurisdictions should look into being part of JPAs because this is considered a forward-thinking model.

Councilmember Kunhardt: Kunhardt reported that the Transportation Authority of Marin (TAM) is continuing to move forward with the launch of its electric vehicle Infrastructure plan. TAM will also be working on the testing of metering lights in the county. Kunhardt mentioned that highway 37 has been closed due to flooding and the environmental and planning efforts to raise the levees and the western portion of the highway have become more urgent. He stated that after the passing of Measure AA, the Yellow Bus Program is now better funded and all jurisdictions participating in the program should be receiving their portion of the funds. Furthermore, Kunhardt mentioned that the Building De-carbonization Coalition will be making a push to remove natural gas from all buildings in the state. Lastly, stated he is very pleased with the work on the Climate Adaptation Plan.

Councilmember Beckman: Beckman mentioned Central Marin Sanitation Agency (CMSA) met all of its target performance metrics for 2018. As for the Water State Revolving Fund Grant CMSA applied for that would have been used to fund their co-generator engine program, it was not approved. However, CMSA does have accessible funds for the program. Beckman also mentioned he attended the Larkspur Corte Madera School District Board Meeting.

Councilmember Bailey: He reported attending the Ross Valley Paramedic Authority (RVPA) meeting where RVPA passed its annual budget.

Mayor Ravasio: He reported on the Coffee with the Mayor event held a couple weeks ago and he said it was a good event. The individuals he spoke with had a few questions on cannabis legalization and potholes and a lot of the individuals he spoke with had really good feedback on the work happening in Town. Ravasio also stated he attended the Climate Adaptation Plan kick-off meeting held on Friday.



Work Week of Monday, February 25th to Friday, March 1st

- [Monday, February 25th: Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting](#) - Begins at 6:30 PM in the Corte Madera Town Hall Council Chambers, 300 Tamalpais Drive
- [Tuesday, February 26th: Planning Commission Meeting](#) - Begins at 7:00 PM in the Corte Madera Town Hall Council Chambers, 300 Tamalpais Drive



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