



THE TOWN OF
CORTE MADERA
MARIN COUNTY CALIFORNIA

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SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

CORTE MADERA TOWN COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE FOR PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION INTERVIEWS

TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
300 TAMALPAIS DRIVE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2017

6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL
2. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Please confine your comments during this portion of the agenda to matters only on this agenda. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes unless otherwise specified by the Mayor or the Presiding Officer.

The public will be given an opportunity to speak on each agenda item at the time it is called. The Council may discuss and/or take action regarding any or all of the items listed below. Once the public comment portion of any item on this agenda has been closed by the Council, no further comment from the public will be permitted unless authorized by the Mayor or the council and if so authorized, said additional public comment shall be limited to the provision of information not previously provided to the Council or as otherwise limited by order of the Mayor or Council.

3. INTERVIEWS OF PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION APPLICANTS

The Town Council Parks & Recreation Subcommittee, consisting of Vice Mayor Carla Condon and Councilmember Bob Ravasio, will interview the following applicants for future recommendation to the Town Council. (Interview times are approximate)

6:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.	Fred Casissa (incumbent)
6:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Eric Engstrom (incumbent)
6:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.	Elein Phipps (incumbent)
6:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Nathan Blomgren (incumbent)
7:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.	Mitchell Marriott
7:15 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Valeria da Silva-Sasser
7:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.	Charles Lee

Four seats on the Parks and Recreation Commission have terms that will expire on June 30, 2017. At the June 20, 2017 Town Council meeting, the Subcommittee will make a recommendation to the Town Council to appoint four of the applicants listed above to the Parks & Recreation Commission to two-year terms beginning July 1, 2017 and expiring June 30, 2019.

4. ADJOURNMENT

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Town Clerk at 415-927-5086. For auxiliary aids or services or other reasonable accommodations to be provided by the Town at or before the meeting please notify the Town Clerk at least 3 business days (the Thursday before the meeting) in advance of the meeting date. If the town does not receive timely notification of your reasonable request, the town may not be able to make the necessary arrangements by the time of the meeting.

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TOWN OF CORTE MADERA
APPLICATION
FOR APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES
TOWN OF CORTE MADERA

APR 21 2017

NAME: Fred Casissa

DATE: April 20, 2017

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ADDRESS: (Business) 350 California Street, San Francisco, CA 94111

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BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION DESIRED: Park and Recreation Commission

STATEMENT OF INTEREST AND/OR QUALIFICATIONS:

I look forward to serving another term on the Park and Recreation Commission ("Commission"), as I enjoy serving and contributing to our community. By serving on and currently chairing the Commission, I have applied skills I have developed from serving on the board of several non-profit organizations (Corte Madera Lions Club, Elder Financial Protection Network, San Francisco Italian Athletic Club). Additionally, my insight into and relationships with various community groups, have enabled me to create community partnership as follows: Commission/Corte Madera Lions Club/Friends of Corte Madera Skate Board Park: fundraising efforts; Corte Madera Lions Club/Hall and Redwood Music Programs: Redwood - Hall Band night, and Commission/Corte Madera Lions Club: providing refreshments for soccer opening day.

STATEMENT REGARDING KNOWLEDGE OF CORTE MADERA AND ANY PAST OR PRESENT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: Being a long-time resident of Corte Madera and participating in various community organizations and events, I am knowledgeable about the town and its history. Current community service includes: Chair - Commission, President Elect - Corte Madre Lions Club, founding member and current advisory committee member for the Marin Estates NRG. I also have served on the Town's Citizen Advisory Committee for the 2011 Housing Element, and past member of the Christmas Tree Hill Dwellers. Over the years I have attended (on occasion) Town Council meetings, planning commission meeting; and, have participated/volunteered for the following: 4th of July parade/festivities, Octoberfest, centennial events, Pint of Luck, breakfast with the Bunny and Breakfast with Santa.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (How long have you lived in Corte Madera, family size, etc.)

I have been a Corte Madera resident for 30+years; and, have lived on the east side since 1997. Prior to that I lived on the west side (Christmas Tree Hill, Pixley Avenue). Married with one child, who went to Hall and Redwood and is now in college at Cal Poly. I enjoy the working out, hiking, and long walks.

If you are not selected at this time, may we keep your application on file for future consideration?

YES: X NO: _____

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NAME:

Eric Engstrom

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4/18/2017

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BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION DESIRED:

Parks and Recreation

STATEMENT OF INTEREST AND/OR QUALIFICATIONS:

I have been a commissioner for Parks and Recreation since July 2015. I am a long time resident of Corte Madera and am interested in maintaining the high quality of the parks and recreation programs for the whole community. I retired from the corporate world of IBM, SAP, VeriSign in 2014 and I am now actively involved in the Bay Area arts community as a performing musician. I believe that I bring a valid perspective to the commission as a community member, representing those that may not currently be in the process of raising children, but are still interested in participating in community based recreational activities. I am also very interested in ensuring that the tennis facilities at Town Park and Granada are properly used, maintained and updated as needed.

STATEMENT REGARDING KNOWLEDGE OF CORTE MADERA AND ANY PAST OR PRESENT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

I have been a parks and recreation commissioner for the past 2 years. I am an avid tennis player, hiker and biker. I have used the tennis courts at Town Park and Granada since 1994.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (How long have you lived in Corte Madera, family size, etc.)

My wife, Cathy, and I have lived in Corte Madera since 1997. We moved here when we bought our house in Madera Gardens, moving from Tam Valley.

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YES: NO:

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NAME: Elein Phipps

DATE: 4/24/17

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EMAIL ADDRESS: demmm@dpaweb.com

BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION DESIRED: Park and Recreation Commission

STATEMENT OF INTEREST AND/OR QUALIFICATIONS: I have served as a Park and Recreation Commissioner for the past two years. It has been rewarding to contribute to the work done by the Park and Recreation Commission, planning activities for the town such as those offered during our town centennial and the many others that occur every year.

As a commissioner our work on the Skate Park has been rewarding to see how our process has involved the local youth to plan and take ownership of their park improvements. I appreciate that we are sensitive to the opinions of our citizens and take their thoughts into our decision making process. I am looking forward to contributing to our plans to resurface the tennis courts at Town Park and Granada Park, and hope to bring important input based on my involvement in USTA league tennis.

I believe the Park and Recreation Commission does important work to enrich the lives of Corte Madera residents of all ages. I would be honored to continue to have the opportunity to serve for another term.

STATEMENT REGARDING KNOWLEDGE OF CORTE MADERA AND ANY PAST OR PRESENT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

Since moving to Corte Madera when our children were just one year old I have been active volunteering for the local schools, fundraising with the Larkspur/Corte Madera School Foundation, working hot lunch and other projects to support the schools. My husband has been a coach for our son and daughter's soccer and baseball teams. As a family, we are very connected to our wonderful neighbors and community.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (How long have you lived in Corte Madera, family size, etc.)

We have lived in Corte Madera since 2002 a total of 15 years. We have 2 children, twins, a boy and girl who are now 16 years old and are Sophomores at Redwood High School. I have recently returned to work part-time as a social worker/patient advocate for the Marin County Ombudsman Office.

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NAME: Nathan Blomgren

DATE: April 4, 2017

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Corte Madera, CA 94925

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BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION DESIRED: Parks and Recreation Commission

STATEMENT OF INTEREST AND/OR QUALIFICATIONS:

I have nearly 20 years work experience managing geologic investigations and environmental remediation – nearly all of these projects involved multiple stakeholders, cost and schedule considerations, analysis of alternatives, and consensus-building.

STATEMENT REGARDING KNOWLEDGE OF CORTE MADERA AND ANY PAST OR PRESENT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

I have been a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission since 2017. I have been a member of the Flood Control Commission since late 2016. I have been a volunteer for Marin Villages since early 2017. I grew up in Corte Madera and remain close with many of the families I knew growing up, and now that I am a father of a 4-year-old, I am getting to know the next generation of Corte Madera families. I enjoy learning about Corte Madera history, and I am keenly aware of Corte Madera’s trajectory over the past 40 years. There are so many timeless qualities of lifestyle here, and yet so many changes afoot, many of which proceed so slowly that it takes a long view to notice them. On the Commission, I am a voice for the continuity of all the good things that Corte Madera has to offer, and a voice of inclusion for all the changing services that Parks and Rec might pursue.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (How long have you lived in Corte Madera, family size, etc.)

I was born in San Francisco in 1972, and moved to east Corte Madera in 1976, just in time for the drought. I saw the community rally around water restrictions, and even wrote my college senior paper about the MMWD and community response to the drought. My parents still live in the house I grew up in. My mom is a retired public school teacher and my dad continues to be active supporting and photographing Marin prep sports. I live with my wife and 4-year-old daughter in a house above Menke Park that was built in 1905, and we are proud to inhabit this little slice of Corte Madera history.

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NAME: Mitchell Marriott DATE: 5/3/2017

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Corte Madera, CA 94925

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BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION DESIRED: Parks and Recreation Commission

STATEMENT OF INTEREST AND/OR QUALIFICATIONS:

My interest in the Parks and Recreation Advisory board is my passion for athletics. I have competed in 34 Triathlons, Open water swims, and Running races - 5 Escapes from Alcatraz. I was an intramural star softball player and captained one championship team in Flag Football at UCSC (also co-ed basketball and floor hockey.) . 72 SCUBA dives in 8 countries. Boyscout and Tree Fort Builder. Parks and Rec and BPAC are good fits for me contributing to the town government.

STATEMENT REGARDING KNOWLEDGE OF CORTE MADERA AND ANY PAST OR PRESENT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

I have attended Town Council, Town Planning and BPAC meetings. I have watched meetings on Youtube. I was able to plan/suggest a bike path extension into Mariner Cove and it was added the Master Town Plan. I was a Board Member of Marin Economic Forum for 7 years. Attended dozens of Marin County community events. I have over 1600 hours of community participation in Freemasons, Corte Madera Lions, MEF, Forecasting the Future...

PERSONAL INFORMATION (How long have you lived in Corte Madera, family size, etc.)

Corte Madera resident since 1999. I also grew up in Kentfield and went to Redwood High School. One of my first jobs was a department manager at Macy's in the Village in 1984. I am happily married for 18 years with twin sons 11 years old, who are going to Cove Elementary. I regularly attend as a parent Twin Cities Little League games, Fall Ball, Soccer, Chess, Cove Elementary events. If you are not selected at this time, may we keep your application on file for future consideration?

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NAME: Valeria Diniz da Silva-Sasser

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San Francisco, CA 94102

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BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION DESIRED: Parks and Recreation Commission

STATEMENT OF INTEREST AND/OR QUALIFICATIONS:

I have been profoundly interested in the future of Corte Madera and the activities and development of its population. We are a community and we must work together for the betterment of the opportunities for recreation in town, listening to and understanding our sub-communities. I believe my experience and education, added to a new mind with fresh perspectives, can be a powerful addition to the commission.

I co-founded IBEC-Instituto Brasil de Educação e Cultura (www.ibec-ca.org), a Portuguese language community school, which had one branch in Corte Madera, and I led Projeto Contadores de Estórias, a storytelling project in Portuguese (www.contadores-de-estorias.org) from 2007 to 2012. I am a member of the Brazilian Citizen Council of San Francisco, AOTP (association of Portuguese teachers), and ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages). In addition, I graduated on June 2016 from the Boards and Commissions Leadership Institute, in Marin, promoted by Marin Grassroots. Moreover, at work, an integral component of my job is maximizing scarce resources to address the needs of the court users. That and my experience with public policy will bring an added perspective and can be applied to the town's future programs.

STATEMENT REGARDING KNOWLEDGE OF CORTE MADERA AND ANY PAST OR PRESENT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

I have been a resident of Corte Madera since 2011 and I am very familiar with the problems and challenges in our town. I have been attending meetings of the Town Council and a few Boards and Commissions, as well as reading the General Plan. I believe I have a lot to contribute to a nice, tight-knit community such as our town's. I have also been involved in several types of volunteer work, mainly on my immigrant community and along political education, as well as language advocacy and education. The 10th Assembly Democrats honored my work at the "Honoring Latino Leaders in the Community" event past May 6, 2017, and I will also be a candidate to the Marin Child Commission. I was recognized two times by the Judicial of California, with the Excellence in Service Award, for exceeding expectations to assure access to justice for limited English proficient court users.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (How long have you lived in Corte Madera, family size, etc.)

I live in Corte Madera since 2011 (in Marin since 2004) with my husband and my dog.

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