



**TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY**  
**Special Meeting of the Town Council**  
**Wednesday, April 22, 2026**  
**6:30 PM**

**MAYOR:** Craig Taylor

**VICE MAYOR:** Mary Hufty

**COUNCILMEMBERS:** Rebecca Flynn, Judith Hasko, Helen Wolter

**A G E N D A**

**HISTORIC SCHOOLHOUSE - 765 Portola Road, Portola Valley, CA 94028**

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF REMOTE ATTENDANCE / ROLL CALL**
3. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

*Public comment will only be taken on agenda items. Please submit a speaker's slip located at the front of the room to the Town Clerk of Mayor, prior to speaking. Each speaker's time is limited to three (3) minutes.*

4. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- a. Hold interviews and appoint one resident to the Board of Trustees of the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District

5. **MEET AND GREET with New Sheriff's Office Captain Brandon Hensel**

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

*The next Regular Town Council meeting will be held on April 22, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.*

**Land Acknowledgement:**

The Town of Portola Valley acknowledges the colonial history of this land we dwell upon the unceded territory of the Ramaytush (rah-my-toosh) Ohlone, Tamien Nation, and Muwekma (mah-WEK- mah) Ohlone, who endured a human and cultural genocide that included removal from their lands and their sacred relationship to the land. Portola Valley recognizes that we profit from the commodification of land seized from indigenous peoples and now bear the ecological consequences. We seek to understand the impact of these legacies on all beings and to find ways to make repair.



# TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY STAFF REPORT

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**TO:** Mayor and Members of the Town Council

**FROM:** Veronica Dao, Town Clerk

**DATE:** April 22, 2026

**RE:** **Hold interviews and appoint one resident to the Board of Trustees of the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the Town Council hold interviews and appoint one resident to the Board of Trustees of the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District.

## **BACKGROUND**

The San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District is an independent special government district that is focused on protecting the public health of the residents of San Mateo County through a science-based program of integrated vector management that is responsive to the community. The District delivers specific services to residents and businesses under the guidance of a Board of Trustees comprising representatives appointed by each of the 20 cities in San Mateo County and the County Board of Supervisors.

## **DISCUSSION**

The previous trustee no longer resides in Portola Valley and can no longer represent the town on the Board. Recruitment was open March 24, 2026 through April 13, 2026. During that time, the town received one application from Robert Luo. His application is attached.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. [Robert Luo - Application](#)
2. [Robert Luo - Letter of Interest](#)
3. [Robert Luo - Resume](#)

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## Board of Trustees of the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District Application

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**From** webmaster@portolavalley.net <webmaster@portolavalley.net>

**Date** Mon 3/30/2026 9:11 PM

**To** z PV Town Clerk (Shared) <pvtownclerk@portolavalley.net>

A new entry to a form/survey has been submitted.

**Form Name:** Board of Trustees of the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District Application

**Date & Time:** 03/30/2026 9:11 PM

**Response #:** 1

**Submitter ID:** 7853

**IP address:** [REDACTED]

**Time to complete:** 3 min. , 30 sec.

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### Survey Details

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**1. Applicant Information**

<b>Full Name</b>	Robert Luo
<b>Email Address</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Street Address</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>City/Zip</b>	Portola Valley, CA 94028
<b>Contact Phone Number</b>	[REDACTED]

**2. Please upload a letter of interest and include any background or experience you may have that may be useful in your service.**

LuoVectorControl.pdf

Thank you,  
Portola Valley, CA

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March 30, 2026

Veronica Dao  
Portola Valley Town Clerk

Dear Ms. Dao,

I would be honored to be Portola Valley's representative to the Board of Trustees of the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District. I am deeply interested in this role for several reasons:

- My family and I chose to make Portola Valley our home because of its extraordinary natural environment. Serving on the Board would provide a meaningful opportunity to help protect both the health of our community and the integrity of the environment across Portola Valley and San Mateo County.
- I bring relevant professional experience as a board-certified physician and public health expert. I have worked for Stanford University, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, and the World Health Organization in Geneva. I also served as a Lieutenant Commander in the U.S. Public Health Service and have published research on mosquito-borne diseases. In addition, my experience as a laboratory director would allow me to understand and contribute substantively to the work of the District's laboratory and overall public health efforts.
- I value the District's mission to reduce vector-borne disease risks and respond to community concerns, and I would welcome the opportunity to contribute to this work on behalf of Portola Valley residents. I appreciate thoughtful, transparent governance and would work collaboratively with fellow trustees and District staff to support sound decision-making and responsible stewardship of public resources.

Thank you for your consideration. Please reach out at any time if you or the Town Council have any questions or would like additional information.

Sincerely,



Dr. Robert Luo, MD, MPH

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Portola Valley, CA 94028

Tel: ██████████

Email: ██████████



# ROBERT LUO, MD, MPH

Portola Valley, California

Tel: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

## SUMMARY

Board-certified physician and public health professional with expertise in infectious diseases, clinical laboratory management, and higher education administration

## EXPERIENCE

**Senior Assistant Director of Admission, Stanford University**  
Stanford, CA — 2024-present

- Oversee partnerships with nonprofit organizations and outreach efforts to expand access to higher education

**Medical Consultant, World Health Organization**  
Various locations — 2018-2024

- Consultant for public health projects related to mosquito-borne diseases, COVID-19, HIV, and hepatitis

**Medical Director, Roche Diagnostics**  
Pleasanton, CA — 2013-2017

- Clinical lead for \$1B infectious disease testing portfolio

**Clinical Instructor, Stanford University**  
Stanford, CA — 2012-2013 (full-time), 2013-2017 (adjunct faculty)

- Laboratory training in clinical microbiology and virology laboratories, research on infectious diseases

**Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer, CDC**  
Atlanta, GA — 2011-2012

- Lead investigator for multiple infectious disease outbreaks
- Lieutenant Commander, US Public Health Service

## EDUCATION

**Stanford University School of Medicine**  
Pathology Residency, Stanford, CA — 2007-2011

**Johns Hopkins University Schools of Medicine and Public Health**  
MD, MPH — 2001-2006

**Harvard University**  
BA — 1996-2001, History and Science, East Asian Studies

## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Over 60 peer reviewed publications and presentations
- Global health work in South Africa, China, Kenya, Tanzania, Malaysia, Peru, Russia, North Korea, Vietnam, and India