



# OCEANSIDE COASTAL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

## CONNECTING AND INFORMING NEIGHBORS

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### WHO ARE WE?

OCNA is your neighborhood association. We are your neighbors down the street and around the corner who are getting involved in our community and strengthening ties to one another.

By sharing information and working together, we can make our great neighborhood even better. Our boundaries are Mission Avenue to the North, Oceanside Blvd to the South, I-5 to the East and the Pacific Ocean to the West. Learn how to join in at our website [www.OCNA101.org](http://www.OCNA101.org)

### MISSION STATEMENT

To ensure a vital, sustainable neighborhood that protects the quality of life for all citizens in the Oceanside Coastal area by promoting and conducting community events, participating in city planning processes, holding city government accountable, and supporting cultural, civic and local business endeavors.

### CONTACT US!

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### NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING:

**Meetings are Postponed Until September 2020**  
*Due to Covid 19 Stay at Home Orders – Stay Well Please!*

### CITY UPDATE - COUNCILMEMBER SANCHEZ:

The city is entering a new phase in the COVID-19 pandemic. The good news is that Oceanside has consistently been the city with 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> lowest number of confirmed positive cases. We have already reopened recreational areas including beaches, parks, boating and golf, with restrictions. At this time, most city special events have been postponed for the months of May and June.

On May 4<sup>th</sup>, the state announced movement into phase 2, allowing retail businesses to do curbside delivery starting May 8<sup>th</sup>. The state also allowed for counties to advance at their own pace, with self-certification of meeting all safety requirements of testing, tracing, treat/isolate, and requiring businesses to incorporate PPE's, social distancing, cleansing, health checks, etc. at the workplace. On May 5<sup>th</sup>, the county adopted a plan to safely reopen businesses. It is now working on the health order that will include a form for businesses to self-certify/post, indicating they have met all safety requirements.

The state has started a testing program free to the public separate from that of the county, with 3 testing sites (Escondido in North County) with a goal of 800 tests a day. The state program does not require a doctor's referral but does require an appointment. Please call 888-634-1123.

The City budget anticipates a 5.2% shortfall (\$8.65M), which at this point is proposed to be achieved by cutting all funded vacant positions (except public safety); cutting maintenance and operations (M&O) by 10% (\$2.1M); and a 10% reduction in internal service funds (\$1.34M). Budget adoption is scheduled for the June 3<sup>rd</sup> council meeting.

Some additional good news - according to the city manager, of the top 100 sales tax producers, only 20 businesses are closed. Of the 17 restaurants on that list which include 42 locations, only 3 are closed.

Thank you for helping Oceanside meet our required goals and a special thank you for supporting our restaurants, grocery stores, and pharmacies so they can stay open. Please stay strong and stay safe. Together, we will rebound!

**If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me,**  
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*Support OCNA and be part of our dynamic neighborhood!*

*OCNA Board of Directors wish all of our members and supporters well during this time!*

## DID YOU KNOW....

What happened to the Top Gun House? Originally known as the Graves House and built in 1887, this is of the oldest buildings in Oceanside!

Formerly, it rested on the corner of Seagaze and Pacific Streets, this Queen Ann Style beach cottage is considered by SOHO (Save Our Heritage Organization) as the "last best" of its kind of fancy Victorian beach house. It declined to the point of dilapidation, but was slightly refurbished for the movie Top Gun. Tom Cruise rode his motorcycle up the hill from the beach and parked beside it bringing new fame to Oceanside!

Recently, it has moved around the block to the NCTD parking lot behind Springhill Suites. Standing on a stack of I-beams almost 5 feet high it is being restored by Spectra Company.

Work done so far indicates a very high end restoration. The redwood siding is being replaced as is much of its interior structure and underpinnings. Spectra renovated Union Station and the Biltmore Hotel, 2 of its notable successes.

Walk up to the parking lot to view its progress. Easiest access is to walk north on Meyers St. from the Transit Center. The work will inspire anyone who agonized over the decline of this little architectural gem.

It will be a great addition to the north corner of the hotel lot when work is completed, whatever its new purpose. An ice cream shop has been suggested and it looks the part.

Thank you Jeremy Cohan of S.D.Malkin Corporation

## WHAT'S UP OCEANSIDE-BEACH BATHROOMS

The Beachfront Improvement Project began construction on April 3. It's largely funded by a grant of \$8 million. Part of this exciting project mirrors 1930s era construction and it will house the Police Substation.

A new building will be constructed to include restrooms and storefront areas. A new, wider staircase will be built with a landscaped viewing area. The band shell remains as is. The existing sewer lift station will be reconstructed.

Work will occur in phases and is anticipated to take 18 months to complete.



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## MEASURE X TAX UPDATE:

Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee unanimously recommended a Fiscal Year 2020/21 Measure X Spending Plan at its meeting on March 12, 2020, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic regulations.

As a result of COVID-19, the sales tax consultant has revised the Measure X revenue projections downward, and staff will be revising the recommended Spending Plan for next Fiscal Year.

The revised Spending Plan will be presented to the Committee for a recommendation in May.

## OCNA - HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:

1. Attend our informative meetings - be a voice in our neighborhood.
  2. Volunteer for meetings, special events, and to distribute newsletters.
- Support by becoming a member. Your dues help with hosting informative meetings and events, newsletters, website and creating a valuable forum.

Newsletter distribution is 1000 local doors + eblasts reaching over 350!

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