

# 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

## **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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Vice-President: Lisa Hamilton
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We need Volunteers! Please email Jane Marshall ocna101@gmail.com

## SUPPORT OCNA SO THEY CAN SUPPORT YOU

OCNA represents our wonderful neighborhood BUT WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

Here are recent examples of what OCNA has been doing for you:

- 1) Conducts monthly meeting for you to hear directly from such experts on important topics affecting our day to day lives including:
- City Mayor Ester Sanchez on "State of the City" especially for District 1
- City Staff reporting on issues of traffic, developments, lift station, beach, more!
  - City Manager Deanna Larson on Measure X along with Chief Robinson
  - Deputy City Manager Jonathan Borrego on planning and developments
  - City Planners Jeff Hunt and Russ Cunningham on General Plan updates
- 2) Secured the "Bungalow District" character description into city plan docs
- 3) Preview developer projects providing important feedback from the members
- 4) OCNA hosts "Candidates Night" moderated by League of Women Voters
- 5) Organize and represent our neighborhood in the Independence Day parade
- 6) Neighbors deliver 6,000 green newsletters in the neighborhood each year
- 7) Conduct the fun community Scarecrow contest each year with Mainstreet
- 8) Speak out at Council on developments that will impact our neighborhood
- 9) Coordinate with Green Oceanside how we all save water, compost, recycle
- 10) Work with the city on traffic, parking, blight, noise and safety issues.

**Now, we are leading the Neighborhood Planning Update for the General Plan**, an important element describing downtown's character, attributes, features and ambience to protect and preserve Seaside and surrounding areas from negative impacts of growth! **AND**, protesting the appointment of our District 1 representative that apparently doesn't live at the address given!

YOU CAN HELP by renewing your membership for only \$36/year (\$3 a mth) at <a href="http://www.ocna101.org/get-involved.html">http://www.ocna101.org/get-involved.html</a> or send checks made to OCNA c/o Lane Stewart 425 S. Tremont Street, Oceanside, CA 92054

**SUPPORT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION TODAY!** 

## **GENERAL MEETING – ZOOM – FEB 25 AT 6PM**

Join us for an update on the Neighborhood Planning Area progress of the Townsite area for the General Plan, being led by the OCNA Board via Zoom. Townsite borders include the Harbor, to the Hwy 5 south to Oceanside Blvd, to the ocean and back to the harbor.

This meeting will review the DRAFT of the general description of the area including boundary, natural and manmade features, public facilities, access to services, and ambience. It will also describe 3 high-level goals, Policies to support the goals, and priority action items for next 15-20 yrs. Join the Zoom Meeting at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86222042178

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

# Support OCNA and be part of our dynamic neighborhood!

## DID YOU KNOW . . .

The drought is helping many pests to thrive? The worst pest is the bark beetle that kills many types of conifers throughout California.

Close to home, our
Conifers are the famous
Torrey Pines, growing
only along our coast
and on Santa Rosa Island off the coast
of Santa Barbara. This also affects our
neighborhood Canary Island Pines
along South Nevada Street are also
threatened...

These trees matured when our climate had cool wet winters, allowing them to soak up water during their dormant growth cycle; then, in early spring, pump stored water upwards as sap to recharge their upper structure and green needles. The sap contains oleoresin, a sticky substance which acts as a sort of chemical defense and can help physically flush the beetles from the tree.

Too little water over several years, a condition we will likely face during climate change, diminishes the rising sap leaving the tree facing attack from beetles only a little larger than this capital "B." They penetrate the bark in overwhelming numbers and tunnel through tissues critical for tree life. Fallen bark from affected trees shows tunnels and browning needles show tree death is approaching.

What you can do? Watch and wait, or and consider supporting the San Diego Zoo with a donation to its Plant Conservation project and Global volunteers. They are working on DNA sequencing of Torrey Pines trying to discover why some trees survive and others die. More info at toreypine.org

# **BUSINESS MEMBER OF THE MONTH:**





Plastic free bath, body and home products Open 11AM -6PM Wed thru Sun

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# 10 BEST FREE GIFTS FOR VALENTINES:

Some creative ideas to make your valentine feel special:

- 1. Create your own card with favorite photos
- 2. Make and serve them breakfast in bed
- 3. Create a happiness jar of fond memories
- 4. Be tourists for the day and do something new
- 5. Research and create a new cocktail or drink
- 6. Give a backrub, scalp or foot massage
- 7. Wash and vacuum their car
- 8. Agree to watch one of "their kind of movie"
- 9. Make something chocolate (70% cacao is healthy too)
- 10. Actually make a phone call instead of a text message

# **DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENTS:**

To provide for additional housing and comply with State mandates, the downtown district will be allowing greater densities & mixed use:



## OCNA NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT RENEW TODAY!

OCNA has been your neighborhood source for information and updates from the City and speaks out on matters affecting our neighborhood. Your support on only \$36/ year for residents, \$50/year for businesses will help us continue to make Seaside the best part of downtown Oceanside!

\*\* Pay via Paypal at our website www.OCNA101.org \*\*

Resident Membership is \$36/year – only \$3/month! Business Membership is \$50/year – about \$4/month

\*For membership information call Lane Stewart (760) 214-3984 or send checks to OCNA c/o Lane Stewart 425 S.Tremont, Oside 92054

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