

# 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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We need Volunteers! Please email Jane Marshall ocna101@gmail.com

## SEASIDE ZOOM MEETING Jan 28th AT 6PM

**Townsite Neighborhood Area – Important Survey Results** 

Russ Cunningham, Principal Planner for the city, will review our neighborhood (Townsite) survey and summary for the General Plan Update with Q & A following the presentation.

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88073663382 ZOOM is FREE download at https://zoom.us/freesignup/

#### **GENERAL PLAN UPDATE - JAN WORKSHOPS**

"Onward Oceanside" has surveyed community input on a wide variety of topics to prepare for the General Plan update.



To view the whole survey visit: "Onwardoceanside.com" Although it is a lengthy document as a whole, select chapters will be of great interest.

There are 3 virtual workshops in January detailing findings survey:

- 1) January 12 @ 6:00PM: LAND USE (agricultural use, mobility, noise)
- 2) January 13@ 6:00 PM: FACILITIES (with open space, agricultural use)
- 3) January 19 @ 6:00 PM: HOUSING

SIGN UP to attend and participate at Onwardoceanside.com. Past virtual workshops were on Zoom. Once you are signed up, you will receive a meeting ID.. If you are interested in one or all of these workshops, register as soon as possible.

# **BUSINESS MEMBER OF THE MONTH:**



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

# Support OCNA and be part of our dynamic neighborhood!

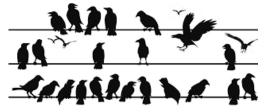
#### **DID YOU KNOW...**

Where do all those crows go?

The crow population has grown rapidly and often harms songbirds trying to nest in our area. Crows are nature's smartest bird, watching the comings and goings of a nesting bird and eat the eggs or chicks while the parent is off foraging. But remember, they also clean up road-kill and eat any bugs they can catch.

In the evenings, you may notice crows grouping up, calling to each other and all flying the same direction. Where are they going? Roosting is to sleep together in large groups. They roost together in the hundreds, if not thousands, during fall and winter.

These places are called "roosts" for obvious reasons! One is at the cul de sac at the end of Haymar Rd and look down into the Calavera Valley near sunset. You will see them flying in by the dozens like a scene from the Hitchcock film, "The Birds."



They perch around on telephone lines chatting together in the last of the sunset, then fly down to find overnight accommodations in the trees below along Buena Vista Creek. Unlike the movie, they'll pay no attention to you!

These "roosts" seem to provide safety from predators, social time and mate finding. Late-comers are most at-risk, perching on the outside where owls may eat them for dinner!

Crows seem to have a long collective memory, and once a "roost" is established, it's very hard to move!

## **SCARECROW CONTEST SUCCESS!**

Thanks to everyone who participated – residents & businesses, we tripled registrations from 2019! The entries were awesome and creative and it was SO difficult to pick the winners!



Thank you MainStreet Oceanside, Oceanside Museum of Art for your support and participation in making this a highlight of the 2020 Year!

# **NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS:**

Fox News reports that students in the **Oceanside Unified School District** will return to distance learning to limit the spread of COVID-19 virus.

The district's board voted unanimously to suspend in-person learning until the new year. The meeting Dec 10<sup>th</sup> was called amid the County's new regional stay-home order from a surge of COVID-19 cases/hospitalizations.

Up until the vote, elementary students had the option for hybrid learning with some in-person instruction. Some on-campus exceptions will be allowed for small cohorts of special education students, according to the board.

## **OCNA NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!**

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

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