

October 2023 Newsletter



Dear District 2 Neighbors,

Things slowed down a bit in September, nevertheless here is a recap of last month. The Veterans Association of North County held a great BBQ which I had the opportunity to attend, I always appreciate the time I get to spend with our Veterans. The Oceanside Police Officer's Association hosted a fundraiser in the form of a corn-hole tournament and I stopped by and to take part in the fun. The North County African American Women's Association hosted their 26th Annual Gentlemen's Gourmet where I participated as a judge. I had a great time tasting food and raising money for the NCAAWA's Scholarship Awards.

Furthermore, the Utilities Commission met last month where we discussed important topics, including the proposed rate increases for water and wastewater. Be on the lookout for more information via mail on these rate increases. The Police and Fire Commission met where we heard updates on recruitment for both departments and accepted state grants which provide funding for traffic safety measures here in Oceanside. The Oceanside Chamber of Commerce hosted the Heroes of Oceanside and Camp Pendleton Luncheon where various first responders and service men & women were recognized for their outstanding performance and heroic actions.

I spent last week up in Sacramento representing our city at the League of California Cities Annual Conference. This three day expo was a great opportunity to hear how other cities have approached similar issues we face here in Oceanside and what solutions worked best. Additionally, it provided a forum to meet other city leaders and advocate for more local control for all California municipalities.

The City Council met twice last month, each meeting had productive discussions and we were able to get a lot done, including the approval of the Year 5 Measure X Spending Plan, the approval to re-adopt the revised 2021-2029 Housing Element, and the adoption of the Marine Debris Reduction Ordinance. Green Oceanside partnered with I Love a Clean San Diego for the 39th Annual Coastal Cleanup Day. This is one of the largest watershed cleanup events of the year and participants gain a great understanding of the importance of keeping our beaches clean.

Lastly, I had a wonderful time at the KOCT Speakeasy Birthday Bash, an annual fundraiser the local non-profit holds to raise money for their operations. This extraordinary celebration was a fun experience for all who attended, thank you to KOCT for a great event.

As we move forward into October, I want to express my gratitude for your continued support and engagement. Together, we can make a difference in District 2. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Councilmember Rick Robinson

[What's new in District 2?](#)



O'SIDE DEMYSTIFIED

The newest episode of "O'SIDE DEMYSTIFIED" has been released! Our latest episode with City Engineer Brian Thomas explores the many responsibilities of our city's Engineering Division. Visit the link below to watch the full episode now or check out previous episodes you may have missed. This is a podcast-like show where I will spend each episode explaining how different parts of the city operate. I plan to interview different guests who serve in various capacities around the city. The goal of this project is to give the viewer a better understanding of how things get done in our city.

OsideD2.com/demystified.



Local Business Highlight

A recurring section of this newsletter will be dedicated to highlighting local businesses here in Oceanside which we encourage you to support. For the October edition of this newsletter, I would like to recognize O'side Bakery. Since 2017, this new staple here in Oceanside is locally owned and operated by two North County natives who now reside here in our city. On October 21st they will be hosting a local vendor market where attendees can expect good music, good food, local artists, and raffles from 20+ businesses. Proceeds from the event will benefit En Mi Palma and Ratas Rags. Don't forget to pick up one of their delicious Thanksgiving Pies before the holidays! For more information or to see their menu, **[click here to visit their website](#)**.

Community Events

[Click on any event to learn more!](#)

Oct. 13: Boys & Girls Club of Oceanside Gala. Seabird Resort 6 p.m.

Oct. 14: Family Halloween Movie Night. Heritage Park 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 21: Fall Dump Day Event. Landes Community Center. 9 a.m.

Oct. 22: Dia De Los Muertos Festival. Downtown 10 a.m.

Oct. 22: Fire Department Open House. Fire Training Center 8 a.m.

Oct. 26: Women's Resource Center "Magical Evening" Celebration. 6 p.m.

Oct. 28: Parks & Recreation's Halloween Spooktacular: Trunk or Treat. Buchanon Park 2 p.m.

Oct. 28: Oceanside Museum of Art Gala. Seabird Resort 5 p.m.



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF OCEANSIDE**

Boys and Girls Clubs Night Out Gala

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Oceanside will be hosting their Night Out Gala on Friday, October 13th at The Seabird Resort in downtown. It is requested that attendees wear an all white attire. This night of fun will feature dining, dancing, and a live auction by auctioneer Clint Bell. Also, performances by youth members & Real Options for Adults with Disabilities (ROADs). The cocktail hour will start at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. Join us for a special evening of sparkling performances and spirited conversation in support of Boys & Girls Clubs of Oceanside's mission to provide opportunities for Great Futures. Individual tickets are \$200, there are also sponsorship opportunities available if you are unable to attend. **[Click here for more info or to purchase tickets!](#)**

Community Issues

I receive many calls and emails regarding various issues our residents in Oceanside face every day. I take pride in responding to these issues as fast as I can, whether it be providing information to residents, making city staff aware of things that need attention, or bringing items forward to the City Council for consideration. A new thing I will be doing in this newsletter is sharing updates on issues frequently raised by you, the residents.

1) I'm aware of the needs for improvements regarding Melba Bishop Park fields and lighting, I will be working with City Staff to explore possible solutions.

2) Libby Lake Elementary - Thank you to parents who contacted us regarding concerns with the school as they deal with the increased number of students after the closing of Reynolds Elementary. We commend you for continuing to work with the principal to get these concerns addressed.

3) Migrant Drop Offs - The city is appealing to the county, state, and federal government for additional resources and policy changes to address this issue. Thank you to the various community groups who have dedicated their limited resources to ensure these individuals get to their final destination.



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