



CdMRA ELECTION FORUM
Wednesday, September 26: 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM
OASIS Senior Center – Evelyn Hart Event Room

- 5:30 - 6:30 pm: Hosted Refreshments & Networking with City Council Candidates
6:30 - 8:15 pm: City Council Candidate Panel
8:15 - 8:30 pm: Ballot Measure T Highlights: Pros & Cons

Honoring its long-standing tradition of providing information on local issues to its members and residents, the CdM Residents Association will sponsor its 2018 Election Forum on Wednesday, September 26, at the OASIS Senior Center.

It's Your Meeting: You have several options to submit questions. You can send them in advance when you RSVP using the quick and easy form available at www.Cdmra.org or by calling (949) 478-2454.

Networking with Candidates and Measure T Representatives: From 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm, we will serve light refreshments from Gallo's, one of CdM's fine delis. Also during this time, you will have a chance to talk with and ask questions of city council candidates and representatives on both sides of Measure T which, if passed, will require a vote of the public before the city can enter into certain types of debt instruments . . . with limits and exceptions.

Panel Program: Starting promptly at 6:30 pm, our city council candidates will participate in a moderated panel where we will ask questions on a range of topics, with the goal of helping you to learn more about the candidates, their platforms and their leadership philosophies.

September 26, 2018
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CdMRA Election Forum | Doors open at 5:30 pm

RSVP to help us plan; do so soon; we expect a full-house again this year.

- Our simple RSVP form on our website at www.Cdmra.org
No internet? No problem. Use our voicemail to RSVP: (949) 478-2454

Table with 3 columns: DIST #, INVITED CANDIDATES, WEBSITE OR EMAIL. Lists candidates for districts 1, 3, 4, 6 and Ballot Measure T.

Or visit the City's Election webpage to see all the candidate profiles and Measure T information: https://bit.ly/2MEs4ds



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2018 MUNICIPAL ELECTION CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

In the following pages of this newsletter, you will find statements from city council candidates. Each candidate was asked to submit a statement in 500 words or less. We added their photos which, when available, were copied from the city's website.

We are also providing statements on Measure T. Proponents and opponents were asked to submit a statement of 1,000 words or less.

CdMRA reprinted all statements as submitted; no edits or changes were made. Our intent is to provide you with background information in advance of our Election Forum, thereby enhancing your experience at our event.

As a non-profit residents' advocacy organization, our mission is to ensure that we inform our members and residents about civic matters and issues (such as municipal elections) which have a direct impact on Corona del Mar and the city at large. Our bylaws prohibit the organization from endorsing candidates or taking positions on ballot measures.

We have listed the candidates' websites and the ballot measure website on page 1 so you can do additional research in preparation for this event. Promises are being made by those who wish to represent us. As voters, we need to have a clear understanding of their campaign promises so that when elected we can hold them accountable for those promises.

As a reminder, we vote for council candidates in each district, not just the district we live in. That's why it is important for us to be informed about all candidates who run in our municipal elections.

CdMRA ELECTION COMMITTEE

The 2018 Election Forum has been planned by our dedicated Election Committee. The Committee chairs are Debbie Stevens, Judy Bernstein, Amy Senk, Laura Curran, Sandie Haskell and Paul Blank. We also want to thank our CdMRA Board who volunteered to help with logistics, foodservice, marketing and more. Our sincere thanks to the Committee for its efforts and dedication.

ELECTION FORUM VIDEO RECORDING

CdMRA's Election Forum will be video recorded by SPON (Still Protecting our Newport) as part of their community education and outreach mission. The video will be available for viewing by mid-October on both CdMRA's website (www.CdMRA.org) and SPON's website (www.SPONNB.org). Join us in thanking SPON for providing this important community-education benefit for Newport Beach voters.

BALLOT MEASURE T

Editor's Note: We normally have one proponent argument and one opponent argument. This year, there are two opponent arguments which are quite different in their rationale and approach. For that reason, we are printing arguments against Measure T from both opponent groups.

The text of Ballot Measure T, arguments for and against, and rebuttals to arguments are available on the city's Election webpage at <https://bit.ly/2osY7P7>

MEASURE T: REQUIRE VOTER APPROVAL PRIOR TO ISSUING OR INCURRING CERTAIN DEBT OBLIGATIONS

Shall Newport Beach City Charter Section 1109 be amended to require at least fifty-five percent (55%) voter approval prior to issuing Certificates of Participation or Lease Revenue Bonds greater than fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000.00) to finance capital projects?

ARGUMENT FOR MEASURE T

Submitted by Council Members Marshall Duffield, Kevin Muldoon and Scott Peotter

Taxpayer Protection Act

What is it? Measure T is a charter amendment that will require that 55% of voters approve any debt greater than \$50 million. Lease revenue bonds, including "Certificates of Participation", are often used as debt instruments to finance municipal projects that exceed the available funds in city budgets.

The Civic Center Debt: Certificates of Participation (COP's) were used to incur over \$225 million in debt service to finance the Civic Center. Do you think that the voters would have approved our Civic Center that cost \$150 million if the council had to get voter approval for the \$130 million in debt financing? The voters, likely would have sent the council back to the drawing board for a more reasonable project.

In a COP's arrangement, the city creates a revenue stream by essentially leasing the Civic Center to itself (technically, as a "public facilities corporation") with the Civic Center offered as collateral to bondholders. When the debt is repaid, the Civic Center becomes the City's, and the lease goes away.

End Run Around Prop 13: Leave it to politicians to figure out a way to spend money without voter approval. When a municipality seeks to fund large projects using debt financing without getting voter approval, they circumvent the 2/3rd popular vote required by Prop 13 to issue bonds by using COP's instead.

Public Facilities as Collateral: Newport Beach city owned facilities, including the Oasis Senior Center, the Central Library, Newport Coast Community Center, Mariners Library, the Police and Fire Stations, and the Civic Center site were used as collateral for the Civic Center financing. The City of Newport Beach now pays a monthly "lease payment" of \$878.028 to pay the Civic Center debt.

ARGUMENT FOR MEASURE T (cont'd)

Long Term Debt Affects Future Taxpayers: Currently, COP's do not require a vote of the people, but they have the same effect bonds have of dedicating future revenue to make payments on the loan. In the case of our Civic Center, lease payments of \$10,536,338/year are made by the City to occupy its own city hall.

What About Emergencies? We are proposing a 55% vote of the people to approve new projects over \$50 million dollars prior to issuing or incurring certain debt obligations. This Charter Amendment would not apply to the refinancing of existing debt or emergency funding to repair damages caused by a natural disaster. Although COP's are not typically used for emergency repairs or infrastructure projects, Measure T was written in such a way as to not restrict future councils from their ability to use debt financing without a popular vote of the people should a natural disaster occur.

But "No One Else" is Doing This. Politicians love that "pack" mentality so that they won't be blamed if something goes wrong. But that is not leadership! Nobody had done a Prop 13 before it was passed into law either. Politicians and special interests screamed then too. The voters cut off their slush-fund source and they didn't like it.

Author of Prop 13 Thinks it's Great. Writing in support of the initiative, Jon Coupal, President of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association explains, *"Requiring voter approval for esoteric debt instruments, such as revenue bonds and "certificates of participation" is wholly consistent with the philosophy of Proposition 13 which trusts the voters – not today's politicians – with the most important fiscal decisions: new taxes and the assumption of public debt."*

Vote Yes: If you would like a say in large projects that require debt financing, then we humbly ask for your support. Thank you.

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ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE T (OPPONENTS #1)

Submitted by Bob Rush: President, Newporters for Ethical Government

Prior to 1978, local governments set property tax rates and often abused their ability to tax. Enter California's Proposition 13, which overwhelmingly passed that same year. Prop 13 required 2/3rds voter approval for "general obligation" bonds, along with the same for Tax Hikes.

Unfortunately, lobbying efforts in Sacramento created new ways to circumvent Proposition 13.

In 2010, after promising to keep costs to \$90 million, former councilmembers Keith Curry, Rush Hill, Mike Henn, et al, used "Certificates of Participation" **to circumvent Prop 13 voter approval!**

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE T (OPPONENTS #1) (cont'd)

They borrowed over \$120,000,000 to build a new City Hall and committed the Newport Beach Taxpayer Funds to 30 years of principal and interest payments.

The final cost to Voters will be over \$280 million dollars, when this debt matures in Fiscal 2041.

This was all done without voter approval, despite Prop 13's original goal to protect taxpayers.

Voters should have the right to decide ***if they approve of*** allowing politicians to borrow exceedingly large amounts of debt, that will drain away taxpayer funds from all other projects - for years – without taxpayer oversight.

If passed, Measure T would to require all debt issues over \$50 Million to have a 55% of the vote.

If the previous administration's promise to "keep costs down" to \$90 million resulted in an end-cost to taxpayers of over \$280 million dollars, what does a \$50 million limit really accomplish - limiting future councils to a \$150 million abuse capacity? This is disgusting and unacceptable.

Taxpayers should have a say when such large debt is issued – just as Prop 13 had intended.

Let's avoid such terrible abuses as this in Newport Beach's future. Voters should reject Measure T.

Send it back for a higher 2/3rds voter approval threshold and lower \$25 million debt ceiling.

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ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE T (OPPONENTS #2)

Submitted by Keith Curry, Mike Henn, Rush Hill and Jean Watt [Former council members; various terms]

On June 26th, the city council passed the largest property tax increase in Newport Beach since Proposition 13, a tax of up to \$4500 per year on the new homes in Uptown Newport for thirty years. They also approved \$8.8 million of bonds secured by this tax. No residents got to vote on it. At the same meeting, the council approved a sham ballot measure falsely titled "The Taxpayer Protection Act". A few days later Bob Rush, a supporter of Scott Peotter filed phony arguments against the measure to prevent the public from hearing the real truth about this campaign ploy.

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE T (OPPONENTS #2) (cont'd)

The council majority engaged in this political dirty trick for two reasons: First, they have no accomplishments over the past four years to run on so they want to appear to be against debt and taxes, despite their actual record. Second and more important, there are no campaign contribution limits to ballot measure campaigns so they will use this measure to circumvent our campaign laws, allowing their few big money puppet master donors to once again control our election, just like they did in 2014 and 2016.

Now, let's look at Measure T itself. This proposal would require an election if the city issued lease obligation debt in an amount over \$50 million. *Newport Beach would be the ONLY city in the United States to adopt this restriction.*

Contrary to the title, this measure has nothing to do with taxes. Lease obligations such as Certificates of Participation ("COPs"), by definition do not increase taxes. We already have protections in the city charter and the state constitution that require an election when taxes are involved.

The city staff did not recommend this proposal. The City's Finance Committee refused to endorse it. The City's outside financial advisors did not endorse it. The Government Finance Officers Association does not support it. We didn't even borrow it from another jurisdiction. It is an idea that sprung up from the mind of Scott Peotter as a cynical way to evade election contribution laws. It can create lasting damage.

The city does not project to need any debt for decades. This council majority will be long gone when future city councils must face a natural disaster, sea wall failure or aging sewer or water system that requires financing. Watch the video of the council meeting as the supporters of this scheme learned, apparently for the first time, that the most likely projects to require debt will be sea wall replacements. These are expensive projects that are the responsibility of the city. They are critically important to a relatively small number of residents. Can you imagine what a political campaign would look like? Should residents have to raise campaign cash to protect their homes and repair the city's sea walls?

Watch as the council feebly attempted to create loopholes and exceptions so that they will not be blamed if we must finance improvements following a Tsunami or earthquake, or protect against sea wall failures. They didn't even care enough to send these changes out for study. They added them from the dais, making them up as they went along.

They created a "locally declared emergency" loophole. This category may not even exist in law. They created a loophole for projects that if they fail, would cause "property damage." What does this mean? Does a fire station prevent property damage? Clearly it does but public safety improvements were specifically not exempted from this measure.

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE T (OPPONENTS #2) (cont'd)

Before any reputable Bond Counsel would allow the city to issue lease obligations under these exceptions, a lengthy and costly legal validation action would be required each time in the courts.

Because of the election requirement, we cannot go to the financial markets with valid bids in hand and a clear knowledge of the cost of the project. Bids would either expire or be padded by as much as thirty percent to account for the election delay. The elections themselves would cost upwards of \$350,000 each time. Construction schedules would be tied to the election calendar, creating inefficiency.

Deals will be cut between four council members to be sure their projects are financed with cash, while the other three council members are forced to have their projects (perhaps in your neighborhood) risk elections. This is not good, efficient government.

The council members in support of this ruse claim that lease obligation debt was created as a loophole around Proposition 13. In fact, lease debt without an election has been validated in court decisions as far back as 1942.

Because they have done nothing, the council majority is trying to run like it was 2014 and flog the Civic Center project again. But remember, the Civic Center did go to the voters. In February, 2008, voters mandated it to be built at its current location. It's in the City Charter. What if the voters had approved it and in a subsequent vote refused to pay for it?

The city hall itself cost about \$68 million not \$130 million. We also expanded our library, built a parking structure and saw the size of the park nearly double due to newly donated land. We built a widely used community center, civic green and an emergency center, all at public request. More than \$8 million was spent moving three stories of dirt so that views from MacArthur were protected. Even with this, debt service is only \$8 million in a \$300 million city budget, and the city has the highest possible AAA credit rating. By contrast, the council members supporting this measure have increased the city operating budget by over \$56 million annually since they took office.

Join with Jean Watt, Mike Henn, Rush Hill and other community leaders in rejecting this phony ploy to evade our campaign finance laws. The political machine supporting this doesn't really care what you think, we saw that with Museum House. They just want to keep power. Don't be fooled, vote NO on Measure T.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT #6 – SCOTT PEOTTER (INCUMBENT)

Election Time or "Silly Season": This is the time of the year when common sense seems to take a vacation and "spin" is the currency of the realm. Spin is when you say something that is technically truthful but leaves you to conclude something that is not truthful. This would be the "nice" definition, others simply lie. Suddenly, things that were inconsequential are now the most important things to talk about and "need" to be resolved immediately. Welcome to "Silly Season"

Who's on First?: There are 7 city council seats and we get elected by the entire city, but we must live in the district. There are 4 seats up for election this November. The 4 incumbents are running for re-election, including me. There are 4 challengers 1 from each district. So, everyone will have a choice of incumbent versus challenger in each district.

So, What Have you Done for Me Lately

- We Campaigned on Getting our Debt Under Control- and we are paying an extra \$8M/year to pay down our Pension Debt.
- We put real wood back into the FIRE PITS
- We cut the DOCK TAX
- We audited the Taj-Ma-City-Hall
- We are paying down the Pension Debt
- We Opposed SB 54 and the Sanctuary State
- "Brought home the bacon." The CDM Fire Station Library is under construction.

Sometimes its Also About What You Didn't Do....

- We didn't create the \$130M Debt on our New Taj-Ma-City-Hall
- We Didn't Spend \$40M on Marina Park
- We Didn't Give Retroactive Pensions Increasing Costs by \$Hundreds of Millions.
- We didn't discriminate against the handicapped and cost the city \$8M to settle the case.
- We didn't spend \$226,000 on bunnies!

And of Course, What Are You Going to Do?

- Pass the taxpayer Protection Act-*Its on the Ballot in November (Measure T)*
- Help defeat the Gas Tax-*Its also on the ballot in November (Prop 6)*
- Cut the Business Tax- *taxes to government are like Crack to an addict, it won't be easy.*
- Pay Down Debt-*Continue to make those extra payments*
- Hold Back the Growth of Government-*Wouldn't that be nice (no new employee positions for the last 4 years)*
- Catch up on 30 years of neglect in the Harbor-*Its not going to happen overnight*

CITY COUNCIL DIST #6 – SCOTT PEOTTER (INCUMBENT) (cont'd)

About Me...

I am a licensed architect, businessman, former Planning Commissioner, and City Councilmember since 2014. I have lived in the community for over 12 years and my wife and I have raised our kids here.

Scott Peotter, District 6 Incumbent

Peotter.com

[No photo available on city website]

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT #6 – JOY BRENNER (CHALLENGER)

Addressing the issues facing our city will require honesty and commitment. Both personally and professionally, I am focused on bringing people together to solve problems in a responsible, accountable manner.

Public safety is one of our most urgent concerns. Crime may be down, but criminals today are more aggressive and invasive than ever before. We need to revisit staffing levels, funding and the impacts of early prisoner releases.

Lack of adherence to our zoning regulations, building codes and General Plan threaten the charm of Newport Beach and our quality of life. I currently work with citizen groups to address issues such as John Wayne Airport noise and pollution, overdevelopment and resulting traffic. Our solutions need to spring from public input and creative consensus, not secret negotiations.

We must stop playing partisan politics, which have no place in city governance. Pushed by a political agenda and outside forces, they lead to back-room deals and obscure the public's right to know.

No more deals for political cronies. No more staff "reorganizations" that diminish public services.

My goal is to restore truth, ethics and transparency to Newport Beach city government. Let's work together to protect the place we call home.



Joy Brenner, District 6 Challenger

JoyforNewport.com

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT #4 – KEVIN MULDOON (INCUMBENT)

As I wrote in the newsletter when I ran for office four years ago, my first Newport Beach residential address was in Corona del Mar. Although I haven't lived in that part of the city for 7 years, I still appreciate that Corona del Mar isn't its own community only in the sense that the post office recognizes it by a name other than "Newport Beach." It's a scenic ocean town with historic landmarks and its own way of living.

As a Councilman today, I understand that many issues, such as traffic and crime, are particularly close to home for residents.

If re-elected to represent District 4, I pledge to continue to make public safety a top priority in all neighborhoods throughout the city. I will listen to the unique needs of CdM residents and consider the viewpoints of those with a vested interest in the Crown of the Sea.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve our community over the past four years. I ask for your continued support.



Kevin Muldoon, District 4 Incumbent

VoteMuldoon.com



CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT #4 – ROY ENGLEBRECHT (CHALLENGER)

With a concern that the City of Newport Beach is heading in the wrong direction, 2018 city council candidate Roy Englebrecht has as his campaign slogan "Keep Newport Beach Great"!

No one argues that Newport Beach is one of the greatest cities to live in, but with current council decisions that seem to always find exceptions to our General Plan and skirt certain guidelines, we are giving away our billion-dollar views and getting nothing in return. If we don't address this now Newport Beach could start losing its greatness.

We also see the current city council not addressing any kind of pension reform, not addressing any kind of out-of-control city employee overtime problems.

But that will change with my election as we will look to immediately structure a strategy for pension reform, develop a plan for current unfunded liabilities paydown at an accelerated rate, fast track the updated General Plan, and most important NEVER treat a city employee like the current city council treated City Manager Dave Kiff.



Roy Englebrecht, District 4 Challenger

JoinRoy.com



ELECTION FORUMS CALENDAR

The following election forums were on the master calendar at the time our newsletter went to print. Be sure to check the city website to confirm updates and changes (<https://bit.ly/2osY7P7>)

September 12, 2018

Speak Up Newport Candidates Forum

Civic Center Community Room
100 Civic Center Drive
Newport Beach 92660
Reception - 5:30 p.m.
Candidates Forum - 6:00 p.m.

September 22, 2018

Balboa Island Improvement Association

Balboa Island Fire Station
124 Marine
Newport Beach 92662
9:00 a.m.

September 21, 2018

Feet to the Fire Candidates Forum

Orange Coast College Robert B Moore Theater
2701 Fairview Avenue
Costa Mesa 92626
(free parking)
Meet and Greet Candidates 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Candidate Forum begins at 7:00 p.m.

September 26, 2018

Corona del Mar Residents Association

Election Forum
OASIS Senior Center
801 Narcissus Ave.
Corona del Mar 92625
Meet and Greet Social 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Election Forum begins at 6:30 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT #3 – DUFFY DUFFIELD (INCUMBENT)

Editor’s Note: *At press time, Mr. Duffield had not submitted a candidate statement for CdMRA’s newsletter. We are, therefore, reprinting the candidate statement that is on the city’s website.*

You elected me four years ago to make changes on the city council to rein in spending and improve the harbor. We are making progress. We’ve established a user-friendly harbor department to implement my harbor improvement plan that includes:

- Establishing a comprehensive overall dredging plan to include all federal, state, county and private waterways.
- Completing the unfinished main-channel dredging.
- Bringing all tidelands under the control of the city.

I have lived in Newport since 1958 and have enjoyed giving back to this wonderful community by serving on the city council. I will continue to advocate for our harbor (where I have owned my own business since 1970), which is the crown jewel of Newport Beach and generates \$1 billion in economic activity for our region.

I am forever indebted to this city for giving my family a wonderful and rewarding life. I hope my grandchildren will continue to experience how great Newport is.

Unfortunately, we are losing our marine servicing businesses and public waterfront spaces to over-intrusive condo development.

I would be honored to have your vote.



“Duffy” Duffield, District 3 Incumbent
DuffyforNewport.com

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT #3 – TIM STOAKS (CHALLENGER)

I love this city and I think that it’s going in the wrong direction. That’s why I’m running for city council.

I believe we need to restore ethics and transparency to Newport Beach’s city government. I pledge to put principles above personalities, and to work diligently to restore an inclusive, above-board governing process.

As a board member of AirFair, and former committee member of the Environmental Quality Affairs Committee (EQAC), I’ve been battling the impacts of John Wayne Airport for over 15 years. Reducing noise and pollution is my top priority.

I pledge to champion resident/voter-approved growth to protect Newport Beach’s extraordinary quality of life for generations to come.

My continuous community involvement includes serving on the boards of the Santa Ana Heights Redevelopment Agency Project Advisory Committee, the Oasis Senior Center Building Committee, Line in the Sand and the Newport Harbor Educational Foundation. Currently I’m president of the Friends of Newport Beach Animal Shelter non-profit.

I will work hard to restore common sense to city government and encourage resident involvement. We must do more to protect our community.

I ask for your vote.



Tim Stoaks, District 3 Challenger
NB4Tim.com

FROM THE HEADLINES



- BIG THANKS TO DAVE KIFF, FORMER CITY MANAGER**
- CdMRA TOWN HALL ON CRIME PREVENTION**
- SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH**

Big news, but little space left. We hope you will take a moment to visit our website (www.Cdmra.org) and search for information on these three important topics.

A very big **THANK YOU to Dave Kiff**, former Newport Beach City Manager. He supported CdMRA in so many ways over the years, and we will indeed miss his counsel and friendship. If you haven’t yet read his Farewell letter, be sure to do so on our website.

More than 200 residents attended a **Crime Prevention Town Hall sponsored by CdMRA** to address the recent increase in residential burglaries in CdM. NBPD shared information, statistics and most importantly, tips for personal and home safety. Meeting summary is available on our website.

And speaking of safety, **September is National Preparedness Month**. A big **THANK YOU to CdM CERT volunteers**. For more information on preparing your family for a disaster, see the link on our website’s Events Calendar section.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT #1 – DIANE DIXON (INCUMBENT)

Four years ago, I ran successfully for the Newport Beach City Council on a platform of 1) fiscal responsibility, 2) government transparency, 3) listening to you, the residents – and 4) promising to do the right thing. You rewarded me with your confidence and your votes.

I'm proud to say that in my term, as I took on the roles of mayor, mayor *pro tem* and chair of the Finance Committee, I have remained true to my promises to you. I am pleased to run on my record.

In these past four years, my Council colleagues and I have:

- Kept the city's budget under tight control – produced balanced budgets with a surplus in each of the last four years
- Aggressively addressed the city's huge unfunded pension liability with a plan to both pay down this debt and rein in future annual payments
- Worked with other local elected officials on proposals to reform the public employee pension system
- Supported neighborhood revitalization in Lido Marina Village and Balboa Village; supported improvements to traffic and pedestrian safety
- Funded critical seawall repairs and other vital land-based and harbor infrastructure
- Worked to improve our community's exceptional quality of life
- Kept the community safe with crime rates reduced across the city

In addition, I have hosted more than two dozen community forums where I have made myself and other city officials available to answer your questions, listen to your advice and help solve your problems. I have participated in hundreds of community events allowing me to engage with thousands of residents and listen to their concerns.

It is an honor to serving the people of Newport Beach. I respectfully ask for your votes again so I can continue the privilege of providing firm, principled leadership for our great city.



Diane Dixon, District 1 Incumbent

DixonforNewport.com

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT #1 – MIKE GLENN (CHALLENGER)

My opponent moved here from LA County just 6 months before filing to run for office. She won last time because she made big promises, and she ran unopposed. Since then, she has voted to dismantle Newport's Dog Beach, her district siphons off taxpayer dollars from parking meters to private businesses in her district, she has voted to make activists carry 1,000 pages of documents to collect signatures to oppose a skyscraper which violated the Greenlight initiative, she has increased taxes every possible time to vote on them, has both affirmed the stealing of private property by the government and also proposed to do more of it, she sits on the finance committee and during the last 4 years where she has been on council, our city's unfunded debt has ballooned out of control. Currently, Newport Beach is nearly 2 billion (with a "B") in debt, with no ability to even make the payments on it after about 7 years out from today. To top it off, she's repeatedly attempted to close Newport's last remaining Dog Beach (on the coast between Newport and Huntington). She tried to audit the City Hall, but agreed to end the audit in exchange for a settlement on the very first item that the auditors found. Under her leadership, airplane flights have increased, their flight patterns have expanded, and their allowed-decibels have increased. She's sold property at millions below market, and purchased it for millions above-- all to and from her friends. Under her leadership, we have seen some of the least-transparent government in Newport's history.

About me? I'm a fiscal conservative and small business owner and a longtime resident who has lived in his district for about 14 years now. The son of a CPA, I understand how accounting works. As a business owner, I know how to get what we pay for, and how to communicate with honesty, even if the message is hard to deliver. I'm also the founder of SaveNewport and I have been working independently to fight corruption, tax increases, crony deals, and property rights violations on behalf of citizens on my own time and on my own dime.

In addition to being an active member of many local charitable organizations and volunteering for lots of various causes, I also own several small businesses and have been self-employed for nearly all of my adult life, so I know the value of a dollar.

With a vocal history in Newport Beach for many years, I have taken stances on issues on behalf of residents for years while not holding elected office. I look forward to being able to continue to fight for residents-- this time, from a place where I can make even more of a difference: from an elected office.

If you have questions, comments, or concerns, you can always email me or call/text my cell from 8am to 9pm, at 949.229.0096. I am easily accessible and I look forward to hearing from you.



Mike Glenn, District 1 Challenger

Email: MG@Devion.com



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Now that you've had a chance to read about the candidates and the ballot measure you will vote on this November 6, you likely have questions.

You can use our online RSVP form available at www.Cdmra.org which contains space for you to submit your questions. Or write them below and either mail them in advance of the meeting (CdMRA, PO Box 1500, Corona del Mar, CA 92625), or bring them to the meeting and drop them in the Question Box.

Questions we are unable to ask during the event will be forwarded to the candidates. Candidate answers will be published in our next monthly members-only email newsletter.



Use this space to write your candidate and ballot measure questions – legibly please.



CdMRA/NBPD Crime Prevention Town Hall Your Home Security & Safety Tips



Tips for the interior of the home:

- Lock your doors & windows even if only leaving home for a few minutes; burglars are watching for patterns
- Install smart cameras on exterior & interior of your home
- Use timers to turn lights on and off, making it appear someone is always at home
- Use TV simulators which have the appearance of TV on

Tips for the exterior the home:

- Keep exterior lights on to illuminate front & back yards
- Use landscaping as deterrent, keeping bushes trimmed and below windows so burglars can't hide
- Add motion sensor lights & photo cell adaptors
- Use timers & smart phone technology

Door Security:

- Install single-cylinder dead bolts on French doors, safety glass film on window panes & double keyed locks, keeping the key nearby but not reachable for a thief
- Use 3" screws to secure strike plates; deadbolts should be 1" throw
- Add motion detectors so alarm sounds as interior is breached

Second story burglaries:

- Open windows on second stories are an opportunity for burglars to enter; windows should be locked & secured
- Ladders should be stored inside the garage or locked to a stationary object
- Access could be from a tree, balcony, roof, wall or patio furniture stacked together for height

Home Security is about layers of protection, don't rely on 1 or 2 methods as deterrents:

- Neighborhood Watch; get to know your neighbors
- Call Police Dispatch at 949-644-3717 for non-emergencies on all suspicious activity

Vehicle Crime:

- Lock and secure all doors & windows, even if you are away from your car for only a few minutes
- Lock and remove valuables even when you park your vehicle *inside* your garage
- Treat your garage door opener as if it were a key to your home; remove it from your vehicle
- Park your vehicle in a well-lit area and if your vehicle has an alarm, activate it
- Statistically, 70% of vehicles are left unlocked!

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

- Area 4 (Corona del Mar) Lt. Keith Krallman: Email kkralman@nbpd.org
- Non-emergency Police Dispatch 949-644-3717
- 24-hour Recorded Crime Tip Hotline 800-550-6273
- Traffic 949-644-3742
- Graffiti Hotline 949-644-3333
- Code Enforcement 949-644-3215
- Free Home Security Inspection 949-644-3699
- **NIXLE:** Receive crime alerts, traffic advisories and community updates from NBPD via text messaging, email or on the web by signing up at www.nixle.com



NEW MEMBER OR RENEWAL DATE: _____

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OPPORTUNITIES
FOR YOU.**

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