



The Acorn

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TWO NEW FACES IN DEL REY OAKS



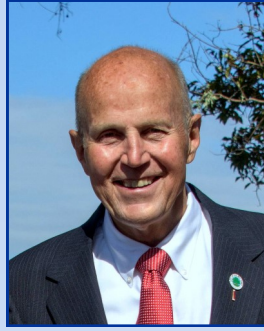
Steve Belcher
Interim Chief of Police

Danial Pick
City Manager

City Manager Pick started with Del Rey Oaks in March of this year. He's had a lifetime career in the military retiring at the rank of Colonel from the Army, his last duty, being in charge of the Defense Language Institute (DLI). He has been an amazing addition to our city. Starting with quite a deck stacked against him, he has surpassed everyone's expectations bringing unity, trust and integrity back to City Hall with his open-door policy and welcoming demeanor toward residents, council member, commissioners and staff. Welcome aboard!

Interim Chief of Police Belcher started with us in May of this year. He comes from a long history of law enforcement and is working well with our department on updating procedures, staffing, records retention and morale. He has brought the department back into cohesion after the changes of this year. He will be here during the transition to a new Chief of Police who will replace Chief Langford who retired after 35 years of service to the City.

A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR EDELEN



Del Rey Oaks has undergone significant changes in staff since our last Acorn. Not only do we have a new Planning Commissioner, but we also have a new Interim Chief of Police and several new police officers. We also now have a new City Manager, Mr. Dino Pick. Dino is a retired U.S. Army Colonel, former Commandant of the Defense Language Institute and former Deputy City Manager of the City of Monterey. He served in the combat theater of Iraq with 10th Special Forces Group (Airborne), as the US Army Attaché with the U.S. Embassy, Amman, Jordan and as a Policy Officer in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. Mr. Pick graduated from the University of Washington, Marine Corps University, and Princeton University. He completed the US Army Parachute School and Ranger School. Mr. Pick also served as a National Security Affairs Fellow at the prestigious Hoover Institution at Stanford University.

Dino is a very experienced City Manager and has a sterling reputation for competence, fairness and leadership.

The City of Del Rey Oaks is indeed incredibly fortunate to have a man with Dino Pick's integrity, experience, and concern for residents coming in to take over the city helm.

Since assuming his position, he has made a conscious effort to meet as many of our residents as possible. If you keep a sharp lookout during the lunch hour, you will catch him jogging through our neighborhoods, speaking with our residents and attempting to address their concerns.

In other developments, our first Fort Ord Project, the upscale recreational vehicle park near Laguna Seca is proceeding on schedule, and the new environmentally-focused Fort Ord Trail and Greenways (FORTAG) is being mapped out to traverse our Fort Ord property, proceed across Canyon Del Rey Blvd and then progress through our park all the way to Fremont Blvd.

We are currently studying how to discourage speeders on our city streets, initiating a City-wide beautification program, and negotiating with the Monterey Bay Community Power CCA to offer our residents the choice of choosing a greener power provider while, at the same time, protecting our city from potential liability.

These are exciting times in our city with much more to come!

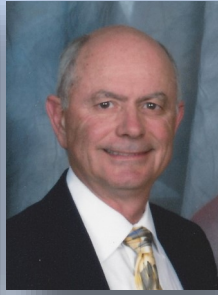
Del Rey Oaks City Council



Jerry Edelen
Mayor



Kristin Clark
Vice Mayor



Dennis Allion
Council Member



Pat Lintell
Council Member



Layne Buckley
Council Member

At our most recent Del Rey Oaks Strategic Planning Session the City Council and Staff reaffirmed the Mission Statement for our City:

The Mission of the City of Del Rey Oaks is to provide quality municipal services to those who live, work and visit our safe small town in the Sun Belt of the Monterey Peninsula.

The Council and Staff meet every six months with a professional facilitator on communication, structure, accomplishments and deficiencies, working diligently to improve your City government. They are a dedicated group who value our small community and work tirelessly to keep Del Rey Oaks the wonderful place it is. They each serve on the City Council as well as on many local agency boards representing you, the residents. These boards are important to the City because we are so small compared to Monterey, Seaside, Carmel, Pacific Grove and Marina that we can be left out or not receive our full share of these benefits. They are your voice in the community. Below is a list of the boards and who represents you on each board.

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Representative</u>
Association of Monterey Bay Area Government (AMBAG)	Council Member Buckley
Community Human Services (CHS)	Council Member Lintell
Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA)	Mayor Edelen
Monterey Bay Area Insurance Fund (MBAIF)	Interim City Manager Pick
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD)	Council Member Lintell (PAC)
	Interim City Manager Pick (TAC)
Monterey Peninsula Regional Water Authority (MPRWA)	Mayor Edelen
Monterey Regional Taxi Authority (RTA)	Vice Mayor Clark
Monterey Regional Waste Management District (MRWMD)	Council Member Allion
Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency (MRWPCA)	Council Member Allion
Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST)	Vice Mayor Clark
Northern Salinas Valley Mosquito Abatement District	Council Member Buckley
Seaside County Sanitation District	Council Member Lintell
Seaside Groundwater Basin Watermaster	Mayor Edelen
Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC)	Mayor Edelen

The Beautification of Del Rey Oaks by Caring Residents

Del Rey Oaks is home to many fine people who care very deeply about our community. One such small group is on Los Encinos. They have an island on their cul-de-sac that they have been diligently working on. They clean, plant, repair and water and their efforts are showing. What use to be a very dull and lifeless island is now neat, clean and blooming with color.

Del Rey Oaks has an Adopt-a-Island program that anyone can participate in. You can pick up a form at City Hall and we will gladly get you on your way to beautifying a piece of Del Rey Oaks.

Thank you to
Eva Moravec and
Alice Morrison you
have done a wonderful
job!



Congratulations to three of our local businesses!

Three of our businesses were nominated and chosen for 2017 Business of the Year from the Monterey County Business Council. They were honored at the annual meeting with four Del Rey Oaks officials in attendance. Congratulations to these three fine businesses!



451 Canyon Del Rey Blvd

Stone Creek
Kitchen

eat drink cook

465 Canyon Del Rey Blvd

Del Rey Oaks Gardens is located behind Safeway on Rosita Road. Pet Specialists and Stone Creek Kitchen are both located in the Stone Creek Shopping Center at the corner of Canyon Del Rey Blvd and Hwy 68.



A Message from your City Manager Danial Pick

I have had the pleasure of serving as your City Manager for nearly three months. What a wonderful community we have! Your City team has made a concerted effort to strengthen our connection with residents. If you haven't already, please join the Del Rey Oaks Next Door group and download the Del Rey Oaks app. The Next Door and Del Rey Oaks apps are available for iPhone and android, and just another way to stay connected.

I enjoyed meeting many of the residents of The Oaks condominiums during their annual home owner's association meeting. During a ride-along with one of our Del Rey Oaks police officers, we drove every street in the City and met many of our residents who were out enjoying a walk or working in their yards.

I enjoyed scooping ice cream during the Citizen's Action Group (CAG) annual Ice Cream Social. The CAG is leading an effort to beautify many of our public spaces, such as the islands at various intersections around town. The City has formed a partnership with the 314th Training Squadron of the Defense Language Institute. The Airmen of the 314th now have a home away from home and will be working with the CAG and other residents to help beautify our City as part of their volunteer efforts.

The City hired Interim Police Chief Steve Belcher following the retirement of long-serving Chief Ron Langford. Chief Belcher hit the ground running and is rebuilding the DRO PD following the retirement and departure of several active and reserve officers. City staff will send a balanced budget to Council this month that starts to invest in infrastructure, including traffic calming, controls personnel costs, and begins to build an economic uncertainty reserve. The City will participate in a regional Pavement Condition Index assessment required of all jurisdictions receiving Measure X funds for road work. This assessment will provide staff and Council the means of making the most informed decisions possible when allocating funds for road work.

Our Cannabis Tax went into effect recently and will allow the City to build an economic uncertainty reserve. The Council will consider a recreational marijuana ordinance in the coming months based upon the State legalizing its use beginning in January 2018. The Monterey Bay Alternative Medicine Clinic continues to operate without incident.

The City continues to work with Monterey Peninsula Partners on the development of our Fort Ord parcel. Thanks to the leadership of Mayor Edelen on the Board of the Fort Ord Reuse Authority, DRO's Capital Improvement Project to improve South Boundary Road is funded for design in 2017-2018, and funded for construction in 2018-2019. The same is true for a potable water pipeline. These key infrastructure projects will allow the Monument RV resort and other development to move forward.

You may have noticed the improvements at our baseball field. Seaside Pony League has worked hard to improve the field and allow kids and their families to enjoy baseball there again.

I feel fortunate to be working with our small but very capable staff at City Hall. The quality of service and positive attitude Kim and Karen deliver everyday makes it a joy to come to work. Our Mayor, Council Members and Planning Commissioners inspire me with their passion, collegiality and commitment to our community. If you see a guy with short hair running through the neighborhood or around the Frog Pond, it could be me. I look forward to meeting you!

Dino Pick

Carlton Drive—A Unique Design

The traffic committee has been meeting for well over a year and after many studies, traffic engineering and resident input this unique design was put into place. It consisted of relocating the travel lanes of Carlton, adding an uphill bike path, parking median pedestrian buffer and electronic speed signs. While it took a bit for everyone to get use to, it has helped slow down traffic by at least a couple miles per hour and given pedestrians a safe place to walk away from cars traveling on Carlton Drive.

There are other streets throughout the city that need study to look into solutions for their unique situations and these are planned in the future and are being budgeted for in this coming fiscal year. While it's a long process to get from talking to paint on the ground, it does happen with patience, persistence and of course funding.

The work on Carlton was funded **100% by a grant and no city funds** were used for any part of this project.



Del Rey Oaks Citizen's Action Group Hard at Work

This small group of residents and city officials work tirelessly to bring you the annual events on page 7. They meet every month on the 2nd Monday for about an hour. They have also been instrumental in making improvements to park landscaping, cleanup, the beautiful plants in front of City Hall and many other city-wide projects. If you would like to join this group and give back to your community please call David Kimball (far left) at 809-1228 or email him at:

david@carmel-cottage.com





Citizens Action Group

COME ONE
COME ALL

MEET YOUR
NEW CITY
MANAGER

SATURDAY,
AUGUST 12,
2017

NOON-2 PM AT
OLD TOWN
HALL

Please join the Citizen's Action Group and City Representatives at our annual Open House at Old Town Hall in the park for timely topics and friendly discussion.

City-Wide Garage Sale

Take advantage of this HUGE and WIDELY-ADVERTISED garage sale organized by the Del Rey Oaks Citizens Action Group.

ONLY \$10 per household gets you yard signs AND advertising. People come from all over just to attend this once-a-year community event so get ready to sell, sell, sell!

Saturday, July 29th, 2017
8 am – 2 pm



Picnic now on Saturday!

Picnic in the Park

Saturday, September 16, 2017

12 pm - 3 pm

COME JOIN THE FUN

Great fun and food for the whole family including music, games, face-painting and a barbecue you won't forget.

\$4 donation appreciated

Santa's Workshop

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd, 2017
from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm.

Kid's and parents alike love this holiday activity. Come see Old Town Hall fully decorated for the holidays. Children of all ages (you too, Mom and Dad!) can decorate cookies and ornaments for the tree and await a visit from Santa.



(831)809-1228 email: david@carmel-cottage.com

LET'S GET SOCIAL

Please join Del Rey Oaks in our effort to get you timely information. We are now actively using Facebook, Nextdoor.com, the City's Application and the City website.

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/cityofdelreyoaks/>

Nextdoor

Www.nextdoor.com register and search Del Rey Oaks to participate

Website

Www.delreyoaks.org

City App

You can scan the QR code with your phone and get the latest information on

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Garbage Day

Please set your garbage, recycling and yard waste cans at the curb Sunday evening for Monday pickup. Be kind to your neighbors and don't take them out too late at night or too early in the morning. No one likes to be awakened by the sound of garbage cans rolling on pavement.

**PLEASE TAKE YOUR CANS IN
NO LATER THAN MONDAY NIGHT**

Garbage cans being left out after pickup become a traffic hazard and are unsightly.



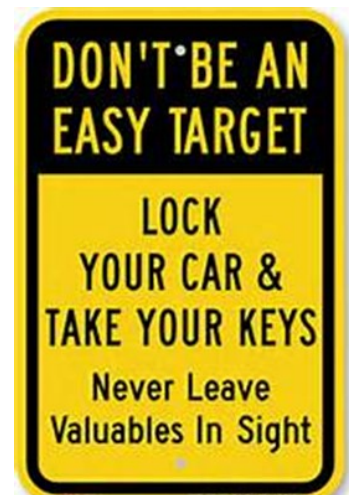
Car Break-ins!

Please lock your car doors whenever you park your car whether on the street, in your driveway or in a parking lot such as Safeway, Stone Creek Shopping Center or The Oaks Condominiums.

An unlocked car is an open invitation for someone to go through it, steal your belongings or even your car itself.

All the Peninsula Cities have been experiencing an increase in these types of thefts. Burglars walk down a street or through a parking lot trying car doors as they walk by, all it takes is one open door and they're in, don't let it be you!

We are a small town with a very active police force but we can't be everywhere at once so protect yourself and your belongings, lock your doors!

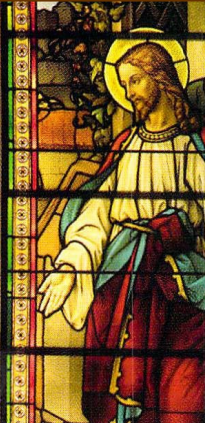


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NACCC

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Home Businesses or Selling anything from your home.

All home-based businesses are required to have a City Business License and a Home Occupational Use Permit (HOUP).

Having a home business is convenient but part of having one is also taking into consideration the effect it has on your neighborhood. The two most important requirements for a home business are:

1. To not increase traffic to your neighborhood.

This means no employees or clients at your residence.

No exceptions.*

2. No sales of any type from your residence.

This means you may not have anyone come to your residence to buy anything. No exceptions.*

These rules include unofficial businesses as well; selling tomatoes, honey, eggs, plants, etc. from your home, city property, city parks or open areas is not permitted.

*The only exceptions are garage, yard and estate sales. These are allowed without a permit no more than twice a year.



Phone Scams

The Internal Revenue Service says it's seeing a surge in phone scams and our Police Department is confirming this on a local level. It's hard to know what exactly con artists are thinking when they target their victims. But now, we know what they are saying.

As an example taken from "A Real-Life Tax Scam: This Is What IRS Phone Fraud Sounds Like" by Aarti Shahani, Tech Reporter, NPR Business Desk. The "IRS Agent" will tell you that his office has audited your taxes from "2009 to 2014" and there's been a miscalculation. You owe money. They tell you local authorities with an arrest warrant will come to your home any minute now. Your property will be seized, and you are facing federal imprisonment of up to five years.

The IRS says it doesn't call about outstanding taxes without first mailing you a bill. If you receive a call like this **do not give them any personal information.**

The best strategy is to hang up and call the IRS directly at 1-800-829-1040!

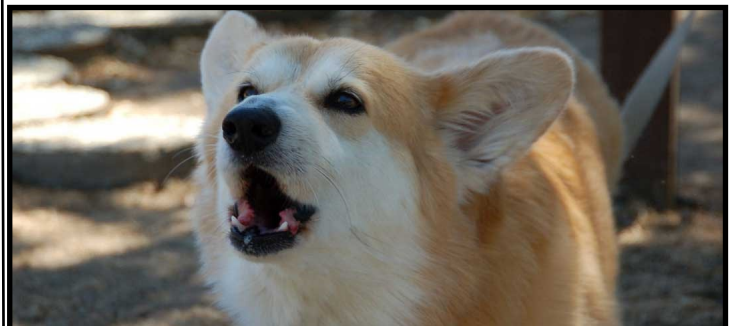


We all love our dogs but not everyone else does. Your barking dog can create real distress to your neighbors and even across Canyon Del Rey Blvd/Hwy 218.

The highway dividing our city creates an interesting sound phenomenon. A dog barking on Carlton Drive sounds like it's in the front yard of a home on Paloma Road even though they are on opposite sides of the city.

Just because you don't get a complaint doesn't mean you aren't effecting someone. Any dog barking incessantly is a nuisance especially before 7 am and after 7 pm.

So if you are in your front yard, inside your house or at the dog park, control your dog's behavior. You, your neighbors and your dog will be happier for it.





NO FIREWORKS ALLOWED IN THE CITY OF DEL REY OAKS

FIREWORKS OF ANY TYPE ARE ILLEGAL IN THE CITY OF DEL REY OAKS. THE FIRE DANGER IS JUST TOO GREAT!

PLEASE ENJOY THE 4TH OF JULY, AND REPORT ANY DISCHARGES OF FIREWORKS TO THE DEL REY OAKS POLICE DEPARTMENT BY CALLING THE NON-EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER — **831-375-8525**.

Storm Water

The City of Del Rey Oaks is a permitted member of the Monterey Regional Storm Water Management Program (MRSWMP).

One of the Regional Storm Water Permit Program responsibilities is to properly manage urban runoff and storm water that drains into the Monterey Bay via the storm drain system, and to prevent pollutants entering the storm drain system (oil, carpet cleaning wastewater, auto detailing soaps and rinse water, restaurant mat and trash area wash down, pesticides/fertilizers from landscapes, etc.).

ALL storm drains flow directly to either the Monterey Bay or other water bodies throughout the area; they do not go through a treatment process prior to draining to the sea water bodies. Only rain should go into storm drains.

Del Rey Oaks is also responsible for implementation of the City's annual storm water program, with assistance from our regional program manager, and compliance with the State's storm water regulations utilizing best management practices (BMPs) to meet measurable goals outlined in our adopted storm water plan.

You as our residents have a crucial role in our Storm Water Program. These include:

- ◆ Report any foreign liquids or solids you see in the City gutters or streets, or entering the storm drain system to the Police Department at 831-375-8525. Some examples would be paint, fuel, concrete wash off, sewage & debris, including litter, etc. Also report anyone you see dumping fluids or sweeping lawn debris/leaves into storm drains.
- ◆ If you see any liquid coming out of a manhole, report it immediately to the Police Department.
- ◆ Please keep the gutter in front of your home free of leaves, pine needles and other debris, minimize the usage of pesticides or fertilizers, and minimize lawn irrigation to prevent runoff and water waste.
- ◆ Do not change the oil or other fluids of your vehicle in the street and ensure your car does not leak oil onto the street (if parked on the street)
- ◆ Move your vehicle out of the street on street sweeping days (The first Wednesday of each Month).
- ◆ **NEW CHANGES:** All Contractors doing work in Del Rey Oaks must now keep and turn in all receipts for dumping of materials from any job. If you use a dumpster service from GreenWaste that works as well and proof of rental is required. Bottom line make sure your contractor keeps those receipts! It's a state regulation and a requirement for getting your project a final approval.



DEL REY OAKS CITY CALENDAR

*Street Sweeping Day - Move vehicles off street before 6 a.m. or night before. Note: Dates may change due to weather or unforeseeable mechanical issues if this occurs sweeping will be rescheduled to a future date based on availability.

<p><u>June 2017</u></p> <p>7 Street Sweeping* 14 6 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting 18 Father's Day 27 6 p.m. City Council Meeting</p>	<p><u>July 2017</u></p> <p>5 Street Sweeping* 4 Independence Day City Hall Closed 12 6 p.m. - Planning Commission Meeting 25 6 p.m. - City Council Meeting 29** 8-2 Community Garage Sale</p>	<p><u>August 2017</u></p> <p>2 Street Sweeping* 9 6 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting 12 Open House— Old Town Hall 12 pm 22 6 p.m. City Council Meeting</p>
<p><u>September 2017</u></p> <p>4 Labor Day — City Hall 6 Street Sweeping* Closed 13 6 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting 16** Annual Picnic 12-3 pm 26 6 p.m. City Council Meeting</p>	<p><u>October 2017</u></p> <p>4 Street Sweeping* 11 6 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting 24 6 p.m. City Council Meeting</p>	<p><u>November 2017</u></p> <p>1 Street Sweeping* 5 Turn Clocks Back 1 Hour 7 Election Day-Old Town Hall 8 6 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting 11 Veterans Day observed- City Hall <u>Closed the 10th</u> 14 6 p.m. City Council Meeting 23-24 Thanksgiving -City Hall Closed</p>
<p><u>December 2017</u></p> <p>3** 2-4 pm Santa's Workshop Old Town Hall 6 Street Sweeping* 13 6 p.m. City Council Meeting 19 6 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting 25-26 Christmas—City Hall Closed</p>	<p><u>January 2018</u></p> <p>1 New Years Day—City Hall Closed 3 Street Sweeping* 1 6 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting 15 Martin Luther King Day- City Hall Closed 23 6 p.m. City Council Meeting</p>	<p><u>February 2018</u></p> <p>7 Street Sweeping* 14 6 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting 19 Presidents Day - City Hall Closed 27 6 p.m. City Council Meeting</p>
<p><u>March 2018</u></p> <p>7 Street Sweeping* 11 Turn Clocks forward 1 hour 14 6 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting 28 6 p.m. City Council Meeting 30 Cesar Chavez Day -</p>	<p><u>April 2018</u></p> <p>4 Street Sweeping* 11 6 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting 24 6 p.m. City Council Meeting</p>	<p><u>May 2018</u></p> <p>2 Street Sweeping* 9 6 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting 13 Mother's Day 21**Ice Cream Social (Tentative Date—Check Kiosks) 22 6 p.m. City Council</p>

**All items in red are Del Rey Oaks Citizen's Action Group sponsored events

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