



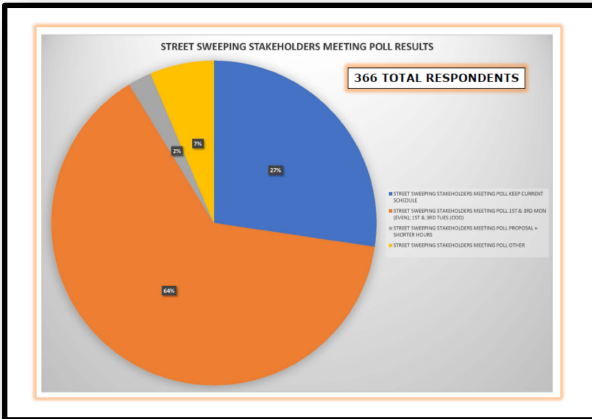
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STREET SWEEPING 2020 VISION



The results are in! After conducting an initial poll on alternative street sweeping scheduling options at the October 3, 2019 Street Sweeping Solutions Stakeholders Meeting, and receiving 98 responses the District sent an e-blast to those who were not able to

attend giving them the opportunity to opine by the November 30th deadline. The Rossmoor Street Sweeping Poll concluded with a total of 366 respondents. The majority, 64% chose the proposed alternative schedule: 1st and 3rd Monday (even addresses); 1st and 3rd Tuesday (odd addresses), 27% voted to keep the schedule as is and 9% chose other variations ranging from shorter hours and alternative days. The data will be analyzed by the RCSD Board of Directors and shared with the Orange County Supervisor’s Office.

2020 ELECTION OF OFFICERS



The outgoing RCSD Board President will present the 2020 State of the District Address at the January 14, 2020 regular board meeting. The State of the District Address can be viewed on our website at: www.rossmoor-csd.org. The RCSD Board of Directors will also hold its annual election of officers. Election results can also be found on our website. **RCSD Board meetings are televised on LATV-3 and are also available for viewing online 24/7. For questions pertaining to board meetings, agendas and speaker requests contact the [Administrative Assistant](#).**

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EXECUTIVE MATTERS



Happy New Year! Welcome to 2020! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. I really enjoyed seeing many of you at the 5th Annual Rossmoor Winter Festival. Thank you for helping to make it another huge success with an estimated 4,000 people in attendance.



BOARD MEETINGS

Every Month—2nd Tues.
@7 p.m. in the Rush Park Auditorium.

This past year I met with representatives from Rossmoor Homeowners Association, LAUSD, Orange County Public Works, Orange County Sheriff's Department, R.F. Dickson Street Sweeping, Orange County Supervisor's District Director Tim Whitaker and the Rossmoor Community, to discuss a new schedule, signage and an ordinance change. This is an ongoing effort to ultimately prepare a report to Orange County Supervisor Michelle Steel's office.

The Rush Park Game Room has enjoyed tremendous success and is well utilized by children from the Youth Center R.A.S.C.A.L.S. After School Program and many others. Recreation staff is researching ideas for revenue sharing programs and class offerings to the community. The District has lots of new and exciting plans for the year ahead. You are encouraged to attend our monthly board meetings every second Tuesday of the month in the Rush Park Auditorium or watch the replays 24/7 on the Rossmoor Community Services District website if you cannot attend. One of the most important benefits to being a Special District is the exceptional access one has to their elected officials. Take every opportunity to get involved and stay informed. Please read our feature article on how Districts make the difference. We can't do it without you, Rossmoor!—JM



Rossmoor/Los Alamitos Area Sewer District

The Rossmoor / Los Alamitos Area Sewer District located at 3243 Katella Avenue, was founded in 1952 to provide wastewater collection and disposal in West Orange County and is one of the area's oldest California governments. At the time the lack of a sewage collection system and local septic tank failures caused serious problems for the residents of the incorporated Los Alamitos community and restricted development.

By 1952, citizens in the area voted overwhelmingly in favor of bonds for construction of an adequate sewer system to replace the outdated septic tanks and provide a public wastewater collection and disposal system. Agreements were reached with other agencies to receive the Los Alamitos wastewater and treat it. Major annexations made in 1954 and 1960 added the Rossmoor residential development and the nearby Naval base.

Today the Sewer District services over 8,000 sewer connections. The 54-mile system covers over 4,000 acres and consists of pipelines ranging from 8-18 inches in diameter, installed along the public right-of-way. Major trunks run along Foster Road, Los Alamitos Boulevard, and Katella Avenue. The system discharges into the Orange County Sanitation District for treatment. For more information about the Rossmoor/Los Alamitos Sewer District visit their website at <https://www.rlasd.org/> or call 562-431-2223. Office hours are Monday –Friday, 8:30 am –12:30 pm.



DID YOU KNOW...?

District's make the difference! As the most local form of government, Special Districts are directly accountable to their voters and their ratepayers through:



- Boards that are elected directly by the districts' voters
- Direct accountability to their voters and their ratepayers
- Requirements to submit annual financial and compensation reports to the State Controller
- Meeting requirements mandated by state laws pertaining to public meetings, bonded debt, record keeping, and elections

Community Services Districts

For over 65 years Community Services Districts, or CSDs, have served the local needs of towns and regions throughout California. CSDs offer a venue for community representation, as well as the ability to focus on a limited number of services outside of a fully incorporated city.

Community Services Districts can offer their residents over 30 different types of crucial services, such as police protection, garbage removal, road maintenance and street lighting. There are 324 Community Services Districts throughout the state.

The Rossmoor Community Services District is the local government for the unincorporated community of Rossmoor run by a five-member elected Board of Directors that meet every second Tuesday of each month in the Rush Park Auditorium. These meetings are televised and agendas and minutes are posted on the District website. RCSD provides local specialized services to its residents which include parkway tree maintenance, installation and maintenance of median landscaping, public recreation facilities and services, street sweeping management and street lighting and coordinate with the County of Orange for other services.

District Types

- ✕ Airport
- ▲ Community Services
- 📖 Library
- 🚢 Harbor and Port
- 🌊 Reclamation and Levee
- 🏥 Healthcare
- 🚒 Fire Protection
- 🦟 Mosquito and Pest Abatement
- 💧 Irrigation
- ⚰ Cemetery
- 🌳 Recreation and Park
- 🌿 Resource Conservation
- 🗑 Sanitation
- ⚡ Utility
- 🇺🇸 Veterans Memorial
- 💧 Water
- 🚇 Transit

Special districts are formed by communities when it's something:
 The community wants
 The community wants done well
 The community wants done with local control

LOCAL SPECIALIZED SERVICES

DistrictsMakeTheDifference.org

County of Orange

The County of Orange provides public safety services through the Orange County Sheriff's Department and Orange County Fire Authority, road maintenance services through County public works, and much more. It is like an umbrella for the unincorporated Special District community of [Rossmoor](#), Midway City, Emerald Bay, Silverado Canyon, contract City of Villa Park, etc.



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HIGHWAY PATROL**

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Officer Matt Musselmann
714-892-4426**

Branch Banter

with Mary Kingman



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10 YEARS AS TREE CITY USA!

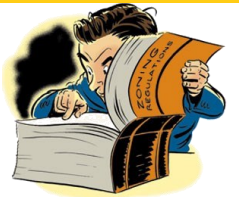


Rossmoor is known for its trees and this year will be the community's 10th year as a Tree City USA!!! The Arbor Day Foundation awards this designation to cities, towns and communities that are committed to the standards of sound urban forestry management. There are 147 Tree City USA communities in California with Rossmoor having the 7th smallest 'Tree City' population in the state and the smallest in Southern California! The District will be celebrating this achievement with the community in March with an Arbor Day event. Stay tuned for the details in the coming months! The RCSD would like to thank all the residents who help to care

for and safeguard the trees in the neighborhood by watering, mulching and observing the Tree Protection Policy set forth by The District, enabling the entire community to enjoy the benefits from trees and live healthier lives.

The relationship between trees planted in a community and the health and well-being of its residents is constantly being proven through multiple scientific studies. One that I found fascinating was on 'Tree Loss & Public Health'. This controlled study took place from 1990 to 2007 and focused on 1,296 counties in 15 eastern US states. In counties where the tree inventory was decimated by the Emerald Ash Borer there were 15,000 more deaths from cardiovascular disease and 6,000 more deaths from lower respiratory disease compared to areas that did not experience ELB tree loss. The study proves that overall, trees make people healthier, less stressed and able to breathe easier. —MK

ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER...



In response to public input from the community the Rossmoor Community District Board of Directors will consider adoption of two different ordinances affecting one of the community's biggest assets—its trees.

On December 10, 2019, the Rossmoor Community Services District introduced Ordinance No. 2019-01 as an ordinance of the Board of Directors of the Rossmoor Community Services District, adopting District Policy No. 3098 Administrative Citations, That Governs the Imposition, Enforcement, Collection and Administrative Review of Administrative Fines or Penalties for Violations of District Policy.

On December 10, 2019, the Rossmoor Community Services District introduced Ordinance No. 2019-02 as an ordinance of the Board of Directors of the Rossmoor Community Services District, adopting and revising District Policy No. 3080 Parkway and Rossmoor Way Median Tree Maintenance, as the Rules and Regulations That Govern the Maintenance of Parkway and Rossmoor Way Median Tree Maintenance. *This policy change would implement a permit process to allow for residents to have their own contractors trim District-owned parkway trees at their own expense.*

Full copies of Ordinance No. 2019-01 and No. 2019-02 are available for review in the office of the District General Manager at 3001 Blume Dr., Rossmoor, CA 90720, Monday through Friday from 9 am to 5 pm.

The Board of Directors of the Rossmoor Community Services District will give second reading and consider adoption of those ordinances introduced above at their Regular Board Meeting on January 14, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rush Park Auditorium, 3021 Blume Dr., Rossmoor, CA.

Rossmoor residents are strongly encouraged to attend and provide input during the second reading of these significant ordinances and policy adoptions and changes.

