



# LA JOLLA CLASSIC HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

October 2015

## NOTICE OF UPCOMING BOARD MEETING

This is your official notice of the meeting of the Board of Directors scheduled as follows:

**Date:** Thursday, October 22, 2015  
**Time:** 5:30 PM  
**Place:** Desert Shores Community Association  
2500 Regatta Drive  
Las Vegas, NV 89128

The regular or open session of this meeting of the Board of Directors will begin at 5:30 PM. This meeting is open to all Members. The Board will not be meeting in Executive Session on this date. The purpose of this Board meeting will be for the Board to adopt a budget to be ratified in November by the General Membership.

In accordance with statute, in the regular session (open meeting) there will be two Members' Forums. In the Members' Forum at the beginning of the meeting a Member may express their ideas or concerns on any agenda item. At the Members' Forum at the end of the meeting Members may express their ideas or concerns on any topic pertaining to the association.

The time available for the Members' forum depends upon the number of Members in attendance.

Agendas will be available five days in advance of the meeting and will also be available at the meeting. Please remember that the regular session agenda is subject to change prior to the meeting. If you would like an agenda prior to the meeting please contact Russ at Mesa Management and one will be provided to you: (702) 750-0530 or [manager@LJCHOA.com](mailto:manager@LJCHOA.com)

In accordance with statute, the open session will be audio recorded. Any Member may request a copy of the Minutes of the meeting and a draft of the Minutes will be provided thirty days from the date of the meeting. In compliance with statute, if the Minutes are provided in electronic format no fee will be charged. If a hard copy of the Minutes is requested a nominal fee will be charged for distribution. Likewise, a nominal fee will be charged for a copy of the audio recording if a member requests an audio copy.

All Members are encouraged to attend and participate in these important meetings of the Association. Your ideas and concerns are important.

*Thanks for your cooperation.*

## Schedule of Remaining Meetings for Calendar 2015

The Board of Directors has scheduled the following meetings for calendar year 2015. Each of the meetings will be held at **Desert Shores Community Association, 2500 Regatta Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89128.**

Thursday	October 22, 2015	5:30 pm	Board Meeting
Thursday	November 19, 2015	6:30 pm	Board / Executive Meeting & GM Budget Ratification*

\*Please note that the Budget Ratification Meeting is a General Membership Meeting which will be held in conjunction with a regular Board meeting.

## COMMUNITY CONCERNS

### Homeowner Concerns



At or near the top of concerns voiced by owners is the annoyance of barking, howling or whining dogs. Pet owners know that pets act out when they are left alone for long periods. Many times this separation causes the pet to whine, cry or bark profusely. This is very upsetting to nearby residents. If you should receive notice the very best thing to do is to resolve the issue quickly and notify the association of the steps you have taken to resolve it. Please don't simply ignore it.



Also near the top of complaints received by the association is the problem of trash containers placed out for pick up too early, left curbside too long or stored by the garage in open view of other residents. Trash containers should be placed curbside for pickup no earlier than the evening prior to service. The container should be removed from the curb no later than the evening of the day of service. And it should not be stored next to the garage or in the landscaping where it can be seen by other residents.

the issue of landscaping debris,

such as palm tree fruit or fronds, falling into the neighbor's yard is a problem, too. Palm trees may be the biggest target, but they are not the only tree (or plant) which sheds debris that bothers neighbors. Trees and shrubs which hang over the neighbor's wall and which drop flowers, seeds, pods or debris into the neighbor's yard are all a concern.



**Entrance Gates:** The Association continues to work on resolving the painting problems pertaining to the wrought iron gates and fences. Your patience is appreciated.

*Thank you.*

## OWNER LANDSCAPING—ASH TREE DIEBACK / DECLINE

Landscaping is a major asset of every owner. It is also of major importance when the Association inspects the property. What has come to light is that many of the Ash trees in our community are suffering what arborists and experts in the field call *Ash Tree Dieback* or *Decline*. This is happening throughout the entire Southwest.

Experts know a little about the phenomena but there does not seem to be a consensus as to what exactly is causing the problem or even why dieback occurs. What we do now is that Ash trees seem to dieback from a lack of water to some of the limbs. Both Ash trees planted in lawns as well as in other parts

of the landscaping are affected.

These are some of the symptoms: *branches may exhibit symptoms of leaf tip and edge burning (which are symptoms often associated with drought or excess salts). There is a "rosette appearance" to leaves, i.e. usually small with elongation of internodes. Dead leaves often remain attached to the affected branches rather than dropping as you would think the dead leaves would. As the decline of the tree progresses entire branches die back. Ultimately the whole tree dies. Dieback often becomes noticeable about the beginning of July.*

Although maintaining trees in vigorous

condition can help control the disease it may not be enough to stop it. This is one of the reasons why the Association is providing this information and not recommending Ash trees for planting in La Jolla Classic Homeowners Association. This holds true even if you are removing an Ash tree and simply wanting to replace it with another Ash tree. It would be better to find a more suitable tree not subject to the dieback or decline.

You can learn more by simply googling Ash tree dieback or decline in Las Vegas but here is a blog to check: <http://xtremehorticulture.blogspot.com/2015/06/ash-dieback-or-ash-decline-they-both.html>.

**"Dead leaves, dead branches and ultimately dead trees are the result of Ash Tree Dieback or Ash Tree Decline. Ash trees are no longer recommended for the desert."**

## ARCHITECTURAL MODIFICATIONS

This important message appears in many newsletters. However, no matter how many times information pertaining to architectural changes has been published, some Owners move forward without approval. All owners should be aware that La Jolla Classic Homeowners Association has an approved color palate which must be adhered to. The color palate has been approved by Desert Shores. If you want to change any of the colors—body, trim, or even exterior doors—you must submit an architectural application AND receive approval from both



La Jolla Classic and Desert Shores BEFORE any work can begin.

The same is true of garage doors. If you are replacing the garage door with the exact garage door...including the identical color...and windows...you won't need to submit an ARC application. But if the design of the door, the windows or the color is modified in any way, you need to submit an application and obtain approval. Although the ARC process does not normally require the 45 days allowed by the CC&R's, please don't expect immediate approval. It takes a little time to process your request. *Your cooperation is appreciated.*