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Sunday, July 31<sup>ST</sup>

## TOWNHALL MEETING

Mandatory Turf Conversion AB 356  
Wednesday, July 13<sup>TH</sup>

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting IN PERSON & VIA ZOOM  
Wednesday, July 27<sup>TH</sup>



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# Sub-Association MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

## Need assistance within your gated community?

Your Sub-Association's Management Team is happy to help! Contact information for each Sub-Association, within Desert Shores, can be found below.

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# TOWNHALL MEETING

July 13th | 6:00 PM | DSCA Clubhouse

Topic: Turf Conversion Required by AB356

**Desert Shores Townhall Meeting**  
Wednesday, July 13, 2022, at 6:00PM  
In the Desert Shores Clubhouse  
2500 Regatta Drive

**Subject:** Special Reserve Assessment to fund the Mandated Nonfunctional turf conversion

**All Desert Shores Homeowners are encouraged to attend!**

## Assembly Bill 356: What is it?

*"In June 2021, the Nevada Legislature enacted Assembly Bill (AB) 356, which prohibits the use of Colorado River water to irrigate the nearly 4,000 acres of nonfunctional turf on properties that are not zoned exclusively for single-family residences on and after January 1, 2027. The Southern Nevada Water Authority feels strongly that properties affected by the implementation of AB 356 with nonfunctional turf should act immediately in response to shortage conditions on the Colorado River and take advantage of the rebate programs currently offered. The SNWA recognizes that many properties have a significant amount of turf to remove, and the entire five-year period might be necessary to accomplish large turf removal projects."* (excerpt from SNWA Implementation Plan For The Removal Of Nonfunctional Turf In Southern Nevada 2022)

The full SNWA Implementation Plan For The Removal Of Nonfunctional Turf In Southern Nevada 2022 and the Legislative Bill AB356 are available on the DSCA website, [mydesertshores.com](http://mydesertshores.com) under the "Living Here" section of the main, home page. This section will allow easy access to information throughout the conversion process for homeowners and residents.

## Turf Conversion & Desert Shores

The Las Vegas Valley is in an extreme drought status. While strict restrictions have been in place for the past several years, the continued decline in Lake Mead water level has resulted in additional restrictions that were made into law during the 2021 Nevada State legislative session.

All homeowners are invited to attend a Townhall Meeting on Wednesday, July 13, 2022 in the Clubhouse to discuss the impact on Desert Shores because of AB356, requiring the removal of nonfunctional turf.

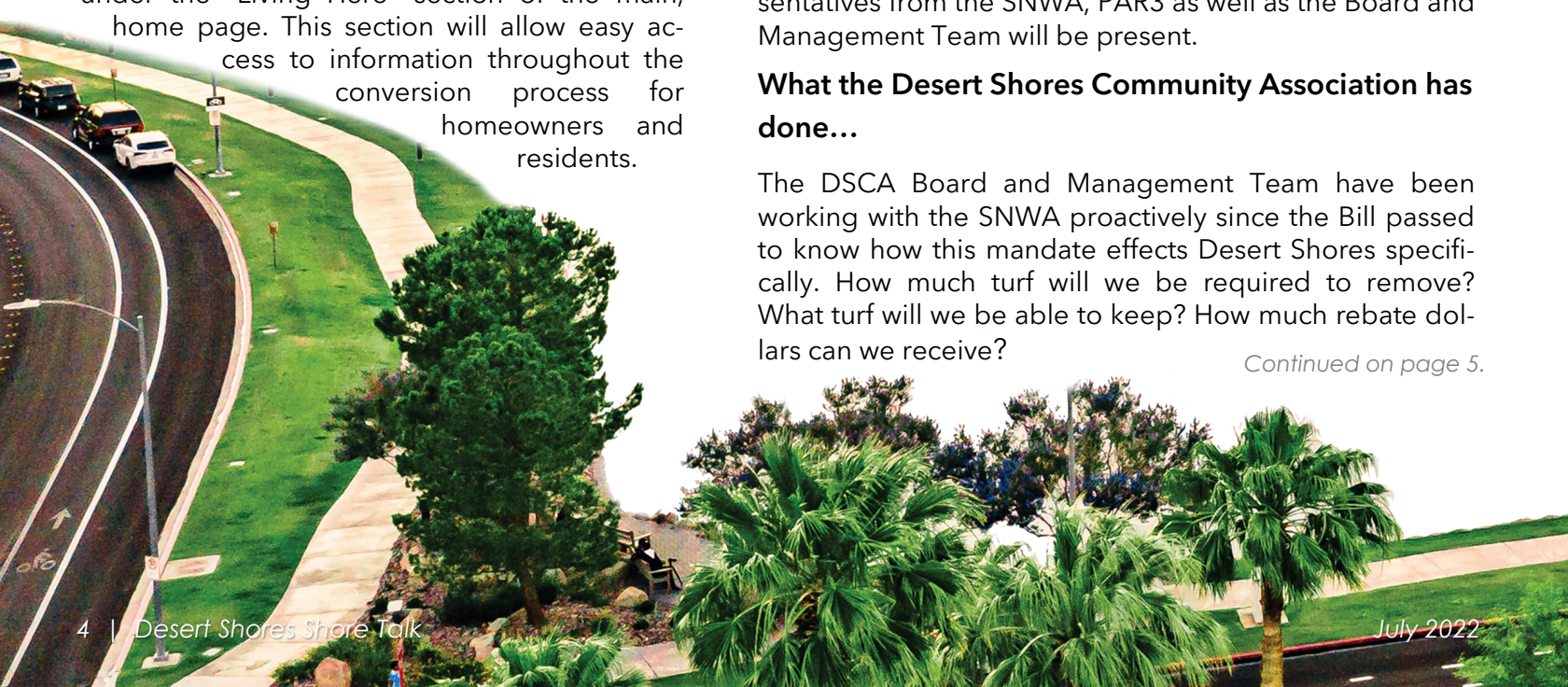
We understand how difficult this is for everyone, as homeowners and neighbors. We are in this together. The Board is having to make tough decisions in regard to the new mandate. While none of us are happy about the circumstances, we ask for your support and understanding through this process.

Your Board and Management Team have been working to make the best long-term decisions for DSCA. Nevada Law dictates that we must comply. We encourage all homeowners to attend the Town Hall Meeting where more details will be provided and questions answered. This article is meant to provide a brief overview. Representatives from the SNWA, PAR3 as well as the Board and Management Team will be present.

## What the Desert Shores Community Association has done...

The DSCA Board and Management Team have been working with the SNWA proactively since the Bill passed to know how this mandate effects Desert Shores specifically. How much turf will we be required to remove? What turf will we be able to keep? How much rebate dollars can we receive?

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## UPCOMING BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETINGS: July 27<sup>th</sup> & August at 5:30 PM

**DSCA Board Meetings are conducted in person, located in the DSCA Clubhouse, and virtually, via Zoom. Registration instructions are communicated to homeowners prior to the date of the meeting via email and our website, [www.mydesertshores.com](http://www.mydesertshores.com).**

Agendas are available 24 hours prior to the meeting and are posted on the website or in the management office. Unit owners have the right to:

- Have copies of the audio recording, the Minutes or a summary of the Minutes of the meeting distributed upon

request and upon payment to the Association for the cost of making the distribution.

- Speak to the Board of Directors at the beginning of the meeting (on agenda items only) and the end of each meeting (on any item concerning the community).

### Upcoming Agenda Items:

- June 22, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes
- May 2022 Financials
- Funding the Mandatory Turf Conversion

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We have collaborated diligently with the staff at SNWA including walking the property, measuring, reviewing the guidelines, requesting waivers and much more. In doing so we feel that DSCA is ahead of the process and will be well prepared to successfully complete the challenges of this project. We have received waivers for areas such as our lake ends by having them recognized as functional turf that is used and enjoyed by many.

With the information confirmed of exactly what DSCA will be required to do to meet the new legislation, the next step was to get preliminary information on the scope of work, designs, costs and a schedule. Finally, determining what is the most effective means for the association to cover the large cost of the mandate.

### **What DSCA needs to do...**

How does our association, along with so many others in our Valley, cover the cost of such an expensive mandate that was not foreseeable or welcomed? How do we protect the financial stability of the property and its assets, while meeting the deadlines of this bill/law? One of our biggest challenges during the conversion will be to continue to maintain and improve our beautiful property while simultaneously complying with the mandate. Protecting property values and residents established community lifestyle is crucial.

The Board has looked at multiple options to fund the turf conversion mandate. The estimate for our property to complete the mandated turf conversion is \$4.6 million dollars.

### **Here are options that the Board researched...**

1. A loan, which would require our property assets as collateral. **This option is elevated risk for the Association and costly.**
2. A loan, which would require cash assets as collateral. **This option is elevated risk for the Association and costly.**
3. A Special Assessment to cover the cost of the mandated turf conversion in DSCA.

This option has been determined to be the most effective for the Association. This option would be a special assessment of \$1,600 for Single Family Homes and \$800 for Condos. With the option for homeowners to pay in one installment or over a 2-year period.

As homeowners of Desert Shores, we are in this together. Our goal, as always, is to preserve the assets of DSCA (specifically our lakes) and continue to make Desert Shores a Premier Las Vegas Community to buy in, live in, and enjoy!

**Please plan on attending the  
Townhall Meeting on Wednesday,  
July 13<sup>TH</sup> at 6:00pm!**

**Review Proposed Landscape  
changes online at [mydesertshores.com](http://mydesertshores.com)  
in the Living Here section.**

# Financial Focus Prepare Yourself for a Long Retirement

We all want to live long lives. We all expect to live long lives. But are we financially prepared for this longevity? Before we get to the issue of preparation, let's look at a couple of interesting findings from a 2022 survey by Age Wave and Edward Jones:

- The surveyed retirees said, on average, they expect to live to 89, and they said the ideal length of retirement is 29 years.
- When asked if they want to live to 100, nearly 70% of the respondents said "yes." The main reason for this desire for long life? To spend more years with their family and friends.

Of course, none of us can see into the future and know how long we'll be around. But with advances in medical care and a greater awareness of healthy lifestyles, these aspirations have a real basis in reality. However, if you're going to enjoy a longer lifespan, and the extra years with your loved ones, you need to ensure your finances are also in good shape. How can you make this happen?

## Here are some basic steps to follow:

- **Save and invest early and often.** This may be the oldest piece of financial advice, but it's still valid. The earlier you start saving and investing for your retirement, the greater your potential accumulation. Consider this: If you began saving just \$5,000 per year at age 25, and earned a hypothetical 6.5% annual rate

of return, and didn't take any early withdrawals, you'd end up with \$935,000 by the time you reached 65. But if you waited until 35 to start saving and investing, and you earned the same hypothetical 6.5% return - again with no early withdrawals - you'd only end up with \$460,000. And if you didn't start saving until 45, you'd end up with just over \$200,000, again given the same 6.5% return.

- **Be mindful of debt.** You may not want to be burdened with certain debts when you enter retirement. So, while you're still working, try to reduce unwanted debts, particularly those that don't offer the financial benefits of tax-deductible interest payments. The lower your debt load, the more you can save and invest for the future.
- **Keep reviewing your progress.** It's important to monitor the progress you need to make toward achieving your goal of a comfortable retirement. Over the short term, your investment balances may fluctuate, especially in volatile financial markets such as we've seen in the early part of this year. But you'll get a clearer picture of your situation if you look at long-term results. For example, have your accounts grown over the past 10 years as much as you had planned? Do you think you're in good shape, or will you need to make some changes to your investment strategy? If you're 50 or older, you can make "catch-up"

contributions to your IRA and 401(k) that allow you to exceed the regular limits.

You may also want to adjust your investment mix as you near retirement to potentially lower your risk exposure.

Hopefully, you will enjoy many years of a healthy, happy retirement. And you can help support this vision by carefully considering your financial moves and making the ones that are right for you.

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## When it comes to your to-do list, put your future first.

To find out how to get your financial goals on track, contact us for a complimentary review.



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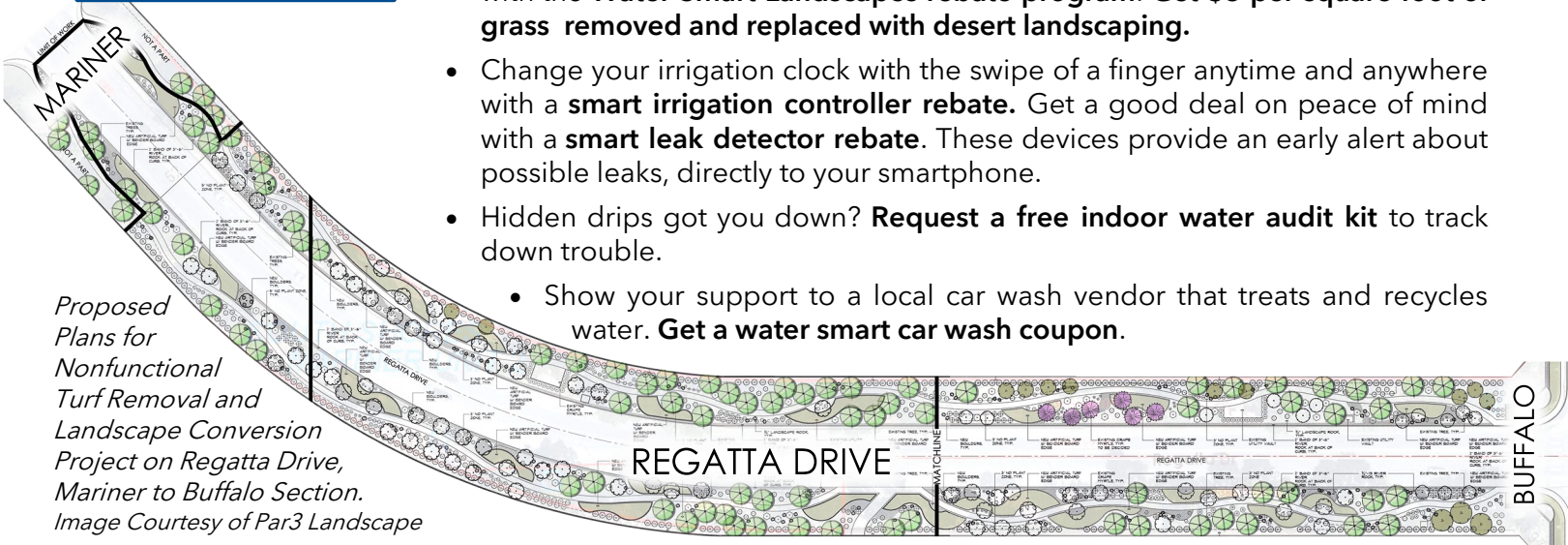
Visit [snwa.com](http://snwa.com) for more water and money savings tips!

## Saving Starts at Home *Every drop counts!*

With ongoing drought and mandates to remove water draining, non-functional turf, why not continue the work at home? No matter your property size or square footage, we can all make a difference in our community and city when we take steps to be Water Smart! SNWA encourages all residents to, "Take advantage of our programs and services, designed to help you save time, water and money." Not sure where to get started? Here are some tips to get you going:

- Ready for an upgrade? Get more curb appeal, less upkeep, and cash back with the **Water Smart Landscapes rebate program**. Get **\$3 per square foot of grass removed and replaced with desert landscaping**.
- Change your irrigation clock with the swipe of a finger anytime and anywhere with a **smart irrigation controller rebate**. Get a good deal on peace of mind with a **smart leak detector rebate**. These devices provide an early alert about possible leaks, directly to your smartphone.
- Hidden drips got you down? **Request a free indoor water audit kit** to track down trouble.
- Show your support to a local car wash vendor that treats and recycles water. **Get a water smart car wash coupon**.

Proposed Plans for Nonfunctional Turf Removal and Landscape Conversion Project on Regatta Drive, Mariner to Buffalo Section.  
Image Courtesy of Par3 Landscape





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**“The Sisters from Texas”**

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# Draining Pools & Spas

Water from swimming pools and spas contain many chemicals including large amounts of chlorine. When drained into a storm drain, it can harm fish and other aquatic life in Lake Mead. This is because water entering a storm drain flows directly into Lake Mead without being treated, meaning any chemicals in the water will not be filtered out.

Local water-waste ordinances and some water providers' service rules prohibit discharging pool water to the street or storm drain. Pool water must be drained directly to the sanitary sewer system, which allows the water to be recycled and reused. Find your pool clean-out port in order to drain to the sewer.

Monitor pool draining to assure the pump capacity does not exceed the sewer line capacity. Any equipment inserted into a sewer pipe, such as a garden hose, should be considered contaminated and used only for similar purposes in the future.

## How do I identify my clean-out port?

- The sewer clean-out port will likely be 3 to 4 inches in diameter and have a clamped, rubber cover or threaded cap. If you have difficulty finding the clean-out port, it may be covered by landscaping.
- The preferred port is usually located at ground level in the landscaped area of the front yard, close to the home. Some sewer ports may be embedded in the driveway or garage floor.
- Some sewer ports may be within a wall. Use caution if this is the case, as wall-mounted ports create greater potential for water to back up into the home.
- An "S" on your home's front curb usually marks where your home's sewer service line comes in to your home. The cleanout is usually connected to the service line  $\pm$  5 feet from your home.

Examples of Pool Clean-Out Ports



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## Community Relations Committee

The Community Relations Committee "CRC" meets the 1st Monday of each month to review ARC Applications and conduct compliance hearings. In order to have your application on the agenda, you must submit **all completed paperwork** to the DSCA office along with the \$10 application fee by the **Wednesday prior to the CRC meeting by 3:00pm.**

**NOTE:** If you reside in **Harbor Cove, Spinnaker Cove, Diamond Bay, La Jolla Classic, Ritz Cove, Desert Shores Racquet Club or Pelican Point**, you are required to obtain approval from your Sub-Association **PRIOR** to submitting your application to Desert Shores. Please keep this in mind when planning your changes to your home. The approval letter is part of the application checklist.

## Upcoming CRC Meeting Schedule

CRC Meeting Date	Deadline to Submit Application
July 11 <sup>TH</sup>	July 6 <sup>TH</sup>
Aug 1 <sup>ST</sup>	July 27 <sup>TH</sup>
Sep 6 <sup>TH</sup>	August 31 <sup>ST</sup>

## Desert Shores is Sprucing Up!

The Community Relations Committee has reviewed the following 29 items during the month of June:

**Painting** - 5 applications

**Landscaping** - 13 applications

**Architectural** - 11 applications

It is always good news when you or your neighbors are fixing up the exterior of their homes. When we take good care of our property, it helps the whole community! Modifications to a property's exterior (front or back) require the submittal of an ARC Application for review & approval. For more information or guidance, please contact the Community Relations Coordinator, Necole Dunklin, via email [crc@mydesertshores.com](mailto:crc@mydesertshores.com) or by phone at (702) 254-0628.

Ready to make some changes?

Scan the code to get the forms and information you need!



## Why do we have a Design Review Process?



Like many community associations, we have a set of written design review standards and processes. Some homeowners mistakenly believe these standards restrict their freedom of individual expression; actually they provide a framework within which each homeowner can express individual tastes and preferences. The standards have been carefully developed to reflect a balance between individual rights and the good of the entire association—that is, property values.

OK, but why do we need processes and guidelines to maintain architectural standards?

Perhaps most important, we need a basis for treating all homeowners fairly and reasonably. Written guidelines allow you and the design review committee to work from the same criteria.

Sometimes architectural requirements can be complex. The guidelines show you exactly what is required, and helps you design improvements that comply with the community's standards.

And then there's the application and approval part of the process. The Community Relations Committee members assure you they want the paperwork to be as simple as possible for everyone. The guidelines take the guesswork out of your application and their decision making.

In fact, they not only provide criteria for the current committee to make appropriate decisions, but for successive committee members to make consistent decisions in the future. Without the criteria in the guidelines, the application approved today may result in construction deemed unacceptable by new committee members upon completion.

One last purpose of the guidelines is to clarify the association's authority in this area. State statutes and our governing documents give the association a legal right to enact and enforce design review standards. The guidelines spell this out so everyone understands they must comply even if they don't agree.

# DESERT SHORES Kindness MONTH

**MISSION STATEMENT:** The focus and purpose of Desert Shores Kindness Month is to foster a deeper sense of community amongst residents by not only promoting kindness and being good neighbors, but by holding activities designed to build relationships with fellow residents.

Ah Desert Shores... where in Las Vegas can you find serene lakeside ambiance, resort style Lagoon Beach Park complete with sandy beach, refreshing pool, lush palm trees, and more? As you enter our community, you are transported to a peaceful oasis that seems a million miles away for the glitz and clamor of Sin City.

The beauty of Desert Shores does not end at the Lakes or Lagoon. The true beauty of Desert Shores lies on the inside - inside the neighborhoods, homes, and local businesses - the Residents of Desert Shores!

Opportunities to meet and get to know your fellow neighbors have been limited since 2020. As we reopened amenities and events, we got to be first hand witnesses of joy returning to faces as they caught up with friends and made new ones. We could use more of that in Desert Shores! Enter... Desert Shores Kindness Month!

**Kindness begins with the understanding that we all struggle.**

The entire month of August is dedicated to holding events and activities to provide Desert Shores residents the opportunity to get to know each other. It is our belief is that when neighbors know each other, they are more likely to treat their neighbors with respect rather than if they remain anonymous, divided by walls.



## kind adjective

### Definition of kind (Entry 2 of 2)

- 1 a : of a sympathetic or helpful nature // was helped by a kind neighbor

Interestingly, when you look up the definition of kindness and kind, as an adjective, the example used is "was helped by a kind neighbor". Kindness and neighbors go hand in hand. You may have friends and

family all over the world but when you are in a jam and need help, your neighbors are just a knock away.

During Kindness Month we will also be recognizing all the Good Neighbors as nominated by YOU! We hear so many amazing stories of neighbors lending a helping hand in times of need. We want to share your stories and inspire others to do the same! Don't forget to give your neighbors a shout out during the entire month of July and August, by visiting our website and clicking on the *Got Good Neighbors?* button on the homepage of [www.mydesertshores.com](http://www.mydesertshores.com) or by emailing [ecc@mydesertshores.com](mailto:ecc@mydesertshores.com).



Check out the schedule of events for Kindness Month (page 11). We will kickoff the month on Sunday, July 31st. Until then, stay tuned to our website and email blasts for updates! Until then, be kind!

# UPCOMING EVENTS




## Kindness Month Event Schedule

*Creating the KIND of Community to Call Home*

Volunteers needed in a variety of areas! Event and activity leaders, Good Neighbor Sign Placers, Crafters, Authors, and you name it! Call the office to sign up or email [ecc@mydesertshores.com](mailto:ecc@mydesertshores.com). Thank you!

Date	Time	Location	Activity
July 31st	4pm	DSCA Clubhouse	Kindness Month Kick-Off Event
August 3rd	11a - 7p	DSCA Clubhouse	Rock Painting Night - Let's Rock and Roll Out!
August 7th	10a - 5p	Lagoon Beach Park	Tie Dye - Bring Your Own Shirt or Item to Dye or Purchase a DSCA Logo Shirt
August 19th	5p - 8p	DSCA Clubhouse	Trivia Night! Come Beat the Heat of Summer!
August 28th	4p -9p	DSCA Clubhouse	Family Game Night - Bring your own Board Games
August 30th	10a - 6p	DSCA Clubhouse & Lagoon Beach Park	Surprise Event to Celebrate the Last Day of Kindness Month - Keep the Kindness going all month long!



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# LOCAL HOUSING MARKET UPDATE

Even as local home prices continued to set records, a recent report released by Las Vegas Realtors suggests the hot housing market may be starting to shift.

LVR reported the median price of existing single-family homes sold in So. Nevada through its Multiple Listing Service during May was \$482,000. The median home price is up 25.2 percent from \$385,000 one year ago. The median price of local condominiums and town homes sold in May increased to \$285,000. That amount is up 39 percent from \$205,000 in May 2021.

LVR President, Brandon Roberts, stated "The slowdown in sales and increase in our housing supply are signs that things may be starting to calm down a bit." Even though prices are still going up, it is welcome news for potential buyers to see more homes on the market. As we have been saying for months, the rate of appreciation we've seen over the past year or two seems unsustainable."

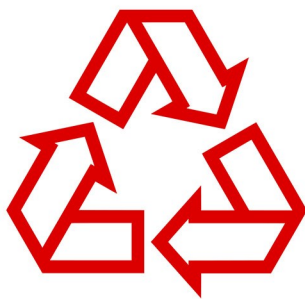
Buyers picked up a total of 3,758 existing local homes, town homes and condominiums in May 2022. With the

increase in inventory May's sales pace equates to more than one month of properties for sale. While that is up from past months it is still a very tight housing supply and well below what would be considered balanced market.

During May, LVR found that 33.6 percent of all local property sales were purchased with cash. That's up from 30.9 percent a year ago. While that percentage has been increasing this year, it is still below the cash buyer peak of 59.5 percent in March 2013. Short sales and foreclosures combined accounted for just 0.6 percent of all sales in May. This number remains near historically low levels.

These LVR statistics include activities through May 2022 based on data collected through its Multiple Listing Service, which does not necessarily account for all newly constructed homes sold by local builders or for sale by owner homes.

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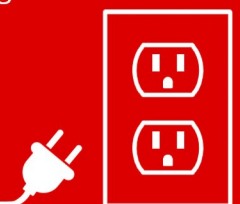
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# THE REAL (ESTATE) FACTS

by Shirley Kelly-Howard, Signature Real Estate Group

According to a Community Associations Institute-Gallup Poll more than fifty-five million Americans live in association-governed communities. Although this type of living arrangement is certainly not for everyone, eight out of ten who live under HOA's are happy with their communities. HOA's were created to better neighborhoods, not to hinder them. Often referred to as CC&R's, Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions are standards set to ensure continuity after you have purchased your home. They were created to maintain the high quality of each neighborhood in the community CC&R's don't restrict creative and attractive changes, but strive to keep the neighborhoods safe, clean, and desirable long after the homes are sold.

There are a variety of reasons to enjoy the community lifestyles. Some include:

**Neighborhood Spirit** - Living in a HOA promotes "we're all in this together" camaraderie that may be missing in other neighborhoods. Your HOA can be the catalyst to organize community yard sales, art festivals, holiday events, enrichment classes, etc. The community offers a safe place to have fun.

**Security and Safety** - When the neighbors know each other there is a heightened awareness if what's going

on. There is usually less traffic within the community making the streets less busy than open neighborhoods.

**It takes a Village** - When your village is your HOA families can form carpools, share babysitters, get tutors, organize sport teams, and a myriad of other activities. Adults can participate in meet-up groups, bowling leagues, super bowl parties, celebrate holidays. The list is endless.

**Live like Royalty** - Your "castle" may be smaller, but you still have access to a beach, lakes, park, clubhouse, walking "trails" and sports courts. Imagine the cost if you had to pay for all those amenities by yourself. Sharing the expenses with your neighbors allows you to have a much better lifestyle than you could afford by yourself.

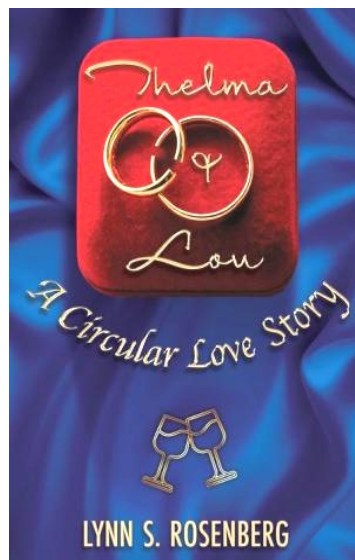
**Resale Stability** - When the economy is thriving, homes in Master Planned Communities such as Desert Shore usually will increase in value at a faster, more stable rate than homes outside of the community. When the economy is in a rough patch, the neighborhood will help maintain your home's value.

## A Shore Thing

Desert Shores author, Lynn Rosenberg, has released her latest work, *Thelma & Lou: A Circular Love Story*, available in paperback and ebook.

30 years of marriage, 10 years divorced. Have Thelma and Lou changed enough to reconcile with each other and reunite their family? Expect something for everyone in this family dramedy!

Join Lynn Rosenberg for book signing event on Saturday, August 13th from 12pm to 4pm at the Barnes & Noble on Charleston and Rampart Blvd. See you there!



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## Snap! Crackle! Pop! Ticket?

Nothing compares to the awe and wonder of a fireworks display and the array of beautiful colors that dance across the night sky.

Yet, the days that follow July 4th usually bring news of fire damage and painful injuries that result from mishandling or using illegal fireworks. Fireworks cause fires, injuries, air pollution and pose a serious nuisance to seniors, pets and people suffering from post-traumatic stress.

The only fireworks that are allowed within the Las Vegas Valley and Desert Shores are those labeled "Safe & Sane". These fireworks have been tested and approved by the fire department and are only allowed to be used from June 28th - July 4th. An illegal firework is one that either flies through the air, explodes, or whirls on the ground. In other words, you have no control over them and they can wind

up causing a fire. These fireworks are extremely dangerous and are illegal throughout Clark County. Although they are labeled "Safe-N-Sane" fireworks, some people have the impression that they are toys and children can "play with them." Safe-N-Sane fireworks can cause injury to people and are capable of starting large fires. People who purchase Safe-N-Sane fireworks must be at least 16 years of age.

Fireworks purchased on the Native American reservations are expected to be used on the reservation at a special designated area, and not off the property. Using them anywhere else in Clark County is illegal.

Residents wanting to report illegal fireworks should use the website [www.ispyfireworks.com](http://www.ispyfireworks.com) instead of calling 3-1-1 or 9-1-1. Calling 9-1-1 should only be used in cases of an emergency, such as a person injured by fireworks or a fire started by fireworks; 3-1-1 or 9-1-1 should not be used to report illegal fireworks.



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# AROUND THE SHORES



## City of Las Vegas Offers Pop-Up Fun in Select Parks this Summer!

**Free Sports, Games, Crafts & Fun Activities For All Ages & Abilities**

Mark your calendars to bring your family to a city of Las Vegas park near you for free pop-up fun! Events are going on Tuesday to Saturday through August 6th. There will be sports, field day games, crafts, and other fun activities led by Parks and Recreation staff and community partners. Look for the mobile city of Las Vegas Recreation Van and registration table on the days and times listed below. For more information, call 702-229-PLAY (7529).

- **Children's Memorial Park**, 6601 W. Gowan Road - 9 am to 1pm July 15
- **First Friday Foundation Farmers Market**, at First Street and Boulder Avenue - 9:30am to 3pm July 2, July 16 and August 6
- **Floyd Lamb Park**, 9200 Tule Springs Road - 8 to 10 am July 5 and July 19
- **Police Memorial Park**, 3250 Metro Academy Way - 9 am to 1 pm July 27
- **Angel Park**, 241 S. Durango Drive - 9 am to 1 pm July 7
- **Trigono Hills Park**, 3805 Cliff Shadows Parkway - 9 am to 1 pm July 22
- **Patriot Community Park**, 4050 Thom Blvd. - 9am to 1pm August 3
- **Bill Briare Family Park**, 650 N. Tenaya Way - 9 am to 1 pm July 8
- **Kellogg Zaher Sports Complex**, 7901 W. Washington Ave. - 8 to 10 am July 12
- **Heers Park**, 6320 Plaza Verde Place - 9 am to 1 pm July 13
- **Wayne Bunker Family Park**, 7351 W. Alexander Road - 9 am to 1 pm July 14
- **Bruce Trent Park**, 8851 Vegas Drive - 9 am to 1 pm July 20
- **Bob Baskin Park**, 2801 W. Oakey Blvd. - 9 am to 1 pm August 4
- **Rainbow Family Park**, 7151 W. Oakey Blvd. - 9 am to 1 pm July 21

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**Memorial Day Fun!**  
**WISH YOU WERE HERE!**



We love seeing residents out enjoying the Lagoon Beach Park! Tita, picture above, leads the weekly Line Dancing social club in the clubhouse. *Check the event calendar for their next get together!*

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 <p>Scan to visit our online Event Calendar! You will find upcoming events, association meetings, and clubhouse and picnic table reservation availability. Check it out!</p>					1	2
3	<b>4*</b> Happy Independence Day! DSCA Office Closed	5 Bulk Trash Pickup Line Dancing 1p-4p	6 <b>ARC Deadline</b> Lakes Committee 5:30pm	7 Knitting Club 9a-11a	8	9
10	11 Community Relations Meeting 5:30pm	12 Line Dancing 1p-4p	<b>13</b> Townhall Meeting 6pm Clubhouse Mandatory Turf Conversion	14 Knitting Club 9a-11a	15	16
17	18 Line Dancing 1p-4p	19 Bulk Trash Pickup <b>Spinnaker Cove BOD Meeting</b>	20 <b>Diamond Bay BOD Meeting</b>	21 Knitting Club 9a-11a <b>Ritz Cove BOD Meeting</b>	22	23
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<b>31</b> Desert Shores Kindness Month Kick-off!	<b>Lagoon Beach Park</b> Pool, Park, & Boats Open 7 Days a Week 10 am to Dusk (7:30 - 8:00 pm)					