

# Annual Membership Meeting

March 26, 2026



# Welcome!



- ✦ Opening Comments
- ✦ Approval of Minutes From 1/24/26 Meeting
- ✦ General Introductions



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# Nicholas S. Gonzales, Director of Parks & Recreation, City of Palm Springs



Nicholas Gonzalez is the Director of Parks & Recreation for the City of Palm Springs, California. As Director, Nicholas is dedicated to providing welcoming and safe spaces for residents and visitors to Palm Springs. He is responsible for a robust and growing network of community resources, including: 11 parks (totaling 312.10 acres of park land) featuring sports amenities, social areas, play spaces, public art, and nature areas; 7 facilities including vibrant community centers, a swim center, a skate park, and a baseball stadium; a municipal golf course with two 18-hole championship courses; trailheads that connect the community to Palm Springs' stunning natural landscapes, offering opportunities for hiking, exploration, and outdoor wellness; and management of a \$11.6 million annual operating budget.

Prior to joining Palm Springs, Nicholas dedicated 13 years to the City of Ontario, California.

# Board Elections for 2026-2028

Introduction of Candidates



WHO'S  
WHO

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# Advisory Board Candidates



★ David Carlson

★ Jeffrey Hoffman

★ Tony Vardaro

★ Larry Johnson

★ Carol Munro

★ Michael Faulkner

★ Tom Eich

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# Special Recognition – Michele Johnson



*The Twin Palms Neighborhood Organization*

*recognizes and thanks*

**Michele Johnson**

*for the impact she's had as a member of our  
Advisory Board from 2021 to 2026  
and for tirelessly encouraging  
the spirit of volunteerism.*

*This award is presented to individuals  
whose activities on behalf of  
our neighborhood, our city, or our region,  
improve our community  
and enhance our quality-of-life and well-being.*

*Conferred March 26, 2026*



# Board Elections for 2026-2028



## Paper Ballot Voting

Vote count to be announced  
at end of meeting.

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# Accomplishments Since November 2025

## January Social Meeting – Drag BINGO Night with Bella da Ball



# Accomplishments Since November 2025

## Neighborhood Guided Tours



**Eric Chiel**, a 15-year Twin Palms resident and founding past-Chairperson of the Twin Palms Neighborhood Organization. Eric was co-creator, creative director, and author of *The ONE-PS Guide to Palm Springs Neighborhoods* published by *Palm Springs Life*, and he specializes in the stories of Palm Springs neighborhoods. His uniquely engaging narrative will reveal neighborhood architecture, history, and culture, and its impact on the community — all designed so you'll get to know Twin Palms from “An Insider’s Perspective.” A portion of tour proceeds is donated to the Twin Palms Neighborhood Organization to help preserve, beautify, and encourage appreciation of this distinctive destination.

# Accomplishments Since November 2025

## William Krisel Exhibit Reimagined



### WILLIAM KRISEL

"I am an architect who believes in 'modernism', which is a philosophy, a language, a fun belief, an 'ism' just like liberalism, conservatism, capitalism, socialism, etc." - WILLIAM K.

#### WHO WAS WILLIAM KRISEL?

William Krisel was a pioneer of mid-century modernism whose impact on the architecture of this era is irrefragable. He designed over 40,000 living units, plus office and industrial buildings, shopping centers, schools, hospitals, religious buildings, hotels, schools, and restaurants over a career that spanned more than 60 years.

#### EARLY LIFE, INFLUENCES, AND EDUCATION

William Krisel was born in Memphis, Ohio where his father was a member of the Cleveland School and learned other trades. As a child, Bill was fluent in English, Mandarin, and the Spanish and Dutch languages.

Krisel's first significant association with architecture took place during the family's many trips between the US and Shanghai. The travel provided him with a lot of the time and concrete Park Lane Village designed by Frank Lloyd Wright.

Krisel is a graduate of a number of international architectural programs, as well as the University of California, Berkeley.

The Krisel family permanently set Shanghai in California 1937 when Bill was awarded the Graduate Fellowship of the University of Southern California (USC). He graduated with a Bachelor of Architecture degree from USC and worked for several years in the architecture firm of Paul Behrens, the principal of the firm and a pioneer of modernist design. He worked for Behrens and designed the plan for the new residential development of Park Lane Village in Shanghai.

#### WILLIAM KRISEL, AIA

While working for Paul Behrens in Shanghai, Krisel met the famous architect Frank Lloyd Wright. Wright was a pioneer of mid-century modernism and was a great influence on Krisel's architectural style. Wright's influence on Krisel's architectural style is evident in his work, particularly in his use of geometric forms and his emphasis on the relationship between the building and its environment.

### WILLIAM KRISEL WAY DEDICATION

The dedication ceremony for the William Krisel Way was held on November 10, 2025, at a ceremony organized by the Twin Palms Historical Society.

### TWIN PALMS BEYOND KRISEL

Twin Palms is first and foremost a William Krisel neighborhood. But our architectural legacy has been significantly enriched by the contributions of several others.

#### HUGH KAPFUR

Best and notable in design, Hugh Kapfur's expertise in architectural architecture was a key factor in the success of the Twin Palms project. His expertise in design, planning, and construction was instrumental in the success of the project.

#### PAUL BEHRENS

Paul Behrens was a pioneer of modernist design and was a great influence on Krisel's architectural style. His influence on Krisel's architectural style is evident in his work, particularly in his use of geometric forms and his emphasis on the relationship between the building and its environment.

#### THE TWIN PALMS CONCEPT

The Twin Palms was the first modernist neighborhood developed by the Alexander Construction Company in the Orange County area. It was a landmark project in the history of modernist architecture in the United States.

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#### PRACTICAL AESTHETICS

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# Accomplishments Since November 2025

Little Free Library repainted



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# Accomplishments since November 2025

Modernism Week 2026

- ✦ Ocotillo Home Tour
- ✦ Garden Tour
- ✦ Krisel Exhibit on display
- ✦ Walking Tours
- ✦ Bus Tours
- ✦ Bicycle Tours
- ✦ H3K “Marquee House”

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Eric Chiel, Founding Past-Chair of TPNO



**ForeKnowledge:**

**Rediscovering the Lost Links of Twin Palms**

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# Ongoing Activities

## Financial Report

### Twin Palms Neighborhood Organization

# Budget for 2026

## VERSUS

# Actual Income and Expenditures

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Budget for 2026 vs. Actual Income and Expenditures (3-26-26)			
Income	3-11-26 Version Budget	Actual	Variance/Balance
Beginning Balance	72,240.74	72,240.74	0.00
Voluntary dues collected in 2026	750.00	200.00	550.00
Modernism Week	0.00	0.00	0.00
Krisel Exhibit Donations	2,418.95	1,768.95	-650.00
Other / Misc. Income	750.00	425.00	-325.00
	<b>76,159.69</b>	<b>74,634.69</b>	<b>-1,525.00</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>			
Twin Palms Neighborhood Initiatives	27,294.14	7,430.20	19,863.94
Krisel Exhibit	2,418.95	2,121.89	297.06
Operating Expenses (Administrative)			
Membership Meetings	4,623.85	1,075.24	3,548.61
Advisory Board Meetings	65.00	0.00	65.00
Misc. Printing/Postage	250.00	216.00	34.00
Misc. Supplies	50.00	18.55	31.45
Communications Contracts	2,200.00	371.52	1,828.48
Blade signs/Membership Badges	300.00	0.00	300.00
Storage	3,100.00	600.99	2,499.01
Equipment	250.00	0.00	250.00
Discretionary Expenses	250.00	0.00	250.00
Liability Insurance	2,250.00	0.00	2,250.00
Legal/Incorporation Expenses	2,350.00	0.00	2,350.00
Website Expenses	1,250.00	1,238.39	11.61
Recognition Awards	400.00	14.19	385.81
Sub Total	17,338.85	3,534.88	13,803.97
Committee Project Expenses			
Finance Committee	50.00	0.00	50.00
Modernism Week Fall 2026	1,407.75	0.00	1,407.75
Modernism Week 2027	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
Committee/Project Pool	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Sub Total	8,457.75	0.00	8,457.75
Community Grants	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
Reserve Fund	10,650.00	0.00	10,650.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>76,159.69</b>	<b>13,086.97</b>	<b>63,072.72</b>
<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>61,547.72</b>	<b>61,547.72</b>

# Ongoing Activities

## Financial Report

### Twin Palms Neighborhood Organization

# Budget for 2026

VERSUS

# Actual Income and Expenditures

Addendum 3-26-2026

### Twin Palms Neighborhood Organization

#### Budget for 2026 (1-14-26 version) VERSUS Actual Income and Expenditures

#### Neighborhood Initiatives--(\$27,294.14)

Name	Approved Amount	Expenditures	Month	Balance
1. Neigh. Entry Signs 2	\$ 1,765.80 *	\$ -0-		\$ 1,765.80
2. Little Free Library	\$ 527.76*	\$ 430.20		\$ 97.56
3. Krisel Exhibit 4	\$7,000.00*	\$7,000.00		\$ 0.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 9,293.56</b>	<b>\$7,430.20</b>		<b>\$ 1,863.36</b>

\* 1/1/2026 carry over balance

*Note: Remaining unallocated balance – \$27,294.14 minus \$9,293.56 equals \$18,000.58*

#### Community Grants--(\$10,000.00)

Name	Approved Amount	Expenditures	Month	Balance
1.				
2.				
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>

*Note: remaining unallocated balance-- \$10,000.00 minus \$0.00 equals \$10,000.00*

# Ongoing Activities

## Membership Campaign

As a homeowner in Twin Palms, you're automatically a member of our neighborhood organization. Annual dues are \$25 and are voluntary.

We want to extend our heartfelt thank you to everyone for your voluntary contributions.



### Voluntary Dues and Donations

Enjoy the satisfaction of furthering the goals of our organization and building our community with a dues-paid membership to the Twin Palms Neighborhood Organization

Here is my voluntary 2024 annual dues of \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ Here is my voluntary donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
NOTE: Dues are paid by household. \$25 covers all associated with your household now through the end of the designated calendar year.

Please Print \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name (1) \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

Name (2) \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

Local Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Mailing Address (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone(s) ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone(s) ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail (1) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail (2) \_\_\_\_\_

Please leave this form with us or mail to P.O. Box 4004, Palm Springs, CA 92263  
Make check made payable to: *Twin Palms Neighborhood Organization*

*Keep up to date! Visit our website at [www.TwinPalmsPS.org](http://www.TwinPalmsPS.org) or join us on Facebook.com, Instagram.com, and Nextdoor.com.*

# Ongoing Activities

## Friends of Twin Palms Recognition Program

**Thank you to the following individuals for their support:**

**\$500.00+**

Eric & Vivian Chiel

Tom Eich

Note: Contributions are not tax deductible as TPNO is not a 501 c 3 non-

**\$250.00 +**

**\$100.00+**

Michael Faulkner

Roger Gendron & Brian Blake

Larry Johnson

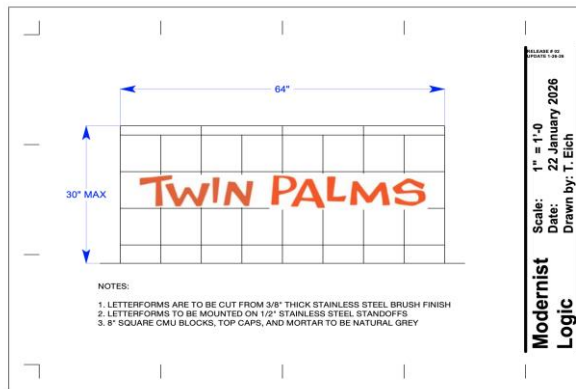
Carol Munro

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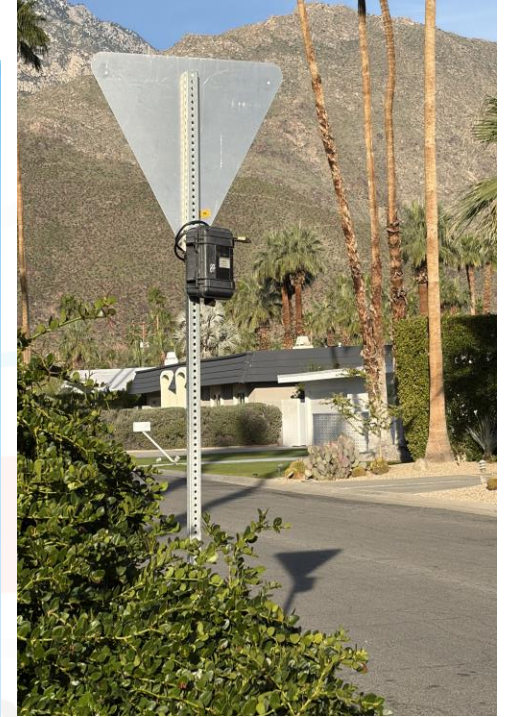
# Ongoing Activities

## Upgrading Neighborhood Entry Signs



# Ongoing Activities

## Twin Palms Traffic Study



# Ongoing Activities

ONE-PS Update



## Regular Meeting Schedule

Second Tuesdays (ex August)

4:30PM

## Next Meeting

April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Address: 200 S Civic Drive

# Planned Activities

## Upcoming Events

### ✦ Fall General Membership Meeting

**Saturday, November 14, 2026**  
**Ocotillo Lodge**

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# Planned Activities

2027 Modernism Week



## GET INVOLVED

Home Tour

Planning Committee

Brochure

Volunteer docent

Sponsor the brochure

Anniversary ideas

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# Planned Activities

## Volunteer Engagement Opportunities

Modernism Tour

Advisory Board

Sign Committee

Grants & Initiatives

Finance Committee

Membership Events



### Volunteer Interest Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_ Alt Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle area(s) you are interested in or would like more info about:

**February 2027 Modernism Week Tour**  
Have my home on the tour  
Docent at one of the homes  
Set up, logistics, registration desk, other

**Advisory Board**

**Finance Committee**

**Community Grants & Initiatives**

**Neighborhood Signage**

**General Neighborhood Safety Projects**

**Other Suggestions**

**Skills/Interests I have to offer – please specify**

### Questions

Contact [cjemunro@gmail.com](mailto:cjemunro@gmail.com)

Please return your completed form via email to [cjemunro@gmail.com](mailto:cjemunro@gmail.com)  
or direct mail to P.O. Box 4004, Palm Springs, CA 92263

# Grants and Initiatives

Have a vision for our neighborhood? If you have an idea that could enhance our ongoing efforts to support and engage our community, we encourage you to step forward! Please complete a Community Grant Application and submit it via regular mail or email. The instructions and forms are located on our website.

Your innovative ideas are crucial for our progress, and every contribution has the potential to spark significant change.

Together, let's shape the future of Twin Palms.

[TwinPalmsPS.org](http://TwinPalmsPS.org)



## Community Grant Application

*Please Note: All grant requests must be sponsored by one or more Twin Palms residents*

<b>Date</b> (type=Here) <input type="text"/>	
<b>Name of Resident(s) Submitting Request</b> (type=Below) <input type="text"/>	<b>Primary Resident Contact Information</b> Name, Address, Phone, Email (type=Below) <input type="text"/>
<b>Name and Purpose of Entity to Receive Grant</b> (type=Below) <input type="text"/>	
<b>Amount of Funding Requested</b> (type=below) <input type="text"/>	<b>Timeframe for Expenditure of Grant Funds</b> (type=Below) <input type="text"/>
<b>Purpose of Grant Fund Request</b> (type=Below) <input type="text"/>	
<b>How does this grant address one or more of Twin Palms' funding priorities?</b> (type=Below) <input type="text"/>	
<b>How will the funds be used?</b> (If appropriate, attach itemized budget, bids, etc.) (type=Below) <input type="text"/>	
<b>How will the grantee work collaboratively with us to publicize the grant?</b> (type=Below) <input type="text"/>	
<b>Who is responsible for assuring funds are spent in a timely manner for requested purpose?</b> Name, Address, Phone, Email (type=Below) <input type="text"/>	
<b>Other Comments?</b> (type=Below) <input type="text"/>	

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# Community Grant

## Community Grant

**BEAM**



STUDENT PROGRAM

**building educational architectural models**

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# Community Grant to the Plaza Theatre Foundation



RESPECT CRITICAL  
ORIGINAL DESIGN



MATCH ORIGINAL  
PAINT COLORS



RESTORE OR REBUILD  
FROM ORIGINAL BLUEPRINTS

# Neighborhood Grant

## Ocotillo Lodge Sign Replacement



## Ocotillo Lodge Restoration

Before



After



# Neighborhood Initiatives

## Neighborhood Identity Monument Sign

*Twin Palms Neighborhood Entry Sign  
DEDICATED 2021  
Twin Palms Neighborhood Organization  
and  
Twin Palms Homeowners Association*



# Neighborhood Initiatives

## Blade Signs Mounted on All 42 Corners

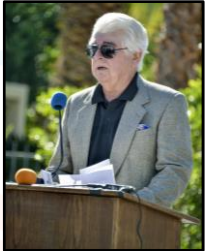


# Neighborhood Initiatives

Community Engagement

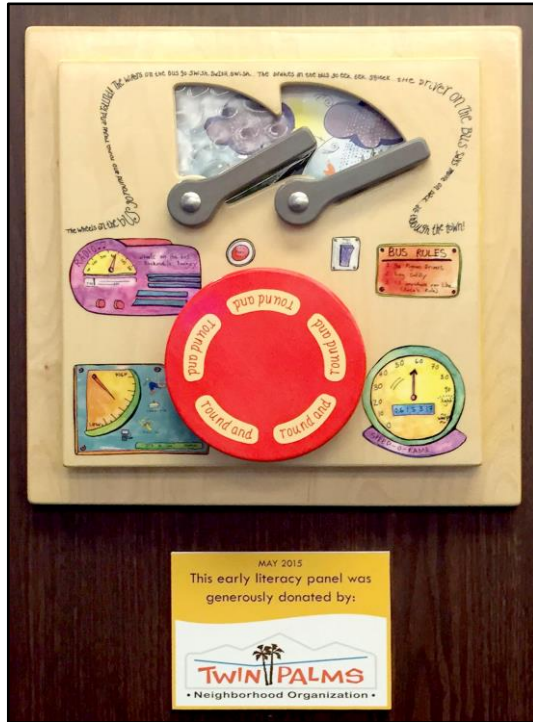
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**KRISEL** 1956 E  
WAY

## Street Renaming and Dedication



# Community Grant

## Early Literacy Program Grant to the Palm Springs Public Library



# Neighborhood Initiatives

## Barbecue grill for Station 4 Firefighters



# Community Grant



Palm Springs Animal Shelter  
Operations Support Grant



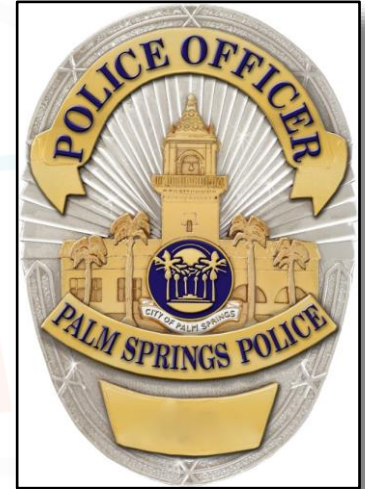
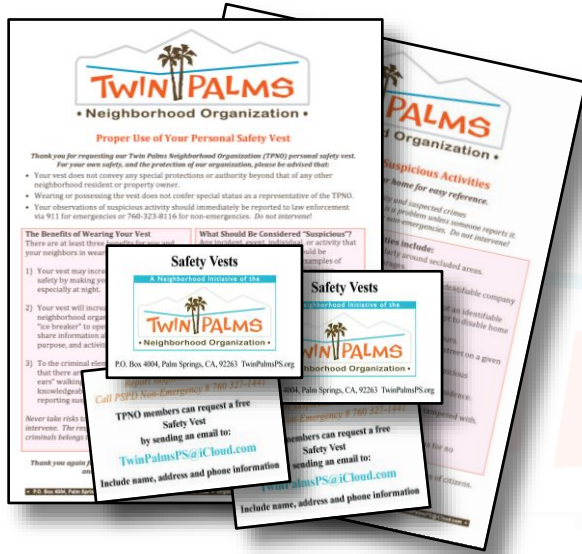
**PALM SPRINGS  
ANIMAL SHELTER**

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# Neighborhood Initiatives

## Safety Initiatives



Information Dissemination

Safety Vest Program

Police Interaction

# Neighborhood Initiatives

## Support for Families of Fallen Heroes Palm Springs Police Officers Association



# Public Comments and Open Discussion

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# Announcement of election results



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**Thank You**