



Mayor Joe Muller  
Dana Point City Council  
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Since 1996, I have watched Dana Point go from a new city with frequently changing City Managers and one long term, five in total, and I've worked with them all.

The best is the sixth, current CM, Mike Killebrew, who allows for elected officials' vision to be carried out in the most financially prudent manner, including during the Pandemic when at times, some hotel occupancy was down to 10%. All while maintaining DP residents' quality of life.

I am proud to see how far DP has come since I arrived. I hope that my growing tourism, DP's economy, has played a significant role, and bringing TBID here too.

I want to thank the person at Niguel Shores Mens Club during the 2016 campaign candidates forum who asked if any candidate for city council knew about TBIDs. I was alone raising my hand to describe it in detail.

November jobs growth numbers showed Tourism gaining the most, with Health Care #2, 2/1. In DP, it is the Tourism economy that gives us quality of life and helps maintain a cleaner environment.

DP is considered a 'hidden gem'. A good place to live, well-governed, and safe. The proposed Doheny Desalination Project and undergrounding utilities will go a long way toward maintaining this.

It's good to see the Mayor moving on to the South Coast Water District Board with the Doheny DeSal Project. I'll now call him The Environmentalist Mayor, for another day, and when referencing his eight-year tenure in the future.

All the best and Be Safe in the New Year.

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