



ARTESIA CHAMBER LUNCH WILL HONOR ASSEMBLYWOMAN UNDER INVESTIGATION

BY BRIAN HEWS

The Artesia Chamber of Commerce located in Artesia, California is holding a "State of the State" luncheon that is causing a firestorm of controversy in and around the tiny Southeastern Los Angeles County town.



Cristina Garcia

The Chamber has booked embattled Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia (D-Bell Gardens) as the guest speaker at the July 31 luncheon.

Garcia is currently under investigation by the California Legislature for sexual-harassment and groping allegations levied by a former staffer.

But apparently that does not matter to the Chamber President Sahlia Patankar or its Board, who claims Larry Caballero as a member, an outspoken advocate of Garcia.

Caballero's local Hubert Humphrey Democratic Club endorsed Garcia at the height of the harassment allegations.

The allegation began back in February when Daniel Fierro, a resident of nearby Cerritos, told POLITICO that Garcia groped him at the annual Assembly soft-

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE MUSEUM OPENS INSIDE BELLFLOWER'S MAYNE EVENTS CENTER



THE MAYNE EVENTS CENTER was the site for the grand opening of the L.A. County Fire Museum this past Saturday. The museum has a display of everything from a horse drawn steam engine to the world-famous Engine and Emergency Squad 51 vehicles made famous in the TV show. **Photo by Tammye McDuff.**

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Thousands of people walked Bellflower Boulevard this past Saturday in anticipation of the grand opening of the long-awaited Los Angeles County Fire Museum.

LA County Supervisor, Janice Hahn, representing the 4th District applauded the hard work and perseverance of the Bellflower City Council for their focus, "not only do we have the real-life heroes

who spend their careers saving lives, we have those that portrayed them on the television show Emergency!"

This TV show holds a special place in Hahn's heart, and that of the Hahn family, because the premise of the show was about specially trained firefighters that were a part of the first ever paramedics team in the Nation.

"Right here in LA County my Dad,

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ABC BOARD APPROVES BOND RESOLUTION DURING HEATED MEETING

BY BRIAN HEWS

The ABC Unified School District held their regular Board meeting this past Tuesday night but it was far from regular, as the Trustees considered striking an item from the infrastructure bond "resolution" that excluded Project Labor Agreements.

The exclusion stated, "that the Board does not plan to build and maintain its bond-funded capital facilities under a Project Labor Agreement (PLA)."

A PLA is when the government awards contracts for public construction projects exclusively to unionized firms.

The PLA requires all contractors, whether they are unionized or not, to subject themselves and their employees to unionization in order to work on a government-funded construction project.

It is essentially a comprehensive pre-hire collective bargaining agreement. The basic terms and conditions for labor are established in advance for all organizations involved in the project.

A typical PLA includes no-strike, no lock-out agreements, and also includes procedures for quickly settling any problems or disputes that might arise during the project.

Critics always point to their anti-competitive nature, but PLA's never restrict bidding solely to union contractors, projects are available to any contractor who

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Therapy Dogs Bring Joy to Patients

By Tammye McDuff

Many hospitals, doctors and administrators recognize the benefits of dog therapy. Dog therapy has proven to lower blood pressure; improve cardiovascular health; release oxytocin endorphins; diminish overall physical pain and the simple act of petting a pooch produces an automatic relaxation response, reducing the amount of medication some people need.

Tenent Healthcare is one such facility, "Patients are not the only ones who benefit from the visits," says Jessica Chen, Manager, Communications /Southern California Group, "staff members and visitors often look forward to the visits too."

Benji, a four-year-old, mild mannered Jack Russell Terrier, has been visiting patients for the last six months at Fountain Valley Regional Hospital. Benji was certified in January 2018 through Alliance

of Therapy Dogs [ATD], a national organization whose mission is to share smiles and spread joy.

Owners and trainers Michelle and Anthony Tran adopted Benji when he was just five weeks old.

"Funny story," says trainer Michelle Tran, "we were at the Asian Garden Mall celebrating Chinese New Year and a lady just randomly came up to us with this tiny puppy in her hand and asked if we wanted the dog. It was meant to be!" Michelle goes on to talk about Benji's training process, "we have always worked with hand signals in Benji's training and he is a very obedient dog."

"What inspired us - was when we noticed Benji playing with one of our cousins who has Down syndrome," said doggy daddy and trainer Anthony Tran,

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A LAKWOOD RESIDENT drops off a backpack full of supplies at Lakewood City Hall. The back to school drive runs through August 9.

CENTRAL BASIN'S program will provide incentives to homeowners and businesses who are seeking to redesign their yards into water efficient landscapes.

Lakewood Project Shepherd is collecting "Back to School" backpacks and school supplies for low-income families with school-age children in Lakewood through August 9. The start of school is only weeks away and many kids in the community could use some help.

New backpacks and school supplies appropriate for all ages will be accepted at Lakewood City Hall during regular business hours or at the Burns Community Center at 5510 Clark Avenue from 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on weekdays and 8:00 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. For more information, call 562-925-7512.

As you help Project Shepherd, consider that Lakewood has some of the nation's most popular and value-oriented back-to-school retailers...including Costco, Mar-

shalls, Home Goods, Target, Office Max, Dollar Tree, 99¢ Only Stores, Walmart, Kohl's, Forever 21, JCPenney, Macy's and Big 5.

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Central Basin Municipal Water District announced a new Landscape Transformation Program this week in partnership with the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

The program will provide incentives to homeowners and businesses who are seeking to redesign their yards into water efficient landscapes. This is in addition to the District's assortment of rebate incentives on water saving devices, all of which can be accessed via the Central Basin website at www.centralbasin.org.

"The Central Basin Municipal Water District is home to some of the most committed and conservation minded residents and business owners in Southern California," said Board President Robert Apodaca, "Conservation rebates are one of the most utilized services that the District provides

to the 1.7 million constituents it serves, we can work together to conserve the precious resource of water."

Through these programs, residents and businesses have received more than \$400,000 of rebate incentives during this past fiscal year 2017-18. For residents, some of the water efficient devices include: High-Efficiency Clothes Washers (which save 50% more water than a traditional clothes washer) and High-Efficiency Toilets (which can use almost 20% less water than standard toilets). Businesses are also able to take advantage of rebates for High-Efficiency Toilets and Ultra Low and Zero Water Urinals. These devices not only save water, they save energy!

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CERRITOS CITY COUNCIL APPROVES BALANCED 2018-2019 BUDGET

By Cerritos Mayor Mark E. Pulido

The Cerritos City Council/Successor Agency approved a \$127 million combined financial program for fiscal year 2018-2019 on June 28, 2018 with a total City funds surplus position of \$1.4 million. The budget emphasizes public safety; maintenance of trees, facilities and infrastructure; and quality community services and programs. The new fiscal year began on July 1, 2018 and concludes on June 30, 2019.

The City's overall financial position remains strong with considerable assets and a reserve, as evidenced by a report released earlier this year by Senator John Moorlach, which ranked the City of Cerritos No. 20 out of 482 California cities for financial soundness.

Approximately \$13.5 million has been allocated toward capital improvement projects, which are focused on the health, safety and welfare of residents and the re-investment in facilities and infrastructure throughout the community. Among the capital improvement projects are sidewalk, curb and gutter rehabilitation; arterial street slurry seal; traffic signal modifications, rehabilitation of residential streets; and various other projects.

In making public safety a priority, the Department of Community and Safety Services has been allocated approximately \$26.6 million for community participation, recreation services, law enforcement and code enforcement. The Community and Safety Services budget includes approximately \$16.5 million for the ongoing priority of law enforcement and safety services.



Cerritos Mayor Mark Pulido

The budget also includes funds that will allow the City to continue offering quality community programming at the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park, in addition to cultural programming, excursion opportunities, sports and fitness programs and recreation classes.

The Community and Safety Services budget includes approximately \$4.5 million for recreation services. More than 1.6 million people are served by the City's parks and recreation programs every year. Cerritos has 25 parks and recreation facilities, plus classes, special events and excursions.

The Community Development Department, which includes advance planning, building and safety, current planning and geographic information systems, was allocated \$6 million for its operations.

Approximately \$19 million has been designated for the Public Works Department, which includes engineering, traffic circulation management, parks maintenance, sewer maintenance, facility maintenance, landscaping, trash collection, recycling and custodial services.

The Department of Water and Power includes the City's water division and the electric utility. The department's approximately \$15 million budget will cover items necessary for the operation of the Magnolia Power Plant, Cerritos Electric Utility and water operations, including utility maintenance, power expenses, operational charges and administrative fees.

The Department of Administrative Services will receive approximately \$16 million for its operations, which include communications, finance, human resources, management information systems, support services, water billing and the Cerritos Library. The department's budget includes costs to maintain the City's water billing system, provide internal support to other departments and continue to provide valu-

able amenities and services at the Cerritos Library.

The Theater Department will receive \$8 million for the operation of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA). The Theater Department budget encompasses theater administration; business management; marketing and management of the CCPA performances; operations and security; special event services; and ticket office personnel.

The CCPA's 2017-2018 Season generated nearly \$5.5 million in ticket sales revenue. This coming season, in addition to similar expected ticket sales revenue, the CCPA will receive nearly \$200,000 in sponsorship donations from Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn, Aria Apartment Homes, Triangle Distributing Company, the Cerritos Auto Square, George and Bev Ray/LeFiell and Yamaha Corporation of America. CCPA Associates donate approximately \$130,000 each season in support of the theater. CCPA patrons and performers generate significant revenue not only for the theater, but for surrounding local businesses as well.

The CCPA will present eight daytime educational performances in the 2018-2019 Season. These programs, offered to nearly 10,000 K through 12 students from ABC Unified and surrounding school districts, aim to enhance education through high-quality arts experiences. The CCPA thanks Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn for her generous \$110,000 donation in support of the Arts Education Program.

Copies of the approved City of Cerritos 2018-2019 Combined Financial Program will be available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk or at the Cerritos Library in mid-August. Questions about the budget can be directed to the Department of Administrative Services at (562) 860-0311.

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LA MIRADA'S PARK STROLL

La Mirada's annual Stroll in the Park returns to Creek Park on Thursday, July 26 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

This free, annual event offers residents the opportunity to stroll through beautiful Creek Park with family and friends and listen to live music provided by three live bands.

The evening's musical entertainment will include Island Caribbean music from Upstream, Doo Wop from Kulayd, and the Mariachi Espectacular, sponsored by Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn.

The popular event also features food vendors and games for the entire family.

Residents and guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets to

enjoy the evening's festivities.

Creek Park is located at 12021 Santa Gertrudes Avenue. For event and parking information, contact Community Services at (562) 943-7277.

SUMMER JAMZ AT THE PARK

On Saturday, July 21 from 4 to 8 p.m., Norwalk families are invited to enjoy an afternoon of games and live entertainment at Hermosillo Park. Free hot dogs will be provided to those in attendance and dessert-specialty food trucks will be on site for those craving something sweet or refreshing.

Providing the afternoon's entertainment will be The Band Fresh, specializing in Top 40 and Latin music.

Hermosillo Park is located at 11959 162nd Street. For more information, please call 562-929-5702.

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LA PALMA'S CONCERTS IN THE PARK



CHICAGO COVER BAND plays at the Central Park Amphitheater on Walker Street in La Palma. July 21st will feature the all female cover band The Suffragettes and July 28th the award winning jazz vocalist Dallas & Doll. **Photo by Tammye McDuff.**

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Summer concerts have become a huge trend here in Southern California and one of the best things about them is that they are free, so pack up and grab your family, because everyone loves a concert and picnic in the park.

In a time honored tradition, the City of La Palma brings concerts in the park 'Movin' to the Music' to Central Park Amphitheater on Walker Street. The series began Saturday July 7th featuring Scot Bruce, known throughout the world as one of the best early Elvis impersonators, with numerous television and movie appearances and thousands of shows to his credit, he truly honors the king of rock n' roll.

The city of La Palma has an outstanding lineup this summer. This past Saturday, HMG attended a Chicago tribute band that performed live, all of Chicago's greatest hits and then some. This tremendous tribute to the writing, performance, style and sound of the original Chicago has been carefully and thoughtfully re-created, with special focus on the horn section. Many of these musicians grew up listening, learning and playing along to what is now considered a classic rock experience.

Mark your calendar for coming

events: July 21st will feature the all female cover band The Suffragettes; July 28th award winning jazz vocalist Dallas & Doll ; August 4th a tribute to the British invasion My Generation and September 15th the community honors Home Town Heroes in concert.

Summer concerts have brought pleasure to millions of people across the county, "La Palma is grateful for the generous contributions of the many patrons and corporations that have made these concerts possible," says Janell Adams, Recreation Coordinator for the City.

If you don't have time or the inclination to pack a picnic, the Kiwanis Club of La Palma offers hot dogs and refreshments in order to raise funds for ongoing healthcare programs for needy children. The Kiwanis support the annual La Palma Fun Run, local school activities, Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts, as well as Kennedy and Whitney High School Key Clubs.

If you know of a band you would like to see perform at the Concerts in the Park, ideas for future concerts or just want to give feedback, fill out a concert survey. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor of the concerts, visit the Buy-A-Note booth near the stage or contact the Community, Activities & Beautification committee by calling 714.690.3350,

LA PALMA'S FLACHMEIER WILL NOT SEEK RE-ELECTION, CITY SEEKING COUNCIL CANDIDATES

LA PALMA, Calif. – A General Municipal Election will be held in the City of La Palma on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, to fill two City Council seats. Elections for the La Palma City Council are held every two years and terms for the City Council's five at-large seats are staggered. Therefore, all five council seats are not up for election during the same election year.

The filing period for nominations began Monday, July 16 and, pursuant to California Elections Code, has been extended from August 10 to August 15 due to Council Member Kathy Flachmeier's decision as an incumbent to not seek election.

Flachmeier was appointed to the City Council by unanimous vote this year, filling the unexpired term of former Councilman Steve Hwangbo.

Flachmeier has lived in La Palma

since 1987. She has a bachelor of arts and master of public administration degrees from Cal State Long Beach. She worked in the construction industry for 18 years and as an instructor of construction management at Cal State Dominguez Hills before retiring in 2017.

Flachmeier was sworn in Jan. 16, and her term of office expires Dec. 4.

All nomination papers must be turned in to the City Clerk's Office by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 15. It is recommended that individuals contact the City Clerk's Office at (714) 690-3334 if interested in becoming a City Council candidate or have questions regarding the filing process.

Contact Ryan Hallett, Assistant to the City Manager, at 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, CA 90623, call (714) 690-3337, or email Hallett at ryanh@cityoflapalma.org



NOTICE OF VACANCY

Office of Director, Division 5
Water Replenishment District of Southern California

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE of the vacancy in the office of Director of Division 5 of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California ("WRD").

Pursuant to Water Code Section 60144 and Government Code Section 1780, the WRD Board of Directors has determined to fill the vacancy in the office of Division 5 by appointment.

Any person interested in being considered for appointment to this office must submit a resume and letter of interest of less than 400 words to the WRD **no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 9, 2018**, at the following address:

Water Replenishment District of Southern California
4040 Paramount Blvd
Lakewood, CA 90712
Attn: Robb Whitaker, General Manager

To be eligible for an appointment to the office of Director of Division 5, an interested person must be a registered voter and a resident of Division 5 at the time of the appointment. Division 5 includes the cities of Bellflower, Carson, Compton, Downey, La Habra Heights, Norwalk, Paramount, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, and Whittier.

The WRD Board of Directors in its discretion may interview potential Division 5 appointees at a time and date to be determined. The Board anticipates that a final decision on the appointment will be made at a noticed meeting of the Board of Directors prior to August 31, 2018.

The Water Replenishment District of Southern California is the regional groundwater management agency that protects and preserves the quantity and quality of groundwater for two of the most utilized urban basins in the State of California. The service area is home to over ten percent of California's population residing in 43 cities in southern Los Angeles County. WRD is governed by a publicly elected Board of Directors which includes Willard H. Murray, Jr., Robert Katherman, John D. S. Allen, and Sergio Calderon.

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LAKWOOD DIRTBAGS SOFTBALL TEAM WIN SILVER MEDAL IN NATIONAL TOURNAMENT



MEMBERS OF LAKWOOD'S STATE CHAMPION "Dirtbags" Special Olympics Softball Team lost in the national championship game at the USA Games Special Olympics championship in Seattle. With them is Tim Shriver, (center back with tie) the chairman of Special Olympics and the son of Eunice Kennedy Shriver, the founder of Special Olympics and the sister of President John F. Kennedy.

June 30. For some it was their first time on an airplane and the trip of a lifetime.

Among the highlights of their trip, the Dirtbags met with Tim Shriver, the chairman of Special Olympics and the son of Eunice Kennedy Shriver, the founder of Special Olympics and the sister of President John F. Kennedy.

The Dirtbags won their first three matches at the USA Games against teams from Rapid City, SD; Annapolis, MD; and Miami, FL. They lost game four to Canton, OH, and then won game five against South Orange, NJ earning the right to play Canton again in the series final.

"I am so proud of these Lakewood ball players," said team manager and head coach Chuck Martucci. "Three of the teams we played against in the championship, including the winner from Ohio, were actually all-star teams made up of the best softball athletes from cities throughout their state. Our athletes were all from the Lakewood team. It just goes to show you that a team from one city that has played together for over 20 years can compete with the best of them. The Lakewood athletes are real all-stars in my book!"

For over 30 years, Lakewood has operated an award-winning "adaptive recreation" program that teaches valuable life skills and provides recreational opportunities to developmentally disabled youth and adults. The sports component of the adaptive recreation program is the city's award-winning Special Olympics program.

Watch a video about the Dirtbags at www.lakewoodcity.org/Dirtbags.

STAFF REPORT

The state-champion Lakewood "Dirtbags" softball team compiled a 4-2 record in the USA Games Special Olympics championship in Seattle and made it all the way to the final game of the series on July 5. They fell 19-13 in the concluding match to a team from Canton, OH, which was named USA champions. But the Dirtbags brought the silver medal home to Lakewood as a result.

The Dirtbags won the California championship in 2016, thereby winning the right to represent the Golden State

against 49 other state teams in this year's nationwide games. The Dirtbags were the first team in Lakewood history to participate at the USA Games level.

"Congratulations, Lakewood Dirtbags," said Mayor Steve Croft. "Your hometown is very proud of you!"

Scores of Lakewood well-wishers joined Mayor Croft and the Lakewood City Council in a congratulatory send off for the Dirtbags at Glory Days restaurant on June 27. Donations raised by the city, residents and Special Olympics provided funding for the trip.

Players flew together to Seattle on

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS CONTINUE IN LA MIRADA

The City of La Mirada continues to focus on revitalizing, expanding, and diversifying industrial and retail centers. The City continues to expand its outreach efforts to market key properties to potential retailers and restaurants. Several businesses are upgrading their establishments or are in the preliminary stages of developments in La Mirada. Chick-I-A, a fast food restaurant has obtained permits to demolish the building at 14303 Firestone Boulevard. It has received planning approval from the City and it is anticipated it will break ground this September. Chick-I-A is expected to open in mid-March of 2019.

AMC La Mirada 7, located at 15296 Rosecrans Avenue, is currently closed for a renovation project which includes upgrades to its auditoriums, lobby and con-

cession areas.

Preliminary plans for the development of Thai Lady Restaurant and Café Hygee have also been submitted. Thai Lady Restaurant at 15534 La Mirada Boulevard has been approved and permits have been obtained. Tenant improvements are underway.

"These new restaurants and improvements to the movie theater will provide additional dining and entertainment experiences that families in the community can enjoy," says Economic Development Manager Alison Moore. "The City continues to work with property owners on revitalizing and diversifying retail centers."

For additional information on these developments, contact City Hall at (562) 943-0131.

ASSURANCE LEARNING ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE IN DOWNEY

STAFF REPORT

Downey Mayor Sean Ashton and Councilwoman Blanca Pacheco will celebrate a new partnership that brings job opportunity to at-risk students and former dropouts.

Teen moms, special-ed students and socio-economically disadvantaged young adults in Downey can earn a high school diploma while getting real-world job experience and training in healthcare, business, manufacturing, logistics, hospitality and more.

Assurance Learning Academy in Downey recently announced a partnership with the Southeast LA County Workforce Development Board to help students graduate high school with mar-

ketable job skills.

A quick internet search showed more than 2,500 entry-level positions available for Downey residents in these sectors.

Assurance is a nonprofit dropout recovery program that uses a trauma-informed community and career school model to offer a free high school diploma program and job skills training for at-risk students.

The ribbon cutting and open house celebration will be at 9027 Gallatin Road, Downey 90240 on Thursday, July 19 at 5 p.m.

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You can also take your used motor oil to more than 600 oil recycling centers in Los Angeles County. Call 1(888) CLEAN-LA for a complete listing.

LA MIRADA'S NATIONAL NIGHT OUT PROMOTES POLICE-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

La Mirada's annual National Night Out event is scheduled for Thursday, August 2 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at La Mirada Regional Park during the Concert Under the Stars.

The National Association of Town Watch sponsors National Night Out, which celebrates the City's ongoing commitment to maintaining public safety and quality of life as its top priority. National Night Out is a community building campaign designed to enhance participation in local anti-crime programs, and strengthen partnerships between the community and law enforcement.

"National Night Out provides the opportunity to enhance our relationships with community members to continue to work together to maintain La Mirada as a safe place," says Lieutenant Jeff Dusky of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. "I encourage La Mirada residents to attend the event and meet their local law enforcement team."

Representatives from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, La Mirada Public Safety Team, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), and the Neighborhood Watch Program will attend the event and provide information. Free fingerprinting for kids will also be available at the Public Safety booth.

Neighborhoods throughout La Mirada are also invited to join over 38 million people across the country to celebrate National Night Out on Tuesday, August 7. The City encourages residents to spend the evening doors to get to know their neighbors. Knowing your neighbors and working together is one effective way to prevent crime.

Below are simple ways to celebrate National Night Out:

- Start a Neighborhood Watch group
- Have a potluck
- Create a block list for people and pets
- Welcome new residents
- Hold a scavenger hunt

The Public Safety Team would like to visit as many neighborhood gatherings as possible. If you would like the Team to stop by, contact La Mirada's Safety Education Officer at (562) 902-2986 or email at mcipres@cityoflamirada.org to provide the time and location of your gathering.

PUBLIC HEARINGS TO DISCUSS 91 AND 605 FREEWAYS

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To improve traffic flow along the freeways, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 7, in collaboration with the Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG), the City of Cerritos and the City of Artesia, are proposing improvements along westbound SR-91 between Shoemaker Av and the I-605/SR-91 Interchange, and at the I-605 northbound exit to Alondra Bl.

Proposed improvements include widening the SR-91 by adding one new general-purpose lane in the westbound direction adding auxiliary lanes between local interchanges; improving freeway entrance and exit ramps. Additional improvements are also anticipated on the arterial streets near the freeway ramp intersections.

Public Hearings will be held in the Cities of Artesia and Cerritos to provide an opportunity to discuss the proposed work with Caltrans and Metro staff and provide public comments:

Wednesday, August 1, 2018
6 – 8pm Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts, 18000 Park Plaza Dr., Cerritos, CA 90703

Thursday, August 2, 2018
6 – 8pm
Albert O. Little Community Center
18750 Clarkdale Av, Artesia, CA 90701

LAKWOOD REGIONAL HOSTS FREE CRAFT EVENTS

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

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As part of their ongoing commitment to treating the entire person, LRMC now offers membership in the exclusive Master Class program for community members who are '50 years of age or better'. This Master Class is their way of recognizing seniors as an essential part of their legacy.

"As a 'highly talented student of life' says Jessica Chen, Communications Manager, for Tenet HealthCare / Southern California Group, "Lakewood Regional is honored to support the vigor of our senior citizen community, supporting their health and well being at every step of the journey."

Membership also includes access to skilled licensed experts who are available to answer Medicare questions; invitations to all health education screenings and social events; complimentary Master Class eNewsletter and access to volunteering opportunities. LRMC is working toward

Master Class members receiving special offers at local restaurants, merchants, free physician led seminars, free health education classes, social events and support groups.

This month's Master Class will be held at Hobby Lobby / Lakewood on Wednesday, July 25th from 2:00 pm to 4:00 p.m. This craft class is free and will feature speakers discussing the importance of maintain good dental health and it's affects on good heart health.

Next month, the master Class will feature a stand-up comic show and a cardiologist talking about heart health. It's an 'exclusive club' organized by Lakewood and each senior citizen gets a membership card. The Master Class for June was sold out.

Space is limited, to RSVP call 844.673.4328 or for more information on Master Class membership and their outstanding benefits visit online at LakewoodRegional.com/Master

Hobby Lobby is located at 4001 Hardwick Street, Lakewood, CA 90712.

LRMC MASTER CLASS

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GHOULA and 3D Space hosted the evening on July 7th for one night only, screening the immersive nightmare in a theater where puppets and performers interact with the patrons.

Each attendee received 3D glasses; within the movie there were signals when to put the glasses on. The glasses transformed the theater into a complete immersive experience.

A preshow featured the enchanted Bob Baker marionettes and a dream-like solo performance by master puppeteer, Eli Presser.

The Los Angeles Times said Presser actually looked a little like a marionette when he spoke, "with long, slender limbs and loose, delicate gestures, pointing to that strange dual consciousness as a kind of metaphysical opportunity, a portal through which the puppeteer and his audience gain access to another world."

After the movie presentation, the Marionette Theater's party room was transformed into a ghoulish gallery of "haunted" dolls.

This one-of-a-kind paranormal exhibit featured a personal collection from Presser himself and was the first time these 'toys of terror' have ever been on public display.

The group of haunted dolls went from a paranormal collector who could not bear their haunted actions to the Dearly Departed Tours & Artifacts Museum.

The museum saw their paranormal activity and gave them to the Bearded Lady's Mystic Museum. They were returned to Dearly Departed because "they were haunted."

GHOULA obtained the dolls which came wrapped up inside a cardboard box. A strange symbol was drawn on the top of the box, with some saying that the symbol was drawn to keep the evil contained in the box.

One doll in the collection was 'King Friday' from the popular Mister Roger's Neighborhood television show. The doll was said to be the prized possession of a child involved with a poltergeist case. The puppet was supposed to have floated above the child's bed.

Since 1963, the Bob Baker Marionette Theater has been part of the Angelino Community. Utilizing over 2,000 handcrafted puppets, the organization provides patrons a unique theatrical experience educating, celebrating and rejuvenating puppetry and the allied arts.



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ARTESIA PUNISHERS 16-U GROUP BEGIN POOL PLAY WITH A SHUTOUT WIN, END WITH A BLOWOUT LOSS

BY LOREN KOPFF
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CHINO HILLS-It doesn't happen a lot in the world of travel softball where a first-year team plays in as few as two tournaments since the beginning of June and still qualifies for a season and summer-ending championship tournament. But that's what is starting the Artesia Punishers 16-Under team, coached by Joe Fletcher, as his team kicked off the United States Specialty Sports Association Far West National Championship with three pool play games earlier this week.

The Punishers split a pair of games this past Tuesday at Big League Dreams in Chino Hills, blanking the (South Central Los Angeles) Southern California Monarchs 6-0 in the morning, then falling to the (Brawley) E1 Prospects 5-4 early in the afternoon. Then this past Wednesday morning, the Punishers were crushed by the (Fontana) Southern California Ruthless-Eklund 13-4.

"The tournament we won almost a month ago, we came from behind to do it," Fletcher said. "The next tournament, we were down, came from behind to rally before coming up short. The girls...they fight, and they stay in there. They made some adjustments with their at-bats in terms of where they were in the box."

The story of the game against the Monarchs was pitcher Katherine Serna (St. Paul High), who returned to the Punishers last week and threw a three-hitter, striking out nine and walking one in five innings of work.

Serna retired 11 of the first 12 batters she faced, walking only Leslie Houston with one out in the top of the second inning. She would get all the run support she needed in the bottom of the first as the Punishers pushed across four runs.

Brittany Litwa began the bottom of the first inning by walking center fielder Mikala Fletcher (Downey High) before shortstop Robbie Gallegos (St. Joseph High) reached third base on a throwing error. A walk to right fielder Krista Guzman (Schurr High) and a single from left fielder Emily Rodriguez (El Rancho High) made it 3-0 and two batters later, a sacrifice fly from second baseman Alondra Gonzalez (Legacy High) increased the margin to 4-0. The Punishers were aided by two errors in the frame as Guzman came home on the second one.

Guzman led off the third with a single, moved to second on a wild pitch and came home on a base hit from Rodriguez. Two pitches later, catcher Racine Ruacho

(El Rancho High) doubled and after a pop-up, Rodriguez scored on a sacrifice fly from first baseman Savanna Cervantes (El Rancho High).

The Monarchs made it interesting in the fifth when Houston and Jasmine Smith each singled and Litwa reached on a fielder's choice. But Serna preserved the shutout by striking out the final two batters she faced.

"She played with us in January and February a couple of games," Joe Fletcher said. "When we broke for high school, her family decided to pursue and look at other options. That happens in softball. She came back, and she's played [before] with a couple of girls on our team in rec ball and some other teams.

"So, she was done with her [travel team's] season and was looking to play," he continued. "We knew she was a very good pitcher and she's actually a second-year 14. But she's a high-quality pitcher and she showed that today. She can control a game."

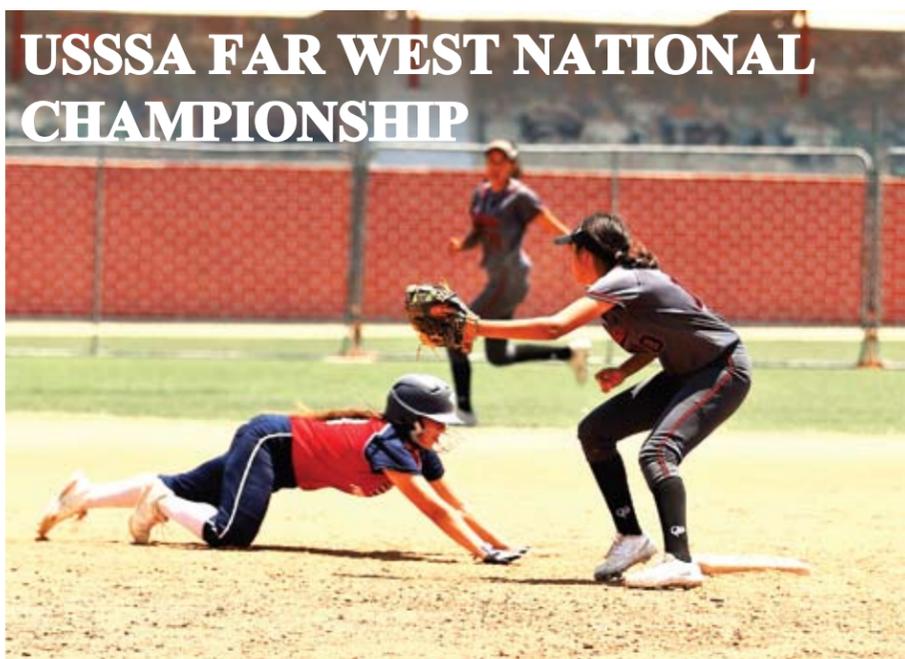
It would be a completely different story in the second game as the E1 Prospects scored four times in the top of the first inning and held on for the one-run win. The Punishers would score four unanswered runs and had the go-ahead run on second base in the bottom of the fourth.

"[The E1 Prospects] were coming right off a game," Joe Fletcher said. "They were swinging and seeing pitches. I took over the pitch calling; normally the catchers call the game. Sometimes it's a different look. She just wasn't sharp, and they took advantage of it. But after that, we gave up one run and we kind of got it back under control. It's just that we waited too late to put together some hits."

Down 5-0, the Punishers got things going in the second when Rodriguez, Ruacho, Gonzalez and Cervantes all singled. However, Rodriguez was called out for leaving first base too early and Cervantes was doubled up after a sharp line drive out by third baseman Briana Moran (Huntington Park High).

Two innings later, and with one out, Rodriguez launched a solo home run over the left center fence. Ruacho then singled and one out later, Cervantes had a base hit before Moran was walked to load the bases. Melody Cardoza then walked shortstop Emily Corona (Garfield High) to make it 5-4.

"We had a runner leave early and she would have scored," Joe Fletcher said of missed scoring opportunities. "That's a run that we lost. We had another runner in the fourth inning where there was a passed ball and she didn't read it right.



SHORTSTOP EMILY CORONA (Garfield High) of the Artesia Punishers 16-Under team, coached by Joe Fletcher, tries to tag out a (Brawley) E1 Prospects baserunner before getting back to second base in the second pool play game of the United States Specialty Sports Association Far West National Championship this past Tuesday afternoon. The Punishers would lose 5-4 and ended up going 1-2 in pool play action.

Photo by Armando Vargas, contributing photographer.

That's another run. If you take those two runs, we win 6-5. We, as much as anything, kind of made life a little more difficult on ourselves than we should have. But sometimes that happens, and you have to fight back from that."

Starting pitcher Michelle Sheedy (North Torrance High) was greeted rudely by the E1 Prospects as, within the first 13 pitches thrown, the first two batters singled and the next two doubled. But after giving up a base hit to Brianda Rodriguez with two outs in the second, which made it 5-0, she allowed one hit and walked two over the final 13 batters she faced.

This past Wednesday, the Punishers were shorthanded as three players missed action because of summer school. As a result, the team managed a pair of runs in the top of the third and fourth innings while yielding eight in the bottom of the fourth.

"That's going to be a little bit of a challenge," Joe Fletcher said this past Tuesday on the final pool play game. "But like I told the team, the girls who are here have to step up and lay it out there and play hard. Then when those girls who are missing come back on Thursday, they better come and bring the intensity and the quality that we need. But that's why

you play in pool play and you play in friendlies for girls to get reps and to play and to get out there because you never know what's going to happen."

Second baseman Kailani Fletcher (Downey High) singled with one out in the third, stole second, went to third on a sacrifice and came home on a base hit from Gallegos. Two pitches later, a single from Guzman cut their deficit to 4-2. After the Ruthless added a run in the third, Ruacho, Gonzalez and Cervantes all singled to load the bases. Moran then came up and drove in a pair of runs with a base hit.

By finishing in third place in their pool, the Punishers faced the second place team in the opposite pool on July 20 in the double elimination playoffs. They would be assured a second game on that day and with two straight wins, would move into Saturday's semifinals. A loss in either game would mean the Punishers would have a long road to the championship game in the loser's bracket.

"That's obviously our plan, to make the path as easy as possible," Joe Fletcher said. "That's why we want to get as good as a seeding as possible to hopefully navigate our way to [the championship game]."

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she was playing kind of rough with him – pulling his ears and grabbing his tail – and he stayed calm. There were four or five other kids who were playing with him and we noticed he was very well behaved, that's when we began to discuss having him certified as a therapy dog."

Unlike other therapy dog organizations, ATD has a unique testing process. The assessment is designed to make sure that owner and dog have a good relationship with each other and that the canine has the right temperament for therapy work. An Observer monitors the relationship between owner and pet, including visits to a medical facility.

"It's really nice. I have dogs too and I miss my dogs," says patient Antonia Ruiz, "I have two English Bull Dogs. Benji was so nice, he lay down on my bed and it just touched my heart."

Benji loves treats, hiking, squeaky toys and people. His favorite facilities to visit are senior facilities, hospitals and visiting the Los Angeles airport, "We have special passes," says Anthony, "we go into the super secret passage ways and Benji greets all the airline staff and passengers who may be feeling a little anxious about flying."

Visits to the hospital are handled by the hospital's Volunteer Department, Patient Experience Division. Therapy dogs are so appreciated by Tenent Healthcare that they honored all their pups this year through a National Puppy Day.



BENJI'S VOLUNTEER badge he wears at the hospital.

ARTESIA PUNISHERS TRAVEL SOFTBALL PROGRAM TO BE BUSY THE NEXT THREE WEEKS

BY LOREN KOPFF

There are six teams within the Artesia Punishers program this season and five of them are either currently busy or will be busy until the first week of August in some type of national championship tournament. Listed below is a quick update of where the five teams will be.

The 18-Under team, coached by Bob Medina, begins pool play action of the prestigious Premier Girls Fastpitch National Championship at Fountain Valley Sports Park on Saturday afternoon against the Washington Majestics. On Sunday morning, the Punishers will have back to back games against the Monarchs Gold and the Lil Rebels Gordie. The first bracket game will take place Monday morning with the opening ceremonies later in the evening. The tournament will resume Tuesday with the championship game on Friday.

A pair of teams are currently competing in the United States Specialty Sports Association Far West National Championship. The 16-Under team, coached by Joe Fletcher, went 1-2 in pool play action at Big League Dreams in Chino Hills and faced the (Glendora) Southern California Ruthless-Bustos in the first playoff game on July 19. Win or lose, the Punishers would have a second game that day.

Out at the Big League Dreams in Peris Valley, the 12-Under team, coached by Andy Macias, went winless in their three pool play games, getting outscored 32-18. The Punishers would face the (San Gabriel

Valley) Southern California Sandlots in the first playoff game on July 19.

Another 16-Under team, this one coached by Vince Gonzales, is currently in Reno participating in the Triple Crown Sports World Series. The Punishers had a hard time in pool play action, falling to the (Puyallup) Washington Ladyhawks-Breer 8-0 and (Junction City, OR) NW Bullets-Campbell 15-0 this past Tuesday. The next day, the Punishers knocked off the (Littleton) Colorado Diamond-Sapphires 11-3 before getting blanked by the (Sunnyvale) Strike Zone 7-0. The playoffs began on July 19.

The 14-Under team, coached by Joseph Alvarez, will play in the Amateur Softball Association Western Nationals in Medford, OR beginning on July 30. The championship game will be played on Aug. 5.

HIGH SCHOOL

Don't look now, but the 2018-2019 high school year is fast approaching, beginning sooner than ever. The first girls volleyball games will begin on Aug. 13 with Week Zero football games taking place on Aug. 17.

The initial HMG-Community News football previews will appear in the Aug. 3 issue and continue until the Aug. 17 issue. In addition to the football and girls volleyball previews, one of the early highlights of the fall season will be the launching of the new 605 League, which will consist of Artesia, Cerritos, John Glenn, Oxford Academy, Pioneer and Whitney high schools. Another major highlight will be the reaction of the Valley Christian High student body as the school will now be known as the Defenders instead of the Crusaders. V.C. will also have a new football coach, a new boys basketball coach and a new athletic director.

One final major highlight will be the ongoing construction of Glenn's new on campus football field and athletic fields.

BELLFLOWER

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Kenny Hahn, was recognized as the father of the paramedic program." It was very controversial at the time, but was eventually accepted and embraced.

Special guests included Brendon McDonough the sole surviving Granite Mountain Hotshot; Randolph Mantooth, Kevin Tighe, and Mike Stoker of the Emergency! TV Series.

Inside the museum visitors can see photos of what it was like to fight fires before there were fire hydrants, when water bags had to be handed person-to-person.

The museum has a display of everything from a horse drawn steam engine, fire apparatus dating back to the mid 1800s; motorized fire engines from every decade to the world-famous Engine and Squad 51 vehicles.

The vehicles are complemented by a vast collection of photographs, tools, early paramedic equipment, uniforms, firefighting gear, helmets, badges and documents. Artifacts on display from LACOFD's past are fire service artifacts such as helmets, turn-out, uniforms, badges, nozzles and alarm equipment.

One section of the museum is dedicated to the Granite Mountain Hotshots who died on June 30, 2013 while battling the Yarnell Hill fire, northwest of Phoenix, Arizona.

LA County Fire Chief Daryl Osby called the opening of the museum a particularly auspicious day for the LA County Fire Department both past and present.

"When you think about the LACFD, they are the premiere fire department

in the world. And for us to have a museum to fully capture our history is monumental."

"On behalf of my City colleagues and myself, this is a great day for Bellflower," says Mayor Dan Koops, "This journey began well over a decade ago. The partnership that we have had with the LACFD is a model for what cities can do when you strive to work together."

The museum is located at the Mayne Event Center in Bellflower and is open Wednesday through Saturday 9:00am to 2:00pm.

MARTINA MCBRIDE KICKS CCPA SEASON OFF

Country music powerhouse Martina McBride kicks off the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) 2018-2019 Season on Friday, September 7 at 8:00 PM.

The season showcases first-class entertainment, featuring icons Boz Scaggs, Burt Bacharach, Shirley MacLaine, LeAnn Rimes, and Brian Wilson of The Beach Boys. The exciting lineup also includes the comedic duo Colin Mochrie & Brad Sherwood, Mannheim Steamroller Christmas, the Emmy-nominated Penn & Teller, and the popular It's Magic!

The award-winning 3-D Theatricals returns as a Broadway Performance Partner. The 2018-2019 Season Broadway Series includes 42nd Street, A Gentleman's Guide to Love & Murder, The Secret Garden, and Shrek the Musical.

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GARCIA

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ball game in Sacramento.

Fierro said that Garcia appeared drunk came up and started stroking his back, then squeezed his butt, finally attempting a "reach around" to grab his crotch.

Garcia later took an unpaid leave of absence saying, "any claims about sexual harassment must be taken seriously, and I believe elected officials should be held to a higher standard of accountability."

The first investigation concluded in May with the Assembly Rules Committee finding the groping charges "unsubstantiated," but three other harassment issues "substantiated."

Fierro filed an appeal, and the investigation was re-opened, but, contrary to her statement and past actions, Garcia did not take a leave of absence.

She was stripped of all committee assignments by Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon (D-Lakewood), only able to vote on Assembly bills; and even that was controversial.

Garcia walked away from voting on

two bills, one to place child sex trafficking and other heinous abuses in the violent felony category; the other prohibiting a person convicted of domestic violence, who could own a gun after ten years, from ever owning a gun.

And once again the Chamber shrugged her controversial votes off.

During the entire harassment investigation period, Garcia was alleged to have committed lurid acts both inside and outside the legislature.

Staffers claimed Garcia drank and bragged about having sex in her office, forced staffers to play "Spin the Bottle," and had a "Keerator" in her office.

Garcia also admitted to calling former Speaker of the Assembly John Perez a "homo" and using racial slurs against Asians.

A HMG-CN investigation found that the self-proclaimed #MeToo advocate took \$7,000 from Hustler's Larry Flynt, a man who once said, "I've always felt that feminism is an excuse for ugly women to march."

Despite all the explicit allegations, a current sexual harassment investigation, and the fact Garcia can only vote and cannot influence the passage of Assem-



FRIENDS from (l-r) Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia, Chamber President Shaila Patankar and Board member Larry Caballero. Courtesy IndiaWest.

bled bills, the Artesia Chamber invited her to speak at the "State of the State" luncheon.

"The Assemblywoman will be discussing the latest updates on new laws and possible legislation that impacts our business community," the Chamber's promotional flyer states.

"Interesting," said one resident who did not want to be identified, "how can she

talk about possible legislation when she is not in on the discussions? This is a stunt by the Chamber to give Garcia publicity, shame on them."

Several emails and texts into Chamber officials for comment went unreturned. HMG-CN could not locate Chamber President Shaila Patankar who no longer works at Hanmi Bank in Artesia.

ABCUSD

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will accept the terms of the PLA.

The Board meeting included heated exchanges, two controversial votes, and even a tirade from one of the Board members.

At public comment, all but one speaker supported removing the exclusion of the PLA from the resolution.

Ernesto Medrano from the LA/OC Building and Construction Trades Council spoke in support of the Bond and for the PLA.

"Please delete or strike out that section that excludes the PLA-Community Benefits Agreement, workers want to work locally and we should hire locally."

Adam Elliot from the Local 582 Plumbers and Pipe Fitters Union was next to speak supporting the bond and against the exclusion of the PLA.

"This community deserves those man-hours on the job, they are going to pay the taxes, they should get the benefit, you need to back the PLA."

Richard Hathaway, a member of the Facilities Committee, wanted to remove the exclusion, "if you take it out, you can discuss the issue, you are not agreeing to have one so you can include it later. You will see more security, better educational facilities for STEAM and STEM, and property values will go up."

Chris Martinez from the Local 803 Carpenter's Union spoke in support of the bond and against the exclusion of the PLA, "we all want to work local, the Union is not asking a PLA be required, we are asking for a fair shot at working local."

One resident spoke of the minor contribution homeowners would make given the tax formula for the bond. The formula is based on the assessed value of your home, not the market value.

"The median assessed value of home in the ABCUSD is in the \$300,000 range, so median taxes would go up \$150 per year, \$12.50 per month."

His house was worth more than \$300,000 but that did not matter. "Over 10 years I will pay \$3,500 but my house value will rise much more than that."

James Yee was against the bond measure calling it "premature." Yee cited the enrollment policy that should be tabulated before the bond is put up for a vote. Yee speculated that the enrollment study "would necessitate combining schools."

Yee also cited that 15% of the students

come from outside the district. One district official told HMG-CN it was closer to 10%. "Senior citizens and families are outraged," said Yee.

The outside number would be lower, but construction of new homes in the ABC is almost non-existent and a major factor why children come from outside the district.

Board discussion ensued with VP Letty Mendoza quickly moving to amend the resolution and remove the exclusion of the PLAs; Board member Chris Apodaca immediately seconded the motion.

Sophia Tse spoke up and, in an overt political maneuver - Tse is rumored once again to be running for Cerritos Council - moved to change the language of the exclusion to state "using the lowest responsible bidder" even though current state law and district policy already mandate awarding a project to the lowest responsible bidder.

Grumblings came from the audience which elicited a response from Tse, "I am union my brothers and sisters."

Mendoza wanted to keep her original motion intact, but Ernie Nishii seconded Tse's motion.

Apodaca spoke up and said, "the best practice here is to strike the motion, we already take the lowest responsible bidder. Let's remove the exclusion and move on."

Board member Nishii spoke next saying, "we can't come back with the same language, let's include the lowest bidder statement."

Even though the district is required by law to take the lowest bidder, Nishii was adamant for redundancy in the resolution, "we are not paying by the word," he stated.

Clerk Olga Rios supported Mendoza's motion to strike the language, joining Apodaca.

The Board voted on Mendoza's motion to strike the PLA exclusion, the motion passed 5-2 with Tse and President Soo Yoo voting to exclude PLAs.

The motion was then made to include Tse's redundant "lowest bidder" amendment.

On a vote of 4-3, the motion predictably failed to pass, with Tse, President Soo Yoo and Nishii voting yes.

Nishii then made the point to lower the amount of the bond to \$227 million, cutting the amount by \$31 million. The initial \$258 million was recommended by a district ad-hoc committee.

Board member Maynard Law was not in favor of cutting the amount, "we have

already cut \$100 million from the initial amount, one of our major goals is to make school's safe, we had 1,100 people work on this plan and it a solid plan, things that we need. We need to move on the full amount."

Apodaca echoed Law's statement, "our plan is about needs, not shiny things, we should not change the amount. It warms my heart that our Union brothers and sisters and residents who know the value of the bond spoke up tonight ready to pay the average \$150 per year."

President Yoo once again spoke about the lowest bidder addition to the resolution, evidently not understanding that both California law and district policy dictate that the lowest responsible bid must be awarded.

"We lost the 2014 bond, it is a different climate and culture, what kind of confidence are we giving our voters if we do not include the lowest bidder?"

Soo asked ABC attorney Robert Ainslow, who "was confused" at Yoo's question, finally explaining that the lowest bidder inclusion "will not appear on any documents that voters will see."

"You are going to follow California state law for the bidding process," Ainslow said.

VP Mendoza echoed Law and Apodaca, "the \$258 million is our needs, not a wish list. Our kids will have classrooms that will be up-to-date, that's what they need, if we do not improve our schools, families will go elsewhere. And I want the men and woman in the audience who spoke to work on our schools, I saw the passion. If we approve less than \$258 million what are we telling our kids?"

Nishii once again argued for a lower amount, which would lower the tax amount placed on residents by a nominal amount, instead of \$50 per hundred of assessed value, it would be \$35 of the assessed value, but the bond would be cut from \$258 million to \$178 million.

Sophia Tse followed Nishii with the same argument, claiming she was not playing politics. She stumbled on her math computations, and launched into a tirade for over four minutes screaming loudly while pounding the dais.

Contradicting her entire argument, at the end Tse said, "I support the \$258 million."

President Yoo once again delayed the vote on removing the PLA exclusion saying, "taxes and Unions are taboo in Cerritos," echoing the old neo-con views that are prevalent in Cerritos and validating the moniker that ABC means "All About Cer-

ritos."

Yoo, who owns a tutoring business in Cerritos, with some claiming conflict of interest between that business and her Board position, concentrated on the voters of Cerritos when she spoke.

"I am disappointed in our Board members, we focused on PLA, what happened, I don't have the confidence to continue."

Apodaca interrupted and called for point of order to stay on the subject and "stay focused on the matter at hand, don't chastise those in the audience or your fellow Board members who you are supposed to be leading at this moment."

Finally, after two hours and forty minutes Board member Law made the motion to approve the bond at \$258 million dollars.

But a vote could not be taken until after additional public comments.

Long-time Cerritos neo-con and self-proclaimed campaign consultant Matt Kauble, who questionably waited until after the PLA debate to comment, sided with Yoo and said "your problem is not with Cerritos voters but with Artesia voters as well."

"You have three trust issues: corruption, incompetence, and whether the Board listens to the district. Nobody trusts the government around here."

Echoing his neo-con values Kauble then said, "you have created an extra hurdle by removing the PLA language...voting to get it out you might have cost the votes you need."

Public comment was done and a vote was taken: the motion passed 7-0 to remove the exclusion of PLAs.



OUR TOWNS CERRITOS LABOR DAY OBSERVANCES

Cerritos City Hall, the City Clerk’s Office, the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park, Cerritos Library, the Community Gymnasiums and the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts Ticket Office will be closed on Monday, September 3 in observance of Labor Day.

On Monday, September 3, Cerritos Park East, Heritage Park and Liberty Park are open from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. The Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course is open from 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. The Cerritos Sports Complex will be open from 2 to 8 p.m. and the Cerritos Olympic Swim and Fitness Center is open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. for adult lap swim and from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. for recreational swim.

There will be no street sweeping and trash pick-up on Labor Day. Schedules will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week through Saturday. The COW and Dial-A-Ride transit services will not operate on Labor Day.

BE MINDFUL OF SCULPTURES

In 2006, the City of Cerritos dedicated the Cerritos Sculpture Garden as a 50th anniversary gift to the community. Since then, the garden has become a popular City site for taking photos and quiet reflection.

Because the Sculpture Garden features a collection of valuable public artwork, the City would like to remind residents and visitors that the venue is an outdoor art collection and should not be utilized as a playground. Climbing or standing on the art pieces and displays

is prohibited as this can be hazardous to patrons and also cause damage to the sculptures.

Respecting these guidelines ensures that the Sculpture Garden remains an open and inviting place to embrace art, nature and peaceful contemplation for many years to come. The art collection is a valuable City asset and any damage to it requires professional restoration to repair, which can result in unanticipated funding.

CITYWIDE SIDEWALK, CURB AND GUTTER REPAIRS

The Cerritos City Council recently awarded an annual contract for sidewalk, curb and gutter repairs to C.J. Concrete Construction, Inc. of Santa Fe Springs.

The contract includes sidewalk, curb and gutter repair and replacement; construction of wheelchair ramps; curb address repainting; replacing colored curbs and gutters; tree-root pruning; and miscellaneous concrete improvements as needed throughout Cerritos.

'MAMMA MIA!' MUSICAL AT CCPA IN AUGUST

The Broadway blockbuster “Mamma Mia!” will be presented at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) in August by the award-winning 3-D Theatricals.

Show times are 8 p.m. on Friday, August 17 and 24; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Saturday, August 18 and 25; 2 p.m. on Sunday, August 19 and 26; and 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 23.

The feel-good family-friendly show features hits from the iconic band ABBA, including “Dancing Queen”; “Take a Chance on Me”; “Money, Money,

Money”; “Lay All Your Love on Me”; “The Winner Takes It All”; “Knowing Me, Knowing You”; “Super Trouper”; and “Thank You for the Music.”

A celebration of mothers and daughters, old friends and new family found, “Mamma Mia!” profiles the life of independent Donna, who owns a small hotel on an idyllic Greek island. Donna is preparing to marry off her spirited daughter, Sophie, whom she has raised alone. For Sophie’s wedding, Donna has invited her two lifelong best girlfriends – no-nonsense Rosie and wealthy divorcée Tanya – from her one-time backing band, Donna and the Dynamos. But Sophie, determined to find the identity of her father to walk her down the aisle, has secretly invited guests of her own – three men from Donna’s past.

Over the course of 24 chaotic, magical hours, new love blooms and old romances are rekindled on this lush island full of possibilities.

Tickets for “Mamma Mia!” start at \$40. To order tickets, go to cerritoscenter.com and select your own seats, or call the CCPA Ticket Office at (562) 916-8500.

FREE DOCUMENT SHREDDING ON AUG. 11

The City of Cerritos is offering a Community Shredding Event from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, August 11. The event will be held in the parking lot of the Cerritos Senior Center located at 12340 South Street.

Community members may bring up to two banker-sized (12” wide, 15” long and 9.5” deep) boxes of paper documents to be shredded at no charge. Documents will be shredded on-site at the program. This is a secure way to dispose of paperwork that contains private information.

No business, organization or non-profit records will be accepted. Only personal paperwork will be shredded.

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Build Your Own Terrarium...Grab some of your friends and get your hands dirty building your own terrarium at our Plants in a Glass event on Friday, July 27 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Cultural Arts Center. Terrariums are low-maintenance, miniature gardens and can bring some much needed greenery to a small office or make a wonderful gift.

The Cultural Arts Center is located at 13200 Clarkdale Avenue. Cost per person is \$25 and includes planting materials and light refreshments. Event is open to adults 21 years of age and older.

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TRUSTOR: SRINIVASA SHANKAR MADAKA AND NEELIMA PUDINAGA, HUSBAND AND WIFE DULY APPOINTED TRUSTEE: ZIEVE, BRODNAX & STEELE, LLP DEED OF TRUST RECORDED 2/23/2012 AS INSTRUMENT No. 20120284664 IN BOOK , PAGE OF OFFICIAL RECORDS IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, DATE OF SALE: 8/2/2018 AT 9:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: VINEYARD BALLROOM, DOUBLETREE HOTEL LOS ANGELES-NORWALK, 13111 SYCAMORE DRIVE, NORWALK, CA 90650

ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF UNPAID BALANCE AND OTHER CHARGES: \$541,024.63 NOTE: BECAUSE THE BENEFICIARY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL DEBT OWED, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT AT THE TIME OF THE SALE THE OPENING BID MAY BE LESS THAN THE TOTAL DEBT OWED.

STREET ADDRESS OR OTHER COMMON DESIGNATION OF REAL PROPERTY: 13618 PALM ST CERRITOS, CALIFORNIA 90703

DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST

A.P.N #: 7006-020-016 THE UNDERSIGNED TRUSTEE DISCLAIMS ANY LIABILITY FOR ANY INCORRECTNESS OF THE STREET ADDRESS OR OTHER COMMON DESIGNATION, IF ANY, SHOWN ABOVE. IF NO STREET ADDRESS OR OTHER COMMON DESIGNATION IS SHOWN, DIRECTIONS TO THE LOCATION OF THE PROPERTY MAY BE OBTAINED BY SENDING A WRITTEN REQUEST TO THE BENEFICIARY WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OF SALE.

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: IF YOU ARE CONSIDERING BIDDING ON THIS PROPERTY LIEN, YOU SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE RISKS INVOLVED IN BIDDING AT A TRUSTEE AUCTION. YOU WILL BE BIDDING ON A LIEN, NOT ON THE PROPERTY ITSELF. PLACING THE HIGHEST BID AT A TRUSTEE AUCTION DOES NOT AUTOMATICALLY ENTITLE YOU TO FREE AND CLEAR OWNERSHIP OF THE PROPERTY. YOU SHOULD ALSO BE AWARE THAT THE LIEN BEING AUCTIONED OFF MAY BE A JUNIOR LIEN. IF YOU ARE THE HIGHEST BIDDER AT THE AUCTION, YOU ARE OR MAY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING OFF ALL LIENS SENIOR TO THE LIEN BEING AUCTIONED OFF, BEFORE YOU CAN RECEIVE CLEAR TITLE TO THE PROPERTY. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO INVESTIGATE THE EXISTENCE, PRIORITY, AND SIZE OF OUTSTANDING LIENS THAT MAY EXIST ON THIS PROPERTY BY CONTACTING THE COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE OR A TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, EITHER OF WHICH MAY CHARGE YOU A FEE FOR THIS INFORMATION. IF YOU CONSULT EITHER OF THESE RESOURCES, YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THE SAME LENDER MAY HOLD MORE THAN ONE MORTGAGE OR DEED OF TRUST ON THE PROPERTY.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: THE SALE DATE SHOWN ON THIS NOTICE OF SALE MAY BE POSTPONED ONE OR MORE TIMES BY THE MORTGAGEE, BENEFICIARY, TRUSTEE, OR A COURT, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2924G OF THE CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE. THE LAW REQUIRES THAT INFORMATION ABOUT TRUSTEE SALE POSTPONEMENTS BE MADE AVAILABLE TO YOU AND TO THE PUBLIC, AS A COURTESY TO THOSE NOT PRESENT AT THE SALE. IF YOU WISH TO LEARN WHETHER YOUR SALE DATE HAS BEEN POSTPONED, AND, IF APPLICABLE, THE RESCHEDULED TIME AND DATE FOR THE SALE OF THIS PROPERTY, YOU MAY CALL (800) 280-2832 OR VISIT THIS INTERNET WEB SITE WWW.AUCTION.COM, USING THE FILE NUMBER ASSIGNED TO THIS CASE 18-51411. INFORMATION ABOUT POSTPONEMENTS THAT ARE VERY SHORT IN DURATION OR THAT OCCUR CLOSE IN TIME TO THE SCHEDULED SALE MAY NOT IMMEDIATELY BE REFLECTED IN THE TELEPHONE INFORMATION OR ON THE INTERNET WEB SITE. THE BEST WAY TO VERIFY POSTPONEMENT INFORMATION IS TO ATTEND THE SCHEDULED SALE.

DATED: 7/2/2018 ZIEVE, BRODNAX & STEELE, LLP, AS TRUSTEE 30 CORPORATE PARK, SUITE 450 IRVINE, CA 92606 FOR NON-AUTOMATED SALE INFORMATION, CALL: (714) 848-7920 FOR SALE INFORMATION: (800) 280-2832 WWW.AUCTION.COM

ANDREW BUCKELEW, TRUSTEE SALE ASSISTANT

THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE EPP 25931 PUB DATES 07/06, 07/13, 07/20/2018

NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Municipal Election will be held in the City of Artesia on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, for the following officers:

Three (3) Members of the City Council Full Term of Four Years

The nomination period for these offices began on Monday, July 16, 2018, and closes on Friday, August 10, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.

If no one or only one (1) person is nominated for an elective office, the City Council, at a regular or special meeting held before the November 6, 2018 General Municipal Election may adopt one of the following courses of action as prescribed by Elections Code Section 10229: (1) if only one person is nominated, appoint the nominated person to the office; (2) if no one has been nominated, appoint an eligible elector to the office; or (3) if either no one or only one person has been nominated, hold the General Municipal Election on November 6, 2018.

The polls for the General Municipal Election will be open on November 6, 2018, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. pursuant to Elections Code Section 10242, except as provided in Elections Code Section 14401.

Ernesto Sanchez
City Elections Official

Dated, July 16, 2018

Published on July 20, 2018
Posted at City Hall and Albert O. Little Community Center on July 16, 2018

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CITY OF ARTESIA
SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 18-866

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ARTESIA, CALIFORNIA: RECONSIDERING AND REPEALING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ELECTIONSCODESECTION9241,ORDINANCENO.17-866ENTITLED: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ARTESIA, CALIFORNIA, (1) APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF ARTESIA ZONING CODE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED ARTESIA LIVE II SPECIFIC PLAN AND TO ESTABLISH A SPECIFIC PLAN ZONE FOR THE PROPOSED ARTESIA LIVE II SPECIFIC PLAN, (2) APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF ARTESIA ZONING MAP TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF REAL PROPERTY COVERED BY THE PROPOSED ARTESIA LIVE II SPECIFIC PLAN LOCATED AT 18600 GRIDLEY ROAD (ASSESSOR PARCEL NO. 7039-008-03) FROM GENERAL COMMERCIAL (C-G) ZONE TO ARTESIA LIVE II SPECIFIC PLAN ZONE (SP 16-02) (CASE NO. 2016-19), AND (3) MAKING FINDINGS PURSUANT TO CEQA; AND RESCINDING THE APPROVAL OF THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE ARTESIA LIVE II PROJECT UNDER CASE NO. 2016-19

This is a summary of the above entitled Ordinance No. 18-866 of the City of Artesia. This summary has been prepared and published in accordance with the requirements of Government Code Section 36933.

On March 12, 2018, the City Council of the City of Artesia adopted Ordinance No. 17-859, by a 4-0-1 vote, amending Subsection (b) of Section 9-2.3453 (Specific Plan Zones and Zoning Map Designations) of Article 34.5 (Specific Plan Zones (SP)) of Chapter 2 (Zoning) of Title 9 (Planning and Zoning) of the AMC to acknowledge the City Council's adoption of the Artesia LIVE II Specific Plan and establish the Artesia LIVE II Specific Plan (SP 16-02) Zone. Ordinance No. 17-859 also amended the City of Artesia Zoning Map to change the zoning classification of the subject property covered by the adopted Artesia LIVE II Specific Plan from General Commercial (C-G) Zone to Artesia LIVE II Specific Plan (SP 16-02) Zone. Ordinance No. 18-866 repeals Ordinance No. 17-859 in accordance with Elections Code Section 9241, effectively rescinding the Council's adoption of the Zoning Code and Map Amendments for the Artesia LIVE II Project.

On March 12, 2018, the City Council of the City of Artesia also adopted Ordinance No. 17-860, by a 4-0-1 vote, approving a Development Agreement between the City of Artesia and Artesia LIVE II Development, LLC to ensure the orderly development of the Artesia LIVE II Project and the reimbursement of public expenses that would be incurred by the City as a result of the Project. Ordinance No. 18-866 also rescinds the approval of the Development Agreement for the Artesia LIVE II Project granted by the City Council under Ordinance No. 17-860.

Notice is hereby given that a copy of this Ordinance No. 18-866 is available for public review at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, and that said Ordinance was passed and adopted on July 9, 2018.

AYES: Lima, Canales, Taj
NOES: None
ABSENT: Flowers, Manalo
ABSTAIN: None

This Ordinance will take effect on August 8, 2018.

Ernesto Sanchez, City Clerk
City of Artesia, California

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

STELLA Y. PLOTNIK
CASE NO. 18STPB06301
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of STELLA Y. PLOTNIK.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MICHAEL PLOTNIK in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MICHAEL PLOTNIK be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 08/09/18 at 8:30AM in Dept. 09 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.
Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for Petitioner
PAUL HORN ESQ. - SBN 243227
PAUL HORN LAW GROUP, PC
11404 SOUTH STREET
CERRITOS CA 90703
7/20, 7/27, 8/3/18
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JEANETTE LYNN BETTENCOURT, aka JEANETTE LYNN WEIR

CASE NO. 18STPB05992
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JEANETTE LYNN BETTENCOURT, aka JEANETTE LYNN WEIR
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by PHILIP ANTHONY BETTENCOURT in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that PHILIP ANTHONY BETTENCOURT be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on AUGUST 2, 2018 at 8:30 A.M. in Dept.: "29" located at: 111 N. Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.
OTHER CALIFORNIA statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
PHILIP ANTHONY BETTENCOURT
Petitioner in Pro Per
13909 Ramsey Drive
La Mirada, CA 90638
Reporter# APC 2067
Published in: La Mirada Lamplighter
Pub Dates: July 13, 20, 27, 2018

Trustee Sale No. 18-02-883 Loan No. Title Order No. 180036524 APN 8064-048-008

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/21/2016. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.
On 08/03/2018 at 11:00AM, Liu Jiehong as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 11/02/2016 as instrument number 20161359089 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by: PDGA USA, Inc, as Trustor, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). AT: BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust.
The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 15020 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, CA 90638.
The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$5,502,503.71 (Estimated).
Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The Beneficiary may elect to bid less than the full credit bid.
The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation.
NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property.
If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Lender, or the Trustee.
NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (626) 579-5350 or visit this Internet Web site www.superiordefault.com, using the file number assigned to this case 18-02-883. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.
The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale.
7/10/2018
Liu Jiehong, As Trustee
by Joyce Le Chang, her attorney-in-fact

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CITY OF CERRITOS
ORDINANCE NO. 1021

AN INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS EXTENDING THE MORATORIUM ON NEW OR EXPANDED SELF-STORAGE FACILITIES AND THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS, USE PERMITS, AND OTHER LAND USE ENTITLEMENTS RELATED THERETO WITHIN THE CITY FOR AN ADDITIONAL TEN (10) MONTHS AND FIFTEEN (15) DAYS.

WHEREAS, the Cerritos Municipal Code does not provide specific regulations or standards with regard to the regulation of self-storage facilities within the City of Cerritos, separate from other warehouse uses regulated under warehousing regulations within the Cerritos Municipal Code; and,

WHEREAS, warehouse uses, and thereby self-storage facilities, are currently conditionally permitted in the following zones: (1) Industrial (M) Zone; (2) Industrial/Commercial (MC) Zone; (iii) Industrial Commercial-One (MC-1) Zone; (iv) Industrial Commercial-Two (MC-2) Zone; and, (v) Area Development Plan One (ADP-1); and,

WHEREAS, over the past few years, the City of Cerritos has seen a substantial increase in inquiries related to the development of new self-storage facilities, the expansion of existing self-storage facilities, or the replacement of an existing use to accommodate a new self-storage facility use, as self-storage facilities typically generate substantial rent income for the respective property owner with minimal overhead or administration costs; and,

WHEREAS, in order to address the City's concerns regarding the potential overconcentration of self-storage facilities within the City of Cerritos, and potential economic impacts of permitting self-storage facilities, it is necessary for the City to assess the potential impacts these uses may have on the City's overall economic growth, and to consider adoption of regulations based on such assessments; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 36937 and 65858 of the California Government Code, to protect the public safety, health and welfare, a City Council may adopt as an urgency measure an interim ordinance prohibiting land uses that may be in conflict with a contemplated General Plan, Specific Plan or Zoning proposal that a legislative body, planning commission or planning department is considering or studying, or intends to study within a reasonable time; and,

WHEREAS, the Cerritos General Plan's goals and objectives encourage the City to preserve, promote and protect the existing high-quality physical development that characterizes the City and quality of life within the City of Cerritos, while encouraging the attraction and retention of land uses that generate revenue for the City of Cerritos; and,

WHEREAS, the Cerritos General Plan also encourages compatible land uses to locate in appropriate areas of the City; and,

WHEREAS, the Cerritos Economic Development Strategic Plan recommends that the City of Cerritos strategically focus on business retention resources so that the City does not prematurely erode its existing economic strengths, including maintaining a high sales tax base, employment labor force, and a strong business base; and,

WHEREAS, permitting new self-storage facilities, or allowing for the expansion of existing self-storage facilities, prior to the adoption of new self-storage specific regulations may result in (i) a current and immediate threat to economic growth by having an over-proliferation of self-storage facilities in commercial and industrial zones, thereby reducing sales tax-generating land uses, (ii) substantial aesthetic conflicts between unregulated self-storage uses and other regulated commercial/industrial uses and potential increases in visual blight, (iii) adverse impacts to public health, safety and welfare as they relate to traffic and parking impacts; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Cerritos wishes to establish comprehensive regulations for the establishment, use and operation of self-storage facilities, so that the public welfare is protected, economic vitality is maintained, and the aesthetics and visual qualities of the City are preserved and protected; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with Sections 36937 and 65858 of the California Government Code, on June 14, 2018, the Cerritos City Council adopted, by unanimous vote, Ordinance No. 1020, establishing a forty-five (45) day moratorium on new self-storage facilities, the expansion of existing self-storage facilities, and the issuance of building permits, use permits, and other land use entitlements related to self-storage facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to ensure that, during the pendency of the assessment for the formulation and implementation of comprehensive regulations, new or expanded self-storage facilities within the City are prohibited, so that the regulations produced by the City's assessment will be fully effective; and,

WHEREAS, during the forty-five (45) day moratorium period, the City commenced reviewing the Cerritos Municipal Code and assessed industry standards for self-storage facilities, as well as trends of other local municipalities, for research purposes; and,

WHEREAS, the moratorium will expire on July 29, 2018 and the City requires additional time is to continue reviewing potential economic impacts of permitting self-storage facilities and to consider adoption of regulations based on such assessments; and,

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 65858(d) requires the City Council, ten (10) days prior to the extension of the moratorium or any extension thereof, to issue a written report describing the measures taken to alleviate the condition which led to the adoption of the moratorium; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 65858 of the California Government Code, to protect the public safety, health and welfare, a City Council may adopt an ordinance to extend the moratorium, for an additional ten (10) months and fifteen (15) days; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Cerritos wishes to extend the moratorium on self-storage facilities, as adopted by City Council Ordinance No. 1020, for a period of ten (10) months and fifteen (15) days to allow reasonable time for the City to continue to assess self-storage facilities and the potential impacts of permitting these facilities within the City.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council finds that the facts set forth in the recitals above are true and correct and hereby adopts the recitals as findings in furtherance for this ordinance.

SECTION 2. The City Council further finds that potential adverse impacts from new self-storage facilities or the expansion of existing self-storage facilities within the City, as stated herein, present a current and immediate threat to public health, safety and welfare, economic vitality, and visual aesthetics of the City. Therefore, the City Council declares that this Ordinance is necessary as an urgency measure under Government Code Section 65858 to address the threats to public health, safety and welfare, economic vitality, and visual aesthetics of the City.

SECTION 3. The City Council hereby extends Ordinance No. 1020 for an additional period of ten (10) months and fifteen (15) days, thereby extending the moratorium on the establishment, development, construction and/or operation of new or expanded self-storage facilities within the City of Cerritos, because such uses, as unregulated, are in conflict with the City's General Plan, the Cerritos Economic Development Strategic Plan, and the contemplated zoning regulations and development standards that the City Council, the City Planning Commission, and/or City's Planning Department is considering or studying or intends to study within a reasonable time from the adoption of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. Notwithstanding any other ordinance or provision of the Cerritos Municipal Code, no person shall establish, develop, construct, or operate a new self-storage facility, and no application for a business license, building permit, conditional use permit, or any other entitlement authorizing the establishment, development, construction, and/or operation of any new or expansion of an existing self-storage facility shall be approved by the City as of the date of this ordinance.

SECTION 5. Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 65858, this Ordinance shall be adopted by four-fifths vote of the City Council, shall take effect immediately upon its adoption, and shall upon adoption extend Ordinance No. 1020 for a period of ten (10) months and fifteen (15) days.

SECTION 6. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65858(d), the City Council hereby approves and issues the attached 10-day report describing the measures taken to alleviate the condition which led to the adoption of the moratorium.

SECTION 7. The City Council hereby finds that pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this Ordinance is an organizational or administrative activity of the City that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment, and therefore not a project. Additionally, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), this Ordinance is exempt from CEQA review because there is no possibility that the extension to the moratorium may have a significant effect on the environment, because it prohibits the issuance of a building or use permit, or any other entitlement for self-storage facilities. Furthermore, even if the Ordinance is considered a project, the proposed moratorium extension is categorically exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15308, because it is clear that the extension to the moratorium will not create an environmental impact and the action will assure the maintenance, enhancement, or protection of the environment through the eventual adoption of regulations and development standards on self-storage facilities. Accordingly, no further environmental review is necessary. Furthermore, as the Ordinance is an administrative procedure related to uses and regulations identified in the Cerritos Municipal Code, and given that the proposed Ordinance is not related to a specific project, the Ordinance (i) by virtue of its location, will not impact a sensitive environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern; (ii) will not have a cumulative impact on the environment through successive projects of the same type, in the same place, over time; (iii) does not have any unusual circumstances that will have a significant effect on the environment; (iv) does not impact a scenic highway; (v) is not located on a hazardous waste site; and (vi) will not adversely impact a historical resource. Accordingly, none of the exceptions to categorical exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2, apply to this Ordinance.

SECTION 8. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and cause the same to be posted as required.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of July, 2018.

/s/Mark E. Pulido
Mark E. Pulido, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/Vida Barone
Vida Barone, City Clerk

CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65858(d) – 10-DAY REPORT REGARDING THE CITY OF CERRITOS FORTY-FIVE (45) DAY MORATORIUM, ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 1020, ON NEW OR EXPANDED SELF-STORAGE FACILITIES, AND PROHIBITING THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS, USE PERMITS, AND OTHER LAND USE ENTITLEMENTS FOR SELF-STORAGE FACILITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF CERRITOS

BACKGROUND

On June 14, 2018, pursuant to California Government Code Sections 65858 and 36937, the Cerritos City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1020, establishing a 45-day moratorium on new self-storage facilities or the expansion of existing self-storage facilities, and prohibiting the issuance of building permits, use permits, and other land use entitlements for these facilities within the City of Cerritos. City Council Ordinance No. 1020 was adopted in an effort to protect the public health, safety, and welfare, to assess the potential impacts that self-storage facilities may have on the City's overall economic growth, and to consider adoption of regulations based on such assessments. The 45-day moratorium is set to expire on July 29, 2018, and in accordance with California Government Code Section 65858(d), at least 10 days prior to the expiration of the 45-day ordinance, the City is required to issue a written report describing the measures taken to alleviate the conditions which led to the adoption of the 45-day moratorium.

MEASURES TAKEN TO ALLEVIATE THE CONDITIONS THAT LED TO THE ADOPTION OF THE URGENCY ORDINANCE

1. The City of Cerritos, in consultation with the City Attorney's Office, has commenced its assessment of potential impacts of permitting these uses, including economic, fiscal, and public health, safety, and welfare impacts.
2. The City of Cerritos has commenced an assessment of other cities' regulations or prohibition of self-storage facilities, by posting a request for information on the League of California Cities Housing, Community, and Economic Development (HCED) ListServe.
3. The City of Cerritos has obtained Municipal Code excerpts from other local jurisdictions pertaining to the regulation or prohibition of self-storage facilities throughout the State of California.
4. The City of Cerritos has started reviewing the existing Cerritos Municipal Code regulations related to self-storage facilities and has commenced the process of amending the Cerritos Municipal Code to establish regulations that are specific and applicable to self-storage facilities, separate from other warehouse uses.
5. The City of Cerritos has also begun reviewing other City of Cerritos plans or documents that may need to be amended following the amendments to the Cerritos Municipal Code, such as the General Plan.

CONTINUED NEED FOR THE MORATORIUM

While the City has commenced its assessment of self-storage facilities, additional time is needed to continue researching industry standards, regulations of other cities, and the potential impacts of permitting these uses in Cerritos, in order to formulate and develop comprehensive regulations for future City Council consideration that will be fully effective in the City of Cerritos. The establishment of regulations for self-storage facilities requires amendments to the Cerritos Municipal Code, which are subject to review and approval by the Cerritos Planning Commission and Cerritos City Council at duly-noticed public meetings. The proper completion of these tasks cannot be completed within the initial 45-day period which ends on July 29, 2018. Therefore, the need for the moratorium remains and it is recommended that the City Council adopt an ordinance extending the existing moratorium for a period of ten (10) months and fifteen (15) days.

State of California)
County of Los Angeles) ss.
City of Cerritos)

I, Vida Barone, City Clerk of the City of Cerritos, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing **Interim Ordinance No. 1021** was duly approved and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on July 12, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Edwards, Hu, Yokoyama, Solanki, Pulido
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.

Dated: July 12, 2018

/s/Vida Barone
Vida Barone, City Clerk



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