



Central Basin Project Will Save 38M Gallons of Potable Water Every Year

The project is funded by a federal grant that does not require matching funds from the Commerce based water agency.

BY BRIAN HEWS

With former disgraced GM Kevin Hunt, his puppet Finance Director Andrew Hamilton, and several other questionable employee's departure, the administrative and financial turnaround continues at Commerce-based Central Basin (CB) Municipal Water.

Sales are up, bogus expenses projected by Hunt and Hamilton are down have been found - substantially cutting expenses - and now water reliability projects are beginning to gush forth.

One of the projects includes the Recycled Water Customer Conversion for Disadvantage Communities Project (DAC).

In November 2020, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) awarded funds for the implementation of projects like the DAC that improve water supply reliability in Central Basin's (CB) area.

CB identified nine public facilities in the cities of Bell, Bellflower, Compton, Huntington Park, South Gate, and Whittier that would benefit from converting parts of their irrigation systems from using drinkable water to recycled water.

CB applied for the grant and it was subsequently awarded.

One of the benefits of the DAC include reducing the

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STATEWIDE VIRTUAL BUILDING CONTEST

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL students in front of their framed shed, a project entered in the Design Build Competition. The students are part of the more than 800 students from 43 schools entered in the competition, which has been going on since 2004. **Full story see page 8.**

Rep. Sanchez Earmarks \$18M for Del Amo Bridge

BY BRIAN HEWS

This week, Congresswoman Linda T. Sánchez (D-CA) designated \$18 million for the Del Amo Boulevard Bridge Replacement and Traffic Signal Synchronization project connecting the cities of Cerritos, La Palma, Lakewood, and Cypress, as well as Los Angeles and Orange Counties.

The funding for this project was requested directly by Sánchez for a project vital to her constituents and was included in the Invest in America Act, a \$547 billion measure reported out by the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee that will cover funding for highways, transit, and rail across the country.

"I am proud to designate funding for a project that is critical to alleviating traffic and increasing driver and pedestrian safety in our neighborhood," Sánchez told HMG-CN.

"Currently, the four-lane roadways approaching from each end of the Del Amo Bridge are forced to merge into two lanes.

This creates a traffic

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Bellflower, City Organizations Donate Shoes

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around."

This small quote from Leo Buscaglia an American author, motivational speaker, and professor in the Department of Special Education at the University of Southern California was all it took to spur on Bellflower City Councilmen Victor A Sanchez and Ray Hamada to join forces with various Bellflower organization including Shriji Mandir Temple

Hindu-Bellflower, Caring Connections, Community Family Guidance Center and city service organizations, gathering volunteers to hand out free shoes to children and selected families.

Pizza, dessert and coloring books were also handed out to all the children that were in attendance.

"I'm always amazed to see the love and compassion by the people who know where the need is," said volunteer Sandra Espinoza, "many of us don't see the need of a pair of shoes because we have plenty. Some of these children only have one

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BELLFLOWER City Councilmen Victor A Sanchez and Ray Hamada organize with the Temple Shriji Mandir for a shoe donation. There were approximately 100 children who were able to receive brand new shoes. Photo by Tammye McDuff.

Californians Can Shed COVID Masks Beginning Next Tuesday June 15

In interviews, some businesses said they will require masks, others not. Patrons are making similar decisions.

BY BRIAN HEWS

Starting next Tuesday, those Californians who have chose to get vaccinated can go mask-free in most settings.

Aligning with the CDC the state will ramp up without capacity restrictions on June 15.

Fully vaccinated residents can cast off their face coverings during most everyday activities, while those who are not vaccinated must keep wearing them indoors.

Beginning Tuesday, fully vaccinated must wear masks in or at:

Public transportation, including airplanes, ships, ferries, trains, subways and taxis, as well as transportation hubs such as subway stations

Indoors in K-12 schools, child care and other youth settings.

Health care settings, including long-term care facilities, homeless shelters, emergency shelters and cooling centers.

Businesses that choose to require masks for all patrons.

Unvaccinated individuals, however, must continue to wear masks in indoor public settings and businesses, such as retail

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Bellflower Will Fine Illegal Fireworks Users \$2,000

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

In response to community outrage over the increased use of illegal fireworks, Bellflower Sheriff and Public Safety personnel have adopted a new enforcement strategy that will be deployed this year that should catch the attention of city residents who break the law.

Call the new strategy "your property, your fine." The strategy

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ABCUSD Schools Win Environmental Awards



WHITNEY STUDENTS hosted a community tree sale to offset their school's paper usage and surpassed their goal by distributing more than 120 trees, making a big impact to improve their neighborhood's air quality, & reduce greenhouse gases.

ABCUSD NEWS

Grades of Green, an international non-profit organization with a mission to inspire and empower kids to care for the environment, recently announced its 2020-2021 Climate Solutions Campaign winners.

They recognized student groups at both Mary Bragg ES and Whitney High School for their environmental programs.

"Today's students are tomorrow's community leaders, and the students at Bragg Elementary and Whitney High are a great example of leadership," said Superintendent Dr. Mary Sieu. "We are proud of the work these students and schools are doing to protect the environment."

The Bragg Green Team won the Best Elementary Impact Award of \$500. The team is a team of over 50 fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students who have been active at their school and in the community. They were recognized for increasing urban tree

cover, protecting tropical forests, and reducing the heat island effect.

"The Green Team has made an impact on our campus," said Bragg Principal Jeff Heilig. "Because of their work, we are using less plastic, and now we'll be adding some beautiful trees because of these amazing kids. Even a pandemic couldn't hold back the Green Team."

The Ecology & Wildlife Club at Whitney High School won the Community Advocates Award of \$500. The student-led club hosted a community tree sale to offset the school's paper usage. The community tree sale was a huge success, with the team distributing more than 120 trees!

"These students have led by example," said Whitney Principal John Briquet. "The tree drive is a perfect example of how a dedicated group of individuals can make a small change that could have a big impact. I am very proud of these students and their drive to make a difference."

La Mirada Rotary Scholarship Winners



LA MIRADA ROTARY scholarship winners from previous years. This year's recipients of the Florence and Cor Van Dam Memorial Scholarships were awarded \$1,000 each. Other scholarships vary in amount, and are intended to provide financial assistance to students planning to attend a university, college, community college or trade school.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

The Rotary Club of La Mirada announced the winners of their 2021 Van Dam Family Scholarships at their first meeting in person meeting in over a year.

The scholarships vary in amount, and are intended to provide financial assistance to students planning to attend a university, college, community college or trade school.

Applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all required information.

Information received is considered confidential and is reviewed only by the Rotary Club of La Mirada Scholarship Committee and/or the La Mirada Community Foundation Scholarship Committee.

Customarily recipients are notified at the La Mirada High School Awards Assembly in May; however due to the current atmosphere and changes in the district, recipients were notified by phone or email.

The following are the recipients of the 2021 Florence and Cor Van Dam Memorial Scholarships; each recipient was awarded \$1,000 each.

• **Samantha Morales Barreto**, an athlete and scholar, Barreto has done extensive volunteer work with several organizations including the Relay for Life and the Aquarium of the Pacific and has served as treasurer of the Interact Club at La Mirada High. She plans to attend CSU Monterrey Bay or CSU Long Beach and major in Marine Science.

• **Paige Nielsen** is active in several academic clubs at La Mirada High, and has volunteered with Leaders in Training and the Key Club tutoring other students. She plans to attend UC Irvine or UC Santa Barbara to study

pharmaceutical sciences.

• **Liam Saucedo** has put in numerous volunteer hours [approximately 120] donating food and assisting those in the community both through his church, various clubs at La Mirada High, and with home projects. He plans to attend UC Davis or Long Beach State University and study civil engineering.

• **Karen Vizcarra** has excelled academically and found time to volunteer helping students at a local elementary school despite moving back to the US from Mexico just two years ago, She maintained a 4.0 while learning English and plans to attend CSU Long Beach, majoring in liberal studies to become a teacher.

The scholarships began with La Mirada founding father Cor Van Dam who immigrated to Southern California in 1930 with his parents and six siblings.

Van Dam was one of the founding members of the La Mirada Rotary Club and of the La Mirada Chamber of Commerce.

It was members of the Rotary Club that originally formed the Chamber of Commerce.

In 2002 the Van Dam family established the C.A. Van Dam Family Foundation a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

It is through the generous donations of this Foundation that the Rotary Club of La Mirada is able to award scholarships to graduating seniors at La Mirada High School. T

he Rotary Club of La Mirada thanks the C.A. Van Dam Family Foundation for their continued support of the scholarship program and looks forward to working with them in the future.

The Cerritos City Council and members of the Successor Agency to the Cerritos Redevelopment Agency will review the following item at the City Council meeting to be held on Thursday, June 24, 2021 at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers:

- Review and consideration to waive full reading of and adopt a joint resolution of the City Council of the City of Cerritos and the Successor Agency to the Cerritos Redevelopment Agency, approving and adopting the annual Combined Financial Program for Fiscal Year 2021-2022, appropriating the funds necessary to meet the expenditures set forth therein, and approving the pay schedules for personnel expenses as set forth in the employee classification tables and classification steps.
- Review and consideration to waive full reading of and adopt a joint resolution of the City Council of the City of Cerritos and the Successor Agency to the Cerritos Redevelopment Agency, approving and adopting the annual investment policy for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.



For more information, call (562) 916-1355.

APPT. ONLY - Blood Drive at Cerritos Towne Center

Cerritos Towne Center and Southern California Blood Bank have partnered to host a blood drive on Saturday, June 12, 2021 at 10:00 am - 3:00 pm.

If you have never donated blood before, now is the perfect time to try it.

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The drive is at 12731 Towne Center Avenue in Cerritos in the parking lot in front of Trader Joe's.

You can schedule and appointment at www.mysdbb.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/69244

Requirements for blood donors include that all donors must show picture identification, and appointments are required.

Lakewood Projects an \$800K Budget Surplus

The surplus is very 'strategic' says management and was part of the rationale for passing the Measure L sales tax.

At their June 8, 2021 meeting, Lakewood City Council Members made mid-cycle adjustments to the two-year budget that runs from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2022.

Lakewood's budget remains balanced in its focus and priorities, with almost equal spending on recreation and community services, public works and public safety (each constitute about 25% of the city budget).

"The good news is that our city has weathered the economic effects of COVID better than many other communities," said City Manager Thaddeus McCormack.

"That's largely because our local economy is not based on tourism, but instead on spending by residents of Lakewood and nearby cities who come to Lakewood to shop. And they've continued to shop here throughout the pandemic.

"The benefits of Measure L for Lakewood have also kicked in over the past year," said McCormack. "The bottom line is that Lakewood is on track to where we wanted to be with Measure L in terms of being able to now start repairing and improving our parks, community buildings and city infrastructure... and to also make some strategic enhancements to other important services to residents."

The mid-cycle budget adjustments for the year ahead include these features:

\$3 million for repairs and improvements to parks and community buildings. Lakewood has a \$30 million backlog in repairs and renovations for its aging community buildings and parks, and these projects were a key feature of Measure L. Initial projects this year will include:

- New picnic shelters and tot lot playground for San Martin Park.
- Bathroom renovations at Rynerson Park.
- Renovations to the outdated roofs and electrical systems at Biscailuz, Bloomfield and San Martin park.

An additional traffic safety Deputy Sheriff. The new deputy will provide more traffic safety coverage throughout the city and a greater ability to prevent distracted driving, driving under the influence, the running of stop signs, and other unsafe driving. Funding for the new position became available because the Sheriff's Department annual cost increase to Lakewood was less than expected, freeing up funds the city could use for this new position.

\$800,000 budget surplus projected for the upcoming fiscal year. The surplus is very strategic and was part of the rationale for Measure L. Lakewood needs the surplus in the early years of Measure L in order to pay down long-term costs, including infrastructure repairs, so that the city can extend the benefits of Measure L for many years into the future.

"We promised that Measure L would keep Lakewood in good shape for the long term," said McCormack, "and we are off to a good start in making that a reality. We are led in that cause by our City Council, and helped by the members of the Lakewood community who sit on our Measure L Citizens Oversight Committee."

Senator Archuleta Continues 'Operation Safe Senior'

As California is safely reopening, State Senator Bob Archuleta, D-Pico Rivera, announced the official start of Operation Safe Senior (OSS) a public health service to the older population in Senate District 32 residing in senior living facilities.

In the first round of OSS, Senator Archuleta delivered hundreds of PPE to several area cities. "Although reopening is a great boost to the economy, we must be mindful of the safety guidelines," Archuleta said. "This is especially important for our most vulnerable population – our seniors.



NORWALK MAYOR Jennifer Perez joined Senator Bob Archuleta at the Christian Senior Towers along with city staff and employees of the Christian Senior Towers for Operation Safe Senior, where over 100,000 masks and hand sanitizer will be distributed throughout the district.

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Pandemic Release: Visit The State for a Great Brunch



THE STATE has an industrial aesthetic look and is one of the more trendy places to dine at. The eatery is located front and center at Victoria Gardens Lane, which features the Choo Choo Monga Express for kids. Poutine- fries, curds and short rib ragu. YUM!

offers a collection of shopping, dining, and entertainment options. It is truly a destination with countless experiences.

Whether it's an afternoon snack, a hot cup of coffee or a relaxing meal with friends or family, take a break to recharge, refuel and indulge in a variety of dining options. This past Sunday we gathered the family together, and made reservations for The State. Located front and center on Victoria Gardens Lane, the restaurant has ample seating with an open air ambience, all the front walls are actually windows that completely open.

It was a beautiful late Sunday morning and our party of nine was seated within about 20 minutes and is now one of my top places of choice. It has a modern industrial aesthetic and is by far one of the more trendy places to dine at. The food is absolutely delicious. As a recommendation we tried the poutine, fries with cheese curds, gravy, and braised short ribs, and out of this world delicious. We also ordered the homemade house Hummus with a side of pita bread, with mixed greens tossed in lemon

vinaigrette. The menu has a number of appetizers, called 'Shareables' from fried Brussels sprouts to bacon wrapped dates all for under \$10.00

The brunch menu is endless. Chopped flat iron steak, scrambled eggs, queso fresco, cheese, salsa, herb aioli on corn tortillas topped with cilantro and calabrian chili makes a perfect dish.

Their Chilaquiles gives you a choice of how you would like your eggs, with fried tortilla in salsa roja, avocado, black beans, cilantro, sour cream, pickled red onions and queso fresco cheese forever.

It was tossup between the French toast and the Belgian waffle, but with the offering of orange honey butter, fresh berries and bourbon maple syrup with Chantilly cream made it an easier choice.

Happy Hour is served Monday all day, Tuesday through Friday 11am to 6pm and Sunday 9am to noon. T

The State is located at 7900 Kew Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga, for more information call 909-317-2397 or visit <http://www.thestaterestaurant.com>

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BY TAMMYE MCDUFF
 If you have never been to Victoria Gardens Shopping Mall in Rancho Cucamonga, then prepare to be delighted. With over 150 stores and more than 47 restaurants, this is a mall that has something for everyone. And to the delight of all kids the Choo Choo Monga Express is now open and operating. Victoria Gardens is an open-air lifestyle center, approximately 40 miles east of Los Angeles. The center

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Cerritos College Set to Re-Open
STAFF REPORT
 After operating almost entirely online for over a year, Cerritos College will re-open its physical campus for the fall 2021 semester. The College will offer a combination of in-person and online instruction, and student services will also return to campus in a reduced capacity beginning August 2, 2021.
 To best meet the needs of students, the College will resume on-campus operations with 50 percent of all class offerings for each department in a hybrid format, combination of on-site and virtual/online courses. The College conducted two student surveys in April 2021 to gauge student readiness and

willingness to return to campus. Overall, a majority of students indicated that, for the fall 2021 semester, they prefer to learn via a mix of in-person and remote instruction or in-person instruction only.
 Campus operations during summer session will continue in the same format as in spring 2021 with mostly online classes. A limited number of career technical program labs will be open during summer for courses that could not be fully transitioned online, including culinary arts, woodworking, nursing, among other classes.
 Beginning Monday, August 2, campus offices will be available for in-person services Monday through Thursday for at least eight hours each day. On Fridays, all campus offices will be open online only.
 Hybrid instruction in fall 2021 includes a combination of on-site classes and online instruction. On-site classes will adhere to capacity limits defined for the current Tier

with strict adherence to mask requirements and social distancing.
 To address vaccine equity and access, the College hosted two on-campus COVID-19 vaccine clinics in partnership with Coast Plaza Hospital and Pico Care Pharmacy, and is a regional vaccine site in partnership with the City of Hawaiian Gardens. The College also offers students and employees free Moderna vaccines on campus through its Student Health Services by appointment.
 "As we return to campus, the District will continue to comply with mandates and guidelines from the state and local health officials. We continue to ensure that student, staff, and faculty health and safety remain the top priority as we collaboratively make decisions for our return to campus," said Dr. Jose Fierro, president/superintendent, Cerritos College.

LAKWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

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Lakewood Hair Salon Receives \$9,959 grant



MAYOR JEFF WOOD presenting ceremonial SELACO check to La De Da salon owner Natasha Jackson. Wood is Lakewood's representative on the SELACO Policy Board where he currently is the chair of the board.

STAFF REPORT

La De Da salon on Del Amo Blvd. near the 605 Freeway is one of six Lakewood businesses that have won federal COVID relief grants distributed by SELACO (the South East L.A. County Workforce Development Board).

Hair We Are at 4130 South St. was another Lakewood salon to also win a grant.

La De Da will use the funds to defray the costs of the COVID protection equipment it purchased

during the height of the pandemic, including plexiglass, tents, cleaning supplies, air purifier and banners.

Salon owner Natasha Jackson was reflective and appreciative when Lakewood Mayor Jeff Wood asked what it meant to her to get the funds. "Somebody cared enough to want me to stay open," said Jackson.

"It meant a whole lot." La De Da salon specializes in hair and makeup. Jackson was recently voted "favorite hair stylist" by the readers of a local daily newspaper.

Helping the Homeless in La Mirada

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

"When I reflect over the last few months, two themes for Neighborhood Life Church [NLC] are constantly recurring, maturing and building. Maturing relationships within the community and surrounding areas and literally building shelters."

Volunteer and Pastor David Newman, stated "God sure has been blessing us and allowing us to be neighbors to our city. We have been given so many opportunities to be a blessing to so many."

Some highlights of the new church is the homeless ministry at Project Room Key and Project Home Key, the COVID initiative that used hotels to Looking forward, NLC will continue their partnership with Heart of Compassion and serving the homeless

population; creating care packages for children that have lost a parent due to Covid-19, hosting the LASBA Family barbecue July 15 and holding their first Vacation Bible School in person, July 22-24.

Forming a coalition of faith based services NLC has partnered with Foursquare Church La Mirada, La Mirada Church of the Nazarene, Return the Love Worship Night as well as Grocery Outlet giving summer snack packs to over 300 Norwalk high school students that are in summer school. If you are interested in partnering with any of the outreach opportunities please email Neighborlife.church@gmail.com.

If you would like to learn more about NLC please visit neighborhoodlifechurch.net



NEIGHBORHOOD LIFE CHURCH, partnering with several other La Mirada faith organizations, helps to build shelters for the homeless, like the project above in the city.

AMAZON ECHO : SHARING YOUR BANDWIDTH WITHOUT PERMISSION

(AP) Do you own an Amazon smart device? If so, odds are good that the company is already sharing your internet connection with your neighbors unless you've specifically told it not to.

On Tuesday, the company launched a program that forces users of many Echo smart speakers and Ring security cameras to automatically share a small portion of their home wireless bandwidth with neighbors. The only way to stop it is to turn it off yourself.

Amazon says the program, called Amazon Sidewalk, is a way to make sure lights, smart locks and other gadgets outside the home and out of reach of a Wi-Fi connection stay working.

But some experts warn that the technology is so new that privacy and security risks remain unclear. And almost no one seems happy that Amazon forced consumers into Amazon Sidewalk — or that many people may not know they can opt out .

Amazon says it sent emails to customers last month and in November that Sidewalk was coming. The company says you'll also get a notification when you set up gadgets that work with Sidewalk.

Once you know about it, it's relatively straightforward, if not exactly simple, to opt out of Sidewalk. Echo users can go into the Alexa app, tap "More" in the lower right hand corner, then tap "Settings," then "Account Settings," where they'll find a section for Amazon Sidewalk and a button to disable it. In the Ring app, go to "Control Center" and then tap "Sidewalk."

The idea behind Sidewalk is to integrate residential wireless connections into a "mesh network" that can extend coverage to areas home Wi-Fi can't reach. Amazon's Echo and Ring devices band together to create a this network by grabbing a slice of bandwidth from each cooperative home network. That can extend the range of devices designed to work with Sidewalk so they'll stay connected even when away from your home network.

One example of such a device is Tile, a tracking device that can be placed on keys or a dog's collar. If your dog goes miss-

ing in a neighborhood where Sidewalk is working, it might turn up quickly via Tile.

Other products that work with Sidewalk include smart locks that can be controlled by phone and wearable devices that can track people with dementia who may wander. Amazon expects additional devices, including outdoor lights and motion detectors, will work with Sidewalk.

Amazon is tapping into a variety of radio technologies, including one called LoRa for its long range and better known for industrial and business applications such as keeping track of cattle roaming through pasturelands.

Hackers could potentially infiltrate home networks via Sidewalk, said Eric Null, a policy manager at digital rights group Access Now. If that happens, Null said hackers could observe everything you do, take over your devices or access your files to steal information.

"It's only a matter of time before someone's network gets hacked and data gets breached," said Null.

William Tong, Connecticut's attorney general, warned consumers this week that the program was "uncharted territory" and that people should opt-out of Sidewalk unless they are sure their privacy and security will be protected.

"Wireless networks are already notoriously vulnerable to hacks and breaches," Tong wrote in a statement. "Families need better information and more time before giving away a portion of their bandwidth to this new system."

Which Device

Echo devices that share network bandwidth via Sidewalk include the third generation and newer versions of the Echo, Echo Dot, Echo Dot for Kids and the Echo Dot with Clock. The Echo Show 5, 8, 10; the second generation of the Echo Show; Echo Spot; Echo Plus; Echo Studio; Echo Input; Echo Flex.

Sidewalk-enabled Ring devices include the Ring Floodlight Cam; Ring Spotlight Cam Wired; and Ring Spotlight Cam Mount.

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Announcement for the Position of Personnel Commissioner

An application for this position **must be time-stamped** in the Classified Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm.

The application packet may be accessed and copied on-line by visiting the Personnel Commission page on the district web site at www.montebello.k12.ca.us.
Applications are not to be submitted electronically.

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Burglary-Other
5/25 11100 Blk. 183rd st, store, shoes, sunglasses, clothes stolen.
5/31 17700 Blk. Crusader Ave., business, front windows shattered.

Grand Theft
5/24 239 Los Cerritos Ctr., store, sport jerseys stolen.
5/25 18000 Blk. Studebaker Rd., catalytic converter stolen.
5/24 18400 Blk. Laurelbrook Cir., catalytic converter stolen.
5/30 15500 Blk. South St., store, catalytic converter stolen.
5/29 17400 Blk. Studebaker Rd., business, catalytic converter stolen.
5/27 12500 Blk. Corellian Ct., laptop stolen
5/24 Claretta Ave/Del Amo Bl., Kia, stolen and recovered.
5/29 11900 Blk. Eberle St., Toyota stolen not recovered.
5/25 13700 Blk. Midway St., GMC Yukon, recovered.

Vehicle Burglary
5/28 11800 Blk. Del Amo, gym, driver side window smashed purse stolen.
5/29 12600 Blk. Artesia Bl., apts., Jetta window shattered, garage remotes stolen.
5/26 Studebaker Rd. / Bos St. Honda window shattered, purse/jewelry stolen.
5/24 19700 Blk. Bloomfield Ave., park, forced entry, debit/credit cards stolen.
5/25 Claretta Ave. / Del Amo Bl Nissan right rear passenger window shattered.
5/25 12900 Blk. Park Plaza Dr., store, Toyota, rear driver side window smashed, bag stolen.
05/24 10900 Blk. Alondra Bl., store, Jetta, rear window, backpack stolen.
5/30 12600 Blk. Artesia Bl., apts.,

Nissan front window shattered, bag, laptop, sunglasses stolen.
05/2312600 Blk. Artesia Bl., apts., BMW, window/shattered, cash stolen.

La Mirada

Notable Arrests

- A suspect was arrested for throwing a brick at a vehicle near the intersection of **Imperial Hwy. and Ocaso Ave.** No injuries were sustained during the incident.
- During a traffic stop a suspect was arrested for possession of a loaded illegal handgun on the **15000 block of Manecita.**
- Six suspects were arrested throughout La Mirada for various warrants and narcotics violations.

Robbery

- A suspect was detained and arrested on the **12800 block of La Mirada Blvd.** after using force to steal a beer from the location. No injuries were sustained during the incident.

Residential Burglary

- A daytime burglary was reported on the **13600 block of Avion Dr.** The exact loss is yet to be determined.

Other Structure Burglary

- Various tools were reported stolen on the **15200 block of Canary Ave.**

Vehicle Burglary

- A purse was reported stolen during an afternoon window smash burglary near the **intersection of Rosecrans Ave. and Mercado Ave.**
- A daytime burglary was reported on the **13700 block of La Mirada Blvd.** No items were reported missing.

Grand Theft Auto

- A sedan was reported stolen on the **16100 block of Rosecrans Ave.**
- A commercial truck was reported stolen on the **16000 block of Heron Ave.**
- A SUV was reported stolen on the **15700 block of Willowood St.**
- A trailer was reported stolen on the **15800 block of Rosalita Dr.**

Three Arrested for Collecting Kidnapping Ransom in Pico Rivera

BY BRIAN HEWS

Law enforcement officials have arrested three men allegedly involved in a ring that kidnapped at least six people near the U.S.- Mexico border, later demanding ransom for their release, and often refusing to release them after payments were made, asking for more money.

Edgar Lemus, 23, of Vernon; Francisco Martinez, 20, also of Vernon; and Junior Martinez, 23, of Watts, have been charged with one count of money laundering conspiracy.

Lemus and Hernandez were arrested Monday evening on a federal criminal complaint. Almendarez was arrested – also on Monday evening – on a separate complaint.

According to affidavits filed with the complaints, each of the kidnapping incidents targeted victims who were waiting or attempting to cross the border from Mexico into the United States.

In each incident, the kidnapers offered to assist in smuggling the victims across the border from Mexico, but instead would hold them for ransom.

The kidnapers insisted on ransom payments from the victim's family members to release the victim, the affidavit states.

The kidnapers used specific sections at Walmart and other stores in Southern California to meet with the family members to collect the ransom payments.

After the payments were made, however, the kidnapers demanded additional money rather than releasing the victim, according to the affidavit.

Lemus picked up a \$19,000 ransom payment on April 20 at a Walmart store in South Gate, Hernandez picked up a \$15,000 ransom payment on May 26 at a Walmart in Paramount and at a Target store in South Gate.

All three were seen together on May 31 at a shopping center in Pico Rivera for another ransom payment pickup.

Law enforcement identified Lemus, Hernandez and Almendarez using video surveillance footage during the ransom drops.

At one payment stop, the three refused to release the victim and demanded additional payment. After the victim's husband told the kidnapers that they had made him crash his car and he was in the streets begging for more money, they stopped calling him. The victim was released on April 22.

The \$15,000 ransom payment Hernandez picked up on May 26 at the Walmart in Paramount was from the husband of another kidnapping victim who was being held in Mexicali.

After the ransom payment was made, the kidnapers demanded an additional \$16,000 because the victim purportedly broke a package believed to contain narcotics, the affidavit states.

From February 9 to June 2, Almendarez made 10 cash transfers – all but one sent to individuals in Mexico – totaling \$14,720 at a MoneyGram store in Lynwood. Several of the transfers were sent to a receiving MoneyGram agent in Mexicali, where the kidnappings occurred, the affidavit alleges.

If convicted, the defendants would face a statutory maximum sentence of 20 years in federal prison.

Cerritos College Hosts Forum on 166th Street Lots

Cerritos College will host its second virtual forum of the year to update residents about changes to its property located at the 166th Street and Studebaker Road corner lot.

On September 18, 2017, the Cerritos City Council approved the College's Temporary Use Permit (TUP) for four years.

The TUP authorizes the College to convert the property at 166th Street and Studebaker Road into an automobile storage facility.

The Cerritos College Board of Trustees passed a resolution on September 6, 2017, to address issues raised by residents and the City, including dust and light mitigation, hours of operation, loading of vehicles, security, and landscaping.

The College continues to work closely with the City of Cerritos to meet the requirements outlined in the TUP.

The forum will be Monday, June 21, 5:30 p.m. via zoom, You must RSVP for the zoom information to grijalva@cerritos.edu to receive the zoom information.

Universal Studios Looks to Hire 2,000 People

Universal Studios Hollywood is casting a wide net to fill more than 2,000 jobs at the theme park destination, offering prospective employees a chance to work within the entertainment industry and alongside some of the most popular rides.

The positions run the gamut from full-time, part-time and seasonal to professional career opportunities.

A highlight of available jobs includes those in Attractions, Entertainment, including Production Assistants and Show Controllers, Guest Relations, Park Services, Wardrobe, Retail, Parking and Food, including posts as Bartenders, Baristas, Cooks, Bakers, Food Stand Attendants and Runners.

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An array of professional jobs is available from Finance, Marketing, Human Resources and Engineering to Environmental Health & Safety.

To apply, please visit www.NBCunicareers.com.

More information about Universal Studios Hollywood and Universal CityWalk is available at www.UniversalStudiosHollywood.com. Regular updates can be found on Universal Studios Hollywood's [Twitter@UniStudios](https://twitter.com/UniStudios), [Facebook-Universal Studios Hollywood](https://www.facebook.com/UniversalStudiosHollywood) and [Instagram @UniStudios](https://www.instagram.com/UniStudios).

Commerce Restarts Several Measure AA Projects in City

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

At the June 8, 2021 regular scheduled Commerce City Council meeting, the Measure AA Advisory Committee considered approving a budget allocation of over \$6.8 million to fund new projects.

Assistant City Manager Viko Domic wrote in his memo to City Council, "In order to prevent projects from becoming stagnant, an updated process was created to better manage current projects and new requests."

As reported in an earlier staff report, a list of over 150 projects were wittled down to 15.

New project requests were scored and evaluated by a committee consisting of Domic, acting Finance Director Josh Brooks and Director of Public Works Daniel Hernandez.

The approved projects were:

- Transportation Department: replace backup power generators, estimated at \$900,000.
- Public Works: twelve requests from ADA compliance estimated at \$5.1 million.
- Economic Development and Planning: r three new project at \$335,000 which include a contract extensions and planning support services.
- Parks Department: four requests: a pool filter at \$135,000; gym fitness equipment at \$62,000; carpet replacement at \$18,000; and Camp Commerce Pool and Jacuzzi at \$75,000.

Rancho Los Alamitos Receives \$5,000 Grant



RANCHO LOS ALAMITOS has been awarded \$5,000 for its project entitled *Women's Stories from the Gathering Place*. It was inspired by the Long Beach 2020 Women's Suffrage Centennial celebration, which shed light on the historical work of women.

California Humanities has announced the recent round of Humanities for All Quick Grant awards. Rancho Los Alamitos Foundation has been awarded \$5,000 for its project entitled *Women's Stories from the Gathering Place*.

Women's Stories from the Gathering Place is a three-part, virtual public program series developed by Rancho Los Alamitos (RLA). It was inspired by the Long Beach 2020 Women's Suffrage Centennial celebration, which shed light on the historical work of women in the area.

The first program, *Cooking for a Crowd*, designed for families with children, highlights Lydia Shinkle, the RLA's cook from 1920 to 1943, who led the complex daily operation of preparing meals on a wood-burning stove for the Bixby family and ranch hands. A virtual tour will feature her

private quarters, the ranch hands' dining room, and the kitchen. Then, participants follow a period-appropriate cookie-making activity from home. Register at <https://bit.ly/RLAcook>.

Subsequent programs will occur on Sundays, August 8 and October 10, 2021.

In August, Cindi Alvitre will read her illustrated children's book, *Waa'aka': The Bird Who Fell in Love with the Sun* (2020) in the Jacaranda Walk – the site of an ancient Tongva kitchen midden.

The program in October, geared toward young adults, will be *A Seat at the Table*, a virtual symposium on women's roles in civic engagement presented in partnership with CSULB students, the Historical Society of Long Beach, and other community partners. Registration will be available on the Rancho's website prior to the events.

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High Schoolers learn life lessons at statewide virtual remote building contest

The Design Build Competition has become the premier showcase of high school students' skills in design, project management, and construction.

BY LINDA HANSON

It's a first ever virtual and remote "hammers down" for local high school construction students entered in the 35th Annual Design Build Competition this semester.

North Orange County Regional Occupational Program (NOCROP) Building Industry and Technology Academy (BITA) student teams are part of the more than 800 students from 43 schools entered in the statewide competition. They have competed in it since 2004.

Normally, the competition is held at the Orange County Fair Grounds or more recently in Huntington Beach. But due to the coronavirus pandemic this year, the weekend-long event was held virtually through a software platform, Inspected, which allowed projects to be judged at individual school sites.

"The Design Build Competition has become the premier showcase of high school students' skills in design, project management, and construction," said Anthony Perera, founder of Inspected. "After spending decades building structures in the same parking lot, we are thrilled to be part of the first-ever virtual team competition."

All building materials are provided to teams of 15 students who together construct sheds, playhouses, storage units, and agricultural structures that are later donated to regional nonprofits or sold to help fund their school's future projects. More than \$100,000 worth of materials are provided to the schools free of charge thanks to the Construction Industry Education Foundation (CIEF) and other sponsors such as Inspected.

To keep students safe through social distancing during the pandemic, judges used software to open a secure video conferencing with the school administrators to review structures, ask questions, and record photos and videos. Winners are provided with gift cards to Harbor Freight Tools, and a few scholarships are awarded

to graduating seniors pursuing careers in construction. Some include scholarships to apprenticeship programs, two- and four-year colleges or universities as well as to trade schools.

"Instructors in the BITA 2, 3 and 4 classes allow their students to participate in the competition once they are prepared and pass the safety test," said Linda Skipper, Administrator of Instructional Programs with the NOCROP. "Previous instruction and proficiency in the use of power tools are required of all construction team members. All ROP students must pass a safety test before using any tools or equipment."

Teams view the competition as a service-learning project and prepared to donate their structures to nonprofits or other places that might benefit from them. Brea Canyon High School is donating their structure to be used for emergency disaster supply storage to a continuation school in their district. Valencia High School plans to donate theirs to a neighboring middle school for use as library storage, according to Skipper.

Five school districts in North Orange County are a part of the NOCROP including the Anaheim Union High School District, Brea Olinda Unified School District, Fullerton Joint Union High School District, Los Alamitos Unified School District, and Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District. Accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), they offer career technical education coursework and career readiness training to more than 16,000 students annually. Classes are held at 25 high schools, three junior high schools, two middle schools and two ROP facilities offering a wide variety of career education in northern Orange County and neighboring areas in Los Angeles County.

"North Orange County ROP worked with the Building Industry Association of Orange County (BIAOC) in 2002 to develop the curriculum [for their construction program]," Skipper explained. "The California Homebuilders Foundation now maintains the curriculum (since 2012). For many years, NOCROP had the only BITA programs in the state." Programs are now

VIRTUAL BUILDING

A shed under construction at the Design Build Competition held this spring.

STUDENTS

in California putting together their Design Build Competition structure.

offered across California.

When it came to the Design Building Competition, the pandemic created several challenges for the schools, according to Skipper. Four of programs were at schools with still 100 percent distance learning, not allowing them to compete. Two of NOCROP schools, Brea Olinda High School and the program at Valencia High School were both on an online/hybrid schedule with about 37 percent of their students in person two days a week, according to Skipper.

"Before COVID, typically BITA 3 and BITA 4 students were part of a 15-person team that would compete," she said. "For the 2021 competition, there were no minimum or maximum number of students who could participate. Students at school for in-person instruction in BITA 2, 3, or 4 had the opportunity to work on the structure. Teachers used the project as a teachable moment for first year BITA 1 students. They learned how to read blueprints and checked the progress of the build for accuracy."

"It was the first time in many years that we did not have one of our schools place [in the competition], but the students were thrilled to have tools in their hands and create something," Skipper said.

The competition is open to high school students, grades 9-12. Students are tasked with designing and preparing construction documents and building their structure at their school site or another designated area. All plans are provided by the Design Build Competition, and student teams are judged on design completion, plan review (if applicable), health and safety adherence, and construction phases of a structure, Skipper said.

This year's competition included a Build Category with plans for a 96 sq. ft. structure with a materials list, none of which can be altered. The Design Category is where schools submit their own plans based on a set list of materials, where they cannot add anything to it. The Open Category is where schools submit their own plans for their structure, and where additional materials can be used beyond the materials list. In the Kitchen Sink Category, the schools can create their own structure(s) that will be judge on craftsmanship.

"We encourage schools to build with purpose," she said. "Maybe your local SPCA needs dog houses, your local park may need benches, your students need online OSHA 10 training or build at home boxes for a Zoom build. The key is getting students building again."

The joy of building something with your own hands is what drew 16-year-old Tyler Petersen of Brea to enter the BITA

program. The soon-to-be junior attends Brea Orinda High School and likes to be physically active, having hopes to enter the construction field for a career. "I love the fact that I get to use my hands to work," he said. "I like how I get to move around and not sit idled while working."

In the Design Building Competition, he learned how to frame, do electrical and plumbing in building a shed. He already had experience in framing and electric from helping his father. He also learned about the importance of safety and responsibility.

"I learned about a good work ethic and that if you are going to do something, do it well," Petersen said. "Our project turned out better than expected and looks very good."

For Riley Cooper, 17, of Brea who also attends Orinda High School, having a passion for construction lies in how versatile the skill can be, and how learning about it now are things is something that can be carried throughout a lifetime.

"The skills in building I have [are something] I can use in my own home and do completely on my own," Cooper said. "Additionally, I find it quite fun, and it teaches me to appreciate something when I can fix it myself."

The Design Build Competition demonstrated how not only how to work fast, but also how to work right.

"You want everything you do to be 100 percent because it is better to build perfect than speed through it and have to build twice," Cooper added. "Our project turned out beautiful. We built a full shed that included, roofing, floors, walls, a window, and a door. We spent a bit longer than allowed but I think it turned out better than most because we took our time to make it look great and not cut corners."

For Octavio Cervantes, 18, of Anaheim, a 12th grader at Valencia high school, he loves many things about construction and being a part of the BITA team.

"The part I love about building and construction are the endless possibilities, being part of the impossible and the future," he said. "In this field I hope to grow and help others who have the same interest."

During the Design Build Competition, Cervantes learned the value of communication, teamwork and how to be patient with others. He added that in his opinion, he helped build one of the best projects created for the competition. He especially likes using his skills outside of the classroom.

"The skills I have learned in BITA, I have used to build or fix things outside the classroom," he explained. "One of the things I did was modify my neighbor's wooden door to prevent their puppy from escaping."

For more information about the competition, please visit online at www.inspected.com.



Students Invent Ember Detection System to Fight Roof-Top Fires

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

A team of 42 students from Archer School for Girls in Los Angeles is among 13 teams nationwide awarded the prestigious Lemelson-MIT InvenTeams grant an award given to students who invent solutions that solve real-world problems.

Their invention is a system that detects incoming fire embers and then activates roof top sprinklers to help prevent fire.

"In 2019, the fatal Getty fire burned within miles of our school, forcing us to shut down. We began to think of ways to create a device that would protect build-

ings from wildfires," said team member Jagger Price.

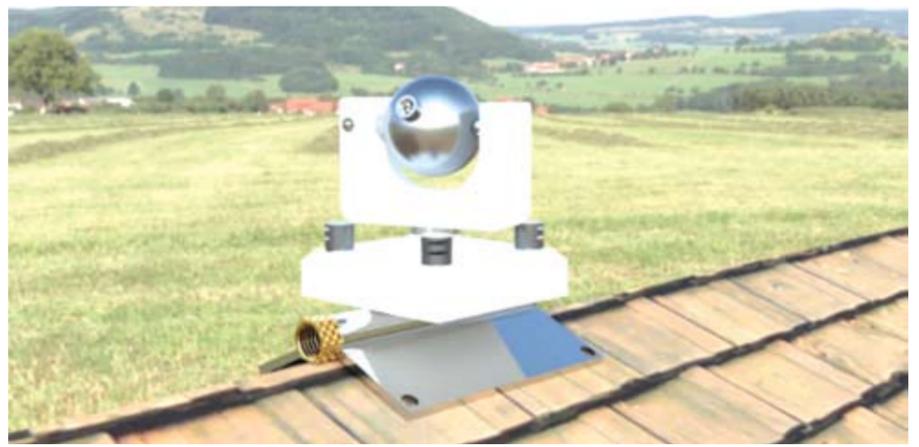
"We developed an automatic sprinkler system that uses infrared cameras to detect, target, and extinguish approaching embers and hot spots. Our device, Hydra, attaches to rooftops and uses both a targeted spray nozzle and sprinkler fan nozzles to guarantee the safety of homes from wildfires."

California had 7,860 wildfires, resulting in over 250K acres burned & 732 structures damaged/destroyed in 2020.

Research found that up to 90 percent of structures burned in wildfires were ignited by embers rather than the central fire.

These embers can fly up to 70 mph; a single ember can easily travel far away from its source and ignite a new fire.

Examination of the 2018 Woolsey Fire, which burned almost 97,000 acres, revealed that embers spread by the Santa Ana winds were primarily responsible for



THE HYDRA attaches to rooftops and uses spray and sprinkler nozzles to help extinguish ember roof fires. **Bottom left:** some of the students who collaborated to invent Hydra.



the fire damage.

The Team developed an automatic sprinkler system that uses infrared cameras to detect, target, and extinguish approaching embers and hot spots.

The Team was split into six committees which helped build trust and responsibility among the team members. The committees were Mechanical Engineering, Programming-App, Programming-Motion, Design and CAD, Budgeting and Purchasing, Communications and Outreach.

The team will be honored at the 15th Annual EurekaFest, a celebration presented by the Lemelson-MIT Program that empowers student inventors and role models.

In addition to presentations from the teams, collegiate recipients who won the coveted 2021 Lemelson-MIT Student Prize will showcase their inventions.

"Since 2006, the InvenTeams initiative has been changing the way educators teach and provide young people, especially young women from underrepresented backgrounds, creative problem solving skills," said Stephanie Couch, Executive Director of Lemelson-LMIT.

Couch continued, "InvenTeams students rely on inquiry and hands on problem solving as they integrate lessons from science, technology, engineering, and math [STEM] to develop invention prototypes; interactive, self-directed learning are essential for experiencing invention."

The InvenTeams initiative teaches students to work in groups, collaborating with intended users of their inventions. They partner with organizations within the community to enrich their experiences.

"Most of all, students learn to move forward through challenges and celebrate those 'Eureka!' moments," Couch added.

The inventive culture often continues to prosper at school, furthering development of future prototypes and new projects. To date, twelve InvenTeams have received patents for their projects.

Other InvenTeams for the 2021 school year include students from Texas, Michigan, Massachusetts, Florida, New Jersey, New York, Minnesota, Georgia, and Wisconsin.

For more information about the program visit www.lemelson.mit.edu/inventeams.

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CIF-SS DIV. 7 SOFTBALL PLAYOFFS

Cole steps in and lifts John Glenn to historic victory as dream season continues

BY LOREN KOPFF @LORENKOPFF ON TWITTER

When John Glenn High's softball team lost a heartbreaking 8-7, 12-inning game to Artesia High on the last day of the regular season on May 26, head coach Larry Leal wasn't confident his Lady Eagles would get an at-large berth in the CIF-Southern Section Division 7 playoffs. In fact, he wished he had known that Glenn was going to make the playoffs so he could have practices to wrap up the final week of May.

The way fourth-ranked Glenn has been playing since the beginning of the playoffs, maybe there's no need for practices. On the heels of a 14-0 win at Shandon High last Thursday, the Lady Eagles put together another masterpiece against Magnolia High last Saturday morning. Junior pitcher Gabby Ortega allowed two hits and faced two batters over the minimum as Glenn blanked the Sentinels 10-0, marking the first time in school history that anyone can remember the Glenn softball program has won two playoff games in the same season.

"We're trying to build a program

here and we have a lot of great kids this season," Leal said. "We'll have a lot of great kids coming in next season and hopefully we can continue doing what we're doing."

The last time the program hosted a playoff game was 1990 and the Lady Eagles fell to Arlington High 4-1 in the 3-A Division first round. Before that, Glenn's last playoff berth was in 1986, a 3-0 setback to Sunny Hills High in the 3-A first round. Since 1999, six head coaches have come through the program, including Leal, with only Patricia Frazier (12-11 in 1999) and Pam Trimble (12-9-1 in 2004) having winning records in a season until 2021.

"I'm just glad we're in [the playoffs]; I'm glad for the kids," Leal said. "It's all for them; it's not for me."

"Everybody tells me, everybody," he later said when reminded of Glenn's playoff history. "I tell them; I let them know. But everybody tells them. They

got a winning season already."

"We've never been to CIF before and I'm excited that we get to go, said freshman catcher Julia Cole.

Ortega gave up a one-out single to Audrey Jaques in the top of the first inning, who tried to stretch it into a double and was out at second. After that, Ortega retired three straight and eight of the next nine before yielding a fourth-inning single to Myla Flores. However, Amaya Armenta flew out to freshman center fielder Diana Bravo, then quickly throw to freshman first baseman Anais Perez to complete the double play. None of Magnolia's five base runners would reach second base.

Meanwhile, all the run support Ortega needed came in the bottom of the first inning. Bravo reached on an error and Ortega tripled to the right field gap. Then with one out, Cole doubled to left and came home when freshman second baseman Janessa Leal also doubled. She would score the game's third run when Perez was safe on an error.

Glenn's number one catcher, freshman Sienna Contreras, was unable to play due to a prior family obligation. So, Cole, who is normally an outfielder and the team's starting third baseman, stepped in and went above and beyond the call of duty. Although she was a single short of hitting for the cycle, she did hit for the cycle against Whitney High on Apr. 27.

"They told me to catch and I tried my best to just help the team out," Cole said.

"I think I did pretty well to help my team to do good, even with hitting. I'm very proud of them that we've come a long way and I hope that we win CIF."

"She's just an all-around player," Larry Leal said. "She can play anywhere except pitcher."

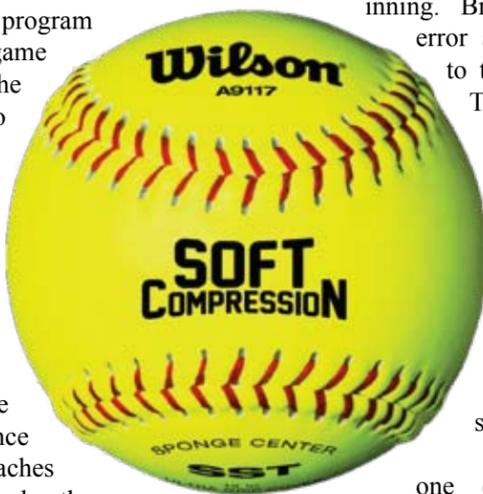
In the next inning, Ortega and sophomore shortstop Beatriz Galvez both reached on the third and fourth errors of the game for Magnolia. Two pitches later, Cole blasted a three-run home run over the left center fence for a 7-0 lead.

The last three runs were scored in the third inning with freshman right fielder Veronica Flores reaching on an error and coming home on a two-out base hit from Ortega. That would be followed by a Galvez double and a Cole triple. All nine batters for Glenn reached in form or another with Cole going three for three and driving in five runs. Ortega went two for three and scored three times while five other players had one hit apiece. Ortega also needed 62 pitches to get her job done, striking out two, walking one and reaching a three-ball count three times. The win over Magnolia was the third shutout of the season and the fifth mercy rule game.

"Gabby is good," Cole said. "She doesn't have a pitching coach; she just comes out and does her best and I'm proud of her for pitching for Glenn all three years already. I hope she succeeds and does good with the rest of our crew."

"We just tell them to come to practice and get ready for the next game; don't look to the other game after that," Larry Leal said. "We just make sure that they're focused and ready."

Glenn's season would to an end this past Tuesday as it fell to fifth-ranked Alverno Heights Academy 8-4 in the quarterfinals to conclude at 10-6 overall.



CIF-SOUTHERN SECTION DIVISION 3AA BOYS BASKETBALL SEMIFINALS

VALLEY CHRISTIAN UNABLE TO MATCH PHYSICALITY OF SECOND-RANKED AQUINAS, FALLS SHORT OF FINALS BERTH

BY LOREN KOPFF

SAN BERNARDINO-Valley Christian High boys basketball head coach Josh Zumkehr had hoped to his team could stay close to Aquinas High in one of two CIF-Southern Section Division 3AA semifinal games. All five of Aquinas' starters have pretty much played the entire 32 minutes in most of its games with three starters averaging over 13 points a game.

Unfortunately, the physicality of the Falcons was too much for the Defenders to overcome as V.C. never led in the game

and were done in by a 12-2 run to end the first half as Aquinas rolled to an 83-65 victory last Friday night. The Defenders, ranked third in the division, dropped to 13-7 but is expected to get a berth in the CIF Southern California Regionals next week. Those brackets will be released on Sunday with the first round games beginning on Tuesday.

Zumkehr knew his team was in trouble in the first 88 seconds of the game when the Defenders turned the ball over three times and didn't attempt a shot while the Falcons were off and running, connecting

on four of their first five shots and eventually seven of 11 in the quarter.

"You saw that right away on an 8-0 run to start the game; I think four of them on second chance points," he said. "I just felt like any time a shot went up, we were going to have to work extra hard to make sure they didn't get a second chance. They just started hitting those first shots, so there were no chances for rebounds, especially in the second half."

It wasn't until nearly two minutes into the game when senior Denzel Williams scored the first points for the Defenders

and by the end of the opening stanza, Aquinas had built a 10-point lead. V.C. then began the second quarter with junior Nathan Medina and Williams hitting back to back three-pointers within the first minute. Just past the midway point of the second quarter, a steal and dunk from senior Luca Caldarella brought V.C. to within a point at 23-22. That would be the closest the Olympic League's third place team would get as the Falcons closed out the half on that long run, then expanded their lead to 21 points two minutes into the second half.

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“The physicality; we can see it on film,” Zumkehr said. “And they play really well together, and that’s always tough. They know their strengths; they know their weaknesses and they don’t go away from that.”

The halftime score was 38-24 and both teams would nearly equal that score in the third quarter alone as they were nearly trading basket for basket. In fact, Aquinas did something it had not done in the first half—shoot from long range. The Falcons had to do that because Medina, senior Brett Stahl and freshman Michael Wright all connected on three-pointers in the third quarter while the Falcons were true on all five of their trifectas in the stanza.

“It’s a sign of a good team,” Zumkehr said. “You adjust to what they’re doing, attacking the basket. They make the adjustment; they make the read and now they start hitting their shots. We saw that on film, and you just pick your poison. When you’re playing this time of the year, you’re not playing against any...it’s going to be hard to find any weakness. Every team is coming in off four wins in a row, at least.”

Not one bench player for Aquinas, which has 10 players, scored and it wasn’t until under the two-minute mark that the five bench players saw action. Sheldon Grant and Nick Hopkins led the Falcons with 22 points each, which was one point and two and a half points above their average, respectively. Vugar Kuliev (18 points) was five points above his average and Keishmer Charles added 15 points, which was nearly seven points above his average.

“In small schools, you see that more than you would in maybe a larger public school,” Zumkehr said. “I think the advantage of a small school is you have well-defined roles with your players. They know exactly what they’re going to do. Part of our game plan was getting them into foul trouble and we obviously couldn’t.”

Medina paced the Defenders with 24 points while Williams added a dozen points off the bench and also grabbed four rebounds while adding two assists and two steals. Medina has scored at least 14 points in every game this season and has scored at least 20 points in five straight games and in 15 of the past 18 contests.

“We have another chance to play, plus



THE VALLEY CHRISTIAN HIGH boys volleyball team dropped a 28-26, 25-22, 25-23 decision to Marina High last Saturday in the CIF-Southern Section Division 4 championship match. The Defenders, who had lost three sets in the regular season and two more in the semifinals, end their season at 16-2. **PHOTO BY LOREN KOPFF.**

it’s going to be in the middle of June,” Zumkehr said. “It is something weird. We’ll take some time off; we’ll take a few

days off. I think it’s good for the guys to get some rest, and then we’ll get back at it and practice for the So Cal Regionals.”

Valley Christian Boys Volleyball Swept, Loses for First Time This Season in Division 4 Title Match

HUNTINGTON BEACH—Like many high school teams in the spring season in many sports, the Valley Christian High boys volleyball squad was another victim of the craziness that has been the 2021 pandemic season. The Defenders fielded a team of just eight players but was able to run the tables and go undefeated in 16 matches leading up to their tilt at Marina High last Saturday evening in the CIF-Southern Section Division 4 championship match.

V.C. swept 10 of the 12 regular season matches, losing just three sets, then swept its first three playoff opponents before surviving a five-set match with Laguna Hills in the semifinals. But, against the top-ranked Vikings, the second-ranked Defenders got a bad taste of their own medicine and were swept 28-26, 25-22, 25-23.

“I think some teams will look at an undefeated season and I think it’s a double-edged sword,” said V.C. head coach Jason Kwak. “Record-wise, it looks like, ‘hey, you have an undefeated season’. But when you also have that, you kind of go with the mindset of, ‘hey, I’m invincible’. I don’t think that’s the case for us. I think our team benefited from having a lesser league [competition] due to Covid. It wasn’t as strong, but it also allowed our new guys to get game experience.”

“Because we’ve had so much inexperience, and it was experience-learning, I think that undefeated season didn’t really come back to haunt us,” he continued. “What I believe, ultimately, we weren’t prepared for was the inexperience.”

The Defenders had not been challenged that much until the semifinals and it showed early in the first set against Marina, which bolted to an 11-5 lead after an ace was served by Vincent Dang. V.C. trailed by as many as seven points on three different occasions late in the first rotation and in the first moments of the second rotation. But the Olympic League champions chipped away at their deficit and regained the lead at 25-24 on a Marina hitting error. It was the second three-point rally within the third rotation and only the third time in the set that V.C. had put together at least a three-point rally.

The Defenders had four leads in the

opening set and each time, it was just by a point. Junior outside hitter Cole Oliver had eight of the team’s 15 kills in the first set with junior outside hitter Micah Sybesma, fresh off playing in the boys basketball semifinals the night before, adding five kills.

“I’m not surprised at all by the poise that our guys make,” Kwak said. “That’s just been our staple for the season. For guys with no experience to come in and kind of learn in a very fast-paced environment...I wasn’t surprised at all that we made that push.”

V.C. came out much stronger in the second set and led 9-4 after a Sybesma kill. That would be the largest lead for the Defenders in the set as the Vikings quickly tied the set on four straight aces from Dyllan Nguyen. From there, there would be eight ties and four lead changes with the last coming at 18-17 on a kill from Daniel Purtell. V.C. wouldn’t get closer than three points the rest of the way and were held to only five kills, three coming from Oliver.

Marina owned the first time through the rotation in the third set, leading by three points four different times. But the Defenders managed to tie the set at 9-9 following consecutive kills from Oliver. From that point on, there would be five ties and two lead changes until the Vikings gained some breathing room with a five-point scoring spree, making it 21-16.

Once again, the Defenders refused to go away quietly as Oliver’s ace made it 22-20, then kills from Sybesma and Oliver tied everything at 22-22. But Purtell closed the match with back to back kills to end any last minute hopes for V.C.

“I think being in tough matches takes a lot, not just physically, but mentally it takes a toll,” Kwak said. “For us to be here for the first time and just being in this kind of environment, I think it was more of a shocker for them. Not only do you exert a lot of energy physically, but to constantly stay locked in, to constantly have that communication...it takes a lot mentally.”

Oliver led V.C. with 16 kills while Sybesma added 13 kills. The Defenders would see their season end with a 28-26, 25-23, 24-26, 20-25, 15-11 loss to Fran-

cis Parker High this past Tuesday night in the Southern California Division III regionals. V.C. was going for the program’s fourth divisional championship, having won Division 3 titles in 2007 over Santa Monica High, in 2011 over Burbank-based Burroughs High and in 2016 over Cathedral High. The Defenders graduate one of the eight who were on the team and if everyone comes back next spring, they will have four returning seniors.

“I hope that we’ve done enough to keep drawing more support out and going back to a normal season,” Kwak said. “Hopefully that will help entice more kids to come out. It’s tough; we return everyone but [senior setter] Bryce [Jones]. But we have a huge, huge hole to fill in Bryce.”

SOFTBALL

Cerritos High, ranked eighth in Division 3, upset top-ranked Whittier Christian High 4-3 this past Tuesday to advance to the semifinals for the first time since 2000 when that team captured the Division II championship. The Lady Dons, who improved to 22-1, faced unranked Sultana High on June 10 for the right to play in the championship game.

Against Whittier Christian, the Lady Dons scored twice in the top of the fourth inning to erase an early 2-0 deficit. Sophomore right fielder Camile Lara singled, moved to second on an error and scored when junior second baseman Katelyn Canada singled and later came home on an error. Two innings later, Lara walked and one out later, senior first baseman Samiya Jones also walked and was replaced by freshman courtesy runner Natalie Gardea. A wild pitch moved both runners up and junior pitcher Erin Gibbs knocked both in with a base hit. Gibbs would scatter six hits, allow one earned run and strike out five batters.

In Division 1 action, unranked Gahr High lost to Mater Dei High, also unranked, 6-3 last Thursday to end its season at 14-7 while La Mirada High, ranked eighth, defeated Cypress High 9-5 last Thursday before falling to ninth-ranked Los Alamitos High 5-0 last Saturday, ending its season at 20-6.

Artesia High lost to third-ranked Arlington High 8-6 in a Division 4 first

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round game last Thursday, sending the Lady Pioneers to 6-6 while in Division 5, Norwalk High also lost a first round game, 14-4 to Fillmore High last Thursday to fall to 7-9.

BASEBALL

All four area teams didn’t get out of the second round of the playoffs with three of the four losing this past Tuesday. In Division 1 action, La Mirada blanked West Ranch High 3-0 last Thursday, then was eliminated by sixth-ranked Bishop Amat High 8-2 to end its season at 19-12.

Gahr knocked off Long Beach Poly High 6-2 last Friday on the road before dropping a 10-1 decision to second-ranked Sierra Canyon High in a Division 2 second round game. The Gladiators conclude their campaign at 16-14.

Cerritos, which won the 605 League and earned a first round bye in the Division 3 playoffs, fell to top-ranked Hart High 5-2. The Dons wrapped up the season at 18-5.

In Division 6 action, seventh-ranked V.C. was doubled up by Barstow High 12-6 in 10 innings last Thursday to end its season at 18-6.

TRACK AND FIELD

A pair of area athletes advanced to the CIF-SS divisional finals, which will be held on Saturday. Artesia senior Daniel Chung was among several Division 3 pole vaulters to qualify in last Saturday’s preliminaries with a mark of 12 feet, which was the best in the division. The Division 3 finals will be held at Estancia High.

The Division 4 finals, which will be held at Carpinteria High, will see Whitney senior Khang Dinh compete in the discus event. Dinh had the fifth best mark in the preliminaries at 109-08.

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is this: If illegal fireworks are observed by volunteers or city personnel - who will be out in force on July 4 - being discharged from a residential property and the person lighting them cannot be identified, the property owner will be identified and receive a \$2,000 citation in the mail and be responsible for its payment.

The Bellflower Municipal Code Section 8.16.010 states in part: "It is unlawful for any person to fire, set off, discharge or use, or cause or permit to be fired, set off, discharged or used any fireworks except that safe and sane fireworks may be fired."

If those individuals who are discharging illegal fireworks can be identified by enforcement personnel, they will receive the traditional \$2,000 citation as per the City's longstanding past practice.

However, if they cannot, and it is clear that the fireworks are being discharged on a particular residential property, enforcement personnel will document the event and the property owner will be named on and responsible for the mailed citation.

The City of Bellflower strongly encourages all property owners to take a more active role in ensuring that family members and guests on their property refrain from using illegal fireworks this Fourth of July season.

Neighborhood Watch is suggesting that photos and videos taken of illegal activities within the city could be helpful in apprehending those involved. Please include details and location to aid law enforcement in associating them with reported events.

If you have any questions or concerns about fireworks enforcement in Bellflower, please call the Bellflower Sheriff's Substation at (562) 925-0124.

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region's reliance on imported water by using locally-produced recycled water.

This would increase overall reliability and reduce the usage of potable water from other sources.

When the DAC is up and running, the conversion will save an estimated 110 acre-feet of water per year. An acre-foot of water is 326,000 gallons; the savings will equal 35.8M gallons of potable water annually.

In addition, the DAC will mitigate climate change by reducing the amount of energy and carbon dioxide used in importing water.

It is estimated that the project will cut greenhouse gas emissions by nearly .20 metric tons of carbon dioxide per year and save over 220,000-kilowatt hours, enough to power 20 homes for a year.

CB GM Alex Rojas told HMG-CN, "Now, and for the foreseeable future, we need to conserve our local drinking water resources by expanding recycled water access for irrigation, industrial and other integrated water management strategies. The more recycled water we can provide, the more local drinking water we can conserve."

Making the project even more beneficial, the grant is in the amount of \$1.55 million and does not require any matching funds from CB, while eventually raising water sales by nearly \$100,000 annually.

The project will involve installing the pipelines, over 4,100 linear feet, that will connect customer sites to CB's existing recycled water system, something that GM Kevin Hunt never pursued.

HMG-CN and others constantly questioned Hunt on why he was not increasing sales for the agency using these kind of recycled water hook-ups, and he

never answered the questions.

The one project that had observers scratching their heads was the Commerce Casino's request for recycled water from CB; the casino is across the street from District HQ.

The casino project was proposed in many agendas, but James Roybal, Leticia Vasquez, and other directors voted to stymie the project and it was never completed; several other companies in the area had also expressed interest in recycled water but no one from CB followed up due to the former board.

Now, the new CB management and board is pursuing those potential customers that Hunt ignored, as well as other projects beneficial to communities such as the DAC; projects that will decrease potable water usage beyond the 35.8M savings from the DAC, increase recycled water usage, and increase District sales.

CB Board President Art Chacon told HMG-CN, "The board believes the District is in a position to take the lead as it relates to the expansion of recycled water services throughout our service area. If it means funding recycled water projects directly, through partnerships or with grants, we will dedicate the necessary human and fiscal resources to make it happen."

But not all of the board believes.

In 2020, Directors Vasquez and Martha Camacho-Rodriguez voted against the Urban Water Management Plan that started the process toward the DAC and other projects.

If the UWMP did not pass in 2020, the DAC and other projects would not have been possible.

At CB's June 28 meeting, another vote will be taken, HMG-CN sent texts to both directors asking them for comment; the texts were unreturned.

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stores, theaters, restaurants and state and local government offices serving the public.

Businesses may use the "honor system" to allow vaccinated patrons to shop or eat mask-free, or they can choose to verify that customers have been vaccinated, or tell them to wear a mask.

Many see cash-strapped businesses opening up and not requiring masks, others though can and will require masks.

No Californian, however, may be turned away from a business or activity for wearing a mask.

"I am still going to wear a mask indoors," Cerritos resident Sue Thomas told HMG-CN outside a Walmart, "why not wait, I did not get a cold for a year and a half, I only have to put on eye make-up, and I am protecting myself, what's not to like?"

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pair, and they don't always fit properly." There were approximately 100 children who were able to receive brand new shoes

"It was heartwarming to watch as children volunteers were able to help those that were receiving the shoes, to find the right size," remarked Espinoza.

The Temple also gave out pairs of socks and was able to send shoes home with some of the families. Espinoza added that one child could not attend because he gave his shoes to his sister, so the mom was able to take an extra pair of shoes home for her son.

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choke point and puts drivers, bikers, pedestrians, and other commuters using the bridge in danger. I look forward to seeing this funding put to use and will work to ensure the impact construction has on our local residents and Coyote Creek is minimized."

The existing bridge was constructed in 1965 and is rated as "structurally deficient" by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). The funding is designated for the replacement of the existing bridge over Coyote Creek. This will include demolition of existing abandoned railroad bridge, installation of overhead Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) at Claretta Avenue and Del Amo Boulevard, traffic signalization and improvements of 5 intersections between Coyote Creek and I-605, and improve bike and pedestrian safety.

The \$547 billion measure, reported out this morning by the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee under the leadership of Chairman Peter DeFazio, also includes provisions to help fight the effects of climate change, such as funding for zero-emission transit, biking, and walking infrastructure, and requirements for states to reduce carbon emissions.

The Invest in America Act is expected to be considered by the House of Representatives later this summer.

WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: First, read the list of words, then look at the puzzle. The words are found in all directions - vertically, horizontally, diagonally, backward. Circle each letter of a word found and strike it off the list. The letters are often used more than once so do not cross them out. It is best to find the big words first. When you find all the words listed in the clues you'll have a number of letters left over that spell out the WONDERWORD. To see the answer use the link below the puzzle.

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**NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS
FOR THE
VARIOUS STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FY 2020-2021**

CDBG PROJECT NO. 602338-20
In the City of Hawaiian Gardens, CA

Public Notice is hereby given that City of Hawaiian Gardens invites sealed bids pertaining to the item(s) listed below:

SEALED BIDS DUE: Wednesday, June 30, 2021

TIME OF BID OPENING: 11:00 A.M.

LOCATION: City Council Chambers
City of Hawaiian Gardens
21815 Pioneer Boulevard
Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716

SEALED BIDS:

The City of Hawaiian Gardens invites sealed bids for the Various Residential Street Improvement Project FY 2020-2021, and will receive such bids in the office of the City Clerk, 21815 Pioneer Boulevard, Hawaiian Gardens, California 90716, up to the hour of 11:00 a.m., on Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at which time they will be publicly opened.

This project is a HUD Section 3 covered/CDBG Funded and required compliance with the hiring goals outlined in Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act. First preference will be given to a bidder who provides a reasonable bid and is a qualified Section 3 Business Concern. Second preference will be given to a bidder who provides a reasonable bid and commits to achieving the Section 3 employment, training and subcontracting opportunity goals by submitted a written commitment (Economic Opportunity Plan). A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.** in the City Council Chambers, to discuss the project and Federal Section 3 and labor standard provision requirements.

The project will include grinding of existing asphalt, removal and replacement of broken curb and gutter, sidewalk, installation of new handicap ramps, overlaying the full street width with Asphalt Rubber Hot Mix (ARHM), street surface treatment (slurry seal), restriping and upgrading of existing crosswalk with thermo plastic paint, and other items not mentioned herein but indicated in the plans and Specifications.

Electronic copies of the Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents are available from the City of Hawaiian Gardens. Bidders must submit their request for receiving the plans and specifications via email to Neema Ghanbari at engineering@hgcity.org. Should you have any questions regarding the project please contact the City of Hawaiian Gardens Engineering Division at (562) 420-2641 ext. 216.

California Department of Education Announces Online Collaboration Network for Educators

STAFF REPORT

The California Department of Education (CDE) wants educators to know there is an exciting and new way to connect with colleagues statewide. The CDE, in collaboration with the Californians Dedicated to Education Foundation, has launched California Educators Together, an online platform designed to streamline communication between educators and allow them to access and share a vast library of content, resources, strategies, and supports.

“During the pandemic, just like our students, educators were no longer able to collaborate in person with their peers. We saw this as a challenge that needed to be solved,” said State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond. “Certainly, one silver lining of this global pandemic is that CDE, through the generous support of the AT&T Foundation and The David and Lucile Packard Foundation, invested in building this one-of-a-kind, web-based community of practice where educators can engage and share their learning resources and best practices with one another. No other state has as comprehensive a platform to respond in real-time to all of these needs and to ensure that all of their districts, all

of their schools, and every educator has equitable access to a high-quality digital environment with a comprehensive and growing collection of diverse, open digital resources and to one another for collaborative sharing without ongoing costs to local agencies.”

When a teacher joins California Educators Together, the site organizes them in relation to their job assignment and roles and places them within their education agency (site/district/county). A personalized dashboard based on this profile helps users see communication from teams and their selected subject and grade level groups. Users can share lesson plans, curriculum, and other resources with each other in addition to accessing resources for such topics as literacy and mental health and event updates from their respective school districts.

According to Barbara Murchison, Director of the CDE Educator Excellence and Equity Division, California Educators Together is designed to be the “one-stop shop” for teachers, administrators, and staff working in schools and expanded learning programs looking to improve student outcomes. “We’ve developed robust collections of resources—vetted by CDE staff—to support literacy and social emotional learning and are continuously building out new collections to support instruction across the content areas,” she said.

You can find more information at the California Educators Together website.

CITY OF LA MIRADA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of a public hearing to be held by the City Council of the City of La Mirada on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers located at 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California to consider the following items:

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NO. 51: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MIRADA ADOPTING THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE, TITLE 21 OF THE LA MIRADA MUNICIPAL CODE (LMMC), AND THE IMPERIAL HIGHWAY SPECIFIC PLAN (IHSP):

- AMEND SUBSECTION 21.062.075(a) OF CHAPTER 21.62, "ELECTRIFIED FENCE STANDARDS," OF TITLE 21 TO INCLUDE AN EXEMPTION PROVISION FOR THE LOCATION OF ELECTRIFIED FENCE INSTALLATIONS;
• AMEND TABLE 21.68.050, OF CHAPTER 21.68, "PARKING AND LOADING," OF TITLE 21 AND TABLE 6-4 OF THE IHSP TO INCREASE THE PARKING REQUIREMENTS FOR DWELLINGS/RESIDENTIAL UNITS; AND
• AMEND TABLE 21.76.070, OF CHAPTER 21.76, "SIGNS," OF TITLE 21 AND THE IHSP TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF WALL SIGNS PERMITTED FOR LARGER TENANTS WITHIN INTEGRATED COMMERCIAL CENTERS.

In order to comply with current County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health, COVID-19 Protocols, attendees shall comply with social distancing measures and wear a mask or face cover that covers the nose and mouth.

At the hearing, the City Council will consider staff's report, the Planning Commission and staff recommendations, as well as all testimony and public input prior to making a final decision. The documents being considered are available for review at the City's Community Development Department offices located at City Hall, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California. You may contact the Community Development Department at (562) 943-0131 should you have any questions concerning this item. These proposed amendments were previously reviewed and recommended for approval by the Planning Commission at a duly notice public hearing held on May 20, 2021.

If you wish to be heard concerning the item identified in this Notice, you may appear in person at the public hearing or you may submit your comments in writing to the City prior to or at the public hearing. Mailed comments should be addressed to the City of La Mirada, Community Development Department, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California, 90638.

Please notify the City Clerk's office at (562) 943-0131, extension 2302, at least four days prior to this hearing should you require a disability-related accommodation (e.g. sign language interpreter).

IF YOU CHALLENGE ANY OF THE FOREGOING ACTIONS IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR FINAL ACTION DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE CITY COUNCIL AT OR PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Gabriel Bautista
Community Development Director

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Cerritos City Council will conduct a public hearing at a meeting on Thursday, June 24, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. on the following matter: REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION TO WAIVE FULL READING OF AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS ADOPTING THE 2020 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN AND WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA WATER CODE SECTIONS 10610 THROUGH 10657
This public hearing will be conducted in-person in the Cerritos City Council Chambers, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, subject to posted COVID-19 protocols, and by teleconference via ZOOM video communications, as authorized by State of California Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20. Members of the public may provide public comment for this meeting in-person at the meeting or by using any of the following alternate methods: Written correspondence (hard copy or email): Public comments can be submitted via email to city_clerk@cerritos.us or by hard copy to the Office of the City Clerk no later than 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Please identify the agenda item number in the subject line of the email or hard copy document. All written correspondence received by the 3:00 p.m. deadline will be distributed to the City Council prior to the meeting. During the meeting, your name and summary comments will be read into the record. The document will be retained with the public record of the meeting. Teleconference Participation: Live audio public comments can be made by connecting to the meeting using the information listed below. Public speakers will be queued to provide comment at the appropriate time during the meeting agenda and must be available at the time they are called upon to speak. Cerritos Zoom Meeting online link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82489398963. Cerritos Zoom Meeting call-in telephone number: (669) 900-6833, Cerritos Zoom Meeting ID: 824 8939 8963. The meeting will also air live on Cerritos TV3 and will be streamed over the City of Cerritos website at www.cerritos.us. A copy of the related agenda report will be available for download from the website on the Friday prior to the public hearing. Dated: June 11, 2021 and June 18, 2021, Vida Barone, City Clerk

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REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION TO WAIVE FULL READING OF AND ADOPT A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS AND THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CERRITOS REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL COMBINED FINANCIAL PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENDITURES SET FORTH THEREIN, AND APPROVING THE PAY SCHEDULES FOR PERSONNEL EXPENSES AS SET FORTH IN THE EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION TABLES AND CLASSIFICATION STEPS.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION TO WAIVE FULL READING OF AND ADOPT A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS AND THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CERRITOS REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL INVESTMENT POLICY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

This public hearing will be conducted in-person in the Cerritos City Council Chambers, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, subject to posted COVID-19 protocols, and by teleconference via ZOOM video communications, as authorized by State of California Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20. Members of the public may provide public comment for this meeting in-person at the meeting or by using any of the following alternate methods: Written correspondence (hard copy or email): Public comments can be submitted via email to city_clerk@cerritos.us or by hard copy to the Office of the City Clerk no later than 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Please identify the agenda item number in the subject line of the email or hard copy document. All written correspondence received by the 3:00 p.m. deadline will be distributed to the City Council prior to the meeting. During the meeting, your name and summary comments will be read into the record. The document will be retained with the public record of the meeting. Teleconference Participation: Live audio public comments can be made by connecting to the meeting using the information listed below. Public speakers will be queued to provide comment at the appropriate time during the meeting agenda and must be available at the time they are called upon to speak. Cerritos Zoom Meeting online link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82489398963. Cerritos Zoom Meeting call-in telephone number: (669) 900-6833, Cerritos Zoom Meeting ID: 824 8939 8963. The meeting will also air live on Cerritos TV3 and will be streamed over the City of Cerritos website at www.cerritos.us. A copy of the related agenda report will be available for download from the website on the Friday prior to the public hearing. Dated: June 11, 2021, Vida Barone, City Clerk

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NOTICE OF AMENDED PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

STELLA EXEANIOMA
CASE NO. 21STPB00534
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the lost WILL or estate, or both of STELLA EXEANIOMA.
AN AMENDED PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by IBEABUCHI DICKSON EZEANIOMA in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE AMENDED PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that IBEABUCHI DICKSON EZEANIOMA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE AMENDED PETITION requests the decedent's lost WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The lost WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE AMENDED 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: 07/12/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 67 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.
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

GREGORY THOMAS FISHER AKA GREGORY T. FISHER
CASE NO. 21STPB01499
To all heirs, beneficiaries and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of GREGORY THOMAS FISHER AKA GREGORY T. FISHER.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by BRUCE HITCHMAN AND LEE ANN HITCHMAN in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that BRUCE HITCHMAN AND LEE ANN HITCHMAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
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: 07/06/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 44 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.
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
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NOTICE OF SALE OF ABANDONED PROPERTY

Notice is given that pursuant to sections 21700-21713 of the Business and Professions Code, Section 2328 of the Commercial Code, Section 535 of the Penal Code, 1812.607, that Norwalk Self Storage at 11564 E. Firestone Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 will sell by competitive bidding by Climer's Auctions (Bond # 5181494), on or after JULY 8, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m., property belonging to those listed below. Auction is to be held at the above address. Property to be sold as follows: boxes, lantern, headphones, flowers, 5 gallon buckets, totes, tv's, globe, ladder, flooring, picture frames, umbrella, trashcan, mattresses, box spring, bed frame, ice chest, tables, desk, credenza, tires, computer parts, freezer, shoes, file cabinets, lamps, crates, Christmas décor, mirror, dvd cases, bike parts, metal, shelving units, racks, wood, dividers, , toys, tool box, bats, basket, rolling racks, sound equipment, vacuum, washer/dryer, gas stove, machete, bags, chair, night stand, DVD player, suitcases, gas tank, suitcases, chests, loose clothing, tool box, fans, ez up, tree, water stand, computer, couch, bottles, switch plate covers, ironing boards, pots and pans, bed parts, crutches, and footboard belonging to the following.

Table with 2 columns: NAME and UNIT. Lists names like Alfonso Francisco Q Aduna, James R Angels, Lisa Moreen Araujo, etc. and corresponding unit numbers.

This notice is given in accordance with the provisions of Section 21700 et seq. of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California.
Sales subject to prior cancellation in the event of settlement between Owner and obligated party.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

DONNELL FRAZIER
CASE NO. 21STPB03706
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of DONNELL FRAZIER.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MARTHA ANN FRAZIER in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MARTHA ANN FRAZIER 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: 06/23/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 5 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.
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CITY OF COMMERCE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
COMMERCIAL CANNABIS PERMIT APPLICATION
AMENDED AND RESTATED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT REPLACING
DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 711

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Commerce will hold a public hearing to consider review of an Amended and Restated Development Agreement to replace Development Agreement No. 711 [Commercial Cannabis Permit (CCP)] for Commercial Cannabis Activities on June 23, 2021 as required by California Government Code §§65090 and 65867.

Project Description: Development Agreement No. 711 allows for Non-Storefront Retail Delivery of commercial cannabis products at 5500 E. Washington Blvd., Commerce, CA 90040. The proposed amended and restated Development Agreement would include the following primary modifications: Change of Location and addition of Distribution as a license type. A copy of the proposed amended and restated Development Agreement with the proposed amendments will be available on the City's website and with the City Clerk's Office. The following is the address for the proposed new location:

Proposed Site Location: 3019 Vail Ave., Commerce, California 90040

Environmental Determination: The proposed project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines Section 15301. The proposed project does not include any new construction beyond interior or exterior alterations involving such things as interior partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances, in accordance with CEQA Section 15301(a).

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMERCE PLANNING COMMISSION

SAID PUBLIC HEARING MEETING: A virtual meeting will be held via Teleconference during a Regular Planning Commission hearing on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., at which time proponents and opponents of the Amended and Restated Development Agreement to replace Development Agreement No. 711 will be heard. Instructions for Teleconference access are provided below:

Call in phone number: (669) 900-9128
Meeting ID: 936 8760 5928
Password: 838914

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19. On March 17, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 (superseding the Brown Act-related provisions of Executive Order N-25-20 issued on March 12, 2020), which allows a local legislative body to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body.

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, please be advised that members of the Commerce City Planning Commission will participate in meetings telephonically and/or via the internet. Further, in the interest of maintaining appropriate social distancing, and restricting gatherings of over ten (10) people, due to the health risks associated with COVID-19 pursuant to Federal, State and County orders, directives and/or guidelines, this meeting will be telephonically accessible to the public. Members of the public may participate by calling in to the number provided herein.

Per Government Code Section 65009, if you challenge this amendment in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the hearing.

City Manager
Edgar Cisneros

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CITY OF COMMERCE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
COMMERCIAL CANNABIS PERMIT APPLICATION
AMENDED AND RESTATED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT REPLACING
DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 721

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Commerce will hold a public hearing to consider review of an Amended and Restated Development Agreement to replace Development Agreement No. 721 [Commercial Cannabis Permit (CCP)] for Commercial Cannabis Activities on June 23, 2021 as required by California Government Code §§65090 and 65867.

Project Description: Development Agreement No. 721 allows for Manufacturing and Distribution of commercial cannabis products at 6100 Bandini Blvd., Commerce, CA 90040. The proposed amended and restated Development Agreement would include the following primary modification: Change of Business Name. A copy of the proposed amended and restated Development Agreement with the proposed amendment will be available on the City's website and with the City Clerk's Office. The current name of the business is Cannex Holdings (California) Inc.

Proposed Business Name: 4Front California Capital Holdings, Inc.

Environmental Determination: The proposed project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines Section 15301. The proposed project does not include any new construction beyond interior or exterior alterations involving such things as interior partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances, in accordance with CEQA Section 15301(a).

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SAID PUBLIC HEARING MEETING: A virtual meeting will be held via Teleconference during a Regular Planning Commission hearing on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., at which time proponents and opponents of the Amended and Restated Development Agreement to replace Development Agreement No. 721 will be heard. Instructions for Teleconference access are provided below:

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Meeting ID: 936 8760 5928
Password: 838914

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City Manager
Edgar Cisneros

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BY THE PICO RIVERA WATER AUTHORITY
REGARDING THE
URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the Pico Rivera Water Authority to consider the adoption of and accept public comments on its draft Urban Water Management Plan, which was prepared by IMEG Consultants for the Pico Rivera Water Authority describing and specifying the proposed urban water use target. This draft Urban Water Management Plan was developed in compliance with the State of California's Urban Water Management Planning Act, which is codified under the California Water Code Section 10610 et seq.

The information for the public hearing is as follows:

WHEN: June 22, 2021
TIME: 6:00 pm
WHERE: City Hall Council Chambers
6615 Passons Boulevard
Pico Rivera, CA 90660
TELEPHONE: (562) 801-4389

PERSONS INTERESTED IN THIS MATTER may correspond with the City Clerk's Office by using the email address provided below. If you challenge the consideration of adoption of the proposed in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing by correspondence email that was sent to the City Clerk's Office prior to the public hearing. Copies of all relevant material are available for inspection upon request in the Office of the City Clerk in the City of Pico Rivera, City Hall at 6615 Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California.

Certain provisions of the Brown Act are temporarily waived pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-25-20 and N-2920. In the interest of public health and safety, City Hall facilities are temporarily closed to the public until further notice. City Council meetings can be viewed live on CTV3 and the City's Website at www.pico-rivera.org. If you wish to submit a public comment on this matter, you may do so in advance by e-mail to the City Clerk's Office at publiccomments@pico-rivera.org prior to 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Please provide your full name and reference this subject matter: "Urban Water Management Plan Update"

In compliance with the Americans with Disability Act of 1990, the City of Pico Rivera is committed to providing reasonable accommodations for a person with a disability. Please contact Anna M. Jerome at (562) 801-4389 if special program accommodations are necessary and/or if program information is needed in an alternative format. Special request must be made in a reasonable amount of time in order that accommodations can be arranged.

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NOTICE OF WAREHOUSE LIEN SALE

Please take notice that, in accordance with California Commercial Code Sections 7209 and 7210, notice having been given to all parties believed to claim an interest and the time specified for payment in the notice having expired, the undersigned is entitled to a warehouse lien against that certain mobilehome described as a 1972 IMPERIAL mobilehome, decal number LBA1408, serial numbers S50544X and S50544XU, label/insignia numbers 32966 and 32967, now situated at 12550 E. Carson Street, Space 7, Hawaiian Gardens, California 90716. The parties believed to claim an interest in the mobilehome are: Murray Alden Robbins aka Murray Robbins, Estate of Murray Alden Robbins aka Murray Robbins, Glen A. Badgett, Heather L. Badgett. Take further notice that the mobilehome will be sold at public auction for removal only at 9:00 a.m. on June 28, 2021, at Lakewood Mobile Estates, Park Office, located at 12550 E. Carson Street, Hawaiian Gardens, California 90716. In order to prevent the mobilehome from being sold at the noticed sale, the amount of \$1,899.97 must be paid by any person claiming a right in the mobilehome, prior to the sale date, and the mobilehome must then be promptly removed from the park. This amount includes estimated storage charges, publication charges, attorneys fees, incidental and/or transportation charges, as provided in the Commercial Code, and is subject to further adjustment. Dowdall Law Offices, A.P.C.; Robin G. Eifler, Esq., 284 N. Glassell Street, Orange, California 92866; Attorneys and Authorized Agent for Lakewood Mobile Estates. 10027 CN977981 10027 Jun 11,18, 2021

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA
ON THE ANNUAL FEE SCHEDULE
REGARDING CITY SERVICE FEES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the City of Pico Rivera City Council to receive and consider all evidence and reports relative to the application described below:

WHEN: June 22, 2021
TIME: 6:00 pm
WHERE: City Hall Council Chambers
6615 Passons Boulevard
Pico Rivera, CA 90660
TELEPHONE: (562) 801-4389

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN: City Council to conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers for the purpose of discussing the Annual Fee Schedule for the City of Pico Rivera.

PERSONS INTRESTED IN THIS MATTER may correspond with the City Clerk's Office by using the email address provided below. If you challenge the consideration of adoption of the proposed in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing by correspondence email that was sent to the City Clerk's Office prior to the public hearing.

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Notice of Public Hearing

For the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan and

2020 Water Shortage Contingency Plan
Availability of Draft Plan for Review

Central Basin Municipal Water District (Central Basin MWD) hereby releases its Draft 2020 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) and 2020 Water Shortage Contingency Plan (WSCP) for public review. The UWMP will be available through June 6, 2020 at the following location:

https://centralbasin.org/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=17747708

Central Basin Municipal Water District is holding a public hearing as part of a Central Basin Board meeting on June 28, 2021 at 10 a.m. to discuss its Draft 2020 UWMP and 2020 WSCP. This meeting will be available virtually, and will be properly noticed on the Central Basin website: www.centralbasin.org. Central Basin MWD encourages the active involvement of its citizens. If you have any questions concerning the 2020 UWMP, please contact: Jeremy Melendez, Water Resources Specialist, (323)201-5510 or email: jeremym@centralbasin.org

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