



DOWNEY KIWANIS CAR SHOW

RAISING FUNDS FOR YMCA: Radical rat-ods, (front) 1927 Ford T-bone; 1946 Ford Super Deluxe and the Alley-Cat rat rod owned by Ray Venegas, a 1939 Chevy pickup.



MISS PIXIE PIGGY PIE the Instagram sensation miniature potbellied pig arrived to the Kiwanis Car Show in a pink tutu. She likes pats on the head, and eating Cheerios.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

The Kiwanis, Rancho Los Amigos Chapter held a fundraising car show event at Downey High School this past Saturday, July 24.

Former mayor and active Kiwanian Rick Rodriquez took a few moments to chat with HMG. "This car show is mainly to benefit the Downey YMCA." The service group joined with the Y to help raise funding for new facilities. "So many people are worn out from being locked indoors, we wanted to try our

hand at a car show, have a safe place to be outside and see people. They can social distance if they want and wear a mask or not. It is good healthy fun. It is a great day to bring out the family and raise money."

The Kiwanis hope to raise \$20,000 from the show. "Although it is a free event, we are selling all kinds of food, t-shirts and car memorabilia," said Rodriguez, "It's amazing that car clubs are a culture and community within itself." Rodriguez also had his prized 1956 Step Side Chevy truck on display.

One of the first vehicles on

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METRO Fare-less Initiatives Moves Forward for K-12 and Community College Students

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Last year, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board of Directors meeting, Metro staff announced the idea of implementing a Fare-less System Initiative [FSI].

The federal government has been coordinating with Metro to establish a countywide FSI Pilot that includes voluntary participation. The leading idea is a twenty-three-month pilot, launching in August and lasting through June 2023.

The system would be for K-12 and Community College students in Los Angeles County. Metro plans to use Federal American Rescue Plan Act funds to cover the cost of free fares.

Metro has contacted twenty-three school districts in LA County seeking their participa-

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HMG-CN INVESTIGATION

Part 2: Did Bassett Unified and 'Megataxers' Commit Bond Fraud?

BUSD's explanation after last week's article does not answer crucial questions.

BY JONESY SMITH, THE IRISHMAN, AND BRIAN HEWS

Last week's installment of the Megataxers documented Bassett Unified's quest to pass a \$50 million bond at any cost, including altering documents.

In November of 2019, the Bassett Board passed "Resolution 06-20" to approve the bonds at a cost of \$96 Million.

The authors prepared the Official Documents for the primary election in March of 2020, but at the meeting, the Board decided to move the tax measure to the No-

vember 2020 ballot.

But they forgot to change the date from March to November on the documents. Resolution 06-20 called for the Clerk of the Board of Education to certify the document, but the Official Documents languished for months.

BUSD officials subsequently noticed that Resolution 06-20 was not amended for the November 2020 election.

So they altered it to place the tax measure on the ballot.

HMG-CN obtained "Resolution 06-20". The documents showed the schedule was changed and election date was amended from March to November,

But most shockingly, the certification sections were altered.

Under the signature line, Dolores Rivera's name went from type written to hand written, and Certi-

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Pico Rivera Approves Mini Soccer Field

City also approved raising water rates by 10% per year for the next five years.

BY BRIAN HEWS

In early 2021, the City contacted the Roldan family, arranged a meeting with Mayor Raul Elias, Councilmember Lutz, Parks and Recreation Commissioner Adrian McEachren, and City staff to bring a 5-on-5 mini-soccer field to Pico Rivera in partnership with the U.S. Soccer Foundation and Musco Lighting.

Mini-soccer fields are an all-in-one solution to help communities create fun and active play spaces to revitalize public areas.

The proposed mini-soccer courts came complete with lighting, fencing, goals, benches, lockable storage and American

with Disabilities compliant access.

The total project cost is estimated at \$220,000, with the funds coming from a one-time cost savings from the '20-'21 budget.

At their last meeting, the Pico Rivera City Council heard from Parks and Recreation Director Yugar, U.S. Soccer Foundation representative Alex Bard and MLS Player Cristian Roldan, who gave a brief presentation and overview of the Mini Pitch System in Partnership with U.S. Soccer Foundation and Musco Lighting.

The presentation included the projected budget costs and potential locations.

The mini pitch was approved on a 5-0 vote after a motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Sanchez and seconded by Councilmember Lutz.

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Whittier Union Girls Swim Captures CIF-SS Championship



CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL girls swim team members were recognized for their achievements and presented with certificates of recognition from the Whittier Union Board of Trustees during its July 13 board meeting.

WHITTIER – When California High School girls swim team members Hanna LaBrada and Kai Izquierdo first entered the world of competitive swimming, the two prodigies often found themselves battling against each other. Today, LaBrada and Izquierdo are part of an extraordinary group of young swimmers who are leading Cal High’s swim program back to championship levels.

After a season of dominating their Del Rio League opponents, The Cal High Lady Condors won the CIF Southern Section Division IV girls swimming championship with a scintillating performance that saw the team scoring nearly double the points as the second-place finisher, Riverside North. The team was recognized by the Whittier Union Board of Trustees during its July 13 meeting.

“It seemed like Hanna and I were always in the finals together, but now we are teammates,” Izquierdo said. “It’s fun to look back at the videos when we were kids, not wanting to practice. It’s different now, and we look forward to training as a team. The CIF championship is amazing, but we look forward to moving up to Division III and showing them, we are ready to compete.”

LaBrada and Izquierdo won two individual CIF swim titles apiece – LaBrada for the 200-meter individual medley and 100-meter butterfly, and Izquierdo for the 200- and 500-meter freestyle.

The Lady Condor 200-meter medley and 400-meter freestyle relay teams – which include freshmen Alicia Espeth and Julie Vargas and junior Jimena Vargas – also won CIF titles in their events. Senior Victoria Padilla, junior Myah Ibarra and freshman Alyah Ibarra also turned in fine performances.

The championship caps a stunning turnaround for the swim team, which finished last in league play just two years ago. Cal High’s fortunes turned for the better after hiring veteran coach Todd Jacobsen in 2020. As head coach for the Whittier Aquatics Club since 2014, Jacobsen has been instrumental in the progress of Cal High’s young swimmers, including LaBrada and Izquierdo.

“This is a very special group of swimmers, and I could not be prouder of them,” said Jacobsen, a former All-American swimmer for UC San Diego. “Having trained many of our freshmen swimmers, we knew what they were capable of, but we didn’t know how much they would improve over the course of the year. They really proved themselves in competition this year.”

LaBrada, who has trained at the aquatics club since she was 8 years old, credits Jacobsen for keeping her focused in the water and easing the transition to the demanding schedules of high school competition.

“I was nervous at my first meet at Cal, but once we got in the water, it was the same as swimming at the club,” LaBrada said. “Coach Jacobsen knows how I work and how to keep me motivated to push myself. He has helped develop me as an individual and as a team player. This has been the most fun year ever. I can’t wait to see what the next year brings.”

The Cal High Condors boys swim team came close to matching their counterparts in the pool, just missing a swim title of their own after taking second place in the CIF Southern Section Division IV championship, being edged out by Carpinteria High School.

Artesia's International Street Fair Oct. 3, Vendors Wanted



THE INTERNATIONAL STREET FAIR and Diversity Festival will occur on Saturday, October 2 with a kick-off parade beginning at 2:30 pm. The parade will start on Pioneer Boulevard in Downtown Artesia.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

With the opening up of California, cities are now making preparations to re-establish some of the long-held traditions and street fairs.

The City of Artesia is now accepting vendor applications for the 2021 International Street Fair and Diversity Festival. This year's event will occur on Saturday, October 2, with a kick-off parade beginning at 2:30 pm. The parade will start on Pioneer Boulevard in Downtown Artesia.

The seventh annual International Street Fair and Diversity Festival will begin with a Global Cultural Parade, which introduces the cultures, religions, the United States military, cheerleaders and the many ethnic societies encased in the city.

During the festival, people can enjoy live music and dance performances from various cultures.

Attendees can enjoy a variety of mixed traditions and food while playing carnival games and family entertainment.

The International Street Fair and Diversity Festival is an outdoor festival and free to the public. In 2019 the festival had two main stages: an international beer garden, a kid's zone, carnival area, artist vil-

lage, photo opportunities throughout the festival, and various contests. During the festival, several Latino references such as tacos, ceviche, beers, drinks, candy, dances and music. One of the competitions was a Marine Corps Challenge. One Marine Sergeant briefly conveyed his thoughts, "The Marine Corps appreciates coming out to events such as the Artesia street fair where there is such a diverse background of people."

The Festival is a "cool, small festival with a good amount of food tents." Most vendors are cash only. One resident described the 2019 fair as "It's really great that Artesia does this. I enjoyed hanging out with my friends and my neighbors. I'm looking forward to going again this year."

Spots are available for food and traditional vendor booths as well as food trucks, so get your application in today!

Application forms and further details are available at tinyurl.com/ArtesiaStreetFair

Grant Provides Cerritos Library With New Computers

STAFF REPORT

The Cerritos Library has 15 new computers with high-speed internet access for use by the public. The computers are located in the Craftsman Area on the first floor of the library. In addition to broadband connectivity, the computers offer the Microsoft Office suite of software.

Funding for this project has been provided in part through a grant by the Broadband Adoption Account of the California Advanced Services Fund, a program administered by the California Public Utilities Commission.

The Cerritos Library has a computer reservation system to help provide patrons with an opportunity to use one of the public computers. Computers located in the Craftsman Area on the first floor and in the Access Plus Room and 21st Century Area on the second floor are on the system.

If computers are available, patrons can go directly to a computer and log in. Log in requires entering a Cerritos Library card number and a PIN, or a Computer and Print Use card number and PIN. The default PIN is 11111. Patrons who would like to customize their PIN can ask the Computer Help Desk staff for help. Patrons are also required to accept the Library’s Public Computer Use and Internet Access Policy as part of the log in process.

If there are no computers available, patrons can enter a reservation request at a Computer Sign-Up Station. The Com-

puter Sign-Up Stations are available in the Craftsman Area on the first floor and in the Print Center on the second floor. Screens in each area display a reservation queue that lists the first name and last initial of each person who has entered a reservation request. When a computer becomes available, the screen will show the location and number of the computer where the patron can log in.

Computers can only be reserved on the day of use, and reservations must be made at the library. Time limits are in effect to provide access to the computers. Cerritos Library cardholders can use a computer for up to four hours per day, Monday through Friday, and for up to two hours per day on Saturday and Sunday. Computer-Use Only Cardholders can use a computer for up to two hours per day, Monday through Friday, and up to one hour per day on Saturday and Sunday.

There are three computers located on stands near the Adult Reference Desk that can be used for up to 15 minutes without a reservation.

For patrons who do not have a Cerritos Library card, registration for a free Computer and Print card is available at the Circulation Desk on the first floor and at the Computer Help Desk (InfoStation 3) on the second floor. To register for the card, patrons are required to present photo identification such as a driver’s license; state ID card; school or university ID card; employer’s ID card; or passport.

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Two New Sandwich Shoppes Open in Bellflower



BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Slice and Savor is an upscale breakfast and lunch restaurant celebrating its grand opening with City officials last month. Owners Ericka and Alejandro Sosa "I have been doing this a long time," said Ericka Sosa, "I have high-end restaurant experience, and we wanted to roll that experience and create world cuisine sandwiches."

Alejandro Sosa started working in a commercial kitchen. "I worked my way up to sous chef. One day one Iworked an event, and I haven't looked back since."

Don't expect your typical sandwich when you visit Slice and Savor; however, expect texture, color, and ultimate tastes with their menu. From the Shorty Melt which is a braised beef short rib with jack cheese, roasted peppers, caramelized onion and pickles on an Italian roll, to the Crabby Patty that blends crab, cilantro, parsley, whole grain mustard, fried egg, brown butter hollandaise on a brioche bun – customers are in for an extraordinary dining experience. Slice and Savor is located at 9840 Flower St, Bellflower, CA 90706

BABA'S HOT CHICKEN
with Simpleslaw, kosher pickles, and house sauce, served on a brioche bun.

SLICE AND SAVOR
Try the Shorty Melt, braised beef short rib, jack cheese, roasted peppers, caramelized onion and pickles.

Baba's Hot Chicken began in 2019 as a pop-up restaurant before its flagship location was opened in Riverside. Since then, Founder Mahmoud "Mike" Hemood, has opened three additional locations in Costa Mesa, San Diego, and Bakersfield, making Bellflower the fifth storefront in SoCal.

The grand opening of Baba's was held July 10th at SteelCraft on Bellflower.

Hemood's love for food was no random discovery; he spends countless hours scrolling through food pages for dinner inspiration. He never had any formal culinary training but creates from the heart. "My parents had a significant impact on my interest in food, and that's the primary reason I named my brand Baba's. I wanted it to reflect the "Dad-on-the-Grill" tradition that we all grew up on."

"We want customers to walk into Baba's and leave with a full belly and a huge smile on their face." Baba'a is located at 16500 Bellflower Blvd, Bellflower, CA 90706.



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fied a True Copy was altered from “Clerk of the Board” to “Board Member”.

Dolores Rivera, now a Board Member delivered the altered document to the County with both Rivera and Paul Solano certifying that the Resolution “is a full, true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Board of Education on the 12th day of November, 2019.”

After the first article ran, BUSD attorney Francisco Leal confirmed that they did not change the date from March to November on the documents. "On November 12, 2019, the Board was presented with an agenda item for consideration of a bond measure to be placed on the March 2020 election ballot. After debate amongst the Board, a motion was passed to proceed with the bond measure, but to change the election date to November 2020. As you correctly stated in your article, the minutes of that Board meeting indicate that the motion to proceed with the measure was passed, but the minutes did not reflect the change of date to November 2020."

Then the Board, through Leal, confirmed they had changed the documents without a board meeting. "In the course of reviewing this matter, to ensure that the District could legally place the measure in the November 2020 ballot, it was imperative that we confirm that the Board actually discussed and voted to change the date to November 2020. We interviewed boardmembers and staff who attended the meeting (to include the former Supt and the Clerk), reviewed the clerk's notes from the meeting, and located a recording from the meeting. Based on the above, we concluded that the Board could lawfully move forward with the bond measure to be presented before the electorate on Nov. 2020."

When HMG-CN inquired about the date when the new resolution was written, Leal responded, "I do not have a precise date. As I recall, as filing deadline was approaching, the Supt. requested that the matter be

looked into given the discrepancy in the minutes contrary to the Board's directive of November 2020. We contacted bond counsel and worked with her to correct the error and prepare the documentation for submittal to the County."

The bond counsel at the time was Ana La Morena Rohlin with Norton, Rose, Fulbright, who, according to Leal, prepared the second resolution. Leal has not responded to requests to ask Ms. Rohlin what date the second resolution was drawn up.

There are legal questions concerning changing a Board Resolution without an official board meeting.

Bond resolutions are legally binding documents and cannot be changed, in this case from March to November 2020. A new resolution must be voted on and a vote must be taken to nullify the previous resolution.

BUSD failed to conduct a board meeting and failed to nullify the previous resolution when, according to Leal, they “interviewed boardmembers and staff who attended the meeting (to include the former Supt. and the Clerk), reviewed the clerk's notes from the meeting, and located a recording from the meeting. Based on the above, we concluded that the Board could lawfully move forward with the bond measure in November 2020.”

But a later email by Leal brought that meeting and subsequent decision into question and could land the BUSD and Norton, Rose, and Fulbright in legal hot water.

In a subsequent email Leal stated, “it has been brought to my attention that I mis-spoke when I stated in my earlier e-mail that in the course of ascertaining what actually transpired at the November 12, 2019 Board meeting, I interviewed “the Clerk”.

The elected Clerk of the Board at that time was Member Barajas. I did not interview him. When I stated that I interviewed the clerk, as I referring to the Superintendent's secretary, Ms Rojas who, among other responsibilities, performs “clerk” duties for the Board and often takes notes regarding agenda items.”

LAUSD to Require COVID Testing Regardless of Vaccination Status

The LAUSD yesterday announced it will require all students and district employees returning to in-person activities for the upcoming year to undergo "baseline and ongoing weekly COVID-testing," regardless of their vaccination status.

The district had required such testing only for those who are unvaccinated.

This is in accordance with the most recent guidance from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health," LAUSD Interim Superintendent Megan K. Reilly wrote in a message to the district community. "Baseline testing begins August 2."

Details on the testing program are available online at achieve.lausd.net/covidtestingappt.

The policy change comes amid rising COVID-19 cases in Los Angeles County and beyond, with the surge largely blamed on a highly infectious Delta variant of the virus. Although health officials have insisted that current vaccines provide strong protection against COVID and the Delta variant, they do not completely prevent vaccinated people from becoming infected. They do largely prevent vaccinated people from becoming severely ill or dying. In her message, Reilly said the district is "closely monitoring health conditions and adapting our response in preparation for our full return to in-person learning on August 16."

"Los Angeles Unified continues to collaborate with our health partners at the county and state levels, as well as our panel of medical experts and university partners and we review updates to county, state, and federal guidance on a daily basis," she wrote.

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MOLAA Presents Judy Baca: Memorias de Nuestra Tierra

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

The Museum of Latin American Art [MOLAA] reopened in a big way with a special showing of Judy Baca: Memorias de Nuestra Tierra, a Retrospective. The Museum mounts its first-ever, career-spanning exhibition on the local Chicana muralist, best known for her half-mile-long Great Wall of Los Angeles along the Tujunga Wash. It is the first comprehensive review of the renowned Chicana muralist, intellectual, and community activist, Dr. Judith Baca. This central installation will include over 110 works across three gallery spaces and officially opens to the public Wednesday, July 14.

In 1998, while in residency at Harvard University, SPARC's Artistic Director, Judith F. Baca, and her graduate students began the production of La Memoria de Nuestra Tierra for the Denver International Airport. The 10 foot by 50-foot mural tells the Hispano-Mexicano history of the Southwest with specific emphasis on the Colorado four corners area of the United States and Northern Mexico. In particular, the mural shows the migration of Mexicans through the Juarez-El Paso border region towards the north, a migration taken by Baca's grandparents who settled in La Junta, Colorado. A landmark work in the history of Digital Murals, La Memoria de Nuestra Tierra combines a beautiful hand-painted landscape with historical photographs in a seamless blend imprint-



The World Wall by Judy Baca.

ed upon the holographic-like surface of a metallic coated substrate. The mural was completed in the UCLA-SPARC Digital/Mural Lab in 2000.

One of America's leading visual artists, Baca has been creating public art for four decades. Powerful in size and subject matter, her murals bring art to the people where they live and work. As founder of the first City of Los Angeles Mural Program in 1974, which evolved into a non-profit Social and Public Art Resource Center, Baca has been engaged in creating sites of public memory within historically disenfranchised communities.

During the preview, attendees had the opportunity to meet with the artist and hear how she pioneered a collaborative model that enabled young people to weave hidden histories of their under-represented communities into monumental public artworks. Baca's murals have become epic narratives, connecting youth with their diverse heritage and creating new 'sites of public memory.

The retrospective has three sections: the Womanist Gallery, with work exploring feminism, gender, and body politics, featuring surrealist ink drawings; Baca Public Art Survey, covering her Social and Public Arts Resource Center, an

organization she founded in 1976; and the half-mile long mural Great Wall of Los Angeles.

Baca is a painter and muralist, community arts pioneer, and scholarly educator who has been teaching in the UC system for more than 30 years. She serves as SPARC's artistic director while employing digital technology to co-create collaborative murals at the UCLA/SPARC Cesar Chavez Digital Mural Lab.

"My mural for the Denver International Airport, entitled La Memoria de Nuestra Tierra, is of a personal nature. My grandparents came from Mexico to La Junta, Colorado during the Mexican Revolution. They followed the course traveled by thousands of other Mexican families, from Chihuahua to the United States through the historic northern territories of Mexico, Texas, New Mexico and Colorado via the "Ellis Island" of the Southwest, El Paso. It is a story that has been little chronicled and one for which I am anxious to create a visual record," remarked Baca.

During the display, attendees will be able to enjoy the exhibit HERland: Women Artists in the MOLAA Collection at Gallery E and the Robert Gumbiner Sculpture and Events Garden.

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Cerritos Council Approves Budget

The Cerritos City Council approved a \$128.7 million financial program for '21-'22 fiscal year on June 24, 2021.

Capital Improvements

Approximately \$18.2 million has been allocated toward capital improvement projects. Funds have been earmarked for capital improvement projects related to streets and highways, government buildings, water improvement and other projects focused on the reinvestment in facilities and infrastructure throughout the community.

Additional capital improvement projects include playground resurfacing and picnic shelter installations at local parks; improvements at the Civic Center parking structure and Olympic Swim and Fitness Center; roof replacement for the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts; and upgrades to the City Council Chamber audio and video systems.

Legislative and Administrative

Legislative and Administrative operating expenses outlined in the budget total approximately \$3.3 million. This reflects the entire amount required to fund the ongoing operations of the City Council, City Manager, City Attorney and City Clerk/Treasurer.

Community Development

The Community Development Department, which includes advance planning, building and safety, current planning and geographic information systems, was allocated nearly \$7.1 million for its operations.

Public Works/Water and Power

Approximately \$36.2 million has been designated for the Public Works/Water and Power Department, which includes engineering, traffic circulation management, parks maintenance, sewer maintenance,

facility maintenance, landscaping, trash collection, recycling, custodial services, the City's Water Division and the Cerritos Electric Utility.

Community and Safety Services

The Department of Community and Safety Services has been allotted approximately \$26.1 million for community participation, recreation services, law enforcement and code enforcement. The budget includes funds to continue the City's crossing guard program and the Sky Knight helicopter service. It also includes monies to cover an increase in the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department contract rate for the ongoing priority of law enforcement and safety services.

Administrative Services

Approximately \$16.9 million was allocated to the Department of Administrative Services, which includes communications, finance, human resources, management information systems, support services, water billing and the Cerritos Library. The department's budget includes costs to maintain the City's water billing system, provide internal support to other departments and continue to provide Cerritos Library services.

Theater Department

The Theater Department was allotted roughly \$4.9 million for the operation of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA). The Theater Department budget encompasses theater administration; business management; marketing and management of the CCPA performances; operations and security; special event services; and ticket office personnel.

Copies of the final approved City of Cerritos 2021-2022 Combined Financial Program will be available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk/Treasurer and on the City's website in August. Questions about the budget should be directed to the Department of Administrative Services at (562) 860-0311.

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BY BRIAN HEWS

Basilico’s Pasta e Vino owner in Huntington Beach, Tony Roman, does not like government intrusion.

At the height of COVID in March 2020, Basilico’s continued to welcome patrons without masks. When officials ordered the eatery to require face coverings, Roman declared his restaurant a mask-free zone and demanded that diners remove them before entering.

This week he took it a step further, putting up signs declaring, “Proof of being unvaccinated is required for entry.”

“We have zero tolerance for treasonous, anti-American stupidity,” the signs

read.

He has other signs: Declaring “wanted for treason,” featuring the Orange County Board of Supervisors; Dr. Anthony Fauci, and Gov. Gavin Newsom.

Basilico’s rejection of public health measures symbolizes his defiance in other areas of government.

The California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control is investigating Basilico’s, which could result in fines and/or revocation of its liquor license.

Cal/OSHA has hit Roman with over \$152,000 in fines against the restaurant based on a series of violations, including failing to establish a COVID-19 prevention program for its employees.

Roman has appealed the citations, and made it clear that he won’t pay fines on social media.

But evidently, not all government is bad.



MORON
ROMAN tells customers to take off their mask in his eatery and also only allows unvaccinated people.

HMG-CN exclusively discovered that Basilico’s and Roman stuck his cooking glove out in 2020 and accepted nearly \$58,000 in Paycheck Protection funds.

Roman reported that his payroll was \$277,000 and that he had sixteen employees, equating to \$17,000 per employee, or a whopping \$320 gross pay per week per employee living in So. Cal.

Roman recently told the LA Times in an email that he was fighting government policies he says are harmful.

An LA Times reporter said Basilico’s small patio and indoor dining space were empty around noon Wednesday.

Evidently, the sign is working.

"Why should this guy get a PPP loan if that is the way he feels about COVID," said one observer, "I hope the SBA does not forgive his loan."

Lakewood Purchases
New LPR System

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Each year the City of Lakewood is eligible to receive an allocation of funds from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant [JAG] program. The purpose of the program is to fund crime prevention and criminal justice programs and projects.

This year the City will purchase a vehicle-mounted License Plate Reader [LPR]. The LPR system would expand the existing use of technology to combat crime and apprehend wanted suspects and vehicles.

The LPR system will be affixed to a deputy patrol unit to be deployed exclusively in Lakewood. Working similarly to the network of existing LPR cameras, the in-vehicle system would alert the deputy to a "hit" to take appropriate action to stop and investigate a vehicle. Approximately \$19,680 of the grant award will go to purchase the LPR system.

Additionally, all JAG awards require that three percent of the award amount be set aside for compliance with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's new National Incident-Based Reporting System [NIBRS], the crime reporting system that replaced the previous system in January 2021.

Of the three percent set aside, approximately \$609 will be remitted to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to be used specifically for their NIBRS compliance project. The JAG program requires the City Council to review the proposed project during a regularly scheduled meeting of the Council and allow the public to provide comments.

It was recommended that City Council approve the proposed JAG Program funding project to purchase a vehicle-mounted License Plate Reader system and authorize the Mayor to sign the Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government.

City Council will authorize the City Manager to apply for the grant, sign the appropriate award acceptance documents, and direct the Director of Finance & Administrative Services to appropriate \$20,289 of JAG funds in the FY2021-2022 budget.

La Palma Police Update
STAFF REPORT

It has been over a year since the last time the La Palma Police Department was able to print ‘the Source’ news and deliver them to residents of La Palma. Police chief Terry Kim took a moment to thank the members of La Palma Neighborhood Watch for helping deliver The Source to just about every household in the city.

In other news, the LPPD implemented

the School Resource Officer [SRO] program in 2017 as a part of the North Orange County Public Safety Task Force program, which was a four year pilot program funded by the state that was set to expire at the end of June 2021. Over the past four years, the SRO program was a huge success and made tremendous impacts on many lives of La Palma students.

The Executive Board of the Task Force worked with state legislators to extend the funding beyond its four year pilot period, and recently the state approved the Task Force funding for another year.

Local schools will be returning to class in early August and the City anticipates that traffic in those neighborhoods will be heavier than it has been over the past year since all students will now be attending in-person classes. Plan for increased traffic in the area. The LPPD will be out in force around the schools.

As always, if you see a suspicious vehicle or person following you, say something. The LPPD is just a phone call away at 714-690-3370.

CRIME SUMMARY
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Cerritos

Robbery at Heritage Park

7/20/ 18600 Blk.. Bloomfield, victim was walking in the park when he was approached by suspect. Suspect demanded his money. Victim started to run away and suspect pushed him to the ground. Victim’s cell phone fell on the ground and when victim tried to pick it up, Suspect kicked his hand and picked it up. Suspect was later arrested.

Bar Fight 183rd Plaza

7/23 11100 Blk. 183rd St., restaurant, victim was sitting at the bar when suspect, an acquaintance, approached him and began to argue with him. Victim told suspect to get away from him. Suspect grabbed a fork and swung it at him. Suspect exited the location and reentered wielding a drinking glass. Suspect struck victim in the back with the glass. Suspect left location and was later arrested.

Store Near ABCUSD Offices

7/21 16400 Blk. Norwalk Bl., store, victim was standing in front of the location when suspect asked him what he was looking at. Suspect walked up to victim and punched him in the face and head. Suspect walked away and was later arrested.

Los Cerritos Center

7/21 239 Los Cerritos Ctr, store, suspects entered store, placed items in a bag, and exited without paying. Victim tried to stop them, but she pushed him away and struck him with her elbow. Suspect fled.

COVID-19 Scams Target Seniors

The COVID-19 pandemic has sparked many scams specifically targeting older Americans who are concerned about health and finances.

The Social Security Administration (SSA) said a scam claimed benefit payments may be suspended or decreased due to office closures related to the pandemic. The SSA warned against anything referencing “maintain regular benefit payments." Those who have been targeted by this scam should report it.

The IRS has also issued similar warnings about coronavirus scams related to stimulus checks, overdue payments, and other tax-related topics.

Fake investment opportunities and fraudulent accounts to protect pension funds are also being touted on robocalls. Also fake stock offers pitching a non-existent biotech companys developing a vaccine for COVID-19.

Seniors should also be aware of pandemic versions of the “grandparent scam,” where a scammer poses as a relative (often a grandchild) who is urgently in need of money. Hang up and check in with family directly.

Scam calls and texts are often spoofed to appear as if they’re coming from a local number or an official government agency, such as the IRS. If you have caller ID and you don't recognize an incoming phone number, let it go to voicemail.

To protect yourself, heed the Federal Communications Commission’s (FCC) tips:

- Do not respond to calls or texts from unknown numbers or any others that appear suspicious.
 - Never share your personal or financial information via email, text messages or over the phone.
 - Be cautious if you’re being pressured to share any information or make a payment immediately.
 - Remember that government agencies will never call you to ask for personal information or money.
 - Do not click any links in a text message. If a friend sends you a text with a suspicious link that seems out of character, call the friend to make sure he/she wasn’t hacked.
 - Always check out a charity — for example, by calling or looking at its actual website — before donating.
 - Check with the phone company about call-blocking services and apps to filter out suspected spam robocalls.
- If you think you've been a victim of a coronavirus scam, contact law enforcement immediately. File coronavirus scam complaints online with the FCC.

Cerritos Resident Raising Awareness of Systemic Racism With Her Own Funds

BY LAURIE HANSON

Tammy Tumbling knows what it means to battle systemic racism and make a difference in the lives of others. The Cerritos resident grew up in Compton, found herself orphaned by age 19, and a teenage mother. She soon realized the difference community nonprofits would make in her life and the lives of others.

“I’ve experienced barriers because of the color of my skin,” Tumbling explained. “Being raised by a single black woman who did the best she could to take care of her five children, I realized all her hard work wasn’t enough because there were so many barriers working against African Americans. I witnessed neighbors, family members and friends experience some form of racism in employment, housing, health care, education, or the criminal justice system.”

“It became an accepted way of life for me in my youth - but no more,” she said.

“I’ve experienced barriers because of the color of my skin,” Tumbling explained. “Being raised by a single black woman who did the best she could to take care of her five children, I realized all her hard work wasn’t enough because there were so many barriers working against African Americans.”

“I recognized the importance of non-profits that helped me and my family with advancing as local residents, students and professionals,” Tumbling said. “We would not have been able to do that without friends and allies who held our hands and helped us along the way.”

“Laws and regulations within society should be in the best interest of all to ensure that there is equity so that everyone thrives,” she added. “It’s just the right thing to do and I am truly optimistic that we will get there. We just need to roll up our sleeves and get to work!”

With her vision to bridge together the African American community in Orange County, the executive vice president and chief operating officer at the Orange County Community Foundation (OCCF) in Newport Beach created the African American Alliance Fund with \$25,000 of her own funds. The African American Alliance Fund strives to support and raise awareness about systemic racism and programs that advance African Americans.

“This is my opportunity to give back through philanthropy and community engagement,” she said.

In its first full year, the African American Alliance Fund raised more than \$350,000 thanks to various individual donors, corporate and community partners. They recently awarded 15 Orange County organizations financial grants totaling \$132,500 to support and raise awareness about systemic racism while advancing programs for African Americans.

It was the Black Lives Matter protests in March 2020 that moved Tumbling into action. She saw a critical need to raise awareness about systemic racism that plagues American society. She wanted to intentionally support programs and black-owned businesses within Orange County and the surrounding communities.

“The African American Alliance Fund represents the first fund of its kind for OCCF,” she said. “I envision more people getting involved to help tackle issues in the African American community with the hope that more funds will be established down the road to address issues related to various diverse groups.”

“OCCF is one of the most active grant-

makers in the country – and I wanted to be a part of that, especially as a catalyst for tackling the issues faced by our African American community,” Tumbling explained.

Founded in 1989, the OCCF fulfills a need of people’s desire to achieve their philanthropic and financial objectives while supporting the causes they care about most. They have awarded nearly \$780 million in grants and scholarships, not only in Orange County but also across the country and worldwide, according to Tumbling.

“We were thrilled to award 15 outstanding organizations with grants for their continued drive to advance the progress of Black communities in honor of Juneteenth and the African American Alliance Fund’s first anniversary,” she said. “We assembled a committee to review select proposals for funding based on priority areas including education, health, human services, economic development, and civic engagement.”

One of the grantees, UCI Black Thriving Initiative, will now use these funds to continue enabling students' training to become successful entrepreneurs. These funds will support startup costs such as prototyping, software development or fees to attend workshops, conferences, and mentoring opportunities for several students. According to Tumbling, this is crucial as Black entrepreneurship is recognized as an essential avenue for building Black wealth.

The University of California, Irvine has been a long-time partner with the OCCF.

The UCI Black Thriving Initiative’s grant to support the Student Startup Fund, in collaboration with Beall Applied Innovation, will help provide students with opportunities to take risks and explore business ideas on their path to becoming successful entrepreneurs – a privilege not often afforded to our African American youth due to the many limitations and obstacles resulting from systemic racism,” she added.

Two UCI students benefiting from the Student Startup Fund are Jenelle Elise King, a civil engineering major, and Landon Williams, an aerospace engineering major. Jenelle received \$2,000 for prototyping and marketing of Spikepen, her own company dedicated to providing software and hardware products that use photogrammetry, machine learning, and geospatial data to create 3d models. Landon started his own company, Quinta, which makes computer numerical control (CNC) machining more accessible in subtractive manufacturing. A CNC machine is a subtractive manufacturing tool that cuts and etches away at a material – wax, foam, metal, or plastic – to make accurate molds and parts.

“Starting my own business means having the freedom to create products that other people may enjoy or find useful,” Jenelle said. “It also means building my own creative outlet that will require an extreme amount of work for it to be successful.”

Three years ago, at the beginning of Jenelle’s journey of establishing her own business, she visited UCI’s Entrepreneur Center for guidance. There she met Jaune Odombrown and spoke with him about her business idea. She found him to be exceedingly helpful, supportive, and encouraging ever since.

“Having this active and continuous support while trying to build a business that is centered around [robotics], a field I’m not very familiar with, has benefited

“I recognized the importance of nonprofits that helped me and my family with advancing as local residents, students and professionals,” Tumbling said.

TAMMY TUMBLING- as EVP and COO of the Orange County Community Foundation, started the African American Alliance Fund and raised more than \$350,000 by the end of the first year.



me in ways I couldn't imagine and has taught me the importance of having a mentor during this journey,” she explained. “Jaune’s connections with other student engineers and entrepreneurs has helped me gain more knowledge about robotics I need to build my business. His enthusiastic support and belief in me has reassured my hopefulness and excitement on this long and tidiest process of starting a business.”

Although still in the building process, Jenelle is hopeful to bring her products to market sometime in the next two years. She hopes they will allow engineers and land surveyors to collect geospatial data on land areas more quickly and efficiently, she said.

“The most crucial advice I would give other young African Americans wanting to better their lives, is to discover what they want to do, set goals for themselves and, most importantly, remain consistent,” Jenelle explained. “I would emphasize to them that consistency is key and will set them apart from anyone else in any business [or] industry.”

Landon has always been engaged and interested in the creative building process. He started designing and building his own CNC machine, never feeling like it was work because building has always been enjoyable to him. He said though his interests initially were focused on the business

aspect of his work, he found developing the product itself came naturally to him. He believes having wise mentors is crucial to being successful at anything.

“Having people who have been where you are trying to go or who have access to opportunities that you need to progress is extremely beneficial,” he added. “Nothing we accomplish whether it be business-wise or just in general are purely individual efforts - it takes a village.”

Landon hopes to be a part of other people's "village" by demonstrating and inspiring others to work on things they are genuinely passionate about. He shares much of his progress on YouTube and hopes to demonstrate to others what it takes to build out a product, to create something from the ground up.

“The advice that I'd give other African Americans is - know what you want, know how to get it, be willing to put in the work, [and] have patience,” Landon said. “Know

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Beyond Van Gogh: The Immersive Experience

BEYOND VAN GOGH is all about going beyond the dark legend of the artist. While people tend to know him for the ear-cutting incident, his struggles and poverty, that's not what his work truly represents.

BY LAURIE HANSON



ART HISTORIAN Fanny Curtat served as consultant and part of the creative team for Beyond Van Gogh. Her work involved helping a creative team choose what works of the artist to feature in the special exhibition.

Precisely when beauty's commonality beckons our greatest appreciation, Beyond Van Gogh: The Immersive Experience, demonstrates the artist's optimism despite the darkest of times. With planned openings in 17 cities, this traveling artistic encounter is now at the Anaheim Convention Center through Sept. 6.

Brought together by French-Canadian Creative Director Mathieu St-Arnaud and his team at Montreal's world-renowned Normal Studio, Beyond Van Gogh features more than 300 of Vincent van Gogh's art exhibited through a three-dimensional lens. Guests literally walk into a newly designed space that engages the senses and creates a oneness with each of the artist's brush strokes.

"This exhibit is great for many different audiences," said Art Historian Fanny Curtat, of Montreal, who served as consultant and part of the creative team for Beyond Van Gogh. "A lot of people feel intimidated by a museum or feel like art is not for them. This experience allows them to connect differently with artwork by setting foot in the world envisioned by Van Gogh. And for those who are familiar with his work already, this is a great opportunity to see it in a whole new and exhilarating way."

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STARRY NIGHT
The Immersive Experience, is a unique walk-through rendering of the artist's paintings.

poverty, that's not what his work truly represents, according to Curtat.

"We tend to focus on darkness when he seemed to have wanted to show us bright lights and shining colors," she explained. "This experience wishes to connect the dots between Vincent's purpose and a 21st century audience."

Within the immersive experience, people literally are engaged in the movement of the artist's painting process while walking surrounded by light and music. "In the case of this experience, Van Gogh is already known for movement infused in his work," she explained. "We tend to remember Starry Night for its turbulent sky more than anything else, so to have his work actually move around you is quite incredible."

As an art historian, Curtat's role in the exhibit was to help guide the creative team in navigating Van Gogh's work and legacy. She was also involved in both writing text and selecting quotes which are featured in the first room of the exhibit. For all of them, it was about finding what they wanted to tell from his story, what they wanted to show from his body of work, she said.

"It also presented a great opportunity to create bridges between different ways of experimenting art," she added. "People unfamiliar with Van Gogh's work might develop a connection or an interest for it. And maybe the next time they get a chance to see an original on a museum wall, they'll be curious to experience that as well."

"There's nothing quite like the aura of an original piece," she added. "Anything susceptible of sparking an interest in art is worth a try."

Van Gogh was born in March 1853 in



the Netherlands into a family with ties to the artworld. Though always fascinated by art, he wouldn't fully embrace being painter until the last 10 years of his life. Most of his work was created in his final 5 years. His work is largely considered post-Impressionist, and much of it was done while he was at the Saint-Paul Asylum (including Starry Night). As he struggled to make a living from painting, it was his brother, Theo, supported him throughout most of his life. It wasn't until around the time of his death in July 1890 that his work gained more notoriety. His works were largely of landscapes and portraits.

"Van Gogh wanted nothing more than to communicate the joy and the beauty he saw in the world," she said. "Art and nature had almost healing qualities for him. Colors had power. The wish of sharing the wonders of the world in his painting was only equaled by his need for purpose, for his art to mean something & touch people."

Despite his struggles, Van Gogh never lost sight of the natural wonders around him. He put them onto canvas to describe their incredible beauty with lucidity, something also expressed in his correspondence with his brother, according to Curtat.

"After the struggle we all went through in the last year and a half, there's something inspiring about someone capable of turning the most common of subject – his own bedroom for example – into a work of art or of painting Starry Night while cooped up in an asylum cell," Curtat said. "In more ways than one, Van Gogh is the artist we need right now."

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Fatigued Artesia Punishers 18 Gold Squad Fails to Get Timely Hits, Exits Early in Top Tournament

The Voodoo grabbed a 2-0 lead in the top of the first inning, thanks to a



Then facing a 0-2 count, catcher Mya Diaz (Anaheim High/Hope University) singled in Martinez. Following a

“That’s always a challenge when

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games that the Punishers would soon like to forget about was the ineffectiveness from the top of their lineup. Against the Finesse, the top six hitters went a combined one for 20 with one run scored. Against the Voodoo with a slightly different lineup, the top six went a combined three for 19 with five runs scored and two runs driven in.

“If your top six batters can only give you one hit, you can’t win games,” Fletcher said. “Jazmine, who is in the seventh spot, played tremendously at the plate. She did a great job. It’s difficult to win when the top six are only getting one hit unless the bottom three are going nine for nine.”

The PGF National Championship tournament always begins with pool play games that are merely practice games and have no bearing on bracket play.

SECOND BASEMAN MIKALA JACOBSEN (Cypress High) forces [Wixom] Michigan Finesse pitcher Gianna Kerschbaum out at second base in the top of the fourth inning in this past Monday’s PPGF National Championship Platinum Division playoff game. The Punishers would lose 3-2 after a late rally came up short.

next inning, Tegan Oas, a Concordia University, Chicago commit, was hit by a Jorgensen pitch and later scored when Emilla Mieke was walked with the bases loaded.

The Punishers scored all their runs in the bottom of the third when Bailey Jacobsen singled and stole second. Jessica Lopez was then walked and the two runners would steal their respective bases before Meilana Lopez singled to



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JAZMINE MACIAS (La Mirada High) safely gets into second base with a double in the bottom of the fifth inning against the [Wixom] Michigan Finesse in this past Monday’s Platinum Division playoff game in the PGF National Championship. Macias would eventually advance to third but not score as the Punishers lost 3-2. Macias went three for three and scored a sixth inning run.

In the past, teams have played three pool play games but this year, everyone was scheduled to have two pool games on Saturday and two more on Sunday. The first pool play game was to have been against the [Hacienda Heights] Cal Rebels-Vidal/Silva last Saturday afternoon. But an out of state team in the same pool had to drop out for Covid reasons. Instead, the Punishers opened against the [El Dorado Hills] Foothill Gold-Stinson, 45 minutes after their first pool game was to have started and rallied for a 3-2 victory.

The Foothill Gold grabbed a 1-0 lead in the top of the second inning when Lanie Blomquist, who has committed to California State University, Chico, singled, stole second and came home on a base hit from Hailey Roloff, who has committed to Menlo College. In the

plate Jacobsen. An error would allow Jessica Lopez to tie the game and a base hit from Jorgenson brought in Meilana Lopez for the game winner.

Third baseman Leiloni Pina (Cerritos High/Monroe College) went two for two and Jorgensen worked into the third inning, allowing four hits. Vital relieved Jorgenson to pitch the final one and two-thirds inning, yielding one hit and striking out one.

Following a brief break, the Punishers grabbed an early 2-0 lead against the Cal Rebels before giving it up and eventually

falling 5-3. Bailey Jacobsen was walked to lead off the contest, then stole second and scored on a base hit from Meilana Lopez. Two pitches later, a single from Jorgensen made it a 2-0 affair. After that, the Punishers were limited to one more hit and five more baserunners.

Three of those came in the fifth when Martinez was hit by a pitch with one out. Now with two outs, Jacobsen was walked and after Gutierrez, who was pinch running for pitcher Angeleen Silva (Garces High) stole third, a single from pinch hitter Mikala Jacobsen made it a 5-3 contest.

The Rebels would score four times in the third and one more in the fourth.

The next day, the Punishers faced the [Surprise, AZ] Rogue and came up short in a 3-2 contest. The Rogue took a 1-0 lead in the top of the third when Trinity Kennemer singled in Bella Cummings with two outs. But in the fourth, the Punishers scored twice as Mikala Jacobsen and Martinez had consecutive doubles and Silva had a run-scoring groundout. The winning runs came in the fifth as Alex Hess singled in Mazzy Skinner and Cummings, who had both singled to load the bases after Lauren Ervin began the rally with a single of her own but was later thrown out at home.

The final pool play game was a 3-0 loss to the [Moorpark] Southern California Choppers-Ashley in which Bailey Jacobsen and Meilana Lopez were the only ones to record a hit. Bailey

Jacobsen would go five for nine in pool play action while Meilana Lopez went four for 10. The remainder of the team combined for nine hits

“Everyone is dealing with Covid and the weirdness of it and getting back into the swing of things of it,” Fletcher said of the unusual summer. “We had some roster changes and that also was a factor in trying to get a solid team together; the continuity, the expectations of the team. A lot of it had to do with Covid, a lot of it had to do with player movement. It was just a weird, odd season.”

The summer isn’t completely done for most of the Punishers Gold team as approximately 13 players will be heading to Hawai’i to play more games and take a tour of Chaminade University. Other players from some of the younger Punisher teams will also be going to Hawai’i. Fletcher said at least 50 girls from the Punishers program will be making the trip. This is something Punishers president Bob Medina started a few years ago; sending his team to the islands once the PGF National Championship has concluded. Medina recently was hired to be on the coaching staff at Chaminade. The players, coaches and parents leave on Aug. 9 and return on Aug. 16.



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Soccer Foundation, the agreement is with Musco Lighting, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. The Council then approved the transfer of \$220,000 to build the field. \$100,000 from the law enforcement budget; \$40,000 from the sewer maintenance budget; \$80,000 from the City's storm drain services budget.

The City council also approved a 10% per year increase in water rates for the next five years. City Manager Steve Carmona told HMG-CN, "the rates have not been raised for a few years, there is over \$100 million in unfunded needs, including PFOS and PFAS filtration."

In December of 2019, the City contracted with IMEG to prepare a Water Master Plan (WMP) update. The City's last water master plan was prepared over 10 years ago in 2009. The IMEG team developed a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) as part of the master planning efforts. The final CIP document identified over \$117 million in capital improvements. Additionally, the WMP found that nearly \$38 million in crucial projects must be implemented over the next five years to increase water system reliability. Projects include \$14 million towards the PFAS Treatment System, \$13 million for altitude valves and piping upgrades, \$6.6 million towards new storage tanks, and \$3.5 million towards meter replacement.

Implementing rate increases of 10%



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annually would provide the PRWA adequate revenues and cash flow to properly fund for the operations and capital projects.

To increase the water rates, the City must comply with Prop. 218 rules. Notification of the proposed rates must be distributed to all affected, recorded property owners a minimum of 45-days prior to the public hearing. The property owners have the right to submit written protests. The written protests must be submitted to the City Clerk no later than the conclusion of the public hearing. If 50% plus one (1) written protests are received, the City cannot implement the proposed water rates.

In other news, the City Council pulled an amendment for tree maintenance services with West Coast Arborists, Inc. from the consent calendar for discussion.

The agreement increased the amount by \$1.043 million for a total contract amount of \$1.9 million, while also modifying the term for services. The amendment resets the duration of the agreement to a new three-year period ending June 2024, along with two one-year renewal options ending on June 30, 2026. West Coast will also complete a tree trimming backlog of 470 trees and increase tree trimming frequency from five years to three years.

Councilmember Lara expressed his concern with the increase in the yearly cost and suggested that the contract go out to bid. City Clerk Anna Jerome provided an overview of the City's contract process and, after some discussion, Mayor Elias suggested Lara meet with Carmona and Jerome to further discuss his concerns. The item was tabled until the next meeting.

After reviewing an amendment to the

agreement between the City and S&S LaBarge Golf for Pico Rivera Golf Course Management, Councilmember Lutz indicated that he supports the month-to-month operation of the golf course until of the Whittier Narrows Dam project begins; the golf course is owned by the Army Corps of Engineers and would close due to the project.

Councilmember Lara added that homeowners should be advised of the construction timelines and to engage the community with their concerns.

Mayor Elias suggested that the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Economic Recovery Ad Hoc Committee review the concerns brought forth from the community.

Carmona added that the Army Corps of Engineers would provide updates soon. The amendment was approved 5-0.

The City forgave \$384,000 in debt owed by Leba, Inc., operators of the Pico Sports Arena due to financial hardships caused by the pandemic. The Council then approved the reinstatement of all quarterly payments by Leba,

which amounts to approximately \$560,000 annually.

The Council also authorized Carmona to engage Raymond James and Cabrera Capital Markets as Senior Managing underwriters for the 2021 Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, while also authorizing Carmona to engage Cabrera Capital Markets as underwriter for the Pension Obligation Bonds.

Finally, the City awarded a \$1.3 million contract to California Professional Engineering for city-wide traffic signal upgrades.

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what you want. Be specific and intentional about the things that you want to accomplish. Ask yourself why you want to accomplish this goal and who you are doing it for. Envision yourself accomplishing the goal and how it will feel after you've accomplished it."

The African American Alliance Fund is supported by the generosity of individual donors within Orange County and surrounding communities, including corporations such as Deloitte & Touche, Southern California Edison, Cordoba Corporation, the Marisla Foundation, and long-time community partners like The California Endowment. The Fund has provided grants to nearly twenty programs that support issues in Black communities.

Their final grantees include UCI Black Thriving Initiative, Learning Rights Law Center, National College Resources Foundation, Arts and Learning Conservatory, CSUF Institute of Black Intellectual Innovation, The G.R.E.E.N. Foundation, NAACP, Orange County Chapter, Positive Results Center, Council of African American Parents (CAAP), The Enlightened Mentor Project, ESP Education & Leadership Institute's BOSS Program, Forgiving For Living, Inc., Forgotten Children Inc., Parenting For Liberation, and CAP-OC.

For more information on the Orange County Community Foundation (OCCF) and the African American Alliance Fund, please visit online at www.oc-cf.org/african-american-alliance-fund.

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Cerritos facilities reopen

City facilities, including City Hall, Cerritos Library, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park and the Cerritos Park East, Heritage Park and Liberty Park Community Centers are now open to the public, following closures due to COVID-19. For a complete list of City facilities open for public use, visit cerritos.us.

Signs are posted at all City facilities regarding safety requirements. Per the modified Health Officer Order issued in mid-July, everyone age 2 and older is required to wear a face covering when inside any City of Cerritos facility.

The Cerritos Library has new hours designed to serve the greatest number of local patrons during the most popular hours. The facility is open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. The Friends Book Store at the library is open. Book donations are being accepted at the library, and guidelines can be accessed at cerritoslibrary.us under the Gifts & Donations link.

Operating hours for the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park are Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Weekend rentals have been reduced. All Fitness Center members must register for a new membership and sign waivers and COVID-19 paperwork. The Human Services Association (HSA) meal service will be adjusted; more information will follow as HSA and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health align their needs.

Through Monday, September 6, the Cerritos Park East, Heritage Park and Liberty Park Community Centers will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The Cerritos Olympic Swim and Fitness Center remains closed due to ongoing repairs.

Reservations for community events and meetings at City facilities, including the Cerritos Library, Cerritos Park East, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park, Liberty Park and the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts are now being accepted.

Enjoy a Summer Movie at Splash!

Splash! will be hosting a summer swim-in family-friendly movie featuring Trolls World Tour on Saturday, August 14, located 13806 La Mirada Boulevard.

There will be a limited number of tickets being sold. Purchase presale tickets online or in-person for \$8. If tickets are still available on the day of the event, tickets can then be purchased at \$10.

For additional information, please call Splash! at (562) 902-3191 or visit splashlamirada.org.

La Mirada’s National Night Out

La Mirada’s annual National Night Out against Crime event is scheduled for Thursday, August 5 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at La Mirada Regional Park during the Concert Under the Stars event.

The National Association of Town Watch sponsors National Night Out, which celebrates the City’s ongoing commitment to maintaining public safety and quality of life as its top priority. National Night Out is a community building campaign designed to enhance participation in local anti-crime programs and strengthen partnerships between the community and law enforcement. Representatives from the Los Angeles Sheriff’s Department, La Mirada Public Safety Team, and Neighborhood Watch Program will be in attendance to provide information. Free kid finger printing will also be available.

For additional information, please contact the La Mirada Community Sheriff’s Station at (562) 902-2986

La Mirada Offers Many Fall Recreationa Activities

The City of La Mirada provides top

quality recreational programs to promote the health of citizens and contribute to the well-being of the community. Recreational programs and classes are offered to children, teens, adults and seniors, and the City encourages all residents to take part in recreational activities to stay active.

Choices are endless with options ranging from arts and crafts, music, and sports and fitness. Recreational youth sports offered for the fall season includes Friday Night Football, Volleyball, and Volley-tennis.

Swim lessons at Splash! are offered year-round. The aquatics center includes a 50-meter competition pool, a 25-yard recreation pool, and a spa. Swim lessons are available for ages 6 months and older, and all ability levels.

Registration for Fall classes begin Monday, August 9. Registration is available online, by phone, or in-person at the La Mirada Resource Center or Splash!.

For more information, please contact the La Mirada Community Services Department at (562) 943-7277.

La Mirada Memorial Bench Program

The City’s Memorial Bench Program provides an opportunity to pay tribute to La Mirada residents who have had a positive impact on the community and have passed away. Family and friends may purchase a bench in one of La Mirada’s many parks.

Once a preferred location is selected, a completed application is required. Upon receipt of the application, the City will review the applicant’s preferred park and bench location to determine if the site is appropriate. The cost of purchasing and installing a memorial bench with a commemorative plaque is \$3,000.

For more information regarding the Memorial Bench Program, please call (562) 943-0131 or visit cityoflamirada.org.

Rise and shine at the OC Fair

The OC Fair opens this year at 10 a.m., two hours earlier than in the past, and there is so much to do.

Coffee drinks, java bars, cinnamon rolls, breakfast burritos, smoothies and fancy bowls are waiting for fairgoers who answer the rooster call to rise and shine for an early start at the OC Fair.

It starts with parking - with no crowds in theAM, parking is a breeze. Drive right up and get ready for fun!

Begin a morning adventure with a visit to Centennial Farm. It's breakfast time for our resident animal educators, so visitors can watch the farm babies and their friends wake up and feed.

More animals are starting their day in residence during the Fair at the Great American Petting Farm and exotic critters like llamas, wallabies, pygmy pigs and goats are ready to greet fairgoers as are the sheep and goats on display in the livestock area.

The scent of cinnamon rolls baking is coming from at least two spots on the fairgrounds, Country Fair Cinnamon Rolls in Livestock Lane and JP's Old West Cinnamon Rolls in the Carnival of Products

If breakfast burritos are on your morning wish list, stop by Noel's in the Main Mall and order up a savory meal, maybe to be enjoyed with some juicy augas frescas.

Morning is also an excellent time for fairgoers to get their shopping fix with lots of room to roam and browse in Carnival of Products, Parade of Products, Festival of Products and Crafters Village, along with the shopping booths throughout the fairgrounds.

Guests can get up-close views of exhibits ranging from award-winning woodworking, sugar arts, table setting, quilting and produce and floral displays before others arrive.

The arts exhibits are always popular with lots of fine art, photography and

jewelry and there is unobstructed viewing early in the day.

Fairgoers can check the daily schedule on ocfair.com or on the 2021 OC Fair mobile app to plan ahead and make the most of their day at the Fair.

Lakewood's Concerts in the Park Continues

EveryThursday nights in a row starting July 8, Del Valle Park will come alive with popular and diverse musical acts. Concerts will run from July 8 to August 12, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Low-back lawn chairs and blankets are encouraged. Pets, barbeques and alcoholic beverages are prohibited. No umbrellas or canopies.

The Woodruff service road will remain open until 5:30 p.m. for patron drop-off.

With the June 15 reopening, the concerts have returned to the come-one-come-all format. If you have questions, please call 562-866-9771, extension 2408.

Bring donations of new backpacks or school supplies for Project Shepherd to the Recreation & Community Services booth for a chance to win a Family Pack from WingStop! One entry per person. Drawing held at 7:30 p.m.

Last chance! Bring donations of new backpacks or school supplies for Project Shepherd to the Recreation & Community Services booth for a chance to win a Family Pack from Wingstop! One entry per person. Drawing held at 7:30 p.m.

August 5: The Smokin' Cobras ('60s/'70s)
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tion in the FSI utilizing a contribution a \$3 per student Transit Access Pass [TAP] card and unlimited rides during the FSI Pilot period.


Over 850,000 new K-12 TAP cards will be provided to school districts throughout LA County. Metro staff indicates that Little Lake School District is interested, and they will be following up with Norwalk/La Mirada Unified School District.

Metro proposes to keep any existing Community College student transit fare programs with Muni agencies in place during the pilot program, including the Universal Pass Program (U-Pass).

Currently, the federal government has a U-Pass student fare agreement with Rio Hondo College. Pre-COVID-19 ridership for 2018-19 included 70,869 Rio Hondo UPASS passengers.

Metro will implement Phase 2 of the FSI to low-income riders subject to the acquisition of additional federal funds.

The National Transportation Safety Board said the American rescue Plan would provide sufficient subsidies to offset the loss in K-12 fare revenues.



NOTICE TO VOTERS OF DATE AFTER WHICH NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST (A) CITY MEASURE(S) MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY CLERK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Special Municipal Election is to be held in the City of Commerce on November 2, 2021, at which there will be submitted to the voters the following measure:

Commerce Special Parcel Tax on Industrial Property

To protect vital public safety emergency services, including police, paramedic and fire protection to maintain 9-1-1 response times and the number of firefighters and police officers, shall the City of Commerce enact a parcel tax on industrial property at a maximum rate of \$0.3221 per square foot providing approximately \$12,000,000 annually until ended by voters; with committee oversight? All funds will remain in Commerce.

Yes _____ / No _____ /

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to Article 4, Chapter 3, Division 9 of the Elections Code of the State of California, the legislative body of the City, or any member or members thereof authorized by the body, or any individual voter or bona fide association of citizens, or any combination of voters and associations, may file a written argument, not to exceed 300 words in length, accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it, or if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers who is the author of the argument, for or against the City measure(s).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, based upon the time reasonably necessary to prepare and print the arguments and Voter Information Guide for the election, the City Clerk has fixed August 13, 2021 during normal office hours, as posted, as the date after which no arguments for or against the City measure(s) may be submitted to the clerk for printing and distribution to the voters as provided in the Article 4. Arguments shall be submitted to the City Clerk, accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it, or if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers who is the author of the argument, at the City Hall, City of Commerce, California. The argument has to be accompanied by the Form of Statement to be Filed by Author (s) of Argument. Arguments may be changed or withdrawn until and including the date fixed by the City Clerk.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the City Council had determined that rebuttal arguments, not to exceed 250 words in length, as submitted by the authors of the opposing direct arguments, may be filed with the clerk, accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it, or if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers who is the author of the argument, not more than 10 days after the final date for filing direct arguments (August 14, 2021 through August 23, 2021).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any ordinance, impartial analysis, or direct argument filed under the authority of the elections code will be available for public examination in the clerk’s office for not less than 10 calendar days from the deadline for the filing of the arguments and analysis(es). Any rebuttal argument filed under the authority of the elections code will be available for public examination in the clerk’s office for not less than 10 calendar days from the deadline for filing rebuttal arguments.

The polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

City Clerk

July 31, 2020
Dated

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF PICO RIVERA
NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING
TO AMEND CUSTOMER POWER GENERATION RATES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the City of Pico Rivera City Council to consider amending customer power generation rates for Pico Rivera Innovative Municipal Energy, PRIME, a community choice aggregation program. The public hearing will be held as follows:

WHEN: Tuesday, August 10, 2021

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: City Hall Council Chambers
6615 Passons Boulevard
Pico Rivera, CA 90660

MAIL: PO Box 1016 TELEPHONE: 562.801.4389

Certain provisions of the Brown Act are temporarily waived pursuant to Governor Newsome’s Executive Order N-25-20 and N-2920. In the interest of public health and safety, City Council meetings are now opened to the public at 50% capacity in accordance with CDC Guidelines and protocols.

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 1:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Please provide your full name and reference this subject matter: “Public hearing and Adoption of Resolution amending customer power generation rate schedule for Pico Rivera Innovative Municipal Energy (PRIME).” You may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Pico Rivera City Clerk at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Anna Jerome
City Clerk
City of Pico Rivera
Hearing: August 10, 2021

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 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 Cherry Carson RV Storage 4160 Cherry Ave. Long Beach CA, 90807, will sell by competitive bidding by Climer’s Auctions (Bond #5181494), on or after August 12, 2021 @ 11:00 a.m., property belonging to those listed below. Auction is to be held at the above address. Property to be sold as follows: grill, safe, tables, cooking items, loose clothing, portable TV, totes, boxes, refrigerator, microwave, kids toys, loose tools, bags, file cabinet, 5 gallon buckets and tree belonging to the following.

NAME	UNIT #
John Francis Colson	077

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 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 August 12, 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, totes, boots, tool box, vacuum, loose bedding, pillows, vac parts, wood slat, loose clothing, trunk, tire, wine, loose car parts, suitcases, buckets, cage, pot, grill, ramp, hose, shoes, loose tools, bags, scale, computer parts, key box, cart, mattress, box spring, table model TV, hand bag, duffle bags, speakers, bed frame, equipment cases, lamps, dragon, chair and step ladders belonging to the following.

NAME	UNIT
JASON ANTHONY BROWN	B763
JANEL DOWDELL	B843
MARC JOSEPH HAMILTON	B760
CHARLES JERMAINE JONES	B485
CHRISTOPHER KOTEE LEE	B782
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LINDA SMITH	B265
JOHNNIE CLYDE LEE STEWART III	B118

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
(UCC Sec. 6105)
Escrow No. 21-15860-TN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: KATHY TRINH, 11897 DEL AMO BLVD, CERRITOS, CA 90703
Doing Business as: LUX NAIL BAR
All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: NONE
The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: HONG HANH DUONG, 2467 W GRIVEY AVE, ANAHEIM, CA 92804
The assets to be sold are described in general as: ALL FURNITURES, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT, TRADENAME, GOODWILL, INVENTORY, LEASE, AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS and are located at: 11897 DEL AMO BLVD, CERRITOS, CA 90703
The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: LUCKY TEAM ESCROW, INC., 13305 BROOKHURST STREET GARDEN GROVE, CA 92843 and the anticipated sale date is AUGUST 25, 2021
The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.
[If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided] The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: LUCKY TEAM ESCROW, 13305 BROOKHURST ST, GARDEN GROVE, CA 92843 and the last date for filing claims shall be AUGUST 24, 2021, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.
Dated: 7/20/21
BUYER: HONG HANH DUONG
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE AND OF INTENTION TO TRANSFER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE(S)
(UCC Sec. 6105 et seq. and B & P 24073 et seq.)
Escrow No. 21-2201-DK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale of assets and a transfer of alcoholic beverage license(s) is about to be made. The name(s) and business address(es) of the Seller(s)/Licensee(s) are: HELLO SUSHI INC, 16610 BELLFLOWER BLVD., BELLFLOWER, CA 90706
Doing Business as: HELLO SUSHI
All other business names(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s)/Licensee(s) within the past three years, as stated by the Seller(s)/Licensee(s), is/are: NONE
The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s)/Applicant(s) is/are: HELLO SUSHI BF LLC, 16610 BELLFLOWER BLVD., BELLFLOWER, CA 90706
The assets being sold are generally described as: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TOOLS, GOODWILL, TRADENAME, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, LEASEHOLD INTERESTS, ALL TRANSFERABLE PERMITS AND LICENSES, AND ALL INVENTORY OF STOCK IN TRADE and is/are located at: 16610 BELLFLOWER BLVD., BELLFLOWER, CA 90706
The type of license(s) and license no(s) to be transferred is/are: Type: 41-ON-SALE BEER & WINE-EATING PLACE LICENSE #: 41-580936, And are now issued for the premises located at: SAME
The bulk sale and transfer of alcoholic beverage license(s) is/are intended to be consummated at the office of: ACE ESCROW INC, 6871 BEACH BLVD, BUENA PARK, CA 90621 and the anticipated sale/transfer date is AUGUST 10, 2021
The purchase price or consideration in connection with the sale of the business and transfer of the license, is the sum of \$80,000.00, including inventory estimated at \$0.00, which consists of the following: DESCRIPTION, AMOUNT: CASH \$30,000.00; PROMISSORY NOTE \$50,000.00; ALLOCATION-SUB TOTAL \$80,000.00; ALLOCATION TOTAL \$80,000.00
It has been agreed between the Seller(s)/Licensee(s) and the intended Buyer(s)/Applicant(s), as required by Sec. 24073 of the Business and Professions code, that the consideration for transfer of the business and license is to be paid only after the transfer has been approved by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.
Dated: 7/7/2021
HELLO SUSHI INC., Seller(s)/Licensee(s)
HELLO SUSHI BF LLC, Buyer(s)/Applicant(s)
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CITY OF PICO RIVERA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
AND OF A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER) FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2020 TO JUNE 30, 2021

Hearing Date: Tuesday, August 24, 2021
Time: 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard
Place: Members of the public wishing to observe the meeting may do so in one of the following ways:

(1) Turn your TV to Channel 3;
(2) City’s website at <http://www.pico-rivera.org/depts/admin/pio/programming.asp>; or
(3) Email public comments to publiccomments@pico-rivera.org

Description: The City of Pico Rivera (City) hereby notifies the general public of a public hearing on August 24, 2021, to receive public comment on the CDBG Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year. The CAPER reports the City’s progress in meeting proposed actions and projects noted in the City’s 2020-2021 Action Plan, as well as its progress in carrying out the City’s Consolidated Plan’s five-year strategies.

Availability of Document for Public Comment: A Public Hearing regarding the draft CAPER will be held on Tuesday, August 24, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. via Channel 3 and City’s website as noted above. The public has fifteen (15) days to comment on the proposed CAPER draft starting August 10, 2021.

A copy of the draft CAPER will be available for public review and comment at the City’s webpage listed below.

• <http://www.pico-rivera.org/depts/ced/housing/default.asp>

Citizens unable to attend the Public Hearing but wishing to comment must do so in writing. Written comments must be addressed to the City of Pico Rivera, City Clerk’s Office, 6615 Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California 90660 or emailed to publiccomments@pico-rivera.org and received by the date of the public hearing before 4:00 p.m.

For more information, call Julia Gonzalez, Deputy Director of Community & Economic Development Department at (562) 801-4447 or via e-mail at juliagonzalez@pico-rivera.org.

PERSONS INTERESTED IN THIS MATTER are invited to provide comments prior to the hearing via the email provided above. If you challenge the above-referenced materials in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Pico Rivera City Clerk at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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CITY OF CERRITOS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
CERRITOS CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS MAILING LIST DATA
PROCESSING SERVICES, RFP NO. 1433-21

The City of Cerritos seeks by this Request for Proposal (“RFP”) a qualified vendor to provide mailing list data processing services for the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Sealed proposals for these services will be received at City Hall in the Office of the City Clerk, located at 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Bloomfield Avenue at 183rd Street, Cerritos, California, 90703. Proposals must be received no later than **11:00 a.m., on Wednesday, August 18, 2021**. Proposals must be addressed to the City Clerk, City of Cerritos, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Bloomfield Avenue at 183rd Street, Cerritos, California, 90703, marked “**Proposal for Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts Mailing List Data Processing Services, RFP No. 1433-21**”. No proposal will be accepted unless it has the proposal number and project name clearly identified on the outside label. The City of Cerritos (“City”) reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, or portions of any and all proposals or waive the informality in a proposal not affected by law. Proposal specifications are available online at www.cerritos.us/BUSINESSES/bid_and_contract_opportunities/bid_listings.php and notifications, updates and addenda will be posted on the City’s bid page. Proposed Service Providers (referred to as “Proposers”) shall be responsible for monitoring the site to obtain information regarding this solicitation. Failure to respond to required updates my result in a determination of a nonresponsive proposal. For additional questions please contact City Support Services at (562) 916-1318. Dated/Posted/Published: July 30, 2021

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ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTICE CALLING FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ABC Unified School District will receive up to but not later than **11:00 AM** on the **23rd day of August, 2021** Bids for:

ABC Bid # 1571 HVAC Replacement at Whitney High School

All bids shall be made and presented on a form furnished by the District. Bids submitted shall conform to the terms and conditions stated on said form. Bids shall be received in the office of the **Purchasing Department at 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos, CA 90703** and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time and place. Bidders may request bid documents at the mandatory jobwalk on August 10, 2021 at 8:30 AM sharp at the Whitney HS Gym, 16800 Shoemaker Ave., Cerritos. All public works are subject to prevailing wage payments, Valid License valid Class C-20 Contractor's License and DIR Registration will be required.

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ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTICE CALLING FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ABC Unified School District will receive up to but not later than 11:00 AM on the 3rd day of September, 2021 Bids for:

ABC Bid # 1572 HVAC Replacement at Niemes Elementary School

All bids shall be made and presented on a form furnished by the District. Bids submitted shall conform to the terms and conditions stated on said form. Bids shall be received in the office of the **Purchasing Department at 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos, CA 90703** and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time and place. Bidders may access the bid documents on CME+ Information to be discussed at the mandatory jobwalk on August 13, 2021 at 8:30 AM sharp at the Niemes Elementary School, 16715 Jersey Ave., Artesia. All public works are subject to prevailing wage payments, Valid License valid Class C-20 Contractor's License and DIR Registration will be required.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2021152851
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: BEAGLE INSURANCE SERVICES, 401 WILSHIRE BLVD., 12TH FLOOR, PMB#925, SANTA MONICA, CA., 90401. REGISTERED OWNER: BEAGLE SERVICES, INC., 401 WILSHIRE BLVD., 12TH FLOOR, PMB#925, SANTA MONICA, CA., 90401. THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS A CORPORATION. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ RONI "Rani" ALYMAD. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 7/7/21. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 7/16, 7/23, 7/30, 8/6/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2021156256
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: AURORA SKY ENTERTAINMENT; AURORA SKY PUBLISHING; AURORA SKY INTERACTIVE; AURORA SKY STUDIOS, 28625 S. WESTERN AVE, #218, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA., 90275 **REGISTERED OWNER:** AURORA SKY, LLC, 28625 S. WESTERN AVE, #218, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA., 90275. **THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.** The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ SCOT BARBOUR. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 7/12/21. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 7/23, 7/30, 8/6, 8/13/21.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2021157810
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: UBER CONSULTING ENGINEERS, 5226 E PEABODY ST., LONG BEACH, CA., 90808. **REGISTERED OWNER:** YI-CHING-WANG, JORGE UBERHUAGA, 5226 E PEABODY ST., LONG BEACH, CA., 90808. **THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS A MARRIED COUPLE.** The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ YI-CHING-WANG. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 7/13/21. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 7/23, 7/30, 8/6, 8/13/21.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2021152374
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: : LECHETA NAIL BAR, 13404 WOODRUFF AVE., BELLFLOWER, CA., 90706. REGISTERED OWNER: LECHETA, LLC, 13404 WOODRUFF AVE., BELLFLOWER, CA., 90706. THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS A LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ ALI BURHANI. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 7/6/21. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 7/16, 7/23, 7/30, 8/6/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2021147930
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: AT TAX SERVICE 10659 BLOOMFIELD ST., TOLUCA LAKE, CA., 91602. REGISTERED OWNER: ANASTASIA A. TYULINA, 10659 BLOOMFIELD ST., TOLUCA LAKE, CA., 91602. THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS AN INDIVIDUAL. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: **5/21**. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ **ANASTASIA A. TYULINA**. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on **6/30/21**. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 7/30, 8/6, 8/13, 8/20/21

CITY OF PICO RIVERA
NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING
PICO RIVERA INNOVATIVE MUNICIPAL ENERGY (PRIME) RATE SETTING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the City of Pico Rivera City Council to consider adopting a proposed Resolution authorizing the City Manager to make certain limited adjustments to customer power generation rates for Pico Rivera Innovative Municipal Energy (PRIME). The public hearing will be held as follows:

WHEN: August 10, 2021

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: City Hall Council Chambers
6615 Passons Boulevard
Pico Rivera, CA 90660

MAIL: PO Box 1016 TELEPHONE: (562) 801-4332

THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION would authorize the City Manager to implement reasonably necessary rate adjustments for PRIME services resulting in no more than a five percent (5%) increased or reduction of the rate than the rate in effect as of the last day of the previous fiscal year.

Citizens unable to attend the Public Hearing but wishing to comment on August 10, 2021 must do so in writing. Written comments will be accepted for a period of 15 days, until August 10, 2021, before 6:00 p.m. Written comments must be addressed to Anna Jerome, City Clerk, 6615 Passons Blvd., Pico Rivera. If you have any questions you can contact Kaitlin McGee, at (562) 801-4437.

PERSONS INTERESTED IN THIS MATTER are invited to attend this hearing to express their opinion on the above matter. You may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Pico Rivera, or prior to, the public hearing.

Anna Jerome
City Clerk
City of Pico Rivera
Hearing: August 10, 2021 6:00 P.M.

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CITY OF ARTESIA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the City Council of the City of Artesia will hold a Public Hearing to consider the following item at the Regular City Council Meeting at **7:00 p.m. on August 9, 2021:**

Resolution No. 21-2843
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARTESIA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A NEW REGISTRATION FEE FOR THE VACANT BUILDING AND FORECLOSED PROPERTIES REGISTRATION PROGRAM

The meeting will be held at the City Council Chambers in Artesia City Hall, 18747 Clarkdale Ave., Artesia, CA 90701. Public comments can be made in person, or may be submitted by email to **publiccomments@cityofartesia.us**, or by voicemail to (562) 865-6262, extension 200. Please submit email and voicemail public comments by 5:00 p.m. on the date of the meeting to ensure that the comments are read into the record.

If you challenge the City’s actions in regard to this matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in the notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior, to the public hearing.

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Ernesto Sanchez
City Clerk

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CITY OF LA MIRADA
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
NOTICE INVITING BIDS

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 2021-06
PARKING LOT SEAL COAT FOR CITY FACILITIES – CIVIC CENTER, BEHRINGER PARK, FRONTIER PARK, VETERANS PARK, WINDERMERE PARK, NEFF PARK, CREEK PARK, GARDENHILL PARK, WILDERNESS AREA, PUBLIC WORKS WAREHOUSE,
THEATRE WAREHOUSE, TRANSIT FACILITY AND 14515 ALONDRA BOULEVARD

Notice is hereby given that the City of La Mirada, California invites sealed bids for the furnishing of all labor, materials, equipment, and services for Capital Improvement Project No. 2021-06. Project Documents are available online from American Reprographics Company (ARC). Bidders may obtain free copies of the Plans, Specifications and other Contract Documents online by visiting **<http://www.crplanwell.com/>**. Work includes parking lot seal coat, crack seal, asphalt replacement and striping for the following City facilities: Civic Center, Behringer Park, Frontier Park, Veterans Park, Windermere Park, Neff Park, Creek Park, Gardenhill Park, Wilderness Area, Public Works Warehouse, Theatre Warehouse, Transit Facility and 14515 Alondra Boulevard in the City of La Mirada.

Sealed bids shall be delivered to the City Clerk at or before 11 a.m. on August 12, 2021. Bids must be submitted on the blank forms, prepared and furnished for that purpose and included in the Plans and Specifications. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or delete portions of any or all bids, or waive any informality or irregularity in the bid or the bid procedures.

Leticia Revilla, Assistant City Clerk

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TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS
TAMI CATHERINE EPSTEIN-MOORE filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows: TAMI CATHERINE EPSTEIN-MOORE TO TAMI CATHERINE MOORE. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant a petition without a hearing. Court date 8/23/21, 10:00 am, Dept 74, RM 735 by Nick Miramontes. Published at Los Cerritos Community Newspaper 7/9, 7/16, 7/23, 7/30/21, Case number 21STCP02176.

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at location indicated: 10753 Artesia Blvd. Cerritos, CA 90703 on August 9, 2021, at 11:00 am.
Ashley Torres- Household items, Shelly Sabo- Furniture and boxes , Patrick Enewally, Boxes, and containers. Kenya Watts- Household items . The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ABC Unified School District will receive up to but not later than **11:00 AM** on the **9th day of August 2021** sealed bids for:

Bid # ABC – 1570 Custodial Supplies Bid

All bids shall be made and presented on a form furnished by the District. Bids submitted conform to the terms and conditions stated on said form. Bids shall be received in the Purchasing Department at 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos, CA., 90703 and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above stated time and place.

Bids and specifications may be obtained from the Purchasing Department at the above address on July 23, 2021 or later.

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Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice US Storage Centers – Cerritos located at 16015 Piuma Ave. Cerritos, CA 90703 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenant at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via **www.storage treasures.com** on 8/19/2021 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Carmen Milagros Figueroa. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details.

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Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice US Storage Centers - Commerce – Olympic located at 5415 E. Olympic Blvd. Commerce CA 90022 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storage treasures.com on 8/19/2021 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Jose L Molina; Kassandra Suhey Buenrostro; Joseph Macias; Brishee Taylor; Roxanne Zepeda; Maria Baez Juarez; Larry Barron; Nora Guadalupe Reaves; Mariah Marlene Tirado; Elie Samaha; Lizett Romero; Iveth A Espinoza Castro; Pricilla Corral; Johnny Jesse Ramirez; Alberto Rolando Garcia Alpizar; Juan Manuel Rodriguez; Arthur Victor Reyes; Kejaun Malik Alexander; Hugo Olivares Cerezo; Christian Michael Preciado; Israel Navarro. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details.

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