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## GRADE SEPARATION COMPLETED IN PICO RIVERA

**ARTIST'S RENDITION:** After 2.5 years, the Durfee Grade Separation is finished. Pico Rivera city officials joined officials from the federal government and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments for the grand opening ceremony Wednesday, May 25. Durfee opened the next day.

## Threat of Lawsuit Spurs La Palma to Move to District Elections in 2024

In early March, the City of La Palma received a certified letter from the law firm of Shenkman & Hughes, on behalf of Southwest Voter Registration Education Project, alleging that the City's current at-large election system violates the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) (Elections Code §§ 14025-14032) by disenfranchising Latinos and demanded that the City transition to by-district elections.

La Palma currently utilizes an at-large election system where voters citywide select each of the five City Council Members. By contrast, a district-based election system is one in which a city is physically divided into separate districts, each with one council member who resides in the district and is chosen solely by the voters residing in that district.

A copy of the letter is available on the City's website [cityoflapalma.org/transparency](http://cityoflapalma.org/transparency).

La Palma was required to

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## Here's How You Can Help Uvalde

As Uvalde reels from a mass school shooting, there are ways you can help.

Nonprofits and other organizations are looking for funds for the victims' families and legal assistance.

**Donate money:** Communities across the country have

those created by the victims' families to help pay for medical costs and funeral expenses. There is also a fundraiser organized by VictimsFirst, a network of survivors and relatives affected by previous mass shootings.

The organization said it started the fund "to make sure that



**A WOMAN CRIES** and hugs a young girl while on the phone outside the Willie de Leon Civic Center where grief counseling was offered in Uvalde, Texas, on May 24, 2022. Getty images.

come together to donate money to help Uvalde.

GoFundMe is vetting these and has added verified fundraisers to a hub, which you can find here.

Among the fundraisers are

100 percent of what is collected goes DIRECTLY to the victim base so the victim's families and those wounded/injured are protected from fraud and exploitation."

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## La Mirada Councilman Sarega Has Poor Attendance Record; Father Removed From Latest Meeting

By Brian Hews

La Mirada Councilman Andrew Sarega's behavior at city council meetings is only understated when his father, Ion "John" Sarega, shows up and speaks at public comment.

Councilman Sarega can often be seen fidgeting as his dad berates the rest of the council and the city manager for basically nothing. It got so bad at this past May 10 meeting that Ion Sarega was removed

from the meeting; a rant by a disgruntled resident whose son has never been mayor and could get beat in this year's election. And there are reasons for that.

### Several Campaign Finance Violations

As reported by HMG-CN, Sarega has been involved in several campaign finance violations, fined by the Fair Political Practices Commission in February of this year for

[See **SAREGA** page 9]

## CERRITOS MPT BARROWS WANTS TO MOVE TRUCK ROUTE BACK TO BLOOMFIELD

By Brian Hews

At Monday's City Council study session, MPT Bruce Barrows, like he and two other councilmembers did last year, went after the Cerritos Sheriff Station budget while also dropping a bombshell on Cerritos residents, stating that he wanted to revert to the original truck route off the 91 freeway and Bloomfield because it was costing the city too much money in deputy enforcement expenses.

Barrows implied that the city has – or will - run into legal problems because "the truck route is causing problems in other areas of the city."

"To me, all the problems and 'drama' we have now, started when there was a change made to remove the truck route by the previous council."

That previous council consisted of a Republican majority, including Naresh Solanki [who was Mayor], [now Mayor] Chuong Vo, and the late Jim Edwards.

HMG-CN's reporting on the issue in 2019, with information from the affected residents, was instrumental in changing the truck route.

In August 2019, several residents brought their concerns to HMG-CN, after which the paper published several letters from residents that spurred action

[See **TRUCK ROUTE** page 12]

## HMG-CN Garners L.A. Press Club Finalist Nomination

Staff Report

For the tenth straight year, Hews Media Group-Los Cerritos Community News Publisher Brian Hews has garnered a Los Angeles Press Club finalist nomination to be awarded at the 64th Annual Southern California Journalism Awards in June.

The contest was judged by journalists at press clubs across the nation, including the National Press Club in Washington, DC.

The nomination category for HMG-CN was Best Investigative Series.

"It is an honor to be nominated with such talented journalists," said Hews, "I am very fortunate just to be mentioned with them."

Hews was again nominated in the prestigious category for his six-part exposé titled Megatrans.

The story centered on the California School Bond process

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### Coalition Press Conference Against Tribal Initiative

Coalition says initiative would kill 32,000 jobs and wipe out \$1.6 billion in annual wages in the region.

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### Angel City Games at Cerritos College

The Games will host more than two dozen Paralympians and elite coaches, as well as 16 adaptive sports.

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### Cerritos Resident Hired as LB Jordan Football Coach

Jon Nielsen brings to Jordan a prolific passing style of an offense that could be the best in the state.

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## Sports Betting Initiative Would Put CA. Cardrooms Out of Business

Coalition says initiative would kill 32,000 jobs and wipe out \$1.6 billion in annual wages in the region.

By Brian Hews

Los Angeles area elected officials and Brenda Villa, four-time Olympic Champion from Commerce, gathered in Commerce to expose the detrimental local impacts on jobs and city revenues if the eligible tribal sports betting gaming initiative on November's ballot is passed.

If passed, it threatens the future of community programs like the Commerce Senior Center Breakfast (location where press conference is held).

Collectively, the Los Angeles region stands to lose at least \$71.1 million in direct general fund tax revenue if the eligible tribal gaming initiative passes by voters – significantly limiting local government's ability to fund public health, homelessness services, senior programs, after-school programs, and a myriad of vital public services.

Those attending were Juan Garza, California Cities for Self-Reliance Joint Powers Authority; Brenda Villa, Four-Time Olympic Champion Water Polo; Oralia Rebollo, Mayor, City of Commerce; Emma Sharif, Mayor, City of Compton; Jesse Alvarado, Council Member-City of Hawaiian Gardens and Alejandra Cortez, Council Member-City of Bell Gardens

They say the initiative would fuel excessive litigation against cardrooms, potentially shutting them down, effectively killing 32,000 jobs and wiping out \$1.6 billion in annual wages.

The initiative is backed by Pechanga Resort Casino along with several businesses and public safety, social justice and community groups and tribes — has no official name but is referred to as the Tribal Sports Wagering Act.

It would allow sports wagering at tribal casinos and at four California race-tracks — Santa Anita Park in Arcadia, Los Alamitos Race Course in Cypress, Del Mar in San Diego and Golden Gate Fields in Berkeley.

Opponents say the measure would give tribal casinos a near-monopoly on all gaming in California – adding exclusivity over roulette, craps and sports wagering to their current monopoly on slot machines.

They contend it also would also expand the Private Attorneys General Act, allowing tribal casinos to hire private trial lawyers, effectively replacing the role of the state's attorney general to sue cardrooms and potentially forcing them out of business over costly litigation.

Fears are 'misconstrued'

Ignoring the fact that tribes will access new revenue, and expose cardrooms to new lawsuits, Kathy Fairbanks, a spokeswoman for the Coalition for Safe, Responsible Gaming, gaslighted the cardrooms saying the fears surrounding the initiative have been misconstrued.

"Our measure simply ensures existing laws preventing illegal gambling are being followed," she said.

Opponents of the Pechanga initiative still fear a tribal casino monopoly on gaming and increased PAGA litigation might prove too costly to fight and could result in cardroom closures.

Bell Gardens Councilwoman Ale-



**#REJECT THE MEASURE:** Commerce Mayor Oralia Rebollo; Compton Mayor Emma Sharif; Bell Gardens Councilwoman Alejandra Cortez; California Cities for Self-Reliance Joint Powers Authority Executive Director Juan Garza; Brenda Villa, four-time Olympian and gold medalist in water polo; Hawaiian Gardens Councilmember Jesse Alvarado, and others at the press conference calling on Los Angeles voters to reject the measure in the November election.

jandra Cortez said the Bicycle generates nearly 50%, or \$15 million, of the city's revenue. If the Bike was forced to close down the impact would be catastrophic, she said.

"We got a preview of what that would be like when we had to shut down in 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic," Cortez said. "It was closed for nine months and it resulted in a loss of about \$10 million."

Cortez said those are critical funds that help pay for police service, public works and other basic services needed to keep the city up and running.

Hawaiian Gardens would suffer an even bigger hit, according to City Councilman Jesse Alvarado.

"The Gardens Casino, which has operated in the city of Hawaiian Gardens

for the past 22 years, is a critical partner to our entire community – providing more than 70% of our city's total general fund revenues," Alvarado said.

The money, he said, has played a vital role in the city's ability to fight crime and roll back major gang-control issues.

"If the eligible tribal gaming initiative were to become law, it would devastate our community," Alvarado said.

Commerce Mayor Oralia Rebollo said Commerce Casino generates about 46% of her city's annual revenue, and it's never been accused of money laundering.

"They have always been transparent, so we've never had to endure these types of issues," she said. "I take pride in how the casino is managed."

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## Bragg Elementary Celebrates Delayed 50th Anniversary



**ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** told the school's story through the decades, beginning in 1971. Students broke time frames up into decades displaying photos, fashion and historical events of the period.

By **Tammye McDuff**

Mary Bragg Elementary celebrated its 51st anniversary in grand style on May 20. The theme for the anniversary was "This is Our Story".

The anniversary celebration told the school's story through the decades, beginning in 1971. Students designed and led presentations describing each decade. The school's innovative Green Team and Student Leadership Teams featured student leaders who are changing the world through performances, discussions and vintage photos that tell the history and story of the school.

"Tonight reflects the care, passion and dedication of past and present students, teachers, staff, parents and community members who make Bragg a unique and special school," said Jeff Heilig, Principal. "Our anniversary celebrates the statement of our strong bond and ongoing commitment that we all have to provide a world-class educational environment that brings out the best in all of us."

The beginning band ensemble performed medlies from 'Measures of Success.' It was Bragg's first band performance. Student Marcus Jaurigue said, "In band class we learn the language of music, the notes are that language."

One of the evening's presentations, called Bobcat Beginnings, was an interview by Bobcat student president Kaleigh Maligat who interviewed Ms. Elaine Burdick, a teacher and administrator for ABCUSD now enjoying her retirement, while volunteering for the Artesia Historical Society.

Hayden Hemenway, 3rd grade; Harley Hemenway, 2nd grade and Harper Mitchell, 3rd grade wrote and recited together a poem they wrote about how they are thankful for Bragg and the Bragg Community.

Two years ago in March, the fourth graders were preparing to perform their annual musical "Gold Rush or Bust." Unfortunately, their performance was canceled due to the pandemic. The evening of the event they got their chance and proudly presented "Gold Fever" from that musical.

Student leadership created an interactive display, interviewing a staff member from each decade and creating separate decade information with fashion, photos and historical events of that period.

Mary Bragg Elementary School is proud of its diverse student population and long tradition of academic excellence. Hardworking teachers, high expectations in the classroom and strong parent support at home have helped Bragg students achieve academically.

They have been named a STAR School by California Businesses for Education Excellence, an award given for demonstrating high student academic achievement, making significant progress toward closing the achievement gaps among all students, and increasing and sustaining grade level proficiency.

The Mary Bragg "Sister School Team" would like to invite you to help them with their Sister School project in Abuja, Nigeria.

The team has learned a lot about their friend's culture and lifestyle, and recently they learned that the students in Abuja did not have desks or chairs and that students must sit in the dirt or on cement blocks.

Bragg Elementary wants to help by asking readers to donate to purchase a desk and chairs for "This Little Light Africa" non-profit that will match your donation.

For more information, contact Bragg Elementary School in Cerritos at (562) 229-7830

## Statement From ABCUSD Supt. Dr. Mary Sieu on Uvalde

It's with a heavy heart that I send this message out today. This week, many students were shot and two faculty members were killed in Uvalde, Texas at an elementary school.

Like you, my thoughts and prayers are with the students, families and staff at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas.

Any acts of violence like this one can bring up feelings such as fear, grief, and sadness.

If your child is experiencing these feelings we suggest you go to your healthcare provider or your child's school Mental Health Professional for support.

In light of this horrific event, our schools will remain vigilant in protecting our campuses. At times like these, we should look past our differences and focus on our shared values of compassion and support for others."

### UVALDE rom page 1

As of Wednesday morning, the majority of verified fundraisers, including an effort to raise money for funeral expenses for the family of Xavier Lopez, had exceeded their fundraising goals.

GoFundMe has also compiled advice on how to avoid scammers.


University Health System's Foundation has set up a Uvalde victim's relief fund to help support the patients and families who are being cared for at the hospital. Find more information on the foundation's website.

The Robb School Memorial Fund is an account opened at First State Bank of Uvalde for the families of Robb Elementary, according to the Uvalde Police Department.

The city of Uvalde is also accepting donations for medical expenses. If you'd like to donate, the Uvalde Police Department encourages people to send a check to the city of Uvalde, P.O. Box 799, Uvalde, Texas 78802.

Starting Wednesday, H-E-B, Central Market, Joe V's Smart Shop and Mi Tienda customers can contribute monetary donations in store at the register. Customers can make \$1, \$3, \$5, \$50, or \$100 at checkout in curbside and on home delivery orders. All funds collected from the donation campaign will benefit the victims and families of Robb Elementary School.

The Community Foundation of Texas Hill Country, a nonprofit based northwest of San Antonio, has started a relief fund for the victims and their families, as well as others affected by the Uvalde shooting. You can donate on its website.



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## Norwalk Car Show Benefitted Resident With Cancer



**THE VINTAGE LADIES CAR CLUB** hosted a mini car show and bake sale to raise funds for a local student battling stage three brain cancer. Photo by Clarissa Arceo, Talon Marks.

**By Clarissa Arceo, Talon Marks**

A car club exclusively for women who own vintage cars hosted an event at Holifield Park, 12500 Excelsior Drive, in Norwalk, to raise funds for a community member battling Stage 3 Brain Cancer.

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Vintage Ladies Car Club sold baked goods, hot dogs, drinks and other food items along with raffle tickets for various prizes; they all also brought their vintage cars and invited others to bring theirs too.

Over one hundred people and surrounding car clubs visited the park throughout the day, bringing their lawn chairs, tables and tents to catch up and enjoy the event.

Many also brought their vintage cars and were invited to park them in rows in the parking lot for visitors to view.

Towards the end of the event, a raffle was held, and the members thanked everyone for their support.

Funds were being raised for Justine Amancio, who is a student at a local high school fighting Stage 3 Brain Cancer; the Club decided to host the event after a request was put in by one of Amancio's teachers.

In 2018, Pat Garcia founded the Vintage Ladies Car Club in honor of her mother, who passed away due to ovarian cancer.

"It was really hard when my mom passed away," Garcia said. "So I started this club and began hosting fundraisers in hopes of helping other people battling something, too."

The Vintage Ladies Car Club is not only a community for women and families who enjoy cruising in and

showing off their cars.

Their purpose is to raise funds for those battling any form of cancer and help their community.

The 11 members often host fundraisers to provide gift cards, school supplies and clothing to foster kids in the city of Bellflower and money for community members in the area.

On average, the Vintage Ladies Car Club hosts about five to six fundraisers a year.

The Club will usually host events in accordance with the requests they receive; 100% of the proceeds they earn throughout the day of their events go to the patient in need.

Garcia said that she is thankful for the immense support of the community and fellow car clubs, such as the Vintage Gente of SoCal and the Anaheim Car Club, who attended Saturday's food sale during their events.

Other car clubs in the area—such as Vintage Genre SoCal and the Anaheim Car Club—attend many fundraisers put on by the Vintage Ladies Car Club to show their support.

On May 29, the Vintage Ladies Car Club will host their first annual car show in Bellflower to help Ninos Latinos Unidos, a private non-profit organization for foster kids, with their backpack fundraiser.

"People see our cars, they see these low riders, and they immediately think we're out to cause trouble," Garcia said. "But we're really just trying to do some good.

resident Nathaniel Burch.

When David Burch of Lakewood suffered a serious heart attack, eldest son Nathaniel got an opportunity to put his recently acquired EMT certifications to the test.

For more than 10 minutes, he took his father's vitals while performing chest compressions as David's condition worsened.

The EMT crew arrived, and it took six attempts with the defibrillator before David regained a pulse.

The on-call deputy for the L.A. County Sheriff's Department credited Nathaniel with saving his father's life.

## Lakewood Resident Honored by Red Cross

From performing CPR when a stranger collapses at a community gym to pulling someone from a burning car or home, SoCal is full of brave and courageous heroes. On Thursday, May 19, the American Red Cross Los Angeles Region honored community heroes who have demonstrated extraordinary acts of courage and humanitarian service at its 17th Annual Hometown Heroes Ceremony.

One of the honorees was Lakewood

## La Mirada Community Foundation Awards Scholarships



**THE BOB JENKINS SCHOLARSHIP** in memory of community volunteer and President of the La Mirada Community Foundation, was presented to Amber Cheng, Melissa Dang, Marina Saffold, Alex Santiago, Taylor Whisler, and Natalia Zuniga.

The La Mirada Community Foundation awarded scholarships to eight graduating high school seniors residing in La Mirada who plan to continue their education. The students were selected based on outstanding academic achievements and involvement in the community.

Since 2005, the Community Foundation has awarded \$79,250 in scholarships to 89 graduating seniors. This year, the Community Foundation offered the Bob Jenkins Community Service Scholarship and a STEM scholarship for students planning to study science, technology, engineering and mathematics in college.

The Bob Jenkins Scholarship, named in memory of the dedicated community

volunteer and President of the La Mirada Community Foundation, was presented to Amber Cheng, Melissa Dang, Marina Saffold, Alex Santiago, Taylor Whisler, and Natalia Zuniga.

Jaidyn Fujii and Hannah Stelter received the Southern California Edison STEM Scholarship, which offers scholarship to students pursuing careers in business, computer and information systems, engineering, mathematics, engineering technology, natural resources and conservation, and physical science.

For additional information about the La Mirada Community Foundation, call (562) 943-0131.

## Officials Urge Parents to Get Their Kids Boosted

With cases going up, and summer activities right around the corner, public health officials are urging parents to get their children boosted against COVID.

Children ages 5 to 11 are now eligible for COVID booster shots.

Los Angeles County started administering boosters last weekend, and the City of Long Beach started offering them last Monday.

"The children who got boosted were so much less likely to even get infected," Los Angeles County Public Health Director Dr. Barbara Ferrer said. "And you know if you don't get infected, two things — you can't pass it on to anybody else and you can't get sick. So it's super important that we try to protect ourselves as much as we can."

Boosters were cleared for distribution by the CDC after the FDA issued an emergency use authorization last week, as new cases and hospitalizations have surged across the country.

Los Angeles County moved into the

CDC's "medium" community virus activity category after being in "low" for several weeks, and a county mask mandate for public transportation was extended for another 30 days or until virus transmission falls.

The average daily rate of people testing positive for the virus went up to 3.7%, up from 3.5% a day earlier, in Los Angeles County. Last week, Ferrer said the rate of hospital beds occupied by COVID-positive patients is roughly 1.7%.

State public health officials say the surge in infections fueled by Omicron and its subvariants showed that children are also vulnerable to the current wave of the virus. Children 5-11 should receive a single booster dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine at least five months after completing their primary series, officials said.

**To make an appointment for a child, parents can visit [myturn.ca.gov](https://myturn.ca.gov) or call 1-833-422-4255.**

## Agreement Between Metro and Dept. of Mental Health

This week LA Metro and the L.A. County Dept. of Mental Health (DMH) which will make trained mental health professionals available to respond to mental health crises on public transit.

"Anyone who has taken Metro knows there is a mental health crisis on our transit system," said Supervisor Janice Hahn, who authored the October 2021 motion to initiate talks between the Department of Mental Health and Metro. The agreement, signed yesterday includes a number of improvements to mental health crisis response aboard Metro.

Under the agreement, DMH will pilot up to 10 mobile crisis outreach teams that will operate during Metro hours, seven days a week, to de-escalate situations and provide linkages to appropriate follow-up

services including possible 5150 or 5585 involuntary psychiatric evaluation and/or provision of transport to appropriate facility-based care, when needed. DMH will also provide 30 Community Ambassador Network teams to provide outreach and linkages to services to individuals experiencing mental illness within designated areas of the metro system. Finally, DMH will provide Metro Transit Security and contract security personnel with intervention training to include basic awareness of mental health conditions and de-escalation skills and behaviors for managing a mental health incident.

Response Teams countywide which will be available by calling 9-8-8, the nationwide mental health crisis hotline.

# Artesia Recognizes Harvey Milk Day

By Tammye McDuff

For the first time in history, the city of Artesia declared May 22 as Harvey Milk Day at the last council meeting.

Milk was responsible for passing gay rights ordinances in San Francisco and served eleven months before being assassinated on November 27, 1978, along with San Francisco Mayor George Moscone.

"As we prepare to celebrate Pride month in June, we reflect on the incredible contributions of LGBTQ leaders," said Melissa Ramoso, Mayor of Artesia. "Harvey Milk was an activist, organizer, and the first openly gay man elected to public office in the country as a member of the San Francisco Board of Supervi-

sors in the late 1970s.

Milk came out and started organizing against discrimination of gay and lesbian business owners in the Castro District of San Francisco, and against the 1978 Briggs Initiative that would have banned gays and lesbians from working in schools.

Milk fearlessly organized his community and extended a hand to others, working with labor and civil rights activists who were all struggling for justice. Harvey Milk Day is organized by the Harvey Milk Foundation and celebrated each year on May 22 in memory of him.

Harvey Milk Day came about as a day to remember and teach about Milk's life and his work to stop discrimination against the LGBT community.

"His legacy lives on with laws and policies that protect the LGBTQ community and in the hearts of generations of activists," added Ramoso.

# Durfee Grade Separation Construction Completed



**OPENING:** officials at the event from (l-r) Pico Rivera Councilman Andrew C. Lara, Mayor pro tem Eric Lutz, Mayor Dr. Monica Sanchez, and Councilman Gustavo Camacho. Also attending were Rep. Grace Napolitano, Rep. Linda Sánchez, and ERUSD Supt. Dr. Frances Esparza.

By Tammye McDuff

After two and a half years of planning and construction, the Durfee Grade Separation is finally completed. To mark the completion, city officials joined officials from the federal government, ACE, and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments with a grand opening ceremony this past Wednesday, May 25.

Durfee Ave. opened the next day, Thursday, May 26 at 10 am.

A stretch of Durfee Ave. in Pico Rivera has remained closed for approximately 27 months. Workers constructed a two-lane roadway underpass and a railroad bridge to carry freight trains over the lowered roadway. While Durfee was closed to traffic at the railroad crossing between Walnut Avenue and Stephens Street, local access to businesses, residences, and schools remained open.

Residents can now drive, bike, or walk, with ease knowing they no longer have to

worry about oncoming train traffic and emergency vehicles will now have a clear path when responding to emergencies.

The grade separation project will eliminate collisions, train horn noise and delays for emergency responders to improve safety at the Pico Rivera railroad crossing.

The Durfee crossing is used by 13,600 vehicles every day, it continues. There have been nine collisions at the intersection since 1981 and four of those involved a fatality.

The city would like to thank all residents and local businesses for their patience and understanding while Durfee was closed due to the construction activities.

The \$107.8 million project is just one of 19 roadway-rail grade separation projects overseen by the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments, which seeks safety improvements along the high-volume freight rail corridor running through the San Gabriel Valley.

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# Senate Approves Proposal to Provide a Full Property Tax Exemption for Disabled Veterans

Bill was introduced by State Senator Bob Archuleta.

SACRAMENTO, CA – This week the California State Senate passed SB 1357, providing tax relief for disabled veterans throughout California. The measure, introduced by Senator Bob Archuleta (D-Pico Rivera), creates an alternative disabled veterans' exemption, on their principal place of residence if the disabled veteran taxpayer has lost one or more limbs, is totally blind, and has a 100% U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (USDVA) disability rating.

"Veterans, like all Californians, are feeling the pressure of rising costs," said Senator Archuleta. "SB 1357 seeks

to make California more affordable and livable for the men and women who served our nation. T"

The California Constitution allows the Legislature to pass the exemption.

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"This disabled veterans' exemption honors their bravery and commitment to our nation, while also assisting our disabled veterans who are struggling with the high cost of living in California," said Archuleta. SB 1357 passed 39-0 and now heads to the Assembly for consideration.

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## 2022 Taiwan Experience Education Program



**GREAT PROGRAM:** The Taiwan Experience Education Program reaches far and wide, from Whitney High to Kaiser Permanente. More than 40 US volunteers will teach about 600 Taiwanese students from July 10 to July 28, 2022.

Cerritos College offered the Taiwan Experience Education Program, a Study-Abroad and Teaching-Internship program, in 2017-19.

This program was funded by the Taiwan Education Experience Project (<https://teep.studyintaiwan.org/>). The TEEP project pays for the students' food and board in Taiwan and allows US students to teach English in Taiwan's public-school classrooms.

More than 60 Cerritos College students participated in the Taiwan Experience Education Program.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Cerritos College's Taiwan Experience Education Program was canceled in 2020.

Some of our volunteers come from the students who went to Taiwan in previous years.

Mirna Campbell went to Taiwan to teach English in 2017. She is happy to reconnect with Taiwanese students through the Virtual English Camp. Mirna said "my experience teaching in-person and online to Taiwanese students has changed my life. I am very happy to have a chance to change the world of some Taiwanese students."

Mr. Norman Chung, President of Whitney High School Chinese Parents Association, believes this is a great opportunity for students to exchange their cultures and experiences with students in Taiwan. Mr. Chung organized Whitney High school students to join the volunteer team. Several Whitney High school students volunteered in the 2021 summer and came back to teach in the 2022 Summer program including: Andrew Qu, Vivian Gu, Jayden Lin, Adam Taylor, Owen

Yang, Rebecca Liu, Zoey Ji, Tyler Liu, Lawrence Peng, and Mida Chung.

Several Cerritos City community members also joined the teaching program. La Palma-Cerritos AAUW branch member, a liaison for Cerritos College, Tobi Balma, volunteered for the program in the 2022 Winter Camp. Tobi made a presentation of Cerritos Library. Taiwanese students were surprised that it is a city library, not a museum. More Cerritos City community members are joining the program in 2022 Summer Camp: Linda Hernandez, retired ABCUSD Teacher, will introduce American Sign Language. Some Cerritos community members will provide career talks to Taiwanese students. These experts include: Dr. Judy Ling, a specialist at Long Beach Memorial Hospital, Dr. Leslie Young, a pediatrician with Kaiser Permanente, Edward Young, Deputy City Attorney for the City of Los Angeles, and Olivia Liao, Senior Director at Kaiser Permanente Information Technology Department.

More than 40 US volunteers will teach about 600 Taiwanese students from July 10 to July 28, 2022. It is wonderful that the volunteers can connect with Taiwanese students 9,000 miles away from the US with this amazing technology. This program has created great positive impacts on students both in the US and in Taiwan. I hope I can continue this program to benefit other students in the future.

Thank you to all the volunteers and teachers in this program. I hope you will gain new experiences and make new friends.

*Sincerely  
Dr. Shin Liu*

## La Mirada Crime Summary

May 9-15, 2022

*Editor's note: HMG-CN has requested a similar report from Cerritos Sheriffs and Mayor Vo, currently the station posts a PDF of crimes that is extremely hard to format into a readable format.*

### Notable Arrests

- A felony assault suspect was arrested.
- A suspect was arrested for grand theft auto.
- A burglary suspect was arrested.
- A suspect was arrested for felony vandalism.
- A suspect was arrested for theft and evading police.
- Twelve suspects were arrested throughout La Mirada for various warrants and narcotics violations.

### Aggravated Assault

• A suspect pointed a handgun at the victim during a road rage incident near the intersection of Rosecrans Ave. and Valley View Ave. No injuries were reported.

• During an argument a victim was assaulted by a known suspect on the 14800 block of Hardaway Dr. The victim was treated for minor injuries.

### Other Structure Burglary

- A storage container was broken into on the 16400 block of Valley View Ave.
- Several watches were reported stolen during an early morning burglary on the 14700 block of Valley View Ave.

### Vehicle Burglary

- A wallet was stolen during a daytime window smash burglary on the 14900 block of La Fonda Dr.
- An early morning burglary was reported on the 16100 block of Rosecrans Ave.

### Grand Theft

- A backpack was stolen during a daytime theft from an unlocked vehicle on the 14900 block of Northam St.
- A late night theft of a purse from an unlocked vehicle was reported on the 15100 block of Valeda Dr.
- A daytime theft from an unlocked vehicle was reported on the 15500 block of Illora Dr.
- Copper wire was reported stolen on the 15300 block of Valley View Ave.
- An early morning theft of a catalytic converter was reported on the 14200 block of Rosecrans Ave.
- A catalytic converter was reported stolen on the 15300 block of Valley View Ave.
- An early morning theft of a catalytic

ic converter was reported on the 15500 block of Dalmatian Ave.

• A catalytic converter was reported stolen on the 14700 block of Alondra Blvd.

• A bicycle was reported stolen on the 13800 block of Biola Ave.

### Grand Theft Auto

- A sedan was reported stolen on the 15000 block of Manecita Dr.
- A sedan was reported stolen on the 15900 block of Alicante Rd.
- A truck was reported stolen on the 13000 block of Woodridge Ave.
- A stolen SUV was recovered on the 12600 block of Biola Ave.

## Lakewood Resident is New Commander of Lakewood

Dan Holguin, a 25-year veteran of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and a 21-year resident of Lakewood, has been promoted to captain and commander of the Lakewood Sheriff's Station.



Captain Holguin has worked in a variety of field and department command positions in his career. His first field tour was in Lakewood.

He was then promoted to Sergeant and did tours at the Carson Station and in the Professional Standards Division, where he worked in the Risk Management Bureau. After a promotion to Lieutenant, he returned to a field station as a Patrol Watch Commander and Service Area Lieutenant for the city of Lynwood. He then became the Acting Captain of the South Los Angeles Station and was then assigned to be the Division Chief's Aide at the Central Patrol Division headquarters, before his recent promotion to Captain.

Captain Holguin attended this week's Lakewood City Council meeting and told council members that "I am honored to be given this opportunity to lead the Lakewood Station. I am a resident of Lakewood, and I take this job personally. I am ready to work with residents and the city to create partnerships that provide quality service."

### Deputy Honored

At this week's council meeting, Lieutenant Juan Briseño was also honored for his service as Acting Captain of the Lakewood Sheriff's Station for the past several months after the retirement of Captain David Sprengel.

The City Council presented Briseño with the council's Award of Merit and noted their appreciation that he will remain at the station as the Operations Lieutenant.

## ABCUSD Honors Artesia High Championship Soccer Team



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## Sustainable Water Use in the Landscape

By Melinda Myers

No matter where you live, the conservation and wise use of water in our gardens and landscapes is important. Sustainable water use helps grow beautiful gardens while conserving water and helping reduce water pollution.

Amend the soil with compost or other organic matter to increase the soil's ability to absorb and retain water. More water is absorbed by the amended soil so less runs off your landscape and into the street. This means less fertilizer and pesticides wash into sewers, rivers, and lakes.

Cover bare soil with a layer of organic mulch. It conserves moisture so you water less, prevents erosion and helps suppress weeds. As the mulch decomposes, it improves the soil.

Use rain barrels to capture rainwater that drains off the roof. Purchase a rain barrel or make your own from a recycled food grade container. Evaluate the functional design, appearance and space needed when making your selection.

Use drip irrigation or soaker hoses for applying water right to the soil where it is needed. You'll lose less water to evaporation and overspray. Avoiding overhead watering helps reduce the risk of disease. Irrigation systems also reduce your time spent watering and are especially helpful for container gardens and raised beds.

Plant native plants suited to your growing conditions and landscape design whenever possible. These deeply rooted plants help keep rainwater where it falls, reducing the risk of basement flooding and overwhelming storm sewers. The plants slow the flow of water, helping keep it on your landscape for the plants



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to use. Their deep roots create pathways for rainwater to enter and travel through the soil. Plant roots and soil help remove impurities from the water before it enters the groundwater and aquifers.

When adding walks, patios or other hard surfaces to your landscape consider enlisting permeable options. Permeable pavers allow water to infiltrate the surface rather than run off into the street and storm sewer.

Stepping stones placed in mulched pathways or surrounded by groundcovers make an attractive walkway or patio. Look for attractive, long lasting and easy to install products like the Rubber Leaf stepping stones. Plant groundcovers suited to the growing conditions and those that tolerate foot traffic. The planted spaces between the hard surfaces allow water to move into and through the soil.

## Upcoming events at OC Fair & Event Center

The month of June brings a packed schedule to the fairgrounds in anticipation for the upcoming OC Fair.

### Scottish Fest, May 28-29

Scottish Fest is Southern California's largest Scottish, Celtic, American Festival. Experience two days of world-class Celtic music, piping and drumming competitions, Highland dancing contests, Scottish heavy athletics, Scottish gifts and foods, Scottish clans and genealogy, a fantastic children's glen and more.

Visit [scottishfest.com](http://scottishfest.com)

### SoCal World Guitar Show, Jun. 4-5

International buy-sell-trade event for guitars, amplifiers and other musical gear. Vendors and buyers from across the country and around the world come to buy sell and trade with each other and public attendees. Public attendees may bring all the musical gear they can carry to sell, trade or have appraised.

Visit [AmigoSoCal](http://AmigoSoCal.com)

### The Classic – Volkswagen and Porsche Car Show, June 5

The Classic is a Volkswagen and Porsche Car Show and display. The Classic will have new part vendors displaying and selling their products from the VW and lifestyle industry, and will feature a large swap meet area for selling used VW automotive-related items.

Raffle tickets available for purchase to win prizes from leading vendors.

Visit [bugorama.com/event/empitheclassic2022/](http://bugorama.com/event/empitheclassic2022/)

### 626 Night Market OC, June 17-19

626 Night Market is back! The festival features 200+ food, merchandise, crafts, arts, games, music and entertainment attractions in an epic event that appeals to all ages.

Visit [626nightmarket.com/tickets-oc-repticon](http://626nightmarket.com/tickets-oc-repticon), June 18-19

Repticon Los Angeles is a reptile event featuring vendors offering reptile pets, supplies, feeders, cages, and merchandise as well as live animal seminars and frequent free raffles for coveted prizes. Exciting, educational, family-oriented fun for everyone!

Visit [repticon.com/california/los-angeles-costa-mesa/](http://repticon.com/california/los-angeles-costa-mesa/)

### Speaker Series #6 at Heroes Hall Museum, June 18

Heroes Hall Museum presents its speaker series, which will run through September on select Saturday mornings. The series is about the tremendous achievements and challenges Black service members and other groups have faced while serving in the U.S. armed forces, and is hosted in conjunction with the museum's newest exhibit, Fighting for the Right to Fight: African American Experiences in World War II.

### Our Service, Our Stories: The LGBT Military Experience June 18

In celebration of Pride Month in June, the Fighting for the Right to Fight Speaker Series will feature the documentary film Our Service, Our Stories followed by a panel discussion with lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) military veterans. The veterans will share their experiences serving in the U.S. armed forces from the Vietnam era through the conflicts in the Middle East. They will address a variety of topics including the challenges they faced as LGBT service members, the devastating impacts of the Don't Ask Don't Tell policy, and how to right the wrong. Moderator: Stephanie Wade; Panelists: Bill Anderson, Teri Thompson, Warren Tymony, Jonathan Willett. June 18, 1-2:30 p.m at the Heroes Hall Museum Free admission and parking.

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## Angel City Games June 24-26 at Cerritos College



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Angel City Sports is hosting the 2022 Angel City Games at a new host location, Cerritos College

The Games will host more than two dozen Paralympians and elite coaches as well as 16 adaptive sports and numerous clinics, including Track & Field, Wheelchair Basketball, Wheelchair Tennis, Wheelchair Football, Blind Judo, Para Powerlifting, Sitting Volleyball, Blind Soccer, Swimming, and more.

Friday, June 24 will feature a Fun Run & Roll, consisting of a disabled and non-disabled walk, roll, stroll, or run hosted by the Youth Leadership Council, as well as keynote speaker Dave Sanderson, a passenger and survivor of "The Miracle on Hudson" plane that crashed into the Hudson River. Dave was named one of the top 100 Leadership Speakers by

Inc.com. The Games' Experience Zone opens Friday and will highlight Rowing, Fitness, Table Tennis, Boccia, Golf, Handcycling, Curling and other sports and clinics. On Saturday, June 25 there will be an Olympic & Paralympic Day Celebration including a Great Games Cookout and a performance by military veteran and acclaimed musician Scotty Hasting.

"We are thrilled to once again host this amazing weekend of sport, fun, and community," said Clayton Frech, CEO and Founder of Angel City Sports. "These Games spotlight the best of athletic achievement and the human spirit."

*For more information, please visit the ACS YouTube channel, and follow @angelcitysports on Facebook, Instagram & Twitter.*

## SAREGA from page 1

\$1,700.

Sarega's campaign committee 'Sarega for Council 2017' was hit with four violations for failing to file a report within 24 hours, deliberately hiding four \$1,000 donations from La Mirada voters in the campaign's final weeks.

In addition, Sarega was hit with two other violations, once again deliberately hiding campaign donations from residents by failing to file two pre-election statements.

It seems like violating the Political Reform Act runs in the family; Sarega's father, Ion, was warned by the FPPC last year for potential violations.

### Illegal Letter?

And Andrew Sarega never stops; in a hand-delivered letter to District 2 residents on La Mirada City letterhead, Sarega claimed the FPPC fines were "nothing" and slammed the city's only community newspaper, the La Mirada Lamplighter, as "fake news" for reporting the violations.

Under FPPC laws, City Councilmembers are allowed a maximum of 299 letters on city letterhead, yet many in District 2, nearly 3,000 homes, said they received the letter, which would be another FPPC violation by Sarega.

### Constantly Absent from City Council Meetings

HMG-CN news reporter Tammye McDuff covers La Mirada Council meetings either in person or online and has noticed that Sarega is often absent from meetings, not taking the time to call in by phone or use Zoom-type platforms.

HMG-CN has documented comments from residents who said, "Sarega is constantly absent from meetings."

Finally, after hearing from several other residents, HMG-CN requested Sarega's attendance records under the Freedom of Information Act and found that the residents were correct in their assertion of the man they call "Absent Andrew."

For the period beginning in April 2018 and ending in April 2019, Sarega was absent nearly 20% of the time. The four others averaged 95%, with John Lewis and Ed Eng logging perfect attendance.

For the same period in 2019-2020, during COVID and Zoom meetings, Sarega was once again absent nearly 20% of the time. The four others averaged 95%, with John Lewis and Ed Eng logging perfect attendance.

In 2020-2021, Sarega hit the same percentage; John Lewis, Ed Eng, and Steve De Ruse logged perfect attendance.

For the period beginning 2021-2022, Absent Andrew hit a new high, missing 32% of city council meetings, eight out of twenty-two.

During one period from April 2021 to August 2021, Sarega was absent five out of a total of eight meetings, or 65% of the time.

For the four years, a total of 90 meetings, Sarega was absent nearly 25% of the time.

His entire history, from 2013 to 2022 is nearly the same, missing an eye-opening 34 meetings, a total of 1.3 years.

All back-up docs can be found online at loscerritosnews.net.

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**FEATURE**

# Cerritos' Nielsen Has New Challenge, Named Long Beach Jordan's New Head Football Coach

By Loren Kopff  
@LorenKopff on Twitter

When Cerritos resident Jon Nielsen was an offensive coordinator at Gahr High, he fell short of a CIF-Southern Section championship ring.

Now, the person who never slows down at anything thrown his way is embarking on a new challenge in his life that he hopes will get him that elusive ring.

Nielsen was recently hired as Long Beach Jordan High's new head football coach, replacing Tim Wedlow who coached the Panthers to an 8-6 mark last season that ended with a 37-14 loss to Northwood High in the Division 11 championship game.

It was the first time the program had advanced to the championship game.

Nielsen has a plethora of coaching experience on the gridiron, most recently at St. Paul High last season where he was the offensive consultant and freshman offensive coordinator.

Before that, he was the offensive and recruiting coordinator at Cerritos High from 2017-2018 and Gahr's assistant head coach as well as the offensive and recruiting coordinator from 2009-2013.

"I want a ring," he said adamantly. "I want to be able to control everything. When you're a coordinator or an assistant coach, you don't get to run the defensive

side and other things. I'm the captain my own ship. It's the right time for me to do this, and again, I don't want to have excuses blaming things on the defense as to why I don't have two rings. I should have two rings from my time at Gahr."

If it sounds like Nielsen has a chip on his shoulder, it's not the case. In fact, he says the monkey is off his back because he gets to control the things he didn't have control over when he was either an assistant or an offensive coordinator.

What Nielsen brings to Jordan is a prolific passing style of an offense that has the potential of putting up numbers that could be the best in the state, if anything best in the CIF-SS.

In 2007, while at Gahr as the co-offensive coordinator and recruiting coordinator, nephew Corey Nielsen led the state in passing and was second in the nation with 4,363 yards.

The next season, Corey Nielsen was fourth in the state with 3,032 yards and left his high school career as the state's 13th best passer and the 10th best in the CIF-SS.

In 2009 with nephew Casey Nielsen under center and averaging a nation-best 400.5 yards a game, Gahr led the state in passing again with 4,406 yards. D.J. Lopez would help Gahr lead the state in passing in 2010 with 2,976 yards as he averaged 330.7 yards a game and the next season, Eric Richardson was second in the state in passing and the Gladiators were tops in passing offense in the CIF-SS.

On top of that, Jon Nielsen was instrumental in getting college scholarships to numerous players, including a pair of NFL players in Josh Perkins and Dwayne Washington. But his talents didn't end when he took on the same role at Cerri-



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tos. With nephew Colby Nielsen as the signal caller, he led the Suburban League in passing yardage in 2013. And last season at St. Paul as the offensive coordinator of the freshman team, the Swordsmen set school records for total offense as his son, Jarret, threw for 2,700 yards and 29 touchdowns in nine games.

"When my offense is the best in the state and tops in the nation and you play a little defense, you should win," said Jon

Nielsen. "That wasn't the case. So now, I get to control the defensive side by my defensive coaches that I hired. It's up to me; it's on my watch."

Nielsen will incorporate pretty much the same offensive style he ran at Cerritos and at Gahr with some minor modifications. He has now attached a run game that complements the run and shoot offense of the passing game after doing some research and chalk talk with some friends who have mastered that at the college level.

While this is Jon Nielsen's first head coaching job at the varsity level, he's been in this position at Carmenita Middle School (2002-2004) and was the quarterback for the Oakland Raiders, the Toronto Argonauts of the Canadian Football League, the Birmingham Thunderbolts of the original XFL and a trio of Arena Football League teams prior to his coaching days.

Jon Nielsen says had he chosen the path that was given to him in the early 2000s when he was done playing professional football, he probably would have been an NFL head coach by now. But

[See NIELSEN page 11]

## WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

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

### Dark Roasted Coffee

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he would have given up his relationship with Jarret and daughter Jady, a senior at Cerritos.

"I came back from playing professional football in Canada for a promise I made to Corey when he was in fourth grade; that I would come back and coach him," said Nielsen. "Really, I came back to coach my family, and that's the path I chose. I could have ascended and interned right away with NFL teams. I had a different opportunity presented to me at the time. But I chose the family portion of it."

In less than a month on the job, Nielsen says he has already changed the culture at Jordan. The motto is 'For the North' and already, he wants his team to be competitive with Jordan's neighbor 5.9 miles to the south on Atlantic Blvd., Long Beach Poly High. Three players have already received scholarship offers from PAC-12 schools. He has had more than 35 colleges come on the North Long Beach campus to recruit players, something that has not happened since John Ross played here and graduated in 2013.

"With the whole Long Beach thing, there's two different dynamics," said Jon Nielsen. "It's the Battle for Atlantic. Poly has been famed forever, and rightfully so. They've done a great job. So now, I'm just trying to change the culture to make this a destination and start our history run from now. Poly is a very storied program and now I'm just trying to restore a legacy here in year one and the things we're going to do here."

He heard about the opening last season like most coaches do, which is following certain programs. Jordan also played St. Paul last season and he saw the talent that the Panthers had. His interview on Apr. 19 was in front of a 12-member panel that included administrators, a couple of former players, educators, coaches and parents, and lasted around 45 minutes to an hour. He was officially hired on Apr. 25.

"I knew those were the kids that I could coach," said Jon Nielsen. "I like to coach hungry kids that don't have an opportunity [and] kind of give them an opportunity to showcase what they can do."

Since his hiring, he says it's been tiring almost every day, which begins with morning meetings with the coaching staff, talking about players and dealing with transfers. Later in the day, he'll come back for weightlifting, conditioning and practice. He added that he envisioned the head coach as someone who manages his coaches. He also has to worry about fundraising, uniforms, making sure his

players are taking physicals.

"I let my good staff of people to let them coach," said Jon Nielsen. "I trust what we do out there on the field. I've hired a great staff; I've hired pretty much a Division 1 quality, caliber staff that you don't normally get in high school. The best thing is this. I have the biggest support in the system here which I've never had anywhere else I've been."

Jon Nielsen's coaching staff consists of running game coordinator Rocky Lucero, who will also be the offensive line coach, Corey Nielsen, who will be in charge of the passing game and is the wide receiver's coach, Richardson, who will be the assistant coach, recruiting coordinator and special teams coordinator and defensive coordinator Paul Guidry, who played at Gahr in the early 1990s and graduated there in 1992 before going to UCLA. Guidry and Nielsen played together in the CFL in 1998 and the joke was whoever became head coach first would hire the other as a coordinator. Eric Aguilar and Caleb Davis were also hired to be coaches of the freshmen team and help out with the varsity squad.

Jon Nielsen also added Roman Fennell to the staff as the team's strength and performance coach in what he calls the biggest coaching coup in Long Beach. Fennell is Long Beach Poly's winningest quarterback, who won a CIF state championship.

As far as the 2022 team, he says that the best way to sum it up is a different player surprises him and the staff. For Jon Nielsen, he says it's rewarding to get the kind of kids on campus and to be able to get them absorbed in how to teach them to play football. And he added that taking a job that is not in Cerritos isn't much different than coaching in the town he grew up.

"It's the same; it's four miles up the street," said Jon Nielsen. "It's the same area. It's literally four, four and a half miles up from Gahr or Valley Christian. I consider that the same area. I don't see anything different other than the north side of Long Beach. It's up Artesia [Blvd.], four miles.

"For me, it's the same kind of kids that I've coached the whole time," he continued. "I just happen to have a bigger talent pool of kids who are super athletic. I had great kids when I was at Gahr. The only difference now is I have the interior kids to go with those skilled kids."

Jon Nielsen added that for him, it was the right opportunity at the right time for where he is in his life to be able to brand his new adventure. He's into marketing lifestyle things and now he wants to brand the Jordan program as his own.

**Paramount Mayor's Corner**

By Mayor Vilma Cuellar Stallings

As we do each year, the Paramount Elks Club will hold a Memorial Day service next Monday, May 30, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Veterans Memorial Plaza in the Civic Center.

The event is open to the public and will feature speakers and representatives from all military branches. I hope you can join us. Whatever you do on the day, please take the time to remember and praise the great men and women who lost their lives in service to our country.

City Hall Memorial Plaza is located at 16400 Colorado Avenue. Lunch will be served at the Paramount Elks Lodge following the event. Please join us in honoring those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

Discounts are now available for phone and internet service. Through the Federal Communications Commission, the Federal government has a program called Lifeline that provides low-income consumers with discounted monthly telephone service purchased from participating providers to find out more details.

Also, the FCC's Affordable Connectivity Program gives a discount of up to \$30 a month toward internet service for eligible households, which can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to buy a laptop, desktop, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price.

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## TRUCK ROUTE from page 1

from the council.

A \$70,000 noise study was completed by a consultant that indicated the noise levels far exceeded normal healthy standards, some as high as 90 decibels.

The city eventually passed an emergency ordinance that moved the truck route in 2020.

Barrows was appointed after Jim Edwards died in May 2020 so it is unknown why he waited two years to bring up the truck route unless you look at how he connected the route to the Sheriff's Station budget.

More evidence, truck traffic is likely less because some of the offramps that were closed have been open in the area.

Barrows did not explain what he meant by "drama," the city had several town hall meetings at Cerritos City Hall to discuss the issue, running advertising in this newspaper and sending out information in the mail, ensuring that everyone interested could have input.

And the only complaint about the new route has come from the ABC School District.

Targeting his least-favorite budget item, the sheriff's station, Barrows stated that the extra truck traffic law enforcement deputy expense was "unnecessary."

He then callously slammed the residents on Bloomfield, some who endured earthquake-type vibrations at their homes, because of speeding big rigs.

"The people on Bloomfield knew what they were buying, they knew there was a truck route; they didn't like it, but it has been occurring for decades."

That is not true; the traffic increased dramatically when offramps on other

freeways were closed due to construction.

"I suggest we revert back to the original route and avoid all the problems and drama, I am not sure how much money this will save us."

Barrows was targeting a \$733,000 line-item expense in the sheriff's budget he wrongly thought was related to the truck route and deputy enforcement.

During questioning, Councilman Solanki asked if the \$733,000 was the expense for the truck route, with Barrows once again wrongly stating, "I think it is a good part of it."

Solanki asked Safety Manager Evans, who stated, "no Mr. Barrows, that is the annual increase in the sheriff's contract."

Evans then enlightened Barrows and how much it cost for the truck deputy; Barrows coming out of the conversation with solid egg on his face.

"The enforcement takes one deputy, the sheriffs didn't charge the full rate during the first year, the charge during the first year was \$211,000."

Barrows asked, "what about the second and third year?"

"Full price is \$300,000, said Evans, "so of the \$733,000, \$300,000 is for the deputy. An enforcement deputy generates about \$150,000 in ticket revenue annually, so we are out-of-pocket \$150,000."

The expense Barrows erroneously thought was \$733,000 was whittled down to \$150,000, petty cash to Cerritos.

That did not matter to Barrows, at the end of discussion, he asked city staff to look at moving the truck route back to Bloomfield, "and just to end all this drama."

His cronies Solanki and Vo both agreed with Barrows.

Yokoyama stated, "If we do that, we have to give notice to everyone within 500 feet, right?"

Barrows said in his usual insensitive manner, "everybody knew what they were buying when they bought on Bloomfield."

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Helene Seifer, Larchmont Chronicle, "Neighborhood regular sparks chats and compassion ("Giorgio")"

The awards event will take place June 25 at the Sheraton Universal.

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respond to the certified letter from the law firm within 45 days of receipt.

At the Special Meeting of the City Council on April 19, 2022, the City Council adopted a Resolution to declare the City Council's intention to transition from at-large to by-district elections pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10010 and executed an agreement to retain National Demographics Corporation as a demographer to begin the process.

At the Special Meeting of the City Council on May 17, 2022, the City Council approved and directed City staff to move forward with a five (5) district election system for the 2024 election.

In this election system, the City Council would continue to appoint a Mayor and a Mayor Pro Tem from its own membership to serve a one-year term and each district would include approximately 3,120 residents.

The Council also approved a revised timeline of events as required by State law.

La Palma is encouraging all residents to participate in the districting process by providing input on how the five (5) City Council district maps should be drawn.

Residents may design their own map and submit it to the City for consideration. Mapping tools (digital and paper-based) are available online at drawlapalma.org. A Community Workshop has been scheduled for June 21, 2022, at the La Palma Community Center to assist residents with the mapping tools and submittal process. In addition to the

Community Workshop, the following public meetings and map submission deadlines have been scheduled.

**Timeline of Events**

- June 21 5:30 PM**  
La Palma Community Center 7821 Walker Street, Community Meeting and Workshop  
The City will host a community meeting to discuss the districting process, provide a tutorial on the mapping tools, and gather community input.
- June 23**  
1st Round of Maps Due  
Submit maps to [districting@cityoflapalma.org](mailto:districting@cityoflapalma.org) or in-person to City Hall, 7822 Walker Street.
- June 28**  
1st Round of Maps Posted Online  
Maps submitted by June 23 will be posted to [drawlapalma.org](http://drawlapalma.org).
- July 5**  
6:30 PM  
City Hall Council Chambers, 7822 Walker Street.  
**Public Hearing #3**  
Third public hearing to receive public input regarding the composition of Council election districts draft maps and sequence of elections.
- July 21**  
2nd Round of Maps Due  
Submit maps to [districting@cityoflapalma.org](mailto:districting@cityoflapalma.org) or in-person to City Hall.
- July 26**  
1st Round of Maps Posted Online  
Maps submitted by June 23 will be posted to [www.drawlapalma.org](http://www.drawlapalma.org).

- August 2**  
6:30 PM  
City Hall Council Chambers  
**Public Hearing #4**  
Fourth public hearing to receive public input regarding the composition of Council election districts draft maps and proposed sequence of elections.
- September 6**  
City Hall Council Chambers  
**Public Hearing #5**  
1st Reading of By-District Elections Ordinance  
Introduction and first reading of an ordinance to establish by-district elections, district boundaries, and sequence of elections.
- October 4**  
6:30 PM  
City Hall Council Chambers 7822 Walker Street.  
**Public Meeting - 2nd Reading and Adoption of By-District Elections Ordinance**  
Second reading and adoption of an ordinance to establish by-district elections, district boundaries, and sequence of elections.  
Following the Second Reading and Adoption of By-District Elections Ordinance on October 4, 2022, the first by-district elections, in La Palma, CA, will take effect beginning with the November 2024 election.

*For more information, please contact the City of La Palma at [districting@cityoflapalma.org](mailto:districting@cityoflapalma.org) (714) 690-3350.*

**La Palma to Honor Veterans at Memorial Day Ceremony**

The City of La Palma will be hosting its annual Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 30, 2022. A musical interlude, performed by John F. Kennedy High School and Walker Junior High School bands, will begin at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Ceremony in front of City Hall (7822 Walker Street) at the Eternal Flame.

Each year, the City of La Palma honors those who have served in the military either at home or abroad, especially those who sacrificed their lives so that those who remain may continue to live in freedom. Please join the City of La Palma and the La Palma Community Activities and Beautification Committee in honoring their memory. If you are a resident of La Palma and a military veteran, please contact the City to reserve special seating, as we would like to recognize the contributions that you have personally made.

Due to the solemn and reflective nature of the event, Walker Street will be closed between Thelma Avenue and La Palma Avenue from 8:45 a.m. until approximately 11:00 a.m.


For more information about the Memorial Day Ceremony and how you can be involved, please visit [www.cityoflapalma.org/memorialday](http://www.cityoflapalma.org/memorialday) or call the La Palma Community Services Department at (714) 690-3350.

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The City of Downey is pleased to partner with "México en el Corazon," a cultural initiative of the North American Institute for Mexican Advancement [NAIMA], to bring a free concert to Downey that promotes the culture and traditions of Mexico through music and dance.

Through the NAIMA organization and promotion of exhibitions, NAIMA works to spread artistic expressions, of importance for the Mexican migrant community, as well as help to showcase the rich art, folklore and traditions that the Latino culture has made and makes every day.

The México en el Corazón concert will be held on Wednesday, June 1 at the Downey Civic Theater with the social hour beginning at 6:30 and the program at 7:00 pm. "I am very excited to welcome this event to our City," said Mayor Blanca Pacheco. "As Latinos, our culture and traditions are very important to us, but most importantly is to share them with our friends and neighbors. The mariachi music and the performances of one of the best folkloric ballet are sure to be a highlight for all who attend."

The performance will consist of a cast made up of talented musicians and singers such as the Mariachi Femenil Estrella



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Mayor Pro Tem Alvarez added, "This concert will allow our community to experience the beauty of Mexican culture. It will showcase Mexico's traditions and reinforce immigrants' significant contributions to this country."

"Downey is delighted to bring this fantastic concert to our community that will help promote cultural enrichment," said

Councilmember Mario Trujillo. "Attendees will experience traditions and culture of Mexico through artistic expressions from extraordinary Mexican artists."

México en el Corazón is a cultural initiative of NAIMA that each year tours the United States, Canada and Mexico presenting the Mexican, Mexican-American community and the American public the best of art and traditions

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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 June 08/2022 at 11:00 am.

Jesse Rodriguez - Car parts Ray McCarns -2 seater sofa, dresser, mattress boxes and tables; Dora Maldonado - clothes, personal items; Barbara Trimillos- living room set, dining set, 40 boxes , household items; Jennifer Jean Sanders - Household items Artis Frierson- Household items; Paul Kiefer- Household items; Deloris E Phipps -Household items, dining table, and chairs; Max Joseph Castillo -Fridge and couches; Bryce Brewster -Sofas, household items, 2 large dressers, boxes; Joana Beltran- Household goods; Kyle Ward-furniture, boxes and tools; Terri Walters -Household items; Amanda Quirozsilva -boxes and container;s Nichole Weston -Household items; Ryan Bradley - Boxes, washer and dryer; Anthony Van -Personal items; La Shaun Mitchell- Household items; Deloris E Phipps-lots of boxes, dresser and couch; Ricardo Torres - Household items; Vanessa Gonzalez -Household items; Maria Shaw- Household items; Myles Mitchell- shelves and some boxes.

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.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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**CITY OF LA MIRADA  
NOTICE OF INVITING BIDS  
THEATRICAL LIGHTING FIXTURES**

Notice is given that the City of La Mirada hereby invites sealed bids for the purchase of theatrical lighting fixtures and related equipment for the upper lounge cabaret at La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts. Equipment specifications are on file in the office of the City Clerk, La Mirada City Hall, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, California 90638.

Sealed bids shall be delivered to the City Clerk at or before 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 2, 2022. Bids must be submitted on the blank form, prepared and furnished for that purpose and included in the Notice Inviting Bids on file in the City Clerk's Office. 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.

Anne Haraksin  
City Clerk, City of La Mirada

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**ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

At the Board Meeting of June 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., the Board of Education will hold a public hearing regarding the Budget of the District for the fiscal year 2022-2023, prior to Final Adoption as required by Education Code Section 42103. The proposed budget will be on file and available for public inspection at the following location should members of the public wish to review the budget prior to the public hearing.

Location: www.abcusd.us  
Date(s): June 3-6, 2022

The Public Hearing of the School District, to be held during the Board Meeting June 6, 2022 will begin at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as practicable. The Board of Education will meet in the District Board Room to conduct its business meeting. This meeting is open to the public. The public can also view the Board of Education Meeting using one of the following options: via www.myabcusd.org/boardmeeting, Spectrum/Charter-Channel 32, Frontier-Channel 29, or YouTube Live Streaming.

Public comments may be made in person by attending the ABCUSD Board of Education meeting in the Board Room located at the District Office, 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos, CA. Persons wishing to address the Board should fill out a card located on the table by the door and submit the completed card to the secretary. Speakers will be called in sequence during the first Public Comments section which is limited to one hour, and each speaker to one presentation of five minutes unless the Board wishes to waive the time limit. Those who have a group concern are encouraged to select a spokesperson to address the Board.

Speakers will be allowed to make Public Comments via Zoom during the second Public Comments section only, via the following method: www.myabcusd.org/boardmeeting and use the link or phone number to participate in the Zoom meeting. If using Zoom, please use the "raise your hand" feature during the Public Comments portion of the agenda, or during the Public Comments time after an agenda item. If using the phone, please use \*9 to "raise your hand" during the Public Comments portion of the agenda, or during the Public Comments time after an agenda item. Then use \*6 to unmute yourself when you are called on to speak.

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**NOTICE OF LIEN SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the CA Business and Professions Code, Section 2328 of CA Commercial Code, Sections 1812.600-1812.609, Section 1988 of CA Civil Code and Section 535 of the CA Penal Code.

The undersigned will be sold at public auction conducted on www.storagetreasures.com ending on Thursday, June 9, 2022 at 10:00am. The personal property including: general household goods, electronics, tools, personal effects, and or miscellaneous items are stored at: Cerritos Self Storage, 16515 Valley View Ave., Cerritos, County of Los Angeles, State of California by the following:

Name	Unit #
Ruth Rodriguez	106

Purchases must be made in CASH ONLY and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

Dated this 27th day of May 2022 and 3rd day of June 2022.  
Self Storage Management Company  
Bond #: WL11254152

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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 intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a Lien imposed on said property. The undersigned will be sold at public auction conducted on www.storagetreasures.com ending on or after Thursday, June 14th, 2022, at 9:00AM. The personal property belonging to those listed below to be sold as follows: boxes, totes, golf clubs, vacuum, bikes, dog cage, buckets, pot, bike ramp, bike parts, bike pump, tools, clothing, shoes, helmet, bedding, stove, toys, crib, ice chest, dolly, trike, bags, picture frames, hutch, cabinet, fish tank, tables, sewing machine, barrel, jack, desk, chairs, stroller, couch, suitcase, cot, guitar, scooter, fan and love seat.

NAME	UNIT
JONES, CHARLES JERMAINE	B485
LUNA, LISA DIANE	B826
MCALLISTER, MARYANN	B661
MINGO, ASHLEY ELIZABETH	B239
QUINONEZ, MAGDALENA	B720
WATSON, WILEISHA ESHEL	B819
WILLIAMS, TAMIKA LANISE	B172

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 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.storagetreasures.com on 6/16/2022 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Cesar Lopez; Caroline Gomez; Armando Matamoros Reyes; Sebastian Contreras Torres; Alma Gricelda Rivera; Rosario D Paz Laborde; Jose Olvera Cortez; Angel N Estrada; Cricelia Arreola; Phyllis Denise Escobar; Rene Flores (2 units); Mario Pina; Melinda Misty Briones; Jorge Luis Gonzalez; April Irma Norambuena; Helyn Mabel Sanchez; Israel Navarro; Ricardo Rodriguez Hernandez; Josue Ignacio Lopez; Jesus Gonzalezmartinez; Virginia Garcia; Cesar Manuel Perez; Menece Lorenzo Antonio; Azucena Gomez; Yadira Sadez; Sylvia Marie Nevarez. 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 - Cerritos located at 16015 Piuma Ave. Cerritos, CA 90703 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.storagetreasures.com on 6/16/2022 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Winifred Elise Williams; David Emanuel Burnham; Erica Ann Oropeza; Lexus Princilla Lopez; Laverne Lyle Spaulding; Casey Michael Wing; Toby Arthur Jr. Reyes. 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 PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:**

IRIS V. BENNETT  
CASE NO. 22STPB04548  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of IRIS V. BENNETT.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CAROL F. ROBERTSON in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CAROL F. ROBERTSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act with limited authority. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 06/16/22 at 8:30AM in Dept. 9 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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LA MIRADA LAMPLIGHTER

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:**

MARTIN PAUL FARLEY  
CASE NO. 22STPB04982  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of MARTIN PAUL FARLEY.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by PAUL MARTIN FARLEY in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that PAUL MARTIN FARLEY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 06/22/22 at 8:30AM in Dept. 29 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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**CITY OF COMMERCE, NOTICE INVITING FORMAL SEALED BIDS  
FY 2021-22 PAVEMENT REHABILITATION PROJECT**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Commerce invites sealed bids for the above stated project and will receive such bids on Planetbids, up to the hour of 2:00 PM on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud online. Late submittals will not be considered. It is the bidder's responsibility to upload the bid proposal file by the due date to City's portal on PlanetBids.

Electronic files of the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents are available for download on the City's portal on PlanetBids.

The work to be done consists of furnishing all labor, materials, tools, equipment as shown in the PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. Estimated cost is \$3,200,000.

Bids must be accompanied by a bid bond, made payable to the City of Commerce for an amount no less than ten percent (10%) of the bid amount.

Required License Classification is State of California, A-General Engineering Contractor. This project is subject to the requirements of SB 854. Prevailing wages shall be paid to all workers in accordance with California Labor Code 1771.

All questions regarding this bid shall be uploaded City's portal on PlanetBids, no later than 10 calendar days prior to bid due date and time.

BY ORDER of the City of Commerce, California.

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