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## LA COUNTY'S LARGEST PHILIPPINE AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP DAY

**SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN** with Cerritos Councilmember Lynda Johnson (far left) at the Philippine American Friendship Day Celebration held at Don Knabe Park. The FilAm event was organized by the National Federation of Filipino American Association (NaFFAA) Greater Los Angeles in collaboration with Cerritos and Supervisor Janice Hahn. **Photo courtesy Janice Hahn's office.**

## La Mirada High Teams Up With Harbor Freight to Offer Summer Welding Courses

The program exists due to teacher Brent Tuttle, some of the high school attendees move on to a four year school and careers.

**By Stepheny Gehrig**

This summer, middle and high school students were given the opportunity to learn trades through the Harbor Freight Tools for Schools program hosted at La Mirada High School.

La Mirada High hosted training courses that specialized in welding beginning on June 5 and running through July 19.

Earning school credits and a paycheck, students were able to learn trades such as welding, automotive technology, construction, solar installation or carpentry at six different high schools in the Los Angeles Unified School District.

"Harbor Freight Tools for Schools, which catalyzed and funds the Los Angeles County Skilled Trades Summer Program, aims to change that as part

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## LCCN Exclusive

## Organizations Demand D.A. Investigate West Basin's Gloria Gray for Incompatible Office

**By Brian Hews**

In March 2023, Los Cerritos Community News first reported on Gloria Gray, a good friend and mentor of Central Basin Director Leticia Vasquez, who was elected to the Inglewood City Council in March while also serving as an elected director of West Basin Municipal Water District, a clear incompatible office situation.

According to West Basin's website, Gray serves in District II, which serves portions of the cities of Gardena and Hawthorne, and the unincorporated Los Angeles County areas of Ladera Heights, View Park-Windsor Hills, West Athens, and Westmont.

The district also serves Inglewood.

Under Government Code Section 1099, a person may not simultaneously hold two offices if the duties clash. To find that two offices are incompatible, a conflict doesn't need to actually occur; it is sufficient that a conflict may occur in the regular operation of the offices.

Some on the West Basin Board, along with its general

counsel, told Ms. Gray during an April board meeting that she was in violation of 1099 and should resign one of her positions, but Gray adamantly refused.

Gray argued that "the voters decided I could hold both by electing me to office in Inglewood and West Basin, and only the voters should decide whether I can keep the two seats."

Gray's statement was enough for several water-related organizations to take decisive action, sending a scathing letter, exclusively obtained by LCCN, addressed to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office asking for an investigation of Gray and the incompatible office conflict.

The letter was signed by Sierra Club California, the Southern California Watershed Alliance, SoCal 350 Climate Action, Desal Response Group, Southern California Watershed Alliance, We Tap, Social Eco Education, The Environmental Justice Coalition for Water, and Los Angeles Waterkeeper.

The membership and supporters of these organizations number in the hundreds of thou-

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## Cerritos Approves Tree & Concrete Replacement, Budgets \$50K for CCPA Advertising 'Consultant'

**By Brian Hews**

The Cerritos City Council, at its July 17 meeting, approved an ambitious tree replacement program cutting, stump grinding and removing 76 trees - replacing them with 64 blooming trees - that will cost \$115,000.

Also approved was a concrete improvement program that will repair sidewalks, curbs, gutters, driveway approaches and install curb ramps costing \$674,000.

The program is funded by the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account, Measure

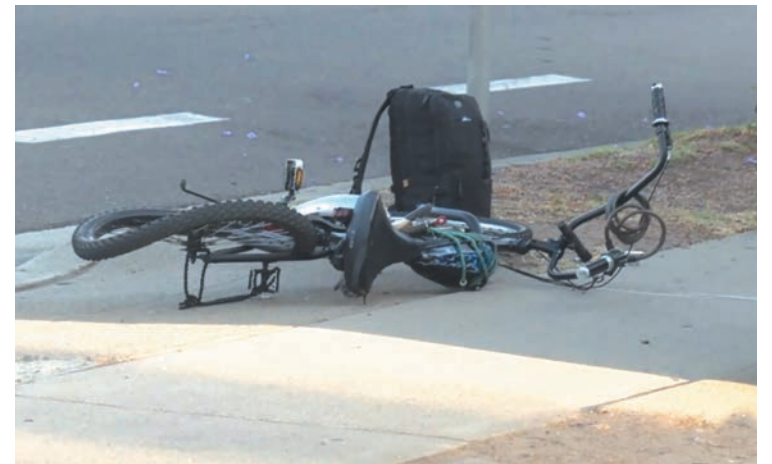
M funds and Trash Franchise funds.

The area where the concrete will be improved and trees replaced encompasses northwest Cerritos, bordered by Artesia on the north, Palo Verde on the west, 183rd on the south, and the San Gabriel River on the east.

For tree enthusiasts, the replacement trees will include Aristocrat Pear, Pink Trumpet, Red Oak, and Sweet Bay; all bloom with different flowers, according to the staff report.

The highlight of the concrete

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**A STUDY** by the NTSB documented 119 deaths between 2017-2022 using an antiquated data collection system that does not use a tracking system for accidents.

## Bill Would Make it Illegal for Kids Under Twelve to Ride E-Bikes

**By Brian Hews**

A California lawmaker has introduced a bill that would make it illegal for kids under twelve to ride e-bikes. It also would require e-bikers who do not have driver's licenses to take an online test and have state-issued identification.

The legislation, AB 530, is sponsored by Assemblymember Tasha Boerner.

The move is in response to many young electric bikers who often take to the streets without testing for or receiving a typical driver's license for a standard car; that means they need to be

taught about many traffic laws and safety information.

While electric bicycles were more popular with older riders a decade ago, they are now highly sought after among riders of all ages. In addition to pure recreation, they're also a popular alternative to transportation; many young riders in cities are eschewing getting a driver's license or a car altogether in favor of smaller, cheaper, and more fun electric bikes.

The legislation would create a stakeholders working group that includes the Department

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### San Diego Zoo Celebrates Birth of Two Sumatran Cubs



WITH ONLY an estimated 400 to 600 Sumatran tigers remaining on Earth, the births of the male and female are significant

SAN DIEGO (July 27, 2023) — San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance is celebrating the birth of two Sumatran tiger cubs—the first of this critically endangered species to be born at the San Diego Zoo Safari Park’s Tull Family Tiger Trail habitat in seven years. Their birth also comes just in time for Global Tiger Day, in increasing the worldwide population of this tiger species and furthering the nonprofit conservation organization’s ongoing work to conserve them.

The cubs, a female and a male, were born July 12 to first-time mother Diana. Wildlife care specialists are closely monitoring Diana and her cubs, and they report that Diana is an extremely attentive and gentle mother. The cubs appear strong, and are nursing frequently.

“We are elated about the birth of these tiger cubs,” said Lisa Peterson, executive director, San Diego Zoo Safari Park. “It has been years since we’ve had

cubs at Tiger Trail, and we can’t wait to share them with the community.”

Sumatran tigers are listed as Critically Endangered on the International Union for Conservation of Nature Red List of Threatened Species. Tigers face many challenges, including loss of habitat, challenges to human-wildlife coexistence and poaching. People can help protect tigers by avoiding products made with non-sustainable palm oil, an industry that harms tiger habitats; and by refusing to purchase items made from endangered wildlife.

Diana and her cubs will remain in her den for several weeks. This window of time is crucial, as it allows the youngsters to bond with and learn from their mother. When Diana is ready, she will bring her cubs out of the den. Wildlife care specialists estimate this will happen when the cubs are 8 to 10 weeks old.

### COVERED CALIF. PREMIUMS TO RISE NEXT YEAR, WON'T AFFECT EVERYONE

Monthly health insurance premiums for 1.7 million people in California will go up an average of 9.6% next year — the largest increase in five years — but state officials said many consumers won’t feel those hikes.

State officials blamed next year’s increase on a variety of factors, including inflation, higher pharmacy costs and labor shortages.

But many people won’t end up paying more because of a number of government assistance programs. Congress passed a law last year that says when a person buys a Silver plan — the most commonly purchased coverage — the premium cannot exceed 8.5% of that person’s income. The federal government will pay the difference, a law that will be in place through the end of 2025.

State officials say that means more than one-third of people who buy coverage through Covered California would see no change in their monthly premiums.

In addition, California’s state budget this year included new spending to eliminate hospital deductibles for about 650,000 people who purchase Silver plans through Covered California. The money comes from a tax on people who refuse to buy health insurance. The new spending means individuals who make up to \$34,000 per year and families of four with incomes of up to \$70,000 per year will save up to \$5,400, according to Health Access California, a consumer advocacy group.

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**PHASE 1 AREA** for free Wi-Fi is bordered by Artesia freeway on the south; Bixby Ave. to the east; Clark Ave. to the west; and Pacific Ave. to the north.

By Brian Hews

Bellflower Connect, Bellflower’s new community broadband network is underway. The new network will help bridge the digital divide by providing free, outdoor wireless broadband access all over Bellflower.

Bellflower is rolling out this service in phases over the next 24 months, beginning with Phase 1 around Downtown Bellflower

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## First West Nile Virus Mosquitoes Confirmed in Orange County

The Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District (OCMVCD) has confirmed mosquitoes collected in the city of Fullerton have tested positive for West Nile virus (WNV). These are the first samples to test positive in the county this year. The positive mosquitoes were collected near the cross streets of Rosecrans Ave. and N. Gilbert St.

West Nile virus is primarily transmitted to humans through the bite of infected mosquitoes, which acquire the virus when feeding on infected birds. As of now, Orange County has not reported any human cases of West Nile virus.

“Mosquitoes testing positive for West Nile virus is an indication that the virus is circulating in the community. Fullerton is historically a high-risk area for West Nile virus activity. Conditions across the region are favorable for sustained virus activity during the warm summer months,” said Amber Semrow, Director of Scientific and Technical Services.

Orange County Mosquito District staff will continue to conduct surveillance, inspections, and control measures for mosquitoes in the area to prevent additional mosquito breeding. “The District is actively monitoring the situation and implementing preventive measures. Proactive involvement from the community in this effort is essential. Simple steps like checking for standing water around your property can help,” said Heather Hyland, OCMVCD Director of Communications. “The best way to protect yourself is using EPA-registered repellent, wearing long-sleeved clothing, and spreading the word to friends and family.”

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**Americans Facing Triple Demic for Winter**

By Brian Hews

Even as the nation is faced with blistering heat waves this summer, Dr. Mandy Cohen, director of the CDC, is already thinking ahead to cold and flu season this winter.

“We’re going to have three bugs out there, three viruses: Covid, of course, flu and RSV,” Cohen said. “We need to make sure the American people understand all three and what they can do to protect themselves.”

Spread of all three respiratory viruses is currently low, but the CDC has begun to detect slight increases in positive Covid tests and Covid-related emergency department visits. And the decline in Covid hospitalizations has stalled.

Omicron XBB subvariants remain the most prevalent forms of Covid, though on Wednesday, the World Health Organization identified a new XBB ver-

nal antibody injection to help prevent RSV for children up to age 2. Unlike a vaccine that prompts the body to make its own antibodies, the injection works by delivering antibodies against RSV directly into the bloodstream.

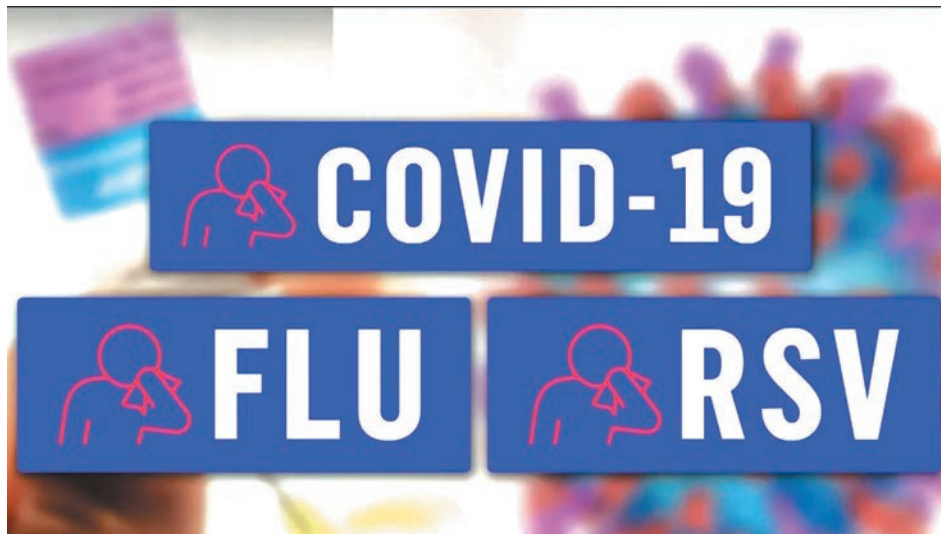
And as soon as next month, the FDA could approve the first RSV vaccine for pregnant women, who would then transfer those antibodies to their babies.

Two other RSV vaccines, for adults ages 60 and over, were approved earlier this year.

**Timing Covid, flu and RSV vaccines**

This means that many Americans will be urged to get three different vaccinations this fall: Covid, RSV and the annual flu shot. But that will be a challenge for the health care system, said Dr. William Schaffner, an infectious diseases expert and professor of preventive medicine at Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

“We’re going to have to learn how



sion, the EG.5, as rising in prevalence around the world and in the U.S.

It’s unclear what — if anything — the emergence of EG.5 means. The WHO noted there’s no evidence that it causes more severe illness. Cohen said that so far, the virus remains susceptible to Covid shots.

For the first time this fall, the U.S. will have access to vaccines for another expected virus: respiratory syncytial virus, or RSV. Those shots, along with a new monoclonal antibody injection for babies and a third vaccine up for approval, have the potential to drastically reduce cases of the virus that typically hits infants and older adults hardest, experts say.

An unexpectedly severe surge of RSV infections in late 2022 overwhelmed children’s hospitals with babies and young kids whose immune systems hadn’t been exposed to the virus during lockdown.

On July 17, the Food and Drug Administration approved a monoclo-

to deliver those vaccines in a way that’s effective in actually reaching the population at a time when there’s already vaccine fatigue,” he said.

Some may be wary of getting three shots at once, a concern Schaffner echoed. Combining flu and Covid vaccines doesn’t appear to reduce the effectiveness of either shot, but Schaffner said that there is limited data suggesting that adding the RSV shot to the mix lessens the response.

“I think most of us are going to recommend it’s OK to get flu and Covid vaccines together, but wait a bit until you get the RSV” shot, he said.

Last year, flu season began unusually early — in October — and peaked quickly. There is no indication yet what the U.S. will face this year.

“Right now, they’re having a pretty standard flu season in the Southern Hemisphere,” Cohen said. “But it’s still early days.”

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# Board Approves Hahn Motion to Begin Investigating Forever Chemical Water Problem

## LCCN Staff Report

This week, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a proposal by Supervisor Janice Hahn to begin investigating the levels of toxic polyfluorinated alkyl substances (also known as PFAS or forever chemicals) in drinking water in Los Angeles County. Her effort follows the publication of a nationwide survey that found forever chemicals in 45% of the nation's drinking water and identified Southern California as a region where they may be even more common.

"These forever chemicals don't naturally break down in the environment and can build up in our bodies and cause serious health problems," said Supervisor Hahn. "We need to know whether they are in our drinking water and at what concentrations so we can start putting together a plan to get them out."

PFAS are a class consisting of thousands of man-made chemicals that have been around since the 1940s. They are found in everything from firefighting foam, to stain resistant fabric, to nonstick cookware. Although their use has been largely phased out in the US, they continue to be found in our environment. Studies have linked these chemicals to serious health problems including decreased fertility, increased risk of high chole-

sterol, obesity, high blood pressure, certain cancers, and liver and immune-system damage.

"One challenge we face is that our drinking water in LA County is managed by over 200 separate water systems – some of whom are likely testing for these chemicals and some of whom are likely not," said Supervisor Janice Hahn. "That is why this motion is so important so that we can begin collecting this information."

Supervisor Hahn's motion, which was approved unanimously, sets out to begin an investigation into forever chemicals in drinking water in LA County.

First, it asks for a report back from Public Health, Public Works, and our Chief Sustainability Office in 90 days with information about which of the 206 water systems in LA County currently test for PFAs and, if so, which chemicals, options for helping water districts to conduct more testing, and identifying potential state and federal funding sources to support more testing in the future.

Second, it asks for a more extensive report back in 120 days with an analysis of the statewide PFAS regulations that are currently in the works, whether there are any gaps in the proposed regulations, and whether they reflect concerns of communities in the County of Los Angeles.

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improvement program will be the installation of 22 ADA curb ramps on nearly every street in the area. The program will also repair/improve 15,500 square feet of sidewalks; 5,000 linear feet of curbs and gutters, and 8,000 s.f. of driveway approaches.

The project is expected to begin late summer early fall after completing all the paperwork.

In other news, after the worst ticket sales year in Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts history, where City Manager Art Gallucci told LCCN in an email that he managed the CCPA's marketing and advertising, the City Council approved the hiring of an advertising consultant for \$50,000 at its June 22 meeting.

The hiring of the consultant was hidden in item 8A on the June 22 agenda, buried in the final approval of the 2023-'24 budget operating expenditures.

Sales were the lowest since the opening of the CCPA at \$3.4 million, with a budget of \$9 million, the facility lost over \$6 million.

Some Cerritos City Councilmembers have been pushing for an ad-hoc committee to study all options for the CCPA, including selling the theater, but that has been blocked by Mayor Barrows and Councilman Chuong Vo



**STREETS** where tree will be replaced, bottom, streets where concrete will be improved. The area is bordered by Artesia on the north, Palo Verde on the west, 183rd on the south, and the San Gabriel River on the east.

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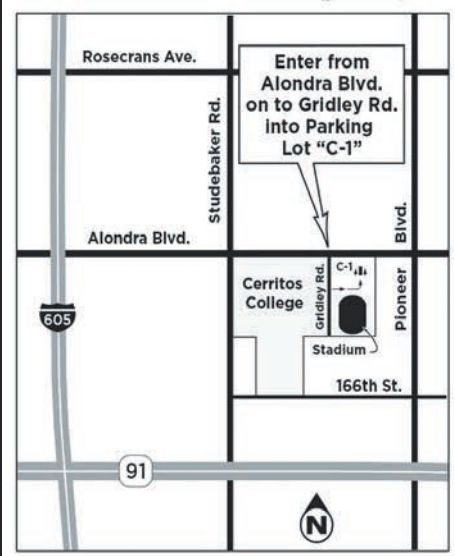
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# Crime Summary

## La Mirada

July 17-23, 2023

### Notable Arrests

- Eleven suspects were arrested throughout La Mirada for various warrants and narcotics violations.
- Four suspects were arrested for grand theft auto.
- One suspect was arrested for trespassing.

### Robbery

- A robbery was reported on the 15700 block of Valley View Ave. This incident is still under investigation.
- Aggravated Assault
- A domestic assault was reported on the 15400 block of Oakbury Dr. The victim sustained minor injuries.
- An assault occurred on the 14100 block of Bora Dr. Two victims sustained minor injuries and one suspect was arrested for the assault.

### Residential Burglary

- A bicycle was stolen from an open garage on the 14300 block of Plantana Dr.
- Other Structure Burglary
- A burglary was reported on the 15100 block of Rosecrans Ave.

### Vehicle Burglary

- A vehicle burglary was reported on the 14200 block of Firestone Blvd.
- A burglary into a vehicle occurred on the 15400 block of Alondra Blvd.
- A vehicle burglary was reported on the 13700 block of La Mirada Blvd.

### Grand Theft

- An afternoon theft occurred on the 14800 block of Telegraph Rd.
- A catalytic converter was stolen on the 14100 block of Foster Rd.
- A theft of a catalytic converter

occurred on the 14900 block of La Mirada Blvd.

- An early morning catalytic converter theft occurred on the 14600 block of Ragan Dr.
- A catalytic converter was stolen on the 12700 block of Tanfield Dr.
- A theft of a catalytic converter was reported on the 14700 block of Greenworth Dr.
- A catalytic converter theft occurred on the 13000 block of Duffield Ave.
- Copper wire was reported stolen on the 13500 block of Beach Blvd.
- A theft was reported on the 12300 block of La Mirada Blvd.

### Grand Theft Auto

- A SUV was reported stolen on the 13000 block of Duffield Ave.
- An overnight theft of a sedan occurred on the 13900 block of Ramhurst Dr.
- A theft of an SUV occurred on the 14000 block of Gladeside Dr.
- A sedan was reported stolen on the 13900 block of Dilworth St.
- A pickup truck was stolen on the 15200 block of Greenworth Dr.
- A late-night theft of a pickup truck occurred on the 11600 block of Gayview Dr.
- A sedan was stolen on the 13900 block of Larwin Rd.
- An attempt to steal a sedan was reported on the 13200 block of El Moro Ave.
- An attempted vehicle theft occurred on the 13000 block of Edwards Rd.
- An attempted theft of a pickup truck occurred on the 13100 block of El Moro Ave.

# Norwalk Social Services Center Offers Crafts For Local Residents



**GREETING ATTENDEES** on July 20 for the Palette Painting Party, were staff members Yvette Kizziar, Joselyn Rivas, and Jonathan González.

By **Linda J. Hernández**

Norwalk Social Services Center, located at 11929 Alondra Blvd, offers many, fun and creative recreational activities for local residents this summer. A Palette Painting Party was held July 20 with Art Instructor Cynthia Luján giving step-by-step instruction to residents of all ages on how to create an acrylic painting on canvas. She and her instructors provided all materials and even refreshments for participants.

Local residents Jackie Shahzadi and Linda Hernández were able to create their version of the bunnies model during the Thursday workshop from 2-4 pm.

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## BIKES from page 1

of Motor Vehicles, California Highway Patrol, the Transportation Agency, bike groups, and others to establish an e-bike training program and license to help educate riders who still need to learn the rules of the road through a typical driver's education course.

"As a mother and a legislator, I believe that we must act to prevent our youth from injuries and educate parents on the promise and responsibility of e-bikes. AB 530 is another step to increase their safety while sharing the road," Boerner said in a press release. "Not every parent is a bike rider that can ensure our youth receive proper training. This takes a real commitment from our communities and our state. It will be a long process, and AB 530 is a critical starting point that we'll continue to work to develop through meetings with stakeholders this fall."

Boerner's district includes Carlsbad and Encinitas, both of which have made emergency proclamations calling for increased education and enforcement after several crashes involving the bikes.

There have been two recent e-bike deaths in her district, including a teen-

ager who died in Encinitas while riding his e-bike in June and a mother who died while riding an e-bike with her daughter in a safety seat in Carlsbad in 2022.

A recent National Transportation Safety Board study found at least 119 e-bike and e-scooter fatalities occurred between 2017 and 2021, and inadequate data collection makes identifying accidents involving e-bikes difficult.

The NTSB recommended adding e-bike and e-scooter device "codes" to police crash and injury data to enhance collecting data to assess injuries and fatalities.

"Because the crash data are not standardized, they do not provide a robust representation of electric scooter and electric bicycle safety," according to the study.

The NTSB recommends that the CPSC, which regulates Class 1 and Class 2 e-bikes, include "an explicit product code for electric bicycles in the National Electronic Injury Surveillance System," which monitors consumer product-related injuries.

AB 530, will be going to committee in the next few weeks.

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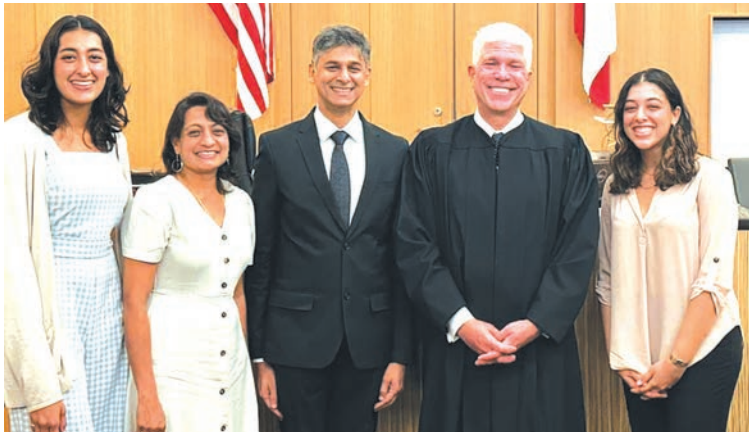
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### Movie Theater Opens at Lakewood Center

#### Staff Report

The former Pacific Theatres at Lakewood Center, which closed permanently during the pandemic, is now open under new management. Starlight Cinemas, a family-owned small chain of theatres, opened the 16-screen Lakewood theatre on Friday, July 21.

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Finger-size carrots may be dwarf varieties or larger ones harvested when immature. These are usually ready to harvest in 50 to 60 days while other larger varieties grown to 3/4" in diameter need a bit longer, 60 to 70 days, to reach full size.

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No matter the variety of carrots or planting method selected make sure the plants have room to reach their mature size. Thin plantings by removing excess seedlings when an inch tall, leaving

space for the remaining plants to reach full size. Use the thinnings (young plants removed) tops and all in salads and as a snack. Convert the greens on any size carrot into pesto.

Provide a bit of shade and keep the soil moist when planting carrots in the heat of summer. Continue to water as needed throughout the growing season. Remove weeds that compete with weak carrot seedlings for space, moisture and nutrients. Avoid deep cultivation that can damage the carrot when removing weeds.

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With proper planting and care you will have lots of carrots to enjoy. Try grating some into burgers, juicing a few, adding them to baked goods, mashing them as a side dish, and adding them to soups and stews.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released *Midwest Gardener's*

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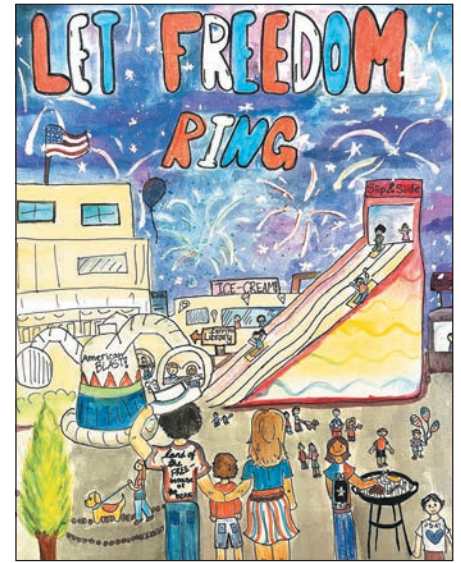


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# 2023 FOOTBALL PREVIEW

## ARTESIA HOPES TO BOUNCE BACK WITH EXPERIENCE OF LAST SEASON'S YOUNG SQUAD

By Loren Kopff  
@LorenKopff on Twitter

### ARTESIA PIONEERS

1-8-1 overall last season, 1-2 in the 605 League, third place 17-29-1 overall last five seasons

Head coach: Connor Crook (first season)  
Lost six seniors out of 27 players from 2022 opening day roster Last time made the playoffs: 2021

**2023 schedule (team's record last season in parenthesis.)**

- Aug. 18 @ Workman (0-10)
- Aug. 25 Mark Keppel (0-10)
- Sept. @ Bolsa Grande (6-6)
- Sept. 8 @ Ocean View (2-8)
- Sept. 15 BYE
- Sept. 22 Los Amigos (8-3)
- Sept. 29 Viewpoint (2-8)
- Oct. 5 @ Garey (6-6)
- Oct. 12 @ Pioneer (4-7)
- Oct. 19 Cerritos (5-6)
- Oct. 26 John Glenn (2-7)

Not including the 2020 Covid season, the first several seasons in the 605 League have been what the Artesia High football team was looking for.

A chance to be competitive enough to where it can either win a league title, which it did in 2018, or make the playoffs, which it did in 2019 and 2021.

But last season, the Pioneers struggled with low numbers and injuries. Now, the Pioneers have their third straight head coach in as many seasons as Connor Crook takes over for Nate Hollister.

Crook was on former head coach Don Olmstead's staff for the 2021 season, which went 2-9, then was the head coach of the freshmen/sophomore team last season.

Before that, Crook coached at Los Alamitos High for a few seasons. "It's been a process so far," said Crook. "I think last year was tough; we had a small team. So, our big concern was building up numbers and building the program going forward, which I think we've done. We're going to have 35-40 kids this year. So, I think we're in a good spot as far as numbers go heading into the season, and that was kind of our plan all along."

What will help Artesia this season is despite the low numbers last season, and the youth of the team, a lot of players got a lot of playing time, especially both ways.

Crook added that he and the coaching staff will lean on that and that they have a lot of pieces to move around on both sides of the ball.

Another advantage that Crook has is that he knows the program inside and out and has coached many of the players the past two seasons.

Even with the freshmen that Crook coached last season, he said it was a building year because a lot of them have never played the sport before.

"I've kind of built the foundation for them that we're still continuing on," he

said. "For them, it was business as usual when I was named the head coach [of varsity], because the other guys, there was some learning curve. But for the most part, we're in a good spot and I think a lot of our guys have bought in at this point."

### OFFENSE

The Pioneers scored 79 points last season, but 33 came against Glenn and 21 against Marquez in a tie game that was cut short early in the second half

because of lighting issues.

Artesia scored 11 touchdowns and was shutout five times. The first offensive touchdown didn't come until the third game and had three offensive touchdowns through the first five games.

Last season, junior Charlie Lopez began the season at the quarterback position, then got injured and junior Julius Padilla (23 for 59, 230 yards, two touchdowns in 2022) picked up the slack the remainder of the season.

This season, Padilla will move to the backfield and become Artesia's leading running back. Last season, Padilla rushed 102 times, gained 188 yards, and scored twice. Crook said that he intends to put Padilla in the slot position from time to time.

Lopez, who was 10 of 32 for 72 yards last season, and senior Santiago Parrilla have been battling at the quarterback position and Crook doesn't know who would start the opener, adding that both have had good summers in passing league tournaments.

"They're seeing all the right things, they're making good decisions, and they're speeding up those decisions, too," said Crook. "I think by the time the season starts we'll be in a good spot. But both are going to probably end up playing at some point during the season. But right now it's a battle for who is going to start game one."

Joining Padilla in the backfield will be seniors Amaree Davis (13 carries, 71 yards, one touchdown), Exequiel Kyle Hilario, who played in a lot of positions last season, and sophomore Josue Flores.

Crook said the wide receiving position is open, but in the mix are returning seniors Joshua Campbell (eight receptions, 89 yards), Pablo Cruz, and Jordan McGruder. Joining them will be junior Ahkil Sampson, who is new to football and sophomore Christopher Razo.

Protecting them on the line will be senior Chase Adams, whom Crook says is the journeyman on the line and can play any position up there because of his experience.

Last season, Adams was the center. To begin the season, he will play at left guard.

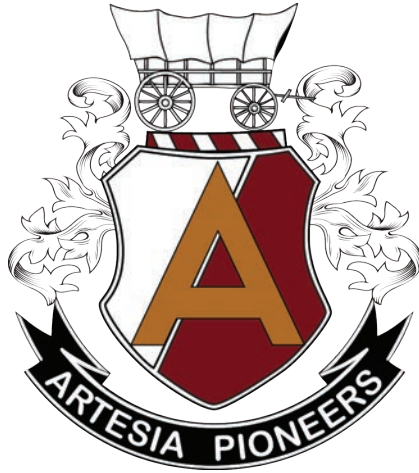
Vying for the left tackle position will be junior Deangelo Tucker and sophomores Sebastian Devora and Gerson Juarez. Junior King Johnson moves from right tackle to center while sophomore Maximus Garcia goes from right tackle to right guard and senior right tackle Jonathan Martinez, who played on the left side last season, round out the line.

Based off the seven-on-seven competitions and passing leagues this summer, Crook has already seen signs that the 2023 offense will be better than the 2022 offense.

"I think compared to last year, we're making a lot better decisions passing-wise," he said. "And then up front, like I said, we have guys who are returning and are experienced. I think we'll be okay offensively this year. Of course, we're going to lean on seniors that have played a lot," he continued. "But I don't really pinpoint guys specifically. I think everyone can kind of step up and do the right thing and lead by example or hold teammates accountable."

### DEFENSE

Just like the offense coupled with the low numbers and youth, the defense struggled as the Pioneers allowed 324 points, which was 77 points fewer than in 2021. There were eight games in which Artesia yielded over 20 points and four games of over 40 points. Senior Hector



# WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

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

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**Solution: 10 letters**



## 2023 FOOTBALL PREVIEW

### CERRITOS BANKING ON ITS DEFENSE TO TAKE CARE OF THE OFFENSE, WIN ANOTHER 605 LEAGUE TITLE

By Loren Kopff  
@LorenKopff on Twitter

#### CERRITOS DONS

5-6 overall last season, 3-0 in the 605 League, first place, lost to Colton High 42-41 in the Division 13 first round playoffs

18-28 overall last five seasons.  
Head coach: Demel Franklin (first season).

Lost 10 seniors out of 39 players from 2022 opening day roster

Last time missed the playoffs: 2019  
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**Aug. 25 @ Woodbridge (5-6)**

**Aug. 31 Portola (4-8)**

**Sept. 8 BYE**

**Sept. 15 West Torrance (5-6)**

**Sept. 22 @ Westminster (10-2)**

**Sept. 29 Chino (6-6)**

**Oct. 6 @ Gahr (3-7)**

**Oct. 12 John Glenn (2-7)**

**Oct. 19 @ Artesia (1-8-1)**

**Oct. 26 Pioneer (4-7)**

Demel Franklin has been associated with Cerritos High football since 2017 when he was the head coach of its freshman/sophomore team. Now, Franklin embarks on his first coaching gig at any varsity level. He replaces Brad Carter, who put the Dons program back on the map with a career mark of 13-13 in two full seasons, plus the shortened Covid season. Before that, the program had won 13 games from 2013-2018 under three head coaches.

"It's something that I actually dreamed of and worked towards," said Franklin. "I didn't know if it was ever going to come to fruition. I did my time, paid my dues and the opportunity presented itself. I'm more than grateful."

Before coming to Cerritos, Franklin had coached at Beckman High, Bellflower High and Costa Mesa High. Since Franklin has been at Cerritos the past several seasons, the transition to head coach is the easiest anyone can have because he knows and has coached many of the 2023 varsity players. If that's not good enough, Franklin has also been the president of the Cerritos Steelers youth football organization, and a coach there, where some of the high school players began their football days.

Franklin hopes to keep the Dons perched at the top of the 605 League where they have won nine straight league contests after going winless in league action the previous four seasons. To put that into perspective, Cerritos won a combined nine Suburban League games from 2005-2015. Last season was

the second straight 5-6 campaign with a first round loss in the CIF-Southern Section playoffs. The program had not had consecutive playoff seasons since 2000-2001.

"I think what went right was those kids worked their butt off," said Franklin of last season. "Whatever we asked them to do, they did. They showed up, whether it was really hot, really cold, early [or] late. We kept changing our workout program and they kept showing up."

"What didn't work out was injuries took a toll," he continued. "We just didn't have any depth, so once you lose a starter, it was like, 'wow'. You lose three or four starters, now you have backups in, and it just took its toll. We could never get back in front of the eight-ball."

#### OFFENSE

The Cerritos offense scored 277 points last season, including 128 in the last three games against Pioneer High, John Glenn High and Colton High. Last season's quarterback was Jake Bautista, who completed 52 of 80 passes for 673 yards and five touchdowns. He has since transferred to Long Beach Jordan High and now, senior Julian Morales, sophomores Jacob Hoosac and Justin Sagun and freshmen Alexander Laurin and Uriah Archie are in the mix to be the next starting quarterback.

Franklin said it is a concern that those five vying for the quarterback spot don't have any varsity game experience and you don't know what they're going to do when the lights go on or when the game time is big.

"But that's what I get paid to do, so we're going to figure it out," he added. "If that means we're going to be three yards and a cloud of dust, then that's what it is. We're going to make sure we put some points up so we can have a chance to win these games."

Last season, the Dons were fortunate to have four solid ground gainers and when one or even two went down with an injury, the others would step up. Two of those four-senior Josh Park (58, 271, three touchdowns) and junior Dikshanta Adhikari (50, 217, four touchdowns)-are back this season. They figure to get even more touches as last season's leading rusher, junior Kalib Moran (149, 799, 14 touchdowns), has also transferred out.

If Cerritos is going to be more of a passing team this season, Adhikari (18

receptions, 155 yards, one touchdown) and Park (14 receptions, 254 yards, one touchdown) will be the focal points. Joining them will be senior Diego Martinez and juniors Ruben Castro and John Lim.

Franklin said the team has done a lot

of pass-catching throughout the summer, getting into a lot of seven-on-seven tournaments so the players can develop their hands at the same time. He added that the program has a new strength conditioning program, spearheaded by

Tyrone Pulley.

Vying for the left tackle position is possibly senior Willian Peterson, who was the right guard last season. Franklin says there is still some shuffling of players on the line and that they will go with the best five guys. In the mix for left tackle will be sophomores Chidubem Ozoagu, a transfer who stands at 6'2", 256 pounds, and Devion Stinson. Peterson will also be contending for the right guard job while at left guard, it figures to be Nathanael Marcroft, a 6'2", 275 pound sophomore. Rounding out the remainder of the line will be junior center Jonathan Avendano or junior center Luis Lopez, while Stinson could also move to right tackle. Junior Raiden Resurreccion is another candidate to be a lineman.

"What I like [about our offense] is our versatility; our explosiveness," said Franklin. "We can get into whatever. We can go empty, we can get into multiple tight end sets, we can go three backs. We can do anything that we want to do. What I'm not loving is our consistency. We'll have a couple of good days, then start going downhill. If we can get consistent, I think we'll be a player in this league for sure."

#### DEFENSE

Even though the Dons allowed 257 points last season, including six games of over 40 points, the defense had solid players who are back this season. Leading the way on the line will be seniors Jeremiah Bagaygay (69 tackles, eight sacks), Crawford (103 tackles) and Sam Marcroft (25 tackles, two and a half sacks), sophomore Bailey Crawford (32 tackles, five sacks), Nathaniel Marcroft, Ozoagu and Peterson. Joining them will be another transfer, sophomore Makai Ortiz from Gahr High. Franklin is quick to add that Cerritos will have depth on the line which is something the program has never had.

"I preach depth at every position," he said. "I never want the cupboard to be empty and we lose 12 seniors and all of them are starters and then we have a bunch of fresh guys coming in. so, the backups are going to [their] reps and we're going to make sure [they're] on par with the starters."

In the secondary will be senior strong safety Gabe Gaudi (55 tackles) and Martinez (32 tackles) as the top returners. In the mix at free safety will be sophomore Michael Quibrantar with senior Tracy Carson and sophomore Elijah Washington as the cornerbacks. Junior Marnell Smith, whom Franklin calls 'dynamic' can play safety or cornerback and Castro can also play either position.

If he is not on the line, Nathaniel Crawford, junior Devyn Chantha (27 tackles), Bagaygay and Mendoza are expected to be the top returning linebackers with sophomore Tyler Ky and Hoosac joining them at any time. Again, the depth Cerritos has will allow players to be interchangeable on the defensive side.

"I think any championship team is defensive-led, and I make sure that our team knows that the defense will take us where we need to go," said Franklin. "Offense has to do their part, but the defense has to take care of them so we have a very aggressive nature. We're very physical and we're definitely in shape."

#### SCHEDULE

The Dons will be tested throughout the season as six of their opponents went to playoffs last season, half of them losing in the quarterfinals. But only one team had a winning record in 2022, that being Westminster High, a Division 11 team. Franklin calls the season opener against Buena Park High somewhat of a rivalry game because of the proximity. He knows Buena Park's head coach and among other things, is a physical team. Last season, Cerritos lost to the Coyotes 48-21 in the opener. The first three games of the season are a repeat of last season with the locations opposite of 2022. Coming out their bye, the Dons get into the teeth of their schedule and of those three, Cerritos faced Chino High, another Division 11 team, last season and lost 34-14. Even the longstanding city rivalry game with Gahr will be tough as the Gladiators were tri-champions of the Mid-Cities League. This might be one of the toughest non-league schedules Cerritos has had in the past couple of decades.

"It's very important because that's how we kind of gauge ourselves," said Franklin. "It gets us ready for the playoffs because as you can see, the last two years in the playoffs, we came up short and in heartbreaking fashion. If we can

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#### ARTESIA from page 10

Ramirez (nose guard), Johnson, Juarez, Martinez (nose guard) and Tucker will be the main linemen while the secondary, which has to be the strength of the defense, will be locked down by Davis (25 and a half tackles last season) and McGruder (18 tackles) at strong safety and free safety, respectively, junior Oscar Canchola and Cruz (27 tackles) as the cornerbacks. In the mix at safety is Campbell, Parrilla and freshman Eduardo Marrero while laying middle linebacker will be Adams (28 and a half tackles) with Padilla and Razo also slated to be linebackers. "He's fairly athletic for a bigger sized lineman kid," said Crook of Adams. "He's actually

been really good. He's picked it up kind of quick. He asks really good questions; he really wants to learn and be good at it. We're kind of excited about him there." SCHEDULE Artesia was a Division 14 team last season and will play seven teams who were in the division last season with the other three being Division 13 foes. If you go on paper, the first two games and three of the first four seem favorable for the Pioneers. But Crook is focused on one thing. "Right now, it's all Workman," said Crook. "We're not looking ahead too much because last year was a rough year for us as well. So, I don't think we're in any position to look ahead at other teams. I don't want to get caught up in that. Workman had a rough couple of years like us. But we're not going to take them

lightly. We're going to go in there and play as hard as we can." Half of the opponents went to the playoffs last season with Bolsa Grande High and Garey High each advancing to the quarterfinals. Only Los Amigos High, which blanked Artesia 31-0 last season, is the only opponent that had a winning mark in 2022. It and Viewpoint High are the only repeat non-league opponents from last season, and the latter defeated the Pioneers 18-14. "This is going to be my third year [with the Artesia program] and the last two years, I've always thought our league has been competitive and you never know who is going to win," said Crook. "As long as compete, I think we're all in similar situations, so it's just who's going to be ready by the time league comes around." HOMECOMING Artesia was

blanked by Westminster High 42-0 in last season's homecoming game and the Pioneers have lost two straight and three of their last four in such games. While this season's homecoming opponent was unknown as of the middle of July, most likely it will be either Los Amigos or Viewpoint in late September. Artesia is 1-2 in homecoming games against non-league opponents with the lone victory coming in 2005, a 28-24 win over Gahr High. FINAL COMMENT "I think we have a good group of coaches, too," said Crook. "The guys we brought in really care about the kids and are excited to see where this takes us. They've been here every day; they've been working really hard. So, I've been leaning on those guys a lot and they've helped me out"



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

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The work shall be completed within 30 working days after the City's Notice to Proceed.

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Proof of Publication of FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2023149500. THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: TAILORED BEAUTY COMPANY, 11428 ARTESIA BLVD., SUITE 6, ARTESIA CA. 90701, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner: ANGELINA VARELA, 16305 3/4 CORNUTA AVE, BELLFLOWER CA 90706 THIS BUSINESS IN CONDUCTED AS AN INDIVIDUAL. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 7/23. 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/ANGELINA VARELA, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 7/10/23. 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 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 7/14, 7/21, 7/28, 8/4/23.

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**CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS**  
**SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2023-612**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS ADDING CHAPTER 15.38 TO TITLE 15 OF THE HAWAIIAN GARDENS MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO AN EXPEDITED, STREAMLINED PERMITTING PROCESS FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS**

Notice is hereby given that on July 25, 2023, the City Council of the City of Hawaiian Gardens introduced for first reading, Ordinance No. 2023-612, which proposes to create an expedited and streamlined electric vehicle charging station permitting process that complies with Government Code sections 65850.7 and 65850.71 to achieve the timely and cost-effective installation of electric vehicle charging stations.

Ordinance No. 2023-612 complies with the requirements set forth in AB 1236 and AB 970 by requiring that the City administratively approve applications that comply with the City's "Expedited EV Permit & Checklist" and limit review to whether the installation would comply with safety and performance standards.

A copy of Ordinance No. 2023-612 is on file with the City Clerk, and available for public review at City Hall, 21815 Pioneer Blvd., Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716.

The City Council will hold the second reading and adoption of the ordinance on August 8, 2023, at 6:00 PM, at the City Council Chambers, 21815 Pioneer Boulevard, Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716.

Pablo Rubio, City Clerk

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:  
 JEANNE Y. SHIMAZAKI  
 CASE NO. 23STPB07402

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of JEANNE Y. SHIMAZAKI.

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

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 08/11/23 at 8:30AM in Dept. 9 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

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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 Inc. at 4160 Cherry Ave., Long Beach, CA 90807 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.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com) (bond #63747122) ending on or after Tuesday, August 15th, 2023, at 9:00AM. The personal property belonging to those listed below to be sold as follows: Storage chest, artificial Christmas tree with lights, bag, Tool boxes, tools, shovels, wheel barrel, tool belt, ladders, motorcycle parts, motorcycle tires, motorcycle seat, tire cover for Honda, bicycle, golf clubs, boxes, totes, milk crates, wood, wood ramps, tv mount, TV, rugs, garden windmill, buckets, Tupperware, rain boots, leg brace, ice chest, ammunition storage container, safety vest, floormat and gas can belonging to the following.

NAME	UNIT #
WAYMON BROWN	B120
LISA BEANN BUCK	B106

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. Storage Treasures' Principal Auctioneer and Auctioneer on Record: Auctioneer License Numbers for Christopher Paul Rosa California 3112562

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**CITY OF CERRITOS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, NOTICE TO BIDDERS. SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF 70/30 BLEND POLYORTHOPHOSPHATE IN 55 GALLON DRUM, BID NO. 1514-23.** Sealed bids will be received at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Cerritos, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Bloomfield Avenue at 183rd Street, Cerritos, California, 90703, until **11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 9, 2023**, for the supply and delivery of 70/30 blend Polyorthophosphate in a 55-gallon drum. Bids will be publicly opened at Cerritos City Hall at **11:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 9, 2023**. Bids must be made on the form provided for this purpose, addressed to the City Clerk, City of Cerritos, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Bloomfield Avenue at 183rd Street, Cerritos, California, 90703, marked **"Bid for Supply and Delivery of 70/30 blend Polyorthophosphate in a 55-gallon drum, Bid No. 1514-23."** No bid will be accepted unless it is made on a proposal form furnished by the City and has the bid number and project name identified on the outside label. The bid submission must be received in the Office of the City Clerk, 1st Floor, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703. It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that the bid is received in the appropriate location by the deadline. Bids not received in the Office of the City Clerk by the deadline provided will not be considered. The City of Cerritos reserves the right to reject any and all bids or portions of any and all bids or waive the informality in a bid not affected by law. Bid specifications are available online at [www.cerritos.us/BUSINESSES/bid\\_and\\_contract\\_opportunities/bid\\_listings.php](http://www.cerritos.us/BUSINESSES/bid_and_contract_opportunities/bid_listings.php). For additional questions, please contact Support Services at (562) 916-1318.

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**NOTICE OF SALE OF ABANDONED PROPERTY**  
 Notice is given 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.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com) (bond #63747122) ending on or after Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 9:00AM. The personal property belonging to those listed below to be sold as follows: Boxes/totes/bins, bags, Shelving racks, storage drawers, Rolling Work Seat Brake Stool big seating platform/tool trays/drawer, luggage, duffel bags, backpack, speaker, skateboard, storage bench, rug, blankets, throw pillows, style station, makeup organizer, solid top dolly, shoe boxes, piggy bank, wicker trash can, clothes, wrapping paper, toilet paper holder stand, bottle, TV, entertainment center, storage drawers, folding chairs, folding table, fan, shoes, seat cushion, dressing mirror, under bed storage container, books, Bikes, bike pump/parts, dog crate, golf clubs, baseball bat, football, tools, vacuum, outdoor turkey fryer pot/burner, helmets, clothes, baskets, buckets, IKEA PAX storage organizers, metal shelving rack, dresser, rolling utility cart, toolbox, tools, extension cords, ladder, 2 large rolling ice chests, milk crates, wood, drawer organizers, planter box, bottled water, towels, Dining room table & chairs, TV stand with fireplace, gaming chair, computer desk, computer & keyboard, inversion table, headboard, mattress, Artificial plants/flowers, stuffed animals, hopper ball, and hats.

NAME	UNIT
VANESSA IRENE GUERRERO	B186
DAMON MARCELL HODGE	B638
CHARLES JERMAINE JONES	B485
ENRIQUE PAREDES ORTEGA	B702
FAITH SHADENE STEVENSON	B155

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE**  
 (Division 6 of the Commercial Code)  
 Escrow No. 36141-KR

(1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described

(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: SUBWAY #6666 INC., 5031 LAKEWOOD BOULEVARD, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712

(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: 6490 E. SURREY DRIVE, LONG BEACH, CA 90815

(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: AMAAZING, INC., 17032 COURTNEY LANE, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92649

(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL AND FRANCHISE of that certain business located at: 5031 LAKEWOOD BOULEVARD, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712

(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: SUBWAY #6666

(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is AUGUST 15, 2023 at the office of: ADVANTAGE ONE ESCROW, 19671 BEACH BLVD STE 103 HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92648, Escrow No. 36141-KR, Escrow Officer: KIT RHOADS

(8) Claims may be filed with Same as "7" above

(9) The last date for filing claims is: AUGUST 14, 2023.

(10) This Bulk Sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: NONE.

Dated: JULY 13, 2023

TRANSFEREES: AMAAZING, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION  
 TRANSFERORS: SUBWAY #6666 INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION  
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DBE SUBCONTRACTORS/SUPPLIER BIDS/PROPOSALS REQUESTED  
 IFB No C108169C1226 – I-605 South Street Off-Ramp Improvements Bid/Proposal submittal date:  
 August 21, 2023 @ 2:00 PM  
 Owner: Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA)  
 Performance/Payment/Material Bond may be required

This advertisement is in response to LACMTA's DBE Program. Powell Constructors intends to conduct itself in "Good Faith" with DBE firms regarding participation on this project. Drawings and Specs will be reviewed in our office Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Quotes are required by August 17, 2023 so that all Bids/Proposals can be fairly evaluated. Please submit Bids/Proposals for the following work (but not limited to): *LCP, Survey, WPC Maint, SWPPP, Temp Erosion Ctrl, St. Swp, Treated Wood Wste, Remove Conc, Cl&Gr, Rdwy Exc, STR Exc (R.Wall), Prep Exc & Trans Plan, STR Backfill, Pervious Backfill Mat'l, Imp Borrow, Rock Blanket, Soil Amdmt, Lnscp Mater., Lnscp, Develop Water Supply, Wood Mulch, Irrigrn, Finish Rdwy, Agg Base, LCB, HMA, Rmv AC Dike, JPCP, CIDH Piling, STR Conc, Minor Conc STR, Conc Tex, Bar Reinf Steel, Furnish Sign STR, Inst Sign STR, Rmv Sign STR, APC, CSP, Alt. Flared End Sec, Precast Conc Pipe Inlet, Rmv Overside Drain, Rmv Culvert, Rmv Down drain, Rmv Inlet, Rmv Headwall, Rmv Conc), RSP, RSP Fabric, Detectable Warning Surface, Minor Conc, Rmv Conc Curb & Sdwik, Misc. Iron, Steel, & Metal, Rmv Pymt Marker, Delineator, Rmv Roadside Sign, Furnish Sign Panels, Roadside Sign, Midwest Grd rail, Veg Ctrl (Minor Conc), Conc barrier, Rmv Guardrail, Pymnt Mark & Strip, Rmv Pymnt Mark & Strip, Maint Exist TMS, Temp LTG Sys, Maint Traffic, Bird Protec, Maint EXG & Temp Elec Sys, Graff Rmvl, and Trucking.*  
 Contact: Joe Fadden, Estimator - [Joe@powellconstructors.com](mailto:Joe@powellconstructors.com) 8555 Banana Avenue, Fontana, CA 92335 Office (909) 356-8880 Fax (909) 356-1299

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**NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS FOR LOCAL STREET GRIND AND CAP**  
**IN THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER SPECIFICATIONS NO. 22/23-01**

The City of Bellflower is accepting sealed bids in the City Clerk's office, 16600 Civic Center Drive, Bellflower, CA 90706, until 11:00 a.m. on:

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2023**

at which time they will be publicly opened. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check or bidder's bond payable to the order of the City of Bellflower or cash for an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the bid price submitted, and the check, bond, or cash deposit of the successful bidder shall be forfeited to the City if such bidder fails to enter into the contract to perform the work within ten (10) days after written notice of award. Bids will not be accepted after that time.

As described in the Bidding Documents, the bids are for a public works project ("Project") which consists of LOCAL STREET GRIND AND CAP and related work as shown on the plans on file with the City's Public Works Department. The Engineer's Estimate of cost is \$500,000.00. Bids will be publicly opened on Wednesday, August 16, 2023. At the time of contract award, the contractor shall possess a Class A Contractor's License. No bid will be accepted from a contractor who has not been licensed in accordance with the Provisions of Chapter 9, Division III, of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California at the time the bid is submitted. Following the issuance of the Notice to Proceed, the contractor shall have thirty (30) working days to complete the work.

Work on the Project must be performed in strict conformity with Specification No. 22/23-01 as adopted by the City's City Council on July 10, 2023 which is filed with the City's Public Works Department. Copies of these specifications may be obtained by prospective bidders from the Public Works Department, 16600 Civic Center Drive, Bellflower, CA 90706 for a non refundable fee of \$17.00. The specifications can be mailed for an additional non-refundable fee of \$10.00 per set.

The terms and conditions for bidding on the Project are described in the Bidding Instructions which can be found at [www.bellflower.org](http://www.bellflower.org).

This project requires payment of State prevailing rates of wages for Los Angeles County. The contractor must post copies of the prevailing schedule at each job site. Copies of these rates of wages are available from the State of California Department of Industrial Relations Prevailing Wage Unit, Telephone No. (415) 703-4774. The website for this agency is currently located at [www.dir.ca.gov](http://www.dir.ca.gov).

Note that the Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations. Pursuant to California law, the City must find bids failing to comply with all applicable Labor Code requirements including, without limitation, Labor Code §§ 1725.5 and 1771.4, to be nonresponsive.

Five percent (5%) will be deducted from each progress payment and retained by the City. The remainder less the amount of all previous payments will be paid to the Contractor. Pursuant to Public Contracts Code ("PCC") § 22300, the Contractor may substitute securities for retention monies held by the City or request that the City place such monies into an escrow account. The Contractor is notified, pursuant to PCC § 22300, any such election will be at the Contractor own expense and will include costs incurred by the City to accommodate the Contractor's request.

DATED this 10th day of July, 2023.

**CITY OF BELLFLOWER, CALIFORNIA**

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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 **2:00 PM** on the **24th day of August, 2023** Bids for:

ABC Bid # 1626 Data Cabling

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 for Bid Documents by calling (562) 926-5566 x 21218 Esthela Perez. All public works are subject to prevailing wage payments, Valid License valid Class C-10 or C-7 Contractor's License and DIR Registration will be required.




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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PROPOSED DEL AMO BOULEVARD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AND SIGNAL ENHANCEMENT**

**DATE: July 31, 2023**

**TO:** Interested Agencies, Organizations, and Individuals

**Notice is hereby given** that the City of Cerritos has completed an Initial Study for the adoption and implementation of the Del Amo Boulevard Bridge Replacement and Signal Enhancement (project) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15000 seq.).

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The project area is located in the City of Cerritos, in Los Angeles County, with a small portion of the project in Orange County. The project area also falls within the municipal boundaries of the neighboring cities of Lakewood, La Palma, and Cypress.

**DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT:** The City of Cerritos, in cooperation with the Cities of Lakewood, La Palma, and Cypress, is proposing improvements along a 2-mile stretch of Del Amo Boulevard from the Interstate 605 (I-605) freeway to Denni Street. Proposed improvements include removing the railroad bridge over Coyote Creek, realigning Del Amo Boulevard to the south, replacing the Del Amo Boulevard bridge with a new 4-lane bridge, traffic signal synchronization, traffic calming, and bicycle and pedestrian enhancements.

**POTENTIAL IMPACTS:** Pursuant to CEQA, the City proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project. Staff has found that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment based on the results of the Initial Study with implementation of proposed mitigation measures to reduce impacts to air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, and noise to less than significant levels.

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: Begins July 31, 2023, Ends August 31, 2023**  
 The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is being circulated for public review and comment for a period of 30 days beginning July 31, 2023. Any person may submit written comments to the **Department of Public Works** before the end of the review period on August 31, 2023. If you challenge the City's action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised in written correspondence delivered to the **Department of Public Works** prior to the end of the review period. Comments may be sent by mail, e-mail, or in-person to:

City of Cerritos Department of Public Works  
 Attn: Dario Simoes, P.E., Deputy Director of Public Works/City Engineer  
 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703-3130  
 Email: [dsimoes@cerritos.us](mailto:dsimoes@cerritos.us)

**LOCATIONS WHERE DOCUMENT CAN BE REVIEWED:**  
 Copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration document may be reviewed online at [www.cerritos.us/RESIDENTS/public\\_works/del\\_amo\\_bridge\\_project.php](http://www.cerritos.us/RESIDENTS/public_works/del_amo_bridge_project.php) or at the following locations during normal business hours: (1) City of Cerritos Department of Public Works, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703; (2) Cerritos Library, 18025 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703; (3) City of Lakewood Department of Public Works, 5050 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, CA 90712; (4) City of La Palma Department of Public Works, 7821 Walker Street, La Palma, CA 90623; and (5) City of Cypress Department of Public Works, 5275 Orange Avenue, Cypress, CA 90630

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**LOCATION/DATE/TIME: Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park**  
**12340 South Street, Cerritos, CA 90703**  
**Monday, August 7, 2023**  
**6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.**

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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 08/15/2023 at 11:00 AM.

Franklin Rodriguez - Tools  
 Tamara Jones - Household items  
 Rebecca Rios-Preciado - Household items, clothing, sporting accessories, tools, memorabilia, camping gear  
 Daniel Martinez - Household items  
 Claudia Lorena Chavez- Household items  
 Annette Crumaby - Household items  
 Douglas Morse - Clothes  
 Annette Crumby - Household items  
 Lisa Castruita - Garage items, boxes, totes  
 Debra Jean Westmoreland-Evans - Dresser, boxes, bed  
 Amanda Sowa - Bedroom furniture, couch and a fridge  
 Alicia Guerrero - Couch, bed  
 Brady Kathryn, Kathryn Brady - Household goods  
 Max Joseph Castillo - Fridge, couches

The auction will be listed and advertised on [www.storage treasures.com](http://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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**CITY OF COMMERCE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**COMMERCIAL CANNABIS PERMIT APPLICATION**  
**DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT**

Pursuant to California Government Code §§ 65867, 65090, and 6061, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A PUBLIC HEARING** to be held on August 8, 2023, before the City Council of the City of Commerce for the consideration of a First Reading to approve a Development Agreement for Commercial Cannabis Activities.

**Project Description:** The proposed project consists of adopting an Ordinance to approve a Development Agreement to allow for cultivation, manufacturing, and distribution of commercial cannabis products at 5350-80 East Washington Boulevard, Commerce, CA 90040. A copy of the proposed Development Agreement will be available on the City's website and with the City Clerk's Office.

**Environmental Determination:** The request for a Development Agreement has been determined to be exempt from environmental review pursuant to the guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Res. Code, § 21080, subd. (b)(9); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, Ch. 3, § 15301 [Class 1, "Existing Facilities"]). This section specifically applies to small additions, expansions, or alterations to existing structures where there is negligible or no expansion of the use. In this case, the request includes a request to establish a Development Agreement.

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY COUNCIL**

Said public hearing will be held before the City Council of the City of Commerce in the City Council Chambers, 5655 Jillson Street, Commerce, CA 90040, on August 8, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., at which time proponents and opponents for the proposed Development Agreement will be heard.

Per Government Code Section 65009, if you challenge the above-listed item in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing meeting and during the comment period described in this notice in written correspondence delivered to the city office, at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Assistant City Manager  
 Vilko Domic

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**THE SUMMER PROGRAM'S** sessions incorporate hands-on workshops, mobile training opportunities, and virtual reality technology that simulate a workshop or job site. Three courses were offered according to the student's grade levels. Juniors and seniors could earn OSHA 10 certification in welding, freshmen and sophomores could take an introductory course in welding and middle school students were offered a virtual welding course.

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of its mission to increase understanding, support, and investment in skilled trades education in U.S public high schools," according to a press release from Harbor Freight Tools for Schools.

Three courses were offered according to the student's grade levels. Juniors and seniors could earn OSHA 10 certification in welding, freshmen and sophomores

could take an introductory course in welding and middle school students were offered a virtual welding course.

At La Mirada High, the middle school students welded barbecues and made mosaic tables, while the high school students mentored the middle school students and worked on advanced-level projects to earn their credentials.

The summer program's sessions incorporate hands-on workshops, mobile training opportunities, and virtual reality technology that simulate a workshop

or job site. High school participants can work toward industry-based credentials while earning class credit, and most can earn up to \$15.50 an hour.

Only 11 of the 86 schools in the LAUSD offer trades such as construction or woodworking. The program sponsored by Harbor Freight enables other pathways for trades to become accessible to students. Six high schools in Los Angeles County, including La Mirada High, were sponsored to host this program, each with various trades offered.

Not only inspiring a new set of skills for students, there are high hopes that students who participate in the Harbor Freight Tools for Schools program continue their education in welding by joining the four-year welding program offered at La Mirada High taught by Brent Tuttle.

It is through Tuttle, and the excellent standing of the school's welding program, that Harbor Freight offered the program.

"Harbor Freight Tools for Schools was aware of the outstanding program at La Mirada High School in part because welding teacher Brent Tuttle is a 2020 winner of the Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Prize for Teaching Excellence," said Alec Vida, a Junior Associate at the Sugerman Group, in an email.

There are plans for the program to return for its third year at La Mirada High in 2024. The Harbor Freight Tools for Schools program is free to students and available to all students in the Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District. In order to apply for next year's program, contact La Mirada High School.

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sands statewide.

The letter read, "We all are deeply concerned about a conflict of interest which Gloria Gray has created by seeking and accepting seats on both the Inglewood City Council and West Basin Water District's board of directors. We request that your office investigate."

The organizations cited a blatantly incompatible office situation that Gray is currently involved in.

As a West Basin's Director, Gray participates in the agency's budget formulation/decisions, which started earlier this month; one of those decisions is setting the agency's water rates.

As an Inglewood City Councilmember, Gray negotiates the water rates paid to West Basin for resale to its residents; Gray is clearly on both sides of the transaction.

Under 1099, offices are incompatible when "there is a possibility of a significant clash of duties between the offices."

"The [water rate] conflict could not be clearer," the letter stated, "Albert Robles and Sergio Calderon were removed from office, and David Argudo is currently under investigation for similar activities. The public is entitled to representation free of such conflicts. We ask that you take appropriate action."

Where two offices held by one official are legally incompatible, adjudicated through a quo warranto action by the D.A. the official must immediately vacate "the first office."

In Gray's case, she would have to vacate her West Basin position.

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get those challenges during the season, I can see who's going to be ready for those challenges and who's not so we can make those adjustments. So, by the time we get to that playoff game and so forth, if we make it, then I know what we have."

When it comes to the league, Franklin says it's going to be interesting because you can't say you have film on them as he and Artesia High's first-year head coach Connor Crook are coming from the lower levels and John Glenn High's head coach is a rookie in Elijah Penny, a former running back in the National Football League.

"In any sport, until the champion is knocked off, everybody is coming for you," said Franklin. "Whether we have transfers in or out, people are still going to come for us. They don't care if we have a new head coach. They don't care if we have kids who haven't been there before. They're coming for us, and we have to be prepared for them."

**HOMECOMING**

Cerritos was trounced by Troy High 49-6 in last season's homecoming game and will draw Division 9 West Torrance High this season for the special game. This will be the fourth straight homecoming game against a non-league opponent and overall, the Dons haven't had much success in such games. They have lost seven straight homecoming games, 10 of the last 11 and 15 of the last 18 games. Since 1998, Cerritos has been victorious in half a dozen homecoming games.

**FINAL COMMENT**

"I've put a tremendous amount of pressure on myself, my staff and our kids," said Franklin. "This is something I've wanted and the fact that the administration has the confidence to put me in this position is great. I'm not going to let them down. And those kids are going to work really hard. I think that we're going to surprise a lot of people with what we do and how we do it. We're going to be very, very disciplined."

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**TEMECULA** 40551 Margarita Rd.....951-506-8960  
**TORRANCE** 22740 Hawthorne Blvd.....310-375-8121  
**WEST HILLS** 6424 N. Fallbrook Ave.....818-773-0744  
**YORBA LINDA** 23029 Eastpark Drive.....714-921-5144

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