



100-YEAR-OLD BOWLER CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY WITH A STRIKE

LEONA BELLETTI, holding certificate, celebrated her 100th birthday with friends at Cal Bowl in Lakewood, where she’s been knocking down the pins since 1963. Lakewood Vice Mayor Todd Rogers (far right) joined in the festivities. Belletti bowled a strike during her first game. Leona’s secret to health and longevity? “Eat proper, stay active and be good!”

Bill Would Set Rules for Active Shooter Drills

The California bill would require advance notice and ban fake gunfire.

By Brian Hews

As residents continue to battle gun violence, active shooter drills at schools have become prevalent for many school districts and communities.

Now a measure may limit the drills.

The measure, AB 1858, was introduced by Democratic Assemblymember Chris Ward, who argues that some districts have gone too far in their efforts to prepare students for possible tragedy, such as by too realistically re-creating shooting scenes.

Ward cited one girl’s freshmen year at high school when she experienced an active shooter training. At the time, she had no idea it was just a drill. Now, as a junior in college, she vividly recalls that day.

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Young California Innovators Take Top 2024 Westly Prize Awards



INNOVATIONS: The Westly Foundation Award winners for 2024. These young men and women were awarded for their innovations that improve the lives of others both locally and around the world.

Editor’s note: this is the third of three stories about the award winners.

By Laurie Hanson

With today’s community and global challenges young people are striving to find innovative solutions that are being recognized by organizations such as the Westly Foundation in

Silicon Valley.

This year, three teams were recently awarded \$40,000 each as part of the 2024 Westly Prize for Young Social Innovators in California. All members were in their 20’s.

Co-founders of the Westly Prize, Steve Westly, and Anita Yu, noted that this year’s Westly

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Exclusive:

Memo From Law Firm, Held for Months, Slams Central Basin Water Board for Redistricting

By Brian Hews

Los Cerritos Community News has obtained an Oct 23, 2023 memo questioning the efforts by certain Central Basin Water Board members to perform a mid-decade redistricting and redrawing of Central Basin district voting boundaries.

It was the same memo that was read to the CB Board at its February 7, 2024 meeting; the reading of said memo was delayed for months by board members in favor of the highly questionable redistricting maneuver.

The memo was written by a prominent law firm in the redistricting arena, Sacramento-based Nielsen Merksamer, which was involved in the 2022 CB redistricting process after the 2020 census.

President Michael Gualteri, VP Juan Garza, who was appointed and not elected, and Board members Leticia Vasquez, Wilson, and Martha Camacho Rodriguez are behind the attempt to redistrict, a deliberate gerrymander

effort to alter the upcoming Nov 2024 contest between Vasquez-Wilson and Camacho-Rodriguez so they do not have to run against each other.

But some political operatives are not waiting for the outcome; sources are telling LCCN that attorney Francisco Leal and Richard Polanco, the former California State Senate Majority Leader and Chairman of the California Latino Legislative Caucus, have put their campaign machines behind Vasquez-Wilson.

Both are affiliated with the lobbying firm Tres Es, with Sen. Polanco “advising” Marvin Pineda’s firm California Advocacy.

And with that, no doubt they are going to help CB appointee Juan Garza, who, as reported by LCCN in November 2023, tried to coerce then-General Manager Alex Rojas into firing Lucien Partners lobbying firm and hiring California Advocacy.

In addition, Garza, who is Executive Director of California Cities for Self-Reliance-JPA,

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Rep. Sánchez Secures Over \$12.7M in Funding for Projects in La Mirada, Pico Rivera, Norwalk

By Brian Hews

On Saturday, President Biden signed into law the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2024, a package of six domestic funding bills focused on lowering costs for families and creating good paying jobs.

Through this funding package, Congresswoman Linda T. Sánchez (CA-38) secured funding for all 15 of the community projects she requested.

The projects, which are listed in alphabetical order, include:

- \$500,000 for La Mirada’s Behringer Park Athletic Field Restroom and Snack Bar Building

Renovations. The funding will be used for facilities renovations to the plumbing systems, electrical upgrades, and other improvements to ensure compliance with Health Code regulations and Americans with Disability Act regulations.

- \$850,000 for Norwalk’s Transit System Bus Stop Equity Project. The funding will be used to provide transit-users in the City of Norwalk with ample shade and seating to protect against the drastic climate changes Southern California is experiencing, including solar panels providing ample

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La Mirada Council Proclaims World Down Syndrome Day



LA MIRADA CITY COUNCIL proclaimed March 21, 2024 World Down Syndrome Day at its March 12 City Council meeting. Seen here is the council with La Mirada families in honor of World Down Syndrome Day.

Staff Report

The La Mirada City Council proclaimed March 21, 2024 World Down Syndrome Day at its March 12 City Council meeting.

The proclamation emphasizes the La Mirada's ongoing commitment to spread awareness, educate about Down syndrome, and celebrate people who have Down syndrome and their abilities and

accomplishments. This year's theme, "End the Stereotypes," is important because it stresses the importance of the right to be treated fairly, have the same opportunities as everyone else, and the freedom for people to make their own decisions. To spread awareness, it is encouraged for the community to wear crazy socks in celebration of people with Down Syndrome and the many ways they can make the world brighter.

Friends of Signal Hill Library Spring Book Sale

The Friends of Signal Hill Library invite you to shop for gently used books on Thursday April 18 from 12 Noon – 4 pm at the Signal Hill Library Front Patio, 1800 E Hill St (off Cherry Ave), Signal Hill 90755. 562. 989-7323.

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California Attorney General Rob Bonta Visits Cerritos



GREETINGS: This past Saturday at Cerritos' Heritage Park, Cerritos Councilman Frank Yokoyama (left) and former Cerritos Mayor Mark Pulido (right) welcomed California Attorney General Rob Bonta to Cerritos. AG Bonta talked about the residents of Cerritos, public safety, and promised to work with Yokoyama together as elected officials.

California Credit Union Offers Summer Internship Program

Staff Report

Applications are now available for California Credit Union's Summer Internship Program for local high school seniors and college students. Now in its third year, the program offers paid internships to provide students with professional work experience and mentoring in multiple areas throughout the organization, including opportunities in the Real Estate, Electronic Services, Human Resources and Accounting departments.

"We're committed to supporting our local students in every area, including

providing hands-on work experience and mentoring to help set them up for success in the financial industry" said California Credit Union President/CEO Steve O'Connell.

Los Angeles County college students and high school seniors can learn more and apply for the internships through the credit union's website. Applications will be accepted through April 12th for the summer program.

All internships will be paid, part-time opportunities at the credit union's Glendale headquarters offices from June 24th through August 16th.

LBS Financial Volunteers Clean Up Long Beach Coastline

Staff Report

In partnership with the City of Long Beach's Adopt-A-Beach program, volunteers from LBS Financial Credit Union cleaned up a stretch of the Long Beach coastline on in February.

29 volunteers, including LBS Financial employees, family, and friends, removed trash from the sand and the parking lot at Junipero Beach.

The Credit Union's adopted beach (for over 13 years) includes the coastline between 14th Place and 19th Place off of Ocean Blvd. Flat cardboard sheets, empty water bottles, plastic utensils, napkins, empty spray paint bottles, ripped sandals, a shredded mattress and occasional articles of clothing in the sand were among the littered items the

team picked up.

The majority of items collected from the sand appeared to wash down from the street due to the heavy rainfall that Long Beach has recently experienced. In the parking lot, deflated balloons, cigarette butts, food wrappers and plastic containers were the most common pollutants.

"Not only did we collect large items, but we were also able to clean up items that we didn't want to float around in our community when the storm hit," said LBS Financial employee and volunteer, Marissa Velazquez. She concludes, "It was a great clean-up day," and the feeling was mutual amongst all of the volunteers who came together as a team to beautify Junipero Beach.

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"I was told there was a SWAT team in the halls, and we were just told to be quiet and sit and wait until authorities gave us the all clear to evacuate," she said.

Even though she was physically safe, the mental trauma of that day still remains.

"It makes me more anxious to be in school, and it makes me more aware of my surroundings in a way that I don't

particularly like," she said.

Assemblymember Ward said that is why he introduced AB 1858.

"We want to set some guardrails on what can and can't go on in our in our schools with regard to active shooter drills," he said. "We want to make sure that we are not allowing the use of any simulated gunfire or simulated automatic weapons on our school campuses, that we are trying to make sure that parents have notifications," he continued.

A spokesperson for the California Department of Education said it is currently analyzing this legislation. When it comes to a guide on how to conduct these trainings, the state does not have a clear guide, but does recommend using the "concept of run, hide, and fight." That suggestion can be found in the 2023 California Emergency Management for Schools guide.

The bill will head to an assembly policy committee before the end of March. Ward hopes it will reach the governor's desk by this fall.



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Fedde Academy Redesignated as 2024 School to Watch



CONGRATULATIONS to Fedde Academy for receiving redesignation as a California School to Watch at the California League of Educators Annual Conference. Holding Certificates of Recognition are ABCUSD Superintendent Dr. Gina Zietlow and Fedde Academy Principal Ms. Denise Macías (right). Ms. Macías is a product of Hawaiian Gardens Schools where her two aunts retired as teachers from Hawaiian ES.

SACRAMENTO—State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond has announced that 52 high-performing California middle grades schools have been recognized as California Schools to Watch for 2024.

Fedde Academy received redesignation as a California School to Watch.

To earn this designation, schools must complete an extensive application and host a site visit by middle grades experts. To retain the designation, each school is reevaluated every three years.

There are 16 new California Schools to Watch this year. An additional 36 schools reapplied to the program, demonstrated

their sustained progress, and have been redesignated as 2024 California Schools to Watch. Altogether, there are 200 California Schools to Watch.

“Congratulations to these exceptional schools for making a great impact on students. I want to thank the staff, administrators, teachers, families at these schools for ensuring all students get the education they need to realize their potential,” Thurmond said. “These schools are outstanding examples of how educational innovation and a dedicated school community can close opportunity gaps and keep students engaged and learning through a critical stage in their K–12 journey.”

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CORRECTION

La Palma-Cerritos
AAUW Meeting

At its March 21, 2024 meeting at the Cabrillo Lane Adult School, 20122 Cabrillo Lane in Cerritos, the AAUW La Palma-Cerritos will host Professor Jodi Balma to discuss how reproductive rights have been impacted since the June 24, 2022 SCOTUS decision.

Professor Balma has been teaching political science at Fullerton College since 2000. Meeting social time is 6:30 pm, followed by the program and a short business meeting.

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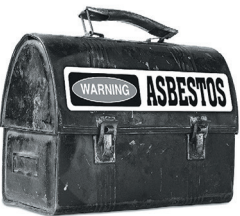
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Whittier Union Board Approves Building Dedication



NAMING: From left to right: Whittier Union Board Member Dr. Russell Castañeda-Calleros, Board Member Jaime López, Vice President Josefina E. Canchola, Clerk Irma Rodríguez Moisa, President Gary Mendez and Yoshio Nakamura (center) celebrate the unanimous vote to name the Whittier High School Fine Arts building in Nakamura’s honor during a Board meeting on March 12.

Staff Report

Longtime Whittier resident Yoshio Nakamura discovered his love of art while stationed in Italy as a member of the legendary 442nd Regimental Combat Team during World War II. Immersing himself in the works of Michelangelo, Da Vinci and Raphael, Nakamura began to lay the foundation for a lifelong career as an artist and teacher – a career that got its start when Nakamura was hired as a teacher at Whittier High School in 1952.

Acknowledging Nakamura’s contributions as a teacher and his commitment to art education, the Whittier Union Board of Trustees voted unanimously on March 12 to dedicate the Whittier High School Fine Arts building in his honor. This honor celebrates the man who shook off the adversity of being interned with his family in WWII to become a highly decorated war hero and beloved teacher and administrator at Whittier High and, later, as Río Hondo College’s first art professor.

“This is unbelievable, and I consider it an honor for the 442nd,” Nakamura said. “It was really a joy to be teaching. I enjoyed working with the students. I received great support from my superintendent, and my colleagues provided a very good environment for learning. I hope having a building dedicated could be an inspiration for others to enter the teaching profession.”

Whittier Union Board President Gary Mendez is a former Governing Board Member for Río Hondo College, as well as a longtime student and friend of Nakamura. Mr. Nakamura, Mendez’s Dean at Río Hondo, always welcomed conversations with Mendez as a student leader. Mendez has been searching for a way to honor Nakamura’s contributions to the

District, and brought the proposal to the Board for consideration.

Now 98-years old, Nakamura, known to everyone as “Yosh,” is a SoCal native who attended schools in Rosemead and El Monte before WWII upended his life and forced him into internment camps with his father and siblings. In 1944, Nakamura enlisted in the Army, where he worked as a mortar specialist with the 442nd, an infantry regiment consisting almost entirely of American soldiers of Japanese ancestry, known as “Nisei.”

The 442nd is the most decorated unit for its size and length of service in U.S. military history, with all members, living or dead, receiving the Congressional Gold Medal in 2011. Nakamura is also the recipient of a Bronze Star and the French Foreign Legion medal.

After using his GI Bill to earn a bachelor’s degree in fine arts at USC, Nakamura was hired at Whittier High, where he quickly established himself as a teacher willing to give his students the freedom to express themselves creatively and became one of the school’s most popular teachers.

In an era when individual awards for teachers were rare, Nakamura was named the Whittier Women’s Club 1960 teacher of the year.

Nakamura’s artistic legacy can be seen through the lens of his former students, many of whom went on to work professionally, including Academy Award-winning visual effects artist Lorne Petersen, Rose Parade float designer Raul Rodriguez, graphic designer Don Strout, glass artist Trish Duggan and Amy Yutani, who helped co-design the Seattle Seahawks logo for the National Football League.

In 1963, Nakamura left Whittier High to join the recently opened Río Hondo College as its first professor. Nakamura would spend nearly 30 years at the College and served as an art professor, dean and vice president of community services and institutional development. Since retirement, Nakamura has stayed active in the Whittier art community, volunteering for Whittier’s Art in Public Places Committee and Cultural Arts Commission. In October 2023, the Whittier Art Gallery staged a career retrospective, “Yoshio Nakamura: 75 Years of Artistry.” Nakamura donated half of his sales from the exhibit, totaling \$17,000, to the Gallery.


“What a historic moment for Whittier Union,” Mendez said. “Mr. Nakamura has contributed immensely to this nation, our Whittier community, and, above all, has left a lasting impact on the lives of students. Mr. Nakamura’s name and story will live on in Whittier Union. It is a privilege to endorse the naming of a building after him, recognizing his truly remarkable and impactful achievements.”

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lighting for patrons’ safety while waiting at all stops and real-time information displays powered by said panels to offer patrons with accurate wait times, improving quality and operational efficiency.

- \$1.26 million for Norwalk’s Water System Improvement Program (WSIP) from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The funding will be used for design and construction of water facilities, including groundwater injection well, groundwater recharge facilities, distribution and transmission main pipelines, water storage reservoirs, and treatment facilities.
- \$850,000 for Pico Rivera’s Historic Whittier Boulevard Neighborhood Paseos. The funding will be used to transform blighted back alleys and public parking lots into a welcoming, family-friendly network of neighborhood paseos that serve as vibrant outdoor dining areas in the heart of Pico Rivera along Historic Whittier Boulevard.
- \$850,000 for Santa Fe Spring’s Slauson Avenue Street Improvement. The funding will be used to improve traffic flow and safety and pedestrian amenities for a 0.77-mile segment of Slauson Ave., between Sorensen Avenue and Santa Fe Springs Road.
- \$1 million for Cerritos Community College’s Child Development Center (CDC). The funding will be used to support the CDC, an award-winning laboratory school that provides quality childcare to the community, student-parents, and employees while training future early childhood education teachers.
- \$500,000 for La Habra’s Vista Grande Park. The funding will be used to redevelop a city-owned space into a community park with open green space for family and recreational use, along with active recreational amenities for all visitors.
- \$600,000 for County of LA’s Heights Hopper Electric Buses and Charging Infrastructure. The funding will be used for the acquisition of two electric transit buses and charging infrastructure for the Heights Hopper Shuttle Service, which serves the incorporated communities of Hacienda Heights and Rowland Heights.
- \$300,000 for Montebello Police Department’s License Plate Reader and Geographic Data Mapping Project. The funding will be used to provide the Montebello Police Department with license plate and geographic data mapping software to enhance their enforcement and investigate capabilities, expand their collection of relevant data, and expedite the tedious and time-consuming process of comparing vehicle license plates with lists of stolen, wanted, and other vehicles of interest.
- \$2 million for City of Walnut’s Walnut Gymnasium and Teen Center Renovation. The funding will be used to update the city’s 20-year-old facility by replacing all original HVAC units, skylights, and resurfacing of all lower roofs, flooring, paint, and furniture throughout the facility.
- \$850,000 for Hacienda La Puente Unified School District’s (HLPUSD) Wilson High School Media Center Upgrade. The funding will be used to upgrade Wilson High School Media Center with new flooring, lighting, fixture, equipment, and California doors.
- \$963,000 for Río Hondo Community College’s Scenario-based Police Training Center. The funding will be used to upgrade Río Hondo Community College’s Scenario-Based Police Training virtual reality technology and equipment to provide recruits with the practical scenario-based training that will prepare them for a career in law enforcement.
- \$1.66 million for the YMCA of Great Whittier’s Uptown Family Center Renovation and Expansion. The funding will be used to make modifications to the 40-year-old building to improve accessibility, safety, and equity, at the Y’s Uptown Family Center.

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New River Park Ribbon Cutting in Norwalk



NORWALK MAYOR Margarita Rios and Councilmember Rick Ramirez cut the ribbon unveiling the New River Park playground. New River Park, is located at 13432 Halcourt Ave., near Studebaker and Leffingwell.

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has retained California Advocacy - without sending the contract out to bid - as its lobbying firm for the past three years.

Vasquez-Wilson and Camacho-Rodriguez have been complaining for months that that the 2022 redistricting process “was flawed” despite the fact all the appropriate state regulatory agencies approved the plan and is compliant with all state and federal voting and civil rights laws.

The remaining board members, Art Chacon and appointed directors James Crawford and Thomas Bekele, are adamantly against the redistricting; all have voiced concern about the gerrymandering and its cost, which is now tens of thousands of dollars.

And that number could go up as much as \$100,000 with the CB Board approval at their last meeting, on a 4-3 vote, of an “audit” of the 2022 redistricting process; Chacon, Crawford and Bekele voted no.

The memo begins by asserting that under the Water Code, the CB Board can adjust the boundaries of any district, but only if certain standards are met; specifically, that a sufficient change in population has occurred “in the opinion of the board” to adjust the boundaries of any district.

Nielsen did not find any case law that defined a “sufficient change in population” but indicated that, if challenged in court, judges would look to related legislative determinations.

The memo also stated that any assertion of a change would be challenged in court because it was an abuse of power by the CB Board .

The only benchmark related to a “sufficient change” is general law cities, which only permit a redraw of city lines if the change is equal to 25% of the city’s population.

Given that CB Districts average 380,000 residents, one district would have to lose more than 95,000 residents to trigger redistricting.

And census data are presumed to be accurate for ten years, any attempt to show a shift in population would have to be based on reliable estimates - costing tens of thousands - using a methodology that is applied uniformly throughout the District.

Complicating the CB Board’s attempt to interfere in the Nov 2024 CB election, AB 764 was signed this year which rewrites the rules governing redistricting by local governments.

One rule was seemingly written with the CB Board in mind, “The districting body shall not adopt election district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against an incumbent.”

AB 764 states that the census numbers will be used, period, and end of the story. The bill effectively limits mid-decade redistricting to situations where there are annexations or de-annexations.

In addition, AB 764 significantly altered how such changes are implemented; the CB Board would have significantly less discretion regarding the criteria used in drawing the districts for example: Election districts shall be geographically contiguous; local neighborhood or local communities cannot be separated, and election districts shall be bounded by natural and artificial barriers and should be easily identifiable and understandable by residents.

Beyond the change in criteria, there are some additional restrictive procedural requirements.

Instead of just two public hearings, the District’s staff (more expenses), hired consultants (even more expenses), or a CB subcommittee (more per diem for Gualtieri) would be required to conduct pre-mapping workshops.

CB would have to provide the public with information on how to produce and submit maps of its own and public hearings would have to be conducted at a pre- determined time on the agenda.

AB 764 states, “Before the commission draws a map, the commission shall conduct at least seven public hearings, to take place over a period of no fewer than 30 days, with at least one public hearing held in each district.”

CB would also have to conduct outreach to encourage participation by under-represented and non-English-speaking communities and the requirements for the district’s redistricting website would be more involved than previously was the case.

With all these requirements, it remains a mystery as to why the CB Board is spending tens of thousands in their attempt to redistrict.

Gualtieri, Garza, Vazquez-Wilson, and Camacho-Rodriguez need 2/3rds or five votes; Bekele, Crawford, and Chacon are solid no votes.

And Bekele and Crawford are no longer subject to verbal attacks by Vazquez and her husband Ron Wilson at their respective public meetings after LCCN exposed their harassment schemes.

AAUW Author’s Day Event for Scholarships

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) Long Beach will hold its 12th annual Author’s Day Event featuring mystery novelist Iris Yamashita on Saturday, March 30 at 12:00pm at Long Beach City College.



Featured author Iris Yamashita.

The event begins at Noon with a lunch and silent auction, followed by a talk by the author and her signing of books. Proceeds from this event go to scholarships for students at both Long Beach City College and California State University Long Beach.

Featured author Iris Yamashita gained widespread recognition for her screenplay for the critically acclaimed film “Sands of Iwo Jima”, directed by Clint Eastwood.

She has taught screenwriting at UCLA and traveled to many parts of the world.

All are invited to attend this benefit event which will be at Long Beach City College in Building T 1200 with complimentary parking in the nearby structure off Clark Street.

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Innovators from page 1

Prize teams are ones that equally encompassed strong technical skill and have a mission-driven impact. “After running the competition for more than a decade, we have enjoyed seeing the social entrepreneurs come up with transformative innovations impacting the world at large,” said Yu. “We hope that the work we do here is instrumental in keeping them going. Perhaps someday, 10 to 20 years down the road, we can watch their success flourish and say, ‘We had a hand in that.’”

The innovators were awarded for their early-stage, novel solutions to some of today’s most confounding challenges affecting society locally and around the world.

Mida is a cutting-edge translation app and the third Westly Foundation award-winner. Jason Lin of Los Altos, Scott Hickmann and Schwinn Saareesithipitak (all fellow Stanford juniors), along with a team of 10+ volunteers across the globe created Mida, an innovative translation app that transforms communication for non-native English speakers into “polished” English. Mida is known for seamlessly converting messages from hundreds of languages with the utmost accuracy, including mixed sentences. It has a user base of 5,000+ across 50+ countries. It uses a custom version of OpenAI Whisper for transcription and an ensemble of large language models to guarantee polished translations while prioritizing accuracy and cultural sensitivity. “Mida combines AI audio recognition systems with Large Language Models to provide accurate and culturally sensitive translations,” Lin explained. “It is adept at handling multiple languages within a single sentence, a common scenario among immigrants who code-switch. Our AI architecture also ensures that the translations are always professional and refined, seamlessly handling everything from emails to complex cultural expressions. [It] understands hundreds of languages (and even multiple languages in the same sentence), and

turns them into polished, professional English.” For the Mida team, much like the other award-winning teams, the app had personal reasons for its development. “As three engineers from three different countries, we are invested in tackling the problem of language barriers,” Lin explained. “Language barriers should never be a barrier to confidence. Today, parents leverage Mida to talk to their doctors, grandmas to communicate with their grandkids, students to file VISA applications, and much more — across 70+ countries!”

Upon being given the Westly Foundation Award Lin noted, “The Westly Prize’s goal to leverage social innovation to address societal challenges resonates deeply with us. To be named winners is an encouraging reaffirmation of the important work we are doing to bridge language barriers in hospitals, local communities, and beyond.”

The app is currently free for all users. “We intend to keep it this way,” Lin said. It can be found on the App Store at www.trymida.com.

This year’s Westly Foundation Award-winners join an elite group of alumni who have gone on to receive widespread acclaim for their innovations and impact. TIME Magazine recognized winner Mirand Wang as one of 15 “change leaders” on its list of “Women Who Will Save the World” for her innovation, BioCollection. Wang is now CEO and co-founder of Novoloop. Another award winner, Kiah Williams, was featured on the Today Show, where she explained her innovation, SIRUM, and how it has redistributed \$50 million in prescription drugs. Her innovation, the Farmlink Project, was named a CNN Hero and the 2023 Goalkeepers Global Award Winner.

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After a Twenty Year Battle With Cancer, Cerritos Resident Passes Away

This is a re-publish of an interview of Cerritos resident Benny Wasserman in August of 2023. Wasserman recently passed away after a lengthy battle with prostate cancer. He offered his own take on how to battle cancer.

By Laurie Hansen

Life with cancer can present tough questions about the quality of life versus longevity.

Benny Wasserman, 89, of Cerritos, decided long ago how he'd approach his cancer diagnosis and treatment. He's been dealing with prostate cancer for 20 years now.

By his early 70s, he had been having urinary difficulties, which ultimately brought attention to elevated PSA levels and by the age of 82, he was formally diagnosed with prostate cancer. He was due to turn 90 in April 2024 and would have celebrated his 65th wedding anniversary in June. The couple has three sons, one geriatric physician and two attorneys, with nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, plus six nieces and two nephews.

With the help of his physician son guiding him, Wasserman had a minimalist approach to his cancer.

"I learned that it was possible to stay away from biopsies and its own potential to harm," Wasserman explained. "I was

able to stay away from unnecessary biopsies and medications because of my son's input and expertise. I was very fortunate to have my son, a geriatrician of 25 years, at my side. He was able to agree, and at times disagree, with my Kaiser urologist and oncologist's decisions."

"I have never had surgery or chemo," he said. "I have had other kinds of treatments, mostly hormonal."

"I also learned how important it was that a patient learns as much as he can about his illness and possible treatments and their consequences," Wasserman explained. "It's important also to review the scientific literature and studies on the suggested medications. Every individual may or may not react to the possible side effects. These sometimes can be tough choices."

"Again, there is this balancing act between quality of life and longevity," he said. "No one but the patient can make that decision for you, not even my son."

But once his son saw his PSA had reached 50, it was all about treatment, according to Wasserman. With the latest medications available, they agreed to start on Casodex, and ended up on Lupron.

"I had to decide what could I live with and what would I be willing to give up by accepting side effects such as the hot flashes 24/7," he explained. "It hasn't been easy to accept multiple sleep disruptions during the night. I am now glad that I stuck

with the Lupron, which kept the PSA down for as long as it has."

He added that though every individual reacts differently to medications, in the end it is still worth allowing them to do what they have done in scientific studies.

When his PSA began to climb from what it had been for a long time at 7 ng/ml to 11, his doctor asked him if he wanted a biopsy, something Wasserman found curious.

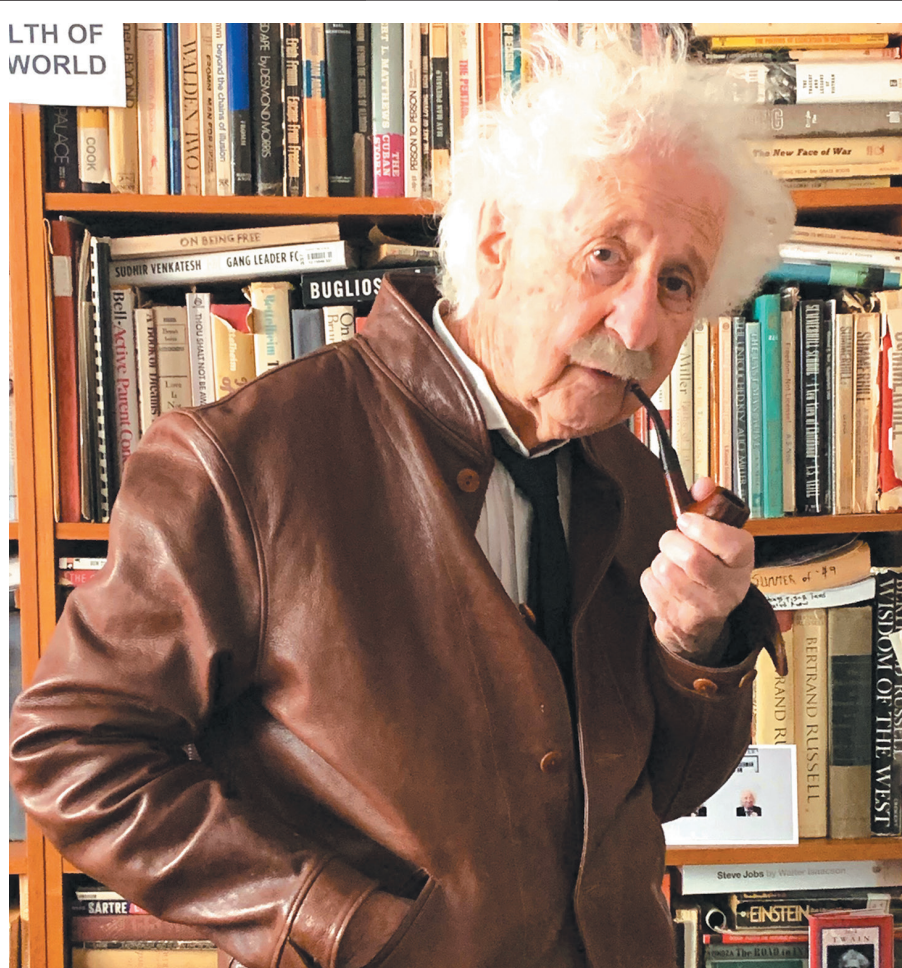
"I found it curious that he would ask me instead of telling me," Wasserman said. "What did I know about things like this?"

The doctor explained that some patients wish to know they have prostate cancer, as it turns out there is the slow-growing type and the more aggressive type. According to Wasserman, the research on this subject is still controversial, saying that the PSA isn't all that reliable.

Another test is the digital rectal examination (DRE), to feel the prostate for anything abnormal. Wasserman's urologist indicated that his prostate was beginning to enlarge and harden, meaning he might have prostate cancer.

"The literature was saying that once a male reaches age 75, it is probably the slow-growing type, and men would die of other causes before they would die of prostate cancer," he added. "All this time, I was consulting with my son, Michael, a geriatric physician. He suggested that I not even retake the PSA test. So, I didn't.

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Then when I was in my late 70's, I started having urinary problems. For this, I was prescribed Finasteride, a medication for the prostate to alleviate urinary difficulties. And it worked."

When Wasserman turned 82, after another six or seven years, his doctor had him take another PSA test, and it read 50. At this point, a biopsy was suggested, and after his son consulted with his doctor, both agreed it was probably prostate cancer.

"My son still felt there was no need for a biopsy," he said. "But it was time for some kind of treatment. Both decided that I take the medication,

Lupron Depot by injection."

"The results were phenomenal," Wasserman said. "Both PSA and testosterone levels went to practically zero. But the only problem was the side effects, the worst being hot flashes. The first injection was given to me in December 2016, and I took blood tests every three months. By the ninth month, the reading had returned to what it was before."

At this point, on the recommendation of Wasserman's grandsons, he tried a concoction of a variety of cannabis after obtaining a license from a doctor. There were testimonials on

BENNY WASSERMAN of Cerritos, enjoyed doing Einstein impersonations. He hoped others make the most of life each day by doing what they love, too.

the Internet that suggested that some individuals had their prostate cancer go into remission.

"This doctor had nothing to do with prescribing any particular kind or type of cannabis," he explained. "As far as I was concerned, it was a hit-or-miss proposition. I was given four different kinds of THC and CBD and suggested dosages. I took them religiously for three days. And then I began to hallucinate. That was the end of that."

It was then, by December 2017, that Wasserman decided to take the Lupron again.

"Again, the hot flushes came on," he explained. "This time I began to lose a lot of sleep and I was getting weaker and weaker. I decided I would no longer take the Lupron even if it meant that I would die sooner than later."

For me, it was again all about quality-of-life vs longevity."

"Emotionally, I try not to complain," Wasserman explained. "I am more than content with the care I have gotten from all the doctors and nurses at Kaiser Permanente for the care I have gotten for the past 40 years. I've had triple bypass heart surgery, an aortic aneurysm repaired and bowel obstruction surgery."

However, by June 2018, an-

other blood test showed his PSA was at 100.

"Because I refused to retake the Lupron Depot, another urologist suggested I take a similar drug, Casodex," he added. "Not just a single dose, but a triple dose."

It was shortly after that year Wasserman got results of bone scans which showed cancer had spread in small lesions to the ribs, sternum, spine, and pelvic region and beyond to his hip joint on the left side of his body. A lesion in the right shoulder persists was shown to be more worrisome for metastasis.

"It is only recently that I have been taking radiation (Radium 233) intravenously once a month for six months to reduce the excruciating pain in the bones when they start to deteriorate," he explained. "At this moment, it seems that it has somewhat stabilized. For now, I'm not in any kind of pain, except for my spinal stenosis in my lower back."

"At [nearly] 90 years of age, I also have other health issues."

It's a horse race as to which one will take me down."

Wasserman is back on Lupron. While it is not a cure for advanced prostate cancer, he says people might choose it along with their doctor as part of their treatment plan to suppress testosterone which may cause testosterone-dependent prostate cancer cells from growing.

"The worst side effects from Lupron, which has shown to be quite effective, are hot flushes,

sweats, and tiredness which occur every half hour [every day, seven days a week]," Wasserman explained. "Not everyone who uses this drug, though, gets those side effects."

"At first, I felt the side effects were intolerable," he said. "I stopped taking it, and I started taking other drugs, but their side effects were much worse. All I can say is that I got lucky and learned to live with the side effects."

"It's also all about benefits versus discomfort. I continue to get Lupron injections every three months along with Radium 233," he said. "I have fans not only in my home to keep me cool when I get these hot flashes but also handy neck fans. It's called adapt and adjust as best you can at my age."

Wasserman believes in being grateful for all he has every day. His simple pleasures have been and continue to be reading, writing (he has written one page a day for the past 40 years) and he spends time playing the guitar or keyboard every day though he says he's not very good at either.

He plays a fair game of ping pong or shoots a few basketballs in his backyard with anyone who wishes to take him on. He also has a pitching machine for golf-ball-sized wiffle balls in his backyard and enjoys going to the batting cages at Home Run Park in Anaheim every Friday morning at 10 a.m. to hit 90 mph baseballs.

"I'm getting ready for 90 mph at 90 years old on my birth-

day," he added.

So far, he's enjoyed solid relationships with relatives and friends throughout his cancer experience. His wife and three sons have been super supportive by making sure he continues to use his body and mind as much as he can, and though he says he's slowed down, he hopes to reach age 90 on April 2, 2024.

Wasserman worked for TRW, an aerospace company now owned by Northrop Grumman, and was not employed when diagnosed with prostate cancer. He was forced into retirement at the age of 58 in 1992. For the last 25 years, he's been an Einstein impersonator doing gigs all around the world.

Though not a man of faith with either religion or spirituality, Wasserman has always been a positive person who looks to the future and is thankful for all he has.

"It's not easy to appreciate the life you have left when you are losing energy and feel increasingly tired every day," he said. "We all go downhill and fade away differently. We can fall apart physically but still retain our mental capabilities if we are lucky."

"Sometimes, somehow, you just have to keep pushing forward," he added. "Open your eyes wide and keep your eyes on the ball."

He hoped others would make the most of each day with things they love to do the most.



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2023-2024 HMG-CN WINTER ALL-AREA TEAMS

Cerritos Hoopsters, La Mirada Girls Basketball Make History in Action-Packed Winter Season

By Loren Kopff
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Feeding off the success that the Cerritos High football team had in the fall, its two basketball teams had seasons to remember. The boys won the program’s first CIF-Southern Section divisional championship while the girls returned to the biggest stage for the second time in three seasons. Also making history was the La Mirada High girls basketball team, which advanced to the semifinals for the first time in school history. Here are the latest members of the 2023-2024 HMG-Community News Winter All-Area Teams.

BOYS BASKETBALL
FIRST TEAM

Julien Gomez (La Mirada High)
Tobenna Ozoagu (Cerritos High)
Shay Pema (Cerritos High)
Gene Roebuck (La Mirada High)
Zion Staples (Artesia High)

SECOND TEAM

Benson Cho (Cerritos High)
Morgan Marks (Whitney High)
Joshua Martinez (Artesia High)
Miles Merchant (Gahr High)
M.J. Smith (La Mirada High)

THIRD TEAM

Osinachi Agaranna (Cerritos High)
Jacob Bayla (Valley Christian High)
Christian Carreon (Whitney High)
Joseph Whittaker (Whitney High)
Joshua Pearson (Gahr High)

HONORABLE MENTION

Bundana Adams (John Glenn High)
Andruw Castellanos (Norwalk High)
Myles Harvey (Valley Christian High)
Justin Rodriguez (John Glenn High)
Michael Torres (La Mirada High)

PLAYERS TO LOOK FOR IN 2024-2025 SEASON

Cayden Del Rosario (Artesia High)
C.J. Okeke (Artesia High)
Jaylen Reed (Artesia High)
Judd Sajise (Artesia High)
Jovell Tate (Artesia High)
Jaylen Barsana (Cerritos High)
Nathan Dawit (Cerritos High)
Nathan Ju (Cerritos High)
Jaden Ribac (Cerritos High)
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Ethan Carey (Gahr High)
Kingston Nathaniel (Gahr High)
Uchenna Okoli (Gahr High)
Austin Woon (Gahr High)
Jesse Caldwell (John Glenn High)
Samuel Reeves (John Glenn High)
Marcus Reyes (John Glenn High)
Jarrett Cole (La Mirada High)
Jaydin Cox (La Mirada High)
Tristan Partida (La Mirada High)
Chris Perez (La Mirada High)
Emmanuel Castellanos (Norwalk High)
Aaron Reyes (Norwalk High)
Ariel Rodriguez (Norwalk High)
David Zazueta (Norwalk High)
Josiah James (Valley Christian High)
Bryce Shepherd (Valley Christian High)
Alex Cheng (Whitney High)
Jezreel Dela Cruz (Whitney High)
Jack Diancin (Whitney High)
Cailan Hizon (Whitney High)
Peter Poitras (Whitney High)

Player of the Year: What an amazing beginning to his high school career for La Mirada’s Gene Roebuck. At his current pace, the freshman should reach 1,000 points midway through his sophomore season. Roebuck averaged just over 24 points a game and compiled over 650 points. In his first game as a high school player, Roebuck scored 25 points against Torrance High. It would be the first of 20 games through the first 27 games that he scored at least 20 points, including a career-high 44 points against Branson (MO) High in the second game of The Classic at Damien on Dec. 28. His point total was well over 100 more than his teammate, junior Julien Gomez, and was one of two players to record over 100 rebounds. No other area player reached 500 points this season.

Coach of the Year: It was a long time coming for the longest tenured area head coach, but Cerritos’ Jonathan Watanabe capped off an emotional season with a CIF-SS Division 4AA championship, the first in the history of the boys basketball program. Watanabe, who just completed his 22nd season as a head coach for his alma mater, guided the Dons to a 22-11 season after the

Dons went 14-16 last season and lost in the second round of the playoffs. At one point, Cerritos won 15 straight games on its way to a 60-51 win over Yeshiva University of Los Angeles in the title game. Watanabe now has a career record of 341-275.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
FIRST TEAM

Jirah Domingo (La Mirada High)
Keilani Ganancial (Norwalk High)
Onyeka Nwanze (Cerritos High)
Haylie Wang (Whitney High)
Kylie Wang (Whitney High)

SECOND TEAM

Hannah Burgoyne (Valley Christian High)
Cameron Lacorte (Cerritos High)
Mia Rivera (Cerritos High)
Alyssa So (Whitney High)
Simarpreet Sogi (Gahr High)

THIRD TEAM

Jael Arreguin (La Mirada High)
Mailee Dizon (Cerritos High)
Madelyn Macaraeg (Whitney High)
Ella Mims (Gahr High)
Ambar Multani (Cerritos High)

HONORABLE MENTION

Destiny Aguilar (John Glenn High)
Janii McGarrah (Norwalk High)
Rhean Pasqual (Norwalk High)
Maya Reamer (Artesia High)
Jordin Shaw (La Mirada High)

PLAYERS TO LOOK FOR IN 2024-2025 SEASON

Ashlee Chung (Artesia High)
Kimberly Ixta (Artesia High)
Jasmine Ramirez (Artesia High)
Kendall Savage (Artesia High)
Kalana Nguyen (Cerritos High)
Jordin Pulley (Cerritos High)
Kishan Saberon (Cerritos High)
Miya Scammahorn (Cerritos High)
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Christine Ho (Gahr High)
Maritza Corona (John Glenn High)
Jennifer Medina (John Glenn High)
Erissa Ramos (John Glenn High)
Natalie Zepeda (John Glenn High)
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Chayse Chambers (Valley Christian High)
Liana Lopez (Valley Christian High)
Aniyah Peoples (Valley Christian High)
Jocelyn Tani (Valley Christian High)
Jenna Van Kampen (Valley Christian High)
Gracie Verhoef (Valley Christian High)
Sarai Carter (Whitney High)
Cheyanne Cheung (Whitney High)
Kiera Kato (Whitney High)
Rachel Moyher (Whitney High)
Allie Yamaguchi (Whitney High)

Player of the Year: After being sidelined all last season, Cerritos senior Onyeka Nwanze made the most of her senior season, leading the area with 608 points in 34 games, good for an average of 17.4 points per game. She also averaged 17 rebounds a game, four assists a game and blocked four shots a game and finished her high school career with over 1,250 points in three seasons. Against Cantwell Sacred Heart of Mary High in the first round of the Division 3AA playoffs, Nwanze tied her career high of 39 points she poured in against Segerstrom High on Nov. 24, 2021. She also had a 34-point performance at Pioneer High on Jan. 9 this past season.

Coach of the Year: After finishing with a losing record in her first three seasons, La Mirada head coach Victoria Luong has put the program back on the map. The Matadores finished the season at 22-7, the best in school history, and finished in second place in the Mid-Cities League with an 8-2 mark. Although it lost to Colton High in the Division 5AA semifinals, the farthest the program had ever been, La Mirada advanced to the Southern California Regionals for the first time and defeated Gardena High 55-35 before falling to Division V finalist Montgomery High 75-41.

GATEWAY LEAGUE BASEBALL

La Mirada’s Corns is perfect against Norwalk as Matadores set season highs in hits, runs

By Loren Kopff
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After a one-year absence, the La Mirada High and Norwalk High baseball teams reunited on the diamond with the results still the same, with some flare. Sophomore pitcher Kaden Corns needed only 51 pitches to throw a perfect game in a 16-0 shellacking that ended after four and a half innings.

It was the 20th straight win over the Lancers, who last defeated La Mirada on Mar. 30, 2012, a 5-4 decision. In their winning streak over Norwalk, the Matadores (5-3 overall, 2-1 in the Gateway League) have posted 12 shutouts and have allowed 21 runs in the other eight contests. It was the fourth appearance this season for Corns, but if La Mirada head coach Jimmy Zurn had his way, he would have seen more action by now.

“That was his first start of the year and to be honest with you, it was probably over-deserved,” said Zurn. “We were

probably a little too long with him. He is going to be as special as a pitcher we’ve had here. That’s what he does. He has zero walks on the year for us and he’s incredible. He pitches with an attitude.”

On the first pitch of the game, he got senior shortstop Francisco Rodriguez to ground out before inducing senior left fielder Ruben Ramirez into a ground-out as well, then struck out junior third baseman Hector Alvarado. The best chance for the Lancers (2-7, 0-3) to have a runner reach base came when senior first baseman Joseph Davis hit a line drive that bounced off the glove of junior third baseman Maverek Russell and into foul territory. But Russell regrouped and launched a long throw to sophomore first baseman Jacob Oropeza to barely get Davis.

After that, Corns would record four straight groundouts, a flyout, three straight strikeouts heading into the top of the fifth inning. There, he got Davis to fly out, struck out senior second baseman

Juan Bustamante and got senior designated hitter Omar Hernandez to fly out. Corns reached a two-ball count twice and was ahead in the count nine times.

“He pitches to contact; he’s not overpowering,” said Zurn. “He’ll run it up to mid-80s on a great day, but he mixes three pitches, and we want contact. We want soft contact and that’s what we got.”

“Jimmy told me a little before that he’s a sophomore,” said Norwalk head coach William Wenrick. “So, he threw pretty well as a sophomore. Against us, he hit his spots and then later on in the game, he started going to his off speed a little bit and that seemed to be working.”

Offensively, La Mirada went to work early and kept its foot on the pedal throughout the game. Two pitches into the bottom of the first inning, senior left fielder Tyler Primanto singled to right field, moved to second on a groundout from junior right fielder Kevin Jeon and stole third. Senior pitcher Luis Salazar

walked Russell and struck out junior center fielder Travis Friend. That was followed by a two-run double from freshman second baseman Bear Calvo and was the beginning of an onslaught.

When the inning was over, the Matadores sent 12 to the plate, scored eight runs and had five hits. Salazar walked two and hit a pair of batters, the first to load the bases for Primanto and two pitches later to bring in Oropeza. Salazar was one pitch away from getting out of the inning. But Calvo’s double came on a 1-1 pitch and after that, Salazar would throw 19 more pitches in the inning.

“That’s exactly what happened and that’s been happening the last few games,” said Wenrick. “We’re trying to jump out quick; we’re trying to hit the ball quick. We’re trying to get a 1-2-3, get back in the inning quick, and it’s not happening for us in the early innings. It’s just deflating.”

NEWS AND NOTES FROM PRESS ROW

Cerritos baseball ends scoreless streak, blanks Paramount behind Wright’s performance

By Loren Kopff
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When you’ve been held without a run for 16 consecutive innings, the best thing you can do is have the best first inning of the season. That’s what happened to the Cerritos High baseball team as it pounced on Paramount High for seven runs in the bottom of the first inning this past Monday and whitewashed the Pirates 9-0.

The Dons (6-3), who had not scored since the bottom of the fifth inning against Laguna Beach High on Mar. 1, also ended a three-game losing skid. Cerritos posted its second shutout of the season and had its best run performance in any inning this season. It scored five times in the bottom of the first inning against Marina High on Feb. 13. Other than that, three runs had been the top mark in any inning.

“We did exactly what I wanted the boys to do,” said Cerritos first-year head coach Matt Joyce. “They came out and responded. In the last two games, I think we had four or five hits, no runs and faced some very good pitching. It was tough for us, but we answered in the first inning, especially. I was super happy with the way we came out. And this is what we should have done against a team that we should do it against.”

Cerritos is a CIF-Southern Section Division 4 team while Paramount is in Division 7. The Dons are now 4-0 against teams in the lower divisions and 1-1 against Division 4 opponents. The bottom of the first inning saw the Dons send 12 batters to the plate and began the frame with four straight hits. The big blow came when Jacob Quinones hit senior left fielder Tristan Chen to load the bases.

Two pitches later, junior third baseman Fabian Mejia singled in senior shortstop Carter Chi and senior center fielder Johan Gibbs. A walk to junior first baseman Kaden Brickner loaded the bases again for senior designated hitter Noah Gapuz, who reached on an error as Chen made it 4-0. Two batters later, junior Braxton Reed’s base hit to the left field gap plated Brickner and Gapuz to conclude the onslaught.

Gibbs, who was walked to lead off the second inning, came home on a double from Chen and Chi, who doubled with one out in the third, scored on Chen’s double to complete the scoring. Chen, Chi, Gibbs and Reed all had two hits as the Dons posted 11 hits, second most of the season.

“You could see once [Paramount] got down, they’re kind of reeling,” said



CERRITOS HIGH senior catcher Owen Mendez makes contact during his third at-bat of the game this past Monday against Paramount High. Mendez was hitless but drove in a first inning run as the Dons blanked the Pirates 9-0. **Photo by Scott Lake.**

Joyce. “So, it kind of makes our job at the plate...we just want to be tough outs. We just have to be tough outs, get the next man up and just keep the chain moving along. That’s what we did. Even though we only got one run in those next couple of innings, those were still long, tough innings for them.”

Not to be outdone was junior pitcher Christian Wright, who pitched five solid innings of three-hit ball, struck out a pair and walked one. He did that on 59 pitches and retired the last nine batters he faced, six coming in the form of a groundout. Wright went to a two-ball count twice and a full count once.

“Wright did great,” said Joyce. “He filled the zone up, threw a ton of strikes and pitched to contact. We’re not going to blow a bunch of people away with high velocity.”

The Dons will host Long Beach Wilson High on Friday and Mayfair High on Saturday before opening 605 League on Tuesday at John Glenn High.

“Wilson is a really good, well-coached team,” said Joyce. “They just beat a really good Fountain Valley team over the weekend. We’re excited about that, [and] I think we can play with them.

It’s a bounce back game for us [because] the last Moore League team we played, they got us pretty good. So, we’re really excited about that. We’ll have Gibbs going and it will be a really good test. Then Mayfair is no slouch either on Saturday. We’re playing some good teams, but I like it. They’re answering the call.”

In other baseball action, Artesia High began the week at 3-3 as the Pioneers hosted Rancho Dominguez Prep this past Wednesday and are scheduled to entertain Los Amigos High for a doubleheader on Saturday before opening 605 League action on Tuesday at Pioneer High.

Gahr High posted a pair of shutouts to begin Gateway League action, getting past Warren High 2-0 last Tuesday and then coasting past Norwalk High 10-0 last Friday to improve to 4-3, 2-0. The Gladiators hosted Downey High this past Wednesday and will entertain Loyola High on Friday and Arcadia High on Wednesday.

John Glenn, which won five games last season, edged Mountain View High 7-6 in nine innings last Friday to improve to 4-3. The Eagles had a makeup game against Whittier High this past Tuesday and lost to the Cardinals 14-5.

They will next be in action on Tuesday against Cerritos, then travel to Bosco Tech High the next day before hosting Long Beach Cabrillo High on Thursday.

Valley Christian High evened its mark to 5-5 with a 2-1 win over Whittier Christian High this past Tuesday. The Defenders also leveled their Olympic League record after two games as they will host Valley View High on Saturday before visiting Maranatha High on Wednesday.

Whitney High is winless in five games as it visited Workman High on Mar. 14. The Wildcats will host Oxford Academy on Tuesday in the 605 League opener.

SOFTBALL

Artesia tied South El Monte High 4-4 and shutout Montebello High 5-0 last Saturday in the Santa Fe Tournament. The Pioneers (3-5-1) visited Pioneer on Mar. 14 and will play two more games in the Santa Fe Tournament on Saturday before welcoming Oxford Academy on Tuesday.

Cerritos whitewashed Paramount 13-0 this past Tuesday to improve to 5-1. The Dons, who have scored 50 runs and blanked a pair of opponents, will visit Glenn on Friday and host Whitney High on Tuesday.

Gahr opened the Torrance National Tournament last Saturday with a 7-0 win over Santa Monica High. The Gladiators then defeated Banning High 6-4 this past Monday. Gahr will face Rio Mesa High on Friday, go to La Habra High on Tuesday and travel to Mayfair on Thursday.

Glenn dropped a 16-0 decision to El Rancho High this past Monday and are 2-3 as the Eagles enter 605 League play. After its game with Cerritos, Glenn will welcome Pioneer on Tuesday.

La Mirada High is 9-2-2 as it hosted Norwalk on Mar. 14. The Matadors will play a pair of games on Saturday before hosting Downey on Tuesday and going to Warren on Thursday while Norwalk got past Segerstrom High 2-1 this past Tuesday to improve to 7-3. The Lancers will face Mark Keppel High on Saturday in the Santa Fe Tournament.

V.C. defeated Heritage Christian High 18-8 this past Tuesday in its Olympic League opener. The Defenders, who improved to 9-3 on the season, entertained Maranatha on Mar. 14 and will do the same to Village Christian High on Thursday.

A day after crushing Cabrillo 21-3 this past Monday, Whitney lost to Costa Mesa High 8-6 in eight innings. The Wildcats (6-2) visit Oxford Academy on Friday. Loara High on Monday and Cerritos on Tuesday.

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In the second inning, La Mirada sent eight more up to bat, collecting four more hits and scoring four more runs. Two of those runs were plated on sacrifice fly outs. Two more runs would come across in the third and fourth innings respectively.

“Every win is...we don’t ever take that for granted,” said Zurn. “Bill has done a great job and had a heck of a season last year. He had a great senior class that graduated and he’s in the [Mid-Cities] league and we don’t take them lightly. We came out and put pressure on them early and it started with our leadoff guys smoking the ball up the middle. From that point on, the rest was history.

Once we got those first couple of runs, it was very impressive to watch.

“But that’s what we’re capable of,” he continued. “We’re capable of putting up a lot of runs. It’s just continuing to buy in to what we’re doing in practice. We have such large expectations here at La Mirada that when we have a slipup that’s abnormal...that’s fine. We want those expectations. We talk about pressure being a privilege.”

All nine starters either had a hit or scored with Friend, senior designated hitter Sebastian DeAvila and junior shortstop Aiden Aguayo all collecting a pair of hits while Calvo drove in four runs and Jeon knocked in three more.

This was the second straight game in which the Lancers had been shutout and the third time this season. In the other

four losses, Norwalk scored a total of five runs while it has scored half a dozen runs in each of the two victories.

“We just have to keep working,” said Wenrick. “We’re doing a lot of stuff wrong at the plate; we’re not engaging. Just stuff that we need to go over and we work on it in practice and do in practice. We’re not bringing it to the field. We’re not hitting; we’re not hitting at all. We’re not scoring any runs because the guys, as a team, are not executing what we need to do to hit the ball.”

Norwalk visited Warren High on Mar. 14 and will go to Downey High on Tuesday in the front end of a home and home series with the Vikings. La Mirada hosted South Hills High on Mar. 14 and will entertain Nixa (MO) in a doubleheader on Saturday. Nixa went 35-7 last season,

including a 12-game winning streak before losing to Liberty North High in the Missouri State High School Activities Association Class 6 semifinals. The Matadores will then visit Warren on Tuesday before hosting the Bears on Thursday.

“I have a lot of respect for Bill, and we’ve been going against each other for a long time,” said Wenrick. “Obviously, we both take great pride in our programs and pride in our district. So, it’s always a friendly district rivalry. But it was nice.”

“It’s good for us to see a program like [La Mirada] and to play a program like this,” said Wenrick. “I wish we could get a win against these guys. But it’s always good playing La Mirada. It’s good for the city of Norwalk and it’s good for our program.”

CITY OF CERRITOS NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Project Identification: METRO INTERSECTION (HOT SPOTS), PROJECT NO. 19301, BID NO. 1543-24. Project Description: The work or improvement to be performed generally consists of providing all labor, materials, tools, and equipment necessary to complete the project per plans, specifications, and contract documents including, but not limited to, modification of existing northbound left turn lane at the intersection of Bloomfield Avenue and Artesia Boulevard, removal and reconstruction of median, ADA curb ramps, and upgrade of pedestrian push buttons. **Bids will be opened: Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. Place of bid receipt:** The bid submission must be received in the Office of the City Clerk, First 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. **Bids must be marked: "BID – METRO INTERSECTION (HOT SPOTS), PROJECT NO. 19301, BID NO. 1543-24 - DO NOT OPEN".** All bids shall be made on the form furnished by the City and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Cerritos, City Hall. **Obtaining Contract Documents:** A set of Contract Documents, including plans and specifications can be obtained by contacting Cerritos Engineering Division at (562) 916-1219. Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid security referred to in the Contract Documents and by a list of proposed subcontractors. Evidence of current City Business License (applies to contractor and all subcontractors), insurance, Performance Bond, Labor and Material Payment Bond, and Warranty Bond, as specified in the Contract Documents, will be required prior to execution of the contract. In accordance with Public Contract Code Section 22300, the bidder who is awarded the contract may substitute securities for retention money withheld by a public agency to ensure performance under the contract. The procedure and requirements for substituting said securities are set forth in Public Contract Code Section 22300, which is incorporated by this reference. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or portions thereof, or to waive any informality or irregularity in a bid to the extent allowed by law. 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 California Business and Professions Code. The contractor must possess a license of the following classification at the time the contract is awarded (and must maintain this license classification through completion of the project): **"A."** The bidder's attention is also directed to Section 7028.15 of the Business and Professions Code for further reference, as set forth herein. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or portions thereof, or to waive any informality or irregularity in a bid to the extent allowed by law. Only a contractor or subcontractor who currently is registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR") to bid on public works contracts in California, pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5, shall be permitted to submit or be listed on a bid. No bid shall be accepted, nor any contract or subcontract entered into, without proof of the contractor or subcontractor's current registration to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1770, *et seq.*, of the California Labor Code, the DIR has determined the general prevailing rate of wages and employer payments for health and welfare, vacations, pensions and similar purposes applicable to the work to be done. These rates shall be the minimum rates for this project. Copies of the prevailing wage rates are on file at City Hall, located at 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, California, 90703, and shall be available to any interested party upon request. In addition, rates may be obtained by visiting <http://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/pwd/>, calling the DIR, Division of Labor Statistics and Research's Prevailing Wage Unit at (415) 703-4774, faxing the Prevailing Wage Unit at (415) 703-4771 or writing to DIR, Division of Labor Statistics and Research, Prevailing Wage Unit, P.O. Box 420603, San Francisco, CA, 94142. The contractor to whom the contract is awarded, and the subcontractors under him, must pay not less than these rates for this area to all workers employed in the execution of the contract. The bidder's attention is further directed to Section 9204 of the Public Contract Code regarding the claims resolution process for all public works projects. Any dispute or claim against the City under a public works project shall be processed in accordance with Section 9204 of the Public Contract Code and any other applicable law. Any requests for information regarding opened bids shall be directed to the Office of the City Clerk via a formal Public Records Act request. The City has determined that opened bids are confidential and therefore the negotiations process outweighs the public interest in prematurely disclosing such records. (Gov. Code § 6255). On March 4, 2022, Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-6-22 (EO) regarding sanctions in response to Russian aggression in Ukraine. The EO is located at <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/3.4.22-Russia-Ukraine-Executive-Order.pdf>. All contractors shall comply with economic sanctions imposed in response to Russia's action's in Ukraine, per this order and other federal executive orders identified by the U.S. Department of Treasury. Failure to comply with these orders shall result in the termination of contract. By order of the City of Cerritos.

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NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS
FY 2023-24 PAVEMENT REHABILITATION PROJECT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CITY OF COMMERCE, referred to as "CITY", invites sealed bids for **FY 2023-24 PAVEMENT REHABILITATION PROJECT**, and will receive bids **on PlanetBids**, up to the hour of **2:00 PM, Tuesday, April 2, 2024**, 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 shall be completed within 80 working days after the City's Notice to Proceed.

Each Bidder shall possess a valid California Class A General Engineering Contractor's License issued by the California State Contractors License Board at the time of the Bid submission for this project. The successful Contractor must also possess a current City business license before commencing work.

This project is subject to the requirements of SB 854. No prime contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal and may be awarded for a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5.

If there are any questions regarding this project, please upload all questions to: City's portal on PlanetBids.

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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 **23rd day of April 2024** Bids for:

ABC Bid # 1651 Bragg Elementary School Modernization

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 can request bid documents by emailing esthela.perez@abcusd.us. There will be a mandatory jobwalk meeting on March 26, 2024 at 9:00 AM sharp at the front of Administration building at Bragg ES 11501 Bos St., Cerritos. All public works are subject to prevailing wage payments, Valid License valid Class B Contractor's License and DIR Registration will be required.

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ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTICE CALLING FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ABC Unified School District will receive up to but not later than **2:00 PM** on the **15th day of April 2024** Bids for:

ABC Bid # 1649 Hazardous Material Abatement Unit Price

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 can request bid documents by emailing esthela.perez@abcusd.us. There will be a nonmandatory pre-bid meeting on March 25, 2024 at 3:00 PM sharp at the Purchasing Department (address above). All public works are subject to prevailing wage payments, Valid License valid Class C-22, ASB, and/or HAZ Contractor's License and DIR Registration will be required.

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CITY OF ARTESIA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES NO 23-XX and 23-XX
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Artesia Planning Commission will hold a Special Planning Commission Meeting in the City Council Chambers of Artesia City Hall located at 18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, California at 7:00 PM on Monday, March 25, 2024 to conduct a **Public Hearing** to introduce the following zoning applications:

Project Description:
Case 2024-08 Automobile Spray Booth: The Planning Commission will consider Resolution No. 2024-03P for the following applications 1) Conditional Use Permit to allow an existing industrial property to establish the business use of an automobile painting with spray booth(s) service within the M-1 (Manufacturing and Industrial) Zone. 2) A Design Review for the construction of the new 30' x 35' (1,050 square feet) detached structure to enclose the spray booth(s).

Applicant: Danny Frechette
Location: 18715 Corby Avenue, Artesia, CA 90701
CEQA Determination: Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Planning Department has determined that this project is categorically exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to Section 15301, Class 1 Existing Facilities-

Project Description:
Case 2024-09: Zoning Ordinance Amendment and a Development Agreement for Dong Ah Development USA, Inc: The Planning Commission will consider and provide a recommendation to the City Council for two separate ordinances. 1) Ordinance 2024-XX, a Zoning Ordinance Amendment to identify an automated car wash facility as a conditionally permitted use within the C-G (Commercial General) Zone. 2) Ordinance 2024-XX A Development Agreement between the City of Artesia and Dong Ah Development USA, Inc.

Applicant: Dong Ah Development USA, Inc.
Location: 11701 South Street, Artesia, CA 90701
CEQA Determination: The Zoning Ordinance Amendment and Development Agreement is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that the proposed Municipal Code amendments will not result in a significant effect on the environment. City staff shall cause a Notice of Exemption to be filed as authorized by CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

Members from the public who would like to address the Planning Commission may appear at the public hearing during the consideration of this item and state their opinion. If you have written comments that you wish to submit, please deliver them to the Artesia City Clerk's Office, 18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, CA, or by email: planning@cityofartesia.us prior to the start of the public hearing. If you have questions about this notice or the proposed action, please contact the Artesia Community Development Department at (562) 865-6262 or by the email above. If you challenge any action related to this public hearing in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Peter Kann,

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Continental Exchange Solutions, Inc
Multiple Positions
Continental Exchange Solutions, Inc., d.b.a. Ria Financial in Buena Park, CA has multi open'gs: A) Technical Financial Analysts to dvlp & prep forecasts, ledger balance mgmt, variance analysis, & mgmt report'g. Salary: \$85,000- \$90,000/yr. B) Squad Lead Mobile App Development to lead frontend squad for RIA mobile app. Salary: \$155,000-\$160,000/yr. C) Sr. Systems Administrator to engineer & dsgn solut'ns for proj's & operat'nl needs, Salary: \$122,346/yr.
All post'ns: No trvl; WFH benefit avail.
Email resumes to:
cfuentes@riamoneytransfer.com

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE AND OF INTENTION TO TRANSFER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE(S) (UCC Sec. 6105 et seq. and B & P 24073 et seq.)
Escrow No. 24-2021-DK
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale of assets and a transfer of alcoholic beverage license(s) is about to be made. The name(s) and business address(es) of the Seller(s)/Licensee(s) are: PETER KIM CHHOA AND SUSAN TRAN CHHOA, 6100 BELLFLOWER BLVD., LAKEWOOD, CA 90713
Doing Business as: 7 DAY LIQUOR MART
All other business names(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s)/Licensee(s) within the past three years, as stated by the Seller(s)/Licensee(s), is/ are: NONE
The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s)/Applicant(s) is/are: M7D LIQUOR INC, 271 E. WORKMAN ST., STE 106, COVINA, CA 91723
The assets being sold are generally described as: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TOOLS, GOODWILL, TRADENAME, LEASE-HOLD IMPROVEMENTS, LEASEHOLD INTERESTS, ALL TRANSFERABLE PERMITS AND LICENSES AND ALL INVENTORY OF STOCK IN TRADE and is/are located at: 6100 BELLFLOWER BLVD., LAKEWOOD, CA 90713
The type of license(s) and license no(s) to be transferred is/are: Type: 21-OFF-SALE GENERAL LICENSE #: 21-434536, And are now issued for the premises located at: SAME
The bulk sale and transfer of alcoholic beverage license(s) is/are intended to be consummated at the office of: ACE ESCROW INC, 6871 BEACH BLVD, BUENA PARK, CA 90621 and the anticipated sale/transfer date is APRIL 11, 2024
The purchase price or consideration in connection with the sale of the business and transfer of the license, is the sum of \$470,000.00, including inventory estimated at \$70,000.00, which consists of the following: DESCRIPTION, AMOUNT: CASH \$141,000.00; CHECK \$329,000.00; ALLOCATION-SUB TOTAL \$470,000.00; ALLOCATION TOTAL \$470,000.00
It has been agreed between the Seller(s)/Licensee(s) and the intended Buyer(s)/Applicant(s), as required by Sec. 24073 of the Business and Professions code, that the consideration for transfer of the business and license is to be paid only after the transfer has been approved by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.
Dated:
PETER KIM CHHOA AND SUSAN TRAN CHHOA, Seller(s)/Licensee(s)
M7D LIQUOR INC, Buyer(s)/Applicant(s)
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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
EVA A. CHAPMAN
CASE NO. 24STPB02796**
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of **EVA A. CHAPMAN**
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ERIC CHAPMAN in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ERIC CHAPMAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on **APRIL 11, 2024 at 8:30 A.M.** in Dept.: "5" located at: 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012, Stanley Mosk Courthouse
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.
OTHER CALIFORNIA statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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**NOTICE INVITING BIDS
PICO RIVERA PICO PARK PREFABRICATED RESTROOM PROJECT NO. 50085**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Pico Rivera, California ("City") invites Bids for the Project. Bids will be received electronically only through Planet Bids system (<https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/41481/portal-home>). A bid received after the time set for the bid opening shall not be considered. Bidders are required to submit (upload) all items listed in the BIDDER'S CHECKLIST including acknowledgement of all addenda. Bids will be received prior to **2:00 p.m. on March 28, 2024**, at which time they will be publicly opened on the City's approved electronic procurement platform.
SUBMISSION OF BIDS. All Bidders are required to enter and submit their bid pricing electronically via Planet Bids' Bid Schedule Tab. In addition, an electronic copy of the Bid Proposal Package must be uploaded to the Planet Bids system.
SCOPE OF WORK. The Project includes, without limitation, furnishing all necessary labor, materials, equipment and other incidental and appurtenant work necessary to satisfactorily complete the Project, as more specifically described in the Contract Documents. Time for completion of the Work is **Forty-Five (45) total Working Days** from the date specified in the Notices to Proceed and shall be inclusive of the procurement time to furnish and install all materials associated with this project.
OBTAINING BID DOCUMENTS. Bidders may obtain free copies of the Plans, Specifications, and other Contract Documents online by visiting <https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/41481/portal-home>. Hard copies of the Contract Documents are not available at this time.
LICENSES. Each Bidder shall possess either of (a) a valid Class "A" Contractor's license held by the prime and Class "C8", "C10", "C12", "C13", and "C34" Specialty Contractor licenses held by subcontractors as applicable (b) Any of the above stated "C" licenses held by the prime and combination of the remaining state "C" specialty licenses held by the subcontractors as applicable issued by the California State Contractors License Board.
MATERIALS SUBSTITUTIONS AND OTHER QUESTIONS. Bidders are required to post their questions or equivalent material or substitution request of construction materials to the City Project Manager **online** by visiting <https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/41481/portal-home>. Any questions or equivalent material or substitution request of construction materials asked by email or by telephone will not be answered. Materials substitutions or questions are acceptable until **4:00 pm on or before Friday, March 15, 2024**. Any questions or equivalent material or substitution request of construction materials submitted after **March 15, 2024** will not be answered. Questions and answers and/or any responses to material substitution request will be issued by **March 18, 2024** as an addendum. Any addenda and/or supplemental information, as applicable will be posted online and available at <https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/41481/portal-home>. It is the Bidder's responsibility to check online for any addenda that are released. Any changes or corrections to the original Bid Documents or any other information that will affect the completion of the award will be disseminated and posted on the City's website.
CITY PROJECT MANAGER CONTACT INFORMATION:
Name: Dylan Flores; Contact Number: 562-801-4429; E-mail address: dflores@pico-rivera.org
By: Pamela Yugar March 6, 2024
Parks and Recreation Director Date
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)
Escrow No. 001465-SK
(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: U & H CHUNG, INC., 9409 E. ROSECRANS AVE., BELLFLOWER, CA 90706
(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: SAME AS ABOVE
(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: ONE STOP AUTO SERVICE, A CALIFORNIA GENERAL PARTNERSHIP, 9409 E. ROSECRANS AVE., BELLFLOWER, CA 90706
(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TRADE NAME, GOODWILL, LEASEHOLD INTEREST & IMPROVEMENT AND COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE of that certain business located at: 9409 E. ROSECRANS AVE., BELLFLOWER, CA 90706
(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: ONE STOP AUTO SERVICE
(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is APRIL 3, 2024 at the office of: MASTERS ESCROW, 6561 BEACH BLVD, BUENA PARK, CA 90621, Escrow No. 001465-SK, Escrow Officer: SONIA KIM
(8) Claims may be filed with Same as "7" above
(9) The last date for filing claims is: APRIL 2, 2024.
(10) This Bulk Sale is subject to Section 6106.2 of the Uniform Commercial Code.
(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: JANUARY 11, 2024
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**LEGAL NOTICE
CITY OF BELLFLOWER
ORDINANCE NO. 1428**
AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO AIR PRODUCTS MANUFACTURING, LLC ("AIR PRODUCTS"), A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, AN OIL PIPELINE FRANCHISE WITHIN THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER
The City Council of the City of Bellflower introduced Ordinance No. 1428 at its Regular Meeting of March 11, 2024.
If adopted, Ordinance 1428 would grant a non-public utility oil pipeline franchise to Air Products Manufacturing, LLC ("Air Products"), to replace an expired franchise for an existing pipeline in the City of Bellflower. The franchise would be for a period of ten (10) years, commencing thirty (30) days after the adoption of Ordinance No. 1428, with the option to extend the franchise for another 10-year term.
For a copy of Ordinance No. 1428, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (562) 804-1424.
Approved as submitted above:
Karl H. Berger, City Attorney
ATTEST:
Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk
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**LEGAL NOTICE
CITY OF BELLFLOWER
ORDINANCE NO. 1427**
AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO SFPP, L.P. ("SFPP") A DELAWARE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, AN OIL PIPELINE FRANCHISE WITHIN THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER
The City Council of the City of Bellflower introduced Ordinance No. 1427 at its Regular Meeting of March 11, 2024.
If adopted, Ordinance 1427 would grant a public utility oil pipeline franchise to SFPP, L.P., ("SFPP"), to replace an expired franchise for an existing pipeline in the City of Bellflower. The franchise would be for a period of ten (10) years, commencing thirty (30) days after the adoption of Ordinance No. 1427, with SFPP having the option to extend the franchise for another 10-year term.
For a copy of Ordinance No. 1427, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (562) 804-1424.
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If adopted, Ordinance 1429 would grant a public utility oil pipeline franchise to SFPP, L.P., ("SFPP"), to replace an expired franchise for an existing pipeline in the City of Bellflower. The franchise would be for a period of ten (10) years, commencing thirty (30) days after the adoption of Ordinance No. 1429, with SFPP having the option to extend the franchise for another 10-year term.
For a copy of Ordinance No. 1429, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (562) 804-1424.
Approved as submitted above:
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**NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS
PATHWAYS FOR HOPE
COMMERCE CONNECTIVITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CITY OF COMMERCE, referred to as "CITY", invites sealed bids for **PATHWAYS FOR HOPE COMMERCE CONNECTIVITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**, and will receive bids on PlanetBids, up to the hour of **2:00 PM, Tuesday, April 9, 2024**, 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 shall be completed within **90** working days after the City's Notice to Proceed.
Each Bidder shall possess a valid California Class A General Engineering Contractor's License issued by the California State Contractors License Board at the time of the Bid submission for this project. The successful Contractor must also possess a current City business license before commencing work.
This project is subject to the requirements of SB 854. No prime contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal and may be awarded for a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5.
If there are any questions regarding this project, please upload all questions to: City's portal on PlanetBids.
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All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State, described as: FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVEDEED OF TRUST. APN 7057-021-028 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **12516 206th St, Lakewood, CA 90715** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$362,666.24 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. Dated: 03/07/2024 PRIME RECON LLC Prime Recon LLC. may be attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. Ryan Remington/Authorized Signature 27368 VIA INDUSTRIA STE 201 TEMECULA CA 92590 (888) 725-4142 FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 714-730-2727 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (714) 730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site - www.servicelinkASAP.com - for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case: 170262. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (714) 730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale, or visit this internet website www.servicelinkASAP.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 170262 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. A-4811777 03/15/2024, 03/22/2024, 03/29/2024

CITY OF BELLFLOWER

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

REGARDING POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF A CITY CHARTER

TAKE NOTICE that public hearings will be held to discuss possible adoption of a city charter for the City of Bellflower. The public hearings are scheduled as follows at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers:

April 8, 2024
May 13, 2024

Adopting a city charter involves crucial decisions that will impact the governance and future of the City. These hearings provide an opportunity for residents to voice their opinions, ask questions, and contribute to the decision-making process.

The public hearings will follow established procedures in accordance with the California Government Code. Detailed information about the proposed city charter, including resolutions, ordinances, and other relevant documentation, will be available for review during these hearings.

We encourage all residents, community members, and stakeholders to attend these public hearings to engage in discussions about the city charter and its implications for our community. Your involvement is essential in ensuring that the city charter reflects the values and needs of Bellflower.

For further details regarding the public hearings on the adoption of the city charter, please refer to official announcements from the Bellflower City Clerk.

MAYRA OCHIQUI, CITY CLERK

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ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE CALLING FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ABC Unified School District will receive up to but not later than **11:00 AM** on the **16th day of April 2024** Bids for:

ABC Bid # 1653 Demolition at Cerritos High School

All bids shall be made and presented on a form furnished by the District. Bids submitted shall conform to the terms and conditions stated on said form. Bids shall be received in the office of the **Purchasing Department at 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos, CA 90703** and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time and place. Bidders can request bid documents by emailing esthela.perez@abcusd.us. There will be a mandatory jobwalk meeting on March 27, 2024 at 1:00 PM sharp at the front of Administration building at Cerritos HS 12500 183rd St., Cerritos. All public works are subject to prevailing wage payments, Valid California Contractor's License Class B OR C-22 – Asbestos Abatement Contractor AND ASB Asbestos Certification and Active Certificate of Registration for Asbestos-Related Work issued by the State of California Department of Industrial Relations - Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH).and DIR Registration will be required.

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ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE CALLING FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ABC Unified School District will receive up to but not later than **9:00 AM** on the **16th day of April 2024** Bids for:

ABC Bid # 1652 Artesia High School Intrusion and Access Control

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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 **23rd day of April 2024** Bids for:

ABC Bid # 1651 Bragg Elementary School Modernization

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 can request bid documents by emailing esthela.perez@abcusd.us. There will be a mandatory jobwalk meeting on March 26, 2024 at 9:00 AM sharp at the front of Administration building at Bragg ES 11501 Bos St., Cerritos. All public works are subject to prevailing wage payments, Valid License valid Class B Contractor's License and DIR Registration will be required.

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Notice of Divided Publication

Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Sections 3702, 3381, and 3382, the Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector is publishing in divided distribution, the Notice of Online Public Auction of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California, to various newspapers of general circulation published in the County. A portion of the list appears in each of such newspapers.

Notice of Online Public Auction of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell (Sale No. 2024A)

Whereas, on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, directed the County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector (TTC), to sell certain tax-defaulted properties at the online public auction.

The TTC does hereby give public notice, that unless said properties are redeemed, prior to the close of business on Friday, April 19, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, the last business day prior to the first day of the online public auction, the TTC will offer for sale and sell said properties on Saturday, April 20, 2024, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time, through Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time, to the highest bidder, for not less than the minimum bid, at online public auction at www.bid4assets.com/losangeles.

The minimum bid for each parcel is the total amount necessary to redeem, plus costs, as required by R&TC Section 3698.5.

If a property does not sell during the online public auction, the right of redemption will revive and remain until Friday, May 31, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

The TTC will re-offer any properties that did not sell or were not redeemed prior to Friday, May 31, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, for sale at online public auction at www.bid4assets.com/losangeles beginning Saturday, June 1, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time, through Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

Prospective bidders should obtain detailed information of this sale from the County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector at ttc.lacounty.gov. Bidders are required to pre-register at www.bid4assets.com and submit a refundable \$5,000 deposit in the form of wire transfer, electronic check, cashier's check or bank-issued money order at the time of registration. Registration will begin on Friday, March 15, 2024, at

8:00 a.m. Pacific Time and end on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.


Pursuant to R&TC Section 3692.3, the TTC sells all property ``as is`` and the County and its employees are not liable for any known or unknown conditions of the properties, including, but not limited to, errors in the records of the Office of the Assessor (Assessor) pertaining to improvement of the property.

If the TTC sells a property, parties of interest, as defined by R&TC Section 4675, have a right to file a claim with the County for any proceeds from the sale, which are in excess of the liens and costs required to be paid from the proceeds. If there are any excess proceeds after the application of the minimum bid, the TTC will send notice to all parties of interest, pursuant to law.

Please direct requests for information concerning redemption of tax-defaulted property to the Treasurer and Tax Collector, at 225 North Hill Street, Room 130, Los Angeles, California 90012. You may also call (213) 974-2045, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, visit our website at ttc.lacounty.gov or email us at auction@ttc.lacounty.gov.

The Assessor's Identification Number (AIN) in this publication refers to the Assessor's Map Book, the Map Page, and the individual Parcel Number on the Map Page. If a change in the AIN occurred, the publication will show both prior and current AINs. An explanation of the parcel numbering system and the referenced maps are available at the Office of the Assessor located at 500 West Temple Street, Room 225, Los Angeles, California 90012, or at assessor.lacounty.gov.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on February 6, 2024.



KEITH KNOX
Treasurer and Tax Collector
County of Los Angeles
State of California


The real property that is subject to this notice is situated in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and is described as follows:

PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE OF SALE OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THE POWER OF SALE(SALE NO. 2024A)
3032 AIN 8059-028-038 THO-METZ,CRAIG S AND PATRICIA L LOCATION CITY-SANTA FE SP \$34,584.00
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County of Los Angeles

Department of the Treasurer and Tax

Collector



Notice of Divided Publication

Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Sections 3702, 3381, and 3382, the Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector is publishing in divided distribution, the Notice of Online Public Auction of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California, to various newspapers of general circulation published in the County. A portion of the list appears in each of such newspapers.

Notice of Online Public Auction of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell (Sale No. 2024A)

Whereas, on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, directed the County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector (TTC), to sell certain tax-defaulted properties at the online public auction.

The TTC does hereby give public notice, that unless said properties are redeemed, prior to the close of business on Friday, April 19, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, the last business day prior to the first day of the online public auction, the TTC will offer for sale and sell said properties on Saturday, April 20, 2024, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time, through Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time, to the highest bidder, for not less than the minimum bid, at online public auction at www.bid4assets.com/losangeles.

The minimum bid for each parcel is the total amount necessary to redeem, plus costs, as required by R&TC Section 3698.5.

If a property does not sell during the online public auction, the right of redemption will revive and remain until Friday, May 31, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

The TTC will re-offer any properties that did not sell or were not redeemed prior to Friday, May 31, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, for sale at online public auction at www.bid4assets.com/losangeles beginning Saturday, June 1, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time, through Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

Prospective bidders should obtain detailed information of this sale from the County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector at ttc.lacounty.gov. Bidders are required to pre-register at www.bid4assets.com and submit a refundable \$5,000 deposit in the form of wire transfer, electronic check, cashier's check or bank-issued money order at the time of registration. Registration will begin on Friday, March 15, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. Pacific Time and end on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.


Pursuant to R&TC Section 3692.3, the TTC sells all property ``as is`` and the County and its employees are not liable for any known or unknown conditions of the properties, including, but not limited to, errors in the records of the Office of the Assessor (Assessor) pertaining to improvement of the property.

If the TTC sells a property, parties of interest, as defined by R&TC Section 4675, have a right to file a claim with the County for any proceeds from the sale, which are in excess of the liens and costs required to be paid from the proceeds. If there are any excess proceeds after the application of the minimum bid, the TTC will send notice to all parties of interest, pursuant to law.

Please direct requests for information concerning redemption of tax-defaulted property to the Treasurer and Tax Collector, at 225 North Hill Street, Room 130, Los Angeles, California 90012. You may also call (213) 974-2045, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, visit our website at ttc.lacounty.gov or email us at auction@ttc.lacounty.gov.

The Assessor's Identification Number (AIN) in this publication refers to the Assessor's Map Book, the Map Page, and the individual Parcel Number on the Map Page. If a change in the AIN occurred, the publication will show both prior and current AINs. An explanation of the parcel numbering system and the referenced maps are available at the Office of the Assessor located at 500 West Temple Street, Room 225, Los Angeles, California 90012, or at assessor.lacounty.gov.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on February 6, 2024.



KEITH KNOX
Treasurer and Tax Collector
County of Los Angeles
State of California

The real property that is subject to this notice is situated in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and is described as follows:

PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE OF SALE OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THE POWER OF SALE (SALE NO. 2024A)
3839 AIN 7034-022-046 HURLEY, LLOYD R AND ANN M LOCATION CITY-CERRITOS \$3,479.00
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