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SPACEX AT THE PORT OF LONG BEACH

SPACEX is coming to Long Beach after reaching a sublease agreement with the Board of Harbor Commissioners on a waterfront facility. The company will occupy about 6.5 acres on the port's Pier T beginning May 1. The facility will be used for SpaceX's West Coast rocket recovery operations.

Pico Rivera Looks to Increase Water Rates

A study shows that \$37 million in infrastructure must be repaired within the next 5 years.

BY BRIAN HEWS

The Pico Rivera City Council, at its June 22 meeting, will consider raising water rates for all customers of the Pico Rivera Water Authority (PRWA) by 10% a year until 2025.

The City Council took its first step in the rate increase process, adopting a resolution at last Wednesday's meeting.

If approved, the move will raise nearly \$927,000 the first year, reach \$5.7 million in year five, for a five-year cumulative total of nearly \$16 million.

The additional revenue will provide for operational expenses and capital improvement projects including the Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) treatment projects.

The move will also fund improvements to the north side water system, piping upgrades, new storage tanks and well improvements.

According to the city, "the future rates are designed to establish fiscal stability, maintain required debt revenue requirements and fund necessary improvements.

The PRWA serves nearly

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CDC Issues Fully Vaccinated Mask Guidelines

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

As COVID-19 slows people who are now fully vaccinated can safely stop wearing masks in many outdoor settings, the CDC said this week.

Masks are still recommended people, outdoor activities for everyone while in crowded outdoor settings, such as packed stadiums and concerts, but the pace of vaccinations along with falling coronavirus case rates nationally meant it was time to relax guidance for when to wear masks for fully vaccinated people, including in outdoor social gatherings such as dinner

Unvaccinated people should still wear masks, and keep at least six feet away from others, so get a shot.

Guidance in outdoor gatherings

"Generally, for vaccinated without a mask are safe," the CDC stated.

"If you are fully vaccinated and want to attend a small outdoor gathering with people who are vaccinated and unvaccinated — or dine at an outdoor restaurant with friends from multiple households — the

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La Palma Bans **Firework Sales** in City

Local organizations asked the city to allow sales, which is a big fundraising source.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

At its April meeting, the La Palma City Council discussed and the sale of fireworks within La Palma city limits, future city events, and the outdated home based business policy, with the discussion of firework sales within city borders getting rather heated.

"I've had several nonprofit organizations like the Christian church and a few clubs ask me to sell fireworks in our city, they can make approximately seven to ten thousand dollars from the sales, it's a big deal" said Mayor Pro Tem Michele Steggell.

La Palma resident Teddy Saile also voiced his support to approve firework sales in the

"I've lived here for many years, and I've never heard of anyone getting hurt or house fires occurring," Saile said, "it is my hope you legalize the safe and sane sales. I have a granddaughter who is on the

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HMG-CN Exclusive

Inconsistencies II: Pathologist Says Aisha Nava Struggled, Death Not a Suicide

The pathologist volunteered and is not taking money; at first glance, he knew it was not a suicide.

BY BRIAN HEWS

Last week, Hews Media Group was the first news outlet to report that there was major inconsistencies in the LASD's investigation of Hawaiian Gardens resident Aisha Nava's death.

The 18 year-old died March 28, found under a bridge in Compton.

First, the investigators ruled it was a suicide but the coroner

would not confirm.

Then Natalie went to the riverbed where Aisha was found, and discovered evidence that the investigators evidently missed; Aisha's backpack, a tooth, and her eyeglasses.

She notified LASD detectives but they did not ask for the items.

There were two camera on nearby companies with a clear view of the area where Aisha was found, which Aisha's mom told the investigators about, as of the time of the first report Natalie was not informed they obtained the video.

Finally, there was a cell

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Mayoral Transition

Cerritos Mayor Pro Tem Vo Calls Himself Too Inexperienced to Be Mayor

The move is followed by the nomination of Grace Hu for mayor, and Vo pro tem.

BY BRIAN HEWS

In another first for Cerritos Council, following Councilman Solanki occupying the mayor's chair for two consecutive years, Mayor pro tem Chuong Vo, who was absent from Wednesday's mayoral transition, told the council and residents that he was too inexperienced to be mayor and wanted to wait a year.

Vo read his speech from a legal pad in a pre-recorded video and indicated he wanted to wait a year in order to gain more experience.

As the time neared to nominate the mayor and mayor pro tem, City Clerk Vida Brone directed the council and residents watching on cable to view Vo's speech.

Vo said he was absent from the meeting due to the possible

Derek Chauvin verdict on Apr. 21, assisting with crowd control in case it was an unfavorable verdict.

Vo is a Torrance Police detective with seniority, Torrance is only 30 minutes from Cerritos. The verdict came in at 2 PM, with Chauvin guilty on all three counts, guaranteeing no serious crowd control would be necessary.

The transition meeting was at 7 PM, but Vo chose not to come and instructed Cerritos personnel to play the video.

In the video, Vo cited that he was the first rookie Cerritos City Councilmember to be appointed Mayor pro tem and wanted to wait one year, asking the council to nominate him as Mayor pro tem.

Cerritos residents know Vo was on the Cerritos Planning Commission for a few years and functioned as the chair, demonstrating he could preside over council meetings.

Barrows thought he was experienced enough, saying later in the meeting that Vo, "did more work than anybody I have

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Cerritos Vaccinates 1,000 people got a vaccine at the Civic Center. Page 2.



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First Woman Lakewood resident first to train at San Diego USMC. Page 7.



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Wisteria Blooming Visit Rancho Los Cerritos and enjoy the outdoors. Page 16.



Over 1,000 vaccines administered by Cerritos clinics

STAFF REPORT

The City of Cerritos offered several COVID-19 vaccination clinics in April, resulting in more than 1,000 shots being administered.

On April 21, a vaccination clinic hosted by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Community Advisory Council with support from Los Angeles County Sheriff Alex Villanueva and Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn was held

CLINIC: L.A. County Sheriff Alex Villanueva and L.A. County Supervisor Janice Hahn at a recent vaccine clinic held at the Cerritos Civic Center in April. at the Cerritos Civic Center.

A total of 665 doses of the Pfizer vaccine was administered to people age

The second dose will be given on Wednesday, May 12.

On April 9, 240 doses of the Pfizer vaccine were administered at a vaccine clinic held at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA).

The second dose will be administered at the CCPA on Friday, April 30.

A total of 115 doses of the Pfizer vaccine were administered on April 19 at a vaccine clinic held at the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park.

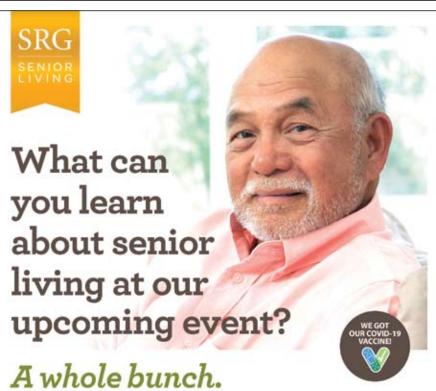
The second dose will be administered at the Senior Center on Monday, May



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US NEWS: Whitney HS Ranks Number 2 in State

Cerritos, Gahr and Artesia all rank in top third; Whitney is ranked 25th in the country.

FROM ABCUSD

All four ABC Unified School District comprehensive high schools were ranked in the top third of all California high schools in the annual ranking by U.S. News and World Reports.

Whitney High School was ranked second in the state and first in Los Angeles County.

Cerritos High School was ranked 64th, Gahr High Schools ranked 295th, and Artesia High School ranked 746th out of the nearly 2,600 California High

"It's amazing to have our high schools recognized for the outstanding education they provide to our students," said Superintendent Dr. Mary Sieu.

"These results speak to the hard work of our administrators, teachers, staff, students, and families."

Whitney High School not only ranked second in California but 25th nationally.

The school, serving grades 7-12, was also ranked 15th nationally for Science,

Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) high schools.

U.S. News gave Whitney High School an overall score of 99.85.

The score consists of AP exams – both the percentage of students who take and pass the exam - math proficiency, reading proficiency, and graduation rate.

The Whitney High School graduation rate showed 99 percent in the data considered by U.S. News.

This percentage was due to a few students who took the California High School Proficiency Exam leaving school early to attend college.

"We are incredibly proud of our high schools for all ranking so high," said Board of Education President Sophia

"We take pride in the success of our students, which these rankings clearly demonstrate."

The data used for this year's ranking by U.S. News Best High Schools are from the 2018-2019 academic school year.

U.S. News did not use data from the 2019-2020 school year due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Visit usnews.com for the complete list of high school rankings.

LED Streetlights Coming to La Mirada

STAFF REPORT

Nearly 4,000 streetlights in La Mirada will be changed from High-Pressure Sodium Vapor (HSPV) fixtures to Light Emitting Diode (LED) fixtures in residential areas and major streets beginning this May. The majority of the streetlights are within the (CLMD), which is funded by property tax payments. Southern California Edison (SCE), which own the streetlights, will be completing the work.

The LED fixtures are brighter, more true to color, and more energy efficient compared to the HPSV lights. Streetlights

on major streets will provide a brighter, whiter appear-ing light, while in the residential areas, streetlights will have warm amber tones more consistent with existing HPSV streetlights.

Converting to LED lighting will help SCE meet its commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions. The new LED County Lighting Maintenance District technology will result in a savings to the CLMD due to reduced energy usage. LED lighting will also reduce light pollution, improve visibility, and provide increased lamp life.

For more information, please contact La Mirada Public Works Department at (562) 902-2385.

La Mirada Household Hazardous Waste Event May 1st

La Mirada residents may safely dispose of personal household hazardous waste (HHW) on Saturday, May 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at La Mirada Regional

This event will be held in the Tennis Court parking lot near Adelfa Drive. Staff from the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts will be available to collect

A limit of 15 gallons or 125 pounds of hazardous waste per trip will be enforced.

Residents of of Artesia, Cerritos, La Habra Heights, Norwalk, Santa Fe Springs and Whittier can also participate.

Artesia Kindergarten Student Wins Statewide Photo Contest

Adrian Ceja, a kindergarten student at Burbank Elementary School in Artesia, has won a statewide photography contest. The contest, held by CaliforniaStreaming. org, a project by the California County Educational Technology Consortium, was for K-12 teachers and students to submit artwork that reflected this year's theme of humanity.

"Adrian's photograph is amazing and captures humanity through a child's eyes," said Dr. Mary Sieu, Superintendent of the ABC Unified School District. "We are very proud of Adrian and can't wait to what this talented student does in the

WINNER

Adrian's photograph,
'The Band-Aid with a Heart.'
The competition was
between K-12
students and teachers.

future."

Adrian's photograph, "The Band-Aid with a Heart," depicts an adult hand placing a band-aid on a child's knee. As noted in the photograph's title, the band-aid has a heart drawn on it.

Winners will have their photographs included in a collectible poster distributed to classrooms across the state. Adrian will be recognized by the Los Angeles County Board of Education on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, and will receive a digital camera and accessories.



La Mirada Approves Vote of No Confidence for Gascon

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

This past Tuesday, April 27, Deputy DA and prosecutor Jonathan Hatami announced city leaders from La Mirada and Whittier voted for "no confidence" in DA George Cason's policies.

These cities join Beverly Hills, Pico Rivera and Santa Clarita who have already voted no confidence in Gascon's reform policies.

The cities of Norwalk and Santa Fe Springs are said to be considering the same A lawsuit filed last year by Los Angeles County prosecutors states that some of his plans exceed his authority and puts prosecutors in an 'ethical bind'.

Chalfant wrote, "A district attorney's discretion is not unlimited. He or she must work within the framework of the criminal system. The legislature also is entitled to enact laws intruding on the executive or judicial branches of government so long as they do not defeat or materially impair that branch's core function."

On March 31 and April 21 two members



D.A. GASCON was rebuked by Whittier and Pico Rivera also.

vote at their next council meetings.

Gascon began pushing to eliminate all 'special allegations' making approximately 20,000 inmates eligible for re-sentencing.

On his first day of the job, Gascon issued a number of directives stating that these special enhancements lead to mass incarceration.

The state of California has enacted over 100 sentencing enhancements which Gascon calls "outdated, incoherent and applied unfairly."

He further says that State law gives DistrictAttorneysbroadauthority over when and whether to charge enhancements.

Gascon was barred from implementing a significant part of his criminal justice reform earlier this year after Los Angeles Superior Court Judge James Chalfant ruled his plan to end to use of sentencing enhancements in thousands of criminal cases violated California law.

of La Mirada City Council and Staff met with representatives of the Los Angeles District Attorney's office to discuss the city's concerns regarding the special directives.

After this meeting it was advised that La Mirada City council adopt Resolution 21-14 voting 'no confidence' District Attorneys George Gascon's policies.

"Public Safety is our number one concern and should be our highest priority," stated Councilman John Lewis, "The current policies of the DA's office should not be designed to give pause to the offender; it should give them a deterrent to committing a crime."

City Council voted to adopt Resolution 21-14 in a 4-0 vote with mayor pro tem Anthony Otero recusing himself from the vote.



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Fedde MS Retains 'California School to Watch' Status

STAFF REPORT

Fedde International Studies Academy, in Hawaiian Gardens, has been redesignated as a 2021 "California School to Watch." Fedde Academy was first recognized as a School to Watch in 2015 and was re-designated in 2018.

"We are so proud of the students and staff at Fedde Academy," said Superintendent Dr. Mary Sieu. "To be re-designated twice as a School to Watch is an honor to be sure."

The Schools to Watch designation recognizes middle schools that serve students exceptionally well. The California Department of Education, California League of Schools, and the California Middle Grades Alliance, in association with the National Forum, sponsor the California Schools to Watch



program. To earn this designation, schools must complete a rigorous application process, including a site visit by middle grades experts. Schools are re-evaluated every three years to retain the Schools to Watch designation. All ABCUSD middle schools are Schools to Watch.

"This is an amazing accomplishment," said Interim Principal Denise Macias. "It's really a testament to Fedde's dedicated staff, students, and families."

During an online presentation on Wednesday, April 21, 2021, Fedde Academy was recognized along with other Southern California schools.

Whittier Council Considering Hero Pay against the cities Pomona, among of closure of two Ra Long Beach were ordinance due to economic factors On April 20.7

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

During the last 13 months, while a number of businesses were closed or at a limited capacity, essential operations including remained open for business.

At the April 13, 2021 Whittier City Council meeting, councilmembers directed Staff research a Hero Pay ordinance. Council noted that requests had been made by a Whittier resident and representative from the United Food Union and a local pharmacist.

Derek Smith, Political Director of the United Food Local 324, with 500 workers within the city of Whittier, were advocating for a temporary policy to recognize the sacrifices made during the pandemic.

Throughout the State of California, municipalities have been considering mandating a "hazard pay" for all grocery and drug retail workers an additional \$4 or \$5 for a temporary period.

Smith stated that over 10 percent of their members had contracted CoVID-19 and Whittier had a confirmed 90 members who tested positive.

Litigation has been filed by the California Grocers Association against the City of Long Beach for their actions and news reports suggest that the Association is considering litigation against the cities of Montebello and Pomona, among others claiming that the closure of two Ralphs grocery stores in Long Beach were due to the city's pay ordinance due to the underperforming economic factors.

On April 20, 2021, Whittier received and email form the Corporate Affairs Representative from Ralphs / Food 4 Less noting that the City had not contacted the corporation prior to potential action on Hero Pay and requested that City Council refrain from making a decision until outreach had been conducted with potentially impacted businesses.

It was noted that the sales tax from the Ralphs and Food 4 Less had significantly increased in 2020.

City Council decided that it was not a decision that they should be responsible for, mandating a pay increase to any business and that the decision should be made by the individual employer.

"I have heard the people and there is some compelling testimony and we are empathetic to this. We have received good information as well as legal analysis as far as a good balance. But I have concerns about this singling out certain businesses. I see this as an impingement and inserting government into private business," stated Mayor Joe Vinatieri. "I am bothered that this could be considered pay that is retroactive and too late to consider."

It was decided to table the discussion until after the City receives their stimulus dollars.

Lakewood Begins Renovations to San Martin Park

STAFF REPORT

At their Tuesday evening meeting, the Lakewood City Council approved the purchase of new play equipment for the Tot Lot playground at San Martin Park

This is the first step in multiple improvements coming to the park, including new picnic shelters and repairs and refurbishments to the park's community building.

The improvements will be funded by a combination of a state park grant secured by Lakewood's State Assembly Member Anthony Rendon and funds from Measure L, approved by Lakewood voters last year.

More Lakewood parks and community buildings will receive repairs and improvements in the months ahead courtesy of Measure L.

The council also received a report on the Zoom meeting this past Saturday where Lakewood residents got an update and provided feedback on the city's Community Dialogue Action Plan on race, equity, diversity and inclusion.

Thirty-six Lakewood residents took part in the call and provided valuable suggestions, comments and questions about the Action Plan and related matters.

Two council members took part in the call (the maximum allowed under state public meeting rules) but the recording of the Zoom meeting and every comment and question submitted will be shared with all five members of the council.

In a related matter, Mayor Jeff Wood and council members spoke at the beginning of Tuesday's meeting about an incident last summer in a commercial area of Lakewood that involved a large group of youth fighting, where offensive racial epithets were made by one group of youth against the supposed Mexican national origin of some Hispanic youth involved in the altercation.

According to Sheriff's Department investigators, most if not all of the youth were from outside Lakewood.

The group fight was part of a disturbing pattern in recent years of groups of youth meeting up in commercial areas around Southern California to cause disturbances and to fight other youth. Lakewood has not been immune to this trend.



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OPINION

Brown Act Violation

APRIL 30, 2021

Mayor pro tem Vo Abdicates Mayor Seat to Old Guard

There were many speakers at the Cerritos mayoral transition last week including Supervisor Janice Hahn who gave accolades to outgoing Mayor Naresh Solanki.

Little did Hahn know about the petty, pay-back politics that was about to occur, along with an obvious Brown Act violation that should catch the attention of the D.A.'s Office of Integrity.

Immediately before City Clerk Vida Barone opened the floor for nominations, she announced that Mayor pro tem Chuong Vo, who was absent, would give a pre-recorded video message.

The meeting was Wednesday, in his video, Vo cited possible unrest due to the Derek Chauvin verdict as the reason for his absence.

Questionable. That might've been the case at the time he recorded the video, but then the favorable verdict came in at 2 p.m. PST Wednesday.

The transition meeting was at 7:00

p.m., Vo works in Torrance 30 minutes from Cerritos as a long-time police detective with seniority.

Vo continued and calmly informed the council and residents watching on cable that he was "too inexperienced" to take the mantle of mayor and wanted to "wait a year."

Imagine saying that to your company when they offered you a promotion after a year of work.

Barrows, Chen, Ray, the late Edwards, Pulido, Hu, Solanki, and others would never decline the mayor

Appointed Councilman Barrows thought Vo was very experienced, saying that Vo, "did more work than anybody I have ever seen in the position of Mayor pro tem."

That is saying a lot, Barrows has been on the Cerritos public doll on and off for over 25 years.

The pre-planning of the Vo' statement was obvious, he was reading his abdication from a legal pad.

A number of his statements were suspect, including 1) that Vo thinks he's too inexperienced and that 2) he is assuming (or knew) the council was

going to nominate him after his speech for Mayor pro tem now, then Mayor next year.

First, what does it take to be Mayor of Cerritos, or any other quiet city for that matter. The city is run like a welloiled corporation, one of the best run cities in California, staff there to assist elected officials at any time.

Vo's inexperience claim laughable.

Second, Vo asked during his speech for the council to hold off on nominating him for mayor and nominate him as mayor pro tem again; who asks that kind of question unless the answer was known in advance.

Readers will recall that there has been a number of times council members were mayor pro tem and an election occurred changing the majority; and the majority installed another mayor.

Two of the council members have done just that, Bruce Barrows and Naresh Solanki, with Solanki, in an unprecedented move, taking the mayor chair two years in a row, and snatching it from then-Mayor pro tem Frank Yokoyama.

The Brown Act Violation is obvious.

Barrows and Solanki told Vo to wait a year using his inexperience as an excuse. The plan would be to nominate and install him as Mayor pro tem again (never done in the history of the city) and them nominate him as mayor in two

With the plan in motion, after Vo's speech, City Clerk Barone opened the floor with Solanki nominating his only choice, Grace Hu, who acted surprised.

In Cerritos, a second for a mayoral nomination is not needed, but Barrows chimed in with a "second."

Barrows, Solanki, Hu and Yokoyama all voted yes, 4-0.

Barone opened the floor for Mayor pro tem with Barrows immediately nominating Vo, who needed a second on his nomination, with Solanki obliging with his "second."

The vote was 3-1, with Yokoyama voting no.

With the move, Hu will serve April 2021 to April 2022; Vo will serve 2022-2023, with an election in 2022.

Unless Vo defers again for Barrows.

Letters to the editor can be sent to editor@cerritosnews.net, or mail to P.O. Box 788, Artesia, Ca., 90702

Recall Proponents Should Have to Pay

So the Newsom recall gathered enough ballots this week and, according to new reports, California is going to spend upwards of \$400 million to run the election to give Caitlyn Jenner her shot at governor.

The Republican backed effort will certainly bring in the clowns, some might be entertaining, with everyone getting their 15 minutes of fame courtesy of California taxpayers.

Get ready for the line of weirdos, porn stars, freaks, and reality show losers that will appear to run for governor.

And it's wrong.

These are the same Republicans voters who always chant wait until the next election and let the voters decide; yet they're the ones who backed to recall.

And they should pay.

The Secretary of State has every person's name and address who signed the recall petition, over 1.6 million.

\$400 million to run the recall divided by 1.6 million is \$250 per signature on the recall petition.

Send them a bill after the thirty-day signature retraction period.

Put your money where your mouth is recall proponents, you want an election you should have to pay for it.

If they don't pay, lien their tax bill, ding their credit score, make them pay for it at some time in the future.

Why should anybody who supports Newsom have to pay for the recall

The recall was spawned during the pandemic, when everyone was doing a bad job containing the spread, now California has the lowest positivity rate in the country, while giving out the most

It was also spawned from the business closures that needed to be done to stop the spread.

California has now regained nearly 39 percent of the over 2.7 million total jobs lost in March and April 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The unemployment rate is 8.5 percent down from 9 percent the month earlier

Los Angeles, San Francisco, Marin, and Trinity counties are on track to enter the yellow tier, the most lenient, where restaurants can open inside continuing the employment increase..

Opponents are sure to cry foul saying it would intimidate people out of participating, yes because this recall is a farce; if it was a valid recall why would you be intimidated?

Surprisingly, the signatures are not subject to the California Public Records

They can only be viewed by people collecting them, election officials or state attorneys.

Redact the signatures.

Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon (D-Lakewood) recently said, "Neither the state or the county should be stuck footing the bill for such an unnecessary election."

President pro tem Toni Atkins echoed the same objections.

Agreed, make it so Mr. Speaker and President pro tem.

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ever seen in that position."

Vo ended the video asking to be appointed Mayor pro tem.

As Clerk Barone called for Mayor Solanki surprisingly nominations, nominated Councilwoman Grace Hu, who was "very surprised and honored to be chosen," Hu was elected 4-0.

Clerk Barone called for the Mayor pro tem nomination, this time Councilman Bruce Barrows came forward and nominated Vo. Solanki seconded Barrows nomination and Vo was installed as Mayor pro tem on a 3-1 vote, with Councilman Yokoyama voting no.

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CRIME SUMMARY Cerritos

BY BRIAN HEWS

The theft of catalytic converters continue to be an issue with one attempt and three stolen in Cerritos and three stolen in La Mirada.

GRAND THEFT

4/17 12700 Blk. Towne Center Dr, store, perfume stolen

4/16 12700 Blk. Towne Center Dr. store, misc. items stolen both suspects arrested

4/17 11400 Blk. South St., coffee shop at South and Gridley, stole cash.

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4/18 16600 Blk. Jeanette Ave., susps attempted to steal catalytic converter (2005

4/14 12800

Blk. 166th St, business, (2) catalytic converters stolen

4/13 15900 Blk. Canyon Creek Rd., catalytic converter stolen

GRAND THEFT AUTO

4/13 17500 Blk. Fabrica way, business, trailer not recovered.

4/16 10900 Blk. Alondra Bl., store, 2002 chev/express, not recovered

4/15 13200 Blk. South St., 2006 ford/f250 stolen, not recovered

VEHICLE BURGLARY

4/18 19700 Blk. Bloomfield Ave., park, pried door stole creddit cards and

4/14 13200 Blk. Moore St., business, broke window, stole shoes, bong, lighter,

4/13 15900 Blk. Studebaker Rd, coffee shop, shattered car window and stole

4/1213200 Blk. 166th St., park, window shattered, purse, iphone, clothes

Cerritos Part 1 Crimes up 21.5%

Part 1 crimes for the week were 33, 2021 average is 33.8, 2020 average is

27.8, an increase of 21.58%.

Miscellaneous crimes for the week were 10, 2021 average is 8.3, 2020 average is 7.8, an increase of 6.4%.

Alarm calls were 41 for the period, 2021 average is 33.3, 2020 average is 37.5, a decrease of 12%.

Calls for Service were 309 for the period, 2021 average is 257.4, 2020 average is 267.2, a decrease of 3.8%%.

These are preliminary numbes and subject to change.

La Mirada

NOTABLE ARRESTS

Two suspects were detained and arrested for possession of a stolen vehicle. Two suspects were arrested for

> the sale of a stolen vehicle, grand theft vehicle and conspiracy to commit a crime.

> Eight suspects were arrested throughout La Mirada for various warrants and narcotics violations

RESIDENTIAL **BURGLARY**

An early morning door smash burglary was reported on the 14300 block of Elmcroft Dr. The exact loss is yet to be determined.

OTHER STRUCTURE BURGLARY

An early morning burglary was reported on the 16000 block of Alicante Rd. No loss was reported during the incident.

GRAND THEFT

A daytime theft of a catalytic converter was reported on the 12700 block of Santa Gertrudes Ave.

An afternoon theft of a catalytic converter was reported on the 14700 block of Alondra Blvd.

An early morning theft of a catalytic converter was reported on the 14800 block of Neartree Rd.

A daytime theft from an unlocked vehicle was reported on the 14600 block of Rosecrans Ave.

GRAND THEFT AUTO

A sedan was reported stolen on the 14100 block of Ratliffe St.

An attempted theft of a SUV was reported on the 15700 block of Imperial

A truck was reported stolen on the 15800 block of Alicante Rd.

Drive-In Movies are Back in Bellflower

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn to present Disney / Pixar's 'Toy Story 4' in a fun family event May 7.

Between the events of Toy Story 2 and Toy Story 3, Woody and Bo Peep rescue RC, Andy's remote control car, from being washed away in a storm. Moments later, Bo Peep and her lamp are donated to a new owner. A distraught Woody considers coming with her, but in the end decides his duty is to stay with Andy. Nine years later, after a teenage Andy has donated his toys to Bonnie, Woody struggles to adapt, as the toys in Bonnie's room already have a leader.

Cars, trucks and vans are welcome for only \$10 per vehicle. No buses, RVs or other oversized vehicles are permitted. Attendees must stay in their vehicles to watch the movie, however viewing from convertibles and truck beds is allowed. Detailed rules and restrictions will be distributed to all registrants prior to the movie.

The next scheduled movie night will be June 18 for 'Jumanji: The Next Level' The Bellflower Parks & Recreation and registration begins May 24. Two Department has partnered with Los years after their adventure in 'Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle', Spencer Gilpin. Anthony "Fridge" Johnson, Martha Kaply, and Bethany Walker have separated for college, but plan a reunion over Christmas break. The night before the reunion, Spencer, feeling like he has no purpose, gets out the Jumanji game set. When he doesn't show up at the reunion, his friends visit his mother's home, greeted by Spencer's grandfather and business partner who is visiting him. They discover that Spencer has gone into Jumanji and Fridge, Martha, Eddie and Milo go into the game to bring him home.

For more information, call 562-804-1424 x2261. Just like the old fashioned drive-ins sound will be available through car FM radio or special speakers for the event, the gates open at 5:30pm.

The event will be held at Simms Park Field Area at 16614 Clark Avenue in Bellflower. Interested parties must RSVP to apm.activecommunities.com/ bellflowerrecreation

Lakewood Woman First Marine Trained at San Diego

BY BRIAN HEWS

Lakewood resident and Private Yasmine Delarosa, who enlisted in the USMC, has completed recruit training while serving in the first female platoon to be trained at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego.

Historically since the Women's Armed Services Integration Act of 1984, women only trained at MCRD Parris Island in South Carolina. This comes after Congress ordered the Marine Corps to have a fully integrated boot camp in San Diego by 2028 and full integration at Parris Island by 2025.

Graduation for the Marines of Lima Company will take place on May 6, 2021 to conclude the completion of the 13-week transformation with training covering



LAKEWOOD resident Yasmine Delarosa.

drill movements, marksmanship, water survival, basic combat skills and Marines Corps customs and traditions.

Following graduation, Delarosa will attend Marine Combat Training Battalion over the course of 29 days.

and providing them with skills to pursue satisfying and productive lives. Our schools also teach our children about the richness of our culture diversity, which is

District and the La Mirada Norwalk School District for your dedication of service to our students," proclaimed Mayor Jennifer Perez, "You have a pivotal role in shaping our future leaders. We will continue to provide all the support that we can to each and every one of you."

L.A. County Libraries Continue Reopening

The Los Angeles Public Library will launch the next phase of its rolling reopening on May 3 with limited in-person services at the Central Library and 37 branch libraries across the city. Libraries will offer select services that may include quick browsing, computer access, pickup of holds and mobile printing orders, checking out of materials inside libraries, and Library To Go contactless pickup.

For a complete list of libraries and the services offered at each location, visit lapl.org/reopening. Follow #LAPLreopen for updates.

"Libraries are the civic and cultural heartbeat of our communities, and an extraordinary resource for Angelenos looking to fire up their imaginations and pursue their dreams," said Mayor Eric

Garcetti. "This is the second phase in an ongoing reopening plan that is gradually restoring library services following the closure of all libraries last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We are excited to be starting this new chapter on May 3, and we know Angelenos have missed us as much as we have missed them," said John F. Szabo, City Librarian. "We look forward to seeing our patrons return, and we're committed to offering everyone a safe and welcoming experience."

The Los Angeles Public Library serves the largest and most diverse urban population of any library in the nation through 73 libraries, more than 6 million books, and resources available at lapl.

April is Public Schools Month

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

The California Department of Education has encouraged all City Councils to proclaim April as 'Public Schools 'month.

Since 1920 this month has been dedicated to celebrate the value of public education in our community and our nation. It also provides cities the opportunity to support local heroes our teachers, staff, administrators and school board members who empower our children to become lifelong learners in an every changing society.

Public schools are responsible for instilling a love of learning to our children key to the strength of the nation. "Thank you to the Little Lake School

California public schools are facing the challenge of remote instruction, hybrid classrooms and a plethora of related health concerns of in-person learning. The city of Norwalk understands that public schools are the bedrock principle of learning. Copies of the proclamations have already been sent to both school districts.





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Grow Edamame for Better Health and Nutrition

BY MELINDA MYERS

Soybeans help promote overall health reducing the risk of high cholesterol, diabetes, heart disease, and high blood pressure. Plus, the high fiber in soy helps fight colon and some other cancers.

Edamame is an ancient Asian vegetable and is often eaten right from the pod like peanuts. Edible soybeans are also used for making tofu, tempeh, soy nut snacks and more. In addition to their high fiber content, soybean's high protein content has made them a popular meat substitute.

Soybeans can be grown in a variety of soils and climate. They tolerate adverse conditions but perform best in warm temperatures, full sun, and moist welldrained soils.

Try growing one of the edible soybean varieties such as Agate, Chiba Green, Midori Giant, and Envy. These have a better flavor and are more suited to your garden and recipes than field varieties.

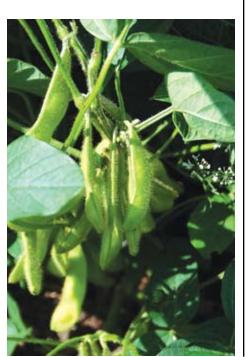
Wait for the soil to warm for quick germination and increased success. Grow edible soybeans in a sunny spot. Plant and care for them the same as you would lima beans. Plant seeds three inches apart and one to one and a half inches deep in rows 24 to 36 inches apart. Once the plants sprout and grow, thin them out by removing the weaker seedlings, so the remaining plants are six inches apart.

Harvest the soybeans when the pods

are plump, green, rough, and hairy. They are usually ready to harvest in 80 to 120 days, depending on the variety. Check frequently and pick when the seeds are fully enlarged but before they get hard. Waiting too long to harvest the seeds reduces the flavor and quality. Since all the seed filled pods usually ripen at the same time, you can pull up the whole plant and harvest the seeds from pods while sitting on a chair in the shade.

Use edamame within two to three days of harvest for the best quality. Store fresh edamame in the refrigerator in a perforated plastic bag.

Cook edamame by steaming, boiling, or microwaving the pods. Allow them to cool, then pop out the seeds to enjoy. Don't let any surplus go to waste. Blanche, then freeze whole pods or the seeds. Or dry the shelled edamame in the oven or dehydrator to use throughout the





THE HOME at 4676 Amberwood Avenue won the 2021 Summer Home Spotlight Award. The owner's uncle specializes in Japanese Garden Landscaping and ensures the pond and Japanese trees are trimmed.

STAFF REPORT

The City of La Palma recognized Christelle Watkins of 5552 Conifer Drive for winning the 2021 Spring Home Spotlight Award as well as Phil and Hiromi Woo of 4676 Amberwood Avenue for winning the 2021 Summer Home Spotlight Award.

Watkins wanted a contemporary design that required little maintenance. Starting from scratch the design featured installing artificial turf, a variety of succulent plants, and accent walls for more depth, lighting and a modern entry. Watkins was very surprised to hear her home was recognized as the Spring Home Spotlight Award, "Thank you! We have to find joy in anything we can, so I am very excited!"

The Summer 2021 Home Spotlight Award Winners, the Woo family of four have been residents for the past 14 years. The Woo's uncle specializes in Japanese Garden Landscaping and ensures the pond and Japanese trees are trimmed and kept beautiful for all to enjoy. The Woo's added solar panels four years ago to help energy efficiency.

Proud, diligent homeowners are the heart of strong, safe neighborhoods and a vibrant city. By keeping La Palma beautiful, residents like these are one of the many reasons why La Palma has been named one of the best places to live in the United States.

If you'd like to nominate a home for the Home Spotlight Award, please contact (714) 690-3350 or visit www. CityofLaPalma.org/HomeSpotlight



THE HIGH TEA table set-up at Tangata Restaurant inside Bowers Museum.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

s restrictions slowly lift and demand grows for family entertainment, the Bowers Museum in Santa Ana announced new and upcoming free admission offers for all ages.

This Mother's Day, May 9, families can treat mom with a free trip to the Bowers Museum.

Moms and grandmothers will enjoy free general admission and reduced \$10 tickets to Inside the Walt Disney Archives: 50 Years of Preserving the Magic, a specially ticketed exhibition.

Patina owned Tangata Restaurant is also celebrating moms with a limited seating High Tea inside the Museum's serene courtyard.

Elegance shines as guest enjoy a classis tea service with custom tableware, classic china and beautiful green hedges.





Guests select a tea of their choice while nibbling sweet and savory treats provided on an artful three tiered stand and a glass of prosecco or one of Patina's signature wines.

Now it their 13th year, Bowers continues to offer free general admission and reduced \$10 tickets to all Santa Ana residents on Sundays through a generous donation in memory of Dorothy Goerl and courtesy of the Lockhart Family.

Bowers is also currently offering free admission to all frontline healthcare and emergency services workers who are directly dealing with CoVID in their line of work

You simply show your work badge

A 2019 HIGH TEA Platter at Tangata with sandwiches and desserts. or business card to the Admission Desk upon arrival for one free entry into the next available time slot.

Generously sponsored by the Nicholas Endowment, Bowers Museum's free monthly festivals have gone virtual and are now streamed to thousands of viewers worldwide on Facebook and YouTube monthly at 11:00am.

The next event, virtual Fiesta de Mexico on May 30 celebrates the joyful traditions of Mexico with music by Mario and Sergio: The Cuates and guitarist Joel Aceves; dance and song by the students from Orange County School of the Arts and Relampago del Cielo Folklorico.

In addition to the museums' seven permanent exhibitions from around the globe, this spring the Bowers hosts the featured exhibitions of Treasures in Gold & Jade; Masterworks from Taiwan and Test of Medal, all of which opened during the pandemic.

Two new exhibitions featuring paintings by local female collectors and artists Gayle Roski and Ann Cullen open this summer.

Opening July 24, The Gift of Los Angeles: Memories in Watercolor by Gayle Garner Roski features 44 watercolors of her experiences growing up in the City of Angels.

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hen Artesia High was in the Suburban League, there was a time when its baseball team battled Norwalk High for the final playoff spot. In fact, that rivalry was quite intense with Artesia holding a 21-20 advantage in games played from 1999-2017.

The last time they faced each other was Apr. 13, 2017, an 8-3 Artesia win on the road. The teams were scheduled to face each other last Mar. 20, but the season had been halted by then. They renewed their rivalry last Saturday and the visiting Lancers dominated in every aspect, running away with an 8-1 victory that left them 2-1 on the young season. Norwalk stole 11 bases and benefited from six Artesia errors.

"They gave us opportunities, but that's what we're going for," said Norwalk head coach William Wenrick. "Last year, when we started winning our three games in a row, we started buying in with the bunting and the running and the delayed steals. That's something that we used to kick start our offense."

"I think it's a mental thing," said Artesia first-year head coach Jose Serrano. "Here at Artesia High School, the mental game hasn't been here for the last eight or nine years. You have to be mentally tough, and I think that's what our kids are lacking. That's something that I'm going to change. I'm going to teach them how to prepare themselves for the game [and] how it starts. The

game doesn't start with the first pitch. The game starts an hour before when we start stretching, and I think that's what it

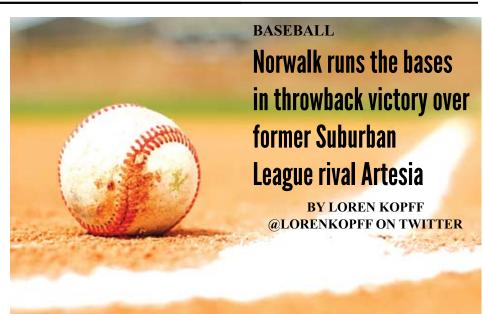
Serrano had reason to be frustrated as he was displeased with his team's warmup routine some 30 minutes prior to the start of the game. The lackluster performance carried well into the game as the Pioneers were held to one hit, which didn't come until the bottom of the sixth inning and was a two-out single from senior center fielder Jelani Hopkins.

Before that, Norwalk senior pitcher Adam Aneste was putting together a masterful performance as he faced one above the minimum through the first four innings, striking out eight batters and allowing three baserunners.

"He's really worked hard through the Covid, gaining arm strength," Wenrick said. "His problem in the past was he was afraid to always start off with a first-pitch fastball [and] jumping ahead. Now he's going after guys a little bit more. He's being a little more successful and we've only had three games. But each game, he's looked well."

Norwalk went to work early and often but didn't score until the top of the third. It began when Aneste reached on an error, stole second, advanced to third on a single from senior third baseman Christian Johnson and came home on an error, which allowed Johnson to go to second. Two pitches later, junior catcher Angel Rosales singled to bring in

The Lancers, who left 10 runners on base and had a runner in six of the



seven innings, would put the game away in the fourth inning by sending nine batters to the plate. With one out, senior right fielder Nathaniel Garcia was hit by a pitch, stole second and scored on an infield hit from sophomore center fielder Randy Martinez. Three pitches later and with Martinez on second after the seventh stolen base. Aneste and Johnson would reach on back to back errors before Aneste came home on a fielder's choice from Rosales. Norwalk would add three more runs in the fifth with the benefit of two errors, one hit and a walk.

"I think it's a lack of experience, pitching-wise," Serrano said. "I have three or four guys who have never really pitched. So, they don't know the [little slide step]. Teaching them that is going to change that. Getting them to understand they need to be quicker and throw

strikes at the same time...that's going to

If the 11 stolen bases weren't bad enough, the Pioneers (1-4) were stymied all morning by Aneste, senior Eduardo Nuno and sophomore Kaleb Nakano, who all combined to strike out 11 batters, walk three and yield just one hit. They also combined to throw 107 pitches.

"It's the speed," Serrano said. "I don't think these kids are used to seeing anybody throw 77, 78, 80 miles per hour. The last four games, everybody we've faced were throwing about 70. Teaching them the speed and how to get their foot down quicker [is what] is going to change that approach."

The lone Artesia run came with two outs in the fifth when Nuno walked sophomore left fielder Richard Saad, who would then be safe at second on an error

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BASEBALL

Cerritos Tested by Tougher Competition, Falls to Division Three Foe Millikan

BY LOREN KOPFF

LONG BEACH-If the Cerritos High baseball team wants to go deep in the CIF-Southern Section Division 3 playoffs this season, it needs to beat teams in the regular season who are in the same division or higher. Entering last Thursday's baseball game at Millikan High, the Dons were sport-ing a 7-2 record and were ranked eighth in the division while the team they were facing was the fourth-ranked team in the division.

Six of the seven victories came against teams from Divisions 4-6 with the other win was against Division 3 Mary Star of the Sea High, a 6-3 decision on Apr. 6. The Dons still have Long Beach Poly High, the ninth ranked team in Division 2, on the docket later in the season and 11 other games against

BACK.

teams from Divisions 4-7.

Cerritos head coach Brooks Walling called the Millikan game, a 4-1 loss, a measuring stick to see how the Dons can be against tougher competition. Two of the three losses thus far have come against a Division 2 team and Millikan.

"With Pacifica yesterday [and] Millikan today this is a test to see where we're at," Walling said. "We've had a weak schedule [so far]; we've handled everybody and we're fine. I want to see where we're at. We showed up. We had one bad inning versus Pacifica. We gave up [nine] sin-gles [against Millikan] and they scored four runs."

Walling said he wanted to have a tougher non-league schedule. But, because of the COVID-19 situation, a younger team this season and only six returning players from last season's squad with five of them being seniors, he had to back out of a tournament because he had a week to get ready for the season. Cerritos had practiced for two weeks before the season began and the Dons won all five of their games from a scaled-down Newport Elks Tournament, outscoring those opponents 41-19.

"Our approach this year [is] we're not worried about rankings, obviously" Walling said. "We're here to win games and compete against ourselves. We're not looking ahead; [we're] trying to play game by game."

The Dons had a chance to get on the board first with a two-out rally in the top of the first inning. Freshman third baseman Carter Chi and senior shortstop Jared Pugrad each singled, before senior pitcher Edgar Lorenzo grounded into a fielder's choice. Over the next five innings, Cerri-tos would get three runners on base with two of them

stranded at third base.

Meanwhile, the Rams got on the board in the bottom of the second when Sam DeCarlo singled, stole second and came home on a wild pitch. They would put the game away in the next inning, scoring three runs with the highlight being a two-out two-run single from Gabe Ceja. Five pitches later, a single from Anthony Godfrey plated Ceja.

In the top of the sixth, Millikan pitcher Jaden Alba walked junior catcher Owen Gott, who ad-vanced on a pair of wild pitches. But a pop-up and two flyouts ended that scoring chance. The Dons avoided the shutout in the seventh when senior first baseman Matt Rezendes singled with one out and a walk was issued to senior pinch hitter Aaron Deleon. Both would advance on a fielder's choice from freshman right

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Gahr Baseball Remains the Team to Beat in the San Gabriel Valley League

The Gahr High baseball team is going through its usual roller coaster of a nonleague season but is beginning to find comfort in the San Gabriel Valley League portion of its schedule. The Gladiators, winners of five straight league titles prior to last season, in which the season was cut short before they could play a league game, are on the early track to make it six in a

After defeating Downey High 3-1 this past Monday, the Gladiators completed the weekly sweep, shutting out the Vikings 4-0 this past Wednesday on the road. Gahr, winners of four straight games, improved to 9-8 overall and 4-0 in the SGVL. It's the third time this season Gahr has been over

Sophomore Noah Andrunas pitched six solid innings, allowing two hits and striking out three. Senior shortstop DJ Massey went two for three and drove in a run while freshman Donavan Afemata came off the bench to hit a two-run home run in the top of the seventh inning.

Gahr will face Foothill High on Saturday in a Newport Elks Tournament contest before hosting Warren High on Tuesday, Warren began this week ranked second in the CIF-Southern Section Division 3 Top 10 poll.

In other baseball news, John Glenn High, which has two games under its belt but not since Apr. 13, will host Pioneer High on Tuesday while La Mirada High posted a 13-5 win at Glendora High this past Monday, improving to 9-10. The Matadores will host Capistrano Valley Christian High today before jumping into Suburban League action on Tuesday at Bellflower High.

Valley Christian High knocked off Whittier Christian High 12-8 last Friday and will take its 9-4 overall mark into today's non-league affair at Bishop Montgomery High. The Defenders, who are 2-1 in Olympic League action, will visit Maranatha High on Tuesday in the front end of a home and home series.

SOFTBALL

It's been rough going for Artesia High and first-year head coach Ed Blanck, who was the Cerritos High head coach in 2008. The Lady Pioneers, who started six freshmen, juniors and one senior against Cerritos this past Tuesday in the 605 League opener for both, were no match for the 2019 league champions. Cerritos junior pitcher Erin Gibbs allowed one hit over three innings and struck out seven in a 15-0, five-inning victory. Gibbs also went three for three and drove in four runs while sophomore right fielder Camile Lara went three for three, scored three times and drove in a pair of runs as part of a 15-hit attack.

Following a 9-8 win against Fountain Valley High this past Wednesday in which senior first baseman Samiya Jones doubled in a pair of runs with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning, Cerritos improved to 8-1 overall. The Lady Dons, just outside the Top 10 in Division 3, hosted Whitney High on Apr. 29 and will visit Pioneer on Tuesday. Artesia (0-2) hosts Oxford Academy today and will visit Whitney on Tuesday.

Gahr was stunned by Downey 6-3 this past Tuesday in the SGVL opener as the Lady Gladiators, ranked 10th in Division 1, fell to 7-3 overall. It was the first league loss for Gahr since the final league game of the 2018 season, also at Downey, and just the third loss in the past 50 SGVL outings. Gahr hosted Dominguez High on Apr. 29 and will entertain Murrieta Mesa High on Saturday, Orange Lutheran High on Monday and Lynwood High on Tuesday before travelling to Warren on Thursday.

Glenn slammed Whitney 27-1 this past Tuesday to improve to 4-0 overall. The



Lady Eagles, who have outscored three opponents 45-3 thus far with the other victory coming by way of a forfeit, hosted Pioneer on Apr. 29 and will be home to Oxford Academy on Tuesday.

La Mirada knocked off JSerra High 5-1 last Saturday to move its mark to 5-1. The Lady Mats will visit Millikan High today and host St. Paul High on Saturday before visiting Bellflower on Tuesday.

Norwalk High lost a chance to reach .500 for the first time this season as Mayfair High defeated the Lady Lancers 8-1 this past Tuesday in the Suburban League opener. Norwalk dropped to 3-5 overall as it will face the Monsoons again on the road

It's been rough going for V.C., which has been shutout in its last two games and six times this season. The Lady Defenders (1-9) travelled to Maranatha on Apr. 29 in the Olympic League opener and hope to get back on track. They will also host Village Christian High on Tuesday.

The top area basketball news comes out of Cerritos where the boys won their fourth straight game, after a 56-40 conquest at Pioneer this past Tuesday. Since moving to the 605 League, the Dons are 22-1. Before the game, the Cerritos girls were defeated 78-55 and dropped their record to 1-4 overall with two losses coming in league action. Since joining the league, the Lady Dons are 17-6.

The top area soccer news centers around Valley Christian and its dominance in the Olympic League. The V.C. boys blanked Whittier Christian 5-0 this past Tuesday to move to 11-1-1 overall and 6-0-0 in league action. The last time a V.C. boys team lost a league game was Jan. 19, 2018, a 2-1 setback to Maranatha. Since then, the Defenders have gone 16-0-5 in league action.

V.C. is ranked eighth in Division 5 and will wrap up the regular season hosting Village Christian today and visiting Heritage Christian High on Tuesday.

Even more remarkable are the V.C. girls, who posted a 6-0 win at Whittier Christian this past Monday to improve to 10-0-2 overall and 6-0-0 in the circuit. It's the seventh straight shutout for the Lady Defenders and ninth this season. V.C. is on target for its fifth straight league championship and since the program's last league loss on Feb. 5, 2016, a 2-0 affair at Maranatha, V.C. has gone 32-0-4, including

V.C., ranked second in Division 4, will be at Village Christian today and entertain Heritage Christian on Tuesday before hosting Sage Hill High on Thursday.

Elsewhere, the CIF State office this past Wednesday announced the calendar for the Season 2 sports championships with Southern California Regional Championships being offered for baseball, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls golf, boys and girls soccer, boys and girls tennis and boys volleyball. The last day for section plays range anywhere from May 29 for soccer and tennis to June 19 for baseball and softball. The last day for regional championships ranges from June 5 for soccer and tennis to June 26 for baseball and softball.

The state office also announced that there will not be state championships for swimming and diving, track and field and wrestling.

NORWALK from page 10

when sophomore first baseman Francisco Sandoval reached on a fielder's choice, loading the bases. Saad would later come home on a wild pitch. In all, Artesia had eight runners reach base and stranded half of them on the basepaths.

Johnson went three for five and scored twice while six other players all had a hit apiece. Aneste scored three times as the Lancers got a late start to the short season, not to mention they have to practice off campus as a new state of the art baseball field is still under construction. The Lancers will play all their 2021 games on the road.

"It's been really rough because with our field still being built, last year they were able to bus us over to Holifield [Park]," Wenrick said. "So, we were able to practice at Holifield on a regular field. Now, without the bussing, we just go to [Corvallis] Middle School which has a little league field. That's been the roughest part for us the last two or three weeks.

"Our defense seems to be pretty solid," he continued. "But our hitting, sometimes, can go either way."

The Lancers, who fell to Mayfair High 10-7 this past Tuesday, will face the Monsoons again today before taking next week off. The next time Norwalk will be in action after the Mayfair game will be May 11 when it travels to Firebaugh High for the first of its final six games of the regular season.

"Sure, we would have liked to have more games, but it's great that we're out here," Wenrick said. "I feel really good for our seniors. I have two more kids not here today; two more sophomores. I'm carrying six sophomores this year. So,

[the future] looks bright coming up with the new field and everything like that. We'll just see if we can win a few games in league here and get ourselves going."

Artesia was no-hit by Cerritos High senior Matt Rezendes in a 19-0 decision this past Tuesday and will travel to Cerritos today before travelling to Oxford Academy on Tuesday. In the six games played this season, the Pioneers have been held to a run or fewer four times and have allowed at least 10 runs three times.

"I'm glad we're starting against Cerritos," Serrano said. "The kids are going to look at it like, 'this is the team to beat'. This is a team that if we want to win the 605 League, this is the team we want to play. I'm glad we're facing them right away so they know that if we ever want to compete in this league, Cerritos is the team we want to beat."

CERRITOS from page 10

fielder Johann Gibbs, which would be followed by a base hit from Gott.

"That's the advantage teams like Millikan have," Walling said. "These big 5,000 [plus] enrollment schools... they go to a lefty to face our threehole [pitcher] and we don't have that opportunity. We're scrapping and we're one hit away from tying that game up."

The Dons, who got four hits against Millikan, began 605 League competition this past Tuesday at Artesia and came away with a 19-0 victory that pushed their record to 8-3. Rezendes threw a nohitter against the Pioneers and the Dons collected a dozen hits. Cerritos will host Artesia to-day before visiting Paramount High on Monday and Wednesday.

Roberta O'Hara **June 21, 1964 - April 18, 2021**

Roberta O'Hara, aged 56, passed away peacefully on April 18, 2021.

Roberta was born to Armando and Rosemary Castaneda on June 21, 1964 and was raised in La Mirada.

Roberta was married to George O'Hara for 32 years and they had one child together, Taylor Rose O'Hara.

She opened her heart to stepchildren, Brian, and Kathy O'Hara.

Roberta and George resided in Henderson, NV. She began her career in Orange County, CA and honed her skills in payroll and human resources management.

Roberta truly enjoyed her work and colleagues at Nevada Legal Services as Payroll and HR Manager where she worked for the last 12 years just before passing.

To all those who knew Roberta, she was a devoted mother and wife, loving sister, daughter, and friend.

Roberta was smart, sharp, vibrant, funny, and always up for an adventure.

She enjoyed life to its fullest and took advantage of the myriad of shows and music in Las Vegas, river trips in Bull Head City with family, weekly trivial pursuit tournaments, and adventures from New York to Oregon with family, friends, and cousins.

When she wasn't working or traveling, she was dedicated to her health and fitness and enjoyed all types of fitness classes.

She had a beautiful, fun, engaging spirit and was always the life of the party.



Roberta fought courageously through her battle with breast cancer and though her light no longer shines on earth, Roberta's eternal life gives those she leaves behind great comfort.

The family will be having a "Celebration of Life" to honor this wonderful lady who we all sorely miss: Saturday, May 29, 2021 10:30 a.m. at Saint Killian Catholic Church, 26872 Estanciero Drive, Mission Viejo, CA 92691.

Donations can be made to City of Hope in lieu of flowers. City of Hope.

NAVA from page 1

phone video that surfaced shot by a person on their daily walk the day Aisha died. Sources are telling HMG-CN that the video shows the coroner and others investigating the crime scene with Aisha's body there. Presumably the investigators had not moved the body so they would not alter or contaminate the crime scene.

According to the source, the video shows the body was under the bridge, completely inconsistent with the initial suicide report by the investigators.

The LASD immediately sent a letter blasting the HMG-CN report as filled with false information. Now the LASD has some explaining to do.

HMG-CN has learned from sources that Aisha's family, not wanting to wait, hired an independent pathologist to examine Aisha's body.. Vidal Herrera, who has over 30 years of experience, and who is examining Aisha without pay, told the family he could tell by looking at Aisha that it was not a suicide.

"This girl fought, I didn't have to think twice when I saw her, she was defending herself," Herrera told the source. Herrera said that Aisha had several bruises on her body and material under her fingerprints, indicating a major struggle with the assailants. HMG-CN has a channel into Sheriff Villanueva but he has not responded.

MASKS from page 1

science shows: If you're vaccinated, you can do so safely unmasked," said CDC Director Rachel Walensky.

The CDC has already said fully vaccinated people can meet with other fully vaccinated people indoors without wearing masks.

Still Wear a Mask....

Fully vaccinated people should still be masked when doing the following things, which are now considered safe:

Riding public transit with limited occupancy; visiting a barber or hair salon; going to a small, indoor gathering of unvaccinated people from multiple households; an uncrowded mall or museum; attending a full-capacity church service; going to an indoor movie theater; participating in an indoor, high-intensity exercise class; singing in an indoor chorus; and eating at an indoor restaurant

The are obviously less safe for unvaccinated people, even if they are

masked, the CDC says. Masks should still be worn in crowds

"We continue to recommend masking in crowded outdoor settings and venues, such as packed stadiums and concerts, where there is decreased ability to maintain physical distance and where many unvaccinated people may also be present. We will continue to recommend this until widespread vaccination is achieved," Walensky said.

What it means to be 'fully vaccinated' People are considered to be "fully vaccinated" if it has been two weeks since they have received their second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, or if it has been two weeks since they have received their sole Johnson & Johnson vaccine dose.

PICO from page 1

9,000 residential meters and 439 commercial meters and has an extensive and complex water system including eight active groundwater wells, eight booster pumps, three storage tanks, and approximately 98 miles of distribution

pipes.

In December of 2019, the city contracted with IMEG Corp. to prepare a master plan update. IMEG developed a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) as part of the master plan.

IMEG identified that a staggering \$117 million was needed for capital improvements.

In addition, the plan found that nearly \$38 million in critical projects must be implemented over the next five years to increase reliability, provide backup, and address deficient infrastructure.

Projects included \$14 million towards the PFAS Treatment System, \$16.5 million in infrastructure replacement or repairs, and \$6.6 million towards new storage tanks.

Staff concluded that without the increases, the current water revenue is not sufficient to fund projects under the current rate structure and that the incremental increases will adequately fund necessary projects.

The city must comply with Prop. 218 in order to raise rates and must take specific steps including proper notification.

The increase must be distributed to all affected customers a minimum of 45-days prior to the public hearing. The property owners have the right to submit written protests, with said protests submitted to the City Clerk no later than the conclusion of the public hearing June

If 50 percent plus one written protests are received, or 4,718, the city cannot implement the proposed water rates.

The schedule to eventually increase rates will be to adopt a resolution for the Prop 218 proceedings at the April 27 meeting which the City council did.

Next is the distribution of the increase notices starting April 30, finally holding

By DAVID

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the June 22 public hearing.

If the protest letters do not reach 50 percent plus one, the first rate increase will become effective July 1, 2022.

LA PALMA from page 1

wrestling team at Kennedy High, they need fundraising like the sale of fireworks for their tournaments."

The council voted to ban fireworks in the city on a 4-1 vote, thus dashing the hope of local organizations who sell fireworks to raise funds.

In other news, the council discussed the restarting of public events. Staff presented Central Park Cinema to be held in the park every Friday in July. Staff is currently researching resident's interest in the program.

Staff also gave a presentation on La Palma's home-based business license policy, which was established, and remains the same, in 1982.

Due to the COVID pandemic, many are working from home, and might remain there, surprisingly, the ordinance does not break out home businesses into subcategories like it does for traditional

The City Council approved the change to the ordinance pending suggestions

CalMet Offers Free Bulky Item Pickup in Cerritos

The City's trash hauler, CalMet Services, Inc., offers free bulky item and electronic waste pickups.

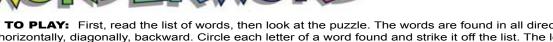
Bulky items are large items that will not fit into the trash and recycling containers. These include household appliances, mattresses, furniture and miscellaneous bulky items such as metal pipes, wood and carpet. Miscellaneous bulky items must be cut to 4 feet in length and bundled with string, and may not exceed a weight of 50 pounds. Pickup is also available for additional bagged or bundled waste and green waste that will not fit into the trash or recycling containers.

Electronic waste, such as computers, monitors, televisions and cell phones, can also be scheduled for curbside pickup. Cell phones should be placed in a box on the curb.

To schedule a bulky item or electronic waste pickup, call CalMet's Customer Services Department at (562) 259-1239 at least 24 hours prior to your regular trash service day. Specify what types of items are to be removed. CalMet requests that each bulky item or electronic waste pickup not exceed five items. Residents who schedule a bulky item or electronic waste pickup should place the items at the curb no earlier than sunset the night prior to the regular trash collection day and no later than 7 a.m. on the morning of the scheduled pickup.

Items not eligible for bulky item pickup include construction material, tires, car and boat parts and other hazardous waste.

Before scheduling a bulky-item or electronic waste pickup, consider donating usable goods to charity. Call Goodwill Industries at (800) GOODWILL or the Salvation Army at (800) SA-TRUCK to donate items.



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

Stargazing

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> Solution: 6 letters



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PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS 2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE

CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Hawaiian Gardens, California, is seeking proposals from qualified Consultants to prepare a HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE for the 2021-2029 planning period. These services consist of preparing a draft and final Housing Element and associated documents. The general items of service to be done hereunder consist of but are not limited to, assisting with local agency coordination, assisting with stakeholder outreach, communication with staff, preparation of required work products, preparation of CEQA documents, preparation of reports

The Request for Proposal (RFP) document can be obtained online at https://www.hgcity.org/Home/Components/News/News/191/16

For questions regarding the RFP, please contact Kevin M. Nguyen, Associate Planner II, via email at knguyen@hgcity.org

Proposal responses are due **Monday, May 17, 2021** no later than 5:00 PM PST to:

City of Hawaiian Gardens

Attention: City Clerk RE: Housing Element Update 21815 Pioneer Boulevard Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Community Development Department at (562) 420-2641 Extension 246. Si desea obtener mas informacion, llame al Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad al (562) 420-2641 Ext 246.

Kevin M. Nguyen, Associate Planner II

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CITY OF COMMERCE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMERCIAL CANNABIS PERMIT APPLICATION AMENDED AND RESTATED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT TO REPLACE **DEVELOPMENT AGREMEENT NO. 715**

Pursuant to California Government Code §§ 65867, 65090, and 6061, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A PUBLIC HEARING to be held on May 11, 2021 before the City Council of the City of Commerce for the consideration of a First Reading of an Uncodified Ordinance Approving an Amended and Restated Development Agreement to replace Development Agreement No. 715 [Commercial Cannabis Permit)] for Commercial Cannabis Activities on May 11, 2021 as required by California Government Code §§65090 and 65867.

Project Description: Development Agreement No. 715 allows for Manufacturing and Distribution of commercial cannabis products at 6445 Bandini Blvd., Commerce, CA 90040. The amended and restated Development Agreement would include the following primary modifications: 1) Change of Ownership, 2) Change of Business Name, 3) Change of Location, and 4) addition of Cultivation as a license type. A copy of the proposed amended and restated Development Agreement with all proposed amendments will be available on the City's website and with the City Clerk's Office. The following is the address for the proposed new location:

Proposed Site Location: 2700 Yates Ave., Commerce, California 90040

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

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY COUNCIL

SAID PUBLIC HEARING MEETING: A virtual meeting will be held via Teleconference during a special City Council hearing on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., at which time proponents and opponents of the amended and restated Development Agreement will be heard.

Further, in the interest of maintaining appropriate social distancing, and restricting gatherings of over ten (10) people, due to the health risks associated with COVID-19 pursuant to Federal, State and County orders, directives and/or guidelines, this meeting is closed to the public and will instead be streamed live, accessible at www.ci.commerce.ca.us. Members of the public may participate telephonically by calling and submitting their comments at 323-887-4442, or may submit written comments through email at cityclerk@ci.commerce.ca.us.

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

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

City Manager Edgar Cisneros

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CITY OF COMMERCE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMERCIAL CANNABIS PERMIT APPLICATION AMENDED AND RESTATED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT TO REPLACE **DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 718**

Pursuant to California Government Code §§ 65867, 65090, and 6061, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A PUBLIC HEARING** to be held on May 11, 2021 before the City Council of the City of Commerce for the consideration of a First Reading of an Uncodified Ordinance Approving an Amended and Re-stated Development Agreement to replace **Development Agreement No.** 718, [Commercial Cannabis Permit (CCP)] for Commercial Cannabis Activities on May 11, 2021 as required by California Govern-ment Code §§65090 and 65867.

Project Description: Development Agreement No. 718 allows for Manufacturing, Cultivation, Distri-bution, and Non-storefront Retail Delivery of commercial cannabis products at 4220 E. Washington Blvd., Commerce, CA 90040. The proposed amended and restated Development Agreement would include the following primary modifications: 1) Change in Location, and 2) Change of Ownership. A copy of the proposed amended and restated Development Agreement with all proposed amend-ments will be available on the City's website and with the City Clerk's Office. The following is the ad-dress for the proposed new location:

Proposed Site Location: 2827 Supply Ave., Commerce, CA 90040

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

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CITY OF ARTESIA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the City Council of the City of Artesia will hold a Public Hearing to consider the following item at the Adjourned Regular City Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 2021. The meeting will be held by teleconference only and can be viewed live over the internet at https://artesia.12milesout.com/livevideo Public comments may be submitted by email to **publiccomments@cityofartesia.us**, or by voicemail to (562) 865-6262, extension 200. Please submit email and voicemail public comments by 5:00 p.m. on the date of the meeting to ensure that the comments are read into the record.

Case No. 2020-14 (Conditional Use Permit) 17720 Pioneer Boulevard Pravin Patel

1032 E 7th Street, Long Beach, CA 90813

A request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a banquet hall in an existing commercial building located at 17720 Pioneer Boulevard in the Commercial General (C-G) Zone and making a determination of a Class 1, Categorical Exemption from (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines. Resolution No. 2021-02P

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

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Ernesto Sanchez City Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the City Council of the City of Artesia will hold a Public dearing to consider the following item at the Adjourned Regular City Council Meeting at 1:00 p.m. on May 10, 2021. The meeting will be held by teleconference only and can be viewed live over the internet at https://artesia.12milesout.com/livevideo Public comments may be submitted by email to <u>publiccomments@cityofartesia.us</u>, or by voicemail to (562) 865-6262, extension 200. Please submit email and voicemail public comments by 5:00 p.m. on the date of the meeting to ensure that the comments are read into the record.

Case No. 2021-03 City of Artesia 18747 Clarkdale Ave, Artesia, CA 90701

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ARTESIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING VARIOUS

City-Wide Code Amendment (Various)

REGULATIONS IN TITLE 9 (PLANNING AND ZONING) OF THE ARTESIA MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING INCREASING THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE FENCE AND WALL HEIGHT FOR PROPERTIES ADJACENT TO THE LOS ANGELES METRO RAIL RIGHT OF WAY FROM 6 FEET TO 9 FEET, PERMITTING REVERSE VENDING MACHINE(S) AND VENDING MACHINES UP TO 50 SQ. FT IN THE COMMERCIAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT (C-P-D) ZONE AND MAKING A DETERMINATION OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION UNDER THE CEQA GUIDELINES.

Resolution No. 2021-03P

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

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Ernesto Sanchez City Clerk

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City of Pico Rivera Municipal Water System NOTICE OF WATER RATE INCREASE April 30, 2021

Notice is hereby given that at a public meeting the Pico Rivera City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 6615 Passons Blvd, Pico Rivera, California, to consider proposed increases to the water rates and charges applicable to the City's Municipal Water System, the Pico Rivera Water Authority (PRWA).

As a public agency, the revenues collected from rates must adequately fund PRWA operations, maintenance, capital improvement projects, and compliance with existing or new State of California regulations; mitigate droughts; and meet environmental standards. The immediate needs over the next five years include:

-Ensure Safe Drinking Water: PRWA needs to continue investing in water treatment and testing techniques to ensure drinking water remains safe for current and future customers.

-Rebuild an Aging Water System: Upgrade operational efficiencies with approximately 112 specific projects, such as upgrading water wells, water pipes, and altitude valves.

PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENT. California State Law requires the mailing of notices to record property owners (no less than 45 days in advance of a hearing) of a proposed modification to water rates.

PROPOSED CHARGES

The City of Pico Rivera is your water service provider. The present charges have been in effect since June 30, 2018. The City proposes to increase the charges beginning July 1, 2021.

ACTUAL CHARGE FOR YOUR SERVICE ADDRESS. Using a 5/8 inch water meter as an example (which represents 86.4% of all meters), the service charge imposed will increase from \$37.06 bi-monthly to \$37.76 bi-monthly, and the commodity charge imposed will increase from \$3.91 per 100 cubic feet of water used to \$4.32 per 100 cubic feet (hcf) of water used, for the first 10% increase starting July 1, 2021. The actual total charge which will be imposed through the bill for water service is calculated by adding the service charge to the amount of the commodity charge multiplied by the amount of water used at your property. The net increase to your water bill is estimated to be \$6.42 monthly, \$12.83 bi-monthly, or \$153.98 per year, based on 12 hcf.

CURRENT AND PROPOSED CHARGES. The charge for water service has two components: a flat service charge and a commodity charge. The service charge applies to each service connection to cover costs connected with the ability to make water immediately available to your service address. The service charge covers utility costs, labor and the cost for equipment and materials, reading meters, preparing and mailing bills and notices, repair and maintenance to the water system, and other fixed costs of providing service. The commodity charge is the rate charged per 100 cubic feet and is directly related to the amount of water actually used. These are the current and proposed charges:

	Meter Service		Commodity per 100 cubic feet	
Meter Size	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed
5/8"	\$37.06	\$37.76	\$3.91	\$4.32
3/4"	\$37.06	\$37.76	\$3.91	\$4.32
1"	\$49.47	\$59.04	\$3.91	\$4.32
1 1/2"	\$91.38	\$73.22	\$3.91	\$4.32
2"	\$138.40	\$144.14	\$3.91	\$4.32
3"	\$357.15	\$711.49	\$3.91	\$4.32
4"	\$901.82	\$1,420.68	\$3.91	\$4.32
6"	\$1,799.17	\$2,271.71	\$3.91	\$4.32
8"	\$2,696.53	\$3,973.76	\$3.91	\$4.32
10"	\$3,598.38	\$7,803.39	\$3.91	\$4.32

Private Fire Service					
	Meter Service		Commodity Per 100 Cubic Feet		
Meter Size	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	
4"	\$66.97	\$19.60	\$3.91	\$4.32	
6"	\$100.46	\$52.54	\$3.91	\$4.32	
8"	\$133.94	\$109.35	\$3.91	\$4.32	
10"	\$156.26	\$194.82	\$3.91	\$4.32	

*8,110 of 9,385 meters are 5/8 inch size meters. The larger meters typically serve commercial properties and large multifamily residential buildings.

EFFECTIVE DATES OF WATER RATE INCREASES. The proposed water rate increases will be effective as

ows.	
July 1, 2021	10% increase
July 1, 2022	10% increase
July 1, 2023	10% increase
July 1, 2024	10% increase
July 1, 2025	10% increase

ADDITIONAL ANNUAL CPI WATER RATE INCREASES.

The proposed water rates above will include additional automatic increases for consumer price index (CPI) to be effective as follows

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July 1, 2026	increase in accordance with CPI for Los Angeles, CA area
July 1, 2027	increase in accordance with CPI for Los Angeles, CA area
July 1, 2028	increase in accordance with CPI for Los Angeles, CA area
July 1, 2029	increase in accordance with CPI for Los Angeles, CA area
July 1, 2030	increase in accordance with CPI for Los Angeles, CA area

The above increases are required to achieve minimum cash flow needs to pay bondholders, capital improvements, inflation, and operational costs.

BASIS FOR THE CHARGES. The charges are based on the need to generate sufficient revenue to cover all of the actual costs of providing water service, including required repairs which the previous owner failed to make and upgrading of the water system needed to improve service. The charges are calculated on the basis that 30% of the revenue will be generated by the service charge and 70% by the commodity charge. The costs are made up of five components: (1) the operational costs incurred by the City to operate the water system such as the cost of purchasing water and operating pumps and wells, (2) the costs incurred directly by the City in operating the water system such as engineering costs to design improvements, (3) costs relating to bonds which were issued to pay for the required repairs and improvements, (4) costs to maintain an adequate cash reserve, and (5) costs for capital improvements which will not

REASON FOR THE CHARGES. The charges will permit the City to provide your property with water and to continue repairing and upgrading the water system. The revenue generated by the charges will be used only for the operation of the water system. The City is prohibited by law from using such revenue for any other purpose.

PROPOSITION 218 — WRITTEN PROTEST.

A Public Hearing on the proposed water rate increase will be held on June 22, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 6615 Passons Blvd, Pico Rivera, CA 90660. Members of the public may come to the Public Hearing and provide oral testimony regarding the proposed rates.

In addition, any property owner whose property will be subject to the new rates may submit a written protest. One written protest will be counted per identified parcel. The proposed rates will not be adopted if protests are received from more than fifty percent (50%) of affected properties. Written protests may be submitted by mail or in person to:

City Clerk, City of Pico Rivera, 6615 Passons Blvd, Pico Rivera, CA 90660

Protests may also be brought to the Public Hearing (date and time noted above) and must be received by the City Clerk prior to the conclusion of the Public Hearing. Any written protest must:

- (1) state that the identified property owner is in opposition to the proposed rate increase;
- (2) identify the affected property by its Assessor's Parcel Number or address;
- (3) identify the property owner; and
- (4) include the property owner's signature.

If the person protesting was not shown on the Los Angeles County's last equalized assessment roll as the property owner of record, provide written evidence that the person is the property owner (example: current copy of City Service Bill).

QUESTIONS & MORE INFORMATION. If you have questions or want more information, please call the City of Pico Rivera Finance Director at (562) 801-4391.

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NOTICE INVITING BIDS TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FEDERAL PROJECT NO. HSIPL-5351 (035) <u>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 21353</u>

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Pico Rivera, California ("City") invites sealed Bids for the Traffic Signal Improvements, Federal Project No. HSIPL-5351 (035), Capital Improvement Project No. 21353 (Project). The City will receive such Bids at the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 6615 Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California 90660 up to 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 2, 2021, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

All Bids must be made on the form furnished by the City. Each Bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to the City Clerk with the Project name and identification number typed or clearly printed on the lower left corner of the envelope. The sealed bids shall be clearly marked as **SEALED** BIDS. Bids must remain valid and shall not be subject to withdrawal for 90 calendar days after the Bid opening date.

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. This Work will be performed in strict conformance with the Contract Documents, permits from regulatory agencies with jurisdiction, and applicable regulations. The general items of work include removal and construction of traffic signal poles, foundations, equipment, conduit, pull boxes, and other traffic signal related equipment; removal and construction of new curb, gutter, sidewalks, curb ramps, traffic signage, traffic striping and pavement markings, and all appurtenant work items not mentioned that are required by the plans and specifications. The quantity of Work to be performed and materials to be furnished are approximations only, being given as a basis for the comparison of Bids. Actual quantities of Work to be performed may vary at the discretion of the City Engineer. Time for completion of the Work is one hundred sixty (160) total Working Days from the date specified in the Notice 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 http://www.pico-rivera.org/rfps/ Hard copies of the Contract Documents are not available at this time.

LICENSES. Each Bidder shall possess a valid Class "A" Contractor's license or "C10" specialty license issued by the California State Contractors License Board necessary for the performance of all Work to be performed at the time of the Bid submission, unless this Project has any federal funding, in which case the successful Bidder must possess such a license at the time of Contract award. The successful Contractor must also possess a current City business license.

DBE GOAL. In accordance with 49 CFR Part 26.45, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT). the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Caltrans regulations, a DBE Goal of 10% has been established for this project.

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 http://www.pico-rivera.org/rfps/. Materials substitutions or questions are acceptable until 4:00 pm on or before Tuesday, May 18, 2021. Any questions or equivalent material or substitution request of construction materials submitted after May 18, 2021 will not be answered. Questions and answers and/or any responses to material substitution request will be issued by May 25, 2021 as an addendum. Any addenda and/or supplemental information, as applicable will be posted online and available at http://www.pico-rivera.org/rfps/. 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. Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda documentation (if any) with the submitted bid proposal.

CITY PROJECT MANAGER CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name: Kenner Guerrero, Project Manager Contact Number: 562-801-4351 E-mail: kguerrero@pico-rivera.org

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NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: ALIENATED UNIVERSE 15224 FAIRVILLA DR., LAMIRADA. CA., 90638. Registered Owner: WILLIAM ALEXANDER AGUILAR, 15224 FAIRVILLA DR., LAMIRADA, CA., 90638. THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS AN INDIVIDUAL. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business na or names listed above: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ WILLIAM ALEXANDER AGUILAR. This statem was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MAR. 30, 2021. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the ights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 4/16, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: ROLLCALL LIFESTYLE, 17412 SYBRANDY AVE., CERRITOS CA., 90703. Registered Owner: ROY HEEJIN CHANG, 7412 SYBRANDY AVE., CERRITOS, CA., 90703. THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS AN INDIVIDUAL. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ROY HEEJIN CHANG.. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MAR. 31, 2021. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 4/10, 4/16, 4/23, 4/30/21

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINIS-TER ESTATE OF

PAUL G. WARREN AKA PAUL GRAYSON WARREN

CASE NO. 21STPB03228

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contin-gent creditors, and persons who may other-wise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of PAUL G. WARREN AKA PAUL GRAYSON WARREN.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MARGARET SUE RODRIGUEZ in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGEgent creditors, and persons who may other-wise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of PAUL

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MARGARET SUE RODRIGUEZ be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate

THE PETITION requests authority to admin-ister the estate under the Independent Ad-ministration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court ap-proval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representa-tive will be required to give notice to inter-ested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) personal representative will be required to give indice to inter-ested persons alices an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/07/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 4 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the peti-tion, 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 knowl-ee California law.

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

Attorney for Petitioner
PAUL JAY FUKUSHIMA - SBN 065868
LAW OFFICES OF PAUL JAY FUKUSHIMA 12749 NORWALK BLVD., SUITE 111 NORWALK CA 90650 4/16, 4/23, 4/30/21

A MIRADA LAMPLIGHTER

CNS-3458873#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

YONG PENG LAO AKA YONGPENG LAO AKA VICTOR LAO CASE NO. 21STPB03235

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

PENG LAO AKA YONGPENG LAO AKA VICTOR LAO.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by GRACE XIAO LAO in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that GRACE XIAO LAO be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/13/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 79 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES,

CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the

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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 \$60; but 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

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

Attorney for Petitioner

JOHN B. JAKLE, ESQ. - SBN 049540 JAKLE & ALEXANDER, LLP 1250 6TH STREET, SUITE 300

SANTA MONICA CA 90401

BSC 219735 4/16, 4/23, 4/30/21

CNS-3458934# LOS CERRITOS COMMUNITY NEWS

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

SABINO F. BRUNO AKA SAM BRUNO CASE NO. 20STPB04164

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of SABINO F. BRUNO AKA SAM BRUNO.

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

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

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/21/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 2D located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with

the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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

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

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

Attorney for Petitioner EUGENE A. GLEASON, III

SBN 096415

15615 E. IMPERIAL HWY.

SUITE 202A

LA MIRADA CA 90638 4/23, 4/30, 5/7/21

CNS-3463062# LA MIRADA LAMPLIGHTER

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF

DAVID MARQUEZ ASE NO. 21STPB0396

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be inter-ested in the WILL or estate, or both of

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MI-CHAEL ANTHONY MARQUEZ in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MI-CHAEL ANTHONY MARQUEZ be appointed as per-sonal representative to adminis

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/25/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 44 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES CA 90012

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

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 ap-pointed 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 sec-tion 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.

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Attorney for Petitioner PAUL HORN, ESQ. - SBN 243227

PAUL HORN LAW GROUP, PC 11404 SOUTH STREET

CERRITOS CA 90703 4/30 5/7 5/14/21

LOS CERRITOS COMMUNITY NEWS

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF:

YONG PENG LAO AKA YONGPENG LAO AKA VictimTOR LAO

CASE NO. 21STPB03235

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be inter-ested in the WILL or estate, or both of YONG PENG LAO AKA YONGPENG LAO AKA VictimTOR LAO.

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

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Es-tates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtain-ing court approval. Before taking certain very im-portant 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

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Attorney for Petitioner JOHN B. JAKLE, ESQ. - SBN 049540 JAKLE & ALEXANDER, LLP 1250 6TH STREET, SUITE 300 SANTA MONICA CA 90401 BSC 219735 4/16, 4/23, 4/30/21

CNS-3458934# LOS CERRITOS COMMUNITY NEWS

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

TERRANCE LEE SHEPPARD

CASE NO. 21STPB03445

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of TERRANCE LEE SHEPPARD.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CHRISTINA ERICKSON-TAUBE in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CHRISTINA ERICKSON-TAUBE be appointed as personal representative to administer he estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/14/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 44 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with

the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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.

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Attorney for Petitioner JEFFREY A. COLEMAN - SBN 209669 THE COLEMAN FIRM PC 417 31ST STREET, UNIT B NEWPORT BEACH CA 92663

BSC 219778 4/23 4/30 5/7/21

CNS-3461329# LA MIRADA LAMPLIGHTER

THE BEST SERVICE CO., ETC VS OKAMOTO, MITSUMASA/ AKIKO CASE NO: VC032122R

Under a writ of Execution issued on 03/17/20. Out of the L.A. SUPERIOR COURT, NORWALK, of the SOUTHEAST DISTRICT, County of Los Angeles, State of California, on a judgment entered on 10/15/2002; judgment renewed on 7/9/2008 and 6/26/2018. In favor of WV SPE 2018-3A, LLC, AS ASSIGNEE and against OKAMOTO, MITSUMASA; OKAMOTO, AKIKO

showing a net balance of \$204,268.60 actually due on said judgment. (Amount subject to revision)

I have levied upon all the right, title and interest of said judgment debtor(s) in the property in the County of Los Angeles,

State of California, described as follows LOT 60 OF TRACT 30003 AS PER MAP RECORD-ED IN BOOK 801, PAGES 41 TO 43 INCLUSIVE OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE

OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER, REAL PROPERTY LOCAT-ED IN THE CITY OF CERRITOS. APN: 7055-020-019 Commonly known as: 12046 BERTHA STREET, CERRITOS, CA 90703-7519

Public notice is hereby given that I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United

States all the right, title and interest of the debtor(s) in the above de-scribed property or so much as will be sufficient to satisfy said writ or warrant with interest and all costs on 06/16/21, 10:00 AM at the following loca-tion. STANLEY MOSK COURTHOUSE

111 N. HILL STREET, ROOM 125B LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 This sale is subject to a minimum bid in the amount of \$637,500.00. (Subject to revision) (XXX)

Prospective bidders should refer to sections 701.510 to 701.680, inclusive, of the Code of Civil Procedure for provisions governing the terms, conditions and effect of the sale and the liability of defaulting bidders.

Creditor's Attorney VERUS LAW GROUP, APC HOLLY WALKER 2623 W. MANCHESTER BLVD.

INGLEWOOD, CA 90305 Dated: 04/22/21 Branch: Los Angeles ALEX VILLANUEVA Sheriff

By: MISTY DOUGLAS, Deputy

Operator Id: 533834 Para obt

er esta informacion-traduccion en Espanol llame a este numero: (213) 972-3950 NOTE: IT IS A MISDEMEANOR TO TAKE DOWN OR DEFACE A POSTED NOTICE BEFORE THE DATE OF SALE

Penal Code sec-tion 616)

CN977397 VC032122 R Apr 30, May 7,14, 2021

Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice US Storage Centers - Commerce - Olympic located at 5415 E. Olympic Blvd. Commerce CA 90022 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagetreasures.com on 5/20/2021 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Adriana Corona; Alejandro Aranda Sanchez; Amelia Flores; Barbara Velasquez; Carlos Ramirez Martinez; Cesar Lopez; Christopher Gonzalez; Daniel Huerta; David Arguello; Dora Morales Rios; Faustino Gomez; Frank Gallardo; Guadalupe Ganoa Sanchez; Issac Daniel Garcia; Iveth A Espinoza Castro; Juan Manuel Rodriguez; Maria de Los Angeles Mendez; Mary Tessier; Norma C Lara; Rene Flores (2 units); Rosa Naranjo Garcia; Sylvia Victoria Lopez; Victor Hernandez. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details.

Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice US Storage Centers – Cerritos located at 16015 Piuma Ave. Cerritos, CA 90703 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via <u>www.storagetreasures.com</u> on 5/20/2021 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. David Emanuel Burnham; Delfino Bucio Flores; Jayson Pete Melendez. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details.

WISTERIA

in bloom at RLC. Outdoor activities

include outdoor

markets & picnic areas.

Wisteria in Bloom at Rancho Los Cerritos

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

The wisteria blooms at Rancho Los Cerritos are at their peak this month. It is the perfect time to stroll the gardens, shop the outdoor market featuring reclaimed wooden products, have a picnic, take a tour or go on a family scavenger hunt.

In 1784 a Spanish soldier, Manuel Nieto, received a land grant of 300,000

acres as a reward for his military service and to encourage settlement in California. Nieto's acreage was reduced in 1790 because of a dispute with the Mission San Gabriel, but he still laid claim to 167,000 acres.

After years of joint ownership, Nieto's lands were formally divided into six parcels. Daughter Manuela Cota

received the area known as Rancho Los Cerritos, or "Ranch of the Little Hills", approximately 27,000 acres bordered on the west by the Los Angeles River and on the south by the Pacific Ocean. She and husband Guillermo built at least two adobes on the land and raised twelve children. Following her death, her heirs sold the Rancho to Massachusettsborn John Temple in December, 1843. Temple constructed the present two-story Monterey-style adobe in 1844 as headquarters for his large-scale cattle operation.

The Virginia Country Club was built in the 1930's next door and homes had cropped up in the area when, in 1930, Lewellyn Bixby's son Llewellyn, Sr. chose to remodel Rancho Los Cerritos for their family. Although the renovation was extensive, the original configuration of Temple's adobe remained intact. Ralph Cornell redesigned the grounds for the family, incorporating the trees that survived from the Temple era. After Llewellyn, Sr.'s death, the family eventually sold the house and the remaining 4.7 acres of land to the City of Long Beach. In 1955 the site opened as a public museum dedicated to the history of the Rancho and the surrounding area.

Designed as a buffer zone along the property line as part of the 1931 estate, Cornell integrated native plants with popular exotics. Much of this buffer zone has been changed to accommodate newer construction including a 1950s parking lot and the 2012 Visitor Center. The garden was reimagined in 2014; many of the historic trees remain and create a shady environment enhanced with many California native plants.

During the cooler seasons, sweet violets and dark purple fragrant flowers carpet the ground. At the end of the cutting garden is the wisteria arbor. In the 1800s, the Rancho had two arbors, each of which were planted with grapes. The grapes were gone before the 1930 renovation, so Cornell planted wisteria rather than grapes on this arbor. Today fragrant clusters of purple blossoms in March-April are reminiscent of the clusters of purple fruit.

When visiting the gardens use #wisteria and tag the Rancho at @ RanchoLosCerritos in your wisteria photos.

For more information and to make reservations visit www.rancholoscerritos.org



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Lakewood Sheriff's Restart Volunteer Program

The Lakewood Sheriff's staff will be opening the application process for the Volunteer on Patrol Program.

Volunteer on Patrol Program serves the following cities: Lakewood, Bellflower, Paramount, Artesia, and Hawaiian Gardens.

The Volunteer program consists of members from the community who have demonstrated a willingness to maintain a high quality of life in the area they live in. Volunteers on Patrol assist with the daily functions of running a patrol station. They patrol the streets and are the eyes and ears for Lakewood Sheriff's Station. They do a Volunteer on Patrol Program Reopens multitude of things including, traffic control, routine patrols, special events, and more. Volunteers are not Deputy Sheriffs and do not place themselves in a position of danger. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer on patrol, please visit LASD.org. Click on Stations, Lakewood, and scroll down to



Volunteer Application. Please fill out the application and bring it in to the station. Once the application is received you will be placed on a list pending a background check. For further questions you may contact the Volunteer coordinators, Deputy Ramirez and Deputy Williams at (562) 623-3500.

LA County Could Move to Yellow Tier Next week

One week of good numbers and LA County could enter into the yellow tier.

Moving into the yellow tier allows for increases in capacity in many sectors, and allows bars to begin providing indoor service at 25% capacity.

The sectors include amusement parks and fairs, gyms, breweries, restaurants,

cardrooms, indoor and outdoor live events and performances, wineries and tasting rooms, family entertainment centers, and museums, zoos, and aquariums. If the County moves to the yellow tier next week, a modified Health Officer Order will be posted on Wednesday, May 5 that will go into effect on Thursday, May 6.