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CITY COUNCIL

Long Beach will explore the balance of homeless services and public safety in six-month update



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Workers with the city of Long Beach Parks, Recreation, and Marine clean out tents under the Ocean Avenue bridge that goes across Shoreline Drive in Long Beach on Nov. 18, 2021. Above the area is a sign saying that camping longer than 48 hours is prohibited.

Samantha Diaz

Managing Editor

In an attempt to address public safety concerns amidst the city's homelessness crisis, Long Beach has asked its city staff to explore methods of enforcement for "unsafe uses of public spaces."

The original item, brought forward by councilmember Kristina Duggan, asked staff to explore enforcement mechanisms regarding camping in public spaces.

The item requested staff to research guidelines on the size, structure and cleanliness of encampments, encampments that limit or discourage public access, prohibited "sensitive" areas such as schools, major economic drivers and waterways, prohibitions based on times and availability of shelter beds, and sanctioned campsites.

Many residents accused the council of criminalizing homelessness, while others (most of whom lived in the third district) asked the city to crack down on public spaces, prompting council members to suggest multiple substitutes.

The original motion to research "unlawful uses of public space" was replaced to focus less on enforcement and more on "unsafe uses of public spaces." The new item, suggested by councilmembers Cindy Allen and Al Austin, still asks city staff to research and report how other cities are dealing with homeless encampments in public spaces, but specifies that it will be research-oriented and focus on what the city can and can't do.

The report will be presented to the City Council as part of the six-month homelessness local emergency update in August. City staff will also inform councilmembers on existing restrictions under Martin v. Boise, which requires cities to "provide valid alternatives before enforcing camping laws."

Duggan presented the item, saying that residents in Belmont Shore have been asking for increased public safety measures following an incident where a homeless resident stabbed multiple people on May 30.

She called for a "caring yet firm" approach and wanted to look into "parameters to have for people who are not accepting services." Duggan said that since the city has been working on outreach and services for the duration of the local emergency, many people have had a chance to receive services.

"If services are being offered but not accepted, I think it's reasonable to look at not allowing sleeping up against an elementary school ... or to say you have to maintain access to sidewalks and libraries," Duggan said.

Mayor Rex Richardson said that following high-profile incidents, council members are often "pressured" to take measures regarding public safety.

SURVEY

WELCOME TO BELMONT Short Sho

Image Courtesy of the City of Long Beach

A rendering of the four design options for the Belmont Shore sign include both modern and classic designs.

Residents can vote on Belmont Shore's new sign

Samantha Diaz

Managing Editor

From now until July 7, residents can vote on their favorite of four designs for the new Belmont Shore welcome sign.

The Belmont Shore Parking and Business Improvement Area Advisory Commission unveiled the new designs at a meeting in April. The neighborhood has been without a sign since removing its "Belmont Shore Welcomes You" sign in 2022 due to termites wearing down the wood.

The Belmont Shore Parking Commission will pay for the new sign through its Parking Meter Fund.

The four designs offered in the survey all sit atop a 1920's-style lamp post that will be about 20 feet high and include illumination, according to city documents. Options for the sign slogan include "Welcome to Belmont Shore," "Belmont Shore Welcomes You" and "Belmont Shore," in red, white and blue text options.

One of the options is a call-back to the old design, simply on top of a lamp post rather than on the ground. Another option honors the neighborhood's ties to the beach with the ocean, sand and starfish around the sign.

A red-lettered option goes for a more minimalist, modern design with the LED letters floating with no background. A white-lettered sign features Art Deco styled-letters commonly used in Long Beach in the 1930s. Both signs can substitute other colors, the survey says.

Residents are asked to rank each of the designs after viewing a rendering of what it would look like from a street view. There is also an option to choose "none of the above" as the top choice.

Residents can submit their email in order to receive updates on the new sign.

FEATURE

Hike, Explore, Repeat's trails lead to camaraderie, community and killer views



Image Courtesy of Rigel Gutierrez Perez

A group of outdoor enthusiasts join for Hike, Explore, Repeat's biweekly hikes.

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EYE ON CRIME

CRIMES REPORTED BY THE SIGNAL HILL POLICE

Wednesday, June 14

11:29 a.m., Grand theft, 2400 block Cherry Ave. 3:01 p.m., Identity theft, 2200 block E. Willow St. 3:19 p.m., Person with a knife, 2700 block Cherry Ave. 5:50 p.m., Burglary, 3300 block Brayton Ave. (suspect arrested)

Thursday, June 15

12:48 p.m., Grand theft, 2900 block Cherry Ave. 2:04 p.m., Forgery, 2000 block Terrace Dr.

Friday, June 16

5:03 a.m., Robbery, 2500 block Cherry Ave.

7:04 a.m., Grand theft, Patterson St. east of Atlantic Ave.

9:24 a.m., Injury traffic collision, Orange Ave./E. Spring St.

9:58 a.m., Auto burglary, 900 block E. 25th St.

2:02 p.m., Grand theft, 2100 block Ohio Ave.

5:20 p.m., Vandalism; disorderly conduct w/alcohol, 2000 block Stan-

ley Ave. (suspect arrested)

5:54 p.m., Grand theft, 2500 block E. 21st St. 9:09 p.m., Forgery, 2400 block Cherry Ave.

Saturday, June 17

7:37 a.m., Burglary, 1200 block E. 29th St. 7:01 p.m., Intoxicated person, 3300 block Gundry Ave. (citation

Sunday, June 18

10:00 a.m., Burglary, 1800 block E. Willow St. 10:58 a.m., Auto burglary, 2100 block E. Hill St. 2:27 p.m., Injury traffic collision, Town Center E/Cherry Ave. 2:44 p.m., Assault with a deadly weapon, 1000 block E. 32nd St.

Monday, June 19

7:52 a.m., Auto burglary, Orizaba Ave. north of E. 20th St. 9:16 a.m., Burglary, 2100 block E. Willow St.

1:37 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 1900 block Junipero Ave.

4:19 p.m., Injury traffic collision, Cherry Ave. north of E. Willow St. 6:16 p.m., Possessing narcotic substance; obstruct/resist Peace Officer, (2 suspects arrested)

Tuesday, June 20

8:49 a.m., Burglary, 2100 block E. Hill St.

11:00 a.m., Grand theft - motor vehicle, 3200 block E. Willow St. 1:58 p.m., Trespassing; Obstruct/resist Peace Officer, 2400 block Cherry Ave. (suspect arrested)

4:01 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2600 block E. 20th St.

5:43 p.m., Vandalism, 1900 block E. Hill St.

7:37 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. 21st St./Cherry Ave.

10:18 p.m., Burglary, 1500 block E. 23rd St. (suspect arrested)

LBPD reporting area is too extensive to report here, but you can go to their website: longbeach.gov/police. Once there, click on Crime Info, then Crime Incident Mapping Application. Click on Launch Crime Incident Mapping Application & type in an address.



COMMUNITY

Fill your summer days with these free activities in Long Beach and Signal Hil

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

Summer officially began on Wednesday, June 21, bringing sunny skies and warmer temperatures to Southern California to confirm the season. Though a trip to the beach or a family vacation may be at the top of summer bucket lists, there are many free, local ways to spend the next few months.

Residents can fill their days and summer nights with free movie screenings, live music, organized sports and other recreational activities at local parks. All activities in this list are free, allowing families to create memories without burning a hole through their budget



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A woman sits on one of the new benches inside the remodeled Recreation Park Playground while watching as children play on a rotating swingset on June 14, 2022.

Power Up Your Summer Mondays from 5 p.m. to 7

To encourage an hour of play each day, Long Beach's health and parks departments are rolling out pop-ups at three locations every Monday. From 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., youth can engage in organized play, taste healthy snacks and receive nutrition education.

Dates and locations include:

•Cesar E. Chavez Park (401 Golden Ave.) on June 26, July 3

• Houghton Park (3601 Myrtle Ave.) on July 17, July 24 and July

• Veterans Park (101 E. 28th St.) on Aug. 7, Aug. 14 and Aug. 21

Summer Fun Days Mondays through Fridays from noon to 5 p.m.

Children ages 5 through 12 can visit select parks to participate in sports, games, arts and crafts and special events throughout the summer every Monday through Friday until Aug. 25.

Participating parks include El Dorado Park West, Admiral Kidd Park, Drake Park, Ramona Park, Silverado Park and more. Pre-registration is required at locations and participants can come and go as they please. Summer Fun Days will not run during the 4th of July holiday.

Caregivers can register a child for Summer Fun Days by visiting or calling one of the 22 locations on the city's webpage.

Be S.A.F.E. (Summer Activities in a Friendly Environment)

Mondays through Fridays from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Eleven city parks will be activated and supervised during evening hours Monday through Friday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. until Aug. 25.

Programs include arts and crafts, outdoor games, sports, science activities, computer labs and more. On Thursdays, residents can enjoy



A young boy watches as another child jumps off the head of a model Tyrannosaurus into the sand pit during the grand reopening of the Recreation Park Playground on June 14, 2022.

a family-friendly movie screening at a different location each week. View a list of movie screenings on the city's website.

Locations include:

- Admiral Kidd Park, 2125 Santa
- Bixby Park, 130 Cherry Ave.
- Drake Park, 951 Maine Ave.
- Houghton Park, 6301 Myrtle
- ·Martin Luther King Jr. Park, 1950 Lemon Ave.
- Orizaba Park, 1435 Orizaba Ave. • Pan American Park, 5157 E.
- Centralia St. • Ramona Park, 3301 E. 65th St.
- Scherer Park, 4600 Long Beach
- · Seaside Park, 14th St. at Chestnut Ave.



Image Courtesy of Books and Buckets

Participants in the Books and Buckets 2021 Summer Program play basketball at the 14th Street courts in the Washington neighborhood.

• Silverado Park, 1545 W. 31st St. **Mobile Recess**

Varying times and locations

A truck loaded with supplies and equipment for activities will be visiting various neighborhoods, closing off streets and creating a play-friendly environment. Youths ages 5 through 14 can register and participate in activities on a firstcome, first-served basis during program hours.

Locations and times include:

- Grace Park, 361 E. Plymouth St. from 10 a.m. to noon on Mondays and Wednesdays
- DeForest Park, 6255 DeForest Ave. from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays
- · Rose Park, corner of Orizaba Avenue and Eighth Street from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Daryle W. Black Memorial Park, 2023 Pasadena Ave. from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- ·Hill Street, at Hill Street and Gale Avenue from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Jackson Park, 1432 Jackson St. from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Movies in the Park Varying times and locations

Signal Hill and Long Beach residents can throw down a blanket, plop down and watch a movie with friends and family with nearly 30

movie screenings at local parks this summer. This year, movies will be accompanied by dress-up themes, sing-a-long nights, dance parties and trivia.

Residents can dress up as their favorite Marvel character for the "Doctor Strange" screening, belt out snowman ballads while watching "Frozen", test their choreography for the High School Musical dance party and prove their Disney love during the "Toy Story" screening and trivia.

Movie screenings will travel to multiple parks throughout the week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and begin at dusk. Popcorn will be provided for free and residents are welcome to bring their own snacks and dinner.

View a full list of locations and movies on the city's website. For additional questions regarding the 2023 Movies in the Park screenings, call 562.570.3226.

Long Beach Municipal Band Varying times and locations

Residents can enjoy nature and live music thanks to the Long Beach Municipal Band's 114th season. A new theme will be introduced each week, as the band travels to different locations to serenade attendees.

This year's themes include "United We Stand," a salute to American freedom through music; "Give My Regards to Broadway," which will feature Broadway classics and vocalist Crystal Lewis; "Legends of Song," featuring classic artists' music such as Frank Sinatra and Elvis Presley; "Cinema Classics," where residents can hear iconic scores played live and various other themes.

All concerts begin at 6:30 p.m. and are free to attend. View a full list of themes, vocalists and concerts on the city's website. Dates and locations include:

• Whaley Park – June 27 and July

• Bluff Annex Park - July 18, 25 and August 1

·Los Cerritos Park - Wednesdays, June 28 through August 2 • Recreation Park - Thursdays,

June 29 through August 3 •El Dorado Park West - Fridays June 30 through August 4

AROUND TOWN

A WEEKLY LIST OF THINGS TO DO IN LONG BEACH AND SIGNAL HILL



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Zore, clad in a matching tie-dye sweater with his owners, Aurelio and Bobbie (holding phone) Alba, while Zore receives a blessing from Father Mark A. Strader of St. Bartholomew Catholic Church in Long Beach during the Blessing of the Animals at Rosie's Dog Beach on Oct. 2, 2022.

espite the chilly weather ahead, residents can fill up the first full week of summer with movies and music at various parks, pride events, cultural festivals and

Annual summer programs such as Movies in the Park and the Long Beach Municipal Band will make its return this week. Friends and families can carpool to local parks throughout the week for live music and cinematic classics from their blankets or chairs. Bixby Knolls' Concerts in the Park(ing Lot) is also kicking its season off at Bixby Joe's Coffee & Tea parking lot Monday

A plethora of pride events are being held throughout the week, such as the drag performance Sunday morning at the Bamboo Club and a Pride Nite at Plantiitas Thursday night. Residents can celebrate Japanese culture with a festival Saturday or learn traditional dance forms at the Museum of Latin American Art Sunday.

23FRIDAY

COMEDY SHOW

7 p.m. Those 21 years old and older are invited to a comedy show at Ficklewood Ciderworks (720 E Broadway) hosted by The Friendzone. There is no cover charge, though there is a two-drink minimum. Attendees are asked to register on Eventbrite.

SILENT SHORT FILMS

7:30 p.m. Cinema Sonica will feature silent short films from local filmmakers at SpaceTime Collaborative (3312 Lime Ave.). The first hour will feature short films and live music, followed by food, conwith supplementary projections and films. Though the event has no age limit, some of the content may not be suitable for all ages. Free.

24 SATURDAY

MOMS CONNECT BIXBY KNOLLS

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Moms living in the Bixby Knolls neighborhood are invited to share the joys and challenges of parenting with each other at the Dana Neighborhood Library (3680 Atlantic Ave.). This event will be a potluck, and attendees are encouraged to bring a dish to share with the group. Please register ahead of time by emailing rachelrmcbride@gmail.com. Free.

CAL HEIGHTS PARTY

11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The California Heights Neighborhood Association is inviting neighborhood residents to grill and share food together in the parking lot of Cal Heights Market (3766 Orange Ave.). Attendees are encouraged to bring a dish from home. A grill will be provided. Free.

TOGETHER WE CAN

Noon to 3 p.m. MHALA Project Can and the Boys and Girls Club invites local families with children to enjoy food, games and more together at the Freeman E. Fairfield Center (1835 W Willard St.). Free.

25^{SUNDAY}

LONG BEACH CULTURAL DANCE FESTIVAL

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. This dance fesgive cultural and traditional dance chairs and food. Free. groups a chance to share tradition-

al dance forms while educating the community. Free to attend. On-site parking at MOLAA is \$15.00 per

QUEENS OF PARADISE

11 a.m. Those 21 and older are invited to enjoy brunch and a drag performance at the Bamboo Club (3522 E Anaheim St.). Tickets can be purchased for \$10 on Eventbrite.

ANIMEFEST

noon to 6 p.m. Residents can enjoy cocktails, cosplay and more at Roxanne's (1115 East Wardlow Road) annual AnimeFest. The all-ages friendly event will feature vendors selling anime-themed items, bands playing video game music, special guests and more. Tickets range from \$10 to \$45 and can be purchased on Eventbrite.

DRAG STORY TIME

1 p.m. Local drag queen Robbie Osa will be reading the children's book "Julian is a Mermaid" at the Museum of Latin American Art (628 Alamitos Ave.). Free.

26^{MONDAY}

MEATLESS MONDAYS

4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. A variety of vegan food vendors will be selling their dishes at Trademark Brewing (233 East Anaheim St.). Free to en-

CONCERT IN THE *PARK(ING LOT)*

6:30 p.m. The famed Bixby Knolls concerts in the park(ing lot) are back for another summer, kicking off with King Salmon and the Funk Yard Horns in the Bixby tival at the Museum of Latin Amer- Joe Coffee & Tea parking lot (4245 will be led by Baba Olufemi Viltz. versation and an open jam session ican Art (628 Alamitos Ave.) will Atlantic Ave.). Residents can bring The Zoom ID number is 991 3386

MOVIES IN THE PARK

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. The public is invited to an outdoor screening of the PG-13 movie "Top Gun Maverick" at Coolidge Park (352 E Neece St.). Attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair, blanket and picnic food. The movie will begin at dusk.

27TUESDAY

District 8 COMMUNITY MEETING

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. City councilmember Al Austin will be hosting a meeting at the Boys & Girls Club (700 E Del Amo Blvd.), where the public can meet new City staff members and the new fire chief, as well as learn about homeless services in the local area. Free.

LONG BEACH *MUNICIPAL BAND*

6:30 p.m. The Long Beach Municipal Band will be kicking off its 114th season at Whaley Park North (5620 E Atherton St.) with a theme of "Lights, Camera, Action." The band will be paying tribute to music in movies with vocalist Nicole Kubis. Residents are invited to bring chairs, blankets and picnic food. Free.

28 WEDNESDAY

PAN AFRIKAN STUDY GROUP

6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The African American Cultural Center of Long Beach is holding a weekly online group to discuss Black history in the United States. The discussion 7044. Free.

BIXBY KARAOKE

6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Every Wednesday, those 21 and older are invited to sing karaoke at Dutch's Brewhouse (4244 Atlantic Ave.). Free to

29THURSDAY

STARS, STRIPES & **MICROCHIPS**

8 a.m. to noon. Pets will be able to receive vaccinations, microchips and flea treatments ahead of Independence Day at Scherer Park (4600 Long Beach Blvd.). Humans are asked to bring their confirmation email to their pets' appointment. This event is organized by Long Beach Animal Care Services, Bixby Animal Clinic and CatPAWS Snips Ahoy. Free. To make an appointment visit https://bit.ly/3qAjCAC. Free.

PRIDE NITE

6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Plantiitas and Queer Scouts will be hosting a celebration in honor of Pride at 2011 E Fourth St. The event will feature a dress up workshop from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., a game of millennial loteria from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., and a drag show from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. The event is free, but registration through Eventbrite is required.

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PICS FROM PEEPS

Pictures from the People: Meet Signal Hill's 'rooster' and other friendly fowls

Our *Signal Tribune* readers continue to surprise us with their photo entries and the entertaining, heartwarming stories behind them.

Over the past week, we received photos of hummingbirds, hawks and more from a Signal Hill couple whose condo gets a great view of the mountain wildlife behind them. William and Donna Holtz were able to identify each bird through the city's common birds gallery, and received an unexpected surprise from a large red-tailed hawk.

The Holtz's were not the only residents who spotted large hawks proudly perching on light poles, wires and homes. Alicia Hill saw a spying Cooper's hawk hiding in a Signal Hill tree and Crystal Pommet caught two hawks duking it out mid-flight in her neighborhood.

While large hawks fighting overhead are hard to ignore, Crystal



Image Courtesy of Alicia Hill Signal Hill resident Alicia Hill spotted this spying Cooper's hawk in her neighborhood.

Pommet doubled down on her unique photo entries with the "Signal Hill rooster" Stanley. Hearts were warmed by images of a sleepy peacock, somehow named as a rooster, making its way around town. We will happily accept more photos of Stanley if our readers happen to make his acquaintance.

There's still a week left to send in bird photo entries and join our community of budding photographers. Please send entries or relevant photo prompt ideas via email to Newspaper@SignalTribune.com or to our Instagram @SignalTribune, including your name and information about your photo.



Image Courtesy of Crystal Pommet Stanley is seen walking up a driveway in Signal Hill, perhaps to visit some friends for dinner.



Image Courtesy of William and Donna Holtz William and Donna Holtz spotted a hooded oriel on their patio, whom they say is a frequent visitor.



Image Courtesy of William and Donna Holtz William and Donna Holtz were visited by this red-tailed hawk, who thanked them for their hospitality by using their patio and a restroom. William wrote to the Signal Tribune, "Yes, we saw the whole thing and I got to clean it up after he majestically flew away, red tail splayed out."



Image Courtesy of Crystal Pommet Crystal Pommet captured a photo of this hawk looking over the streets of Signal Hill in a protective manner.



Image Courtesy of Crystal Pommet Stanley plops down on the ground for a peaceful summer midday nap.



Image Courtesy of Crystal Pommet A hawk belts out a war cry from the top of a home, perhaps following an intense altercation with a fellow neighborhood hawk.



Image Courtesy of William and Donna Holtz This small hummingbird stopped at William and Donna Holtz's patio bird feeder for a quick sip of water.



Image Courtesy of William and Donna Holtz William and Donna Holtz saw this bird on their deck patiently waiting for his closeup. The couple used the Parks, Recreation and Marine Department's common birds gallery to find the species of their new friend—a California towhee

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TST6999 Case No. 23VECP00341 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, NORTH-WFST DISTRICT. 6230 Sylmar Ave., Van Nuys, CA 91401 PETITION OF: Mario FImer Claros Amaya for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: MARIO ELMER CLAROS AMA-YA has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing his name as follows: Present Name: Mario Elmer Claros Amaya Proposed Name: Mario Elmer Amava 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: August 4, 2023; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. A. Room 510. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, June 23, 30 & July 7, 14, 2023 ___//ss//___ Virginia Keeny, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: June 20, 2023

TST6977 Case No. 23LBCP00211 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 275 MAG-NOLIA AVE., LONG BEACH, CA 90802 PFTITION OF: Kanika Pen for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioners: PRINCETON LEANG KARONA PEN has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: PRINCETON LEANG KARONA PEN Proposed Name: PRINCETON PEN 2. THE COURT OR-DERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEAR-ING: Date: July 12, 2023; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. 26. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023 ___//ss//__ Michael P. Vicencia, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: May 31, 2023

TST6969 CASE NUMBER: (Numero del Caso): 22MCV02965 SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DE-MANDADO): Ramon Cartznes dba Precision Construction Experts, Inc.: Precision Construction Experts, Inc., a California corporation; Defendant Elias [Last Name Unknown), individually and dba Precision Construction Experts, Inc.: Stephen Andrew Meyers dba Precision Construction Experts, Inc.; David [Last Name Unknown], individually and dba Precision Construction Experts, Inc.; Alvaro [Last Name Unknown], individually and dba Precision Construction Experts, Inc.; and DOES 1-50, inclusive, YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTA DEMAN-DANDO EL DEMANDANTE): Samantha Coker, an individual NOTICE! You have

you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www. courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 dias, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su version. Lea la informacion a continuacion. Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO despues de que le entreguen esta citacion y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte v hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas informacion en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www. sucorte.ca.gov) en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentacion, pida al secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podra quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remision a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www. lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www. sucorte.ca.gov) o poniendose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperacion de \$10,000 o mas de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesion de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso. The name and address of the court is: (El nombre v direccion de la corte es): Los Angeles Superior Court of California, 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA, 90402 The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: (El nombre, la di - reccion y el numero de telefono del abo - gado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Gregory C. Pyfrom. Sr., Gregory C. Pyfrom & Assoc., Inc., 1534 N. Moorpark Rd., #324, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360 (818) 433-3666. Date: (Fecha) December 30, 2022, Clerk by (Secretario) SHERRI R. CARTER Executive Officer / Clerk of the Court, M. Young II. Deputy (Adjunto) Pub-

been sued. The court may decide against

TST6971 Case No. 23LBCP00186 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN COURTHOUSE, 275 MAGNOLIA, LONG BEACH, CA. 90802 PETITION OF: Jennifer Teegardin for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: JENNIFER TEEGARDIN has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: JENNIFER JEAN

STARR TEEGARDIN Proposed Name: JENNIFER JEAN STARR 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEAR-ING: Date: June 28, 2023; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. S26. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023 ___//ss//__ Michael P. Vicencia, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: May 17, 2023

TST6972 Case No. Safe at Home #4856 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, Stanley Mosk Courthouse, 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012 PETITION OF: Priscilla Cano on behalf of her son, Ezra Salinas for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: PRISCILLA CANO ON BEHALF OF HER SON, EZRA SALINAS has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing his name as follows: Present Name: Ezra Salinas Proposed Name: confidential on file with the Secretary of State's Office per provisions of the Safe at Home Program pursuant to the provisions of the Address Confidentiality Program 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: July 13, 2023; Time: 9:30a.m., Dept. 1, Room 534. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRI-BUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023 //ss//__ Michelle Williams, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: May 17, 2023

TST6979 Case No. 23LBCP00193 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 275 Magnolia, Long Beach, CA 90802 PETITION OF: Ernesto Alejandro Bracamontes for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Ernesto Alejandro Bracamontes has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing his name as follows: Present Name: Ernesto Alejandro Bracamontes Proposed Name: Ernesto Alejandro Estrada 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: July 7, 2023; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. 27. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023 ___//ss//__ Mark C. Kim, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: May

TST6992 Case No. 23LBCP00229 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 275 Magnolia, Long Beach, CA 90802 PETITION OF: Mark Anthony Connell for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: MARK ANTHONY CON-NELL has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing his name as follows: Present Name: Mark Anthony Connell Proposed Name: Sonya Kova Connelly 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: July 28, 2023; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. 27. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRI-BUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, June 16, 23, 30, & July 7, 2023 ___//ss//__ Mark C. Kim, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: June 14, 2023

CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

TST6984

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, the City Council of the City of Signal Hill will conduct a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. to consider adopting a resolution amending the Uniform Schedule of Fees for the Administration, Community Development, Community Services, Finance, Police, and Public Works Departments.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS are hereby invited to participate in this public hearing to present written information, express their opinions, or otherwise present evidence on the above matter.

To view or listen to the meeting live at 7:00 p.m.:

- In-person: Council Chambers of City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, California:
- Call (408) 638-0968 (audio only) on the date and time of the meeting and enter the meeting ID 881-4793-6648, press # when prompted to provide par ticipant ID, and enter passcode 374778. If you would like to make a public comment, please notify the meeting host by pressing *9 on the telephone keypad;
- Visit https://zoom.us/j/88147936648 on your desktop computer or laptop and enter passcode 374778; or
- Download the app from the app store if you are using a smart phone and enter meeting ID 881-4793-6648 and passcode 374778 when prompted.
- You may submit comments prior to the meeting date by email to cityofsignalhill.org, or by mail to the attention of City Clerk, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755. If received prior to the publication of the agen da (on or before June 20, 2023), staff will incorporate the comments into the staff report. If received after the publication date and before 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 the written comments will be attached to the original meeting minutes, available in the City Clerk's office. Written comments will not be read into the record.
- The City is not responsible for meeting disruptions or technical difficulties; however, if you are disconnected, please repeat the steps above.

THIS PROJECT IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15303 Class 1 as an Existing Facility (Class 1 Exemption), consistent with the provisions of CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 and 15300.2. The proposed project consists of the continuation of event and office uses in an existing commercial building and does not involve expansion of the existing building or require offsite utility improvements. The subject site is located in an urbanized area where all necessary public services and facilities are available, and the surrounding area is not environmentally sensitive.

IF YOU WISH TO LEGALLY challenge any action taken by the City on the above matter, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City prior to or at the public hearing.

FURTHER INFORMATION and associated documents on this item may be on this item may be obtained from the City Clerk's office by calling the City Clerk at 562-989-7305 or by emailing cityclerk@cityofisignalhill.org.

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TST6994/Order No: 14258 Auto Lien Sale

On 07/06/2023 at 18001 S FIGUEROA ST UNIT A GARDENA,CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2017 TOYOT VIN: 5TFDW5F15HX605096 STATE: AZ LIC: at 10 AM TST6997/Order No: 13519 Auto Lien Sale

On 07/10/2023 at 644 E MANCHESTER AVE LOS ANGELES,CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2018 KIA VIN: 5XXGU4L34JG223867 STATE: LIC: at 10 AM

TST6995/Order No: 12320 Auto Lien Sale

On 07/10/2023 at 2500 MARINE AVE REDONDO BEACH,CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2020 YAMA VIN: RF3AA0330LT010195 STATE: CA LIC: 02VZ70 at 10 AM TST6996/Order No: 13485 Auto Lien Sale

On 07/10/2023 at 26012 RED CORAL RD LAGUNA HILLS, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2021 HONDA VIN: 1HGCV1F45MA006554 STATE: SC LIC: at 10 AM

TST6993 Case No. 23LBCP00238 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, Governor-George Deukmejian Courthouse, 275 Magnolia, Long Beach, CA 90802 PE-TITION OF: Kelly Nguyen for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: KELLY NGUYEN has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: Kelly Nguyen Proposed Name: Juliette Nguyen 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: July 28, 2023; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. S-27. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, June 23, 30 & July 7, 14, 2023 ___//ss//_ Mark C. Kim, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: June 15, 2023



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Councilmembers Mary Zendejas and Daryl Supernaw supported the item, pointing out that it only asks city staff to research the topic, not issue new enforcements.

"I understand that criminalizing homelessness is not the solution and I do not believe that's the intent of this item," Zendejas said.

Public comment from residents was split between people accusing the council of criminalizing homelessness and people arguing for the necessity of public use enforcements. Some residents asked the city to implement more outreach teams to offer services instead while others said that the best way to get homeless people to accept services is to "take apart" their encampments.

Policies from other cities include: •The City of Eugene prohibits camping within 1,000 feet of educational facilities which includes daycares and libraries.

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HIKE, EXPLORE, REPEAT

• The City of Los Angeles prohibits encampments within specific areas of the city.

•The City of Portland approved a prohibition on camping between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

• The City of Mountain View prohibits RV camping on all streets outside the 3-mile designated area.

•The City of San Jose prohibits encampments within 150 feet of heavily traveled school walking

• The City of San Diego adds protections for waterways.

• The City of Elk Grove requires camping areas to be kept clean and free of garbage, debris, and waste.

· The City of Las Vegas has made it a misdemeanor to camp or sleep in the public right-of-way downtown and in all residential areas if space is available at a shelter.

Vice Mayor Cindy Allen said that she could not support any "policy options" in the item as she had questions about what enforcement would look like. She suggested a substitute item to receive and file the presentation with the sixmonth homelessness update.

Duggan and Supernaw reiterated that their original motion was already to receive and file the presentation, but other council members agreed with the substitute.

Councilmember Roberto Uranga said he feared any enforcement would open the city up to lawsuits surrounding Martin v. Boise. Councilmember Joni Ricks-Oddie said that homeless residents can refuse services for a variety of reasons, and it does not mean they're "happy being on the street."

"I think some of the language I'm hearing tonight about accepting services almost feels like it's linking it to people's right to be treated with dignity and that kind of rhetoric really concerns me," Ricks-Odd-

Councilmembers Suely Saro and Megan Kerr spoke against the item, saying that the city should continue to double down on providing outreach, services, shelter beds and affordable housing rather than enforcement.

"To move forward with this is to move backwards...what we see today is symptomatic of what we have put into our system," Saro said.

Councilmember Al Austin suggested another substitute item that removed the words "unlawful uses" and combined the presentation with the six-month report, including what police can and can't do, what other cities are doing about public spaces, tools staff needs to continue providing services and possible safe passage programs.

The six-month update is expected in front of the council in August.



Pet of the week: Sherwin

Sherwin is a 6-year-old little fellow. Shelter staff and volunteers call him small but mighty! Sherwin came to us in mid-May as a stray, and he's so unusual looking as well as charming that no one can figure out why he's still here! He has a huge personality for such a little guy, always charming anyone walking by his kennel by happily bouncing around and asking for pets. His adorable facial markingsone little eyebrow and one huge one—make Sherwin look as if he got out of hand with the eyebrow pencil! Come meet Sherwin! Shelter hours are Wednesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at 7700 E. Spring St. at the entrance to El Dorado Park (no parking fee for shelter visitors). You can email PetAdopt@ longbeach.gov to speed the process for adopting or fostering Sherwin. Ask for ID#A 69853).

(This rescue encouraged by the usual suspects.)



Long Beach Animal Shelter needs people to foster pets during 4th of July

Kristen Farrah Naeem

Staff Writer

Long Beach Animal Care Services is preparing for an influx of lost pets expected in the wake of 4th of July festivities. To prepare extra space for them in Long Beach's overcrowded shelter, local animal-lovers are being asked to foster current shelter residents in their homes during the holiday.

Across the nation, 4th of July fireworks lead to an increase in lost pets who become scared and confused from the ongoing noise.

According to the company Pet Amber Alert, animal control services from around the country report a 30% increase in lost pets from July 4 to July 6 each year.

In order to make room for the flood of lost pets, Long Beach Animal Care Services started the Foster the 4th program in 2016. Under the program, community members take dogs and cats into their homes for two weeks, including during 4th

Besides leaving more available space in the shelter, the program also gives shelter animals a much-needed break from the stressful environment of the shel-

"It's really enriching for them to be able to go out and experience the home," Megan Ignacio of Long



Richard H. Grant | Signal Tribune A 3-year-old beagle named Pepper wears a military themed service dog vest on June 14, 2022.

Beach Animal Care Services said. "It's quite beneficial for them because they can prepare them for adoption."

If a household wants to keep their foster pet permanently after the program ends, they can fill out forms online, which can be processed without the animal having to go back to the shelter.

Those interested in fostering a pet for the 4th of July should email petfoster@longbeach.gov or visit bit.ly/3X1tH5N.

Residents can also meet the animals available for fostering in-person during the Foster the 4th program's kick-off event at the shelter (7700 E Spring St.) on Friday, June 23 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Samantha Diaz Managing Editor

One Long Beach man is trying to get people into nature through hiking to explore the "renaissance for the outdoors.'

Hike, Explore, Repeat will host a community potluck and picnic at Heartwell Park in Long Beach on July 1. The Long Beach-based hiking group will kick off the summer by inviting residents to make friends, explore their surroundings and stay active by connecting them with like-minded folks.

The main message of Hike, Explore, Repeat is "to get people into the outdoors," said the group's founder Rigel Gutierrez Perez. What started out as Instagram posts of his hiking adventures has burgeoned into a community-gathering, nature-trekking hiking group that comes together every other weekend.

Perez was once what he called a "solo hiker," someone who ventures through hiking trails and national parks alone, but posts about his adventures on social media. He would often receive messages to host hiking groups of his journeys, but the pandemic quickly provided more interest as people found solace from lockdowns in the out-

According to a People and Nature survey, 46% of people said they were spending more time outdoors during the pandemic than before in July 2020.

Perez started Hike, Explore, Repeat in April 2021 to connect people through nature. As a longtime Long Beach resident, he said he's hoping to get more people from the city involved through their community picnic.

A group of outdoor enthusiasts join for Hike, Explore, Repeat's biweekly hikes.

In the past few years, Hike, Explore, Repeat has traveled through Griffith Park, Malibu trails, Strawberry Peak, Zion National Park and many other Southern California

Image Courtesy of Rigel Gutierrez Perez

The group has been partnering with other nature and social clubs during hikes such as the Los Angeles Social Club, Los Angeles Friends and the La Muerte Comedy Show for large group hikes and community outreach. The groups had gathered for food drives, community cleanups, homelessness outreach and other social events.

"If we work together we grow together," Perez said.

Perez said their recent hike at Griffith Park with other organizations brought over 700 eager explorers, and their local hikes often bring over 50 people together.



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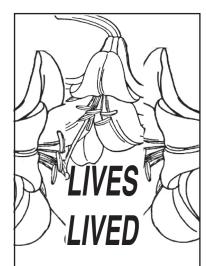
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