

SIGNAL HILL



Signal Hill considers 20-year permit renewal for SH Petroleum oil drilling

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Workers move around an oil well at the top of Signal Hill inside of the neighborhood on May 2, 2023.

Samantha Diaz
 Managing Editor

The Signal Hill City Council is preparing to vote on a proposal that would allow Signal Hill Petroleum to drill oil in the city for the next 20 years. If passed, it will be the longest permit extension the company ever has received.

Chief Operating Officer Dave L. Slater said the company wants a long extension because new subsurface seismic imaging technology has assured them that the oil drilling sites they control have at least 20 years of production left in them.

Slater said "on average," the company's wells have 50 years of production or more.

Iraj Ershaghi, director of the Petroleum Engineering Program at the University of Southern California, compared this technology to ultrasound technology used to view a fetus in utero. He told the *Signal Tribune* that the technology has "revolutionized" the oil industry and has substantially improved the chances

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GALLERY



In Photos: Long Beach celebrates Memorial Day by 'Honoring Our Heroes'

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United States Marine Corps Sgt. Maj. Charles Cook salutes the flag while "To the Colors" is played during the "Honoring our Heroes" Memorial Day event on May 28, 2023.

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EVENT



Biennial Mid-City Studio Tour returns to Long Beach and Signal Hill for one last hurrah

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Local painter and mixed-media artist Caryn Baumgartner poses for a portrait inside of her home art studio ahead of the Mid-City Studio Tour on May 30, 2023.

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FEATURE



This bakery brings second chances, hope and life skills to its employees

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Worksite Manager Gerald Thompson wraps up the tray of around 100 cranberry white chocolate cookies before placing them in the fridge on June 1, 2023.

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The sign marking Reservoir Park with the namesake reservoir in the background on May 2, 2023.

Signal Hill considers new stormwater project at Reservoir Park

Kristen Farrah Naem

Staff Writer

Signal Hill is considering making Reservoir Park the site of a new water conservation project aimed at reducing the amount of stormwater runoff in the city.

If the project is approved by the City, an underground infiltration system will be installed at Reservoir Park.

When rain falls in urban areas, it mostly falls on surfaces where it cannot be absorbed back into the earth, such as streets and sidewalks, and a significant portion of it becomes runoff water that makes its way to the ocean through drains.

Stormwater infiltration is when water from rainfall is allowed to flow through porous, natural ground surfaces, such as dirt and grass. When stormwater is filtered through the earth during infiltration, many pollutants can be removed, and the water has a chance to flow back down to groundwater levels (where the earth's natural supply of subterranean water collects).

A storm drain located near Reservoir Park currently directs all the stormwater runoff it collects through a water line managed by the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to an infiltration system located at the Long Beach Airport. If the project at Reservoir Park is approved, the City of Signal Hill will install a 66 inch diameter pipe to intercept the existing water line, and divert a portion of the water towards the Reservoir Park infiltration system.

Thomas Bekele, director of the Signal Hill Public Works Department said that the infiltration system will consist of an underground chamber with a gravel bottom. Stormwater will flow from the storm drain to the chamber, where it will collect and slowly leak back into the earth through the gravel.

The City of Signal Hill is asking residents to take a survey in order to gauge public opinion of water usage. While residents were asked to take a different online survey regarding Reservoir Park last month, City Manager Carlo Tomaino said the previous survey was looking

more specifically at residents' opinions on overall park usage, while this one focuses more on water usage.

However, not all of the questions in the new survey have to do with water, with some questions asking about public safety and new amenities.

Some of the questions on the survey include the following:

- Should the City consider conserving water by planting more drought-tolerant plants at Reservoir Park, despite the recent increase in rainfall?

- Are you generally in support of recharging our ground water table with surface runoff or storm water?

- Have you observed trespassing and/or vandalism at Reservoir Park or the adjacent water facility, Gundry Reservoir?

- Do you believe that cameras/monitoring systems should be added to Reservoir Park?

- Would you like to have a walking trail within Reservoir Park?

The survey can be taken online at <https://s.surveypal.com/8l94qe87> until Friday, June 9.

PARKS

Hillbrook Park in Signal Hill to be redesigned



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Young people chat while sitting at one of the benches at Hillbrook Park in Signal Hill on May 31, 2023.

Kristen Farrah Naem

Staff Writer

The City of Signal Hill is planning to redesign Hillbrook Park, a small park near the border of Long Beach.

In March 2021, Signal Hill City Council approved the Parks and Recreation Master Plan (PRMP) for 2021 to 2031, which outlines the upgrades and additions that would be made to park facilities. In June 2021, city council approved an accompanying Prioritization and Implementation Plan (PIP), which laid out the order in which parks projects would be completed.

Among the prioritized park projects included in the City's plan is the redesign of the 0.54 acre Hillbrook Park, including the addition of a new playground.

The Director of the Public Works Department, Thomas Bekele, said the new design for Hillbrook Park will cost over \$174,000.

The City of Signal Hill has entered into a contract with the landscape architecture and planning firm Architerra Design Group to conduct public outreach and design the plans for Hillbrook Park.

Architerra Design Group hosted

two community outreach events in April and May, and created an online survey that residents were able to take until May 10.

According to a presentation by the Parks and Recreation Commission on May 17, the following changes to Hillbrook Park have been prioritized:

- Removing the dry creek bed and repurposing the entire lot
- Redesigning the playground to include natural play equipment and a swing bay
- Adding shelter covering to cement picnic tables
- Adding elements to encourage interaction with nature

During the upcoming city council meeting on June 13, a presentation will be given to inform the council members and the public about the feedback Architerra Design Group gathered from the community.

Signal Hill City Council meetings are held biweekly at 7 p.m. and can be watched online live or as a recording on Granicus.

CRIME

Homeless man charged with attacking woman, stabbing man

City News Service

Southern California Local News

A homeless man who allegedly attacked a woman in Long Beach and then stabbed a man who came to her aid was charged Tuesday with assault.

Corey Justin Taylor, 26, is set to be arraigned Wednesday on two felony counts of assault with a deadly weapon and one felony count of assault by means of force likely to cause great bodily injury, according to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.

Officers responded just after 1 a.m. Friday to the 700 block of East Fourth Street, two blocks east of Alamitos Avenue, regarding an assault with a deadly weapon, ac-



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cording to the Long Beach Police Department.

"The preliminary investigation indicated that a male adult suspect assaulted a female adult victim; a male adult intervened and was physically assaulted by the suspect," police said. "The suspect then stabbed the male adult victim."

Officers attempted to de-escalate

the situation, but the suspect did not comply with officers' directions, resulting in the use of less-lethal munitions and pepper spray, police said.

The suspect—subsequently identified as Taylor—was arrested and taken to a hospital, where he was medically cleared before being booked.

The Long Beach Fire Department responded and took the male adult victim to a hospital for a non-life-threatening injury to his upper body, authorities said.

Taylor has remained behind bars since his arrest, according to jail records.

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A woman walks past an unused pumpjack-style oil well along a hiking trail on the hill of Signal Hill on May 2, 2023.

of drilling a successful oil well.

Ershaghi said that unless issues with an oil well arise, many oil wells can produce oil for up to 75 years.

According to city documents, 62 wells across the seven drill sites are operated by Signal Hill Petroleum.

The company also owns 95% of the Long Beach Oil Field comprising 1,550 wells. The last oil well created was in 2019, Slater said, and they are still finding areas “in and around the field” that haven’t been drilled before.

Signal Hill Petroleum has seven sites around the city with pumps that extract oil; the company also owns storage tanks, water injectors, gas processing facilities, test stations and more throughout the sites.

The seven sites occupy almost 22 acres of Signal Hill and extract about 1 million barrels of crude oil a year. Roughly 1.5% of Signal Hill is occupied by oil drilling sites.

The oil extracted on these sites is transferred via pipeline to be sold to the Southern California Gas Company and the City of Long Beach.

Community Development Director Colleen Doan said that Signal Hill receives approximately \$300,000 in oil taxes citywide, less than 1% of the City’s General Fund revenue.

Since 1998, the city has been issuing Conditional Use Permits (CUP) to Signal Hill Petroleum for all of its sites and operations, instead of separate permits for each site. The city has extended the CUP 10 times since then. A conditional use permit allows operations not generally permitted by zoning.

Here is the history of permit extensions granted to Signal Hill Petroleum:

- June 16, 1998: five-year permit introduced
- Oct. 1, 2002: 10-year extension
- Oct. 1, 2012: one-year extension
- Sept. 4, 2013: six-month extension
- Feb. 4, 2014: one-year extension
- Dec. 2, 2014: two and a half-year extension
- June 13, 2017: one-year extension
- June 12, 2018: one-year extension
- June 11, 2019: one-year extension
- Aug. 10, 2021: two-year extension

The new extension, if approved, will be the longest CUP extension granted to the company since its



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An aerial view of the Signal Hill Petroleum Central Unit Facility in Signal Hill on May 2, 2023.

inception.

The extension would allow operations to continue as they have for the past 39 years, and allow the company to re-drill existing wells and drill up to 46 new wells. A maximum of five new oil wells can be drilled per year, according to city documents.

Signal Hill Petroleum said on average, they would be drilling two new oil wells a year with electric-powered drilling equipment.

As the company’s operations

they are given a deadline to make the necessary changes.

Signal Hill City Council reviews the reports every year in February and March. Doan said in her 11 years with the City, the department has not yet had to revoke a CUP.

Previously known as Barto Oil Company, Signal Hill Petroleum has been extracting oil from land in the city since 1984, when it acquired its first drill site from the Shell gas company. Over the next 15 years, the company acquired several more sites from gas companies in Signal Hill, such as Exxon, Texaco and Arco.

The United Oil Company was the first company that tried, and failed, to drill oil in Signal Hill in 1917; the idea was abandoned for years. The Shell gas company started another oil well on June 23, 1921 and forever changed the city’s history. That first well, known as Alamitos Well Number 1, has since produced over 1 billion barrels of oil and cemented Signal Hill as one of the most oil rich lands in the country.

Signal Hill elected to become its own city in 1924 in order to avoid paying Long Beach’s taxes on oil.

The Environmental Impact Report for the permit extension is currently being circulated and finalized. The report will be presented to the City Council and the Planning Commission at a public hearing by late 2023, City Manager Carlo Tomaino told the Signal Tribune.

The purpose of an Environmental Impact Report is to provide the City and public with the full environmental effects of a project and suggest mitigations to minimize significant effects.

The environmental report will be presented to the City Council and the Planning Commission at a public hearing by late 2023

have grown, so have the conditions set by the city. Signal Hill Petroleum must follow a list of regulations regarding landscaping, noise mitigation, maintenance upkeep and more.

Signal Hill’s Community Development Director Colleen Doan said the department visits the 50-plus sites operating under Conditional Use Permits in the city throughout the year and sends a report to the Planning Commission. If a site is not following the set conditions,

CRIME

Second Street shooting involving Long Beach police under investigation



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Signal Tribune File Photo.

City News Service

Southern California Local News

A suspect who allegedly assaulted multiple people in Long Beach then stabbed another was shot by police Tuesday but is expected to survive.

The shooting occurred shortly before noon near Second Street and Quincy Avenue, according to the Long Beach Police Department.

According to police, officers originally responded to the area of Second Street and Park Avenue on a report of somebody possibly stabbing multiple people. On further investigation, police determined that two people—a man and a woman—had not been stabbed, but only assaulted or struck by the suspect, who walked a short distance away and assaulted a man who was holding a 2-year-old child, causing the man to drop the child, police said.

The suspect walked away and then stabbed a man with a screwdriver, according to police.

Police caught up to the suspect near Second Street and Quincy Avenue where he allegedly ignored officers’ orders to drop the weapon and tried to enter a residential area, prompting at least one officer to

open fire, striking the suspect once in the upper body.

No officers were injured. The screwdriver allegedly wielded by the suspect was recovered by police. The suspect was described only as a roughly 31-year-old man.

The suspect and the man who was stabbed were both taken to a hospital with non-life threatening injuries, police said.

None of the assault victims, including the 2-year-old child, were seriously injured and none were hospitalized.

Police said the suspect would likely be booked on suspicion of attempted murder, once he is released from the hospital.

A resident told the *Long Beach Post* he was at his home near Livingston Drive and Park Avenue when he heard a commotion coming from nearby Livingston Park, and when he looked over at the park, he saw what appeared to be a man punching someone else continuously while other park-goers screamed.

The man left the scene toward Second Street and eventually, the resident said, he heard multiple gunshots, according to the *Long Beach Post*.

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Wednesday, May 24

9:15 a.m., Auto burglary, 2900 block Obispo Ave.
11:40 a.m., Grand theft, 900 block E. 33rd St.
4:39 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Freeman Ave.

Thursday, May 25

12:46 p.m., Battery report, 1900 block Cherry Ave.
4:03 p.m., Injury traffic collision, Obispo Ave north of E. Hill St.

Friday, May 26

8:16 a.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Willow St./Cherry Ave
11:14 a.m., Auto burglary, 2400 block Cherry Ave.

Saturday, May 27

1:12 a.m., Grand theft, 700 block E. Spring St.
1:17 a.m., Intoxicated person on drugs, 2200 block Jeans Ct.
5:32 p.m., Battery, 2200 block Village Way
8:16 p.m., Misdemeanor warrants, 900 block E. 33rd St. (suspect arrested)
11:09 p.m., Throwing objects at moving vehicles, Skyline Dr./Ohio Ave.

Sunday, May 28

9:45 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2100 block Gundry Ave.
1:23 p.m., Battery, 2200 block E. Willow St.
5:31 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Spring St./California Ave.
5:48 p.m., Possessing controlled substance; trespassing; theft elderly adult, 3200 block Lemon Ave. (suspect arrested)

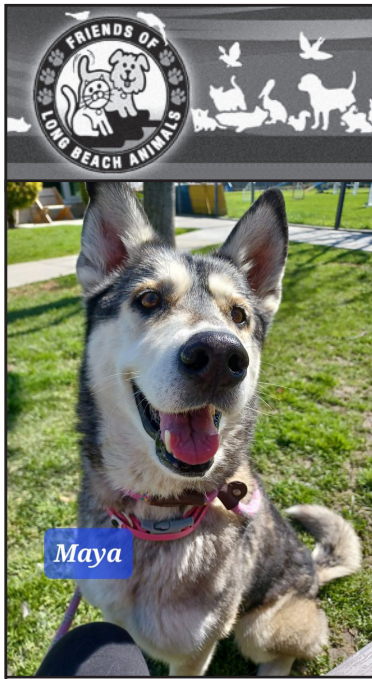
Monday, May 29

2:48 a.m., Criminal threats, 3100 block E. PCH
9:42 a.m., Auto burglary, 2100 block Ohio Ave.
10:49 a.m., Auto burglary, 2100 block Ohio Ave.
3:51 p.m., Corporal injury on spouse, 1800 block Stanley Ave. (suspect arrested)
9:43 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Willow St./Temple Ave.
11:49 p.m., Auto burglary, E. 20th St./Cherry Ave. (suspect arrested)

Tuesday, May 30

3:58 p.m., Grand theft, 2700 block Cherry Ave.
4:08 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Freeman Ave.
7:46 p.m., Intoxicated person on drugs, 2300 block Dawson Ave.
11:10 p.m., Felony spousal abuse, 1900 block Stanley Ave. (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.



Pet of the week: Maya

Every other word from every shelter volunteer who connects with Maya is "sweet." Maya, a senior husky of 10 years old, is the type of elderly person you'd want in your house: cooks with homework help, story time after supper, licks to your face any time at all! If she can't deliver on the human tasks, she can on the doggie part! Her former family couldn't deliver to Maya—it's a sad story, but they had to give her up during a welfare check. Somehow, Maya has remained mellow and, of course, sweet, and she'd sure like a stable, situation to make her own life sweet. Our 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 Maya. Ask for ID#A542375.



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CRIME

Man found dead in LB after stabbing has not been identified

Kristen Farrah Naeem

Staff Writer

The dead body of a man found in Long Beach in February has yet to be identified.

On Feb. 14, Long Beach police were sent to the LA River bed under the Pacific Coast Highway Bridge, where they found the body of a man who had been stabbed in his upper body.

Police said the man lived at a nearby homeless encampment. Authorities were unable to identify the man, but the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUs) states that his first name may possibly be Robert.

The man is described as being 5 foot 9 inches tall, with brown hair and brown eyes. He had a scar on his outer right wrist and two tattoos on his inner left wrist. His tattoos appear to depict a Yin Yang symbol and Arabic writing.

According to the Bureau of Justice, approximately 4,400 unidenti-



Image Courtesy of NamUs

A man found dead in Long Beach had tattoos of a Ying Yang symbol and Arabic lettering on one of his wrists.

fied bodies are found in the United States each year, and at any given time there are approximately 40,000 unidentified bodies across the nation.

Anyone who may know the identity of this unknown man is encouraged to call the Long Beach Police Department at (562) 570-7260, the LA County Coroner's Office at (323) 343-0512, or NamUs at (919) 485-5632.

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Long Beach celebrated Memorial Day with a new event at the Navy Memorial at Shoreline Aquatic Park to honor the nation's fallen service members with a sunset ceremony on May 28.

The event titled "Honoring Our Heroes – A Sunset Ceremony" was organized by the newly formed Office of Veterans Support and included a historic fighter plane flyover, music from the Navy Band Southwest Harborside Brass Quintet, plus color guard and drill presentations.

During the event, attendees could also receive information from local veteran groups and receive support from city resources dedicated to helping the city's veteran community.

Despite the lack of sun on the gloomy day, the ceremony finished in typical military fashion with a lowering of the colors and the playing of "Taps" on a trumpet.



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A trumpet player for the Navy Band Southwest Harborside Brass Quintet plays "Taps," a song that signifies the end of the day on military bases and is usually played to honor the fallen service members of the US military.



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Two WWII-era T-6 'Texan' fighter planes, flown by John Collver (left) and Brad Land (right), perform a flyover over the "Honoring our Heroes" Memorial Day celebration at the Navy Memorial in Long Beach on May 28, 2023.



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Navy veteran and founder of local veteran group People of the Earth Krew, Jesse Soria, crouches down during a moment of silence during the "Honoring our Heroes" Memorial Day event on May 28, 2023.



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Members of the Army Color Guard present the colors during the "Honoring our Heroes" Memorial Day event on May 28, 2023.



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Lakewood High School's Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps members toss their rifles into the air and catch them while performing a rifle drill routine at the "Honoring our Heroes" Memorial Day celebration on May 28, 2023.



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Members of the Army Color Guard fold the United States flag near the end of the "Honoring our Heroes" Memorial Day event on May 28, 2023.



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Artist Terry Braunstein speaks to the crowd gathered for the "Honoring our Heroes" Memorial Day event in front of the Navysphere she created during the May 28, 2023 ceremony.



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The tuba player for the Navy Band Southwest Harborside Brass Quintet is reflected in his instrument while the quintet plays the main theme song for "The Mandalorian" TV show during the "Honoring our Heroes" Memorial Day event on May 28, 2023.



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A plaque tells the story of Long Beach's Navy history near the memorial sculpture, named the Navysphere, at Shoreline Aquatic Park on May 28, 2023.



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The Navy Band Southwest Harborside Brass Quintet opens the first "Honoring our Heroes" Memorial Day event on May 28, 2023, with a mix of patriotic music, Sinatra jams, and other popular music.



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Congressmember Robert Garcia holds Long Beach District 2 Veterans Commissioner Mike Shakhovich's son while talking to him and his wife during the "Honoring our Heroes" Memorial Day event on May 28, 2023.

MID-CITY STUDIO TOUR

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Managing Editor

Over 20 local artists will open their homes and personal studios to the public for the 10th—and final—iteration of the Long Beach Mid-City Studio Tour this weekend.

On Saturday and Sunday, residents can drive or bike through the 15 locations across Signal Hill, California Heights, Belmont Heights, the Zaferia District, Lakewood Village and the Rancho Estates.

At each stop, they will peer into the private workspaces of professional artists, whether in their homes, garages or backyard studios.

Artists will be present at each of their studios to share their inspiration and processes with residents. A wide range of art forms will be on display including paintings, photography, drawings, mixed-media, sculptures, jewelry, ceramics, printmaking and installations.

A small group of artists and friends has hosted the event every two years for the past 23 years, but have announced this tour will be the final installment. Gail Werner, one of the founders of the Mid-City Studio Tour, said the decision was made shortly after the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I think we just felt tired," Werner said. "I think it was from that, you know our frame of mind kind of changed after COVID but we thought, 'Let's do one more. We can't just not come back.'"

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I know from seeing other people's studios it just felt more personal ... I think it makes it more of an experience than just seeing that on the gallery wall."

- Gail Werner,
co-founder of the
Mid-City Studio Tour



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Local artist Annie Stromquist sits at the desk in her home studio on May 30, 2023.

Werner and about 10 of her closest artist friends hosted the first Mid-City Studio Tour in the late '90s. The Public Corporation for the Arts, what is now known as the Arts Council for Long Beach, used to organize an annual art tour for residents providing brochures, funding and a bus that took people through the many stops.

Once funding for the tour was cut, Werner, Sue Ann Robinson, Slater Barron and more of their friends met at the Long Beach Museum of Art and reminisced on what they were missing. They quickly landed on the idea to create their own tour on a smaller, more intimate scale.

The hardest part at first was getting the word out, Werner said. The artists spoke to local newspapers, applied for grants, told residents about the tour and cleaned their workspaces to prepare for curious eyes.

Every other year since then, residents venture back into people's homes and studios to admire and purchase new works of art.

"I know from seeing other people's studios it just felt more personal," Werner said. "You can see their tools of the trade ... so people can see that and I think it makes it more of an experience than just seeing that on the gallery wall."

Unlike Long Beach's Open Studio Tour that happens every year, Werner said the biennial nature of the tour is to give artists a long gap in between events so they can fully focus on their work, though many of the artists participate in both tours.

Werner is a Native American painter who also delves into printmaking and encaustic, a process of painting with hot pigmented wax. She said her studio, which is one of two she has in her backyard, will be filled with paintings, brushes, paints, works in progress, hot plates, a printing press and some of her personal collections.

Werner graduated from Cal State Long Beach in 1985 with a master's degree in drawing and painting and has many of her works featured in galleries and schools across Southern California, including a mural in Downtown Long Beach for the 2016 POW! WOW! Festival (now called Long Beach Walls).

The longtime Long Beach artist is hoping that ending the Mid-City Studio Tour will give her more time to work on her own art, though she still harbors a sense of sadness as she says goodbye to their event.

"It was kind of a relief, but at the same time I felt sad about it because I think we had a special way of doing things, a special group and kind of developed camaraderie between all of us," Werner said. "It's gonna be a little strange not to do it again."

The final tour will honor two local artists who passed away since the last Mid-City Studio Tour in 2019. Slater Barron, also known affectionately as the Lint Lady, passed away in 2020 and Pia Pizzo, an Italian mixed-media artist passed away in 2021.

Barron was a mixed-media artist and one of the founders of the tour, who is mostly known for her humorous and introspective pieces made from dryer lint. Pizzo was a widely known artist in Italy and Long Beach who used books as her



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"The Stag" an art piece which has been painted, torn to shreds and then reconstructed hangs against a wall inside local painter Caryn Baumgartner's home art studio for display during the Mid-City Studio Tour on May 30, 2023.

inspiration and material for her works.

Collections from both of the artists will be presented at Greenly Art Space, a nonprofit gallery in Signal Hill.

Kimberly Hocking, the founder and curator for Greenly Art Space, told the *Signal Tribune* that she considered Barron one of her dearest friends, and the two of them would regularly meet up over coffee to talk about their art.

Hocking began participating in the Mid-City Studio Tour in 2011 after Barron invited her.

"[Barron] has a profound influence on many artists' lives in Long Beach and beyond," Hocking said. "So to be able to honor her legacy, and for me it's very special because I'll be showing my work as well so to have my work shown along with

her work, I think it's really fitting."

Barron showed one of her largest and most personal works of art, a 90-foot canvas about her mother's Alzheimer's titled "My Mother's Garden Part 2" at Greenly Art Space years ago. Hocking said that the two artists were close through the last days of Barron's life.

Some of Barron's pieces, as well as a few of Pizzo's, Hockings and multiple other women artists will be available for sale during the tour.

The Mid-City Studio Tour will take place on Saturday, June 3 and Sunday, June 4 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. An after-party with participating artists and the general public will be held at Greenly Art Space in Signal Hill at 2698 Junipero Ave. #113.

See a list of studio tour locations and artists on the tour's website.



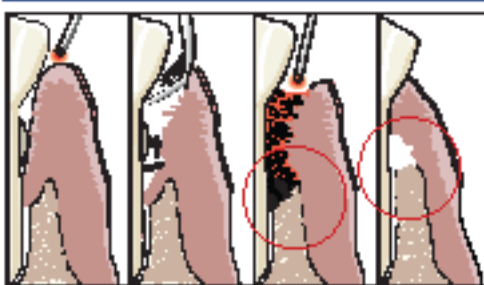
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Two paintings of deer antlers rest on an easel inside local painter Caryn Baumgartner's home art studio for display during the Mid-City Studio Tour on May 30, 2023.

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VILLAGE COOKIE SHOPPE

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Workers at The Village Cookie Shoppe in Long Beach receive a sense of community and trust along with mental health services

Samantha Diaz

Managing Editor

There's a bakery on Long Beach Boulevard where the recipe for success consists of one ingredient: compassion.

The Village Cookie Shoppe offers freshly baked cookies, cakes, breads and brownies for customers with a sweet tooth Monday through Friday. For its employees, it offers a sense of security, personal growth and a helping hand to those who need it.

Workers at The Village Cookie Shoppe are members of the Mental Health America of Los Angeles' (MHALA) employment program. Founded in 1924, MHALA has grown over the last 99 years to provide a wide range of services to people struggling with mental health issues.

Along with its employment program, MHALA offers housing assistance to those experiencing homelessness, psychotherapy, medication management, substance abuse services, family services and youth and veteran-focused outreach.

The Village Cookie Shoppe hires people referred by MHALA who are unemployed, but ready to join the workforce and teaches them valuable skills such as budgeting, multitasking, product development, shipping, delivering, and of course baking. All workers at the bakery are paid during their three to five months of employment.

After gaining work experience

at the shop, more than 80% of employees go on to find part or full-time employment within the community, according to MHALA.

As of now, the handmade baked goods are available for pick-up only and must be ordered ahead of time. The shop is soon planning to take its operations one step further by moving into a sit-down cafe to further the real-world work experience for its employees.

Kevin Palacios, executive chef of The Village Cookie Shoppe for the past nine years, trains each person who comes into the shop and has been witness to the changes that occur within the people working there.

"It's night and day when they first come and tell when they leave," Palacios said.

Palacios said he works with an average of 24 employees a year, and sometimes doubles as a therapist along with his job as executive chef. He said the first month of someone's employment usually consists of building a sense of trust and community where the topic of mental health is not used "as a crutch."

Palacios will often bring out his guitar—which he keeps handy in his office—and has relationship-building conversations with his employees. As someone who was previously homeless and struggled with his own mental health, he's keen on how important trust is in creating a difference in someone's life.

It's also the cornerstone that The Village Cookie Shoppe is built on.

"That's the key: relationships. That's everything in life, having a good relationship with yourself and with others," Palacios said. "It really builds communication, it builds trust, it builds vulnerability, it feels it builds humility, gives you hope."

Palacios said many of his former chefs often visit the shop or send him texts to let him know how they're doing.

"It's like I'm a father to 150 kids," Palacios said.

And the numbers for The Village Cookie Shoppe continue to grow. Palacios said that during his first year at the bakery, they fulfilled about 600 orders during the holidays, a.k.a. "cookie season." Last year, they received over 17,000 orders of cookies, brownies and loaves of bread during the same timeframe.

Palacios attributed some of this growth to the fresh products and unique recipes offered at the shop. Customers can choose from zucchini, banana or blueberry bread; chocolate chip, oatmeal raisin, peanut butter or cranberry white chocolate cookies; and dark chocolate brownies at an affordable price.

Residents can order baked goods from The Village Cookie Shoppe online for pick-up at 1955 Long Beach Blvd. Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Some orders are available for delivery.



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Two cookies from The Village Shoppe rest atop a box from the bakery on June 1, 2023.



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Executive Chef Kevin Palacios (right) and Worksite Manager Gerald Thompson (left) of The Village Cookie Shoppe sit near hundreds of cookie boxes that hold a dozen cookies on June 1, 2023.

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AROUND TOWN

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



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Wrigley River Run participants cheer as they pass the Los Angeles River during the last race held by the Long Beach Neighborhood Foundation in 2019.

Don't let the gloomy skies and chilly winds keep you indoors; there's plenty of things to do out in the Long Beach and Signal Hill community. Residents can challenge themselves to run through the city, attend a booze-filled festival, enjoy live music with performances and participate in civic engagement.

Anyone training for the Long Beach marathon in October can use this weekend as training practice. The Wrigley neighborhood is hosting its Wrigley River Run Saturday morning with 5Ks, 10Ks, 10-mile and half-marathon races to raise money for local youth scholarships. Steps for Vets will make its return at the same time at Shoreline Aquatic Park with 5 and 10Ks to raise money for veterans experiencing homelessness.

Another marathon race will take place at Shoreline Aquatic Park the following morning on Sunday to raise money for The Ronald McDonald House Long Beach.

For those who want a more relaxing weekend, they can paint calming landscapes and dress like Bob Ross at Bixby Knolls' First Fridays event. The Cal Heights Business District will host hundreds of classic cars and live music at a family and pet-friendly car show Saturday. For more adult-centered events, residents can attend a wine festival and a mai tai festival Saturday evening.

02 FRIDAY

CUENTOS Y CANTOS BILINGUAL STORYTIME

Noon to 1 p.m. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to bring young children to read, talk, sing and play in English and Spanish at the Burnett Neighborhood Library (560 E Hill St.). Free.

CABARET SHOW

8 p.m. The Black Veils will be performing a burlesque show at Harvelle's Underground (201 E Broadway), featuring dancers, singers and aerialists. General admission costs \$15. Tickets can be purchased. To purchase tickets, visit longbeach.harvelles.com/cal-endar.

BIXBY KNOLLS FIRST FRIDAYS

6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Small businesses and local orgs will activate the Bixby Knolls area along Atlantic Avenue. The theme for this month is Bob Ross, the famous landscape painter. One resident will be crowned for a Bob Ross look-alike contest and multiple businesses will be hosting drawing parties. The big red bus will shuttle residents across the participating businesses. Free to attend.

03 SATURDAY

WRIGLEY RIVER RUN

6 a.m. to 11 a.m. This annual run along the LA River in the Wrigley neighborhood will raise money to give scholarships to local youth. There are a variety of races that runners can participate in, including 5Ks, a 10K, a 10 mile and a half-marathon. Participation fees for the adult races range from \$55 to \$125. There are also two shorter races for small children, which cost \$10. To register, visit wrigleyriver-run.com/registration/.

STEPS FOR VETS

7 a.m. The eighth annual Steps for Vets invites residents to walk, run or roll a 5k, 10k or mile at the Shoreline Aquatic Park (200 Aquarium Way) to raise money to help veterans experiencing homelessness. Fees for the race range from \$25 to \$45. Register online.

CAL HEIGHTS CAR SHOW

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Cal Heights Business District is once again hosting its kustom car show, with over 100 classic cars to view, live music, a scavenger hunt, a shuttle service taking residents to local businesses and a family area at Roxanne's. The Little Lion Foundation will bring kittens for a meet and greet, and the event is pet-friendly. The car show will take place on Wardlow between Lemon and Orange Avenues. Free to attend.

BOOK DONATION DROP OFF

Noon to 2 p.m. The Friends of Signal Hill Library invite residents to donate gently used books at the curbside of the Signal Hill Public

Library (1800 E Hill St.). Children's books are especially needed. Free.

MAI TAI FESTIVAL

2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Attendees will be able to enjoy mai tais, beer, music, arts, vendors and more during this festival at Rainbow Lagoon (400 E Shoreline Village). General admission costs \$35. Tickets can be purchased at maitaifestival.com/.

LA WINE FEST

2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Attendees will be able to enjoy wine, craft brews, ciders, kombucha, food, exhibitors, live music and more at Harry Bridges Memorial Park at the Queen Mary (1126 Queens Highway). General admission costs \$80. Tickets can be purchased lawinefest.com/squadup-tickets/.

AN AMERICAN IN PARIS

8 p.m. The Long Beach Symphony will be performing a collection of American songs at the Long Beach Terrace Theater (300 E. Ocean Blvd.). Pianist Michelle Cann will be performing the Piano Concerto in One Movement by composer Florence Price. There will also be performances of 21st-century works by Brian Nabors and Nan Schwartz, along with Duke Ellington's "Harlem" and George Gershwin's "An American in Paris." General admission costs \$32. Tickets can be purchased at longbeachsymphony.org.

04 SUNDAY

WALK FOR KIDS

7 a.m. to 1 p.m. This marathon will raise money for The Ronald McDonald House Long Beach, which provides services for kids and families in need. The marathon will be held at Shoreline Park (200 Aquarium Way). Registration costs \$25. To register, visit walkforkids.org.

PLEIN AIR WORKSHOP

9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Residents can attend this outdoor art workshop held in the Museum of Latin American Art's corner garden (628 Alamitos Ave.) Admission costs \$5. To register for the workshop, visit <https://molaa.org/events>.

CLUB REAL ONES DAY PARTY

3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Those 18 and older are invited to this monthly day party at Grey LB (237 Long Beach Blvd.) featuring tacos, beverages, art, music and more. Tickets can be purchased on Eventbrite for \$20.

05 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 enter.

READ TO DOGS

5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Young children can practice reading to certified therapy dogs at the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.). Reading to dogs is meant to build a child's self confidence as they learn to read. Free.

06 TUESDAY

BABY BOOKWORM STORYTIME

10 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. Parents and caregivers are invited to bring babies up to 1 year old to enjoy books, songs, rhymes and bounces at the Bach Neighborhood Library (4055 N. Bellflower Blvd.). During the program, babies will be sitting in their adults' lap and adults will be actively participating in activities. Free.

HOMELESSNESS LIVESTREAM

11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The public is invited to view a livestream of the City of Long Beach's meeting on the current response to the homelessness crisis. Mayor Rex Richardson and other public officials will speak on the issue. To watch the livestream, visit www.youtube.com/@LongBeachCityCA/featured.

07 WEDNESDAY

PRIDE TEEN ZINE WORKSHOP

2 p.m. to 4 p.m. CSULB Professor Anat Schwartz will guide teens through making their own Pride-themed zines at Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W. Broadway). Free.

PRIDE CRAFT

3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Teens are invited to create a rainbow keychain, backpack charm, or wall art at the Bay Shore Neighborhood Library (195 Bay Shore Ave.). Free.

08 THURSDAY

BUDGET WORKSHOP

9 a.m. Long Beach residents are invited to provide input to the proposed utilities 2024 budget at the Long Beach Utilities Administration Building (1800 E. Wardlow Road). The Utilities Board Commission will give an update on planned improvements to water, gas and sewer systems, including pipeline replacements and water quality enhancements. The budget and utilities rates will be finalized at the June 22 meeting. Free.

ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLUB

5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. English language learners are invited to practice English conversations together at the Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W. Broadway). This is an informal gathering and a safe space for anyone trying to learn English. Free.

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SIGNAL HILL

Fire burns through roof of Signal Hill building, no injuries reported



Image Courtesy of Alicia Hill

A commercial building caught fire on the early morning of June 1, 2023.

Samantha Diaz

Managing Editor

A commercial building in Signal Hill caught on fire early Thursday morning, but no injuries were reported from residents or firefighters.

Firefighters were called to the 1700 block of East 28th Street shortly after 5 a.m. Thursday following reports of “smoke and fire coming from a building,” the Los Angeles County Fire Department

told the *Signal Tribune*.

Firefighters arrived at the scene at 5:34 a.m. to a commercial building on fire.

The LA County Fire Department told the *Signal Tribune* that the fire was extinguished at around 7:23 a.m. *City News Service* reported that the fire burned through the roof of the building.

The cause of the fire is under investigation, and the LA County Fire Department said it may take days or weeks to find the cause.

**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 22, 2023

TST6966

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER
ESTATE OF: RONNIE LEE JONES
CASE NO. 23STPB05215**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of RONNIE LEE JONES. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by RONNIE LEE FRANK in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that RONNIE LEE FRANK be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act with limited authority. (This authority will allow the per-

sonal 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: 07/20/23 at 8:30AM in Dept. 11 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner MATTHEW C. YU, ESQ. - SBN 256235 THE LAW OFFICE OF MATTHEW C. YU 3620 PACIFIC COAST HWY #200 TORRANCE CA 90505 5/26, 6/2, 6/9/23 CNS-3701615# THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE

CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

TST6975

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-05-6739

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS FOR LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 AND APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT

WHEREAS, as authorized by the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972, Part 2 (commencing with Section 22500) of Division 15 of the Streets and Highways Code (the “Act”), the City Council of the City of Signal Hill (the “City Council” and “City”) has established the Landscape & Lighting Maintenance District No. 1 (the “District”) in order to provide certain landscaping and lighting maintenance, operation, and services, as authorized by the Act and more particularly described herein (the “Services”); and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously determined that the public interest, convenience, and necessity require the continued levy of assessments within the District for the purpose of installing, constructing, operating, acquiring and maintaining public landscaping and appurtenant facilities as authorized by the Act, and pursuant to the Act, ordered the preparation of an Engineer's Report (“Report”) by the City's assessment engineer, NV5 (“Engineer”), which has been presented to the City Council for review; and

WHEREAS, the Report demonstrates that the District requires an increased assessment in order to continue to provide the Services, and the City Council desires to move forward with the necessary steps to continue the levy of the assessment at a higher rate which was approved by the property owners of parcels within the boundaries of the District on June 14, 2022 pursuant to the Act, article XIII D, section 4 of the California Constitution, and Government Code section 53753.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Signal Hill, California, as follows:

Section 1. Declaration of Intent. The City Council does hereby declare its intent to levy and collect assessments within Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No.1 for the Fiscal Year 2023-24. The public hearing is scheduled for June 13, 2023, at approximately 7:00 p.m. and will be conducted in the City Council Chamber located at Signal Hill City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755 and virtually. Information on how to participate in the public hearing virtually will be posted as soon as such information is available on the City's website, and/or the agenda for the June 13, 2023, meeting. Notice of the public hearing was provided as required by the Act.

Section 2. Description of Work. The public interest, convenience and necessity require, and it is the intention of the City Council, to order the following work to be done, to wit, as more specifically described in the Report: The maintenance, acquisition and service or servicing of public landscaping and appurtenant facilities, including but not limited to all matters specified in Section 22531 and Section 22538 of the Streets and Highways Code. The City does not propose to change the services funded by the District.

Section 3. Description of Assessment District. The City Council hereby makes the expenses of said maintenance chargeable upon the District, which is generally located south of E Hill St, north of E 19 St, west of Temple Ave, and east of N Orizaba Way. The areas benefitted by said maintenance and to be assessed to pay the costs and expenses thereof, shall have said assessments to be collected as part of the annual property tax assessment by the County Auditor of the County of Los Angeles.

Section 4. Engineer's Report. All of the said work to be done shall be as shown on the Assessment Diagram, and in accordance with the Engineer's Report on file in the Office of the City Clerk. The City Council hereby approves the Engineer's Report and reference is hereby made to same for a more particular description of said work; and the same is incorporated herein as Attachment “A” to the staff report.

Section 5. Improvement Act. All of the work herein proposed shall be accomplished pursuant to the “Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972”, of the State of California, Part 2 of Division 15, Section 22500, et seq., of the California Streets and Highways Code and Article XIII D, Section 4, of the California Constitution (Proposition 218) which became effective on November 6, 1996.

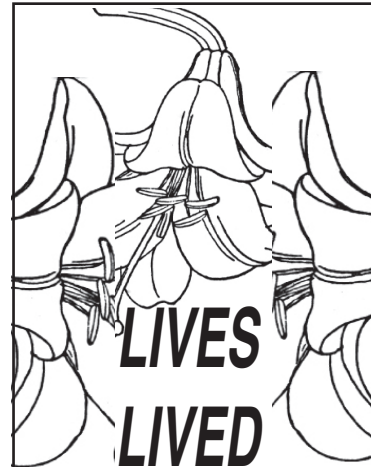
Section 6. Designation of the Person to Receive Inquiries. The following person is designated as the official to receive any inquiries concerning such improvements:

Thomas Bekele
Director of Public Works
2175 Cherry Avenue
Signal Hill, CA 90755
Telephone: (562) 989-7355

Section 7. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Signal Hill, California, on this 23rd day of May 2023.

AYES: MAYOR TINA L. HANSEN, VICE MAYOR LORI Y. WOODS, COUNCIL MEMBER KEIR JONES
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND
ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARD H.J. WILSON



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**TST6964/ 2023 101829
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: DESIGN CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, 1969 RAYMOND AVE, SIGNAL HILL, CA. 90755. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: BOZENA JAWORSKI, 1969 RAYMOND AVE, SIGNAL HILL, CA. 90755. State of Incorporation/Organization: (State). This business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: BOZENA JAWORSKI, OWNER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in February, 2023. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on May 8, 2023. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. 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). Pub. The Signal Tribune: May 12, 19, 26 & June 2, 2023, 2023

**TST6968 Case No. 23LBCP00180
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 275 MAGNOLIA AVE., LONG BEACH, CA. 90802 PETITION OF: Louis David Macias for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: LOUIS DAVID MACIAS has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing his name as follows: Present Name: LOUIS A. MACIAS Proposed Name: LOUIS DAVID MACIAS 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: June 23, 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, May 19, 26 & June 2, 9, 2023 ___/ss/___ Mark C. Kim, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: May 12, 2023

**TST6970 / 2023 110992
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: LOW TIDE, 3350 FALCON AVE, SIGNAL HILL, CA 90755. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: CYNTHIA LOPEZ, 3350 FALCON AVE, SIGNAL HILL, CA. 90755. State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A. This business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: CYNTHIA LOPEZ, OWNER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in May, 2023. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on May 19, 2023. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. 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). Pub. The Signal Tribune: May 26 & June 2, 9, 16, 2023

**TST6976 / 2023 111798
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: 1. FUNERARIA PALACIOS, 2. PALACIOS FUNERAL HOME, 5150 CANDLEWOOD ST. #6D, LAKEWOOD, CA. 90712. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: FUNERARIA PALACIOS INC, 5150 CANDLEWOOD ST. #6D, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: a Corporation. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: ROCIO PALACIOS, PRESIDENT. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in January, 2015. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on May 19, 2023. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. 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). Pub. The Signal Tribune: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023

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

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 275 MAGNOLIA AVE., LONG BEACH, CA 90802 PETITION OF: Kanika Pen for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. 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 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 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

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SUMMONS
(CITACION JUDICIAL)**

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO): 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 DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): Samantha Coker, an individual NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against 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 y 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 y 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 direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Gregory C. Pylfrom, Sr., Gregory C. Pylfrom & 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) Published Signal Tribune 6/2/2023

**TST6971 Case No. 23LBCP00186
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 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 HEARING: 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. 23LBCP00186
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 TRIBUNE, 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

TST6967



**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF
TREASURER AND TAX
COLLECTOR**

NOTICE OF DIVIDED PUBLICATION
Made pursuant to Revenue and Taxation
Code Section 3381

Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Sections 3381 through 3385, the Notice of Power to Sell Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California, has been divided and distributed to various newspapers of general circulation published in the County. A portion of the list appears in each of such newspapers.

**NOTICE OF IMPENDING POWER TO SELL
TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY**
Made pursuant to Revenue and Taxation
Code Section 3361

Notice is hereby given that the following parcels listed will become subject to the tax collector's power to sell on Saturday, July 1, 2023, at 12:01 a.m. Pacific Time, by operation of law. The real property taxes and assessments on the parcels listed will have been defaulted five or more years, except for:

1. Nonresidential commercial parcels, as defined in R&TC Section 3691, which will have been defaulted for three or more years;

2. Parcels on which a nuisance abatement lien has been recorded, which will have been defaulted for three or more years;

3. Parcels that can serve the public benefit and a request has been made by the County of Los Angeles, a city within the County of Los Angeles, or nonprofit organization to purchase the parcels through Chapter 8 Agreement Sales pursuant to R&TC Section 3692.4, which will have been defaulted for three or more years.

The Tax Collector will record a Notice of Power to Sell unless the property taxes are paid in full or the property owner initiates an installment plan of redemption, as provided by law, prior to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, on Friday, June 30, 2023, when the right to initiate an installment plan terminates. Thereafter, the only option to prevent the sale of the property at public auction is to pay the taxes in full.

The right of redemption survives the property becoming subject to the tax collector's power to sell, but it terminates at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, on the last business day before the scheduled auction of the property by the Tax Collector.

The Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office will furnish, upon request, information concerning making a payment in full or initiating an installment plan of redemption. Requests must be made at 225 North Hill Street, First Floor Lobby, Los Angeles, California 90012. For more information, please visit our website at tc.lacounty.gov or contact us at (213) 974-2111.

The amount to redeem the property, in United States dollars and cents, is set forth in the listing opposite each parcel number. This amount includes all defaulted taxes, penalties, and fees that have accrued from the date of tax-default to the date of Friday, June 30, 2023.

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct. Dated this 6th day of April, 2023.

KEITH KNOX
TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**PARCEL NUMBERING SYSTEM
EXPLANATION**

The Assessor's Identification Number, when used to describe property in this list, refers to the Assessor's map book, the map page, the block on the map, if applicable, and the individual parcel on the map page or in the block. The Assessor's maps and further explanation of the parcel numbering system are available in the Assessor's Office, 500 West Temple Street, Room 225, Los Angeles,

California 90012.

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

PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED IN YEAR 2020 FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENT, AND OTHER CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020

2779 \$331.29
JASIUKONIS, ROMAS AIN: 7140-008-009
2811 \$8,993.18
TODD FAMILY PARTNERSHIP LTD SITUS:2090 LONG BEACH BLVD LONG BEACH CA 90806-4906 AIN: 7209-011-020
2812 \$41,352.18
MENDOZA, KAY TR MENDOZA FAMILY TRUST SITUS:245 W PACIFIC COAST HWY LONG BEACH CA 90806-6114 AIN: 7209-022-023
2813 \$124,152.68
MENDOZA, KAY TR MENDOZA FAMILY TRUST SITUS:231 W PACIFIC COAST HWY LONG BEACH CA 90806-6114 AIN: 7209-022-027
2814 \$76,540.34
MENDOZA, KAY TR MENDOZA FAMILY TRUST SITUS:201 W PACIFIC COAST HWY LONG BEACH CA 90806-6114 AIN: 7209-022-028
2816 \$86.02
DAISY PROPERTIES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP SITUS:2007 ORANGE AVE LONG BEACH CA 90806-5710 AIN: 7210-028-034
2817 \$2,632.56
BEIDAS, CLEMENCE AIN: 7211-022-064
2850 \$4,943.41 SUNSET LODGE 26 F&AM SITUS:516 W ESTHER ST LONG BEACH CA 90813- 1529 AIN: 7271-015-009

PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED IN YEAR 2018 FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENT, AND OTHER CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018

2778 \$58,612.83
VAN HAZELEN, LYNN TR VAN HAZELEN FAMILY DECD TRUST SITUS:1105 E BURLINGHALL DR LONG BEACH CA 90807-2411 AIN: 7138-002-019
2780 \$7,208.60
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA LONG BEACH AREA COUNCIL SITUS:401 E 37TH ST LONG BEACH CA 90807-3405 AIN: 7145-009-015
2781 \$49,331.16
ESCOBEDO, DEANNA M SITUS:3655 WALNUT AVE LONG BEACH CA 90807- 4309 AIN: 7147-013-019
2782 \$3,458.09
HORNER, PATRICIA J TR PATRICIA J HORNER TRUST SITUS:3609 FALCON AVE LONG BEACH CA 90807-4217 AIN: 7147-014-030
2803 \$11,881.92
UNKNOWN OWNER O K AIN: 7201-013-001
2804 \$19,184.88
UNKNOWN OWNER O K AIN: 7201-028-001
2805 \$14,959.23
UNKNOWN OWNER O K AIN: 7201-029-001
2806 \$5,291.43
CORTEZ, PRIMO AND OROZCO, JACQUELINE ET AL RUIZ, FLORA SITUS:2304 OREGON AVE LONG BEACH CA 90806-4145 AIN: 7202-012- 027
2807 \$2,263.76
GREENE, LOIS J SITUS:3230 GOLDEN AVE LONG BEACH CA 90806-1208 AIN: 7203-007-038
2808 \$34,758.69
CANTU, GRACIELA V AND CANTU, MARTIN SITUS:2880 PACIFIC AVE LONG BEACH CA 90806-1449 AIN: 7206-005-014
2809 \$68.76
VITAL, MANUEL D ET AL ESTRADA, MANUEL SITUS:2760 MAGNOLIA AVE LONG BEACH CA 90806-2520 AIN: 7206-016-005
2810 \$110,931.91
AMCAP AND DCA LLC SITUS:855 E WILLOW ST SIGNAL HILL CA 90755-2736 AIN: 7207-015-017
2815 \$2,252.14
POWELL, ANNIE G TR POWELL TRUST SITUS:1078 E RHEA ST LONG BEACH CA 90806-5001 AIN: 7210-019-029
2818 \$1,288.02
ELLIS, CARLTON J JR TR CARLTON J ELLIS JR TRUST SITUS:2601 E 19TH ST UNIT 7 SIGNAL HILL CA 90755-1158 AIN: 7216-021-022
2819 \$20,816.50
PRECIADO, ROBERT A SITUS:2051 ORIZABA AVE UNIT 12 SIGNAL HILL CA 90755-1091 AIN: 7217-006-025 CN996854 578 May 26, Jun 2, 2023

TST6973/Order No: 15266
Auto Lien Sale

On 06/19/2023 at 821 SOUTH MAPLE AVE MONTEBELLO, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2011 TOYOTA VIN: 5TDKK3DC2BS008903 STATE: CA LIC: 6MNN340 at 8AM

TST6978/Order No: 13202
Auto Lien Sale

On 06/21/2023 at 6127 S HOOVER ST LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2021 NISSAN VIN: 3N1CP5BV5ML528904 STATE: CA LIC: DP736XX at 8AM

TST6974/Order No: 14134
Auto Lien Sale

On 06/19/2023 at 2517 W ASH AVE FULLERTON, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2022 RAM VIN: 3C63RRGLONG190514 STATE: TX LIC: at 8 AM

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FOR OUR
NEWSLETTER!**

PICS FROM PEEPS

Pictures from the People: Purple petal season

Staff Report
Signal Tribune

You may have noticed that many of the trees in Signal Hill and Long Beach have started blooming and shedding vibrant purple petals: it's jacaranda season.

For the next two weeks, we encourage our readers to take a nature walk through their neighborhood and find their favorite purple

tree. Whether it's a single splash of purple in the El Dorado Nature Center or rows of jacaranda trees in a residential area, we'll be sure to publish every bright, pretty purple entry we get.

Send photos via email to Newspaper@SignalTribune.com or to our Instagram page @SignalTribune to see your photos published in the newspaper and online.



Richard H. Grant | Signal Tribune
A single jacaranda tree blooms among other green trees near the El Dorado Duck Pond in Long Beach on April 26, 2022.



Image Courtesy of Zendrea Mitchell

Chica looks straight into the camera for a photo while standing in a field of fallen jacarandas.



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A row of jacaranda trees blooms along a street in East Long Beach on April 26, 2022.



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A top-down view of a jacaranda tree in bloom on a street in East Long Beach on April 26, 2022.



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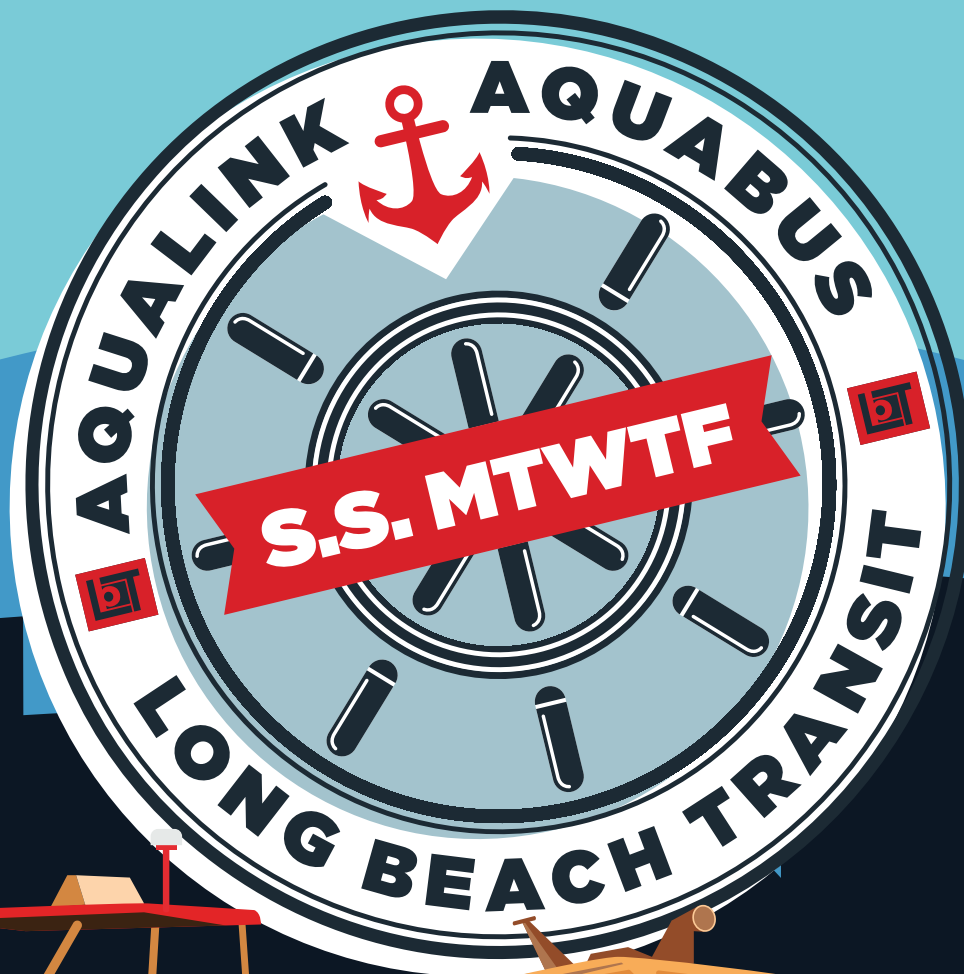
JUNE 4 - BOSSA VAI VAI 2-5 p.m.

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AquaLink and AquaBus are now cruising Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday! That's seven days a week between Downtown and Alamitos Bay.

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