

OIL DRILLING

## Signal Hill Petroleum's proposed 20-year permit extension faces strong criticism at public hearing

*Signal Hill's report says the extension is "environmentally superior" and guarantees the City's oversight, but residents remain opposed to the long-term project.*

Samantha Diaz

Managing Editor

Over 50 residents sat, stood or squeezed into empty spots on the floor equipped with signs and strong words of opposition at a crammed public hearing in the Signal Hill City Hall Tuesday night. The subject up for review was a Environmental Impact Report on a 20-year permit extension the City is considering granting to Signal Hill Petroleum.

If approved, Signal Hill Petroleum (SHP) will be able to drill up to 46 new oil wells and build 46 accompanying well cellars across its seven drill sites over the next 20 years. SHP currently owns 62 oil wells in Signal Hill, and 95% of the Long Beach Oil Field comprising 1,550 wells.

The Signal Hill City Council Chambers were packed with signs reading "We will not be poisoned in our homes" as Community Development Director Colleen Doan went over details of the recently released Environmental Impact Report (EIR) draft.



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Attendees at a public hearing raise their hand in agreement after one of many speakers urge Signal Hill to revoke a 20-year conditional use permit to Signal Hill Petroleum on June 4, 2024.

attendees cheered, snapped their fingers and raised their hands in agreement.

### The No Project Alternative

The draft EIR included alternatives to the 20-year permit extension, such as a No Project Alternative, which would allow Signal Hill Petroleum to continue its current operations but not drill new wells. Similarly, Assembly Bill 1137 will be on the ballot in November, which would prohibit California oil companies from drilling any new oil wells within 3,200 feet of schools, residential areas and hospitals if it passes.

If the No Project Alternative is chosen, Signal Hill Petroleum's current operations would still be able to continue, but without annual City oversight or the guidelines set in the conditional use permit. These guidelines mostly pertain to "community compatibility" such as noise and traffic in the areas surrounding drill sites.

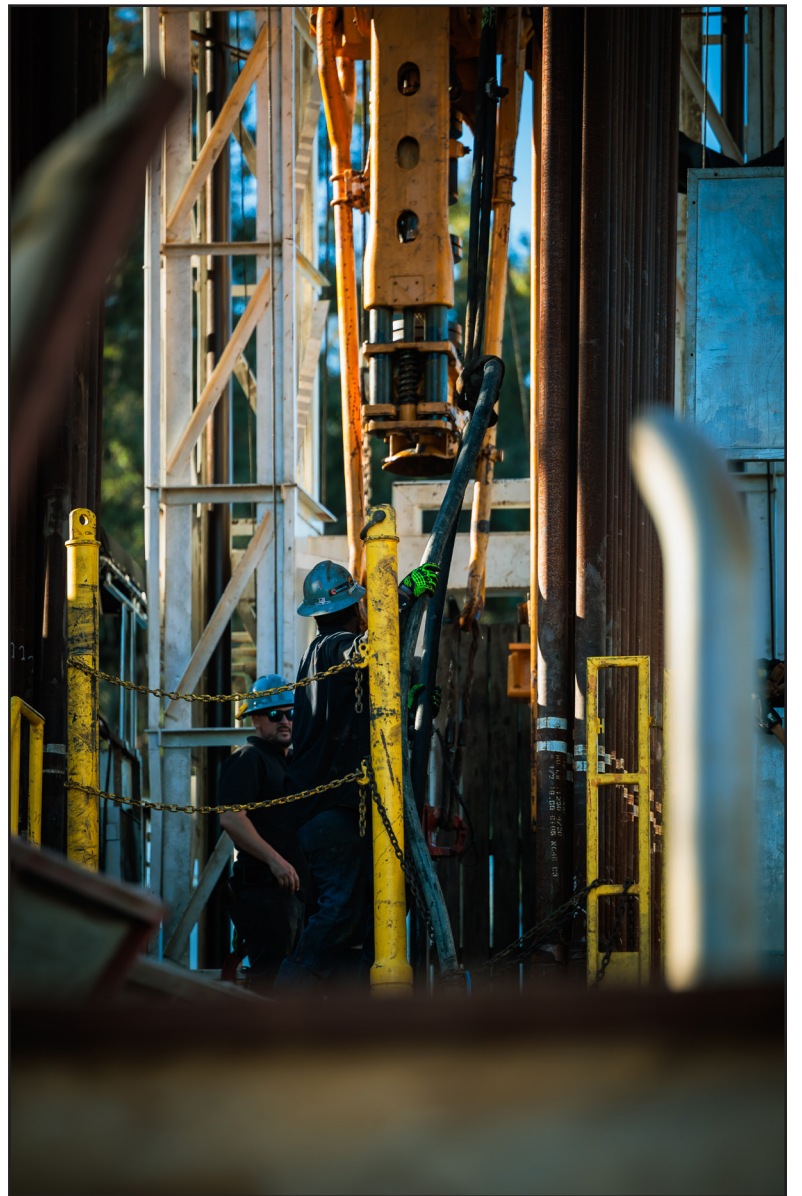
The EIR states it is "reasonably foreseeable" that if SHP can't drill new wells, it would redrill its existing wells more frequently than the current maximum of six per year. This would "potentially" have greater environmental impacts than the 20-year permit extension, according to the EIR.

Doan said the City hired Catalyst Environmental Solutions to compile and analyze data for the EIR, exploring the environmental and health impacts the 20-year permit would have on the Signal Hill community. The 300-page report took over two years to draft and was made public on May 6.

The EIR analyzed the effects the project would have on air quality, energy, biological resources, greenhouse gasses, traffic and other factors. All impacts were found to be "less than significant" or able to reach less than significant levels with proper mitigation.

Of the 50 plus residents in attendance, over 30 of whom gave public comments, no one spoke in favor of the permit renewal. Many residents spoke about the odor and noise of the drill sites near their neighborhoods and asked the City to investigate health impacts such as asthma in people who have lived in Signal Hill for years.

Local environmental groups such as Climate Brunch and the Sierra Club joined public speakers, while most



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Workers with Signal Hill Petroleum lower a drill into a well at their Central Unit facility along the east side of Signal Hill on Dec. 5, 2023. The Environmental Impact Report gathered to analyze a potential 20-year permit extension for Signal Hill Petroleum has been deemed as less environmentally damaging compared to alternative options, but Signal Hill residents voiced their concerns about the company's plans during a recent public hearing in the Signal Hill City Hall.



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Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Signal Hill Petroleum, David Slater, explains how the oil pumps located within the parking lot of Ross and The Home Depot in Signal Hill work on Dec. 5, 2023. Signal Hill Petroleum developed the shopping center that surrounds the oil drills, along with several other commercial and real estate developments in the city. The company is now hoping to secure a 20-year permit extension from the City of Signal Hill.

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## HISTORY



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Ten Mile Brewing owner Jesse Sundstrom takes a sip of his Japanese-style rice lager that pairs nicely with the BBQ chicken pizza below him on June 8, 2022. Ten Mile Brewing is one of several local craft breweries who will take part in the 15th annual LA Beer Week, with ten days of events planned at ISM Brewing in Downtown Long Beach.

## Long Beach celebrates 10 days of craft beer at ISM Brewing

## Staff Report

Signal Tribune

Many of Long Beach's beloved breweries will assemble their ales, blondes, pilsners and more for the 15th annual LA Beer Week.

ISM Brewing & Kitchen in Downtown Long Beach will host 10 days of events featuring local brewers, inviting craft beer lovers and the beer-curious alike. From June 14-23, ISM will celebrate Long Beach's craft beer scene by hosting drinks and guests from Ambitious Ales, Ten Mile Brewing, Syncopated Brewing Company, Beachwood Brewing and Blendery, Altar Society Brewing and Coffee Co., Trademark Brewing, Steady Brewing and Belmont Brewing.

The family-friendly event is part of LA Beer Week, an annual county-wide celebration organized by the Los Angeles Craft Brewers Guild with a mission to "promote and protect local independently-owned craft breweries and advocate for the strengthening of the craft beer industry," according to a press release from ISM.

ISM Brewing & Kitchen was founded in 2023 by beer industry veteran and Master Brewer Ian McCall. The downtown brewery has been awarded the California Craft Brewers Cup at the World Beer Cup and a gold medal for the West Coast IPA category for Western Standard Time.

**Long Beach's LA Beer Week celebrations will feature daily activations at ISM Brewing & Kitchen:**

**Friday, June 14 from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.**

The community is invited to kick off the 10-day event with a "Very Long Beach Launch Party" with draft pours and to-go cans. The star of the night will be the new Long Beach Super Collab, a beer brewed at Trademark Brewing in collaboration with ISM Brewing, Altar Society, Beachwood Brewing, Ambitious Ales, Syncopated Brewing, Long Beach Beer Lab, and Ten Mile.

Attendees can meet the faces behind many of their favorite local breweries and enjoy a DJ set in the



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Condensation builds on a beer tap as a beer is poured by bartender Michael on the first day of the inaugural Long Beach Oktoberfest on Oct. 23, 2021.

evening from *KLBP's* Andrew Toyias. Craft Beer LB, another local organization will host a pop-up with merch.

**Saturday, June 15 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.**

ISM will host an "Unofficial After-Fest Party" to celebrate the end of the LA Independent Beer Fest hosted by the LA Brewers Guild at Shoreline Aquatic Park earlier that day. Attendees can enjoy draft pours and to-go cans of the newly released Unity Brew, a collaboration between the entire LA Brewers Guild brewed at Boomtown in Los Angeles.

**Sunday, June 16 from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.**

Residents can ring in Father's Day at the "Drafts with Dad: A Father's Day Extravaganza," featuring food, drinks and entertainment for the entire family. ISM will host a kid's zone with coloring pages and games on its patio, while local sewist Bitchin Stitchin will host a pop-up where customers can purchase patches and have it sewn onto clothing at the event.

From 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., local musician Laura Wiley will be performing and taking song requests. The dads of ISM will also present their curated playlist featuring their favorite "Dad Rock."

**Monday, June 17 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

ISM's regular Monday night triv-

ia will get a Beer Week facelift, with beer-centric trivia questions from Epic Pub Quiz. This trivia night is free to attend, and the top team or player will receive a prize.

**Tuesday, June 18 from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.**

A slew of beers from San Diego will be featured at ISM for an edition of "San Diego Suds & Buds." Guest beers will include Craft Coast Beer, North Park Beer Company, Solaris Beer & Blending, Seek Beer Co., Fall Brewing Company, Pure Project, Pizza Port Brewing, and Horus Aged Ales.



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## MISSING PERSONS

## Does anyone care that these girls are missing? It doesn't seem like it

Kristen Farrah Naem

Staff Writer

At least three teens are not only missing from their homes, but from the State's missing person database as well.

Da'kera Jones, Mykala Lindsey and Tessa Linh Mam have been missing for months and are all believed to have traveled separately from other cities in Los Angeles County to the Long Beach area.

All missing people cases from across the state are required to be reported to the State's Missing Person System, and listed on the Department of Justice's public online database. As of June 6, none of these three girls have ever appeared on it.

The *Signal Tribune* contacted the Department of Justice on June 5 to ask how and why this happened, and has not heard back at the time of publication.

The *Signal Tribune* was alerted to Jones' and Lindsey's missing persons cases by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). The *Signal Tribune* reached out to NCMEC on May 29 and June 5 to ask why they are missing from the State database and has not heard back by the time of publication.

Mam's missing persons case was shared by the LA County Sheriff's Department's Cerritos Station on Facebook on March 14. The *Signal Tribune* reached out to the Cerritos



Courtesy of Cerritos Sheriff's Station's Facebook  
Tessa Linh Mam may have been heading to Long Beach when she went missing. Mam, along with local teens Da'kera Jones and Mykala Lindsey, remain missing.

Sheriff's station on March 20 and June 5, and left messages for Detective Ryan Clinkingbeard, who is listed as the contact on the missing person flier the station posted, and has not heard back.

During a phone call with the LAPD's media office, a spokesperson said they were unable to find any information about Jones or Lindsey after being told their names and the date they were last seen. The spokesperson said they needed to research these cases before responding to the *Signal Tribune*.

The *Signal Tribune* has reached out to the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), the LA County Sheriff's Department, NCMEC, and the California Department of Justice for information. As of Thursday, no one the *Signal Tribune* reached out to has even been able to share whether the girls are still missing.

## COMMUNITY INPUT

## Caltrans asks for public feedback on proposed bike lanes along PCH corridor

## Staff Report

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Residents are invited to give their input on proposed bike lanes along Pacific Coast Highway through an online survey created by Caltrans.

A post by the City of Long Beach's Public Works Department said that "by introducing bike lanes on PCH, community members will be encouraged to arrive to their destinations through alternative methods of transportation."

The bike lanes would begin at the Long Beach Traffic Circle and end at the Los Angeles River Bike Path, and are meant to increase access to the state's highway system.

Caltrans hosted a community meeting on June 6 at the Guidance Center to inform the public about its Bike Lane Project.

Survey takers will be asked to identify their names and council district, as well as answer several multiple choice and one open ended question.

Questions on the survey include the following:

- What is your usual destination when traveling through the PCH corridor?
- What is your primary method of traveling through PCH corridor?



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While Broadway is closed, bikes take over the streets and the bike lanes during Beach Streets on May 20, 2023. Caltrans is asking for public feedback on proposed bike lanes to be added alongside Pacific Coast Highway.

- If the proposed bike lane alternatives were implemented, would you be more likely to consider biking or walking on PCH?

- Do you have any other suggestions or concerns that might improve bicyclist mobility along the PCH corridor in Long Beach?

The survey also asks people to choose between three options for the bike lane:

1. A protected bike lane using plastic bollards
2. An unprotected bike lane
3. A protected bike lane separated from the street by concrete landscaping and light poles

To take the survey, visit <https://lbcity.info/CaltransSurvey2024>.



# AROUND TOWN

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



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An aerial view of the downtown area of Long Beach on Nov. 10, 2021. This Sunday at Shoreline Aquatic Park, residents are invited to take part in the California Turkish Fest, a free festival celebrating Turkish culture from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

If the June gloom has you feeling down lately, cheer yourself up with these fun and (mostly) free community events in Long Beach and Signal Hill.

Use your down time to unwind while learning something new, either at a pottery class Friday night at a local business, a mental health workshop Wednesday afternoon or an acrylic painting class Thursday night. If you want to see something artsy rather than take part in it, the Long Beach Historical Society is hosting an exhibit with art by local immigrants, the Long Beach Playhouse is performing “Loot” and “Barbie” is screening at the Queen Mary.

For a more active outing, the Long Beach Walking Club is inviting women to travel through Bixby Knolls Sunday morning, and the Signal Hill Public Library is hosting a zumba class Tuesday night.

### 07 FRIDAY

#### POTTERY CLASS

6 p.m. Clay on First (406 E First St.) will be hosting this class for adults interested in learning how to create pottery. This class is donation-based.

#### COMMUNITY ART EXHIBITION

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Órale invites the public to this exhibit of artwork by local immigrants at the Historical Society of Long Beach (4260 Atlantic Ave.). Free.

#### LIVE THEATER

8 p.m. The Long Beach Playhouse (5021 E Anaheim St.) will be performing the play “Loot.” General admission tickets can be purchased for \$13 on the theater’s website.

### 08 SATURDAY

#### LONG BEACH PLANT MARKET

10 am to 3 p.m. Plants, crafts and gifts will be available for purchase at the Bamboo Club (3522 E Anaheim St.). This event is appropriate for all ages. Friendly dogs are welcome. Free to enter.

#### KWENTOS AT KANTA

10:30 a.m. Local business Flipp Family invites children to enjoy bilingual stories and songs in English and Tagalog at the Harte Library (1595 W Willow St.). Free.

#### DOG DAYS MARKET

Noon to 4 p.m. This dog-centric marketplace will include pet supply vendors, a puppy ball pit, pet portraits, a dog pageant and more at Prism Boutique (406 Termino Ave.). Free to attend.

#### STEAK & CHOCOLATE COOKING CLASS

6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Local chefs Juan and Nicole of Cave Prime Steak will be teaching participants to cook a four-course meal, featuring steak and a chocolate souffle at 456 Elm Ave. Tickets can be purchased for \$95 at [www.localiseasoned.com](http://www.localiseasoned.com).

### 09 SUNDAY

#### WOMEN’S COMMUNITY WALK

10 a.m. The Long Beach Walking Club invites women on a group walk through the Bixby Knolls neighborhood. The walk will start at Five Star Pilates (3750 Long Beach Blvd #150) and end at Steelcraft (3768 Long Beach Blvd.). Participants are

invited to mingle and chat after the walk. Free.

#### CALIFORNIA TURKISH FEST

11 a.m. to 6 p.m. The public is invited to this celebration of Turkish culture, featuring traditional foods, folk dance and more at Shoreline Aquatic Park (200 Aquarium Way). Free admission.

### 10 MONDAY

#### SPANISH STORYTIME

2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Children of all ages will be able to enjoy Spanish stories read by library staff at the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.). Free.

#### PRIDE FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.) invites the public to create friendship bracelets in honor of Pride Month. Free, but space is limited. Register by calling 562-989-7323.

### 11 TUESDAY

#### SENIOR BINGO

11 a.m. Seniors are invited to play bingo together at the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.). Coffee and light refreshments will be provided. Free.

#### ZUMBA

6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.) will be hosting this zumba class. Zumba is an activity that combines dancing and fitness, usually through uptempo music. Participants should wear comfortable shoes, bring a towel and a water bottle. Free

### 12 WEDNESDAY

#### BABY STORYTIME

10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Babies, toddlers up to 2 years old, and their caregivers are invited to Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E. Hill St.) to enjoy stories and playtime. Free.

#### MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING WORKSHOP

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. The Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health will be leading a variety of mental health workshops at the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.). Free.

#### QUEEN MARY MOVIE NIGHTS

6 p.m. to 10 p.m. The public is invited to a screening of the movie “Barbie” at the Queen Mary (1126 Queens Hwy.). Admission is free,

but registration is required. To register for this event, visit [queenmary.com](http://queenmary.com).

### 13 THURSDAY

#### TEEN AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Students from the 6th to 9th grade are invited to enjoy STEAM crafts, 3D printing, gaming, snacks and more at the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.). Free.

#### COMMUNITY ART WORKSHOP

6 p.m. Artist Derick Edwards will teach participants acrylic painting techniques on canvas paper at the Museum of Latin American Art (628 Alamitos Ave.). This class costs \$5. Register on the museum’s website.

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Residents held up signs at a Signal Hill public hearing, opposing a potential 20-year conditional use permit for Signal Hill Petroleum on June 4, 2024.

“It sounds like Signal Hill Petroleum is holding these alternatives hostage,” a Signal Hill resident who identified himself as Charles said.

SHP would still have to follow guidelines surrounding emission thresholds set by the Southern California Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) and California Geologic Energy Management (CalGEM).

The company has maintained that they implement their own mitigation measures more stringent than what is required by the City and State.

“A better, healthier future could happen for us and our children. It’s time for Signal Hill to phase out oil,” said Stephanie Alvarez, an organizer with Climate Brunch.

At the end of the hearing, Doan admitted that “it does sound kind of funny” for the 20-year permit extension to be deemed the environmentally superior alternative, and

said the City will try to explain the issue more clearly in the final EIR.

**Other Permit Extension Options**

More alternatives to the 20-year permit extension were 2-year or 10-year extensions.

The 2-year extension predicts that Signal Hill Petroleum would build 10 new oil wells and cellars over this time period, since the company has “indicated” that they would only drill a maximum of five new wells per year. The EIR concluded that this option would reduce emissions of air pollutants and greenhouse gas related to new wells, but similar to the No Project Alternative, redrill operations would likely increase.

With a 10-year extension, Signal Hill Petroleum would still be able to drill 46 new oil wells at its proposed five wells per year. The draft EIR states that “it is reasonably foreseeable that the City would

extend the CUP at the end of the 10-year permit period” since it has done so every time since 1998.

According to the draft EIR, Signal Hill Petroleum “would plan to drill two wells per year” if granted the 20-year permit extension. However, if given a 10-year extension, the EIR states “it is more than likely” that SHP would drill the maximum number of wells allowed per year (5), resulting in “potentially higher air and greenhouse gas emissions on an annual basis.”

According to the EIR, the City has determined that granting the 20-year permit extension is the “environmentally superior alternative” since it gives Signal Hill oversight on the company while maintaining current conditions.

Signal Hill Petroleum is projected to produce 1,197 metric tons of carbon dioxide per year over the 20-year period, according to the draft EIR. The report compiled

data on toxic air contaminants from a North Long Beach monitoring station 4.5 miles from the nearest Signal Hill Petroleum site and a Los Angeles monitoring station 23 miles from the nearest site.

The EIR lists a number of toxic air contaminants reported at these stations by parts per billion by volume, though it states there is no air quality standard for these materials. The highest recorded volatile organic compounds from the North Long Beach station include acetone, formaldehyde and methylene chloride.

“From a public health perspective given the existing evidence on adverse health impacts, it’s important to reduce exposures to harmful pollutants where people live, work and play,” said Elizabeth Kamai, an environmental epidemiologist.

**Next Steps**

The decision will ultimately be made by the Signal Hill City Council following a finalized report and a recommendation from the Planning Commission.

The purpose of the public hearing was to receive feedback and questions about the draft EIR from residents. Doan said all comments from the public will be included in the final EIR, and Catalyst Environmental Solutions will attempt to answer all the questions posed.

Multiple residents requested that the council postpone the final decision until after the results of the November election, which includes SB1137. One Long Beach resident, Anna Christensen, asked that Sig-

nal Hill host another public hearing in a larger location and make a greater effort to promote it before moving forward in the process. Doan said the City will consider both options.



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Signal Hill Petroleum Chief Operating Officer David Slater looks out over the view of Long Beach from near the top Signal Hill on Dec. 5, 2023. Just below are homes that have been built on the hill, many of which sit on top of depleted oil wells or have active wells just next door.

Residents can send in written comments on the draft EIR until June 24 by emailing [cdoan@cityofsignalhill.org](mailto:cdoan@cityofsignalhill.org). All submitted comments will be included as an appendix in the final draft EIR.

The City expects for the project to go in front of the Planning Commission in another public hearing in July or August. The Planning Commission will give their recommendation to the City Council, which will host a final public hearing estimated to be held in September, but subject to change.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 200 W. COMPTON BLVD., COMPTON, CA. 90220 PETITION OF: Abelina Diane Martinez for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Abelina Diane Martinez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: Abelina Diane Martinez Proposed Name: Evelyn Diane Martinez 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 23, 2024; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. B, Room 906. 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 24, 31 & June 7, 14, 2024 \_\_\_/ss//\_\_\_ Fumiko H. Wasserman, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: May 16, 2024

**TST7318 Case No. 24 TRCP00207  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR  
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 825 MAPLE AVE., TORRANCE, CA. 90503 PETITION OF: Angelo Jose Maldonado for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Angelo Jose Maldonado has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: Angelo Jose Maldonado Proposed Name: Angelo Jose Trejo 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, 2024; Time: 9:30 a.m., Dept. 8, Room: 504. The address of the court is other: L.A. SUPERIOR COURT SOUTHWEST DISTRICT - INGLEWOOD COURTHOUSE, ONE REGENT STREET, INGLEWOOD, CA 90301. 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 24, 31 & June 7, 14, 2024 \_\_\_/ss//\_\_\_ Ronald F. Frank, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: May 17, 2024

**TST7320 Case No. 24 LBCP00159  
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: Semeen Shahid Khan for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Semeen Shahid Khan has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: SEMEEN SHAHID KHAN Proposed Name: SEMEEN RIFFAT KHAN 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 5, 2024; Time: 8:30 a.m., Dept. S27, Room: 5400. The address of the court is same as noted 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 24, 31 & June 7, 14, 2024 \_\_\_/ss//\_\_\_ Mark C. Kim, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: May 22, 2024

**TST7321 Case No. 24SMCP00218  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR  
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, SANTA MONICA COURTHOUSE, 1725 MAIN ST, SANTA MONICA, CA. 90401 PETITION OF: Polina Leonidovna Chpolskaia for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Polina Leonidovna Chpolskaia has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing his name as follows: Present Name: Polina Leonidovna Chpolskaia Proposed Name: Polina Leonidovna Shpolskaia 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, 2024; Time: 8:30 a.m., Dept. K. The address of the court is the same as noted 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 31 & June 7, 14, 21, 2024 \_\_\_/ss//\_\_\_ Lawrence Cho, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: May 8, 2024

# EYE ON CRIME

## CRIMES REPORTED BY THE SIGNAL HILL POLICE

### Wednesday, May 29

8:17 a.m., Auto burglary, 1500 block E. Hill St.  
10:28 p.m., Burglary, 2700 block Rose Ave.

### Thursday, May 30

1:51 p.m., Auto burglary, 1900 block Stanley Ave.  
4:08 p.m., Stolen vehicle – recovered, 1900 block Cherry Ave.  
9:37 p.m., Critical missing, 2100 block Gundry Ave.

### Friday, May 31

9:06 p.m., Fire, 700 block E. Spring St.  
9:20 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 1900 block Stanley Ave.  
9:27 p.m., Intoxicated person on drugs, Dawson Ave./Starlight Lane

### Saturday, June 1

1:37 a.m., Stolen Vehicle – recovered, E. 20th St./Temple Ave.  
8:27 a.m., Auto burglary, 1800 block Temple Ave.  
9:14 a.m., Auto burglary, 2500 block Temple Ave.  
9:38 a.m., Auto burglary, 2000 block Orizaba Ave.  
11:18 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2600 block E. 20th St.  
12:01 p.m., Auto burglary, Cherry Ave./E. 21st St.  
12:27 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Coronado Ave.  
1:19 p.m., Intoxicated person, 700 block E. Spring St.  
3:51 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Obispo Ave.

### Sunday, June 2

12:35 a.m., Felony warrant, 2200 block Legion Dr. (suspect arrested)  
10:00 p.m., Auto burglary, 2000 block Orizaba Ave.

### Monday, June 3

9:46 a.m., Elder abuse, 2100 block Gundry Ave.  
2:24 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Willow St./Signal Parkway  
5:09 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Coronado Ave.

### Tuesday, June 4

1:57 a.m., Burglary, 2100 block Dudley Cr.  
9:32 a.m., Grand theft, 1900 block E. 29th St.  
7:17 p.m., Vandalism, 2200 block E. Willow St.  
9:36 p.m., Intoxicated person on drugs, E. Hill St. south of Skyline Dr. (citation issued)

*LBPd reporting area is too extensive to report here, but you can go to their website: [longbeach.gov/police](http://longbeach.gov/police). Once there, click on Crime Info, then Crime Incident Mapping Application. Click on Launch Crime Incident Mapping Application and type in an address.*

You can use filters to select dates and types of crime.

TST7328/Order No: 17777  
Auto Lien Sale

On 06/21/2024 at 7625 ROSECRAN AVE STE 36 PARAMOUNT, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2021 HARLE VIN: 1HD1KHC19MB663707 STATE: NC LIC: at 8 AM

TST7330/Order No: 18277  
Auto Lien Sale

On 06/21/2024 at 8000 S FIGUEROA ST LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2020 SEADOO HULL: YDV38396A020 STATE: CA CF#: 7178VT at 10 AM

TST7326/Order No: 16530  
Auto Lien Sale

On 06/21/2024 at 2801 W SLAUSON AVE LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2020 HYUNDAI VIN: 5NPEJ4J22LH027489 STATE: CA LIC: 9HKS358 at

TST7327/Order No: 17549  
Auto Lien Sale

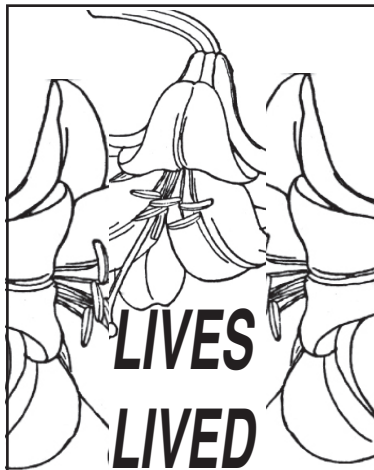
On 06/21/2024 at 15072 ADAM ST MIDWAY CITY, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2018 TOYOT VIN: JTDKARFU1J3063077 STATE: LIC: at

TST7325/Order No: 16309  
Auto Lien Sale

On 06/21/2024 at 15321 ATLANTIC AVE COMPTON, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2019 MERCE VIN: WDDUG8DB4KA493529 STATE: CA LIC: 9EFG755 at

TST7329/Order No: 18003  
Auto Lien Sale

On 06/21/2024 at 1521 W FLORENCE AVE LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2020 NISSA VIN: 3N1AB8CV8LY218883 STATE: CA LIC: 9FGM564 at 10 AM



- Alan Massing 93
- Sylvia Law 87
- Joan Ibelle 89
- Dale Didur 75
- James Morris Jr 78
- Larry Meyer 91
- Otis Williams Jr 85
- Maria Sy 55
- Sammy White 85
- Bernardo Quiocho 89
- Carlos Ascanio 81
- Sherry Hale 86
- Duane Owens 81
- Beverly Russell 76
- Leonard Booker 83
- Pilar Aldapa 82

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**HISTORY**  
On the Hill



The Hancock Oil Refinery Fire

The May 22, 1958 Hancock Oil Company refinery fire was, to date, the most devastating oil industry calamity to threaten the City of Signal Hill. This inferno, and its huge billowing black smoke columns, raged 52 hours and involved up to 600 firefighters from Signal Hill, Long Beach, Los Angeles County, the U.S. Air Force, and surrounding communities as far away as Vernon.

Reportedly, the fire was caused by the boiling over of an oil storage tank, which caught fire and spread to seven nearby and the refinery itself. The eight tanks that were burned out held several million gallons of crude oil as well as refined petroleum products.

The worst threat posed by the fire was the possibility of a nearby tank of extremely toxic Tetra Ethyl igniting. Burning Tetra Ethyl would have mandated an evacuation of everyone within the surrounding community as well as those living downwind from the fire. Consequently, the firefighters worked urgently to keep the Tetra Ethyl tank cool enough to prevent it from exploding.

To the relief of Signal Hill and west Long Beach residents, the firefighters were successful.

Two men were killed in the fire, and several firefighters suffered injuries. Huge clouds of oil fallout were carried over the western portion of Long Beach, resulting oil smut damage to over 8,000 homes. Insurance claims by these homeowners totaled close to \$3 million.

Damage to the plant itself was reported to be at least \$8 million. The Hancock Oil Refinery was only three years old when it caught fire. The plant's most extensive damage was its tanks. Damage to its TCC (thermoform catalytic converter), the major processing unit in the refinery, was estimated at 30%. Other fire damage included processing machinery such as pumps, motors, turbines, blowers and exchangers. Structural steel and piping were also incinerated beyond salvage.

Within a week after the fire, wild rumors began to circulate in Signal Hill that Hancock Oil would be selling its operations in the area. Public outcry pleaded for the company to reconsider. The Hancock Company had customarily paid \$40,000 annually in

property tax to the City, in addition to even larger sums of petroleum products' sales tax. Monetary considerations aside, Hancock Oil had been an integral part of the life of the city since the birth of Signal Hill and many residents felt warmly toward to company.

As the rumor of Hancock's impending sale spread, stock in the oil company rose from \$27.50 to \$58 per share. When John W. Hancock, president of the corporation, announced June 26, 1958, that the company would be remaining in Signal Hill and rebuilding the refinery, stock prices leveled off at \$44.50 per share.

John W. Hancock also voluntarily presented the Signal Hill Fire Department with a check for \$4,000 in gratitude for the unselfish determination this city's firefighters had displayed in rescuing the Hancock Oil Refinery from total incineration.



Aerial view of the 1958 Hancock Oil Refinery fire. Refinery was located near Junipero and 27th St

June History Talk

Special Presentation  
Model T Hill Climb

The Model T Club will have a special presentation about the history of the annual Model T Hill climb in Signal Hill.

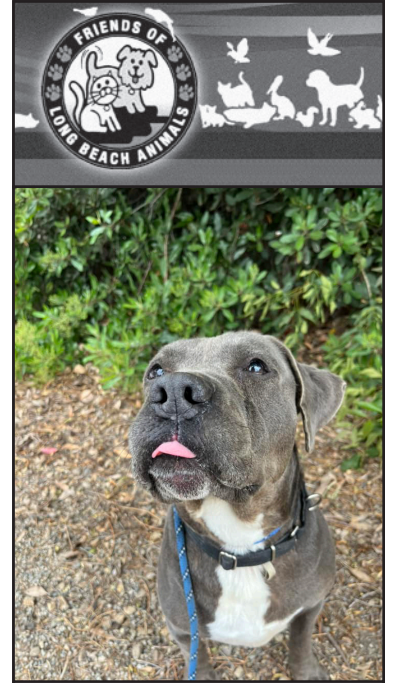
JUNE 13, 6:00PM  
SIGNAL HILL LIBRARY



The Signal Hill Historical Society meets Thursday, June 13th at 5:30 then at 6:00 History talks in the Signal Hill Library Open to the public.

Above article originally published June 7, 1991 in the Star Tribune  
Written by Julie Bendzick-Sin.  
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Pet of the week:  
Caesar

Caesar (that's how he spells his name) is only 2 years old and has spent nearly half his life in our shelter. He's been here since September 2023.

He's affectionate toward people and particularly enjoys sitting on the shelter bench with his favorite volunteers, which include every one that he meets. Caesar takes treats gently—he's a bit rougher on his stuffie toys—and walks well on a leash. He likes playtime but is medium energy. He'd be great in a calm home environment. Caesar deserves his salad days—can you serve them up? Speed the process to adopt or foster Caesar or any of our other pets by emailing [PetAdopt@longbeach.gov](mailto:PetAdopt@longbeach.gov) or [petfoster@longbeach.gov](mailto:petfoster@longbeach.gov) You can also call (562) 570-4925. Our shelter hours are Wednesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 7700 E. Spring St. at the entrance to El Dorado Park (no parking fee for shelter visitors. Ask for ID #A706758

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Long Beach announces Summer of Opportunity for youth

Samantha Diaz

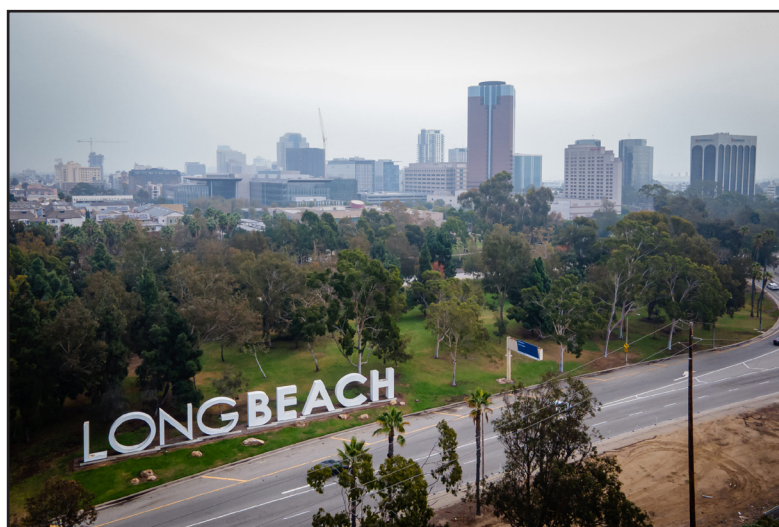
Managing Editor

Long Beach city officials and youth leaders gathered Wednesday for a press conference to announce the Summer of Opportunity Initiative with the goal to reduce violence among youth.

Also known as S.T.R.O.N.G. (Standing Together to Reach Our Next Generation) Beach, the plan has three areas of focus: expanding youth opportunities, preventing violence and encouraging community activation.

"S.T.R.O.N.G. Beach is an initiative focused on fostering positive development among Long Beach's youth while simultaneously reducing the occurrence of violent incidents involving young individuals in our city," according to a memo from the City.

Many of the programs announced have already been in place and will now receive an extra focus over the summer and be integrated across City departments. The plan is also a continuation of the Health



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An aerial view of Downtown Long Beach with the LONG BEACH sign near Shoreline Drive during a misty morning on Nov. 18, 2021. The City of Long Beach recently announced its Summer of Opportunity Initiative with the goal of expanding youth opportunities, preventing violence and encouraging community activation through a variety of summer events programming.

Department's Advancing Peace Initiative.

"Our ultimate goal is to ensure our community is healthy, safe and thriving, and we do this by

extending bridges to opportunity and working alongside community partners to address the core issues so we have healthy neighborhoods, not only on the east side, but on

the north, central and south sides as well," said Deputy City Manager Teresa Chandler.

Among the new initiatives are summer events held by the Safe Passage Program, which usually only functions during the school year, waived fees associated with hosting neighborhood block parties, and a violence interruption program set to launch in North and Central-East Long Beach this summer. Long Beach parks will also be activated with supervision during the day and will be granted extended hours, though the City has not identified which parks yet.

Community Engagement Deputy and Youth Liaison Monserrat Pineda said the City gathered its areas of focus after conversations and surveys from the inaugural Youth Day in the LBC in May. Pineda said students emphasized a need for violence prevention, community care and planning for the future.

Some of the initiatives announced include:

- Safe Passage Program summer events

- Violence interruption program serving youth, families, and individuals impacted by gun violence. Launching Summer 2024 in North and Central-East Long Beach.

- Youth workforce training, in partnership with the April Parker Foundation and Pacific Gateway. Will offer case management, life coaching, professional career counseling, hands-on employment opportunities and more for those ages 16-26.

- A mentorship program from the Boys & Girls Club and the Long Beach Unified School District. City employees will serve as mentors to students in North, West and Central Long Beach.

- The Be SAFE Program, which extends park hours and offers arts and crafts, computer lab hours, games and sports at 11 sites from June 17 through Aug. 23.

Residents can read more about Long Beach's Summer of Opportunity and see a full calendar of events at [longbeach.gov/pages/city-news/summer-activities/](http://longbeach.gov/pages/city-news/summer-activities/).



