



ENVIRONMENT

Second public hearing will be held for Signal Hill Petroleum's oil drilling permit extension



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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. A public hearing will be held on June 24 to allow Signal Hill residents to discuss the proposed 20-year permit extension for Signal Hill Petroleum.

The June 24 public hearing is the last day residents have to comment on Signal Hill Petroleum's proposed 20-year permit extension before the issue goes to the Planning Commission.

Samantha Diaz
Managing Editor

The City of Signal Hill will hold a second public hearing on June 24 regarding a possible 20-year permit extension to Signal Hill Petroleum. Over 50 residents and multiple local environmental organizations attended the first public hearing on June 4 to review and ask questions about the drafted Environmental Impact Report. All of those in attendance asked the City to deny the extension, and several residents asked the City during the meeting to hold a second public hearing due to lack of space and public awareness of the meeting. The second public hearing will be held in the Signal Hill Public Library's Community Room, which has a capacity of 48 people with tables and chairs, according to the City's Parks and Recreation Department. The *Signal Tribune* emailed Signal Hill Petroleum on June 6 and June 17 to ask for the company's response to the first public hearing and has not yet heard back. Public hearings are held in order to give residents the opportunity to ask questions and comment on matters that affect the community. The project under review is the Conditional Use Permit Signal Hill Petroleum has for its seven drilling sites, which contain 62 oil wells.

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CITY COUNCIL



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A Signal Hill Police patrol vehicle sits outside of Signal Hill City Hall on Aug. 1, 2023. The Signal Hill Police Department will receive \$13.9 million of the City's \$34.9 million budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25, a \$900,000 increase from the previous fiscal year.

Signal Hill adopts budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Kristen Farrah Naeem
Staff Writer

Signal Hill City Council approved a nearly \$35 million budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 on Tuesday, June 11. "The overall goal is to adopt a structurally balanced budget that serves as the city's financial plan, control city appropriations to pay for city services and activities, and reflect the city council's priorities and strategies," said Deputy Finance Director Siamlu Cox during the presentation to city council. The budget lays out how the City will spend its money during a fiscal year, and what funding sources it will draw from. "The budget represents a cautious, optimistic perspective while remaining vigilant of existing challenges," Cox said. Per usual, the largest portion of the budget was allocated to the Signal Hill Police Department. Of the City's \$34.9 million budget, \$13.9 million was earmarked for the police department. The amounts set aside for other expenditures are as follows:

- Legislative & Administration - \$4.3 million
- Community Development - \$1.3 million
- Parks, Recreation & Library Services - \$3.1 million
- Finance, IT and Non-department - \$5.1 million
- Public Works - \$6.9 million

The previous budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 was \$34.6 million, with this year's total budget increasing by over \$300,000. In Fiscal Year 2023-2024, the amount allocated for the police department was approximately \$13 million, with that amount increasing by over \$900,000 for this year. During the budget presentation to city council, staff said that the City plans to bring in \$37.8 million in revenue, with the vast majority of it (\$27 million) coming from sales tax. As part of its biennial budget planning process, the city council adopted a budget for fiscal year 2024-2025 while simultaneously approving a prospective budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. The proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget

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LEISURE



The quack is back: El Dorado Duck Pond grand reopening will be June 27

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A couple walk with their dog along the edge of the water at the El Dorado Duck Pond on April 11, 2022. The El Dorado Duck Pond will have a community grand reopening ceremony on Thursday, June 27, with several City officials in attendance.

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

After nearly two years of construction, the El Dorado Duck Pond is ready to reopen, and the public is invited to waddle over and celebrate.

Long Beach will host a grand reopening of the El Dorado Park West Duck Pond on Thursday, June 27. City officials such as Mayor Rex Richardson, District Four Councilmember Daryl Supernaw, along with Public Works and Parks, Recreation and Marine representatives will take part in the ceremony. "I am excited for the El Dorado Park West Duck Pond to reopen for residents to enjoy once again just in time for summer," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "This project is a symbol of our commitment to preserving our city's natural beauty and is a testament to our dedication to creating healthy, safe spaces that foster community, recreation and environmental stewardship."

Long Beach began the \$10 million rehabilitation project in September 2022 with the goals to improve water quality, restore the

pond's liner, benefit the wetlands and forebay, remove invasive species, and plant native plants.

Recreational spaces surrounding the pond will also be open for people to enjoy including a soccer field, amphitheater, playground, open green space, two parking lots and restrooms. Additional upgrades include the walking paths, a new filtration and disinfection system and conservation efforts to allow reclaimed water to service the adjacent golf course.

"The El Dorado Duck Pond is a beloved part of our community. It is a place where folks come to relax, connect with nature, and create lasting memories with family and friends," said District Four Councilmember Daryl Supernaw in a public statement. "I am pleased to see the restoration of this beloved landmark finally complete, and I look forward to celebrating its reopening with members of our community."

The project is supported by Long Beach Measure A, Los Angeles County Measure W grant funding from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District Grant, in addition to federal

grant funding in partnership with Long Beach Utilities (formerly the Long Beach Water Department).

Costs for El Dorado Park improvement projects is as follows:

- El Dorado Park Artificial Turf: \$2,711,644
- El Dorado Park Duck Pond: \$10,107,000
- El Dorado Park Golden Grove Event Area: \$500,000
- El Dorado Park Golden Grove Playground: \$400,000
- El Dorado Park Parking Management and Entrance Improvements on Spring Street: \$400,000
- El Dorado Park Restroom No. 40: \$180,000
- El Dorado Park Restroom No. 41: \$180,000
- El Dorado Park Restrooms No. 38 and 43: \$360,000
- El Dorado Park Tennis Center: \$266,834
- El Dorado Universal Playground: \$1,100,000

More information is available on the project webpage.

The celebration will be held at noon on Thursday, June 27, 2024, at El Dorado Park West (2400 N. Studebaker Road).

HEALTH

Monthly workshops for early childhood development will run from July to December

Staff Report

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Parents and caregivers can gain access to speech development, special education and intervention resources for children ages 0 to 5 through Long Beach's Parent Informational Workshop series.

The second round of this series will be hosted by the Long Beach Public Library and the Department of Health and Human Services. These workshops aim to "ensure Long Beach families experiencing developmental concerns about their child are connected to services in a timely manner."

"These workshops have become a safe space for parents and caregivers to learn about their child's early development, ask questions from trusted local experts, navigate available resources, and connect with other families about shared experiences," said Health and Human Services Director Alison King in a statement from the City.

The Parent Informational Workshops Series will feature six sessions, running from July 18 to Dec. 7 at several Long Beach libraries.

Families will also be connected to a myriad of services and experts at the workshops.

The schedule is as follows:

- Supporting Healthy Speech Development — July 18 at noon, Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W. Broadway.)
- Connecting to Early Intervention Resources — Aug. 7 at 12:30 p.m., Burnett Library (560 E. Hill St.)
- Supporting Emotional Development and Regulation — Sept. 11 at 11 a.m., Brewitt Library (4036 E. Anaheim St.)
- Supporting Healthy Speech Development — Oct. 5 at 2:30 p.m.,



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The Parent Informational Workshop series will begin July 18 with "Supporting Healthy Speech Development" at the Billie Jean King Main Library.

Mark Twain Library (1401 E. Anaheim St.)

• Special Education — Nov. 16 at 10:30 a.m., Michelle Obama Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.)

• Supporting Healthy Speech Development — Dec. 7 at 11 a.m., Bay Shore Library (195 Bay Shore Ave.)

The Parent Information Workshop series also supports the Library's Dive into Learning program, an early learning initiative that supports early education for children ages 0 to 5 by incentivizing reading and providing school readiness and parent education workshops.

People can sign up for the Library programs by visiting longbeach.beanstack.org or by downloading the Beanstack Tracker app.

The workshop series is supported by Help Me Grow LA, which is a collaboration between First 5 LA and Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. In 2022, the City of Long Beach was awarded as one of seven community collaboratives to receive \$500,000 over the course of three years by First 5 LA. This investment from the LA County agency is intended to strengthen and expand referral pathways to better connect families with services and supports to address their child's developmental concerns.

The investment is part of Help Me Grow LA's effort to improve connections between providers so that every child receives support for developmental concerns.

EDUCATION

Long Beach Public Library's SEED Creative City Lab returns for Summer 2024

Staff Report

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The Long Beach Public Library (LBPL) and Dramatic Results are bringing back their SEED Creative City Lab for another summer, with six one-week sessions open to local middle schoolers.



Courtesy of the City of Long Beach

Students work on activities during SEED's summer 2023 programming.

This free summer camp will provide seventh and eighth graders with a five-day crash course in

STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) education.

Dramatic Results is a nonprofit educational arts agency based in Signal Hill that has worked with local students through community STEAM programs since 1992.

SEED is a five-year initiative led by Dramatic Results, and primarily funded by the U.S. Department of Education, that organizes programs for underrepresented students in an attempt to create more equitable entry into STEAM.

"By partnering with local artists and organizations, we're creating pathways to success and inspiring the leaders and innovators of tomorrow," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement from the City. "The SEED Creative City Lab embodies Long Beach's spirit of creativity and inclusivity, offering middle school students a platform to explore their passions and un-

lock their potential."

Students will learn skills under the tutelage of STEAM professionals as well as art and design elements from workers in areas of public safety, urban planning, sustainability and more.



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

The weather is heating up in Long Beach and Signal Hill, and residents can chill out at one of these evening outdoor events. For cinephiles looking to get out of the house and into the breeze, there will be outdoor movie screenings at dusk on Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday. Music lovers can listen to local musicians perform live in various parks on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Animal lovers can meet potential foster pets on Sunday or take their own pets for a discounted check-up on Monday.

21 FRIDAY

FLOWER CROWNS FOR MARSHA

1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The Office of Climate Action and Sustainability invites teens and adults to make flower crowns at the Dana Neighborhood Library (3680 Atlantic Ave.) in honor of LGBTQ activist Marsha P. Johnson. Space and supplies will be limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Free.

RIDE FOR REENTRY

6:30 p.m. This bike ride starting in Alamitos Beach (700 E Shoreline Dr.) hopes to increase support for previously incarcerated people as they reenter society. Members of organizations are encouraged to wear T-shirts showing their affiliations. Parking will cost \$2 per hour. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own bikes, but bikes will also be available for rent for \$13 from Wheel Fun Rentals. Free to attend.

MOVIE IN THE PARK

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. The public is invited to an outdoor screening

of the animated movie "Wish" at Signal Hill Park (1780 E. Hill St.). The movie will begin at dusk. Attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair, blanket and picnic food. Free.

22 SATURDAY

COMMUNITY CLEANUP

8 a.m. to noon. Volunteers are needed to help clean the Starr King neighborhood. Volunteers will meet at 20 E 67th Way. Trash bags, gloves and grabbers will be provided. Volunteers are asked to bring their own water. Free.

FAMILY THEATER PERFORMANCE

11 a.m. International City Theatre (330 E Seaside Way) will be hosting a performance of "Choosing My Way," a collection of short stories from around the world. These performances are meant to help expose children of all ages to theater. Free.

SUMMER CINEMA

Noon to 2 p.m. The public is invited to an outdoor screening of the animated movie "Finding Nemo" at Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.). This event is appropriate for all ages. Free.

ARTS FILM SERIES

12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The public is invited to watch two films about the life and work of Brian Wilson, founding member of The Beach Boys, at the Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W Broadway). The documentary "Brian Wilson: Long Promised Road" will play first, followed by the biographical drama "Love & Mercy." Free.

23 SUNDAY

FOOD GIVEAWAY

9 a.m. to noon. Local nonprofit Friends of Puvungna will be distributing fresh produce to people in the G2 parking lot at Cal State Long Beach (1250 N Bellflower Blvd.). Bags will be available, but attendees are encouraged to bring their own. Free.

FOSTER THE FOURTH

4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Long Beach Animal Care Services (7700 E Spring St.) needs volunteers to foster lost and stray pets during and after Fourth of July, when the shelter is expected to fill up with pets that run away due to fireworks. Potential volunteers can meet pets in need of a foster home during the holiday. Before the Fourth of July weekend, volunteers must be willing to fill out an online application, ensure they are able to care for an animal for at least 30 days, keep foster pets separate from family pets, and regularly communicate with shelter staff. All food, supplies and medical care will be provided by the Long Beach Animal Care Services. Free.

24 MONDAY

LOW-COST VACCINE CLINIC

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Long Beach Animal Care Services (7700 E Spring St.) and Community Animal Medicine Project will be providing vaccines and services to pets at discounted prices. Services include microchipping, tapeworm treatment, nail trimming, flea/tick treatment and more. For more information, call 562-570-7387. Prices will vary.



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An aerial view of people dancing in Bixby Joe Coffee & Tea parking lot while King Salmon and the Funk Yard Horns perform during the first of this year's Concerts in the Park(ing lot) series on June 26, 2023.

CONCERT IN THE PARK(ING) LOT

6:30 p.m. The public is invited to a live music performance by the Yari Moré Latin Band at the Bixby Joe Coffee & Tea parking lot (4245 Atlantic Ave.). The band will play a selection of upbeat salsa, merengue and cumbia songs. Attendees are encouraged to bring chairs, food and drinks. Free to attend.

25 TUESDAY

CONCERT IN THE PARK

6:30 p.m. The Long Beach Municipal Band will be performing a series of jazz, pop and patriotic songs at Whaley Park (5620 E Atherton St.). Attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair, blanket and picnic food. 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.

MOVIE IN THE PARK

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. The public is invited to an outdoor screening of the animated musical comedy "Under the Boardwalk" (2023) at Coolidge Park (352 E Neece St.). The movie will begin at dusk. Free.

26 WEDNESDAY

SUMMER SOLSTICE PLANTING WORKSHOP

1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. The Office of Climate Action and Sustainability

will be teaching the public about flowers and planting during this workshop at the Dana Neighborhood Library (3680 Atlantic Ave.). Attendees will plant and take home their own sunflower seeds. Free.

PUBLIC WORKS YARD AND TOUCH-A-TRUCK

2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Local children are invited to the Signal Hill City Yard (2175 E 28th St.) to see and touch various work trucks. For more information, call Signal Hill Parks, Recreation & Library Services at 562-989-7330 or visit www.cityofsignalhill.org. Free.

27 THURSDAY

CONCERT IN THE PARK

6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Long Beach Municipal Band will be performing a series of jazz, pop and patriotic songs at Recreation Park (4900 E Seventh St.). Free.

SUMMER CONCERT

6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. The public is invited to listen to a lakeside concert by The Big City Hillbillies at the El Dorado Nature Center (7550 E Spring St.). Attendees are encouraged to bring food and low chairs. Free.

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CULTURE

Party pachanga-style at Roxanne's Cumbia y Tequila Festival

Staff Report

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Now in its 10th year, Roxanne's Cumbia y Tequila Festival continues to bring Latin American rhythms and agave-based spirits to the California Heights neighborhood of Long Beach.

This Sunday, the local bar and restaurant will host this cultural celebration of tastings and tunes, with more than 60 unique tequila selections offered behind the bar. Non-alcoholic drink options will also be available, with notable agave flavors but 0% alcohol.



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The front entrance of Roxanne's Lounge in the California Heights neighborhood of Long Beach on June 21, 2022. Roxanne's Cumbia y Tequila Festival returns Sunday, June 23 from noon to 8 p.m. and will include tequila tastings, live music and more.

"We are thrilled to celebrate our 10th year of the Cumbia y Tequila Festival," said Jim Torres, General Manager of Roxanne's in a recent statement from the establishment. "This event has always been about bringing people from all walks of life together to enjoy great music, fantastic tequila, and the vibrant

culture of our community. We can't wait to share this special milestone with everyone."

While exploring the range of tequila at this festive afternoon party, attendees can enjoy performances from Los Angeles-based cumbia band Combo Leche and cumbia/punk group Cara Borracho from South Bay. Plus, expect some turntable action from Charly X LB and DJs from Steady Beat Records San Pedro and La Cita Bar.

The festival will also feature a marketplace with local vendors, photo ops, plus giveaways and a raffle drawing.

This year's festival has three ticket options:

\$30 – The cheapest ticket available for the festival gets you in the door and comes with ten tequila tastings.

\$50 – The median ticket option grants attendees unlimited tequila tastings. (Guests can save ten dollars on an all-you-can-taste tequila ticket by purchasing it in person.)

\$100 – The all-inclusive VIP ticket includes perks such as all-you-can-eat asada, chicken and soyrito tacos in a private room. There, attendees can also enjoy a comedy show, plus enjoy all-you-can-drink tequila.

Roxanne's 10th Annual Cumbia y Tequila Festival will take place Sunday, June 23 from noon to 8 p.m. at 1115 E. Wardlow Road. Tickets, ranging from \$35 to \$100, can be purchased on Eventbrite. For more information about the festival, visit @cumbiaytequila on Instagram.

Courtesy of Roxanne's

Promotional banners for Roxanne's 10th Annual Cumbia y Tequila Festival, taking place Sunday, June 23 from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 1115 E. Wardlow Road. The festival will feature live music, tequila tastings and all-you-can-eat tacos for VIPs.

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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.

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 has received 10 permit extensions since 1998, ranging from six months to 10 years.

Signal Hill City Councilmembers will make the ultimate decision of whether to grant the 20-year extension, approve the extension for a shorter period of time or revoke the permit altogether.

The preliminary finding of the report states that the “environmentally superior” option would be to approve the 20-year permit extension. Multiple residents at the June 4 meeting questioned this conclusion, and Signal Hill Community Development Director said the City would attempt to explain it in later public meetings.

Residents who speak at the meet-



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A view of some of the machinery that is used to pump and separate water, oil and natural gas that is harvested in the Long Beach Oil Field by Signal Hill Petroleum on Dec. 5, 2023. Signal Hill Petroleum is currently contending for a 20-year permit extension.

ing will have their comments included in the final draft of the Environmental Report, which will be sent to the Planning Commission before the city council reviews the issue.

Those who cannot attend the

meeting can submit a written statement, which will also be included in the final report, no later than June 24 at 5 p.m. Statements should be sent to cdoan@cityofsignalhill.org and should include the sender’s name, email, telephone number, address and “RE: Signal Hill Petroleum CUP 97-03 Extension EIR” at the top of the comment.

To send a statement via mail, residents can use this post:

Colleen T. Doan
Community Development Director

2175 Cherry Avenue
Signal Hill, California 90755
View a full copy of the draft EIR by visiting cityofsignalhill.org/612/Current-Projects.

The second public hearing will take place in the Signal Hill Public Library’s Community Room at 1800 E Hill St. from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

SIGNAL HILL BUDGET
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will return to the City Council for discussion and adjustments next June.

Proposed expenditures for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 are as follows:

- Police - \$14.6 million
- Legislative & Administration - \$4.1 million
- Community Development - \$1.4 million
- Parks, Recreation & Library Services - \$3.1 million
- Finance, IT and Non-department - \$5 million
- Public Works - \$7 million

The City plans to have \$69 million in the General Fund at the start of the new fiscal year on July 1, and to end the fiscal year on June 30, 2025 with \$67.1 million. In turn, the City plans to start Fiscal Year 2025-2026 with \$67.1 million in the General Fund, and end it with \$65.1 million.

“Each year we seem to get better and better, and that should always be our goal in everything we do, doesn’t matter if it’s in finance or whatever. We should always be

striving to get better and I think we’re doing that,” Councilmember Edward Wilson said after the presentation.



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A portrait of Signal Hill’s then-mayor Edward H.J. Wilson in front of the Christmas tree inside the Signal Hill Public Library on Dec. 1, 2021.

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CRIMES REPORTED BY THE SIGNAL HILL POLICE

Wednesday, June 12

1:09 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2700 block Junipero Ave.
 7:26 a.m., Burglary, 2800 block Gundry Ave.
 10:16 a.m., Person with a gun, Cherry Ave./E. Willow St.
 2:45 p.m., Injury traffic collision, Cherry Ave./E. 28th St.
 6:15 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, Walton Ave. east of Lime Ave.
 8:27 p.m., Battery, 1600 block E. Willow St.

Thursday, June 13

4:56 a.m., Burglary, 1400 block E. 33rd St.
 6:01 a.m., Assault with a deadly weapon, 2800 block E. PCH
 2:45 p.m., Identity theft, 2000 block Orizaba Ave.
 10:45 p.m., Battery, 1300 block E. 23rd St.

Friday, June 14

3:34 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Willow St./Temple Ave.
 7:44 p.m., Identity theft, 2200 block Gaviota Ave.
 10:12 p.m., Intoxicated person, 1400 block E. Willow St.

Saturday, June 15

11:37 a.m., Grand theft, 900 block E. 33rd St.
 4:28 p.m., Obstruct/resist Exec. Officer, 2800 block Junipero Ave. (suspect arrested)
 8:28 p.m., Robbery, 900 block E. 33rd St.
 9:40 p.m., Intoxicated person, 2900 block Cherry Ave.

Sunday, June 16

7:34 a.m., Auto burglary, 2200 block Walnut Ave.
 5:54 p.m., Robbery; child abuse w/possible great bodily harm, 2300 block Dawson Ave. (suspect arrested)

Monday, June 17

12:15 p.m., Grand theft, 2500 block Cherry Ave.
 4:22 p.m., Grant theft – motor vehicle, Orange Ave./E. 28th St.

Tuesday, June 18

12:40 p.m., Identity theft, 2700 block Walnut Ave.
 3:40 p.m., Elder abuse, 1900 block St. Louis Ave.
 6:11 p.m., Injury traffic collision, Orange Ave. north of E. 23rd St.
 7:29 p.m., Injury traffic collision, Cherry Ave./Skyline Dr.

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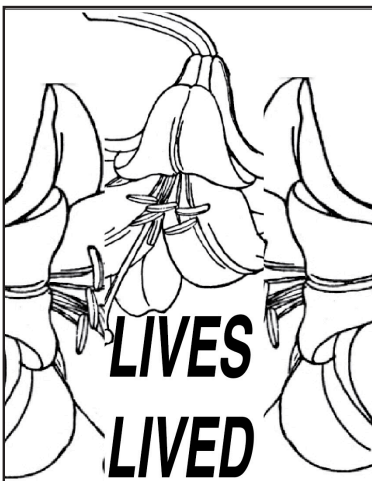
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The following person is doing business as: DIAMOND LANE SOLUTIONS, 2710 OREGON AVENUE, LONG BEACH, CA. 90806. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: DIAMOND LANE TRANSPORTATION INC., 2710 OREGON AVENUE, LONG BEACH, CA. 90806. State of Incorporation/Organization: CA. This business is conducted by: a Corporation. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: WILLIE MARTINE JR, PRESIDENT.. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 06/2024. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 6/6/2024. 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 14, 21, 28 & July 5, 2024

TST7339 Case No. 24VECP00245 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, NORTHWEST COURT HOUSE, 6230 Sylmar Avenue, Van Nuys, CA. 91401 PETITION OF: Pedro Alvarado Bonilla for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Pedro Alvarado Bonilla has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing his name as follows: Present Name: Pedro Alvarado Bonilla Proposed Name: Pedro Bonilla 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 26, 2024; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. O, Room: 511. 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 14, 21, 28 & July 5, 2024 ___/ss/___ Virginia Keeny, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: June 11, 2024

TST7340 / 2024 125741 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: ORGANIZE CLEAN DESIGN, 223 GRAND AVE UNIT 12, LONG BEACH, CA. 90803. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: TRISHA LYN AZAR, 223 GRAND AVENUE UNIT 12, LONG BEACH, CA. 90803. 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: TRISHA LYN AZAR, OWNER. The registrant has not begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in N/A. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on June 11, 2024. 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 14, 21, 28 & July 5, 2024

TST7344/Order No: 18012
 Auto Lien Sale
 On 07/05/2024 at 1925 E WALNUT DR NORTH ROWLAND HEIGHT, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2023 TESLA VIN: 7SAXCBE5XPF424516 STATE: CA LIC: 9KFF123 at 8AM

TST7345/Order No: 18098
 Auto Lien Sale
 On 07/05/2024 at 15072 ADAM ST MIDWAY CITY, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2021 NISSA VIN: 5N1AZ2BJ0MC123888 STATE: CA LIC: 8WTB179 at

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

TST7346 / 2024 124383 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: HAUS OF REGIMENS, 143 W 59TH PL, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90003. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: SIYYA LLC, 143 W 59TH PL, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90003. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: YARITZA SILLAS DOMINGUEZ, PRESIDENT. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 05/2024. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on June 10, 2024. 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 21, 28 & July 5, 12, 2024

TST7347 / 2024 128265 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: PURI GENETICS, 351 1/2 HERMOSA AVE, LONG BEACH, CA. 90802. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: WAYSTAR, LLC, 351 1/2 HERMOSA AVE, LONG BEACH, CA. 90802. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: MONICA KIM, MEMBER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 06/2024. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 6/14/2024. 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 21, 28 & July 5, 12, 2024

TST7342/Order No: 15879
 Auto Lien Sale
 On 07/05/2024 at 8000 S FIGUEROA ST LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2020 HONDA VIN: 2HGFC3A55LH753909 STATE: CA LIC: 8RVL730 at 10 AM

TST7343/Order No: 17932
 Auto Lien Sale
 On 07/05/2024 at 1601 SOUTH ST LONG BEACH, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2019 CHEVR VIN: KL8CB6SA0KC756552 STATE: CA LIC: 8KTH980 at

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The Astute Politics of Nellie Combellack

There was a group of Signal Hill Councilmen in power in 1959 who became known to their political opponents as "The Four Wise Men" (our town's version of The Gang of Four.) This quartet, consisting of Mayor Benjamin Moyle and councilmen Harold V. Clark, Emil B. Hautly and Frank B. Vaughn, unwittingly committed political suicide when they hastily pushed through legislation which approved contracts with Los Angeles County officials for the operation of Signal Hill's Police and Fire Departments. The maneuver was, in reality, designed to strip the Signal Hill Police and Fire Association of any political clout, while, supposedly, saving the city money.

Councilwoman Nellie J. Combellack cast the only dissenting vote in this matter. At a Signal Hill City Council meeting in March 1959, Combellack made a motion to establish a committee of 25 citizens, each member of the Council to appoint 5, to consider the matter. Her motion was not seconded.

Signal Hill's residents did not react kindly to The Four Wise Men's politically motivated elimination of the city's independent police and fire departments. Moreover, a brand new \$90,000 police station that was no longer being used, stood as a continual reminder to Signal Hill's citizens of the poorly thought of fiscal impact of the contracts for county services.

By October 1959, a special election was held to recall the Four Wise Men from office. The candidates who ran against the incumbent councilmen were endorsed by The Citizens Committee of Signal Hill on a platform dedicated "to restore the voice of the people of Signal Hill" and reestablish Signal Hill's independent Fire Protection, Police Department, free emergency ambulance

service, and animal service. Policemen and Firemen were also promised wages equal to those of the Long Beach by this platform.

Voter turnout was impressive: 75% of the city's registered voters ousted the incumbent councilmen at a margin of two to one and elected Einar R. Solo, Ernest J. Hippen, Loring R. Jones and Morris I. Shoup to replace them. Unaffected by the outcome was Councilwoman Combellack, who had endorsed the recall slate.

Combellack's staunch opposition to contract services in Signal Hill became her ticket to the Mayor's seat following the recall. She was always mindful of her constituents need to have an active voice in all significant political decisions affecting the quality of life in Signal Hill. It came as no surprise when Combellack was re-elected Mayor in 1960, a position she filled until April 1961.

Combellack's previous term as Mayor, (April 1953 to April 1954) followed a period of similar political upheaval in city politics. In the early 1950's however, Combellack was a strong and vocal opponent to legalized gambling of any form within the city. As once before, she had the majority sentiment of Signal Hill's residents behind her throughout her public career. She consistently remained unsullied by underhanded motives of personal, or financial, gain. to be continued

Learn more about Signal Hill's history.

The Historical Society meets in the Signal Hill Library
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amazing history talks about Signal Hill

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Written by Julie Bendizick-Sin.
Part 22 of 23*



**Pet of the week:
Enzo**

On Sunday, June 23, Long Beach Animal Care Services begins its yearly project of emptying the dog kennels for its Foster the Fourth project. Fireworks are illegal for private use in Long Beach, but nonetheless, people set them off and dogs can get frightened and run in terror. Our shelter takes in a goodly number every July 4 season, and they need to make room for them. Enzo would be a great foster for an energetic human! He's smart, is treat motivated, loves our play yard, and even tries to hug volunteers! He's a Siberian husky/German shepherd mix who was brought in last December. He's almost 3 years old and would love to spend the holiday in a home instead of a kennel. Speed the process to adopt or foster Enzo or any of our other pets by emailing PetAdopt@longbeach.gov or 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#A712421.

MISSING PERSON

Woman went missing in Long Beach over a year ago

Kristen Farrah Naeem
Staff Writer

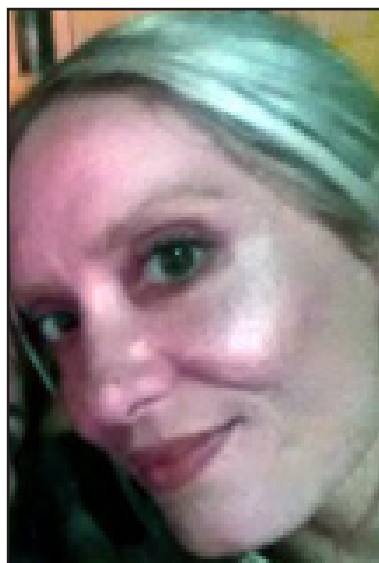
A woman last known to be in Long Beach has now been missing for over a year.

Nicole Ferrante has been missing since May 26, 2023. According to the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUs), she may be experiencing homelessness and possibly frequents the Signal Hill area.

Ferrante is described as a Caucasian woman with brown eyes and straight auburn or red hair, that may be bleached blonde on the tips.

She was 33 years old when she went missing, and would now be 34. Ferrante has a tattoo on her right forearm, depicting cursive writing in black ink wrapping around the length of her elbow to her wrist. Another tattoo of a small puzzle piece in black ink is located on her upper neck behind the right ear.

Anyone who may have seen Fer-



*Courtesy of NamUs
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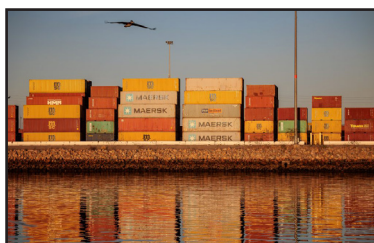
rante or has information about her location is urged to call LBPD at (562) 570-7260.

ENVIRONMENT

Port of Long Beach releases 2024-25 budget with 19.5% increase in spending

City News Service
Southern California Local News

A Long Beach commission approved a \$760 million budget for fiscal year 2024-25, representing a 19.5% increase from last year's adopted spending plan, officials announced Monday.



*Richard H. Grant | Signal Tribune
Reflections from cargo containers are seen on the water during sunrise at the Port of Long Beach on Aug. 13, 2022.*

Last week, the Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners approved the port's spending plan, which includes \$368 million for

capital improvements in rail, zero-emissions and other infrastructure. In addition, the budget will also allocate \$25.8 million to the city's Tidelands Operating Fund, which supports Long Beach's seven-mile coastline.



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