

COMMUNITY

What does the future of Signal Hill look like?

City Council took the first steps towards creating a walkable town center, unique retail and more housing in an area that is now mostly industrial, abandoned or used for oil production.



Courtesy of the City of Signal Hill

Through a new economic analysis for their Opportunity Study Areas, the Signal Hill City Council is envisioning possible residential, retail, office, industrial and hotel uses for a roughly 210 acre section of the city.

Samantha Diaz
Managing Editor

The Signal Hill City Council approved an economic analysis for their Opportunity Study Areas (OSA) on March 25. This document outlines the potential economic and residential future of the city.

The analysis will inform city officials on how to redevelop Signal Hill to ensure economic growth, job creation and a diverse tax base. Councilmembers will have to approve new zoning designations for the chosen parts of the study, with the goal to boost opportunities for residential, retail, office, industrial and hotel development.

At the heart of the project is the creation of a central gathering place for residents, referred to both as a business district and town center. This area does not have a chosen location as of now, but will serve to bring neighbors together, and create a public identity for Signal Hill that is unique to the city's history and aspirations, according to the analysis.

Councilmembers envision a place that balances community and economic activity, is experience-oriented, and is not just a place to buy things.

This accounts for roughly 210 acres of Signal Hill, or around 15% of the city. The areas included in the study span from Atlantic Avenue to Temple Avenue from east to west, and from Spring Street to Willow Street north to south.

On the following graph on page 7, OSAs are broken down into three areas in Signal Hill:

- OSA 1 (light green) – 56.33 acres
- OSA 2 (light blue) – 93.46
- OSA 3 (dark blue) – 60.31 acres

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EVENT

There are no limits at Long Beach's newest film fest



Courtesy of LB Underground Film Festival

Long Beach Underground Film Festival co-creator Jay Contreras poses with a T-shirt and tote bag bearing the festival's retro logo. The inaugural festival will take place July 18-20 with further announcements to come about scheduling, venues and additional events.

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FEATURE

Organizers hope to 'swing the pendulum' more left in LB. First up: SpaceX



Courtesy of SoCal Uprising

Participants in one of SoCal Uprising's anti-SpaceX demonstrations march down Seaside Way during a protest on March 15, 2025. Many Long Beach residents have called for the city to sever its ties with SpaceX due to founder Elon Musk's alleged transphobic and antisemitic statements.

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Students for Quality Education member Angelmarie Taylor speaks to the union members who gathered to protest and threaten a strike if proposed tuition increases are implemented at the California State University system.

Long Beach Youth Week invites those 13-26 to advocate for themselves and their community

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

The Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Youth Development has announced Youth Week 2025, a free three-day event aimed at empowering local youth ages 13-26.

Youth Week 2025 will take place May 15-17 with interactive workshops, activities and resources to engage young people around the city.

"Youth Week reflects our continued commitment to uplifting youth voices by providing them significant opportunities to engage, connect and build vital knowledge and skills," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "This May, we invite our community to join us as we inspire growth, promote play and foster advocacy in our next generation of leaders."

Each day of Youth Week will have a distinct theme:

- **Grow** – Thursday, May 15 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Youth will get the chance to participate in workforce and education workshops and hear from the Youth Advisory Council at the Economic Development Department's Long Beach Workforce Innovation Network Youth Career Services Center (508 W. Willow St.). Participants will also be able to explore potential career and educational opportunities at this event.
- **Play** – Friday, May 16 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Local young people are invited to explore an afternoon of health and wellness with a re-

source fair, an art workshop and interactive wellness activities at Houghton Park (6301 Myrtle Ave.).

• **Advocate** – Saturday, May 17 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The final day of Youth Week will commence with an event focused on youth advocacy and civic discussions with a Mayor's Town Hall where youth can make their voices heard at Long Beach City Hall (411 W. Ocean Blvd.).



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An attendee of the People's Budget Long Beach uses chalk to write "Invest in Youth" during the rally at Long Beach City Hall on Aug. 2, 2022.

Through Youth Week, attendees will get to explore career, education, advocacy and skill-building opportunities within a community experience. The full events, activities and entertainment schedule for Youth Week will be announced in the coming weeks.

Youth Week 2025 is part of the City's Youth and Emerging Adults Strategic Plan and is funded by youth development dollars from Measure US.

Registration is required to attend and can be done online. To learn more about the Office of Youth Development, visit long-beach.gov/youth.

SURVEY

Residents can contribute to Long Beach's inaugural Culture and Heritage Calendar

Submissions made by April 25 will be entered in the collection of cultural, religious and inclusion-related dates and celebrations.

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

Long Beach residents of all backgrounds are invited to help build the City's first-ever Culture and Heritage Calendar.

By completing a survey by Friday, April 25, community members can contribute to an online calendar that will recognize and celebrate the diversity in Long Beach. The calendar will be launched this spring, with cultural and religious observances, diversity and inclusion-related commemorative months and key dates that reflect the City's commitment to equity and inclusion.

"We believe that recognizing and celebrating the diverse traditions and milestones of our community fosters understanding and strengthens connections," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "This survey is an opportunity for our community to have their unique voices heard by helping develop a new Culture and Heritage Calendar that educates and further showcases our Long Beach values of respect and inclusion."

The Culture and Heritage Calendar will be available on the Office of Equity's webpage as a resource to promote awareness of the diverse groups, cultures and causes in Long Beach. Community members interested in participating may complete the survey online or in-person by visiting any Long Beach Public Library location, as well as any Parks, Recreation and Marine community center, and filling out a paper copy.

The survey is open to all community members, and participants can suggest widely recognized cultural or religious observances to be included on the calendar. Those interested in suggesting multiple events, holidays or observances are



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A young performer with Neiya Arts walks onto the stage during a performance of traditional folklorico dance at the Museum of Latin American Art during the Dia de los Muertos celebration on Oct. 29, 2023.

advised to submit a separate survey for each.

While the inaugural edition will only include survey responses submitted by April 25, the survey will remain open and the calendar will be updated periodically to ensure those interested in participating continue to have opportunities to

provide input.

The launch of the inaugural edition of the Cultural and Heritage Calendar will be announced in the coming weeks. For more information about the Office of Equity and to stay updated, visit the Office's webpage.

EVENT

Beach Streets 2025 to open select West Long Beach roads to pedestrians and bicyclists

Staff Report

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The City of Long Beach, in partnership with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), will close the streets of West Long Beach to vehicles and open them to the community on Saturday, May 10.

Beach Streets is an annual event that temporarily closes designated streets to vehicular traffic, allowing residents to bike, walk and explore the area.

"Beach Streets is not just about bringing us all together to promote sustainable and healthy living — it's about uplifting our beautiful



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Cyclists cross over from the Redondo Ave. starting area of Beach Streets, making their way towards Downtown on May 20, 2023.

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RECREATION



Courtesy of the City of Long Beach

A design rendering for the Ramona Park Signature Playground Project shows new features such as additional shading, inclusive play equipment and multiple sit-down areas.

New Ramona Park playground will add amenities and accessibility features

Staff Report
Signal Tribune

The City of Long Beach has begun construction on the Ramona Park Signature Playground project. Mayor Rex Richardson, Ninth District Councilmember Dr. Joni Ricks-Oddie and other City officials marked the occasion with a ceremony on March 28.

The newly designed playground at Ramona Park, located in North Long Beach at 3301 E. 65th St., will be equipped with inclusive play equipment along with upgraded recreational amenities and accessibility features. Construction for the project kicked off in February and is expected to be completed in September.

“As a proud resident of this community and as a dad mayor raising my daughters here, I know first-hand how much this park means to our families,” said Richardson in a public statement. “The Ramona Park signature playground isn’t just about upgraded amenities — it’s about creating a safe, welcoming space where our kids can play,

neighbors can gather, and memories can be made for many more years to come.”

The Ramona Park Signature Playground Project is part of Elevate '28, a five-year initiative meant to revitalize the city’s infrastructure, community facilities and multimodal transportation. Ramona Park’s current playground was last renovated in 1997.



Courtesy of the City of Long Beach

Mayor Rex Richardson stands next to two design renderings for the new Ramona Park playground at a ceremony for the Ramona Park Signature Playground Project on March 28, 2025.

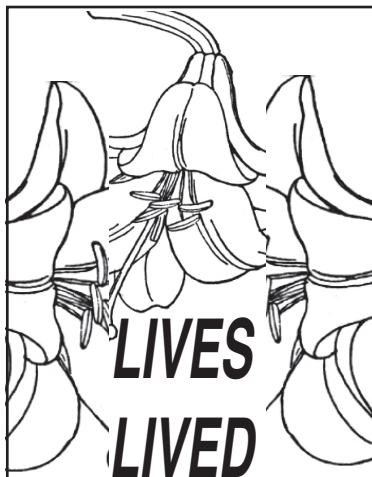
Playground improvements will include shade structures, upgraded seating areas, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant

features like pathways, safety surfacing, hydration stations, parking stalls, a communication board and transfer stations for mobility devices.

“Ramona Park is a cornerstone of our community, and we are excited to celebrate the launch of this highly anticipated Signature Playground project,” said Ricks-Oddie in a public statement. “This major investment has been a long time coming and reflects something our community has wanted and waited for. It will not only enhance and modernize the space but also make it more welcoming, accessible, and inclusive for all.”

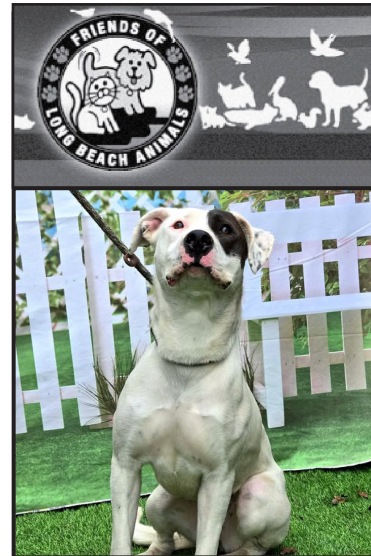
This project is funded by a \$1.5 million grant from California State Parks, a \$550,000 Community Development Block Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and \$500,000 in Measure A funding.

To learn more about the Ramona Park Signature Playground project, visit longbeach.gov/ramonaplaygroundproject.



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- Barbara Kawecki 60
- Eva De Marin 87
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- Charles Smith Jr 80
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- Dennis Davino 68
- Terell Jones 69
- Dale Karina 70

The families were assisted by McKenzie Mortuary. For more details on service dates and times, contact (562) 961-9301



Pet of the week: Quincy

What a good girl is Quincy! Our big baby is a year old, with all the energy you’d expect from a dog right out of puppyhood. That look on her face seems to say, “Are you going to throw that Frisbee, or what?” Quincy was brought in as a stray and soon adapted to the leash and the play yard. She walks beautifully and gets the zoomies in the yard. Sadly, she’s showing signs of kennel stress—no matter how much attention shelter staff and volunteers provide, a kennel is no place for a dog. That’s especially true for a young, active dog like Quincy, who’s begun to spin in her kennel. She’d be so grateful for a forever home, or even a foster! Speed the process to adopt Quincy 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#A736205.

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POLITICS

Senator Lena Gonzalez invites constituents to virtual town hall on April 5

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State Senator Lena Gonzalez will host a virtual community town hall on Saturday to hear from her constituents and inform them of her legislative plans.

The virtual town hall will take place on Saturday, April 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The event

will take place via Zoom, and a link will be sent to RSVPs two days before the event. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/LG-TownHall-April2025>.

The town hall will serve as an opportunity for constituents to discuss the issues that matter to them, including affordability, education and healthcare. Gonzalez will also

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California State Senator Lena Gonzalez speaks to attendees at Signal Hill Park on Oct. 18, 2022.

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Wednesday, March 26

9:32 a.m., Stolen vehicle – recovered, 1200 block E. Hill St.
11:57 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2500 block E. Willow St.
1:14 p.m., Indecent exposure, Cherry Ave./E. 20th St.
3:14 p.m., Burglary, felony warrant, 800 block Walton Ave. (suspect arrested)
4:27 p.m., Injury hit and run, Cherry Ave. south of E. 21st St.
5:38 p.m., Burglary, 2200 block E. 20th St. (suspect arrested)
7:39 p.m., Burglary, 2700 block Walnut Ave.

Thursday, March 27

7:19 a.m., Petty theft with priors; possession of tear gas, 2000 block E. 20th St. (suspect arrested)
11:31 p.m., possessing controlled substance; misdemeanor warrants, 2700 block Cherry Ave. (suspect arrested)

Friday, March 28

2:05 a.m., DUI, 1900 block Temple Ave. (suspect arrested)
1:03 p.m., Burglary, 2200 block E. 20th St.
1:45 p.m., Burglary, 3100 block California Ave.
2:09 p.m., Auto burglary, 1900 block Cherry Ave.
4:33 p.m., Petty theft, 900 block E. 33rd St. (citation issued)

Saturday, March 29

2:28 p.m., Intoxicated person, 700 block E. Spring St.
11:13 p.m., Vandalism, 2200 block E. 19th St. (suspect arrested)

Sunday, March 30

9:07 p.m., Child abuse report, 1800 block Redondo Ave.

Monday, March 31

8:52 p.m., Petty theft; possessing paraphernalia; resist Peace Officer, 900 block E. 33rd St. (suspect arrested)

Tuesday, April 1

5:14 a.m., Burglary, 1000 block E. Wardlow Rd.

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 and type in an address.

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

HEALTH

St. Mary Medical Center awards over \$200,000 to Long Beach nonprofits



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An exterior view of the Long Beach Rescue Mission Thrift Store on June 12, 2023.

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

Dignity Health – St. Mary Medical Center (SMMC) recently awarded over \$200,000 to three Long Beach nonprofits, boosting the health and well-being of the community.

SMMC's Community Health Improvement Grants have contributed over \$100 million to health improvement projects in the city since 1991. The organizations chosen this round were the Long Beach Rescue Mission, Mental Health America of Los Angeles and Precious Lamb Preschool.

"A core element of our mission is giving back, and we take pride in sustaining our support for organizations that go the extra mile to address the diverse needs of our community," said Carolyn Caldwell, Hospital President and CEO in a public statement. "These collaborations empower us to take on the intricate health and human challenges faced by our Long Beach community."

Long Beach Rescue Mission received funding to support its continued operations, which include providing shelter, food and essential services to individuals experiencing homelessness. The mission offers a range of programs aimed at helping individuals rebuild their lives, including job training, addiction recovery support and educational resources.

Mental Health America of Los



Courtesy of St. Mary Medical Center

Carolyn Caldwell, President and CEO at St. Mary Medical Center, is joined by hospital officials to award the 2025 Community Health Improvement Program grants, totaling over \$200,000. This year's recipients were Mental Health America Los Angeles, Long Beach Rescue Mission and Precious Lamb Preschool.

Angeles received funding for its HealthLink program. This program provides comprehensive mental health services and support to individuals who are uninsured or underinsured, helping to improve access to essential care.

Precious Lamb Preschool was awarded a grant to support the continuation of essential services for families experiencing homelessness in Long Beach. These services include grief counseling workshops for parents facing homelessness, as well as trauma-informed workshops for staff.

"Through our investments in these organizations, we aim to cultivate a sense of inclusion and comprehensiveness," Caldwell said in a public statement. "Our objective is to provide the community with the necessary resources and support essential for leading healthy, prosperous lives, while also minimizing the likelihood of significant future health interventions."

For more information about SMMC's Community Health Improvement Program, please visit <https://www.dignityhealth.org/about-us/community-health>.

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(Left) Families dance to the music of Ital Vibes at the Beach Streets Block Party Hub near Redondo Ave. and Broadway on May 20, 2023. (Right) While Broadway is closed bikes take over the streets and the bike lanes on the road go generally unused during the Beach Streets event on May 20, 2023.



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(Left) Bikes fill up the inside of The Bicycle Stand on Redondo Ave. during the Beach Streets event on May 20, 2023. (Center) A DJ performs on one of the Long Beach Beach Streets stages in Bixby Park during the Beach Streets event on May 20, 2023. (Right) A volunteer for Long Beach Beach Streets valets the bikes for people outside of Bixby Park on May 20, 2023.

neighborhoods and celebrating our diverse and vibrant community,” Mayor Rex Richardson said in a public statement. “This year, we are especially proud to align the event with our Westside Promise Initiative and to showcase our unwavering commitment to supporting and improving the quality of life for residents in West Long Beach.”

This year’s event will align with the Westside Promise Initiative, a 10-year community investment plan designed to address challenges in West Long Beach through City efforts and partnerships.

“We are thrilled to host this year’s Beach Streets event, which every year opens our streets for people

to explore the city’s unique neighborhoods and support local businesses,” Vice Mayor and Seventh District Councilmember Roberto Uranga said in a public statement.

The event route will include Willow Street and Santa Fe Avenue, with designated entertainment hubs featuring live music, a kid zone and food trucks. Additional details about the event, including the full route and scheduled activities, will be announced by the City at a later date.

Since its inaugural event in 2015, Beach Streets has taken place in several Long Beach neighborhoods, including Uptown, Downtown, Bixby Knolls, Cambodia Town, Zafe-

ria, Willmore, Wrigley, and East Long Beach. Last year’s event in Uptown coincided with the City’s Veterans Day Celebration. Open streets events aim to promote sustainable transportation, community engagement, and roadway safety, while also supporting local businesses.

“Across the world, cities are opening their streets to pedestrians and cyclists and revealing what is possible in their cities without a car,” Stephanie Wiggins, Metro CEO said in a public statement.

For more information and updates on Beach Streets, visit beachstreets.com or follow @BeachStreetsLB on social media.

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California State Senator Lena Gonzalez speaks to attendees at Signal Hill Park before presenting city officials with a \$5 million check for the renovation and expansion of the park’s amphitheater on Oct. 18, 2022.

provide an update on her 2025 legislative priorities and address concerns about the impact of federal policies on local communities.

Participants are encouraged to submit questions in advance at <https://bit.ly/LG-Survey-April5> to

help guide the discussion.

For more information or assistance, residents can contact Senator Gonzalez’s office at 562-256-7921 or email Senator.Gonzalez@senate.ca.gov.



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UNDERGROUND FILM FEST

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LONG BEACH UNDERGROUND FILM FEST — SOMETHING FOR THE CREATIVE WEIRDOS

Samantha Diaz
Managing Editor

Different. Experimental. “The weird stuff.” These are all descriptors of the upcoming inaugural Long Beach Underground Film Festival, blazing its own path through the city and inviting the weirdos along for the ride.

The experimental festival will take place July 18-20, Friday evening through Sunday afternoon, in any place that can hold chairs, people and films. Non-traditional venues like parking lots, small businesses and empty hallways felt like the perfect fit for the Underground Film Fest, said co-founder Richard Martinez.

“Following a punk rock ethos where these communities didn’t have a place to play, they kind of created their own spaces,” Martinez said. Now 43 years old, Martinez has decades of experience in unconventional art spaces, forging a way where there is none. He’s been making films since he was a teen, worked on a number of independent films and directed a few of his own.

“I just thought it would be cool if there was a place to show the type of films that I was making and I was watching,” he said.

The goal to run his own film festival was always on his mind, and eventually made its way to his co-worker’s ear at Harbor House Cafe in Sunset Beach. Jay Contreras is community-oriented herself, and the two have often bonded over their shared interest in independent, underground art.

One day, Martinez was writing short stories about Contreras and her pet chameleon taking over the world, while Contreras was drawing cartoons on napkins in the cafe. Shortly after, they were pitching ideas for a film festival. The two formally launched their plans for the Long Beach Underground Film Fest last September.

Their startup event, hosted at Harbor House, threw them out of their comfort zone and into the world of festival founders. The re-

actions to their launch have been heartwarming, the two friends and founders said. Though the Instagram numbers don’t reflect it, filmmakers and movie fans have embraced the unconventional film fest setting.

Their logo, featuring a retro television set and old school film clap board, was created by a friend of Contreras, Long Beach artist Jaela Coleman. It’s now been plastered on hats, tote bags and T-shirts, printed by Anthony Dunn with Long Beach’s Press Industries. The venues are still under wraps, but rest assured they will be community-focused as well. At the beginning, Contreras looked to her neighbors and small businesses to learn how to create an LLC (limited liability company), and spent evenings researching film clubs and conducting the odd Google search.

“We’re trying to connect on a community basis; meeting these new people, networking and showing that it’s for everyone and we don’t have any high standards for anything. We really want to see what people are capable of in every aspect, whether it’s in the films or how they’re presenting themselves,” Contreras said. “We just want to see what our name means to you, and it’s been really exciting to see what people are coming up with, because even now we still get messages like, ‘What do you mean experimental, like what can I submit?’ and it’s anything! That’s the whole point, that there are no limitations.”



Courtesy of LB Underground Film Festival
Richard Martinez sees his new festival as “something for creative weirdos.”

To prepare for his first time hosting, Martinez began attending more film festivals, noting what



Courtesy of LB Underground Film Festival
Richard Martinez and Jay Contreras, co-founders of the Long Beach Underground Film Festival, created the event with the goal of showcasing a wide range of films from unique local talents.

he liked and didn’t like, what filmmakers were saying about the environment and how accessible it was for visitors. At his most recent film festival trip, he felt a tinge of validation that the films were shown “just in a room with a projector,” no grandiose venue required.

“I want filmmakers and the people attending to have a good time,” Martinez said. “I want to build a sense of community, even if it’s on a little corner.”

The festival is still accepting film submissions, and since the event is meant to serve artists and the surrounding community, there’s no limit on screenings at the moment. Entries have come in the form of short films and full-length features, and Martinez said there’s no guidelines for length, filmmakers or content.

Categories for entries include: shorts (under 30 minutes), half-movies (between 30 and 60 minutes) and features (over 60 minutes) for experimental, underground, animation, LGBTQIA+ and horror films.

In the spirit of connection, the Long Beach Underground Film Festival will aim to spread throughout the city to reach all kinds of people, and to spotlight even more artists through accompanying live performances from independent

artists. The festival is a great place for first-time filmmakers and students, and will offer parties, workshops and a filmmaker’s lounge.

Prizes and awards are still being developed, but a few that have been decided are:

- Best Picture
- Weirdest Scene
- Best Actor (any gender)
- Best Prop
- Best Opening Scene
- Best Final Scene

The experimental festival will take place July 18-20, Friday evening through Sunday afternoon, in any place that can hold chairs, people and films.

“It’s a little bit insane that there’s so many creative individuals out there ... and it’s really inspiring to see people submitting to even something small like us,” Contreras said. “It’s nice to know that we’re making somewhat of a change, even if we can’t see the full picture yet.”

In the future, they envision a festival that serves filmmakers throughout the year, through events like script editing work-

shops, networking events and even speed dating. At the moment, the duo is focused on nailing down venues, reviewing submissions and spreading the word, but the eventual goal is to make the Long Beach Underground Film Festival an annual event.

“Taking that mentality as a filmmaker, there’s a sense of satisfaction when you complete a film, and I think if I can see this through and we run a successful event, for me it will be almost like we’re chasing that feeling,” Martinez said.

The Long Beach Underground Film Fest also has the potential to fill in the gap left as a result of the pandemic, where some of the city’s most popular film festivals were forced to shut down. The National Long Beach Film Festival brought big crowds, and the DIY Film Fest embraced the alternative, but most of Long Beach’s film fests now are centered on a specific culture.

“There isn’t something for creative weirdos and I would like to keep that going,” Martinez said.

Filmmakers can submit their work, of any length or subject matter, online. The late deadline for submissions is April 30.

For more information on the Long Beach Underground Film Festival, follow @lbundergroundfilmfest on Instagram.

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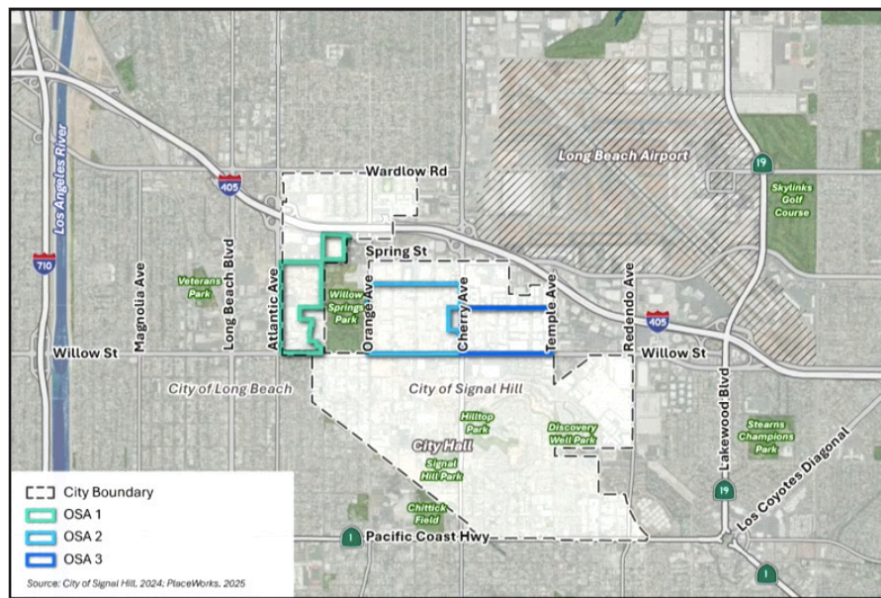


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SIGNAL HILL OSA
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Courtesy of the City of Signal Hill

Signal Hill is planning on overhauling three areas in the city, deemed Opportunity Study Areas, to include more retail, housing and a walkable town center for the community.

Housing Element Sites & General Plan Land Use

- 3 Housing Element Sites are located within OSA 2.
- Housing Element Sites are sites identified by the City as having potential to provide housing to help meet the City's Regional Housing Needs Allocation requirements.

Site 1: Orange Bluff – 290 Potential Dwelling Units
 Site 2 Walnut Bluff – 90 Potential Dwelling Units
 Site 3 Town Center NW – 267 Potential Dwelling Units

Signal Hill 2021-2029 Housing Element Sites and General Plan Land Use Designations

Courtesy of the City of Signal Hill

Land included in Signal Hill's Opportunity Study Areas is currently mostly zoned for industrial and retail, but three housing element sites are also identified.

What Does the Area Look Like Now?

Most of this land is currently used for industrial/manufacturing buildings, occupied by oil production or is abandoned. A complete breakdown of the usage of the area at the moment:

- 48% industrial/manufacturing
- 34% abandoned or oil production
- 7% commercial/retail
- 7% offices
- 3% public facilities
- 1% multi-family residential

Most of the land in the OSAs is currently zoned for retail and industrial, as well as land between Cherry Avenue and Walnut Street already zoned for a town center. City Manager Carlo Tomaino said the boundaries of the OSAs may change a bit going forward.

Three housing developments (still under progress) sit inside the largest OSA:

- Orange Bluff, with 290 potential units
- Walnut Bluff, with 90 potential units
- Town Center NW, with 267 potential units

The Future of Signal Hill

Signal Hill City Council appointed Placeworks, a California-based planning, design and environmental consulting firm, to create the economic analysis. The 100-page document covers market demands, development trends and economic opportunity.

“Our data driven process starts with an economic study area to

identify, based on market demand, what the potentially best fit is to benefit our community as we look to grow and move forward,” Tomaino said.

The future of Signal Hill, as laid out in the OSA, features an increase in retail and housing. Rather than focus on one, the business district/town center aims to create a symbiotic relationship between the two. Main land uses proposed in the OSA are residential, retail, hotels, offices and industrial.

The exact location for the town center has not been decided yet, but the 2023-2028 Strategic Plans envisions a town center around the intersection of Willow Street and Cherry Avenue.



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An overhead view of a cul-de-sac neighborhood near Hilltop Park in Signal Hill on Oct. 26, 2021.

Residential

Building more residential homes will not only address the need for housing in Southern California, but can help the city achieve its other goals. Having more residents will contribute to the city's sales tax by having more people buying locally, as well as contributing to the sense of community by having more people activating the town center.

“It's well understood that we have underdeveloped housing in Southern California and there's pent-up demand,” said Steve Gunnells, chief economist for Placeworks. “What we hear from developers is their challenge is finding a piece of land they can build on.”

At the moment, the economic analysis states that for-sale townhomes are ideal for development, but Placeworks is hopeful that multi-family developments will be feasible as well. Options pitched for residential developments include a townhome community of 10-24 units per acre, two to three stories high. The City will also consider multifamily developments with 24 units per acre, three to seven stories high, with a ground floor retail and common open space.

Hotels

Signal Hill competes with Long Beach and Lakewood to attract visitors to their hotels. Around the OSA, there are nine hotels competing with Signal Hill, but the city's hotels report near-pre-pandemic numbers, with occupancy rates reaching almost 80%.

Tomaino pointed out that the land on Spring Street and Atlantic Avenue is the largest city-owned property they have, so it would be ideal for a hotel if that's the direction the city wants. He added that the City should make a decision on that property sooner rather than later, so Signal Hill's hotel market isn't dictated by surrounding cities.

“While most of the things we do with our neighbors, our cities, are very cooperative in nature, eco-

nom development is competitive,” Tomaino said.

Mayor Keir Jones added that another hotel would be beneficial with the 2028 Olympics being hosted in Los Angeles and Long Beach.

sibilities just outside the boundaries of the OSAs include liquor stores, gasoline stations, auto parts stores, lawn and garden stores as well as sporting goods and hobby stores.

Councilmembers also talked about a retail space that is unique to Signal Hill, and the possibility of an adaptive reuse space similar to The Camp in Costa Mesa and the River Street Marketplace in San Juan Capistrano.

“I don't envision a destination spot for a major attraction, but something hopefully in the middle,” said Councilmember Lori Woods. “For me that's the challenge ... creating a unique gathering space that's not a stamp out from Steelcraft or stamped out from other 'unique' gathering spaces that pop up and look the same.”

Office and Industrial

The office market has not recovered since the pandemic, the economic analysis states. However, there is a stronger demand for industrial space, as they get priced out of other markets. This can include office and work space for aerospace companies and other technical industries.

Next Steps

The city council will conduct check-ups with the City Manager's Office, and are expecting an update on overlay zones and a location for the town center in the fall. They also hope to finalize the boundaries of the OSA by then.

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Retail

Within the OSAs, store options include specialty food stores, health and personal care stores, furniture and home stores, clothing and accessory stores, book stores, bars and wine and cocktail lounges. Pos-



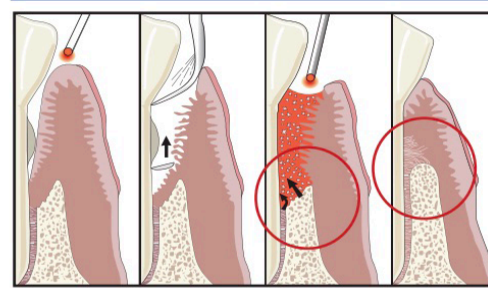
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An exterior view of Signal Hill Florist (@signalhillflorist on Instagram), located at 2099 E. Willow St.. Signal Hill Florist has been operating in the city since 1998.

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AROUND TOWN

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



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Sithy Yi holds two flags with the theme for the 15th annual Cambodia Town Parade, "Stop the Hate," as the parade ends and attendees are showered with colorful confetti on April 2, 2023. This year's edition of the parade will take place Sunday, April 6 beginning at 9 a.m. at McArthur Park.

With several of the city's most notable events back for another round, plus lots of other fun things happening throughout the week, Long Beach residents will have their hands full with deciding what to check out.

On Friday evening, St. Joseph Parish will host the first night of its three-day carnival and all are invited to enjoy a petting zoo, and a host of other activities at the Long Beach County Fair and Blue Ribbon Urban Agricultural Contest.

Sunday marks the return of the annual Cambodia Town Parade and Cultural Festival, with festivities beginning at 9 a.m. at MacArthur Park. Residents can also spend their weekend exploring farmers market finds at Roxanne's Gin & Juice Party Sunday afternoon, or further celebrating Cambodian culture at the free Long Beach Sankranta, happening all-day Saturday at Long Beach City College.

Community members are invited to learn how to use social media to find employment at the Long Beach Workforce Innovation Network Adult Career Services Center Monday afternoon and take part in a hands-on amigurumi craft workshop Thursday evening at Mark Twain Neighborhood Library. To cap off the week, the Acura Grand Prix of Long Beach will kick off with Thunder Thursday at The Pike, complete with car displays, live music, driver meet-and-greets and more from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

04 FRIDAY

CHURCH CARNIVAL

5 p.m. to 11 p.m. St. Joseph's Parish (200 E. Willow St.) invites the community to carnival rides, food and drinks during this three-day event. Unlimited ride wristbands can be purchased for \$40 on thefuncarnival.com.

LB COUNTY FAIR & BLUE RIBBON URBAN AG CONTEST

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The Long Beach County Fair returns to the EXPO Arts Center (4321 Atlantic Ave.), celebrating local food, farming and community. Enjoy the Blue Ribbon Urban Ag Contest, a petting

zoo, photo exhibits, art activities and mocktails by The Dew Drop Mobile Bar. Farmer K Homestead will sell homemade dried fruits. Free admission.

05 SATURDAY

LONG BEACH SANKRANTA

8:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. The Cambodian Cultural Center and Long Beach City College is hosting a Cambodian new year celebration at 1305 E. Pacific Coast Highway, featuring a morning Buddhist ceremony from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., cultural celebration and showcase from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and a live music dance party from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Parking along Walnut Street and PCH is \$15. The event is free.

LOW-COST PET VACCINE CLINIC

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pet owners can bring their furry family members to this clinic hosted by the city of Signal Hill and Community Animal Medicine Project to receive rabies and flu shots, worm treatment, microchipping services and more. This clinic will take place in the Signal Hill Civic Center parking lot (2175 Cherry Ave.). Prices will vary.

FREE GROCERIES

9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Residents can receive free groceries at Grace Memorial Baptist Church (1021 E. 19th St.). No advanced registration is required. Free.

06 SUNDAY

CAMBODIAN TOWN PARADE AND CULTURAL FESTIVAL

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The public is invited to celebrate Cambodian and American culture at the 17th annual parade and cultural festival, which brings thousands of visitors and attendees each year. The parade will begin at MacArthur Park (1321 E. Anaheim St.), take place along Anaheim Street and end at Long Beach City College (1305 E. Pacific Coast Highway). Free.

LB BEEKEEPERS MEETING
10:00 a.m. to noon. Long Beach

Beekeepers will hold their monthly meeting at EDCO Recycling & Transfer (2755 California Ave., second floor conference room). Open to all experience levels, the meeting includes a guest speaker, a Honey of the Month tasting and an opportunity drawing. Free.

GIN & JUICE PARTY

Noon to 4 p.m. Enjoy this open air celebration, a mix between a block party and a boutique tasting room, at Roxanne's (1115 E. Wardlow Road). A variety of spirits will be mixed in exciting ways, while vinyl DJs and curated vendors create a family-friendly atmosphere. Tickets range from \$20 to \$60, with pours, a spritz bar experience, charcuterie spread, food and a T-shirt included in the VIP package. Purchase tickets on Eventbrite.

07 MONDAY

SOCIAL MEDIA FOR JOB SEEKERS

3 p.m. to 4 p.m. The Long Beach Workforce Innovation Network Adult Career Services Center (4811 Airport Plaza Drive) will be holding a workshop to teach job seekers how to use social media to look for employment. Free.

AI FOR BEGINNERS WORKSHOP

5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Bay Shore Neighborhood Library (195 Bay Shore Ave.) will host a hands-on workshop teaching adults 45 and older how to use AI for scheduling, writing emails, business tasks and more. Registration is recommended but not required. Free admission.

08 TUESDAY

TODDLER STORYTIME

11:30 a.m. Parents and caregivers of toddlers from 1 to 3 years old are invited to bring their kids to Harte Neighborhood Library (1595 W. Willow St.) to enjoy stories, songs and more. Free.

FOOD WASTE PREVENTION WEEK

3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Visit the Long Beach Recycles table at Bixby Park

Farmers Market (130 Cherry Ave.) to learn tips on reducing food waste and saving money. Attendees can receive produce storage guidelines and play an interactive food waste prevention game for prizes. Free.

09 WEDNESDAY

COFFEE WITH A COP

9 a.m. to 10 a.m. The public is invited to meet and have coffee with their local police officers from the South Division at 440 Pine Ave. Free to attend.

COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT RESOURCE FAIR

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. This resource fair will provide residents with job opportunities, resources and various services. The event takes place at Long Beach City College (1305 E. Pacific Coast Highway) and is open to students, youth, community residents, justice-impacted individuals and disabled people. Free.

ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Katsushika Hokusai: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Young artists aged 7 to 12 are invited to the Los Altos Neighborhood Library (5614 Britton Drive) for a creative workshop inspired by the iconic "The Big Wave off Kanagawa" by Katsushika Hokusai. No registration required, but spots are limited. Free.

10 THURSDAY

LONG BEACH MOTORSPORTS WALK OF FAME CEREMONY

11 a.m. to noon. The public is invited to this annual event at the Long Beach Motorsports Walk of Fame (100 S. Pine Ave.), honoring key figures in auto racing. This year's inductees include six-time champion Scott Dixon, Grand Prix Association of Long Beach President Jim Michaelian and former Long Beach Mayor Beverly O'Neill. Attendees can meet the honorees and request autographs. Free admission.

COOL CRAFTS ROUNDUP

1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The public

is invited to Rancho Los Alamitos (6400 E. Bixby Hill Road) for an afternoon of storytelling and hands-on crafts inspired by the Rancho's natural surroundings. This family-friendly event takes place on the second Thursday of each month from April through August. No reservations required. Free.

AMIGURUMI WORKSHOP

5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Join the Adult Art Club at Mark Twain Neighborhood Library (1401 E. Anaheim St.) for a hands-on workshop in Amigurumi, the Japanese art of crocheting small, stuffed yarn creatures. All skill levels are welcome, and materials are provided. Free admission.

HISTORY ON THE HILL

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Residents can learn more about Signal Hill history at this series hosted by local historian David Ferrari. Sessions will coincide with the library's rotating exhibits, and will take place in the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E. Hill St.). Registration is required by calling 562-989-7330. Free.

THUNDER THURSDAY

6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. The public is invited to a family-friendly event kicking off the Acura Grand Prix of Long Beach at The Pike Outlets (95 S. Pine Ave.). Enjoy motorcycle freestyle demos, pit stop competitions, driver meet-and-greets, car displays, live music, DJs, food tents, an interactive photo booth and a beer garden. Free admission.

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EVENT



Pools of Hope to host Autism Awareness Education event April 14

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A child colors on a black and white canvas made by artist @meera_the_artist at the Youth Enrichment Spring Kickoff on March 20, 2021.

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

Long Beach families with youth on the autism spectrum can gain insight from experts, access resources and learn important information at a free upcoming event from local nonprofit Pools of Hope.

Pools of Hope (located at 6801 Long Beach Blvd.) offers several supportive services and wellness programs for people with autism, including aquatic therapy. Autism Acceptance Month, a 30-day celebration of neurodiversity and individuals with autism, is observed during April.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 1 in 36 children in the United States across all racial, ethnic and socioeconomic groups have been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder.

“The upcoming event is an opportunity to provide families with critical resources and professional guidance while fostering understanding and awareness in our community,” said Patricia Dixon, Executive Director of Pools of Hope, in a public statement. “We are honored to host knowledgeable panelists and create a space for meaningful conversations and connections.”

The event will include an expert panel, with the following leaders and advocates in autism, special education and health equity taking part:

- **Stacy McAlister** – Executive Director of 5-Eleven Hoops
- Representatives from Harbor

Regional Center

• **Maricela de Rivera** – Multi-cultural Health Equity Coordinator at the Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services

• **Bernadette Gonzalez** – Director of Disabled Students Program and Services at Long Beach Community College

• **Mieko Hester-Perez** – Nationally recognized autism advocate, author and Pools of Hope board member

Topics to be addressed by the panel include:

1. How to effectively navigate the special education (IEP/504) system
2. Where to access vital autism and developmental services
3. How parents can advocate for their loved ones
4. How to build supportive community networks for long-term success

Attendees will also receive a complimentary copy of Hester-Perez’s book *Mastering the Battlefield*, a resourceful and educational guide for parents of special needs children.

This event is made possible with support from the Port of Long Beach.

The Autism Awareness Education event will take place Monday, April 14 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Bixby Knolls Business Improvement Association (4321 Atlantic Ave.)

The event has limited capacity so advance registration is required on Eventbrite. To learn more about the event, contact Pools of Hope at 310-537-2224.

LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

TST7676

Notice of Intent (Updated) to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Polytechnic High School Transformation Project

This notice is to inform the public and interested agencies that in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Long Beach Unified School District (District) is circulating a Draft MND for public comment.

Project/Location: Polytechnic High School is an existing 26-acre school site located at 1600 Atlantic Avenue, Long Beach, California 90813, accommodating high school students (grades 9-12). Single-family residences on all sides border the Project site. In addition, Roosevelt Elementary School is located at the southwest side of the site, and several commercial buildings are to the east side of the campus.

Project Description:

The proposed project will be constructed in two phases. The first phase will be the construction of a new three-story CTE classroom building, along with HVAC and technology modernization in seven existing buildings. The second phase will see the demolition of eight existing buildings, the removal of temporary portable buildings, the construction of five new buildings, the reconstruction of the baseball field/multi-purpose field and the reconstruction of Jack Rabbit Lane. Below are detailed descriptions of each project

Phase 1:

The new CTE classroom building will be constructed over the softball field located adjacent to 15th street. This building will house the medical pathway program, the automotive pathway program, a new state of the art makerspace classroom as support for the various programs as well as other support spaces like general education classrooms, computer labs and special education classrooms. This building will include outdoor learning environments with outdoor seating and associated landscape areas. The HVAC Modernization project will consist of adding HVAC to the following existing buildings 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, and 600. The following buildings will receive HVAC upgrades: 25 and 250. Building 30 will get fire alarm upgrades. These buildings will also get a variety of modernization upgrades which include, but are not limited to the following:

- ADA – Accessibility upgrades
- Restroom upgrades
- Fire Alarm upgrades
- Ceiling mounted overhead projectors
- Marker boards and tack boards
- Ceiling and wall repair
- Interior lights
- Interior and exterior painting
- Some windows replacements or repairs and window shades
- Signage (campus-wide)

Phase 2:

The Transformation project will see the construction of a single story drama/band building (building 150), a two-story classroom building (building 1000), a two-story gymnasium building (building 800), an aquatic center with a pool and associated sports lighting, new pool spectator bleachers and a single story pool support facilities building (Building 850), a two-story administration/classroom/wellness building (building 700), the reconstruction of the baseball field/multi-purpose field with the reconstruction of sports lighting and a new reconfigured Jack Rabbit Lane with reconfigured parking and a new student pick up and drop off area. This project will also see the demolition of eight existing buildings and their associated surrounding landscape areas. The buildings to be demolished are as follows: 150 and associated second story exterior walk ways, 550, 700, 750, 800, 850, 950, and the Gymnasium. Included in the demolition will be the removal of fifty-four interim housing portables that are located over the existing baseball field

Project Schedule:

The proposed projects are expected to occur over a 6-year period, from Summer 2025 to Summer 2031. Construction will occur in two phases. Phase 1 is expected to occur from Summer 2025 through Winter 2027. Phase 2 is expected to occur Winter 2027 through Summer 2031. Construction activities will take place between the hours of 7:00 am to 4:00 pm Mondays through Fridays.

Document Availability: The Draft MND is available for public review during regular business hours at the locations listed below.

Long Beach Unified School District – Facilities Division: (2425 Webster Avenue, Long Beach, California 90810)
Polytechnic High School: (1600 Atlantic Avenue, Long Beach, California 90813)
Available at <https://www.lbschoolbonds.net/environmental-reviews>

Extended Public Review Period: The elective 14-day extended public review period for the Draft MND is from April 4, 2025 through April 18, 2025. The Draft MND was previously circulated for public review from February 24th, 2025 through March 25th, 2025.

Comments: Any person who wishes to comment on the District’s intent to adopt the MND must submit written comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 18, 2025. Written comments may be sent to Dana Grudem and emailed to CEQA@lbschools.net

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TST7681 / 2025 060720 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

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LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

TST7669

NOTICE INVITING PROPOSALS

Request for Bid (RFB) # 2425-016 Fire Extinguisher Services

The Long Beach Unified School District (District) is seeking bids from qualified vendors (Bidders), to provide **Fire Extinguisher Services**. The intent of this RFB process is to select a Bidder or Bidders and establish a contract with an option to extend based on satisfactory service/performance per Education Code §17596.

Proposals are due by 4:00 pm (PT) on 05/09/2025.

Request for Proposal (RFP) # 2425-019 Fire Suppression Systems Maintenance Services

The Long Beach Unified School District (District) is seeking bids from qualified vendors (Bidders), to provide **Fire Suppression Systems Maintenance Services**. The intent of this RFP process is to select a Bidder or Bidders and establish a contract with an option to extend based on satisfactory service/performance per Education Code §17596.

Proposals are due by 4:00 pm (PT) on 05/09/2025.

More information for both available at: <https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/23758/portal-home>

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**TST7665 Case No. 25CMCP00050
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN COURTHOUSE, 275 MAGNOLIA AVE., LONG BEACH, CA. 90802 PETITION OF: Aaron Daniel Garcia for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Aaron Daniel Garcia has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Aaron Daniel Garcia Proposed Name: Aaron Daniel Corona 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: May 20, 2025; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. A, Room: 904. 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. March 14, 21, 28 and April 4, 2025. ___/ss/___ Elizabeth L. Bradley, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: March 11, 2025

**TST7651 Case No. 25LBCP00099
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN COURTHOUSE, 275 MAGNOLIA AVE., LONG BEACH, CA. 90802 PETITION OF: Unknown Tomasino for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Unknown Tomasino has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Unknown Tomasino Proposed Name: Madeline Leanne Rodriguez 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: May 2, 2025; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. S-27, Room: 5400. 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 March 14, 21, 28 and April 4, 2025 ___/ss/___ Mark C. Kim, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: March 3, 2025

**TST7667 Case No. 25NWCP00132
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 12720 NORWALK BLVD, NORWALK CALIFORNIA 90650 PETITION OF: Nicki Ann Warner for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Nicki Ann Warner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Nicki Ann Warner Proposed Name: Nicki Ann Summers-Lands 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 2, 2025; Time: 9:30a.m., Dept.C, Room: 312. 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. March 14, 21, 28 and April 4, 2025 ___/ss/___ Lee W. Tsao, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: March 12, 2025

**TST7668
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER
ESTATE OF: HERBERT LELAND
MITCHELL CASE NO. 25STPB01647**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of HERBERT LELAND MITCHELL. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by BRANNON SHANE MITCHELL in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that BRANNON SHANE MITCHELL 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. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 04/24/25 at 8:30AM in Dept. 4 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 deliv-

ery 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 GUSTAVO HUERTA - SBN 337109 VARELA LAW, PC (DBA: THE WAGON LEGACY) 1277 E. IMPERIAL HIGHWAY PLACENTIA CA 92870 Telephone (714) 451-5766 BSC 226592 3/28, 4/4, 4/11/25 CNS-3907388# THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE

**TST7670 / 2025 051030
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: DIANE WELLNESS, 1777 N. BELLFLOWER BLVD 107, LONG BEACH, CA. 90815. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: DD WELLNESS SERVICES LLC, 1777 N. BELLFLOWER BLVD 107, LONG BEACH, CA. 90815. State of Incorporation/Organization: CA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: DANE M. DAHL, MANAGING MEMBER. 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 3/12/2025. 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: March 28, & April 4, 11, 18, 2025.

**TST7671 / 2025 053082
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: WELLNESS MARKETING PARTNERS, 1777 N. BELLFLOWER BLVD 107, LONG BEACH, CA. 90815. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: DD WELLNESS SERVICES LLC, 1777 N. BELLFLOWER BLVD 107, LONG BEACH, CA. 90815. State of Incorporation/Organization: CA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: DIANE M. DAHL, MANAGING MEMBER. 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 3/14/2025. 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: March 28, & April 4, 11, 18, 2025.

**TST7672 Case No. 25NWCP00144
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA. 90650 PETITION OF: Melrose Roman Vazquez by and through her mother Aimee Mercedes-Vazquez for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Melrose Roman Vazquez by and through her mother Aimee Mercedes-Vazquez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: MELROSE ROMAN VAZQUEZ Proposed Name: MELROSE ROMAN MUNIZ 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: May 23, 2025; Time: 9:30a.m., Dept. C, Room: 312. 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. March 28 & April 4, 11, 18, 2025 ___/ss/___ Lee W. Tsao, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: March 19, 2025

**TST7673 / 2025 055189
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: LB OUTLET PLT BOUTIQUE, 431 MARKET ST, LONG BEACH, CA. 90805. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: 1. MARIA ESTELA RODRIGUES, 2. ANABEL PICHARDO, 431 E MARKET ST, LONG BEACH, CA. 90806. State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A. This business is conducted by: Copartners. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: MARIA ESTELA RODRIGUEZ, GENERAL PARTNER. 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 Mar 18, 2025. 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: March 28, & April 4, 11, 18, 2025.

**TST7674 Case No. 25LBCP00125
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN COURTHOUSE, 275 MAGNOLIA AVE., LONG BEACH, CA. 90802 PETITION OF: Chrystina Jane Gaddy for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Chrystina Jane Gaddy has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Chrystina Jane Gaddy Proposed Name: Janie Gaddy Casey 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: May 2, 2025; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. 27, Room: . 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. March 28 & April 4, 11, 18, 2025 ___/ss/___ Mark C. Kim, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: March 20, 2025

TST7675

Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice SecureSpace Self Storage Signal Hill located at 3177 California Avenue Signal Hill CA 90755 intends to hold a public sale to the highest bidder of the property stored by the following

tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagetreasures.com on 4/23/25 at 4:30 PM. Judy Starwood; Rianna Cole; Marshall Taylor; Marvin Cook; Ryan Kuczek. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. Pub. The Signal Tribune: April 4 & 11, 2025.

**TST7679 / 2025 060725
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: YJPRN, 13939 MCCLURE AVE, PARAMOUNT, CA. 90723. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: YJPRN, 13939 MCCLURE AVE, PARAMOUNT, CA. 90723. 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: ROSALIA GONZALEZ, PRESIDENT. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 01/2025. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on Mar 25, 2025. 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: April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025.

**TST7680 / 2025 060722
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: 1. MAJA CO., 2. JACOB'S CO., 14515 PIONEER BLVD., NORWALK, CA. 90650. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: MALDOJA LLC, 14515 PIONEER BLVD., NORWALK, CA. 90650. 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: JACOB MALDONADO, PRESIDENT. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 03/2024. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on Mar 25, 2025. 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: April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025.

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SPACEX PROTESTS
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Local activists have gathered to voice their opposition to the contract between SpaceX and the Port of Long Beach.

Samantha Diaz
Managing Editor

For months, Long Beach residents have been peacefully protesting, organizing and speaking out at public meetings with one demand: Long Beach must cut its ties with Elon Musk. But for organizers, these protests are bigger than Donald Trump and Musk — it's the latest reminder of the Democratic Party's need for unity.

Although Long Beach is a seemingly progressive city, with a historically designated gayborhood, Trans Visibility Day, and the host of the largest Pride Parade in the nation, organizers say they've received little to no help from elected officials to end the city's contract with Musk's company SpaceX.

"There's a lot of frustration that's had from a lot of Americans ... but the interconnectivity to unite and make a sustainable movement is not there yet," said Anthony Bryson, co-founder and organizer with SoCal Uprising.

The organization was founded in 2020 to fight the wave of white supremacy, and has organized multiple protests throughout the state since then, advocating for Palestine, fighting mass deportations, rallying for veterans benefits, supporting women's rights and much more — all the while highlighting the interconnectivity between these issues.

"We just have to continue to educate people of the struggles and we can really solidify the movement," Bryson said. "To have a real movement it's gonna have to be trans-generational, it's gonna have to be transcommunity, it's gonna have to be everyone coming together. No one identity is going to lead the movement."

For SoCal Uprising, the city's ties to SpaceX are not surprising, rather another issue that shows how much work progressive places like Long Beach have to do. Organizations like The Feminist Uprising and the 50501 Long Beach chapter have joined the movement, trying to push the city's elected officials to get Musk's company out.

"Nobody wants a fascist wannabe bringing business and making money off of a community that's also being endangered by his products," said Jenn Cohen, co-founder of The Feminist Uprising, at a March 18 Long Beach City Council



Richard H. Grant | Signal Tribune

The partnership between SpaceX and the Port of Long Beach dates back to May 2021, with SpaceX announcing plans to move its Dragon spacecraft splashdowns to Long Beach in July 2024. SpaceX's lease with the Port runs through April 2028.

meeting. "This is a city that prides itself on diversity and inclusion and this is a man who's trying to gut DEI [diversity, equity and inclusion policies], so when will this be an agenda item? When will this be open to the community to really discuss, because it is a really big concern."



Courtesy of SoCal Uprising

Several participants at SoCal Uprising's SpaceX protest pose for a photo on March 15, 2025.

The Port of Long Beach has had a contract with Musk's SpaceX (Space Exploration Technologies Corp.), since May 2021. The company leases out 15.5 acres on the Pier T Navy Mole to dock its vessels and offload equipment. The Port renewed SpaceX's lease in 2024, so the company is set to stay through April 2028.

In July 2024, SpaceX announced

plans to move its Dragon spacecraft splashdowns from off the coast of Florida to Long Beach. In a public statement, the company explained the move, saying it's being made to "reduce risks associated with re-entering debris from the spacecraft's trunk section."

On several occasions, debris from the SpaceX's rockets have landed in various parts of the world, despite SpaceX claiming these rockets would completely break and leave no debris upon orbit re-entry. Protestors have also been demanding greater transparency about the environmental impacts of moving the Dragon spacecraft to Long Beach.

Authority to end this contract falls upon the Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners, who approved the lease agreement to rent port space to SpaceX. According to a Port official, these agreements do not go to the city council or mayor.

If the Port does not end its lease agreement with SpaceX, organizers have asked the lease money (\$285,000 per month) be used to protect the trans community, queer individuals and other groups most vulnerable under the current administration.

Mayor Rex Richardson's office refused to comment on the city

moving away from SpaceX, and referred the *Signal Tribune* to the Port of Long Beach. A spokesperson from the Port sent this statement:

"... Both the Port and Space Exploration Technologies Corp. have carried out the terms of the lease agreement. The Port of Long Beach is tasked with leasing out Harbor District real estate for maritime purposes. The Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners has the authority to approve lease agreements. The agreements do not go to the City Council nor Mayor for approval."

"As a Long Beach resident myself, I find myself getting frustrated. We've had an openly gay mayor, we have a Black mayor now, and I still feel like levels of representation have not been met," Bryson said. "We look at SpaceX and we see that Elon Musk is a transphobic, homophobic individual, and here in Long Beach we allegedly

pride ourselves on being a diverse community, so why would we want to continue a relationship with SpaceX? It's because it's brought in so much revenue, so I think that the city and councilmembers prioritize the dollar over the sentiments of the residents and their safety and sense of community."

SoCal Uprising and 50501 Long Beach organized protests against SpaceX's growing footprint in the city on Feb. 17 and March 15. Nearly 700 people marched through downtown to protest SpaceX's Long Beach expansion, asking the city to end its contract with the company, arguing that "any corporate presence in the city should align with its commitment to inclusion, sustainability and social justice," according to a flyer for the protests.

Protestors were not only demanding an end to the financial relationship between Long Beach and SpaceX, but also that Musk's government contracts, which account for more than \$15 billion so far, are rescinded. Bryson said the demonstration was to create a dialogue and hopefully heal some of the divide between leftists, liberals and progressives.

"We have to resolve our issues and come together. The right was able to do that. We've seen the Tea Party consolidate and absorb into the MAGAs, we've seen how the Republicans tried to push out the MAGAs and then they adopted this MAGA mindset," Bryson said. "Our hope is to swing the pendulum and go more left in thought and representation ... If we can start here, maybe it can spread throughout the nation."

SoCal Uprising and 50501 Long Beach will be taking part in the national day of protest on April 5. Hundreds of protests are scheduled for this Saturday in every state, fighting against the administration's threats to democracy and personal freedoms. For more information about this Saturday's protests, or other mobilization efforts from SoCal Uprising, follow @socialuprising on Instagram.



Kirsten Farrah Naeem | Signal Tribune

Activist Anthony Bryson organized a protest against white supremacy in Long Beach on May 15, 2022 in response to a mass shooting that occurred in Buffalo.

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