

POLICE



Courtesy of the City of Signal Hill

After serving as interim chief of the Signal Hill Police Department since December 2024, Brad Kenneally has been named the new chief of police.

Signal Hill appoints Brad Kenneally as new chief of police

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

The City of Signal Hill has appointed Captain Brad Kenneally as the next chief of police, effective April 19.

Kenneally formerly served with the Orange County Sheriff's Department for 28 years, and has held ranks of sergeant, lieutenant and captain. Kenneally was chosen for his extensive operational experience, strategic leadership and a strong commitment to community-based policing, according to a press release from the City.

He will fill the vacant position left by the sudden passing of former Chief Wayne Byerley in December 2024. Byerley served as chief from May 2023.

"I am deeply honored to serve as Signal Hill's next Chief of Police," Chief Kenneally said in a public statement. "This city and this department have a special energy — one rooted in community, service, and innovation. I look forward to continuing this work and leading our department with integrity, accountability, and a genuine commitment to the residents of Signal Hill."

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CITY COUNCIL

Human trafficking along Long Beach Boulevard will be city's 'top priority,' officials say

City council will review strategies to leverage state support, bolster law enforcement by the end of August.



Kathryn Renesto holds hands with her granddaughter as supporters pray for the return of her daughter Ruthey Smith on December 27, 2024. Smith is believed to be a victim of human trafficking and has been missing since 2022.

Samantha Diaz

Managing Editor

Long Beach will combine the efforts of multiple City departments, as well as state and regional regulators to combat the decades-long issue of prostitution and human trafficking along Long Beach Boulevard.

The corridor runs through North Long Beach, Lynwood and Compton, and is one of the largest hotspots for human trafficking in the country, second to the Figueroa corridor in Los Angeles, according to Councilmember Joni Ricks-Oddie, one of the authors of the item.

The north division of the Long Beach Police Department responds to 86% of calls of service pertaining to prostitution citywide, according to 2022 data. Councilmembers Ricks-Oddie and Tunua Thrash-Ntuk spearheaded the item, which garnered letters of support from assembly members, Long Beach City Council trustees, Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn, councilmembers from neighboring cities, nonprofits

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EVENT



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Los Cerritos Elementary School will celebrate its 100th anniversary on April 25, 2025. The community is invited to view old yearbooks, tour the campus, connect with old teachers and help raise funds for the revitalized urban garden.

An academic anniversary: Los Cerritos Elementary turns 100

Kristen Farrah Naeem

Staff Writer

Los Cerritos Elementary School turns 100 years old on Friday, and the community is invited to join the centennial celebration on campus grounds.

The anniversary was brought to attention by a classroom of precocious third graders, who did a project on the history of their school last year and discovered it would be turning 100 years old in 2025.

"Since then, we all wanted to celebrate," said Los Cerritos Elementary School Principal Liseeth Ramos. "We're hoping that on Friday, we get a great turnout [...] so that we can just walk down memory lane and hear from one another."

The centennial celebration will be the last opportunity the public has to explore the campus before it undergoes renovations next year, which will take place from June 2025 to August 2026. The renovations will include upgraded windows, central air conditioning in all the classrooms, and accessibility ramps, as well as updated white boards, cork boards, document cameras and projectors.

A century ago, the board of the former Cerritos School District and local resident Mrs. George H. Bixby bought two acres of land next to Los Cerritos Park and built a two-room schoolhouse of stucco and

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MEETING

Help shape the future of the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library Garden



Courtesy of the City of Long Beach

Residents are invited to provide input for the reimagining of the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library Garden at an April 28 meeting.

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

The community is invited to help with the reimagining of the Michelle Obama Neighborhood

Library Garden at an upcoming meeting.

The garden sits just outside the entrance of the library, and has been a mainstay of the community, offering colorful blooms and small

vegetation throughout the year. The garden is set to be revitalized, along with a community celebration, by September.

Library patrons, garden lovers and residents are invited to shape this future at a meeting on Monday, April 28 from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.). The community can share their ideas on garden updates that will enhance sustainability, increase accessibility and create a space that fosters learning and connection.

During the meeting, residents will review interactive planning boards and are invited to take part in a design-your-own-garden activity while enjoying light refreshments.

The Michelle Obama Library Garden project will begin in June, following a cleanup in May. Residents may call 562-570-7500 or email lbpl@longbeach.gov for more information about the project.

NONPROFIT

Rancho Los Alamitos welcomes new Executive Director Timothy Roberts

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

Timothy Roberts has been announced as the new executive director of Long Beach City landmark Rancho Los Alamitos.



Courtesy of Ryan Miller/Capture Imaging
Timothy Roberts is the third executive director in the history of the Rancho Los Alamitos Foundation.

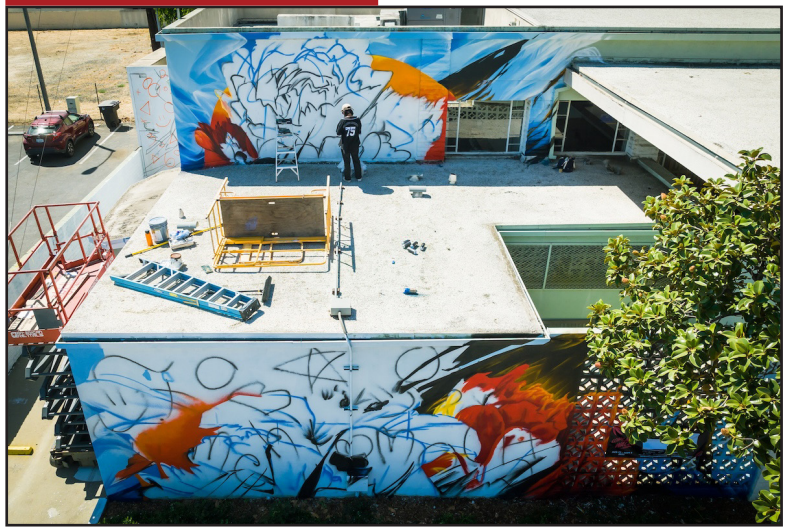
Roberts began his tenure as executive director on Tuesday, April 22, becoming the third person to serve in the role in the 41-year history of the Rancho Los Alamitos Foundation. Roberts has two decades of experience in historical site preservation and management.

"We did not take the search for the new executive director lightly. After a rigorous six-month nationwide search engaging a top non-profit recruiting firm, the RLA board agreed that we had found in Tim Roberts, an exemplary non-profit leader, public historian, and educator, ready to lead Rancho Los Alamitos for its next chapter," said Henry Taboada, RLA board chair in a public statement.



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CONSTRUCTION



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Thao Huynh French (@thaofrenchart on Instagram) is seen working on her mural at the Burnett Neighborhood Library for the Long Beach Walls event on Aug. 30, 2022.

Burnett Neighborhood Library closed through May 19 for upgrades

Staff Report

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A temporary Burnett Neighborhood Library closure began on Monday due to upgrades related to energy efficiency and storm-related leaks.

The library will reopen to the public on Monday, May 19. The planned infrastructure upgrades include a roof replacement, which will feature heat-reflective, enhanced insulation and water damage protection. Burnett Neighborhood Library will also receive an upgraded heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system

with energy-efficient equipment, and a structure to conceal the new system.

These upgrades are funded using \$1.875 million from AB32 (Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006) grants and \$400,000 in Measure A funds. The project is part of Elevate '28, a five-year infrastructure initiative to upgrade Long Beach's parks and public spaces in time for the city to host events in the 2028 Olympics.

During the temporary closure at Burnett Neighborhood Library, residents will still be able to access digital resources such as e-books and online databases.

EVENT



Courtesy of Sal Flores

A mariachi group performs during the inaugural International Tamales Festival in Long Beach on Dec. 5, 2021.

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Enjoy a day of live music, cultural performances, local resources, food and more at the second annual Mariachi Festival on Saturday, May 3 at Veterans Park.

The family-friendly festival is hosted by Vice Mayor Roberto Uranga and Councilmember Mary Zendejas, and will feature hours of mariachi and Latin music.

The musical lineup includes:
•Julian Torres, a rising star in contemporary mariachi with a powerful voice and heartfelt

performances.

•The Mariachi Rams, the official mariachi ensemble of the Los Angeles Rams, known for blending sports pride with cultural tradition.

•Grammy Award-winning Mariachi Divas, known for their groundbreaking role as an all-female mariachi ensemble.

•Las Estrellas Ballet Folklórico

•Susie Hansen Latin Band

•Las Chicas Tristes

The second annual Mariachi Festival will take place at Veterans Park (101 E. 28th St.) from noon to 5 p.m.

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

From niche night markets to beginner-friendly workshops, this week has fun things to do for everyone in Long Beach and Signal Hill.

Plenty of family-friendly events offer entertainment and resources, such as a picnic and game day at Reservoir Park Friday, the sixth annual Celebration of the Young Child event in downtown Long Beach Saturday, Touch-A-Truck near Granada Beach on Sunday, a positive affirmation workshop for kids Wednesday night or a wellness workshop Thursday night.

Long Beach's vibrant creative scene is on full display this week with events like Compound's ceramicist artist residency opening reception and workshop on Saturday afternoon, a trinket and zine swap at Recreational Coffee Saturday night, an intro to improv workshop at Improv for Life Sunday morning and a community mosaic mural Thursday afternoon.

There's a space for a variety of niche interests, such as a Hello Kitty Dodger night market Friday, an Avril Lavigne-themed drag show Friday night, a Holland Festival Sunday, a South Coast Orchid Society meeting Monday or a Dungeons & Dragons three-day campaign for teens from Tuesday to Thursday.

25 FRIDAY

VIRTUAL REALITY EXPERIENCE

2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Residents can immerse themselves in the virtual reality travel platform "BRINK Traveler VR" at the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.). Free, but advanced registration is required by calling 562-989-7323.

HELLO KITTY DODGER NIGHT MARKET

5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Browse through

vendors selling unique items, meet Hello Kitty, purchase food and drinks and take part in fun photo ops, all while the Dodgers vs. Pirates game is shown at Partake Collective (456 Elm Ave.). Free entry.

26 SATURDAY

FOOD FINDERS CELEBRATION

9 a.m. to noon. This community marketplace at Admiral Kidd Park (2125 Santa Fe Ave.) will celebrate the growth and impact of nonprofit Food Finders, which saves 1.3 million pounds of food each month to distribute to those in need. The event will offer community resources, activities for kids, pet adoptions, low-cost pet vaccines and a youth soccer clinic. Food distribution will begin at 10 a.m. Free.

CELEBRATION OF THE YOUNG CHILD

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This annual Long Beach celebration works to connect parents and children with important educational, developmental and health resources. There will be a sensory exploration area for children, music and movement for toddlers, story times, performances and early screenings focused on development, speech and eyesight at Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W. Broadway) and Lincoln Park (101 Pacific Ave.). Free.

CAMBODIAN OPEN MARKET

Noon to 6 p.m. In celebration of Cambodian Heritage Month there will be an open market at 2nd & PCH (6400 E. Pacific Coast Highway) with over 45 local vendors, Hanuman and Bamboo dances by Chanchaya Khmer Culture Heritage, an interactive audience dance, Khmer and English classic songs,

a martial arts demonstration and plenty of food options. Free.

27 SUNDAY

TOUCH-A-TRUCK

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The public can look through, sit in and touch about 100 large trucks, tractors, military, public safety and construction vehicles at this annual event at a beachfront parking lot (5000 E. Ocean Blvd.). Attendees are asked to bring a jar of peanut butter or other canned foods. Free.

HOLLAND FESTIVAL

11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Celebrate Dutch King's Day at the 35th annual Holland Festival at Long Beach POA Park (7390 Carson Blvd.), an Amsterdam-style outdoor party honoring the birthday of King Willem Alexander. Enjoy traditional Dutch foods like kroketten, bitterballen and poffertjes, as well as Indonesian street fare, Dutch games, a flea market, photo ops and a lively Heineken beer garden. Tickets are \$10 per person; children 12 and under are free.

28 MONDAY

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK MEETING

5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Residents are invited to the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.) to share their ideas and feedback on proposed changes to the library's garden space. The event will feature participatory planning boards, a garden design activity, updates on the space and light refreshments. Free.

ROADCATS MOTO CLUB

7 p.m. to 9 p.m. This club meets once a month for those in the



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Explore large trucks, tractors, plus military, public safety and construction vehicles at the free annual Touch-A-Truck event this Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

LGBTQ+ community who want to meet other motorcycle riders and allies. This month's meeting is at The Crest (5935 Cherry Ave.), a local gay bar. The front parking lot will be reserved for bikes on a first-come, first-served basis. Attendees can enjoy pizza and finger foods. Cash is recommended, but cards will be accepted. RSVP online is encouraged. Free.

29 TUESDAY

MEDITATION

Noon to 1 p.m. This mindful meditation session will be led by Heidi Girling, the coordinator for health and wellness promotion for Student Health Services at Cal State Long Beach, in the Carolyn Kleefeld Campagna Contemporary Art Museum. (1250 Bellflower Blvd.). Free.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Kids in the 6th to 12th grades are invited to embark on a fantasy adventure at El Dorado Neighborhood Library (2900 Studebaker Road) through Dungeons & Dragons, a collaborative tabletop role-playing game. Players will solve mysteries, battle monsters and complete quests over three consecutive days, from Tuesday through Thursday. Attending all three days is encouraged but not required. Registration is required due to limited space—sign up on the City's online calendar or call 562-570-3136. Free.

30 WEDNESDAY

AFFIRMATION SEED PLANTING FOR KIDS

3 p.m. to 4 p.m. School-age children are invited to celebrate Earth Month with this uplifting activity at Harte Neighborhood Library (1595

W. Willow St.). Kids will write positive affirmations on seed paper, then plant their affirmations in a pot to take home. No registration required. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Free.

COMMUNITY BOARD GAMES

6 p.m. Every week, board game lovers 21 and older meet up at The Wicked Wolf's (2332 Pacific Ave.) upstairs den. Local vendor Bocaditos will be selling tacos. Free entry.

01 THURSDAY

SENIOR WALKING CLUB

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Seniors can meet up and make connections with an hour of light walking at Reservoir Park (3315 Gundry Ave.). Free.

COMMUNITY MOSAIC

3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Neighbors can contribute to a mosaic-style mural being created in the alleyway behind Safe Refuge, north of Seventh Street from Obispo to Freeman Avenue, at this workshop hosted by the Rose Park Neighborhood Association. Residents can come to Rose Park (Eighth Street and Orizaba Avenue) and put pieces on the mural. Free.

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LB HUMAN TRAFFICKING

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in the area, local business owners and dozens of residents.

“These conditions are just unacceptable, and we owe it to our children to do better,” Thrash-Ntuk said. “The neighborhoods around Long Beach Boulevard are filled with close knit families, many of whom have called these communities home for decades. These residents should not have to face the dangers and daily indignities of trafficking.”

City staff will focus on four strategies to create a plan to combat human trafficking along Long Beach Boulevard: using local enforcement, leveraging regional coordination, strengthening existing ordinances and advocating for relevant state policies. The Long Beach City Council will receive a report on possible next steps within 120 days.

Nearly 30 residents from North Long Beach neighborhoods, schools and businesses spoke in support of these renewed efforts, citing incidents of kids seeing sexual acts and violence while walking to and from school. They also spoke about the fear of retaliation that exists in the community, making it dangerous to call the police or try to document incidents of suspected human trafficking.

“Each day our students, many of whom walk to and from school, are exposed to distressing and unsafe conditions,” said Jandella Faulkner, principal of Starr King Elementary. “Children have reported seeing women half naked and engaging in acts that they don’t understand. Parents have reached out to us asking for help in explaining what their children are witnessing.”

Previous attempts to curb the issue of prostitution along Long Beach Boulevard include the passage of the Nuisance Motel Regulation and the Alcohol Nuisance Abatement ordinance, which closed down certain motels and regulated all liquor stores along the corridor. The City Council is requesting data on how effective these ordinances were, and will look at what other cities have done.

The city of Claremont has similar motel abatement ordinances but with more teeth, requiring a credit card be on file for guests paying for a room in cash, and requiring video surveillance be taken outside of motels and kept for 90 days. In Long Beach, video surveillance is only required “if deemed necessary,” by police according to Councilmember Thrash-Ntuk.

Security cameras outside of mo-

tels would create documentation without requiring residents to endanger themselves. Community members cited being followed, threatened with a gun, attacked and getting pepper sprayed for taking pictures of a pimp, as they attempted to get evidence to show the Long Beach Police Department.

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— Tunua Thrash-Ntuk,
Long Beach City Councilmember

Others spoke about the dangers of normalizing the act of prostitution to children, which in turn makes them more vulnerable to become a victim of human trafficking.

For Kathryn Renesto, this fear has resulted into her worst nightmare, as her daughter Ruthey Smith was victimized by human traffickers and has been missing for three years, leaving behind a daughter of her own.

“Missing people, the victims, they need help too. While we’re strongly saying, ‘prostitute, prosti-

tute, prostitute,’ these prostitutes are somebody’s children and my daughter was coerced and manipulated into doing the wrong thing and she leaves behind her daughter that I now have to raise on my own,” Renesto said. “I ask for you guys to make the community safer on the north side because I live near there and I need to be able to raise her safely and not have the same thing happen again because they eat our children, they take them and there’s nothing you can do.”

Renesto added that she has done her own investigative work such as going to Figueroa Street and finding video footage of Smith, and said she has been beaten by pimps and sex workers for doing so. “But I’m still not going to stop because I will never give up on bringing Ruthey Smith home,” she said.

“It’s time to make this a top public safety, citywide priority. Not just [...] in North Long Beach,” added Mayor Rex Richardson.

The item has four main focuses: local enforcement and interdepartmental cohesion; strategic partnerships; nuisance motel updates; and legislative and policy framework advocacy.

Local enforcement and coordination:

- Utilize data-driven strategies; includes resident input and police data

- Deploy community presence and safety resources, particularly around schools

- Enhance legal and enforcement tools, such as the red light abatement program and public nuisance injunctions

- Expand scope and training
- Ensure collaboration

Strategic Partnerships and Regional Coordination:

- Partner for community and survivor support

- Pursue regional coordination between cities like Lynwood and Compton, and with the Los Angeles County

- Seek partnerships for diversion and pathways

- Conduct outreach and resource distribution

Motel Nuisance and Abatement Ordinance Enhancement:

- Update ordinance data, from Long Beach and other cities with similar ordinances,

- Implement enhanced operational requirements

- Establish robust oversight and compliance

- Explore land use strategies through rezoning to transform the motels into “more compatible” uses that the community wants and needs.

Legislative and Policy Framework that may be relevant include:

- AB 379 - increased punishment for soliciting a minor, distributing these fines into survivor support funds.

- AB 1231 - Authorizes courts to exercise discretion to grant pretrial diversion on a felony offense.

- AB 562 - Requires counties to increase the rate of foster care family placements if they fall under the statewide average rate.

“We want a boulevard that’s filled with local businesses, meeting residents’ daily needs such as cafes, bookstores, family friendly restaurants, and we cannot attract these kinds of businesses without addressing this matter,” Councilmember Thrash-Ntuk said. “To bring this vision to life we must address human trafficking from every possible angle.”

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: HANDY STORAGE, 3470 EAST SPRING STREET, LONG BEACH, CA. 90806. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: 1. RICHARD W DARLING, 1161 BRYANT ROAD, LONG BEACH, CA. 90815. 2. FELIX R MAZZOCCO, 1858 MARCI WAY, FALLBROOK, CA. 92028. State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A. This business is conducted by: a General Partnership. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: RICHARD W DARLING, GENERAL PARTNER. 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 3/13/2025. 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 11, 18, 25, & May 2, 2025.

TST7687 / 2025 049900
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: 1. WORDS2VISION PRODUCTION COMPANY, 2. WIGGINS HUNTER CONSULTING GROUP, 65 PINE AVE., #916, LONG BEACH, CA. 90802. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: (REGISTRANT NAME & ADDRESS). 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: (PERSON SIGNING & TITLE). The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 12/2018. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on Mar 11, 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 18, 25, & May 2, 9, 2025.

TST7691 Case No. 25CMCP00075
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 200 W. COMPTON BLVD., COMPTON, CA. 90220 PETITION OF: Theresa Bernice Calkins for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED

PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Theresa Bernice Calkins has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Theresa Bernice Calkins Proposed Name: Tesbee Bernice Calkins 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 26, 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. April 25 & May 2, 9, 16, 2025 ___/ss//___ Elizabeth L. Bradley, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: April 17, 2025

TST7692 Case No. 25LBCP00176
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: SARIYA THAI for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: SARIYA THAI has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: SARIYA THAI Proposed Name: SUNSARIYA THAI 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 6, 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, April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 2025 ___/ss//___ Mark C. Kim, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: April 17, 2025

TST7690 / 2025 076549
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: RAFAEL AYALA BARBER SERVICES, 2518 ARTESIA BLVD., REDONDO BEACH, CA. 90278. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: RAFAEL EDUARDO AYALA JR, 2518 ARTESIA BLVD., REDONDO BEACH, CA. 90278. 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: RAFAEL EDUARDO AYALA JR., OWNER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 04/2025. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 4/16/2025. 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 25, & May 2, 9, 16, 2025.

TST7693 / 2025 073065
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: SAGE REAL ESTATE, 2734 E BROADWAY SUITE 8, LONG BEACH, CA. 90803. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: SAGE REAL ESTATE INCORPORATED, 2734 E BROADWAY SUITE 8, LONG BEACH, CA. 90803. 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: JUAN HUIZAR, CEO. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 04/2025. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 4/10/2025. 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 25, & May 2, 9, 16, 2025.

TST7694 / 2025 080596
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: ROAR PUBLISHING, 335 EAST ALBERTONI ST., STE 200 #303, CARSON, CA. 90746. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: SHERI LYNN ROBERT, 335 EAST ALBERTONI ST STE 200 #303, CARSON, CA. 90746. 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: SHERI LYNN ROBERT, 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 Apr 21, 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 25, & May 2, 9, 16, 2025.

TST7696/Order No: 2766
Auto Lien Sale

On 5/11/2025 at 821 SOUTH MAPLE AVE MONTEBELLO, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2019 VOLKS
VIN: 3VWC57BU6KM092316
STATE: CA LIC: 8PUB663 at 9AM

TST7695/Order No: 2432
Auto Lien Sale

On 5/11/2025 at 1856 E 65TH STREET LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2020 TOYOT
VIN: 5YFEPRAE0LP008657
STATE: CA LIC: 9NUJ681 at 9AM

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CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

TST7697

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

Ordinance No. 2025-04-1554 was introduced by the Signal Hill City Council at their meeting of Tuesday, April 22, 2025. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 13.04.130(A) AND 13.04.130(C) OF THE SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE TO AUTHORIZE FUTURE RATES FOR WATER SERVICE FEES TO BE SET BY RESOLUTION, AND FINDING SAID ACTION EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

The Ordinance was introduced by the following vote:

AYES:	MAYOR KEIR JONES, VICE MAYOR TINA L. HANSEN, COUNCIL MEMBERS ROBERT D. COPELAND, CHARLIE HONEYCUTT, LORI Y. WOODS
NOES:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE

A copy of the full text of the Ordinance is available in the City Clerk's Office and on the City's website: www.cityofsignalhill.org.

___/ss//___
Daritza Gonzalez
City Clerk

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Posted in accordance with S.H.M.C. Section 1.08.010 on or before April 25, 2025

LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

TST7686

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

RFB 21-2425 – Printing Services

The Long Beach Unified School District is seeking bids from qualified vendors (Bidders), to provide Printing Services. The intent of this RFB is to select the most responsive and responsible Bidder(s) and establish a one (1) year contract with an option to extend for up to four (4) additional one-year periods based on satisfactory service and performance. More information at: <https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/23758/portal-home>. The deadline for submitting a bid is **May 21, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.**

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LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

TST7688

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS (RFQ/P)

RFQ/P# 2425-92

FOR MATERIAL TESTING AND INSPECTIONS SERVICES

The Long Beach Unified School District ("District") is requesting submission of statements of qualifications and proposals ("Response(s)") from qualified firms, partnerships, corporations, associations, persons, or professional organizations ("Firm(s)") for materials testing & inspections services for projects at Washington Middle School Transformation ("Project(s)").

Questions. Questions regarding this RFQ/P must be submitted electronically via PlanetBids.com only by **12:00 PM on May 2, 2025**.

Responses. Firms shall submit a Response to the District electronically via PlanetBids.com only in accordance with the RFQ/P no later than **2:00 PM on May 9, 2025**.

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NEW SHPD CHIEF
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Chief Kenneally joined the Signal Hill Police Department as interim chief of police in December 2024, quickly immersing himself in all aspects of department operations. He brought an innovative approach, ability to think outside the box and skill in identifying creative solutions, along with leadership, adaptability and a commitment to integrity, the City wrote in a public statement.

One of Kenneally’s key roles was to build strong relationships with department personnel and navigate evolving community safety needs.

“We are thrilled to welcome Captain Kenneally as the 18th Chief of Police for the City of Signal Hill,” Mayor Keir Jones said in a public statement. “His proven leadership, unwavering integrity, and deep commitment to community-focused policing make him the right person to lead our department into the future. Captain Kenneally brings not only years of experience, but also a genuine passion for service and the ability to inspire meaningful change. We’re confident that under his leadership, the Signal Hill Police Department will continue to grow strong and more connected to the community we serve.”

While with the Orange County Sheriff’s Department, Kenneally led the Central Justice Center in Santa Ana — the county’s largest and busiest court. As commanding officer, he oversaw daily court operations and supervised more than 120 sworn and non-sworn personnel.



Richard H. Grant | Signal Tribune
Signal Hill’s new chief of police Brad Kenneally, effective as of April 19, has over 28 years of experience with the Orange County Sheriff’s Department and will be formally sworn-in at a future ceremony.

His exemplary service was recognized in 2010 when he received the department’s prestigious Deputy of the Year award.

A formal swearing-in ceremony for Chief Kenneally will be planned for a future date, according to a statement from the City.

ACADEMIC ANNIVERSARY
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concrete, according to the book “Long Beach’s Los Cerritos” by local historian Geraldine Knatz. In 1933, the Long Beach Earthquake destroyed most of the original schoolhouse, forcing teachers to hold classes in tents and bungalows until the current school was built.

Ramos has been principal at Los Cerritos Elementary for five years, and said during that time some of the biggest changes on campus have occurred in its garden, which is in the process of being revitalized. A local parent/architect helped develop a new layout for the garden, and the school is currently fundraising to complete it.

“At one point in time, our urban farmyard garden had chickens, and they had a chicken coop, and we did lessons with the chickens,” Ramos said. “Unfortunately, during COVID, kids learned that the life cycle is real, when raccoons, unfortunately, were able to burrow and feast on some of the chickens. We had to reconfigure and to think about how we can restructure our garden space so that we can avoid things from coming and eating the

produce that is being grown in the garden.”

Long-time residents and former alumni may remember the campus would remain open to the public after-hours, with neighbors visiting the garden or using the playground. While a fence was constructed years ago for student safety, the local community remains a vital part of the student experience.

“The great thing is, our community is very much connected,” Ramos said. “[...] Even though we’re kind of a hidden gem, as I like to call our school, everyone still knows and is here for one another. When it comes to anything with our school, we have community members that come and say, ‘Hey, do you need any support? Is there anything we can do?’”

The centennial celebration will take place at Los Cerritos Elementary School, located at 515 W San Antonio Drive, on Friday, April 25 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Visitors will be able to look through past yearbooks and memorabilia in the library, participate in garden activities and explore the campus.

CITY COUNCIL

Long Beach will explore expanding access to digital library titles nationwide

Samantha Diaz
Managing Editor

In the face of increased book bannings across the country, Long Beach will explore the feasibility of expanding its online catalog nationwide, the Long Beach City Council decided Tuesday.

Long Beach Public Library has an online service called Libby, which contains over 42,000 e-book titles, magazines and audiobooks. Currently, any Long Beach resident and California resident may receive a library card to access Libby.

From 2001-2020, the American Library Association documented an average of 273 book titles chal-

lenged per year in libraries across the country. Last year, 2,452 titles were challenged, with the goal of removing them from libraries.

“By expanding the service to provide access to young people outside of California, we can stand in defense of students and young readers who are losing access to ‘controversial works’ and their freedom to choose what information to engage with,” said Councilmember Megan Kerr, who authored the item.

City staff will work with Libby to see if the platform can support having non-residents access Long Beach library digital materials. The city council will receive updates in 90 days.

EYE ON CRIME

CRIMES REPORTED BY THE SIGNAL HILL POLICE

Wednesday, April 16

12:32 a.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Redondo Ave.
11:29 a.m., Burglary, 3100 block California Ave.
12:16 p.m., Grand theft, 2700 block Cherry Ave
12:24 p.m., Vandalism, California Ave./E. 33rd St.
2:11 p.m., Elder abuse, 2400 block Skyline Dr.
8:13 p.m., DUI, 1800 block E. Willow St. (suspect arrested)

Thursday, April 17

10:14 a.m., Identity theft, 900 block Nevada St.
12:12 p.m., Indecent exposure, E. Spring St./California Ave.
2:30 p.m., DUI, Ohio Ave./E. Hill St. (assisted citizen)
5:38 p.m., Indecent exposure, 2700 block E. PCH
9:24 p.m., Grand theft, 2700 block E. PCH

Friday, April 18

8:39 a.m., Stolen vehicle – recovered, 2600 block E. PCH
10:52 a.m., Grand theft, 3100 block California Ave.
11:17 a.m., Carrying concealed weapon, 2200 block Junipero Ave.
2:50 p.m., Auto burglary, 700 block E. Spring St.
5:08 p.m., Auto burglary, 900 block E. 33rd St.
9:42 p.m., Robbery, 2800 block E. PCH

Saturday, April 19

1:33 p.m., Forgery, 2500 block Cherry Ave.

Sunday, April 20

4:07 a.m., Burglary, 700 block E. 28th St. (suspect arrested)
11:12 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2200 block Rose Ave.
1:47 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle; carrying loaded firearm; possessing controlled substance, 900 block E. 33rd St. (3 suspects arrested)

Monday, April 21

6:53 a.m., Burglary, 2500 block E. 28th St.
10:34 a.m., Fire, E. Burnett St./Walnut Ave.
3:54 p.m., Identity theft, 1800 block E. Willow St.
6:06 p.m., Felony spousal abuse, 1800 block Molino Ave.

Tuesday, April 22

10:18 a.m., Burglary, 900 block E. 27th St.
11:47 a.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Willow St./Walnut Ave.
12:17 p.m., Auto burglary, 2400 block Cherry Ave.
1:50 p.m., Elder abuse, 2400 block California Ave.
6:00 p.m., Stolen vehicle – recovered, California Ave. north of E. Willow St.
10:16 p.m., Grand theft, E. Spring St./Olive Ave.

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.



Pet of the week: Nutter Butter

You must meet Nutter Butter, a brown tabby as sweet as his namesake candy! He was surrendered to the shelter with three other cats when the owner’s age made it difficult to care for them. Nutter Butter is a friendly boy who will make your heart explode in a Starburst! His sweet face will send you to the Milky Way, and he’s so wiggly, he’ll make you dissolve in Snickers! Adopting him will be your special Pay Day, not to mention Nutter Butter’s! So, get over to the shelter now before someone else gets this wonderful Kit Kat! To adopt or foster Nutter Butter, email PetAdopt@longbeach.gov to speed the process, or call (562) 570-7387. Ask for ID#A738412. (This rescue encouraged by the usual suspects.)

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Sinean Tor 78
Nadine Clark 96
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Judith Ann Clark 74
David Gonzalez 61
Theodore Anthony 91
Rolande Herietta Bourque 88
David Havens 81
Franz Pfingsthorn 91
Sandra Olmedo-Richardson 42
Antonia Ramirez 86
Jasmine Carol Smith 38
Naresh Vasishth 90
Harry Holgate 84

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



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Books about herbs sit on the bookshelf inside the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library in North Long Beach on Jan. 4, 2022.

Port of LONG BEACH PHOTO PROGRAM

The Port of Long Beach's PHOTOPROGRAM, an annual partnership with the Arts Council for Long Beach, invites photographers of all levels aboard a special harbor tour – their photos form a curated exhibit in the Port Administration Lobby. This year's theme: Leading Green – Celebrating 20 Years of The Green Port.

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