

### NEWS

## Long Beach unveils concept designs for new LGBTQ+ Cultural District



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Long Beach drag queen Jewels speaks to the Long Beach community about the new conceptual designs for the Long Beach LGBTQ+ Cultural District on June 17, 2026.

**The designs include cross-street lighting, a Pride Plaza and art murals. The project has over \$3 million in funding and is projected to be completed in 2028.**

Samuel Chacko

Photo Editor

After years of anticipation, residents observed the conceptual designs for the new Long Beach LGBTQ+ Plaza on the corner of East Broadway and Junipero Avenue Wednesday evening.

The project was initiated back in June 2022 when the Long Beach City Council approved the proposal that District 2 Councilmember Cindy Allen and then-Mayor Robert Garcia created.

"This place [the Broadway Corridor] has been a place that served as a home, a gathering space and a source of pride for all of the LGBTQ+ community," Allen said during the unveiling. "This corridor carries a powerful history of community, advocacy, celebration and resilience."

The project is funded by the Elevate 28' Infrastructure Investment Plan, \$850,000 that Congressman Garcia attained through Congress and Measure A and Federal Earmarks.

"We have over \$3 million that we're going to be investing into this neighborhood so it's super exciting," said Joshua Hickman, director of the Public Works Department. "Our goal is to make these investments over the next couple of years for 2028."

According to the LGBTQ+ Cultural District Strategic Improvement Plan, the district will run from Alamitos Avenue to Temple Avenue, spanning approximately 1.4 miles.

Phase I of the LGBTQ+ Cultural District Project consists of these recommendations:

- Festoon cross-street lighting
- Pride Plaza in Bixby Park
- Art Murals

The LGBTQ+ vision board and community surveys from 2022-2023 show that participants skew towards new lights for visibility and safety, art installations (or murals), historical markers and a historical monument.

Long Beach resident Amber Va called the cultural district really inspiring and said she can't wait to see it come to fruition.

"It makes me optimistic and hopeful. Long Beach has always been full of diversity and inclusion and seeing the downtown corridors specifically, I think it's gonna make me feel more safe and lighten the light ahead," Va said.

Jewels Long Beach, a local drag queen, moved to Long Beach in 1998 after high school, a life-changing decision for



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Amber Va (right) looks at the LGBTQ+ Cultural District renderings as the City of Long Beach unveils new concept designs for the area on June 17, 2026.

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### ARTS

## Seeds of Resilience: The Story of Long Beach invites locals to tell their own histories

**Residents can receive up to \$1,500 to share their stories through art, performances, displays and more, culminating in a September showcase.**



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Visitors can leave notes on the community tree after walking through the "Seeds of Resilience" exhibit at Rancho Los Cerritos and write how the exhibit impacted them.

Samantha Diaz

Managing Editor

Rancho Los Cerritos is celebrating America's 250th anniversary "the Long Beach way" and they're inviting residents to take part through Seeds of Resilience: The Story of Long Beach.

While the historic rancho's current exhibit "Seeds of Resilience," on display for the remainder of the year, focuses on the historical contributions and resilience of the Mexican-American community, this activation will open that history up to all the communities who call Long Beach home. From the various Indigenous tribes that are native to the land, to refugee communities that built their own strongholds in the city, all are invited to participate.

Much like their exhibit, Rancho Los Cerritos wanted to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States. However, they opted to look into the past "through a Long Beach lens," allowing them to go beyond "a single starting point in American history," said public relations consultant Sylvana Uribe.

"We ultimately want Long Beach residents to see themselves as part of telling these enduring histories and carrying these cultural practices and histories forward," Uribe said.

Residents, artists, historians and organizations with ties to Long Beach can share the history of their family or community through a method of their own choosing such as performance, oral storytelling, art and more.

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# Happy Father's Day

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**Sunday, June 21**

**FOOD**

## Long Beach Parks to offer free summer food service program for local youth through Aug. 21

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Signal Tribune

The City of Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) will offer the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Summer Food Service program to provide free, nutritious meals to Long Beach youth ages 1 to 18 over the summer months.

On weekdays now through Aug. 21, PRM will offer free meals at 23 park and library locations throughout Long Beach and Signal Hill, ensuring youth from all areas of Long Beach have access to the program. Service times vary at each site, with operating dates varying at select locations. No lunches will be served on June 19 or July 3.

**June 15 to Aug. 21 – Serving time 11:30 a.m. to noon:**

- Bixby Park (130 Cherry Ave.)
- Drake Park (951 Maine Ave.)
- Houghton Park (6301 Myrtle Ave.)
- Martin Luther King Jr. Park (1950 Lemon Ave.)
- Orizaba Park (1435 N. Orizaba Ave.)
- Stearns Champions (4520 E. 23rd St.)
- Scherer Park (4600 Long Beach Blvd.)
- Silverado Park (1545 W. 31st St.)
- Somerset Park (1500 E. Carson St.)
- Signal Hill Park (1780 E. Hill St.)

**June 15 to Aug. 21 – Serving time noon to 12:30 p.m.:**

- Admiral Kidd Park (2125 Santa



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Admiral Kidd Park is one of 23 park and library locations in Long Beach and Signal Hill that will serve free lunch for local youth on weekdays through Aug. 21.

- Fe Ave.)
- Cal Rec Community Center @ McBride Park (1550 Martin Luther King Jr.)
- Cesar E. Chavez Park (401 Golden Ave.)
- Coolidge Park (352 Neece Ave.)
- Seaside Park (1401 Chestnut Ave.)
- MacArthur Park (1321 Anaheim St.)
- Pan American Park (5157 E. Centralia Ave.)
- Whaley Park (5620 E. Atherton St.)
- Ramona Park (3301 E. 65th St.)
- Veterans Park (101 E. 28th St.)

- Brewitt Library (4036 E. Anaheim St.)
- June 29 to August 14 – Serving time 11:30 a.m. to noon:**
- Discovery Well Park (2200 Temple Ave.)

**June 16 to August 7 (Tuesday-Friday) – Serving time noon to 12:30 p.m.:**

- Bret Hart Library (1595 W. Willow St.)

- Brewitt Library (4036 E. Anaheim St.)

**June 29 to August 14 – Serving time 11:30 a.m. to noon:**

- Discovery Well Park (2200 Temple Ave.)

Youth can arrive at any participating location during the designated time; no registration required. Lunches will consist of well-balanced and nutritious meal options, including cold components like milk, juice, fruits and vegetables. Lunches will be available on a first-come, first-served basis and must be eaten onsite at designated eating areas.

More information about this year's Summer Food Service Program is available at [lbcity.info/summerfoodprogram](http://lbcity.info/summerfoodprogram) or by calling 562-570-3524.

**DONATIONS**

## DTLB Alliance brings back hygiene drive for unhoused community

Staff Report  
Signal Tribune

Downtown Long Beach Alliance has brought back the seasonal hygiene drive, Fresh Start, to support unhoused neighbors with community donations and connections to resources.

Donation boxes have been placed across Downtown locations to gather shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothbrushes, socks and menstrual products for distribution to non-profits such as:

- Long Beach Rescue Mission
- Mental Health America of Los Angeles (MHALA)
- CSULB Beach Pantry
- Long Beach City College's Viking Vault

Donations will be accepted through July 17. Those groups also offer resources for the unhoused community, which include showers, meals, job training and transitional housing support.

"Our Clean and Safe team works



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A Beauty 2 the Streetz volunteer hands out cleaning supplies to people living on Skid Row in Los Angeles on June 11, 2022.

every day to help make Downtown welcoming and accessible for everyone," said Juan Torres, operations manager at the DTLB Alliance, in a public statement. "Fresh Start is more than a donation drive. It's a community effort that helps us connect people with essential resources, meet immediate needs, and support organizations that are creating pathways toward long-term stability."

The Fresh Start program focuses

on bringing public safety, community care and partnership-driven outreach. By engaging local businesses, the program aims to bring visibility to ongoing needs and to empower the community in a direct and meaningful way.

The current drop-off locations include:

- Rise Juice & Coffee – 246 E. Third St.
- Pedal Movement – 223 E First St.
- Touch'd Hair Studio – 137 W. Fifth St.
- Soul Feed – 248 E Seventh St.
- Karing Pediatrics – 936 Pine Ave.
- Courtyard By Marriott – 500 E First St.
- Billie Jean King Main Library – 200 W. Broadway
- Green Wisdom – 702 Cedar Ave.

To learn more about Fresh Start, including a full list of items and drop-off locations, visit [downtownlongbeach.org/freshstart](http://downtownlongbeach.org/freshstart).

## The History & Legacy of Juneteenth

Friday, June 19, 2026 marks the anniversary of the official end of slavery in the United States

Though the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863 declared all enslaved people free, hundreds of thousands of slaves who remained under Confederate control would not be freed until two years later. According to the National Museum of African American History & Culture, 2,000 Union troops arrived in Galveston Bay, Texas on June 19, 1865 and announced that the over 250,000 enslaved Black people in the state were free. Thus, Juneteenth was born. Yearly Juneteenth celebrations originated soon after in the South among African-American communities and over the years spread nationwide via the Great Migration. Texas became the first state to recognize Juneteenth as a holiday in the 1980s, and through the passage of the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act in 2021, Juneteenth finally became a federal holiday.



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SPORTS



# Long Beach welcomes FIFA World Cup with free festivities

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An overhead look of people playing soccer at Admiral Kidd Park in Long Beach on April 5, 2023.

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

The City of Long Beach will host Matches in the Park, consisting of seven days of watch parties and events across seven Long Beach parks.

Taking place during the knock-out stage of the World Cup, Matches in the Park gives Long Beach residents an opportunity to celebrate and relax as the games commence.

Each activation will have a community watch party with a big-screen viewing and community events hosted by the City's Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine. The events will also have augmented reality missions to play through the Agents of Discovery app, which helps teach players about soccer fundamentals, history and international championship trivia.

There will be appearances from LA Galaxy player and alumni, youth soccer clinics and family-friendly fan areas.

"We are providing residents in every neighborhood an opportunity to get outside, connect with their community and celebrate the global game," said Mayor Rex Richardson

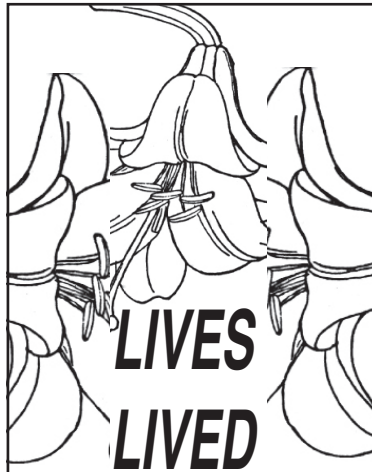
in a public statement. "We encourage everyone to join us on soccer's biggest stage and experience every thrill this global moment has to offer."

The full event schedule is:

- Monday, July 6 at 5 p.m. – El Dorado Park West (2800 N. Studebaker Road)
- Thursday, July 9 at 1 p.m. – Martin Luther King Jr. Park (1950 Lemon Ave.)
- Friday, July 10 at noon – Admiral Kidd Park (2125 Santa Fe Ave.)
- Saturday, July 11 at 6 p.m. – Heartwell Park (5801 Parkcrest St.)
- Tuesday, July 14 at noon – Recreation Park (4900 E. Seventh St.)
- Wednesday, July 15 at noon – Scherer Park (4600 Long Beach Blvd.)
- Saturday, July 18 at 2 p.m. – Houghton Park (6301 Myrtle Ave.)

There will also be an open street event on Sunday, July 19 at Bixby Park (130 Cherry Ave.) where residents can bike, walk and explore.

To learn more about the other free World-Cup themed events happening across Long Beach, visit the City of Long Beach website.



- Robert Fogel 67
- Charles Beaman 80
- Donovan Craig 83
- Christine Sanderson 78
- David Jones 69
- Manuel Guzman 93
- Mary Kamette 69
- Tara Pickett 50
- Wendy Stargell 63
- David Robicheau 75
- Lia Chantel Williams 33
- Colleen Desh 70
- William Timmons 93
- Adela Kunasz 81
- David Dunn 61
- Harlean Andrew 87
- Alan Ice 80
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9:10 p.m., Petty theft with 2 or more priors; 4 misdemeanor warrants, 2400 block Cherry Ave. (suspect arrested)

**Thursday, June 11**

No information available at the time of publication

**Friday, June 12**

8:26 a.m., Grand theft, 2100 block Temple Ave.  
9:45 a.m., Grand theft, 2100 block Ohio Ave.  
2:19 p.m., Grand theft, 2800 block Sunset View  
5:08 p.m., Robbery, 1800 block Cherry Ave.  
5:27 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2200 block E. 28th St.  
9:18 p.m., Grand theft, 900 block E. 33rd St.

**Saturday, June 13**

1:49 p.m., Petty theft with 2 or more priors; misdemeanor & felony warrants, 700 block E. Spring St. (suspect arrested)  
11:51 p.m., Burglary, 1400 block E. Hill St.

**Sunday, June 14**

4:56 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2200 block Village Way  
1:38 p.m. Person with a knife, California Ave./405 Fwy.  
7:52 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2100 block E. 21st St.  
9:03 p.m., Injury traffic collision, California Ave./E. Spring St.

**Monday, June 15**

5:47 a.m., Burglary, 2200 block Gaviota Ave.  
10:21 a.m., Burglary, 3200 block E. PCH  
10:41 a.m., Grand theft, 2500 block Palm Dr.  
3:43 p.m., Forgery, 3100 block E. PCH  
6:15 p.m., Grand theft, 2200 block E. 28th St.

**Tuesday, June 16**

4:12 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 1800 block E. Spring St.  
5:28 p.m., Felony spousal abuse, 700 block E. Spring St.

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

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## LGBTQ+ CULTURAL DISTRICT

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The Long Beach LGBTQ+ Cultural District will run from Alamos Avenue to Temple Avenue, stretching around 1.4 miles.



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District 2 Councilmember, Cindy Allen, points to the LGBTQ+ Cultural District renderings as she talks to residents about how the district will help create a strong sense of place and pride for the LGBTQ+ community on June 17, 2026.

**“Long Beach has always been full of diversity and inclusion and seeing the downtown corridors specifically, I think it’s gonna make me feel more safe and lighten the light ahead.”**

- Amber Va,  
Long Beach Resident

her. She said the LGBTQ+ Cultural District will be a huge step forward for future LGBTQ+ folks and folks who love peace, freedom and individuality.

“It brings a sense of joy and pride, literal pride in our city,” Jewels said about the cultural district. “There are so many great, rich cultural districts in our city and it’s really cool to see an LGBTQ+ district being brought to the forefront as well.”

Long Beach resident of 33 years, David Cosio, said the center makes him feel empowered, seen and safer. Cosio said he likes the idea of adding more lights to make it safer for people walking from bars and restaurants or into their own cars.

“It’s gonna give them a home,

it’s gonna give them a safe space,” Cosio said. “We are in a time where they’re trying to erase us in a lot of different areas, but now we’re gonna have a space that you can call home.”

The City of Long Beach also proposed future recommendations for the project, such as:

- Tree/facade uplighting
- Utility box art
- Decorative crosswalks
- Educational concrete
- Historical plaques
- Neon wall art
- Pedestrian-scale lighting
- Gateway and wayfinding signage
- Freestanding kiosks

The City of Long Beach is also exploring a separate project, the

creation of the Long Beach AIDS Memorial, with photos of memorial parks in West Hollywood and New York City serving as examples.

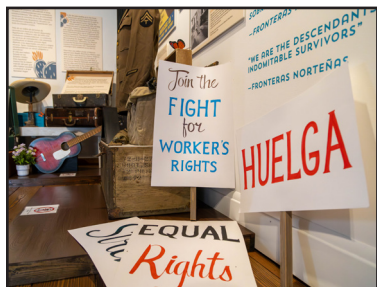
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## SEEDS OF RESILIENCE

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“Everyone has their history and a story to tell and maybe some communities weren’t in Long Beach 250 years ago; it doesn’t really matter,” said Rancho Los Cerritos Executive Director Alison Bruesehoff. “It’s about what their history is and what they stand for, where they came from, what it means to be their culture, their people, and to bring them all together.”



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The *adelante* (moving forward) portion of the “Seeds of Resilience” exhibit features signs from historical movements in the 1900s focusing on equal rights and workers rights, as well as a quote from *Fronteras Norteñas* that says, “We are the descendants of indomitable survivors.”

Those who want to submit an application to Rancho Los Cerritos can do so until July 10. If chosen, the person or group will share their presentation on Sept. 22 at the Civic Center Plaza in downtown Long Beach during Seeds of Resilience: The Story of Long Beach, an amalgamation of various cultural sounds, sights and stories. Participants must be available to present their historical project on Sept. 22 if chosen.

The decision to swap a Fourth of July celebration for a September event was not only to make the event more accessible to students, libraries and families, but to create distance from the holiday itself, Bruesehoff explained. July 4 highlights a specific period in American history that she said is often shared

with a limited perspective.

“From some points of view, it was a really good moment in history, but other cultures are totally wiped out,” Bruesehoff said. “We’re a conquering country, and [when] we became the U.S., it didn’t exactly spell freedom or celebration for everyone 250 years ago. And so it’s a one sided history in our minds, from a historian point of view ... There’s a lot of cultures, there’s a lot of people that make up America and everyone has made some contribution to what this country is. And all of those histories need to be recognized.”

Seeds of Resilience: The Story of Long Beach will also provide residents the opportunity to learn about other cultures from their own neighbors, and perhaps to see themselves in others’ histories. It’s the latest in a series of events tied to the “Seeds of Resilience” exhibit that has invited the community to learn their history hands-on, which so far has included a cooking demonstration and an archival image workshop.

This initiative is led by Rancho Los Cerritos and bolstered by partnerships with the Office of Mayor Rex Richardson, Rancho Los Alamitos, the Historical Society of Long Beach, the Ti’at Society, Long Beach Public Libraries, Long Beach Unified School District and the Arts Council for Long Beach.

Those who are interested in presenting at Seeds of Resilience: The Story of Long Beach can apply online through July 10. Participants may receive grant funding between \$500 and \$1,500. Funding for the grants comes out of a one-time \$50,000 allocation that the City set aside to celebrate the 250th anniversary of America.

*Seeds of Resilience: The Story of Long Beach* will take place Sept. 22 from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Civic Center Plaza (411 W. Ocean Blvd.).

**“We ultimately want Long Beach residents to see themselves as part of telling these enduring histories and carrying these cultural practices and histories forward.”**

- Sylvana Uribe,

Public relations consultant for Rancho Los Cerritos



Samuel Chacko | Signal Tribune

Photos of families packing their belongings and examples of artifacts taken back to Mexico by the 1.8 million Mexican-Americans deported during the Great Depression era are on display at the “Seeds of Resilience” exhibit at Rancho Los Cerritos on Feb. 15, 2026.

## EVENT

# WORLD FAMOUS VIP RECORDS SET TO HOST THEIR FIRST-EVER JUNETEENTH BLOCK PARTY CELEBRATION



Samantha Diaz | Signal Tribune

The World Famous VIP Black Party: Juneteenth Edition on June 20, 2026, is free for all, while the official after party costs \$11 per ticket.

Christine Nader  
Reporter

VIP Records is hosting its inaugural World Famous Block Party: Juneteenth Edition on Saturday, June 20. Hosted in Downtown Long Beach, the block party honors Black music, entrepreneurship and community.

The theme “Celebrate Freedom Through Black Music,” will serve as a celebration and recognition of Black artists and innovators’ impact on American culture. Visitors will be able to revel in community while enjoying live music, food vendors and cultural pop-ups, as well as a kids’ play zone.

Guests can RSVP for free, with the option to upgrade to the VIP experience for access to the exclusive viewing area, lounge access, meet-and-greet opportunities and more. VIP tickets, priced at \$125, also serve as a fundraising component that supports the VIP Family Foundation in giving back to society through community programs and educational initiatives.

“This year marks our first major Juneteenth-focused edition in downtown Long Beach and our most ambitious production to date,” said Tenisha Anderson Laux, President and CEO of World Famous VIP Records and the VIP Family Foundation.

The World Famous Block Party was created to celebrate and preserve the legacy of World Famous VIP Records, a record store founded in Los Angeles in 1967, before making its way to Long Beach in 1978.

VIP Records is a central part of the Long Beach music scene, being the birthplace of G-funk and the recording spot for the 213 musical trio Snoop Dogg, Nate Dogg and Warren G.

The VIP main stage will be hosted by Ricky Ruckus and feature musical acts such as DJ Battlecat, The Gumbo Brothers and Emi Secrest. The LBC Park Jam stage will be hosted by Medusa and includes various DJs, Lancia, Hmxdon and Kali Madden.

The Juneteenth edition of VIP’s block parties will differ from previous festivals they’ve hosted by having a larger footprint in the Downtown Promenade, incorporating historical and educational components on Black music and garnering greater involvement from community organizations.

“We want people to leave feeling proud of where they come from, connected to their community, and inspired by the power of Black music and culture,” said Anderson Laux.

VIP fosters connection within the Black community as it is one of the sponsors for Juneteenth at King

Park, a celebration of resistance, art and history. The events coinciding on Saturday maximizes the celebratory joy and provides optimal opportunities for learning.

For those who wish to attend both events, the City of Long Beach will be providing transportation between the block party and Juneteenth at MLK Park via Long Beach Transit shuttles. Pickups are located at the Edison Theatre (213 E. Broadway).

The celebration continues from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. with an afterparty at the Edison Theatre in collaboration with Good Luck Vinyl Club. The party features live performances, drinks, and commemorates the legacy of DJ Battlecat in the music scene.

“The World Famous Block Party is our way of bringing the spirit of VIP Records into the streets of Long Beach,” said Anderson Laux. “For nearly 60 years, V.I.P. has connected people through music, culture, and community. This event celebrates that legacy while creating opportunities for the next generation.”

*The World Famous Block Party: Juneteenth Edition will take place at Promenade Square Park (215 E. First St.) this Saturday from noon to 8 p.m. Clear bags are a requirement. The event is free for all, but it is highly recommended to RSVP online.*

## CITY COUNCIL

## Residents resist proposed changes to Long Beach City Council meetings; motion fails on the floor

Samantha Diaz  
Managing Editor

A highly controversial item that aimed to change the way city council meetings are run, and the public’s ability to participate, failed to move forward at Tuesday evening’s Long Beach City Council meeting.

These sweeping changes were proposed in response to California’s Senate Bill 707, passed on Oct. 3, 2025, which requires local government meetings to be accessible to residents through in-person and remote methods. Cities have until July 1 to provide this access and have a plan in place if the internet connection is interrupted during a public meeting.

As of now, residents can watch Long Beach City Council meetings remotely, but cannot give public comment unless in person. Councilmembers approved their plan to pause meetings for up to one hour if remote access is interrupted due to internet issues. However, a separate motion to change a variety of meeting components failed later in the evening.

City staff said hybrid meetings will be more difficult to manage now that they will be managing public comment both in person and online. It is with this hybrid meeting requirement in mind that Long Beach’s Government Operations and Efficiency Committee suggested sweeping changes to the way city

council meetings are run.

“Over the past week I’ve heard from many residents about concerns with this proposed change,” District 3 Councilmember Kristina Duggan said. “I think changes are needed as we implement this ordinance SB 707, but I don’t want to make a rash decision based on an



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District 3 Councilmember Kristina Duggan looks down at her laptop during the May 5, 2026 Long Beach City Council meeting.

arbitrary deadline that we’re imposing on ourselves.”

Every city councilmember said they have been receiving many comments from their constituents regarding this ordinance over the past week. Mayor Rex Richardson and Vice Mayor Roberto Uranga were not in attendance at Tuesday’s meeting.

The largest proposed change, which brought forward the most objections from residents, was to move item-based comments to one section at the beginning of the meeting. This would represent a major shift from how meetings are run currently, where there is

a space for public comment at the beginning of each item the council discusses.

During this time, residents can speak for up to three minutes unless there are more than 10 people signed up to speak, in which case the time is cut down to 90 seconds.

The proposed ordinance would change agenda item-specific public comment to a space immediately after general public comment, instead of accompanying council discussion throughout the meeting. This ordinance aimed to reduce the time each resident speaks on an item from three minutes to 90 minutes.

“I teach hybrid for seniors and we manage just fine. One of them is 101 [years old],” said resident Nadai Tushnet. “The issue that I wanted to raise is the comment-by-item issue. That’s what’s important. The public also needs to hear the analysis and the comments and the staff reports, not just get access to the slides, but hear the staff report before we get to comment.”

While SB 707 requires the City to shift to a hybrid model and have a plan in place for interruptions, there is no requirement to change the way public comment is conducted.

Additional changes the ordinance suggested making included:

- Starting city council meetings at 4:30 p.m.

- Limiting ceremonials and presentations to three per meeting, for a maximum of five minutes each

- Signups for general public comment close at 4:30 p.m.

- Signups for agenda item-specific public comment close at 5:30 p.m.

**As of now, residents can watch Long Beach City Council meetings remotely, but cannot give public comment unless in person. Councilmembers approved their plan to pause meetings for up to one hour if remote access is interrupted due to internet issues.**

Duggan voiced concern about only having one public comment, giving the speaker (the person in charge of running the meeting) the power to cut off public comment and cutting off public comment signups at 5:30 p.m.

City staff said another reason for moving public comment earlier was so residents don’t have to wait for hours to comment on one agenda item. Long Beach currently does not disclose what order they will

be discussing items on the agenda, meaning residents oftentimes have to wait hours to hear an item they are interested in.

“Efficiency is important but efficiency should not come at the expense of meaningful public participation,” said District 1 resident Caroline Essex. “The public is not a problem to be solved. The public is the reason these meetings exist.”

If the additional changes were not passed, City staff said council meetings would keep running as is, but with a space for public comment for people in-person and remote. However, the number of speakers for general public comment would still need to be capped at 10 people, which City staff said they would offer to five people in-person and five people remotely, if possible.

“You lose nothing by waiting a couple of weeks and bringing this back and actually trying to implement a hybrid system and seeing what the problems are,” said resident Dave Shukla. “I have not heard any metrics related to the City’s previous experience in doing a hybrid system. You can withdraw it [the item] and save us all the trouble.”

The motion failed after the following votes:

- **Yes votes:** Councilmembers Tunua Thrash-Ntuk, Suely Saro and Joni Ricks-Oddie

- **No votes:** Councilmembers Mary Zendejas, Kristina Duggan, Megan Kerr, Cindy Allen and Daryl Supernaw.

# AROUND TOWN

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



Richard H. Grant | Signal Tribune

Bixby Knolls' Concerts in the Park(ing Lot) series returns this Monday at 6:30 p.m. with a free Latin music performance by the band Yari More outside of Bixby Joe Coffee and Tea.

**B**eloved traditions and brand-new festivals are among this week's opportunities to gather with the community and enjoy all that summer has to offer.

Juneteenth celebrations, both old and new, invite residents to honor Black culture and contributions. The celebration weekend starts with the Coast's ballpark party on Friday, where they will shout out Black baseball legends throughout the night, the annual "Juneteenth at King Park" gathering at MLK Park returns and World Famous VIP Records' block party in downtown, both taking place Saturday.

Skaters can gather for Go Skateboarding Day at the cherished Cherry Skatepark Sunday, where there will be contests, giveaways and workshops all day. Women and non-binary skaters are invited for a group ride and hangout Tuesday evening.

Get involved with your community at a hair braiding fundraiser Saturday at Casita Bookstore or by contributing to a bake sale with Long Beach Rapid Response Mutual Aid, both of which are helping people who have been impacted by ICE.

## 19 FRIDAY

### WORLD CUP WATCH PARTY

Noon. Watch Australia and America's World Cup match at The Art Theatre of Long Beach (2025 E. Fourth St.) during their big-screen watch party series. Attendees will be able to purchase snacks, beer and wine. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Free.

### PRIDE ARTS AND CRAFTS

5:30 p.m. Shop from LGBTQ+ and allied artists, makers and creators at this market hosted by LB Proud at Playa Market (1702 E. Broadway). There will also be free snacks and drag queen readings. Free.

### JUNETEENTH BASEBALL GAME

6:35 p.m. World Famous VIP Records invites the community to celebrate Juneteenth at Blair Field (4700 Deukmejian Drive) to watch

the Long Beach Coast take on the Yuba Sutter Freebirds. Throughout the evening, the team will recognize Black baseball legends. Tickets start at \$11 and can be purchased online.

## 20 SATURDAY

### JUNETEENTH AT KING PARK

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Celebrate Juneteenth at Martin Luther King Jr. Park (1950 Lemon Ave.) with music, food, cultural performances and more. Free.

### HAIR BRAIDING FUNDRAISER

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Trenzias Amigas and Casita Bookstore are hosting this braiding fundraiser, with proceeds going to community members affected by the ongoing ICE raids. Attendees can get their hair braided Mexican-style with a variety of colorful ribbons and enjoy coffee from Cecis Coffee. Braiding options will vary from \$8-35, and visitors are asked to come with plenty of time to spare as lines may get long. All ages welcome.

### JUNETEENTH BLOCK PARTY

Noon to midnight. World Famous VIP Records is hosting a free downtown block party from noon to 7 p.m. highlighting Black music, culture and contributions at Promenade Square Park (215 E. First St.). There will be Black vendors, two performance stages, educational activations and more. An afterparty hosted in collaboration with Good Luck Vinyl Club will be held from 8 p.m. to midnight at The Edison Theatre (213 E. Broadway) with tickets available for \$11.

### BIG GAY PICNIC

12:30 p.m. The LGBTQ+ community and allies are invited to this relaxing, chill day at The Bluff at Bixby Park (Ocean and Junipero) for food, friends, music and sunshine. Bring blankets, chairs, food, drinks and make new friends. Free.

## 21 SUNDAY

### SPANISH SOCIAL CLUB

9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Those learn-

ing Spanish can practice their socializing in a welcoming environment at Good Time (1322 Colorado Ave.). Free.

### GO SKATEBOARDING DAY

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pharmacy Long Beach and a slew of sponsors are hosting this gathering for skaters at Cherry Skatepark (2000 Second St.). There will be giveaways of boards, clothes and shoes, products for tricks, free food, a board setup workshop for kids and a trick contest. Free.

### 16MM HORROR FILM

7 p.m. Travelling film organization See It On 16mm is bringing the 1974 horror classic "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" to The Art Theatre of Long Beach (2025 E. Fourth St.) in its original film format. Showtimes are running Friday through Sunday. Tickets are \$15 for each screening.

## 22 MONDAY

### CONCERTS IN THE PARK(ING LOT)

6:30 p.m. Bixby Knolls' beloved concert tradition returns, bringing live music to a parking lot on Atlantic Avenue near Bixby Joe Coffee and Tea (4245 Atlantic Ave.). This month's band is Yari More, who will play Latin music for the crowd of family, friends and pets. Guests can bring lawn chairs and are encouraged to support the surrounding businesses by ordering food and drinks and bringing them to the concert. Free.

### SOUTH COAST ORCHID SOCIETY

7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Learn from Donna Ballard about Aussie Dendrobiums at the Whaley Park Community Center (5620 E. Atherton St.) at this month's meeting of the South Coast Orchid Society. Homegrown orchids from members will be on display. Free.

## 23 TUESDAY

### TENANT'S DAY OF ACTION

6 p.m. Join the Long Beach Housing Justice Coalition for a Tenant Day of Action at Bixby Park

(130 Cherry Ave.), where you can connect with other renters, learn about statewide efforts to advance housing justice and get involved with LiBRE's local campaign for Just Cause protections for renters. RSVP at bit.ly/dayofaction26. Free.

### GROUP SKATE

6:30 p.m. Long Beach Skate Club invites women and non-binary folks to this sunset ride beginning at Gaucho Beach (780 E. Shoreline Drive). There will be a chill ride to the pier and back, followed by drinks and a hang at Gaucho's. Free.

### LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL BAND

6:30 p.m. Enjoy one of Long Beach's oldest traditions by listening to a live orchestral band at Whaley Park North (5620 Atherton St.). This week's theme is "City Lights, Jazz Nights," blending the spontaneity of Dixieland jazz with the soulful depth of the blues and the irresistible rhythm of swing. Guests are encouraged to bring chairs, blankets, food and drinks. Free.

## 24 WEDNESDAY

### BOARD GAMES

6 p.m. Game lovers and board game enthusiasts are invited to play games with those 21 and older at The Wicked Wolf (2332 Pacific Ave.) every Wednesday. Free.

### LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL BAND

6:30 p.m. Enjoy one of Long

Beach's oldest traditions by listening to a live orchestral band at Los Cerritos Park (3750 Del Mar Ave.). This week's theme is "City Lights, Jazz Nights," blending the spontaneity of Dixieland jazz with the soulful depth of the blues and the irresistible rhythm of swing. Guests are encouraged to bring chairs, blankets, food and drinks. Free.

## 25 THURSDAY

### BAKED GOODS DROP-OFF

Various Times. Long Beach Rapid Response Mutual Aid group is asking for donations of baked goods for a bake sale they are hosting on June 27. All proceeds will go towards people who have been impacted by the ongoing ICE raids. Coordinate drop off with the group via Instagram DM @lbrmutualaid for either June 25 or 26.

### OPEN MIC

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Every Thursday is open mic night at Jug Band Coffee and Tea (2771 E. Broadway), where residents can enjoy pizza, vegan food options and a variety of performances. Free.

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## AROUND TOWN

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**LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**TST8178**

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE MILLIKAN HIGH SCHOOL AQUATIC CENTER PROJECT**

**DATE:** June 26, 2026

**TO:** State Clearinghouse, Agencies, and Interested Parties

**FROM:** Long Beach Unified School District, Lead Agency and Project Proponent

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Millikan High School Aquatic Center Project

**Proposed Project Title:** Millikan High School Aquatic Center Project

**Purpose:** Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15087, the Long Beach Unified School District (District), as Lead Agency, has completed a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the Millikan High School Aquatic Center Project and is providing this Notice of Availability (NOA) for public and agency review. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15085, the District is submitting the Notice of Completion (NOC), this NOA, and the Draft EIR to the State Clearinghouse for state agency review. The NOA is also being published concurrently in the Signal Hill Tribune. Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, and other reviewing agencies, organizations, and interested parties are invited to review the Draft EIR and submit written comments during the public review period.

**Proposed Project Location:** The Proposed Project is in the north-central portion of the existing developed Millikan High School located at 2800 Snowden Avenue, Long Beach, California 90815, within the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County.

**Proposed Project Description:** The District proposes to demolish Building 700/3000 and adjacent portable classrooms at Millikan High School and construct a new Aquatic Center within the existing developed campus footprint.

The new facility would include:

- A Myrtha modular competition pool (approximately 51.5 meters x 22.9 meters) with a movable bulkhead;
- Inclusive locker rooms, boys' and girls' locker rooms, showers, and offices;
- Spectator bleachers with capacity for approximately 500 people;
- A snack bar/ticket booth, scoreboard, and shade structures;
- Sports LED lighting, integrated sound system, and security enhancements;
- Support buildings for the pool; and
- Associated site improvements, including but not limited to perimeter walls, circulation, landscaping, and stormwater management features compliant with City of Long Beach Low Impact Development (LID) standards.

The Aquatic Center would support physical education classes, competitive swim and water polo programs, Special Olympics, and community swim activities. Construction is anticipated to occur over approximately 18 to 24 months, beginning with demolition and grading and followed by facility construction and site improvements.

**Environmental Effects:** The Draft EIR identifies a significant and unavoidable impact to historical resources associated with demolition of Building 700/3000, which is a contributor to the California Register-eligible Millikan High School campus. The Draft EIR also evaluates other environmental issue areas analyzed in the EIR, including air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, noise, cultural resources, and tribal cultural resources.

**Hazardous Materials:** CEQA Guidelines Section 15087 requires the NOA to disclose whether the project site is included on any of the lists enumerated under Government Code Section 65962.5, including lists of hazardous waste facilities, land designated as hazardous waste property, hazardous waste disposal sites, and related hazardous materials sites. As noted in the Initial Study, the project site is not included on any list compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5; therefore, hazards and hazardous materials were not carried forward for detailed analysis in the Draft EIR.

**Public Review Period:** The Draft EIR is available for public review and comment pursuant to CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines. The public review period for the Draft EIR will begin on June 26, 2026, and end on August 10, 2026. Written comments on the Draft EIR must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 10, 2026. The NOA, Draft EIR, technical appendices, and documents incorporated by reference in the Draft EIR are available for review online at:

<https://www.lbschoolbonds.net/environmental-reviews>

Hard copies may be viewed at the following locations:

- Long Beach Main Library (101 Pacific Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90822)
- Signal Hill Library (1800 E Hill St, Signal Hill, CA 90755)
- Angelo M. Iacoboni Library (4990 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, CA)
- District Facilities Development and Planning Offices (2425 Webster Ave Long Beach, CA 90810)
- District Board of Education Offices (1515 Hughes Way, Long Beach, CA 90810)
- Millikan High School (2800 Snowden Ave, Long Beach, CA 90815)

**Agency/Public Comments:** The District will accept written comments during the 45-day public review period ending at 5:00 p.m. on August 10, 2026. Comments should address the adequacy and completeness of the Draft EIR and identify any environmental issues that should be considered before the District considers certification of the Final EIR. Please include a contact person for your agency, organization, or interested party group, as applicable. Written comments may be submitted by mail or email (Please include "Millikan Aquatic Center Draft EIR" subject heading) to:

Attn: Ferdows Fazeli, Senior Program Manager  
Facilities Development and Planning Branch  
2425 Webster Ave  
Long Beach, CA 90810  
[ceqa@lbschools.net](mailto:ceqa@lbschools.net)

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June 19 & 26, 2026

**TST8173  
AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING THE SERVICE CHARGE RATE AND MEAN LOADINGS PER UNIT OF USAGE FOR COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 29 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY**

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 29 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1 – SHORT TITLE**

This Ordinance shall be known as the *District No. 29 Service Charge Rate Ordinance* and may be cited as such.

**SECTION 2 – PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish the service charge rates, user categories, mean loadings, and cost allocation factors prescribed by County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County.

**SECTION 3 – USER CATEGORIES AND MEAN LOADINGS**

Pursuant to the *Master Service Charge Ordinance of County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County*, or any successor ordinance, the following, to be effective on the date given in Section 9, shall constitute the user categories and mean loadings per unit of usage for flow, chemical oxygen demand (COD), and suspended solids (SS), for County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County:

DESCRIPTION	UNIT OF MEASURE	FLOW (Gallons per Day)	COD (Pounds per Day)	SS (Pounds per Day)
<b>RESIDENTIAL</b>				
Single Family Home	Dwelling Unit	260	1.22	0.59
Condominiums	Dwelling Unit	195	0.92	0.44
Multi-Unit Residential	Dwelling Unit	156	0.73	0.35
Mobile Home Parks	No. of Spaces	156	0.73	0.35
<b>COMMERCIAL</b>				
Hotel/Motel/Rooming House	Room	125	0.54	0.28
Store	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	0.43	0.23
Supermarket	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	150	2.00	1.00
Shopping Center	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	325	3.00	1.17
Regional Mall	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	150	2.10	0.77
Office Building	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	200	0.86	0.45
Medical, Dental, Veterinary Clinic or Building	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	300	1.29	0.68
Restaurant	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	1,000	16.68	5.00
Indoor Theatre	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	125	0.54	0.28
Car Wash				
Tunnel – No Recycling	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	3,700	15.86	8.33
Tunnel – Recycling	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	2,700	11.74	6.16
Wand	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	700	3.00	1.58
Bank, Credit Union	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	0.43	0.23
Service Shop, Vehicle Maintenance & Repair Shop	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	0.43	0.23
Animal Kennels	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	0.43	0.23
Gas Station	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	0.43	0.23

DESCRIPTION	UNIT OF MEASURE	FLOW (Gallons per Day)	COD (Pounds per Day)	SS (Pounds per Day)
<b>COMMERCIAL</b>				
Auto Sales	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	0.43	0.23
Wholesale Outlet	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	0.43	0.23
Nursery/Greenhouse	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	25	0.11	0.06
Manufacturing	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	200	1.86	0.70
Light Manufacturing	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	25	0.23	0.09
Lumber Yard	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	25	0.23	0.09
Warehousing	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	25	0.23	0.09
Open Storage	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	25	0.23	0.09
Drive-In Theatre	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	20	0.09	0.05
Night Club	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	350	1.50	0.79
Bowling/Skating	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	150	1.76	0.55
Club & Lodge Halls	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	125	0.54	0.27
Auditorium, Amusement	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	350	1.50	0.79
Golf Course and Park (Structures and Improvements)	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	0.43	0.23
Campground, Marina, and Recreational Vehicle Park	Sites, Slips, or Spaces	55	0.34	0.14
Convalescent Home	Bed	125	0.54	0.28
Horse Stables	Stalls	25	0.23	0.09
Laundromat	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	3,825	16.40	8.61
Mortuary, Funeral Home	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	1.33	0.67
Health Spa, Gymnasium				
With Showers	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	600	2.58	1.35
Without Showers	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	300	1.29	0.68
Convention Center, Fairground, Racetrack, Sports Stadium/Arena	Average Daily Attendance	10	0.04	0.02
<b>INSTITUTIONAL</b>				
College/University	Student	20	0.09	0.05
Private School	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	200	0.86	0.45
Library, Museum	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	0.43	0.23
Post Office (Local)	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	0.43	0.23
Post Office (Regional)	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	25	0.23	0.09
Church	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	50	0.21	0.11

**SECTION 4 – SERVICE CHARGE RATE**

Pursuant to the *Master Service Charge Ordinance of County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County*, or any successor ordinance, the following, to be effective on the dates given, shall constitute the annual service charge rate per sewage unit:

July 10, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029	July 1, 2030
\$431	\$486	\$541	\$596	\$651

**SECTION 5 – COST ALLOCATION FACTORS**

Pursuant to the *Master Service Charge Ordinance of County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County*, or any successor ordinance, the proportions of the total operation and maintenance and net capital costs required for conveyance, treatment, and disposal of wastewater which are attributable to flow, COD, and SS, designated as A, B, and C, respectively, to be effective on the date given in Section 9, shall be:

A	B	C
0.3049	0.3348	0.3603

**SECTION 6 – COLLECTION ON THE TAX ROLL**

Pursuant to Section 5473 of the California Health and Safety Code, the District elects to have the service charge imposed pursuant to the *Master Service Charge Ordinance of County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County*, or any successor ordinance, collected on the tax roll in the same manner, by the same persons, and at the same time as, together with and not separately from, the ad valorem taxes collected by the County of Los Angeles.

**SECTION 7 – VALIDITY**

In any part, section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional for any reason by any court, that decision does not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remainder of this Ordinance. The Board of Directors declares that it would have adopted each provision of this Ordinance irrespective of the validity of any other provision.

**SECTION 8 – SUPERSESSION**

This Ordinance shall supersede *An Ordinance Prescribing the Service Charge Rate and Mean Loadings per Unit of Usage for County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County and Providing for the Collection of Such Charges on the Property Tax Roll*, adopted May 11, 2022.

**SECTION 9 – EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall become effective July 10, 2026.

ATTEST:

/s/ KIMBERLY S. CHRISTENSEN  
Clerk, Board of Directors  
County Sanitation District No. 29  
of Los Angeles County

/s/ TINA HANSEN  
Chairperson, Board of Directors  
County Sanitation District No. 29  
of Los Angeles County

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County on June 10, 2026 by the following vote:

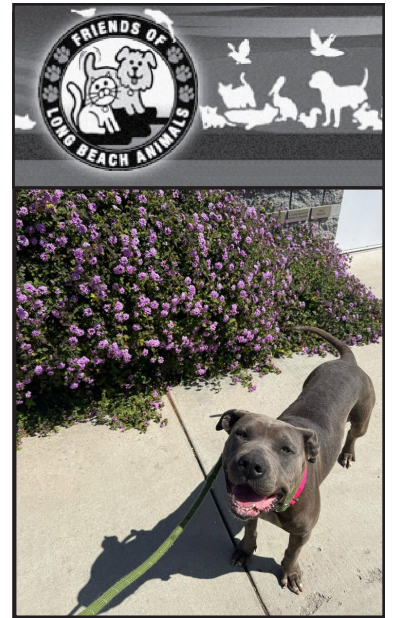
AYES: Directors Copeland, Honeycutt, Jones, Woods, and Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

/s/ KIMBERLY S. CHRISTENSEN  
Secretary of the Board of Directors  
County Sanitation District No. 29  
of Los Angeles County  
CNSB # 4052380



**Pet of the week:  
Minerva**

The blissful look in Minerva's milk-chocolate eyes expresses her pleasure at being taken for a visit to volunteer Jessica's house. There, she played unfettered for a while and took time to smell the flowers. Wouldn't that be great if Minerva could have a situation like that forever? Even a foster situation would be great. Minerva's only 3, and everyone at Long Beach Animal Care Services loves her and her calm vibe. Volunteer Bev said that she waits calmly to be leashed, exits her kennel without trying to get at her neighbors, and walks gently by her walker's side. She takes treats with great finesse and enjoys being petted all over. She doesn't react to other dogs, and as for the occasional lizard that runs across her path—meh. Minerva would rather walk and sniff absolutely everything she comes across. When it's time to go back into her kennel, Minerva seems fine with that, too. Wouldn't you love someone in your life who's that agreeable? Long Beach Animal Care Services is over capacity with dogs, so speed the process to adopt or foster Minerva or any of our other pets by emailing [PetAdopt@longbeach.gov](mailto:PetAdopt@longbeach.gov) or [petfoster@longbeach.gov](mailto:petfoster@longbeach.gov). You can also call (562) 570-4925. Our shelter hours are Wednesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 7700 E. Spring St. at the entrance to El Dorado Park (no parking fee for shelter visitors). Ask for ID#A757615.

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## CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

TST8169  
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** on Tuesday, June 23, 2026, the City Council of the City of Signal Hill will conduct a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. to consider adopting a resolution amending the Uniform Schedule of Fees for the Administration, Community Development, Finance, Parks, Recreation and Library, Police, and Public Works Departments. The meeting will be held in the Council Chamber at Signal Hill City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill.

**ALL INTERESTED PERSONS** are hereby invited to attend the public hearing to present written information, express their opinions, or otherwise present evidence on the above matter.

You may submit comments prior to the meeting date by email to [cityclerk@cityofsignalhill.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityofsignalhill.org), or by mail to the attention of City Clerk, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755. If received prior to the publication of the agenda (on or before June 16, 2026), staff will incorporate the comments into the staff report. If received after the publication date and before 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 23, 2026 the written comments will be attached to the original meeting minutes, available in the City Clerk's office.

**IF YOU WISH TO LEGALLY** challenge any action taken by the City on the above matter, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City prior to or at the public hearing.

**FURTHER INFORMATION** and associated documents on this item may be on this item may be obtained from the City Clerk's office by calling the City Clerk at 562-989-7305 or by emailing [cityclerk@cityofsignalhill.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityofsignalhill.org).

/s/  
Daritza Gonzalez  
City Clerk

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## TST8174

## AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER SURCHARGE RATES FOR COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 29 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 29 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

## SECTION 1 – SHORT TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known as the *District No. 29 Industrial Wastewater Surcharge Rate Ordinance* and may be cited as such.

## SECTION 2 – PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish the industrial wastewater surcharge rates prescribed by County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County.

## SECTION 3 – INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER SURCHARGE RATES

(a) Pursuant to the *Wastewater Ordinance*, adopted by County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County, the following, to be effective on the dates given, shall constitute the annual industrial wastewater surcharge rates:

Parameter	July 10, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029	July 1, 2030
Flow (a) [per MG]	\$ 1,073.00	\$ 1,221.00	\$ 1,367.00	\$ 1,512.00	\$ 1,657.00
COD (b) [per 1,000 lbs]	210.00	243.00	275.60	308.00	340.40
SS (c) [per 1,000 lbs]	614.60	693.90	772.00	849.50	927.50
Peak (d) [per gpm]	156.30	178.10	199.70	221.10	242.50
Short Form Rate [per MG]	\$ 4,979.38	\$ 5,692.96	\$ 6,397.02	\$ 7,096.32	\$ 7,797.01

(b) To further the use of the Districts' reclaimed water, a credit, as determined by the Chief Engineer and General Manager, will be applied to an industry's wastewater surcharge obligation for the chemical oxygen demand present in reclaimed water utilized by an industrial discharger and which originated at a Districts' water reclamation plant.

## SECTION 4 – VALIDITY

If any part, section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional for any reason by any court, that decision does not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remainder of this Ordinance. The Board of Directors declares that it would have adopted each provision of this Ordinance irrespective of the validity of any other provision.

## SECTION 5 – SUPERSESSION

This Ordinance shall supersede *An Ordinance Prescribing Industrial Wastewater Surcharge Rates for County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County*, adopted May 11, 2022.

## SECTION 6 – EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective July 10, 2026.

ATTEST:

/s/ KIMBERLY S. CHRISTEN  
Clerk, Board of Directors  
County Sanitation District No. 29  
of Los Angeles County

/s/ TINA HANSEN  
Chairperson, Board of Directors  
County Sanitation District No. 29  
of Los Angeles County

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 29 of Los Angeles County on June 10, 2026 by the following vote:

AYES: Directors Copeland, Honeycutt, Jones, Woods, and Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

/s/ KIMBERLY S. CHRISTENSEN  
Secretary of the Board of Directors  
County Sanitation District No. 29  
of Los Angeles County

CNSB # 4052384

TST8155 / 2026 106494  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: MY CITY MY EYE, 5279 THE TOLEDO, LONG BEACH, CA. 90803. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: AMY GARCIA, 5279 THE TOLEDO APT 2, LONG BEACH, CA. 90803. State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A. This business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: AMY GARCIA, 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 5/14/2026. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: May 29 & June 5, 12, 19, 2026

TST8153 Case No. 26LBCP00104  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, SOUTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, 275 MAGNOLIA AVENUE, LONG BEACH, CA. 90802 PETITION OF: Joyce Katherine Martinez for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Joyce Katherine Martinez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Joyce Katherine Martinez Proposed Name: Joyce Katherine Chaconas 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 25, 2026; Time: 8:30 a.m., Dept. S25, Room: 5600. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755. May 29 & June 5, 12, 19, 2026. //ss// Nicole M. Hesseman, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: May 20, 2026

TST8164 / 2026 112156  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: SPOT PEDIATRIC THERAPY, 1605 XIMENO AVE APT 171, LONG BEACH, CA. 90804. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: SPOT PEDIATRIC OCCUPATIONAL AND SPEECH THERAPY INC., 1605 XIMENO AVE APT 171, LONG BEACH, CA 90804. 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: REBECCA KIM, CEO. 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 May 21, 2026. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026

TST8165 Case No. 26LBCP00180  
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: Nesta Mango Stiles for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Nesta Mango Stiles has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Nesta Mango Stiles Proposed Name: Aaron Mango Stiles 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: July 14, 2026; Time: 8:30 a.m., Dept. S26, Room: 5500. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive

weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755. June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026. //ss// Michael P. Vicencia, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: June 1, 2026

TST8158 / 2026 112685  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: CHEESY'S SWEET FUNNEL CAKES & TREATS, 552 E. CARSON ST, SUITE 104-349, CARSON, CA. 90745. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: 327 HOSPITALITY GROUP LLC, 552 E CARSON ST. SUITE 104-349, CARSON, CA. 90745. 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: ALEXANDRIA HUTCHINSON, 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 5/21/2026. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: June 12, 19, 26 & July 3, 2026

TST8168 Case No. 26SLBP00182  
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: Olamide Abolaji Sonuga for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: OLAMIDE A. SONUGA has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Olamide Abolaji Sonuga Proposed Name: Olamide Sonuga Finney 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: July 15, 2026; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. S-28, Room: 5300. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755. June 12, 19, 26 & July 3, 2026. //ss// Sabina A. Helton, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: June 4, 2026

TST8170 Case No. 26SLBP00190  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN COURTHOUSE, 275 MAGNOLIA AVE., LONG BEACH, CA. 90802 PETITION OF: Monica McCurdy for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Monica McCurdy has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Monica McCurdy Proposed Name: Satya Om 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: July 20, 2026; Time: 8:30 a.m., Dept. S25, Room: 5600. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755 June 12, 19, 26 & July 3, 2026. //ss// Nicole M. Heeseman, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: June 5, 2026

TST8171 / 2026 094205  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: CORONADO CLEANING SERVICES, 140 E. WILLARD ST, LONG BEACH, CA 90806. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: ADRIANA D. CORONADO LOZOYA, 140 E. WILLARD ST, LONG BEACH, CA. 90806. 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: ADRIANA D. CORONADO LO-

ZOYA, 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 29, 2026. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: June 12, 19, 26 & July 3, 2026

TST8172 / 2026 126793  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: 1. HOTEL MAYA, 2. THE MAYA, 700 QUEENSWAY DRIVE, LONG BEACH, CA. 90802. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: QUEENSBAY HOTEL, LLC, 444 W OCEAN BLVD SUITE 650, LONG BEACH, CA. 90802. State of Incorporation/Organization: DE. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: KAMBIZ BABAOFF, MANAGING MEMBER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 06/2026. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 6/10/2026. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: June 12, 19, 26 & July 3, 2026

TST8177 / 2026 128621  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: L AND G INVESTMENTS, 720 E. 37TH ST, LONG BEACH, CA. 90807. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: GALE MOLATORE, 720 E. 37TH ST., LONG BEACH, CA. 90807. 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: GALE MOLATORE, 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 Jun 11, 2026. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: June 19, 26 & July 3, 10, 2026

TST8176/Order No: 5594  
Auto Lien Sale

On 07/01/2026 at 821 SOUTH MAPLE AVE MONTEBELLO, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2024 GMC VIN: 1GDY7RF7XR1239498 STATE: LIC: at 9AM

TST8179/Order No: 5415  
Auto Lien Sale

On 07/07/2026 at 1521 W FLORENCE AVE LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2023 NISSA VIN: 3N1CP5CV3PL552525 STATE: CA LIC: 9HNH071 at 9AM

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RESOURCES

# LB Public Library launches summer reading program now through Aug. 8

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

Long Beach Public Library launched the annual summer reading program “Plant a Seed, Read!” from June 13 to Aug. 8.

The free eight-week program will encourage children, teens and adults to read, learn and explore all summer long through books, activities and events at all 12 library locations.

Participants earn points by reading books, attending library programs, completing creative challenges and discovering new interests.

“Summer Reading is one of the many ways we invest in opportunity, creativity and connection across Long Beach,” said Mayor

Rex Richardson in a public statement. “Through free programs, performances and access to books for all ages, our libraries continue to create welcoming spaces where residents can learn, grow and build community together throughout the summer.”

Residents can register in person or online through the Beanstack platform and join at any point during the program. However, registering early can offer more opportunities to earn incentives.

Throughout the summer, library locations across the city will host performances and activities, including music, crafts, animal presentations, puppet shows and more for children, teens and adults.

Children up to 12 years old can earn prizes for every 10 points com-

pleted and qualify for the grand prize drawing, with additional opportunities to enter for those who reach 50 points. Meanwhile, teens and adults can earn prizes by participating in reading and activity challenges throughout the summer and also have the opportunity to enter special prize drawings.

“Libraries are places where curiosity takes root, and this year’s ‘Plant A Seed, Read!’ theme reflects the many ways reading can spark new ideas, confidence and lifelong interests,” said Cathy De Leon, director of Long Beach’s Department of Library, Arts and Culture, in a public statement. “We are proud to offer free experiences all summer long that bring people together and make learning fun for every age.”

The Summer Reading program



Richard H. Grant | Signal Tribune

3-year-old Kengo opens a Paw Patrol book while sitting in an adult-sized chair in the KidSpace of the Long Beach Billie Jean King Main Library on May 13, 2022.

is made possible through support from the Long Beach Public Library Foundation, Friends of Long Beach Public Library and the Port of Long Beach. The contributions help provide books, prizes and special per-

formances by professional family entertainers and educators.

For more information about the event and upcoming Library programs, please contact the library at 562-570-7500 or visit [lbpl.org](http://lbpl.org).

PETS

# Lend a helping paw for Foster the Fourth



Samuel Chacko | Signal Tribune

Multiple Long Beach Pride Parade attendees brought dogs with them, often wearing pride apparel on May 17, 2026.

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

As most pet parents — especially dog owners — likely already know, the bright and loud bursts of Fourth of July fireworks can mean a stressful night for their loved ones.

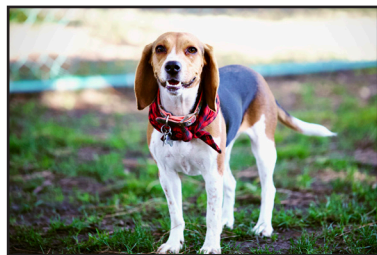
That’s why every year, Long Beach Animal Care Services (LBACS) recruits community members to temporarily shelter pets during the Independence Day period through its Foster the Fourth initiative. LBACS will also share information so community members can properly prepare themselves and their pets for the holiday.

LBACS will have extended hours on Tuesdays, June 23 and June 30 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. for foster matchmaking services.

According to LBACS, every Fourth of July, they receive an influx of runaway dogs due to the fear of fireworks. This turmoil can lead to animals running onto roadways, creating unsafe conditions for animals and passing drivers. Additionally, the rise in lost animals leads to strained resources and limited kennel spaces at LBACS.

“The Fourth of July is one of the highest-intake times of the year for shelters,” said Long Beach Animal

Care Services Bureau Manager Melanie Wagner in a public statement. “Our focus is keeping families and pets together by making sure our community is prepared before fireworks begin and by encouraging neighbors to hold onto found strays so they can be reunited with their families quickly.”



Richard H. Grant | Signal Tribune

Pepper, a beagle, looks toward the camera while playing at the El Dorado Park Dog Park on May 4, 2023.

**LBACS encourages local pet owners to abide by the following safety tips on July 4:**

- Keep pets indoors, ideally in a quiet and secure room.
- Create a calming environment using music, fans or white noise.
- Ensure microchips are updated with the current pet owner contact information.
- Make sure pets wear ID tags, even if they are indoor animals.

- Ensure that your pet has a current license.

Residents who come across a lost dog are encouraged to keep the pets safely with them for a minimum of 48 hours to increase the chances of reunification. According to LBACS, most lost pets stay close to home, so allowing them to remain in the area can ensure a quicker reunion with the pet’s family and the preservation of shelter space for animals in need of emergency care.

Those who find a lost pet are advised to report the pet right away by taking a photo, notifying the community via social media or neighborhood groups and, if the situation permits, checking with nearby neighbors. LBACS can ensure anyone temporarily sheltering a lost pet has supplies such as food, crates and beds during the reunification process.

Community members who are unable to hold onto a lost pet may bring the pet to LBACS or call the LBACS main phone line to reach an animal control officer. LBACS will remain open on July 4 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to assist with found strays and lost-pet reunifications.

To learn more about Foster the Fourth, visit [longbeach.gov/acs](http://longbeach.gov/acs) or call 562-570-7387.

ARTS



Courtesy of the City of Long Beach

From left to right, the new Long Beach Youth Poet Laureate Cohort: Jen Cheng, Ruby Giles, Cecelia Rogers, Ajala Sen, Annali Bojorquez, Kieran Lundy, Camille Hernandez and Mike “The Poet” Sonksen.

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

Last month, Long Beach crowned local teen Aja Sen as its 2026-27 Youth Poet Laureate (LBYPL) and revealed its newest batch of Youth Poet Ambassadors.

From now through the spring of 2027, Sen will serve as the city’s fourth Youth Poet Laureate, while Ruby Giles, Cecelia Rogers, Annali Bojorquez and Kieran Lundy will be Youth Poet Ambassadors. This year’s LBYPL class was announced during a live ceremony on May 16 at Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library.

“Long Beach is proud to support young artists who use their voices to strengthen community, inspire dialogue, and advocate for change,” said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. “Ajala Sen and this year’s Youth Poet Ambassadors represent the creativity, leadership, and vision of the next generation.”



Courtesy of the City of Long Beach

Aja Sen was named Long Beach’s fourth-ever Youth Poet Laureate.

According to the City, Sen’s work stood out due to her commitment to uplifting marginalized voices and advocating for underserved communities through her passion for poetry and music. The LBYPL program aims to help local youth

channel their interests in poetry, storytelling and artistic expression to bring about civic engagement, creativity and positive community change.

“I hope to unite the community in such dark, unjust, and uncertain times and show the power the arts have in shaping our future,” Sen said in a public statement. “I’m looking forward to getting to know and working with the new LBYPL cohort. It feels like we’re building a strong community through poetry, and I’m excited to see what we can accomplish together.”

As Youth Poet Laureate, Sen will receive a \$1,500 scholarship as well as represent the city’s youth at public events, lead creative workshops and work alongside City departments and cultural organizations to bolster literary engagement and civic participation. Each of the Youth Poet Ambassadors will receive a \$500 scholarship.

During their time in the program, this year’s cohort will partake in poetry and arts-focused workshops, community engagement activities and mentorship opportunities. They will also collaborate with local artists and organizations to accrue professional development experience and perform the works they develop via live readings, video recordings and gallery exhibitions.

“The Youth Poet Laureate program gives young writers a platform to amplify their voices and share stories that matter,” said Cathy De Leon, director of Long Beach’s Department of Library, Arts, and Culture, in a public statement.

To learn more about the LBYPL program, visit the program website or call 562-570-7500.

LONG BEACH PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

# Movies in the Park 2026

Free Popcorn - Bounce House - Nightly Raffle Giveaway (tickets given per family)  
 Activities begin at 6:30 p.m. - Movies begin at dusk.



### The SpongeBob Movie: Search for SquarePants

- 6/15 Signal Hill Park (2175 Cherry Ave., Signal Hill)
- 6/17 Davenport Park (2910 E. 55th Way)
- 6/18 Cesar E. Chavez Park (401 Golden Ave.)

### Kicking & Screaming

- 6/22 Somerset Park (1500 E. Carson St.)
- 6/24 Lincoln Park (101 Pacific Ave.)
- 6/26 Coolidge Park (352 E. Neece St.)

### The Bad Guys 2

- 6/29 Drake Park (951 Maine Ave.)
- 7/1 Admiral Kidd Park (2125 Santa Fe Ave.)

### Lilo & Stitch (2025)

- 7/6 Pan American Park (5157 E. Centralia St.)
- 7/8 Bixby Park (130 Cherry Ave.)
- 7/10 Mother's Beach (5839 E. Appian Way)

### Zootopia 2

- 7/13 Scherer Park (600 Long Beach Blvd.)
- 7/15 Wardlow Park (3457 Stanbridge Ave.)
- 7/17 Signal Hill Park (2175 Cherry Ave., Signal Hill)

### Hoppers

- 7/20 Whaley Park (5620 E. Atherton St.)
- 7/22 Martin Luther King, Jr. Park (1950 Lemon Ave.)
- 7/24 Cherry Park (1901 E 45th St.)

### The Super Mario Galaxy Movie

- 7/27 McBride Park (1550 Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave.)
- 7/29 El Dorado Park West (2800 N. Studebaker Rd.)
- 7/31 Veterans Park (101 E. 28th St.)

### Goat

- 8/3 Stearns Park (4520 E. 23rd St.)
- 8/5 Silverado Park (1545 W. 31st St.)
- 8/7 MacArthur Park (1321 E. Anaheim St.)

### Wicked: For Good

- 8/10 Heartwell Park (5801 E. Parkcrest St.)
- 8/12 College Estates Park (808 Stevely Ave.)
- 8/14 Houghton Park (6301 Myrtle Ave.)
- 8/15 Signal Hill Park (2175 Cherry Ave., Signal Hill)

### How to Train Your Dragon (2025)

- 8/17 Orizaba Park (1435 Orizaba Ave.)
- 8/19 Recreation Park (4900 E. 7th St.)
- 8/21 Ramona Park (3301 E. 65th St.)

More information at [lbcity.info/moviesinthepark](http://lbcity.info/moviesinthepark) or call 562.570.3227



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