



Equitable or undemocratic?

Long Beach residents hold signs against an item that will consolidate public comment at city council meetings on Oct. 6, 2026.

The decision to change how public comment runs at council meetings was touted as inevitable by some councilmembers, and as a backroom policy by another.

Samantha Diaz
Managing Editor

A highly contentious Long Beach City Council meeting, which included chants for councilmembers to resign, threats of having residents removed from the chambers and promises of future litigation resulted in a 6-3 approval of a controversial item. The resulting vote is set to fundamentally change how residents are able to speak at city council meetings and was approved for a first reading Tuesday night. Rather than the chance to speak once per item throughout the meeting, residents will have a single chance at the start of meetings to address specific items or speak on general issues. Advocates for the item argue that it will make meetings more accessible, since residents often have to wait hours before the city council gets to the item they want to speak about. Those critical of the item say it will be more difficult to speak about issues before receiving a staff presentation about it, and feel their comments will be out of context once the council does get to their item. The item originated in the City's Government Operations and Efficiency committee, though committee chair and Third District Councilmember Kristina Duggan voted against the item. Fifth District Councilmember Mega Kerr, who also voted no, said that the original intent of this item was to explore changes to make council meetings more "welcoming," but by the time the item came to council, Kerr said, it seemed more focused on "efficiency."

"When the public comment is disconnected from the item being presented and deliberated, it sends a very troubling message that our comments are something to get through rather than information that should inform your decisions," said second district resident Alyssa Gutierrez. These changes were narrowly voted down by the council in June, then approved in September. Tuesday's meeting saw a 6-3 vote to approve the first reading of the item. A second reading is still required before the change becomes part of the City's municipal code. About a dozen residents stood up and faced the wall with their backs to councilmembers as they spoke. Multiple chants of "vote them out" and "shame on you" proceeded throughout the night, followed by cheers from the crowd. Multiple residents told councilmembers that if they don't want to stay late into the night for meetings, they should resign. A handful of residents directly cursed out councilmembers, some by name and some as an

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Ismael Miramontes, the founder and chef of the family-owned restaurant La Chancla Mexican Grill, poses inside his restaurant on Oct. 2, 2026.

La Chancla honors the strength and love of Mexican mothers

Samuel Chacko
Photo Editor

Twenty-five years ago, Ismael Miramontes' family sold food right outside of their driveway in Guadalajara, Mexico. It wasn't a restaurant, far from it. Just two small tables and a simmering pot of pozole in front of the family's home. At 8 years old, Miramontes remembers running food for the family. He loved the prep work, the customer service and leaving people happy. Food was always in the back of Miramontes' mind. Today, that's where it happily remains. Living in his grandma's house in Mexico, Miramontes recalls the delicious home-cooked meals made by his grandma and mother. He remembers his mom bringing people over to cook for them, making sure the family was together and always having food at home in case someone showed up. "When you grow up, the first meals that you have are your mom's. It's hard to replace that feeling or comfort that it gives you. Nothing can replace a home-cooked meal or a mom's meal," he said. "I guess for me, food is just a bridge to connect a family. It's not the dish itself, it's the kitchen. The food is the glue that brings the family together." Miramontes moved to the United States at 12 years old, graduated from Cal State Long Beach with a bachelor's degree in management operations in 2013 and worked various corporate jobs. In 2018, he took a leap of faith and became the first in his family to formally venture into the restaurant business. "I did the traditional path you're supposed to follow; go to school, university, graduate, start working for a company. I tried it. Good benefits, good money, good learning, a lot of learning. The only issue was I felt like a little screw in a big machine," he said. "I felt like I wanted to be in a place where I could have a bigger impact and I always wanted to start up a food business." That leap of faith resulted in La Chancla Mexican Grill: a family-owned restaurant that showcases traditional Guadalan flavors in a cozy and colorful setting. La Chancla officially opened its doors on Feb. 6, 2020. When La Chancla originated, Miramontes saw a void within the local Mexican eatery scene. There was the quick filling cuisine of food carts and trucks — elote, tamales and street tacos — as well as refined dining restaurants, but nothing in between. He decided to focus on fast-casual, homie-food, with guisado-style tacos and homemade tortillas. La Chancla offers 14 different tacos, including mole, tinga and

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NEWS

Signal Hill outlines its focus at State of the City

Samuel Chacko
Photo Editor

On a cool Thursday evening inside an outdoor tent at Jessie Nelson Circle, the City of Signal Hill held its annual State of the City.

With an eye towards the future, the City emphasized public safety, economic development, government efficiency and updates on infrastructure projects. Each of those central points shared a common goal: Pitching developers and business owners to “take a closer look at Signal Hill.”

Here are some of the key takeaways from the State of the City:

Financial Resilience

With nationwide increases in inflation and elevated cost of living, Signal Hill is planning five to 10 years down the road to handle cost of growth and to create “a predictable environment for the private sector.” For the first time, the City approved a biennial budget this year, which focuses on upcoming projects and optimistic planning.

Vice Mayor Charlie Honeycutt brought up how Signal Hill has taken more of a “conservative approach” and uses “cautious revenue assumptions.”

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- Tina Hansen,
Signal Hill Mayor

“This is a significant financial safeguard,” Finance Director Siamlu Cox said in a video presentation. “It gives the flexibility to respond to economic downturns, unexpected costs, emergencies and future priorities without immediately compromising existing services.”

Cox mentioned the City maintains reserves for capital improve-



Rows of flowers sit idle in the front of the stage as Signal Hill Mayor Tina Hansen talks about the Walnut Bluff and plans for two City-owned properties during Signal Hill’s State of the City on Oct. 1, 2026.

ments, economic development, workforce innovation, facilities, parks and long-term needs. One such allocation is the nearly \$6 million remaining in the Civic Center Master Plan for City Hall renovations and a new amphitheater.

The City’s tax base is currently its largest source of general fund revenue, according to Vice Mayor Honeycutt, and the City is looking for ways to diversify the revenue base.

The Vice Mayor said the City has also submitted requests for funding for improvements at Raymond Arbor Park, Hilltop Park and Signal Hill Elementary School.

The City has acquired funding from various sources, which include the following:

- \$2.7 million through CalTrans for East Burnett Street Historic District, Pedestrian, Bike Enhancement Project
- \$1.8 million in federal funding for improvements to the Civic Center Parking Lot
- \$5 million in state funding for a new amphitheater
- \$1 million through USDA Urban and Community Forestry Pro-

gram to plant 1,000 trees throughout the city

- \$6.7 million through Los Angeles County Safe Clean Water Program for the Reservoir Park Stormwater Capture Project
- \$6.5 million through Metro’s I-710 congestion relief program for additional traffic and roadway improvements

Public Safety

This year, Signal Hill was able to implement the Trauma Intervention Program (TIP), which connects trained volunteers to victims and families for emotional support during difficult moments. The City also re-ignited the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), providing residents with basic emergency preparedness for life-saving skills to help themselves, their families and neighbors.

The Signal Hill Police Department now has tasers that work in conjunction with their body-worn cameras, which, “provides another layer of safety, accountability and transparency,” according to Councilmember Robert Copeland.

Economic Development

Signal Hill’s community development strategy focuses on transforming underutilized properties, old instructional sites, vacant parcels and expansive storage yards.

One example of this is the City’s Opportunity Study Areas (OSA’s) plan, which examines approximately 263 acres of land with potential redevelopment and economic activity.



Vice Mayor Charlie Honeycutt (right) intently watches Signal Hill’s State of the City on Oct. 1, 2026.

While Mayor Tina Hansen says the vision is “ambitious,” the City has identified an opportunity to create “a dynamic central business district” that incorporates high-tech research and development, modern office space, lifestyle, retail, regional hotel development and new housing opportunities.

Signal Hill officials see potential in a 13-acre City-owned property at Spring Street and Atlantic Avenue, as a site that can attract new hotel operators, become a destination for Signal Hill visitors, generate new transient occupancy revenue (TOT) and strengthen the City’s long-term

tax base.

Signal Hill is also designing OSA overlay zones that encourage active storefronts, outdoor dining, publicly visible art, gardens and other amenities. The current timeline anticipates completion of the OSA project by May 2027.

At Heritage Square on Cherry Avenue, the City is advancing a mixed used development, bringing 60 residential units and associated commercial space. Remediation for this project is anticipated by the end of 2028 and construction is expected in 2029.

The City also plans to transform a two-acre City-owned parcel at Cherry Avenue and 27th Street into a retail center. The Gateway Center North project application has been submitted for a Dutch Bros Coffee location.

“We are clearing the path, we are preparing the sites, we are updating the regulations, we are investing in infrastructure, we are addressing environmental challenges and creating new partnerships,” Hansen said. “Signal Hill isn’t just open for business, Signal Hill is prepared for investment. We are ready to partner, really grow and we are ready to build a future together.”

Infrastructure

The City is aiming to improve local signage with the Citywide Street Signs Project, install new sidewalks with the California Avenue Parkway Beautification Project and plant 800 shrubs and 11 palm trees with the Willow Median Improvement Project.

Signal Hill is taking a long-term approach to the Urban Water Management Plan and Water Shortage Contingency Plan, spanning six active projects to reinforce the importance of securing additional water through storage conservation.

The new Signal Hill Amphitheater (partially funded by State Senator Lena Gonzalez’s office in 2022) will have 290 tiered seats, up to 1,000 attendees with long seating, public restrooms, a green room and a cantilever canopy that provides enhanced acoustics and water protection.

Walnut Bluff Updates

Signal Hill will transform land owned by Signal Hill Petroleum (near the intersection of Willow Street and Walnut Avenue) into an affordable housing site, with National Corps serving as the affordable housing developer.

The City has contributed approximately \$6 million to help support and subsidize the project and Congressman Robert Garcia provided a \$2 million grant.

National CORE is working with the City to advance Walnut Bluff, which will include 83 total affordable housing units, shared courtyards, community gatherings and open spaces and a new Boys and Girls Club, with construction anticipated to begin in early 2027.



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

Don't let the heat wave fool you — Halloween and fall festivities are in full swing in Long Beach and Signal Hill, from spooky shows to free trick-or-treatings.

Hispanic Heritage Month continues to spotlight culture at events like Noche Latino at Renaissance High School and live cumbia music at ISM Brewing, both Friday night. Latino Restaurant Week will also wrap up Sunday.

Halloween gatherings come in both the frightful and fun persuasion this week, including Long Beach Shakespeare Company's spooky radio show double feature playing all weekend, East Village Arts District's Halloween-themed Second Saturdays and a late-night evening of vinyls and burlesque Saturday at The Bamboo Club.

Those seeking community can meet like-minded friends at events like Care Culture Collaborative's weekly food distribution Saturday, the uptown edition of the annual Open Studio Tour Saturday and Sunday, resilience classes at Long Beach Community Table Sunday and an evening photo walk Wednesday night.

09 FRIDAY

NOCHE LATINA

6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Renaissance High School for the Arts (235 E. Eighth St.) is hosting its fourth annual Noche Latina, a night of fun and culture for all ages. The evening will feature a live DJ, student performances, a Latin Street Food Fest, a makers market, cultural demonstrations, arts and crafts, a photo booth and an inflatable obstacle course. Free.

RADIO SHOW DOUBLE FEATURE

8 p.m. The Long Beach Shake-

speare Company offers an evening of chilling mystery, madness and macabre while exploring the work of two legendary writers through radio adaptations. Ray Bradbury's "Zero Hour" and Edgar Allan Poe's "Tell Tale" will take guests through scares and otherworldly creatures at the Helen Borger Theatre (4250 Atlantic Ave.). The show will continue throughout the weekend on Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$21.50 and can be purchased online.

10 SATURDAY

SKATE TURN UP

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The sixth annual LBC Skateboard Turn Up and Shoe Giveaway hosted by Dreamz into Goals and First District Councilmember Mary Zendejas will include raffles for skateboards, skateboard decks and bikes, as well as free haircuts, clothing and art activities at Lincoln Park (101 Pacific Ave.). Students must be present to receive resources. There will be free parking at the Civic Center located on Broadway and Cedar Avenue. Free.

OPEN STUDIO TOUR

1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The second week of the Long Beach Open Studio Tour will take residents through various studios and artists' homes in Bixby Knolls and North Long Beach on Saturday and Sunday. Nearly 20 artists will present their work around these neighborhoods and give residents an insight into their artistic journey. View the virtual map of locations and artists on the tour's website. Free.

COASTAL CELEBRATION

1 p.m. to 6 p.m. The Los Cerritos Wetlands Land Trust, Surfrider Foundation and California Coastal Commission (CCC) will celebrate 50 years of the California Coastal

Act, and the creation of the CCC, with a party and resource fair at Junipero Beach (1 Junipero Ave.). The fair will feature DJs, music, food and a variety of guest speakers. Reserve a spot on Eventbrite. Free.

11 SUNDAY

RESILIENCE CLASSES

1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The last sessions of Long Beach Community Table's resilience classes will take place this Sunday at 151 W. Victoria St., offering valuable lessons on topics like chicken coops, chickens, and eggs; backyard and community crop-swapping gardening; and neighborhood preparedness planning, leadership and emergency communications. Residents can sign up for the workshop that they are curious about and sign up by scanning the QR code on the Instagram page @lbcommunitytable. Donations are also greatly appreciated at Bit.ly/give-lbct.

PAINTING IN THE PARK

3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Reconnect with nature as part of Willow Springs Experiences at the namesake park (2745 Orange Ave.). Lainey Atwood will lead this painting experience, which is open to all levels of painters. Guests should bring chairs, an easel, a hat or umbrella, water and painting supplies. Visit the park's website for a full list of supplies to bring. Free.

12 MONDAY

BOOK SALE

Noon to 8 p.m. The Friends of Signal Hill Library is hosting a book sale during the month of October, featuring books of all kinds at the library (1800 E. Hill St.) as well as DVDs and audiobooks. The



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12th House Tea Sanctuary will host an evening centered on astrology, tea and DIY face masks this Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$27.77 online.

sale will run Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 8 p.m., and Wednesday, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cash only.

ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Got Your Back LB is celebrating their first anniversary of having a kitchen residency at Selva LB (4137 E. Anaheim St.) with a birthday bash, featuring commemorative T-shirts, Ashkahn wines, DJ Once Wise and food by Chef Brennan. Free.

13 TUESDAY

FARMERS MARKET

3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Shop for local and homegrown produce as well as homemade snacks, breads, pastries, crafts and more at the Bixby Park farmers market (130 Cherry Ave.). Free.

RECYCLING WORKSHOP

5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Residents can learn practical strategies to reduce waste during holidays, parties and special events at this workshop at the Michelle Obama Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.). This workshop's content is geared toward adults, but the activity is kid-friendly. All children attending must be supervised by an adult at all times. Free.

14 WEDNESDAY

NIGHT WALK

6 p.m. to 8 p.m. This monthly photo walk hosted by Happily Bearded After invites photography enthusiasts to walk around downtown Long Beach and take photos to submit to the Downtown Long Beach Alliance's annual photo contest, "Unfiltered." This walk begins at Rainbow Lagoon (400 E. Shoreline Drive) and will focus on the

skyline, waterfront and architecture. Free.

RUN CLUB

6:15 p.m. (ish). This weekly run club hosted by Care Culture Collaborative is open to runners of all types and levels, as well as walkers and joggers. The run begins at Vizzi (2650 E. Broadway) and includes a 1.5-mile route for walkers and joggers and a 3-mile route for runners. Free.

15 THURSDAY

MOVIE NIGHT

7 p.m. Enjoy spooky food, fun treats and tasty drinks from a new menu at Dolores (2105 Fourth St.) while watching "Beetlejuice" on their new projector and surround sound system. Classic Halloween movies will screen at 7 p.m. every Thursday in October. Reserve your table at the link in the bio @doloreslbc. Free.

ASTROLOGY SPA

7:30 p.m. Come talk astrology, make DIY face masks and sip on tea at 12th House Tea Sanctuary (1950 W. Willow St.). Their in-house astrologer will be present to answer questions and do mini readings. Tickets are \$27.77 and can be purchased online.

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founder of La Chancla Mexican Grill

queso birria variations. What makes them unique is their slow, carefully stewed meats, which become braised and saucy inside cazuelas (pots).

Inside the restaurant, the eye is drawn to a huge chalkboard with all the menu items, brightly-colored banners hanging in the air (papel picado), clay pots (cazuelas), wood-finished tables and a huge La Chancla painting.

To spice things up, Miramontes placed 2,000 red and brown bricks adorning the interior walls of the restaurant. Miramontes said he wanted La Chancla to have a warm, cozy vibe, like a little casita (house) in Mexico. He also added wooden pallets he found outside his shop to add to the rustic ambience.

“When you build something with your hands, you fall in love with it a little more,” he said. “I felt like if

it was gonna be my first baby, I had to physically build it, so I can feel it and make it mine.”



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La Chancla Mexican Grill offers a wide variety of food options such as tacos, burritos, nachos, fajitas and enchiladas.

When Miramontes was conceptualizing the menu, he kept coming back to Mexican mothers — he fondly remembers his mom making tortillas at home.

In both name and flavors, Mi-

ramontes wanted his restaurant to remind people of their Mexican mother. He was thinking of calling the business “Tacos Madres” or “Mama’s Tacos,” but it wasn’t catchy enough. That’s when La Chancla popped into his head.

Miramontes asked his friends on Instagram what La Chancla reminded them of and they unanimously responded with “my mom.”

While La Chancla has a negative connotation, referring to the scandal Mexican mothers use to punish misbehaving children, Miramontes wants to subvert that connotation.

“I want the name to remind [people] of the love the moms have, the sternness ... the passion they have when it comes to their food, the kitchen and raising their family,” he said.

The business started with just Miramontes and his mother, Rosalía Gutiérrez. Working in a family-owned restaurant is a tall task in itself — have you ever tried ordering your mom around the kitchen?

Miramontes and his mother split the jobs at La Chancla: she runs the catering side while he runs the restaurant.

“Every day is different, man. Some days we love each other and some days we don’t want to see each other for Thanksgiving,” he said.



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Ismael Miramontes, (left) and Poleth Pardo (right) work together to create a variety of orders at La Chancla Mexican Grill on Sept. 20, 2026.

When La Chancla first opened, Miramontes said a man came in by himself and ordered a three-taco combo with rice and beans. It was a slow day, but he noticed the man taking a bite of his food and pausing. The man began crying.

Miramontes asked if everything was alright and the man responded, “These beans taste just like my grandma’s.”

“The fact that it’s beans, nothing out of this world, nothing crazy, nothing fancy, just beans. The fact we’re able to make someone bring those memories, it reminded me of why we do what we do and why we keep doing it,” he said. “We live in a world with Instagram and crazy pictures and crazy foods. That’s not my family. We’re a simple, hard-working family that just wants to

share where we come from.”

Initially, Miramontes wanted the business to just last through COVID. Then, he wanted to get to the second year ... and then at the five-year mark — after all, restaurants usually don’t make it past five years — the business still survived. Making it to the present day was inconceivable.

With La Chancla now in its seventh year, its lasting success leaves Miramontes proud. Proud of his team, of his family and the dream that made it past his family’s driveway.

“It’s hard to do it alone, you can’t do it [alone], so I’ve been lucky enough to have a good team. People that have been struggling with us, good times and bad, the help of family as well. They’re still there, [I’m] just proud that this little hole in the wall still has the love in Long Beach,” he said.

La Chancla Mexican Grill is one of many restaurants across the city to partner with Latino Restaurant Week, happening Oct. 5 to Oct. 11. The restaurant is located at 990 Cherry Ave. Unit 102. They are open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Check out lachanclamexican-grill.com for more information about their story and menu.

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entire governing body, which a few councilmembers addressed later in the meeting.

At the request of Mayor Richardson, warnings to not disrupt the meeting were given to residents in attendance, and two men left after being issued a third and final warning. After the third warning, residents were told they would be asked to leave.



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Long Beach Mayor Rex Richardson addresses the crowd as the City Council discusses limiting public comment on Oct. 6, 2026.

The three councilmembers who voted against the item: Cindy Allen, Duggan and Kerr, suggested other changes the council could make to make meetings more accessible and shorter. Duggan suggested a substitute item to keep public comment running as is.

“I don’t think asking someone to make one comment at the beginning of the meeting hours before we discuss the issue they came here for is the same level of public participation,” Duggan said. “I understand our meetings run long, part of our meetings is deliberation and discussion. Sitting here listening to the public is one of the most basic responsibilities we have as councilmembers.”

She said the council could reexamine the rules they already have in place but are not following, such as the five-minute limit on ceremonies and presentations at the beginning of meetings.

“Over the nearly four years I’ve been on council, I don’t know if we’ve ever had a ceremony less than five minutes,” Duggan added.

As part of her substitute item, she suggested the council designate items that impact youth be automatically moved up so that students don’t have to stay late. Allen also suggested that if someone discloses that they have a disability, that person’s public comment time can be moved up as well.

Duggan’s substitute item failed on the floor, only backed by Allen and Kerr.

Second District Councilmember Allen, who spoke strongly against the item in September and even got into a back-and-forth with the mayor over it, said the changes are “not democratic.” She pointed out how the reasons for the consolidated public time period have changed multiple times, from SB707 requirements to budget constraints and now accessibility.

“I’ve been on council for six years, and this is by far the most convoluted, undemocratic, ambiguous, backroom policy decision making that I have ever seen,” Allen said. She added that she remained concerned about the “ambiguous” language around speaking time: whether or not speaking time will be automatically reduced based on how many people signed up to speak or if it will be at the mayor’s discretion.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN COURTHOUSE, 275 MAGNOLIA AVE., LONG BEACH, CA. 90802 PETITION OF: Cory Matthew Mellor and Lisa Yonn, on behalf of Goku Mellor for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Cory Matthew Mellor and Lisa Yonn, on behalf of Goku Mellor, has filed a petition withthis court for a decree changing names as follows:Present Name: Cory Matthew Mellor Proposed Name: Cory Mathuin Present Name: Goku Mellor Proposed Name: Goku Mathuin 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: October 23, 2026; Time: 8:30 a.m., Dept. S28. 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. September 18, 25, & October 2, 9, 2026___//ss//___Gary Tokumori, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: Sep 11, 2026

**TST8253 / 2026 188129
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: AN DELUXE, 14515 PIONEER BLVD, NORWALK, CA. 90650. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: AN DELUXE LLC,14515 PIONEER BLVD, NORWALK, CA. 90650. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and

correct. Signed: MARIA E GODINEZ,PRESIDENT. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 07/2026. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on Sep 01, 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: September 18, 25, & October 2, 9, 2026

**TST8263 Case No. 26LBCP00319
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: Marvin Edselle Poquiz for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Marvin Edselle Poquiz has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Marvin Edselle Poquiz Proposed Name: Marvin Edselle Poquiz Centeno 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: November 12, 2026; Time: 8:30 a.m., Dept. S28. 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. October 2, 9, 16, 23, 2026 ___//ss//___Gary Tokumori, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: /Sep 23, 2026

**TST8265 / 2026 207592
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: RC SQUARED INVESTIGATIONS, 4224 OSTROM AVENUE, Lakewood, CA. 90713. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: ROBERT C. CRAVENS, 4224 OSTROM AVENUE, LAKEWOOD, CA. 90713. Stateof Incorporation/Organization: N/A. This business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: ROBERT C. CRAVENS, OWNER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 05/2022. This statement was filedwith the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 9/29/2026. 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: October 2, 9, 16, 23, 2026

**TST8264
Notice of Self Storage Sale**

Please take notice SecureSpace Self Storage Signal Hill located at 3177 California Avenue Signal Hill CA 90755 intends to hold a public sale to the highest bidder of the property stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagetreasures.com on 10/28/2026 at 4:30 PM. Christian Gonzalez; Ashley Patton; Nazarene Lakey; Marquila Harris; MacKenzie Pairish; Malissa Parks; Linda Martino; Joshua Desmuke; Julie Schwarz (2 Units); Traci Hicks; Julia Walrath; Diana Barbosa Sotelo; Deja Jones; Hazel Chu-Ling; Rosalyn Reed; Jarrell Hill; Reannon Cuch; Trevor Ryan. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. Pub. The Signal Tribune: October 9, 16, 2026

**TST8247 / 2026 184334
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: 1. JON FEUSS, 2. JONATHAN FEUSS, 25 5W 5TH ST APT 1611, SAN PEDRO, CA. 90731. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: FEUSS CONSULTING, LLC, 255 W 5TH ST APT 1611, SAN PEDRO, CA. 90731. State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A. This business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: JONATHAN FEUSS, PRESIDENT. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 8/2026. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 8/26/2026. 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 tothat date. The filing of this state-

ment 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: September 4, 11, 18, 25, 2026

**TST8268 Case No. 26CMCP00180
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, COMPTON COURTHOUSE, 200 W. COMPTON BLVD., COMPTON, CA. 90220PETITION OF: Fara Zarina Estenzo by and through her mother, Cherry May Estenzo Alvarez for Change of Name.TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Fara Zarina Estenzo by and through her mother, Cherry May Estenzo Alvarez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Fara Zarina Estenzo Proposed Name: Fara Zarina Alvarez 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: December 10, 2026; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. P. 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.October 9, 16, 23, 30, 2026 ___//ss//___Ryan D. White, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: 10/1/2026

**TST8269 / 2026 209068
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: 1. PUSH PUP, 2. PUSH PUP, 2655 ST LOUIS AVE, SIGNAL HILL, CA. 90755. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: FROZEN-BARKS LLC, 2655 ST LOUIS AVE, SIGNAL HILL, CA. 90755. State ofIncorporation/Organization: CA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: VIVIANNA DOMINGUEZ, CEO. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 05/2026. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 9/30/2026. 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, orcommon law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: October 9, 16, 23, 30, 2026

**TST8270/Order No: 6332
Auto Lien Sale**

On 10/26/2026 at 702 VESTA ST INGLEWOOD, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2024 DODGE
VIN: ZACNDFAN8R3A15819
STATE: CA LIC: 9KMR349 at 9AM

**TST8271/Order No: 5574
Auto Lien Sale**

On 10/26/2026 at 4351 S BROADWAY LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2025 AUDI
VIN: WAUDACF58SA012894
STATE: CA LIC: 9SQM057 at 9AM

**TST8272/Order No: 6307
Auto Lien Sale**

On 10/26/2026 at 4965 SLAUSON AVE MAYWOOD, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2025 NISSA
VIN: 3NIAB8CV8Y315127
STATE: CA LIC: 9TSP248 at 9AM

**TST8273/Order No: 6378
Auto Lien Sale**

On 10/26/2026 at 9739 GARVEY AVE SOUTH EL MONTE, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2019 TESLA
VIN: 5YJ3E1EA2KF415668
STATE: CA LIC: 9HDD2620 at 9AM



Pet of the week: Maguire

The blue flowers in the background are no match for Maguire’s arctic orbs. Maguire’s favorite walking buddy, volunteer Metzli, can’t resist either those eyes or his personality, which she calls “playful and goofy.” She loves walking with him on the grounds and stopping for cuddles along the way, which gives both of them a mood boost. If you have something bothering you or just need to vent, Maguire’s known to be a great listener, too! Can you look into those baby blues and deny Maguire anything? He’s looking to go home forever–how about with you? Long Beach Animal Care Services is over capacity with dogs, so speed the process to adopt or foster Maguire or any of our other pets by emailing PetAdopt@longbeach.gov or petfoster@longbeach.gov. You can also call (562) 570-4925. Our shelter hours are Wednesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 7700 E. Spring St. at the entrance to El Dorado Park (no parking fee for shelter visitors). Ask for ID#A760230.

EYE ON CRIME

CRIMES REPORTED BY THE SIGNAL HILL POLICE

Wednesday, September 30
1:10 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Spring St./Gardena Ave.
7:07 p.m., Burglary, 2500 block Walnut Ave.

Thursday, October 1
2:09 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Coronado Ave.
3:50 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 700 block E. Spring St.
5:00 p.m., Rape, 1800 block E. Willow St.

Friday, October 2
10:31 a.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Burnett St./Orange Ave.
4:59 p.m., Identity theft, 2300 block Lewis Ave.

Saturday, October 3
10:50 a.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Freeman Ave.
12:37 p.m., Identity theft, 2200 block Walnut Ave.
3:02 p.m., Elder abuse, 1600 block Crescent Heights
3:57 p.m. Stolen vehicle – recovered, E. 33rd St./Myrtle Ave.
11:45 p.m., DUI, E. Spring St./Pasadena Ave. (suspect arrested)

Sunday, October 4
7:26 a.m., Intoxicated person on drugs, 900 block E. 33rd St.
3:57 p.m., DUI, Walnut Ave. north of E. Hill St. (suspect arrested)

Monday, October 5
No information available at the time of publication

Tuesday, October 6
7:36 p.m., Elder abuse, 2500 block E. 21st St.
11:45 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Willow St./Cherry Ave.

LCPD 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.

LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

TST8266

NOTICE INVITING PROPOSALS

Request for Proposal No. 2627-006-RFP

MDF/IDF Switch Replacement Project (E-Rate Funding Year 2027)

The Long Beach Unified School District (District) is seeking bids from qualified vendors (Bidders), to provide **MDF/IDF Switch Replacement Services**. The intent of this RFP process is to select qualified Bidders and establish contracts with the option to extend based on satisfactoryservice/performance per Education Code §17596.

Proposals are due by 2:00 pm (PT) on November 13, 2026.

More information available at:

<https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/23758/portal-home>

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NEWS

18 new cameras to catch speeding drivers just hit Long Beach. Here's what we know.

As the Speed Safety System's 60-day warning period begins, City reps gave further details and denied the system had any connection to Flock.

Ryan Hardison

Design Editor

(Stop)lights, camera, action! Long Beach's new Speed Safety System is up and running.

During a press conference Wednesday afternoon in downtown Long Beach, Mayor Rex Richardson, City Manager Tom Modica and Long Beach Public Works Director Joshua Hickman addressed the program's goals and community concerns.

Speaking first, Mayor Rex Richardson noted that Wednesday marked National Walk & Roll to School Day, signifying the importance of providing safe streets for community members of all ages.

"This is a perfect moment to acknowledge that we're taking an important step here in Long Beach toward safer streets with a clear goal: change dangerous driving behavior and help more people get to and from their destination safely," he said.

Richardson cited Long Beach's 53 fatal traffic crashes and an estimated 36,000 nationwide traffic

deaths, both in 2025, as reasons for the program's existence.

"Each [fatal crash] leaves behind people who loved them and a neighborhood that feels the impact and recognizes their absence," Richardson said.

What is the Speed Safety System?

As part of a five-year pilot program, authorized via State Assembly Bill 645, Long Beach and five other California cities were approved to install speed-detection devices along streets to enforce safer driving practices.

Local camera locations were decided with the following criteria in mind:

- Streets designated as corridors with high traffic injury rates
- Streets with a documented history of street racing or speed exhibitions, with at least four incidents in the past two years
- School zones with restricted enforcement hours tied to school schedules

Administered by the Department of Public Works, Long Beach's

Speed Safety System includes 18 devices, plus two recently-approved cameras which will be installed on Pacific Coast Highway as soon as New Year's Day. Hickman says 16 of the original 18 locations are fully functioning as of Wednesday, with the other two expected to go live in the next month.

"We also hear that this is somehow connected to Flock systems that you see in other areas of the country. Long Beach does not have Flock contracts with those cameras."

**- Tom Modica,
Long Beach City Manager**

During the 60-day warning period, from now through Dec. 7, drivers cited for going 11 mph or more

over the posted speed limit by the speed cameras will receive a warning. On Dec. 7, the citation period will begin, with the following fine structure:

- **11-15 mph: \$50**
- **16-25 mph: \$100**
- **26+ mph: \$200**
- **100+ mph: \$500**

According to the City, if a driver doesn't receive any warnings during the initial 60-day warning period, their first citation when driving 11 to 15 mph over the speed limit will be issued as a courtesy warning and not a fine.

Flock, Privacy and Other Concerns

During their remarks, Modica and Hickman aimed to answer various questions related to the Speed Safety System and dispel incorrect assumptions by "mythbusting."

Modica explained that citation fees cannot go into the City's general fund and must be used to cover the costs of the \$1.6 million speed camera system, with any surplus revenue going towards neighborhood traffic-calming projects. He

also denied any connection to the controversial Flock cameras, which have stirred nationwide debates and sparked criticism from local advocacy groups about privacy and AI surveillance.

"We also hear that this is somehow connected to Flock systems that you see in other areas of the country," Modica said. "Long Beach does not have Flock contracts with those cameras."



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Cars speed by along Willow Street in Long Beach past the Magnolia and Willow antique shop, which resides at the corner of a high-speed intersection, on Sept. 19, 2023.

FEATURE

CSULB professor chases runner's high at Long Beach Marathon

Samuel Chacko

Photo Editor

More than 28,000 participants will partake in this year's 2XU Long Beach Marathon weekend, with the marathon itself drawing around 4,000 finishers each October. Cal State Long Beach (CSULB) Professor Jarvis Johnson plans to be one of the 4,000 to cross the finish line.

This will be the fourth marathon the CSULB professor completes.

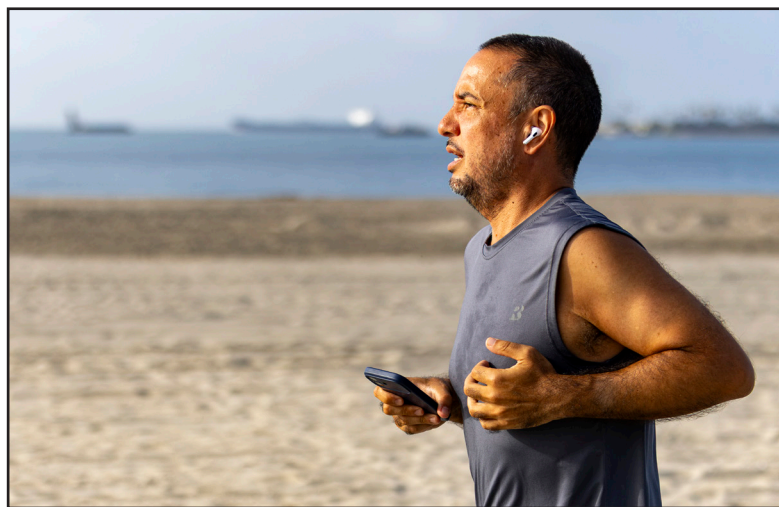
Johnson, who received his master's degree in communications at CSULB in 2002, didn't grow up as a runner and had no inclination toward the sport as a kid — opting to play soccer and basketball instead. He ran his first-ever half marathon when he was 34 years old after he saw his friends doing it.

"He [his friend] was training and I thought, 'All right, let me see if I can do maybe a half [marathon].'" Johnson said. "I remember a friend of mine, I told her to wait at the finish line holding a beer, a Newcastle, I think, so it gave me something to look forward to, but I realized I enjoyed it."

A year after his half-marathon in 2013, he decided to run his first-ever marathon in Orange County.

"The first marathon I ran was with a buddy in Vegas earlier that year and I think we were just eating and I go, 'You know, I'm going to run a marathon when I get back. I'm gonna make that my [yearly goal];' it was January and I'll run a marathon in May," he said.

Unlike many people who set



Samuel Chacko | Signal Tribune

Jarvis Johnson, a Cal State Long Beach professor and avid marathon runner, runs along the Belmont Pier on Sept. 30, 2026.

their New Year's Resolution, Johnson followed through and completed the marathon. He remembers seeing his parents, sister and one of his friends when he finished the race and telling them, "I am never doing that again. You can count me out."

However, running kept bringing him back. Year after year, Johnson wanted to keep beating his time.

In 2016, Johnson tore his ACL and couldn't seriously run for a couple of years. He was watching the marathon runners close it out and he remembers being pissed to wait another year to recover; the competitive nature kicked in.

He signed up for his return to marathons in 2024 and injured his right quad muscle, forcing him to drop out of the race.

Johnson decided to run the Long Beach Marathon last year with the mindset to do another full marathon, "if that was the last one he ever does."

If getting back into marathon running after an injury wasn't tough enough, Johnson's dad was ill the entire year. He continued to train as he went back-and-forth from Long Beach to Northern California.

"There was a little extra motivation to get it done, I think because it was like the challenge was greater. It was a different kind of win for me because I did it, but I also did it having to deal with all this outside other stuff," Johnson said.

Johnson's sister —who has competed in 100-mile ultramarathons — was a source of inspiration. He

remembers his sister showing up to his last marathon in Costa Mesa and running alongside him during the last mile stretch, saying, "Go! Go! Go!"

When Johnson puts his mind to something, he does it. His competitive nature pushes him to outrun excuses and injuries.

"The recovery is more difficult, more challenging," Johnson said. "I don't like to feel like I'm giving up unless it's on my terms and those were not my terms."

Last weekend, during one of his daily runs ahead of the marathon, Johnson felt his hamstring start to hurt at the 10th mile. While some might have quit at the pain, Johnson pushed himself to finish the final 10 miles.

As a Los Angeles Lakers fan, Johnson also admires the work ethic of Kobe Bryant and the drive behind his Mamba mentality. Bryant famously ruptured his Achilles mid-game in 2013 and instead of getting wheelchaired out, he walked back onto the court, took and made two free throws, and limped into the locker room.

"You're reminded of your mortality and that's the thing that makes it [feel good] even more," Johnson said. "When you compete for something, it's like, despite the potential injuries and age and all of that, I was able to do this."

The individual responsibility tied to running, as well as its therapeutic nature, allows him to think about the bigger picture.

He doesn't run with a group, opt-

ing to run solo because of the freedom.

"I do it on my own so whatever I get out of it is what I put into it," Johnson said. "I can't blame anyone else, I can't rely on anyone else on the same token. Where I'm at, I'm somebody [who], for better or for worse, prefers things solo."

That freedom extends to his other hobbies, such as his Sound to Savor podcast, where he pours some wine and discusses new music, artists and music-related history, and being an avid concertgoer.



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Cal State Long Beach part-time lecturer, Jarvis Johnson, poses outside of the CSULB campus on Sept. 28, 2026.

Johnson said he wasn't sure if Sunday's race might be his last marathon, but the CSULB professor advises people to not follow in his footsteps and instead sign up for shorter races first if they're interested in marathon-running.

"Start off with a 5K or a fun run type of thing. Do it with your friends, quite the opposite of everything I told you, basically," Johnson jokes. "Just realize it can be fun and there's a high you get when you cross that finish line."

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