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Google opens brick and mortar store on the Promenade



Scott Snowden

TRILLION DOLLAR TECH TITAN: Google opened only its sixth brick and mortar store in the country on the 3rd Street Promenade on Friday as keen customers patiently queued outside.

SCOTT SNOWDEN
SMDP Staff Writer

Tech titan Google opened only its sixth brick and mortar store on the Promenade on Friday morning.

Residents and tourists may have noticed the blue-colored banner on the northwest corner of Third Street and Broadway wrapped around the iconic Keller Building for a few months now, with a cryptic "coming soon" notice offering the only clue as to when it might actually open. Then, only a few weeks ago, the boarding disappeared and another, extremely subtle notice appeared stuck to the front door indicating that the store would open on March 7, at 10 a.m.

Despite the minimalist marketing, crowds gathered and the first enthusiastic shoppers were rewarded with tote bags and other freebies.

This is one of only six Google stores in the country and the first in Southern California. There are two in New York City, in Chelsea and Williamsburg, plus one in Mountain View, naturally and another in

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IOC's Bach sees 'new world order' ahead of LA Olympics and says Trump will 'fully support' Games

Thomas Bach says he feels a rare calm in his final weeks as IOC president even as a "new world order" gains speed ahead of the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics.

Bach led the International Olympic Committee through two locked-down Games in a global pandemic and several affected by Russian doping and military aggression, among other crises.

His successor will be elected March 20 and inherit an IOC financially secure with future Olympic hosts that today look stable and reliable.

Still, the biggest event for the next IOC president, the L.A. Games, could yet challenge Bach's faith in the Olympics' power to unite the world in peaceful competition and mutual acceptance.

"We have a new world order in the making, and this making ... will not happen without rumbling," Bach said this week, without criticizing U.S. President Donald Trump.

Signature Bach policies have been gender parity and inclusive acceptance of all 206 national teams, plus refugee athletes. Political neutrality is an ideal Bach clings to even as Trump has warned of denying visas to athletes based on the government's gender interpretations.

"I am also convinced that President Trump and his administration will fully support the Olympic Games," Bach told The Associated Press in a rare interview at IOC headquarters.

"He likes sport, so there I don't see a risk."

The American people, Bach added, "appreciate and love that the Games are about sport but they are about more than sport. They will want to welcome the athletes from all over the world."

The IOC has defended female boxers Imane Khelif and Lin Yu-ting — the Paris Olympic gold medalists. Both had been disqualified from the 2023 world championships run by the Russian-backed International Boxing Association, which said they failed eligibility tests.

"These two women boxers have been born as women, they have been raised as women, they have competed as women and nobody ever claimed even that they are transgender," Bach said in AP's interview.

"What happened there was a Russian-led misinformation campaign which then distorted the truth, the facts, and now we have this unfortunate situation that these two athletes are considered to be transgender. But. They. Are. Not."

Before the Paris Olympics, Bach warned of "deeply disturbing" trends, including "narrow self-interests trumping the rule of law."

"What I see is very heated discussion in the United States," Bach told the AP. "But this is for the citizens of the United States to have. Our values are very clear and on those values the Olympic Games are based."

PANDEMIC AND RUSSIAN DOPING

Bach's presidency since 2013 saw two Games impacted by COVID-19; one shadowed by Korean political tensions; several affected by Russian doping and military aggression; and one almost implode with a chaotic local organizing team in Rio de Janeiro that pulled the IOC into vote-buying allegations.

"I'm experiencing the first period during my presidency where I do not have an existential problem of the Olympic Games or the Olympic Movement on my desk," Bach said.

The 71-year-old German lawyer and 1976 Olympic gold medalist in fencing leaves office in June.

"I'm fit and very happy in great health."

FUTURE COMMERCIAL DEALS

A key decision early in Bach's presidency was extending NBC's broadcast rights in the U.S. through 2032. Renewing or finding a new partner is a big decision for the next president. Bach suggested a free-to-air network is important.

"You can say of streaming, 'They are paying such a lot of money, let's go for streaming.' But what does it mean for our values?" Bach said. "The Olympic Games has to be accessible to everybody and not only the ones that can afford it."

The IOC also must refresh its slate of top-tier sponsors after three from Japan left last year. Would the IOC take a view on signing an Elon Musk company such as Starlink?

"From what I see he is busy with other things than to think about Olympic sponsorship," Bach said. "I did not study this kind of question."

ICE HOCKEY AT THE 2026 OLYMPICS

Booing the U.S. anthem at sports events is becoming routine in Canada, and this week outgoing Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said it will not stop.

A U.S. vs. Canada hockey game is likely next February at the 2026 Milan-Cortina d'Ampezzo Winter Games, perhaps for the gold medal.

"This (booing) would not be great television and this would be against the Olympic values," Bach said, predicting "all the teams, all the athletes, will enjoy the respect and support of the audience."

Russia was banned from all team sports in Paris and its path is unclear back into ice hockey, Vladimir Putin's favorite winter sport.

The wider issue of Russian participation at Milan-Cortina is for Bach's successor, though his administration has already urged winter sports bodies with blanket bans on Russians to review them.

"The mission of the Olympic Movement is to unify," he said. "This is something the winter sports federations should study very carefully."

DIPLOMATIC SKILLS

Bach and predecessor Jacques Rogge were Olympic athletes who rose to represent the IOC and meet with various heads of state.

"That is one of the privileges as IOC president is that you get everybody on the phone," Bach said. "I haven't experienced any situation where somebody would have said, 'I am not interested to talk.'"

The late Henry Kissinger "gave very valuable advice" in real-world diplomacy.

SPY TARGET?

Bach's potential as a future Olympic leader was clear from 1981 when he and Sebastian Coe, a candidate to succeed him, helped to represent athletes at a key IOC meeting in

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All-electric aircraft completes coast-to-coast flight, landing at Santa Monica Airport



Courtesy photo

FLIGHT: The first all-electric plane to make a coast-to-coast trip stopped at SMO.

SCOTT SNOWDEN
SMDP Staff Writer

History was made last Saturday when the first-ever coast-to-coast flight by an all-electric aircraft was completed when the Beta CX300 touched down at Santa Monica Airport.

The flight began in Burlington, Vermont – home of Beta Technologies, manufacturer of the CX300 – on February 7 of this year and after 22 days, 20 flights and 2,900 miles, test pilot Chris Caputo flew the last leg of the journey into Santa Monica.

"Our next stop is Edwards Air Force Base, we're going to do some work with the United States Air Force Test Pilot School," Caputo said.

A large crowd of aircraft enthusiasts and aviation aficionados gathered on the main terminal's observation deck, late on Saturday afternoon to watch as Caputo made a low and slow pass over the length of the runway before circling around and landing. The noise of the aircraft was non-existent. Beta claims that it only generates 65 decibels, the equivalent of a refrigerator running or the volume of a normal conversation.

"During takeoff it'll be ever so slightly louder than, but not by very much," Caputo said, adding, "Inside the cockpit, you don't even need the headphones, we just use those to communicate with ATC. But you could take off the headphones inside the cockpit and you can just have a normal conversation, it's really quiet.

"The only noise you're going to hear is the spinning of the propeller. You're not going to hear any engine noise at all. So when we're coming in on approach, the power is literally back at idle and we're gliding in, it's almost silent," Caputo said.

The object of the exercise was not only to set a record, but to thoroughly test equipment durability, reliability and even support infrastructure across the country. Since charging facilities and compatible equipment weren't always available at every pre-arranged stop along the way, ground support vehicles had to also make the journey and quite often the pilots and aircraft would have to wait until they caught up. This was pretty much the case with the part of the flight plan that was everything west of Arkansas.

"Here in the US, we are so fortunate to have the infrastructure of these small airports, so we have to preserve them. And noise is obviously always going to be an issue. So I think as we continue to preserve this infrastructure to offer more access to rural areas, whether it's cargo logistics or medical supplies for example, I think it's really going to be key to unlocking electric aviation in the future," Caputo said.

The Alia CX300 CTOL (conventional takeoff and landing) all-electric aircraft is powered by one five-blade fixed pitch propeller and one H500A electric motor. It has a wing span of 50 feet, a cargo capacity of 200 cubic feet, together with a top speed of 135 knots and a maximum range of 336 nautical miles. A full charge is completed in about 40 minutes.

"Electric aircraft are going to revolutionize the aviation industry," Caputo said. "We're

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Surf report

WATER TEMP: **55.6**

MONDAY
FAIR
SURF: Knee to thigh 1-2FT

Modest bump of WNW swell mix to start week. Wind/conditions go South in the afternoon. Fresh round of WNW swell mix looks to nudge in through the day, joined by rising southerly windswell mix over the afternoon and evening. The early morning could be alright but models have rising S wind developing through the middle of the day as another coastal low slides into the bight. Expecting a pretty ragged afternoon and the bad wind may continue on Tuesday.

TUESDAY
FAIR
SURF: Chest to head 4-5FT

Surf has ok size and the forecast is intriguing - chance coastal low might bring decent wind.WNW swell is up in size from Monday. The wind forecast is lower confidence at this point but the reputable models suggest there's some potential for offshore if our coastal low takes the right track through the bight and the center of circulation can hang just offshore. Don't be surprised if this gets axed from the day to watch list, but we're saying there's a chance.

Weather

Monday: A 40 percent chance of rain after 10am. Partly sunny, with a high near 59.
Monday Night: Rain likely. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 49.
Tuesday: A chance of rain. Partly sunny, with a high near 58.
Tuesday Night: A chance of rain after 4am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 49.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2025/03/10	Mon	01:42 AM	2.00	L
2025/03/10	Mon	07:37 AM	5.40	H
2025/03/10	Mon	2:41 PM	-0.87	L
2025/03/10	Mon	9:10 PM	4.13	H
2025/03/11	Tue	02:23 AM	1.55	L
2025/03/11	Tue	08:20 AM	5.49	H
2025/03/11	Tue	3:11 PM	-0.78	L
2025/03/11	Tue	9:32 PM	4.33	H
2025/03/12	Wed	02:59 AM	1.18	L
2025/03/12	Wed	08:57 AM	5.43	H
2025/03/12	Wed	3:37 PM	-0.58	L
2025/03/12	Wed	9:52 PM	4.51	H
2025/03/13	Thu	03:32 AM	0.88	L

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Draw Date: 3/5
24 28 40 63 65
Power#: 20
Jackpot: 320 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 3/4
14 19 47 52 70
Mega#: 6
Jackpot: 233 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 3/5
3 13 17 23 35
Mega#: 24
Jackpot: 7 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 3/6
3 4 8 19 34

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Draw Date: 3/6
EVENING: 0 3 6
Draw Date: 3/6
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SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS

Owner: Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District

Publish Dates: Week of March 3, 2025
Week of March 10, 2025

Question Deadline: March 21, 2025 @ 11:00am PST

Bid Due Deadline: March 26, 2025 @ 11:00am PST

Bid Due Location: All Bids will be received through the project website at https://projects.infinitycomm.com. Bids will not be received in any manner other than digital copies through the project website. All submittals are required to be in PDF format, unless otherwise noted, and must be less a file size of less than 10Mb.

Project Name: STRUCTURED CABLING for Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District

Project Number: 0865-25C.1

Plans on File: https://projects.infinitycomm.com & https://portal.usac.org/suite/

In accordance with Section 7057 of the Business and Professions Code, only a Contractor with a "C-7 or C-10" license may bid.

A Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting will be conducted on March 18, 2025 at 11:00am located at: 1651 16th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90404.
This meeting is Mandatory, ALL Contractors attending will be required to sign in at the time of arrival and are also required to stay for the duration of the Pre-Construction Meeting.

All questions concerning this project shall be requested through the project website at https://projects.infinitycomm.com. All requests for information shall be submitted not less than five (5) days prior to the opening of the bid. Any questions submitted after the question deadline will not be answered. All questions will be submitted through the project website. Bidders shall submit only one question submittal. Al questions shall be included in the single submittal. DO NOT submit single question submittals. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the bidders response being negatively scored or rejected completely for failure to comply with the requirements of the RFP.

Each bid must conform and be responsive to the contract documents.

The projects and services depend on partial funding from the E-Rate program. The OWNER expects each Contractor to make themselves thoroughly familiar with any rules or regulations regarding the E-Rate program. All contracts entered into as a result of these Form 470's will be contingent upon specific funding by the SLD at the percentage rate submitted. The percentage rate applicable to a particular Form 471 is the maximum that the District is liable for. The Contractor will be responsible to bill the government (USAC) for the balance. No billing or work shall be commenced before April 1, 2025. On the day of the bid the Contractor shall supply their Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) and must certify that their SPIN is "current".

This project is anticipated to start after April 1, 2025, and is anticipated to have a duration of 120 days. All work shall be completed per the project schedule but no later than the project finish date. Liquidated damages in the amount of $500.00/day are included in this contract. All work shall be completed per the project schedule but no later than August 2026.

The OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all bids and/or waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding process. Each bid package will be awarded separately and independent of one another. The OWNER may, at their option, choose to award the projects to one contractor or any combination of contractors.

The OWNER has determined the general prevailing rate of per diem wages in the locality in which this work is to be performed for each craft or type of worker needed to execute this contract. These rates are on file at the SCHOOL DISTRICT office located at location. Copies may be obtained upon request. A copy of these rates shall be posted at each jobsite. The schedule of per diem wages is based upon a working day of eight (8) hours. The rate for holiday and overtime work shall be at least time and one-half.

It shall be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded (CONTRACTOR), and upon any subcontractor under him, to pay not less than the said specified rates to all works employed by them in the execution of the contract. It is the CONTRACTOR'S responsibility to determine any rate change that may have or will occur during the intervening period between each issuance of written rates by the Director of Industrial Relations. During the Work and pursuant to Labor Code §1771.4(a)(4), the Department of Industrial Relations shall monitor compliance with prevailing wage rate requirements and enforce the Contractor's prevailing wage rate obligations.

Each Bidder must be a DIR Registered Contractor when submitting a Bid Proposal. The Bid Proposal of a Bidder who is not a DIR Registered Contractor when the Bid Proposal is submitted will be rejected for non-responsiveness. All Subcontractors identified in a Bidder's Subcontractors' List must be DIR Registered contractors at the time the Bid Proposal is submitted. The foregoing notwithstanding, a Bid Proposal is not subject to rejection for non-responsiveness for listing Subcontractor the Subcontractors List who is/are not DIR Registered contractors if such Subcontractor(s) complete DIR Registration pursuant to Labor Code §1771.1(c)(1) or (2). Further, a Bid Proposal is not subject to rejection if the Bidder submitting the Bid Proposal listed any Subcontractor(s) who is/are not DIR Registered contractors and such Subcontractor(s) do not become DIR Registered pursuant to Labor Code §1771.1(c)(1) or (2), but the Bidder, if awarded the Contract, must request consent of the District to substitute a DIR Registered Subcontractor for the non-DIR Registered Subcontractor pursuant to Labor Code §1771.1(c)(3), without adjustment of the Contract Price or the Contract Time.

This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations, including but not limited to prevailing wage compliance and Skilled and Trained Workforce requirements.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of thirty (30) DAYS after the date set for the opening of the bids.

A BID BOND shall be required and shall be supplied with the CONTRACTOR'S bid on the day of the bid. All bids shall be presented under sealed cover and accompanied by one of the following forms of bidder's security: cash, a cashier's check, certified check, or a bidder's bond executed by an admitted surety insurer, made payable to the trustees. The security shall be in an amount equal to at least 10 percent of the amount bid. A bid shall not be considered unless one of the forms of bidder's security is enclosed with it.

A Payment Bond and Performance Bond for contracts over $25,000.00 WILL BE required prior to the execution of the contract. The Payment and Performance Bond shall be in the form called for in the contract documents. Payment Bond and Performance Bond shall be provided upon receipt of the Notice to Proceed. Performance and Payment bonds shall be supplied prior to the beginning of construction. A Certificate of Insurance shall be required as well before work can begin.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Public Contract Code, Sections 22300, CONTRACTOR may substitute certain securities for any funds withheld by OWNER to ensure their performance under the contract. At the request and expense of CONTRACTOR, securities equivalent to any amount withheld shall be deposited, at the discretion of the OWNER, with either OWNER or with a state or federally chartered bank, as the escrow agent, who shall then pay any funds otherwise subject for retention to CONTRACTOR. Upon satisfactory completion of the contract, the securities shall be returned to the CONTRACTOR.

Securities eligible to investment shall include those listed in Government Code, Section 61430, bank and savings and loan certificates of deposit, interest bearing demand deposit accounts, standby letters of credit, or any other security mutually agreed to by CONTRACTOR and OWNER. CONTRACTOR shall be the beneficial owner of any securities substituted for funds withheld and shall receive any interest on them. The escrow agreement shall be essentially similar to the one indicated in the General Conditions.

In accordance with Education Code section 17076.11, this district has a participation goal for disabled veteran business enterprises of at least 3 percent per year of the overall dollar amount of funds allocated to the district by the State Allocation Board pursuant to the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998 for construction or modernization and expended each year by the school district. Prior to, and as a condition precedent for final payment under any contract for such project, the contractor shall provide appropriate documentation to the district identifying the amount paid to disabled veteran business enterprises in conjunction with the contract, so that the district can assess its success at meeting this goal.

SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A DRAFT INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

TO: Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

FROM: Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (Lead Agency)

SUBJECT: Notice of Intent to Adopt a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Proposed Franklin Elementary Campus Plan School Project

PROJECT TITLE: Franklin Elementary School Campus Plan Project

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD or District), as lead agency, has prepared a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the proposed Franklin Elementary School Campus Plan Project (Proposed Project), pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (Pub. Resources Code, §21000 et seq.) and the CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code of Regs, §15000 et seq.). The purpose of this notice is: 1) to serve as a Notice of Intent (NOI) to Adopt a Draft IS/MND for a (minimum) 30-day public comment period pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15073; and, 2) to announce a community meeting to be held by SMMUSD during the (minimum) 30-day comment period.

PROJECT LOCATION: Franklin Elementary School is located at 2400 Montana Avenue (assessor's parcel number [APN]: 4277-002-901), in the City of Santa Monica, Los Angeles County, California. The school campus consists of an approximately 5.6-acre rectangular parcel developed with the Franklin Elementary School, and is entirely owned by the District. The main entrance to the campus is off Montana Avenue, which bounds the school campus on the northwest. The main campus is bordered by 23rd Place to the southwest, 24th Place to the northeast, and Idaho Avenue to the southeast. The school includes a satellite pre-kindergarten and kindergarten facility next to the main campus on the northeast side of 24th Place, along Montana Avenue. The Franklin Elementary School campus is three blocks or approximately 2,000 feet northwest of Wilshire Boulevard, approximately 1.25 miles north of Interstate 10, approximately 2 miles southwest of Interstate 405, and approximately 1.75 miles northeast of Santa Monica State Beach and the Pacific Coast Highway.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Proposed Project would renovate and modernize the existing Franklin Elementary School campus to develop new and updated facilities that would support project-based learning and provide learning opportunities that are flexible, adaptable, and with access to technology and resources in real time. At full buildout, the Proposed Project would increase the campus building area by approximately 29,286 (gross) square feet (from 63,002 square feet to 92,288 square feet). Redevelopment and modernization of Franklin Elementary School would consist of removing and demolishing seven permanent buildings, two modulars, and seven portable buildings; construct seven new buildings; and renovate one building and outdoor areas on the existing school campus and satellite facility. All entries to the school would be gated and/or secured. The District intends to move forward with design and engineering of the first phase of funded activities, and the later three phases would occur at the District's discretion when funding becomes available. The maximum height of the renovated existing and new buildings would not exceed 32 feet. Implementation of the Proposed Project would not increase the capacity of the school and would not change the attendance boundaries. PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: March 7, 2025 to April 7, 2025

RESPONSES AND COMMENTS: Responsible public agencies, trustee agencies, the Office of Planning and Research, the Los Angeles County Clerk, organizations, and members of the public are invited to review and comment on the IS/MND. Your complete and detailed response should be sent at the earliest possible date, but no later than **5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 7, 2025.** Please include the name, phone number, and email address of a contact person in all responses submitted. There will be no consideration of, or responses to, untimely comments.

Please send your response in writing with the subject heading Franklin Elementary School Campus Plan Project to: Carey Upton, Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, 1717 4th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401 or via e-mail to cupton@smmusd.org.

COMMUNITY MEETING: SMMUSD will host an in-person community meeting to present the Proposed Project and the IS/MND. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the findings of the IS/MND and to provide an opportunity for the public to comment on environmental issues.

Time: 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Date: March 18, 2025

Location: Franklin Elementary School, Auditorium, 2400 Montana Avenue, Santa Monica, CA 90403

The presentation will be recorded and available to view after March 18, 2025, at https://www.smmusd.org/Page/5591.

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: The Proposed Project would result in no environmental impacts related to Agriculture and Forestry Resources, Mineral Resources, Population and Housing, or Wildfire. Impacts related to Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Energy, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use and Planning, Public Services, Recreation, and Utilities and Service Systems were determined to be less than significant with no mitigation required. Impacts related to Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Noise, Transportation, and Tribal Cultural Resources were determined to be less than significant after the implementation of mitigation measures. No impacts were determined to be significant and unavoidable. Per CEQA Guidelines section 15087(c)(6), the Project Site is not on state and federal hazardous materials sites enumerated under Government Code section 65962.5.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The Draft IS/MND and Notice of Intent to Adopt an IS/MND for the Proposed Project are available for public review at the following locations (physical locations during normal business hours):

- Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, 1717 4th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401
- Franklin Elementary School, 2400 Montana Avenue, Santa Monica, CA 90403
- SMMUSD website: https://www.smmusd.org/Page/5591

If you require additional information, please contact Carey Upton at 310-450-8338 x79383

City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: **Proposed Amendments to Interim Zoning Regulations to Promote Economic Recovery by Increasing Land Use Flexibility in the City's Downtown Area and Establishing a Pilot Program to Allow Exclusively Outdoor Commercial Uses in the Office Campus District**

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to adopt proposed amendments to the Interim Zoning Regulations established by Interim Zoning Ordinance Number 2754 (CCS), amended and extended by Interim Zoning Ordinance Number 2761 (CCS), and amended by Interim Zoning Ordinance Number 2794 (CCS) to promote economic recovery by increasing land use flexibility in the City's downtown area and establishing a pilot program to allow exclusively outdoor commercial uses in the Office Campus (OC) District. The proposed amendments would allow for additional flexibility in the City's downtown area for community assembly and building materials and services uses.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025 AT 7:00 PM**

LOCATION: City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT:
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Members of the public unable to attend a meeting but wishing to comment on an item(s) listed on the agenda may submit written comments prior to the public hearing via email to councilmtgitems@santamonica.gov or via mail to City Clerk, 1685 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica, California 90401. Written public comment submitted before 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be available for online viewing. All written comments shall be made part of the public record. Please note the agenda item number in the subject line of your written comments.

You may also comment in person at the City Council hearing. Please check the agenda for more detailed instructions on how to comment in person.

Address your comments to: City Clerk
Re: Economic Recovery IZO Amendments

VIA EMAIL: councilmtgitems@santamonica.gov
VIA MAIL: 1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401

MORE INFORMATION: If you want more information about this project, please contact Steve Mizokami by e-mail at steve.mizokami@santamonica.gov . For disability-related accommodations, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (310) 458-8211 or (310) 917-6626 TDD at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines serve City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is located at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, and is a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive, and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

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GOOGLE

FROM PAGE 1

Boston. Number seven is slated to open soon in Austin.

In a similar architectural approach adopted by other Silicon Valley giants for their own brick and mortar stores, Google's retail outlets often utilize creatively-designed spaces, often in iconic, historic buildings.

The building itself was built around 1893 and is a rare example in Los Angeles County of its type of architecture, known as "Richardsonian Romanesque Revival." It was constructed by a gentleman named Henry Keller, son of Mathew Keller, a prominent local businessman who invested in banking, oil and real estate. He also owned a vineyard and was a member of city council and insisted that he be called by his adopted name "Don Mateo" that reflected his naturalized Mexican citizenship

Google has leased only the ground floor, while the second and third floors remain available for rent, according to LoopNet. The ground floor space is approximately 7,100 sq ft and to put that into perspective, the ground floor space inside Apple's Promenade store is 8,084 sq ft.

Much like Apple's brick and mortar formula, which has more or less become a template for other tech titan's physical outlets, the Google store will feature a help desk to assist with hardware and software difficulties, together with a wide variety of products and exclusive branded merchandise for sale, including phones, smartwatches and home accessories. It will also incorporate an event space for programs and educational workshops plus on-site experts for support such as Pixel phone repairs.

"We've always coveted LA as a destination for our stores and Santa Monica was always on the map as one place we wanted to be, more specifically the Third Street Promenade has always been a legacy retail quarter that we wanted to be part of," Mike Camacho, Google Global Head of Stores told the Daily Press, adding, "The opportunity was there. With a great location and a historic building, the timing was right. We've opened a few stores now, and so it was just a matter of getting here."

Along with all the usual features, the store also offers a small seating area outside, or what's referred to by city placemakers as a "linger node." In addition to the obvious function of providing somewhere to jump on the local Wi-Fi and finish that screenplay, it purposely acts as a device to cause

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people passing by to pause and engage. Consequently, every store in the immediate vicinity benefits.

"We know that there have been challenges in Santa Monica, but we feel like we can be part of something, a rebirth, if you will, of the promenade, and we're excited with where we are," Camacho said.

"We're excited about our neighboring retail tenants, but more importantly, we're really excited about the community. They've really embraced us in these first few weeks ... Our team that works in the store is from this community in and around Santa Monica, so I feel like whenever we open a store, we try really hard to be part of the community that we're in to reflect it," Camacho said.

Google is the first business to take up occupancy in the Keller Building since Festival Real Estate, a California-based property management company, purchased the structure at 1460 Third Street in 2021 and began a multi-million-dollar restoration. When completed, the first and second floors will also each offer approximately 7,100 sq ft of space for either retail or office rental. Apparently, there's even the opportunity for a rooftop bar and dining venue with ocean views.

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OLYMPICS

FROM PAGE 2

Baden-Baden, West Germany. He later worked for Horst Dassler and Adidas when they were major power brokers in world sports and reportedly were monitored for the Stasi, East Germany's secret police.

Asked if there was a Stasi file on him, Bach said: "Not that I knew. I cannot imagine."

Bach had warm relations with Russian President Putin during the 2014 Sochi Winter Games. Bach and the Olympics have been targets of Russian misinformation, cyber attacks and deep fake videos during the past decade of sanctioning the state-backed doping scandal and fallout from the invasion of Ukraine.

CLEANING UP VOTING

Bach's legacy includes changing how hosts are picked. No more blockbuster contests are vulnerable to vote-buying.

"The atmosphere was just not clean, not sober. It put the whole credibility of the IOC in doubt."

There were no allegations of wrongdoing in how the French Alps, Brisbane and Salt Lake City were selected as hosts of the Olympics from 2030-2034.

SUMMER VACATION

Bach's last day after a three-month presidential transition is June 23, officially Olympic Day.

AFTER THAT?

"The first four weeks I guess I will sleep," he said. "Then I will do a pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela all alone and hope I get some inspiration then for my future."

By GRAHAM DUNBAR AP Sports Writer

COMMUNITY NEWS

SMC

Castañón Appointed to SMC Board of Trustees

The Santa Monica College Board of Trustees has appointed Dr. Luis Barrera Castañón to fill the seat vacated by Barry Snell, who was elected to the Santa Monica City Council.

Castañón's appointment became effective following a 30-day notice period after the Feb. 4 board vote. He will serve until the next regular election in November 2026, when the seat will be filled through the electoral process.

An SMC alumnus and former Associated Students president, Castañón is a Santa Monica business owner with over 18 years of experience in education, workforce development and public policy. He previously served as vice chair of the city's Human Services Commission, treasurer of the Santa Monica Democratic Club and a member of various SMC advisory boards.

"My professional and lived experiences uniquely equip me to address complex challenges, from building inclusive education systems to enhancing workforce opportunities for underserved populations," Castañón said.

Castañón's previous leadership roles include positions with Goodwill Southern California, L.A. Area Chamber of Commerce, the National Council of La Raza (now UnidosUS) and Para Los Niños. His educational background includes an associate's degree from Santa Monica College, a bachelor's degree from UC Berkeley, and a Master of Public Administration and Educational Doctorate from Cal State Northridge.

The seven-member board, which governs Santa Monica College, includes Dr. Nancy Greenstein (chair), Dr. Sion Roy (vice-chair), Anastasia Foster, Dr. Tom Peters, Dr. Margaret Quiñones-Perez and Rob Rader. The student trustee seat is currently vacant.

Santa Monica College serves more than 27,000 students in the Santa Monica Community College District, which comprises Santa Monica and Malibu.

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Sacramento

Lawmakers Introduce Bill to Protect California Waters

Sen. Ben Allen and Assemblymember Ash Kalra introduced legislation Tuesday to protect California waters that lost federal protection following a 2023 Supreme Court decision.

Senate Bill 601 would establish new definitions in state law to maintain protections for waters that previously met the federal "Waters of the United States" definition prior to the Sackett v. EPA ruling.

"Our now vulnerable waters cannot afford any delay," said Allen, D-Santa Monica. "In the face of retreating federal policy, it now falls on us to make sure that our state's waters continue to enjoy the same protections from pollution that we have long relied upon."

The Supreme Court ruled in May 2023 that certain waters that are not "relatively permanent" should not receive Clean Water Act protections, affecting many seasonal and drought-sensitive water systems prevalent in Western states.

"The 2023 Sackett decision has left California waters exposed to greater threats and worsening water quality and flow," said Ashley Overhouse, water policy advisor for Defenders of Wildlife, a co-sponsor of the bill alongside California Coastkeeper Alliance.

Sean Bothwell, executive director for the California Coastkeeper Alliance, said, "California's waters are under attack from recent Supreme Court decisions, and the already under-resourced and over-taxed Water Boards cannot ensure our right to drinkable, swimmable, and fishable waterways without state action."

The bill would provide the same pollution protection standards for these waters as offered by the federal Clean Water Act before the Supreme Court ruling.

"There is no California without water," said Assemblymember Kalra, D-San José, a co-author of the bill. "When regulations for water standards are weakened and undermined, it should be recognized as not just a threat to water quality, but overall quality of life."

The bill will be referred to a policy committee for a hearing this spring.

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Citywide

Santa Monica Seeks Input for Aging and Disability Action Plan

Santa Monica officials are seeking community feedback to inform the city's forthcoming Aging and Disability Action Plan through an online survey and in-person event.

The survey will be available through April 1, and paper copies can be picked up at designated locations citywide. A community open house is scheduled for Saturday, March 22, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Santa Monica College Emeritus Campus at 1227 2nd St.

Virtual participation options will be available for those unable to attend in person. Interested residents are encouraged to register for the open house online.

The action plan aims to enhance services for older adults, people with disabilities and caregivers in line with the city council's priority of justice, equity and inclusion.

An advisory committee of community stakeholders, experts, nonprofit partners, commissioners and staff will guide the plan's development. The completed plan will be presented to the City Council for approval in fall 2025.

The project is funded by a grant from the California Department of Aging. For more information, residents can visit santamonica.gov/aging-and-disability-action-plan or call (310) 458-2200 ext. 5771.

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City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: **Proposed Extension of Interim Zoning Regulations Established by Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance 2796 (CCS) Exempting Projects on City-Owned Property or that Use City Funds From Temporary Use Permit Requirements During a Declared or Local State of Emergency.**

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to adopt an Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance to extend interim zoning regulations established by Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance 2796 (CCS) ("EIZO 2796") exempting projects on City-owned property or that utilize City funds from Temporary Use Permit requirements during a declared or local state of emergency.

Although EIZO 2796 is of general applicability, it was adopted by the City Council on December 17, 2024, in conjunction with actions taken to implement the SaMo Bridge project, a diversion program utilizing a no-barrier 24/7 respite hub to address unmet behavioral health, substance abuse, and housing needs of justice-involved adults in the Santa Monica community. The interim zoning regulations adopted by EIZO 2796 allow flexibility in the location of the respite hub.

EIZO 2796 became effective upon adoption, and, pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 9.46.090(C), was effective for 60 days, unless extended by the City Council. The Council did not consider an extension within 60 days in order to ensure a complete community outreach process for SaMo Bridge, particularly the proposed location of the respite hub. As a result, the proposed effective date of the Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance is February 15, 2025 (60 days from the adoption of EIZO 2796 on December 17, 2024).

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025 AT 7:00 PM**

LOCATION: City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT:
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Members of the public unable to attend a meeting but wishing to comment on an item(s) listed on the agenda may submit written comments prior to the public hearing via email to councilmtgitems@santamonica.gov or via mail to City Clerk, 1685 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica, California 90401. Written public comment submitted before 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be available for online viewing. All written comments shall be made part of the public record. Please note the agenda item number in the subject line of your written comments.

You may also comment in person at the City Council hearing. Please check the agenda for more detailed instructions on how to comment in person.

Address your comments to: City Clerk
Re: Temporary Uses Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance

VIA EMAIL: councilmtgitems@santamonica.gov
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Name Change

Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25SMCP00092 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Viloleta Carillo for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Viloleta Carillo with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Viloleta Carillo to Viloleta Carillo Moliner . 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 04/11/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: _ The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Courthouse 1725 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90401 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: Santa Monica Daily Press

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Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25NNCP00134 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Daniel Joseph Ebeling for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Daniel Joseph Ebeling with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Daniel Joseph Ebeling to Dan Joseph Ebeling . 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 04/24/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: E Room: _ The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Courthouse 600 E Broadway Ave Glendale, CA 91206 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: Santa Monica Daily Press

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Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25STCP00601 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Linda Sue Phillbrook for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Linda Sue Phillbrook with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Linda Sue Phillbrook to Linda LeSabre . 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 06/16/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept:45 Room: 529 The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Courthouse 111 North Hill St Los Angeles, CA 90012 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: Santa Monica Daily Press

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Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25SMCP00079 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Morgan Ann Kauffman for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Morgan Ann Kauffman with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Morgan Ann Kauffman to Morgan Kauffman Vogel . 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 04/04/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: _ The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica Courthouse 1725 Main St Santa Monica, Ca 90401 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: Santa Monica Daily Press

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Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25SMCP00069 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Giselle Reeve Hathcock for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Giselle Reeve Hathcock with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Giselle Reeve Hathcock to Lizzie Blue . 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 03/28/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: _ The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica Courthouse 1725 Main St Santa Monica, Ca 90401 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: Santa Monica Daily Press

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Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25SMCP00066 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Simi Kim Singh for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Simi Kim Singh with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Simi Kim Singh to Simi Kim Singh-Mitchell . 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 03/28/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: _ The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica Courthouse 1725 Main St Santa Monica, Ca 90401 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: Santa Monica Daily Press

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Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25SMCP00033 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Mary Adrienne Hunter for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Mary Adrienne Hunter with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Mary Adrienne Hunter to Adrienne HunterPomerantz . 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 03/21/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: _ The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica Courthouse 1725 Main St Santa Monica, Ca 90401 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: Santa Monica Daily Press

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Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25SMCP00049 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Karl Campanella-Dysart for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Karl Campanella-Dysart with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Karl Campanella-Dysart to Karl Dysart Campanella . 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 03/21/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: _ The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica Courthouse 1725 Main St Santa Monica, Ca 90401 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: Santa Monica Daily Press

Petition to Admin Estate

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: Joan B. Knecht CASE NUMBER: 25STPB01502 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of Joan B. Knecht, Sarah Joan Bittinger. A Petition for Probate has been filed by Kurt W. Knecht the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles-Stanley Mosk Courthouse. The Petition for Probate requests Kurt W. Knecht be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. The Petition requests the decedent's will codicils, if any be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: Date: March 14, 2025 Time: 8:30 a.m Dept. 44 Room - Address of Court: Stanley Mosk Courthouse 111 N. Hill St Los Angeles, CA 90012 If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Kurt W. Knecht SBN 175133 2442 Butler Ave Los Angeles, CA 90064. Tel (310) 625-4235 Email: kurtknecht1@hotmail.com



GUEST COMMENTARY

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Study tells California legislators to declare war on red tape — but will they?



Photo by Zaydee Sanchez for CalMatters

HOUSING: A building set to have forty apartment units with four retail stores is under construction at the intersection of Wilshire and 6th Street in Santa Monica. May 24, 2023.

Construction of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge and its more famous cousin, the Golden Gate Bridge, began in 1933, and both were carrying traffic by 1937.

The 1989 Loma Prieta Earthquake severely damaged the Bay Bridge, leading to a decision to replace its eastern section rather than merely repair or refit it.

However state and local politicians argued for more than a decade over design of the new section and how to pay for it. Construction finally began in 2002 and was finished 11 years later — nearly four times as long as the entire bridge took — at a cost of $6.5 billion, the costliest public works project in California history.

The Bay Bridge saga exemplifies how California, which once taught the world how to build things, lost its mojo by erecting so many political, legal and financial hurdles to getting things done.

Sixty-plus years ago, the state's water managers proposed a canal around the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta to complete the state project that carries water from the northern part of the state to the southern.

As the years rolled by, the project languished. Eventually it was revised to twin tunnels and more recently to a single tunnel, but construction, if it ever occurs, is still many years away.

Lesser projects suffer from the same political and procedural sclerosis. It can take years, or even decades, for large-scale housing projects, electric generation facilities and desalination plants to traverse the thickets of permits from federal, state and local agencies. Even small housing projects are subject to lengthy entanglements in red tape as costs escalate.

A newly released report from a special legislative committee declares that to deal with housing, homelessness, water supply and climate change issues, California "will need to facilitate new construction at an unprecedented scale.

"This includes millions of housing units, thousands of gigawatts of clean energy generation, storage, and transmission capacity, a million electric vehicle chargers

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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Win-win for the Civic

Dear Editor,

The Santa Monica Conservancy believes that our city has a once-in-a-generation opportunity to revitalize the historic Civic Auditorium as a destination performing arts venue. The process starts with support for an Exclusive Negotiating Agreement (ENA) with RPG Group.

Councilmember Zwick's recent letter outlining alternatives to revitalization, along with the well-considered rebuttals to keep the historic building offered by Save the Civic, Jack Hillbrand (Landmarks Commissioner), and John Smith (Recreation and Parks Commissioner), illustrate the challenges ahead to reach a successful proposal for the Civic Auditorium that benefits our city economically, culturally, environmentally, and artistically.

I had an opportunity to speak with Councilmember Zwick about the issues he raises and briefly discuss how these could be addressed in solutions for a vibrant performance venue that celebrates the historic building including: flexibility for designs that adapt and reuse the historic spaces, opportunities for new development on the site that respond to the street fronts and local urban character, commitment to prioritize equity and access, and creation of meaningful economic benefit for the City. We discussed how innovative and successful historic rehabilitation projects respect and preserve historical integrity while incorporating contemporary uses and functional elements that can transform beloved old buildings into exceptional new ones.

The RPG Group is a highly experienced consortium of investors with strong ties to the entertainment industry and a proven track record. They are prepared to secure the funding needed to revitalize the Civic Auditorium as a world-class performance venue if given time and consideration in developing a feasibility assessment and design proposal that fits the complex requirements of this project and the needs of our community. We should endorse their request for an ENA as considerable economic benefits to the city will accompany their success. And, success is not guaranteed. If after a thorough effort the RPG Group decides not to go forward, that is the time to consider alternative land uses.

The Santa Monica Conservancy supports both RPG's and City Council's efforts to make this a "win-win" for our community. Santa Monica's Civic Auditorium can again provide a unique cultural experience for residents and visitors alike with its rich history not only in music and entertainment but also in appearances by Martin Luther King and other civil rights leaders. Let's not allow this opportunity slip away. A revitalized Civic Auditorium not only helps our city financially but reclaims Santa Monica's position as a regional cultural destination.

Kaitlin Drisko, Executive Director Santa Monica Conservancy

STUDY

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and thousands of miles of transit, and thousands of climate resiliency projects to address drought, flooding and sea level rise, and changing habitats."

However, it continues, "each of these projects will require a government-issued permit before they can be built — and some will require dozens! Therefore, only if governments consistently issue permits in a manner that is timely, transparent, consistent, and outcomes-oriented will we be able to address our housing and climate crises. Unfortunately, for most projects, the opposite is true. They face permitting processes that are time consuming, opaque, confusing, and favor process over outcomes."

The Legislature itself erected many of these procedural barriers — most notably by passing the California Environmental Quality Act more than a half-century ago — and the Legislature is controlled by regulation-prone Democrats, so it's remarkable that such a report would be issued.

The California Assembly Select Committee on Permitting Reform spent months talking to those who have been affected by California's permit-happy system, as well as experts on specific kinds of projects, before reaching a conclusion that sounds like it came from conservative Republicans.

"It is too damn hard to build anything in California," Assemblywoman Buffy Wicks, an Oakland Democrat who chaired the committee, said in a statement. "Our broken permitting system is driving up the cost of housing, the cost of energy, and even the cost of inaction on climate change.

"If we're serious about making California more affordable, sustainable, and resilient, we have to make it easier to build housing, clean energy, public transportation, and climate adaptation projects. This report makes it clear: the system isn't working, and it's on us to fix it."

Yes it is — and we'll see whether the report has legs or winds up in the discard bin like so many other governance reform proposals.

By Dan Walters. This story was originally published by CalMatters. Sign up for their newsletters.

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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Politicians that assail judges and lawful court rulings are not making California any safer

BRETT R. ALLDREDGE

As a California trial court judge who just retired after serving for 30 years, it was particularly disheartening to read some of the recent comments from San Francisco's elected district attorney, Brooke Jenkins. She not only disagreed with a lawful judicial ruling, but she chose to blame almost the entire county's judiciary for jeopardizing public safety.

"The majority of (San Francisco) judges do not treat drug dealing as a serious crime," Jenkins said. Absent any claim of professional impropriety, she described "a culture of judges" allowing criminals "to use this courthouse as a revolving door."

These accusations were soon followed by comments from Riverside County's elected sheriff, Chad Bianco, when he announced his plans to run for governor.

"We have been infected by liberal judges appointed by a progressive, liberal governor or governors that are destroying our criminal justice system," he said, "and causing what to all of us is our biggest issue in California and that is rising crime, homelessness, drugs — all of those issues."

Such statements are not only intentional attacks on an entire independent judiciary, they reflect a limited understanding of how public safety and justice are gained and preserved in our communities.

Throughout my career, I have been privileged to know over a hundred of my colleagues throughout the state. Plainly stated, Californians benefit from an exceptional judiciary. As distinguished members of the nation's largest court, they are incredibly dedicated, notably fair and impartial, well-educated and expertly trained.

Often working under enormous caseloads — while adjudicating amidst the most heartbreaking of human circumstances — the great majority uniformly acquit themselves with grace and honor by faithfully discharging their sworn duty to uphold California's laws and constitution.

It may be common for an arresting law

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COURT: Judge Brian J. Stretch presides over an arraignment for 'unlawful lodging' at the Hall of Justice in San Francisco on Nov. 27, 2024.

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LA County Extends Housing Price Gouging Protections

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved an extension of price gouging protections for housing through April 8 following January's wildfires.

Without the extension, current protections would have expired on March 9. The board previously increased the maximum civil penalty for price gouging to $50,000 per violation.

"Last week, Los Angeles County protected renters from eviction who were financially impacted by the wildfires and, today, we extend protections on price gouging for rental housing, short-term rentals, and hotel accommodations," said Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath. "No one should have to worry about losing their housing while trying to recover from a disaster."

The protections apply to rental housing, short-term rentals and hotel accommodations in areas affected by the January 2025 Los Angeles County Fires.

Residents facing excessive rent increases or other price gouging should report violations to the California Attorney General at oag.ca.gov/report or contact the Los Angeles County Department of Consumer and Business Affairs at 800-593-8222. Additional information is available at stoppricegouging.dcba.lacounty.gov.

For more information on Los Angeles County's emergency response efforts, residents can visit recovery.lacounty.gov.

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Countywide

Crisis Counseling Available to LA County Wildfire Survivors

Mental health resources are available for Los Angeles County residents experiencing emotional distress following January's wildfires.

The federally funded Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Program has been activated for disaster survivors. The program is administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in coordination with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

Los Angeles County residents can access mental health support and resources 24/7 through the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health at 800-854-7771. The department does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission and access to its services, programs or activities.

Additional resources include the Disaster Distress Helpline at 800-985-5990, CalHOPE Warm Line at 833-317-4673, and Crisis Text Line by texting "LA" to 741741.

For those experiencing thoughts of self-harm or harm to others, officials advise calling 911 immediately.

For information about California's recovery efforts, visit fema.gov/disaster/4856 or follow FEMA Region 9 on social media platforms. The state of California provides up-to-date information on disaster recovery programs at CA.gov/LAFires.

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Citywide

Santa Monica Seeks Applicants for New Committees

Santa Monica is seeking residents to serve on two newly established committees: the Measure GS Resident Oversight Committee and the Transit Security Advisory Committee.

The Measure GS committee, formed as a result of voter-approved funding for schools, homelessness prevention and affordable housing, will make recommendations regarding guidelines for the Homelessness Prevention and Affordable Housing Fund and the allocation of annual funding among programs.

The 11-member committee will include five seats with terms ending June 30, 2026, and six seats with terms ending June 30, 2028. Four members must be from lower-income households, including at least one rent subsidy program participant, one senior, one parent of minor children, and one person experiencing mental or physical challenges. At least one member must be formerly homeless.

Seven members may be of any income level but must include individuals with expertise in affordable housing financing, affordable housing development, legal matters, accounting and homelessness prevention.

All applicants must be Santa Monica residents. Registered lobbyists and persons working for organizations seeking funding from the Homelessness Prevention and Affordable Housing Fund are ineligible.

The Transit Security Advisory Committee will advise the Department of Transportation on implementing its prohibition order program, which aims to increase safety on the city's Big Blue Bus system by allowing temporary bans on disruptive passengers.

The five-member committee will include designated seats for someone with experience working with individuals with psychiatric, developmental or other disabilities; a youth advocate; and someone with law enforcement experience.

Applications for the Measure GS committee are due by noon on March 18, with City Council appointments scheduled for March 25. Transit Security Committee applications are due by April 15, with appointments set for April 22.

Several other city boards and commissions also have open seats, including the Human Services Commission, Disabilities Commission and Architecture Review Board. Applications are available at santamonica.gov.

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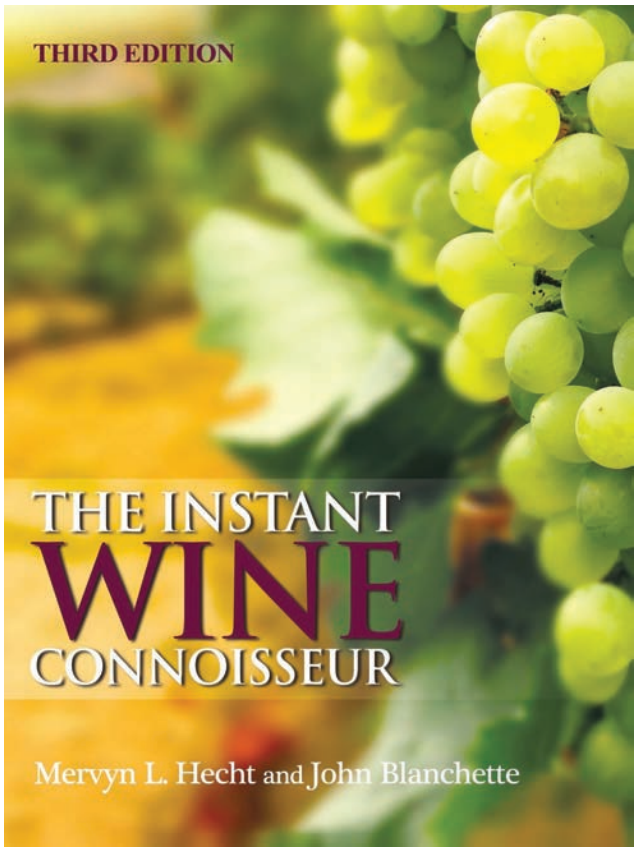
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Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.24STCP04135 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Sophia Margaret Rosetti for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Sophia Margaret Rosetti with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Sophia Margaret Rosetti to Sophia Margaret Cohen . 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 04/11/2025 Time: 10:00 a.m, Dept: 86 Room: 836 The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Courthouse 500 East Broadway Glendale, CA 91206 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: Santa Monica Daily Press

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Citywide

California Awards $300 Million for Traffic Safety Projects

Gov. Gavin Newsom announced nearly $300 million in funding for 288 traffic safety projects on city and county roads throughout California.

The projects, funded through the federal Highway Safety Improvement Program, aim to reduce traffic deaths and serious injuries across the state.

"We're making roads safer up and down the state with significant investments. I'm proud of the lifesaving work Caltrans has done to protect drivers, pedestrians, and bikers as they go about their daily commutes," Newsom said.

The California Department of Transportation is using the Safe System approach, which emphasizes multiple layers of protection including safer road designs, to achieve its goal of eliminating fatalities and serious injuries on state roadways by 2050.

"Under Governor Newsom's leadership, California remains committed to helping ensure that every Californian has access to safe and reliable transportation, no matter who they are or where they live," said California Transportation Secretary Toks Omishakin. "These investments highlight our people-first approach, because we know it will pay the most important dividend of all – their safety."

Safety improvement efforts will be distributed throughout the state, from Del Norte County in the north to San Diego County in the south.

Santa Monica will receive more than $1.2 million for pedestrian safety improvements at multiple intersections. Projects include installing pedestrian signals at Lincoln Boulevard and Hill Street, adding retroreflective backplates and protected left turns along Neilson Way, and installing rectangular rapid flashing beacons and curb extensions at several intersections along Ocean Avenue.

When feasible, Caltrans transportation projects will include "complete street" features that provide safe and accessible options for people walking, biking and taking transit.

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Citywide

Santa Monica Brew Works Joins Wildfire Relief Effort

Santa Monica Brew Works has joined more than 200 breweries across 25 states and four countries in brewing a special "We Love LA" beer to benefit those affected by January's Los Angeles wildfires.

The brewery will donate all designated proceeds to the Santa Monica Firefighters Relief Fund and United Way's Wildfire Response Fund. The beer, a 7.0% ABV Juicy IPA featuring Citra and Mosaic hops, will be available on draft and in 16-ounce cans beginning Friday, March 7.

"Santa Monica Brew Works is honored to join the craft beer community by participating in the WE LOVE LA initiative to help raise funds and coordinate support for those impacted by the LA wildfires," said Scott Francis, co-founder, president and CEO. "We will be donating all designated proceeds from the beer to help accelerate our neighbors' road to recovery."

Francis added, "We are continuously inspired by the courage of first responders and the resilience of our community."

Santa Monica Brew Works, established in 2014, is the first and only locally owned and operated production craft brewery on Los Angeles' Westside. The brewery's tasting room and beer garden are located at 1920 Colorado Avenue in Santa Monica.

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> - Scott Francis, co-founder, president and CEO

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ELECTRIC AIRCRAFT

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out there and we're flying this aircraft and once we get it certified and in the hands of our elite customers, including UPS, United Therapeutics, Bristow Group, Air New Zealand, they're the ones that are really going to figure out how to work that into their business models.

"From an operational cost perspective, from a maintenance cost perspective, and the simplicity of the aircraft, it is without a doubt something we have to help change. With the trajectory of climate change, and all other forms of transportation going electric, at Beta Technologies, we are leading the way in aviation on the electric side," Caputo said.

This impressive aeronautical accomplishment represents just another small step in the continuing evolution of the development of electric aircraft. Sadly, these early models are still too expensive for en masse retail, but as battery efficiency improves with every single aircraft iteration, that cost will only come down.

In October of last year, Eco-Aviation, a Santa Monica nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting all aspects of green aviation, including electric aircraft and sustainable airports, showed off the first FAA-certified electric aircraft, the Pipistrel Velis Electro, which has been contracted to the Proteus Flying School, based at Santa Monica Airport.

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MONDAY | MARCH 10

LANDMARKS COMMISSION
7 p.m. City Council Chambers, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main St. Established in 1975, the mission of the Landmarks Commission is "To protect improvements and areas which represent the City's cultural, social, economic, political and architectural history; safeguard the City's historic, aesthetic and cultural heritage; and promote the use of landmarks and historic districts for the education, pleasure and welfare of the people."

TUESDAY | MARCH 11

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FOR SENIORS AND THEIR CAREGIVERS
2 - 3 p.m. Community Room, Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave. Senior care advocates from Wise & Healthy Aging discuss how to make a plan, build a kit, and stay informed. Attendees will receive a free emergency kit upon completion, while supplies last.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CLUB
4:30 - 6 p.m. Multipurpose Room, Santa Monica Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. Join the adventure for one-shot sessions with characters you created, or pick up a ready-made character for the day's journey. All materials provided. For ages 9-14.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
5:30 p.m. City Council Chambers, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main St. The City Council is made up of seven members elected at-large for staggered four-year terms. Every two years, after each election, the City Council selects one of its members to serve as Mayor and another to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore. The City Council also sits as the following bodies for the City of Santa Monica: Housing Authority, Parking Authority, Public Financing, Redevelopment Successor Agency and Audit Subcommittee.

WEDNESDAY | MARCH 12

COMPUTER BASICS - ONLINE SAFETY:
10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Computer Training Room, Santa Monica Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. Tips and tricks to protect yourself from scams when working or playing online. For beginners.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS NEWCOMERS MEETING:
5:45 - 6:15 p.m. Colorado Center Community Room, 2500 Broadway. Do you have a problem with food or weight? Always struggling to diet or control your eating? Overeaters Anonymous might be for you. This newcomers meeting is open to all, at no charge. The primary purpose is to abstain from compulsive eating and compulsive food behaviors and to carry the message of recovery through the Twelve Steps of OA to those who still suffer.

LITERARY LOUNGE:
6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Tutoring Center, Santa Monica Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. Discover the joys of social reading at the Literary Lounge, a space for bibliophiles to bond over books with music and literary-inspired cocktails. Bring your own book or choose one from a collection of staff favorites. Supported by the Friends of the Santa Monica Public Library.

DISABILITIES COMMISSION
6:30 p.m. SMI Room, Civic Center Parking Structure, 333 Civic Center Dr. The Disabilities Commission helps improve the quality of life for people with disabilities in Santa Monica by prioritizing issues of concern and advising the City Council and City Staff on those issues. The Commission recommends ways to maximize participation of people with disabilities in all facets of City life and increase awareness of the abilities, rights and issues of people with disabilities throughout the community.

IALA'S ANNUAL NOWRUZ EVENT
6:30 - 10:30 p.m. 1212 Santa Monica, 1212 3rd Street Promenade. Celebrate the Persian New Year with IALA, featuring an open premium bar, gourmet dining, live DJ and dancing space. Tickets $85, to purchase visit: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ialas-annual-nowruz-event-tickets-1242749861289.

THURSDAY | MARCH 13

IMMIGRATION SERVICES OFFICE HOURS
12 - 2 p.m. Study Room 1, Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd. Come in for a free consultation on immigration services with an attorney from the nonprofit African Communities Public Health Coalition. This nonprofit organization offers free assistance with family-based immigration, including Petition for Alien Relative, VAWA and DACA. Services available on a first arrival basis.

TECH & TASKS
2 - 4 p.m. Tutoring Center, Santa Monica Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. Volunteer tutors provide help with reading documents or written tasks, using mobile devices, navigating government websites, filling out forms, using email, writing resumes and more.

KIDDIE KARAOKE
3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Community Room, Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave. Sing your favorite songs with friends. Celebrate Women's History Month with songs by your favorite female singers. For ages 5-11 years old.

LAND USE, DEVELOPMENT AND MOBILITY COMMITTEE
4 - 5 p.m. 2800 28th St. Suite 170. Focuses on issues influencing the operation of businesses in Santa Monica including permitting, zoning, parking and access. For more information, visit smchamber.com.

EMERITUS STUDENT PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION
5 - 6:30 p.m. Virtual. The Santa Monica College Emeritus exhibition opens with a Zoom event, featuring student photographers speaking about their work and will be hosted by Emeritus Gallery Curator Jesse Benson. For more information, visit: https://www.smc.edu/calendar/index.php#event-details/2196bbed-f893-4d34-a104-c1b5bd695a8e.

SANTA MONICA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
6 - 8 p.m. Community Room, Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave. This is a special meeting of the Library Board, the public is welcome to attend. Agenda and minutes available at https://www.santamonica.gov/events/4gqsy4jbpje7pwacs7ebjygs4y/202503131800.

JUDGE

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enforcement officer or local prosecutor to express their disappointment in a particular ruling or verdict, while simultaneously conveying respect for the process. But it is irresponsible, dangerous and the last refuge of the perpetually aggrieved to publicly and personally attack the legitimate rulings of a particular judge, much less disparage an entire body of them.

Real and sustained public safety and justice has and will forever elude those communities that allow one or two parties in the criminal justice system to posture themselves as their sole vanguards while every other essential justice partner — even an exemplary impartial judiciary — are called out as impediments to them having their way. If you listen to people whose redundant political play is to resurrect California's failed lost cause of relying on warrior law enforcement, prosecutions and mass incarceration to define public safety through brute force in their communities, it will remain forever unrealized.

It will deliver no peace, no safety, no justice.

Everyone wants to live and raise their children in safe neighborhoods. However, public safety is not static and cannot be narrowly defined by how many arrests, prosecutions and incarcerations are made after crimes have already been committed. It is found in those jurisdictions where elected officials dynamically cooperate as justice partners committed to preventing the next potentially harmful act before it happens.

These community alliances, created by statute over a decade ago as Community Corrections Partnerships, include a county's chief probation officer, county administrative officer, sheriff, district attorney, public defender, police chiefs, social service directors, court officials and members of the community. The successful groups genuinely recognize and respect each other's essential roles as collective guardians of public safety. They rely on smart, evidence-based strategies that are funded, implemented and continually reexamined to honestly assess what strategies work.

It is one of our state government's highest responsibilities to keep California communities safe. It has never been more important that all those sworn to preserve and protect, especially our elected officials, work cooperatively in their communities to achieve real public safety and justice.

It has also never been more important that they remain committed to supporting an independent judiciary and the rule of law.

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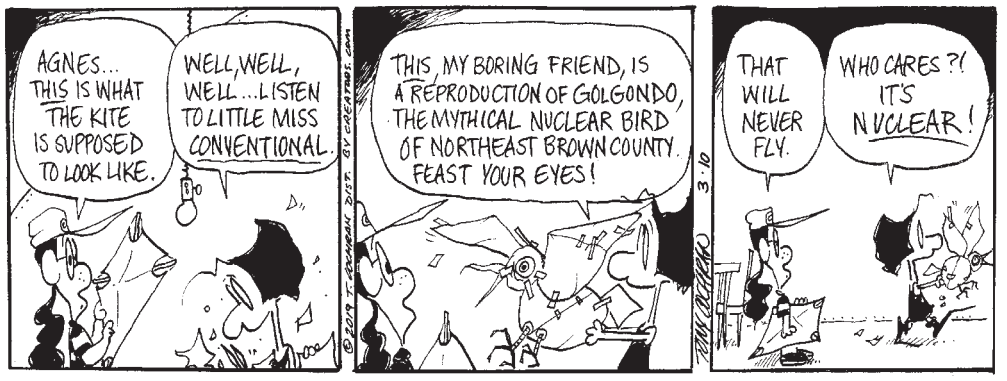
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FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 21 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Wonders on the water

T	R	E	A	D	W	A	T	E	R	O	S	I	O	N
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Bays	Exercise	Race	Starfish
Boat	Experience	Raft	Suntan
Boots	Fins	Regulator	Swim
Cautious	Jetskis	Relax	Tread water
Cave	Lagoons	Rips	Tube
Coral	Lake	River	Yacht
Dams	Mast	Rower	
Deep	Oars	Safety	
Delight	Ocean	Sand	

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You'll be cherished, admired and paid. You have the rare ability to make people feel seen in a way that goes beyond words, as if you understand their deepest, unspoken selves. More highlights: A playful rivalry keeps you sharp. A home upgrade improves daily life. A daring choice puts you exactly where you belong, and you'll give a speech about it, too. Scorpio and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 1, 20, 16 and 33.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll find yourself in circumstances that engage your senses. Notice what inspires you, and lean into it. Let the colors, sounds and textures around you pull you, grounding you in the here and now. It's in presence that life feels most vivid.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Reconciling contrasts will be a theme. For instance, you may work with good people who are terrible at their job or see evidence of personal devotion and social irresponsibility. Or you may be in a situation to love the player and hate the game.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Find out what appetites you're dealing with so you can better aim your efforts to serve. Success isn't just about quality; it's about resonance. When you understand what people crave, you can shape your work into something irresistible.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There's often something in a person's face - subtle tells, fleeting expressions and more - that reflects the soul. Trust what you sense; your intuition is picking up signals your mind hasn't fully translated yet. Gut feelings have accuracy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). People take their cues from you; if you make yourself small, they'll assume that's your size. If you go above and beyond, they'll expect it next time, too. Do what works for you, and see who that fits or who is willing to adjust to meet you there.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Small problems keep you on your toes, offering just enough challenge to keep you sharp. The good news? The answers you need are within reach - simple, accessible and well within your power to solve.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Experience has taught you much, and it has even more to teach you as memories connect in a new context today. The result will be moments of insight that surprise you and change the way you move forward.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Here comes the perspective shift that makes your life easier. No more longing. This is realism. Funnily enough, you arrive at this clear vantage point not through work, climbing or struggle, but through sleep. Rest is magic.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You know that if you're intrigued by a subject, there's a reason. So you have the courage to go deep. Depth brings mastery, meaning and satisfaction. The effort you make while following curiosity is less like work and more like purpose.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Stay out of the orbit of magnetic entities. Sure, charismatic people and addictive activities provide excitement or connection, but at what cost? You'll seize the chance to be more intentional with your energy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Have patience with yourself in the middle of a shift. You're now taking yourself more seriously, valuing your work, stepping into the light and making space for something new. Life will meet you halfway.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You are magnetic. You'll get evidence that you're the kind of person people remember, even years later, because you left something with them - something ineffable, something that made them feel more alive, more special, more capable of love.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

7	6	4	3	5	1	2	9	8
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9	1	7	5	4	2	6	8	3
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5	2	6	8	7	3	1	4	9

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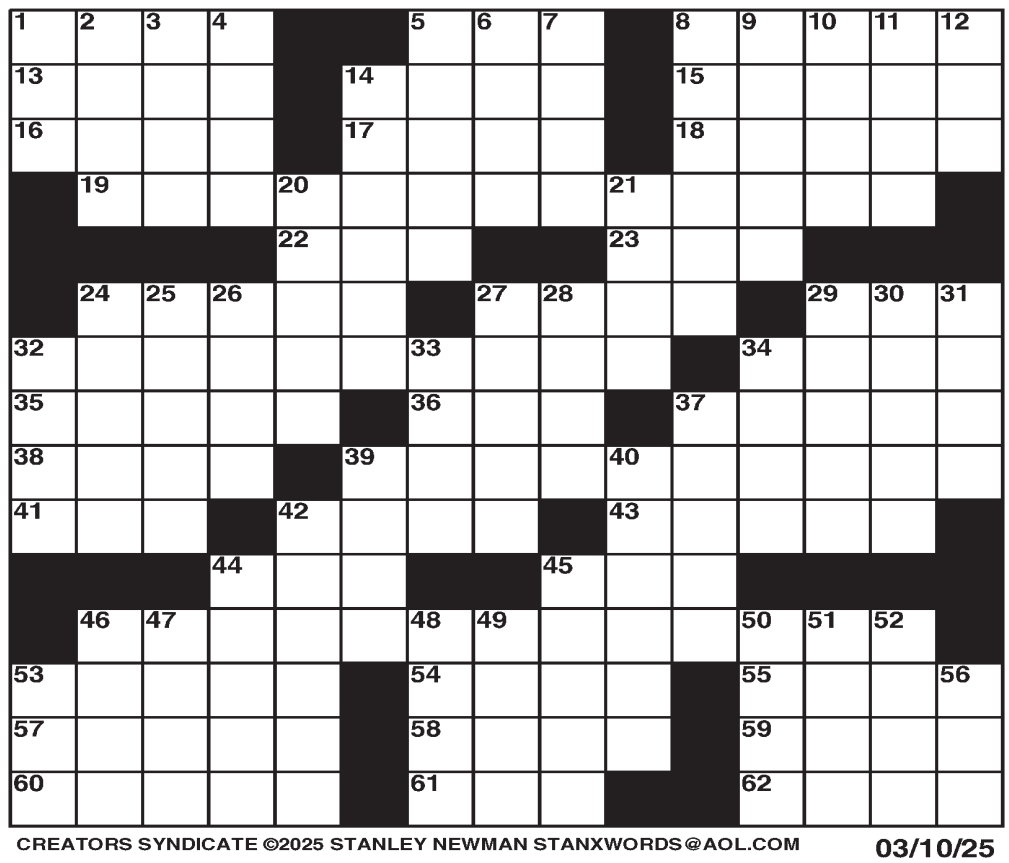
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ACROSS

1 Mellows, as cheese
5 __-mo video replay
8 Expenses
13 Military medal recipient
14 Those other people
15 No later than
16 Dry as a desert
17 Rant and __ (show anger)
18 Shabby, as a bar
19 Flexible strip with inch markings
22 Had a meal
23 CD-__ (computer disk)
24 Total trust in a person
27 Overly proper
29 Derby or beret
32 Soft accessory for holding needles
34 Sandwich shop
35 In first place
36 When a train is due in: Abbr.
37 Charming Southern woman
38 Jockey's strap
39 Tool for undoing stitches
41 PC's "get out" key
42 Cribs and cots
43 Pretentiously creative
44 Take to court
45 Superlative suffix
46 Electrical device for stitching
53 Sing in the Alps
54 Volcanic flow
55 Cowpoke's lariat
57 Strongly encouraged
58 Figure skating leap
59 Unlock
60 Is introduced to
61 Criticize, informally
62 Requirement

DOWN

1 "NOW I understand!"
2 Antiseptic target
3 A Great Lake
4 Any carbonated beverage
5 Let others have some of
6 Strauss of blue jeans
7 Prophetic sign
8 Tailor-made, as clothing
9 An hour after midnight: Abbr.
10 Rung of a ladder
11 Ocean's rise or fall
12 Crafty
14 Factual statements
20 Stopped slouching in a chair
21 Big smile
24 Monetary penalties
25 Playful prank
26 Phone app image
27 Breads with pockets
28 Rove around
29 Lends a hand
30 Bowling lane
31 Stadium seating level
32 Read closely, with "over"
33 Follow, as advice
34 Company division: Abbr.
37 Maternity ward event
39 (Had) witnessed
40 Mischievous person
42 Constructs, as a house
44 Sugary
45 Roof overhangs
46 A sight for __ eyes
47 Border line
48 Feeling pleased
49 Long skirt
50 Skirt-pressing appliance
51 Informal refusal
52 Fencing sword
53 "Very tasty!"
56 Conclusion



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