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Despite delays, officials insist 4th Street pickleball installation will open this month

SCOTT SNOWDEN
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Four months after selecting a pickleball project to fill the vacant lot where Parking Structure 3 used to sit, the land, and city coffers, remain empty as the chosen vendors have yet to break ground on their evolving project and no rent is being paid on the location.

Exactly what will emerge on the empty lot is still in doubt as the project's description has evolved and permit applications differ from some of the verbal descriptions of the current proposal.

Despite the lack of progress, DTSM CEO Andrew Thomas and Santa Monica City Economic Development Manager Jennifer Taylor both said recently that they expect the pickleball courts to open on 4th Street this month.

The saga began following the sudden withdrawal of Haibu in July 2024 and the abandonment of their plan to build a 360-degree immersive dome in the space. A new Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued in September of last year culminating with two business organizations competing for the space. The first was a New York City-based company called CityPickle, that operates 34 courts across seven venues in New York City and Philadelphia.

The second was a newly formed partnership between the co-owners of Pickle Pop at 1231 3rd Street (Stephanie McCaffrey and Erin Robertson), the co-owners of Pickletown at 1803 Lincoln Blvd (Mary Pat Faley and Ilene Feldman)

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Small bracelets make a big impact for students at Grant



Matthew Hall

FUNDRAISER: A class project at Grant helped raise money for the Red Cross.

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

While processing their feelings about the still burning wildfires in January, a group of first grade students decided they needed to do more than just talk about the problems prompting the young students to develop a class fundraiser that culminated with a class visit and check presentation to the Red Cross last week.

The students in Laura Meshel's first grade class at Grant Elementary decided they were "better together" during their discussions and they took that phrase as the theme of their project. The group began making beaded bracelets that they then sold.

"We were sitting down and we talked about that what we felt bad about are the homes that got (burned) down, that we were scared … so we wanted to make, raise, money, and we decided to make bracelets, and we sell them here and at JAMS," said student Aaliyah Eure.

Meshel said that as a project based learning school, the opportunity to work on a fundraiser was something that fits with the school's natural philosophy. When the students decided they wanted to make bracelets, she was able to integrate the beading with science, social studies and math.

"This is one of our projects, and it was a very authentic, organic project. It came up out of nowhere," she said.

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Homelessness top of mind for Council meeting

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

The business items of Tuesday's City Council meeting are short in number but long in substance as a discussion of local efforts to combat homelessness will dominate the agenda.

The only action item on the agenda is for Council to receive the Homelessness Strategic Plan and Renters' Protections Program, approve the Human Services Division Reorganization Plan and adopt a Classification and Salary Resolution.

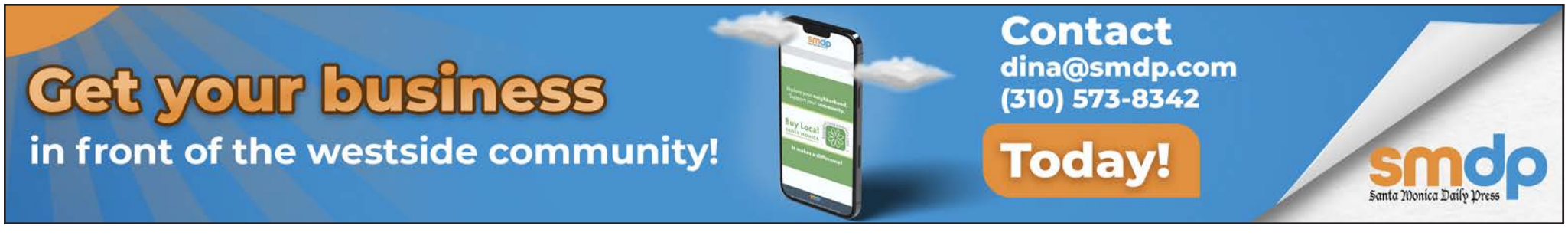
Santa Monica recently completed a five-year Homelessness Strategic Plan spanning 2025-2030, building upon recommendations from a 2023 study by Moss Adams LLP to address the city's ongoing homeless crisis.

The plan establishes a framework based on the city's "Four Pillars" approach to homelessness, with a strong emphasis on prevention efforts. A key component includes a new Renters' Protection Program designed to prevent homelessness by helping residents maintain stable housing.

Following City Council direction in August 2023, officials contracted Fetterman Dunn Consulting to evaluate renter protection options. Their recommendations will expand the existing Right to Counsel Program and create a new Flexible Financial Assistance Program to help Santa Monica renters facing eviction due to legal issues or inability to pay rent.

To implement these initiatives, officials propose creating a dedicated Homeless Prevention and Intervention Division within the Housing and Human Services Department, adding three new staff

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Bipartisanship is rare in the California Legislature. Here are the bills breaking the divide



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GOVERNMENT: Lawmakers during the first Assembly floor session of the year at the state Capitol in Sacramento on Jan. 6, 2025.

In these hyper-partisan times, Democrats and Republicans can't seem to agree on much. That includes the members of the California Legislature.

Of the 2,278 bills lawmakers submitted by the deadline last week, only 11 had Republicans and Democrats as joint lead authors, according to a CalMatters analysis of the Digital Democracy database.

Another 41 bills had bipartisan "co-authors" and "principal co-authors," designations that are more symbolic since a bill's lead authors and their staffs are expected to marshal the legislation through to the governor's desk.

Authors and co-authors can still be added to bills later in the year. But taken together, these early bipartisan bills represent less than 1% of all the legislation filed so far this session. The figure perhaps isn't surprising, given ever-rising partisan acrimony and Democrats having a supermajority in the California Legislature.

"You know, at the end of the day, we as Democrats also represent a significant portion of Republicans, as well as no party preference, as well as independents and much more," said Sen. Aisha Wahab, a progressive Democrat from Fremont who co-authored a bill this year with Republican Sen. Kelly Seyarto of Murrieta.

Wahab's Bay Area district is only 15% Republican and she said she and Seyarto don't agree on many other issues. But she liked his bill, a version of which failed last year, to help police recruitment efforts by giving officers more time to finish new mandatory college requirements.

CALIFORNIA'S EARLY BIPARTISAN BILLS

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OPINION

UNMUTED

Devan Sipher

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American Crime Story

When a Mafioso demands protection payments, it's customary to provide the victim with protection afterward. So I give the President of the United States credit for the novelty and audacity of publicly shaking down Ukraine for the rights to its rare earth minerals without offering security in exchange.

To be fair, at the press conference with the leader of Ukraine, the President referred repeatedly to wanting "raw earth" rather than the "rare earth minerals" (such as lithium and uranium) that had previously been demanded. It's hard to know what the President meant, but perhaps he was only asking for Ukrainian dirt, in which case, it was appropriate that he and the Vice President chose to dish dirt in return.

Their bullying disdain made for an extraordinary display of the new administration's version of statecraft, and the unflattering video clips ricocheted around the world. This isn't the way a democratically elected leader treats a beleaguered ally; it's historically the way a lord might treat an insufficiently deferential vassal or supplicant, and, particularly, a Jewish one.

There's no way to know if President Zelensky's religion played a role in his denigration, but I found it hard to watch the exchange without thinking back (before the state of Israel) to centuries of Jewish leaders bowing to overseers so that their community might be permitted to remain on their parcel of land. It's an imperfect analogy but an unsettling one.

The timing was also unsettling, given the proximity to the third anniversary of Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Vigils commemorating the start of the war were organized across the U.S. by Ukrainian American communities, and Los Angeles happens to be home to one of the largest. In Santa Monica, more than a thousand people gathered on February 23 for a rally at City Hall organized by the Stand With Ukraine Foundation. Blue and yellow Ukrainian flags billowed beside American ones as participants lamented three years of death and destruction, including the personal loss of family members for many attendees.

"It's shameful," said State Sen. Ben Allen, who was one of the speakers, as he voiced his solidarity with the crowd and denounced the White House's recent actions. "Our speaking up on this issue has never been more important, with American leaders trying to rewrite history and siding with autocrats like Putin," the senator stated afterward.

It was 87 years ago when another Eastern European country, Czechoslovakia, was forced to accept territorial concessions to a belligerent neighbor. In 1938, Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister of England, made a deal with Germany that he described as providing "peace for our time," and if he meant peace for six months, then he was accurate. Because it was only six months after Chamberlain approved Germany's annexation of roughly 25% of Czechoslovakia that Hitler invaded to claim the remainder of the country and ignited World War II.

The President seemed to have been recently briefed on the topic, because he repeatedly warned about the possibility of World War III—and castigated Ukraine for potentially instigating it. Which is like blaming Czechoslovakia for World War II, an odd lesson to draw from the historic parallel of appeasing a war-mongering country.

Still, you don't make peace with friends, and the President has a point that calling Putin a war criminal isn't the best way to bring him to the negotiating table. I wish I could report the President made other valid points, but I watched the entire press conference and the truth is that it was a travesty long before the flares of temper that went viral.

Zelensky made tactical errors as well as syntactical ones. (English isn't his first language.) Some might also say it was undiplomatic to correct some of his host's misstatements in public. But it was the President of the United States who dared to criticize the besieged nation of Ukraine for being hostile to the nation besieging it.

The President proceeded to preen over fawning questions from far-right media outlets, disseminate disinformation about the 2024 vote count and denigrate his predecessor, before explaining why he was confident he could end the war. "I've stopped many wars," he claimed. "My people will tell you, I stop wars that nobody ever heard about."

It was the absurd apotheosis of his vanity, immaturity and hyperbole. But I'm grateful if his staff is pumping him up with tales of his derring-do ending wars we've never heard of, because it might protect us from him starting the wars we most fear.

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Tuesday: Rain likely. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 59. East wind 5 to 10 mph, with gusts as high as 15 mph.
Tuesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51. East wind 5 to 10 mph becoming north northeast in the evening.
Wednesday: A 50 percent chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 57. East northeast wind 5 to 10 mph.
Wednesday Night: Rain. Low around 50. Chance of precipitation is 100%.

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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

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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.

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Re: Economic Recovery IZO Amendments

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Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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Trump loves Gilded Age tariffs. It was a great time for the rich but not for the many

In President Donald Trump's idealized framing, the United States was at its zenith in the 1890s, when top hats and shirtwaists were fashionable and typhoid fever often killed more soldiers than combat.

It was a time of rapid population growth and transformation from an agricultural economy toward a sprawling industrial system, in which poverty was widespread while barons of phenomenal wealth held tremendous sway over politicians who often helped further grow their financial empires.

"We were at our richest from 1870 to 1913. That's when we were a tariff country. And then they went to an income tax concept," Trump said days after taking office. "It's fine, it's OK. But it would have been very much better."

The desire to recreate the Gilded Age is fueled by Trump's fondness for tariffs. It's also why he praises the nation's 25th president, William McKinley, a Republican who was in office from 1897 until being assassinated in 1901.

> The most astonishing thing for historians is that nobody in the Gilded Age economy — except for the very rich — wanted to live in the Gilded Age economy
>
> - Richard White

Experts on the era say Trump, also a Republican, is idealizing a time rife with government and business corruption, social turmoil and inequality. They also argue he's dramatically overestimating the role tariffs played in stimulating the economy.

"The most astonishing thing for historians is that nobody in the Gilded Age economy — except for the very rich — wanted to live in the Gilded Age economy," said Richard White, a history professor emeritus at Stanford University.

Trump says high tariffs and low interest rates, like those the U.S. had after the Civil War, can hastily pay down today's federal debt and fatten government coffers while boosting domestic manufacturers and enticing foreign producers to move to the U.S.

The White House has rushed to raise tariffs on imports from China and on aluminum and steel made abroad while promising import levies will soon increase on new, foreign-made cars, microchips and pharmaceuticals. Trump also increased tariffs on Canada and Mexico, though he later delayed most of them.

Trump has similar plans for potentially every country the U.S. does business with, saying broad "reciprocal" import taxes are coming April 2 and will be consistent with levies other countries charge U.S. manufacturers to export their goods.

Was America really at its wealthiest from 1870 to 1913?

The Gilded Age featured extraordinary wealth for a small class of people that largely obscured rampant poverty for many other Americans. Many contemporary politicians were openly influenced by the famed robber barons, builders of monopolies who stoked industrialization while shaping the way millions of other Americans lived and worked.

Overall, the U.S. economy grew rapidly between 1870 and 1913. Some historians call it the second industrial revolution because of major increases in manufacturing and factory output.

But White said that those years were marked by erratic economic growth and that upturns were mostly fueled by millions of immigrants joining the U.S. workforce. Another factor was the seizing of land from Native Americans during U.S. expansion west. That meant exploiting natural resources along the way.

"This is the height of antimonopoly, political turmoil, the rise of labor in the United States," said White, author of "The Republic for Which it Stands: The United States during Reconstruction and the Gilded Age, 1865-1896." "And the reason was, people did not regard this as a particularly healthy economy."

Why does Trump revere McKinley?

In his inaugural address, Trump called McKinley a "great president" and "natural business man," who he said "made our country very rich through tariffs and through talent." Hours later, Trump signed an executive order overturning an Obama administration directive and renaming America's tallest peak Mount McKinley.

But today's economy is immeasurably different than in McKinley's time.

Back then, products were often fully assembled before being exported, and shipping could take months. Today's goods often contain raw material components or parts that need to be assembled, that come from all over the world. Supply chains are calibrated based on instantaneous communications.

McKinley was a congressman representing a steel-producing Ohio district known as the "Napoleon of Protectionism." He championed the Tariff Act of 1890, which set the then-highest import tax in U.S. history.

"It led to an increase in prices, a kind of inflation, even before the bill took effect," said Robert Merry, author of "President McKinley: Architect of the American Century." "The argument was, it was carte blanche for retailers and industrialists who basically jacked up

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Citywide

New Hollywood String Quartet to Perform March 19

Chamber Music Palisades will present the acclaimed New Hollywood String Quartet on Wednesday, March 19, at 8 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Santa Monica.

The quartet features Tereza Stanislav and Rafael Rishik on violin, Robert Brophy on viola, and Andrew Shulman on cello. Susan Greenberg, artistic director and co-founder of Chamber Music Palisades, will join on flute.

The program includes Turina's String Quartet in D minor, Mozart's Quartet in D Major for flute and strings, and Tchaikovsky's String Quartet No. 1 in D major. KUSC host Alan Chapman will provide in-person program notes.

Tickets cost $35 and are available online at cmpalisades.org or at the door. Free parking is available across 11th Street. Free admission is offered for full-time students with ID.

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Citywide

Rotary Club Accepting Applications for Community Grants

The Rotary Club of Santa Monica is accepting applications for its Community and Youth Grants program through March 21 at 5 p.m.

Grants ranging from $500 to $3,500 are available to non-profit organizations serving the Santa Monica community. Funds may be requested for sustainable projects including construction materials, equipment, and program expenses.

Organizations must provide proof of 501(c)(3) status and verify that funds will benefit Santa Monica residents or align with Rotary's service mission. Funds are not available for operating expenses, salaries, fundraising events or political activities.

Application instructions are available at rotaryclubofsantamonica.org/grants. Questions and submissions should be directed to admin@rotaryclubofsantamonica.org

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The Pier

Santa Monica Pier Offers Free Historical Tour March 13

The Santa Monica Pier will host "A Talk Through Pier History," a free storytelling event on Thursday, March 13, from 6-7 p.m. at the Merry Go-Round Building.

Jim Harris, author and Santa Monica Pier executive director and historian, will share untold stories and milestones that shaped the iconic landmark. Attendees will have a rare opportunity to tour the second-story apartments where celebrities like Marilyn Monroe, Charlie Chaplin and Clark Gable once visited or lived.

The Santa Monica Pier, which opened in 1909, welcomes more than 12 million visitors annually.

The event is free, but seating is limited. Reservations are encouraged at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-talk-through-pier-history-tickets-1273135425329. Harris's book "Santa Monica Pier: America's Last Great Pleasure Pier" will be available for purchase.

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Los Angeles

Roy Launches Campaign for Los Angeles City Attorney

Consumer protection attorney Marissa Roy has announced her campaign for Los Angeles City Attorney with endorsements from several local officials.

Roy, currently a Deputy Attorney General at the California Department of Justice, previously served as a Deputy City Attorney in the same office she hopes to lead.

"I'm running to be a City Attorney for the People," Roy said. "I know the work that needs to be done to protect Angelenos and be a City Attorney who is competent, ethical, courageous, and effective."

As a Deputy City Attorney, Roy brought a wage theft lawsuit against companies at the Port of Los Angeles. She later worked on legal actions against the Trump Administration to protect sanctuary cities and defend DACA recipients.

Roy's supporters include Supervisor Lindsey Horvath, Councilmembers Eunisses Hernandez and Ysabel Jurado, Senators Caroline Menjivar and Lola Smallwood-Cuevas, and Assemblymembers Tina McKinnor and Sade Elhawary.

A Los Angeles County native, Roy graduated from USC and Yale Law School. The primary election is scheduled for June 2, 2026.

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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).

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positions funded by Measure GS revenue without impacting the General Fund.

The report notes that Santa Monica faces unique challenges due to its location, with 40% of Los Angeles County's homeless population residing in the surrounding area. Many people experiencing homelessness in Santa Monica did not become homeless in the city but arrive via public transportation from nearby areas.

Staff are requesting the Council extend the Local Emergency on Homelessness proclamation to December 31, 2026, and are considering an ordinance that would ensure all Santa Monica tenants have access to legal services when facing eviction by 2030, with financial assistance available to those earning below 80% of the area median income.

The five-year implementation timeline will allow officials to assess ongoing funding needs and evaluate program performance.

RANKED CHOICE VOTING

Other items on the agenda come from various Councilmembers asking for future discussions.

Procedural changes are among the requested items: one addressing electronic presentations during public comment and another updating the ranked choice voting process for commission appointments.

Under the proposed rule change for public comment, residents who choose to use electronic presentations during Council meetings would do so at their own risk, with no guarantees about technology functioning properly. If a presentation fails to work after one minute, commenters could either continue their attempt or restart their timer and address the Council directly.

Currently, the public must submit electronic presentations by noon on meeting days. The City displays these on its equipment but prohibits residents from connecting personal laptops to the system for cybersecurity reasons.

The second proposed change involves the ranked choice voting process for board and commission appointments. After Council approved this approach in January, the City Clerk selected rankedchoices.com for implementation. However, this platform uses the Weighted Inclusive Gregory Method (WIGM), which differs from the voting process Council initially adopted.

The WIGM calculates votes by adding the number of councilmembers who selected a nominee as their first choice to those who chose them as second, third, or subsequent choices, with each lower ranking given approximately two-thirds the weight of the previous ranking. The amendment would formally incorporate this voting method into Council rules.

LANDMARKS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Three councilmembers are requesting staff develop options to implement additional recommendations from a landmark preservation report focused on social justice considerations.

Councilmembers Dan Hall, Jesse Zwick, and Caroline Torosis have submitted an item for the March 11 meeting asking council to direct the Interim City Manager to return within one year with implementation options and costs for two specific recommendations from "A Place for Everyone in Santa Monica's History."

The initiative stems from a June 2022 case where council reversed the landmark designation of a property owned by a leading proponent of racist real estate practices. That decision prompted a two-year collaboration between the Landmarks Commission, staff, the Committee for Racial Justice, and community stakeholders to develop an expanded framework for evaluating historic landmarks.

While council approved implementation of three recommendations in February that required no additional resources, this new motion focuses on two more substantive changes: ensuring landmark nominations investigate owners and occupants more thoroughly, and creating city guidelines for interpreting landmark criteria with special guidance on uncovering previously underrecognized groups.

The councilmembers emphasized their intent is to encourage neutral examination of historic sites through a broader social justice lens inclusive of race, gender, orientation, veteran status, and other protected classes, providing equal opportunity for both landmark designations and appeals.

BAN ON ALGORITHMIC RENTAL PRICE-FIXING SOFTWARE

Three councilmembers are proposing an ordinance to ban algorithmic rental price-fixing software following reports of rent gouging in the aftermath of January's devastating firestorms.

Councilmember Torosis, Councilmember Raskin and Councilmember Hall have requested the City Attorney draft legislation within 60 days prohibiting software like YieldStar and RealPage, which allow landlords to share non-public information about rental rates and occupancy to coordinate pricing.

The proposal comes as the region faces a housing crisis exacerbated by the destruction of over 10,000 residential structures in Los Angeles County. The Los Angeles Tenants Union has identified more than 500 property listings where rents suddenly increased, some doubling despite state emergency rules capping increases at 10%.

In August 2024, the U.S. Department of Justice and several state attorneys general filed an antitrust lawsuit against RealPage and participating landlords, alleging the pricing algorithm enables illegal coordination of rents. The Federal Trade Commission and DOJ also issued a legal brief in March 2024 stating that price-fixing through algorithms violates antitrust laws.

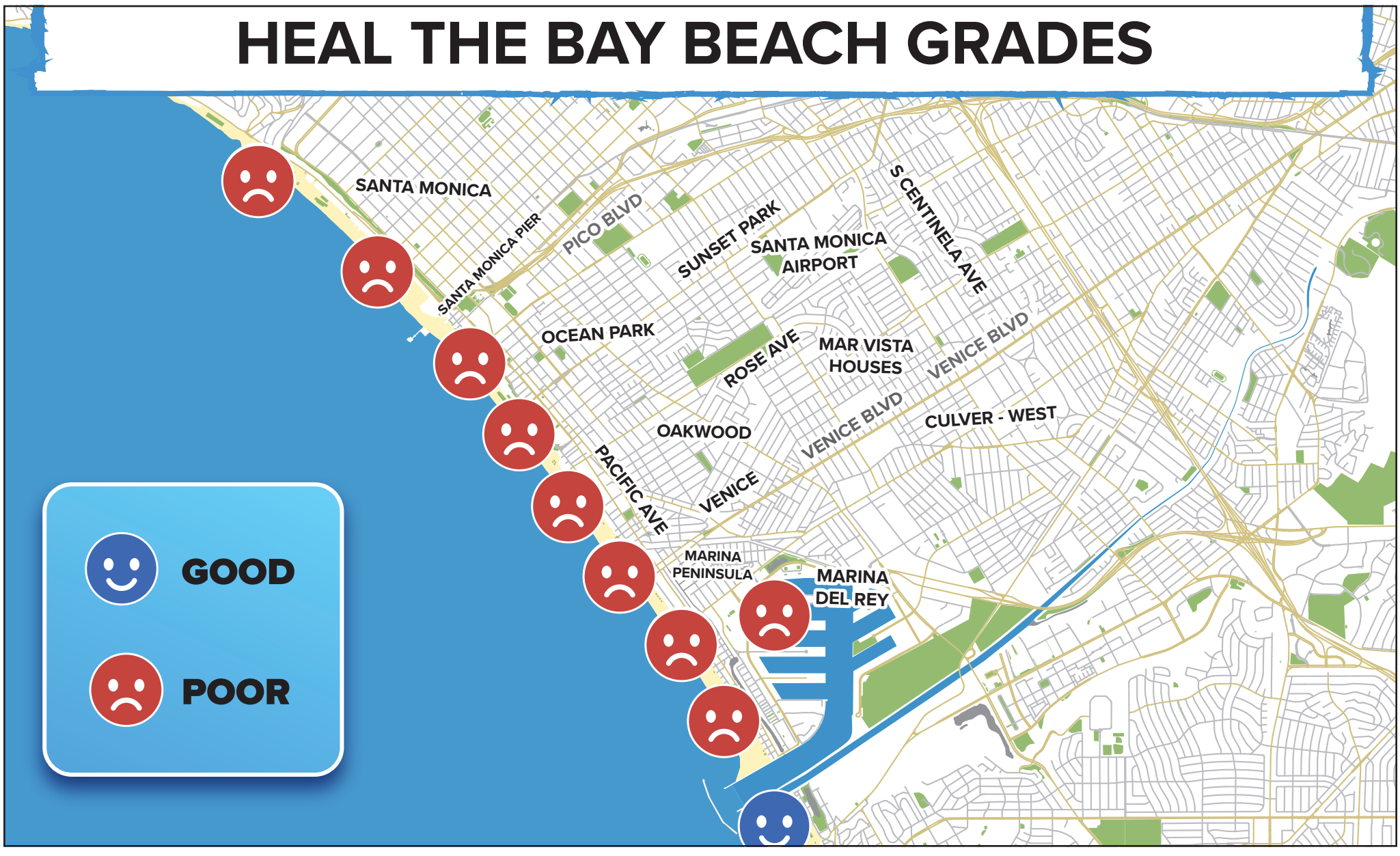
The councilmembers' proposal would include enforceable penalties for landlords who continue using such software, reinforcing Santa Monica's 45-year commitment to rent stabilization and tenant protections.

DOUBLE PARKING PROBLEMS

Councilmembers Zwick and Snell are asking the City Council to direct the City Manager and City Attorney to advance curbside management measures that would reduce congestion, enhance safety, and mitigate double parking. These measures should include drafting an ordinance for City Council consideration that would establish a legal framework and fee schedule for a smart loading zone pilot program, exploring a public-private partnership for curb management incorporating available technology, and presenting options and tradeoffs to Council for consideration.

Council meets at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall, 1685 Main Street. Meetings are also available on the City's YouTube channel.

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DTSM

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and the owner of the Pickleball Center at 2505 Wilshire Blvd (Jonathan Neeter). At this point, the collaboration was calling itself Pickle Padel Paw.

The former proposed a concept with nine pickleball courts together with space for three food and beverage trucks and outdoor seating, generating a total income of approximately $1.4 million.

The latter ultimately offered a modified proposal that included four pickleball courts, two padel courts, beer garden seating, a food stand area and a "premium dog park." Dogdrop, a venture capital backed dog daycare center founded in Los Angeles, was set to be the operational advisor of the canine component. According to their presentation, they also intended to partner with local food and beverage operators, including Heavy Handed, Santa Monica Brew Works and Thirst Trap Cocktails.

Pickle Padel Paw, they estimated a projected total annual revenue for the concept to be an ambitious $2.9 million with an initial goal of opening in early February.

A selection committee consisting of DTSM and City staff made a decision to recommend CityPickle, not Pickle Padel Paw and on September 24, 2024, DTSM notified CityPickle that they had been recommended as the winning bidder. The very next day, DTSM changed their stated RFP process and re-invited Pickle Padel Paw back into the process.

The proposals were seen by DTSM's own Marketing & Business Development Committee and after this meeting, the offer to CityPickle was rescinded and instead given to Pickle Padel Paw. Unlike RFP pitches in the past, the process of the committee narrowing down the contenders before a final vote is taken after the top selections actually present to the directors, was not followed and the board's vote only served as a formality.

In January of this year, Pickle Padel Paw – now calling itself Santa Monica Pickleball and Padel, LLC – instigated a lawsuit against its collaborative partner, Pickletown, alleging interference with a city development project.

McCaffrey claimed in the lawsuit that Pickletown owners Faley and Feldman initially agreed to invest $200,000 each in the project but backed out after the contract was awarded in November. Despite withdrawing, the defendants allegedly continued to interfere by demanding ownership stakes and attempting to control pricing.

As of March 4, that lawsuit was scheduled for dismissal

"The parties have agreed to go their separate ways, claiming no interest in the other's business, denying all allegations made against the other, and wishing nothing but good fortune to the other. Neither party, by issuing this statement, is admitting to any fact, matter, or thing," said a statement from the plaintiffs.

In the meantime, the permit application changed to incorporate "eight paddle sports courts" not six, with no mention of a dog park or any food and beverage outlets. Shaina Denny, CEO of Dogdrop said that she had not heard anything more about this project "for quite some time."

During the February 27 meeting of the DTSM board of directors, both Thomas and Taylor said McCaffrey had claimed one of her primary contractors had been impacted by the recent wildfires and as of Monday, March 10, no work whatsoever has been started on the site. Moreover, there has been no activity or updates on the City's publicly accessible permitting site regarding this project since December of last year and its current status reads, "a resubmittal is required."

Taylor also confirmed that Santa Monica Pickleball and Padel, LLC have not been paying rent on the site during this time. In stark contrast, the Haibu Media Group was asked to pay rent on the 1318 4th Street site without fail despite having setbacks of its own. Taylor said that the rent agreement had been organized through DTSM and that this was an attempt to offer some assistance.

The problem, according to Martin Ronzio-Garcia, Business & Community Development Manager for DTSM, is that padel courts require 14 ft-high back walls that are made of plexiglass. "What the move is going to be now is to pivot [solely] to pickleball, but then kind of work on the padel courts," he said, adding, "Once the pickleball courts start, you know, they start having people on there, and they're also working on the dog park component as well."

At the time of going to press, there is a notice of pending design review on the chainlink fence at 1318 4th Street indicating that there is an application for a proposed "six-story, 100% affordable, mixed-use building consisting of 122 residential units above ground floor commercial and two levels of subterranean parking" by EAH Inc. WIth a hearing date set for Monday March 17, in City Council chambers at 7pm.

Since 2018, the City has been working on a plan to demolish Parking Structure 3, which was located at 1318 4th Street and replace it with a multi-level affordable housing project that would include ground floor retail and subterranean parking. The demolition of the 50-year-old parking lot began in March 2022 following a failed legal effort to stop the project. However, since demolition was completed in November 2022, the site has remained empty amid continued concern over the local economy.

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NO SHOW: The second proposal from Santa Monica Pickleball and Padel has long since disappeared.

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Matthew Hall

CLASS: The Red Cross came to the class to accept the money in person last week.

"There was no planning about this. It just happened. And I followed the children, and they're amazing children."

The students said they were motivated to help as best they could.

"We just did a big beading unit, and we made bracelets, then we sold them raising money for the Red Cross," said student Knox Jeffers. "It was just about helping people that lost their homes and stuff."

The students raised about $1,500 from the sale of their $5 bracelets. Each bracelet was made from beads and came with a word of the buyer's choice.

"It was really fun, because we got to use our creativity to help people and make the world better and safer and more fun," said student Luke Sarley.

Student Bella Mistry also enjoyed working on the project.

"I liked knowing that we're helping people recover from the fires, and knowing that we're making a difference in the community," she said.

The students said they chose the Red Cross as the beneficiary of their work as the organization was leading recovery efforts at the time of their initial discussion.

Representatives from the organization came to the classroom last week to accept the funds and talk to students about their work.

Sean Inoue, Executive Director of the American Red Cross, Western Los Angeles told the class about his personal experience and motivations while thanking them for their donations. He was joined by Red Cross Board member Lindsay Call (who also oversees emergency operations for the City of Santa Monica) and Mimi Teller, Development Communications Manager for the Red Cross.

"My favorite part of the job is working in the community. I direct a lot of traffic. What I mean by that is I make a lot of plans, and I set up a lot of systems, and I help deliver things. A lot of the times, my favorite work, some of the most important work, is work like this, which is working with our community to understand what you do and why that's so important," said Inoue.

Call said the support of residents, young or old, helps them stay the course when times are tough.

"The last two months have been really hard, right? We've put a lot of work into helping the immediate wildfire response and then trying to help folks with their recovery through lost homes. But what you guys are doing, that keeps us going. So you guys working together and helping your community is what really encourages Sean and I to do the work that we do. And you're an inspiration," she said.

Teller said the organization works with youth communities year-round through fundraisers, blood drive, and preparedness programs—empowering the next generation of humanitarian leaders. She said the American Red Cross Los Angeles Region has over 2,000 youth volunteers who develop leadership skills and support the Red Cross mission and their Youth Corps Program provides local leadership roles, with 40 youth executive officers organizing activities across five territories.

"Every donation, big or small, helps us deliver disaster relief, lifesaving blood and emergency preparedness," she said. "At the American Red Cross, our mission to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies can only happen with the power of volunteers and the generosity of all donors."

Anyone interested in organizing a fundraiser can visit redcross.org/la to get started.

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BIPARTISANSHIP

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So what other issues do California Republicans and Democrats agree on enough this year to work together?

At least four of the bills with bipartisan joint lead authors were "spot bills," placeholder legislation that allowed the lawmakers to get their bill in at the filing deadline. The details of those measures on tax penalties, waste management, government ethics and local courthouse funding will be added in coming weeks.

Other bipartisan measures include a health care proposal, Senate Bill 246 by Sens. Anna Caballero, a Democrat, and Shannon Grove, a Republican. The bill would expand Medi-Cal funding for training programs to help address physician shortages including in the San Joaquin Valley, which the two senators represent.

Another public safety measure, Senate Bill 264, by Democratic Sen. Sasha Renée Pérez of Glendale and Republican Sen. Suzette Martinez Valladares of Lancaster would allow prosecutors to charge people with felonies if they impersonate police or firefighters in order to gain access to disaster areas. Currently, the maximum penalty is a misdemeanor. The bill comes after several people were arrested for allegedly impersonating firefighters following the Los Angeles County wildfires.

At least two other bills seek to resurrect legislation that stalled in previous sessions.

One was Senate Bill 458 by Sacramento County Republican Sen. Roger Niello and Democratic Sen. Tom Umberg of Santa Ana that would require the Legislative Analyst's Office to write ballot initiative titles and summaries instead of the partisan Attorney General's Office.

Various efforts over the years to make the change have fizzled out.

The issue took on new life last year after Republicans, including Donald Trump, sought to portray Kamala Harris as a soft-on-crime liberal who supported 2014's Proposition 47, an initiative that reduced sentences for some offenses (and that voters partially overturned with Proposition 36 in November). Harris was attorney general in 2014 when her office wrote the summary that appears in the state's Official Voter Information Guide, but she stayed neutral and didn't officially endorse the measure.

Niello carried a similar bill in 2023 without any Democratic coauthors. He said he was thrilled when the bill passed the Senate Elections Committee with unanimous support, but he was disappointed when it died without another hearing.

"It was most certainly a leadership move, but the fact is, I got it out of the election committee with a unanimous vote, so I thought, 'Hey, I'm making progress here,' " he said.

He said he approached Umberg to join him as lead author of this year's measure in the hopes the bipartisanship would help move it to Gov. Gavin Newsom's desk.

For his part, Umberg said he knows Niello well and trusts and respects him. Plus, he said the proposed change is "good public policy."

CAN BIPARTISANSHIP REFORM ADA "SHAKE-DOWN" SUITS?

A pro-business measure, Senate Bill 84, is another example of how Niello's relationships with his Democratic colleagues led to bipartisan legislation that seeks to resurrect a dead bill.

For decades, California businesses have complained that they've been shaken down by aggressive law firms that demand payment when they identify violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Such violations could be a mirror, countertop or handrail being a fraction of an inch too low or too high.

Niello last year carried a bill to give businesses with fewer than 50 employees 120 days to comply with ADA rules before they have to pay the law firms that identify the problems.

Niello's previous bill made it through the Senate, but it died in the Assembly. This year, he hopes having two Democratic senators, Caballero and Angelique Ashby of Sacramento, as lead authors from the beginning will help to persuade their colleagues.

"This has been affecting a lot of businesses in disadvantaged areas in Democrats' districts," Niello said.

Like Umberg, Ashby said that when it came to working with Niello, it didn't take much convincing.

For one thing, she said she's had "microbusinesses" including a popular burger joint in her district struggle over ADA-compliance claims.

Ashby said she also knows Niello personally from her time as a member of the Sacramento City Council. Niello is a former Sacramento County supervisor and a former chamber of commerce leader whose family owns a number of car dealerships in their districts.

"He's a wonderful human," Ashby said. "We don't have to agree on every policy issue to like each other, and we do."

Two moderate former Democratic lawmakers who left office last year say those sorts of relationships can be critical to advance tough bills. Plus, they argue that when Republicans support Democratic proposals, it can add credibility in the eyes of the public.

"It can make your proposed policy change stronger and more enduring," said Steve Glazer, a former Democratic state senator from Orinda who didn't seek reelection last year.

Steven Bradford, a Democratic state senator from Inglewood who termed out last year, recounted how he needed Republican support on a bill that expanded powers for the police that patrol Los Angeles airports since he didn't have enough Democratic votes.

"Had I not had the relationships with those guys, that bill would have died," he said.

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LAWMAKERS: State Sen. Thomas Umberg and State Sen. Roger Niello are among the lawmakers to have worked cross-party.

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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.

PAPERMAKING WITH SOPHIA ALLISON
6 - 7:30 p.m. Propeller Gallery, 3026 Airport Ave. Join for a papermaking workshop with Camera Obscura Artist-in-Residence Sophia Allison. Learn basic paper making techniques utilizing recycled materials such as junk mail, old homework, newspapers or a variety of almost any kind of paper. Sophia will discuss the materials and basic equipment and demonstrate step-by-step how to create pulp, pull the pulp using a screen and create handmade papers. Sophia will also show examples of her own handmade papers and artwork that incorporates the paper making processes.

TARIFF

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their prices unnecessarily."

Voters dealt Republicans landslide congressional defeats during the 1890 midterms when even McKinley lost. He eventually rebounded to win the presidency in 1896.

Ignoring the political problems tariffs created for Republicans, Trump instead has focused on repeating how high tariffs after the Civil War helped the U.S. pay off debts and eventually achieve government budget surpluses.

From 1866 to 1893, the U.S. ran nearly three straight decades of budget surpluses, fueled largely by tariffs and high domestic taxes on things like alcohol and tobacco as well as the sale of federal lands.

But federal budget surpluses eventually began to effectively decrease the U.S. money supply and cause deflation. Meanwhile, higher tariffs continued to increase the cost of living, which, coupled with a financial crisis in Great Britain, helped trigger the devastating economic depression known as the Panic of 1893.

McKinley changed his mind on tariffs

Shortly after winning reelection in 1900, meanwhile, McKinley began rethinking tariffs, as stronger U.S. manufacturing had made him more appreciative of foreign markets.

"McKinley began to see that, if we were going to be able to sell our goods overseas, as we were going to need to do because we would have more goods than we'd have a market for, we were going to have to accept goods as well," Merry said.

He said that McKinley gave a speech in Buffalo, New York, on Sept. 5, 1901, outlining "this concept of reciprocity, which was: I'm prepared to bring down tariffs. Even me. Even William McKinley."

Trump is now promising that similar, reciprocal tariffs will take effect next month. But pulling that off will be another difference from McKinley.

The day after his Buffalo speech, McKinley was shot. He died on Sept. 14, 1901.

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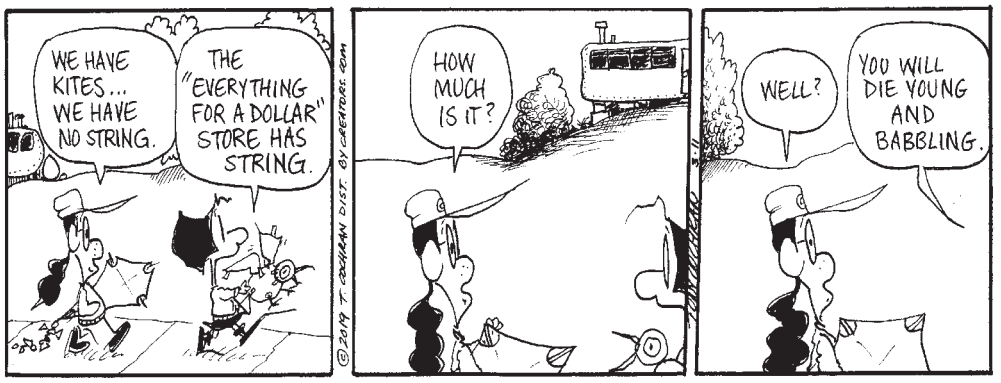
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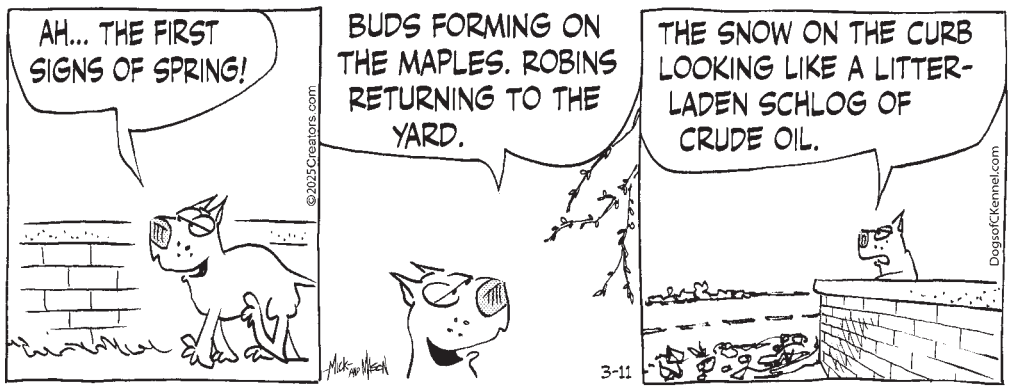
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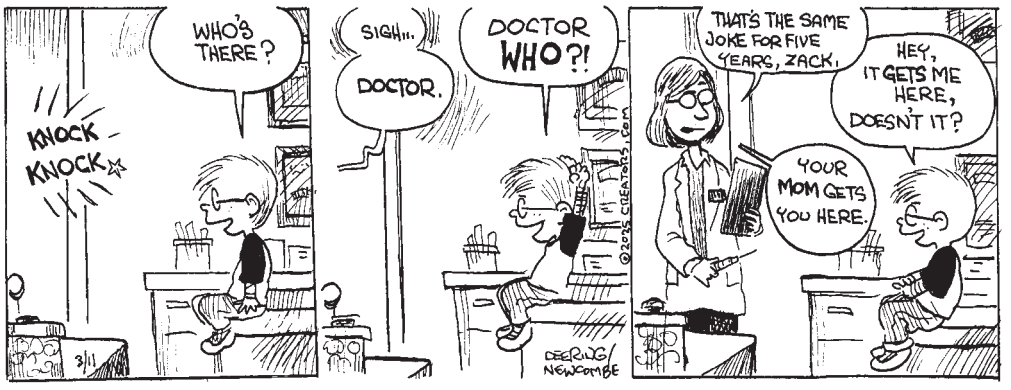
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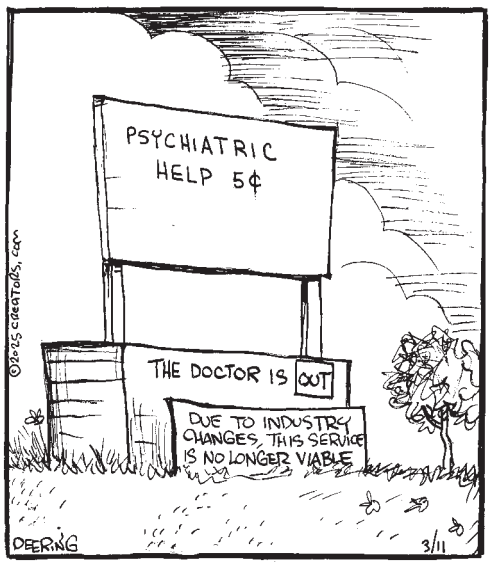
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FIND THE WORDS

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 16 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Weather, or not

Y	R	E	L	A	G	T	R	O	U	G	H	H	W	I
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C	O	S	T	E	A	M	Y	E	A	R	O	R	U	A

Acid rain
Aurora
Aware
Barometric
Big dry
Burnt
Calm
Clear
Cold
Cooler
Damp
Downpour
Drier
East
Fine
Gale
Gusts
Hail
Heat
Hot
Inland
Intense
Long range
Lows
Maps
Melt
Moon
Muggy
Night
Ocean
Path
Radio
Shade
Smog
Snow
Sorbet
Star
Steamy
Sunny
Swim
Thaw
Tired
Tomorrow
Tornado
Trough
Umbrella
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Veldt
Winds

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 11)

Life expands in this year bold, gut-based choices, which pay off in profit, new relationships and love intensified. More highlights: tender family moments. Fun requires you to be in top condition, and you achieve it. A mentor appears just when you need them most. You win something; whether it's a prize, a heart or a lucky break, it's a co-creation with destiny. Cancer and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 21, 34, 37, and 48.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll notice that you've outgrown a lot, and that's OK. Maybe you don't need to replace those connections immediately. Maybe the real focus is you, your presence, all that you're building for your beautiful future.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Diet, fitness and aesthetics aren't just surface-level concerns for you. They're part of feeling fully in control of your life, in harmony with yourself. Tending to these areas is also tending to your confidence, energy and overall well-being.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Perhaps it is impossible to control the wildness of human nature in any person including yourself. But since a fond goal of yours would be well served if you could execute a little training to tame the inner animal to some small degree, it's worth investigating.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Hope is necessary for moving forward, but the truth is what's actionable right now. Pay attention to the context of the entire situation. The pluses of a situation don't define it. You won't know the bottom line until you subtract the minuses.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're incredibly effective. Rather than forcing things, you align with the flow, making smart choices that maximize impact. By working with natural inclinations, you leverage them to the best possible advantage, accomplishing more with less.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your ability to read a situation and act accordingly is a gift. With careful timing and precision, you'll navigate challenges in a way that lifts not just yourself but also those around you. Your deft maneuvering benefits a great number of people.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Too much honesty can make people uncomfortable, but some truths are worth the discomfort. You'll be navigating how "real" to be in a relationship, and the integrity you bring to things has a way of reshaping and improving the relationship.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll get the choice between now and later. Choose now. Later has a way of disappearing. Opportunities shift, circumstances change and the moment that matches your expectation could be mythological. By acting now, at least some of what you desire will become reality.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Whatever else you're involved with, you still make time to be available to your loved ones. The way you prioritize is not only admirable; it's the most emotionally intelligent way to live, as connected relationships are the magic of life.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There are a few basic moves to get right for things to run smoothly - foundations that need to be set because if they are not, the results will feel precarious. One of these foundations is proper rest. Prioritize it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There's a gift inside of every circumstance, even chaos. The gift of disorder is that it calls you to create new and better systems. What feels like a setback now is actually the catalyst for something stronger and more sustainable.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). In the safety of your inner world, you can believe what you want about your talents and go unchallenged. But when you're put to the test, you'll see that you weren't giving yourself enough credit. You'll do even better than expected.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

A	G	E	S			S	L	O		C	O	S	T	S
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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

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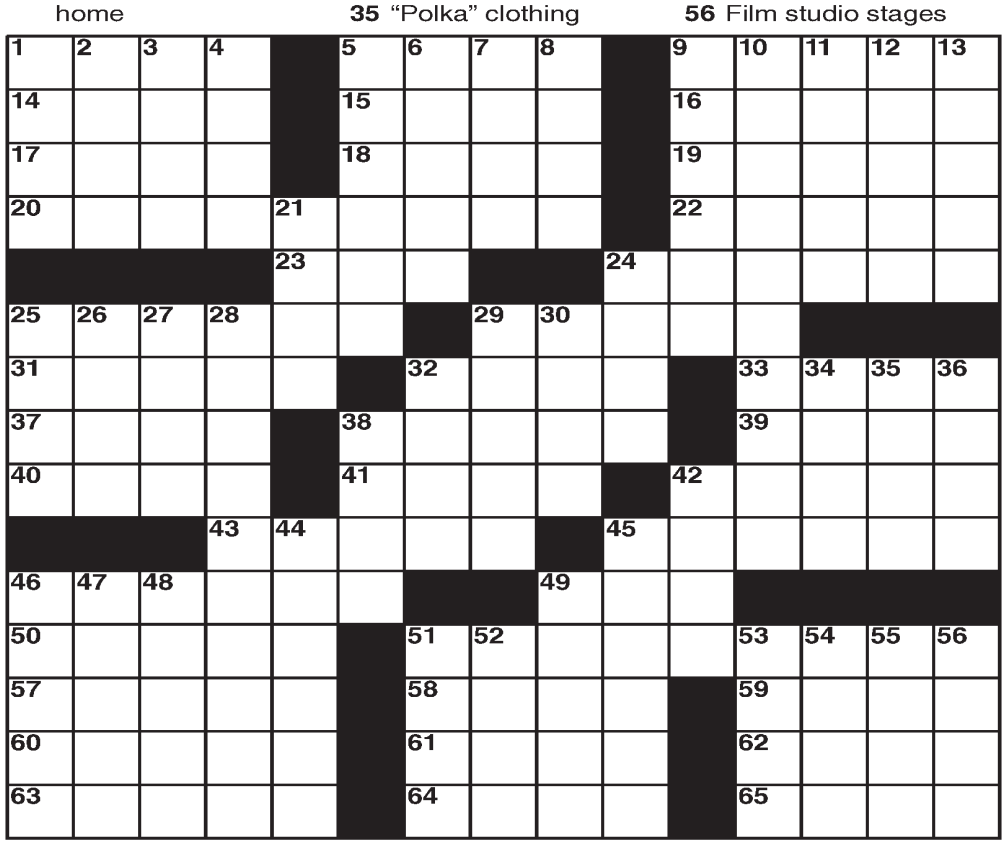
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ACROSS

1 Twirl around
5 __Canaveral, FL
9 "Get lost!"
14 Chauffeur-driven auto
15 Corrosive liquid
16 Strategy to try first
17 With no warranty
18 Adorable
19 Rule over a kingdom
20 Big Apple island with Times SQUARE
22 Art studio stand
23 Feel regret about
24 Hardly ever
25 Waltz and tango
29 Farmer's plantings
31 Hawaiian greeting
32 Long-necked graceful bird
33 Children
37 Demolished, with "down"
38 Be immodest
39 Much-admired celebrity
40 24-hr. cash sources
41 TV industry award
42 Triangular river formation
43 Take a nap
45 Most sensible
46 Wooden planks for home building
49 Bowler's target
50 Pungent burger topping
51 Wrist adornments sold at a craft FAIR
57 Lavish parties
58 Colonel or admiral
59 Farmland measure
60 In the know
61 Personal assistant
62 Seal tightly
63 Mails away
64 Feeling gratified
65 Tips of shoes

DOWN

1 Loud door-closing sound
2 Leaning Tower city
3 "Sign me up!"
4 Small snack
5 Spiny Arizona plant
6 Sharp, as eyesight
7 Flat bread with a pocket
8 Adam and Eve's home
9 Jelly or butter
10 Cloudless FAIR weather
11 Salary increase
12 Halo wearer
13 Macho
21 Neighborhood
24 Monthly apartment fee
25 Facts and figures
26 Frequently
27 Standard behavior
28 64-SQUARE surface for a "pawns" game
29 Everglades terrain
30 Not at all difficult
32 A few (of)
34 Not doing anything
35 "Polka" clothing pattern
36 Wooden strip
38 "On tap" beverage
42 Have a fine meal
44 Bifocals or contacts
45 Evil
46 Garments for Julius Caesar
47 Highly impressed
48 Italy's fashion center
49 Black-and-white "giant" bear
51 Be immodest
52 Part of a train track
53 At long __ (finally)
54 Bounce back, as a sound
55 Factual
56 Film studio stages



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