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Council asked to act on tenant protections, pass on new noise rules

BY MATTHEW HALL

Daily Press Editor

A dense consent calendar will give way to a pair of substantive issues at the April 12 council meeting.

Discussion will focus on a proposal to strengthen protections for tenants facing temporary or permanent relocation and an update on enforcement of noise rules in commercial areas.

TENANT PROTECTIONS

City Hall has spent the past 20 years debating tenant protections and the longstanding tradition debating how to protect renters will continue this week with a recommendation to revise municipal code

and hire a new staff position dedicated to aid with tenant relocation.

The code revisions and staff position are an extension of council's 2015 decision to focus on maintaining an inclusive and diverse community. Part of that goal includes addressing relocation issues such as those created during construction or maintenance and two strategies were proposed: revise local laws to strengthen tenant protections and create a Housing Crisis First Responder team to aid tenants in dire situations.

Staff is proposing administrative changes to several city organizations to "ensure greater education of tenants"

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TRACK AND FIELD: Distance runners pace Samohi girls Vikings set school record in distance medley relay

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN

Daily Press Staff Writer

The Santa Monica High School girls track and field team is going the distance. Literally.

This year's squad features a quartet of accomplished long-race runners who have become leading standouts in coach Tania Fischer's program.

Their talent was on display last month at an invitational in Redondo Beach, where the four athletes combined to set a school record in the distance medley relay.

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Finding a fresh start with Chrysalis Nonprofit agency offers employment help in Breaking Barriers program

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN

Daily Press Staff Writer

With the help of a local nonprofit group, Ramirus Cobbs is getting his life back in order.

After spending time in jail for trespassing and drug possession, Cobbs is participating in the county's collaborative Breaking Barriers program, which aims to break the cycle of recidivism.

Cobbs gained employment as a street cleaner through Chrysalis, an employment assistance organization with roots in Santa Monica.

On April 15 at 12 p.m., Chrysalis is launching a free speak-

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Murder on 5th Street

BY MATTHEW HALL

Daily Press Editor

A man was stabbed to death on 5th Street on April 5 and investigators are asking any potential witnesses to step forward to assist in the case.

Officers responded to a homicide call at Step Up on 5th (1548 5th St.) at about 4:30 a.m. on April 5. An unidentified adult male was found inside an apartment with a

stab wound to the chest.

According to the Santa Monica Fire Department, paramedics were called to the scene at 4:34 a.m. and transported an adult male to UCLA Westwood Trauma Center in critical condition. Despite the efforts of doctors and paramedics, the man died later that morning.

Police officers arrested the apartment resident, Guillermo Guerrero, 40, and charged him with murder.

Investigators said there were

several witnesses to the crime and the investigation is ongoing. SMPD said more details would be released when the case has concluded but in the meantime, officers would like to talk to anyone that has any information about the incident.

Residents can contact Detective Mike Bambrick or Sergeant Maury Sumlin at (310) 458-8437 to provide any additional information.

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LACROSSE WINS

Morgan Genser

The Santa Monica High School boys varsity lacrosse team hosted Malibu in non-league lacrosse match and won 20-3 on April 5. With the win Samohi's record improves to 4-6 overall this year. Pictured are senior Norman Jalir escaping from a Malibu players attempted tackle, Freshman Joseph Kean checking a Malibu player, Sophomore James Griffin running past the opposition and Kean attempting to knock the ball free.



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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Thursday, April 7

SMC Literary Talks

Nobel Laureate Roald Hoffmann - awarded the 1981 Nobel Prize in Chemistry (shared with Kenichi Fukui) and now a Frank H.T. Rhodes Professor of Humane Letters, Emeritus, at Cornell University - will read selections and talk about his writing, which has carved out a land between science, poetry, and philosophy through essays, four nonfiction books, five volumes of poems, and three widely produced plays. 1900 Pico Blvd., Humanities & Social Science Lecture Hall 165, 11:15 a.m.

Animal Shelter Show & Tail

Learn how the Santa Monica Animal Shelter works to help save animals, from dogs to horses to turtles - and maybe even meet an animal friend. Limited space; free tickets available 30 minutes before program. Ages 5 & up. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd., 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Read a Play

Discover great plays while uncovering your inner actor. This new monthly group will read through a different play each month, with each in attendance taking part in the read through. Ocean Park Branch, 2601 Main St., 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Santa Monica Reads Special Event: How to Survive an Apocalypse

The end of civilization can come in many ways: pandemic, natural disaster, nuclear attack, technological breakdown, monsters and aliens. In this practical demonstration, adventure gear specialists REI provide survival techniques that could help you save your life. Seating is first come, first served. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, April 8

Poetry in Pictures

Celebrate National Poetry Month by enjoying story time poems and drawing chalk art outdoors. Ages 5 & Up. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave. 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Art Journaling: The Paint and Paper Experience

Explore new techniques with paint and paper. Get ideas for composition, design, color theory, lettering, layering and more. Bring: a journal, an apron (or wear old clothes you don't mind getting paint on), a selection of favorite collage ephemera, and a permanent black ink pad (if you have one). Other journaling material and equipment available to share. 1450 Ocean, 10 a.m. - noon, cost: \$55. Register at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/49984 or call (310) 458-2239.

Yoga

All levels. Drop in for \$15/class. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 PCH, 9 - 10 a.m. <http://annenberg-beachhouse.com/activities/classes.aspx>

CHEATIN'

A fast-paced tale written by Del Shores with a touch of Texas humor, "Cheatin'" introduces you to the clan - the dimwitted mailman, the local stud mechanic, the aging bad girl and her more-brawn-than-brains husband, the narrator with psychic abilities, and others - at a watering hole where gossip is the town's major pastime. The SMC production is directed by Adrienne Harrop. 1900 Pico Blvd., 8 - 10 p.m. \$13.

Spring Jazz Series

Dave Tull Quartet. A drummer, vocalist, and songwriter of the highest order, Dave Tull has played for Chuck Mangione and Seth McFarlane, in addition to performing and recording with his own highly acclaimed group. Concerts are held at 7 p.m. in The Edge at the Santa Monica College

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide
New mobility options arrive in Santa Monica

The public transportation landscape in Santa Monica is expanding as Expo Line Phase 2 opens on May 20. Mobility options include 500 Breeze bikes at 75 locations citywide, extended North-South corridor Big Blue Bus service connecting to each Expo Line Phase 2 stations, 1.5 miles of new off-street bike/pedestrian path along the Expo route in Santa Monica, and 12 pedestrian scrambles downtown. These, along with soon to launch Zipcar and additional rideshare services, provide more flexibility for Santa Monica residents and workers while reducing vehicle congestion and emissions.

They also align with the City's mobility goals. "It's a great time to be living and working in Santa Monica. People can move around our city and in and out of L.A. without relying on a car," said Mayor Tony Vazquez. "This \$1.5 billion investment brings a new level of regional accessibility to Santa Monica and we want to mark this transportation game-changer by energizing the community and showing them how these options can impact their daily lives. We know traffic is a big local concern, and it's our hope that everyone coming to, or from Santa Monica will take this opportuni-

ty to try these new transportation options."

Over the next few months, the City will focus on making transit options in Santa Monica more accessible to residents, employees and visitors. This will be done through education opportunities on topics including how to ride Expo, where to get a TAP card, connection information between Metro and Big Blue Bus and other practical questions.

There are three key events scheduled to celebrate the arrival of the train, which provides another option to get around Los Angeles. Here's a look at preliminary information on Expo's opening festivities and opportunities to learn and try these new transit options.

EXPO LINE PHASE 2 OPENING CEREMONY - FRIDAY, MAY 20

An opening ceremony hosted by Metro will kick off service on the Expo Line, which is the first train in Santa Monica since the Red Car ended service in 1948. There will be a banner break just east of the Downtown Station located at Colorado and 4th Street. Elected officials from Los Angeles, Metro, Expo and Santa Monica will converge to officially open the seven stations that are part of the Expo Line Phase 2 extension. The line is expected to be open to the public in the afternoon and rides will be free.

STATION ACTIVITIES - SATURDAY, MAY 21

Station activities will be hosted at all three Santa Monica stations at 26th St/Bergamot Station (at Olympic and 26th Street), and 17th St/SMC Station (at Colorado and 17th Street), and Downtown Santa Monica Station (at Colorado and 4th Street) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and fares will be free on May 21 on the Expo Line as well as on Big Blue Bus and Breeze Bike Share. Each station will celebrate the opening and various locations will provide information about local transportation options, and encourage attendees to get out and about to enjoy local businesses and activities happening throughout the day.

COAST, SANTA MONICA'S OPEN STREETS EVENT - SUNDAY, JUNE 5

Residents and visitors are invited to enjoy approximately 2 miles of car-free streets around the Downtown Santa Monica Expo Station on Sunday, June 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Coast, Santa Monica's Open Streets Event presented by Metro encourages Santa Monicans to discover local arts and culture, learn about sustainability, and explore new mobility options. The event commemorates the beginning of Expo, and gives Santa Monicans an opportunity to experience our multi-modal city with rail, bus, bike share and car share (Zipcar will become available this spring).

Pedestrian and bicycle access will be provided along Main Street from Marine to Colorado, Colorado from Ocean Avenue to 5th Street, and along Ocean Avenue from Colorado to Wilshire. Local businesses, organizations, community groups, and City departments will be actively involved in this citywide event, including producing interactive, engaging activity hubs along the route. This event is being held in lieu of the Santa Monica Festival for 2016. Metro awarded the City a \$200,000 open streets grant that partially funds the event.

For information about the Expo Line Phase 2 opening events, visit metro.net/moreexpo. For more local information, visit smgov.net/expo.

- SUBMITTED BY DEBBIE LEE, SANTA MONICA COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER

Los Angeles
President attending Los Angeles fundraiser

President Obama will land in Los Angeles, at LAX, today to attend a Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee event. He will stay overnight, attend a Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee and depart on Friday, April 8 for San Francisco where he will attend additional fundraisers.

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Performing Arts Center, located on Santa Monica Boulevard at 11th Street. Tickets cost \$10.

"West Los The Documentary"

This documentary captures the endangered spirit of Chicano culture and history in a rapidly gentrified city. Tickets \$15 a person, \$25 a couple. 12925 Venice Blvd., 7 - 11 p.m.

Jazz Concert: Dave Tull Quartet.

A drummer, vocalist, and songwriter of the highest order, Dave Tullhas played for Chuck Mangione and Seth McFarlane, in addition to performing and recording with his own highly acclaimed group. Part of the SMC Spring Jazz Series. Tickets are \$10. For tickets and information, please go to www.smc.edu/eventsinfo or call (310) 434-3005 or (310) 434-4323. The Edye, 1310 11th St., 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 9

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The Guardian Mural



Photo by Kelly Lane

NEW ART: Francisco Letelier is installing a new mural on Broadway and 11th Street.

A MURAL SERVES AS PUBLIC ART. BUT for artist Francisco Letelier, the "Guardian" mural he's painting on the south wall of the American Red Cross Santa Monica Bay chapter at Broadway and 11th Street couldn't be more personal.

"I've always admired what the Red Cross does," he says, "because when my father was imprisoned after the coup in Chile, the International Red Cross was the first agency to see the prisoners, bring us information about their condition and act as intermediary with the military to convey food and clothing to them. No one else could get to them."

Francisco's father Orlando Letelier served as Chile's ambassador to the U.S. under Salvador Allende's Socialist government. When Augusto Pinochet's military coup ousted Allende in 1973, Orlando was the first of many Allende supporters imprisoned, tortured and later placed into concentration camps. In 1974, he was released thanks to international diplomatic pressure but was exiled from Chile. Working with a number of Washington, D.C. policy institutes, he was an outspoken critic of the Pinochet regime.

In 1976, he was assassinated in D.C. by car bomb, alongside his co-worker, Ronni Moffett. While long suspected to be Pinochet's handiwork, it was only in 2015 that the U.S. declassified documents with conclusive evidence that Pinochet ordered the assassination.

In the year following his father's killing, Francisco Letelier says, "The Chilean exile community and others who knew what was going on in Chile got together and painted a commemorative mural in D.C.'s Rock Creek Park in the Chilean fashion, which meant that it was participatory and collective, with fine artists and members of the community joining in.

"Muralist groups were called brigades in Chile. They created cultural solidarity because murals were big signifiers during the Allende years, and walls were covered with the dreams and aspirations of the people."

A highly regarded Venice-based muralist and artist, Letelier was approached by Beautify Earth, a non-profit organization whose mission, says West Coast director Heather Rabun is, "To paint the world in color. If we can paint an ugly wall with art, we believe it will inspire the community to take ownership and pride, and elevate the surrounding area. We noticed that the Red Cross building could use a little love."

Letelier had previously offered to support the group when it originated as Beautify Lincoln to improve the look of Lincoln Boulevard. They developed a roster of artists and engaged community members to paint the walls of small businesses. "I loved that they were young people working together painting on the streets, because that's how I started, with a volunteer brigade."

With his strong connections to the Red Cross, Letelier was happy to take on this mural project.

He remembers growing up in Maryland, about a mile from the famed Clara Barton House, the founder of the American Red Cross. "It was a vehicle for me to understand the rich Civil War history of D.C. and Maryland. I remember when I was a kid that an old field hospital had been discovered in a bridge, and a lot of Red Cross items were found in it. So I've always had this thing about Clara Barton and those who help people caught in the tides of history and natural disasters."

When he creates a mural, Letelier dives into the history of a site. He met with Julie

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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City Hall, the Expo Line and Downtown parking Editor:

For years Santa Monica elected officials and their appointees have been preaching that the Metro Expo Line will reduce the need for individual cars, and bring relief to traffic and parking congestion. Based upon this mantra, the City has even gone so far to approve office building plans with no required on-site parking.

In the article, "Planning Commission debates Downtown parking prices" published in the April 4 edition of the SMDP, City staff is quoted as reporting "City Hall is anticipating a change in parking demands based upon the opening of Expo on May 20th" and to account for the change in need staff has proposed increasing the price of Downtown rates.

While many of us knew that City Hall's cheerleading of all things Metro Expo was pure BS from the start, it is interesting to note that they have finally admitted it.

Joe Palazzolo
Santa Monica

Crowded ticket could ease path for Sanchez in Senate bid

MICHAEL R. BLOOD
AP Political Writer

Thirty-four candidates want to be California's next U.S. senator.

Beyond the leading Democrats, it's a mostly unfamiliar and untested group that opens the way for possible surprises and could boost the chances of Rep. Loretta Sanchez in June's primary election.

The Orange County congresswoman is vying to get into a November showdown with fellow Democrat Kamala Harris, the state attorney general who's been leading in polls and fundraising.

Under California's unusual election rules, only the top two vote-getters in the June 7 primary advance to the November election. With 12 little-known Republicans on the ballot, a fractured GOP vote would make it easier for two Democrats to claim the top spots.

The Republican vote "will be spread all

over the place" in a large field, if no strong candidate emerges, Republican consultant Mike Madrid said.

The list of candidates for the seat being vacated by retiring Sen. Barbara Boxer also includes five other Democrats and 15 candidates from minor political parties or those who listed no political affiliation.

They will appear on a single ballot, and voters can choose any candidate, regardless of party.

In a year when the presidential contest has dominated headlines, California's Senate race has been largely overlooked and many voters remain undecided.

The leading Republicans, Duf Sundheim and Tom Del Beccaro, have been polling in single digits and have struggled to raise money. Ron Unz, a theoretical-physicist-turned-software-developer who entered the race last month, said in an email that he had donated \$50,000 to his campaign.

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Thomas, executive director of the Santa Monica chapter and Anna Lisa Debois, an octogenarian volunteer archivist who has kept meticulous records of its history. He learned that the Santa Monica Women's Bay Club established this chapter, and was the catalyst that helped create Santa Monica's police and fire departments as well. "All those articles about the Red Cross form a history of what Santa Monica is today," he says.

But rather than depict a single definitive incident, says Letelier, "this mural of a benevolent, metaphoric figure of a woman celebrates history, but honors the role of women in The Red Cross."

"The Red Cross is steadfast and always there for people in times of need. That's what this Guardian figure represents."

The female figure's hair is inspired by artist Gustav Klimt's paintings (think the recent movie, "The Woman in Gold").

"The template of shifting quadrants he uses allows me to create patterning in which I can cover a lot of ground thematically. So I can incorporate references to Pre-

Columbian art, to European folk art, representing the many communities that the Red Cross serves."

On either side of the woman, Letelier depicts people on scaffolding. "It's kind of an art historical reference from mural history, like Diego Rivera and Fernand Leger's work. I'm depicting people feeding others, caring for others, helping someone climb up, and so on. Scaffolding is a metaphor for people working together."

A classic example of people working together, while Beautify Earth continues to source matching funds to cover the costs of supplies and the hydraulic lift, Letelier has created an Indiegogo campaign seeking \$5,500 to make up for his time and income loss while on the project. He's about 60 percent funded as of this writing.

There's still about a week or so to go before Letelier finishes the mural. To help support The Guardian Mural Project, visit <https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/guardian-mural-red-cross-santa-monica-ca/>.

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Charlie Sheen under investigation by Los Angeles police

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Los Angeles police said Wednesday that actor Charlie Sheen is the subject of a criminal investigation headed by detectives from an elite stalking unit.

Officer Matthew Ludwig said Sheen was listed as a suspect in a criminal investigation report received on March 31. He declined to detail the allegations or identify the alleged victim, but he said detectives from the department's Threat Management Unit have obtained a search warrant in the case.

The celebrity news site RadarOnline reported Wednesday that it had been served a subpoena from Los Angeles police for a 35-minute audio recording purportedly of Sheen that includes Sheen threatening his ex-fiancee, Scottine Ross. She performed in porn films under the name Brett Rossi and is suing Sheen for having sex with her without disclosing he is HIV positive.

"We believe the search warrant is illegal and violates federal and state law prohibiting the use of search warrants against media companies who are reporting news and information," Dylan Howard, editor in chief of The National Enquirer and editorial director of RadarOnline.com, wrote in a statement.

RadarOnline has not posted the audio, but has described it as being recorded by one of Sheen's former lovers. The website states the LAPD warrant wants the audio not only for evidence against Sheen, but because it

might also yield information that would exonerate him.

There was no immediate comment from Sheen's lawyer or publicist.

Threat Management detectives investigate serious stalking and criminal threats cases, although often the celebrity, politician or other dignitary is the victim.

Ross sued Sheen in December for assault, battery and intentional infliction of emotional distress claims. Her lawsuit states she and Sheen had sex five times before the actor told her he was HIV positive, and that the actor repeatedly threatened to kill her during their relationship, which ended in 2014. She also accused Sheen of physical abuse, including kicking her on the ground during one incident.

Although Ross' lawsuit was filed in Los Angeles Superior Court, a judge has ruled that it is up to a private arbitrator to decide how it will be resolved.

The "Two and a Half Men" star publicly disclosed he was HIV positive on the "Today" show in November, but he said he disclosed his status to all his sexual partners. He also vowed during the appearance that he would not pay to settle any claims from sexual partners claiming he exposed them to the virus that causes AIDS.

Sheen recently requested that child support payments to his four young children with ex-wives Denise Richards and Brooke Mueller be reduced, citing changed financial circumstances.

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HELP: The Breaking Barriers program at Chrysalis is helping people get back on their feet.

CHRYSALIS

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er series to explain to donors and supporters how its efforts support homeless and low-income people throughout Los Angeles County. The inaugural discussion, which will be held at the agency's Santa Monica center at 1853 Lincoln Blvd., will focus on the aforementioned Breaking Barriers program.

"What we're trying to do is give some of our donors and supporters an opportunity to come down to our center, learn about aspects of our program and talk about issues that our community is faced with when it comes to the cycles of poverty and what someone who is experiencing homelessness is facing when they're looking for a job," said Mallory Loring, a communications manager at Chrysalis. "This is a great way to open the doors."

Launched last year by probation and health services officials, Breaking Barriers is a rapid re-housing and case management program that involves multiple agencies. Chrysalis, which is helping with employment services, is one piece of the puzzle as civic and nonprofit leaders work to address homelessness in the region.

"Breaking Barriers is L.A. County's pilot program that is bringing together two important pieces to the puzzle, access to housing and jobs," Chrysalis CEO Mark Loranger said. "When we talk about criminal justice reform, it is important to focus on these solutions and how to end or prevent cycles of recidivism."

There were more than 44,000 homeless people in Los Angeles County last year, figures show, including roughly 735 in Santa Monica. Thirty percent of the clients at the Chrysalis center in Santa Monica are veterans, Loring said.

Chrysalis has helped more than 42,000 people find work since 1984, according to its website. It assists more than 3,500 homeless and low-income people with employment searches each year, and more than 2,100 clients secured jobs in 2014.

The nonprofit helps people find employment depending on their background, skills and experiences. New clients must be sober for 30 days prior to starting with Chrysalis and motivated to work. Clients who are homeless or unstably housed are referred to agencies that provide housing.

"That's a first step," Loring said. "Think about being homeless and trying to conduct a job search."

Some selected Chrysalis clients work transitional jobs that the nonprofit helps them secure. It has a contract with Downtown Santa Monica, for example, and employs people as sweepers in the area around Third Street Promenade.

"It's not meant to be forever," Loring said. "But it can be that kind of game-changer, and it gives them the opportunity to build up their resume and gain job experience. It's an opportunity to get on their feet. It makes so much of a difference."

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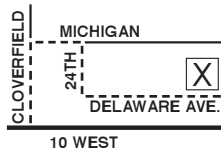
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COUNCIL

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ants and landlords regarding the requirements of tenant protections and noticing during construction.” They are also clarifying language regarding temporary and permanent relocation assistance requirements.

“These changes are specific to issues related to temporary relocation due to habitability (including construction related) and permanent relocation related to when tenants are being permanently displaced from their homes,” said the staff report.

Staff is not recommending establishing a housing team, but is instead backing the creation of a single position to help facilitate coordination between the multiple existing agencies.

“Tenant related issues can range from the straightforward where one agency may be involved and the concerns are addressed quickly by a responsive landlord, to the very complex in nature involving multiple agencies and resistant landlords. In the case of complex cases where tenant related cases cross departmental and divisional lines, the multiple agencies work together on an ad

hoc basis to coordinate efforts, as well as with non-city non-profit organizations, such as the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles,” said the report.

After studying the issue and talking with various organizations, the staff report said a single position can meet council’s needs.

“These various groups currently coordinate as needed depending on the individual circumstances of each case; however, a full time position which coordinates the execution of these various resources, as well as monitor construction projects where tenants are living to ensure tenants are protected during the construction process, may meet council’s policy objectives while limiting the fiscal expenditures associated with the creation of a new team,” said the report.

The new position would act as a clearing house for information, assess individual circumstances, coordinate with other agencies, provide educational resources and aid in prosecution when necessary.

NOISE UPDATE

Staff is recommending the city take a quiet approach to its noise ordinance.

Last year, council asked for a review of the recently amended noise ordinance, specifi-

cally how the rules are being enforced in commercial areas as it relates to First Amendment concerns.

“Broadly, staff believes that the existing ordinance is sufficient to enforce noise, considering constitutional constraints. Eliminating noise enforcement in commercial districts would severely undermine the police department’s ability to respond to complaints. Therefore, staff recommends that council direct staff to compile administrative instructions to provide greater guidance to law enforcement officers in the field,” said the report.

The revision at hand removed the use of decibel levels as a measure for disruptive behavior on public property. The rule now contains a general prohibition against activities that are unreasonably disruptive to normal activity and applies that standard to public streets, parks or other property.

While freedom of speech is a constitutional right, governments do have the ability to regulate speech in some instances. Santa Monica uses a permit system to regulate street performers in areas like the Pier and Promenade. The city also has laws requiring permits for large events.

Staff said the current rules are within the legal rights of the city and altering them would harm public safety.

“Police officers face difficult constitutional and operational issues when tasked with the dual responsibility of maintaining public order and protecting the First Amendment rights of protesters and marchers. The Santa Monica Police Department is charged with safeguarding the public during a demonstration which extends to individuals who are exercising their right to free speech under the First Amendment of the United States Constitution. Eliminating noise enforcement in commercial districts would severely undermine the police department’s ability to respond to complaints considering most protests occur in commercial districts,” said the report.

While council could ask for the rules to be rewritten, staff said there’s no need to alter the current code but instead provide direction to create a set of administrative instructions that would provide additional guidance for officers enforcing the rules.

Council meets 5:30 p.m. on April 12 in City Hall, 1685 Main St.

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TRACK

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Kasia Krzyzanowski, Anya Sturm, Janaya Bruce and Halimat Adeyemi combined to clock in at 12 minutes 55.38 seconds, easily eclipsing the previous Samohi mark of 13:02.26 that was set last year.

“They didn’t smash it, but they definitely broke it,” Fischer said.

Fischer said the new standard came in an event that often reflects a team’s depth, a good sign for the Vikings as they prepare for the elite Arcadia Invitational on April 8-9 at Arcadia High School. The meet is considered one of the most competitive high school

track and field gatherings in the country each year.

“You have your individual events, but the most exciting events are always the relays,” Fischer said. “You have to have a sprinter, you have to have someone who can run an 800. It blends your whole team into one. You have to have all these different kinds of skills. ... The relays are really important.”

Krzyzanowski appears primed for a successful spring in her final year at Samohi. This past fall, the senior captured an individual league championship in cross-country and became the first girl in history to represent the Vikings in Division 1 of the CIF Southern Section finals.

Krzyzanowski ran an 11:28.27 to win the

3,200-meter run March 19 during the Maurice Greene Invitational at Oaks Christian School in Westlake Village. Her time is a new meet record, according to Fischer.

Sturm came in second in that event with a time of 11:31.52, edging third-place Camarillo senior Lauren Powers by more than six seconds.

Bruce snagged third place in the 800-meter run, clocking in at 2:25.35. Sturm also competed in the 800, an event won by Oaks Christian junior Carolyn Wilson in 2:19.39.

Adeyemi, meanwhile, posted a top-20 finish in a 100-meter dash competition that featured 50 runners. The senior clocked in at 13.36 seconds in an event won by Woodland

Hills-El Camino Real senior Naiah Boardingham (11.94). Adeyemi’s personal best is a wind-aided 12.71, which she logged last March.

Krzyzanowski and Adeyemi are planning to continue their running careers in college next year, according to Fischer, although their destinations have not yet been finalized. The coach said the seniors’ contributions at Samohi make it easier for younger athletes to envision successful athletic careers beyond high school.

“The idea is, ‘Look, you can run in college if you keep it up,’” she said. “That’s my goal: that they continue after they graduate.”

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ON MARCH 23, 2016 AT APPROXIMATELY 2:55 A.M.

Officers responded to the 1300 block of 16th Street in response to a strong-armed robbery that occurred earlier. Upon arrival, officers spoke to the victim who stated that he saw a male subject, later identified as Michael Langen, 18, of Santa Monica, laying on the ground by the sidewalk, yelling and kicking a vehicle that was parked by him. Langen went on to threaten the subject, and in fear for his safety, the victim attempted to continue walking, when Langen attacked him. The victim went on to defend himself at which point, Langen reached and grabbed for something on his waistband and asked the victim if he wanted to die. Langen went on to demand the victim's wallet and phone, and in fear for his life, the victim handed over his possessions. The victim stated that Langen took his items and ran. He came back to the scene about five minutes later and found his identification and credit cards. While waiting for police to arrive, the victim used a phone tracking application and his phone pinged to a location on the 1800 block of 16th Street. Officers in the area spotted Langen, yet the subject ran when he saw officers. At approximately 4:30 a.m., officers received a call from the 1700 block of 16th Street in regards to a subject being involved in a verbal dispute with his grandmother and slamming items around. It was later found out that the subject was Langen. The victim's phone was found at this location and Langen was apprehended. He was arrested for robbery and bail was set at \$50,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police
Department responded to 341
calls for service on April 5.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE
CALLS CHOSEN BY THE
SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Missing person, 900 block of Ocean, 12:53 a.m.
Domestic violence, 400 block of Washington, 2:21 a.m.
Battery, 2100 block of Delaware, 2:27 a.m.
Person with a gun, 300 block of Olympic Dr., 3:10 a.m.
Homicide, 1500 block of 5th, 4:33 a.m.
Disturbance of the peace, 1100 block of 26th, 6:17 a.m.
Fraud, 1500 block of Ocean, 8:14 a.m.
Suspicious person, 300 block of Olympic Dr., 9:46 a.m.
Traffic collision, 1200 block of PCH, 10:04 a.m.
Disturbance at a business, 1600 block of Santa Monica, 10:09 a.m.
Suspicious vehicle, 100 block of San Vicente, 10:26 a.m.
Suspicious person, 1700 block of 20th, 11:05 a.m.
Stakeout, 2300 block of Pico, 11:57 a.m.
Traffic collision, 4th/Civic Center, 12:06 p.m.

Grand theft, 500 block of Broadway, 12:10 p.m.
Public intoxication, 26th/Pico, 12:30 p.m.
Identity theft, 1500 block of 5th, 12:54 p.m.
Grand theft, 2700 block of Colorado, 1:22 p.m.
Threats, 1000 block of Ocean, 1:30 p.m.
DUI, 20th/California, 1:42 p.m.
Traffic collision, Stewart/Olympic, 1:50 p.m.
DUI, Lincoln/Olympic, 2:03 p.m.
Disturbance of the peace, 1400 block of 11th, 2:19 p.m.
Vandalism, 400 block of Raymond, 3:51 p.m.
Identity theft, 1300 block of Ocean Park, 4:20 p.m.
Traffic collision, 200 block of Broadway, 4:51 p.m.
Vandalism, 800 block of Ocean Park, 5:11 p.m.
Vandalism, 26th/San Vicente, 5:39 p.m.
Fraud, 1700 block of Cloverfield, 6:04 p.m.
Hit and run, 4th/Civic Center, 6:44 p.m.
Traffic collision, 1500 block of 16th, 6:48 p.m.
Traffic collision, 2200 block of Main, 7:53 p.m.
Indecent exposure, 00 block of Pico, 9:28 p.m.
DUI, Highland/Ashland, 9:39 p.m.
DUI, 21st/Ocean Park, 9:46 p.m.
Suspicious person, 2600 block of Ocean Park, 10:11 p.m.
Disturbance at a business, 2700 block of Santa Monica, 10:23 p.m.
Suspicious person, 4th/Olympic, 11:21 p.m.
Loud music, 26th/Broadway, 11:41 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department
responded to 38 calls for service
on April 5.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE
CALLS CHOSEN BY THE
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EMS, 1800 block of Lincoln, 12:33 a.m.
Injuries from assault, 400 block of Washington, 2:27 a.m.
Automatic alarm, 600 block of Santa Monica, 4:00 a.m.
EMS, 1500 block of 5th, 4:34 a.m.
EMS, 1700 block of Pine, 7:03 a.m.
EMS, 2100 block of Ocean, 7:06 a.m.
EMS, 3100 block of Neilson, 7:50 a.m.
Haz Mat - Level 1, 1500 block of Harvard, 9:02 a.m.
EMS, 7th/Ozone, 9:03 a.m.
EMS, 1400 block of 12th, 9:14 a.m.
EMS, 900 block of Arizona, 9:14 a.m.
Automatic alarm, 1700 block of Ocean Front, 9:40 a.m.
EMS, 700 block of Adelaide, 9:48 a.m.

EMS, 500 block of Colorado, 12:18 p.m.
EMS, 2000 block of Ocean Front, 1:44 p.m.
EMS, 2100 block of Lincoln, 1:58 p.m.
EMS, 2000 block of Ocean, 2:02 p.m.
EMS, 1900 block of Pico, 2:26 p.m.
Public assist, 1100 block of 7th, 2:38 p.m.
EMS, 1600 block of Ocean Front, 3:33 p.m.
EMS, 1400 block of Ashland, 3:45 p.m.
Automatic alarm, 1600 block of Ocean Front, 3:50 p.m.
EMS, 20th/I-10, 4:24 p.m.
EMS, 2100 block of Ocean, 5:04 p.m.
EMS, 2000 block of Arizona, 6:28 p.m.
EMS, 1500 block of 16th, 6:51 p.m.
EMS, 1200 block of 16th, 6:54 p.m.
EMS, 1600 block of Arizona, 7:28 p.m.
Automatic alarm, 2400 block of 16th, 7:30 p.m.
EMS, 1200 block of 16th, 7:51 p.m.
EMS, 2000 block of California, 7:54 p.m.
EMS, 1400 block of 21st, 7:57 p.m.
EMS, Main/Strand, 7:58 p.m.
EMS, 7th/Santa Monica, 8:23 p.m.
EMS, 1000 block of 3rd, 9:36 p.m.
EMS, 1400 block of Maple, 9:42 p.m.
EMS, 2600 block of 6th, 10:21 p.m.

CROSSWORD
By THOMAS JOSEPH

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- 1 Neighbor

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11 Diminish

12 Anxiety

13 Boost

14 Paltry

15 Refused to change

17 First número

18 Black suit

22 Washer cycle

24 Doctrine

25 Un-matched

26 Flock sound

27 Like good watchmen

30 Decorate

32 Sorceress of myth

33 Baseball’s Gehrig

34 Exhibitor of Jumbo

38 Explorer Hernando

41 Writer Buchanan

42 Made blank

43 Pills, in slang

44 Diluted

45 Altar vows
- DOWN
- 1 Piercing tools

2 Fishing need

3 Baseless

4 Wyoming range

5 Jostle

6 Short play

7 John or Paul

8 Decline

9 Try out

10 Pricing word

16 Fawn’s mother

19 Limit-less

20 Tolerate

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Yesterday’s answer

- 21 Jazz legend

22 Be nomadic

23 Not active

28 Rest

29 Shred

30 In the style of

31 Money, in slang
- 35 Physique

36 Take apart

37 Physics amount

38 Grass coating

39 Stretch of years

40 Plopped down

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GETTING STARTED

There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY’S PUZZLE

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WORD UP!

contretemps

1. an inopportune occurrence; an embarrassing mischance: He caused a minor contretemps by knocking over his drink.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1980 - The United States severs relations with the Islamic Republic of Iran.

1983 - During STS-6, astronauts Story Musgrave and Don Peterson perform the first Space Shuttle spacewalk.

1985 - Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev declares a moratorium on the deployment of middle-range missiles in Europe.

1989 - Soviet submarine Komsomolets sinks in the Barents Sea off the coast of Norway killing 42 sailors.

1990 - Iran-Contra affair: John Poindexter is found guilty of five charges for his part in the scandal (the conviction is later reversed on appeal).

1990 - A fire breaks out on the passenger ferry Scandinavian Star, killing 159 people.

1992 - Republika Srpska announces its independence.

1994 - Rwandan Genocide: Massacres of Tutsis begin in Kigali, Rwanda.

1994 - Auburn Calloway attempts to hijack Federal Express Flight 705 and crash it to allow his family to benefit from his life insurance policy. The crew subdues him and lands the aircraft safely.

1995 - First Chechen War: Russian paramilitary troops begin a massacre of civilians in Samashki, Chechnya.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ (1) Convicted triple-murder inmate Kon Georgiou, housed in Australia's Goulburn Jail, was charged in February with hiding a cellphone in his rectum, but managed to hold out for 12 days (almost 300 hours) before finally "releasing" the evidence. Guards, certain it was a phone on the X-ray (and not the residue from recent surgery that Georgiou claimed), had confidently resisted "going in" after it. (2) At an estate sale in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, in February, a couple in Wilmington bid successfully on Delaware license plate number "14," which went for \$325,000.

According to WCAU-TV's report, paying exorbitant sums for low license plate numbers "is a Delaware thing" (and has been mentioned in News of the Weird previously).

■ An official release of San Francisco's Department of the Environment in July (2010) apparently cleared up a matter of controversy (according to a report in SF Weekly): Human semen is one "organic waste product" not required to be disposed of in special "compost" bags under the city's mandatory composting law. (However, "snot" must be properly bagged.)

OPT FOR SOMETHING FUN TONIGHT, AQUARIUS

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Reach out to someone you really care for. Often this person can be difficult to handle. Make this effort, and expect surprises along the way. You'll have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to make a new beginning in an area of your life. Tonight: Make this night yours.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ You often keep your thoughts to yourself. This trait serves you well, as you are unlikely to say something you might regret. Sometimes your mind goes overboard when wondering about someone's intentions. This could be the case today. Tonight: Share with a close friend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Zero in on what is important. You have a lot on your plate. You could be at a point where you will want to gather some friends for a brainstorming session. You might be surprised by what you hear, and you'll need to ask questions to test out ideas. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Know what you need to do. Honor someone else's opinion, but also realize that this person tends to be controlling. Don't hold that trait against him or her, but don't play into this behavior. In a discussion with an associate, you might be floored by what he or she says. Tonight: Up late.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Be willing to take a leap of faith. You might perceive a matter in a very different light once you can see the big picture. Don't allow someone to drag you down. Detach with compassion and understanding. You don't need to get involved. Tonight: Opt for the unusual.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ A partner comes in a lot closer than you had anticipated, and you could experience discomfort as a result. Avoid manipulative behavior. Get together with a friend you really care about. You often can speak with this person on a deep level. Tonight: Opt for togetherness.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Someone comes forward to share what is going on in his or her head. You might have difficulty interacting with others who might be part of the package. Make that OK. You might want to observe an associate's response to these people. Tonight: Defer to others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Be more forthright. However you choose to deal with a personal matter will be the right move. Just realize your limitations. You have only so much time and energy to prioritize. Be much clearer about what you want and where you are going. Tonight: Pace yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ You might be full of ideas, but others don't seem to be on the same page as you. They are dealing with their own issues. You probably can't get a group together to discuss a certain issue at this moment in time. Expect the unexpected. Tonight: Act as if it were the weekend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Most of the day's activity surrounds your personal life. You might decide to spend more time at home. You might have a project to deal with, or perhaps a domestic matter encourages you to say close to home. Follow through on what feels right. Tonight: Make it easy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Keep communication flowing in an efficient and powerful manner. The exchange of ideas encourages depth and mutuality between you and others. You will experience a new beginning as a result. Stay on top of a personal issue. Tonight: Opt for something fun.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Be aware of what is happening around a loved one. You have a way of looking at a personal matter that invigorates others, partially because it reflects your authentic self. Make an effort to listen more carefully. Act on a long-term desire. Tonight: You are all smiles.

Thursday, April 7, 2016

This year your birthday falls on a New Moon, which signals a new beginning in at least one area of your life. You can direct this energy into the area in which you'd like to incorporate this type of change. Your creativity and charisma soar. Guard against being so excited that you become too me-oriented. If you are single, your magnetism attracts many potential suitors. Focus on what type of relationship you desire when making a choice. If you are attached, make it a point to relate more fully to your significant other. With all the activity going on around you, he or she might feel isolated and need to be drawn in. A fellow ARIES will be a very interesting person to deal with.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

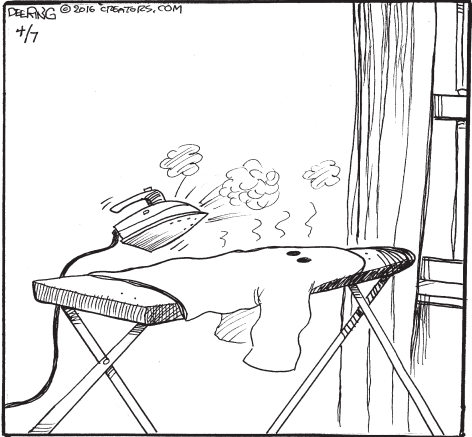
The stars show the kind of day you'll have:

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★★★★ Positive	★ Difficult
★★★ Average	

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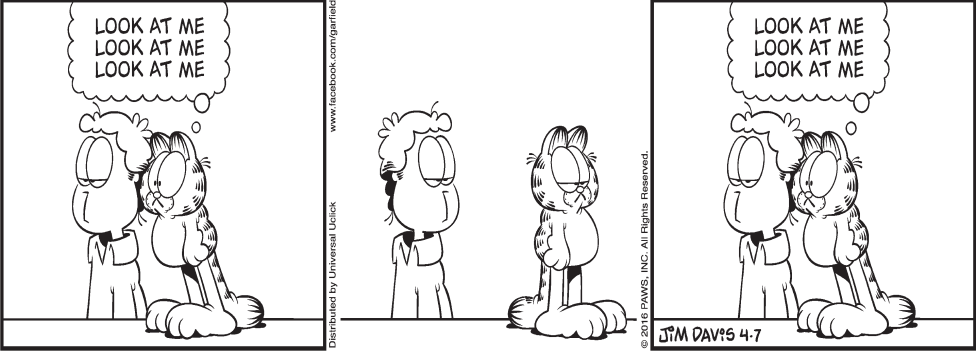
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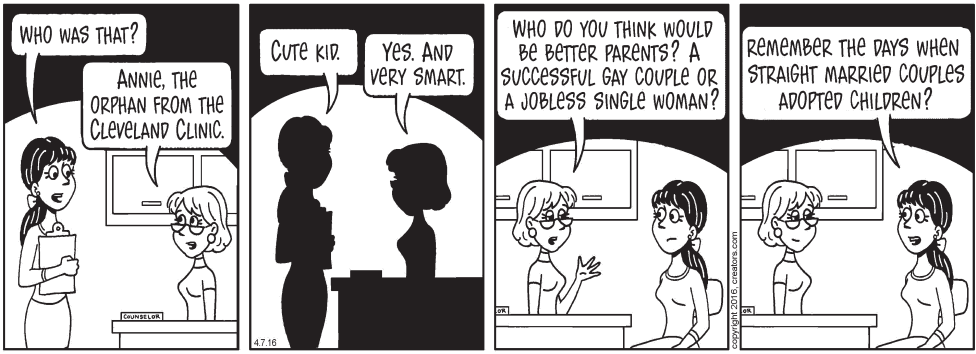
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