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DIFFERENT APPROACH: Gabriel Gomez, executive chef at UCLA Health System, prepares antibiotic-free menu items.

Going natural

UCLA Medical Centers serving antibiotic-free meat

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

MID-CITY I'll have a burger with lettuce and tomatoes, hold the superbug.

In an effort to stop the spread of antibiotic-resistant bacteria, UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica (along with the Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center in Westwood) is now serving antibiotic-free chicken breasts, beef patties and ground beef.

About 30 percent of the meat served at the hospitals is antibiotic-free, said Patricia Oliver, UCLA Health System's director of nutrition services. In the next three to six months she hopes half the meat will be without antibiotics.

Farmers have been giving their animals antibiotics for years to boost their growth and prevent diseases but, said Dr. Daniel Uslan, director of the antimicrobial stewardship program, they also contribute to bacteria's growing resistance to drugs.

While antibiotics do kill off many of the germs, those that survive pass on their genes creating stronger and more prevalent drug-resistant bacteria.

Dining on meat from animals treated with antibiotics could put the eater at greater risk of ingesting resistant germs, said Uslan, who's begun eating antibiotic-free meat himself.

"The biggest contribution to resistance among humans is overuse in humans," Uslan said. "Doctors and their patients need to take responsibility and step up and use antibiotics appropriately. But there's no doubt that the role of antibiotics in agriculture is a major contributor and that also needs to be done away with at the same time."

UCLA is seeing a bump in cases of resistant germs, Uslan said, but that's no different from most other places in the world.

"Certainly we are reaching a public health crisis," he said. "So that's not unique to us."

UCLA is adding one cut of meat at a time to the antibiotic-free list, Oliver

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Senior transit tops hefty City Council spending agenda

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

Editor's note: This story is part of an ongoing series that tracks the city's expenditures appearing on upcoming or recent Santa Monica City Council consent agendas. Consent agenda items are routinely passed by the City Council with little or no discussion from elected officials or the public. However, many of the items have been part of public discussion in the past.

CITY HALL Senior transit services made up close to two-thirds of a nearly $3.7 million consent agenda Tuesday night. The agenda was approved unanimously with no objections from City Council members.

The Santa Monica council spent $2,070,337

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L.A. mayor wants greener streets

MICHAEL R. BLOOD
AP Political Writer

LOS ANGELES Hoping to give a new look to a city where the car is king, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti said Thursday that he planned to add plazas, trees and artwork to some of the city's busiest streets to lure walkers, cyclists, new cafes and shops.

A more walkable Los Angeles? The city has long privileged cars over pedestrians, bikes or baby strollers, but Garcetti said greener, more attractive streets are a pathway to a better future. He plans to start with improvements to 15 thoroughfares across the city, including a main artery that cuts through downtown.

"These great streets will be the standard-bearers of a revitalized city, one main street at a time," the first-term Democrat said in a speech to City Council members and business, government and civic leaders.

"We are going to bring back the glory days on our storied ... boulevards," he added.

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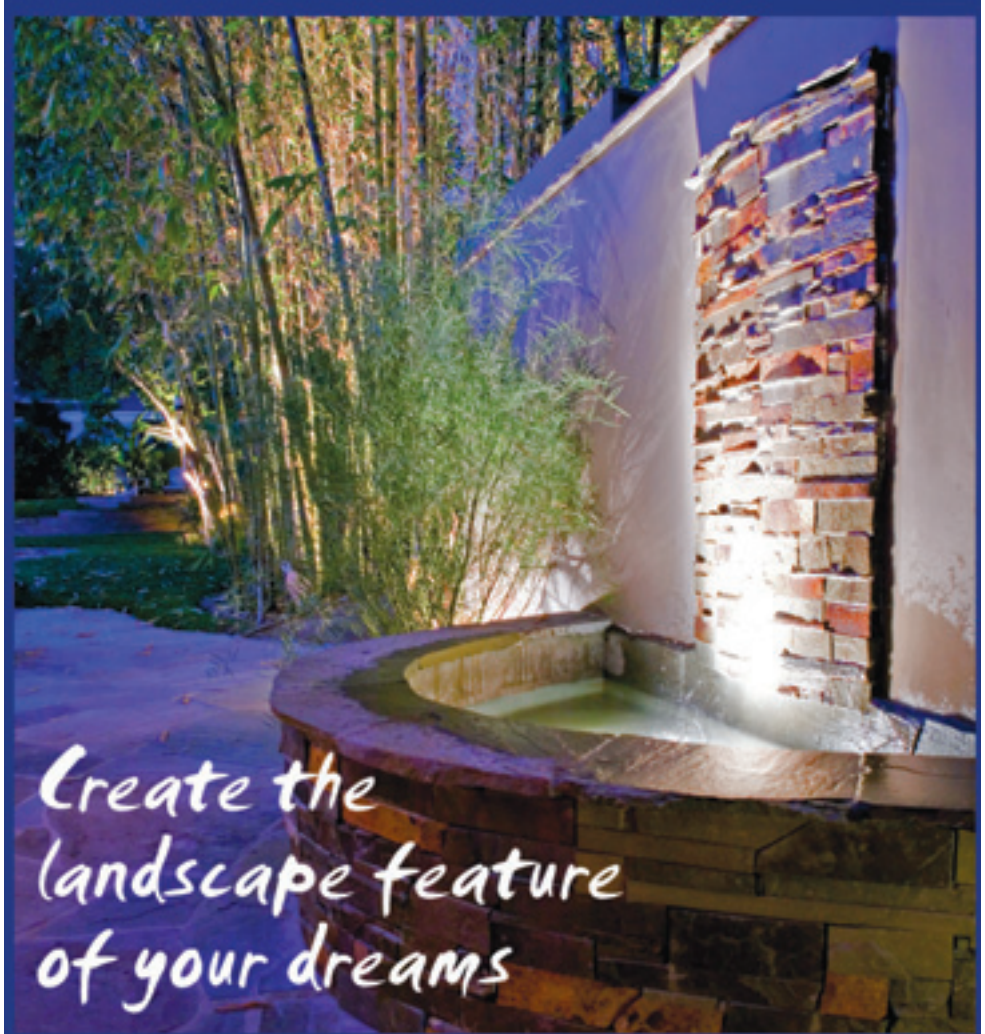
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1211 Fourth St., 7 p.m.
The playhouse welcomes Samantha Martin and her Amazing Acro-Cats as they spring into Santa Monica. The one-hour show features over a dozen fabulous felines (former orphans, rescues, and strays) walking tightropes, pushing carts, skateboarding, jumping through hoops, ringing bells, balancing on balls and turning on lights. For more information, visit circuscats.com.

Shake it up
1454 Lincoln Blvd., 8 p.m.
Santa Monica CityShakes' production of "The Merchant of Venice" asks viewers how we can forgive those who have wronged us. Is there a time when justice and vengeance should win over mercy and compassion? This show will engage your senses in an up-close-and-personal, intimate space. For more information, visit cityshakes.org.

Saturday, April 12, 2014

Hip hop
Douglas Park
2439 Wilshire Blvd.,
9 a.m. — 12 p.m.
The Santa Monica Jaycees' annual Peter Rabbit Day gives kids plenty to hop about. There will be an egg hunt, games, contests and egg dying. For more information, visit smjaycees.org.

Wave awakening
Santa Monica Pier
9 a.m.
Calling all kids, ages 1-8, Saturday mornings are about to get musical. Join the pier's staff for Wake Up With the Waves, the interactive concert series for children. It's fresh-air fun with a rotating cast of musicians and entertainers who get kids engaged with singing, dancing, playing and more. For more information, call (310) 458-8901.

Water wise
Santa Monica College, Bundy Campus
3171 S. Bundy Drive, Los Angeles
10 a.m. — 3 p.m.
With a 10-year history as the largest and most vital green building and design event on the West Coast, AltBuild has expanded its conference portion to focus on water conservation in Southern California, a topic of acute relevance for a region that is currently experiencing an historic drought. AltBuild Water will provide tools and resources for the public, as well as landscape, design and architecture professionals to address water conservation and showcase resources to make a substantial and vital shift. For more information, visit altbuildexpo.com.

Early summer
The Broad Stage
1310 11th St., 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
In their first collaboration since the internationally acclaimed "War Horse," Bristol Old Vic's Artistic Director Tom Morris and Cape Town's Handspring Puppet Company reunite for an inventive new take on Shakespeare's romantic comedy, "A Midsummer Night's Dream." This production runs through April 19. For more information, visit thebroadstage.com.

For help submitting an event, contact Daniel Archuleta at **310-458-7737** or submit to editor@smdp.com

New food festival to celebrate LGBT chefs

MICHELLE LOCK
Associated Press

Something new is coming to the parade of food festivals that has sprung up around the country — CookOUT/RockOUT, a food and music event celebrating LGBT chefs and other food luminaries.

"It's a way to showcase, in a positive, fun light, diversity within the food world," festival founder Bruce Seidel says of the event, which launches in Los Angeles in the fall. The goal is to show "people that, 'Hey, gay people are everywhere and this is a way to celebrate that whether you're gay or not.'"

Seidel is a former Food Network executive who developed hit shows including "Iron Chef America" and "Next Food Network Star." These days he runs Hot Lemon Productions, a consulting and production company he created with a focus on food. CookOUT is one of several projects the company is working on.

He first thought of creating a television program built around mentoring people in the food profession who were struggling with coming out or other issues. But then he began thinking about creating something new on the food festival front and the two ideas jelled.

The festival won't be as big as some, aiming for 400 to 500 people rather than thousands, and the plan is to hold it at an LA estate built by a silent film star in the 1920s. Music will range from rock to classical violin and the culinary events will emphasize food experiences as opposed to "you eat 300 things, but you have no idea what you've tasted in the end," says Seidel.

The roster of performers and chefs still is being put together, but among those from the LGBT community who already have signed up for the event are Big Gay Ice Cream, the New York-based frozen treats shop which also has a branch in Los Angeles, and Art Smith, Oprah's former personal chef. Straight chefs also will be in the lineup.

Smith is looking forward to an event celebrating "the vast diversity within the food world of openly gay chefs," noting that "there are many who still cannot be openly gay in their chosen careers."



EYE CANDY

Paul Alvarez Jr. *editor@smdp.com*

A mural titled 'Duck Diving' has been placed on a building along Olympic Boulevard.

SoCal city turns up heat on Sriracha sauce maker

JOHN ROGERS
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES A small Southern California town has turned up the heat on the makers of the wildly popular Sriracha hot sauce, telling them that if they can't keep their bottling plant from smelling up the neighborhood, the city will.

The Irwindale City Council voted 4-0 Wednesday to tentatively declare Huy Fong's 2-year-old bottling plant a public nuisance. If a second vote, scheduled for April 23, makes the declaration official, Huy Fong will have 90 days to stop releasing the spicy smells that neighbors say burn their eyes and throats and make them sneeze and cough.

If the smells still persist, the Los Angeles suburb says it will have the authority to enter the plant, take whatever measures are necessary to kill the odor, and bill the company for its efforts.

Reaction to the move was swift and heated.

State Sen. Ed Hernandez, who represents the area, advised Irwindale to cool it, saying if the city of 1,400 residents doesn't want the maker of arguably the world's most popular hot sauce, he's sure there are several other cities in his district that do.

"I ask that the city of Irwindale reject this inflammatory and unnecessary public nuisance designation and work constructively with Huy Fong Foods to resolve these issues," he said in a statement.

The company's attorney, John Tate, complained the vote was akin to "thumbing Huy Fong in the eye," since it came after he told the city that Huy Fong was working with regional air-quality officials on a plan to make the smell go away by June 1.

Irwindale City Manager John Davidson said officials were delighted to hear that, indicating he's certain everybody will simmer down once they realize the city wants only the smell, and not the company, to go away.

"Obviously this is a council that wants to work with all local businesses regardless of their size, and has never had any interest in having Huy Fong Foods shut down or relocating," he said.

Davidson said city officials plan to work with the company and air-quality officials to ensure Huy Fong can get a filtration system in place that will make everyone happy.

The company opened its $40 million bottling

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

CITYWIDE

Water saving assist

Need a little help saving water during California's current water crisis?

Santa Monica-based nonprofit Sustainable Works is hosting a rain barrel sale event on Saturday, April 12, that can reduce your water usage and help the environment at the same time.

After a one year hiatus from offering rain barrels, Sustainable Works hopes more residents will take advantage of a renewed interest in outdoor water conservation coupled with a rebate available through the SoCal Water$mart program.

According to the SoCal Water$mart website, Santa Monica residents currently qualify for up to a $200 rebate toward the purchase of a rain barrel. To guarantee a rain barrel will be available for pick-up, residents are encouraged to pre-order online at rainreserve.com

The rain barrels will be available for pick-up in the parking lot of Sustainable Works (1744 Pearl St.) from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m, or while limited supplies last.

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– DANIEL ARCHULETA

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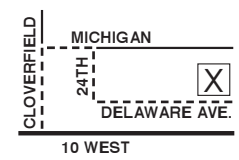


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Airport serves a purpose

Editor:

I did not realize that Mr. John Fairweather is an aviation advocate ("Drones the way to go," Letters to the Editor, April 5).

But he is even more of an enthusiast than most of us in that he advocates putting a drone in every front yard in the city at "any hour of the day or night." Wow, what an improvement over an occasional plane overhead! Additionally he speaks as if his panacea were already here and ready to replace cars, bicycles, trains and planes. Maybe I don't have his vision, but I just don't see them anywhere. Maybe we could just use UFOs until the drones come?

His comments about organ transplants and public benefit air transport of medical patients could be dismissed as foolish if they were not such a reprehensible display of ignorance and calumny. Organ transplants are time-sensitive and often come over long distances that fate puts between donor and recipient.

This typically means the use of turbine aircraft that have the speed and endurance to complete the mission. The only unmanned aircraft or drones that can travel at the requisite speeds today are cruise missiles – not the sort of thing you want landing at the local hospital. Our municipal airport is the best place for organ transplant deliveries on their way to UCLA or Cedars-Sinai medical centers and the like. While it is not completely out of the question to contemplate landing an organ at the airport and then transporting it to the local hospitals by drone, that technology is not here yet – not even close, and we would still need an airport to make it work. For the foreseeable future, they will need to fight their way from the airport through the increasing deadlock of our cities by car.

If Mr. Fairweather had bothered to contact the Angel Flight offices here at the airport instead of using their website as a jumping-off point for rife speculation, he might have understood the true impact of their endeavors. Just like the city government in Santa Monica, the healthcare system in this country is broken. Groups like Angel Flight West have been formed all over America by pilots who wish to make a real difference in the lives of their fellow citizens by helping to mend a gap in the healthcare net. As an example, if you are a farm worker in the central valley and need cancer care at UCLA, there is a pretty good chance that you can get it if you can only get there. Teaching hospitals have "soft" money to treat patients, but little "hard" funds to supply transportation by plane, bus, train, or car. A typical patient may need to be seen three times a week for a few hours. Getting to UCLA from, say, Delano every other day on the bus or by car is simply not going to happen for myriad financial and logistical reasons. Angel Flight West does make it happen more than 800 times a year right out of our Santa Monica Airport. From there, a volunteer driver or compensated taxi ride often sees them safely to the help they so desperately need. Angel Flight West and kindred organizations exemplify a strong community spirit that could well set an example for other, not so charitable, denizens of our community.

It seems to me very callous to allege "but some people may not be able to afford it [commercial airline service] and I suppose that is the niche that the service fills."

What we are speaking of is not a "niche", it is a gaping hole in our healthcare system and many, many, of us who are perhaps not as affluent as Mr. Fairweather's comments make him out to be, would suffer needlessly or die if public benefit flying activities did not exist. The effrontery of his conjecture about Angel Flight suggesting that "your great work as a justification to keep SMO open makes absolutely no sense whatsoever" really separates Mr. Fairweather from the herd. I don't know about you, but I am not sure I would want to be part of a society where endeavoring to save human lives by using the best tools we have at hand "makes absolutely no sense whatsoever." It is Mr. Fairweather that makes no sense what so ever.

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Venice, Calif.

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Pistorius trial shades of O.J.?

UNFORTUNATELY, I'M RIVETED WITH THE murder trial of Oscar Pistorius in South Africa. Pistorius was born without fibulas (calf bones) and had both legs amputated below the knee when he was 11 months old. And yet, with the advent of carbon fiber running blades, heroically went on to become an international track star.

But now the "Blade Runner" is standing trial for the Valentine's Day 2013 murder of his girlfriend Reeva Steenkamp, a law school graduate and stunningly gorgeous model. As a fictional story line in a screenplay it would be instantly thrown in a producer's trash can filing cabinet. (On second thought, given Hollywood these days, who knows.)

With so many injustices in the world, I had promised myself I wouldn't get hooked on the trial and yet, hooked I am. That said, I swear I don't watch soap operas, the Kardashians or TMZ, though I have occasionally mocked them in past columns. (I only hope no one forwards this to Harvey Levin.)

Now I'm asking myself (thankfully, not out loud) why am I so obsessed? And worse, the trial is also making me reflect back on the O.J. wrongful death civil trial here in Santa Monica. That had to be among the most, if not the most, surreal scenes ever to take place in our fair city. Embarrassingly, I admit that at lunch time, I'd bike blocks to the courthouse to see the O.J. circus and wound up wasting countless hours.

I wish I could say I was doing "research" but this was seven years before the Daily Press came into existence in 2001. And it wasn't exactly typical fodder for my columns at the "Santa Monica Star," a neighborhood paper that generally consists of upbeat stories as opposed to hard news. (Update: O.J. is reportedly on a hunger strike in a Nevada prison to starve himself to death, which I suppose to some might be "upbeat" or at a minimum "karma.")

Finding the "real truth" of a story is part of my fascination in these trials, not that we ever really do. The word "truth" is etched in marble at the entrance to the CIA Building in Virginia with the biblical quote (John 8:32) "The Truth Shall Set you Free." Actually, that's more than a little ironic given the CIA's checkered past. And I'm being generous with the word "checkered."

But I do think there is something to the quote and, while it might appear to be a stretch, it's a factor for me in these trials, or Watergate, or, most of all, the JFK assassination. Truth was also sought in South Africa, after the abolition of the brutal apartheid regime. A "Truth and Reconciliation Commission" was established to promote healing in the country wherein victims testified about the inhumane treatment they endured and hopefully remorseful perpetrators gave testimony in return for amnesty. While South Africa is still riddled with racial violence, it's likely the truths that came from the TRC prevented an all out civil war.

South Africa brings me back to Pistorius who is currently on the stand being cross examined by the prosecution. I've listened to Oscar's tearful apologies and a part of me feels he's obviously tormented. I even find myself getting emotional. But a larger part of me is skeptical. And perhaps it's this uncertainty that I find so compelling.

Pistorius' story is that he fired four shots into the bathroom because he thought there was an intruder inside only to discover, to his horror, it was Reeva. But why was the bathroom door locked? And apparently two iPhones were found inside. If they had gone to bed, why was Oscar's Valentine's present unopened? And why was Reeva dressed? Had they been fighting and, trying to leave, she locked herself in the bathroom out of fear?

Neighbors reportedly heard arguing and screaming. "We heard gunshot, a scream, gunshot, a scream."

If so, it seems pretty hard to argue that Oscar didn't know it was Reeva doing the screaming. And, apparently after the shooting, Pistorius' first call was not to the police but to a friend. Even more puzzling, when a security guard phoned Oscar to see if everything was OK, he reportedly told him "Fine."

And yet, there's no question, given Pistorius not having his prosthetics on, would understandably feel far more terror than the "reasonable person" standard which is the basis for the country's self-defense law. But what about Oscar's past recklessness with guns, including one supposedly going off in a crowded restaurant?

As I find myself spending more and more time following the trial, there's no doubt, whatever the outcome, the tragedy is overwhelming. That said, and I hope no one takes offense at this, selfishly, I'm just glad that the trial isn't within biking distance.

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Ex-city official gets nearly 12 years in scandal case

JOHN ROGERS
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES One of the architects of a massive corruption scandal that nearly bankrupted the modest Los Angeles suburb of Bell was sentenced Thursday to nearly 12 years in prison by a judge who called her a con artist.

Former Assistant City Manager Angela Spaccia was also ordered to make more than $8 million in restitution to Bell.

Spaccia was the first of seven former public officials to be sentenced for their roles in the scandal that authorities said cost the small, working-class city more than $5.5 million. More than a quarter of Bell's 36,000 residents live below the federal poverty line.

Former Los Angeles County District Attorney Steve Cooley once described the scandal as "corruption on steroids."

"This was not a one-time lapse of judgment on defendant Spaccia's part; it was a criminally sophisticated conspiracy that drove the city of Bell to the edge of bankruptcy," prosecutors wrote in a memo to Superior Court Judge Kathleen Kennedy that sought a sentence of 12 years, eight months.

The judge gave the former official, who has been incarcerated since her conviction, 11 years and eight months. She could have sentenced her to as long as 17 years.

Spaccia was convicted in December of 11 criminal counts, including misappropriation of public funds, conspiracy and falsification of government records.

Authorities said she signed off on contracts and other financial documents as part of the scandal in which taxpayer dollars were illegally diverted to pay her and other top officials huge salaries.

Some of the most damning pieces of evidence introduced at her trial were emails she exchanged with Bell's former police chief in which she told him the city's contracts were carefully crafted to avoid disclosing to the public what the officials were paid.

When the newly hired chief said he was looking forward to taking all of Bell's money, Spaccia replied, "LOL ... well you can take your share of the pie ... just like us. We will all get fat together."

By the time she was fired by Bell in 2010, Spaccia was making $564,000 a year and her boss, former City Manager Robert Rizzo, had a salary and compensation package of $1.5 million. Five former City Council members were each paid about $100,000 a year.

On Wednesday, former Bell Mayor Oscar Hernandez and former City Council members George Cole, Teresa Jacobo, George Mirabal and Victor Bello pleaded no contest to two counts each of misappropriating public funds. They face terms that could range from probation to four years when they are sentenced at separate hearings in June and July.

Rizzo, who pleaded no contest to 69 counts of fraud, misappropriation of public funds and other charges, could face as many as 12 years in prison.

During her trial, Spaccia testified that it was Rizzo who masterminded the scheme. She said she knew she was being paid a lot but didn't believe it was illegal.

An audit by the state controller's office found Bell illegally raised property taxes, business license fees and other sources of revenue to keep the salaries flowing. At one point homeowners in Bell, where the annual median household income is about $36,000, paid higher property taxes than people in Beverly Hills.

Thousands of Bell residents organized a recall campaign after learning of the salaries and subsequently voted all of the council members out of office.

Bell's current mayor, Nestor Enrique Valencia, said he believes Spaccia got off too easily. His city is still struggling financially, Valencia said, and the damage she did to its reputation will likely endure for a generation.

"They're all going to say, 'I'm so sorry, feel sorry for me,'" he said of Spaccia and the other defendants. "I think that's just disingenuous of them and in the community we don't believe them. They got the money and we're never going to see that money again."

The Q Line

Keeping animals safe

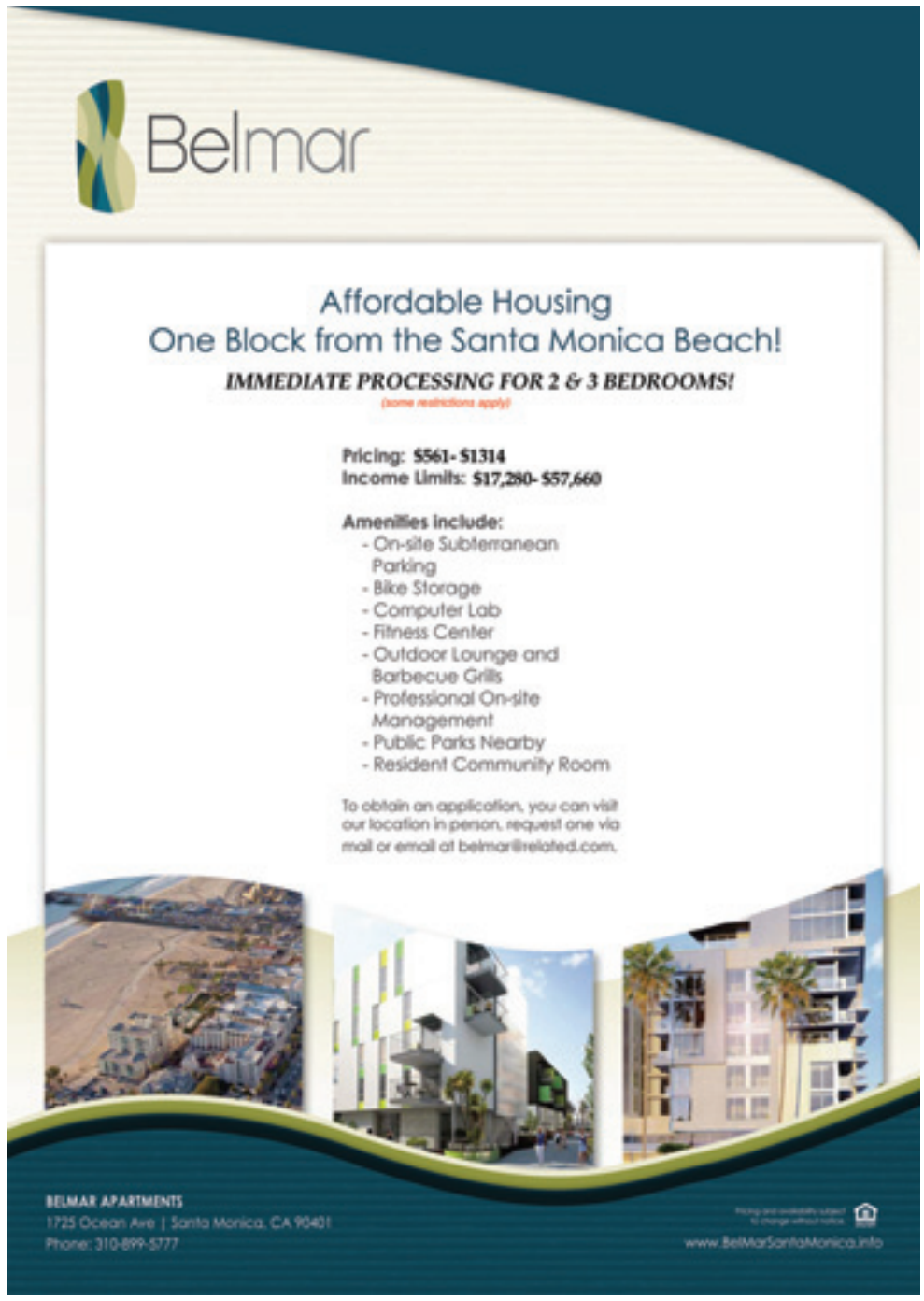
Assemblyman Richard Bloom (D-Santa Monica) recently introduced legislation that would curtail killer whale shows at animal parks. Now, there is a local group calling for the end of pony rides and petting zoos in Santa Monica.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
Do you agree that animals are being asked to do unethical acts or is this just alarmist banter?

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Los Angeles teacher suspended for unusual science projects

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES Students and parents are calling for the return of a popular Los Angeles high school science teacher who was suspended from the classroom after students turned in projects that appeared dangerous to administrators.

Supporters rallied outside the downtown Cortines School of Visual & Performing Arts Thursday morning and have gathered hundreds of signatures on a petition that calls for the return of teacher Greg Schiller.

The Los Angeles Times reports that Schiller was suspended in February after two students turned in science-fair projects designed to shoot small projectiles. Schiller was suspended, with pay, pending an investigation.

One project used compressed air to shoot an object but wasn't connected to an air pressure source. Another project used power from a AA battery to charge a tube surrounded by a coil.

A school employee saw the air-pressure project and reported that it looked like a weapon. Schiller said he never saw the completed projects except in photos.

Union representative Roger Scott said Los Angeles Unified School District administrators suspended Schiller for "supervising the building, research and development of imitation weapons."

School administrators didn't respond to requests for comment and district officials said they couldn't discuss an ongoing investigation.

"As far as we can tell, he's being punished for teaching science," said United Teachers Los Angeles President Warren Fletcher.

The 43-year-old Schiller was the teachers' union representative on campus and was dealing with disagreements with administrators.

Schiller teaches Advanced Placement biology, psychology and regular and honors biology. The AP exams, which allow students to qualify for college credit, are in May.

"The class is now essentially a free period," said 17-year-old psychology student Liana Kleinman. "The sub does not have a psych background and can't help us with the work."

Though Schiller initially prepared lesson plans for the substitute, district officials directed him to stop in an email.

"This is really hurting my students more than anything else," Schiller said. "I would never do anything to set up a situation where a student could be harmed."

Schiller initially prepared lesson plans for the substitute, but the district directed him to stop in an email. Schiller also coaches the school's fencing team, but administrators have determined the team can't compete safely without him there.

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CRIME WATCH
BY DANIEL ARCHULETA

Suspect tries to okie-doke cops

Crime Watch is a weekly series culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 1:32 P.M.

Officers saw a man sitting in the gazebo at Crescent Bay Park (2000 block of Ocean Avenue), drinking from a 32 oz. glass bottle of beer. Officers detained the man for a municipal code violation. The male presented officers a California driver's license, however the person on the card did not appear to be the person they had stopped. When questioned about the information on the card, the man provided a different birthdate and he could not remember his exact address. While searching through the man's wallet, officers discovered several other identification cards in other peoples' names. The officers believed the man was providing false information and they were not able to verify his identity. The man was placed under arrest for the violation. During the arrest search, officers located a cylindrical glass pipe, commonly used to smoke narcotics, concealed in his waistband. Later, at the jail, his fingerprints revealed his true identity, and showed he had a no bail warrant from the Los Angeles Police Department.
The suspect was identified as Alfonso Flores, 30, of Culver City. No bail was provided.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 8:46 P.M.

A patrol officer was driving in the 300 block of Broadway when he saw a man crossing the street outside of the marked crosswalk and in violation of jaywalking. The officer contacted the pedestrian for the violation. During the officer's contact, the violator showed indicators of being under the influence of a drug. The man was unable to sit still, shaking his hands and feet, rubbing his legs and arms, as he was licking and smacking his lips. Based on the indicators the officer observed, he conducted a drug influence evaluation test on the man. At the conclusion of the test, the officer formed the opinion that he was under the influence of a central nervous system (CNS) stimulant. The man was placed under arrest, and transported to the jail for further tests. He was identified as Sales Math, 29, of Los Angeles. His bail was set at $10,000.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 12:49 A.M.

Officers were dispatched to the beach parking lot north of the Santa Monica Pier regarding an assault investigation. Officers arrived and met with a female victim of the assault. She told officers that her on-and-off boyfriend had assaulted her in the past and therefore she obtained a temporary restraining order against him. On this date, the female came to the beach with another male friend and they both sat on the sand in the 1400 block of the beach. The on-and-off boyfriend walked up to both and was angry that the victim was with another man, which turned into a fight. After the fight, the suspect walked away and made reference to getting a gun. All three met up again in the parking lot when the suspect pulled the female victim's hair and punched her in the face. The suspect eventually left the lot in his vehicle and as he did, the victim said that he intentionally revved his engine and speed up toward her in an attempt to strike her. She was able to run behind a parked car to avoid his vehicle. The vehicle then fled the scene. Assisting officers were able to locate the suspect's vehicle and made a traffic stop in the 3400 block of Pico Boulevard. The victim and witnesses responded and positively identified the male as the suspect. The suspect was on probation and had prior weapon and assault charges.
He was identified as Steve Valez, 28, of Boyle Heights. No bail was set.

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Crossroads' Sam Reiss slides into home plate against Campbell Hall on Thursday. Despite the run, Crossroads went on to lose, 3-2, falling to 1-3 in Alpha League Play.

MEALS

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said.

The challenge, she said, is finding meat that is financially feasible and also hits the hospitals' other requirements.

"A lot of people think since they can just go to Whole Foods and get antibiotic-free meat, why can't they serve it here?," Oliver said. "Price was a big issue, also getting it through a UCLA-approved vendor. And the University of California has a sustainability policy."

The university system has asked that by 2020 all of its affiliates make sustainable food purchases 20 percent of the time, Oliver said. The UCLA Health Systems hit that mark last year, when 24 percent of their purchases were sustainable.

Salmon is the most popular dish at the hospitals, she said, but artichoke chicken, another hot item, is made with the now-antibiotic-free breast. The hospitals serve about 700 pounds of chicken breast each week.

"We're looking at some other products," Oliver said. "I would say that within the next couple of months our chicken quarters — which we use quite a bit of — stew meat, stew beef and tri-tip, will also be antibiotic-free, so we're moving forward."

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ALL ABOARD: MV Transportation won a contract with City Hall to provide rides to seniors.

CONSENT
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to cover transport for senior residents and residents with a disability. MV Transportation Inc. scored the contract with two, one-year extension options totaling $1,429,183.

Residents aged 62 and older pay 50 cents for curb-to-curb transit, as do adult residents with a disability.

"On designated days, trips are offered to select medical facilities outside of Santa Monica," city officials said. "Evening service to any location within the city is provided on City Council meeting dates. Monthly shopping excursions are also offered."

BACKHOE LOADERS

City Hall needs two new backhoe loaders. One of the current backhoes is too old and the other was crushed by a tree.

On June 18, a tree fell on the cab of the latter backhoe, damaging most of the control and air conditioning assemblies. Quinn Company got the bid at $245,801.

LIVING WAGE EXPENSES

The decision to increase the living wage for city employees and city contracted employees will cost City Hall $382,295 this consent calendar.

Council recently voted to increase the living wage from $14.08 per hour to $15.37 per hour starting on July 1.

City Hall will cover the added costs for two contractors with previously determined agreements that end in December.

Diamond Contract Services, which does the custodial work at the Santa Monica Pier and the Public Safety Facility, will get the extra cash for the second half of this year.

TRAFFIC LIGHT

The intersection of Olympic Drive and Avenida Mazatlan needs a stop light and City Hall will pay Select Electric Inc. $222,000 to put it in. Currently, there's a four way stop at the intersection but an increase in pedestrians and vehicles makes it inefficient, city officials said. With the extension of Olympic Drive, it's expected to get more congested.

"The construction of the extension of Olympic Drive is a public benefit negotiated as part of the (Village Development Project) development agreement," officials said. "The Village project will also install three new traffic signals along Olympic Drive."

MOTORCYCLE GEAR

Santa Monica Police recently bought nine new motorcycles from Hollister Honda but realized, after they got the first three, that they needed another $13,068 worth of additional equipment. Hollister Honda will also perform the installations.

CITY BUILDING DESIGNS

City Hall agreed to pay the Hathaway Dinwiddie Construction Company $258,500 to design the City Services Building. City officials need more office space so the building will go just east of the current City Hall. Last fiscal year they spent $2.4 million on off-site leased office space so this building will help cut that spending.

They hope to start construction next year.

CEMETERY INVESTMENTS

Woodlawn Cemetery and Mausoleum, the City Hall-owned cemetery needs $63,000 a year for investment management services. Income from some of the plots is set aside to cover perpetual care costs. Nelson Capital Management will invest the principal for the next five years and take a percentage cut that comes out to be an estimated $63,000 annually.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SOFTWARE

It's going to cost City Hall $162,675 to upgrade software that monitors the 928 city vehicles and pieces of equipment.

Chevin Fleet Solutions, LLC got the contract in return for their recently released FleetWave 2.1 software, which monitors vehicle maintenance.

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SAUCE
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plant in Irwindale after it outgrew its old one in nearby Rosemead.

The city says most of the complaints about pungent, spicy smells have come during the last two harvest seasons when as many as 100 million pounds of freshly harvested, red-hot jalapeno peppers were ground between August and October.

Davidson said 30 to 35 people have given the city sworn statements that the smell bothers them. A couple told city officials the smell made them ill enough that they saw their doctors.

Privately held Huy Fong Foods was founded and is still owned by Vietnamese immigrant David Tran. He began making the fiery sauce in a bucket at his home in 1980 and saw his business take off from there.

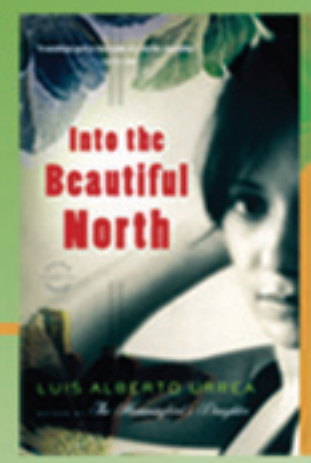
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But the car was not forgotten.

The mayor also announced an expansion of the notoriously clogged Interstate 405 would open in May, months ahead of schedule. It earned him some of his loudest applause of the night.

The speech, informally known as the state of the city, was part boosterism, part defense of his first nine months in office, part agenda for salving a city struggling with a litany of problems, from strangled freeways to a looming pension crisis.

Among his plans, Garcetti said he wanted to slash a business tax that he says chases away jobs; allow residents to conduct more business with the city online, rather than travel to City Hall; and stop Hollywood jobs from fleeing to others states and countries.

After several smaller earthquakes rattled nerves in recent weeks, Garcetti said the city would develop a rating system to catalog the earthquake safety of buildings, as part of a partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey. Plans would also be made to protect water and communications systems and make improvements to older buildings, he said.

The 43-year-old mayor said his budget to be released next week would erase a projected $250 million shortfall, but he provided no details on how he closed the gap. He also said he would block any attempt by the city-run utility, the Department of Water and Power, to raise rates this year.

Garcetti said he planned to pave more streets — a key campaign promise — but not how many. In an interview in January, the mayor said it could take a decade and as much as $3 billion to do a good, if not complete, repair job on hundreds of miles of cratered and cracked roadway in Los Angeles. It's not clear where the financially struggling city will get the money.

His speech comes a day after a city commission that previously warned that Los Angeles was drifting toward decline made sweeping proposals that included unifying the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, forming a new regional agency to lure more tourists and finding a way to slow runaway government-pension costs. Garcetti did not directly address those proposals in his speech.

During his nine months in office, Garcetti has succeeded in differentiating himself from his predecessor, fellow Democrat Antonio Villaraigosa. Garcetti's retiring personality and back-to-basics agenda stand in contrast to the former mayor, who was known for his headline-grabbing lifestyle and ambitious, if sometimes out of reach, goals.

At several points Garcetti defended his low-key approach, contrasting it with gridlock in Washington. "We're about getting results, not about getting headlines," he said.

The speech was not a make-or-break moment for Garcetti, said Raphael Sonenshein, executive director of the Pat Brown Institute of Public Affairs at California State University, Los Angeles.

"He'll be judged by what kind of difference he makes for people who live in the city over a longer period of time," said Sonenshein, noting that Garcetti had been on the job less than a year.

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Biotech drops again, pulling down market

MATTHEW CRAFT
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK Biotech and Internet stocks tumbled again Thursday, and the broader market followed.

After a two-day respite, investors again started dumping shares of cutting-edge drug companies and other industries that have soared over the past year. Biotechnology stocks have turned volatile in recent weeks as regulators scrutinize the cost of their drugs and investors worry their earnings won't justify lofty stock prices. Investors are also worried that high-growth companies like Twitter and Facebook have become too expensive.

On Thursday, the Nasdaq composite, which is weighted heavily toward tech and biotech companies, had its worst day since November 2011.

The rout started slowly and picked up speed throughout the day. By the close, the tech-heavy Nasdaq composite index had its worst day since November 2011. Few companies escaped the sell-off. Of the Nasdaq's 100 largest stocks, only one, C.H. Robinson Worldwide, a freight company, ended higher.

The Nasdaq ended the day down 129.79 points, or 3.1 percent, to 4,054.11. It is now down 7 percent from its recent high reached March 5.

Other major index also fell, but not as much.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index dropped 39.10 points, or 2.1 percent, to close at 1,838.08. The Dow Jones industrial average lost 266.96 points, or 1.6 percent, to 16,170.22.

Biogen Idec, Gilead Sciences and other biotech companies plunged. Facebook and Twitter, other recent investor favorites, also dropped.

The sudden downfall of these former high-flyers comes as investors shift from riskier investments to safer areas like utilities, health care and consumer staples. The sell-off in these former darlings, whose stock prices appealed to investors because their rise seemed unstoppable, has weighed on the overall market, especially the Nasdaq.

Gilead Sciences slid $5.17, or 7 percent, to $65.48 on Thursday. Biogen Idec dropped $13.33, or 4 percent, to $287.35. Both roughly doubled in value last year.

Facebook, another stock that doubled last year, sank $3.25, or 5 percent, to $59.16.

The market's drop wiped out gains made earlier in the week. On Wednesday, minutes from the Federal Reserve's latest meeting reassured investors that the central bank wasn't in a hurry to raise interest rates. The S&P 500 had its best day in a month.

Brad McMillan, Chief Investment Officer for Commonwealth Financial, said it seems like investors had been searching for a reason to push the market up. "But there's no compelling story," he said. "Without a catalyst to move the market higher, people are going to start questioning their assumptions."

Weaker sales at Bed Bath & Beyond drove the company's stock down $4.19, or 6 percent, to $63.72. The company reported a drop in quarterly revenue and profit late Wednesday. Like many other retailers, Bed Bath & Beyond laid some of the blame on cold winter weather for keeping customers at home.

Among the handful of winners Thursday was Rite Aid, which surged after the retailer turned in quarterly results that topped analysts' expectations. Rite Aid also announced the acquisition of RediClinic and said it plans to expand the Texas chain of health clinics. The company's stock gained 54 cents, or 8 percent, to $6.94.

In government bond trading, the yield on the 10-year Treasury note dipped to 2.63 percent from 2.69 percent late Wednesday. The price of crude oil fell 20 cents to close at $103.40 a barrel. Gold climbed $14.60 to settle at $1,320.50 an ounce.

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Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	A+
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	B
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A	B
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21672 Malibu Rd..	F	A
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	D
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	D	B
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	B	A+
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A	A+
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	B	B
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	F
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	A+
Tuna Canyon.	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	B	B
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A	F
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	B

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	B
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A+	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A+	B
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	A	F
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	B	F
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A	F
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	F	F
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	B	F
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	A+
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A	F
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	A
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	D
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	A+
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	B
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	F	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	A	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A+	A+
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty).	A+	D
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A+	F
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	A+

LEGEND
DRY -- each location is graded on an A – F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone
WET -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days
ns -- no sample taken

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Santa Monica Oversight Board
Public Notice

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION BY THE SANTA MONICA REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY OVERSIGHT BOARD TO RATIFY THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OR INTEREST OF CERTAIN HOUSING ASSETS TO THE CITY PURSUANT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 34176(A)(1)

On April 21, 2014, the Santa Monica Redevelopment Successor Agency Oversight Board ("Oversight Board") will consider a proposed action to ratify the transfer of ownership or interest of certain housing assets to the City pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 34176(a)(1) ("Proposed Action").

Address*	**Housing Asset**
2819 19th Street	Vacant Residential Parcel
3100 Neilson Way	Senior Affordable Housing
3356 Barnard Way	Senior Affordable Housing

WHAT: Santa Monica Redevelopment Successor Agency Oversight Board Public Meeting to consider the Proposed Action

WHERE: Ken Edwards Center
1527 4th Street, Room 100 B
Santa Monica, 90401

WHEN: Monday, April 21, 2014 5:30 p.m.

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Development Agreement 13-010
315 Colorado Avenue
APPLICANT: Macerich SMP LP
PROPERTY OWNER: Macerich SMP LP

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to consider the following request:

Adoption of a Resolution adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration and introduction for first reading of an ordinance to approve a Development Agreement with the City to convert approximately 50,000 square feet of entitled, but vacant retail space on the third level of the Bloomingdale's Building within Santa Monica Place into a multi-screen movie theater complex with up to 13 movie theaters with a seating capacity of up to 1,500 seats. ArcLight has been identified as the operator for the cinema. Renovations would be limited to the 3rd level of the Bloomingdale's Building; the height of the existing building height would be increased by approximately 28 feet, from 56 feet to a maximum of 84 feet. No additional floor area is proposed. An Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the project pursuant to CEQA. As a part of the Development Agreement, the proposed project would provide certain community benefits.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2014, AT 6:30 PM**

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

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to: Laura Beck, AICP, Associate Planner
Re: 13DEV-010
City Planning Division
1685 Main Street, Room 212
Santa Monica, CA 90401

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Laura Beck at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at laura.beck@smgov.net. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours and on the City's web site at www.smgov.net.

The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines numbered 1, 2, 3, Rapid 3, 7, and 9 serve City Hall.

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.

ESPAÑOL
Esto es una noticia de una audiencia pública para revisar applicaciónes proponiendo desarrollo en Santa Monica. Si deseas más información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-8341.

MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Ave.
(310) 260-1528

Sabotage (UR) 1hr 16
and
Number 17 (PG) 1hr 3min
7:30pm

Alfred Hitchcock is honored during this special double bill.

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade
(310) 458-3924

Rio 2 (G) 1hr 41min
11:45am, 2:30pm, 5:25pm, 8:10pm, 10:30pm

Bad Words (R) 1hr 29min
8:00pm, 10:40pm

Muppets Most Wanted (PG) 1hr 52min
11:10am, 2:00pm, 5:00pm

Oculus (R) 1hr 45min
11:00am, 1:45pm, 4:45pm, 7:45pm, 10:45pm

AMC 7 Santa Monica
1310 Third St.
(310) 451-9440

Captain America: The Winter Soldier (PG-13) 2hrs 16min
10:45am, 1:50pm, 5:10pm, 8:30pm

Rio 2 (G) 1hr 41min
10:45am, 4:25pm, 9:45pm

Noah (PG-13) 2hr 19min
10:05am, 1:20pm, 4:45pm, 8:15pm, 11:30pm

Divergent (PG-13) 2hr 19min
1:00pm, 4:35pm, 8:00pm, 11:20pm

Captain America: The Winter Soldier 3D (PG-13) 2hrs 16min
10:00am, 12:30pm, 4:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:50pm, 11:35pm

Rio 2 in 3D (G) 1hr 41min
1:30pm, 7:00pm

Grand Budapest Hotel (R) 1hr 40min
10:15am, 1:30pm, 4:15pm, 7:15pm, 10:00pm

Draft Day (PG-13) 2hr
11:00am, 2:00pm, 4:55pm, 7:50pm, 10:45pm

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
1332 Second St.
(310) 478-3836

Anonymous People (NR) 1hr 28min
1:00pm, 3:15pm, 5:30pm, 7:50pm, 10:10pm

Ilo Ilo (NR) 1hr 39min
1:40pm, 4:30pm, 7:10pm, 9:45pm

Joe (R) 1hr 57min
1:10pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:55pm

Unknown Known (PG-13) 1hr 36min
1:50pm, 4:40pm, 7:20pm, 10:00pm

For more information, e-mail **news@smdp.com**

IT COULD BE A LATE NIGHT, SAG

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You might wake up feeling lucky. Whether or not you choose to act on this feeling, you'll see everything fall into place today. Your sense of humor will help you deal with an unexpected obstacle, which could help to free up your weekend. Tonight: Join friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ You seem to be bubbling with ideas and plans. Make calls and necessary arrangements. You'll gain a sudden insight into why someone is so reactive. You can question this person's actions all you want, but you're not likely to get an answer. Tonight: Ever playful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Stay focused on a personal or domestic issue. Be willing to put more effort into what you want. It is clear that you can't delegate right now and get the results you desire. Tonight: Where the gang is!

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Don't hesitate to reach out to a neighbor or close relative. You might be delighted by the conversation that ensues. A boss or friend could add an unusual element of surprise to your day; choose to roll with it. Tonight: Out with a loved one.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You could be a bit frivolous as you decide to indulge a loved one to the max. Understand your limitations as well as this person's needs. You might have the best intentions, but you could go completely overboard. Tonight: The moment continues.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ You'll feel unstoppable, and in a sense you are. Focus on what you need to do in order to get the results you desire. Make plans for the weekend that involve close friends, as you seem to be happiest around them. Tonight: As you like it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Remain sensitive to what needs to happen with someone you look up to. You could choose to say little at the moment and observe more. You might feel as if a situation is a little out of control. Tonight: In the limelight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Zero in on what is important in a discussion. Others will be responsive, as long as you demonstrate the ability to understand the big picture and its ramifications. You might be out of sorts when dealing with a difficult person. Tonight: Find your friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You could be in a situation that is hard to break away from. Others will want you around to help make sure that everything is up to snuff with a project. Be flattered, even if it means working later than you want to. Tonight: It could be a late one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Reach out to someone at a distance. You might need to rethink how you deal with this person. Others are highly responsive to you, and they will welcome any suggestions. Tonight: Think in terms beyond the obvious, and make plans accordingly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Interact on a one-on-one basis. You could find that a lot of what you thought would be difficult actually is quite easy, as others seem to be responsive. One person might be unusually unpredictable later today. Tonight: Time with a favorite person.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You might want to get to the bottom of a problem that revolves around a friend at a distance. You could be taken aback by someone else's suggestion, but you might decide to use it anyway. A child will be most responsive. Tonight: Follow a friend's advice.

Friday, April 11, 2014

This year you see others act out, and you often witness extreme behavior. You might opt to watch rather than participate. Sometimes you retreat to your own personal world, as you find the chaos difficult to be around. You are likely to make a change on the homefront for the better. If you are single, you draw in some interesting characters to your dating life. You could find a potential suitor to be demanding and picky. Wait for someone better to come along. If you are attached, the two of you get into your domestic life this spring. Cupid appears this summer, which adds to the warmth and caring between the two of you. VIRGO can be nitpicky.

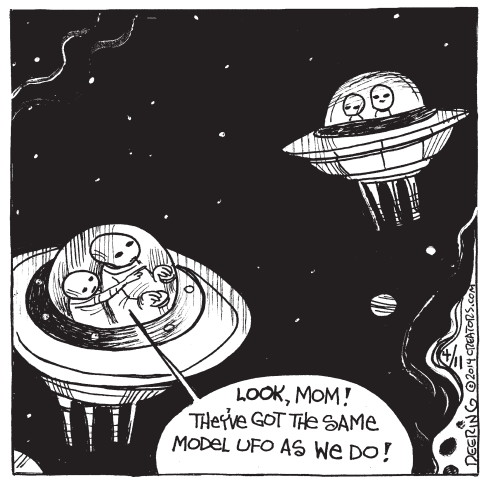
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The stars show the kind of day you'll have:
★★★★★Dynamic ★★ So-So
★★★★ Positive ★ Difficult
★★★ Average

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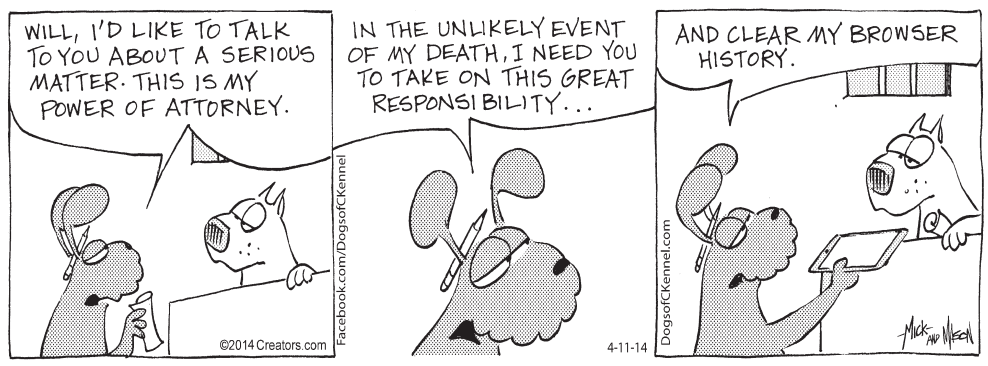
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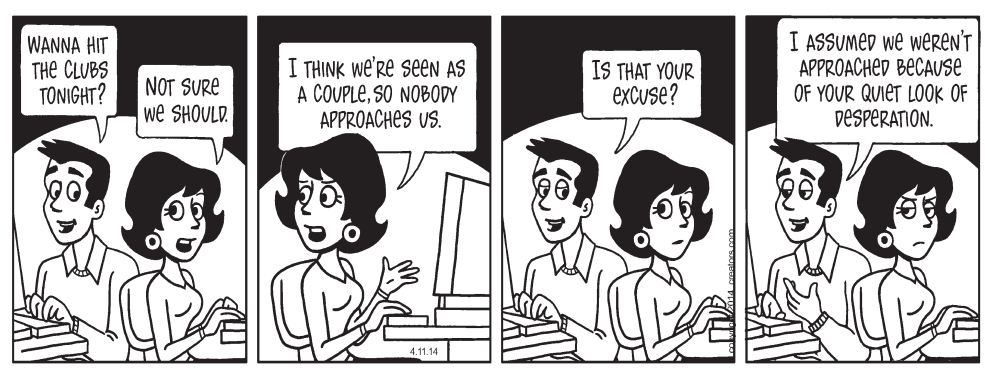
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Sudoku

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. The difficulty level ranges from ★ (easiest) to ★★★★★ (hardest).

Difficulty Level ★★★★

6				3				8
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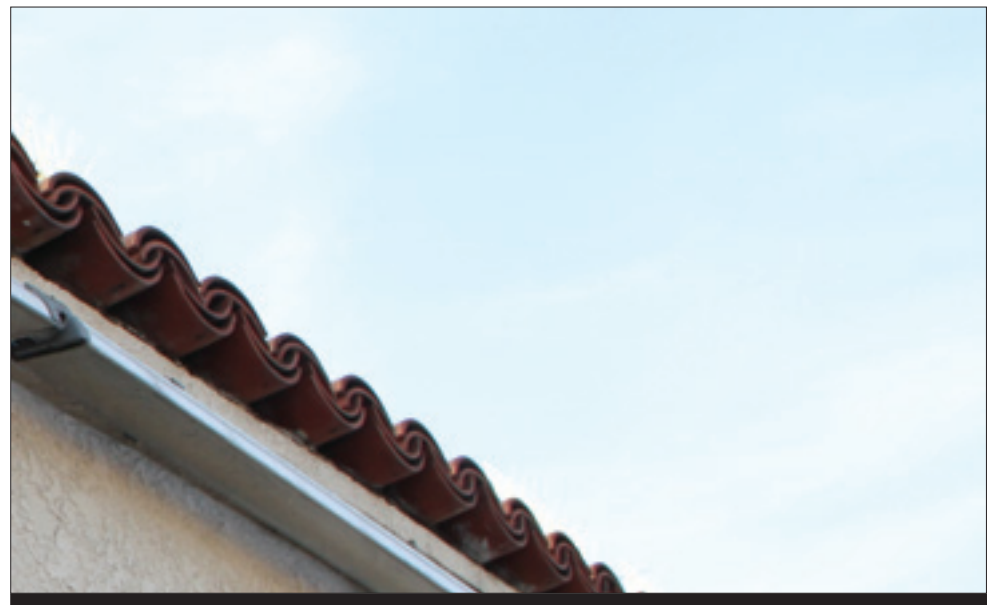
There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Eastern prince
6 White's colleague
11 Dodge
12 Entertain
13 Washroom sight
14 Squander
15 Fling
17 Jazz legend Getz
18 Shows sorrow
20 In need of directions
22 Calamity
23 In one way or another
26 Early Mexican
28 "Skyfall" singer
29 It follows the last quarter
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43 Less than right
44 Turn aside
45 Stopwatch button
46 Hear again

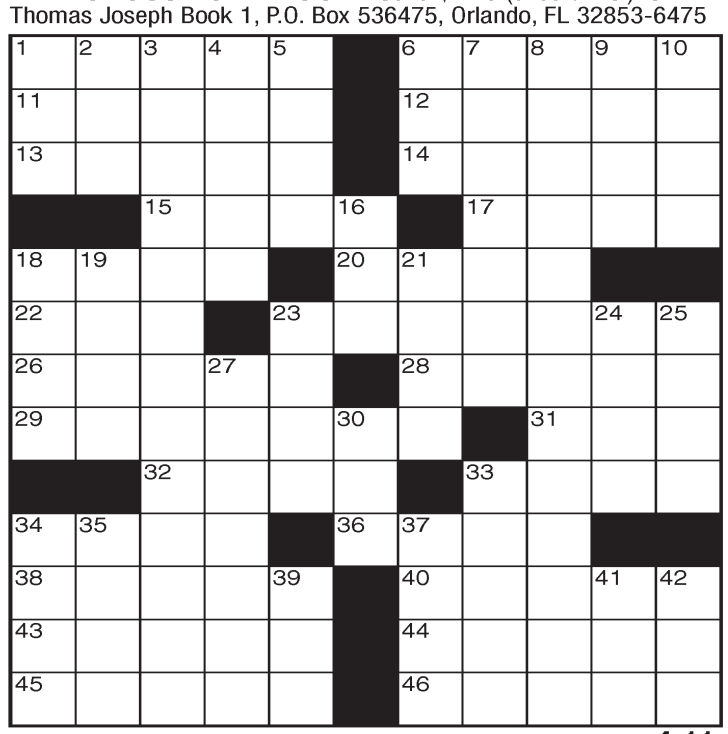
DOWN

1 Yank's foe
2 According to
3 "Keep this secret"
4 Sonora sendoff
5 Chick tenders
6 Shop tool
7 Stockpiled
8 Precisely what's needed
9 Nick and Nora's dog
10 Cutting
16 Letters before pitch or mo
18 Symbol of grace
19 Seep
21 Mideastern nation
23 Glasgow native
24 Norwegian king
25 Showed sorrow
27 Issue
30 East, in Germany
33 Fielder's aid
34 Miles off
35 Cats' quarries
37 Cracked
39 Rent out
41 Make mistakes
42 Messy room

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Yesterday's answer

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DAILY LOTTERY

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 4/9
9 14 44 48 49
Power#: 29
Jackpot: $94M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 4/8
35 36 41 60 71
Mega#: 3
Jackpot: $20M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS
Draw Date: 4/9
1 5 13 35 46
Mega#: 14
Jackpot: $47M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 4/10
9 11 19 30 36

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 4/10
MIDDAY: 0 3 3
EVENING: 0 2 6

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 4/10
1st: 06 Whirl Win
2nd: 09 Winning Spirit
3rd: 03 Hot Shot
RACE TIME: 1:41.91

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ A controversial landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision in 2005 for the first time allowed a city to force unwilling owners to sell private property not for a school or police station or other traditional municipal necessity, but just because a developer promised to improve the neighborhood. Consequently, longtime residents such as Susette Kelo were forced off their land because the city of New London, Conn., had hopes of a prosperous buildup anchored by a new facility from the drugmaker Pfizer. The Weekly Standard magazine reported in February that, nine years down the road, Pfizer has backed out, and the 90-acre area of New London in which Kelo and others were bulldozed off of is waist-high in weeds -- an even worse blight than that which New London sacrificed private property rights in order to prevent.

■ Plastic surgeons have performed beard implants before, but only for men with facial scarring or for female-to-male transgenders. Recently, New York city surgeons report an uptick in business by men solely to achieve the proper aesthetic look. According to the New York City website DNAinfo, the procedure is the same as for hair transplants -- and takes eight hours to do, at a cost of about $7,000. Said veteran plastic surgeon Dr. Jeffrey Epstein, "Whether you're talking about the Brooklyn hipster or the advertising executive, the look is definitely to have a bit of facial hair."

TODAY IN HISTORY

1961 - The trial of Adolf Eichmann begins in Jerusalem.

1963 - Pope John XXIII issues Pacem in Terris, the first encyclical addressed to all instead of to Catholics alone.

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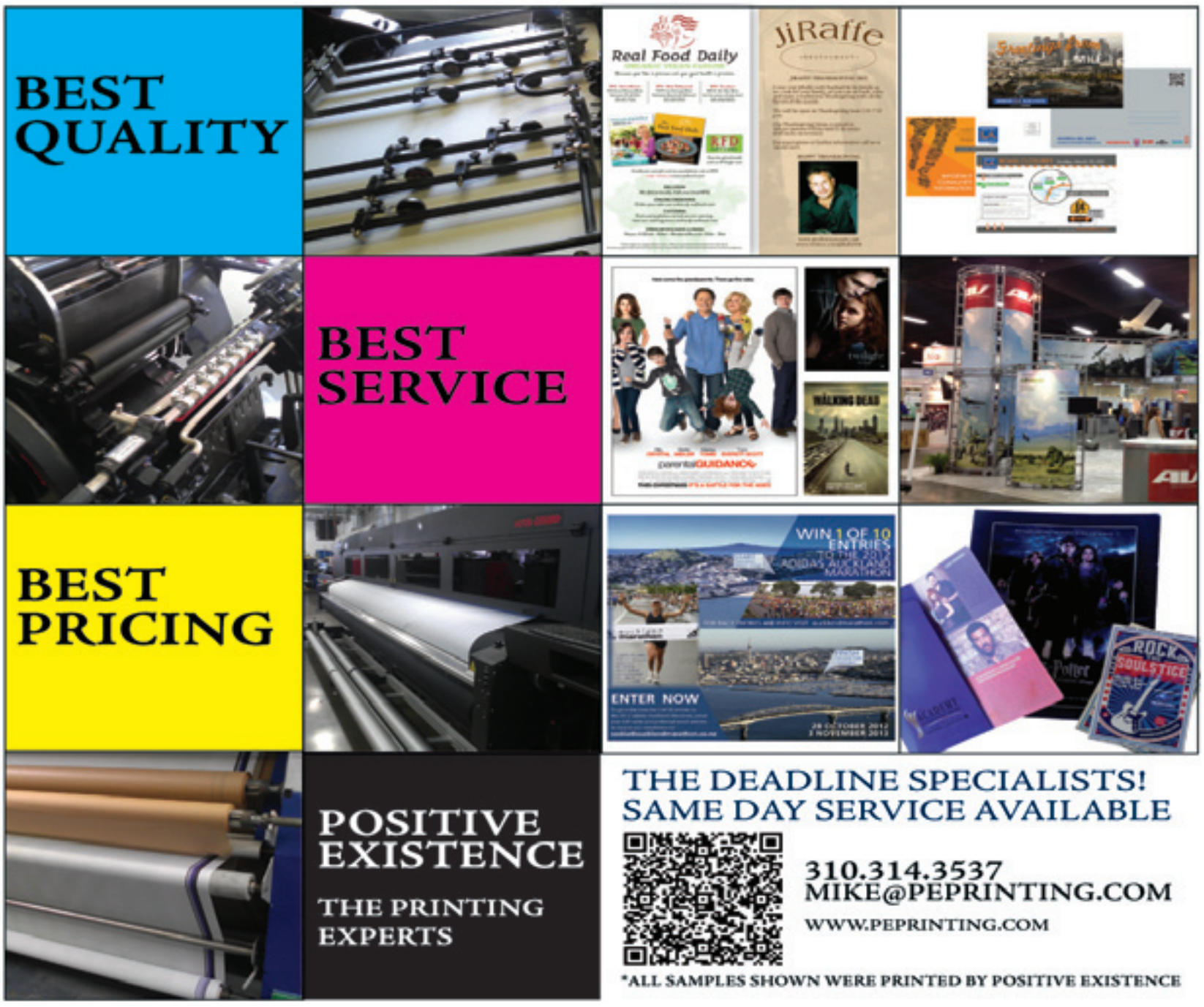
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New Revenue for Santa Monica's future

New Revenue for our City

The Miramar Plan will generate important new revenue that will help protect our critical city services, including Police, Fire and Paramedics. The money can also be used to maintain and enhance our parks, increase affordable housing and solve our city's traffic and parking problems.

An independent fiscal impact study projected that the Miramar Plan would generate approximately $5.1 million in net new revenue per year at stabilization and $46.5 million in the first ten years of operation for Santa Monica. Most is from the Transient Occupancy Tax [TOT], which stays in Santa Monica and cannot be taken by the State.









New Revenue for our Schools

Our schools will also benefit from the Miramar Plan. New property tax that flows from the residences and improved hotel will be an ongoing source of revenue for the district. New residences provide a majority of this new revenue stream.

The redeveloped Miramar will be an ongoing economic engine for Santa Monica making a positive contribution to the future financial stability of our city.

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