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City reveals downtown plan years in the making

BY KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

There was a surprisingly large turnout for a public policy event that didn't include free food.

At the end of the unveiling of Santa Monica's Downtown Community Plan (DCP) Wednesday night, City leaders revealed the head count had reached about 150 people inside Civic Center Auditorium's east wing. Many of the attendees were City leaders or activists who have followed the evolution of the plan over the last five years.

A few minutes before opening remarks, the DCP's principal author, Peter James, was feeling optimistic. He mingled with a few activists and looked at a giant poster in a corner of the room where survey takers had scribbled what they love about Santa Monica.

"It's the beginning of the end – fingers crossed," James said of upcoming discussion over the DCP, which will dictate zoning rules between the beach and Lincoln Boulevard for the next two decades. The plan encompasses the City's urban core from Wilshire Boulevard to the north to the I-10 Freeway to the south. "I feel good about the content. For as big as it is, it's a sensitive plan for Santa Monica."

It's a sensitive plan after a heated election. Longtime residents fuming over a changing city railed against "overdevelopment" and pushed Measure LV in November, an initiative that would have required a public vote on nearly every new building in the City over two stories.

Courtesy Image

BORDERS: The Downtown Community Plan will guide development within a defined border.

The measure failed but the dialogue over development shifted.

The final draft revealed Wednesday presented a scaled-back vision for downtown – with buildings limited to about four or five stories in the core areas near the Third Street Promenade. The City wants to encourage housing development, especially near the Expo Line, allowing mixed-use developments near the train to reach seven stories.

"People talk about the controversy in the downtown plan and it's palpable," James said. "Where we agree, I hope we can all get behind. We're talking about a lower scale downtown. We're not talking about Manhattan here. We're talking about four or five stories."

Even with the height restrictions, new construction could

SEE DCP PAGE 11

Bloom pulls controversial Rent Control Bill

BY KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

Less than three weeks after the Rent Control Board voted unanimously to support an Assembly bill that would repeal the Costa-Hawkins Act, the bill itself is on life support. In fact, several sources familiar with talks in Sacramento say AB 1506 is dead.

"No one is ready for it yet," said the senior field representative for Assemblymember Richard Bloom (D-Santa Monica), Tim Harter. Bloom recently made the decision to pull the bill for now. AB 1506 could still come back before the Assembly next year, giving Bloom more time to sell the idea to its many detractors.

"In order to allow more time for us to dialogue with all stakeholders to address concerns and uncertainties, we have decided to not seek a vote on AB 1506 this year," Bloom said in a statement to the Daily Press. "Allotting more time to this issue, will enable us to construct a policy that is responsible and addresses our specific needs today and not of decades past."

Without the 1996 Costa-Hawkins Act, cities would once again have the power to cap the rent rate on rent-control apartments. Under current law, landlords can reset rents to market rate after tenants move out. Once a tenant moves in, the Rent Control Board decides how much the rent can go up each year among other restrictions. Approximately 27,600 apartments in Santa Monica fall under rent control jurisdiction.

"We thought we could get it through committee, but the votes just weren't there," Harter said.

Bloom is currently sponsoring 11 bills relating to housing devel-

SEE BILL PAGE 7

5 people injured, cat killed in blaze at hillside LA home

By The Associated Press

Five people were injured, two critically, and a pet cat was killed when flames ripped through a hillside home and then spread to a neighboring house early Thursday in Los Angeles, authorities said.

Nearly 90 firefighters responded when the blaze erupted shortly after 2 a.m. Thursday at a home in a Pacific Palisades neighborhood with winding roads and houses on compact lots, Fire Department spokesman Erik Scott said.

Crews found a couple and their two teenage daughters suffering from smoke inhalation, Scott said.

The 53-year-old woman and her 67-year-old husband were hospitalized in critical condition, he said. One of the victims suffered second-degree burns.

As firefighters battled the flames they discovered a fifth victim, a 90-year-old woman, in the second home, officials said. Scott said she also suffered from smoke-related injuries.

Firefighters saved a dog and cat, but a second cat died in the fire. The flames were knocked down in about an hour.

The cause is under investigation. Officials are looking at a grassy corridor between the two homes as a possible ignition point.

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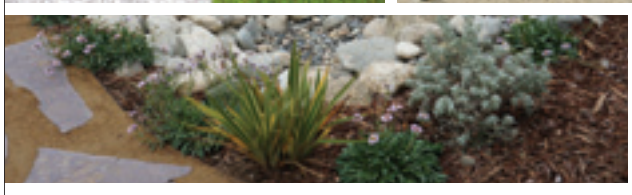
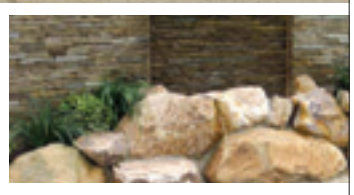
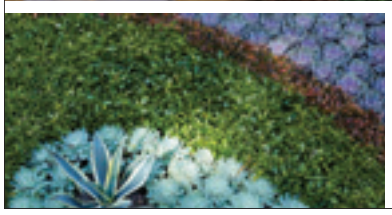

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Friday, April 14

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Yoga

All levels. Drop in for $15/class or sign up for series. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 PCH, 9 – 10 a.m.

Saturday, April 15

Loss Angeles: A Discussion of Storytelling and Loss

Mathieu Cailler is an award-winning author and a raconteur. In this event, Mathieu uses his book Loss Angeles as a gateway to discuss Los Angeles literature touching on the likes of Raymond Chandler, Joan Didion, Paula Woods and Charles Bukowski, to name a few. Mathieu describes the basis of his book, Loss Angeles, as coming from the notion that "loss is the greatest bond we possess as humans – whether it's literal loss, or loss of innocence, or young love." Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Master Gardeners at the Market

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Toddler Dance Party

Move your body to your favorite songs and beats. Limited space: tickets will be distributed 15 minutes before the program. For ages 18 months – 3 years old. 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave.

Fishpeople stops at Patagonia

Patagonia's newest film project, Fishpeople features a film about lives transformed by the sea. Directed by Keith Malloy, Fishpeople tells the stories of a unique cast of characters about the transformative time spent in the ocean. The film is stopping in Santa Monica. Patagonia doors will open for the film at 7 p.m. and the film will begin at 9 p.m. Located at 1344 4th St, Santa Monica. This is a free event. The film will be available to the general public starting July 2017 on iTunes and other VOD platforms. http://patagonia.com/fishpeople

Sunday, April 16

All libraries within Santa Monica will be closed.

Farmers Market

Santa Monica Certified Farmers Market on Main St will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 1:30 p.m. The market is a blend of Certified California Farmers Market, along with tasty prepares and packaged food. Located at 2640 Main St.

Monday, April 17

ESL Classes

Santa Monica Public Library hosts a new series of English as a Second Language (ESL) classes taught by Adult Education Center instructors. Classes are free and students must be 18 years or older to attend. Enrollment is through the SMMUSD Adult Education Center. For more information you can contact Olga Saucedo at (310)664-6222. ESL takes place Monday at 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., from Jan. through June 5 at the Ocean Park Branch, 2601 Main St.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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114 firms in line for $91 million in California tax credits

A state economic development board is considering an $8 million tax credit for General Motors in exchange for hiring more than 1,100 workers at its autonomous vehicle division in San Francisco.

The GM tax credit is among $91 million in incentives for 114 companies scheduled for approval at a meeting Thursday in Sacramento.

The credits range from GM's $8 million to $20,000 for a small accounting firm in Southern California that plans to hire eight people.

Electric-bus manufacturer Proterra Inc. is seeking $7.5 million in exchange for hiring 432 people in Burlingame and the city of Industry. Online streaming service Hulu is in line for $4.3 million to expand in San Francisco, Santa Monica and Novato.

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US Interior chief plans California talks on water, wildlife

U.S. Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke is planning a trip to California.

Zinke will meet with Gov. Jerry Brown on Thursday and visit Interior Department offices in Sacramento to start his two-day swing through California. He's also scheduled to visit Yosemite, Sequoia and Kings Canyon national parks.

Interior Department spokeswoman Heather Swift says Zinke plans to discuss water, wildlife and public lands during his meeting with Brown.

Zinke is a former Navy SEAL and Montana congressman appointed by President Donald Trump. As Interior secretary, he oversees 400 million acres of public land, mostly in the West.

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California child vaccination rate climbs following new law

California's school vaccination rate rose in the first year that the state required almost all public schoolchildren to get immunizations.

State public health officials said Wednesday that nearly 96 percent of this year's kindergartners have received all required vaccines. That's a nearly 3-point increase over last year and the highest vaccination rate since the current immunization regimen went into force in 2001.

California's vaccine rates have been inching up for the past three years after a state law made it harder for parents to opt out of vaccines due to personal beliefs. The law was further tightened in 2015, when lawmakers outlawed all personal-belief exemptions following a measles outbreak linked to Disneyland.

The law sparked impassioned protest in Sacramento and is being challenged in court.

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RALEIGH, N.C.

California keeps travel ban despite 'bathroom bill' repeal

California's attorney general says North Carolina's repeal of a strongly criticized "bathroom bill" doesn't protect LGBT people from discrimination. Consequently, he says the country's most-populous state will continue its ban on taxpayer-funded travel to North Carolina.

Attorney General Xavier Becerra announced the decision in a statement Wednesday.

A California law went into effect in January barring state-funded travel or other spending in states with laws that discriminate against LGBT people. The law leaves it up to Becerra to keep a list of which states are banned.

Gay-rights groups argue North Carolina's repeal of House Bill 2 is inadequate because it bars local governments from passing nondiscrimination ordinances covering sexual orientation and gender identity until December 2020.

California also bans taxpayer-funded travel to Kansas, Mississippi and Tennessee.

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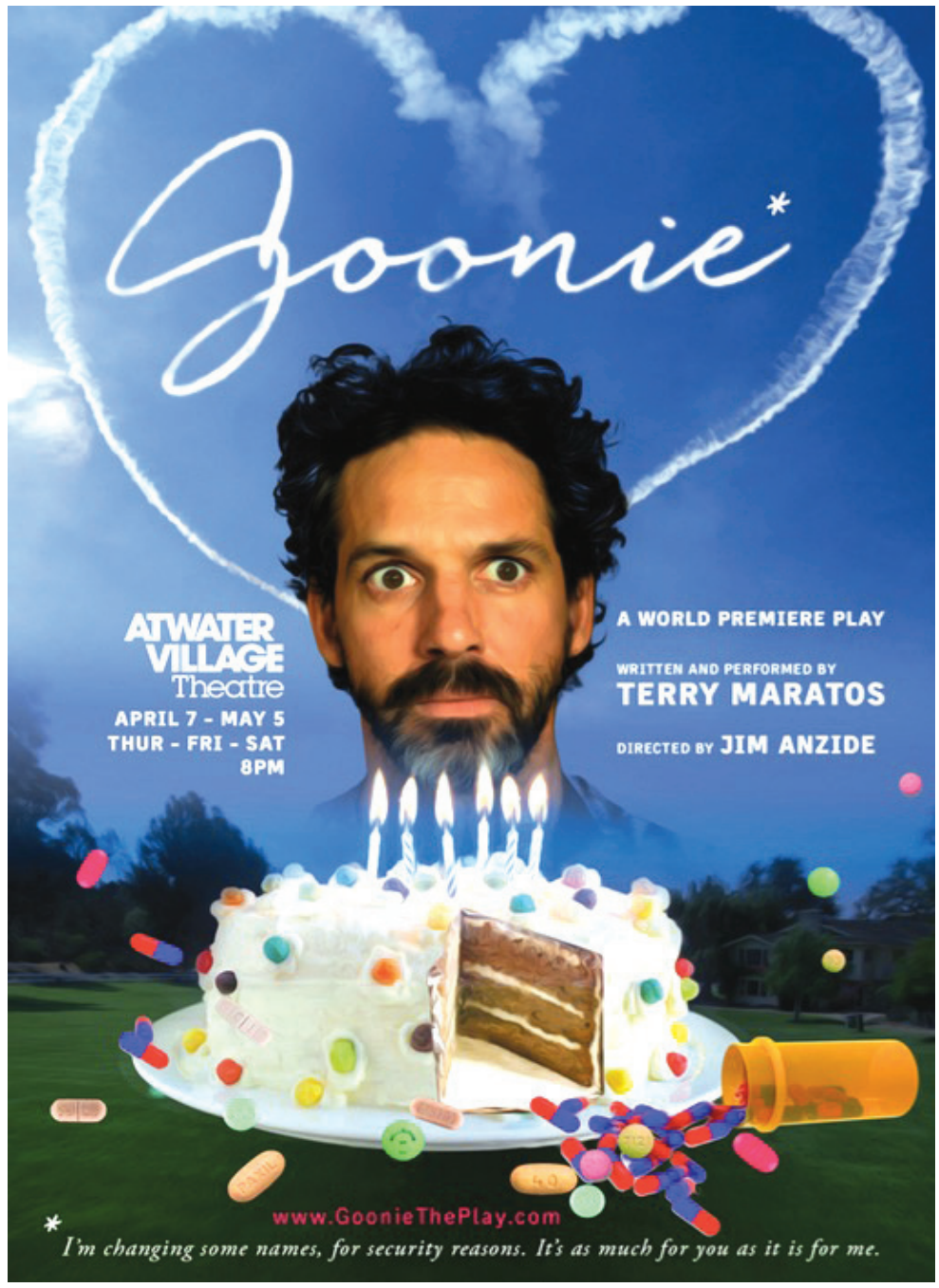

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O'Reilly Skips Town and United's Unfriendly Skies

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ROGER AILES, DONALD TRUMP AND BILL O'REILLY

WRITING THESE COLUMNS IS LIKE EXERCISE. It feels good but only after I'm done. My deadline is Thursday and usually by Sunday an idea has begun to form in my brain. But, if by Monday, I've got nothing, I can start to press.

This Monday, I received an email from Lee, a loyal reader who's retired and has generously shared colorful stories of her life working in Hollywood. I confessed that I probably would write about Trump, just because, with a nuclear U.S. armada steaming toward N. Korea and now the dropping of the "MOAB" (mother of all non-nuclear bombs) on ISIS tunnels in Afghanistan, other subjects suddenly seem trivial.

My comment reminded Lee of a Doonesbury comic strip in the Sunday L.A. Times. Apparently, one character says to the other, "Is there any way we can avoid talking about Trump?"

I immediately called my neighbor, Colleen, who gets the Times. She handed me the comic section and an 800 number, insisted I vote for Nancy Kerrigan on "Dancing with the Stars. Very reluctantly, I agreed.

As I dialed, and no closer to a subject for my column, I wondered if NY Times columnist Maureen Dowd ever voted for "Dancing with the Stars." Thankfully (or not?) more meaningful news stories broke.

Among them was the United Airlines fiasco. The video has played on TV endlessly, of a Asian doctor being dragged on his back, causing him to bleed profusely and suffer other injuries. (Giving new meaning to "We've got your back.")

United Airline's CEO, Oscar Munoz, sent an email to employees assuring them that the "passenger relocation" was done "by the book." Can you say "tone dear?" Ultimately, Munoz issued an apology but the doctor already hired an attorney and will likely get a huge settlement. Munoz vowed, "This will never happen again at United," but, speaking of bundles, the stock dropped nearly a billion dollars.

It seems United overbooked and needed four seats on a flight from Chicago to Lexington, Kentucky. They offered passengers $800 in vouchers to give up their seat. With no takers, at random, passengers were forcibly removed. (Going from "vouchers to ouchers.")

Reportedly on another United flight, a scorpion fell from an overhead bin onto a passenger's head. Put it this way, it's definitely been a tough week for United.

Story #2 is Bill O'Reilly's issues with women in the work place. According to a recent NY Times article, Billo and Fox News, has shelled out $13 million to settle sexual harassment claims of five women. (And may have hidden it from stockholders!)

Since the Times article, eighty-two "O'Reilly Factor" advertisers have withdrawn their commercials. This awkwardly left the "Factor" with lots of promos for other Fox broadcasting. Then, on Tuesday, O'Reilly abruptly announced he was leaving on a spring vacation, but mysteriously wouldn't specify where.

In fact, Billo invited viewers to guess where he was going. Bloggers immediately joked "Hell," "the unemployment line" and "sexual predator rehab." Many are speculating O'Reilly has worked his last day Fox.

Last July, Roger Ailes, founder and former Chairman and CEO of Fox News, and former adviser to Trump, resigned for alleged sexual harassment. (If Bill Cosby isn't convicted of rape in June, he'd fit right in at Fox.)?

Despite his own lengthy history of alleged sexual harassment, Trump inexplicably defended O'Reilly. Then again, during the campaign O'Reilly described Trump's vile comments on the Billy Bush tape as "just locker room talk."

It's 85 days into the Trump presidency and, at enormous taxpayer expense, he's played golf 13 times. (At this point, Obama had zero.) And get this, Trump's lavish dinner with China's Xi Jinping wasn't at the White House but rather at a Trump owned restaurant. (How isn't that illegal?)

Speaking of possibly illegal, the Trump presidential campaign is under investigation by the FBI. Add to that, General Flynn, Trump's former National Security Adviser fired for lying, has requested immunity in exchange for his testimony.

And Paul Manafort, Trump's former campaign manager, is retroactively filing as a foreign agent. (Illegal?) He now admits accepting $1.2 million by a pro-Russia group and may have received $12 million. And Trump adviser Carter Page was the subject of a FISA warrant for possible collusion with Russian intelligence.

Trump ordered 59 missiles fired on a Syrian airfield. (Flights took off the following day!) That day, on Passover no less, Trump's Press Secretary, Sean Spicer, said that "Hitler didn't gas his own people," and referred to concentration camps as "Holocaust Centers," making them sound like spas.

Shamelessly, Trump claims in his first 100 days he's accomplished more than any president in history. Meanwhile, in DWTS, apparently Nancy Kerrigan advanced to the next round but Charo and Mr. T were voted off. I only wish there was an 800 number to vote Trump off.

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FILM REVIEW

GIFTED

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Anyone who is a Bachelor/ Bachelorette addict (it's OK ... read on, you don't have to admit it) will remember that the term "emotional intelligence" was annoyingly overused in the last installment. However, that concept is actually a vital and often overlooked element of our education as humans. Emotional Intelligence is in fact the theme of the film Gifted, a story about a man (Chris Evans) who is raising his child prodigy niece (McKenna Grace) after his sister, the child's mother, has died. His goal to give the child a normal childhood seems maddeningly elusive.

This is one of the most skillfully directed movies I've seen in a long time. Director Marc Webb and editor Bill Pankow have created a masterpiece. The colors in each scene are crucial to the emotional threads tying it together. Cinematographer Stuart Dryburgh provides expressive close-ups which are edited flawlessly into the narrative, as are long shots that establish the beauty and richness of the environment of the South where the story takes place. Georgia was a fine "stand-in" for the story's setting of rural Florida. The score by Rob Simonsen is a carefully orchestrated backdrop that provides touches of musical color to the expression of the actors and also links us to the surroundings.

McKenna Grace is a natural. At her young age, she has had just enough experience to become completely comfortable in front of the camera. She plays the President's daughter on the TV series Designated Survivor. McKenna's boisterous personality endows her character "Mary" with charisma. She seems to immediately become real on screen. She has that lack of fear of opening up on stage or in front of the camera that many kids do, before social consciousness sets in. McKenna is a joy to watch, a remarkable kid with many layers of emotion, obviously whip-smart. Chris Evans and Octavia Spencer are wonderful in this film as well.

I found myself truly pulled in to this movie. I could relate to the characters and their struggles. I felt a familiarity with Mary's seemingly easy transition between a simple lower middle class environment and the cold intellectual academic upper class household, then to the home of a seemingly proper picture-perfect family. Her struggles to fit into the social scene of a normal classroom are depicted with sensitivity. I would not be surprised to see this film receive some nominations at next year's Oscars.

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opment working their way through the legislature. The Assembly Committee on Housing and Community Development will hold a series of hearings and discussions next month.

"These gatherings will focus on protecting renters and preserving our existing affordable housing stock as we seek solutions to the housing affordability crisis," Bloom said. "Our expectation is that this dialogue will produce a proposal that we can consider next year."

Harter says AB 1506 (which was coauthored with two Assemblymembers from the Bay Area) received pushback from developers, landlords and cities up and down California. The California Apartment Association, Association of Realtors, Building Industry Association and Business Properties Association signed on to a letter denouncing the bill in February, calling rent control a "failed experiment" that "hurts California's housing market."

While the bill would have repealed the statewide act limiting the scope of rent control ordinances, expanding tenant protections would be up to individual cities to address. Up until Costa-Hawkins, Santa Monica had vacancy control pegging rents to 1978 levels with modest annual increases allowed by the Board. Since the Act passed, nearly 70 percent of rent control apartments in Santa Monica have had their rents reset to the going-rate, according to Board's annual report.

The median rent for a rent control studio apartment in Santa Monica is $1,800 per month. Most two bedrooms are going for around $2,950, according to the report.

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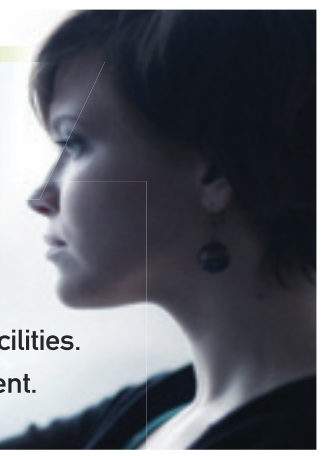

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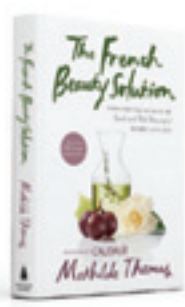

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CRIME WATCH
BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Crime Watch is 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.

ON APRIL 6, 2017 AT ABOUT 3:50 P.M.

Officers responded to a radio call for service at Clover Park – 2600 Ocean Park Blvd - regarding the brandishing of a weapon. Officers met with the victim who said he was in the parking lot sitting in his car getting some rest when the suspect rode by on a skateboard and unprovoked began to yell racial slurs at the victim. The victim exited his car and took the suspect's photograph with his cell phone. The suspect became more upset and began walking towards the victim in an aggressive manner with his skateboard over his shoulder. The victim feared the suspect was going to hit him with the skateboard and displayed a knife. The suspect backed away and the victim got into his car and drove off. As he drove away, the suspect threw his skateboard towards the trunk of the vehicle. The vehicle sustained approximately $2000 in damage. The suspect was taken into custody and transported to SMPD Jail for booking. Henry Lee, 29, from Van Nuys, was arrested for vandalism and a Hate Crime. Bail was set at $20,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 355 calls for service on April 12.

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

Petty theft Ocean/Colorado 12:32 a.m.
Party complaint Berkeley/Arizona 2:09 a.m.
Battery 1500 block the beach 4:44 a.m.
Strongarm robbery 2400 block Arizona 6:14 a.m.
Bike theft 1000 block Stanford 7:31 a.m.
Theft of recyclables 600 block Ocean 7:45 a.m.
Elder abuse 1800 block 10th 7:47 a.m.
Auto burglary 22nd/Montana 8:07 a.m.
Auto burglary 2700 block Pico 9:01 a.m.
Hit and run 4th/Montana 9:05 a.m.
Fraud 2400 block Main 9:06 a.m.
Traffic collision 1600 block Wilshire 9:12 a.m.
Elder abuse 2400 block Virginia 9:27 a.m.
Citizen flag 16th/Wilshire 9:27 a.m.
Identity theft 3300 block Exposition 9:39 a.m.
Traffic hazard 2100 block Santa Monica 10:03 a.m.
Auto burglary 2200 block Montana 10:15 a.m.
Petty theft 1900 block Wilshire 10:54 a.m.
Fraud 2800 block Neilson 11:04 a.m.
Traffic hazard 1300 block Ocean 11:10 a.m.
Encampment 1700 block Cloverfield 11:11 a.m.
Domestic violence 1300 block Ocean 11:15 a.m.
Vandalism Main/Pico 11:36 a.m.
Burglary 1500 block Berkeley 12:28 p.m.
Grand theft 800 block 3rd 1:00 p.m.
Burglary 2300 block Ocean Park 1:06 p.m.
Stalking 100 block Hart 1:17 p.m.
Grand theft 3200 block Wilshire 1:59 p.m.
Injured person 2500 block Michigan 2:14 p.m.
Person down 1700 block 4th 2:26 p.m.
Traffic control 2500 block Michigan 2:30 p.m.
Speeding 26th/Santa Monica 2:32 p.m.
Traffic control 4th/Colorado 2:36 p.m.
Petty theft 1200 block 3rd Street Prom 3:04 p.m.
Bike theft 1000 block Stanford 3:41 p.m.
Petty theft 2000 block Wilshire 3:43 p.m.
Petty theft 4th/Colorado 3:47 p.m.
Petty theft 2500 block Santa Monica 4:10 p.m.
Speeding 4th/Interstate 10 4:17 p.m.
Stolen vehicle 800 block 3rd 4:27 p.m.
Traffic collision 26th/Colorado 5:13 p.m.
Encampment 800 block Bay 5:55 p.m.
Defrauding innkeeper 1500 block Lincoln 6:29 p.m.
Auto burglary 900 block Princeton 6:41 p.m.
Grand theft 2000 block Ocean Park 6:42 p.m.
Battery 1400 block 16th 7:00 p.m.
Vandalism 1400 block 16th 7:33 p.m.
Battery 1400 block 3rd Street Prom 7:35 p.m.
Hit and run 100 block Palisades 7:36 p.m.
Encampment 1300 block Pacific Coast Hwy 8:38 p.m.
Petty theft 1400 block 4th 9:42 p.m.
Petty theft 600 block Santa Monica 10:04 p.m.
Arson 1400 block Santa Monica 10:34 p.m.
Prowler 1000 block 12th 11:35 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 35 calls for service on April 12.

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

EMS 300 block Pico 3:06 a.m.
EMS Centinela/Interstate 10 6:06 a.m.
EMS 200 block San Vicente 6:18 a.m.
Flooded condition 1700 block Montana 6:32 a.m.
Public assist 900 block 11th 7:20 a.m.
EMS 1300 block 23rd 7:32 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1700 block 22nd 8:57 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1900 block Santa Monica 10:18 a.m.
EMS 2300 block 23rd 12:09 p.m.
EMS 2400 block 23rd 12:24 p.m.
EMS 1300 block 15th 1:02 p.m.
EMS 1700 block 18th 1:55 p.m.
EMS 4th/Broadway 2:05 p.m.
EMS 2500 block Michigan 2:09 p.m.
EMS Berkeley/Pennsylvania 2:24 p.m.
EMS 1700 block 4th 2:27 p.m.
EMS 1100 block 11th 2:49 p.m.
EMS 1300 block 15th 2:53 p.m.
EMS 1300 block Franklin 3:51 p.m.
EMS 17th/Broadway 16:12:17
EMS 1700 block Main 4:25 p.m.
EMS 900 block Pico 5:15 p.m.
EMS 1000 block 14th 6:15 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1700 block Ocean 7:50 p.m.
EMS 200 block Santa Monica Pier 8:06 p.m.
EMS 300 block Santa Monica Pl 8:44 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1700 block Cloverfield 8:57 p.m.
Miscellaneous outside fire 1400 block Santa Monica 9:25 p.m.
EMS 300 block Santa Monica Pier 9:27 p.m.
EMS 1200 block 3rd Street Prom 9:36 p.m.
Automatic alarm 300 block Adelaide 9:48 p.m.
Automatic alarm 200 block Santa Monica 10:03 p.m.
Miscellaneous outside fire 1400 block Santa Monica 10:26 p.m.
EMS 1400 block 16th 11:49 p.m.

DAILY LOTTERY

Powerball
Draw Date: 4/12
8 14 61 63 68
Power#: 24
Jackpot: 70M

Mega Millions
Draw Date: 4/11
19 34 35 38 49
Mega#: 8
Jackpot: 30M

Super Lotto
Draw Date: 4/12
9 14 17 23 29
Mega#: 5
Jackpot: 29M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 4/12
7 12 27 36 39

Daily 3
Draw Date: 4/12
MIDDAY: 0 6 2
Draw Date: 4/12
EVENING: 1 4 6

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 4/12
1st: 07 Eureka
2nd: 08 Gorgeous George
3rd: 04 Big Ben
RACE TIME: 1:45.41

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1. Rhetoric. the use of a series of parallel clauses, each of which has a subject and predicate, as in "I came, I saw, I conquered."

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

Doc Talk

■ Testiculation: the holding forth with expressive hand gestures by a consultant on a subject on which he or she has little knowledge

Observation

■ "If you are young and you drink a great deal it will spoil your health, slow your mind, make you fat -- in other words, turn you into an adult."

--AMERICAN HUMORIST P.J. O'ROURKE

Medical History

■ This week in 1998, the FDA approved the new drug called sildenafil citrate, otherwise known as Viagra, the first oral pill to treat male impotence. In 2007, Patricia Agostino and colleagues at the Universidad Nacional de Quilmes in Argentina received the Ig Nobel Prize in aviation for their discovery that sildenafil also helps treat jet lag recovery in hamsters.

MYSTERY REVEALED

Matthew Hall *matt@smdp.com*

Raymond Marks was the first person to correctly identify this image as part of the mural at 18th and Broadway. He wins a prize from the Santa Monica Daily Press. Send answers to *editor@smdp.com*.

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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.

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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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

Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Eight-time Grand Slam champ
7 Part of Jessica Rabbit's outfit
15 Very well hidden
16 Invents
17 *It's a Wonderful Life* villain
19 35 Across title: Abbr.
20 In accordance with
21 Core muscle group
22 Subdued
23 More than a little diligence
25 Obviously little-used
27 Looney Tunes regular
28 County near London
30 PBS funder
31 Seascape master
32 Environmentally sound
34 Brown-toned photos
35 Trafalgar Square honoree
38 Insured's outlays
39 Order to a projectionist
40 Hymn finales
41 Word before horse or hero
42 Blade brand
46 Get well
47 *Cabaret* director
49 Knocks over
50 Smokey Bear commercial, e.g.
51 Frequent tabloid topic
52 NASA spacewalk
54 Israeli day
55 Edison's industrialist pal
59 Shrub with olivelike fruit
60 Tidy up
61 Some brokers
62 Least spirited

DOWN
1 In flames
2 Handbooks
3 Floral attractions
4 Do wrong
5 Escape slowly
6 Sat around
7 Former nutritional std.
8 Editorial misses
9 Spherical topper
10 Verbalizes
11 Sound of consideration
12 Piece for Italian tenors
13 Pole, for example
14 Active volcanoes
18 Nation on Borneo
24 Michel who scored *Yentl*
26 Lima ladies
27 Frequent tabloid topic
29 Low-wavelength radiation
31 Shape of rotini
33 UFO passengers
34 JFK, in the '50s
35 61 Across success
36 Clearing
37 Baby bottle
38 VapoRub ingredient
41 Stereo speaker
43 Looney Tunes regular
44 Beefy servings
45 Portrayer of Gump, Jr.
47 Reach by air
48 Planner's project
51 Don't mean it
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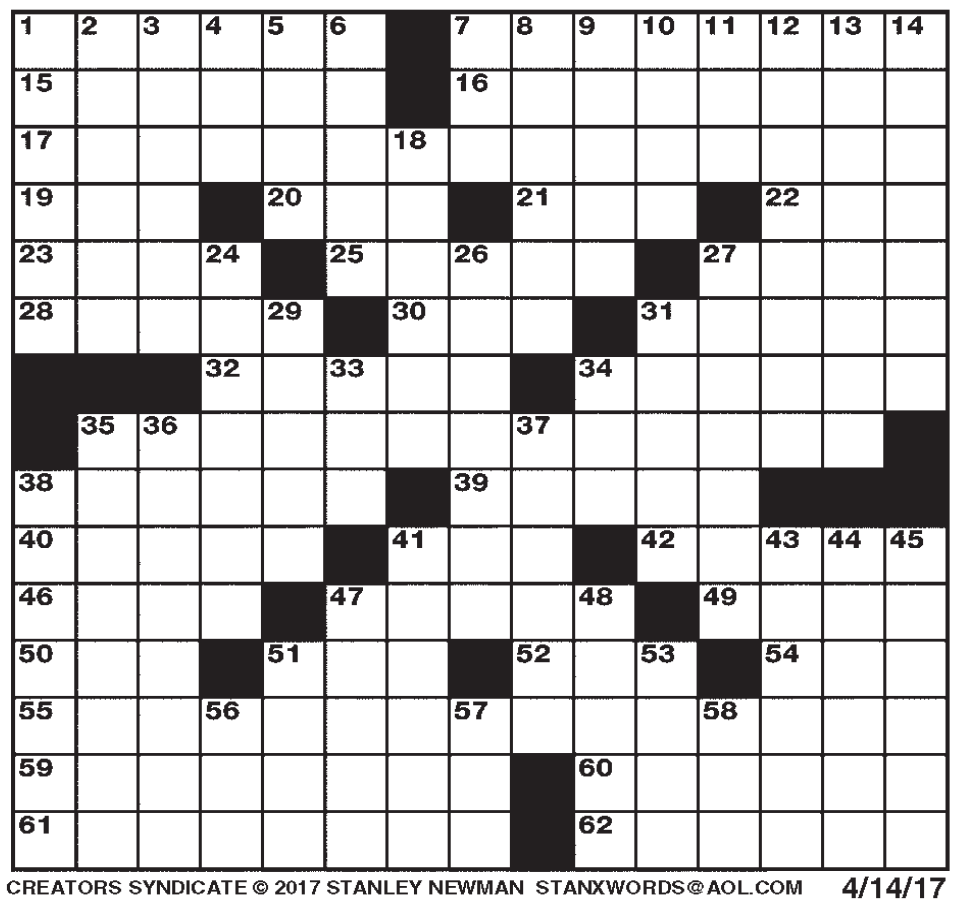

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Farm Fresh to You Holds Seasonal Dinner Benefitting Westside Food Bank

BY GENEVIEVE RIUTORT
WSFB Chief Development Officer

Last Thursday, a group of Farm Fresh to You customers gathered at True Food Kitchen in the Santa Monica Place shopping center to meet the farmers that grow their food and learn about how the Donate-A-Box program helps Westside Food Bank provide fresh produce for local families in need. Farm Fresh to You is a family owned and operated community supported agriculture company (CSA) that delivers boxes of fresh, organic produce to its customers on a recurring schedule. All the produce is organic and grown in a sustainable way. Anyone can go to the company website at www.farmfreshtoyou.com to donate a box of produce, and regular customers can opt to have their boxes donated when they are on vacation or just don't need the food. Westside Food Bank is one of seven food banks that receives the donated produce, and since its inception in 2014, the program has provided well over 200,000 pounds of fresh produce to California food banks.

At the dinner, guests were treated to an array of tantalizing dishes including charred cauliflower, wild Albacore Takati and Scottish Steelhead, all prepared by True Food Kitchen's Executive Chef, Joe Delgado. Farmer and Co-CEO Thaddeus Barsotti, whose parents founded the farm and the company, gave an inspiring talk about his family's longstanding commitment to supporting a local, sustainable fresh food system that promotes the health of the land as well as that of the farmers and consumers. Barsotti said that "Partnering with Westside Food Bank on our Donate-A-Box program is central to our mission of connecting communities to a transparent food system. Giving access to fresh produce to all is a critical step in helping people live a healthier lifestyle."

Westside Food Bank's Executive Director Bruce Rankin spoke about how the fresh organic produce donated from Farm Fresh to You is going to local individuals and families who would otherwise lack access to such high quality fresh food. "With more local families having to rely on our food on a regular basis, good nutrition is especially important. Donations from Farm Fresh to You help us to maintain the high standard outlined in our Nutrition Policy and help us achieve our goal of having fresh produce make up about half of the food distributed from our warehouse." Proceeds from the dinner will also be donated to Westside Food Bank.

To learn how to donate a box of fresh produce, go to www.farmfreshtoyou.com

For more information on Westside Food Bank, visit www.wsfb.org

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 14)

You have a talent for putting people together who fit well, and you'll create scenarios that could never have happened without you. You'll be made an offer that seems so crazy to you but also quite right. Physical strength and mental stamina will be required for the marathon-like situation in June. You'll be proud and richer for the run. Leo and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 4, 30, 19 and 45.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
The social swirl favors you, though in a temperate kind of way. Contrastingly, some party animals you know wear themselves out because they miss the secret to maintaining a robust social life: Go home when you're tired.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Your purpose will converge with a bit of randomness you can't help but pay attention to. This may involve an exciting someone, and it becomes a part of your shared story.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
Don't start with what others want from you or who they want you to be. Start with what interests and excites you. What they need most (though they might not know it yet) is to have people around them who are interested and excited.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)
People will have to come to a decision together. The compromise will either be even better than than the original idea each person brought to the table or it will suit none. Calm communication will be key.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Relationships' ease will have more to do with what's going on outside the relationship. Stressors get lifted today, and the flood of relief makes it so much easier to be present with one another.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Be careful not to let your perfectionism keep you from expanding opportunities. Not everything requires such a high level of attention. In many situations, good enough is good enough.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
You find it pretty easy to make rational decisions, unless you are 1) hungry, 2) tired or 3) emotionally involved. Hungry and tired are easy to remedy. Good luck getting your feelings out of it, though!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
Bottom line, the group will be better for your expertise, instinct and involvement. They may not show you often enough how valuable you are, but hang in there, if for no other reason than this: They need you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Surrender if you feel it's time, if you've been fighting out of stubbornness and ego instead of principle and purpose, if you're ready to stop resisting where life wants to take you. But if this is just about giving up, don't.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
You will look for what you find and, bonus, what you beckon for will come to you. Now all you have to do is direct your energy well, toward loveliness and strictly what you would enjoy in your life.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
You can only give what you've got. Actually, you could borrow to give, but that would be a horrible idea today. In fact, make sure you don't give all you've got. Hold back half. You're going to need a lot more tomorrow.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
You'll wake up and avoid some rather overblown expectations that are being promoted by parts of our culture in the realm of relationships. You recognize that this hype is toxic to your pursuit of love.

Cosmic Power of Deadlines

Some would prefer to turn off the news, look away from the cemetery and ignore the concept of death or overwrite it with new versions of the afterlife. Others find peace and empowerment reckoning with our ephemeral nature and the short time we're allotted. Today's embrace of the sun and Uranus comes with the adrenaline rush of meeting a deadline.

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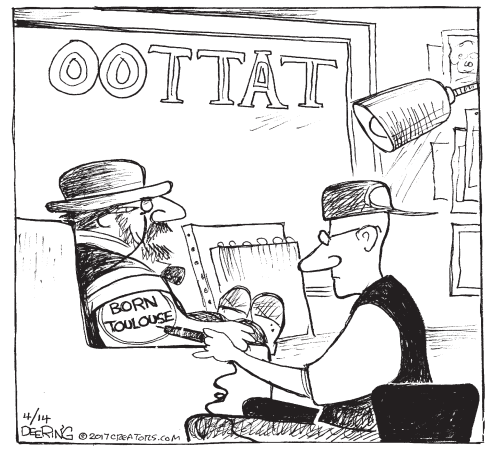

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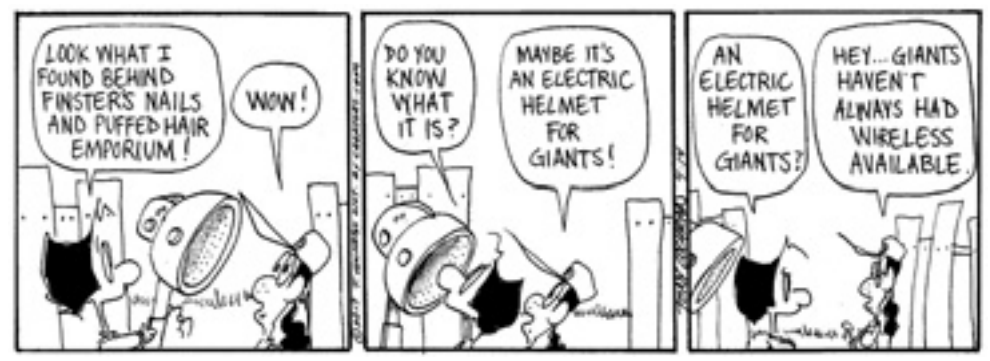

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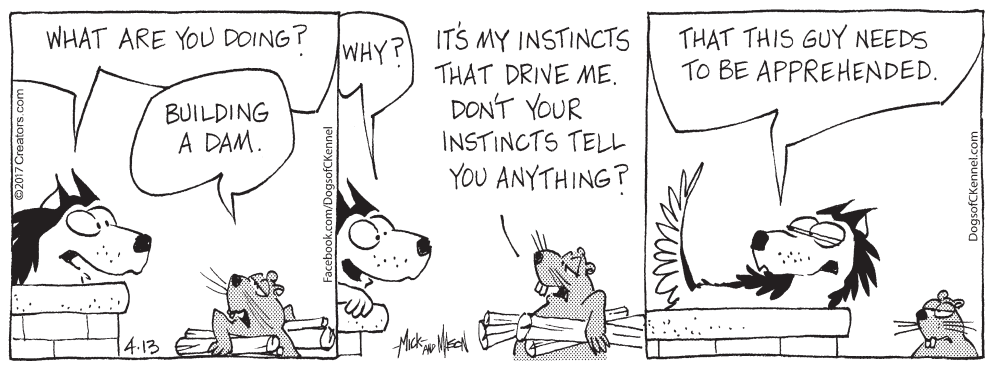

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Name Changes

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. SS027021
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of RUBEN MATHEW MARTINEZ LOPEZ BY GUADALUPE LOPEZ ZARATE AND MELECIO MARTINEZ MARTINEZ for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: RUBEN MATHEW MARTINEZ LOPEZ BY GUADALUPE LOPEZ ZARATE AND MELECIO MARTINEZ MARTINEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: RUBEN MATHEW MARTINEZ LOPEZ TO MATEO MARTINEZ.
The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: APR 28, 2017 Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: K, Room: A203
The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 1725 MAIN ST., SANTA MONICA, CA 90401.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.
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SANTA MONICA ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
REGULAR MEETING

DATE/TIME: April 17, 2017, 7:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Council Chambers, (wheelchair accessible)
Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street

PROPERTIES:

- 17ARB-0001: 1312 Third Street Promenade: Restaurant
- 17ARB-0047: 1312 Third Street Promenade: Restaurant
- 17ARB-0074: 1446 Yale Street: Multi-Family Residential
- 16ARB-0080: 1337 Third Street Promenade: Retail
- 17ARB-0103: 3402 Pico Boulevard: Office

CONCEPT REVIEW(S):

- 601 Wilshire Boulevard (Development Review Permit No. 16ENT-0115): A preliminary review of the design concept for a new four-story mixed use development comprising of 42 residential dwelling units, approximately 6,400 SF of ground floor commercial, and two levels of subterranean parking garage.

More information is available on-line at http://santamonica.org/planning/planningcomm/arbagendas.htm or at 310/458-8341 (en espanol tambien). Plans may be reviewed at City Hall during business hours. Comments are invited at the hearing or in writing (FAX 310-458-3380, e-mail rathar.duong@smgov.net, or mail Santa Monica City Planning Division, 1685 Main St., Rm. 212, Santa Monica, CA 90401). The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact 310-458-8701 or TTY 310-450-8696 a minimum of 72 hours in advance. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, Rapid 3, #7, #8, #9, Rapid #10, and #18 service City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

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DCP

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nearly double the number of apartments downtown over the next twenty years, according to City estimates outlined in the DCP. Right now, about 4,500 people live in 2,800 units. New construction could bring another 3,200 residents along with 1,000 new hotel rooms.

The City released the plan online shortly before the community meeting, giving activists and elected leaders little time to read through its 290 pages before the initial discussion. They will have plenty of opportunities to read up and weigh in as the plan moves through the Planning Commission and City Council before final approval sometime this summer or fall.

It was clear from the get-go, however, groups who fought hard to defeat Measure LV are not satisfied with the DCP. They would like to see more housing in downtown, especially near the Expo line.

"This seems to be headed in the wrong direction," Carl Hansen, director of government affairs for the Chamber of Commerce, said of the DCP. Hansen cited a recent report from the Legislative Analysts Office that suggested a "substantial increase in private home building in the state's coastal urban communities" to increase affordability.

"We're in a housing famine regionally," Hansen said. "We know millions of people are coming to the LA region in the next 20 years. Where are they going to go? This is getting scary."

Former mayor and leader of Santa Monica Forward, Judy Abdo, agreed.

"There's not enough housing," Abdo said after the meeting.

On the other side of the spectrum, reaction from members of Residocracy, the group responsible for Measure LV, ranged from fatalism to satisfaction.

"I think a lot of my friends and neighbors have given up on downtown and decided it's not for them," outspoken member Patricia Crane said, calling the version presented Wednesday night a "done deal."

The next day Residocracy's founder and LV's coauthor, Armen Melkonians, said he was happy with the scaled-down DCP. He suggested his group, notorious for criticizing City projects and leaders, may find themselves in a new position – defending the City's document.

"I was pleasantly surprised and I thought that - for the first time in a long time – it appeared that there was resident input into the plan," Melkonians said. "We want to play a role and make sure it doesn't get upsized again at the Council."

City staff members who work in planning and development are ready for the discussion. They hope to finish the summer with an ironclad plan that will stand for the next twenty years.

"Whatever the plan is, it will be our plan and it shouldn't be easy to change," City manager Rick Cole said, wearing a custom silver "GoSaMo" tie. "It should be a plan that we can implement and stay faithful to."

Beyond height limits, the Downtown Community Plan outlines a mobility plan, green space, and procedural changes to the rules for developers starting new projects. The Daily Press will continue to look into these issues and more in upcoming coverage of the DCP.

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The next steps for the final draft DCP include public hearings:

Wednesday, April 26, 6 p.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall, 1685 Main Street
Overview of Final Draft of DCP/Final EIR; consideration of the Resolutions of Intention for amendments to LUCE, CCSP, and Zoning Ordinance

Wednesday, May 10, 6 p.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall, 1685 Main Street
Arts/Culture, Open Space, Historic Preservation, and Housing Strategy

Thursday, May 11, 6 p.m.
Multi-Purpose Room, Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd
Development Standards

Wednesday, May 17, 6 p.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall, 1685 Main Street,
Development Standards (overflow), Review Process and Project Requirements

Thursday, May 18, 6 p.m.
East Wing, Civic Auditorium, 1855 Main Street
Mobility and Infrastructure

Wednesday, May 31, 6 p.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall, 1685 Main Street
Vote on Planning Commission recommendations for amendments to the LUCE, CCSP, Zoning Ordinance, and Final Draft of DCP/Final EIR

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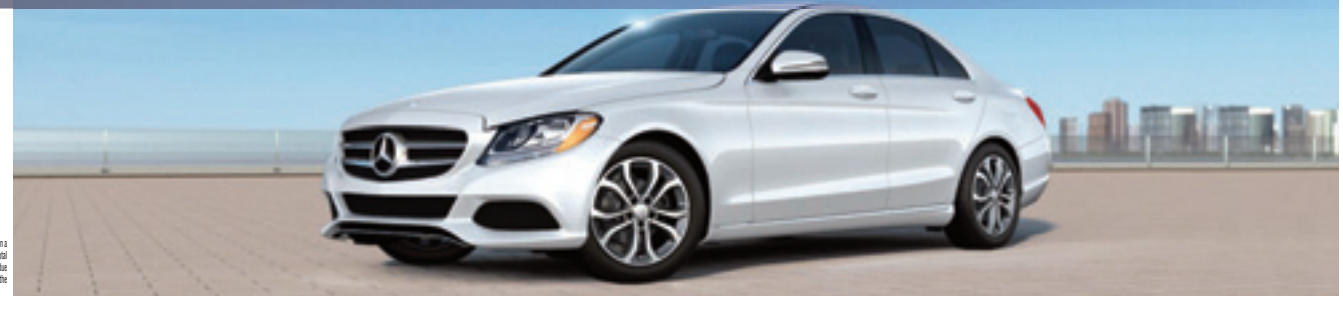

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