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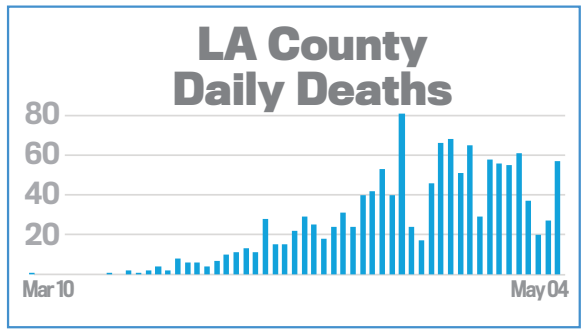
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CORONAVIRUS CASES per 100,000

SANTA MONICA	LA COUNTY	CALIFORNIA	USA	WORLDWIDE
208	275	143	366	47

SMDP Graphic - Data from Johns Hopkins, WHO, LA County Public Health





Matthew Hall

COPS CATCH THEFT SUSPECTS: The Santa Monica Police Department responded to a call for theft in progress at about 10:42 a.m. on Tuesday. Residents said two men were attempting to cut locks off storage units in the 1900 block of 6th street and one caller provided a license plate for the suspects' vehicle. Officers determined the car was listed as stolen out of Los Angeles and stopped the vehicle at the intersection of Olympic and 4th street. Two individuals were detained pending results of the investigation.

Some nursing homes struggle to maintain coronavirus infection controls



Courtesy photo

MOTHER AND SON: Roy Goldman is concerned for his mother's safety due to the possibility of infection at her nursing home.

MADELEINE PAUKER
SMDP Staff Writer

Every morning, a patient at Good Shepherd Health Care Center, a nursing home in Santa Monica, walks a mile east to a Trader Joe's on Wilshire Boulevard and buys a few groceries.

Good Shepherd doesn't have any confirmed cases of coronavirus, according to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. But family members of other patients

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Officials confirm 190 coronavirus cases in Santa Monica, discuss recovery plan

MADELEINE PAUKER
SMDP Staff Writer

Los Angeles County officials said they will have "more to say" on recovery plans later this week, but did not specify whether the county would be among the California communities that will allow some retailers to reopen for pickup as early as Friday.

Public Health Director Barbara Ferrer said the county

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SMMUSD pink slip process continues

BRENNON DIXSON
SMDP Staff Writer

Resulting from the district's fiscal situation and a decreasing number of enrolled students, the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District pink slipped dozens of local educators in March, but both union and district leaders said the process was far from over at the time.

In the weeks since, tears have been shed as teachers, students

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CITY OF SANTA MONICA
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA PLANNING COMMISSION VIA TELECONFERENCE
Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 Issued by Governor Gavin Newsom

SUBJECT: Proposed amendments to the Downtown Community Plan (DCP) authorizing Tier 3 housing projects greater than 90,000 square feet within the Downtown to be reviewed through a Development Review Permit, text revisions to the definition of a "housing project", and proposed amendments to Section 9.10.070 of the Zoning Ordinance to establish project requirements for Tier 3 Downtown housing projects greater than 90,000 square feet.

A public hearing will be held by the Planning Commission to consider a Resolution recommending to the City Council the adoption of amendments to the text of the Downtown Community Plan (Sections 9.10.050 and 9.10.050(A)) to authorize Tier 3 housing projects greater than 90,000 square feet within the Downtown to be reviewed through a Development Review Permit instead of a Development Agreement and text revisions to the definition of a "housing project". The Planning Commission will also consider a Resolution recommending to the City Council the adoption of amendments to Section 9.10.070 of the Zoning Ordinance to establish project requirements for Tier 3 Downtown housing projects greater than 90,000 square feet.

Prior to this hearing, the Planning Commission will be considering a Resolution of Intention at its May 13, 2020 hearing declaring its intention to consider these proposed amendments. If the Resolution of Intention is not adopted on May 13, 2020, then the subject item will not be heard by the Planning Commission on May 20, 2020, and it will be rescheduled for a future hearing date.

DATE/TIME: **WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2020, AT 5:30 P.M.**

LOCATION: In an effort to reduce the risk of spreading Coronavirus (COVID-19), members of the Planning Commission and City Staff will participate via teleconference. The meeting will be broadcast on CityTV Channel 16 and streamed on the City's website as normal but participants may also join the teleconference via https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/bfdfcuqd or by dialing in at 1-415-466-7000 (PIN: 5196939 #)

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Those wishing to give public comment must make that request via email to planningcomment@smgov.net. Written information received prior to 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be distributed to the Planning Commission prior to the meeting and posted online. Written information received after 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be read aloud at the meeting subject to time constraints.

Address your comments to: Steve Mizokami, Principal Planner
Re: Downtown Community Plan Amendments

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this proposal, please contact Steve Mizokami at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at steve.mizokami@smgov.net. The Downtown Community Plan is available on the City's web site at https://www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Plans/Downtown-Community-Plan/

For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will made to provide the requested accommodation.

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.

CITY OF SANTA MONICA
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Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 Issued by Governor Gavin Newsom

SUBJECT: 20ENT-0063 (Vesting Tentative Parcel Map No. 82756)
2425 20th Street
APPLICANT: Empire Associates, LLC (Scott Myers)
PROPERTY OWNER: Empire Associates, LLC

A public hearing will be held by the Planning Commission to consider the following request:

The applicant is requesting an approval of a Vesting Tentative Parcel Map to subdivide one land parcel into three airspace parcels for the purpose of creating three residential condominium units in a two-story building over a subterranean parking garage located in the R2 (Low Density Residential) Zoning District.

DATE/TIME: **WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2020, AT 5:30 P.M.**

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Address your comments to: Ross Fehrman, AICP, Associate Planner
Re: 20ENT-0063

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file and plans, please contact Ross Fehrman at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at ross.fehrman@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. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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LOS ANGELES

California sues Uber, Lyft over alleged labor law violations

California is suing ride-hailing companies Uber and Lyft, alleging they misclassified their drivers as independent contractors under the state's new labor law.

Attorney General Xavier Becerra announced the lawsuit Tuesday during a news conference. The labor law, known as AB5 and considered the nation's strictest test, took effect Jan. 1 and makes it harder for companies to classify workers as independent contractors instead of employees who are entitled to minimum wage and benefits such as workers compensation.

California represents Uber and Lyft's largest source of revenue. The companies, as well as Doordash, are funding a ballot initiative campaign to exclude their drivers from the law while giving new benefits such as health care coverage. The initiative is likely to qualify for the November ballot.

Uber said in a statement it would contest the lawsuit in court "while at the same time pushing to raise the standard of independent work for drivers in California, including with guaranteed minimum earnings and new benefits."

"At a time when California's economy is in crisis with 4 million people out of work, we need to make it easier, not harder, for people to quickly start earning," the statement said.

Lyft, however, vowed to work with the attorney general and other officials to "bring all the benefits of California's innovation economy to as many workers as possible, especially during this time when the creation of good jobs with access to affordable health care and other benefits is more important than ever."

A federal judge in February denied Uber and Postmates' request for a preliminary injunction that would have exempted them from the law. But separately, a federal judge in January indefinitely blocked the law from applying to more than 70,000 independent truckers, deciding that it is preempted by federal rules on interstate commerce.

The state Legislature is also considering amending the law, though lawmakers are split whether to broaden or narrow it as other groups – such as freelance writers and photographers – contend they have been hurt by it through unintended consequences.

The state's lawsuit alleges that Uber and Lyft haven't paid enough payroll taxes as a result of the misclassification. The suit seeks restitution for unpaid wages owed to drivers, civil penalties and a permanent ruling that would prohibit the companies from misclassifying drivers in the future.

STEFANIE DAZIO, ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN DIEGO

New spring heat wave building in Southern California

An early May heat wave was building Tuesday across Southern California, the National Weather Service said.

High pressure centered over northern Baja California will push temperatures well above normal, peaking on Wednesday and Thursday, the San Diego weather office said.

Temperatures in the Coachella Valley could near 110 degrees (43.3 Celsius), forecasters said.

Forecasters also warned of high winds on the south Santa Barbara County coast and along the Interstate 5 corridor in the mountains between Los Angeles and the San Joaquin Valley.

For Sunday and early next week, a low-pressure system over the northeast Pacific Ocean will increase onshore flow. Forecasters said cooling will spread inland and there will be greater night-and-morning coastal low clouds and fog.

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CITY OF SANTA MONICA

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites Proposals for:

Big Blue Bus Propulsion Infrastructure
Project No. SP2575

The City of Santa Monica is inviting proposals from firms interested in providing Professional services for Electrical and Structural Design Services for the Propulsion Infrastructure Feasibility Project.

The purpose of the RFP is to select the most qualified consultant to provide professional electrical and structural design for the installation of 18 new and relocation of two existing battery electric bus charging stations of the subject project.

RFP questions to be submitted to Amelia Feichtner via email at: Amelia.Feichtner@smgov.net, no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 12, 2020.

Proposers shall provide one (1) electronic version of their proposal to Amelia Feichtner via email at Amelia.Feichtner@smgov.net, no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 21, 2020. **Size of the electronic proposal shall not exceed 10 MB.**

RFP Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's bidding website at: http://www.smgov.net/planetbids/.

CITY OF SANTA MONICA

CITY PLANNING DIVISION

NOTICE OF PREPARATION/NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING FOR A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE 1633 26TH STREET OFFICE PROJECT

DATE: May 5, 2020

TO: State Clearinghouse, Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, Organizations and Interested Parties

LEAD AGENCY: City of Santa Monica
City Planning Division
1685 Main Street, Room 212
Santa Monica, California 90407
Contact: Rachel Kwok, Environmental Planner
Email: Rachel.Kwok@smgov.net

The City of Santa Monica (City) intends to prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed 1633 26th Street Office Project. In accordance with Section 15082 of the State CEQA Guidelines, the City has prepared this Notice of Preparation to provide the public, Responsible Agencies, and other interested parties with information describing the proposed project and its potential environmental effects. The EIR will address the proposed project's potentially significant effects in the following environmental issue areas:

- Air Quality
- Noise
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Transportation/Circulation
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Tribal Cultural Services
- Land Use and Planning
- Mandatory Findings of Significance

PROJECT APPLICANT: Kilroy Realty

PROJECT LOCATION AND EXISTING ONSITE USES: The approximately 87,651 square foot (2.01-acre) project site is located at 1633 26th Street, on the east side of 26th Street, between Pennsylvania Avenue and Colorado Avenue in the Bergamot Area Plan's Bergamot Transit Village in the City of Santa Monica. The project site is comprised of two parcels, Assessor Parcel Numbers (APN) 4268-001-025 and 4268-001-026. The site is bordered by a recently constructed 4 story office building on the north, Pennsylvania Avenue on the south, surface parking serving a 4 story office building on the east and 26th Street on the west. The project site is currently developed with a 3-story, brick, office building totaling approximately 45,529 sf and approximately 40 feet in height that was constructed in 1972. The project site also includes a surface parking lot serving the office building with 152 parking spaces (148 standard and 4 handicap).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project would consist of the refurbishment of the project site's existing three story, 45,529 square feet (sf) office building, and replacement of the existing 58,940 sf surface parking lot with two new four-story, creative and/or business professional office buildings. The proposed new buildings (Buildings A and B) would comprise a total of 129,265 sf of new floor area building (Building C) rising to a maximum height of 54 feet. Together, the three buildings would total approximately 174,684 sf and would form a campus-like area leaving open space in the middle as a courtyard. The approximately 10,436 sf courtyard would feature a large mature specimen tree that would be a focal point of the open space. The project would also include a three level subterranean garage with 399 parking spaces with access provided from Pennsylvania Avenue. The project would require a Development Review Permit and/or other discretionary or ministerial approvals.

REVIEW PERIOD: State CEQA Guidelines requires circulation of a Notice of Preparation for a minimum 30-day review period. In consideration of the current Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the City will be circulating the NOP for this project to 60 days. Please go to the City's webpage http://www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Environmental-Reports/1633_26th_Street_Project/ for the NOP and associated project info (including project location map, site plan, rendering). The City welcomes agency and public input during this period regarding the scope and content of environmental information that must be included in the Draft EIR. **Comments may be submitted, in writing, by 5:30 p.m. on July 5, 2020** and addressed to:

Rachel Kwok, Environmental Planner
E-mail: rachel.kwok@smgov.net

PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING: In an effort to reduce the risk of COVID-19, the City will hold a scoping meeting via teleconference on May 19, 2020 at 5:30 PM to describe the proposed project, the environmental review process, and to receive public comments on the scope of the EIR. City staff, the City's consultants, and the project Applicant will participate via teleconference. Participants may join the teleconference via https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/wjgcjtpq
or by dialing in at +1 (415) 466-7000 PIN is: 1894061#

Those wishing to give public comment for the meeting must make that request via email to Rachel.Kwok@smgov.net prior to 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting and will be posted online on the project's webpage. Written information received after 12 p.m. will be read aloud at the meeting for a total of three minutes. The City will consider all comments, written and oral, in determining the final scope of the evaluation to be included in the EIR.

ESPAÑOL: Este es un aviso de que la Ciudad está preparando un informe que describe los posibles efectos ambientales de la construcción propuesta de un centro de salud, que puede ser de su interés. Para más información, llame a Carmen Gutiérrez al 310 458 8341.



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Living In A Vehicle 1400blk Oak St 12:10 a.m.
Party Complaint 1500blk Stanford St 12:15 a.m.
Fight 1800blk Lincoln Blvd 12:50 a.m.
Loud Music 1900blk Ocean Ave 12:57 a.m.
Loud Music 4th St / Colorado Ave 1:08 a.m.
Party Complaint 1500blk Stanford St 1:21 a.m.
Theft Of Recyclables 1500blk Yale St 4:30 a.m.
Found Property 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 5:49 a.m.
Encampment 1400blk 5th St 6:32 a.m.
Burglary Report 1100blk Pico Blvd 6:35 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Just Occurred Lincoln Blvd / Washington Ave 6:37 a.m.
Encampment 600blk Wilshire Blvd 7:09 a.m.
Construction Noise 200blk 19th St 7:13 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 2100blk Santa Monica Blvd 7:30 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 600blk Wilshire Blvd 7:59 a.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 1000blk 4th St 9:04 a.m.
Fraud Report 1100blk Franklin St 9:07 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 2200blk Colorado Ave 9:12 a.m.
General Parking Problem 2000blk Colorado Ave 9:19 a.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 800blk Ocean Ave 9:47 a.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 1000blk Ocean Ave 9:48 a.m.
Loud Music Ocean Ave / Bicknell Ave 9:51 a.m.
Fraud Report 1300blk Stanford St 10:03 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 1100blk Pacific Coast Hwy 10:27 a.m.
Encampment 1300blk 14th St 10:32 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 1500blk Euclid St 10:45 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 26th St / Wilshire Blvd 10:51 a.m.
Check Temporary No Parking Signs 1300blk California Ave 10:54 a.m.
Fraud Report 700blk Idaho Ave 11:01 a.m.
Loitering 600blk Wilshire Blvd 11:10 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 500blk Broadway 11:11 a.m.
Smoking Violation 3100blk Main St 11:36 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 800blk 2nd St 11:44 a.m.
Stolen Vehicle 2900blk 2nd St 11:48 a.m.
Grand Theft Report 1100blk Montana Ave 12:36 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 15th St / California Ave 12:49 p.m.
Prowler Report 1300blk 26th St 12:51 p.m.
Found Person 2400blk Santa Monica Blvd 12:54 p.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 1500blk 17th St 1:22 p.m.
Burglary Report 500blk Broadway 1:38 p.m.
Vehicle Parked On Sidewalk 800blk Stanford St 1:39 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 500blk Broadway 1:41 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation Lincoln Blvd / Pico Blvd 1:49 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 1200blk 7th St 2:07 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 700blk Broadway 2:19 p.m.
Burglary Report 1100blk 10th St 2:30 p.m.
Urinating/Defecating In Public 1200blk 7th St 2:33 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 20th St / Wilshire Blvd 2:55 p.m.
Identity Theft 1000blk Hill St 3:02 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1300blk Berkeley St 3:11 p.m.
Malicious Mischief Just Occurred 3100blk Main St 3:12 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 2100blk Santa Monica Blvd 3:12 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 2400blk Main St 3:13 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1300blk Berkeley St 3:29 p.m.
Check Temporary No Parking Signs 1000blk 7th St 3:58 p.m.
Check Temporary No Parking Signs 1100blk 10th St 3:59 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Just Occurred Lincoln Blvd / Ashland Ave 4:18 p.m.
Rape Report 300blk Olympic Dr 4:33 p.m.
Red Zone Violation 1300blk Wilshire Blvd 4:40 p.m.
Red Zone Violation 2100blk Wilshire Blvd 4:41 p.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 4th St / Colorado Ave 4:47 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 2500blk Michigan Ave 4:49 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 1900blk Lincoln Blvd 4:53 p.m.
Prowler Report 1300blk 26th St 4:55 p.m.
Found Senile Person 1700blk Ocean Ave 4:56 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 10th St / Pine St 4:56 p.m.
Traffic Hazard Harvard St / Arizona Ave 4:58 p.m.
Drinking In Public 2200blk Virginia Ave 5:45 p.m.
Loud Music 1900blk Ocean Ave 6:09 p.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon Just Occurred 2500blk Of The Bike Path 6:12 p.m.
Bike Theft Report 1100blk 20th St 6:45 p.m.
Drinking In Public 800blk Montana Ave 7:03 p.m.
Loud Music 1400blk 9th St 7:31 p.m.
Prowler Just Left 600blk Copeland Ct 8:27 p.m.
Red Zone Violation 1000blk Ocean Ave 8:31 p.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries 16th St / Montana Ave 8:32 p.m.
Loud Music 2000blk Ocean Ave 8:44 p.m.
Harassing Phone Calls Report 300blk Olympic Dr 8:59 p.m.
Family Disturbance 2900blk 4th St 9:09 p.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 1300blk 7th St 10:00 p.m.
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Support the Library

EDITOR:

Every community is facing budget cuts, and citizens are defending their favorite programs. This letter is no exception. I am going to argue for supporting the Santa Monica Library, its branches and staff, not only for the many excellent programs it provides, but to maintain and continue to develop its core: the book collections, in both electronic and paper forms.

I am a retired professor of education and one of my research areas is literacy and the impact of libraries. Also, I am a member of the Santa Monica Public Library.

Here is some what we know about libraries and literacy:

The more children as well as adults read for pleasure (and that includes mostly fiction), the better they read, write, and spell, and the larger their vocabularies.

The more people read (again for pleasure, largely fiction), the more they know about history, literature, and science and the more they know about other cultures.

Children of poverty have fewer books at home; their families have less money for buying books. This results in less reading and therefore lower literacy levels. It also results in less subject matter knowledge, and, inevitably, lower school performance.

Very often the only source of books these children have is the library. In our studies, we found that the positive effect of a good library can balance the negative effect of poverty on reading achievement.

Ten percent of the population in Santa Monica lives in poverty, and that figure will soon be rising dramatically. For a modest investment, we can make sure all children have a chance to experience the benefits and pleasure of reading.

Stephen Krashen, Los Angeles

Task Force Transparency

EDITOR:

The Revised City Budget NOW includes $1 Million for a new Task Force to speed economic recovery in Santa Monica. $1 million to a committee that has had no public process or public vetting.

The Santa Monica Transparency Project was formed in 2010 to assure openness and accountability in city government. We are concerned about the pro-developer bias on this committee as announced. It's important for the public to understand who the city has invited to serve as task force members and whether reasonable growth members will also be included.

Following the meeting, we wrote to the city and asked for the details of this task force, and how members were selected and specifically whether community groups like the Santa Monica Coalition for a Livable City, Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights, and other longstanding groups would also be invited to participate.

Unfortunately, to date the city's response has been disappointing. The city has not answered these questions we posed about the process:

How many members are currently on the task force including their names and affiliations;

What was the criteria for inclusion; who selected the participants and by what process;

Were any resident focused community groups approached and invited to join;

How did Santa Monica Forward, a political group, get a seat; and

WILL THE TASK FORCE WELCOME NEW RESIDENT-FOCUSED MEMBERS?

Regardless of whether the city actually will impanel a task force that is truly representative of our community and reasonable growth groups, the city has an obligation to be transparent and explain who the members are, how it chose them and by what process before authorizing $1 million for their future activities.

We are all in this together. It looks like we may have to keep reminding the city of that.

Stay tuned.

Stay Safe,

Mary Marlow, Chair. Santa Monica Transparency Project

DAILY FIRE LOG

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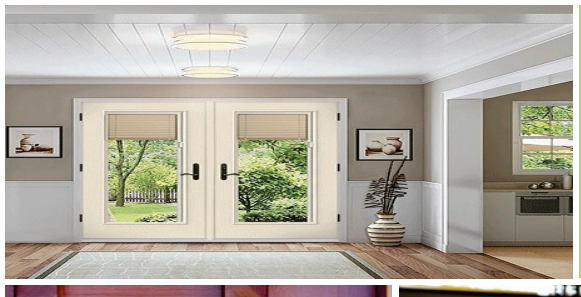
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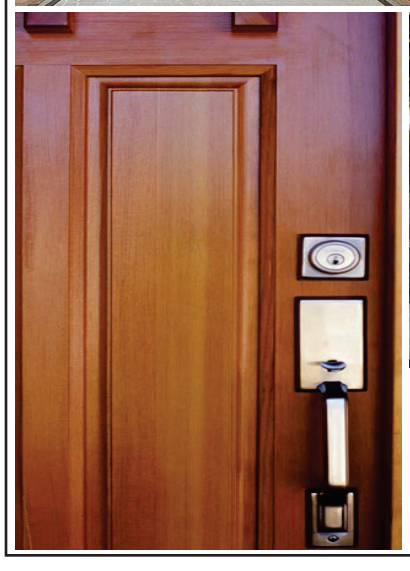
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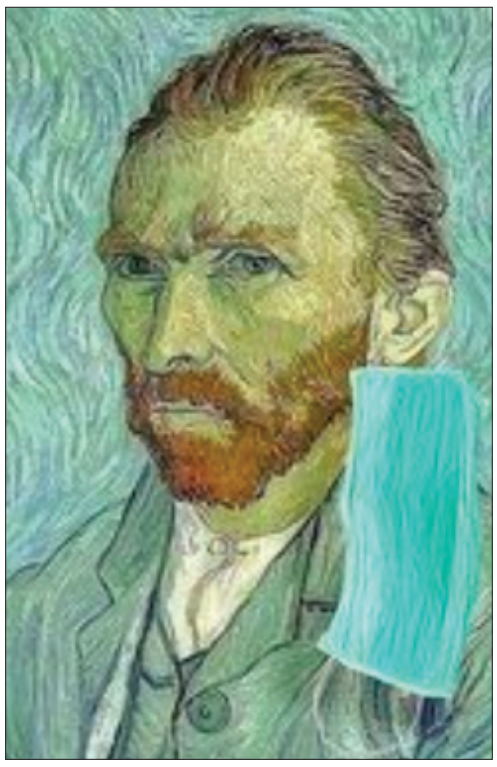

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Oh, And Wear Your Masks!



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MASKS: It's harder for some than for others.

I THOUGHT WE HAD MORE TIME

But even now when it seems we have nothing but time, suddenly we're out of it.

The forces of greed are always ready to pounce. In Washington they already have, for hundreds of billions of dollars that should have gone to those who needed it. Here in Santa Monica the plots are thickening (and sickening), and thieves love nothing more than a crisis. A distraction. The bigger the better. Look over there! (Not here, where my hand is in your pocket.)

I always thought that if this pandemic resulted in a horrifying amount of suffering and death, as predicted, it would be cause to reevaluate our entire society. Maybe we can feed the hungry, house the homeless. Maybe sun and air for energy makes a lot more sense than fossil fuels. Maybe insane military spending is killing the quality of life. That perhaps it was a scourge so terrible that we could be motivated to make the necessary changes to avoid the environmental disasters our Earth is rushing to. And maybe Santa Monica could become again the city residents used to love dearly. The Daily Press Editorial Board wrote a superb argument for that, last weekend. "What do we really need? What makes life a joyous experience?"

ONLY 100,000 DEAD, THE NEW HOPE NOW

675,000 dead in the U.S. from the influenza pandemic a century ago. 50 million worldwide. The world had just lost 17M dead in WWI, plus 20M more casualties, so those numbers were enormous but not something they hadn't just dealt with. But people then knew if they could just get through it, everything could be "normal" again. Not so now.

Climate change is the game changer. For those who believe in science, facts, and what's in front of your nose, it's clear we can have no return to business as normal. Will we defeat this plague and then quickly realize we should have made those changes permanent, to survive? We don't have very long to fix things and we've been going in the wrong direction. What we've been forced to do in response to this global threat has shown us the way, shown us what is possible. The younger generation gets it. Retirement? They want to be able to see 35.

HOW DOES ALL THIS AFFECT SANTA MONICA?

Well, we're broke. Beyond broke. Like every city and state, but Santa Monica does things in a big way, right? We always want to be number one! But the economic fallout from the pandemic didn't cause this, it just exacerbated it; we've been headed for financial ruin for years. Voices have been raised against profligate spending but those voices were ignored.

What's done is done and now we have to deal with it. But that's where, suddenly, we don't have any time. Because by the time you read this, big big decisions will have been made about our future. Last night the City Council considered recommendations for the huge budget cuts that will be necessary. (I'm writing this Monday.)

THEY GOT ADVICE

From a hand-picked panel. But what a panel. All the forces of more over-development and more taxes were at the table, and the voices for slow growth, smart growth, a resident-oriented direction, were not invited. Even SMRR was snubbed -- can you imagine? Santa Monica Forward, funded by developers, offered their same old agenda to build our way out of this crisis, chucking long-established planning and zoning regulations and other community protections. How could anyone, with a straight face, actually advocate for more density at this time? And how could the City Council solicit that advice, and did they act on it?

Six of the seven neighborhood associations put together an impressive, reasonable, resident-oriented plan for these drastic cuts that must be made. (Who was missing? Mine, Ocean Park, as usual, never raises their voice about vital city issues. How about changing that, folks? Who does it serve?) Santa Monica Coalition for a Livable City also had sound, resident-friendly suggestions. The City staff did not officially recognize those before making their recommendations to the council.

TIME TO GET INFORMED

It's your city, your kids' future, your life.

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COVID-19 UPDATE

FROM PAGE 1

will be tracking a range of indicators as it determines when and how to relax its Safer at Home order. Coronavirus is still the leading cause of death in the county and remains unchanged in its ability to spread rapidly, she said.

Data will need to show that mortality and hospitalization rates by age, poverty level and race are remaining relatively stable before the county reopens, Ferrer said. High-risk populations will need sufficient access to testing and hospitals must have enough beds and ventilators to accommodate a surge in cases.

African Americans make up 14% of all COVID-19 deaths, despite comprising only 9% of the county population. One percent of people who have died from the virus were Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, who comprise .4% of the population.

"We do need to reopen ... but we have to do it in a thoughtful way," Ferrer said. "One of the saddest things would be to reopen too quickly, see too many deaths and hospitalizations, and then have to go back and tell businesses to close again."

Ferrer said the county has 27,815 confirmed cases and 1,313 deaths. She reported 58 new deaths Tuesday and 1,638 new cases, which she said resulted from a lag in reporting over the weekend and increased testing capacity.

About 1,780 people were hospitalized Tuesday, the fourth day in a row that the number of people hospitalized has slightly decreased, Ferrer said.

L.A. County will likely reopen more slowly and cautiously than other parts of California that have seen much fewer COVID-19 cases and deaths.

Gov. Gavin Newsom said Monday that local officials could allow some retailers to offer curbside pickup starting Friday, but L.A. Mayor Eric Garcetti said the city would likely not allow retailers to reopen later this week. In some parts of the state, businesses have already started to reopen in defiance of stay-at-home orders.

Newsom also reopened beaches in Orange County, but L.A. County beaches, including Santa Monica State Beach, will remain closed.

Five new cases were confirmed in Santa Monica Tuesday, bringing the total number of cases to 190. Cases have increased 22% over the last week after rising 15.5% the week before.

The number of Santa Monica residents who have died has remained at nine for a week, according to a county data dashboard.

Forty-two employees and 80 residents at four local nursing homes and an assisted living facility have tested positive for coronavirus as of Tuesday. A total of 14 deaths have been reported at Beachwood Post-Acute & Rehab, the Rehabilitation Center of Santa Monica and Ocean Pointe Healthcare Center.

The Ocean Pointe outbreak has worsened in recent days, with a total of eight staff and 22 residents infected and two deaths reported.

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CURIOUS

FROM PAGE 6

The sands are trickling down, this is the ninth inning. Things are moving fast. No time to wait for the next election. If you're not at the table, you're probably on the menu. It's time to become informed, and speak up now. Because other people are speaking up, and they are not necessarily your friends, and you may not want to live under their dictates.

When I wrote my last column, I didn't envision all this happening quite this soon. So don't wait for me. Take care of your own. It may sound like a lot but it's a joyous experience. Or, you could just wait until things get so bad you have to move, like so many long time residents already have, Me, I'm staying, to fight.

SLIGHT CORRECTION

Last week I cited the cleanliness of our bay as having received "grades of F the last three years, and even a month ago." I read too quickly. That goes for the area around the Pier, and only during wet weather conditions. Otherwise, whole bay, most of the time, an A.

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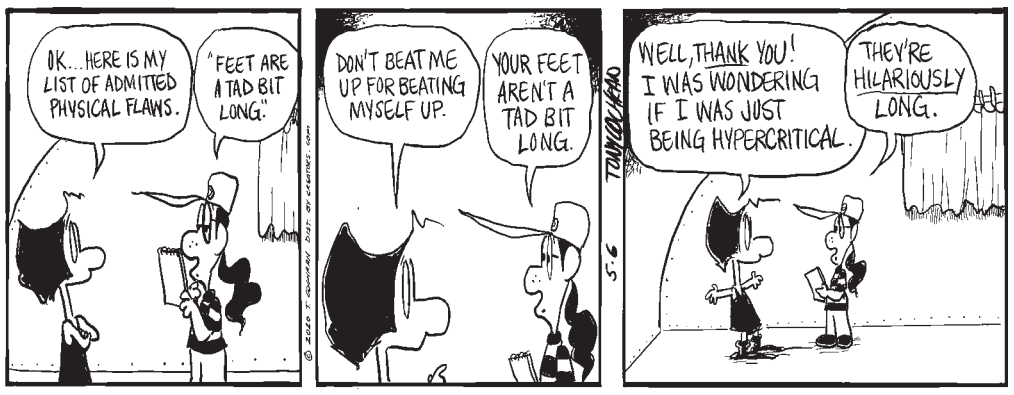
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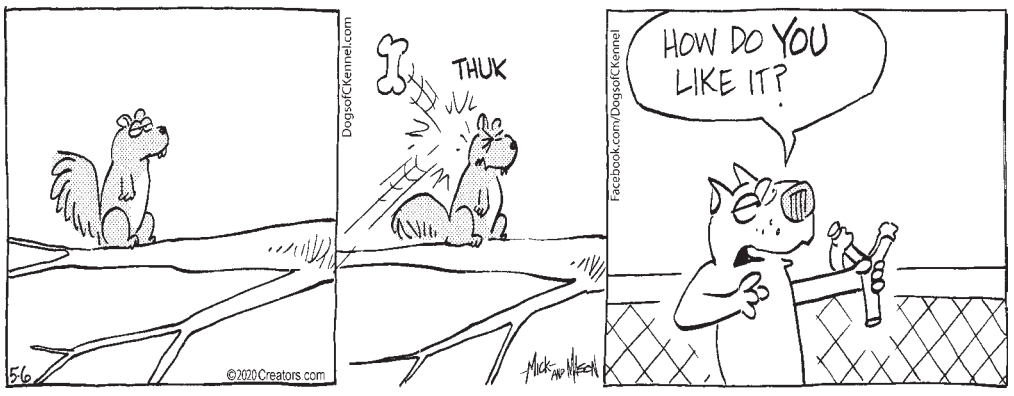
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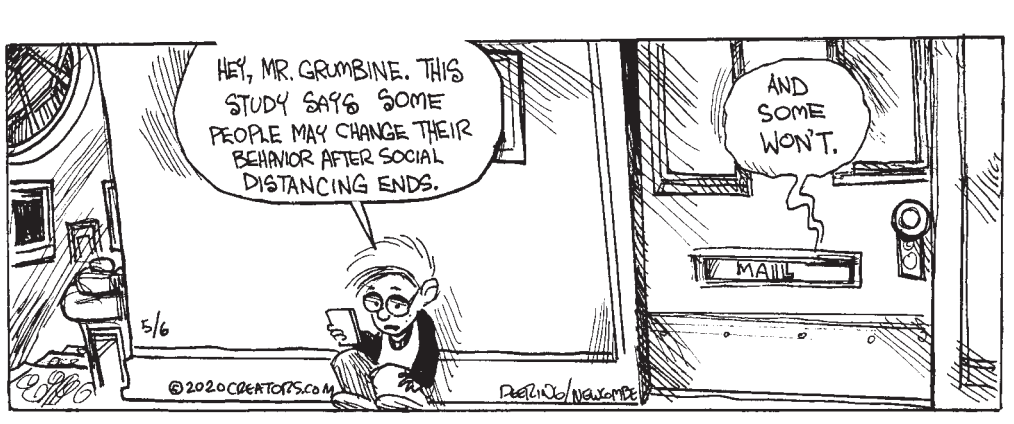
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Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 82.
Wednesday Night: Clear, with a low around 64.
Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 83.
Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 64.
Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 74.
Friday Night: Patchy fog after midnight. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 61.
Saturday: Patchy fog before noon. Otherwise, partly sunny, with a high near 73.

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2020/05/07	Thu	10:17 AM	4.42	H
2020/05/07	Thu	3:39 PM	0.88	L
2020/05/07	Thu	9:55 PM	6.49	H
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2020/05/08	Fri	4:17 PM	1.34	L
2020/05/08	Fri	10:33 PM	6.39	H
2020/05/09	Sat	05:45 AM	-1.34	L
2020/05/09	Sat	12:12 PM	3.76	H
2020/05/09	Sat	4:56 PM	1.82	L
2020/05/09	Sat	11:14 PM	6.08	H
2020/05/10	Sun	06:38 AM	-1.09	L
2020/05/10	Sun	1:19 PM	3.49	H
2020/05/10	Sun	5:40 PM	2.27	L
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Jackpot: 25 M

Fantasy 5
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Daily 3
Draw Date: 05/04
Midday: 0 8 8
Draw Date: 05/04
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). If you don't ask, the answer is almost always no. But there are those rare moments when providence itself seems to be reading the wish of your mind, the want of your heart. It is granted before it is verbalized. O glory day!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Grit is the quality most associated with success in the current atmosphere. It takes a good deal of the stuff to persevere when things get weird, and twice as much to soldier into the unknown.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Power can be acquired in more than one way now. For instance, you can gain leverage, shed dependencies or more likely a combination of both. Much depends on the opposition. How much might do you need?

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The life you love comes to you as you design it. You don't have to do everything today, as there will be plenty of times when life meets you in the middle, though initiation will fall to you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're not the same person with your family as you are with friends. You even slightly change yourself with each friend -- a sign of developed social skills and an adaptive mind. Even so, you'll aim for more uniformity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your ideals are so lofty that maybe there is no realistic hope of catching up to your ambitions. In many ways, you are better because of this -- not happier, or more comfortable, but better.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're not doing what you do to make money. You're doing it to shift lives, including your own, toward the sunshine. Of all the things exchanged today, money will be the least significant.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). No one gets through life being good at one thing and one thing only. This is why you're making it a point to gain skills, try new things and figure out what more you have to contribute.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It's like you have a feelings factory inside you, and today's production will depend on which machinery you start up. You'll get whatever you yourself trigger. Go for the joy levers.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your heart speaks through attractions, interests, generosity and deep feeling. Fear speaks through judgment, criticism, punishment and anxious feelings. Stay in your heart's lane.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). In every relationship, time together has a unique quality to it. Time apart also has a unique quality to it. How you think of the other person in those gaps is an essential part of the relationship.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You've recovered before. Each time, the route back is different. What's the same is that it goes one step at a time. The direction doesn't matter today. Any step will do. It's the movement that counts.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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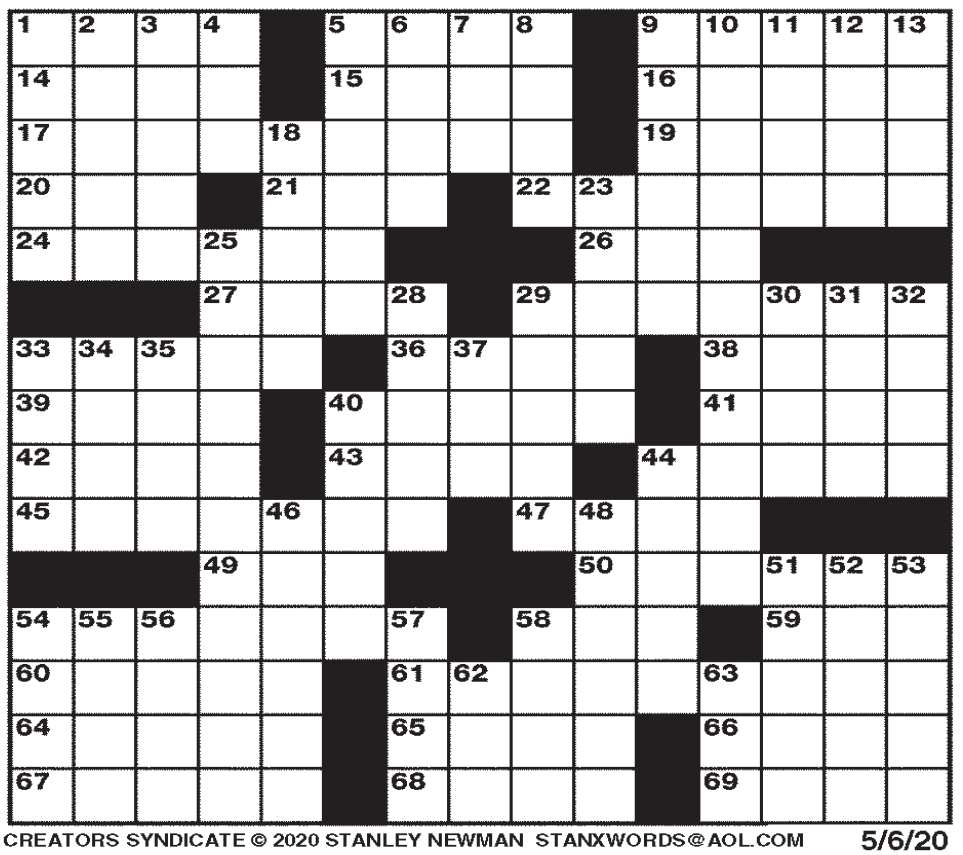
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Newsday Crossword

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5 Spreadsheet info
9 Monastery head
14 __ of measure (pound or mile)
15 Above
16 Gunky stuff
17 Mattress support
19 Bottoms of feet
20 Orthodontists' org.
21 Get __ of (throw out)
22 Phrase on a penny
24 Romania neighbor
26 Cartoonist's liquid
27 Tear apart
29 Deer defenses
33 Foul-smelling
36 Fairy tale beast
38 Tesla head Musk
39 Explorer __ the Red
40 Minor obstacles
41 Polynesian figurine
42 Piece of a chain
43 Sport on horseback
44 Devoured
45 Homework assigner
47 River near the Sphinx
49 Solo of *Star Wars*
50 Leave high and dry
54 States confidently
58 Brewpub serving
59 Baseball great Gehrig
60 Evaluated
61 2 for 8, 3 for 27, etc.
64 Get out of bed
65 Leave out
66 Make sharper
67 Less decorated
68 Arm drawings, for short
69 Well-mannered woman

DOWN
1 Large marching band instruments
2 Battery terminal
3 *Cars* animation studio
4 Space aliens: Abbr.
5 Wilde character Gray
6 Enthusiastic
7 5/6 of a dozen
8 Golden Fleece ship
9 Agree (to)
10 Plainly drawn A or B
11 Liver secretion
12 Foreshadowing sign
13 Give a quiz to
18 Was nosy
23 Middling poker pair
25 Wisconsin dairy product
28 Contributor to a charity
29 Inert gas in the air
30 Author Wiesel
31 Video-streaming device
32 Shears sound
33 Had the opinion
34 Cleveland's lake
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37 Hoedown lass
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46 More challenging
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51 "Welcome to Hawaii!"
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57 Person from Edinburgh
58 Very slightly
62 Actress Thurman
63 Bird that hoots



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Binary Puzzle

Each cell should contain a zero or a one. No more than two similar numbers below or next to each other are allowed. Each row and each column is unique and contains as many zeros as ones.

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NURSING

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in the facility are concerned that because the patient can come and go freely, it's only a matter of time.

"We're just sitting here waiting and hoping the worst doesn't happen," said Roy Goldman, whose mother has lived at Good Shepherd for two years.

Patients in nursing homes have the right to leave whenever they wish, according to the state long-term care ombudsman and the Department of Public Health.

For the past several months, the patient has visited the grocery store every day because she does not like the food provided by Good Shepherd, said administrator Nellie Agulto. She said she has offered to get the patient's groceries for her or put a refrigerator in her room so she can go to the store less frequently, but the patient refuses.

Agulto has been giving the patient a mask before she leaves the facility, taking her temperature, asking her to wash her hands and keeping her in her room as much as possible.

"I've begged her to stop temporarily," Agulto said. "I told her, "you have rights, but you also have responsibilities." But she doesn't want to listen to me."

Following guidance from the Department of Public Health, Good Shepherd has limited all other nonessential trips in and out of the facility, takes the temperature of residents and staff frequently, and closed communal spaces, Agulto said. The facility will also soon begin testing all residents and staff, she said.

But the patient who leaves the facility every day still worries Goldman and other family members.

"Public Health says you have to maintain people's civil rights," he said. "Good Shepherd hasn't done anything wrong, but their hands are tied. I'm disappointed with Public Health, because these are uncharted waters, and if there's ever a time to make a common sense exception to a rule, this would be it."

There were 111 COVID-19 cases and 12 deaths among staff and residents of four Santa Monica nursing homes and one assisted living facility as of Monday. It is unknown how many of the staff and residents permanently reside in Santa Monica and therefore are included in the city's tally of cases and deaths.

Across L.A. County, 49% of people who have died from COVID-19 resided in nursing homes, according to the Department of Public Health.

Two weeks ago, county public health officials began requiring nursing homes to test all residents and staff, limit entry to essential workers, suspend communal dining activity and require residents to wear masks in common areas. The National Guard has been deployed to 10 nursing homes in the county with outbreaks to help provide medical support.

But advocates for nursing home patients said officials need to provide sustained oversight and assistance at facilities, particularly those with histories of poor infection controls.

Michael Connors, an advocate with California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform, said the group has called for public health inspectors to be stationed at such facilities during the pandemic, even if they do not yet have an outbreak of COVID-19.

"There should be preemptive oversight of nursing homes with poor inspection records," he said. "Those are the facilities that are most dangerous to residents and the most likely to have outbreaks. Not nearly enough is being done to protect residents of substandard nursing homes."

In inspections conducted last year, public health officials found multiple health violations at the two nursing homes in Santa Monica where multiple residents have died from COVID-19.

Beachwood Post-Acute & Rehab and the Rehabilitation Center of Santa Monica received one and two stars, respectively, under Medicare's five-star rating system for nursing homes. Good Shepherd also received a one-star rating. The rating system is based on recent health inspection records, level of staffing and quality of care.

Good Shepherd and two other nursing homes without confirmed coronavirus cases were also rated below average.

The Rehabilitation Center has reported 14 cases among staff and 29 among residents. Nine deaths have been confirmed at the facility.

At Beachwood, 13 staff and 23 residents have tested positive. The facility has reported three deaths.

Jorge Newbery, whose 95-year-old mother Jennifer had been living at the Rehabilitation Center of Santa Monica for a year when she contracted COVID-19, is trying to prevent UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica from sending her back to the facility or another nursing home with an outbreak.

Two weeks ago, the facility told Newbery and his sister that only three patients had tested positive and the outbreak was under control. But after he found a state registry of nursing homes with outbreaks that showed the Rehabilitation Center had 14 patients with COVID-19, he immediately contacted an employee and asked to be put on a video call with his mother.

It was the first time Newbery had seen her in weeks, and he said she looked close to death.

"My mom could barely talk or recognize me," he said. "She looked neglected, dehydrated and malnourished."

Newbery urged the facility to call 9-11 or take his mother to a doctor, but the facility initially refused, saying she had no COVID-19 symptoms.

After several hours of insisting, the Rehabilitation Center agreed to allow her to be transported to UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica, where she immediately tested positive for coronavirus.

The nursing home's staff later told Newbery that the facility was understaffed and some employees weren't showing up to work.

A spokesperson for the Rehabilitation Center said the facility is working closely with public health authorities in implementing our COVID-19 infection control policies and procedures, including restricting outside visitors, disinfecting the facility, and providing personal protective equipment to employees and residents.

Newbery said his mother has been recovering over the last two weeks and the hospital is trying to release her to the Rehabilitation Center or to Ocean Pointe Healthcare Center in Santa Monica, which has confirmed cases among six staff and 15 residents. Her doctor said she may have short-term immunity from the virus, but could be infected again in the future.

Newbery said he is trying to convince UCLA to let her stay until she is well enough to fly to Chicago and live with him.

"She's very fortunate to recover from COVID at 95, and we don't want her to go back to a facility where she could contract it again," he said. "And if they're overwhelmed with cases, there's no way they can provide proper care."

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LAYOFFS

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and parents districtwide attempt to persuade SMMUSD leaders to spare their peers and mentors. And it appears it has worked — to some degree, according to Thursday's agenda, which details the rescission of 13 preliminary layoff notices.

At a meeting in March, board member Oscar De La Torre asked if it was possible for the board to suspend layoffs, which was a subject that would dominate the public comment portion of the meeting.

Though public speakers were unable to attend the meeting as a result of California's safer-at-home orders, more than 50 residents submitted comments online that were read by staff.

At the beginning of the public comment period, president of the Santa Monica-Malibu Classroom Teachers Association Sarah Braff said union members understand that the district needs to use the staffing formula when determining the cuts it will make in the future, "however, the need to RIF more than 50 teachers is unnecessary given the current crisis."

"We know this is a difficult time for the district, and while we understand we must reduce our expenditures, we are not convinced that these reductions have been undertaken with an eye for helping students first," Braff previously said when the topic of pink slips was first broached by the board. In fact, the union feels the district can save money using a multitude of other ways, which is partly why Braff shared with the board of education in March that the district could save as much as $6 million if it were to scale back professional development and consultant costs.

On Tuesday, Braff shared similar sentiments.

"Originally, there were 49 cuts (and) 19 have been rescinded, so there's still 30 teachers without a position today," Braff said, mentioning some hearings are still pending so it's near-impossible to nail down who will be brought back next year and who will be let go.

"We obviously want to keep all teachers and cuts as far away from the classroom, especially considering what's happening with Covid-19," Braff said. "We believe there is a need for more contact with adults, not less."

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