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THE LONG FORM ISSUE

Officials give thumbs up to hotel near homes

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

THIRD STREET City officials disappointed neighbors of a luxury hotel on Third Street Monday, declaring that there was no evidence that the business had violated any laws despite residents' concerns to the contrary.

The Palihouse Santa Monica — formerly the Embassy Hotel and Apartments — has been under fire in recent months by neighbors who have accused the hotel of operating a public restaurant, doing construction work without permits and packing the street with traffic from a valet operation out front.

E-mails have flown to various sections of city government laden with anecdotes about illegal food service, noise from drunken revelers and pictures of boxes, debris and a discarded sink.

The situation has become unlivable, said Laura Wilson, one of the most vocal people in the anti-Palihouse fight.

"I'm fighting to protect the quality of my home," Wilson said. She says she hasn't been able to sleep past 6 a.m. since the hotel opened this spring, and is woken up in the middle of the night by noisy — and temporary — neighbors.

Unfortunately for Wilson and those that share her concerns, city officials have not found any evidence that Palihouse is violating local laws or regulations.

In a six-page item released Monday by the Planning Department, Principal Planner Bradley Misner asserted that in the eyes of City Hall, the Palihouse was fully within its rights to operate its hotel in the neighborhood.

That includes using temporary residential parking permits for its guests, a valet operation and the ability to serve its guests



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SEE HOTEL PAGE 10 **IN SIGHT:** A notice regarding a pending conditional use permit is displayed in front of Palihouse.

Bus shelters top \$26M council consent agenda

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

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

CITY HALL Waiting for the bus will feel a bit more luxurious if the City Council approves over \$7.3 million for hundreds of new bus shelters spread throughout the city.

City officials chose West Valley Investment Group for a \$6,680,909 contract to construct the shelters and Arcadis US for a \$621,500 deal to manage the work.

The project will be split into two phases because money is too tight to build all of the shelters in one go. All but 10 of the 313 bus shelters will be completed during the first phase, but proposed signage will be put on hold until the second.

City Hall expects that will cost just over \$1 million.

City officials originally put the project out to bid in January 2012, but rejected each of the three submittals that came in.

The process itself showed questions about the reliability of solar panels worked into the design meant to power signs that display real-time information about bus arrivals. The signs might not run in less-than-perfect conditions, according to the staff report.

Designers revisited the plans and created a different power system that draws electricity from existing infrastructure meant for stoplights. They also upgraded shelters along the Exposition Light Rail Line route to make easy transfers from the rail line to buses.

All told, the two contracts make up just under one-quarter of the \$26,126,003 in proposed spending.

THE LITTLE THINGS

As anyone with a debit card knows big purchases like \$7.3 million bus shelters hit

Jury shown FBI informant file on Bulger

DENISE LAVOIE
AP Legal Affairs Writer

BOSTON Excerpts from James "Whitey" Bulger's FBI informant file presented to the jury at his racketeering trial Monday show Bulger secretly provided information on a

variety of criminals, from members of the Italian Mafia to people in his own South Boston neighborhood.

Bulger, 83, is on trial, accused of playing a role in 19 killings during the 1970s and '80s while allegedly leading the Winter Hill Gang. His lawyers have strongly denied that he was

an FBI informant. Instead, they say, he paid certain FBI agents for information that would help him and his gang, including tipoffs on investigations and indictments.

At one point Monday, Bulger appeared to

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2101 Ocean Park Blvd.,
11 a.m. — 11:20 a.m.

Story series for babies ages 0-17
months accompanied by an adult.
Call (310) 458-8681 for more infor-
mation.

Council meets

City Hall
1685 Main St., 5:30 p.m.
The 2013-15 budget will be the
main topic of discussion for the City
Council during its regular meeting.
The council will also cover water
conservation, the Expo Light Rail
Line and affordable housing. For
more information, visit smgov.net.

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Annenberg Community
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415 PCH, 5:30 p.m.
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students, this tai chi class teaches
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simplified form. For more infor-
mation, visit beachhouse.smgov.net.

Sneak peek at new play

Annenberg Community
Beach House
415 PCH, 6:30 p.m. — 8 p.m.
Members of the Rogue Artists
Ensemble share a sneak peek of
their newest work "HYPERBOLE:
bard" which will premiere mid-July.
Guests will get to meet members of
the cast and artistic team and learn
about how their masks are made
while experiencing what it's like to
perform with one. The event is free
and for adults and mature youth.
For more information,
call (310) 458-4904.

Woof it up

Ocean Park Branch Library
2601 Main St., 7 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
As part of the library's Book-to-

Action event series in June there
will be an adult discussion of the
book "You Had Me at Woof," by
Julie Klam. Limited free copies of
the book are available at the library.
Attendees will learn how to help
make a difference in the life of an
animal. The event is free. For more
information, call (310) 458-8683.

Wednesday, June 26, 2013

Storytime for toddlers

Fairview Branch Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd.,
10:15 a.m. — 10:35 a.m.
Stories, songs and rhymes for tod-
dlers ages 18 to 35 months, accom-
panied by an adult. Call (310) 458-
8681 for more information.

Dealing with NSA spying

Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd.,
7 p.m. — 9 p.m.
The Santa Monica Democratic Club
will host Stephen Rohde, chair of
the ACLU Foundation of Southern
California, for a discussion on the
NSA's recent spying activities on
American civilians and the use of
drones overseas. The event is free
and open to the public. For more
information, e-mail
smdemocrats@roadrunner.com.

TreePeople at activist circle

Santa Monica Friends Meeting Hall
1440 Harvard St., 7 p.m.
Andy Lipkins, founder and president
of TreePeople, will speak at the
Activist Support Circle. Lipkins
founded the organization at the age
of 15 and since then has dedicated
his life to healing the environment
and improving the lives of individuals
and communities. The event is free
and open to the public. For more
information, call (310) 399-1000
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Malibu fight involving Pippen investigated

ASSOCIATED PRESS

MALIBU Former Chicago Bulls star Scottie Pippen was questioned Monday about a fight that occurred over the weekend between him and an autograph seeker outside a Malibu restaurant, authorities said.

Pippen came in voluntarily to a substation after he was named as a suspect in an investigation of an assault with intent to commit great bodily injury, Los Angeles County sheriff's officials said. He was there for about an hour and was released pending further investigation.

"He's being cooperative," sheriff's spokesman Steve Whitmore said.

The victim was taking pictures inside Nobu restaurant late Sunday while Pippen, 47, dined with his family, said sheriff's Capt. Patrick Davoren.

When Pippen went outside to the parking lot, the man continued to take pictures and sought the Hall-of-Famer's autograph, Davoren said.

An argument ensued that led to the altercation, investigators said.

The man was taken to a hospital with a head injury and was treated and released.

Investigators were interviewing several witnesses who apparently saw what transpired.

"Right now it's under investigation," Whitmore said. "We have to interview everybody to find out what happened."

Nobu has been a Malibu mainstay for nearly 15 years and is frequented by celebrities. The restaurant recently moved to a beachfront location that offers views of the Pacific Ocean from nearly every seat.

Inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame in 2010, Pippen won six NBA titles with Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls and was on a list of the league's 50 greatest players announced in 1996.

He is a special adviser to the team's president and chief operating officer. The Bulls declined to comment Monday.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

THIRD STREET PROMENADE

Outdoor movies return

The family-friendly Cinema on the Street free outdoor movie series returns for its third year at the Third Street Promenade.

Starting July 12 there will be a screening each Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. The films are "Back to the Future," "Despicable Me" with a guest appearance by a minion from the film, and "Three Amigos."

Members of the M.I.'s Westside Comedy Theater will present a pre-show comedy entertainment routine before the first and last screening. AMC Theaters will be raffling off a family 4-pack of tickets at the screening of "Despicable Me." Free blankets will be given out to the first 100 guests at each show.

- ILEANA NAJARRO



File photo

WAY UP THERE: Santa Monica's Dane Keckin spikes a ball against Beverly Hills at home earlier this season.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ROUNDUP

Samohi Vikings place pair on All-CIF team

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA

Managing Editor

SAMOH Santa Monica boys' volleyball placed two players on the All-CIF Southern Section Division 3 team, it was announced last week.

Seniors Dane Keckin and Spencer Cramer made the first team cut.

Keckin was the Player of the Year in the division last season and Cramer made the first team for the second year running.

The pair helped lead Samohi to the third round of this year's playoffs before being eliminated by Camarillo.

It was a busy year for Cramer. He was a major part of the

boys' basketball team that won the CIF-SS Division 1A championship. The team then went on to the state tournament where they lost in the final to Pleasant Grove.

LANE HEADS TO GONZAGA

Pacifica Christian setter Kiani Lane has picked Gonzaga to continue her volleyball career, school officials said.

Lane helped the Seawolves win the Liberty League title en route to an appearance in the CIF-SS Division 4A final where they fell to Rolling Hills Prep.

She was also named Most Valuable Player in the Liberty League.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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What's the issue?

Editor:

In the furor over the hit piece developed, paid for, and delivered to Santa Monica doorsteps by the Miramar Hotel development team the narrative became a lot of things, but not the real issue. Therefore, as repugnant and divergent from the issue as the flyer was, it might have been successful in accomplishing an objective, if that objective was to take attention away from the proposed project itself.

However, a sense of who the residents of Santa Monica are appears to have eluded the consultants. Since the team's main goal should, rationally, be persuading the community – not merely City Hall or enough City Council members to vote for its project – that the expansion of the Miramar Hotel is in the public interest and that the community should want to have a tower of expensive condominiums added to the hotel site, learning what moves residents and what doesn't is pretty important.

Residents around the city know that:

- The issue is a development on the site of the Miramar Hotel.
- Proposing really tall buildings has severe impacts.
- Impacts need to be successfully dispersed, nullified or counteracted before the project moves forward and the “mitigation measures” so often relied upon leave all the impacts in place to be experienced by residents and visitors alike.
- The project is an MSD (Michael Dell) development, not a Huntley Hotel development and the Huntley was at its present height long before the current zoning (from the 1980s) was in effect.
- Other hotels, including the Huntley, not being the developer, may support or oppose projects, but are not required to reply to questions or public scrutiny. The developer should.
- The questions about the development, facts and information on it, and concern about it are coming in huge part from actual residents of Santa Monica, both nearby and further afield.

What we might have inferred from the Miramar flyer is maybe MSD/Michael Dell will want to help California overturn 1978's Prop. 13 so that they are not, as implied in the flyer, “unfairly” assessed property taxes based on the assessment of their property when it was bought in comparison with other hotels who are under long-term ownership.

Julie Dad
Santa Monica

What are you going to do now?

Editor:

The senator quoted very reliable sources for the continuing need for funding for colleges such as Emeritus College in Santa Monica (“State's older adult education programs must be saved,” Your Column Here, June 19).

It is a shame that the senator failed so miserably to read and digest the information provided him at a forum which he attended at Emeritus College, otherwise he might have voted against the bill that would severely limit funding for senior education rather than voting for it. It seems the senator has suddenly awakened to the number of senior citizens that reside in his district who also vote. In an e-mail sent to me by his assistant, they claimed it was an “error” and his vote would have been the only one to oppose that bill in committee. Had he been on the ball he may have been able to persuade other senators to take a stand against the bill that would have denied funding for senior classes.

Now State Sen. Lieu, what are you going to do to get the funding necessary besides writing nice letters designed to placate angry seniors over your vote?

Gerald Schneir
Santa Monica



What's the Point?

David Pizarra

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Gay marriage at the altar

IT'S BEEN A VERY ANXIOUS GAY PRIDE

Month. The U.S. Supreme Court is set to decide two major gay rights cases — the Proposition 8 case which would restore gay marriage in the state of California, if not the country, and a challenge to the horrid Defense of Marriage Act.

The drama surrounding these cases has been intense. I know when I wrote about Proposition 8 almost exactly five years ago there was a lot of heat generated, and very little light. I received hundreds of e-mails from the rabid acolytes of the Mormon church. I had hate mail from as far away as Australia and across our country.

I met the local representative for the ward and frankly was quite taken by him. He was smart, educated, charming, very good looking, late 30s and single. Frankly, I'd have enjoyed dating him. But alas he was too inculcated with the mythology and the doctrine of the church, and our discussions devolved into my rants versus his lame excuses for the bigotry of the church.

It's really a shame that I allowed my emotions to get the better of me. I know he is a good human being, and it was my over-the-top statements that drove him away. But it was my frustration at being told that “we love you, we just think heterosexual marriage is better.” That was so irritating. The hypocrisy of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in regards to issues of race and sexual orientation, let alone women's rights, would drive any sane person nuts.

The five years since that horrid proposition was peddled by a bunch of snake oil salesmen with their deceptive and confusing ads to a bewildered and scared electorate have been a wild ride. The tide has turned on gay marriage. There are now 12 states plus the District of Columbia and three Native American tribes that allow gay men and women to enjoy the same benefits of marriage as their heterosexual counterparts. We await a ruling this week from the Supreme Court that could end federal discrimination and pull California from the dungeon of discrimination back into the ranks of the open minded and equality based states.

Things have changed so much that even the Boy Scouts, an organization supported in large measure by the Mormons and the Catholics, has seen fit to revise its rulings on allowing a scout to acknowledge their sexual orientation — so long as they are minors. Once a scout becomes an adult they are not

allowed to be openly gay, but I believe that will change as the current crop of young gay boys ages out and the absurdity of the con-torted reasoning becomes obvious.

Gay celebrities have had weddings that are televised and splashed across the front pages of the nation's tabloids and gossip magazines, which has further eroded the hysterical and unnecessary homophobia that drove the bigoted masses who rabidly supported Proposition 8. Today the gay and lesbian couple with child is seen on TV regularly.

The world has changed radically in the last five years and for the better. Gay and lesbian faces are seen all over TV. From Don Lemon to Suze Orman, we see the diversity of the North American homosexual. As parents there is that force of nature Neil Patrick Harris and the ever talented counterpart Rosie O'Donnell, who created R Family cruises for gay families.

There was an article on ABC News this past week about Wendy Montgomery, a Mormon mom who knocked on doors for Proposition 8. Her actions and the teachings of the church made her 14-year-old son suicidal, an all too common happenstance for gay youth thanks to the bigoted and homophobic statements of churches like the Catholic and Latter-day Saints.

When Montgomery's son came out as gay, she was forced to re-evaluate, and then changed her position. It's just the way this goes. The more gay people are seen and known, the less homophobia there is, even for Mormons.

We have undergone another major cultural shift and now it is up to the Supreme Court to clean up the details. They may take a reserved approach this week and issue a ruling that is limited in scope, or they may go big. I hope they go big, but I'm prepared for them to stay small.

No matter what they decide, the rising tide of acceptance is flowing throughout the world and as more people are exposed to the reality of same-gender marriages they will see how non-threatening it is. The same goes for gay people in general.

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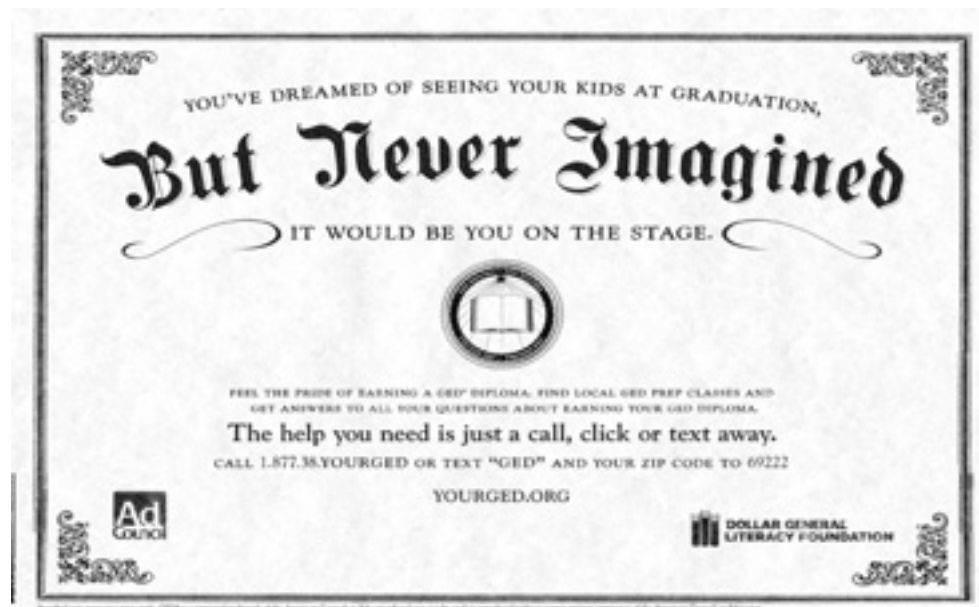
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Oscar de la Torre

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Funding for PYFC shouldn't be reduced

"THE CARE OF HUMAN LIFE AND HAPPINESS, and not their destruction, is the only legitimate object of good government." — Thomas Jefferson, 1809

Another cycle of gang-related shootings and homicide re-traumatized the Pico Neighborhood at the same time the city staff recommends that the City Council cut one-third (close to \$100,000) of the budget for the Pico Youth & Family Center (PYFC), our community's most effective response to gangs and youth violence. City staff has recommended that the council divert PYFC funds to the Cradle to Career (C2C) initiative, a promising effort born from PYFC's advocacy and white paper on youth violence in 2010. A blatant disconnect between City Manager Rod Gould and Pico Neighborhood families is at the center of the city staff's ongoing scheme to destroy PYFC, this time by cutting its already bare bones budget.

The PYFC, like the Cradle to Career initiative it launched, was born from the community's response to multiple homicides in 1998 and persistent gang violence and suicide in 2009. No other social issue exposes the racial and economic divide in Santa Monica more than the fact that since 1986 more than 62 youth and young adults have been murdered, the majority of these homicides occurring within 10 city blocks of the Pico Neighborhood. The impact of this historic pattern of violence on families has been catastrophic and residents' overall quality of life has been permanently distressed. The neglect of violence in one part of our community only serves to fuel a culture of gun violence that eventually spills over throughout our city with dire consequences, affecting the families of Santa Monica. Framed as "problematic" by city staff, PYFC only exists because of the city's painful neglect and inability to address public safety issues affecting Pico Neighborhood residents and as long as gangs and homicides continue we should seek to strengthen PYFC, not reduce its funding.

Gangs and the violence that they produce are a symptom of a much larger problem that has its roots in the hopelessness that poverty and marginalization produce. Gang members are not born — they are made. Poverty, family instability, early school failure, early incarceration and substance abuse are common traits most gang members share. Gangs are a product of our community's failure to direct public policy and resources to our most marginalized youth and their respective families. It is a societal challenge that affects us all, but certain neighborhoods because of racial segregation, lack of political representation and historic neglect have been disproportionately impacted. While C2C membership organiza-

tions are promising to work differently, the PYFC has been on the front line providing direct services to youth and transforming the city's approach to youth development.

So how can we as a community accept City Manager Rod Gould's proposal to defund an organization that has succeeded in decreasing gang membership and violence? The city's own budget document acknowledges that, "youth and gang violence has decreased in recent years." PYFC is the most effective community based response to the problem of youth violence because for the first time in our history residents most impacted by the violence have articulated the root cause of gangs and youth violence. A complex problem such as youth violence cannot be addressed with collaborative services alone as the C2C proposes. PYFC's effectiveness in reducing gang violence and gang membership is found in our dual approach of direct services and advocacy that gives marginalized youth and Pico Neighborhood residents an opportunity to change the social conditions that lead to hopelessness and gang membership. PYFC provides a culturally relevant, social justice-based community approach to youth engagement, education and belonging. As a leading initiator and founding co-chair of C2C I urge the City Council to ask questions about C2C's direct service plan and its organizational capacity to hold itself accountable for meeting clear outputs and outcomes.

The city manager's proposal to reduce PYFC's funding contradicts its support for a smooth transition at PYFC. A decrease in funding at the start of a violent summer when critical services are needed for our community's most vulnerable youth is a threat to public safety. The C2C initiative must be supported, but not at the expense of direct services for youth. The staff recommendation starts the promising work of the C2C initiative with a "take back" from the organization most responsible for its creation. Why allow the city manager to continue a biased campaign against PYFC that will only serve to perpetuate the division and marginalization of our residents? Furthermore, this is not the way to start a promising effort founded on the principles of equity, collaboration and community partnership. Let us launch the C2C initiative together with all of us united and not by taking direct services away from PYFC and the vulnerable youth it currently serves. Let's unite behind the promise and opportunity of "and" versus the tyranny of "or." The youth and young adults of our community who are in need of support are worth the investment.

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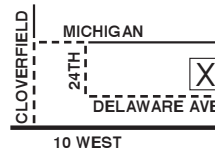
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you hard, but it's the little ones that really add up.

The City Council is expected to approve \$15.4 million in small contracts and purchase orders, all of which exceed the mandated \$100,000-limit for City Council approval.

The buys include a wide range of goods and services split into two categories: Purchase orders awarded in a formal bidding process and those that breach the \$100,000 threshold either because an incumbent won an informal bidding process or had a contract that came with a pre-approved renewal period.

Formal bids included a paint contract with Sherwin-Williams and a contract with a company called Brenntag, which provides sulfuric acid for the water treatment plant, while the other list ran from car washing services to garbage can repair.

WASTEWATER MAIN

Because leaky sewer pipes are no picnic, City Hall proposes to invest \$1.3 million to replace or fix up thousands of feet of pipelines that crisscross the city.

The money will replace pipes with a 6-inch diameter with new, larger pipes that are 2 inches bigger over roughly 5,400 feet of the 150-mile wastewater system. A new lining system and rehab of existing mainline pipes will make these segments last much longer, according to a report.

Officials chose Vasilj, the lowest bidder on the project, to complete the work, most of which will take place south of Interstate 10. It should be completed by spring 2014.

BIG DATA

Santa Monica can't build large data collection centers in remote areas of Utah like the federal government is, but it can spend \$3.5 million over the next five years to enhance its own data storage capacity.

City officials recommend four companies — CDWG, EnPoint, Nth Generation Computing, Inc. and PCMG — to provide the hardware and software needed to maintain government tech.

That means servers, data storage, virtual memory and the machines to make it all happen. Some of those components come from specific brands like Hewlett Packard, Dell and VMware, according to a report.

Under the proposed contracts, City Hall would spend \$700,000 with the companies each year for five years with CDWG and PCMG taking \$150,000 each and EnPoint and Nth Generation coming away with \$200,000 each.

STORM DRAIN FIXES

The City Council is expected to approve almost \$275,000 to fix up six storm drains in various states of disrepair.

Workers installing the Exposition Light Rail Line discovered the problems when scoping out the storm drains within the project limits. The pipes had collapsed in some places, and otherwise had cracks and holes.

Skanska-Rados Joint Venture, the contractor building Expo, will complete the work.

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

The Finance Department wants to continue its relationship with a California-based software company to keep an eye on Santa Monica's 21,601 licensed businesses and the money they bring in.

City Hall has used HdL Software, LLC, since 1998. The company's new product, HdL Prime, makes online business license applications and renewals easier. It would

also streamline the collection of taxes associated with parking, hotel stays and utilities, as well as other assessments collected by City Hall, according to a report.

The system will cost \$209,325 over the next five years with another \$20,050 in annual user fees. Only \$110,050 is up for approval Tuesday night.

GOING TO THE WELL

The City Council is expected to approve a contract with an environmental consultant to close out 26 years of work cleaning up soil and groundwater at the bus depot on Sixth Street.

Officials expect that the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board will give City Hall the green light to finish monitoring at the Big Blue Bus site on Sixth Street in light of evidence that over two decades of work has cleaned petroleum-based pollutants from the water and soil.

ICF Consulting performs environmental assessment, remediation and closure services for City Hall, but its existing contract ended on May 13. Officials recommend extending it another year so that the firm can finish a closure report for the county board.

The work will cost \$185,000.

KEEP IT DOWN!

A change of policy at the Federal Aviation Administration is forcing Santa Monica to revisit contracts with companies that provide noise monitoring and flight tracking information for the public.

The FAA announced in January that it would no longer release flight tracking data directly to City Hall, instead forcing officials to go to a private company called Exelis Inc.

Exelis already maintains Santa Monica Airport's noise monitoring system, a tool that helps enforce Santa Monica's stringent airport decibel limits, but a different company, Brüel & Kjær, provides online flight tracking for the public.

Officials recommend that the City Council drop Brüel & Kjær and instead change the contract with Exelis to include flight tracking through June 2015 with two one-year renewal options.

That option would make sure that officials can still connect specific airplanes to violations of the noise rules and track planes that deviate from the "Fly Neighborly Program," which seeks to lessen tensions between pilots and the surrounding community.

The change will cost \$143,103 in the first year and \$105,782 in the second. Future years are contingent on council approval.

NEW RIDES

The City Council is expected to approve the purchase of three new electric vehicles from a California company for the Santa Monica Fire Department.

Public Works has its eye on three new Ford Focuses and selected Wondries Fleet Group for the \$136,314 contract. Only one other company bid on the purchase, but Wondries met all of the criteria, including color choice required by the fire department.

MORE FUNDS FOR PARKS

Santa Monica's \$47 million parks are likely to get slightly more expensive Tuesday if the City Council approves two contracts for testing and inspection services.

Construction delays meant that contracts for testing and inspection services ran out before Tongva Park and Ken Genser Square, Santa Monica's two newest parks, were complete.

To finish the work, the City Council will need to approve \$131,153 to extend contracts with Koury Engineering & Testing and

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Smith Emery Company, two subcontractors with W.E. O'Neil Construction Company, which holds the primary contract to finish the two parks.

MAPPING IT OUT

City Hall is looking to renew its contract with a software company that provides tech used in almost every city department for mapping and statistical analysis.

Esri, a California-based company, makes software that runs City Hall's Geographic Information System, a computer system that allows officials to project diverse information onto maps of the city.

That comes in handy for land use studies, police and fire dispatch, traffic, infrastructure and a number of other critical city functions, according to a report.

City Hall has worked with Esri software since 1993, but has never had a multi-year agreement with the company. Officials hope to end that streak with a three-year, \$167,535 contract with the company, which will freeze licensing prices and ultimately save money.

Only \$111,690 will be approved Tuesday.

SLOWING DOWN

Although many would say traffic prohibits most drivers from approaching Santa Monica's speed limits, much less violate them, City Hall wants to shell out \$80,000 for a study to see how fast people should go on city roads.

If the City Council approves, the contract will go to Kimley-Horn Associates, Inc. The company will be tasked with updating a traffic survey that was completed in 2006 and finally certified in May 2009.

State law requires that municipalities redo the survey every five to 10 years.

LABOR LAW

City officials recommend that City Hall increase its contract with a private law firm for labor-related legal services.

The proposed contract extension with Liebert Cassidy and Whitmore would cost \$375,000 and would cover specialized legal counsel for employee disciplinary matters, training, Personnel Board hearings, litigation and advice.

The extra money was needed because of a large number of actions brought by those employed by the city, according to the staff report.

Only \$75,000 would be approved Tuesday night.

FRIENDLY BIKING

City Hall wants to invest another \$70,000 into a pilot program meant to make it easier and safer for kids to ride bicycles to school.

The Safe Routes to School pilot program took root in four schools during the previous academic year. Alta Planning + Design, an Oregon-based company, designed the programs, which included education, encouragement, training and evaluation processes.

The extra cash would push the existing efforts forward by cementing formal roles and responsibilities for the programs so that they can become sustainable and less reliant on volunteers and parents, which are "important, but can be inherently transitory in nature," according to the report.

It will also pay for additional education efforts.

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MASTER PLANNING

Officials believe it will take another \$16,640 to finish a plan for Santa Monica's City Yards, an effort that has been underway since 2009.

This will be the fourth contract extension with RNL Interplan, Inc., which has completed several planning studies for the site on the east side of town off Michigan Avenue. It will help break the overall plan down into smaller pieces that can be finished individually as funding becomes available.

The change comes in recognition of the tight budget, according to a report.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

City officials want to study new locations for lighted pedestrian warning signs, which is good news for consultant DKS Associates.

The Oregon-based firm will likely get another \$12,349 to take a look at other sections of the city that could benefit from the signs, which have LED lights embedded in the borders.

DKS has already taken a look at four areas, including San Vicente Boulevard at Fourth and 14th streets, Montana Avenue between Ninth and 20th streets and 23rd Street from Ocean Park Boulevard to the southern city limit.

However, officials believe they need more locations to better understand if the enhancements are effective, and are willing to pay for the information.

City Hall will also throw another \$5,800 at KOA, a company that has been studying pedestrian safety around two local hospitals.

A detailed look at street lighting and 400 individual surveys of hospital employees

and visitors identified the intersection at Wilshire Boulevard and 16th Street that might need changes or a signal.

City Hall did not expect that intersection would be a problem, and will have to pay the extra money to include it in the KOA contract.

TRIBUTE TO GUSSY

If the City Council approves, the Stadium Court in Reed Park will get a new name Tuesday night.

The courts will be renamed Gussy Moran Stadium Court after the famous tennis player who ranked number 4 in the world at the height of her career and shocked onlookers with a short skirt that revealed lace panties at the Wimbledon Championships in 1949.

Moran died in 2013, and the City Council told officials to find a way to commemorate her life and achievements, and they chose to honor the fallen pro by putting her name on the courts where she played as a youth.

Signage for the court will cost \$1,200.

CAR SHARE

City officials selected the Hertz Corporation to spearhead a two-year pilot project that will put rentable cars on Santa Monica streets in an attempt to wean residents off vehicle ownership.

The car share model allows people to rent cars for set periods of time so that they have a car only when they need it. Once the pilot project is under way, city officials will keep an eye on it to see if people in the city are actually using it.

In the meantime, City Hall would be expected to provide 10 parking spaces throughout the city. Signage will cost \$1,000, according to the staff report.

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HOTEL

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food prepared on site.

As far as construction, many of the changes to the interior like light fixtures and others have not needed permits, and the owners did take out permits to install two utility sinks, a coffee maker and a floor sink in the lobby.

The hotel wants to provide alcohol to its guests both in that lobby and in their rooms, and has applied for a conditional use permit with City Hall to make that happen.

Although city officials have voiced some concerns about the traffic situation around the hotel, it too seems to be operating within the rules, according to the report.

The building itself, originally built in 1927, has no on-site parking. The Paligroup, owners of the hotel, set up a valet parking system with the blessing of City Hall that parks cars in an off-site lot.

A video posted by Wilson to YouTube shows cars lining up in front of the hotel and a large van making what she said is an illegal U-turn at the end of the street.

The Code Enforcement Division is aware of the issue and working to correct it, said Joe Trujillo, the manager of the division.

"I personally discussed the issue [Monday] with the business operator," Trujillo said. "We're working with the business operator and the valet that there can't be double parking of vehicles in front of that valet."

Code Compliance employees have been

investigating complaints brought to them by angry residents by making inspections, working with building and safety officials and even trying to get served by the hotel cafe, something that is against the rules for the general public.

Residents have been unhappy with the pace of the investigations, Trujillo said, but his staff has been monitoring the property on a daily basis for possible violations.

"I think our goals are the same," Trujillo said. "I don't want any property in the city to be out of compliance."

That's little consolation to Wilson, who believes that city officials have been unfairly biased in favor of the hotel business because of the lucrative taxes assessed on room stays in Santa Monica.

Each guest pays an additional 14 percent on their room that flows to City Hall. In the most recent budget, that tax made up 14 percent of general fund revenues.

"It doesn't feel like they're doing anything," Wilson said.

For its part, the hotel owners will be connecting with residents as part of their application to sell alcohol, said Kirsten Leigh Pratt, executive vice president of hotels and branding for the Paligroup.

At that point, they will be able to discuss questions and concerns, and a special e-mail address will also be set up for neighbors' use, Pratt said.

Still, the business is operating "a legal operation" and has all the required permits to do so, she said.

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BULGER

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be visibly angry during arguments between his lawyer and the prosecution outside earshot of the jury. Several people heard him mutter an expletive and deny that he was an informant.

The jury spent the day listening to James Marra, a special agent with the Justice Department's Office of the Inspector General, read excerpts from Bulger's 700-page FBI file.

Marra said file documents show that Bulger began working as an informant in 1971, but was shut down after a short time after his FBI handler determined he was not providing useful information. Marra said Bulger became an informant again in 1975 for then-FBI Agent John Connolly and continued in that role almost continually for about 15 years, until Connolly retired.

Connolly was later convicted of racketeering for warning Bulger and his gang of an upcoming indictment, prompting Bulger to flee. Bulger was one of the nation's most wanted fugitives for more than 16 years when he was finally captured in Santa Monica, Calif., in 2011.

Marra read reports written by Connolly and several supervisors at the FBI in which they described meetings they had with Bulger and information he gave them about criminal activity ranging from drug trafficking to murder.

Marra was asked to read several reports Connolly wrote about what Bulger allegedly told him about the killing of Edward "Brian" Halloran in 1982.

Prosecutors say Bulger and an associate gunned down Halloran after Connolly told

him Halloran was talking to the FBI about Bulger's role in the 1981 killing of an Oklahoma businessman. But in his conversations with Connolly, Bulger said he had heard on the street that the Mafia had killed Halloran. He later gave Connolly the names of some criminals from Boston's Charlestown neighborhood he suggested may have killed Halloran.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Fred Wyshak asked Marra if, after reviewing the FBI file on Bulger, there was any doubt in his mind that Bulger was an FBI informant. Marra was not allowed to answer the question after Bulger's attorney, Hank Brennan, objected.

Brennan argued that Marra has no first-hand knowledge of whether Bulger was an informant. And the defense claims that Connolly fabricated all the reports in the FBI file to cover up his own corruption.

But Wyshak argued that the file shows that Bulger provided information not just to Connolly, but to other FBI agents, including John Morris and James Ring, Connolly's supervisors.

"I understand that for whatever reasons — whether it's the ego of the defendant or attempting to preserve his reputation — he does not want to be called an informant, but I am not going to tailor my questions in a manner that preserves that ridiculous contention," Wyshak said.

Judge Denise Casper sided with the defense.

Marra said Bulger told FBI agents about a litany of criminal activity involving a long list of people, including a group dealing heroin in a South Boston housing project and a man who was setting up an armored car robbery.

Morris is expected to be the next witness after Marra is cross-examined by Bulger's attorneys Tuesday.

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Zimmerman portrayed as vigilante in shooting

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SANFORD, Fla. George Zimmerman was fed up with “punks” getting away with crime and shot 17-year-old Trayvon Martin “because he wanted to,” not because he had to, prosecutors argued Monday, while the neighborhood watch volunteer’s attorney said the killing was self-defense against a young man who was slamming Zimmerman’s head against the pavement.

The prosecution began opening statements in the long-awaited murder trial with shocking language, repeating obscenities Zimmerman uttered while talking to a police dispatcher moments before the deadly confrontation.

The defense opened with a knock-knock joke about the difficulty of picking a jury for a case that stirred nationwide debate over racial profiling, vigilantism and Florida’s expansive laws on the use of deadly force.

“Knock. Knock,” said defense attorney Don West.

“Who is there?”

“George Zimmerman.”

“George Zimmerman who?”

“All right, good. You’re on the jury.”

Zimmerman, 29, could get life in prison if convicted of second-degree murder for gunning down Martin on Feb. 26, 2012, as the unarmed black teenager, wearing a hoodie on a dark, rainy night, walked from a convenience store through the gated townhouse community where he was staying.

The case took on racial dimensions after Martin’s family claimed that Zimmerman had racially profiled Martin and that police were dragging their feet in bringing charges. Zimmerman, whose mother is Hispanic and whose father is white, has denied the confrontation had anything to do with race.

Prosecutor John Guy’s first words to the jury recounted what Zimmerman told a dispatcher in a call shortly after spotting Martin: “F----- punks. These a-----. They always get away.”

Zimmerman was profiling Martin as he followed him, Guy said. He said Zimmerman viewed the teen “as someone about to a commit a crime in his neighborhood.”

“And he acted on it. That’s why we’re here,” the prosecutor said.

Zimmerman didn’t have to shoot Martin, Guy said. “He shot him for the worst of all reasons: because he wanted to,” he said.

The prosecutor portrayed the watch captain as a vigilante, saying, “Zimmerman thought it was his right to rid his neighborhood of anyone who did not belong.”

West told jurors a different story: Martin sucker-punched Zimmerman and then pounded the neighborhood watch volunteer’s head against the concrete sidewalk, and that’s when Zimmerman opened fire.

Showing the jury photos of a bloodied and bruised Zimmerman, the defense attorney said, “He had just taken tremendous blows to his face, tremendous blows to his head.”

West said the story that Martin was unarmed is untrue: “Trayvon Martin armed himself with a concrete sidewalk and used it to smash George Zimmerman’s head.”

The prosecutor, however, disputed elements of Zimmerman’s story, including his claim that Martin put his hands over Zimmerman’s mouth and reached for the man’s gun. Guy said none of Zimmerman’s DNA was found on Martin’s body, and none of the teenager’s DNA was on the weapon or the holster.

But West said that doesn’t prove anything, arguing that crime-scene technicians didn’t properly protect Martin’s hands from contamination.

Two police dispatch phone calls that could be important evidence for both sides were played for the jury by the defense. Martin’s mother, Sybrina Fulton, left the courtroom before the second recording, which has the sound of the gunshot that killed Martin.

The first was a call Zimmerman made to a nonemergency police dispatcher, who told him he didn’t need to be following Martin.

The second 911 call, from a witness, captures screams in the distant background from the struggle between Zimmerman and Martin. Martin’s parents said the screams are from their son, while Zimmerman’s father contends they are his son’s.

Circuit Judge Debra Nelson ruled last weekend that audio experts for the prosecution won’t be able to testify that the screams belong to Martin, saying the methods used were unreliable.

On Monday, one of the first witnesses for the prosecution was a custodian of police dispatch calls. During the witness’ testimony, prosecutors started playing police calls Zimmerman had made in the months before he shot Martin. The defense objected, arguing the calls were irrelevant.

The judge said she would address the matter Tuesday and sent the jurors to the hotel where they are being sequestered for the duration of the trial, which could last several weeks.

Other witnesses who testified Monday included a convenience store clerk and the 911 dispatcher who took Zimmerman’s call when he was following Martin. Martin had gone to the convenience store to buy Skittles and a can of iced tea.

The 911 dispatcher, Sean Noffke, testified that he had advised Zimmerman not to follow Martin.

Randy McClean, a criminal defense attorney in Florida with no connection to the case, called the prosecution’s opening statement “brilliant” in that it described Zimmerman’s state of mind. But he described the knock-knock joke as less than stellar.

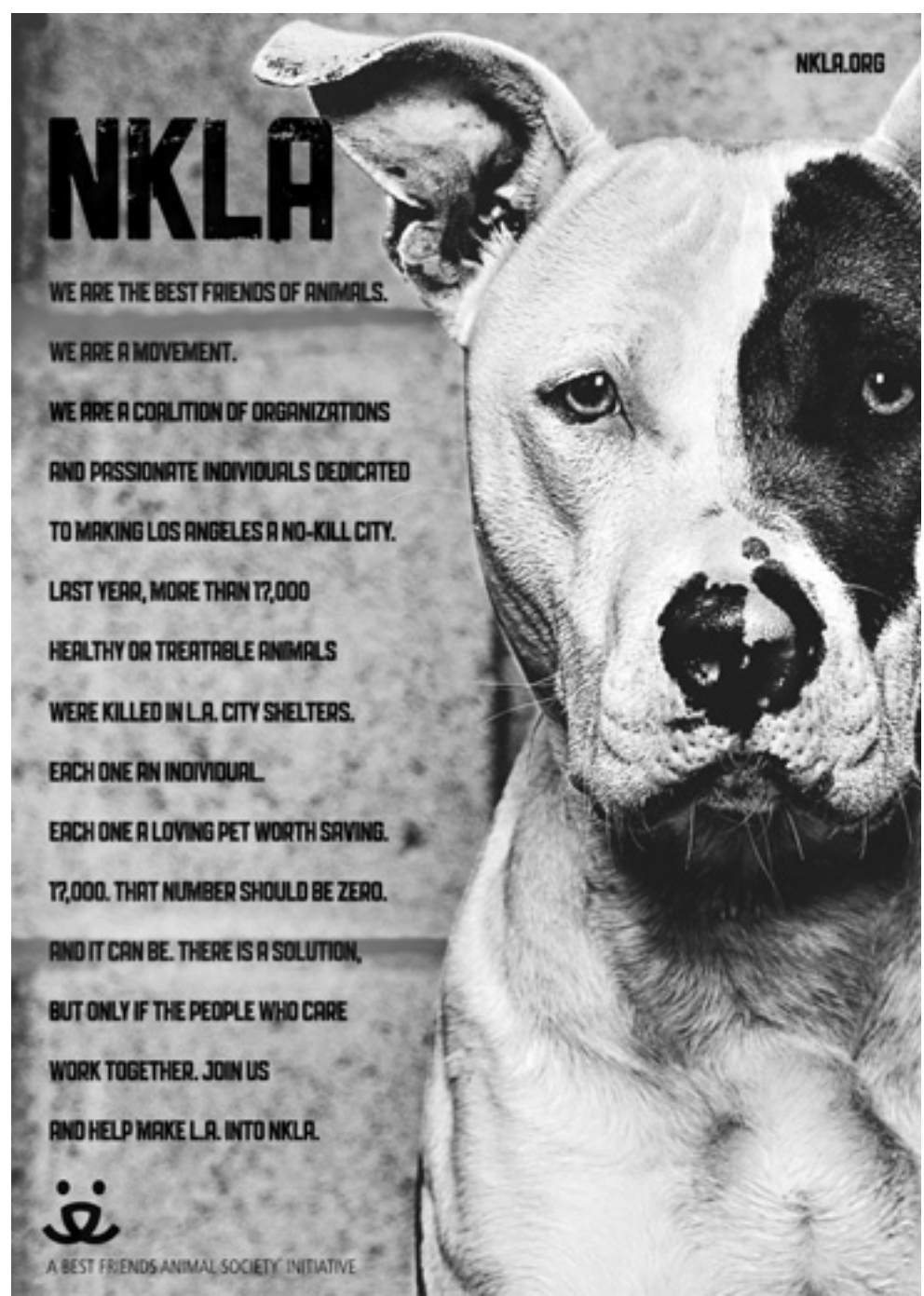
“If you’re defending your client for second-degree murder, you probably shouldn’t start your opening with a joke,” McClean said.

One thing missing on Monday was visible demonstrations outside the courthouse.

Late Monday, the Seminole County NAACP held a town hall meeting at a church near a memorial site for Martin.

Martin family attorney Benjamin Crump, who as a potential witness in the case can’t be present in the courtroom until he testifies, told the crowd that the outcome of the case would have far-reaching implications.

“It became a civil rights matter the night the police did not arrest the killer of an unarmed child,” Crump said. “It’s going to be a litmus test to show how far we have come.”



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LOCATION	DRY	WET	LOCATION	DRY	WET
Lee Canile Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	ss	Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	ss
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ss	Will Rogers State Beach at Palga Canyon storm drain.	A+	ss
(B) Pescadero State Beach, between Lachasa and Las Alas creeks.			Will Rogers State Beach at Tennessal Canyon drain.	A+	ss
Escorial Canyon at (B) Maradero State Beach.	A+	ss	Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chastanot).	A	ss
Broad Beach at Torrance Creek mouth.	A+	ss	Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	ss
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	ss	Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A	ss
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (privately).	A+	ss	Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	F	ss
Paradise Cove Pier at Rancho Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ss	Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Xavier storm drain.	A	ss
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	ss	Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restaurants).	A+	ss
Ledger Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ss	Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A	ss
Solstice Canyon at Des Bletter County Beach.	A	ss	Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	ss
Puerto State Beach at creek mouth.	A	ss	Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	ss
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerto Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	C	ss	Venice Beach at Winward Ave. drain.	A+	ss
Sunflower Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	ss	Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	ss
Sunflower Beach (beach location) - daily.	F	ss	Venice Beach—projection of Topical St.	A+	ss
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	F	ss	Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- Vaguard tower.	A	ss
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Ballena Creek mouth.	A	ss
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Calver Blvd. drain.	A+	ss
Big Rock Beach at 19548 PCH stairs.	A+	ss	North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	ss
Pena Creek at Las Torres County Beach.	A+	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of GWR jetty).	A+	ss
Tuna Canyon.	ss	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A+	ss
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	ss	Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	ss
Carderock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	ss
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	A+			
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	ss			

LEGEND

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

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China slump, higher bond yields weigh on markets

JOSHUA FREED
AP Business Writer

More signs of distress in China's economy and rising bond yields led to a broad sell-off in stocks Monday, leaving key market indexes down more than 5 percent from their record highs last month.

It was the first 5 percent decline - referred to on Wall Street as a "pullback" - since November.

Pullbacks that occur during bull markets tend to be "nasty and brutish" — but short, said John Manley, chief equity strategist at Wells Fargo Funds Management. He said it's common to get declines of 3 percent to 7 percent "as the market restores a reverence to risk to the investing public."

U.S. trading started with a slump Monday. The market recovered much of its loss, then fell back again. By the close of trading the big stock indexes were clinging to modest gains for the second quarter, which ends Friday.

Before Wall Street opened for trading on Monday, Asian markets were already sharply lower, led by a 5 percent plunge in China's Shanghai Composite Index. That was the index's biggest loss in four years. The decline was prompted by a government crackdown on off-balance sheet lending, which made investors worry about China's economic growth. The selling spread to Europe, where France's benchmark stock index fell 1.7 percent, Germany's 1.2 percent.

U.S. traders took one look at that and started dumping stocks. The Dow Jones industrial average fell as much as 248 points in the first hour of trading. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note spiked to its highest in almost two years as the sell-off brought down prices of U.S. government debt. Gold and other metals also fell.

Stocks got closer to break-even around midday before falling again in the last hour. The Dow finished down 139.84 points, or 0.9 percent, at 14,659.56. The S&P 500 index fell 19.34 points, or 1.2 percent, to 1,573.09. The Nasdaq dropped 36.49 points, or 1.1 percent, to 3,320.76.

All 10 industry groups in the S&P 500 fell. The biggest drop was 1.8 percent for bank and financial stocks. Bank of America fell the most among major bank stocks, giving up 39 cents, or 3.1 percent, to \$12.30.

The S&P 500 is down 5.7 percent from its all-time of 1,669 on May 21. The Nasdaq has fallen 5.2 from its own recent high on that day.

Markets remain vulnerable to any comments from the Federal Reserve about its \$85 billion in monthly bond purchases, which have kept interest rates at historic lows and helped drive the stock market's rally the last four years. On Wednesday and Thursday, the S&P plunged 3.9 percent after the central bank said its bond-buying program could wrap up by the middle of next year as long as economic conditions continue to improve. Stocks edged up Friday, but

still had their worst week in two months.

"I think investors are overreacting to the prospects of a change in Fed policy," said Gary Thayer, chief macro strategist for Wells Fargo Advisors. He noted that unemployment is down, inflation is low. "These are good economic conditions."

Gold fell \$14.90, or 1.2 percent, to \$1,277.10. Other metals were down, too. Crude oil rose \$1.49, or 1.6 percent, to \$95.18 per barrel.

Since starting its bull run in March 2009, the S&P 500 has had seven pullbacks of between 5 and 9 percent and two corrections. So far, the market has come back stronger from each setback. The S&P is still up 133 percent during this four-year bull market.

"Pullbacks are a natural occurrence in markets," said Janet Engels, senior vice president and director of the private client research group at RBC Wealth Management. "We likely have further to go."

The last time the U.S. stock market had a full-blown correction — defined as a drop of at least 10 percent from a peak — was July 22-Oct. 3, 2011, when the S&P 500 fell 18.3 percent. That fall was caused by concern that a fight between U.S. lawmakers over extending the debt ceiling would push the U.S. into default.

The yield on the 10-year note was unchanged from late Friday at 2.54 percent. Earlier in the day it was at 2.67, its highest level in almost two years. The yield has surged from its 2013 low of 1.63 percent on May 3. The increase accelerated last week after the Fed laid out the possible timetable for curtailing its bond-buying program. Yields rise when demand for bonds weakens.

The Fed's easy-money policies have kept bond yields and other interest rates artificially low since the financial crisis of 2008, making borrowing cheaper. The 10-year yield is used as a benchmark for many kinds of loans to individuals and businesses, including home mortgages.

The last time the yield was above 3 percent was late July, 2011. The last time it was consistently above 4 percent was July 2008, two months before the peak of the financial crisis.

Other stocks with big moves included:

- PulteGroup slumped 50 cents, or 2.7 percent, to \$18.31. Investors have worried that higher U.S. interest rates will hurt homebuilding companies by making mortgages more expensive.

- Tenet Healthcare rose \$1.88, or 4.5 percent, to \$43.73 after offering to buy Vanguard Health Systems Inc. for \$1.8 billion. The offer of \$21 per share pushed Vanguard stock up \$8.33, or 67 percent, to \$20.70.

- Facebook fell 60 cents, or 2.4 percent, to \$23.93. Monday was the first full trading day after Facebook acknowledged it had accidentally exposed contact information for 6 million users to some other users.

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HANG WITH FRIENDS, VIRGO

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Someone whom you deal with regularly could be out of sorts. Steer clear of this person for now. In the meantime, focus your attention on what counts for you. Tonight: Hang out with friends at a favorite place.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Defer to a boss who has a strong vision of what he or she wants. In fact, the more responsibility this person has, the happier he or she will be. Tonight: Speak your mind.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ You will be more willing to venture out than you have been in years. Consider your options carefully regarding a financial matter. You might want to talk to someone who knows more than you do about this. You could be overly optimistic! Tonight: Follow the music.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Jupiter enters your sign today. This transition brings you good luck, and it also marks the beginning of a new life cycle. Use it well. Right now, a discussion with a partner or close friend has a unique intensity. Listen carefully and revise your plans if need be. Tonight: Dinner for two.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You might feel as if you are the center of attention, until you have to bend to keep the peace. In any case, the cards are not stacked in your favor. Avoid taking any risks. News from someone at a distance could leave you wide-eyed. Tonight: Enjoy the moment with friends.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Zero in on priorities in your day-to-day life. You might have a lot of energy that's being focused on organizing and making your life easier. Do not cancel an appointment. Some good fortune will stem from it -- maybe not immediately, but soon. Tonight: Hang with friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Taming your imagination will help you funnel your creativity appropriately. You know the virtues of finding solutions and showing compassion to others. Losing your temper won't help. Tonight: Act as if there is no tomorrow.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You'll want to rethink a tension-driven reaction. You might not want to think through the issue, but it would benefit you to do so. If nothing else, try to look at the situation from other people's point of view. A change in perspective will help you. Tonight: Entertain from home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You will be more open with someone -- a partner or loved one -- than you have been in the past. This person will become more transparent as a result. With gentleness and care, this relationship could open up. Tonight: Visit with friends, but first check in with a loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You'll feel more comfortable relating to others. What had been a problem in the past will be resolved easily. You might have more choices than you realize. Tonight: Sort through invitations.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You need to understand what is happening around you. Observation helps. In the next few weeks, you might notice that you'll have more energy than you have had for a while. Tonight: Do your own thing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Allow your imagination to lead the way. A loved one might delight in your humor and lightheartedness. You will see a situation from a different perspective as you learn what it's like to walk in someone else's shoes. Tonight: You might want to vanish with a loved one.

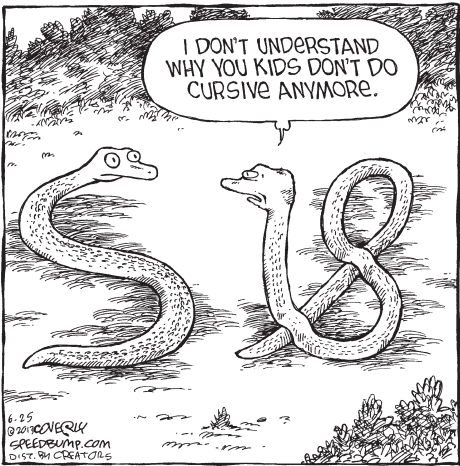
Tuesday, June 25, 2013

This year you have many exciting options appear, yet a sense of negativity might come forward. You will need to pinch yourself in order to believe your good fortune with some of the events that occur. You start a new 12-year life cycle, and you will feel and see the difference. If you are single and want to change your status, you will meet someone appropriate. If you are attached, what would make your bond more perfect? Know that whatever it is could happen. AQUARIUS is challenging, but he or she is a good friend.

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

Speed Bump

By Dave Coverly



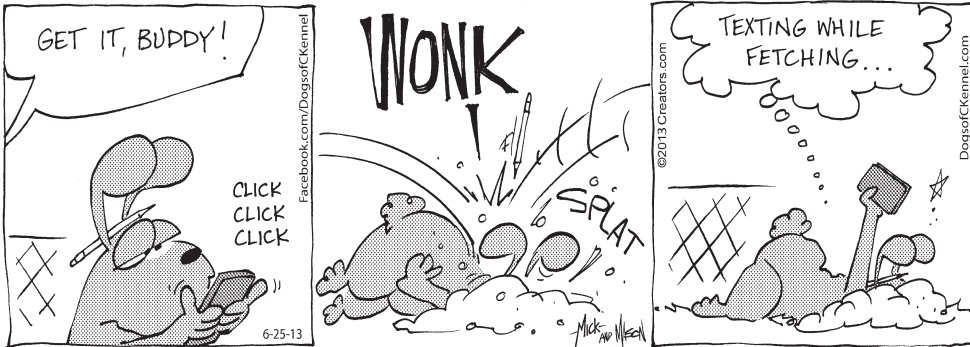
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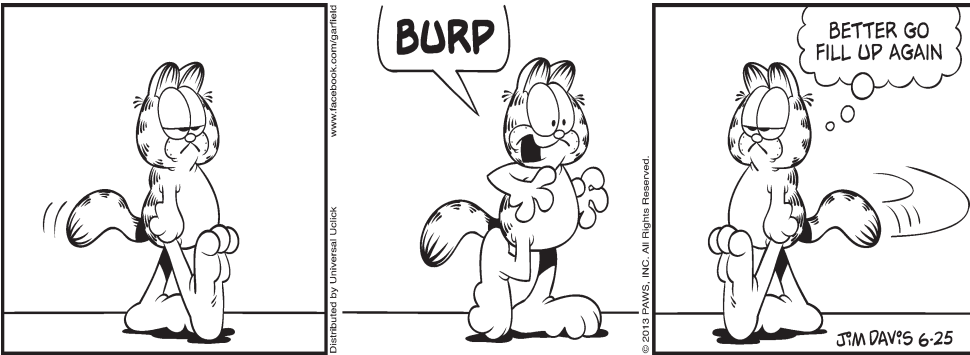
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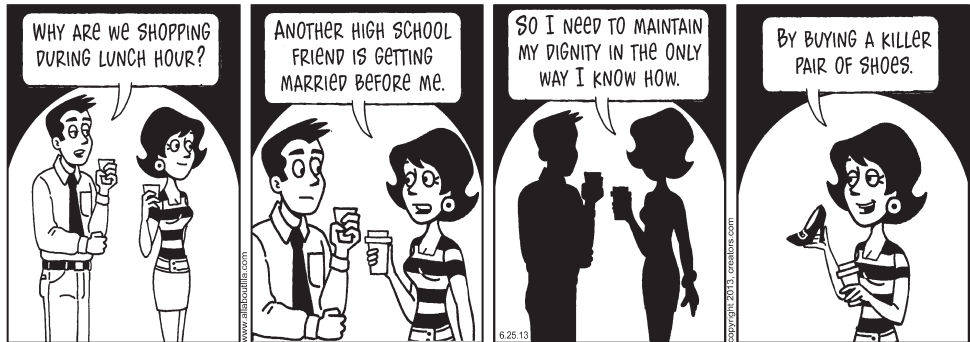
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By Jim Davis



The Meaning of Lila

By John Forgetta & L.A. Rose



Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from ★ (easiest) to ★★★★★ (hardest).

Difficulty Level ★★

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

4	3	9	6	5	8	1	7	2
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2	9	8	7	1	5	4	6	3
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Alex Vejar editor@smdp.com

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Strong-boxes
6 Mayor before Koch
11 Spry
12 One of the Chipmunks
13 Animal preserver
15 Second person
16 Top card
17 Had lunch
18 Old autos
20 La Brea goo
21 Signing need
22 Gag
23 Scooter's kin
26 Took a risk
27 Like peas in —
28 Poorly lit
29 Acquire
30 Sweet sphere
34 Lyricist Gershwin
35 Jay-Z's genre
36 Pot brew
37 "Minnie the Moocher" singer
40 Book of maps
41 Make blank

- 42 Lusty looks
43 More tender

DOWN

- 1 Unable to eat another bite
2 Yucca's kin
3 Sets right
4 Quarterback Manning
5 Under
6 Disrobes
7 Shade tree
8 Barn-stormer
9 Goof
10 Came in

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Yesterday's answer

- 14 Bus. sch. course
19 Newspaper page
22 Door part
23 Wonderfully enchanting
24 Run
25 Fit to drink
26 Golf ball features
28 Twofold
30 Lawn makeup
31 Fighting
32 Renter's paper
33 Cake unit
38 Auto
39 Gold, to Coronado

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6-25

DAILY LOTTERY



Draw Date: 6/22
13 19 23 33 57
Power#: 28
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Draw Date: 6/21
3 14 17 40 50
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Draw Date: 6/22
9 23 25 27 34
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Draw Date: 6/24
4 20 22 31 37



Draw Date: 6/24
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EVENING: 8 5 7



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3rd: 07 Eureka
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ A marriage-encouraging initiative in the Sehore district of India's Madhya Pradesh state awards gifts and financial assistance to couples agreeing to wed in mass ceremonies, but the country also suffers from a notorious toilet shortage. Consequently, the district announced in May that to qualify for the government benefits, the groom must submit to officials a photo of himself beside his own toilet to prove that he and his wife will have home sanitation.

■ Recurring Theme (People Purporting to Speak for Islam): (1) A Saudi judge ruled in April that it was finally time for Ali al-Khawahir, 24, to suffer for stabbing another boy in the back when Ali was 14. The victim was paralyzed, and under Saudi justice, Ali must also be struck with paralysis or else raise the equivalent of about \$260,000 to compensate the victim. (2) Saudi cleric Abdullah Mohamed al-Daoud in May urged his 100,000 Twitter followers to "sexually harass female cashiers" to discourage them from working outside the home. (He is the one who urged in February that babies be veiled to protect them from sexual harassment.)

TODAY IN HISTORY

1981- Microsoft is restructured to become an incorporated business in its home state of Washington.

1982- Greece abolishes the head shaving of recruits in the military.

1991- Croatia and Slovenia declare their independence from Yugoslavia.

1993- Kim Campbell is chosen as leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada and becomes the first female Prime Minister of Canada.

WORD UP!

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uh-SIN-di-ton \ , noun;
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