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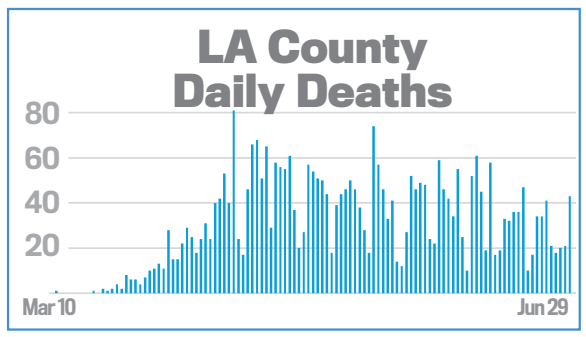
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CORONAVIRUS DEATHS per 100,000 in 5 Largest States

CALIFORNIA	TEXAS	FLORIDA	NEW YORK	PENNSYLVANIA
15.4	8.6	16.3	165.1	52.4

SMDP Graphic - Data from Johns Hopkins and SMDP



Tentative ruling could be a victory for City Hall in voting rights lawsuit

BRENNON DIXSON
SMDP Staff Writer

A court of appeals issued a tentative ruling Tuesday that if made final, would reverse a previous order forcing Santa Monica to change the format of its city council elections.

The ruling was announced early in the afternoon when attorneys for the city of Santa Monica and Pico Neighborhood Association started their oral arguments in a California Voting Rights Act lawsuit. The lawsuit, which began on Aug. 1, 2018, stems from a complaint filed in the California Superior Court that alleges the at-large election system for Santa Monica City Council dilutes Latinx voting power.

The Los Angeles Superior Court previously ordered the city to conduct a district-based election on July 2, 2019, however an appeal was filed by city attorneys to temporarily preserve the status quo.

While the tentative ruling was not made available to the public, the judges questioned Kevin Shenkman, who is representing the Pico Neighborhood Association in the case, on the issue of "dilution" or how large should a minority population be in order to make a difference in an election. The proposed district would establish a

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Newsom to 'tighten things up' as coronavirus cases rise

ADAM BEAM
Associated Press

With coronavirus cases surging, California Gov. Gavin Newsom said Tuesday that he plans to "tighten things up" when it comes to the state's stay-at-home order ahead of a busy Fourth of July weekend.

California has confirmed close to 223,000 infections, a nearly 50% increase over two weeks ago that's been driven in part by the state's ability to now test more than 100,000 people per day. But more concerning to officials is the steady growth in COVID-19 hospitalizations — a 43% increase in the past two weeks.

Officials in Los Angeles County on Monday announced they will close beaches and ban fireworks displays in the nation's most populous county

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Los Angeles to close beaches as virus surges in California

KATHLEEN RONAYNE
Associated Press

Los Angeles will close beaches and ban fireworks displays over the holiday weekend as California officials warned that further restrictions may be necessary to curb a troubling spike in coronavirus cases in much of the state.

Large Fourth of July gatherings are "a recipe for increased transmission of COVID-19," Barbara Ferrer, Director of Public Health for Los Angeles County, said Monday.



File Photo

CROWDS: Groups have gathered at local beaches for recreation and during recent protests.

The 10-million-resident county hit a one-day record of 2,903 confirmed cases and more than 100,000 overall.

Ferrer warned Los Angeles could soon be on a "runaway train." She said the county's infection rate among those tested has reached 9%. The state's rate is about 5.5%.

Nearly three-quarters of California's 40 million residents live in counties experiencing concerning coronavirus trends, Gov. Gavin Newsom said. He vowed to step up enforcement of

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27 calls on June 29

EMS 400blk Pico Blvd 12:10 a.m.
EMS 3rd St / Strand St 12:12 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1800blk Colorado Ave 1:37 a.m.
EMS 200blk Bicknell Ave 6:27 a.m.
EMS 1200blk Lincoln Blvd 8:10 a.m.
EMS 1500blk 6th St 8:51 a.m.
EMS 800blk 14th St 9:10 a.m.
EMS 1400blk Ocean Ave 9:42 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 17th St 10:21 a.m.
EMS 1200blk Palisades Park 11:48 a.m.
EMS 1200blk 6th St 12:51 p.m.
EMS 1400blk Lincoln Blvd 2:18 p.m.
Trash/Dumpster Fire 2000blk 20th St 3:06 p.m.
EMS 1900blk Cloverfield Blvd 3:22 p.m.
EMS 800blk Maple St 3:22 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 3:32 p.m.
Smoke Investigation 1800blk Franklin St 3:45 p.m.
EMS 1900blk Cloverfield Blvd 3:48 p.m.
Haz Mat - Level 1 1700blk 10th St 4:23 p.m.
EMS 400blk 4th St 4:44 p.m.
EMS 1300blk Princeton St 6:13 p.m.
EMS 1000blk Wilson Pl 6:26 p.m.
EMS 1400blk Ocean Ave 6:43 p.m.
EMS 200blk 16th St 8:49 p.m.
Public Assist 16th St / Arizona Ave 9:41 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 11:09 p.m.
EMS 900blk 3rd St 11:59 p.m.

DAILY POLICE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 252 CALLS ON JUNE 29

Battery Just Occurred 100blk Broadway 12:02 a.m.
Theft Of Recyclables 1000blk Euclid St 12:27 a.m.
Sexual Assault 1700blk Ocean Ave 12:47 a.m.
Encampment 700blk Ozone St 1:08 a.m.
Living In A Vehicle 4th St / Georgina Ave 1:13 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 500blk Hill St 2:08 a.m.
Burglary Investigation/Walk Through 300blk Wilshire Blvd 6:02 a.m.
Runaway 200blk Broadway 6:08 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 1600blk 4th St 7:06 a.m.
Found Property 700blk Ozone St 7:41 a.m.
Burglary Report 200blk San Vicente Blvd 7:58 a.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 400blk Marine St 8:11 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 2000blk Ocean Ave 8:33 a.m.
Construction Noise 800blk 4th St 8:51 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1200blk Ozone Ave 9:12 a.m.
Burglary Report 1200blk 6th St 9:16 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 3200blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:25 a.m.
Grand Theft Report 2500blk Cloverfield Blvd 9:26 a.m.
Burglary Report 600blk San Vicente Blvd 9:31 a.m.
Encampment 1400blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:43 a.m.
Encampment 2600blk The Beach 9:45 a.m.
Critical Missing Person 1900blk 20th St 10:02 a.m.
Lost Property 1000blk 4th St 10:09 a.m.
Fight 5th St / Broadway 10:26 a.m.
Bike Theft Report 2500blk Beverley Ave 10:48 a.m.
Violation Of Restraining Order In Progress 1800blk 16th St 11:00 a.m.
Grand Theft Report 1500blk Harvard St 11:15 a.m.
Identity Theft 1000blk 19th St 11:18 a.m.
Battery Report 1100blk Pico Blvd 11:31 a.m.
Found Person 400blk Euclid St 11:39 a.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 2600blk 6th St 11:45 a.m.
Drinking In Public 1900blk Lincoln Blvd 11:49 a.m.
Domestic Violence Now Lincoln Blvd / Ocean Park Blvd 11:49 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1300blk Lincoln Blvd 11:53 a.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 1300blk 14th St 12:29 p.m.
Fight 1600blk Santa Monica Blvd 12:52 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 800blk Broadway 12:53 p.m.
Encampment 2000blk Ocean Ave 12:59 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 1400blk Georgina Ave 1:01 p.m.
Burglary Report 600blk San Vicente Blvd 1:08 p.m.
Identity Theft 2100blk Ocean Ave 1:17 p.m.
Burglary Report 800blk 4th St 1:21 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed Stanford St / Wilshire Blvd 1:29 p.m.
Found Property 2000blk Ocean Ave 1:29 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 3000blk 31st St 1:33 p.m.
Handicap Zone Violation 1900blk 19th St 1:56 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1100blk Yale St 2:16 p.m.
Burglary Report 1400blk 5th St 2:20 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 1700blk San Vicente Blvd 2:23 p.m.
Person With A Gun 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 2:24 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1800blk Ocean Front Walk 3:15 p.m.
Found Property 1400blk 21st St 3:28 p.m.
Person With A Gun 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 3:39 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 1300blk 4th St 3:48 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed Barnard Way / Fraser Ave 3:51 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1600blk The Beach 3:53 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 2500blk Alta Ave 4:00 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 200blk San Vicente Blvd 4:58 p.m.
Suicide Now 1700blk Ocean Front Walk 5:00 p.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 1200blk 16th St 5:06 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1600blk Broadway 5:18 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 2000blk 6th St 5:27 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1700blk Ocean Ave 5:32 p.m.
Valet Zone Violation 100blk Santa Monica Blvd 5:40 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 3300blk Barnard Way 5:43 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 5:48 p.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon Just Occurred 800blk Pacific Coast Hwy 6:13 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 100blk Broadway 6:17 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 2600blk 6th St 6:26 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 2400blk Santa Monica Blvd 7:06 p.m.
Encampment 1300blk Berkeley St 7:27 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 4th St / Arizona Ave 7:28 p.m.
Urinating/Defecating In Public 1800blk Lincoln Blvd 7:30 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries Lincoln Blvd / Ocean Park Blvd 7:55 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 14th St / San Vicente Blvd 8:42 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation 800blk Georgina Ave 8:43 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1400blk Lincoln Blvd 9:01 p.m.
Oversize Vehicle Violation 900blk Ozone Ave 9:04 p.m.
Suicide Now 2800blk Neilson Way 10:20 p.m.
Grand Theft Report 1000blk 11th St 10:48 p.m.

CITY OF SANTA MONICA

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL VIA TELECONFERENCE

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 Issued by Governor Gavin Newsom

SUBJECT: **Proposed Modification to Amend Interim Zoning Ordinances Establishing Interim Regulations for the Demolition Permit Review Process**

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to introduce and adopt an Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance to Amend Interim Zoning Ordinances 2592, 2599, and 2626 (CCS) establishing interim regulations for the demolition permit review process relating to the preservation of historic resources to reflect the restructured historic preservation program.

Council previously extended the Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance which is set to expire on November 13, 2021. It is not proposed to change the termination date of the Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020, AT 6:30 P.M.**

LOCATION: In an effort to reduce the risk of spreading Coronavirus (COVID-19), members of the City Council 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/ peqafcsx or by dialing in at 1-415-466-7000 (PIN: 9742862 #)

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Those wishing to give public comment must make that request via email to councilmtgitems@smgov.net. Written public comment submitted before 2:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be available for online viewing. Additionally, public comment can be made by phone at (310) 458-8423. Remarks from the public are limited to a total of 6 minutes per City Council meeting, with a maximum of 2 minutes per agenda item; under some circumstances, Council may change the maximum to 1 minute per agenda item.

Address your comments to: City Clerk
Re: Demolition IZO Amendments

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Jing Yeo at by e-mail at jing.yeo@smgov.net. The Zoning Ordinance is available 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. 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.

ESPAÑOL
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Dem climate plan would end greenhouse gas emissions by 2050

MATTHEW DALY
Associated Press

House Democrats on Tuesday unveiled a plan to address climate change that would set a goal of net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, while pushing renewable energy such as wind and solar power and addressing environmental contamination that disproportionately harms low-income and minority communities.

The election-year plan backed by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and other leaders is less ambitious than a sweeping Green New Deal that a group of progressive Democrats outlined last year to combat climate change and create thousands of jobs in renewable energy.

The Green New Deal, championed by Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., calls for dramatic steps to virtually eliminate U.S. greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 with a goal of meeting "100% of the power demand in the United States through clean, renewable and zero-emission energy sources," including nuclear power.

The new plan, put forth Tuesday in a 538-page report, offers similar goals but at a slower pace. It sets a range of targets, including a 45% reduction by 2030 of greenhouse gas emissions, which cause global warming.

The plan also would require that by 2035 new cars emit no greenhouse gases, while heavy-duty trucks would eliminate those emissions by 2040. The plan would eliminate overall emissions from the power sector by 2040 and all but eliminate greenhouse emissions from all economic sectors by 2050.

Supporters say the plan, presented by Democrats on the House Select Committee on the Climate Crisis, by 2050 would save more than 60,000 American lives every year thanks to reduced air pollution, as well as nearly $8 trillion thanks to health and climate benefits.

"Democrats know the climate crisis is the essential crisis of our time, threatening public health, jobs and the economy, national security and values," Pelosi said Tuesday at a Capitol news conference.

"We are here today to provide hope and vision," said Rep. Kathy Castor, D-Fla., chairwoman of the climate panel. She called the Democratic plan a "transformative road map for solving the climate crisis," and pledged it would address environmental justice and vulnerable communities that are suffering from the effects of air and water pollution and industrial waste.

"The health of our families and the air we breathe are at the heart of our plan," Castor said, adding that it would create good-paying jobs in solar and wind energy, manufacturing electric vehicles and ensuring that communities are more resilient to flooding, extreme heat, intense hurricanes and wildfires.

While likely to win approval in the Democratic-controlled House, the plan faces insurmountable opposition in the Republican-controlled Senate. Democrats are hoping to make inaction on climate change by congressional Republicans and the Trump administration a key campaign issue in November's election.

Republicans immediately slammed the plan as a job-killer. The Democratic plan "punishes the American economy" and "gives a free pass to China" to pollute, said House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, R-Calif.

White House spokesman Judd Deere said President Donald Trump has expanded responsible, clean-energy technologies "while the Democrats continue to push radical Green New Deal-like polices that would cripple America's economy and crush the poorest communities across the globe."

The Democratic plan is similar to one proposed by former Vice President Joe Biden, the presumptive Democratic nominee for president. Biden's plan also sets a goal for net-zero greenhouse emissions by 2050 and pledges an enforcement mechanism that includes milestone targets no later than 2025.

A Biden spokesman applauded Pelosi and House Democrats and said that as president, Biden "will work with Congress to implement a bold agenda that addresses the climate emergency, achieves environmental justice and creates good-paying jobs."

The new plan received immediate support from more than 90 outside organizations, including major environmental groups and leaders in environmental justice, agriculture, public health and transportation.

The Sunrise Movement, a progressive group that helped develop the Green New Deal, said the plan did not go far enough, fast enough to halt climate change.

"This plan is more ambitious than anything we have seen from Democratic leadership so far, but it still needs to go further to match the full scale of the crisis," said Lauren Maunus, the group's legislative manager.

"There's nothing to lose by going bigger," Maunus said. "Taking action at the scale of the crisis will help lift our economy out of recession and put millions of people back to work building a more just and resilient society."

In a sign of the changed political environment, the Democratic plan heavily emphasizes environmental justice and notes that the report's release comes as the nation is reeling from a cascade of crises, including the COVID-19 pandemic. which has killed more than 120,000 Americans; stay-at-home orders and business closures that have put 40 million Americans out of work; and nationwide protests in response to the police killing of an unarmed Black man, George Floyd.

Throughout these crises, Trump has "failed to lead the country in a unified and compassionate response, instead choosing to fan the flames of discord and distrust," the report said.

Cornell University climate scientist Natalie Mahowald, lead author of a 2018 report on climate change for the United Nations, said the House committee's report got the science correct. "If you want to keep temperatures low, we need to act quickly. The emission cuts required are really quite dramatic, as they say here," Mahowald said in an email.

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this weekend as it hit a one-day record of 2,903 confirmed cases and more than 100,000 overall. And in the Central Valley, officials in Fresno ordered all bars to close.

"Our cases are not currently under control," said Dr. Rais Vohra, interim health officer for Fresno County.

Newsom has asked Imperial County to impose more restrictions after hospitals in the county near the U.S.-Mexico border had so many patients they had to transfer some to nearby facilities. But Newsom has mostly tried to let local governments decide for themselves what restrictions they should put in place.

That strategy could change Wednesday, when Newsom plans to issue new restrictions. The Democratic governor did not say what they would be, other than that he would "tighten things up." He said people are more likely to get sick when they are indoors compared with outdoors, saying he will look at public health orders "in relationship to indoor vs. outdoor activities."

The state already requires everyone to wear a mask in most public places, both indoors and outdoors, when physical distancing isn't possible.

"The framework for us is this: If you're not going to stay home and you're not going to wear masks in public, we have to enforce and we will," Newsom said, adding the state will be "a little bit more aggressive as it relates to guidelines on Fourth of July."

Until now, Newsom has mostly relied on "social pressure" to enforce statewide public health orders. But as officials began to relax a stay-at-home order in the past month, more people began to relax, too. Newsom said he was particularly concerned with family gatherings, where people "begin to mix and take down their guard."

Newsom spoke at a motel in Pittsburg, where Contra Costa County is housing 164 homeless people during the pandemic with money from the state's "Project HomeKey" program. Newsom said the program has secured 15,679 hotel rooms and served an estimated 14,200 people.

But Newsom's remarks were interrupted by about a dozen people protesting racial injustice at the hands of police. The protesters blared a siren from a bullhorn while Newsom was speaking.

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Pico neighborhood with a 30 percent Latino population and the judges questioned how large the minority population should be to influence an election.

Shenkman said that the specific number wasn't as important as the evidence that the districts would change the outcome.

"I think the strongest evidence here, is that if you look at past elections, it would have made a difference, not just the ability to influence, but the ability to elect," he said. "That Maria Loya would have been elected, a Latino preferred candidate, and that Tony Vazquez got the most votes there. And so that simply looking at the percentage, without that searching practical reality of the political situation on the ground, I think can be misleading."

He said that in some cases even a majority minority district of 50 percent might not make a difference but the court should look at many factors including the cost of an election and the particular politics of a city.

He took issue with the tentative ruling ignoring other voting systems as potential outcomes and said all his client is asking for is a system that gives them an opportunity to win, not an outright guarantee.

"And I would close with this, this court should follow the California legislature's lead," he said. "Specifically the recognition that a majority minority district is not necessary for the voting rights of a minority to be diluted, and thus affirm the Superior Court's reasoned judgment that the remedy it selected will be effective. This is certainly no time to go backwards and what the legislature did in enacting the CVRA."

Loya, a Santa Monica resident, ran for city council and received a large portion of the Latinx vote in 2004.

Despite receiving such a large majority of Latinx votes, Loya received much less support from non-Latinos and eventually lost a race with four open council seats, according to Shenkman, who said, "In a seven district system corresponding to a seven member city council, Maria Loya… most certainly would have won."

Theodore Boutrous argued on behalf of the city and he said Shenkman's arguments were flawed.

Boutrous said the city's arguments fall in line with the legislature's intentions while the Pico Neighborhood Association's arguments plainly contradict the text of the statute.

"It really comes down to the numbers," and whether people believe they are better off with only a 30% majority in a district or 14% in the city, Boutrous said.

"Districts don't provide any greater (voting) power because the population is so much lower than a majority," Boutrous added, mentioning how other at-large systems and staggering of elections will not help either. "It's a product of the small population, not the system," he said.

He said that Shenkman manipulated data in a misleading way.

"I'll just finish with one point since Mr Shenkman did make various claims about how Latino preferred voters fared ... the word gerrymandering I think applies best here, when we, when we look at how Pico has always dealt with the data. They count Tony Vazquez, the one time he lost an election, they don't count the three times he won. They don't count Gleam Davis as a Latina, because she wasn't Latina surnamed and then because she's not recognized as a Latina. They don't count Latino serving candidates who lost with very little Latino support. They deem them not serious so it's basically a self fulfilling prophecy. And we demonstrated through the data that preferred candidates of all races overwhelmingly prevail.

"The tentative hits the nail on the head," Boutrous said.

Both sides are hopeful the judge will issue a ruling by early July, but both parties can seek review by the California Supreme Court if they disagree with the court's decision.

"We believe the tentative ruling is correct and are confident that following oral argument scheduled for June 30 it will become final," said City Spokeswoman Constance Farrell. "Santa Monica's at-large City Council election system, originally chosen and twice validated by Santa Monica voters, complies with the law. Santa Monica is committed to fair and just electoral representation for every member of our community. The at-large election system was neither established nor maintained for a discriminatory purpose, has repeatedly elected candidates preferred by Latino voters, and has not diluted Latino voting power. In contrast, the districts drawn by the plaintiffs and adopted by the trial court would dilute Latino voting power."



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As virus roars back, so do signs of a new round of layoffs

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Associated Press

The reopening of Tucson's historic Hotel Congress lasted less than a month.

General manager Todd Hanley on June 4 ended a two-month coronavirus lockdown and reopened the 39-room hotel at half-capacity, along with an adjoining restaurant for outdoor dining. Yet with reported COVID-19 cases spiking across Arizona, Hanley made the painful decision last weekend to give up, for now.

"We are closing everything," he said. "We are going to live to fight another day."

The move means that once again, most of Hanley's employees will lose their jobs, at least temporarily. Except for roughly a dozen who are needed to maintain the century-old property, more than 50 workers he had recalled will be laid off for a second time.

A resurgence of confirmed COVID cases across the South and West — and the suspension or reversal of re-openings of bars, hotels, restaurants and other businesses — is endangering hopes for an economic rebound in the region and perhaps nationally. At stake are the jobs of millions of people who have clung to hopes that their layoffs from widespread business shutdowns this spring would prove short-lived.

On Thursday, the government is expected to issue another robust monthly jobs report. Economists have forecast that employers added 3 million jobs in June, on top of 2.5 million added in May, clawing back a portion of the record-high 21 million that vanished in April at the height of the viral shutdowns.

Yet any such news might already be outdated: The jobs report won't fully capture the impact of the COVID upsurge in the South and West and the desperate steps being pursued to try to control it. The re-closings of restaurants and bars, and resulting job cuts, mark an about-face from what appear to have been premature efforts to restart the economy before the pandemic had been contained.

"We're still in a very deep hole," said Diane Swonk, chief economist at the firm Grant Thornton. "This makes the June employment report backward-looking instead of forward-looking."

Eager to jump-start their economies, governors in several states across the Sun Belt had lifted their lockdowns before their states had met reopening guidelines that were set — yet largely shrugged off — by the White House.

Reported infections quickly spiked. From April 9 to June 8, the five-day daily average of confirmed new cases had dropped from 32,150 to below 19,400. Then it began rising again, surging past the April level to nearly 42,100 on Sunday before dipping to 41,000 on Monday. The number of infections is thought to be far higher because many people have not been tested, and studies suggest that people can be infected with the virus without feeling sick.

The governors began to backtrack. Texas Gov. Greg Abbott last week ordered all bars closed. Arizona Gov. Doug Ducey told residents to stay home and declared that the state was "on pause" as the COVID cases stacked up. Florida also banned alcohol consumption at its bars.

Kylie Davis, a 23-year-old bartender in Tampa, Florida, had returned to work May 23 after two months without a job, struggling to collect unemployment benefits from Florida's backlogged system. The tips, she said, were good.

"People were so understanding," she said, "that we had been out of work for a while and were extremely generous."

Yet after a few weeks, Davis was coughing and exhausted and had lost her sense of taste and smell. On June 12, she tested positive for the virus and couldn't return to work when Florida bars reopened. Neither, it turns out, could many others. As Florida's reported cases spiked to record highs the past two weeks, with 9,000 cases recorded in one day last week, Gov. Ron DeSantis ordered bars to shut down again.

And just like that, Davis and others found themselves unemployed for the second time this year.

The jarring reversal underscores what many economists had been stressing for months: That the economy and the job market can't regain their health until business shutdowns have lasted long enough to reduce infections and most Americans feel confident enough to return to restaurants, bars, hotels, shopping malls and airports.

In the meantime, a resurgence of cases and re-closings of businesses is increasingly evident. The data firm Womply found that the proportion of bars that are closed in Texas, Florida, Tennessee and some other states started climbing last week after having declined fairly steadily since April or early May.

In many cases, it seems, customers themselves, rather than government edict, have driven that trend. A study by Austan Goolsbee and Chad Syverson of the University of Chicago found that Americans chose to stay home or avoid crowded stores this spring not so much because authorities told them to as out of fear stemming from reports of COVID deaths. Their study used cellphone data to track consumer traffic.

"It is the virus, not lockdowns, that dictates the course of the economy," said Yongseok Shin, an economist at Washington University and a research fellow at the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis. "We cannot have a full economic recovery without reining in the epidemic.

He added:

"We were worried about a second wave in the fall, but it now appears that we may have one very long wave. With the number of new cases high and rising, people will be slow to return to normal activities for fear of infection, and businesses will delay hiring and investment, lockdown or no lockdown."

Even before Texas's governor shut down bars in the states again last week, Michael Neff

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BEACHES

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health orders and, if things don't improve, reverse reopening.

Newsom's comments came a day after he ordered bars to close in Los Angeles and six other counties and suggested eight other counties do the same on their own. By Monday afternoon, three of the state's largest — San Diego, Riverside and Sacramento — said they would voluntarily close bars. In the San Francisco Bay Area, Contra Costa County delayed its planned Wednesday reopening of bars and indoor restaurant dining.

San Diego, California's second-most populous county, acted even though it is not on a state watch list for counties with the most concerning COVID-19 trends.

"We don't want to wait to be forced to take an action when we know that it is the wise and responsible thing for us to do now," said Supervisor Nathan Fletcher, who is self-quarantined after close contact with someone who tested positive.

Los Angeles is one of 19 counties on the watch list because of a combination of increased cases, infection rates and hospitalizations. Those on the list for 14 days must close bars.

Newsom said other rollbacks for businesses could come, though he gave no details. He also said the state would increase enforcement of its virus-related orders, including the mandate for face coverings in most settings.

"It is incumbent upon all of us to do what we can to lead by example," Newsom said.

Imperial County, on the Mexico border, has seen cases surge, and Newsom said if local officials didn't act appropriately the state would order broad restrictions. Hours later, supervisors agreed to reenact restrictions similar to those imposed by the state nearly two months ago. Officials will urge residents to stay home, ask houses of worship to conduct virtual services and encourage curbside pickups at stores and restaurants. All county parks will be closed and gatherings of any size will be prohibited.

Dr. Mark Ghaly, head of the California Health and Human Services Agency, said the state was organizing "strike teams" to help struggling counties avoid an "alarming rate of spread" that could force officials to reimpose a stay-at-home order.

Two alternative hospital sites poised to start shutting down July 1 due to lack of need will be reactivated, said Brian Ferguson, a spokesman for the Governor's Office of Emergency Services. The Fairview Developmental Center in Southern California may assist with hospital surges in the LA area, and the Porterville Development Center in the Central Valley could be used to treat virus patients sickened in prisons, Ferguson said.

California was the first state to issue a mandatory stay-at-home order in mid-March. Newsom began relaxing restrictions in early May, and the pace accelerated into June. Retail shopping and restaurant dining now are allowed virtually everywhere, beaches and parks have reopened, and most of the rest of the economy is operating, albeit with restrictions.

In Los Angeles County, all public beaches and their piers, parking lots and bike paths will be closed again from 12:01 a.m. Friday to 5 a.m. Monday. Weekend fireworks displays will be banned, to discourage large gatherings.

"COVID-19 is taking control," Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti said. "And we need to take control back."

California has greatly ramped up virus testing, and Newsom and health officials warned that would bring an increase in the number of confirmed cases. But recently the infection rate and hospitalizations also have increased — admissions to intensive care units are up by more than a third in the last two weeks, Newsom said.

Bars were cleared to reopen June 12, about a week before Newsom imposed his statewide mask order. And while no county outbreak has been tied specifically to bars, there have been many images and videos circulating on social media showing crowded establishments with patrons failing to keep their distance and wear masks.

For most people, the coronavirus causes mild or moderate symptoms, such as fever and cough that clear up in two to three weeks. For some — especially older adults and people with existing health problems — it can cause more severe illness and death. California's death count is just under 6,000, according to data from Johns Hopkins University.

Even with concern over trends, California announced guidance allowing for visits to patients in nursing homes and other nursing care facilities, which have accounted for a large portion of cases and deaths.

Nursing homes that can meet certain criteria may let residents designate one visitor. Those criteria include no virus diagnoses among facility residents or staff for 14 days.

Facilities that can't meet those guidelines can allow scheduled indoor visits if people stay distant and wear face coverings.

Newsom also announced more inmates may be released to mitigate outbreaks in prisons. The state previously let out 3,500 people who were within 150 days of release, and Newsom said 3,500 more could be released under the same criteria.

Associated Press writers Cuneyt Dil in Sacramento, John Antczak and Christopher Weber in Los Angeles and Amy Taxin in Orange County contributed.

CLIMATE PLAN

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Pennsylvania State University climate scientist Michael Mann called the report "an excellent starting point" that offers a sensible mix of subsidies for renewable energy and a price on carbon emissions.

The report was released as the Trump administration pushed a plan to spur production of fossil fuels even higher. In a 56-page report that did not mention the word "climate," the Energy Department on Tuesday urged building up four Appalachian states as a petrochemical production and manufacturing hub, while delaying market-driven retirements of the region's coal plants. The four targeted states — Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky — are the heart of Appalachian energy production. Pennsylvania is a key battleground in the 2020 election, and recent polls show Biden narrowly leading Trump in Ohio.

Trump has mocked the science of climate change, and his administration has dismantled Obama-era initiatives to cut greenhouse gas emissions, while throwing a series of financial and regulatory breaks to the coal, oil and gas sectors.

Associated Press writers Seth Borenstein and Ellen Knickmeyer contributed to this story.

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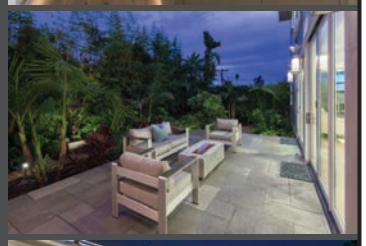
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Action Needed, Not Studies

LET'S TALK ABOUT THE POLICE

No, we're done with that -- talking. Without action. (Same for a lot of other things needing to be addressed here in SM.)

Been talkin' "400 years," sang Peter Tosh of the Wailers, nearly half a century ago.

"And it's the same, the same philosophy

Look, how long, and the people they still can't see

Come on, let's make a move, make a move, make a move

I can see time, time has come

The youth is gonna be strong

So, won't you come with me, come with me

I'll take you to a land of liberty

Look how long, four hundred years, four hundred years, four hundred years

Way too long!"

It's the backdrop that can't be ignored, to all the issues of racial injustice and inequality in America, that are now being legislated in the streets. But I think that backdrop is often invisible to folks of the Caucasian persuasion.

SOME ISSUES AND INCIDENTS

Are just too obvious and inarguable, and should be acted upon immediately, without waiting for a six-figure, maybe six-month "study." A lot of talk, a lot of debate, while people are dying in the streets. Not Santa Monica streets… Not yet.

But aren't these the reasonable things responsible leaders do, trying to properly find solutions to intractable societal problems? Got to get all the facts and info, can't rush into this, too important, too complex.

Breaking News: "reasonable" is over, in favor of reason, common sense, necessity, and what you see in front of your face. What more do you need to know?

The exploration, the fact finding has been done. Do you dispute that people of color have suffered and died at the hands of police, all over this country, for centuries? (And that they die from coronavirus in higher proportions, that their health care, education, job opportunities and so many other options are limited.) Maybe you know it, but how much do you care? Are you watching Faux News instead of Fauci? Do you support the White Supremacist in the White House, for any reason? Is that why you won't wear a mask, and cite ridiculous conspiracy baloney?

Seriously, how long does the death list need to be? Just this year! And continuing, weekly, despite the floodgates of attention being trained on police brutality. People of color being strangled, choked, I Can't Breathe, even in places where it has just been outlawed.

BUT -- SANTA MONICA?

Is not like the rest of the country, not even like LA, you argue. We don't have brutal cops here.

I'm not saying we do. I may have missed something but I can't recall, in 34 years here, reading about an incident of brutality from our police force. Maybe we've just been lucky. But don't we want to keep it that way?

One month ago our police fired tear gas and rubber bullets into a crowd of predominantly peaceful protesters on Ocean Avenue, mostly Santa Monicans, exercising their First Amendment " right of the people peaceably to assemble." I've experienced tear gas, in the Army. It is really, really nasty. Meant only for war. What are the SMPD guidelines for its use? Were they followed?

Rubber bullets? Thank God I've never yet encountered those. But some of our residents did, 5/31, fired by SMPD. Rubber bullets can maim and kill. Studies have shown that 15-20 percent of those hit by rubber bullets suffer permanent injuries. And yes, some die. What are the SMPD guidelines for its use? Were they followed? Rubber bullets, fired at your fellow residents, peacefully protesting? Good lord. And you think we don't have a problem here?

TEAR GAS CAN KILL TOO

Ruben Salazar was an LA Times reporter covering a Vietnam War protest march in East LA in 1970 when he was struck in the head by a tear gas canister fired by an LA County Sheriff's deputy, and died instantly. A coroner's inquest ruled the shooting a homicide, but the deputy was never prosecuted. The family sued the sheriff's department for not using "proper and lawful guidelines for the use of deadly force," and won, awarded the highest settlement in LA County history at the time, $700,000 -- $4.6M in 2020 dollars.

No one I know here hates the police, our police, and that's not the point. While a thorough study should be made to determine just what happened, and why, that last weekend in May, that's not what we need now.

Someday we will return to normal, a new normal (probably not until the middle of next year, if that). But if we do it without taking the great opportunity now to correct the things we've been doing wrong, like racial, gender, voting and income inequality, looming climate disaster, inadequate health care, and an economic system that strangles all but the 1 percent, we may never get another chance. There is no time to waste, on studies and half measures. We must do what obviously needs to be done, now.

OUR CITY COUNCIL

By a unanimous vote (aww), authorized staff "to explore implementation of the #8CantWait action items." Three weeks ago.

You do know SM has two unsavory but deserved reputations: for moving glacially as a political/regulatory entity, and for not enforcing our laws. In today's world, moving glacially is perceived as an unwillingness to act until everything has blown over.

#8Can'tWait. How much do you need to explore, to discuss and debate before simply banning chokeholds? Banning shooting at moving vehicles? Requiring de-escalation, exhausting all alternatives before shooting and warning before shooting? Requiring officers to intervene if they see procedures not followed, which could cause possible lethal outcomes?

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A PANDEMIC, RACIAL INJUSTICE, AN ECONOMIC CRISIS...

AND OUR CITY COUNCIL GIVES S.M.P.D. *MORE MONEY?*

City finances are strained like never before... but your Santa Monica City Council just passed a budget that cuts social services and gives **more** money to the S.M.P.D.



More money for police – and brutal cuts for everyone else.

The violent and unconstitutional actions by S.M.P.D. during the May 31 Black Lives Matter protests demonstrate that the police are overfunded, overmilitarized, and overzealous in their response to peaceful protest.

Tell your Councilmembers: Less money for police, more money for social services.

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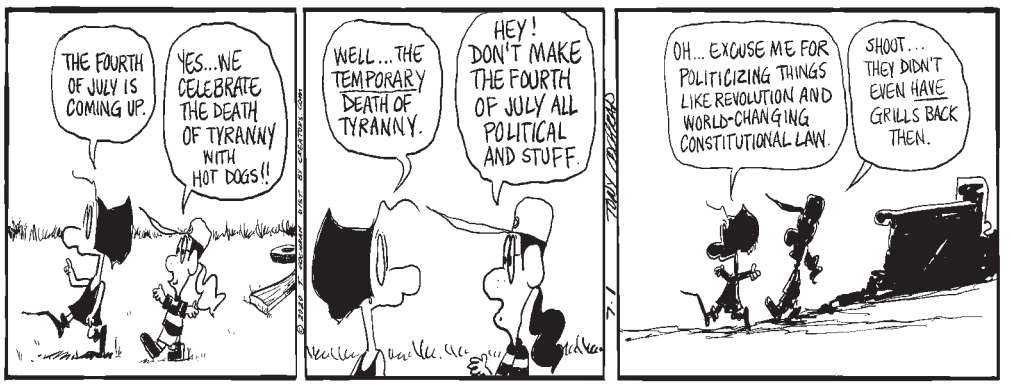
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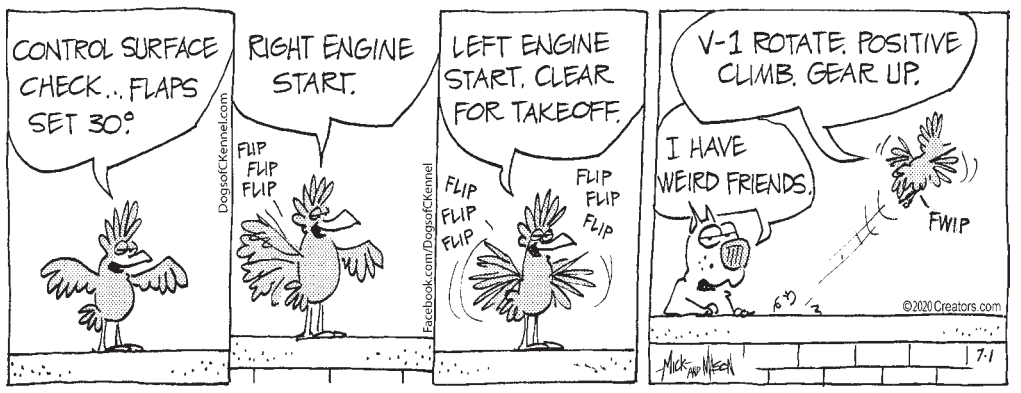
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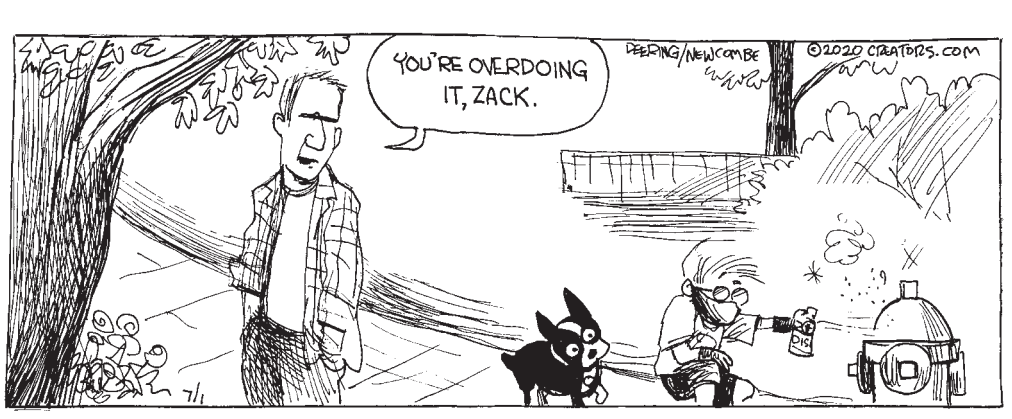
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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 66.0°

WEDNESDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder high occ. 5 ft
Long period SSW swell peaks -- the most size further west in the region. Light AM wind, light to moderate onshores PM. Protected points should stay clean through PM.

THURSDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder high occ. 5 ft
SSW swell holds -- the most size further west in the region. Minor NW windswell. Light AM wind looks likely and should be clean. Light to moderate onshore in the afternoon.

WEATHER

Wednesday: Patchy fog. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 70.
Wednesday Night: Patchy fog. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 61.
Thursday: Patchy fog. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 72.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 61.
Friday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 74.
Friday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 61.
Independence Day: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 77.

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2020/07/01	Wed	7:12 PM	6.36	H
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2020/07/03	Fri	2:12 PM	2.07	L
2020/07/03	Fri	8:37 PM	6.78	H
2020/07/04	Sat	03:56 AM	-1.23	L
2020/07/04	Sat	10:23 AM	3.92	H
2020/07/04	Sat	2:58 PM	2.17	L
2020/07/04	Sat	9:18 PM	6.75	H
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Jackpot: 19 M

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll spend a few hours in what is essentially training for your taste and intellect, although it feels more like simply following an interest. You'll get to the good stuff when you go about three levels deeper than typical.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Everyone has something to recommend these days, but the best tips aren't handed over in advertisements. Instead of doing what people tell you to do, you follow and adopt the preferences and habits of those you admire.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The sage has abilities of which none know the extent. The guesses and doubts arouse veneration. You'll be powerful as you exercise restraint and, like the sage, cloak yourself in mystery.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). For optimum health, you need exercise, fresh air, fine sleep and sound nutrition. And one more thing... self-expression. The voice of your soul is longing to be heard.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You keep ramping up your expectation of yourself. It's what keeps you sharp, awake and ever improving. But when is this too much pressure? When do you get to relax? Your body, not your mind, will tell you, so listen up.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Pick an action you'd like to turn into a habit. You are at the influence of ultra-encouraging, invisible forces. It will only take half the typical amount of time to get this habit ingrained in your days.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Distinguished abilities are as rare as mediocrities are common. While it is only natural to question your gifts, you cannot afford to indulge these doubts. Someone needs your greatness.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Jump into action and you will quickly be reminded of how invigorating it is to juggle many projects simultaneously, and how satisfying it is to finish them off one by one.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The inspiration you need is outside of the normal places you'd look. Ask people you don't usually talk to. Walk toward what's new and different.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Solid communication is only possible when you know what's really being said. You're excellent at reading between the lines, listening between the words and getting the message inside the message.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). People can be terrible at realizing their own wants and needs. But your objective eye will be dead-on today. You'll get a sense of the quiet longings that ride under the surface, and you'll address them to whatever degree you can.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There are many who will benefit from your organized, direct and efficient manner. There will also be those who are intimidated by this unless it is served up with great warmth and gentleness.

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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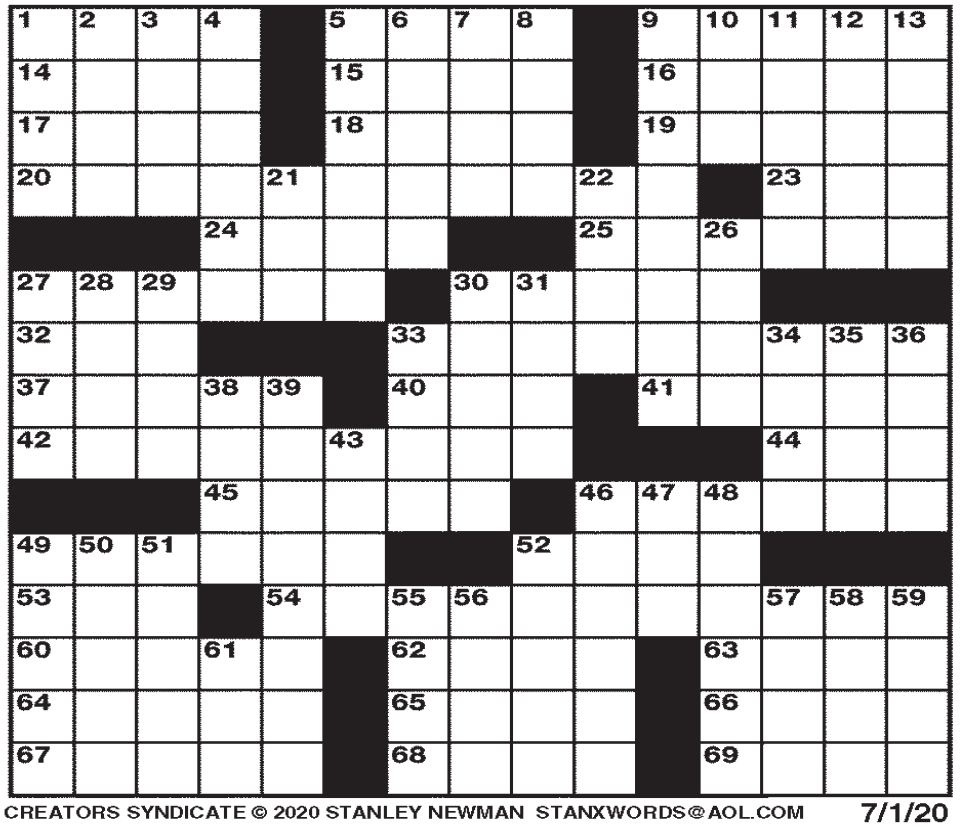
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1 Partners of carrots
5 British chap
9 G.I. Joes, for instance
14 "__ and away!"
15 Crisp, sweet sandwich
16 Constellation with a belt
17 __ one's time (wait)
18 High school math
19 Aladdin's powerful pal
20 Religion founded by Hubbard
23 Before, in poems
24 Stag or buck
25 Golf tourney front runner
27 Sound recording pioneer
30 Mascara mishap
32 Baby boomer's kid
33 Web access establishment
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40 S&L nest egg
41 Button-down apparel
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44 Meadow
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53 Battle of Britain grp.
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60 Even if, for short
62 Guinness who played Obi-Wan
63 Cola Wars combatant
64 Entreaties
65 Unconvincing, as an excuse
66 Fully accessible
67 Sight or taste
68 Drain-cleaning solutions
69 Venison or veal

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1 Ale servers
2 Grand-scale story
3 German auto
4 Goes in a hurry
5 Figured out
6 Misjudgment
7 Playwright Simon
8 How takeout orders are placed
9 Canine chronology
10 Rock from a mine
11 Reinforced, as parkas
12 Long French river
13 Scornful look
21 Prefix meaning "recent"
22 Elation
26 St. Louis landmark
27 Former couple
28 Actress Moore
29 Element found in meteors
30 Neighbor of Jordan
31 Degrees for some CEOs
33 Tacoma or Tampa
34 Feels unwell
35 Available for lunch, say
36 List-ending abbr.
38 Self-defense sport
39 "Guess so"
43 Wading bird
46 Choir members
47 Memorable timespan
48 Primetime fare
49 Under __ (secret)
50 Oscar actress Berry
51 More than sometimes
52 48 Down's intro music
55 Regional plural pronoun
56 Brickmaking material
57 Something to skip for exercise
58 Scandinavian furniture chain
59 Copper-coated coin
61 Doesn't lack



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Binary Puzzle

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CURIOUS CITY

FROM PAGE 6

How about having the courage and competence to simply ask for a unanimous Council vote to make these eight items part of SMPD procedure immediately, with further study of all our policing methods and policies? That would send a message. Other cities have done it. It could even prevent another death of an unarmed person of color, and wouldn't that be nice?

How about a Council vote on a commitment to transparency? Symbolic, but then you would have to live up to it. To residents first? (Always ask, of all City business, who does this benefit?) A vote to acknowledge that density is the friend of a pandemic and the enemy of the health and well-being of people, and call a moratorium on all new building?

There's an expression -- lead, follow, or get out of the way. Our local elected leaders have had way too much time to choose the first two. What's left?

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LAYOFFS

FROM PAGE 4

had decided to re-close his, the Cottonmouth Club in Houston. In March, Neff had initially closed the Cottonmouth and laid off his 10 employees. Late last month, he reopened. He brought back two employees with precautions — requiring customers to wear masks except when seated, eliminating bar seating, developing a contactless menu and erecting a barrier at the bar's entrance.

It didn't work. After being cooped up for months, bar-goers appeared in no mood for social distancing, especially when they could visit other bars with fewer restrictions. Employees at the Cottonmouth were spending most of their time monitoring customers' behavior.

"You can't create an environment people want to be in if you are scolding them the whole time," Neff said.

Then he began hearing of bars where the entire staff had tested positive for the coronavirus. Two weeks ago, Neff decided to shut down again on his own.

"We couldn't just be a magical COVID-free zone," he said.

Financially, it has been difficult. But Neff said his landlord has allowed him to pay what he can so far.

Likewise, Omar Yeefoon reopened his Dallas restaurant June 10 to "a pretty good reception," after having been shuttered for three months. The comeback was fleeting. After four days, Yeefoon had to shut down again in the face of a COVID-19 resurgence in Texas and lay off two of the four workers he'd brought back.

"People's minds — they still don't feel comfortable," Yeefoon said. "Psychologically, forcing this reopening and forcing everyone to go out -- I don't know how it is playing out ... We in Texas have not been doing this right."

Some business people have voiced frustration over the often contradictory and evolving directives from government authorities and by the impossible situation the virus has put them in.

"You open too soon, and people die," said Dawn Nielsen, chief operating officer at Kolache Factory, which has 27 bakeries mostly around Houston. "You don't open soon enough, and businesses die."

Kolache Factory had reopened dining rooms for two weeks, then shut them back down on June 19 and returned to takeout and delivery only.

The re-closings are complicating prospects for a enduring economic recovery from the sudden and deep U.S. economic downturn. In a worst-case scenario, economists at IHS Markit warn, after a brief rebound, the economy could slip back into recession by the end of the year.

Economists Mark Vitner and Charlie Dougherty at Wells Fargo Securities note that the uptick in reported viral cases is occurring in cities like Dallas, Houston and Atlanta that have accounted for a disproportionate share of economic growth in recent years.

"The second-half economic recovery will be weaker and more sluggish than what we hoped for," Shin of Washington University said, "precisely because we failed to contain the epidemic as effectively as we should have."

Loller reported from Nashville, Tennessee, and Kennedy from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. AP Business Writer Tali Arbel contributed to this report from New York.

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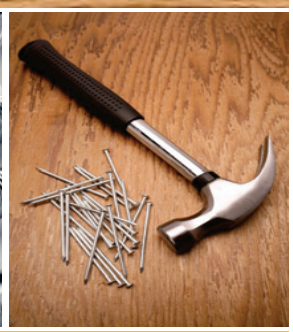
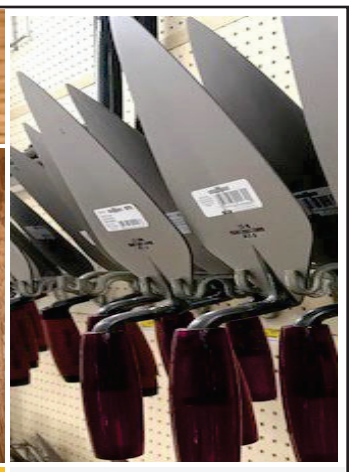
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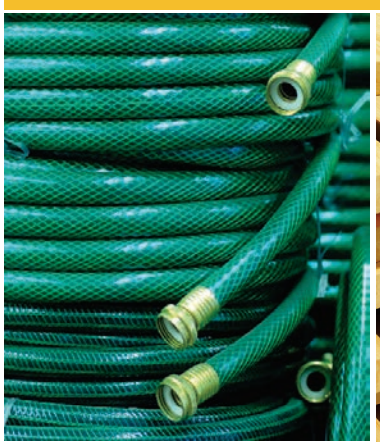
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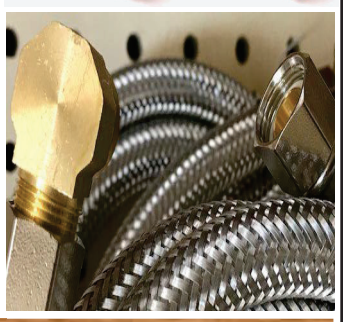
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