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Malibu Council approves school resource officer program

MAAZ ALIN
SMDP Staff Writer

The Malibu City Council has unanimously approved reassigning a sheriff's deputy to serve as a School Resource Officer for the 2025-2026 school year, ending a three-year community push for enhanced school security.

The council voted to reassign one of the city's special assignment deputies to work primarily at Malibu High School, with authority to respond to incidents at Malibu Middle School and elementary school as needed at their recent meeting.

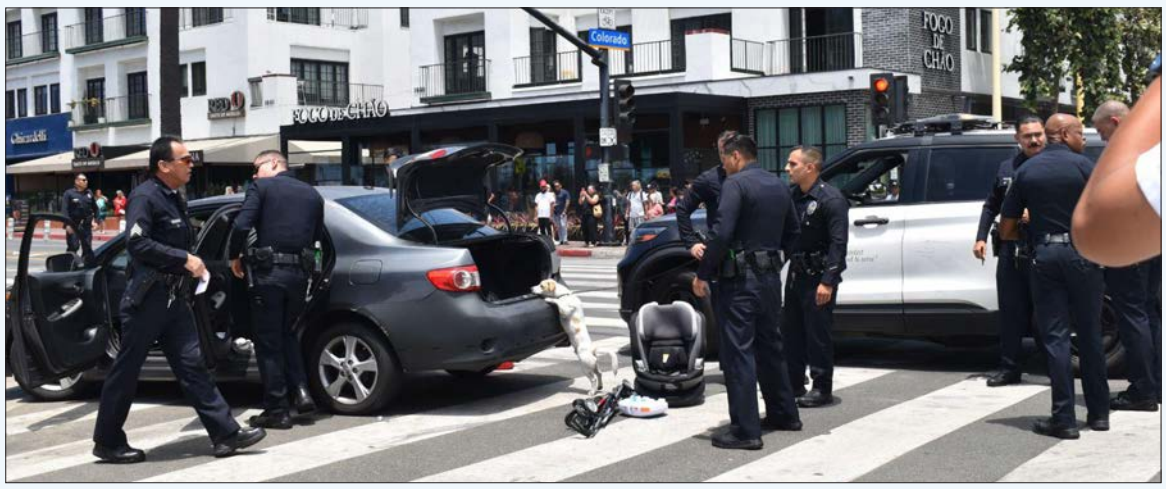
"I commend community leaders such as Kevin Keegan, Sergeant Bell, Principal Herz and many others in the community... and most of all the city council for hearing our voices," said Jake Lingo, chair of the AMP Security Council. "It's taken three years but we're here and so I just want to say thank you."

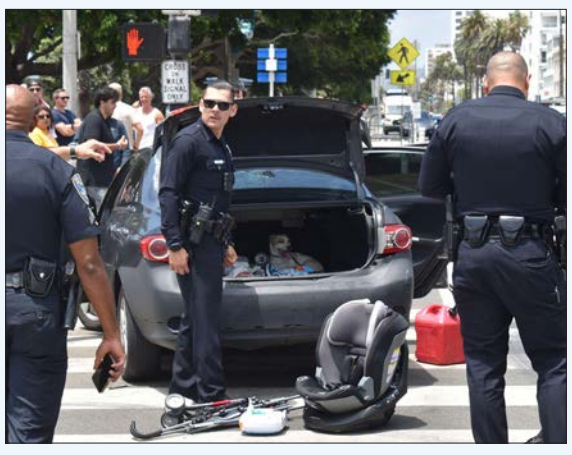
The decision comes after the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District expressed strong preference for a sheriff's deputy over private security alternatives that had been under consideration.

"The Santa Monica Malibu Unified School District is very supportive of the sheriff placing a school resource officer at the

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Police chase ends with arrest at the Santa Monica Pier







Matthew Hall

ARREST: A Los Angeles police chase ended at the Santa Monica Pier on Tuesday when a driver and a dog were taken into police custody at about 1 p.m.
The Los Angeles Police Department were in pursuit of an armed suspect accused of assault with a deadly weapon when the driver fled from South Los Angeles to Santa Monica. The suspect stopped his car at the intersection of Colorado and Ocean before surrendering to police.
A small dog was with the driver and was also taken by officers.

Santa Monica Council orders study of neighborhood group funding

MATTHEW HALL
SMDP Editor

The City Council has unanimously approved a motion to conduct a comprehensive study of how the city recognizes and funds neighborhood organizations, potentially reshaping a program that has operated for decades.

The council voted 7-0 to direct staff to schedule a study session by Sept. 30, to examine options for reforming the conditions under which community organizations receive official city status and participate in the Neighborhood Association Grant Program.

The motion, introduced by Councilmembers Dan Hall, Ellis Raskin and Mayor Pro Tempore Caroline Torosis, calls for a sweeping review that includes examining federal tax compliance for all officially recognized community organizations over the past 25 years and exploring requirements for annual officer elections and term limits.

Hall said he introduced the item because he has a problem with giving taxpayer dollars to organizations that actively lobby the city. He said that while the public money had been used to help build membership for the groups in the past, that membership was now being targeted with political

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Disabilities Commission explores AI's promise and pitfalls for disabled community

MAAZ ALIN
SMDP Staff Writer

The Santa Monica Disabilities Commission is examining how artificial intelligence technology could both help and harm people within the community, with commissioners highlighting concerns about algorithmic bias while also exploring innovative applications.

The commission's AI Opportunities and Risk Ad Hoc Committee, comprising Commissioners Joseph Antognini and Alex Elliot, has been researching the implications of AI technology with plans to present formal recommendations to the city in the near future.

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> - Alex Elliot

The pair have compiled several key resources to inform their work, including a comprehensive California report on AI developed with experts from top universities and industry professionals. The report examines the benefits, drawbacks and concerns surrounding AI technology.

"I want us to have it, I want the city to have it, the community be one click away from what the experts are thinking about this stuff," Elliot said during a recent commission meeting.

The commissioners have identified particular concerns about AI's impact on people with disabilities. At their recent meeting, they referenced a New York City Bar Association report that specifically addresses these issues, including algorithm bias that could screen out disability candidates and AI's failure to generate images representative of people with disabilities.

Elliot shared a personal example of these challenges, referencing a Time magazine article titled "AI Erased My Disability" by a Paralympian who described struggling to use image generation technology to create an accurate representation of herself.

"She actually has the same disability I have, and I've had the same experience that when I use image generation I can't get it to create anything close to me no matter the prompt," Elliot said.

The article describes how the technology's limitations effectively erased part of the athlete's identity, highlighting broader concerns about AI's ability to accurately represent people with disabilities.

Despite these concerns, the committee has also identified potential benefits of AI technology for the disability community. They highlighted innovative developments in AI and sign language technology, including the possibility of future AI avatars that could assist deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals.

The AI committee is one of several ad hoc committees and liaison roles the commission uses to address various community needs. Other recent initiatives include disability pride month planning and local aging and disability strategic planning.

The commission recently completed work on a strategic plan focusing on mobility access, inclusive public spaces, connected resilient community, coordinated communication and outreach, housing stability and affordability, and inclusive emergency preparedness. That plan is scheduled for presentation to the City Council on Sept. 9.

The commission encourages members to consider new ad hoc committee ideas based on their interests and community needs. Potential future committees could focus on housing interventions, youth employment for people with disabilities, and commission training on meeting procedures.

The commission's final recommendations on AI policy are expected to be presented to city officials following completion of the committee's letter, which will outline specific concerns and suggested safeguards for AI implementation in Santa Monica.

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Beef prices have soared in the US — and not just during grilling season

Anyone firing up the grill this summer already knows hamburger patties and steaks are expensive, but the latest numbers show prices have climbed to record highs.

And experts say consumers shouldn't expect much relief soon either.

The average price of a pound of ground beef rose to $6.12 in June, up nearly 12% from a year ago, according to U.S. government data. The average price of all uncooked beef steaks rose 8% to $11.49 per pound.

But this is not a recent phenomenon. Beef prices have been steadily rising over the past 20 years because the supply of cattle remains tight while beef remains popular.

In fact, the U.S. cattle herd has been steadily shrinking for decades. As of Jan. 1, the U.S. had 86.7 million cattle and calves, down 8% from the most recent peak in 2019. That is the lowest number of cattle since 1951, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Many factors including drought and cattle prices have contributed to that decline. And now the emergence of a pesky parasite in Mexico and the prospect of widespread tariffs may further reduce supply and raise prices.

Here's a look at what's causing the price of beef to rise.

SMALLER HERD

The American beef industry has gotten better at breeding larger animals, so ranchers can provide the same amount of beef with fewer cattle, said David Anderson, a livestock economist at Texas A&M.

Then in 2020, a three-year drought began that dried out pastures and raised the cost of feed for cattle, according to the American Farm Bureau. Drought has continued to be a problem across the West since then, and the price of feed has put more pressure on ranchers who already operate on slim profit margins.

In response, many farmers slaughtered more female cattle than usual, which helped beef supplies in the short term but lowered the size of future herds. Lower cattle supplies has raised prices.

In recent years cattle prices have soared, so that now animals are selling for thousands of dollars apiece. Recent prices show cattle selling for more than $230 per hundredweight, or hundred pounds.

Those higher prices give ranchers more incentive to sell cows now to capture profits instead of hanging onto them for breeding given that prices in the years ahead may decrease, Anderson said.

"For them, the balance is, 'Do I sell that animal now and take this record high check?' Or 'do I keep her to realize her returns over her productive life when she's having calves?'" Anderson said. "And so it's this balancing act and so far the side that's been winning is to sell her and get the check."

DISEASE DILEMMA

The emergence of a flesh-eating pest in cattle herds in Mexico has put extra pressure on supply because officials cut off all imports of cattle from south of the border last year. Some 4% of the cattle the U.S. feeds to slaughter for beef comes from Mexico.

The pest is the New World screwworm fly, and female flies lay eggs in wounds on warm-blooded animals. The larvae that hatch are unusual among flies for feeding on live flesh and fluids instead of dead material. American officials worry that if the fly reaches Texas, its flesh-eating maggots could cause large economic losses as they did decades ago before the U.S. eradicated the pest.

Agricultural economist Bernt Nelson with the Farm Bureau said the loss of that many cattle is putting additional pressure on supply that is helping drive prices higher.

TARIFF TROUBLE

President Donald Trump's tariffs have yet to have a major impact on beef prices but they could be another factor that drives prices higher because the U.S. imports more than 4 billion pounds of beef every year.

Much of what is imported is lean beef trimmings that meatpackers mix with fattier beef produced in the U.S. to produce the varieties of ground beef that domestic consumers want. Much of that lean beef comes from Australia and New Zealand that have only seen a 10% tariff, but some of it comes from Brazil where Trump has threatened tariffs as high as 50%.

If the tariffs remain in place long-term, meat processors will have to pay higher prices on imported lean beef. It wouldn't be easy for U.S. producers to replace because the country's system is geared toward producing fattier beef known for marbled steaks.

PRICES WILL LIKELY STAY HIGH

It's the height of grilling season and demand in the U.S. for beef remains strong, which Kansas State agricultural economist Glynn Tonsor said will help keep prices higher.

If prices remain this high, shoppers will likely start to buy more hamburger meat and fewer steaks, but that doesn't appear to be happening broadly yet — and people also don't seem to be buying chicken or pork instead of beef.

Nelson said that recently the drought has eased — allowing pasture conditions to improve — and grain prices are down thanks to the drop in export demand for corn because of the tariffs. Those factors, combined with the high cattle prices might persuade more ranchers to keep their cows and breed them to expand the size of their herds.

Even if ranchers decided to raise more cattle to help replace those imports, it would take at least two years to breed and raise them. And it wouldn't be clear if that is happening until later this fall when ranchers typically make those decisions.

"We've still got a lot of barriers in the way to grow this herd," Nelson said. Just consider that a young farmer who wants to add 25 bred heifers to his herd has to be prepared to spend more than $100,000 at auction at a time when borrowing costs remain high.

There is typically a seasonal decline in beef prices as grilling season slows down into the fall, but those price declines are likely to be modest.

Associated Press writer Dee-Ann Durbin contributed to this report from Detroit. By JOSH FUNK AP Business Writer.



Surf report

WATER TEMP: **64.4**

WEDNESDAY *FAIR*
SURF: 1-2ft Knee to thigh

S swell nudges up for exposed spots. Light winds in the morning. Steep-angled S swell nudges up a little further through the day. Size focuses best west of Dume but there'll be decent energy working in to a number of the south facing summer points. Listen to the Workweek details here. Waist-stomach high surf due for the points, sets pushing chest high+ for summer standouts west of Dume. Light SE breeze early morning, shifts to moderate WNW onshores in the afternoon.

THURSDAY *FAIR*
SURF: 2-3ft+ Thigh to stomach

S swell tops out/holds at exposed areas. Morning winds stay on the light side. Steep-angled S swell holds in with playful size for the summer points and a little more energy west of Dume. There should be enough NW windswell in the mix to help the shape out for those better exposed beachbreaks, just wait on the tide push. Waist-chest high surf due for the points, some shoulder high+ sets working in west of Dume. Light SE breeze early morning, shifts to low-end moderate W onshores in the afternoon.

Weather

Wednesday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 70.
Wednesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 60.
Thursday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 71.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 61.

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2025/07/23	Wed	2:34 PM	2.35	L
2025/07/23	Wed	8:51 PM	6.96	H
2025/07/24	Thu	04:12 AM	-1.29	L
2025/07/24	Thu	10:42 AM	4.14	H
2025/07/24	Thu	3:22 PM	2.18	L
2025/07/24	Thu	9:35 PM	6.87	H
2025/07/25	Fri	04:50 AM	-1.14	L
2025/07/25	Fri	11:18 AM	4.28	H
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Mega#: 20
Jackpot: 27 M

Fantasy 5
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites Proposals for:

Operation, Maintenance and Management Services of the Sustainable Water Infrastructure Project (SWIP)
Advanced Water Treatment Facilities
Project No. SP2456

The City of Santa Monica is inviting proposals from firms interested in Operation, Maintenance and Management Services of the Sustainable Water Infrastructure Project (SWIP).

The purpose of the RFP is to select the most qualified consultant to provide operations, maintenance and management services for the Sustainable Water Infrastructure Project (SWIP) Advanced Treatment Water Facilities.

RFP questions to be submitted to via OpenGov, no later than 3:00PM on August 15, 2025.

Proposers shall upload RFP via OpenGov, no later than 3:00PM on August 22, 2025.

RFP Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's bidding website at: https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/santa-monica-ca.

SANTA MONICA COLLEGE

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named California Community College District, acting by and through its Board of Trustees, hereinafter "the District" will receive no later than the below-stated date and time, sealed BIDS from General Contractors. The Project encompasses the following overall scope:

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Procedure

Wednesday, July 23, 2025, bid packages will be available at ARC West LA Branch located at 1736 S Sepulveda Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90025.
Contact for all inquiries: **Kyle Whitley, Senior Project Manager,** kyle.whitley@vanir.com**; Mathew Denuccio, Project Manager,** matt.denuccio@vanir.com
Contractor's License Classification: California Contractors License A, Haz, CADIR.
Mandatory Pre-Bid Walk: **Friday, August 1, 2025, at 1:00 PM.**

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS: 1:00 PM, September 4, 2025, BID MUST BE HAND DELIVERED

LOCATION FOR SUBMISSION OF BID PROPOSALS: SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, DISTRICT FACILITIES PLANNING OFFICE, 1510 PICO BLVD, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405, ATTENTION: CHARLIE YEN. **September 4, 2025**

1. Contractors License Classification. In accordance with the provisions of California Public Contract Code §3300, the District requires that contractors possess the following classification(s) of California Contractors License A, Haz, CADIR. Any General Contractor not so duly and properly licensed will result in denial of prequalification.

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Publication Date: July 23rd & July 30th
Last Day to Submit Bid RFI and Bid Product Substitution Request **August 25, 2025**
Post Bid Review: The week of September 4, 2025

EDITORIAL

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Credit where credit is due

Santa Monica has numerous problems that are abundantly obvious to anyone who cares to look and City leaders deserve all the criticism they get for their many failings. However, the State of the City was an unmitigated and unquestionable success this year and credit where credit is due.

Traditionally, the event is little more than an exercise in magical thinking where a parade of suited city leaders gloss over any unpleasant reality and perpetually promise success is just around the corner.

This year, the powers that be transitioned to an outdoor community festival at Reed Park improving the event in every possible way.

The attending crowd was vastly more diverse and representative of the city. Families with kids, City Hall gadflies, department heads, local professionals and everyone in between were able to meander in and out of the event as they saw fit.

The reopening of the Miles Playhouse included a display of home photos from Mayor Lana Negrete highlighting decades of personal memories her family made in that very park. Those simple but powerful mementos anchored the event in the city's lived history in a way no pre-written speech or faux leather chair on a stage ever could and really set the tone for the event.

Kids activities were a great centerpiece with a small T-Ball net and a corral for the more rambunctious runts to play some ball games. Those balls occasionally escaped their three-foot fence pulling blanket-sitting neighbors or speech watchers into those games.

And it was perfect. That casual interplay of interests, generations, and uses is what makes a place a community. It's something that we rarely see in Santa Monica as siloed neighborhoods or interest-specific events draw specific audiences. In an interesting coincidence, that feeling was there in spades before the last Council meeting when the pro-parks activists rally included pizza, baseball teams and some pickup soccer on the City Hall lawn.

The inclusion of Santa Monica's only brewery, Santa Monica Brew Works, was another great decision. Allowing grown adults to enjoy a home-town beer from one of the city's best businesses is a shockingly recent idea at civic functions but if you have to sit through another speech by an elected official, it's so much better with an adult beverage.

Santa Monica's always vocal Complain About Virtually Everything (CAVER) community will no doubt find a reason to be mad about the event. It was in the wrong park or they didn't like the police presence or they weren't given enough free stuff. But those are silly quibbles.

Is there room for improvement? Sure. There always is. Kids love heavy equipment and bringing out some cherry pickers to lift up the young'uns a few feet into the air is a guaranteed good time. The basketball court could have been incorporated with a shootout competition. We'd love to see the food vendors limited to Santa Monica businesses.

But these are nitpicking ideas around the margins. The big picture, turning a once staid and quite frankly stale event into a thriving community celebration is something the city should be justifiably proud of. Heck, just seeing Reed Park taken over by Santa Monicans instead of the normally entrenched homeless should give locals hope and hopefully resolve to push our leaders to enforce our anti-vagrancy laws and return our city to the levels of safety and cleanliness that will allow citizens, businesses and tourists to thrive again.

— SMDP Staff

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COMMUNITY NEWS

LOS ANGELES

Billionaire owner of the Los Angeles Times says he will take the newspaper public in the coming year

Dr. Patrick Soon-Shiong, the billionaire owner of the Los Angeles Times since 2018, said this week that he intends to take the newspaper public in the coming year.

During an interview on Monday's "The Daily Show With Jon Stewart," Soon-Shiong said the move would allow the Times "to be democratized and allow the public to have ownership of this paper."

Soon-Shiong said he's working with "an organization that's putting that together right now." He didn't identify the organization or say whether the deal would involve an initial public offer to sell shares of the company or another investment arrangement.

"Whether you're right, left, Democrat, Republican, you're an American. So the opportunity for us to provide a paper that is the voices of the people, truly the voices of the people, is important," he said.

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> - Dr. Patrick Soon-Shiong

Soon-Shiong, a biotech billionaire, acquired the Times as part of a $500 million deal, returning it to local ownership two decades after the Chandler family sold it to Tribune Co. Soon-Shiong's purchase raised hopes after years of cutbacks, circulation declines and leadership changes.

But like much of the media industry, the Times has continued to face financial difficulties, losing money and subscribers. Last year the company said it would lay off at least 115 employees — more than 20% of the newsroom — in one of the largest staff cuts in the newspaper's history.

Also in 2024, executive editor Kevin Merida suddenly stepped down after a 2 1/2-year tenure at the newspaper that spanned the coronavirus pandemic and three Pulitzer Prizes, as well as a period of layoffs and contentious contract negotiations.

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WASHINGTON

OpenAI's Sam Altman warns of AI voice fraud crisis in banking

OpenAI CEO Sam Altman warned the financial industry of a "significant impending fraud crisis" because of the ability of artificial intelligence tools to impersonate a person's voice to bypass security checks and move money.

Altman spoke at a Federal Reserve conference Tuesday in Washington.

"A thing that terrifies me is apparently there are still some financial institutions that will accept the voiceprint as authentication," Altman said. "That is a crazy thing to still be doing. AI has fully defeated that."

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>
> - Sam Altman, OpenAI CEO

Voiceprinting as an identification for wealthy bank clients grew popular more than a decade ago, with customers typically asked to utter a challenge phrase into the phone to access their accounts.

But now AI voice clones, and eventually video clones, can impersonate people in a way that Altman said is increasingly "indistinguishable from reality" and will require new methods for verification.

"That might be something we can think about partnering on," said Fed Vice Chair for Supervision Michelle Bowman, the central bank's top financial regulator, who was hosting the discussion with Altman.

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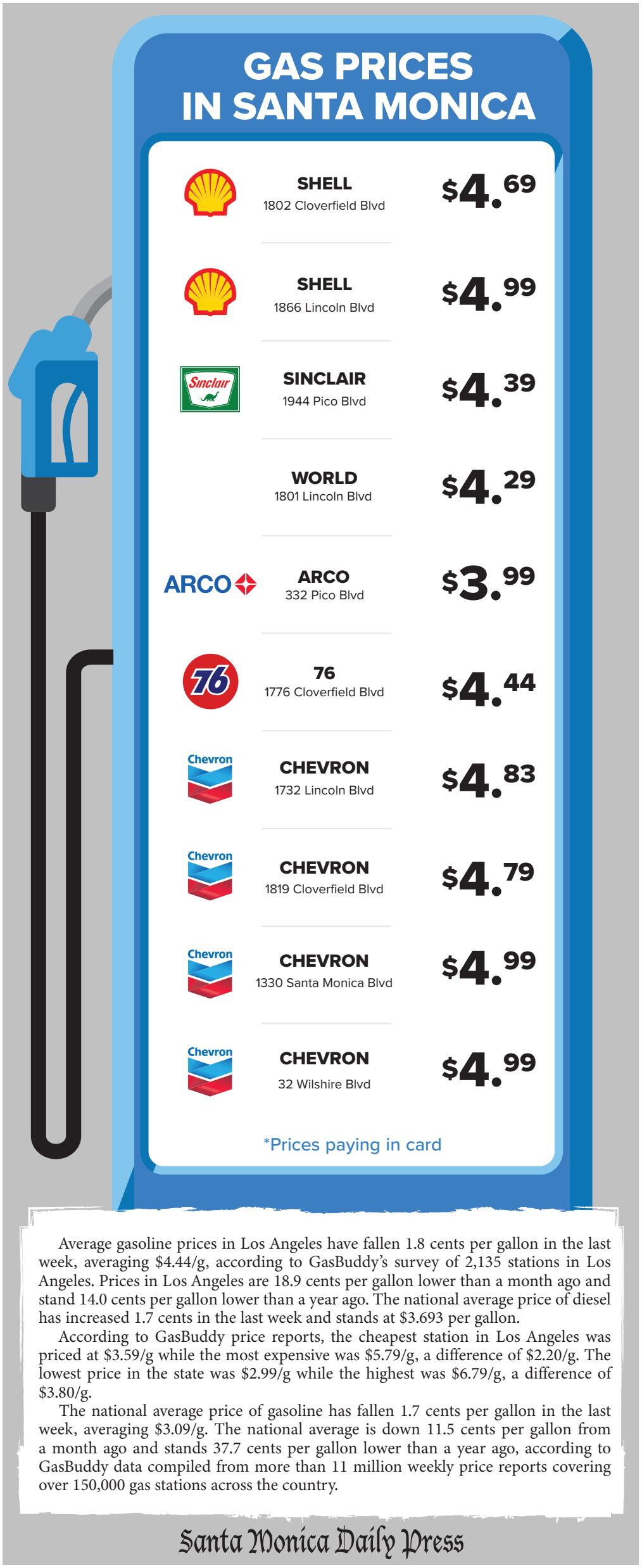
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According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Los Angeles was priced at $3.59/g while the most expensive was $5.79/g, a difference of $2.20/g. The lowest price in the state was $2.99/g while the highest was $6.79/g, a difference of $3.80/g.

The national average price of gasoline has fallen 1.7 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging $3.09/g. The national average is down 11.5 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 37.7 cents per gallon lower than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

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San Francisco bans homeless people from living in RVs with new parking limit

San Francisco banned homeless people from living in RVs by adopting strict new parking limits the mayor says are necessary to keep sidewalks clear and prevent trash buildup.

The policy, which received final approval by San Francisco supervisors Tuesday, targets at least 400 recreational vehicles in the city of 800,000 people. The RVs serve as shelter for people who can't afford housing, including immigrant families with kids.

Those who live in them say they're a necessary option in an expensive city where affordable apartments are impossible to find. But Mayor Daniel Lurie and other supporters of the policy say motor homes are not suitable for long-term living and the city has a duty to both provide shelter to those in need and clean up the streets.

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> - Kunal Modi

"We absolutely want to serve those families, those who are in crisis across San Francisco," said Kunal Modi, who advises the mayor on health, homelessness and family services. "We feel the responsibility to help them get to a stable solution. And at the same time, we want to make sure that that stability is somewhere indoors and not exposed in the public roadway."

Critics of the plan, however, say that it's cruel to force people to give up their only home in exchange for a shot at traditional housing when there is not nearly enough units for all the people who need help; the mayor is only offering additional money to help 65 households.

Jennifer Friedenbach, executive director of the Coalition on Homelessness, says city officials are woefully behind on establishing details of an accompanying permit program, which will exempt RV residents from parking limits so long as they are working with homeless outreach staff to find housing.

"I think that there's going to be people who lose their RVs. I think there's going to be people who are able to get into shelter, but at the expense" of people with higher needs, like those sleeping on a sidewalk, she said.

San Francisco, like other U.S. cities, has seen an explosion in recent years of people living out of vehicles and RVs as the cost of living has risen. Banning oversized vehicles is part of Lurie's pledge to clean up San Francisco streets, and part of a growing trend to require homeless people to accept offers of shelter or risk arrest or tows.

STRICT NEW RULES

On Tuesday, about three dozen people gathered outside City Hall and marched somberly through the building, hoping to influence supervisors to vote against the measure. But it cleared the Board of Supervisors with two of 11 supervisors voting "no." Supervisors made no remarks.

The proposal sets a two-hour parking limit citywide for all RVs and oversized vehicles longer than 22 feet (7 meters) or higher than 7 feet (2 meters), regardless of whether they are being used as housing.

Under the accompanying permit program, RV residents registered with the city as of May are exempt from the parking limits. In exchange, they must accept the city's offer of temporary or longer-term housing, and get rid of their RV when it's time to move. The city has budgeted more than half a million dollars to buy RVs from residents at $175 per foot.

The permits will last for six months. People in RVs who arrive after May will not be eligible for the permit program and must abide by the two-hour rule, which makes it impossible for a family in an RV to live within city limits.

RV DWELLERS CAN'T AFFORD RENT

Carlos Perez, 55, was among RV residents who told supervisors at a hearing this month that they could not afford the city's high rents. Perez works full-time as a produce deliveryman and supports his brother, who lives with him and is unable to work due to a disability.

"We don't do nothing wrong. We try to keep this street clean," he said, as he showed his RV recently to an Associated Press journalist. "It's not easy to be in a place like this."

Yet, Perez also loves where he lives. The green-colored RV is decorated with a homey houseplant and has a sink and a tiny stove on which Carlos simmered a bean soup on a recent afternoon.

He's lived in San Francisco for more than 30 years, roughly a decade of which has been in the RV in the working-class Bayview neighborhood. He can walk to work and it is close to the hospital where his brother receives dialysis multiple times a week.

Zach Bollinger started living in the vehicle a dozen years ago after realizing that no matter how hard he worked, he still struggled to pay rent.

Now he works as a ride-hail driver and pursues his love of photography. He parks near Lake Merced in the city near the Pacific Ocean and pays $35 every two to four weeks to properly dispose of waste and fill the vehicle with fresh water.

He says Lurie's plan is shortsighted. There is not enough housing available and many

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Los Angeles

Prosecutors expected to announce felony charges in LA car crash outside nightclub that injured 36

Los Angeles prosecutors are expected to announce felony charges Tuesday in connection with a car crash outside a nightclub over the weekend that injured at least 36 people and led to the driver being shot.

Partygoers were leaving the Vermont Hollywood venue at the end of a reggae hip-hop event early Saturday when a vehicle rammed into the crowd along a busy boulevard in East Hollywood.

The car came to a stop after colliding with several food carts, which became lodged underneath the vehicle, and bystanders attacked the driver, according to police. Injuries ranged from minor to serious fractures and lacerations, and some people were briefly trapped beneath the vehicle.

LA County District Attorney Nathan Hochman is expected to announce felony charges against the driver, who was identified Sunday as 29-year-old Fernando Ramirez.

He is expected to face a felony charge of assault with a deadly weapon. A phone number for Ramirez could not be found in an online database search, and the public defender's office has not responded to requests for comment on whether one of its attorneys is representing him.

Ramirez was later found to have been shot in the lower back, but authorities have not identified the suspected gunman.

Los Angeles police released surveillance photos Monday from cameras near the crash showing a man with a goatee wearing a blue Dodgers jacket and a light blue jersey with the number "5."

Ramirez has a criminal history that includes a battery and gang-related charge in 2014, an aggravated battery conviction for a 2019 attack on a Black man at a Whole Foods grocery store in Laguna Beach, California, and a domestic violence charge in 2021, records show.

Ramirez "has proved to be violent to strangers and family alike and clearly has a lack of concern for the safety of others," Orange County prosecutors said in a court filing for the 2019 attack.

A 2024 drunken driving case and 2022 domestic violence charge were pending at the time of the nightclub crash, according to records.

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schools primarily in Malibu high school," said Carey Upton, chief operations officer for the district. "The district at this point is not interested in private security. We find very many concerns around that idea."

According to staff reports, Superintendent Antonio Shelton was particularly concerned about private security because deputies have superior training in de-escalation and juvenile investigation tactics. Response time was also a factor, with the sheriff's department noting that deputies are better trained to evaluate situations and communicate effectively with dispatch.

The reassignment will not require additional city funding, as it utilizes existing resources from the city's contract with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. The move is possible because two special assignment deputies were originally added in 2021-2022 to address recreational vehicle proliferation on highways — a problem that has since been resolved through parking enforcement.

The Sheriff's Department assured council members that reducing the special assignment team from two deputies to one would not significantly impact operations.

The deputy's main assignment will be at Malibu High School, where statistics show most incidents occur, but they will have a vehicle and be able to respond to other Malibu schools as needed preserving the same number of Sheriff-staffed vehicles in the city.

Community support for the program was strong during public comment. Kevin Keegan, a local advocate, emphasized the importance of proper training and suggested evaluating the program after winter break.

"I believe an SRO pilot program is important for Malibu school's safety and security plans," Keegan said. "The National Association of SROs recommends that an SRO should be 'carefully selected, specifically trained and properly equipped.'"

Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Silverstein proposed a successful amendment to continue investigating private security options for the future, reflecting ongoing community interest in long-term alternatives.

The School Resource Officer will receive specialized training before the school year begins, including instruction in digital safety, human trafficking, mental health, substance abuse, de-escalation, behavioral threat assessment, emergency operations planning and armed assailant response.

The program will begin with the 2025-2026 school year starting in August.

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NEIGHBORHOOD

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endorsements.

"What I care about is ensuring that we are giving special privileges and official recognition to nonpartisan organizations and that we are not spending taxpayer dollars to quietly subsidize partisan political activity," he said.

The issue grew out of the City's recent budget discussions where Hall voted against distributing money to the local organizations. Hall was joined by several other councilmembers who questioned the funding.

Councilmember Jesse Zwick framed the issue in stark terms.

"I'm supporting this item because you can engage in whatever protected political activity you want, but not on taxpayer dollars, and you can make that choice as an organization," he said. "Am I gonna take city money and engage in community building and other activities that help inform, you know, the public about what's going on at the city and, you know, build community and do all sorts of things, or I'm going to be a political lobbying organization."

However, Mayor Lana Negrete expressed reservations about the investigation, even while voting for it. She said it didn't feel like good governance and worried about policing civic engagement when we should be uplifting it. She noted that 501(c)(4) organizations can lawfully receive grant money from the city as long as funds aren't used for political endorsements.

The proposed study would examine the legal differences between various nonprofit designations, including 501(c)(3) public charities, 501(c)(4) social welfare organizations, and 501(c)(6) member benefit organizations. It would also explore alternative models for city engagement with residents outside the neighborhood association structure.

Public reaction to the proposal has been sharply divided. Supporters argue the reforms will increase transparency and accountability in the use of taxpayer funds.

Opposition came primarily from neighborhood organization leaders and longtime residents who view the study as retaliation for political endorsements some groups made in recent elections. Tony Huizar, chair of the Pico Neighborhood Association, called the motion "a dangerous and deeply cynical attempt to defund community voices under the guise of 'transparency' and 'governance reform.'"

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The neighborhood organizations have operated for decades, with some dating back to the 1970s. They typically hold monthly meetings featuring city staff and elected officials, distribute newsletters, and organize community events. Organizations are required to provide detailed accounting of grant expenditures and submit receipts for city approval.

The study session will examine whether violations of proposed new requirements could result in loss of official recognition and associated benefits, including reduced fees for public building rentals and formal consultation roles in city planning processes.

City staff will coordinate with the City Attorney's office to present policy options to the council by the September deadline.

Santa Monica's neighborhood associations are volunteer-led, city-recognized groups that serve as key advocates for community interests and civic engagement. These organizations represent residents across diverse neighborhoods and help shape local policies through active participation in city planning processes, including land use, zoning and development proposals.



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SANTA MONICA NEIGHBORHOODS: Council voted 7-0 to direct staff to schedule a study session by Sept. 30, 2025.

Santa Monica currently recognizes seven neighborhood organizations that receive annual grants totaling approximately $49,000, with individual groups receiving about $7,000 each. The organizations include the North of Montana Association, North East Neighbors, Mid City, Friends of Sunset Park, Pico Neighborhood Association, Ocean Park Association and the Wilshire Montana Neighborhood Coalition.

The associations collaborate regularly with city officials, hosting community meetings where staff and council members engage directly with residents on local programs and issues. They organize events ranging from block parties and free concerts to National Night Out gatherings, fostering community bonding and crime prevention awareness.

The groups address local concerns including housing, traffic, parking and park improvements, often partnering with city agencies to find solutions. By providing forums for discussion, sharing information on city agendas and mobilizing residents, these organizations say they boost civic engagement and ensure community voices are heard in local government decisions.

During recent election cycles they have worked to hold candidate forums and some have made official endorsements of council candidates.

The recent motion also directs the city to suspend distribution of funds to the Neighborhood Association Grant Program until a new policy framework is adopted, except for continuing funding to 501(c)(3) organizations for community-building events like block parties.

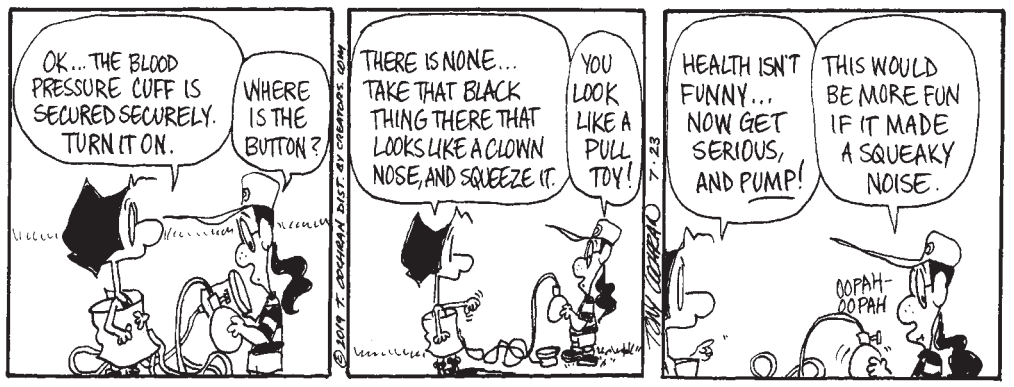
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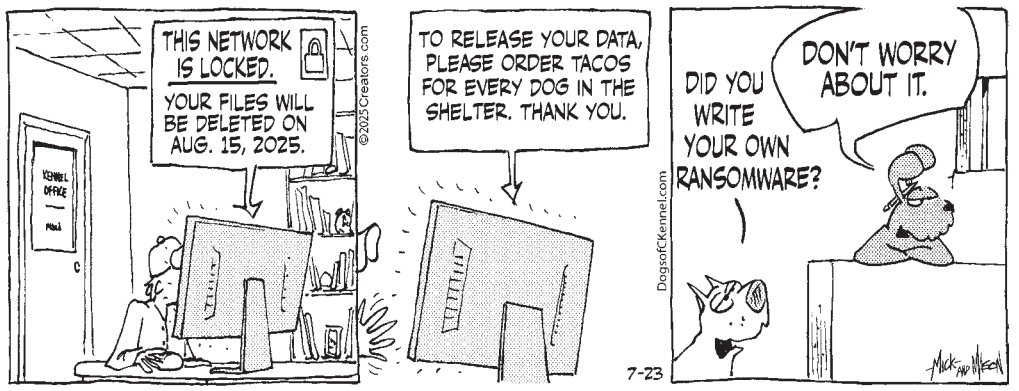
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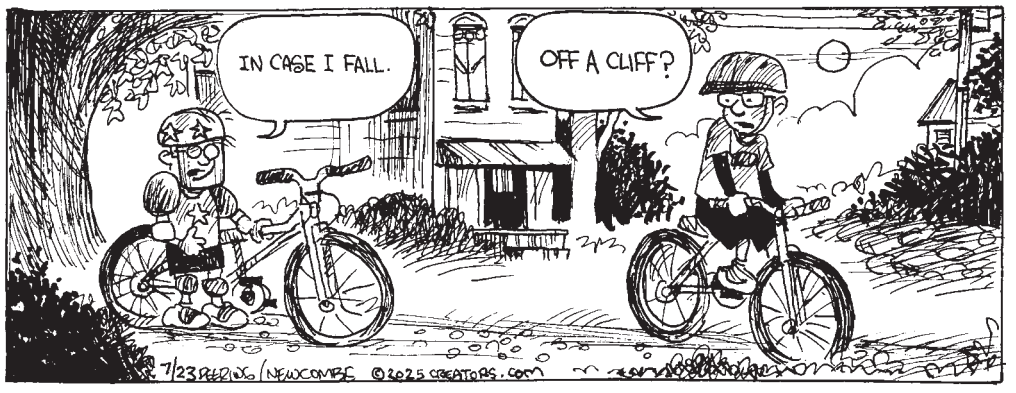
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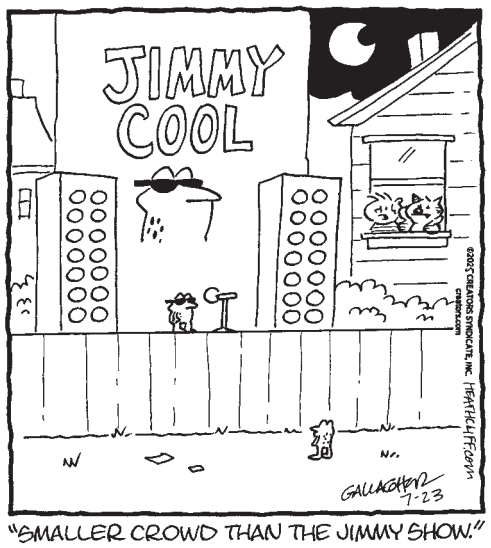
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This year reveals your mythic side. You rise through challenges with the focus of a hero and the fire of a muse. The company you keep will shimmer with intrigue and lift you higher. More highlights: a ceremony that has you laughing through tears of pride, a disagreement that turns into a breakthrough, and a reinvention that beautifies your everyday. Capricorn and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 14, 33, 7 and 25.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There's something beautiful about unfinished business - the way it invites you back but never in the same way. You'll revisit a person, place or project with fresh eyes and be inspired to make the move you weren't ready for until now.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You don't need a big reason to do something interesting. Your curiosity is reason enough. A detour today brings strange delight and an encounter you'll think about for weeks, possibly longer.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The song that lit you up yesterday falls flat today. The meal that once hit the spot leaves you wanting something else. You've changed - maybe just a little, but enough to need new inputs, new flavors, new sparks.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The energy moves differently today - more sideways than forward, more inward than out. Don't think of this as a stall. Think of it as a reorientation. It's a chance to check your tools, glance at the map, re-knot your laces. The work ahead needs this kind of care, and so do you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're vivid, honest, complex in a way that's rare. You bring your whole self to the day - your wit, your pain, your joy, your power - and that kind of presence is magnetic, calling something real out of others.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The qualities you prize will be present around you - people with humor, enthusiasm and initiative are in your midst and easily spotted. Reach out because there's a team here just waiting to be formed. Any small gesture will start the process.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Something clicks into place when you prioritize your needs. You'll get real about what matters, not in theory but in how you spend your energy. You'll say exactly what needs saying. You'll feel heard, and more importantly, seen.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). In love or art or work, you're drawn to what has heat, even if it's messy. You'll meet a match that fires your instincts. What follows won't be simple, but it will be raw, real and affecting, altering your thinking and making you wiser.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your natural elegance includes knowing when not to speak. Someone else stumbles, and you make the powerful choice to let them keep their dignity. It's a quiet gesture that makes you unforgettable.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Risk is relative. What looks bold, reckless or daring to one person might be the only logical move for someone else depending on their circumstances, resources or urgency. So, before jumping in, learn where everyone is starting from.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll be offered a shortcut, but you might actually prefer the longer route. It allows more interaction, more observation, more of life. You're collecting details - the color of the sky, the story behind someone's look. The whole day is a keepsake.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Maybe the world will gently tilt toward you and you'll know what you have to do, but if not, that's OK, too. Just act. One thing will lead to another, and then it will be as though the decision makes itself through your actions.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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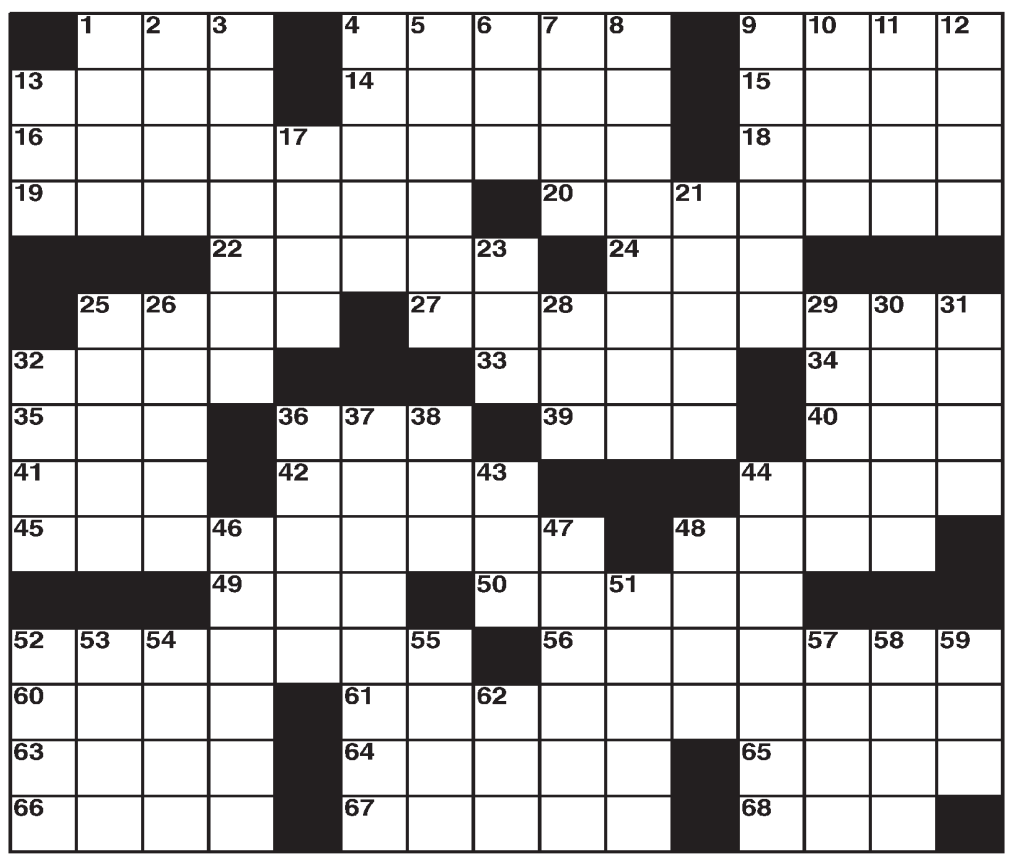
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15 Where you live
16 Unnecessary person
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19 Overfill
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22 Old __ (American flag)
24 After-tax
25 Whodunit hint
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prefer to live in an RV over staying at a shelter, which may have restrictive rules.

For Bollinger, who is able-bodied, maintains a clean space and has no dependents, moving to a shelter would be a step down, he says. Still, he expects to receive a permit.

"If housing were affordable, there is a very good chance I wouldn't be out here," he said.

CITY RECENTLY CLOSED ITS ONLY RV LOT

RV dwellers say San Francisco should open a safe parking lot where residents could empty trash and access electricity. But city officials shuttered an RV lot in April, saying it cost about $4 million a year to service three dozen large vehicles and it failed to transition people to more stable housing.

The mayor's new proposal comes with more money for beefed-up RV parking enforcement — but also an additional $11 million, largely for a small number of households to move to subsidized housing for a few years.

Officials acknowledge that may not be sufficient to house all RV dwellers, but notes that the city also has hotel vouchers and other housing subsidies.

Erica Kisch, CEO of nonprofit Compass Family Services, which assists homeless families, says they do not support the punitive nature of the proposal but are grateful for the extra resources.

"It's recognition that households should not be living in vehicles, that we need to do better for families, and for seniors and for anyone else who's living in a vehicle," she said. "San Francisco can do better, certainly."

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Help Wanted

SR. FULLSTACK DEVELOPER/TECHNICAL LEAD: Provide hands-on coding & technical leadership to front-end, fullstack development team to deliver customized customer interfaces/modules to interact with core features of the Aparavi platform. Requires Master's in SW/Sys Eng, CS, or closely related; 2 years exp. in lead dev roles including dev exp with SQL databases, coding w/node.js, and web app dev w/JavaScript & React.js. Offered salary $126,942/yr. Hybrid work sched. Send resumes: Attn: S. Saperstein, People Operations Specialist, Aparavi Software Corp, 1351 3rd St Promenade, Ste 300, Santa Monica, CA 90401

Help Wanted

Amazon.com Services LLC seeks candidates for the following (multiple positions available) in Santa Monica, CA. Apply at: https://www.amazon.jobs/en/, referencing job ID (3018241):

Program Manager II (Job ID: 3018241). Identify, design, develop, implement, and execute new and existing processes, policies, goals, and solutions to ensure optimal customer experience related to fulfillment solutions. Drive development efforts and manage priorities for project/program completion, including operational solutions. Domestic and/or international travel up to 25% to perform role responsibilities may be required. The pay range for this position in Santa Monica, CA is $82,846 - $129,800 (yr); however, base pay offered may vary depending on job-related knowledge, skills, and experience A sign-on bonus and restricted stock units may be provided as part of the compensation package, in addition to a full range of medical, financial, and/or other benefits, dependent on the position offered. This information is provided by Santa Monica, CA Equal Pay Act. Base pay information is based on market location. Applicants should apply via Amazon's internal or external careers site.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 05/28/25 2025108808 The following person(s) is (are) doing business Advancing Women Executives 11846 Ventura Blvd Ste 302 Studio City, CA 91604 . Los Angeles Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): Ai #ON. The full name of the registrant(s) is/are AWE Solutions, LLC 11846 Ventura Blvd Ste 302 Studio City, CA 91604 If corporation or LLC-Print State of DE This is Business is Conducted: A Limited Liability Company . The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/2025 . Registrant /Corp/ LLC AWE Solutions, LLC Title: CEO Member MeikoTakayama . This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 05/28/2025NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE County CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. ,Business and Professions Code).

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HOURS MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00am - 5:00pm
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WEDNESDAY | JULY 23

FRIENDS OF VENICE LIBRARY: YOGA FOR EVERYONE!
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Venice Branch Library 501 S Venice Blvd. Venice. Through body awareness, movement, and breath, you will be guided on how to bring your body, mind, and spirit back into balance for overall well-being. All levels are welcome. Generously funded by the Friends of Venice Library. For ADA accommodations, call (213) 228-7430 at least 72 hours prior to the event. Para ajustes razonables según la ley de ADA, llama al (213) 228-7430 al menos 72 horas antes del evento. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/friends-of-venice-library-yoga-for-everyone-/14548476/2025-07-02T12

THURSDAY | JULY 24

ARTS/CRAFTS
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Virginia Avenue Park 2200 Virginia Ave Santa Monica. Venga, aprenda, y diviertase cada jueves de 11 AM a 1 PM el salón 3 del parque Virginia. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/arts-crafts/14712446/2025-07-17T11

FRIDAY | JULY 25

THE NIGHT SKY SHOW
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Santa Monica College 1900 Pico Blvd Santa Monica. The Night Sky Show is a short program with the latest news in space exploration and astronomy. The program uses freeware sky visualization tools to show you the constellations planets and deep sky objects in the Southern California night sky. The show will last about 30 minutes followed by a short Q&A when guests can type questions into a chat box. We will answer as many questions as possible. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/the-night-sky-show/14165546/2025-07-11T19

SATURDAY | JULY 26

ARTISTS & FLEAS: VENICE MARKETPLACE
11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Westminster Elementary School 1010 Abbot Kinney Los Angeles. Artists & Fleas in Venice is located in the vibrant, artistic heart of Venice at the corner of Abbot Kinney and Westminster Avenue in the outdoor lot of Westminister Avenue Elementary School. Join 50+ merchants every Saturday (rain or shine!) for a fabulous lineup of art, design, food trucks and vintage. Date: Every Saturday Time: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Location: Westminster Elementary School - 1010 Abbot Kinney Check our website here for a list of vendors. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/artists-fleas-venice-marketplace/14548485/2025-06-28T11

SUNDAY | JULY 27

THE WATERFRONT - SUNDAY REAL FUNDAY BRUNCH BUFFET
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The Waterfront 205 Ocean Front Walk Venice. Enjoy a bottomless brunch buffet Sundays at The Waterfront! The Waterfront Venice is a full-service restaurant celebrating Californian cuisine with views of the Pacific Ocean. Situated between Rose and Navy on the famous Venice Beach Boardwalk, our food & beverage menus celebrate California with carefully selected seasonal produce from local farms. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/the-waterfront-sunday-real-funday-brunch-buffet/14894114/2025-07-20T11

MONDAY | JULY 28

PIZZA PARTY AT BODEGA WINE BAR
6:00 p.m. -10:00 p.m. 814 Broadway Santa Monica, CA 90401. Every Monday Night at Bodega, every bottle of wine you purchase gets you a pizza half off! 6pm-Close. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/pizza-party-at-bodega-wine-bar/11526040/2025-07-21T18

TUESDAY | JULY 29

WALKING MEDITATION
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Beach lot 5 South 2600 Bernard Away Santa Monica. Walking meditation is and has always been a significant alternative to sitting meditation, especially for those starting a new practice. The goal of meditation is to be able to practice in all positions, conditions and activities whether sitting, standing, walking, lying down, or whenever awake. We'll meet Tuesday's and Thursdays at 2 pm by the Mobile Community Meditation and Retreat Center VAN parked in the Santa Monica Beach lot 5 South (by the grass on the east side of the parking lot and across the street from the basketball courts at Ocean View Park) We'll walk silently together for approximately 45 minutes on the shoreline. Everyone is welcome to join whether new to meditation or with many years of experience. Please remember to bring sand shoes if you prefer not to walk barefoot, sunscreen, a hat, a jacket if it's cold and water. Tho there's a dog in the photo, unfortunately dogs are not permitted on the beach. Looking forward to meeting and meditating with you all. please feel free to reach out with any concerns or questions and please arrive 5 minutes early. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/walking-meditation/16206460/2025-07-15T14

GELSON'S WEST LA TO HOST TACO TUESDAYS WITH TACOS, MARGARITAS, AND MEZCALS
4:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Gelson's 12121 W Olympic Blvd, Los Angeles. Every Tuesday from 4 PM to 10 PM, Gelson's West LA Wine Bar will be hosting Taco Tuesdays, bringing together a festive blend of flavors and fun. Enjoy a variety of mouthwatering tacos, refreshing margaritas, and smooth mezcals, all served in a vibrant, welcoming atmosphere. The perfect way to spice up the week—gather friends and enjoy a night of great food, drinks, and good times. Prices vary. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/gelson-s-west-la-to-host-taco-tuesdays-with-tacos-margaritas-and-mezcals/15309564/2025-07-08T16

WEDNESDAY | JULY 30

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