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Council moves ahead with plans to establish a permanent shared mobility device program



Matthew Hall

SCOOTERS: The City will move away from a restricted contract system that has limited mobility options in the city to a wider permit system.

SCOTT SNOWDEN
SMDP Staff Writer

Council moved ahead to establish a permanent e-scooter micro mobility program on Tuesday with direction to move from a contact model to a permit system.

However, the debate to get to that decision meandered as Councilmembers pontificated, sometimes incorrectly, on the nature of the devices in the city.

Two items, Consent Calendar item 5A and Ordinance item 10B from the agenda, were combined since they both related to the same subject. Two companies currently operate e-scooters within the city limits of Santa Monica, Spin and Veo, both of which are headquartered in San Francisco.

Jeffrey Hoover, Director of Government Partnerships for Veo was present in chambers and spoke during the public comment section of the meeting. However, no one from Spin was present.

"First and foremost, I'd like to thank the city ... for creating one of the most robust and interesting micro mobility programs in the country," Hoover said, adding, "Tonight is truly critical for Santa Monica to maintain a vibrant and healthy micro mobility program. It's an essential component for meeting several of the city's priorities which were shared in a truly eloquent way by Mayor Brock and Mr. White at this year's state of the city."

Trevor Thomas, Senior Transportation Planner, provided the presentation before discussion began. Some interesting points were raised by Vice Mayor Lana Negrete

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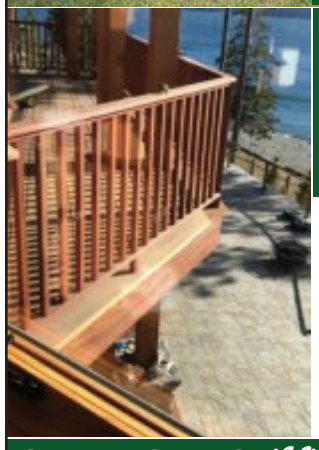
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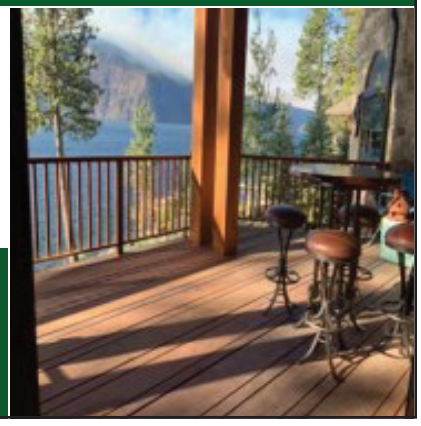
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As Newsom finishes his governorship, would-be successors are multiplying



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CANDIDATE: Former LA Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa this week became the fifth Democrat to announce a run for governor. Photo shows him speaking at a press conference in Antioch in 2022.

DAN WALTERS

There never was much of a chance that California Gov. Gavin Newsom would be running for president this year, even if President Joe Biden were to step aside.

While Newsom has been doing all of the usual things that earn a place on political media lists of potential candidates, he has seemed to be looking ahead to 2028 if, indeed, he harbors such ambitions despite his many denials.

However, now that Vice President Kamala Harris is virtually certain to be the Democratic nominee this year, even a 2028 Newsom run is less likely since she, if elected, likely would seek a second term in the White House. Newsom's only opportunity, if he yearns to be president, hinges on Harris losing to former President Donald Trump.

Meanwhile, a game of political musical chairs is developing in California over who might succeed Newsom as governor two years hence.

The field of serious Democratic hopefuls increased to five Tuesday when Antonio Villaraigosa, a former speaker of the state Assembly and mayor of Los Angeles, declared his candidacy in a YouTube video, describing himself as a "problem solver to lead this state."

Toni Atkins, former president pro tempore of the state Senate; Lt. Gov. Eleni Kounalakis; state schools Superintendent Tony Thurmond and former state Controller Betty Yee had already declared.

More would-be governors are waiting in the wings.

Attorney General Rob Bonta is very likely to make the run, and his predecessor, Xavier Becerra, now a Biden administration official, is at least exploring the possibility. Others on the informal lists of possible candidates include LA Mayor Karen Bass, a former member of Congress and one-time speaker of the state Assembly; U.S. Sen. Laphonza Butler, who is serving the remainder of the late Dianne Feinstein's term; and Katie Porter, an Orange County member of Congress who lost a bid for the U.S. Senate this year.

While there's no obvious frontrunner among the declared and potential candidates, neither are they all equally viable.

Kounalakis' family wealth — her father is developer Angelo Tsakopoulos — was quite evident in her successful campaign for lieutenant governor and gives her an obvious advantage in the all-important money race.

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Clarity to the community

Editor:

I am writing to address several inaccuracies in the recent communications from Santa Monica School District (SMMUSD) regarding the City of Malibu's decision to resume our petition for unification. As the Mayor Pro Tem of Malibu, and a member of the Subcommittee for School Separation, I have firsthand knowledge of these events and wish to provide clarity to the community.

First, the District claims that our request to the County Committee to schedule hearings on our 2017 petition is premature and contrary to the agreed timeline. White it's true that both parties agreed to a general timeline in May, which included a "Community Engagement on the Full Unification Package" for July, this engagement did not occur because the parties have been stuck in a deadlock. The last few mediation sessions were significantly unproductive, highlighted by the fact that only one of the three District subcommittee board members attended. Not only were key members not attending our mediation sessions, but it was clear that the District team was not meeting regularly and was not prepared to use our limited mediation time productively. After the parties failed to meet the initial goals of the timeline, we recognized that the November target dates were no longer feasible. Consequently, we determined that returning to the County Committee was the best use of our resources to ensure a timely and fair resolution.

In their communications, SMMUSD implied that our decision to return to the County Committee process signifies an abandonment of collaborative efforts. This is far from the truth. We have consistently communicated to the District—and continue to maintain—that we are willing to attend any and all future mediation sessions. However, SMMUSD has refused to continue mediation unless we withdraw our request to the County Committee. This ultimatum is unacceptable. Malibu residents and students have waited many years for separation. We were patient while the District addressed the CVRA petition last year, but we can no longer accept delays. Both parties have publicly agreed that separation is in the best interest of all students. These efforts must proceed promptly, either through mediation or the County Committee process.

It is important to note that the City of Malibu is fully committed to the guiding principles adopted as part of our term sheet. We believe that the formation of an independent Malibu Unified School District is in the best interest of all students, and we are dedicated to ensuring that each successor education entity receives adequate funding to provide a similar level of service as before separation. The District's claim that we are bound by our 2017 Petition misrepresents the next steps. We stand by our petition and will supplement it with an updated feasibility study demonstrating compliance with the nine criteria in the Education Code (section 35753). While recent sessions have been challenging, the overall process has been valuable to identifying a sound fiscal path forward. It would be unwise and irresponsible to disregard this. We aim to present these principles to the County Committee through our feasibility study, and we hope the District will join us in this effort.

Lastly, the City of Malibu values the patience and support of our community as we strive for an independent Malibu Unified School District that serves the best interests of all students. We are committed to transparency and fairness in this process and welcome any further discussions with SMMUSD to achieve this goal.

Sincerely,

Marianne Riggins, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Malibu

GOVERNORSHIP

FROM PAGE 2

Bonta's advantage, should he run, is that he occupies California's second most influential political office, which has been the springboard for several previous governors. Scarcely a day passes without at least one news release from Bonta's office touting some accomplishment.

Villaraigosa, who lost to Newsom in a 2018 duel for the governorship, brings name identification to the game and is the only declared Latino candidate. However, while Villaraigosa got his start in politics as a union organizer, his battles with the teachers' union as LA mayor damaged his 2018 bid for governor.

What about Republicans? While it would be virtually impossible for a Republican to be elected governor in this deeply blue state, the presence of a Republican on the primary ballot could affect what happens to the Democratic candidates.

We saw that in March's top-two primary election when three Democratic candidates for the U.S. Senate were vying for a spot on the November ballot. The winner, Congressman Adam Schiff, spent millions of dollars attacking the Republican candidate, former baseball player Steve Garvey, with the obvious — and successful — aim of helping Garvey finish second. It protected Schiff from having to face his chief Democratic foe, Katie Porter, in November.

So far the only declared Republican candidate for governor with any traction is Leo Zacky, president of Zacky Farms, a major poultry producer. However, it's possible that Chad Bianco, the sheriff of Riverside County, might jump into the fray.

This article was originally published by CalMatters.



Surf report

WATER TEMP: **65.1**

THURSDAY
FAIR
SURF: 1-2ft
Knee to thigh

Selective SSW/S swell continues. Just minor NW windswell in the mix so the summer exposures will likely be the only option for a rideable wave.

FRIDAY
FAIR
SURF: 1-2ft
Knee to thigh

Nothing large but could be a few playful little waves for the small wave gear if wind can cooperate for the morning. Refresh of SSW/S swell moves in through the day and NW windswell may perk back up.

Weather

Thursday: Patchy dense fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 76.
Thursday Night: Increasing clouds, with a low around 65. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
Friday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, partly sunny, with a high near 74.
Friday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 63.

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2024/07/26	Fri	01:07 AM	4.75	H
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2024/07/26	Fri	8:41 PM	1.67	L
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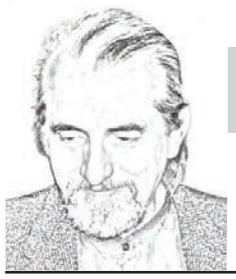
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Don't Miss Lawrence!



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MOVIE: Akaba at the Aero!

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

THEATRICUM BOTANICUM – This is a good Friday to catch "Wendy's Peter Pan" because there is a discussion with the cast an hour before the performance, and "Pay What You Will" ticket pricing. (So pay double – they deserve it.) "The Winter's Tale," one of Willie the Shake's last, is a tragi-comedy in five acts. Their ever-evolving staple "A Midsummer Night's Dream" has been performed by TB every season, for more than half a century now. Molière's classic "Tartuffe" is brought forward a few centuries, and right into today's headlines. How do you stop an invasive cultish worm who uses lies of biblical proportion to wind his way into your family life, your city, your country? Through the brilliant storytelling of Molière and Freyda Thomas' clever adaptation in rhyming couplets, we watch a southern family in the 1980s begin to recognize a "taker" in their midst in the form of a televangelist. "Wendy" Fri (prologue discussion with cast at 6:30, before this performance on 7/26 – "Pay What You Will" ticket pricing), "Tartuffe" Sat, "Winter" Sun, "Midsummer" next Thurs, all 7:30 p.m., $15-60.

"VERTIGO" 70mm (1958) – Hitchcock directs James Stewart and Kim Novak (always blondes, Alfred?) in what many consider his masterpiece, on many Top 10 of All Time lists. Since I was blown away last week by the Aero's 70mm print of Hitch's "N by NW," I have no problem highly recommending this. The Aero's 70mm festival is almost over, so don't miss these last few. Or would you prefer to drive to Hollywood? Fri 7:30 p.m., Sat 2 p.m., Aero Theatre, Santa Monica, $15-20.

"LAWRENCE OF ARABIA" 70mm (1962) — This is in my Top Four. After "Vertigo" Saturday afternoon, go catch dinner and do some shopping and walk back for this masterpiece. Seven Oscars (handed out at SM Civic) including Best Picture, Best Director David Lean, but, the actors! Omar Sharif, Anthony Quinn, Jack Hawkins, Claude Rains, Alec Guinness, and in his first feature film, Peter O'Toole. Best Cinematography (you bet!), editing, sound mixing, and score – the soundtrack by Maurice Jaure, also a new name, was the first LP I ever owned. (Thank you, Aunt Eleanor!) It made me so curious about this T.E. Lawrence character that I immediately read his autobiography, and about a dozen other books written about him. One of the most memorable experiences of my life was to be driven by my friend Nigel along that country road near Surrey, where Lawrence was no doubt speeding dangerously on his motorcycle, and lost his life. You have two chances at this! Sat 6 p.m., Sun 1 p.m., Aero Theatre, Santa Monica, $15-20.

HOT CLUB OF LOS ANGELES — You can go to the Cinema Bar any Monday night, 9-11:30, for more than a decade now, and hear these hot players run through Django Reinhart-style '30s jazz. This amazing ensemble is a treasure. Mon 9 p.m., Cinema Bar, Culver City, no cover.

RECOMMENDED:

Tonight - ALL-BEETHOVEN, LA PHIL – Still no Dude, it's his pick up basketball night, but – we have Ludwig!! Lotsa Ludwig! An overture, a triple concerto, then back after intermission to take the Fifth. Turn off your TV, and elevate. Thurs 8 p.m., Hollywood Bowl, $15-186.

Tonight - DWIGHT YOAKAM, MAVERICKS – It may not sound like a country name (or maybe it does), and he has always spray painted his jeans on, but they hit really fine cowboy boots (no tennies or casual shoes for this cowboy), his big hat is so pulled down it's hard to see his face, and he has always, since I first saw him at The Palomino in the early '80s, carried the torch for real country music, especially Bakersfield-style. And the Mavericks are compatible, and a kick ass band, if not so rabidly authentic as Dwight. Thurs 7:30 p.m., Greek, $

"WILD THINGS ARE HAPPENING: THE ART OF MAURICE SENDAK" – Now you can see them much bigger than a page in a book. This is the first complete retrospective of his art since his death in 2012, and includes his work in many areas of the arts. 7/18-9/1, Skirball Museum, admission price? Parking fee - call for info and hours.

MICHAEL FRANTI & SPEARHEAD – It's been years since I've seen them, a couple of times, but a reliable source tells me they always put on a great show, with a positive slant, though the mix of music styles is unpredictable. Sounds good to me., Fri 6 p.m., Greek, LA, $15-325.

Outlaw Fest: WILLIE, BOB, MELLANCAMP – Nothing more to say. Wed 5 p.m., Hollywood Bowl, $59-1,547.

UB40, ENGLISH BEAT, INNER CIRCLE – I can guarantee this will be VERY entertaining whether you light up or not, and you will be up skanking your cares away. Good enough? Wed 7:30 p.m., Greek, LA, $20-222.

"THE SUBSTANCE OF FIRE" – Is gaining steam. Drawing actors like Bryan Cranston, Kevin Pollack, Dann Florek, Laurence Fishburne. ("They all loved it," said Ruskin's Mike Myers, "and now we are adding Thursdays, starting 8/8.") Starring Rob Morrow and Marcia Cross, both with extensive credits and awards for stage, film and TV. Go soon, you may well want to return, and take friends. Fri, Sat, next Thurs 8 p.m.., Sun 2 p.m., Ruskin Group Theatre, SM Airport, $25-40.

COMING ATTRACTIONS (also recommended): Wild Things Are Happening: The Art of Maurice Sendak," Skirball, 7/25-9/1; Theatricum Botanicum - "Wendy's Peter Pan" 7/26, 8/9, 18, 25 - "Tartuffe-Born Again" 7/27, 8/4, 11, 18, 25, 30 - "The Winter's Tale" 7/28, 8/2, 10, 16, 24 - "A Midsummer Night's Dream" 8/1, 8, 15, 29; "The Substance of Fire," Ruskin Group Theatre, 7/26, 27, 28, 8/2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, 9/1; Dwight Yoakam, Mavericks, Greek, 7/25; Michael Franti & Spearhead, Greek, 7/26; Lake Street Dive, Greek, 7/27; "Lawrence of Arabia," 70mm, Aero Theatre, 7/27, 28; Outlaw Fest: Willie, Bob, Mellancamp. Hollywood Bowl, 7/31; UB40, English Beat, Inner Circle, Greek, 7/31; Schumann & Bruch, LA Phil, Hollywood Bowl, 8/1; Theatricum Botanicum's Annual Gala, "Echoes In The Forest," 8/3; Mavis Staples, Norah Jones, Greek, 8/4; Reggae Night XXII: Damian and Stephen Marley, Hollywood Bowl, 8/4; Hives, Foo Fighters, BMO Stadium, 8/9; Jon Batiste, Greek, 8/10; Wailing Souls, Levitt Pavilion, 8/10; Alanis Morisette, Joan Jett & Blackhearts, Kia Forum, 8/10; Pretenders, Foo Fighters, BMO Stadium, 8/11; Herbie Hancock "Head Hunte

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Summer Music & Food

SMDP's Weekly Guide to Food & Entertainment Goings-On In & Around Town includes multiple free Summer music events, a sunset swim at Annenberg Community Beach House, sandwich and taco recommendations, and much more!



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SKATE: The awareness event will be held on Saturday.

Night Market at The Bungalow: Every Thursday night through Aug. 29, expect food vendors, beverage activations, family-friendly activities, live musical and DJ performances, and celebrity guest appearances. Free and open to the public for guests of all ages and pet friendly. Thursdays 5 - 11 p.m. https://www.fairmont-miramar.com/activities/night-market/

Last Thursdays Summer Concert Series on the Venice Boardwalk: Come out and celebrate summer and experience the best of Venice Beach and support our local venues. FREE. Thursday, July 25, 6:30p.m - Sunset @ 300 Ocean Front Walk https://www.instagram.com/lastthursdayvenice/

Sunset Swim at Annenberg Community Beach House: After a long (and hot) week, cool off with a Sunset Swim this Friday, July 26 at the oceanside pool located on the historic former estate of actress Marion Davies. The adults-only session runs from 6 - 9 p.m. More info here.

"They Will Skate Again" Event: "Founded by 3X world champion quadriplegic surfer Jesse Billauer, Life Rolls On is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people living with various disabilities. Saturday, July 27, 10a.m. @ Venice Skate Park liferollson.org/venice

Twisted Gypsy Fleetwood Mac Reimagined Event: "Get ready to experience a night of wild and twisted fun at this exclusive speakeasy the Killer Yacht Club OverKill Room in Marina del Rey. Saturday July 27, 8p.m. @ 4211 Admiralty Way https://www.eventbrite.com/e/killer-yacht-club-overkill-room-twisted-gypsy-fleetwood-mac-reimagined-tickets-905355722337

WHAT TO EAT & DRINK?

Sirena at The Georgian Celebrates National Wine and Cheese Day: $60 gets you three "curated wines paired with cheese boards in collaboration with The Cheese Store of Beverly Hills." Thursday, July 25, 5 - 7 p.m. @ 1415 Ocean Ave. More details here on Resy.

"16 Stunning Waterfront Restaurants to Relish in Los Angeles": This Eater LA article includes several SaMo spots like Sirena @ The Georgian, The Lobster @ the Pier, and The Penthouse @ The Huntley as good places to "settle into ocean views, salty breezes, and excellent food and drink." https://la.eater.com/maps/beachside-waterfront-restaurants-ocean-view-la-malibu-long-beach-venice-santa-monica

The Best Sandwich Shops In Los Angeles: This Infatuation list includes Bay Cities as expected along with Lady & Larder @ Lincoln & Pico and Tre Mani on Ocean Park Blvd. https://www.theinfatuation.com/los-angeles/guides/best-sandwich-shops-in-la

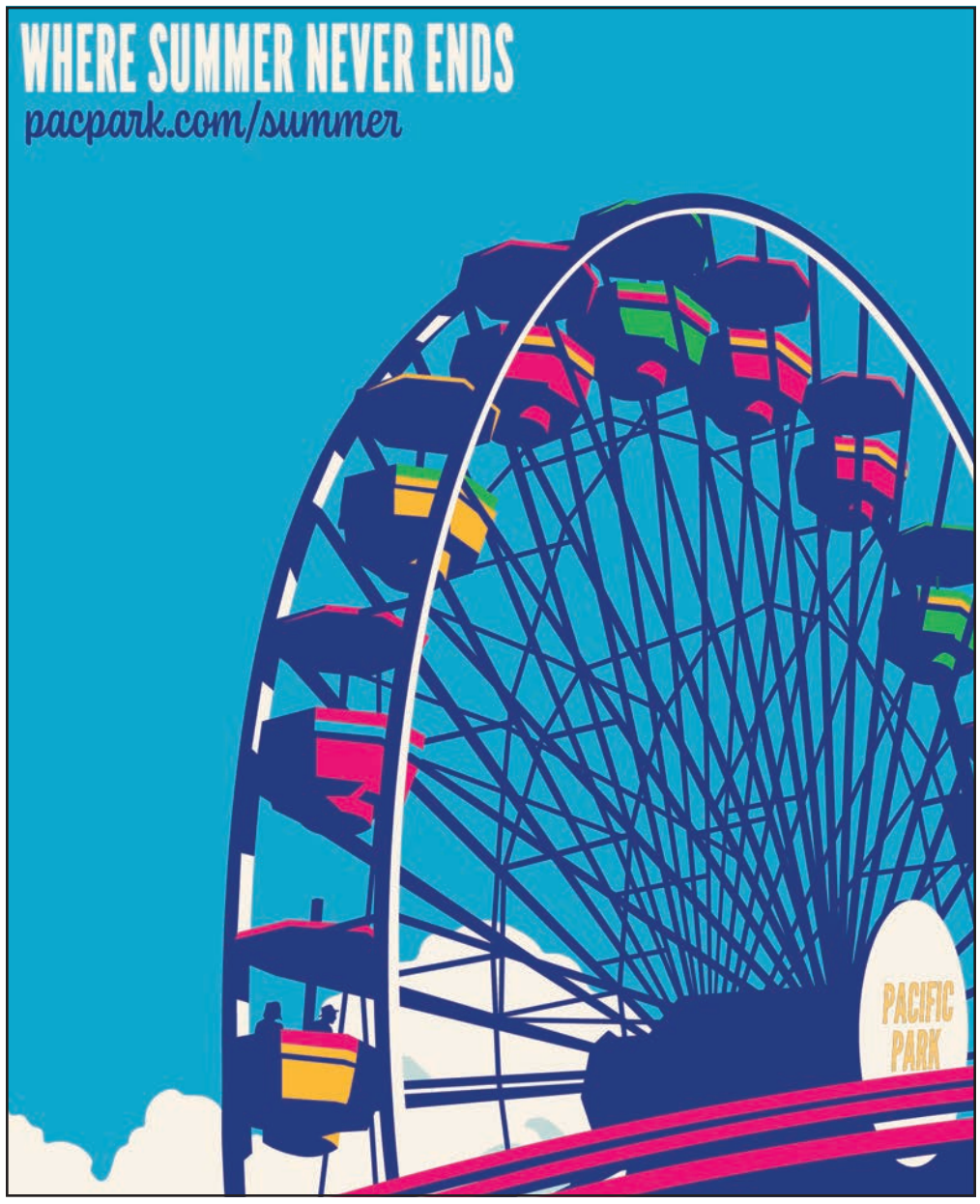
LA Times Declares "L.A.'s next great sandwich shop is in Santa Monica": Much love is given to the new Breadhead on Montana: "The Mozzarella is a case study in balance. The lush parts: generous lobes of fresh cheese, thick slivers of ripe avocado laid out like toppled dominoes and a za'atar spread bringing crucial herby zing. The contrasts: perfectly employed alfalfa sprouts that rustle against the teeth and pickled onion slivers for snap. These layers stand with sturdy poise between slices of medium-thin focaccia, engineered for slightly more crunch than squish. https://www.latimes.com/food/newsletter/2024-06-22/bread-head-sandwiches-santa-monica-tasting-notes

Further Afield: Hammer Museum Summer Concert: Live music comes to The Hammer's courtyard via performances by DJ Monalisa, this year's NPR Tiny Desk Concert Winner The Philharmonik, and Plea of Soulection. Thursday, July 25. Happy hour starts at 6:30 p.m., music starts at 7:30 p.m., and the galleries will be open from 7 to 9 p.m. Free to attend. 10899 Wilshire Blvd. More info here.

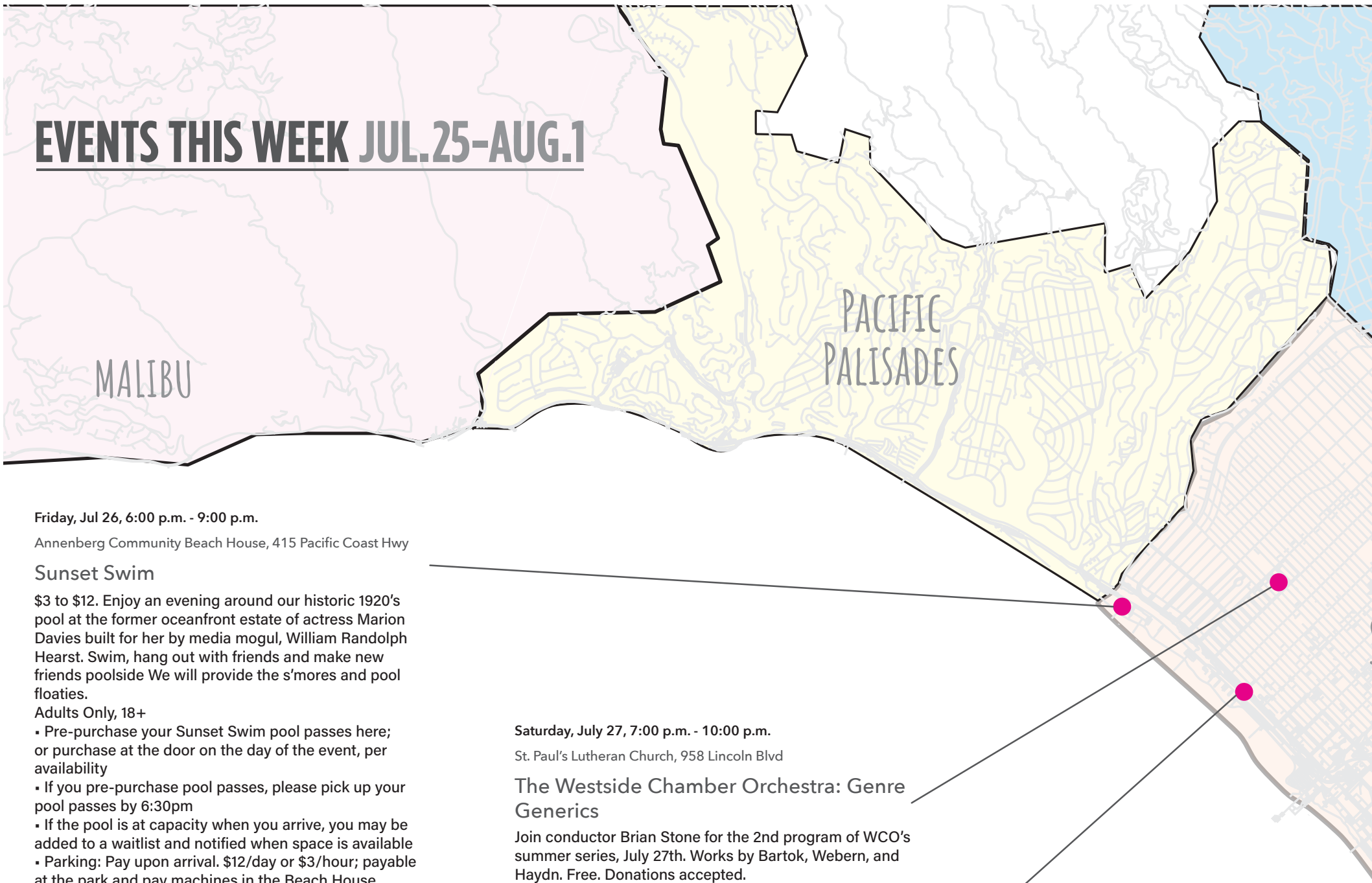
LOOKING AHEAD: National Night Out (8/6), Montana Ave. Dog Daze (8/24), The Pier's Birthday Bash (9/6), Main St. Day of the Dog Festival (9/7), Montana Ave. Art Walk (9/28)

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EVENTS THIS WEEK JUL.25-AUG.1



Friday, Jul 26, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Hwy

Sunset Swim

$3 to $12. Enjoy an evening around our historic 1920's pool at the former oceanfront estate of actress Marion Davies built for her by media mogul, William Randolph Hearst. Swim, hang out with friends and make new friends poolside We will provide the s'mores and pool floaties.
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▪ Pre-purchase your Sunset Swim pool passes here; or purchase at the door on the day of the event, per availability
▪ If you pre-purchase pool passes, please pick up your pool passes by 6:30pm
▪ If the pool is at capacity when you arrive, you may be added to a waitlist and notified when space is available
▪ Parking: Pay upon arrival. $12/day or $3/hour; payable at the park and pay machines in the Beach House parking lot. Credit cards or exact change only. Disabled person placards/license plates and City of Santa Monica Senior Beach Permits are accepted
▪ Outside food welcome, no glass, no alcohol
▪ $10 Adult (age 18 – 59)
▪ $5 Senior Adult (age 60 & above)
▪ Half off with pool pass of the day
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Saturday, July 27, 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 958 Lincoln Blvd

The Westside Chamber Orchestra: Genre Generics

Join conductor Brian Stone for the 2nd program of WCO's summer series, July 27th. Works by Bartok, Webern, and Haydn. Free. Donations accepted.
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-westside-chamber-orchestra-genre-generics-free-concert-tickets-918974125347

Saturday, July 27, 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Fairmont Miramar Hotel & Bungalows, 101 Wilshire Boul

Jazz Night in partnership with the Broad Stage

Fairmont Miramar is thrilled to announce an exciting new partnership with BroadStage Santa Monica, a leading contemporary performing arts presenter. Starting June 15th, Fairmont Miramar's Lobby Lounge will come alive every Saturday night from 7-10pm with the soulful sounds of live jazz, featuring talented resident piano players Yuko Mabuchi and Sam Smylie.
This collaboration marks the beginning of a captivating Jazz Night series, aimed at enriching the cultural fabric of Santa Monica and providing an enchanting atmosphere for hotel guests and local residents alike. Yuko Mabuchi and Sam Smylie, both celebrated for their exquisite talent and unique styles, will rotate performances, bringing their vibrant interpretations to the elegant setting of the Fairmont Miramar.
For more information, please visit https://www.fairmont-miramar.com/activities/jazz-night/

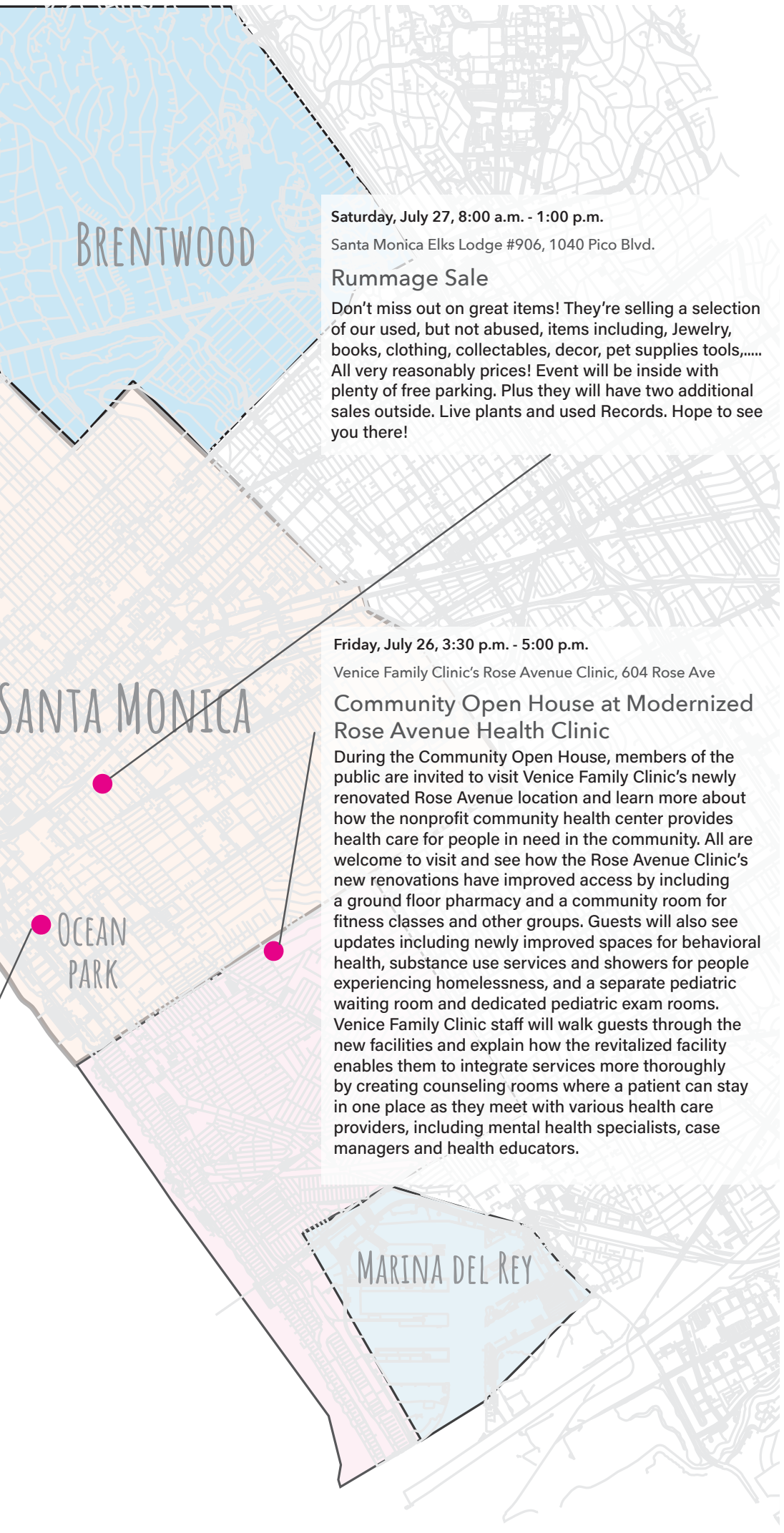
Saturday, July 27, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Santa Monica Preservation Resource Center, 2520 2nd St

Preservation Resource Center: Shotgun House Tour

Stop by for a free tour! Explore the last intact shotgun house in Santa Monica, which now serves as an award-winning Preservation Resource Center for our community. Discover the journey of this tenacious little house, which was saved from demolition and moved - on wheels - three times before becoming a model for adaptive reuse. Tours are available on a walk-up basis. Click here for more information.
https://www.santamonica.com/event/preservation-resource-center-shutgun-house-tour/2024-07-27/

Check out more events at: smdp.com/events



Saturday, July 27, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Santa Monica Elks Lodge #906, 1040 Pico Blvd.

Rummage Sale

Don't miss out on great items! They're selling a selection of our used, but not abused, items including, Jewelry, books, clothing, collectables, decor, pet supplies tools,..... All very reasonably prices! Event will be inside with plenty of free parking. Plus they will have two additional sales outside. Live plants and used Records. Hope to see you there!

Friday, July 26, 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Venice Family Clinic's Rose Avenue Clinic, 604 Rose Ave

Community Open House at Modernized Rose Avenue Health Clinic

During the Community Open House, members of the public are invited to visit Venice Family Clinic's newly renovated Rose Avenue location and learn more about how the nonprofit community health center provides health care for people in need in the community. All are welcome to visit and see how the Rose Avenue Clinic's new renovations have improved access by including a ground floor pharmacy and a community room for fitness classes and other groups. Guests will also see updates including newly improved spaces for behavioral health, substance use services and showers for people experiencing homelessness, and a separate pediatric waiting room and dedicated pediatric exam rooms. Venice Family Clinic staff will walk guests through the new facilities and explain how the revitalized facility enables them to integrate services more thoroughly by creating counseling rooms where a patient can stay in one place as they meet with various health care providers, including mental health specialists, case managers and health educators.



THURSDAY | JULY 25

NIGHT MARKET AT THE BUNGALOW

Brent Bolthouse's vision for the Night Market at The Bungalow Santa Monica is brought to life this summer, offering an enchanting blend of culinary delights, live entertainment, and community spirit. The ultimate foodie event of the summer with food vendors, beverage activations, family-friendly activities, live musical and DJ performances, and celebrity guest appearances. Fairmont Miramar Hotel, 101 Wilshire Boulevard, 10 p.m.

TAKE A BITE OF HISTORY WITH CULINARY HISTORIAN MAITE GOMEZ-REJÓN

Santa Monica History Museum welcomes culinary historian Maite Gomez-Rejón, founder of ArtBites as we take a look at "El Cocinero Español" the first Mexican-American cookbook published in the U.S. (1898), authored by Encarnación Penedo. Pinedo's story and a tasting of her rice pudding recipe will be followed by a Q&A. Local author Terri de la Peña also joins us to share stories about the Marquez family in Santa Monica, including family culinary traditions that were passed down through the generations. RSVP to RSVP@santamonicahistory.org. 6 - 8 p.m. Santa Monica History Museum, 1350 Seventh Street.

STORY-CRAFT TIME

Hear a story and make something of it! Suggested for ages 3 years and older. For ADA accommodations, call (213) 228-7430 at least 72 hours prior to the event. Palisades Branch Library, 861 Alma Real Drive, Pacific Palisades

SUMMER READING PROGRAM: THE BEATBUDS

Dance and sing along with The BeatBuds' interactive music show. Limited space; free tickets available 30 minutes before program. For families. Santa Monica Public Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 2:30 - 3:15 p.m.

FRIDAY | JULY 26

PIANO BAR NIGHT WITH MASTER PIANIST JASON PELSEY

Fairmont Miramar presents "Lobby Lounge Live: Piano Night" every Friday night from 7pm to 10pm. Guests are invited to immerse themselves in the enchanting ambiance of the Lobby Lounge as they enjoy handcrafted cocktails, delectable bites, and the unparalleled talent of master pianist, Jason Pelsey. Fairmont Miramar - Hotel & Bungalows, 101 Wilshire Boulevard. 7 - 10 p.m.

GELSON'S WEST L.A. CELEBRATES SUMMER WITH MONTHLY FRIDAY NIGHT EVENTS

Gelson's is launching a series of free monthly Friday night events at their new West Los Angeles store at West Edge on Friday July 26, August 23, and September 27 from 3pm to 7pm. Designed for the epicurious, each event promises an evening of delicious bites and sips from Gelson's premium purveyors and food trucks, lively music, outdoor games, and a variety of exciting giveaways. Gelson's West LA, 12121 W Olympic Blvd

THE IRL SHOW (PG-RATED STAND-UP COMEDY)

IRL Show: Every 4th Friday of the month at 8 pm Finally, a pro-level stand-up comedy show for middle school & and high school tweens & teens 10 and up. Catch comics from Comedy Central, HBO, and late night TV doing their best PG material. Talk to the comics after the show to meet and learn from the best! Tickets: $10 with student ID, $20 general admission. PLUS — COME EARLY! The Crow orders pizza for everyone and hosts a free teen open mic at 7pm, the hour before the show. Come by to try it out and get some feedback from a pro-comic! Or hang out and watch and support the mic. The Crow, 2525 Michigan Ave., F4. https://crowcomedy.com/

SATURDAY | JULY 27

BOOK CLUB FOR MIDDLE GRADE READERS: "BAN THIS BOOK" BY ALAN GRATZ

Please e-mail: akagan@lapl.org or gkim@lapl.org for the Zoom login information. Middle-grade readers are invited to participate in the fun monthly book discussions. This month they will be reading, Ban This Book by Alan Gratz. For ADA accommodations, call (213) 228-7430 at least 72 hours prior to the event.

MARINE PARK CG GARDEN PARTY AND VOLUNTEER FINGERPRINTING AND REGISTRATION

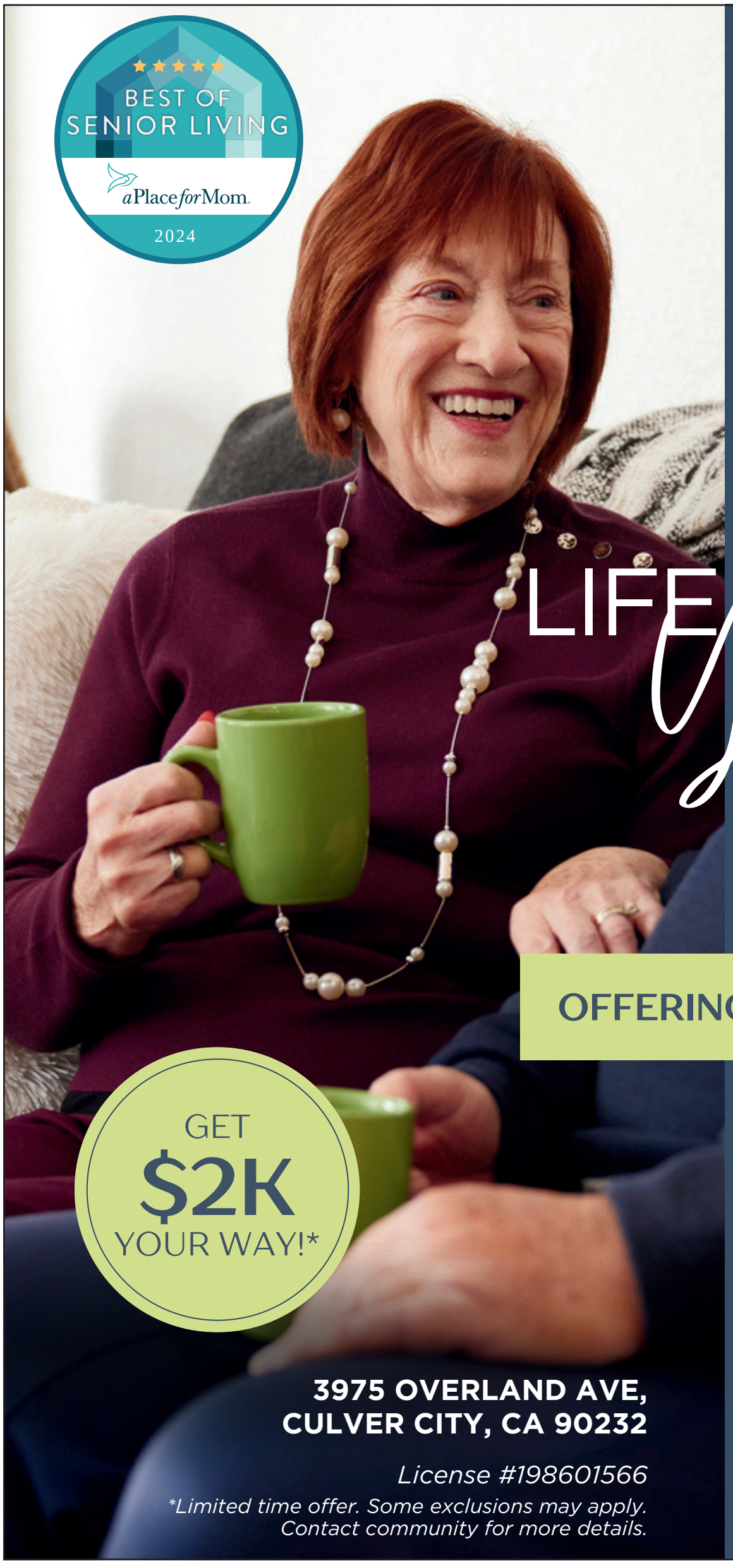
Stop by to help paint compost bins, clean up garden beds, and spend some time outside. Free Live Scan fingerprinting services will be available for anyone interested in becoming a regular City of Santa Monica Volunteer. Please stop by this event to complete your Live Scan Volunteer requirement and start volunteering regularly in the gardens! The Community Garden is located at the western edge of the park, situated between the tennis courts and the homes next to the park. Don't worry, it is back there next to the last tennis court. 9 a.m. - 11 p.m.

SUNDAY | JULY 28

SANTA MONICA AIRPORT ANTIQUE MARKET

Santa Monica Airport, 2800-3200 Airport Ave, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. Noted as One of the Top Ten "Flea Markets' in America, visit the Santa Monica Airport Antique Market, a fun outdoor (and dog-friendly!) market full of many great dealers with furniture, antiques, collectibles, art, vintage clothes, jewelry, rugs and much more. A destination for decorators, designers, boutique owners, families with their friendly dogs and collectors of all ages. https://www.santamonicaairportantiquemarket.com/

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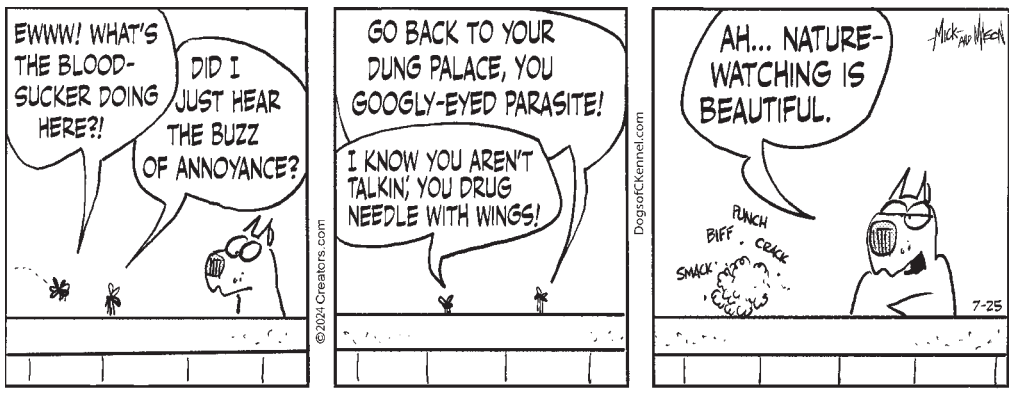
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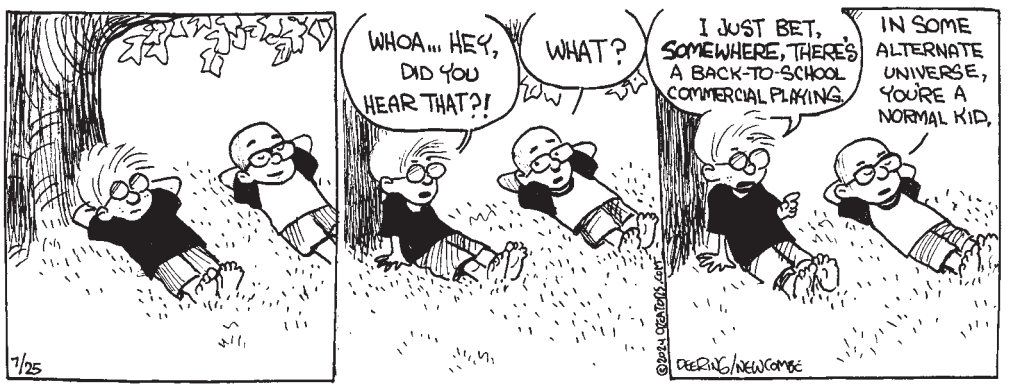
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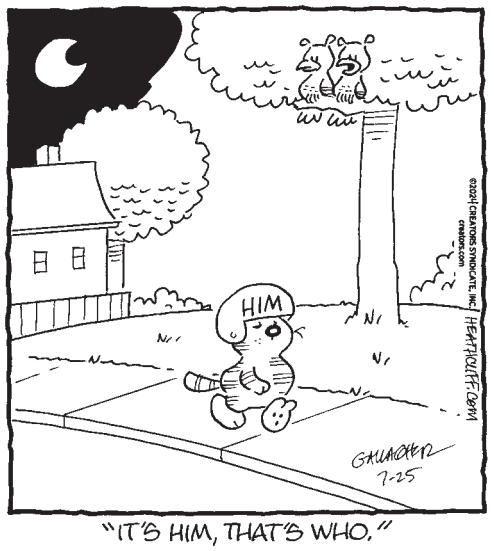
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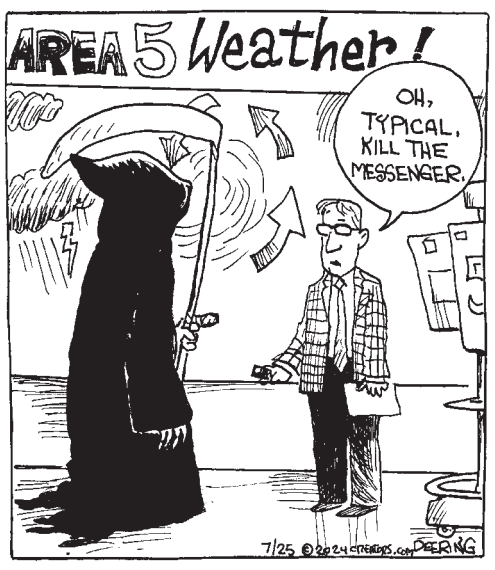
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FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 13 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Like a comic book convention, the year brings unexpected meet ups with outgoing people who connect with you in very specific ways. Some of these characters are heroic, others idolize you as their hero. You'll make legendary alliances. More highlights: a lucky meeting, love sends you on three missions, the good fortune of those close to you lifts you in several ways including financial. Gemini and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 13, 2, 28 and 11.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The best teachers can simplify the lesson or expand on it according to the needs and levels of the student. If you're confused, it only means there's a mismatch of teaching style to learning style. Don't be afraid to adjust or seek other training.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You may find it difficult to stay present and do what makes you happy right now. You are more aware than ever that you're going to spend the rest of your life in the future. Planning is the order of the day.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). To know someone thinks well of you, interprets your words kindly, sees good in you — to a social person like you, this is success. You are coming from a kindhearted place, whether they get it or not. This is also success.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Who you surround yourself with matters. You'll make friends with people who are doing interesting work, and you'll find a way to help, too. It could be with your patronage, participation or service.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). If a thing takes too long to understand, maybe it's not for you, at least not today. There are too many meaningful actions to take — many of them so small they could be managed within the hour. Leave the big issues alone for now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You've a vague yearning for an understanding you can't quite name. Books will give you the knowledge you didn't know you needed. As Groucho Marx said, "Outside of a dog, books are a man's best friend. Inside of a dog, it's too dark to read."

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Extend compassion inward. Cultivate a patient attitude about your own growth. When something hurts, say so. Encourage others to do the same. Concealing pain only makes it more acute.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). To walk the world with a big, open heart makes you vulnerable to a wide array of tomfoolery, or so it would seem, but it will work in the opposite way now, inspiring others to give you the truth.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You aim to respect and honor all with your interaction style. Everyone has different needs and preferences. Cater to your audience. Professionals, children, strangers and kin... each get a different side of you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The most modern invention of the day will be old news soon enough, but if it's really cool and rare, it will join the ranks of "vintage" instead of "trash." This is what drives you to do exceptional work and tend to your highest aesthetic values.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The very essence of creativity is to expand. To abide by certain rules will give the creative energy form. Too many rules do the opposite, thwarting the flow before it amounts to much. Your ideal partner will limit the limits.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If you need a reason to slow down, let it be this: Your life is like a full cup that must be carried very carefully and steadily. A fast move in any direction will cause a mess.

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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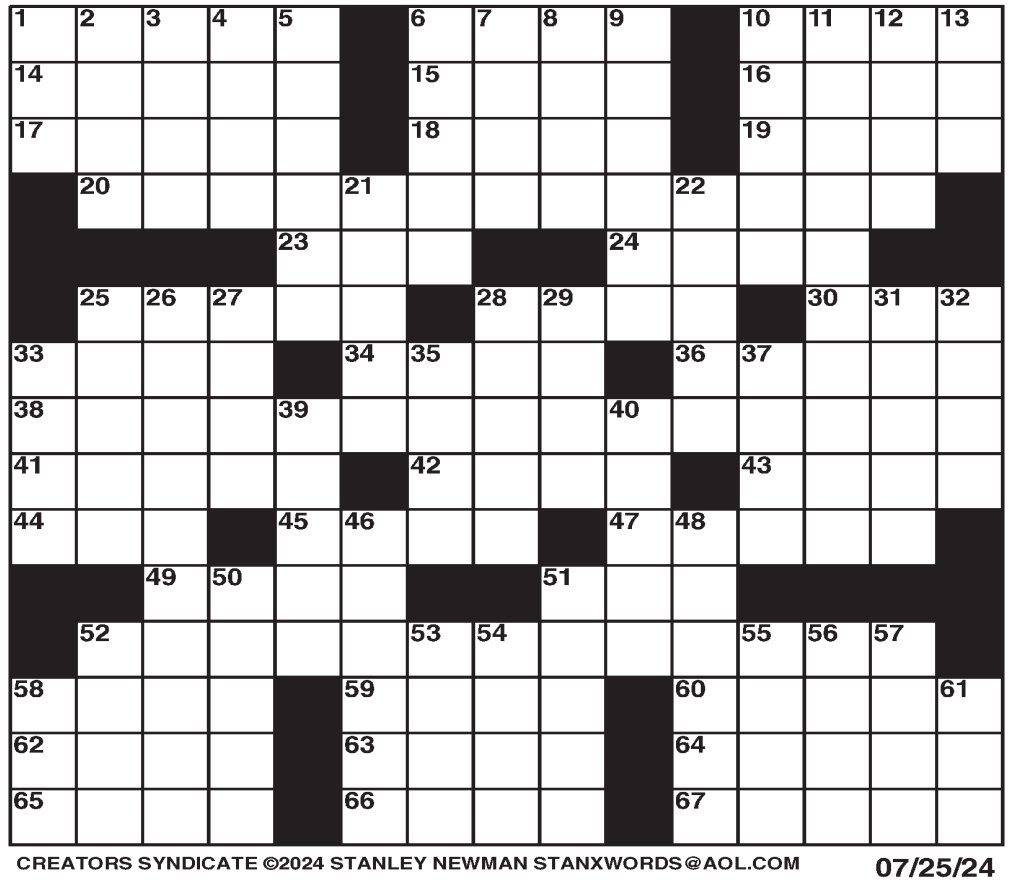
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15 Cast off
16 Seized sedan
17 In sync
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20 Epson app
23 Road rescue
24 IRS guys, e.g.
25 Small snare drum
28 Kimono accessory
30 Strong acid, symbolically
33 Tent event
34 Mail-bot product
36 *Frozen* voice Menzel
38 Speculative sitcom episode
41 Like Jabba or Santa
42 Crucifix letters
43 Crunchy triple-deckers
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27 Not big buzzers
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29 Youngest Roman god
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32 They're not far from 51-Across
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E-SCOOTERS

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including the fact that the statistics provided that dealt specifically with the number of incidents reported, albeit a declining number, involving an e-scooter did not differentiate between privately owned machines and those from the shared mobility program.

However, Thomas explained that relevant comments and complaints from residents and riders were being listened to and that where possible geofencing was being adjusted to provide safer conditions for pedestrians.

If you've ever ridden a Spin or Veo e-scooter and have found yourself suddenly slowing down and losing momentum, it's probably because you've entered an area designated as a no-go zone, which is enforced by some extremely sophisticated global navigation satellite technology combined with equally advanced recognition of local surroundings, all operating in real time. Either that, or the battery is dead.

But privately-owned e-scooters do not have this restriction and as such regulations have to be enforced the old fashioned way.

Other questions were raised that frankly would've have benefited from having the manufacturer answer them, since they were directly related to the software application that has to be downloaded to a smartphone in order to actually use the e-scooters; enforcing age restrictions for example.

"So we've talked to both of our current operators and there's a few potential technological solutions here, partial solutions, but that could be helpful," Thomas said following a line of questioning about how e-scooters are often left in incredibly

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> - Gleam Davis, Councilmember

inconvenient places, blocking driveways or vehicle entrances for instance, or even toppled over on the sidewalk.

As part of the "sign out" procedure after having used an e-scooter in Santa Monica, the app requires that you take a photograph of where you've left the vehicle. However, no one even raised whether a potential fine system might work for disrespectfully discarded e-scooters going forward.

Councilmember Gleam Davis highlighted the potential number of car journeys the program has saved. During the last full calendar year, Spin and Veo were used on over 600,000 trips.

"And about a third of those at least, are replacing automobile trips ... So that if we were to reduce or eliminate the program, we'd have 200,000 more car trips on the streets of Santa Monica," Davis said.

"As we improve what we typically think of as bike infrastructure, scooters can use that as well. So for example, protected bike lanes protect not only cyclists but also scooter riders," Davis said, adding, "So not only can we reduce the number of crashes by hopefully encouraging better behavior, if we build better bike infrastructure, it will also assist with other micro mobility devices."

For a reason that was never addressed, Mayor Phil Brock seemed to insist on separating e-bikes and e-scooters, praising the former and heavily criticizing the latter.

"I'll make a declaration that I am fully in favor of a robust bike share system in the city, which we don't have right now. And when we're talking about usage, we need to parse out bikes versus e-scooters as well. And when we talk about visual blight, structural blight of scooters, I think we need to parse that out as well," Brock said.

"I'll see some ... scooters stay in the same place on someone's lawn for three, four or five days. The battery's obviously dead by then," Brock said, which is not necessarily true.

Also mentioned was the fact that residents in Paris voted to remove e-scooters from their city streets in April of last year. However, Davis shared some valuable elaboration on the statistics mentioned earlier.

"You cited the Paris example where they had a vote [and] 90% of the people in Paris voted against scooters, but it's important to remember in that vote, only 8% of the registered or eligible voters in Paris voted," Davis said, adding, "So really when you take 90% of the 8%, it's about 7% of the voters in Paris voted against scooters. It's not like there was some overwhelming, for lack of a better term groundswell and 90% of the registered voters in Paris voted against it."

Ultimately, regarding the mechanics of regulating scooters in the city, a motion was made by Councilmember Caroline Torosis and seconded by Negrete to reject all bids for contracted shared mobility service providers and continue with a permit-based program with select revisions. This passed unanimously 7-0.

A second motion was made also by Torosis and seconded once again by Negrete to repeal chapter 3.32 of the municipal code and amend it to update for an ongoing permit based program and passed unanimously 7-0. A friendly amendment was also made that City staff return with some additional stats on 311 calls and both the number of reported incidents and accidents.

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