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Will Gov. Newsom reward a longtime donor with new law streamlining his coastal development?

MATTHEW HALL

Daily Press Editor

A proposal to exempt certain multifamily housing developments in Santa Monica's coastal zone from California Coastal Act review has resurfaced in a state budget trailer bill with new language that seems to benefit a very specific development by a Santa Monica businessman and longtime Gov. Gavin Newsom donor.

Assemblymember Rick Zbur, D-Santa Monica, confirmed exemption language was again proposed as an addition to a budget trailer bill after first surfacing in late June. He said he has already relayed his opposition to Gov. Gavin Newsom, legislative leadership and the chairs of both the Assembly and Senate budget committees.

Trailer bills are specific pieces of legislation that follow the regular budget process. They are largely written behind closed doors by the Governor and high level lawmakers in Sacramento. They do not undergo the same debate as regular bills and are only made public a mere 72 hours before being voted on.

The proposed bill would add a new section to the state Public Resources Code establishing a streamlined, presumptive approval pathway for certain housing projects in Santa Monica's coastal zone,



Matthew Hall

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DEVELOPMENT: A potential project downtown has gotten special attention from the Governor.

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Police increase patrols after weekend shootings

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Daily Press Editor

The city of Santa Monica began deploying enhanced police patrols this week at the Santa Monica Pier, Palisades Park, the beach and downtown, following two separate shootings over the weekend that left one man dead and another injured.

The increased presence, which started this week, is intended to give residents, businesses and visitors a visible and consistent public safety presence at some of the city's most heavily trafficked locations, according to the city.

The events of this past weekend were unacceptable, and our community deserves to see how seriously we take our public safety responsibilities

- Oliver Chi, City Manager

The stepped-up deployment follows a shooting Sunday that injured a robbery victim in downtown Santa Monica and an officer-involved shooting Saturday in Palisades Park. Santa Monica Police Department (SMPD) officers rendered aid to the Sunday shooting victim and arrested a suspect within hours of the incident, according to the city. Detectives are continuing to pursue additional suspects, and further arrests are anticipated.

The Saturday officer-involved shooting is being investigated in accordance with established department protocol, and the city said it will release body-worn camera footage of the incident within the next few weeks.

"Our responsibility is to protect everyone who lives in, works in, and visits Santa Monica," Police Chief Darrick Jacob said. "That means being present, visible, and accessible. Our officers are on the Pier, in our parks, along the beach, throughout downtown, and in our residential neighborhoods, day and night. That presence builds trust, supports safety, and allows us to respond when our community needs us."

In addition to the added patrols, the city said it will conduct direct outreach to downtown and Pier-area businesses in the coming days to hear concerns and share safety resources. The department is also hosting two "Coffee with a Cop" events for residents and

business owners to meet with officers and ask questions. The first is scheduled for Tuesday from noon to 2 p.m. at Pacific Park on the Santa Monica Pier. A second will be held Thursday from noon to 2 p.m. at the SMPD Downtown Substation, 395 Santa Monica Place.

"The events of this past weekend were unacceptable, and our community deserves to see how seriously we take our public safety responsibilities," City Manager Oliver Chi said. "That means swift accountability for anyone who commits violence here, more officers in the places where people gather, and meeting in person with our residents and businesses to hear their concerns. Public safety is the foundation that everything else in our community rests on, and keeping Santa Monica safe is work we pursue together, every single day."

The announcement comes after a violent weekend that began Saturday afternoon, when a Santa Monica police officer shot and killed a man who charged at officers with a knife in Palisades Park. Officers were in the 1400 block of Ocean Avenue at approximately 12:49 p.m. investigating a reported domestic violence incident when a man not connected to that case ran toward them while holding a knife, according to police. The man ignored repeated commands to drop the weapon and continued advancing on officers, Jacob said. One officer opened fire, striking him.

Officers immediately began lifesaving measures, and Santa Monica Fire Department paramedics continued providing emergency care, police said. The man was taken to a hospital, where he was pronounced dead at approximately 1:49 p.m. The officer was not injured, and no members of the public were hurt, according to police.

The man is described as being in his mid-40s and was homeless. Police said he was not previously known to the department and may have been new to the area. His identity will be released by the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office once identification is complete and his next of kin has been notified. A knife was recovered at the scene, and police said there was no ongoing threat to the public.

"Any incident resulting in the loss of life is significant," Jacob said. "We recognize the impact this has on the deceased's family and those who knew him, our community and the personnel who responded."

The following night, officers responded to a report of a shooting near the Pier ramp at approximately 7:49 p.m. Sunday. A preliminary investigation found that a group of individuals approached the victim and an altercation ensued during an attempted robbery, police said. One of the individuals fired a weapon during the altercation, striking the victim in the leg. Officers provided emergency aid at the scene before the victim was taken to a local hospital with injuries described as not life-threatening.

The suspects fled before officers arrived, but a juvenile suspect was taken into custody later that evening in connection with the incident. Investigators are working to determine the juvenile's role in the attempted robbery and shooting, and detectives continue working to identify and locate the remaining individuals involved.

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Nothing changes yet with the Supreme Court's order on elections. But it could open door to 'chaos'

The Supreme Court's decision giving preliminary approval for President Donald Trump's order restricting mail voting may not lead to a single election procedure changing during the November midterms, but it has already thrown into uncertainty the method that nearly one-third of the country uses to vote.

Rather than saying that Trump's order is legal, the high court said Monday it was too early for Democratic-run states to challenge it in June, when they convinced a federal judge in Boston to freeze the order for November's election. That effectively restarts the legal fight over the order in an incredibly compressed timeline, with initial ballots scheduled to be sent to North Carolina's overseas and military voters in just over a week, on Sept. 4.

A second injunction barring the U.S. Postal Service from making changes to comply with Trump's directive remains in effect. Still, the administration late Monday filed a motion asking that the second hold be removed, and has posted new regulations from the Postal Service that would go into effect Tuesday if the legal pathway is fully cleared.

That new rule requires specific formatting for envelopes containing mail ballots — which may force some jurisdictions to completely revise theirs — and makes states use an electronic system to identify to the Postal Service who is voting by mail. If states don't comply with the rule, their mail ballots won't get sent.

The prospect of such a potential sweeping overhaul in mere days boggled critics' minds. In her dissent, Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson warned that the decision "needlessly injects chaos and uncertainty into the upcoming midterm elections."

David Becker, executive director of the Center for Election Innovation & Research, agreed, saying the majority "seemed to create complete chaos leading up to the midterm elections" and it'd be "impossible" for states to comply with the new rules at this late date.

SOME BALLOTS FOR THE NOVEMBER ELECTION ARE SET TO GO OUT WITHIN DAYS

Jesse Salinas, the registrar of Yolo County in California and president of that state's association of election officers, noted that ballots in his state start going out in 11 days and his county already printed its envelopes.

"You look at the timeline, and it's a bit chaotic," Salinas said, noting he doesn't know precisely which envelope designs comply with the new rules.

He dismissed the idea of a last-minute revision in procedures. "The capacity to do that, I just don't see it," Salinas said.

Tammy Patrick, chief program officer at the Elections Center, an association of 2,500 election officers, warned that it's impossible for any state to comply with the rule and that no one she talked to has tried.

"There isn't a single state that does their elections in a way that this postal rule lays out," Patrick said in an interview. "There has been this assumption that this is not going to happen because it could not happen the way it's laid out, because no one does it this way."

Cisco Aguilar, the Democratic Secretary of State in Nevada, where every registered voter gets a mail ballot, noted the post office had already misdelivered three dozen mail

ballots from his state's June primary.

"They're going to come in within seven days and build a massive database that has 100% accuracy?" Aguilar said in disbelief. "It is impossible to implement this system in that time frame."

TRUMP VOTES BY MAIL, BUT HAS SOUGHT TO CURB IT FOR OTHERS

Trump has long sought to make voting by mail largely impossible, though he himself has repeatedly cast his ballots by mail.

Trump falsely blamed his 2020 loss on mail voting and spun up baroque conspiracy theories that he's tried to prove while back in office. Judges blocked him from creating new voting restrictions by executive order last year,

and he only issued his latest order after his bill to revamp voting procedures stalled in the Senate amidst Democratic opposition.

The Election Assistance Commission found that 29% of voters in 2024 cast their ballots through the mail. Democrats are more likely to use mail voting than Republicans, a reflection of how the process has become polarized since Trump began attacking it in 2020. Still, the president has to date been unable to make the sweeping changes he's sought because the Constitution grants control of voting rules to states, and in federal elections, to Congress — not the president.

Legal experts stressed that's why they view it as unlikely Trump's order will actually be implemented. Not only did the majority in the Supreme Court's unsigned order note that it hasn't determined whether the measure is constitutional, but every victory the administration has won so far has only been because it's argued that it's premature to

“There isn't a single state that does their elections in a way that this postal rule lays out”

- Tammy Patrick, chief program officer at the Elections Center



Surf report WATER TEMP: 73.8

WEDNESDAY FAIR TO GOOD SURF: 4-5ft Chest to head

Head high+ blend of tropical/SPAC swell. Lightest wind in the AM but pretty clean all day. Iselle has been on a nice track the last 24hrs in the Southern California swell window with decent size. That sets the stage for southerly tropical swell filling in overnight and peaking through the day. Nice mix of SSW Southern Hemi and lingering NW windswell also on the menu, so waves all around. Waist-shoulder high surf due for average exposures, with the good breaks head high-overhead. Select breaks push 1-2' overhead at times. Wind lightest early but stays down all day.

THURSDAY FAIR SURF: 3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder

Fun waves off a punchy swell combo. Clean all morning, light afternoon ruffle, evening clean up. Fun shot of SSE/S tropical swell expected to continue, along with long-period SSW Southern Hemi and some lingering homegrown NW windswell, setting up widespread waist-shoulder high surf, while top exposures/combo breaks are head high. Variable to light S winds in the morning, go light to low-end moderate W for the afternoon (south facing points cleanest). Wind drops back off in the evening.



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Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 72. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.

Thursday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a high near 86.

Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 73.

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2026/08/26	Wed	03:25 AM	-0.19	L
2026/08/26	Wed	09:44 AM	4.33	H
2026/08/26	Wed	2:49 PM	2.02	L
2026/08/26	Wed	8:57 PM	6.06	H
2026/08/27	Thu	03:49 AM	-0.19	L
2026/08/27	Thu	10:03 AM	4.57	H
2026/08/27	Thu	3:23 PM	1.72	L
2026/08/27	Thu	9:29 PM	6.00	H
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Counting votes quickly and accurately are not mutually exclusive. Here’s how California can do it

California is the home of the artificial intelligence boom, smartphones and some of the most valuable technology companies on earth. We have built systems that process billions of transactions in a second, sequence a human genome overnight and operate self-driving cars.

Yet it wasn’t until July 10 that the state finally certified the results of its June 2 primary election.

It took 38 days.

This is not a technology problem or fraud. It is a policy problem.

California’s ballot-counting delays are not a bug in the process. The state allows county officials up to 30 days after Election Day to complete counting, auditing and certification. Mail-in ballots postmarked on Election Day can arrive at county offices up to seven days later. Counties must verify signatures on every single envelope before opening ballots.

Officials are, in the words of the nonpartisan California Voter Foundation, essentially running two election systems simultaneously.

The result is a state of 23 million registered voters that takes weeks to tell citizens who won an election.

When the incumbent secretary of state — initially appointed by Gov. Gavin Newsom — resisted timeliness and even claimed she would not sacrifice accuracy, Newsom himself sent a letter to all 58 county elections officials urging them to count ballots “as quickly as possible,” to prevent “election lies from taking hold.”

To be clear, I am not saying California’s elections are rigged. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled votes can be counted five days after Election Day if postmarked. The court’s decision means that elections will continue to be administered under rules that were not designed for speed.

Other states like Florida show that counting fast and accurately are not mutually exclusive. They’re a function of when the law allows the work to start. Whereas California takes over a month, Florida can finish counting votes in four days.

Three changes would make a concrete difference.

California should first allow counties to begin processing and verifying mail-in ballots before Election Day, as 28 other states already do. Florida is the clearest

example: State law lets officials begin processing and counting mail ballots roughly three weeks before Election Day, which is why Florida often reports results within hours of polls closing while California is still counting weeks later.

Giving California counties a head start would compress the post-election counting window.

Second, the state should fund the staffing and equipment counties need to count faster. The California Voter Foundation has called for \$55 million in state funding for elections staff and technology upgrades. The state allocated \$29 million in the latest budget.

It’s a good start, but throwing money at a slow counting process without meaningful changes will do little to speed up our elections.

Last, California should set a mandatory interim results deadline, requiring counties to publish results covering most ballots within 72 hours of Election Day.

None of these proposals restrict a single vote. Every ballot postmarked by Election Day — even if received five days after — would still count. Every voter would retain every protection they have. The only thing that changes is the wait to know the outcome of our elections.

After serving Californians for 30 years in nonpartisan public office at every level of California government, from school board, State Assembly, city hall, and county, I have learned that process failures do not fix themselves. Someone must decide these failures matter enough to fix, forge a coalition of support, and get it through the process.

We need California to be the first, not the worst, in handling the most important job in a democracy. We have the tools. We have the talent. What we lack is an experienced, nonpartisan, solution-oriented, reformist Chief Elections Officer to get it done. That starts with new leadership in the Secretary of State’s office.

Secretary of State Shirley Weber’s campaign did not respond by deadline to offers from CalMatters to author a guest commentary offering her views.

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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California's local governments rush to ask for tax increases before voters get the chance to curb them

November's ballot is dominated by measures that would alter how California levies taxes, including one that would make it more difficult for local governments to gain voter approval of tax hikes.

Proposition 43 would overturn a state Supreme Court ruling and require that single-purpose taxes placed on local ballots via initiative petitions get two-thirds voter approval, just as they do when proposed by the governments themselves.

The court declared that initiative-based tax measures need only simple majority approval by voters. Its ruling, finalized in 2020, touched off a flurry of local tax measures, often sponsored by local government employee unions.

With Prop. 43 — sponsored by tax limit organizations — on the ballot, backers of local taxes across the state are trying to beat the Nov. 3 electoral deadline by getting their tax increases approved in the same election.

There is, however, another legal hurdle

that local sales tax increases must clear: a long-standing state law limiting them to 2 percentage points over the statewide rate of 7.25% on taxable retail sales, or 9.25% in total.

The Legislature routinely approves waivers of the 9.25% cap. Last week, Gov. Gavin Newsom signed Senate Bill 762, which grants 10 cities, two counties and one town permission to exceed the limit, not only for this year's election but through 2031, including those that placed measures on the ballot via initiative.

They will join a long list of local governments whose sales taxes already exceed the 9.25% cap. Two Southern California cities — Lancaster and Palmdale in Los Angeles County — top out at 11.25%. A staff analysis of SB 762 says "this bill could result in rates nearly as high in other jurisdictions."

The analysis also notes, "Tax experts generally agree that sales and use

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Average gasoline prices in Los Angeles have risen 3.5 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$5.63/g today, according to GasBuddy's survey of 2,135 stations in Los Angeles. Prices in Los Angeles are 3.8 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand \$1.11/g higher than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has increased 16.6 cents compared to a week ago and stands at \$5.584 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Los Angeles was priced at \$4.89/g yesterday while the most expensive was \$6.99/g, a difference of \$2.10/g. The lowest price in the state yesterday was \$3.99/g while the highest was \$9.79/g, a difference of \$5.80/g.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 2.9 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$4.05/g today. The national average is down 5.0 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 92.6 cents per gallon higher 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..

California lawmakers vote to increase transparency over influencers' paid political posts

The California Senate passed a bill Monday that would fine content creators who don't disclose they were paid to post in support of a political candidate or issue on the ballot.

California, along with Texas, already requires content creators to include payment disclaimers on their political posts. The goal of this year's bill is to better enforce the law. The legislation, which was authored by Democratic Assemblymember Marc Berman, will need a final vote in the Assembly before it can reach Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom's desk. Newsom has until the end of September to sign or veto it.

"Voters should have a right to know whether or not campaigns are paying for the messaging that they're seeing," Berman said in an interview last month.

Under current law, the state's campaign watchdog can seek a court order compelling an influencer to disclose that they were paid, but that process can take months. Berman's bill would give the state's Fair Political Practices Commission, which supports the proposal, the power to fine influencers and political committees if they are found to have violated the law, allowing the commission to bypass the court process. Content creators could face fines of up to \$5,000 per violation, according to the commission.

The bill's passage comes as federal

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- Marc Berman, Democratic Assemblymember

efforts to pass disclosure requirements for influencers have yet to advance. Sen. Adam Schiff of California introduced a bill in Congress last month, but it hasn't received a vote.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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LA County Superior Court Seeks Applicants for Civil Grand Jury

The Superior Court of Los Angeles County is inviting residents to apply for the 2027-2028 Civil Grand Jury, which examines county, city and joint-powers agencies. Applications are due Nov. 1, 2026.

The panel reviews the work of government agencies within Los Angeles County to promote transparency and accountability. Jurors receive in-depth training and briefings before conducting reviews that may last weeks or months. No prior jury service or investigative background is required — just a commitment to public service.

Qualified applicants must be U.S. citizens 18 or older, able to read and speak English, and Los Angeles County residents for at least one year.

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The court's Juror Services Division coordinates the process. Applicants who complete interviews and are found qualified become finalists. In spring 2027, 23 people will be randomly selected from that group to serve.

Those chosen will be trained to investigate county, city and joint-powers agencies. The one-year term runs July 1, 2027, to June 30, 2028, and concludes with a final report of findings and recommendations.

Past jurors have said their primary motivation was public service and civic duty, and many described the experience as engaging and meaningful.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Los Angeles

Rapiscan Named Official Security Screening Provider for LA28 Games

Rapiscan, a Los Angeles-based security inspection company and a division of OSI Systems Inc., has been named the Official Provider of Physical Screening and Security Technology Hardware/Software Solutions of the LA28 Olympic and Paralympic Games, as well as an Official Supporter of Team USA.

The partnership positions the company to support one of the world's largest and most complex sporting events through screening technologies, integrated security hardware and software, and physical security expertise.

The 2028 Games will bring together the world's top athletes with millions of spectators, volunteers and stakeholders. Rapiscan says it will help LA28 plan, deploy and operate coordinated safety and security capabilities at scale.

The company combines AI-enabled screening hardware, access control technologies, security software, and physical security training and operational support into integrated solutions for complex, high-consequence environments. Rapiscan has helped secure major sporting events and critical infrastructure worldwide, including in Australia, Qatar, the United Kingdom, France, Italy and the United States.

"We are honored to be selected as an Official Supporter of the LA28 Olympic and Paralympic Games and proud that an LA-based company will help support an event that will showcase Los Angeles to the world," said Ajay Mehra, president and CEO of OSI Systems. He said the Games are an opportunity to show how innovation and operational excellence can create a safe, seamless experience for athletes, spectators, volunteers and communities.

"We are pleased to welcome Rapiscan as an Official Supporter of the LA28 Games," said Reynold Hoover, CEO of LA28. He said the company's decades of experience securing major sporting events make it uniquely qualified to help meet the security requirements of the Games.

OSI Systems trades on the Nasdaq exchange under the ticker OSIS.

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- Ajay Mehra, president and CEO of OSI Systems

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Moss Avenue Pump Station Rehabilitation Project SP767-CT

Bids will only be accepted through the CITY'S ONLINE VENDOR PORTAL, OpenGov or <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/santa-monica-ca>. They must be received by the specified date and time. Late bids will not be accepted. Please allow sufficient time for uploading of documents. The bid opening will be electronic, all submitted bids will be viewable by the public via OpenGov immediately after bid close time.

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August 31, 2026 at 10:00 AM and September 2, 2026 at 10:00 AM
 Attendance at one of the two meeting options is mandatory.

Moss Avenue Pump Station
 1625 Appian Way
 Santa Monica, CA 90401

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 1619 Ocean Front Walk
 Santa Monica, CA 90401

Note: All attendees must wear a hard hat, safety vest, and safety shoes.

PROJECT ESTIMATE: \$7,368,000
CONTRACT DAYS: 360 Calendar Days
LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: \$6,700 Per Calendar Day

Bidding Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's bidding website at: <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/santa-monica-ca>. The Contractor is required to have **Class A General Engineering and C-10 Electrical licenses** license at the time of bid submission. Contractors wishing to be considered must submit Bids containing all information required pursuant to the City's Request for Bids.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
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SHOOTING

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The incidents come as Santa Monica has reported a sharp rise in arrests this year under the city’s Realignment Plan, a public safety framework the City Council adopted unanimously on Oct. 28, 2025. The plan committed \$60 million in one-time reserves over 24 months toward bolstering policing, including doubling the department’s downtown unit, adding non-sworn public safety officers, opening a downtown substation and launching the \$6.125 million

ELECTION

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talk about its constitutionality. Opponents are already weighing new lawsuits since the final rule was published Friday night.

MORE LITIGATION IS EXPECTED

Becker, a former Department of Justice lawyer who co-wrote a book debunking Trump’s 2020 election lies, added that he expects the next round of litigation to keep the order from being implemented in November. Rick Hasen, a UCLA law professor, said after the ruling: “This doesn’t necessarily mean anything in terms of November.” Derek Muller, a Notre Dame law professor, said the Supreme Court still ensured a fraught court battle in the coming days. “It puts courts in a terrible place, because whatever happens is super close to the election,” Muller said. “If it permits it, it creates

GUEST COMMENTARY

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taxes are regressive, meaning the tax incidence falls more heavily on low-income individuals than on high-income individuals, because those of lesser means generally spend a greater percentage of their income on taxable sales.” Opponents of SB 762, such as the California Taxpayers Association, made the same point, arguing that imposing more taxes on low-income families undermines politicians’ pledge to reduce California’s notoriously high living costs. With so many local tax increases on the ballot, another aspect of their approval chances comes into play — the extent to which local governments can use taxpayer money to campaign for passage. It’s no secret that local governments often hire campaign consultants to positively frame how measures are presented to voters, even though state law prohibits the use of public funds for campaigns. The line distinguishing mere public information from advocacy is fuzzy, and the Fair Political Practices Commission only occasionally cracks down on those who cross it.

SMART Center real-time crime hub.

City data show arrests climbed 68.5% year-over-year as of the week ending Aug. 1, with 3,113 recorded so far this year compared with 1,847 during the same period in 2025. The department reached full sworn staffing of roughly 232 officers earlier this year for the first time in more than two decades. City officials have pointed to a 12.5% drop in Part I crime in 2025 as evidence that the strategy is working.

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super disruption for the states. If it suspends it, it visibly angers the administration.” Hasen said it’s inconceivable that the regulation will impact voters in November. “Both legal and practical reasons make this practically impossible to enforce,” he said of Trump’s mail voting order. Elections are run by local officials in thousands of scattered offices, many of which don’t even have a full-time employee. Patrick said that those who work in the field have been left reeling. “Election officials just feel like punching bags at this moment because they plan one way of conducting their elections, and have contingency plans if a fire breaks out, or one location loses power,” Patrick said. “But how do you plan for something that affects one-third, one half, or all of your voters?”

By NICHOLAS RICCARDI Associated Press

Last week the commission declared that Nevada County improperly spent \$34,614 on two mailers urging voters to approve a sales tax increase on the November 2022 ballot. The county was fined \$31,500, but that can be paid with more taxpayers’ money. The tax measure lost, garnering just 48.4% of the vote but, had it passed, the fair practices commission action would not have invalidated it.

As this year’s election looms, advocates of a massive sales tax increase in Bay Area counties, to provide about \$1 billion a year for transit services, face similar accusations of trying to tilt the outcome. Some voters critical of how BART and other transit services are managed have filed suit, contending the wording of the regional tax measure extols its virtues rather than just telling voters how much taxes would increase. They are asking the Santa Clara County Superior Court to intervene and order changes to the ballot language, so it does not stress how transit services would be reduced if the measure is rejected. It’s the newest wrinkle in an old game.

By Dan Walters

GET IT DAILY...

Agnes

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By PETER GALLAGHER

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By JOHN DEERING

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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Football in all forms

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Applause	Game	Messenger	Skilful
Ball	Goalpost	Norths	Soccer
Behind	Heat	Pass	Speed
Bomb	Jets	Prop	Stoppage
Centre	Judd	Punt	Suns
Cleal	Kit bag	Raper	Tire
Coyne	Lewis	Rioli	Touch
Dive	Lock	Roar	Train
Draw	Lyons	Robust	Try
Eels	Mackenzie	Rover	Urge
Energy	Arnold	Ruck	
Feet	Magpies	Running	

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S WORDS PUZZLE.
Away from the coast

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 26)

ARIES (March 21-April 19). When you don't get the response you wanted or expected, try the same thing a few times more. Sometimes you have to jiggle the key, swipe the card reader a little faster or ask the question a little louder.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Human behavior can look irrational until you know what's driving a person to do mysterious things. But unless it pertains directly to you, it may not be worth the effort to find out. It's enough to believe they have their reasons.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You don't need everyone to communicate the way you do. But it would be nice if a certain person's level of engagement would match yours, even if they showed it differently. Reciprocity feels so cozy.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Sometimes people look like they are having so much fun that you feel pangs of envy just observing their joy. You may even forget that what they are doing might not be your idea of fun at all. Nonetheless, it will inspire you to get to planning what fits you perfectly.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Take a chance and reach out to someone who makes you nervous. Even your awkward moves will charm. Better to connect imperfectly with someone you're interested in than to perfectly connect with someone you're not.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). With an imagination so creative, optimistic and willfully oblivious to limits, you have no problem building things up in your head to improbable proportions. But improbable things happen every day. You've been lucky before, and it's coming back around.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Make space. Get rid of things before you have a replacement. Maybe you'll never need one. Emptiness is not nothingness - it's space. Space is something, even if you don't know what it is. Maybe it's just beautiful potential.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Maybe you're being underestimated, but as long as you don't let that hurt your feelings, this can be a very good thing. Surprising someone who thought they had already measured your limits is so fun. It's also quite the power move.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The answers don't always have to come from you. In fact, if they did, it would mean you weren't growing. You have a knack for duplicating success formulas. Try a proven strategy from a friend, mentor, book or program.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your feelings will clue you into things you can't rationally explain. But since feelings can also lie with abandon, it's important to question and test them before you act on them.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You aim to delight someone you love, and this is one of the best prompts to invigorate your creative spirit. Start the idea machine up and you'll soon be brimming with good options.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You can get out from under an obligation in one honest conversation. Good friends and respectful employers don't really want you to feel trapped by what you agreed to before you knew better.

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.

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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Backyard storage structure
- 5 *The Simpsons* son
- 9 Snakes that squeeze
- 13 Ripped (up)
- 14 Yale students
- 15 Customary behavior
- 16 Distribute poker cards
- 17 Mexican greeting
- 18 Scent from a kitchen
- 19 "Cardiological" very fast
- 22 Three-digit ID issuer
- 25 Mileage rating org.
- 26 "Gosh!"
- 27 Ave. crossers, often
- 28 "Sci-fi" very fast
- 31 Medical cure
- 32 Cease
- 33 Shredded-cabbage side dish
- 37 Car transmission settings
- 38 Body art, informally
- 39 Hobbits' homeland
- 40 Cube inventor Rubik
- 41 Lunchtime cheese partner
- 42 Snow-removal tool
- 43 "Meteorological" very fast
- 45 Pre-grown lawn
- 48 Heroic pilot
- 49 Metallic mineral
- 50 Prosecutors, briefly
- 51 "Eyelash" very fast
- 55 Excessive, as force

- 56 Prophetic sign
- 57 Huge-screen film format
- 61 More frosty
- 62 Heat source since the Stone Age
- 63 Rational
- 64 Bears' lairs
- 65 ___ up (admit guilt)
- 66 Is in a chair

DOWN

- 1 Criterion: Abbr.
- 2 Weed-chopping tool
- 3 Historical period
- 4 Supermarket cold-cuts area
- 5 Have a joyful attitude
- 6 Hawaiian greetings

- 7 Make angry
- 8 Airport's ID checker
- 9 Sharp point on a ranch fence
- 10 Clarinet cousins
- 11 Point towards
- 12 Spreadsheet data
- 15 Detested
- 20 Obsessive hobbyists
- 21 Attachment for 10-Down
- 22 NCO nickname
- 23 Take the wheel
- 24 "Get serious, bro!"
- 29 Aviation prefix
- 30 Nobel Prize category
- 33 Broadway play, e.g.
- 34 Very, very angry
- 35 Indoor sports venue

- 36 Fuses with a blowtorch
- 38 Gets airborne
- 39 Fabric's luster
- 41 Glittery mineral
- 42 Sacred sites
- 43 L.A. NBAer
- 44 Very tall buildings
- 45 Octopus cousin
- 46 Postal measure
- 47 Tired out fully
- 52 Signals to begin
- 53 Female friend in France
- 54 Affectionate greeting
- 58 ___ Tai cocktail
- 59 Industrious insect
- 60 Crosses (out)

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DEVELOPMENT

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bypassing the standard California Coastal Act review process the California Coastal Commission currently uses because the city lacks a certified Local Coastal Program, or LCP.

Under the proposal, the exemption would not take effect immediately. It is written as a “secondary streamlining measure” that would only kick in if the city has not adopted, and the Coastal Commission has not fully certified, Santa Monica’s LCP by Jan. 1, 2028. The provision would sunset on Jan. 1, 2032.

To qualify, a housing project would need to meet several conditions: it must sit on an urbanized infill site surrounded by existing development and identified for residential or mixed-use development in city planning documents; meet state affordable housing law criteria; satisfy labor standards; achieve LEED gold certification or an equivalent green building standard; and stay clear of sensitive coastal areas, including land within 300 feet of a beach or the mean high tide line, or within 100 feet of a wetland or mapped environmentally sensitive habitat area.

The draft also contains a provision requiring any qualifying project to include a museum dedicated to the career of architect Frank Gehry, complete with his archives and models of his buildings, and to obtain written authorization from the Gehry Living Trust or his estate to include it.

The only project in Santa Monica meeting those rules would be the Ocean Avenue Project, a Frank Gehry-designed mixed-use development approved for the northeast corner of Ocean Avenue and Santa Monica Boulevard, that remains unbuilt despite developer Jeff Worthe’s pledge of a 2025 groundbreaking.

Gehry, who died in 2025, designed the project for Worthe Real Estate Group and M. David Paul Associates. As approved, the development calls for a 120-room hotel, 100 apartments — including 25 affordable units and 11 to 19 subject to rent control — roughly 35,500 square feet of museum and cultural space incorporating the landmarked buildings at 1333 and 1337 Ocean Ave., about 36,100 square feet of retail, a rooftop deck and a maximum height of 130 feet. The museum component is designed to showcase Gehry’s archives for at least 15 years.

The project was first filed in 2013 as a 22-story, 244-foot tower before being scaled back to 12 stories and 130 feet in 2018, a reduction driven largely by objections over building height. The Santa Monica City Council approved the project in 2022 and the California Coastal Commission signed in 2023.

Worthe is a prominent local developer who has consistently donated to Newsom’s political campaigns over the years.

The new bill sets strict timelines for the Coastal Commission to process applications under the new pathway, including a 30-day window to specify what materials it needs, a 10-day period to determine whether an application is complete, and a requirement to hold a public hearing within 90 days of a completed submission. If the commission misses those deadlines, an application would be deemed complete, and ultimately deemed approved, by operation of law.

The presumption that a project complies with the Coastal Act could only be rebutted with evidence of a specific, unavoidable adverse impact to public access, wetlands, environmentally sensitive habitat, coastal hazards or water quality. The bill specifies

that a project’s inconsistency with the city’s partially certified 1992 coastal land use plan could not be used to deny or condition a permit, nor could a developer’s request for a state density bonus.

The bill states that a special statute is necessary, citing the potential for delayed LCP certification, the need to accelerate housing production, and “the desire to promote a museum in the city honoring the works and life of Mr. Frank O. Gehry.”

Zbur, who authored a separate coastal accountability bill, AB 1740, that is advancing through the Legislature this year, issued a full statement Tuesday on the renewed effort:

“I am disappointed to share that an exemption to the Coastal Act, applying to certain multifamily development in Santa Monica, has again been proposed as an addition to a budget trailer bill. This was first proposed in late June, and I was strongly opposed to it then. I remain strongly opposed to it today. I worked hard to achieve an agreement with the Coastal Commission to move Santa Monica’s LCP forward. This trailer bill undermines that work and our collaboration with the Commission. I am frustrated that, once again, I must devote time and energy to working to defeat this terrible proposal. I have already communicated my strongest opposition to the Governor and the leadership in the Legislature and both the Assembly and Senate Budget Committee chairs. This is not the right path forward and I am working strenuously to stop it.”

The renewed proposal echoes a controversy that erupted in late June, when Susan Jordan, executive director of the California Coastal Protection Network, warned colleagues that Newsom’s office had transmitted trailer bill language stripping the Coastal Commission’s review authority over multi-unit housing across Santa Monica’s coastal zone for an indefinite period. Jordan called the move “unprecedented” and said it could “create a hole in the Coastal Act” and set a template for exemptions in other coastal communities statewide. She identified three projects she said stood to benefit: the Worthe Real Estate Group’s Ocean Avenue project, the Seritage “Sears” project and the Athens Group’s Miramar project.

The June episode unfolded against the backdrop of negotiations over Zbur’s AB 1740, which has been narrowed since its February introduction from broad coastal permitting exemptions across multiple cities to a Santa Monica-specific accountability framework requiring the city to submit a complete LCP to the Coastal Commission by Jan. 1, 2029.

Santa Monica has pursued a certified Local Coastal Program for decades. The city received Coastal Commission approval for part of the program in 1992 but did not complete the process. A complete LCP would bring permitting authority for coastal development under the City’s control rather than the statewide Coastal Commission.

Santa Monica formally resumed the update process in 2023, with a target of completing both plan components by June 2027 but the process stalled until Zbur’s bill prompted a new wave of negotiations.

Residents who want to participate in the process can call Senator Monique Limón at (916) 651-4021 and Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas at (916) 319-2029 and tell them to oppose this bill. Local advocates said residents can also thank Assemblymember Rick Zbur (916-319-2051) and Senator Ben Allen (916-651-4024) for already opposing it, and ask them to hold firm.

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WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 26

MOBILE COMMUNITY MEDITATION CENTER - GUIDED MEDITATION

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Santa Monica Beach lot 5 South 2600 Bernard Way Santa Monica. Please join Mobile Community Meditation Center aka Buddhist Boondockers Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 10 am for a 45 minute fully guided mindfulness meditation - on the grass, under the shade of the trees, with a stunning view of the sparkling ocean. Whether you’re new to meditation or a seasoned practitioner, everyone is welcomed. Bring your own chair or cushion and try to arrive 5 minutes early and be ready to enjoy a truly peaceful moment as we relax, be present and make new friends; giving ourselves the love and attention we deserve by quieting our minds, finding peace and creating community. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/mobile-community-meditation-center-guided-meditation/19479748/2026-08-05T10>

TODDLER STORYTIME AND SONGS

10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. West Los Angeles Regional Library 11360 Santa Monica Boulevard Los Angeles. Toddler Storytime and Songs Join us for storytime on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. We share stories, songs, and movement activities to build early literacy skills for toddlers aged 18 months to 3 years. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/toddler-storytime-and-songs/>

MIDDAY YOGA ON WEDNESDAYS

1:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Palisades Community Renewal Center 3212 Nebraska Ave Santa Monica. Free Community Yoga created with care for those impacted by the Palisades Fire In case this event has been updated, please visit <https://www.pcrsm.org/event/midday-yoga-on-wednesdays-b7af2> for full details before arriving. Thank you! Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/midday-yoga-on-wednesdays/19509303/2026-08-12T13>

JAZZ A GO GO AT LOULOU SANTA MONICA

7:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. LouLou Santa Monica 395 Santa Monica Pl #300 Santa Monica. JAZZ A GO GO at LouLou Santa Monica- Every Wednesday · From 7 PM till late - Live Jazz that turns into a Vibe.Music you Feel.People you Meet.Amazing Food.Nights that Flow. JAZZ A GO GO (@jazzagogonight) by Loulou Santa Monica, Gilles Signature & Gilles Los Angeles - curated by the creator of @jazzeclecticla. Every Wednesday · From 7 PM till late. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/jazz-a-go-go-at-loulou-santa-monica/18476815/2026-08-26T19>

STAND UP 201: DEVELOP YOUR MATERIAL (WEDNESDAYS)

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. 1424 4th Street Santa Monica. Go beyond the basics! Generate material, refine jokes, and build a 7-minute stand-up set! 6 weeks + a Showcase! \$365.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/stand-up-201-develop-your-material-wednesdays/19660839/2026-08-26T19>

THURSDAY | AUGUST 27

LOW IMPACT GROUP EXERCISE CLASS

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. American Legion Ronald Reagan Palisades Post 283 15247 La Cruz Drive Pacific Palisades.

Power up your Thursday with our free, low-impact group exercise classes — open to all members of the Legion Family, designed for every fitness level, and held from 11:00am to 12:00pm at Palisades Post 283. Come move, recharge, and feel great heading into the rest of your day! Sign up here to receive emails about upcoming exercise classes and cancellations: [post283.com/exercise](https://www.smdp.com/event-3/#/details/low-impact-group-exercise-class/18566926/2026-08-06T11). Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/event-3/#/details/low-impact-group-exercise-class/18566926/2026-08-06T11>

MEN’S SOCCER - LA PIERCE

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Corsair Stadium SMC Main Campus, 1900 Pico Blvd Santa Monica. Organized by the SMC Athletics Department. Games held at SMC Corsair Stadium Admission is free. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/men-s-soccer-la-pierce/19500851/2026-08-27T15>

LOS ANGELES FOUNDER SOCIAL

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. 561 Brooks Avenue Los Angeles. Join us for an evening of mingling with CPG founders from around the Los Angeles area, co-hosted with The Cycle. \$45.00 to \$60.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/los-angeles-founder-social/19419016/2026-08-27T17>

LOUNGE NIGHT

5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. American Legion Ronald Reagan - Palisades Post 283 15247 La Cruz Drive Pacific Palisades. Join us in the bar lounge from 5 to 10 p.m. generally on the fourth Thursday of the month for appetizers, drink specials and great conversation! Please register so we know how much food to prepare. \$10 entry to the event will be donated to a veterans nonprofit effort. Food will be served from 6 to 7 p.m. while supplies last. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/lounge-night/18566930/2026-08-27T17>

MANUFACTURED HOUSING COMMUNITY CONVENINGS

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Palisades Recovery Coalition - Community Center 15233 La Cruz Dr Pacific Palisades. A space for Palisades MHC fire survivors to come together, explore research, and share experiences as they navigate recovery — hosted by NPHS and the Just Environments Lab. Join for research presentations, time to connect with fellow community members, and a chance to share your experience as researchers shape the next phases of this work. Food and refreshments provided, and a virtual attendance option is available.Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/manufactured-housing-community-convenings/19662342/2026-08-27T18>

THERAPIST MIX AND MINGLE

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. 619 Marr Street Los Angeles. A relaxed mix-and-mingle for LA therapists to connect, build community, share ideas, and make new relationships. Therapist Mix & Mingle is a relaxed, low-pressure after-work gathering for local therapists who want to get out of the office (or away from the computer), meet new people, and build genuine professional community. Come enjoy drinks and light appetizers while connecting with potential friends, referral colleagues, collaborators, and new opportunities. We know how hard it can be to rally after a long day, so this event is intentionally easy and flexible: arrive whenever you can, stay as long as you’d like, and mingle at your own pace. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/therapist-mix-and-mingle/19660842/2026-08-27T18>

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