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Santa Monica Pier Channels the SS Rex for A PIERfect Benefit



Courtesy of Santa Monica Pier Corporation

PIER: Santa Monica Pier Corporation will host a casino night fundraiser Sept. 19; online auction bidding open now.

MAAZ ALIN
SMDP Staff Writer

The Santa Monica Pier Corporation will transform the historic Merry Go-Round Building into a Prohibition-era gambling den on Saturday, Sept. 19, when its second annual fundraiser, A PIERfect Benefit, invites guests aboard a re-creation of the legendary SS Rex casino ship for a night of gaming, live entertainment and bidding to support free public programming on the pier.

The immersive Casino Night will feature casino-style gaming, live Carousel Horse

Racing on the pier's historic carousel, cocktails, culinary offerings and period jazz, all evoking the glamour of the 1930s gambling barge once anchored in Santa Monica Bay. Guests are encouraged to arrive in 1920s and 1930s attire.

"The story of the mobster Tony Cornero's gambling barge SS Rex is one of the most fun stories in Santa Monica Pier lore," said Jim Harris, executive director and historian of the Santa Monica Pier Corporation. "Who can resist a tale of Depression-era games of chance staged on a boat miles out in the ocean?"

The real SS Rex was a fishing barge that mobster Tony "The Hat" Cornero converted into a floating casino and anchored 3 miles off the end of the Santa Monica Pier in 1938, in waters then considered beyond the reach of state gambling laws. Patrons reached it by water taxi. After years of legal battles and an eight-day standoff in which his crew repelled boarding officers with high-powered fire hoses, Cornero surrendered, reportedly saying he "needed a haircut."

"We are thrilled to re-live it via A PIERfect Benefit by bringing back that great 1930s casino-vibe with games of chance, horse

racing — an imaginative use of the pier's carousel — great food, and period jazz," Harris said. "Put on your fedora and come join us!"

The evening's centerpiece is an auction that organizers have stocked with luxury getaways, VIP outings and pier treasures. Highlights include a two-night Calamigos Ranch & Spa escape in Malibu valued at \$3,500, oceanfront hotel stays, a VIP tour of the Los Angeles International Airport airfield, a VIP pass to Hollywood's Magic Castle and

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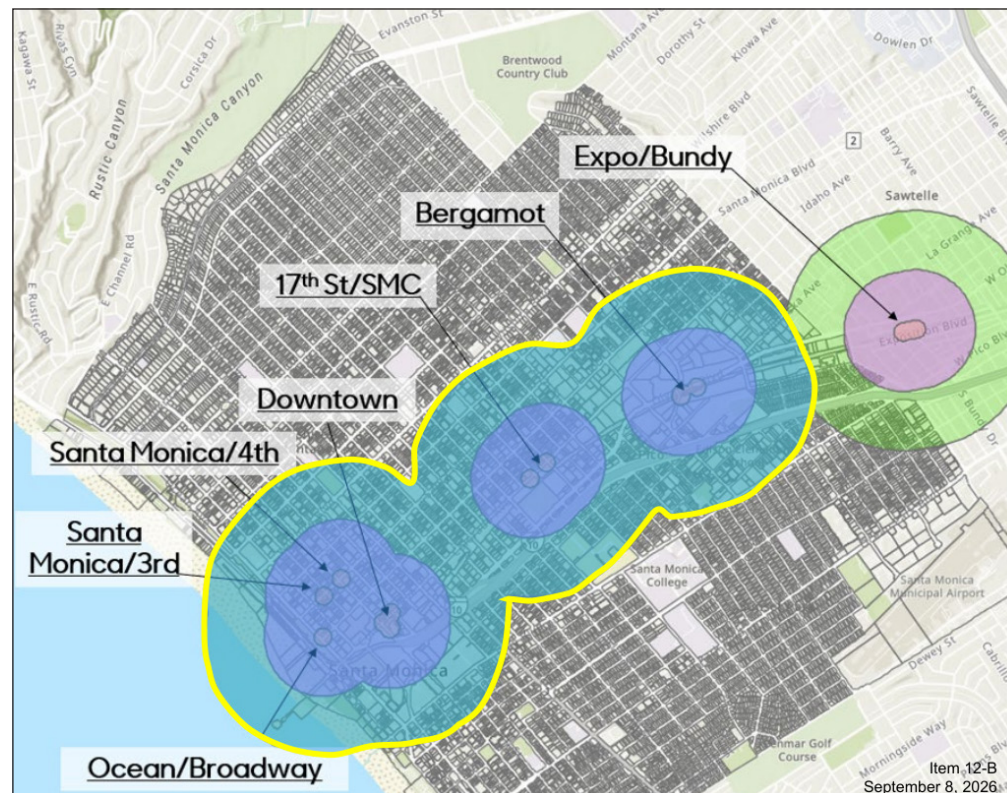
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Santa Monica council advances single-family upzoning to shield transit zone from state housing law



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CITY HALL: Santa Monica Council voted 5-1 to upzone 89 single-family parcels near Expo/Bundy to block state housing law.

MAAZ ALIN

SMDP Staff Writer

The City Council voted 5-1 Tuesday to give initial approval to an ordinance raising development standards on 89 single-family-zoned parcels near the Expo/Bundy light-rail station, a targeted move designed to shield the city's last unprotected transit zone from a sweeping state housing law.

The measure passed on first reading after hours of debate and emotional public testimony. Councilmember Lana Negrete cast the only dissenting vote, and Councilmember Jesse Zwick was recused. A second reading is required before the ordinance takes effect.

At issue is Senate Bill 79, the Abundant and Affordable Homes Near Transit Act, which took effect statewide July 1 and guarantees minimum development standards — greater density, height and floor area — for qualifying housing projects within a half-mile of major transit stops. In July, the council adopted an ordinance temporarily excluding six of Santa Monica's seven transit-oriented development zones from the law until one year after the city adopts its next housing element, expected around 2030.

The seventh zone, Expo/Bundy, did not qualify. Because the zone straddles the border with Los Angeles and Santa Monica controls too few high-capacity parcels on its side, the city fell short of a state threshold requiring at least 33% of sites to allow half the density SB 79 guarantees. Only 74 of 381 parcels — about 19% — met the standard.

To close the gap, the ordinance increases the allowed density on the 89 R1 parcels, bounded by the I-10 Freeway, Dorchester Avenue, Exposition Boulevard and Centinela Avenue, from one unit per parcel to 40 dwelling units per acre. It also raises the floor area ratio from 0.5 to 1.25, but only

for projects that meet the higher density, a condition staff said would prevent owners from simply building larger single homes. The existing 28-foot height limit is unchanged. Staff estimated the change would push the zone to 42.7% of qualifying sites, enough to secure exclusion.

Planners stressed the increase remains far below what SB 79 itself would permit — 2.5 floor area ratio, 55 feet and 80 units per acre. Left unaddressed, staff warned, the zone stays open to SB 79 projects; denials of qualifying projects in high-resource areas become rebuttably presumed unlawful starting Jan. 1, 2027, carrying penalties of \$10,000 per unit.

The debate centered on displacement. An earlier proposal to upzone 66 multi-unit R2/R3 parcels was set aside in July over concerns about renters, and staff concluded the R1 approach carried lower risk. Business-license data identified only two of the 89 single-family parcels as rentals, though five are registered under rent control.

Councilmember Dan Hall, who moved the recommendation, framed the choice as a defense of tenants and a bet on ownership. "When you flip a single-family home into a handful of townhomes, it contains rising prices," he said, arguing the alternative was blocks of "4.5, 5, 6 million McMansions." He drew a sharp line between homeowners and renters: "Choosing to sell your home is not displacement, but with renters in multifamily housing, eviction is always an option and thus a threat to stability."

Hall's motion, seconded by Councilmember Barry Snell, initially paired the staff recommendation with direction to begin planning the city's alternative TOD zones. Mayor Caroline Torosis then won a friendly amendment directing staff to

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OPINION

UNMUTED

Devan Sipher

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Blame Canada

The President of our country has said that Canadians are “nasty people” who have been “taking advantage of the United States for a long time.” In 1999, proposing war with Canada was so preposterous that it was the farcical plot of the first South Park movie. Now it’s a Tuesday.

Whether or not the President has a grudge against hockey sticks and poutine is anyone’s guess. Perhaps when you fantasize you’re a fighter jet pilot, everything looks like a shooting target. Just in the past week, the administration has attempted to restrict mail-in voting, siphoned funding from the National Institutes of Health to the Department of Defense, threatened to demolish the Kennedy Center, and suggested renaming New Mexico.

This short list doesn’t include the efforts already underway to stifle free speech, prosecute political opponents, terrorize immigrants, execute extrajudicial killings in the Caribbean, or wage war in Iran. And in case you missed it, the President has also set his sights on Santa Monica.

There was a federal hearing in our city last month to investigate the California Coastal Commission and potentially upend the federal law protecting our coastline. The accusation is that “environmental terrorism” is standing in the way of off-shore oil drilling and spaceport infrastructure. Yes, you read the last two words correctly. It’s the kind of brazen giveaway to Elon Musk’s SpaceX that even South Park would find too on the nose.

Amid the daily onslaught of criminality, corruption and cavalier cruelty, I’ve been questioning why I spend so much time writing about the errors of our City Council.

Is it useful to hold local leaders accountable for their actions when even their most outlandish actions can’t do a fraction of the damage emanating from the White House? And if the goal is to alert readers about threats to their safety and freedom, shouldn’t I be focused on the most dire ones?

Unlike our President, I believe our council members sought elected office to sincerely serve the public. Oh, they’re also there for ego gratification and political ambition. But I believe they have integrity, though I wouldn’t claim they always lead with it. Far too often, they parrot groupthink talking points and cave to political expediency. But it’s easy for

me to say that.

I can take the high road and criticize them for rewarding union leaders and real estate developers with favorable policies, because I don’t have to plead for campaign donations in order to keep my job. And while some residents lambast the influence of these interest groups, others applaud it. That’s the messy reality of democracy.

However, I mentioned the Trump administration’s attack on the Coastal Commission and the desire to usurp its authority. What I didn’t mention is that six months prior, it was Santa Monica’s council members who were attempting to do the same thing by sponsoring legislation to override the Commission. It’s not the first time they’ve emulated the President’s tactics, though in this case he was emulating theirs.

They have purged commissioners appointed by former councils, and they have violated statutes. They’ve claimed good intentions and that may very well be the case, but it’s a slippery slope. The President has said the only limit on his power is his “own morality.” If we don’t agree with the “morality” he demonstrates, there’s very little we can do about it. But we have the ability to speak up when things are happening in our own backyard. More than that, we have the obligation.

A major problem in Washington is that the people with the power to push back aren’t doing so. Democracy requires checks and balances, and in a small city that’s a solemn responsibility for all of us.

Still, if we want decent people to go into politics, we need to treat those people with decency. We shouldn’t be accusing them of malicious motives every time we disagree with their actions. That’s how conspiracy theories are born, and we live at a time with far too many conspiracies.

It’s easier to believe someone is out to get us than to believe someone made a mistake, and part of the problem is people (and particularly politicians) don’t want to admit mistakes. People don’t want to admit to losing, whether it’s an argument or a Presidential race. So we have winners and we have victims. We don’t have a lot of looking in the mirror and taking responsibility for our actions. It’s easier to blame someone. And if we want a bogeyman, there’s always Canada.

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Surf report

WATER TEMP: 73.6

THURSDAY
FAIR

SURF: 2-3ft+
Thigh to stomach

Mainly long period SSW swell in the waist high+ range, focal points around chest high. Clean AM Longer period SSW swell builds towards a peak, some modest mid-period SSW/S swell also in the mix. Not as much NW windswell so shape favors spots with some structure. Keep in mind we’ve got a mid to higher tide most of the day and a lot of sand got moved around leading up to and through the Marie 2.0 run. Going to take a little work to find the best beachbreak windows. Wind looks light early for a clean start. Wind comes onshore from the WNW in the afternoon.

FRIDAY
FAIR TO GOOD

SURF: 3-4ft+
Waist to shoulder

SSW swell lingering in the waist high zone. Shape might get a little better as period dips. Thursday’s SSW swell sticks around, still mixing with some shorter-period SSW/S swell leftovers. Not much windswell, and shape generally works best for the points. Beachbreaks are still pretty tough, but with swell period dropping into the 14-15 second range, some of those inner bars should put up a couple more corners on the tide push in the AM and winds look nice all morning - clean to start and just a little texture by lunchtime.



Weather

Thursday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 73.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 64. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 75. Light and variable wind becoming west southwest 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 65.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2026/09/17	Thu	1:22 PM	4.74	H
2026/09/17	Thu	10:18 PM	1.27	L
2026/09/18	Fri	2:48 PM	4.48	H
2026/09/18	Fri	11:47 PM	1.05	L
2026/09/19	Sat	08:42 AM	3.66	H
2026/09/19	Sat	10:46 AM	3.62	L
2026/09/19	Sat	4:40 PM	4.51	H
2026/09/20	Sun	12:41 AM	0.76	L
2026/09/20	Sun	08:08 AM	3.83	H
2026/09/20	Sun	12:12 PM	3.27	L
2026/09/20	Sun	5:53 PM	4.77	H
2026/09/21	Mon	01:19 AM	0.50	L
2026/09/21	Mon	08:12 AM	4.03	H



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Power#: 22
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Draw Date: 9/15
4 5 24 32 33



Draw Date: 9/15
27 36 43 57 58
Mega#: 16
Jackpot: 244 M



Draw Date: 9/15
EVENING: 4 0 2
Draw Date: 9/15
MIDDAY: 1 4 5



Draw Date: 9/12
13 26 29 35 47
Mega#: 8
Jackpot: 55 M



Draw Date: 9/15
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3rd: 12 - Lucky Charms
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SUBJECT: Proposed Amendments to the Downtown Community Plan (DCP) and Article 9 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code for Consistency with Existing State law and to Make other Minor changes, Corrections, and Clarifications

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to adopt amendments to the Downtown Community Plan (DCP) and Article 9 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code (Zoning Ordinance) for consistency with recent State law and to make other minor changes, corrections, and clarifications.

DATE/TIME: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2026 AT 5:30 PM

LOCATION: City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT:

The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Members of the public unable to attend a meeting but wishing to comment on an item(s) listed on the agenda may submit written comments prior to the public hearing via email to councilmtgitems@santamonica.gov or via mail to City Clerk, 1685 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica, California 90401. Written public comment submitted before 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be available for online viewing. All written comments shall be made part of the public record. Please note the agenda item number in the subject line of your written comments.

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AROUND TOWN

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Thai Fest & Locals' Night Take Over the Beach

SMDP's Weekly Guide to Food & Entertainment Goings-On In & Around Town includes a punk-rock Pier party, Thai food by the beach, a new Santa Monica bakery, Eater's biggest LA food event, coastal cleanup efforts, National Geographic Live at BroadStage, and much more!

Locals' Night at the Santa Monica Pier - Punk Night Takes Over: Locals' Night returns to the Santa Monica Pier with a decidedly punk-rock kickoff to the new season. The free evening features live sets from Implicit Bias, Horny Toad and Riptide Band, plus salsa dancing, a classic car meet, DJ Cee Rock, local vendors, an art exhibition and more. Thursday, Sept. 17, 3:30–10 p.m., Santa Monica Pier. santamonicapier.org/localsnight-sept

National Geographic Live Diving the Great Barrier Reef at BroadStage: Enjoy an immersive presentation on diving and protecting the Great Barrier Reef, featuring stunning photography and first-person stories from marine explorers. Thursday, Sept. 17, 7:30 p.m., 1310 11th St. broadstage.org

Pizza, Lucius & a Very Good Thursday: Indie music platform The Wild Honey Pie brings its signature Pizza Party to The Eden with an intimate, stripped-down performance by indie-pop band Lucius accompanied by a string trio. Even better, the evening includes unlimited pizza from a Paulie Gee x Chef Gabi Chappel collaboration. Thursday, Sept. 17, 7 p.m., The Eden, 1301 Ocean Ave. Free with RSVP. thewildhoneypie.com

Marina Movie Nights - Addams Family Values: Grab your family, a picnic dinner, and a blanket or low-profile beach chairs and make your way to Burton Chace Park for the free Summer Concerts presented by the L.A. County Department of Beaches and Harbors on select Saturdays through Sept. 26. Movies start at 8 p.m. but arrive by 7 to pick out your spot on the lawn. Free admission! visitmdr.com/annual-events/marina-movie-nights

Coastal Cleanup Day: Trade your beach towel for a trash bag and help clean Santa Monica Beach as part of Heal the Bay's annual Coastal Cleanup Day. The worldwide event brings volunteers to more than 60 sites across L.A. County. Saturday, Sept. 19, 9 a.m.–noon, Santa Monica Beach. healthebay.org/coastalcleanupday

Mexican Ballet Folklórico at the Santa Monica Library: The library kicks off Hispanic Heritage Month with a live Mexican ballet folklórico performance, the traditional regional dances of Mexico in full color and full skirts. Saturday, Sept. 19, 12–2 p.m., Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd. santamonica.gov/events/4j6frm206rv37yq7fmeq2bcvmy/202609191200

Thai Fest Takes Over the Pier: The Santa Monica Pier transforms into a two-day Thai street market featuring regional food vendors, Muay Thai demonstrations, traditional dance, live music, Thai makers and a performance troupe traveling from Bangkok. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 19–20, 11 a.m.–8 p.m., Santa Monica Pier. thaiestbythebeach.com

Habits of Waste: World Record Tennis Ball Recycling: Celebrate the Guinness World Record for collecting tennis balls for recycling. Saturday, Sept. 19, 2–4 p.m., Reed Park (1150 Lincoln Blvd.) <https://wl.donorperfect.net/webink/webink.aspx?name=E357721&id=71>

A Pierfect Benefit - All Aboard the S.S. Rex: The Santa Monica Pier's annual fundraiser transforms the historic Merry Go-Round building into a 1930s-era gambling ship complete with live jazz, casino tables, craft cocktails, a silent auction and indulgent bites. Dress for the Art Deco-inspired occasion and prepare to gamble for a good cause. santamonicapier.org/apierfectbenefit Saturday, Sept. 19 And here is a link to their online auction for a variety of food, wellness, and travel prizes that you can bid on even if you are not attending the event.



Courtesy Image
PIER: Thai Fest takes over Santa Monica Pier Sept. 19–20 with street food, Muay Thai, and Bangkok performers.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Power to the People, POWER to the NEIGHBORHOODS!

On 12 April 2016, 3,806 days ago, the Pico Neighborhood Association brought suit against the City of Santa Monica for unfair elections. They sought to change the election of the members of the City Council from "At-Large" to "Districts".

Why did they do this? Perhaps because in the seventy (70) years since Santa Monica adopted at-large voting in Dec 1946, of the 64 persons who had been elected prior to 2016, only 3 or 4.7% had been Hispanic or Persons of Color. Since then, of the 16 persons who have served, 5 or 31% have been Hispanic or Persons of Color. Do you think the Lawsuit influenced the City Council when ALL three of the persons first SELECTED - Jara, McCowan, Negrete - were Hispanic or Persons of Color?

Let's get real, do you really think the Uller Pedophile horror would have gone on for twenty years if it were NOT in the Pico Neighborhood? Even today, does it seem "fair and equitable" that the Homeless Intake Shelter will be moved into the Pico Neighborhood?

Let's put aside, if we can, the racist and ethnic history of discrimination in Santa Monica - similar to America's history. For me, after public safety, the ultimate logic is that the first priorities are for each NEIGHBORHOOD. People living in Ocean Park have different priorities than those in Wilmont; North of Montana residents - the 6th most expensive ZIP code in the US - have different priorities than people living in the Pico Neighborhood. That is not racist or ethnic, it's simple geography, and why the people live in the neighborhoods they want and can afford.

Let's get basic, we want someone to represent us and our neighborhood FIRST. It's why the US in 1842 made district representation the rule for states in Congress; it's why Los Angeles adopted district representation in 1925, and why the majority of cities in CA and the US elect their City Council Members by district. Our new City Manager spent four years at the City of Irvine, which elects its City Council by districts and its mayor at large.

Let's talk about cost. The most recent estimate is that as of 30 June 2025, the City had paid \$14.4MM to its outside law firm to defend against the Pico Neighborhood Association. That works out to \$4,278 per day over the 3,806 days ending 30 June 2025. The new City Council took office on 10 Dec 2024, and over its 642 days in office as of 12 Sep 2026, it has been responsible for \$2,745,193 of these legal fees. By the time of the next court date, 22 Feb 2027, another 162 days or \$694,379 in costs will have been incurred, making the new City Council responsible for \$3,439,572 in legal fees over a lawsuit that could have been settled for ZERO ten years ago. They can stop the bleeding NOW!

Why have members of the City Council over the last decade and the last 21 months continued to fight district representation for OUR neighborhoods? "Cui Bono" - who benefits?

Four years ago, City Council members Zwick and Torosis each spent more than \$50,000 to get elected over all seven districts. What if they or anyone else could afford just \$7,000 of their own money on their own district? Doesn't that give a larger number of potential candidates? Don't we want "diversity" in our City Government, not just ethnic and racial?

Estimates for the current median household incomes for the City of Santa Monica are: \$115,000

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90401 - \$110,400;

90402 - \$159,000;

90403 - \$121,900;

90404 - \$95,100; and

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Last year the City of Santa Monica celebrated its 150th Birthday. I've lived here continuously since Oct 1996, after first living here briefly in 1967 and 1987. I moved here permanently because my children were off to college; in SM it has No Snow, No Ice, 8 Blocks to the Beach, less than an hour to an International Airport, and a major metro area where I could find a job. I have enjoyed living here and until Memorial Day, 31 May 2020, had only minor "issues" with Santa Monica's government. That day was SM's wake-up call. It brought into the open the mistakes and failures that had been festering too long in our Public Safety, Homeless Solutions, Economic & Financial Vulnerability, Education, etc.

It has been more than six years and we are still struggling. It has been more than 80-years, and we still refuse to give Power to the Neighborhoods, Power to the People. The Neighborhoods are where people are most affected and can most quickly improve OUR city.

Finally, OUR City Council Members CAN STOP the Hemorrhaging of \$1.6MM a year, \$4,300 a day on a Lawsuit that Prevents Power to the Neighborhoods. WE, citizens of Santa Monica, can elect those who will vote to stop the Hemorrhaging.

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Saturday, September 19, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Will Rogers State Historic Park 1501 Will Rogers State Park Rd Pacific Palisades.

Polo in the Palisades

Join us for an unforgettable afternoon of sport, glamour, and giving back at the 18th Annual Polo in the Palisades benefiting Miriam's House! Get ready to be swept off your feet by the thrill of the game, the beautiful scenery, and the electric atmosphere as we raise funds for a worthy cause. \$800.00 to \$10,000.00— General Admission. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/polo-in-the-palisades/19460021/2026-09-19T13>

Friday, September 18, 8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

The Crow 2525 Michigan Ave #Unit F4 Santa Monica.

Trivial Comedy

Are you a trivia nerd or just love comedy? Or even both?? \$23.11. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/trivial-comedy/18890832/2026-09-18T20>

Thursday, September 17, 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Marelle at Sandbourne Santa Monica 1740 Ocean Ave Santa Monica.

Late Night Happy Hour at Marelle - Night Cap Menu

Marelle will be launching a late-night happy hour menu called 'Night Cap' starting Monday, April 6th. Guests can order from this menu exclusively at Marelle, bar and bar lounge only. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/late-night-happy-hour-at-marelle-night-cap-menu/18409321/2026-09-17T21>

Sunday, September 20, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Church in Ocean Park 235 Hill Street Santa Monica.

High Holidays with the Karov Community

Join us for a humanistic but spiritual, musical, open-minded High Holidays. We will hear the shofar and do a mock tashlich for Rosh Hashanah morning on Saturday, Sept 12. We will hear the three repetitions of Kol Nidre on Sunday, Sept 20. We will have an alternative Yom Kippur morning on Monday, Sept 21 - 10:30 Morning Niggun and Text reading. 11:30 - Nizkor memorial service. 12:30 Sound bowl meditation and chanting with Michael and Jahna. \$25.00 to \$75.00— All tickets are tax deductible. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/high-holidays-with-the-karov-community/19557117/2026-09-20T19>

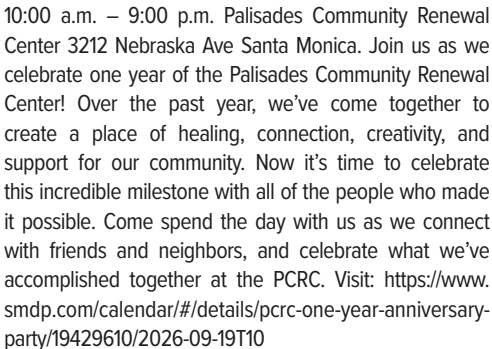
Thursday, September 17, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

352 Westminister Ave Venice.

Venice Art Crawl Mixer at Belles Beach House

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Venice Electric Light Parade - Sundays at Sunset. Visit:
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026120327. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: STRAPLAB, 10960 WILSHIRE BLVD SUITE 1900, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): PALIBAY, LLC, 10960 WILSHIRE BLVD SUITE 1900, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ LINDSEY KROEGER, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 06/02/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 08/27/2026, 09/03/2026, 09/10/2026, 09/17/2026

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Name change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 26SMCP00381. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main St, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Petition of Jake Theadore Berman for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Jake Theadore Berman filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Jake Theadore Berman to Jake Theodore Byrd. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: 10/02/26, Time: 08:30am, Dept: K. The address of the court is same as noted above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS. Date: 08/11/2026. Lawrence Cho, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 08/27/2026, 09/03/2026, 09/10/2026, 09/17/2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026183049. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BLUECURRENT & CO., 3231 OCEAN PARK BLVD STE 215, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): BLUECURRENT & CO., 1107 BAY ST UNIT B, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405-1531. This business is conducted by: a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/2026. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ KIMBERLY O'CAIN, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/25/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 09/10/2026, 09/17/2026, 09/24/2026, 10/01/2026

Name change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 26STCP03221. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 111 N. Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Petition of Lev Konstantinovich Katsman by Konstantin Aleksandrovich Katsman & Nina Katsman for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Lev Konstantinovich Katsman by Konstantin Aleksandrovich Katsman & Nina Katsman filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Lev Konstantinovich Katsman to Lev Konstantin Katsman. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: 12/11/2026, Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: 509. The address of the court is same as noted above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS. Date: 08/25/2026. Virginia Keeny, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 09/03/2026, 09/10/2026, 09/17/2026, 09/24/2026

COMMUNITY NEWS

Beaches

Santa Monica College Invites Community to Coastal Cleanup Day at the ‘Inkwell’

Santa Monica College is inviting the community to take part in Coastal Cleanup Day, described as the world’s largest volunteer event related to the marine environment, from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 19, at Santa Monica Beach Tower 20, at the end of Bay St.

SMC students are helping to clean up the “Inkwell,” the college’s adopted section of beach. The site is where SMC student Nick Gabaldón and other African Americans challenged Jim Crow racism and helped open public beaches for all.

Gloves, buckets and safety training will be provided. Sunscreen, a hat and a reusable water bottle are strongly recommended.

Volunteers are encouraged to bike, walk or bus to the beach if possible. Those who must drive can request parking passes at the parking lot entrance between Bay St. and Bicknell St.

More information is available by emailing Ferris Kawar at kawar_ferris@smc.edu.

EDITED BY SMDP STAFF

AROUND TOWN

FROM PAGE 4

Stand-Up Jesus at Santa Monica Playhouse: What if the Second Coming were a comedy special? Humorist Robert Dubac brings his solo show Stand-Up Jesus to Santa Monica Playhouse for three Saturday performances this fall, followed by a post-show wine-and-wafer reception. Saturday, Sept. 19, 7:30 p.m., 1211 4th St. santamonicaplayhouse.com

ONGOING: Museum of Illusions; The CUBE VR; Splatter Studio; Wellness & Waves (Saturdays through 10/17); Locals’ Night Third Thursdays; Perrys Beach House DJ Event (Saturdays and Sundays in Sept.)

WHAT’S NEW & DELICIOUS?

Petitgrain’s New Little Sister: Clémence de Lutz, the baker behind Petitgrain Boulangerie, has opened a tiny sibling bakery and chocolatier eight blocks away on Pico Boulevard. Petitpain ... et Chocolat serves whole-grain breads and pastries, house-made chocolates, coffee and some intriguing new creations, including an almond-honey croissant, cinnamon bun and fruit bostock. 1013 Pico Blvd.; open Wednesday–Sunday, 6:45 a.m.–2 p.m. LA Times glowed about the new spot: latimes.com/food/story/2026-09-08/petitpain-et-chocolat-best-croissants-los-angeles-petitgrain-new-french-bakery-chocolatier

Cowabunga! The Infatuation Reviews TMNT Pizzeria: The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles-themed pizzeria on Third Street Promenade gets a new review from The Infatuation, which highlights its neon-green-and-purple decor, arcade games, extensive TMNT merchandise and turtle-themed cocktails. 1444 Third St. Promenade. theinfatuation.com/los-angeles/reviews/teenage-mutant-ninja-turtles-pizzeria

35+ Singles Wine & Mingle Night at AJA Vineyards: Ditch the dating apps for a night of real-world connections as “Thursday” is taking over AJA wine bar for a 35+ singles gathering, pairing local boutique wines with a laid-back, open-format social hour designed for meeting local neighbors. Thursday, Sept. 24, 7 – 10 p.m., 417 2nd St. ajavineyards.com/events

Wallys - A Tasting with Tenuta Trinoro & Passopisciaro: This tasting is paired with a small cheese and charcuterie board for each guest. Thursday, Sept. 24, 214 Wilshire Blvd. <https://www.opentable.com/booking/experiences-availability?rid=1020850&restref=1020850&experienceId=790883>

FURTHER AFIELD: Eater Off Menu Brings Santa Monica Chefs to Atwater Village: Eater’s biggest L.A. food event of the year takes over the historic Tam O’Shanter with an all-star lineup of food and drinks—including Santa Monica’s own Pasjoli and Holbox, plus Quarter Sheets and Café Telegrama. Tickets include unlimited food and drinks, with 100% of net ticket proceeds benefiting World Central Kitchen. Saturday, Sept. 19, 6 p.m., 2980 Los Feliz Blvd. events.voxmedia.com/eateroffmenu2026

MORE FURTHER AFIELD: TenderFest All-You-Can-Eat Celebration of “All Things Pounded, Breaded, and Fried”: , An all-you-can-eat celebration of gourmet chicken tenders featuring unlimited bites, custom dips, pop-up desserts, and a chef competition judged by Nancy Silverton, Cat Cora, and Rams stars Puka Nacua and Kyren Williams. Saturday, Sept. 19, The Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, 9390 N. Santa Monica Blvd., Beverly Hills tenderfest.com

Looking Ahead: The Other Art Fair (9/24-27); Montana Avenue Art Walk (10/3); Oktoberfest at the Fairmont (10/8-10); Off the Hook Seafood Festival (10/11); Main St. Day of the Dog Festival (10/18); LA Times Food Bowl (10/23-24)

If there’s something you think is worth highlighting, you can reach out directly at instagram.com/seanbesser or email me at sean@smdp.com. Let me know if you have any feedback on Around Town: Thai Fest & Locals’ Night Take Over the Beach

By TONY COCHRAN



By MICK & MASON MASTROIANNI & JOHNNY HART



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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 17)

ARIES (March 21-April 19). One piece of your life will click into place today, and the rest of the day will go a little better because of it. A solved problem at work may give you more patience at home, or the other way around.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're still getting to know someone. Social media posts, dating profiles and resumes project one image. Reputation sheds a more objective light, and some interactions produce another take entirely. Each angle informs, but none tell the whole story.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Because you really want the best for the group, you're trying to see projects with a more communal eye, blurring the benefit of any particular individual in hopes you can sense the overall good. You'll have some success with this.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The reason you pause before making even a seemingly small choice? You know how small things escalate, sometimes delightfully so. Once upon a time, you said, "I'll try the ..." and that isolated moment has informed a hundred other decisions.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Each mind makes its own pictures. Light comes from the outside, but the appearance of it comes from the inside. Today, you'll have an entirely different impression of things than the next person, and it's important to say your version.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). In Greek cosmogony, khaos was the gaping space before the formed universe. When you witness a bit of chaos today, think of it not as the dismantling of order or the breakdown of a system but instead as the moment before creation.

HOROSCOPES

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your opinion of yourself can change by the minute, but it's better for the work at hand if you stick to one confident stance today. You know what you can do and you can be unwavering in that knowledge. Now's the time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There is a powerful pleasure in knocking down something that is smug, showy or acting superior. Today, a puffed-up claim may give you the opening. One well-placed joke may make your point and get a laugh from the right people.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Music has no practical purpose, and neither do most of the best things from candy to kisses. Devote some of the day to the impractical and purposeless things that make life delicious.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You've reason to be confident about your route, although it may not be something you can prove on paper yet. You can trust your gut today - good, because you won't have time to wait around for the perfect instruction.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Of course we can only see what's on the surface of others, but you wouldn't for a second believe that's all there was. You've never met a "shallow" person in your life. There's always more, and your deep respect for this will inform today's decision.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There are some things you'd rather not think about, but it's not particularly helpful to ignore the entire chapter of life because of a few bad paragraphs. Memories can hurt, but they can also give you comfort, strength and a new plan for going forward.

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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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Shelter grant org.
- 6 Spoil in the fridge
- 11 Agent, briefly
- 14 Strikeout king Ryan
- 15 Part of NPR
- 16 Speedy Aussie bird
- 17 Bottom line numbers
- 19 In great shape
- 20 Gave temporarily
- 21 Needing liniment
- 22 Nozzle streams
- 23 Manuscript's removal
- 25 ___ about (circa)
- 27 "Get-up-and-go" abilities

- 32 To ___ (perfectly)

- 34 Port and Merlot

- 35 Pro's camera

- 36 Side by side

- 39 Lawn coating

- 40 "Really?"

- 42 Very small batteries

- 44 Work respites

- 47 Finish a flight

- 48 Visitor center handout

- 52 Come up short

- 54 Omen, for instance

- 56 Puerto ___

- 57 Drink dispenser

- 58 Heavy art museum display

- 61 French toast ingredient

- 62 Disentangle

- 63 Boys choir section

- 64 ___ Alamos, NM

- 65 Twosomes

- 66 River of Paris

DOWN

- 1 Hidden agenda

- 2 More upset

- 3 Primary strategy

- 4 Doesn't understand

- 5 Paired with

- 6 Neighborhood

- 7 Court ritual

- 8 Party time, informally

- 9 Feel off

- 10 Small *numero*

- 11 Issues on a ballot

- 12 Send forth

- 13 Sets (down)

- 18 Truck's unloaded weight

- 22 Rocker Jon Bon ___

- 24 Left on the plate

- 25 Bygone GM

- 26 Fresh look

- 28 Garson of '40s films

- 29 Biblical affirmative

- 30 Levis rival

- 31 GPS reading

- 32 Likewise

- 33 They're insignificant

- 35 [not my error]

- 37 Raised in a ranch

- 38 Barbecue seasoning

- 41 Bakeware brand

- 43 Normally

- 45 Birds on \$1s

- 46 Handel's British

- 49 Peruvian volcano El

- ___

- 50 Use, as advice

- 51 Western band

- 52 Biodiesel, e.g.

- 53 Ship of myth

- 54 Mexican mlle.

- 55 Bibliography notation

- 58 Wet dust

- 59 No particular one

- 60 ___ relief (sculpture

- style)

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PIERFECT BENEFIT

FROM PAGE 1

a Pacific Park package offering four annual passes for 365 days of unlimited rides.

“A PIERfect Benefit’s auction is about more than taking home something special — it’s an opportunity to experience the places, people and traditions that make Santa Monica and the pier so distinctive,” Harris said. “Every bid supports our nonprofit mission and helps us continue creating experiences on the pier that are free and accessible to everyone.”

Online bidding is already open at givebutter.com/pierfectbenefit2026, allowing supporters to browse the full catalog and place bids from anywhere, whether or not they attend. Bidding continues at the event, where guests can track favorite items on their phones until the auction closes. Winning bidders will be notified by email.

The fundraiser marks a step up in ambition from its debut. Harris said last year’s inaugural benefit was “primarily an exercise in changing the public perception of what the Pier Corporation is.”

“Most people assume that we are a branch of the City of Santa Monica, but in reality we are a nonprofit organization who produces a year-round slate of free public events on the pier,” he said. Last year’s event raised more than \$30,000; this year’s goal is \$100,000.

Proceeds support the corporation, an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit that funds free, year-round programming including Youth Day, which welcomes underserved children from across Los Angeles County, and the annual Pier 360 Beach Festival.

Los Angeles County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath is again among the event’s sponsors. “Supervisor Horvath has been a wonderful and loyal supporter of the Pier Corporation’s free events through Los Angeles County grant funding, was a key contributor to our inaugural fundraiser last year, and is on board once again this year,” Harris said. “We are ever so grateful for her support.”

Given the casino theme and cocktails, the benefit is geared toward adults. “The event is more suitable to a 21-plus crowd, but not restricted to that age limit,” Harris said.

Guests who buy gaming tickets in advance receive 50% off the day-of price, and winners

COUNCIL

FROM PAGE 2

simultaneously study the community’s “dual ordinance” concept, possible exemptions for parcels with uses such as child care, and a citywide anti-displacement measure for rent-controlled homes. She said her priority was to “close the door as quickly as possible” on the expanded development window while pursuing those added protections. Torosis also voiced frustration at repeated shifts in the data presented to the council: “I feel like we’re getting new information every time we discuss this, which is a little bit disconcerting.”

Negrete pushed for more time, offering a substitute motion to revisit the R2/R3 approach while the dual-ordinance idea was studied. It failed for lack of support, in part because that approach had not yet been

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- Jim Harris, executive director and historian of the Santa Monica Pier Corporation

at each table earn raffle tickets for additional prizes. Adele’s of Hollywood is offering 15% off costume rentals and purchases with the code PIER.

Tickets, gaming packages, sponsorship opportunities and tax-deductible donations are available at givebutter.com/pierfectbenefit2026. The Merry Go-Round Building is at 200 Santa Monica Pier, Santa Monica.

For more information, visit givebutter.com/pierfectbenefit2026.

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submitted to the state. “I can’t support the upzoning because of the R1 neighborhood,” she said in explaining her vote, adding that she remained “curious to see what comes back.”

Staff rejected the dual-ordinance approach, saying SB 79 is silent on how to calculate capacity across city lines and that the state Department of Housing and Community Development has not answered the city’s request for guidance. City Attorney Heidi von Tongeln told the council the chance of a formal state response before the second reading was “nil.”

Councilmember Ellis Raskin, who voted yes, signaled the item may yet change before final adoption. “Yes on first reading,” he said. “Let’s see what happens in the second.”

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