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David White begins role as City Manager

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

After 18 months of interim leadership, David White has taken the helm as the permanent City Manager of Santa Monica.

White brings with him five years of experience as the City Manager of Fairfield and two years of experience as the Deputy City Manager of Berkeley, where he recently relocated from.

"I am incredibly eager to work with the City Council and take the time to get to know residents, business and property owners, the diverse community organizations, dedicated volunteers, and members of our Boards and Commissions that make Santa Monica a community with strong ties, and the tremendous employees that serve this community on a daily basis," said White in a public statement released on Oct. 11.

As City Manager, White will oversee a total City budget of $705.5 million and a workforce of 1,923. He will be responsible for leading the continued economic recovery of Santa Monica and the gradual rebuilding of its municipal workforce, which in 2020 was reduced by around 25 percent due to pandemic related budget

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LAFD responds to RV fires on both sides of the city

JAMIE PAIGE
Special to the Daily Press

The Los Angeles Fire Department was called to an RV fire located at the 15800 block of the Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) early Tuesday morning.

A call came in at 2:13 a.m., according to the LAFD.

Firefighters say two engines, eight firefighters responded to the fire. No word on how long it took crews to put the fire out.

No injuries were reported.

This is the second RV Fire on the westside in less than a week.

The Los Angeles Fire Department says the cause of a fire that destroyed an RV outside Whole Foods remains unknown.

Firefighters say they received a call for a structure fire around 7:15 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9 at 225 Lincoln Boulevard.

Twenty-five personnel were sent to combat the fire. One truck put out the RV fire while other firefighters worked to make sure the fire did not spread to Whole Foods.

No one was injured. The fire remains under investigation.

That was the fourth RV fire located on Rose Avenue in less than a year.

What could happen ...



Climate Central

WATER: Visit https://picturing.climatecentral.org to see renderings of other sites impacted by climate change.

DANIEL FARR
SMDP Staff Writer

It's hard to visualize the effects of climate change, but a new graphic that shows what the Santa Monica Pier could look like if temperatures continue to rise helps put things into perspective.

Climate Central recently released a series of images showing the impact of climate change on popular destinations, including the Santa Monica Pier.

In less than a century, one of California's most popular tourist attractions could be underwater due to rising sea levels.

However, Santa Monica is working to make sure this nightmare scenario does not become a reality.

"The recent visualization created by Climate Central and reported by CNN are an accurate reflection of the current climate crisis and the potential impacts of sea level rise and coastal storms here in Santa Monica and in coastal communities around the globe in the future," Shannon Parry, the city's Chief Sustainability Officer said. "It is worth noting that these models and visualizations reflect a worse case scenario if climate change goes on unabated. Here in Santa Monica we are actively working to address climate change and reduce our greenhouse gas emissions. The City established a goal to be Carbon Neutral by 2050 or sooner and we are on track to achieve this outcome. Santa Monica's emissions in 2019 were 36% below 1990 levels. In 2020, during the COVID pandemic, Santa Monica's emissions decreased an additional 37%."

New research from Climate Central shows that under the current emissions pathway leading toward 3°C global warming, about 50 major cities around the world will need to mount globally unprecedented defenses or lose most of their populated areas to unremitting sea level rise.

The high tide line could encroach above land occupied by roughly 10% of the current global population, which is over 800 million people after 3°C of warming.

Threats are global but concentrated in Asia, where megacity futures hang in the balance in four of the top five

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City of Santa Monica

CITY OF SANTA MONICA
Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica will be holding a public hearing for the following:

Adoption of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Santa Monica Groundwater Subbasin (Water Code Section 10728.4)

This is a Notice that the Santa Monica Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA), which is composed of the cities of Santa Monica, Culver City, Beverly Hills, Los Angeles through the Department of Water and Power, and the County of Los Angeles, is proposing adoption of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Santa Monica Groundwater Subbasin pursuant to Water Code Section 10728.4 under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) of 2014. The GSP is the governing document related to groundwater for Santa Monica Subbasin, Groundwater Basin Number 4-11.01

SGMA stipulates that at least 90 days prior to holding a public hearing to adopt a GSP, a GSA must provide notice to a city or county within the area of the proposed GSP (Water Code Section 10728.4). The GSA must review and consider comments from any city or county within the area of the proposed GSP that receives this notice and shall consult with any city or county that requests consultation within 30 days of receipt of this notice.

The GSP was available for public comment from July 15, 2021, to September 28, 2021, and was posted on https://www.santamonica.gov/gsp.

A Public Hearing to receive public comments on the GSP will be held during the December 7, 2021 Santa Monica City Council meeting. Effective May 5, 2020 public comment is being conducted remotely until COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. For updates, please visit the Santa Monica City Clerk website at https://www.smgov.net/departments/clerk.

A Public Hearing for Adoption of the GSP for the Santa Monica Subbasin is being held at 5:30 pm on Thursday, January 13, 2022, via Zoom pursuant to SB 361. This legislation allows local agencies to address emergent pandemic conditions by allowing local officials, and the public, to participate in public meetings via virtual platforms. If the order is in effect, the Zoom link to the meeting will be posted on December 1, 2021.

Once adopted by the GSA, the GSP for the Santa Monica Groundwater Subbasin will be submitted to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) via the DWR web portal for their review and evaluation. Once the GSP is posted on the DWR web portal, it will be open to additional public comment for 75 days. The GSA will begin implementing the GSP immediately, even before DWR's review of the GSP is complete.

Please contact Lisette A. Gold (Lisette.Gold@santamonica.gov) for questions or comments on this Notice or any of its contents.



DAILY POLICE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 315 CALLS ON OCTOBER 11

Grand Theft Auto Report 1100Blk 7th St 1:03 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 28th St / Ocean Park Blvd 1:27 p.m.
Fraud Report 1700Blk Lincoln Blvd 1:39 p.m.
Burglary Report 1600Blk 17th St 1:40 p.m.
Found Property 300Blk Olympic Dr 1:53 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1900Blk Lincoln Blvd 10:10 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1700Blk 21st St 10:11 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1600Blk 12th St 10:19 a.m.
Encampment 1600Blk Ocean Ave 10:23 p.m.
Burglary Report 1600Blk 12th St 10:26 a.m.
Burglary Investigation/Walk Through 2500Blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:27 a.m.
Sexual Assault 1500Blk Ocean Ave 10:27 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 6th St / Wilshire Blvd 10:29 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1500Blk Ocean Ave 10:30 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 6th St / Wilshire Blvd 10:31 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1200Blk Bay St 10:38 a.m.
Grand Theft Report 900Blk Franklin St 10:40 a.m.
Battery Report 800Blk The Beach 10:44 a.m.
Fraud Report 2300Blk 28th St 10:44 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 2nd St / Santa Monica Blvd 10:46 a.m.
Lewd Activity Main St / Kinney St 10:47 a.m.
Encampment 100Blk Olympic Dr 10:50 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Report 200Blk Pacific St 10:55 a.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 200Blk Broadway 11:13 a.m.
Burglary Investigation/Walk Through 2500Blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:15 a.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 3100Blk Main St 11:37 a.m.
Found Property 30th St / Ocean Park Blvd 11:41 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 1100Blk 5th St 11:48 a.m.
Fight 4th St / Santa Monica Blvd 12:15 p.m.
Malicious Mischief Just Occurred 3300Blk Ocean Park Blvd 12:15 p.m.
Burglary Report 2200Blk 6th St 12:20 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 1300Blk Wilshire Blvd 12:25 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 00Blk Bay St 12:27 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 3300Blk Ocean Park Blvd 12:33 p.m.
Found Property 3300Blk Donald Douglas Loop N 12:34 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation 11th St / Marine St 12:40 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 100Blk Hollister Ave 12:41 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation Lincoln Blvd / Olympic Blvd W 12:50 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 500Blk Wilshire Blvd 12:55 p.m.
Found Property 2500Blk Michigan Ave 2:00 p.m.
Found Property 300Blk Ocean Ave 2:00 p.m.
Encampment 2000Blk Cloverfield Blvd 2:04 p.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 2600Blk Barnard Way 2:08 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 4th St / Santa Monica Blvd 2:10 a.m.
Theft Of Recyclables 1200Blk 10th St 2:24 a.m.
Encampment Cloverfield Blvd / Kansas Ave 2:53 p.m.
Panhandling 100Blk Ocean Park Blvd 3:01 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1000Blk 7th St 3:34 p.m.
Trash Dumping 1000Blk 19th St 3:38 p.m.
Urinating/Defecating In Public 1100Blk 4th St 3:41 p.m.
Found Property 1200Blk 2nd St 3:45 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 2200Blk Main St 3:57 p.m.
Fraud Report 1500Blk Wilshire Blvd 4:04 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Report 2700Blk Pico Blvd 4:32 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 100Blk Esparta Way 4:38 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1400Blk 2nd St 4:50 p.m.
Found Senile Person 800Blk Wilshire Blvd 5:13 p.m.
Grand Theft Report 1400Blk Ocean Ave 5:17 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2300Blk Santa Monica Blvd 5:23 a.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 500Blk Santa Monica Blvd 5:32 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 1400Blk 7th St 5:39 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 2100Blk Oak St 5:41 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1400Blk Olympic Blvd 5:45 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries City Prop Involved 14th St / Montana Ave 5:52 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Neilson Way / Marine St 5:52 p.m.
Burglary Investigation/Walk Through 2300Blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:13 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1400Blk Olympic Blvd 6:15 a.m.
Loud Music 2300Blk 4th St 6:16 p.m.
Sexual Assault 300Blk Wilshire Blvd 6:25 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1900Blk Pico Blvd 6:26 a.m.
Grand Theft Report 1200Blk 9th St 6:33 p.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon Just Occurred 2600Blk Virginia Ave 6:40 p.m.
Public Intoxication 300Blk Arizona Ave 6:52 p.m.
Malicious Mischief Just Occurred 1000Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 6:53 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1400Blk Olympic Blvd 6:54 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 2400Blk Alta Ave 7:00 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 700Blk Broadway 7:00 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries Lincoln Blvd / Wilshire Blvd 7:00 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1100Blk 20th St 7:08 p.m.

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DAILY FIRE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 41 CALLS ON OCTOBER 11

Automatic Alarm 400Blk 23rd St 5:51 a.m.
Miscellaneous Outside Fire Lincoln Blvd / Olympic Blvd E 12:33 a.m.
EMS 1800Blk 20th St 12:38 a.m.
EMS 1500Blk 5th St 1:25 a.m.
EMS Cloverfield Blvd / Olympic Blvd 2:04 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 2100Blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:55 a.m.
EMS 2700Blk Neilson Way 7:21 a.m.
EMS 2000Blk Arizona Ave 7:36 a.m.
EMS 1400Blk 7th St 7:57 a.m.
EMS 1400Blk 17th St 8:05 a.m.
EMS 1000Blk 11th St 8:11 a.m.
EMS 1900Blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:51 a.m.
EMS West Channel / Entrada 9:15 a.m.
EMS 600Blk Pico Blvd 9:46 a.m.
EMS 3rd St / California Ave 9:58 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury 6th St / Wilshire Blvd 10:31 a.m.
EMS 1000Blk 4th St 10:36 a.m.
EMS 1900Blk Washington Ave 10:40 a.m.
EMS 900Blk 11th St 10:41 a.m.
EMS 1200Blk 16th St 10:48 a.m.
Wires Down 1300Blk Princeton St 12:09 p.m.
Odor Investigation 1000Blk Euclid St 12:10 p.m.
EMS 3300Blk Ocean Park Blvd 12:45 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 200Blk Ocean Ave 2:10 p.m.
EMS 1500Blk 5th St 2:28 p.m.
EMS 2100Blk Ocean Ave 2:30 p.m.
EMS 300Blk Santa Monica Pl 3:08 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 500Blk Wilshire Blvd 4:37 p.m.
EMS 600Blk Ozone St 4:53 p.m.
EMS Neilson Way / Marine St 5:52 p.m.
EMS 1000Blk Wilson Pl 6:19 p.m.
EMS 2600Blk Virginia Ave 6:49 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 2400Blk 14th St 6:52 p.m.
EMS 1100Blk 20th St 7:11 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 2400Blk 14th St 7:15 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk Ocean Ave 7:20 p.m.
EMS 1000Blk 12th St 10:17 p.m.
Brush Fire Centinela Ave / Interstate 10 10:18 p.m.
EMS 800Blk 4th St 11:26 p.m.
Brush Fire Interstate 10 / Centinela Ave 11:32 p.m.
EMS 1200Blk Palisades Park 9:35 a.m.

CRIME WATCH BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Crime Watch is culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, AT APPROXIMATELY 11:30 A.M.

Officers responded to a radio call of a "Battery Just Occurred" at Santa Monica Beach Restroom #17. The comments of the call indicated a victim had been beaten and robbed. The victim relayed that while sitting on a cement wall he was approved by two suspects who demanded his property. While attempting to run from the suspects, the victim fell to the ground. At this time, the suspects began to kick the victim while removing his backpack and items from his pockets. The victim was able to regain his footing and ran towards a local hotel. Once inside, the victim called 9-1-1 and requested PD assistance. During the officer's interview with the victim, the victim noticed one of the suspects in the robbery riding a bike with his belongings in hand. Officers detained the subject and recovered the victim's stolen property. Brent Lacy, a 33 year old male from Harbor City, was arrested for robbery and transported to the Santa Monica Jail. The second suspect remains outstanding.

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Battery Just Occurred 900Blk Marine St 7:39 p.m.
Burglary Report 500Blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:01 a.m.
Missing Person 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 8:05 p.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 1500Blk Ocean Ave 8:09 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1600Blk Cloverfield Blvd 8:12 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1500Blk 4th St 8:30 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1300Blk Pico Blvd 8:37 p.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 1100Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 8:46 p.m.
Loud Music 1000Blk Ocean Ave 8:48 a.m.
Burglary Report 800Blk 18th St 8:50 a.m.
Overdose 1900Blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:51 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Report 900Blk 4th St 8:54 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 1300Blk 4th St 8:56 p.m.
Urinating/Defecating In Public 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 9:06 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1200Blk 3rd Street Prom 9:10 a.m.
Fight 2200Blk 24th St 9:17 p.m.
Found Property 1500Blk 2nd St 9:30 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1900Blk Arizona Ave 9:34 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1900Blk 18th St 9:36 p.m.
Burglary Now 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 9:45 p.m.
Burglary Report 3200Blk Olympic Blvd 9:46 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 2600Blk Ocean Park Blvd 9:49 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2000Blk Pico Blvd 9:50 a.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 9:51 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 9:52 p.m.

City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: The issuance of tax-exempt revenue obligations by the California Enterprise Development Authority for the purpose of financing or refinancing the cost of acquiring, developing, constructing, installing, equipping, and furnishing of educational facilities for the benefit of New Roads School and/or a related entity.

DESCRIPTION

Pursuant to Section 6586.5 of the California Government Code, the City Council (the "City Council") of the City of Santa Monica (the "City") will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 5:30 P.M., at the City Council Chambers located at 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California and remotely at https://www.youtube.com/user/Citytv16santamonica, https://www.smgov.net/video or at (800) 520-9950.

The City Council will hear and consider information concerning the issuance, from time to time, pursuant to a plan of finance, of one or more series of tax-exempt revenue obligations by the California Enterprise Development Authority (the "Issuer") in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Twenty Five Million Dollars ($25,000,000) (the "Obligations") for the benefit of New Roads School, a nonprofit public benefit corporation, duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of California (the "State"), and/or a related entity (the "Borrower"). The Issuer will loan the proceeds of the Obligations to the Borrower pursuant to one or more loan agreements (collectively, the "Loan Agreement"). The proceeds of the Obligations loaned to the Borrower will be applied to (a) finance or refinance the cost of acquisition, construction, development, improvement, renovation, furnishing and equipping of the Borrower's educational campus consisting of (i) an approximately 2.6 acre campus located at 3131 Olympic Boulevard, Santa Monica, California 90404 and bordered by Olympic Boulevard to the south, Nebraska Avenue to the north, Franklin Street to the east and Berkeley Street to the west, including approximately 73,150 square feet of improvements including classrooms, a theater, science labs, offices, outdoor play and sports areas, parking, and related and ancillary facilities, and (ii) an approximately 9,700 square foot building located at 1836 Franklin Street, Santa Monica, California 90404 (collectively, the "Facilities"), and (b) pay certain costs of issuance in connection with such financing or refinancing. The Borrower is an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and will own and operate the Facilities in connection with its mission of providing an inspired college preparatory program for students in grades K-12 where an authentically diverse student population develops personal dedication to learning, a respect to independent thinking and an expanding curiosity about the world and its people. The Obligations will be paid entirely from repayments by the Borrower under the Loan Agreement.

Neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the City of Santa Monica (the "City"), the State, or any other political corporation, subdivision or agency of the State is pledged to the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on, the Obligations, nor shall the City, the State or any other political corporation, subdivision or agency of the State be liable or obligated to pay the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on, the Obligations.

The staff report regarding the issuance of tax-exempt revenue obligations by the California Enterprise Development Authority will be available online at http://www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/agendas no later than October 20, 2021.

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to consider this request:

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, October 26, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.**

LOCATION: 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401
Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by, Governor Gavin Newsom, the public can only attend this meeting by watching it streaming at https://www.youtube.com/user/Citytv16santamonica or https://www.smgov.net/video; or by Dial-In Number +1 (800) 520-9950 (US), PIN 7592573 #.

HOW TO COMMENT

The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Written public comment can be submitted via email to councilmtgitems@santamonica.gov. Written comments received prior to 2:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be available online. Please note the agenda item number in the subject line of your written comments.

If you decide you want to speak on a particular agenda item, please call (310) 312-8173 once the caller queue for the agenda item opens. Please note that the caller queue for each agenda item will not open until just before the item is called and will close after the first five public comments are heard.

MORE INFORMATION

The staff report regarding the Public Hearing and Resolution Approving the California Enterprise Development Authority to Issue Revenue Obligations for New Roads School will be available online at http://www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/agendas no later than October 21, 2021. You may contact the City Clerk at (310) 458-8211 for alternate availability of the City Council agenda packet.

ESPAÑOL

Esto es una noticia de una audiencia pública sobre la propuesta adopción de aumento a los cobros de varios servicios que ofrece la ciudad de Santa Monica. Para más información en español, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez al número (310) 458-8341.



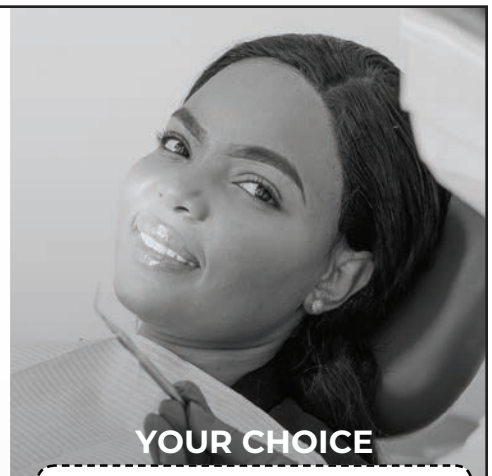
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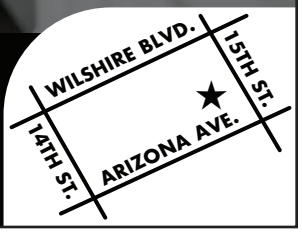
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Risky move: Biden undercuts WH executive privilege shield

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It's a risky move by President Joe Biden that could come back to haunt him — and future presidents — in the hyperpartisan world of Washington politics.

Democrat Biden has agreed to a request from Congress seeking sensitive information on the actions of his predecessor Donald Trump and his aides during the Jan. 6 insurrection, though the former president claims the information is guarded by executive privilege.

The move by Biden isn't the final word; Republican Trump says he will challenge the requests and a lengthy legal battle is likely to ensue over the information. Courts have ruled that former presidents are afforded executive privilege in some cases.

But the playbook for the legal world is different from the political world. And in the political world, "every time a president does something controversial, it becomes a building block for future presidents," said Saikrishna Prakash, a law professor at the University of Virginia who studies presidential powers.

Biden's decision not to block the information sought by Congress challenges a tested norm — one in which presidents enjoy the secrecy of records of their own terms in office, both mundane and highly sensitive, for a period of at least five years, and often far longer. That means Biden and future presidents, as well as Trump.

While not spelled out in the Constitution, executive privilege has developed to protect a president's ability to obtain candid counsel from his advisers without fear of immediate public disclosure and to protect his confidential communications relating to official responsibilities.

But that privilege has its limitations in extraordinary situations, as exemplified during the Watergate scandal, when the Supreme Court ruled that it could not be used to shield the release of secret Oval Office tapes sought in a criminal inquiry, and following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The Jan. 6 insurrection belongs among those ranks, Biden's White House counsel wrote to the keeper of records, the Archivist of the United States. An armed mob of Trump supporters stormed the building in an attempt to stop the certification of Biden's election victory.

"This committee is investigating a dark day in our democracy — an attempt to undermine our Constitution and democratic processes by the former president — and that context, I think, is important here, too," White House press secretary Jen Psaki said of the congressional panel seeking the records.

The argument that the special circumstances of the attack justify the extraordinary release should guard against the erosion of executive privilege for presidencies going forward, some experts said.

"By ratcheting up how extraordinary and extreme it is, it limits the precedent going forward," said Jonathan Shaub, an assistant professor of law at the University of Kentucky J. David Rosenberg College of Law and a former attorney-adviser in the Office of Legal Counsel in the Obama administration.

But those other exceptions occurred in a pre-Trump world, where there were clear customs and norms, and generally, one set of facts. Today, a large part of the country believes Trump's lies that he is the rightful winner of the 2020 election, even though there is no credible evidence to support his claims of mass fraud, and Trump and his allies have gone to great lengths to recast the events of Jan. 6 to make the rioters out to be warrior patriots.

If history is any guide, once the door to reviewing past presidential records is ajar, future Congresses and presidents could swing it open further as politics warrant.

It's a path followed by other Washington norms in the increasingly rancorous capital. In 2013, Democrats deployed the so-called nuclear option to eliminate the filibuster that would require 60 votes to approve most presidential appointments and nominations, but maintained it for legislation and Supreme Court picks. In 2017, when Republicans took control of Washington, they took the tactic further, and during the Trump years, they put three justices on the high court by simple majority votes.

Presidents tend to be protective of their ability to keep White House documents private, both for themselves and their predecessors. But any White House move to deny the congressional request for records on Trump's activities could antagonize Democratic legislators just when Biden needs their support to advance his agenda.

The documents requested by the congressional committee are part of a lengthy and contentious investigation into how the Jan. 6 mob was able to infiltrate the Capitol and disrupt the certification of Biden's presidential victory in the most serious assault on Congress in two centuries. More than 630 people have been charged criminally in the attack, the largest prosecution in U.S. history.

Thousands of documents have been sought from the Trump administration as they try to determine how the insurrection could have happened. Many of those requests went to the National Archives, where Trump's correspondence during his time in office is held.

According to an executive order on

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California oil spill legal fight likely to last years

BRIAN MELLEY
Associated Press

It took little more than 48 hours from the moment a major oil spill was discovered off Southern California until the first lawsuit was filed against the Houston company that owns and operates the ruptured pipeline.

Finding the cause, who is to blame and if they will be held accountable will take much longer.

Several federal and state agencies are investigating in parallel as they seek the cause of the pipe rupture, how quickly pipeline operators responded and determine whether criminal charges are warranted.

Coast Guard Capt. Jason Neubauer said investigators are trying to find which ship among thousands of possibilities may have snagged the pipeline with its anchor in the past year, possibly during rough seas and high winds in January.

"We are not ruling out anybody at this time," Neubauer said.

A possible leak off the Orange County coast south of Los Angeles was first reported Oct. 1. The spill was confirmed the next morning, and crude came ashore on Huntington Beach and then spread south to other beaches. Much of the coastline nearby was shut down more than a week, crippling businesses that cater to beachgoers and boaters.

The Coast Guard has estimated between about 25,000 gallons and 132,000 gallons spilled.

It could take a long time for investigators to comb through marine tracking data to see which ships passed over and anchored near the Amplify Energy pipeline running from platform Elly to the Long Beach port.

Investigations by federal prosecutors, the Coast Guard and several other federal agencies, including the National Transportation Safety Board, could lead to criminal charges, civil penalties and new laws or regulations.

"Criminal charges — when they're warranted — you absolutely want to go after for all the reasons that you pursue criminal charges: accountability, deterrence, punishment," said attorney Rohan Virginkar, a former assistant U.S. attorney who helped prosecute BP for the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico in 2010. "But really in these environmental cases, it's about finding somebody who's going to pay for the cleanup."

Coast Guard investigators already have boarded two vessels and plan to track down others, many from overseas, Neubauer said. They will inspect anchors for damage and review all logs kept by the captain, deck officers and engineers, and the voyage data recorder — the equivalent of the so-called black box on airplanes. They will also interview crew.

Under some environmental laws, prosecutors only have to show negligence to win a conviction, Virginkar said. That could lead to a charge against a shipping company for anchoring outside an assigned anchorage or too close to a pipeline marked on nautical charts.

The accident occurred where huge cargo ships anchor waiting to unload at the Los Angeles-Long Beach port complex — the nation's largest.

Other investigators, including federal pipeline regulators, will focus on Amplify Energy, which owns the three offshore oil platforms and the pipeline.

They will review pipeline inspections for evidence of corrosion that might show it was being operated negligently and seek any information that records were falsified, which is what they found in the BP case, said attorney William Carter, a former federal environmental crimes prosecutor. A forensic analysis will be performed after the cracked is retrieved from 100 feet of water.

The Amplify pipeline was required to have thorough inside and outside checks on alternating years. The most recent showed no issues requiring repairs, according to federal documents.

Prosecutors will also scrutinize control room data to see if there were pipeline pressure drops that would have indicated a possible leak and what was done to respond, Carter said.

The company could be prosecuted if it realized there was a leak and did not quickly call state and federal hotlines to alert the Coast Guard, fish and wildlife officials and multiple other agencies that respond to spills, Carter said.

Prosecution for an untimely response is fairly common in spills, he said.

"The elements necessary for that violation are: I knew there was a release, and I didn't immediately report it — regardless of the cause," Carter said. "I mean, it could have been lightning or an earthquake did it and you knew it, and you didn't report it in a timely fashion."

Plains All American Pipeline was convicted for that crime for a breach in a pipe on land that sent tens of thousands of gallons of crude pouring onto a Santa Barbara beach and into the ocean in 2015.

In the Amplify pipeline leak, federal regulators said a low-pressure alarm at 2:30 a.m. Oct. 2 alerted control room operators on platform Elly to a possible leak. The Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration said the line wasn't shut down until 6:01 a.m. and the Coast Guard wasn't notified until 9:07 a.m.

Amplify CEO Martyn Willsher has refused to answer questions about the reported pressure drop, including the fact that the first report to authorities made on behalf of the company listed the incident at 2:30 a.m. He has insisted the company didn't know of the spill until a company inspection boat saw the sheen at 8:09 a.m.

Carter said lawyers probably told Willsher not to discuss the timeline because he could incriminate himself.

If charged with failure to report the spill quickly, the company could also face charges for allowing oil to harm endangered species and other wildlife that might have been saved by a more prompt response.

Federal prosecutors have five years to bring felony charges. Carter said they would likely wait until they know the cost of the

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Citywide

As Cases Among Pregnant Women are Monitored, Officials Encourage Expecting and New Moms to Get Vaccinated

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) continues to track the impact of COVID-19 on expecting and new moms and newborns in Los Angeles County and continues to urge expecting and new moms to get vaccinated.

As of October 5, there are 13,161 pregnant women in L.A. County who tested positive for COVID-19. Seventy-six percent of pregnant women testing positive for COVID-19 are Latina/Latinx, 11% are White, 5% are African American/Black, and 5% are Asian. Although rare, women infected during their pregnancy can pass the virus to their newborn. Among the 12,919 births where there was testing information, 63 infants tested positive for COVID-19. Twelve pregnant women who tested positive for COVID-19 tragically passed away.

Because pregnant and recently pregnant women are more likely to get severely ill from COVID-19 compared to non-pregnant women, Public Health continues to urge and offer vaccination to women who are pregnant, breastfeeding, trying to get pregnant now, or might become pregnant in the future.

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and pregnancy experts, including the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine, and the American College of Nurse-Midwives recommend that pregnant and lactating women be vaccinated against COVID-19. Studies have affirmed the vaccines' safety in all stages of pregnancy and the vaccines do not cause any fertility problems.

Resources are available to assist pregnant women and women of childbearing age get the facts, at: http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/docs/vaccine/WomenAndCOVIDvaccine.pdf

Public Health confirms 16 new deaths and 742 new cases of COVID-19. The number of cases and deaths are likely to reflect reporting delays over the holiday. Of the 16 new deaths reported today, two people who passed away were over the age of 80, five people who died were between the ages of 65 and 79, seven people who died were between the ages of 50 and 64, and two people who died were between the ages of 30 and 49. To date, Public Health identified 1,472,419 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of L.A. County and a total of 26,336 deaths.

There are 667 people with COVID-19 currently hospitalized. Testing results are available for nearly 8,805,000 individuals with 15% of people testing positive. Today's test positivity rate is 0.8%.

"To everyone mourning the passing of a loved one, we wish you healing and peace," said Barbara Ferrer, PhD, MPH, MEd, Director of Public Health. "Along with the CDC and pregnancy experts, we continue to strongly recommend expecting and new moms to get vaccinated against COVID-19. According to a CDC study on pregnant and recently pregnant women with COVID-19, symptomatic pregnant women compared with non-pregnant symptomatic women have more than a two-fold increased risk of requiring ICU admission and a 70% increased risk of death. The evidence continues to highlight the safety and effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccination during pregnancy, but also shows the risk to pregnant women when they are not vaccinated and get COVID-19."

Public Health encourages everyone unvaccinated for COVID-19 to get vaccinated now to be fully protected for the holidays. Vaccinations are widely available throughout L.A. County and are always free and open to eligible residents and workers regardless of immigration status. Appointments are not needed at many sites and all Public Health vaccination sites where first, second, and third doses are available.

Vaccinated middle and high school students are eligible for free UCLA football tickets. UCLA has partnered with Public Health to give away free tickets to a UCLA football game at the Rose Bowl to middle or high school students in L.A. County who've received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, while tickets last. Students aged 12 to 18 who've received at least one dose can sign up for the free tickets online by visiting: http://ph.lacounty.gov/DPHUCLAVaxforTix.

Anyone 12 and older living or working in L.A. County can get vaccinated. Visit: www.VaccinateLACounty.com (English) and www.VacunateLosAngeles.com (Spanish) to find a vaccination site near you, make an appointment at vaccination sites, and much more. If you don't have internet access, can't use a computer, or you're over 65, you can call 1-833-540-0473 for help finding an appointment, connecting to free transportation to and from a vaccination site, or scheduling a home-visit if you are homebound.

COVID-19 Sector Protocols, Best Practices, COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard, COVID-19 Surveillance Interactive Dashboard, Recovery Dashboard, and additional actions you can take to protect yourself, your family and your community are on the Public Health website, www.publichealth.lacounty.gov.

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Americans quit their jobs at a record pace in August

CHRISTOPHER RUGABER
AP Economics Writer

One reason America's employers are having trouble filling jobs was starkly illustrated in a report Tuesday: Americans are quitting in droves.

The Labor Department said that quits jumped to 4.3 million in August, the highest on records dating back to December 2000, and up from 4 million in July. That's equivalent to nearly 3% of the workforce. Hiring also slowed in August, the report showed, and the number of jobs available fell to 10.4 million, from a record high of 11.1 million the previous month.

The data helps fill in a puzzle that is looming over the job market: Hiring slowed sharply in August and September, even as the number of posted jobs was near record levels. In the past year, open jobs have increased 62%. Yet overall hiring, as measured by Tuesday's report, has actually declined slightly during that time.

The jump in quits strongly suggests that fear of the delta variant is partly responsible for the shortfall in workers. In addition to driving quits, fear of the disease probably caused plenty of those out of work to not look for, or take, jobs.

As COVID-19 cases surged in August, quits soared in restaurants and hotels from the previous month and rose in other public-facing jobs, such as retail and education. Nearly 900,000 people left jobs at restaurants, bars, and hotels in August, up 21% from July. Quits by retail workers rose 6%.

Yet in industries such as manufacturing, construction, and transportation and warehousing, quits barely increased. In professional and business services, which includes fields such as law, engineering, and architecture, where most employees can work from home, quitting was largely flat.

Other factors also likely contributed to the jump in quits. With many employers desperate for workers and wages rising at a healthy pace, workers have a much greater ability to demand higher pay, or go elsewhere to find it.

The data from August is probably too early to reflect the impact of vaccine mandates. President Joe Biden's mandate was not announced until Sept. 9. United Airlines announced its mandate in early August, but it was one of the first companies to do so. And layoffs were unchanged in August, the report found.

The government said Friday that job gains were weak for a second straight month in September, with only 194,000 jobs added, though the unemployment rate fell to 4.8% from 5.2%. Friday's hiring figure is a net total, after quits, retirements, and layoffs are taken into account. Tuesday's report, known as the Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey, or JOLTS, includes raw figures, and showed that total hiring in August fell sharply, to 6.3 million from 6.8 million in July.

The data is "highlighting the immense problems businesses are dealing with," said Jennifer Lee, an economist at BMO Capital Markets, in an email. "Not enough people. Not enough equipment and/or parts. Meantime, customers are waiting for their orders, or waiting to place their orders. What a strange world this is."

Quits also rose the most in the South and Midwest, the government said, the two regions with the worst COVID outbreaks in August.

When workers quit, it is typically seen as a good sign for the job market, because people usually leave jobs when they already have other positions or are confident they can find one. The large increase in August probably does reflect some of that confidence among workers.

But the fact that the increase in quits was heavily concentrated in sectors that involve close contact with the public is a sign that fear of COVID also played a large role. Many people may have quit even without other jobs to take.

The sharp increase in job openings also has an international dimension: Job vacancies have reached a record level in the United Kingdom, though that is partly because many European workers left the U.K. after Brexit.

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presidential records, the archivist of the United States "shall abide by any instructions given him by the incumbent President or his designee unless otherwise directed by a final court order."

"Congress is examining an assault on our Constitution and democratic institutions provoked and fanned by those sworn to protect them," White House counsel Dana Remus wrote in a letter to the archivist. "The constitutional protections of executive privilege should not be used to shield, from Congress or from the public, information that reflects a clear and apparent effort to subvert the Constitution itself."

Trump responded with his own letter to the National Archives formally asserting privilege over nearly 50 documents.

Referring to the Presidential Records Act, Trump wrote, "I hereby make a protective assertion of constitutionally based privilege with respect to all additional records." He said if the committee seeks other information he considers privileged information, "I will take all necessary and appropriate steps to defend the Office of the Presidency."

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Companies scraping for staff ahead of the holidays

JOSEPH PISANI
AP Retail Writer

All employers want for Christmas is some holiday help. But they might not get their wish.

Companies that typically hire thousands of seasonal workers are heading into the holidays during one of the tightest job markets in decades, making it unlikely they'll find all the workers they need. For shoppers, it might mean a less than jolly holiday shopping experience, with unstaffed store aisles and online orders that take longer than usual to fill.

Job openings are already plentiful, allowing job seekers to be pickier about where they work. There were 10.4 million job openings at the end of August and 11.1 million openings the month before, the highest on record since at least December 2000, when the government started recording that figure. At the same time, the Labor Department said that the number of people quitting their jobs jumped to 4.3 million in August, up from 4 million in July.

Even before the holiday hiring season, employers were so desperate to find workers that they raised pay above $15 an hour, started offering four-figure sign-on bonuses and promised to pay their schooling. But that yielded only limited success. If they can't find the workers they need in time for the holidays, employers will likely rely on existing staff to work more overtime, which can become costly for businesses and lead to burnout for workers.

"I've never seen a market like this," said Matt Lavery, UPS's global director of sourcing and recruiting, who has worked on the hiring side of the package delivery company for 24 years. "Normally when you're talking about people coming off unemployment benefits, you see surges in candidates. We're not seeing those."

Enhanced unemployment benefits, which included a $300-a-week federal supplement as well as programs that covered gig workers and people who were jobless for six months or more, ended in early September. That cut off aid to roughly 7 million people. So far, though, the termination of those programs appears to have had little effect on the number of people looking for work.

To snap up available workers as fast as it can, UPS is trying a new tactic: Hire in 30 minutes or less. Taking too long to hire can mean an applicant may go elsewhere. So the company has nearly done away with interviews, and does the whole hiring process online.

Not having enough workers can be costly for companies. FedEx said it spent $450 million between June and August due to higher wages, paying overtime and other costs related to the tight job market.

At one of its hubs in Portland, Oregon, FedEx has about 65% of the staff it needs. The company has been diverting about a quarter of the packages that would normally flow to other hubs farther away that can handle it. More than 600,000 packages a day are being rerouted, leading to worsening service, said FedEx Chief Operating Officer Rajesh Subramaniam President, during a call with investors last month.

FedEx said it needs 90,000 holiday workers this year, 20,000 more than last year. Others are hiring around the same levels as last year: Amazon, UPS and Walmart, each of which is currently trying to hire 100,000 people or more.

There are many reasons why workers are in short supply, but they mostly revolve around the pandemic. The delta variant has made people fearful of working in tight spaces with others, and most major employers that hire hourly workers haven't mandated vaccines for them yet. Child care issues leave people needing to stay home, and many have been saving money during the pandemic, giving them enough cash to avoid taking jobs they don't want.

Another potential wrinkle: President Joe Biden's announcement in September that employers with more than 100 workers will have to mandate vaccines or offer weekly testing. It's unclear when those rules will start or how that would affect hiring. Companies that have already mandated vaccines have reported high rates of vaccinations. And a fully vaccinated workforce could make that employer more attractive to workers fearful of catching the virus. But some employers fret that the mandate could complicate hiring further.

Some wonder whether employers that need holiday help will be able to find workers in time.

"It doesn't look good," said Andrew Challenger, senior vice president at hiring firm Challenger, Gray & Christmas, which predicts retailers will add 700,000 workers during the holidays this year, 36,000 fewer than last year.

At job site Indeed, searches by people looking for seasonal work were down 13% the week ending Oct. 10, compared to the same period a year ago. And those searches were down 27% from 2019, before the pandemic began.

"The job seeker interest is sluggish," said AnnElizabeth Konkel, an economist at Indeed. "It's just not taking off."

Those already working in stores, warehouses and package delivery companies may work longer hours.

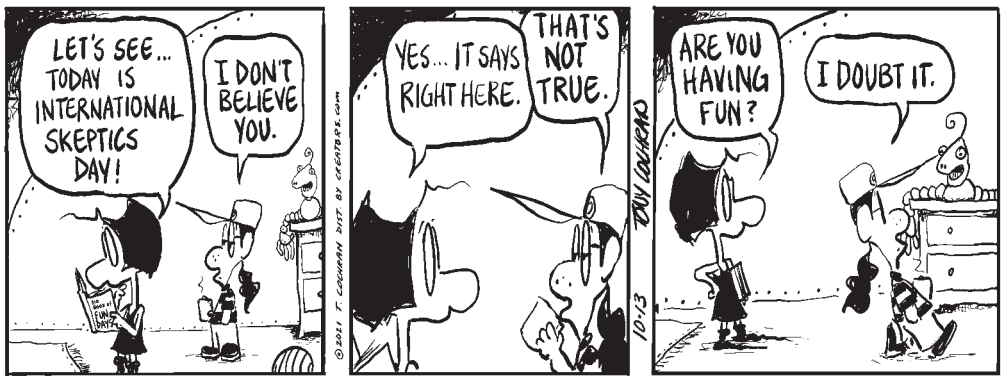
Target said it will hire 100,000 holiday workers this year, about 30,000 less than last year, but will give 5 million additional hours to its existing workforce, potentially pumping $75 million more into workers' paychecks. Target employees are already working nearly 15% more than last year, but

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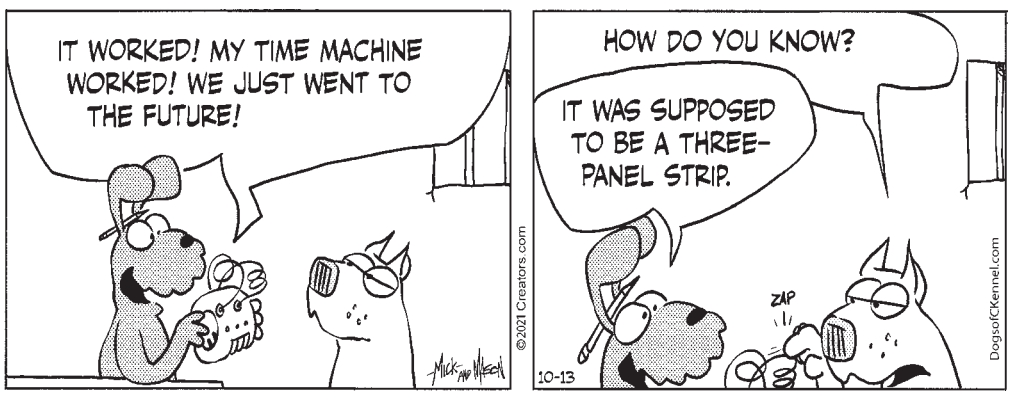
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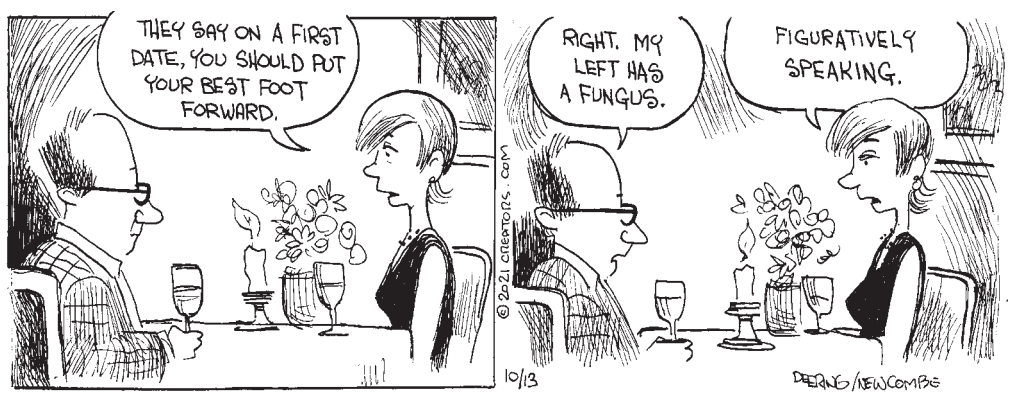
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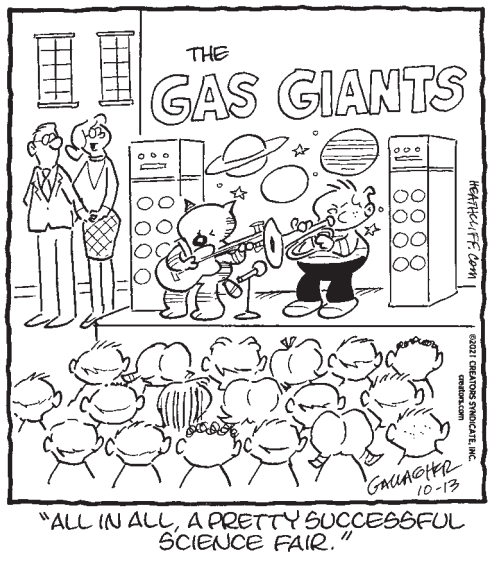
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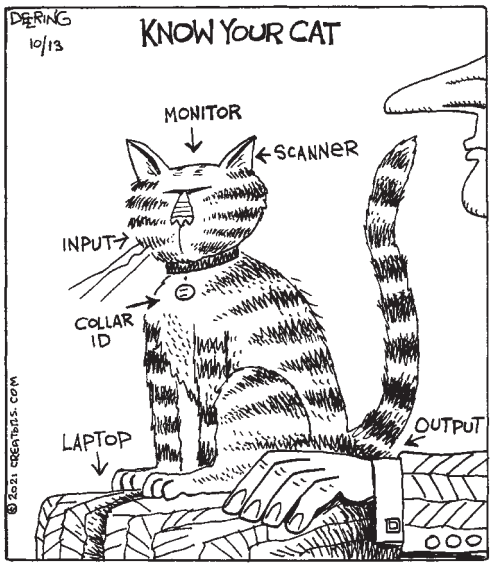
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Light to moderate offshore flow and clean early. Should be a pretty fun morning with a combo of continued SSW swell and dropping NW swell mix. Account for the mid to higher tide all day.

THURSDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ Waist to stomach high
Light morning wind and a few clean leftovers on order. Combo of lingering SSW swell and refreshed NW swell mix. Account for the mid to higher tide all day.

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Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 70.
Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 53. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 71.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). There is no benefit to giving too much, especially if you're giving it to the wrong people. Give to those who both need and appreciate the offering, and do so in an amount they can handle.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Consider the reasons you think of someone in such a warm and friendly light. These same qualities are within you. Today, you will walk this world in the lovely soft glow they radiate.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll notice differences that others do not and you'll make distinctions between things such as power and leadership, taste and money, and beauty and conformity. Use these insights to forward an agenda of kindness.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It's true that the high-flying bird has the best view of everything, but the subtle songs will not be heard at lofty altitudes. Like the bird, send yourself up for the broad view, but do all your singing on ground level.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You are connected to people who have and to people who need. You will make yourself into a conduit and distribute the resources. This you will do without effort, loss or gain. You'll simply open and direct yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're mixed up in your own business; what a wonderful place to be! You'll handle what's yours and it will feel good to be in control. If you do not feel in control, maybe it's not yours to handle after all. Simply give it back.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The aesthetics usually matter to you, and today, they'll matter even more. Be strategic in your placement of beautiful things and in your embodiment of beauty. Surprise is an essential element.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Getting more sleep is one of the most effective steps to becoming healthier — and it's free. With your busy life, it will require some planning, though, and a mild restructuring of your priorities.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You would rather be powerful than famous. You aspire to be like those who hold high positions and yet still work humbly on the ground level. They are among the most powerful forces of good in the world.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Keep thinking about that rush of feeling you'll get when you arrive at your destination. Whether it's pride, accomplishment or simply relief, hook your heartstrings to it and let it pull you forward.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You may not realize it, but your kindness and keen social instinct builds something for others — a sense of belonging, comfort and kinship. It's worth every bit of effort you put into it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If forgiveness is hard for you, consider it optional. You don't have to rehash the past to start new. You can accept the way it is now and build from here in any direction. This is a new day.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

5	8	6	3	2	9	4	1	7
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3	5	4	2	9	7	1	6	8
8	9	7	1	4	6	2	5	3
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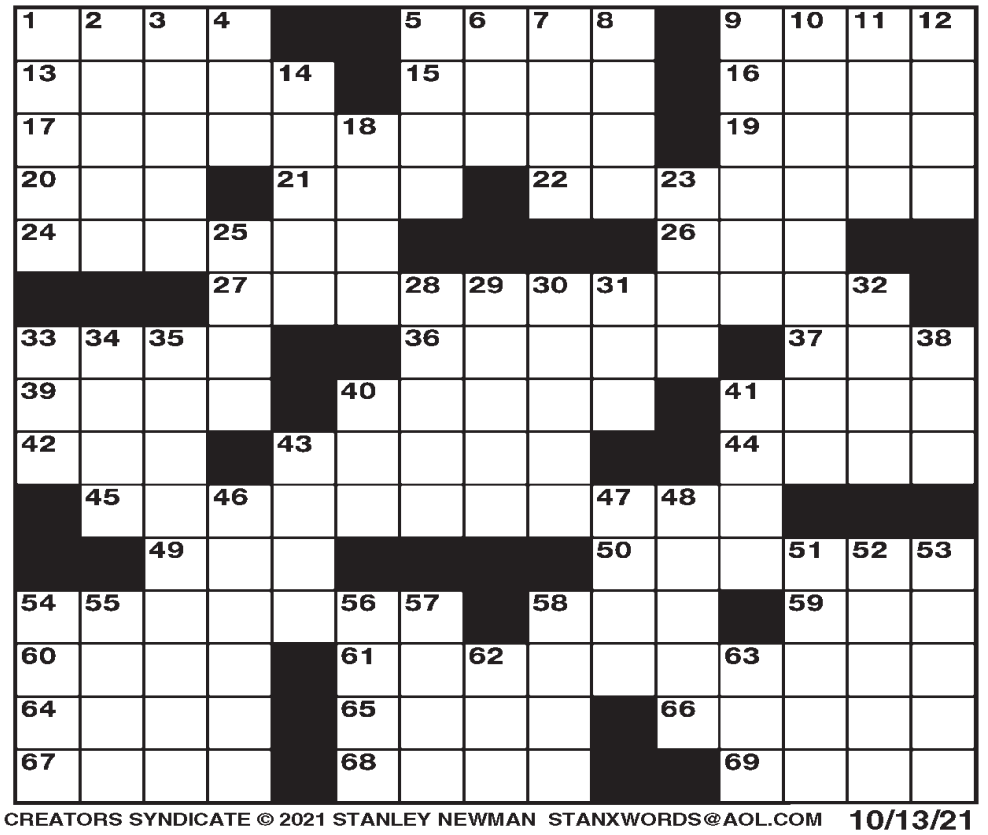
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Wooden strip
5 Thinnest American coin
9 They're "sealed" to keep a secret
13 Source of ancient fables
15 Teheran's nation
16 All over again
17 Earnings before overtime
19 Brit's "So long!"
20 NASA spacewalk
21 100%
22 Pantry, for example
24 New version of an old film
26 Prefix meaning "singular"
27 Unvarying amount paid from a pension
33 Widespread renown
36 Roman agriculture goddess
37 Sound-boosting equipment
39 Cat's scratcher
40 Sharpened
41 Mix with a spoon
42 Gear tooth
43 Altercation
44 High-fat, low-carb diet
45 Earnings after deductions
49 Meditative sect
50 Votes into office
54 Opened with a letter opener
58 Luau finger food
59 Falsehood
60 Refuses to
61 Enough to get by on
64 Eve's second son
65 Bard of __ (Shakespeare)
66 Specified
67 Tip of an airplane
68 Attorney's expertise
69 Nimble

DOWN
1 Cavalry sword
2 Exit the premises
3 Black tea of India
4 Tic-tac-__
5 Pickle flavoring
6 Nest egg acronym
7 Artist Chagall
8 Irish New Age singer
9 Hispanic-American guy
10 __ object (rock or chair)
11 St. __ (Tampa neighbor)
12 Police crisis team
14 Biden spokesperson Jen
18 *Roots* author Haley
23 Tampa Bay NFLers, for short
25 Not very many
28 Money-saving, in product names
29 Overalls fabric
30 Hurricane that followed Harvey in 2011
31 Neighbor of Marge and Homer
32 Give off
33 Media monitoring agcy.
34 Very many
35 Many monthly issues
38 Reliable authority
40 "What did you say?"
41 __ terrier (Scottish dog breed)
43 Leaser's payment
46 Teapot
47 Lowly worker
48 Calibrate, as tires
51 Workbench gripper
52 Striped predator
53 Poorly maintained
54 Long-necked water bird
55 Southwestern wolf
56 Israeli airline
57 Female opera star
58 Lapel adornments
62 Solemn promise
63 Once worked as



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What's Up Westside
out and about in Santa Monica

WEDNESDAY | OCT. 13

FARMERS MARKET
The largest grower-only Certified Farmers Market in Southern California and a favorite for local chefs! Enjoy one of Santa Monica's farmers markets, widely considered to be among the best on the west coast and featuring field-fresh produce, hundreds of kinds of vegetables, brilliant cut flowers, breads, cheeses and delicious foods. Arizona Ave between 4th and Ocean. 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

THURSDAY | OCT. 14

RENT CONTROL BOARD
Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Rent Control Board, 7 p.m. Those wishing to give public comment may make that request via email to rentcontrol@santamonica.gov by 4:30 p.m. on October 14. https://www.smgov.net/rentcontrol/

FRIDAY | OCT. 15

LIVE MUSIC
Free Live Music Friday Nights with good-time Americana band Wild Rust delivering high energy honkey tonk songs to soulful ballads with beautifully blended vocal harmonies at the Third Street Promenade's Main Stage. Oct 8th, Oct 15th, Oct 22nd (Live music from 7-8pm). You won't want to miss it ! https://www.instagram.com/wild.rust/

CLOSING CELEBRATION AND HISPANIC HERITAGE AWARDS CEREMONY
Closing event with music, awards, dance, lowrider car show, and art. This event will also host a Job Fair and vaccination clinic. Don't forget to submit your stamped lotería cards you received at the September 15 kickoff event for a drawing to win a Hispanic Heritage Month giveaway. 3:30 p.m., speakers begin at 4:30 p.m. Santa Monica City Hall

ENGLISH AS S SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) CONVERSATION, LOW
Santa Monica Public Library hosts an ongoing series of English as a Second Language (ESL) classes taught by Adult Education Center instructors. Classes are free and students must be 18 years or older to attend. Community parents and SMMUSD parents have priority enrollment. Learn more about California adult education at caladulted.org. Enrollment is through the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Adult Education Center, located at 2510 Lincoln Blvd., Room 203, Santa Monica, CA, 90405. Visit smmusd.asapconnected.com or contact Olga Saucedo at osaucedo@smmusd.org or (310) 664-6222, ext.76203 to enroll. 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

SATURDAY | OCT. 16

OPEN MAIN STREET
Main Street, Santa Monica turns into a pedestrian plaza with a pumpkin patch, beer booth, live music, kid korner, fitness classes & more. Open Main Street returns for Halloween. Enjoy al fresco dining, family friendly activities, & other fun experiences with local businesses when the two blocks between Hill & Kinney streets close to cars. Visit the "Popup Park" near Ashland & Main for live music in partnership with TRiP Santa Monica, free fitness classes by Fit Girl Club & activities for kids in front of Pump Station (2727 Main St.). Event schedule: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/open-main-street-halloween-edition-tickets-178274763617

GET LIT AT THE PROMENADE
Get Lit at the Promenade is a monthly showcase featuring poets, artists and musicians for an evening of entertainment. Every third Saturday of the month. 7:30 p.m. Free.

SUNDAY | OCT. 17

FARMERS MARKET
2640 Main St. (In The Victorian Parking Lot) 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

MONDAY | OCT. 18

LIVE MUSIC
Free Live Music Friday Nights with good-time Americana band Wild Rust delivering high energy honkey tonk songs to soulful ballads.

MAIN LIBRARY BOOK GROUP
Join a community discussion of current and classic books, alternating fiction and nonfiction each month. October's title is "Caste" by Isabel Wilkerson. Email jeff.schwartz@smgov.net for the Zoom link. 7 - 8 p.m.

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FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 22 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5266

Looking after a pet

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Afghan	Coat	Eyes	Mice	Romp
Alpaca	Comb	Fido	Mouse	Sharp
Basic	Corgi	Food	Nurse	teeth
Bowl	Cute	Frog	Oscar	Tail
Cage	Diet	Hens	Pats	Tame
Calm	Dingo	Hound	Paws	Timid
Canary	Dish	Lady	Perch	Tiny
Cavy	Docile	Legs	Puppy	Turtle
Chase	Dogs	Love	Purr	Vaccination
Chow	Duck	Meals	Rabbit	Yelp
Clean	Ears	Mess	Rodent	

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S WORDS PUZZLE.
Working up a sweat

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PIER

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most threatened nations.

China, India, Vietnam, and Indonesia are all in the top five countries most at risk from long-term rise. They are also countries that have added the most new coal-burning capacity from 2015-2019.

In China, after 3°C of warming, roughly 43 million people could be below high tide levels by the end of this century. China has the most to gain from limiting warming, with roughly 50 million people on land that multi-century sea level rise threatens after 3°C warming, but who would be safe if warming is limited to 1.5°C.

In Santa Monica the Pier deck could be at sea level or just under the water with the rest of the coastline completely flooded.

Climate Central's peer-reviewed research paper focuses on the contrast between 4°C and 2°C warming scenarios, and appears in the scientific journal Environmental Research Letters.

The recent report instead focuses on the contrast between 3°C and 1.5°C scenarios, which correspond to continuing the current trajectory vs. making deep and immediate cuts to climate pollution, dropping to roughly half of today's annual emissions by 2030.

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CITY MANAGER

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restructuring.

"The pandemic has been mentally and physically exhausting, and has had dire financial consequences," said White. "In addition, I am sober to the fact that the City organization and service levels have been deeply impacted. We have important work to do to chart a path forward to restore service levels and implement approaches to serve the community well with limited resources."

While serving as the City Manager of Fairfield, White built back the city's organization after the Great Recession. He has a strong background in finance and previously served as Finance Director of Fairfield and as an investment banker. White seeks to utilize this expertise to improve the fiscal health of the City and aid in the recovery of local businesses.

White originally hails from Southern California, but has lived in many cities over the course of his career including Boston, Brooklyn, Berkeley and El Cerrito. He said he is excited to return home to the region and build a new life with his wife in Santa Monica.

White described his leadership style as collaborative and inclusive, and indicated a desire to engage with a wide range of stakeholders.

"When we work together and build strong partnerships that value the input of each and every person's perspective, I am confident that we will be successful," said White.

The start of White's tenure marks the end of a long and at times turbulent search for a new City leader.

Former City Manager Rick Cole resigned at the start of the pandemic in March 2020, citing an inability to preside over the dramatic budget and staffing cuts the City was facing. Then City Attorney Lane Dilg took over as Interim City Manager until leaving in June 2021, when John Jalili took over as Interim City Manager.

City Council began the search for a permanent City Manager in February 2021. Montebello City Manager Rene Bobadilla was first tapped to fill the role in June 2021, but declined the offer after a press leak of his selection prompted Montebello City Council to offer him a significant raise.

Council announced White's selection on July 22 and he began his role on Oct. 11.

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OIL SPILL

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damage to demand restitution.

Federal penalties for failing to notify authorities can be $500,000 or it could be as much as double the total damage. State penalties could run up to $10 per gallon spilled that wasn't recovered.

Regardless of whether a ship is ultimately found to be the cause of the spill, the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires whoever spills the oil to pay for the cleanup, said attorney James Mercante, a maritime lawyer. Amplify, however, can later seek to recover its losses from other liable parties.

Mercante said the law was passed in the wake of the Exxon Valdez tanker spill in Alaska in 1989 to speed the cleanup without finger-pointing.

"The spirit and purpose is to get the oil cleaned up and then fight it out," Mercante said. "It will take years and years and years to be resolved."

So far, two proposed class-action lawsuits have been filed on behalf of a disc jockey who runs beachfront events in Huntington Beach and a surf school that operates in the city known as "Surf City USA."

Those cases will rely heavily on government investigations and will take years to play out.

EMPLOYMENT

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the retailer said they are asking for more hours. Target, which already pays workers at least $15 an hour, is planning to give store workers an extra $2 an hour if they work weekends and other busy days closer to Christmas.

Craig Rowley, who works at the retail and consumer goods team at management consulting firm Korn Ferry, said if employers can't find the workers they need, online orders could take longer because there won't be enough people to pack orders or deliver them, especially as it gets closer to Christmas and more shoppers head online. And stores are likely to do away with late night or overnight hours since retailers will want their existing staff to work when stores are busiest.

"You're not going to see the wild extended hours because they just can't staff it," Rowley said.

AP Retail Writer Anne D'Innocenzio in New York also contributed to this story.

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