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California Democrats made Prop. 50 about Trump. Polls show it's working as voting ends

A day before voting ends for Proposition 50, California voters appear poised to approve Gov. Gavin Newsom's plan to gerrymander the state's congressional districts in Democrats' favor.

Recent opinion polls show strong support for the Yes side. Newsom's campaign is flooding the airwaves with star-studded advertisements and drowning out its opponents' faint final pitch to voters. And the governor has even asked supporters to back off on donations, as the influx of contributions was crashing the state's campaign finance website.

"You can stop donating now. Thank you," proclaimed the subject line of an email from

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Historic preservation vote reignites conflict of interest criticism of Zwick

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

A Santa Monica City Council vote on historic property tax incentives has renewed accusations that Councilmember Jesse Zwick is operating under an unresolved conflict of interest between his elected duties and his employment with a statewide housing advocacy organization.

The controversy erupted during the council's Oct. 28 meeting when Zwick challenged three Mills Act applications that city staff had recommended for approval, despite warnings from the city attorney that denying the applications could expose Santa Monica to legal liability.

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Where to vote on Election Day

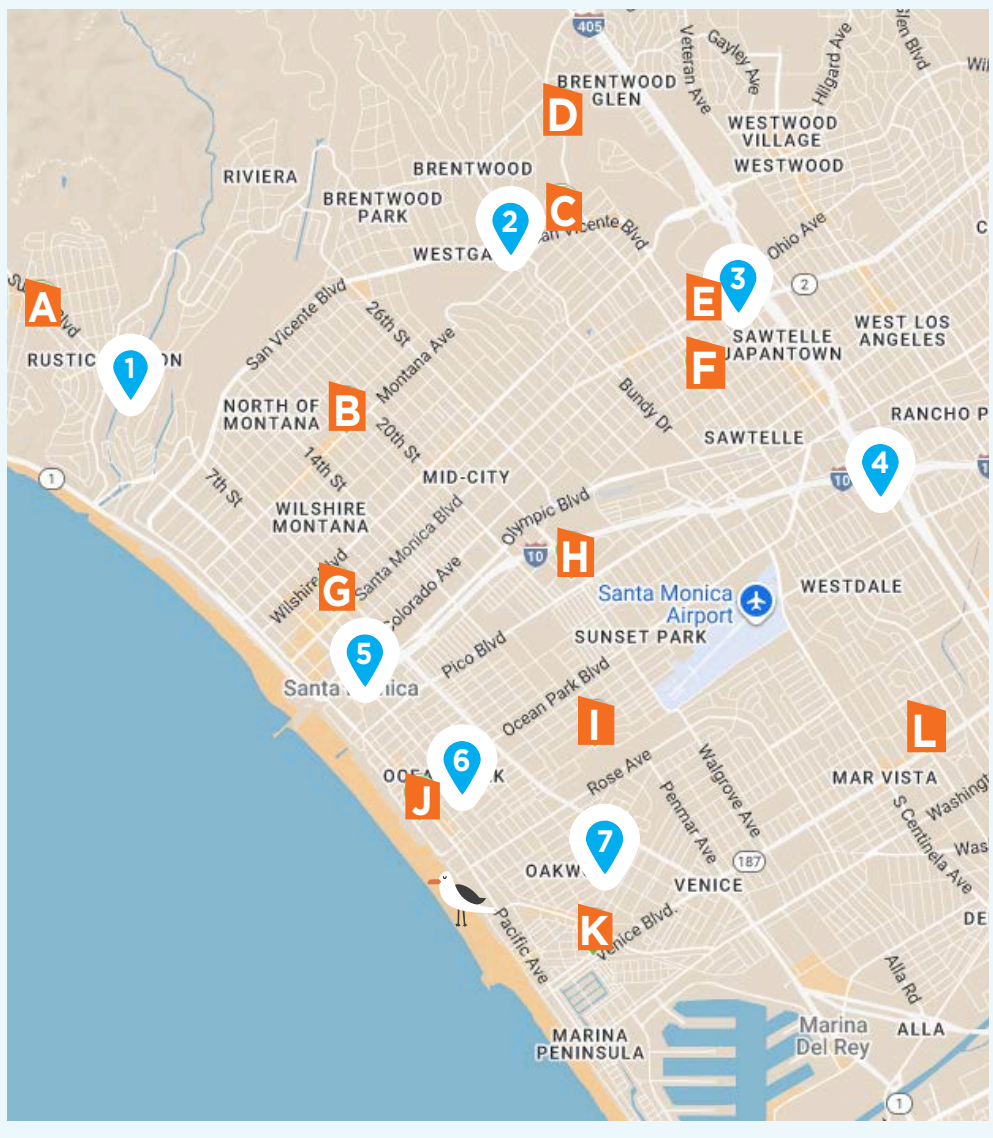
ELECTION: California is holding a Statewide Special Election on Tuesday, November 4, to address redistricting. The California Legislature called this election through legislation proposing a constitutional amendment that was then signed into law by the Governor. State Measure 50 is a constitutional amendment allowing temporary changes to California's congressional district boundaries through 2030. If passed, some voters (but not Santa Monicans) may be assigned to a different U.S. House district in future elections (including 2026). It does not change voter eligibility, registration, or voting options. For more information, visit https://www.lavote.gov/home/voting-elections.

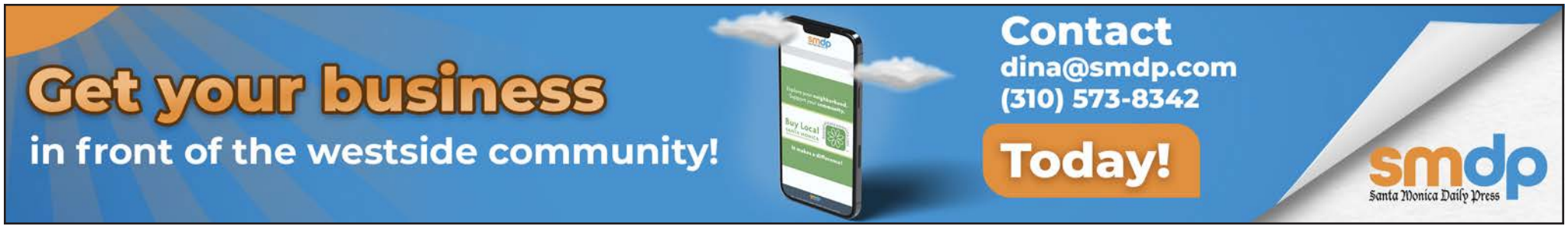
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What's on the ballot in the first general election since Donald Trump became president

One year after Donald Trump retook the White House and set into motion a dramatic expansion of executive power, the Republican president figures prominently in state and local elections being held Tuesday.

The results of those contests — the first general election of Trump's second term — will be heralded by the victors as either a major repudiation or resounding stamp of approval of his second-term agenda. That's especially true in high-profile races for Virginia and New Jersey governor, New York City mayor and a California proposition to redraw its congressional district boundaries.

More than half of the states will hold contests on Tuesday. Here's a look at some of the major statewide and local races on the ballot:

GOVERNORS: NEW JERSEY AND VIRGINIA

In New Jersey, Democrat Mikie Sherrill and Republican Jack Ciattarelli are the nominees to succeed term-limited Democratic Gov. Phil Murphy. Sherrill is a four-term U.S. representative and former Navy helicopter pilot. Ciattarelli is a former state Assemblyman backed by Trump. In 2021, Ciattarelli came within about 3 percentage points of toppling Murphy.

In Virginia, Republican Lt. Gov. Winsome Earle-Sears and Democratic former U.S. Rep. Abigail Spanberger look to replace term-limited Republican Gov. Glenn Youngkin. While Spanberger has made some efforts to focus on topics other than Trump in stump speeches, the president remained a major topic of conversation throughout the campaign, from comments Earle-Sears made about him in 2022 to some of his more polarizing policies, such as the so-called One Big Beautiful Bill tax and spending cut measure and the widespread dismissal of federal workers, many of whom live in northern Virginia.

Trump was scheduled to participate in telephone rallies for the candidates on Monday night.

As the only gubernatorial races held in the year following a presidential election, the contests have long served as the first major test of voter sentiment toward the party holding the White House. In every race for governor since 1973, one or both states have elected a governor from a party different than that of the sitting president.

NEW YORK CITY MAYOR

The race to lead the nation's largest city features Democratic state legislator Zohran Mamdani, independent candidate and former Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo and Republican Curtis Sliwa.

Mamdani's comfortable victory over Cuomo in the June primary generated excitement from the party's more progressive wing and apprehension among the party establishment. Party leaders like Gov. Kathy Hochul and U.S. House Democratic leader Hakeem Jeffries eventually endorsed the self-described democratic socialist months after he won the nomination.

The winner will replace outgoing Mayor Eric Adams, who initially sought renomination as a Democrat. After losing the primary Adams opted to run as an independent, but dropped out of the race in September and eventually endorsed Cuomo. In February, the Trump Justice Department asked a court to drop corruption charges against Adams because the case impeded Trump's " immigration objectives." Trump later said he'd like to see both Adams and Sliwa drop out of the race in an effort to defeat Mamdani.

CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 50

California voters will decide a statewide ballot measure that would enact a new congressional map that could flip as many as five Republican-held U.S. House seats to Democratic control.

Proposition 50, championed by Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom, is in response to a new Texas map that state Republicans enacted in August as part of Trump's efforts to keep the U.S. House under Republican control in the 2026 midterms. The Texas plan, which could help Republicans flip five Democratic-held U.S. House seats, has sparked an escalating gerrymandering arms race among states to pass new maps outside of the regular once-a-decade schedule.

PENNSYLVANIA SUPREME COURT

Control of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court will be at stake when voters cast Yes or No votes on whether to retain three justices from the high court's 5-2 Democratic majority.

Partisan control of the court could have major implications for the 2028 presidential race, since justices might be asked to rule on election disputes, as they did in 2020. Spending on Tuesday's contests is on track to exceed $15 million as Republicans have campaigned to end the majority and Democrats have responded.

If all three justices are ousted, a deadlock in the confirmation process to replace them could result in a court tied at 2-2. An election to fill any vacant seats for full 10-year terms would be held in 2027.

OTHER NOTABLE CONTESTS

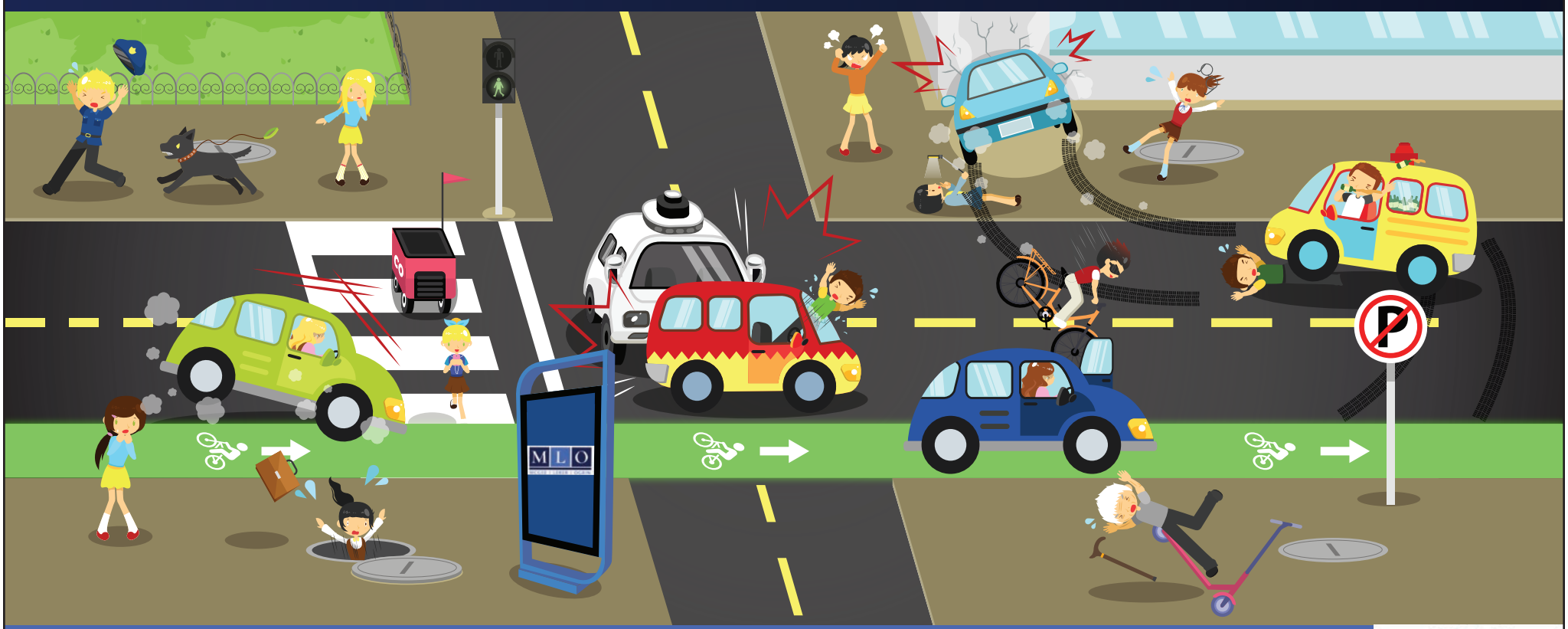
VIRGINIA ATTORNEY GENERAL: Republican incumbent Jason Miyares seeks a second term against Democrat Jay Jones. Much of the fall campaign has focused on text messages suggesting violence against political rivals that Jones sent in 2022.

TEXAS-18: Sixteen candidates hope to fill a vacant congressional seat previously held by the late Democratic U.S. Rep. Sylvester Turner.

STATE LEGISLATURES: Control of the Minnesota Senate and Virginia House

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Government shutdown could become longest ever as Trump says he 'won't be extorted' by Democrats

The government shutdown is poised to become the longest ever this week as the impasse between Democrats and Republicans has dragged into a new month. Millions of people stand to lose food aid benefits, health care subsidies are set to expire and there are few real talks between the parties over how to end it.

President Donald Trump said in an interview aired on Sunday that he "won't be extorted" by Democrats who are demanding negotiations to extend the expiring Affordable Care Act subsidies. Echoing congressional Republicans, the president said on CBS' "60 Minutes" he'll negotiate only when the government is reopened.

Trump said Democrats "have lost their way" and predicted they'll capitulate to Republicans.

"I think they have to," Trump said. "And if they don't vote, it's their problem."

Trump's comments signal the shutdown could drag on for some time as federal workers, including air traffic controllers, are set to miss additional paychecks and there's uncertainty over whether 42 million Americans who receive federal food aid will be able to access the assistance. Senate Democrats have voted 13 times against reopening the government, insisting they need Trump and Republicans to negotiate with them first.

The president also reiterated his pleas to Republican leaders to change Senate rules and scrap the filibuster. Senate Republicans have repeatedly rejected that idea since Trump's first term, arguing the rule requiring 60 votes to overcome any objections in the Senate is vital to the institution and has allowed them to stop Democratic policies when they're in the minority.

Trump said that's true, but "we're here right now."

"Republicans have to get tougher," Trump told CBS. "If we end the filibuster, we can do exactly what we want."

With the two parties at a standstill, the shutdown, now in its 34th day and approaching its sixth week, appears likely to become the longest in history. The previous record was set in 2019, when Trump demanded Congress give him money for a U.S.-Mexico border wall.

A potentially decisive week

Trump's push on the filibuster could prove a distraction for Senate Majority Leader John Thune, R-S.D., and Republican senators who've opted instead to stay the course as the consequences of the shutdown become more acute.

Republicans are hoping at least some Democrats will eventually switch their votes as moderates have been in weekslong talks with rank-and-file Republicans about potential compromises that could guarantee votes on health care in exchange for reopening the government. Republicans need five additional Democrats to pass their bill.

"We need five with a backbone to say we care more about the lives of the American people than about gaining some political leverage," Thune said on the Senate floor as the Senate left Washington for the weekend on Thursday.

Virginia Sen. Tim Kaine, a Democrat, said on ABC's "This Week" on Sunday there's a group of people talking about "a path to fix the health care debacle" and a commitment from Republicans not to fire more federal workers. But it's unclear if those talks could produce a meaningful compromise.

FAR APART ON OBAMACARE SUBSIDIES

Trump said in the "60 Minutes" interview that the Affordable Care Act — often known as Obamacare because it was signed and championed by then-President Barack Obama — is "terrible" and if the Democrats vote to reopen the government, "we will work on fixing the bad health care that we have right now."

Democrats feel differently, arguing that the marketplaces set up by the ACA are working as record numbers of Americans have signed up for the coverage. But they want to extend subsidies first enacted during the COVID-19 pandemic so premiums won't go up for millions of people on Jan. 1.

Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer said last week that "we want to sit down with Thune, with (House Speaker Mike) Johnson, with Trump, and negotiate a way to address this horrible health care crisis."

NO APPETITE FOR BIPARTISANSHIP

As Democrats have pushed Trump and Republicans to negotiate, Trump has showed little interest in doing so. He called for an end to the Senate filibuster after a trip to Asia while the government was shut down.

White House spokeswoman Karoline Leavitt said on Fox News Channel's "Sunday Morning Futures" that the president has spoken directly to Thune and Johnson about the filibuster. But a spokesman for Thune said Friday that his position hasn't changed, and Johnson said Sunday that he believes the filibuster has traditionally been a "safeguard" from far-left policies.

Trump said on "60 Minutes" that he likes Thune but "I disagree with him on this point."

The president has spent much of the shutdown mocking Democrats, posting videos of House Democratic leader Hakeem Jeffries in a Mexican sombrero. The White House website is now featuring a satirical "My Space" page for Democrats, a parody based on the social media site that was popular in the early 2000s. "We just love playing politics with people's livelihoods," the page reads.

Democrats have repeatedly said that they need Trump to get serious and weigh in. Virginia Sen. Mark Warner said that he hopes the shutdown could end "this week" because Trump is back in Washington.

Republicans "can't move on anything without a Trump sign off," Warner said on

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Weather

Tuesday: Patchy fog before 10am. Otherwise, cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 67.
Tuesday Night: Increasing clouds, with a low around 56. Calm wind becoming south southeast around 5 mph.
Wednesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 65. Light and variable wind becoming southwest 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon.
Wednesday Night: Patchy fog after 10pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 55.

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California families should feel safer thanks to law confronting antisemitism in schools



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SCHOOL: Students in a classroom at a middle school in California on Aug. 26, 2025.

When Gov. Gavin Newsom signed Assembly Bill 715 into law on the solemn second anniversary of the deadliest attack against Jews since the Holocaust, California declared that every child deserves to feel safe in our schools.

For years, Jewish students in California have shared painful stories: slurs shouted in hallways, swastikas drawn on desks, lessons that distort Jewish history. These aren't isolated incidents. Antisemitic acts in California schools have surged 623% in the last decade, according to the ADL.

AB715createsthenation'sfirststatewide antisemitism prevention coordinator, a position dedicated to helping schools respond to incidents, train educators, track data and recommend future reforms. It also requires swift responses when bias occurs and promotes inclusive learning environments so that all students can learn without fear.

None of this should be controversial. The bill ultimately passed with overwhelming bipartisan support.

This victory was years in the making. Assemblymembers Rick Chavez Zbur and Dawn Addis worked closely with the Jewish, Black , Latino and AAPI caucuses — backed by the largest coalition of Jewish organizations ever assembled for Capitol legislation. After three different bills, countless amendments and feedback from education leaders, civil-rights advocates and legislators of every background, the north star for this two-year effort was protecting students.

The tenacity of this coalition was tested at every turn. The state's largest teachers' union ultimately opposed the bill for "prioritizing one form of discrimination over others," yet education union leaders refused to answer basic questions about whether antisemitism was a problem in schools.

Despite these challenges, California passed a law that affirms both academic freedom and equal protection, ensuring classroom discussion remains open while discrimination is not tolerated. It sends a statement to Jewish families that the state stands by them.

Now comes the next phase: ensuring this law fulfills its promise. Training must be substantive, not perfunctory. Reporting must be transparent. Accountability must be real. Our community will be there every step of the way.

Miller Saltzman is the director of policy and partnerships of Jewish Public Affairs Committee of California. David Bocarsly is the executive director of the Jewish Public Affairs Committee of California.

COMMUNITY NEWS

SMC

Santa Monica College Wins National Recycling Award for Sustainable Materials Program

Santa Monica College received a 2025 National Recycling Award from the National Recycling Coalition, recognized as an "Outstanding Higher Education Program" for its pioneering Sustainable Materials Management Program.

The award was presented during the National Recycling Congress at Wichita State University in early October. SMC was honored alongside Stanford University, last year's recipient in the same category.

The NRC stated that SMC's program was "a pioneering community college program offering degrees and certificates in zero waste and sustainable materials management, building a vital workforce pipeline for the circular economy."

"This recognition highlights the incredible dedication of our students, faculty, and partners who are shaping the future of sustainability," said SMC Professor Victoria Charles, who accepted the award. "It brings well-deserved attention to the real-world, hands-on learning happening at Santa Monica College."

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> - Victoria Charles, SMC Professor

The awards ceremony, led by Peter Adrian of the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, celebrated impactful leaders advancing recycling, organics management and circularity nationwide. More than 60 nominations were submitted across various categories.

SMC's Sustainable Materials Management program offers two paths providing academic instruction and real-world training. Students learn practical strategies to help organizations reduce waste, lower costs and improve operational efficiency—skills increasingly valued across public, private and nonprofit sectors.

Other award winners included Salinas Valley Recycles for Outstanding K-12 School Program, Nebraska State Senator Jana Hughes as Outstanding Elected Leader, and Terry Craghead for Outstanding Diversity Leadership.

More information about degree and certificate options is available at smc.edu/smm. Additional details about award winners can be found at nrcrecycles.org.

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Courtesy photo

AWARD: Santa Monica College Sustainable Materials Management Professor Victoria Charles (fifth from left, front row) along with other award winners during the National Recycling Congress at Wichita State University.

ELECTION

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of Delegates is at stake, while New Jersey Democrats defend their 52-28 General Assembly majority.

BALLOT MEASURES: Maine voters will decide statewide questions on voting and a "red flag" law aimed at preventing gun violence. Texas' 17 ballot measures include constitutional amendments on parental rights and limiting voting to U.S. citizens. Colorado and Washington also have statewide measures on the ballot.

MAYORS: Detroit, Pittsburgh, Jersey City and Buffalo will elect new mayors, while incumbents in Atlanta, Minneapolis and Cincinnati seek another term.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Samohi

Ten Samohi Students Earn Spots in Regional Honor Choir

Ten Santa Monica High School choir students have been accepted into the 2025 Southern California Vocal Association Regional Honor Choir following rigorous auditions.

The students — Ansel Brodkin, Alex Chaiet, Anna Cervantes, Karin Cervantes, Ava Collins-Cona, Curtis DiMundo, Zoey Jaffa, Mina Lotan, Harper McCallum and Milo Smith — earned the honor after auditions that tested sight reading, tonal and rhythmic memory, scales, triads and solo performances.

The singers will represent Santa Monica High at the University of Redlands Nov. 6-8, joining 270 student vocalists from across Southern California for three days of intensive rehearsals culminating in a public concert.

The SCVA Regional Honor Choir features three ensembles: SSAA (Soprano/Alto), TTBB (Tenor/Bass) and SATB (Mixed). This year's conductors include Dr. Alyssa Cossey (SSAA), Dr. Cari Earnhart (SATB) and Dr. Buddy James (TTBB).

Auditioning for the regional honor choir ensembles is voluntary, making each student's acceptance especially notable.

"Being selected for the SCVA Honor Choir is a tremendous accomplishment that reflects the dedication, discipline and artistry of our students," said Dr. Jim Wang, Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Visual and Performing Arts Coordinator. "We are proud of the exceptional work of our choir program and the commitment our students bring to their craft."

Tickets for the performance are available at scvachoral.org and typically sell out in advance.

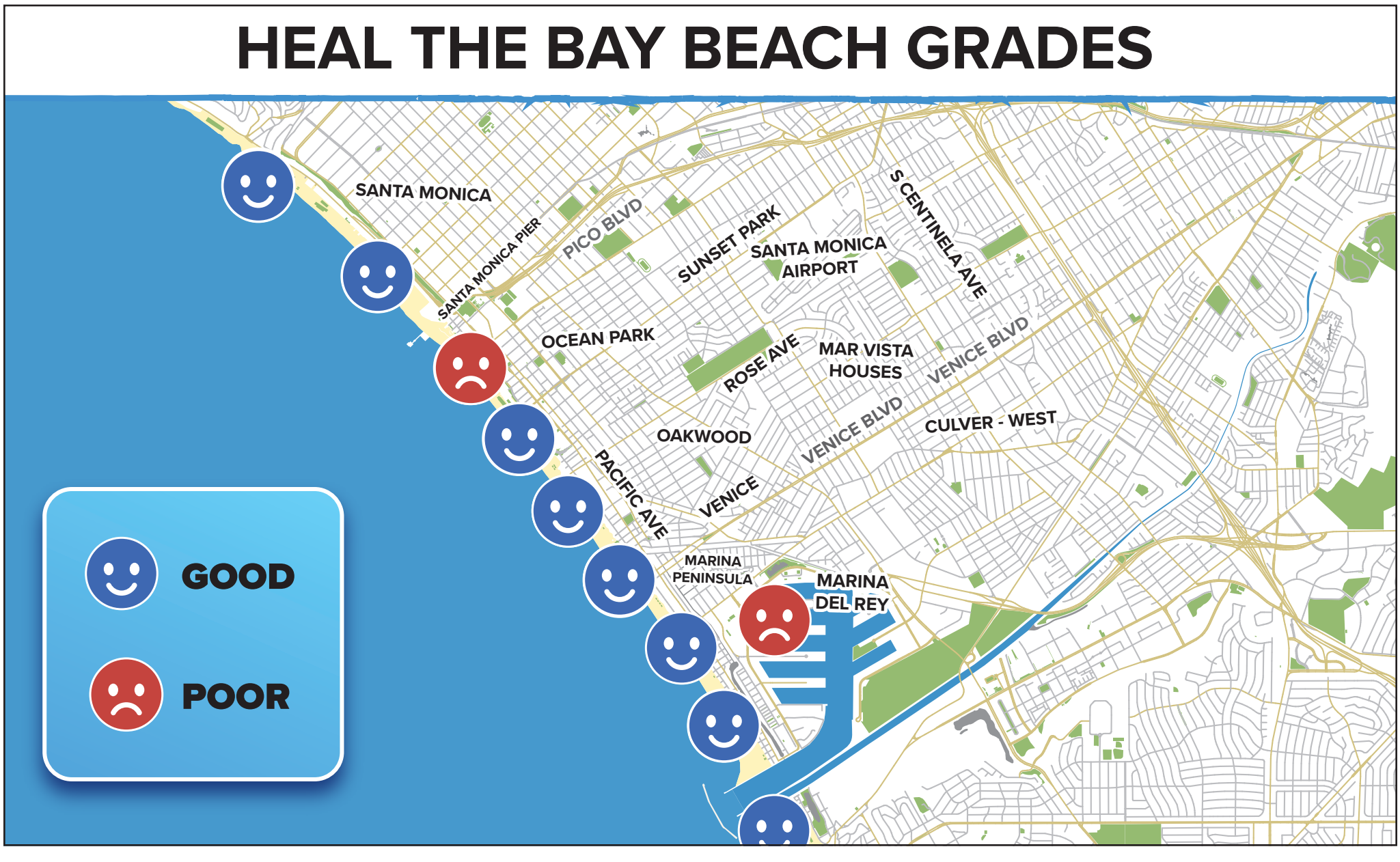
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VOCALISTS: Singers will represent Santa Monica High at the University of Redlands Nov. 6-8, joining 270 student vocalists from across Southern California.



After the $500 million Dodgers' title repeat, what's next for MLB?

The $500 million Los Angeles Dodgers' thrilling World Series win over the Toronto Blue Jays attracted record international attention for Major League Baseball, affirmed LA's status as the sport's best team and drew more attention to baseball's payroll disparity heading into what is likely to be contentious labor negotiations.

Los Angeles' 5-4, 11-inning win over Toronto in Game 7 on Saturday night capped a postseason with seven winner-take-all games, two more than any previous year.

Shohei Ohtani is building a case as the sport's best player ever with his unprecedented two-way performances, captivating audiences outside the U.S. unlike any previous player.

"It just absolutely been the greatest benefit to the game that you can imagine throughout the year," baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred.

Toronto's success this year sparked interest throughout Canada, which gave the Blue Jays nationwide support.

Aaron Judge, Bobby Witt Jr., Paul Skenes and Cal Raleigh already have committed to play for the United States in next year's World Baseball Classic, which is gaining increased interest with each addition.

And MLB is negotiating to send big league players to the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics during an extended All-Star break.

"Players are interested in playing, whether it's for the Team USA or any number of other teams around the world," union head Tony Clark said.

The Dodgers are already talking about a three-peat

Minutes after the Dodgers became the first repeat champion since the 1998-2000 New York Yankees, Dodgers star Freddie Freeman said matching that pinstriped power was the next goal.

"The Yankees are three-time back-to-back," he said, "so we get to use that same narrative next year."

Those Yankees are among just four instances of teams winning three or more consecutive championships alongside five by the 1949-53 Yankees, four by the 1936-39 Yankees and three by the 1972-74 Oakland Athletics.

BIG MARKET SPENDING SPARKS TALK OF SALARY-CAP PROPOSAL

Dodgers manager Dave Roberts attracted attention after the National League Championship Series sweep of Milwaukee when he yelled to Los Angeles fans: "They said the Dodgers are ruining baseball. Let's get four more wins and really ruin baseball!"

Los Angeles entered the World Series having spent $509.5 million in major league payroll and projected luxury tax, plus another $6.5 million for pitcher Roki Sasaki's minor league signing bonus.

Including Sasaki's bonus, the Dodgers spending for its two World Series title teams totaled at least $890 million. The New York Mets, who failed to reach the playoffs this year after getting knocked out in last year's NLCS, have spent about $860 million in 2024 and '25.

In a sign of how much payroll disparity has increased, the Athletics spent less than $150 million over the same period.

Manfred repeatedly has said owners haven't settled on their labor proposals, but the players' association is bracing to resist a push for a salary cap. Demand for a cap from owners is what led to a 7 1/2-month strike in 1994-95 and the first cancellation of the World Series in 90 years.

The labor contract expires on Dec. 2, 2026, and bargaining is likely to start this winter or spring.

MORE JAPANESE PLAYERS LIKELY HEADED TO MLB

Following the success of Shohei Ohtani, Yoshinobu Yamamoto and Roki Sasaki, more Japanese players may sign with MLB teams.

Munetaka Murakami, a third baseman and first baseman who turns 26 in February, is expected to be posted by the Yakult Swallows. He hit .273 with 22 homers and 47 RBIs this year, limited to 56 games by an oblique injury. A two-time Central League MVP, in 2022 he hit 56 homers to break Sadaharu Oh's record for a Japanese-born player while becoming the youngest player to earn Japan's Triple Crown.

Kazuma Okamoto, a 29-year-old third baseman and first baseman. will be posted by the Yomiuri Giants. He has 248 homers in 11 Central League seasons, hitting 30 or more from 2018-23.

Tatsuya Imai, a 27-year-old right-hander, could be posted by the Seibu Lions. He struck out 17 against Yokohama on June 17, breaking Daisuke Matsuzaka's prior team record of 16 from 2004.

HERE COME THE ROBOTS

Game 7 of the World Series was MLB's last with human umpires making all ball/strike calls.

Starting next season, the Automated Ball/Strike System will be installed in all big league ballparks and batters, catchers and pitchers will be able to appeal decisions to a high-tech system of cameras tracking each pitch and judging whether it crossed home plate within the strike zone.

Each team has the ability to challenge two calls per game and a team retains its challenge if successful, similar to the regulations for video review, which has been in place for many calls since 2014. Teams that exhaust their challenges get one additional challenge in each extra inning.

By RONALD BLUM AP Baseball Writer

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PROP 50

FROM PAGE 1

Newsom's campaign to supporters last week. "We have hit our budget goals and raised what we need in order to pass Proposition 50."

If approved, the measure would temporarily suspend California's current congressional maps, which were drawn by an independent citizens commission, and replace them through 2030 with districts drawn by Democratic insiders.

Newsom and his allies say California must counter mid-decade gerrymandering efforts in Republican controlled states such as Texas, Missouri and North Carolina in order to give Democrats a fair chance to win back the U.S. House of Representatives in next year's midterm elections. Mail-in voting has already been underway for more than four weeks.

Some of Prop. 50's major opponents are also privately resigned to the reality that the measure will pass, despite putting on a defiant game face.

"I don't run away from a fight," insisted Rep. Doug LaMalfa, a Republican from Oroville whose district would be dramatically altered under the new maps, at a recent No on 50 press conference.

But just moments before, LaMalfa also conceded that the opposition was "outnumbered two-to-one" when it came to spending in the crucial final days of the campaign.

"We are outgunned on the fundraising side," he said.

A spokesperson for the No on 50 campaign did not respond to an emailed request for comment.

Two of California's most reputable nonpartisan pollsters last week found that a solid majority of likely voters are supporting, or have already voted for, Prop. 50.

The Public Policy Institute of California found that 56% of likely voters said they would support the measure, compared to just 43% who said they would oppose it. The survey also found that nearly seven in 10 Californians, regardless of party, said the outcome of the special election was "very important" to them. That's a record high level of interest in a ballot measure.

"The PPIC survey has not registered such a high level of interest in a ballot proposition since we began measuring it over 20 years ago," said its survey director, Mark Baldassare. The poll relied on responses from 943 likely voters and had a sampling error margin of plus or minus 4.1 percentage points.

The Berkeley Institute of Governmental Studies found an even larger gap between Yes and No voters, with a whopping 60% of likely voters saying they'd vote to pass Prop. 50 and just 38% who would vote no. Similarly to PPIC, the IGS poll also found an extraordinarily high level of engagement, with 71% of likely voters saying they had heard "a great deal" about the measure.

"There are a lot of indicators that suggest the Yes side is going to win comfortably," said Mark DiCamillo, IGS' director of polling, in an interview.

The poll interviewed 4,946 Californians who had already voted or were considered likely to vote and had a sampling error margin of plus or minus 2 percentage points.

DiCamillo noted Prop. 50 was likely defying conventional wisdom on ballot measures, which gives the No side an advantage with undecided voters who want to preserve the status quo, because of the hyperpartisan and nationalized message.

"The results suggest that Democrats have succeeded in framing the debate surrounding the proposition around support or opposition to President Trump and national Republicans, rather than about voters' more general preference for nonpartisan redistricting," said Eric Schickler, co-director of IGS.

Still, Democrats are taking nothing for granted and are investing heavily in mobilizing their voters. The Yes campaign has rallied tens of thousands of volunteers to knock doors, make phone calls and send texts to up to 16 million voters, said campaign spokesperson Hannah Milgrom. Newsom will also be traveling across the state as part of the final push.

Maya C. Miller, Politics Reporter

SHUTDOWN

FROM PAGE 3

"Face the Nation" on CBS.

RECORD-BREAKING SHUTDOWN

The 35-day shutdown that lasted from December 2018 to January 2019 ended when Trump retreated from his demands over a border wall. That came amid intensifying delays at the nation's airports and multiple missed paydays for hundreds of thousands of federal workers.

Transportation Secretary Sean Duffy said on ABC's "This Week" that there have already been delays at several airports "and it's only going to get worse."

Many of the workers are "confronted with a decision," he said. "Do I put food on my kids' table, do I put gas in the car, do I pay my rent or do I go to work and not get paid?"

As flight delays around the country increased, New York City's emergency management department posted on Sunday that Newark Airport was under a ground delay because of "staffing shortages in the control tower" and that they were limiting arrivals to the airport.

"The average delay is about 2 hours, and some flights are more than 3 hours late," the account posted.

SNAP CRISIS

Also in the crossfire are the 42 million Americans who receive SNAP benefits. The Department of Agriculture planned to withhold $8 billion needed for payments to the food program starting on Saturday until two federal judges ordered the administration to fund it.

Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent said on CNN Sunday that the administration continues to await additional direction from the courts.

"The best way for SNAP benefits to get paid is for Democrats — for five Democrats to cross the aisle and reopen the government," Bessent said.

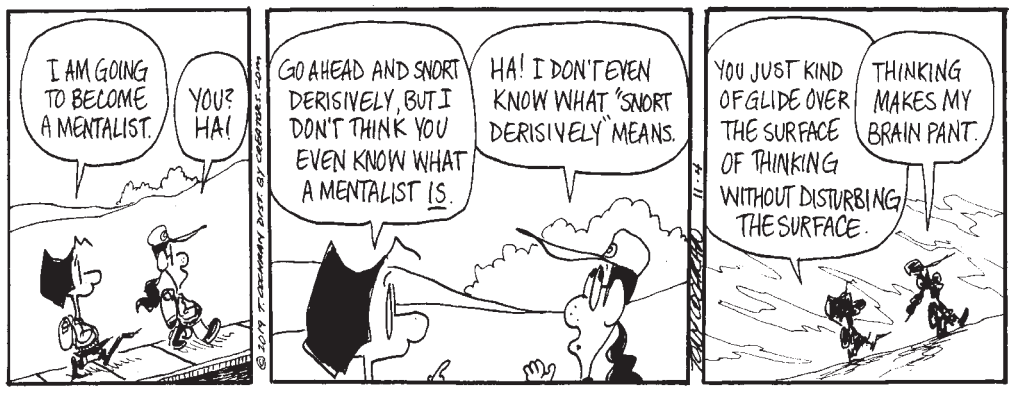
House Democratic leader Jeffries, D-N.Y., accused Trump and Republicans of attempting to "weaponize hunger." He said that the administration has managed to find ways for funding other priorities during the shutdown, but is slow-walking pushing out SNAP benefits despite the court orders.

"But somehow they can't find money to make sure that Americans don't go hungry," Jeffries said in an appearance on CNN's "State of the Union."

By MARY CLARE JALONICK Associated Press. Associated Press writer Aamer Madhani contributed to this report.

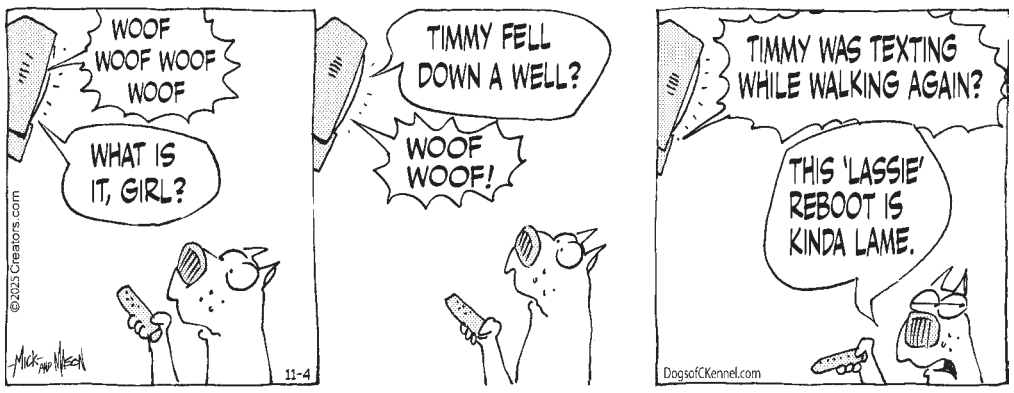
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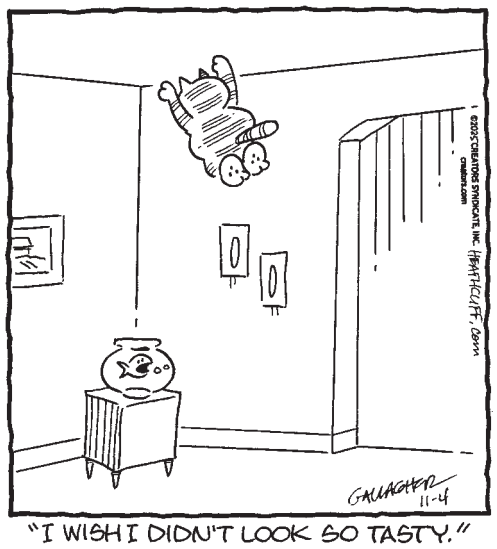
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FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 16 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Honesty is your calling card. What you speak, write and do resonates with truth and impacts people far outside of your circle. Words spoken from integrity ripple through conversations you'll never hear, inspiring others.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Feeling comfortable is a sign of real confidence. But you don't need real confidence to handle the situation you're in. Fake confidence will do just fine, and yes, it feels very uncomfortable. For now, it's the most right feeling in the world.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You help people. The giver deserves help, too. The frustration you feel isn't entitlement; it's your life-force demanding evolution. It's a healthy sign. The part of you that's yelling "enough" is the part that still believes you can be free.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Ask for feedback. Trusted friends and expert counsel will gladly provide it. Outside perspectives will offer insights you might have missed. This is what makes the difference between an offering that gets takers and one that falls flat.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Logistics will take care of themselves because you're getting the energy right. You're kind, present and generous. You intend to enjoy people, to see them and gift them with good vibes. The task at hand is met with cooperation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Not everyone needs the same kind of love. What feels good to one feels smothering or awkward to another. Your empathy is flexible. You sense what people need, or you ask them so you can love the way they'll actually feel it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your state of mind matters more than your technique. No matter what you're doing - writing, working, caregiving, creating - the attitude you bring shapes how everything unfolds. The "how" of your heart outweighs the "how" of your plan.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Once again, your success blossoms from emotional intelligence. You have plenty of it. You'll read the room and sense who's open and who still needs more social proof, warmth or trust in order to form a connection.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Words are wrapping paper - something to be stripped away to see what's really being presented. Requests won't be the literal equivalent of the words used to ask, but at least it's not hard to interpret the true meaning.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). This isn't your mess. However chaotic the scene is, take heart in the fact that most of it doesn't need your reaction. Judgment or intervention will change nothing, so don't bother. You'll do more good by simply staying centered in yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're getting to the bottom of something. The facts won't make sense until you understand the overall story or context. Stay observant, let things unfold, and don't mistake fragments for truth until you can see the whole picture.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Significance isn't measured by a scale. You don't need to do something grand or public to make a difference. A simple gesture of kindness, patience or encouragement counts, even if it's just lifting the corners of your mouth into a smile. You'll shift the emotional weather around you.

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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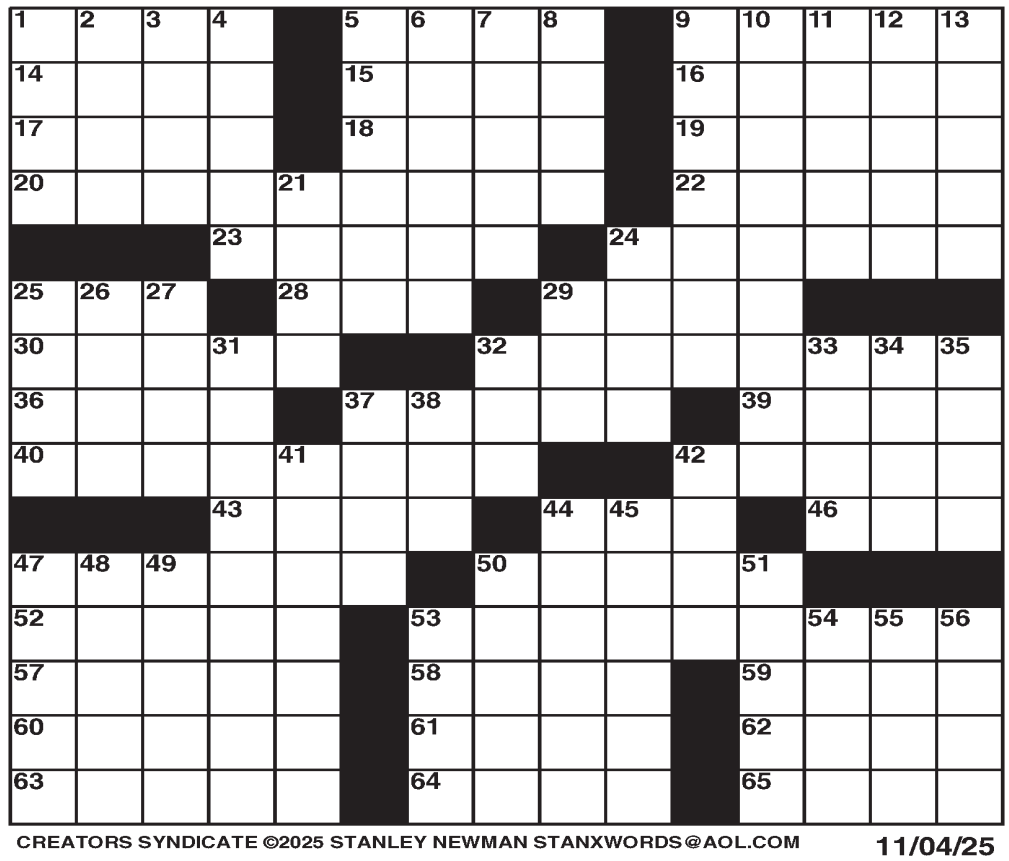
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20 Silent performance
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23 Like beach surfaces
24 Actress Meryl
25 Tummy muscles
28 All-even score
29 Elegant party
30 Farmers harvest them
32 Very difficult choices
36 "Look, I did it!"
37 Make a tally of
39 Up to a task
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42 Sir __ Newton
43 Make simpler
44 Feeling glum
46 Take a chair
47 Aviator Earhart
50 Takes a train or bus
52 Blue jeans brand
53 Northwest Florida's shape
57 "Who's there?" reply
58 Outer border
59 Colorful eye part
60 Flat-topped mountain
61 Wedding cake layer
62 Slightly moist
63 "No bid"
64 A sight for __ eyes
65 Auction website

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1 Hunt for bargains
2 Mysterious glow
3 Small songbird
4 Mail chute openings
5 College grads
6 Right next to
7 Foe
8 Mine's rich vein
9 Scare suddenly
10 Scenic views
11 Bicker
12 Actor Nick
13 Sharply sloped
21 Granola grains
24 Condiment in a shaker
25 Performs in a play
26 Unruly child
27 Any carbonated beverage
29 Martini liquor
31 Discussion group members
32 Faulty firecracker
33 Degs. in finance
34 Jai __ (ball game)
35 Religious faction
37 House, in Mexico
38 Metallic mineral
41 Many-petaled flowers with yellow centers
42 Creative spark
44 Soprano or tenor
45 Stick (to)
47 Suspect's story
48 Got together
49 Musical about Mrs. Perón
50 AM/FM device
51 Scornful, as remarks
53 Parakeets and poodles
54 Dull-colored
55 Capital of Peru
56 Catch a glimpse of



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MILLS

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The Mills Act, a state law dating to 1974, allows cities to offer property tax reductions to owners of designated historic properties in exchange for commitments to maintain and rehabilitate the structures according to federal preservation standards. The program serves as Santa Monica's primary financial incentive for historic preservation.

The three applications under consideration — for properties at 226 Palisades Ave., 137 Hart Ave. and 1958 20th St. — would result in an estimated $12,018 reduction in annual city property tax revenue. All three properties received landmark designations in 2025 and met the city's eligibility requirements: no code violations, current property tax payments and compliance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.

City staff determined the applications satisfied all requirements under state law and Santa Monica Municipal Code, which states the council "shall" approve contracts meeting three specific conditions.

Zwick moved to pause approval of the applications and requested staff return with a program that would assess "the relative public benefit versus lost tax dollars to the community." He advocated for implementing maximum assessed values or tax loss limits and a system of prioritization similar to those used in Los Angeles, Pasadena, San Diego and San Francisco.

The City Attorney's office cautioned that the municipal code's language left no discretion for denial if the three conditions were met, which staff had confirmed they were.

"The way that the code is written, if the conditions are met, there is no discretion for the council," staff told the council. They recommended approving the applications given the "strongly" worded code requirements, noting the applications had been submitted before May and worked through the process for months.

When Zwick questioned whether he agreed with the findings that the applications provided public benefit, staff reiterated that the three required findings under current code focused on violations, tax delinquency and compliance with preservation standards — not a broader cost-benefit analysis.

Zwick also raised concerns about work plans that included routine maintenance items like tree trimming, questioning why such mandated property owner responsibilities would justify tax benefits. He further inquired about alleged unpermitted work on one property, which staff said did not exist.

City Design and Historic Preservation Planner Stephanie Reich explained that property owners typically perform substantial rehabilitation before applying for both landmark designation and Mills Act status, and that work is included in calculations. She said the program ensures tax benefits return to building preservation, with work programs often totaling more than the 10-year tax reduction.

"The incentive of the program is there so that people will be incentivized to designate their properties and maintain them over time," Reich said.

Councilmember Ellis Raskin challenged Zwick's concerns, noting the general fund impact represented less than one-tenth of 1% and that none of Zwick's proposed policy changes had been agendized for discussion.

"We've got applications here that meet all the criteria that we are required to approve," Raskin said. "I'm happy to continue this discussion at a future meeting, but I think we should move on."

Raskin moved to approve the applications, with Mayor Lana Negrete seconding. Zwick ultimately withdrew his substitute motion, and the council unanimously approved the three Mills Act contracts.

The debate prompted the North of Montana Association to send a letter titled "Recuse or Resign, but Santa Monica Must Come First," accusing Zwick of an ongoing conflict of interest with his employer, the Housing Action Coalition.

HAC's website describes Zwick's role as "advancing pro-housing solutions across the region by building our membership base and advancing our political and legislative goals." The organization has publicly opposed Mills Act eligibility for single-family properties, viewing historic preservation regulations as barriers to housing development.

NOMA's letter cited HAC's 2025 legislative strategy document, which references Assembly Bill 610 — a HAC-sponsored bill aimed at preventing cities from creating historic designations to block housing after their housing elements are certified. The letter argued Zwick's participation created "more than a perception of impropriety."

"Knowing his employer's position, it is stunning that Mr. Zwick did not recuse himself from this discussion and vote," the letter stated. "If Mr. Zwick is unwilling to recuse himself from discussions and votes like this, then he must resign."

Zwick defended his participation, stating his employer "does not advocate for or against the preservation of historic housing, nor the utilization of tax credits to subsidize this effort, nor does it even maintain a position on these questions."

He clarified that AB 610 "does not feature the Mills Act in any way" and addresses a different scenario involving cities designating new historic districts specifically to block promised housing production.

When Zwick joined HAC earlier this year, he said he had "worked closely with attorneys at the city of Santa Monica and those at my new employer to ensure that I keep my two worlds completely separate and avoid any conflict of interest."

"In the rare instance in which a vote at city council may present a conflict I will of course be recusing myself, as all council members are obliged to do," Zwick said at the time.

The Santa Monica City Attorney's Office has said recusal decisions are made case-by-case. Zwick previously said he requested the city seek independent legal analysis from both the California Fair Political Practices Commission and outside counsel.

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12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Venice Branch Library 501 S Venice Blvd. Venice. Through body awareness, movement, and breath, you will be guided on how to bring your body, mind, and spirit back into balance for overall well-being. All levels are welcome. Generously funded by the Friends of Venice Library. For ADA accommodations, call (213) 228-7430 at least 72 hours prior to the event. Para ajustes razonables según la ley de ADA, llama al (213) 228-7430 al menos 72 horas antes del evento. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/friends-of-venice-library-yoga-for-everyone-/14548476/2025-11-05T12

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DRUNK THEATRE: THE WILDEST IMPROV COMEDY SHOW!
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Santa Monica Playhouse 1211 4th St, Santa Monica. A comedian takes five shots of whiskey in a row and tries to perform an improvised play with five sober comedians. What could go wrong?! Drunk Theatre is the entirely improvised, unpredictable, and crazy comedy show that'll kick your weekend into overdrive. Reserve your spot now as limited seating and space is available. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/drunk-theatre-the-wildest-improv-comedy-show-/15793351/2025-11-07T08

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ARTISTS & FLEAS: VENICE MARKETPLACE
11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Westminster Elementary School 1010 Abbot Kinney Los Angeles. Artists & Fleas in Venice is located in the vibrant, artistic heart of Venice at the corner of Abbot Kinney and Westminster Avenue in the outdoor lot of Westminister Avenue Elementary School. Join 50+ merchants every Saturday (rain or shine!) for a fabulous lineup of art, design, food trucks and vintage. Date: Every Saturday Time: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Location: Westminster Elementary School - 1010 Abbot Kinney Check our website here for a list of vendors. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/artists-fleas-venice-marketplace/14548485/2025-11-08T11

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