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Justices add anti-abortion counseling to free-speech lineup

BY MARK SHERMAN
Associated Press

The Supreme Court will hear a free speech challenge to a California law that targets anti-abortion crisis pregnancy centers, adding to a term that is loaded with First Amendment disputes.

The justices said Monday they will review the centers' complaint that the new law, pushed by an abortion-rights group, forces them to provide information about abortion and other services.

Lower courts had allowed the law to take effect. Unlicensed centers also must inform clients of their status.

Two other new cases the justices added Monday also involve free-speech claims, by opponents of a Minnesota law banning any political attire at polling places and a Florida man who contends police arrested him in retaliation for voicing his views.

In those cases as well, courts rejected the challengers' constitutional claims.

First Amendment lawyer Floyd Abrams said in an email that "the court's decision to hear three cases in one term in which distinct First Amendment claims had been made and rejected in the lower courts certainly illustrates its intense focus on cases in which freedom of expression is center stage." The Constitution's First Amendment guarantees the right to free speech.

Even before Monday, the justices had major free speech cases on their agenda.

A fight over the politically motivated reshaping of electoral districts, a major case argued last month, could turn on whether the court finds that Republican-drawn districts in Wisconsin penalize Democratic voters because of their political beliefs, in violation of the First Amendment.

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City Councilman responds to apparent conflict of interest

KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

Former Santa Monica Mayor and longtime City Councilman Tony Vazquez said his wife, a Santa Monica-Malibu School Board member, did not realize she was voting for contracts that benefitted his consulting clients when she approved certain consent calendar items at district meetings.

"She didn't even know she was voting on these things," Vazquez said in a frank conversation with the Daily Press. "You've seen the ones we get at City Council, these consent calendars for the school board are pretty thick."

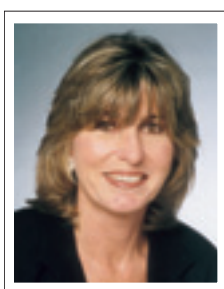
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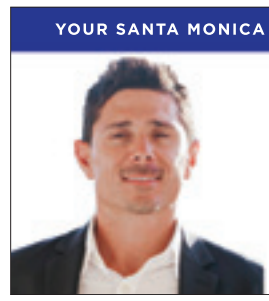


CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

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Santa Monica High School's Emma Berry tries to spike the volleyball past Culver City's Octavia Collins in the CIF Div. 4 championship game Saturday at Cerritos College in Norwalk. Culver City won the match and the title in five games.


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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Tuesday, November 14

20th Annual Friends of CLARE Tribute Dinner

CLARE Foundation, a nonprofit organization and trusted community resource, has been providing effective and affordable alcoholism, substance abuse and behavioral health treatment and prevention services for nearly 50 years. CLARE is proud to honor philanthropist Bill Simon, business leader Shawn Hezar, activist Susan Burton, and actor Danny Trejo at the 20th Annual Friends of CLARE Tribute Dinner at the Fairmont Miramar Hotel. Reception at 6 p.m. dinner at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at $250. http://clarefoundation.org/tributedinner/

Panel Discussion: Women's Health & Reproductive Rights at Main

Join Cathy Crosby, author of A Good Catholic Girl: pro-choice IS pro-life, and others for a thought-provoking conversation about women's health, reproductive rights and choices. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m.

City Council Meeting

Regular Meeting of the Santa Monica City Council. City Hall 1685 Main Street. 5:30 p.m.

How to Write a Winning UC Personal Statement at Pico

Don't know where to start? Need assistance with editing your personal statement? Join the Pico Branch Library and the Virginia Avenue Park's Teen Center for a 5-week workshop were all these questions will be addressed. Space is limited, registration starts October 2nd. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd, 6 p.m.

Reading Identities

Women writers read and discuss identity in their work, their own self-identification, and their experiences translating their identity for a society that views race, gender, and sexual orientation as individual categories. Panelists include Désirée Zamorano and Thea Monyee´. CSUN English and Africana Studies Professor, Dr. Shubha Venugopal, will moderate the reading and discussion around identity in these writers' work. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 PCH, 6:30 – 8 p.m. RSVP at http://annenbergbeachhouse.com/beachculture.

Wednesday, November 15

Soundwaves Concert: Eric Barber Quintet

Original jazz from the virtuoso saxophonist and his band. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Celebrate Native American Heritage Month with Los Angeles Poet Society

Learn to write a poem about your dreams and make a talisman. Limited space. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd, 4 – 5:30 p.m.

Advance Care Planning: Your Voice, Your Choice at Main

Delia Cortez, Palliative Care Social Worker from UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica, provides steps for you to convey what quality of life means to you, should you be unable to speak for yourself. In this workshop you learn how to communicate your healthcare wishes to your family and friends, how to appoint someone as your surrogate decision maker, and review healthcare decision-making documents (forms will be distributed at workshop). Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 16

Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting

Special meeting of the Santa Monica Recreation and Parks Commission. 7:30 p.m. at the Santa Monica Institute, 330 Olympic Drive

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Article on "Has the Expo Turned into the Crime Train?"

Editor:

It is sad that anecdotally there appears to be an increase in crime in Santa Monica; however, to link it to the Expo Line with these incidents none of which appear to be linked to the train is not fair to public transit in region.

The Expo line was long planned and much needed to reduce transportation demands on our streets and highways. Linking it to every crime that has happened recently in Santa Monica without facts appears to be just sensationalism.

Janet Shelton
Culver City

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

BIG BEAR LAKE

Motorcyclist rescued after plunging 100 feet down mountain

A motorcyclist was rescued after plunging 100 feet below a roadway in Southern California's San Bernardino Mountains.

The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department says the 48-year-old rider was thrown from the motorcycle in a single-vehicle crash Sunday afternoon on State Route 38.

The San Gorgonio Search and Rescue Team climbed down to the victim and found he had major injuries, but the steepness of the terrain prevented them from carrying out.

A sheriff's rescue helicopter was called in and the victim was hoisted aboard and flown to a hospital.

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LONG BEACH

1 diver rescued, another dies off Southern California

One diver was rescued and another died in a weekend accident in the ocean off Southern California.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department says a rescue helicopter hoisted a diver in distress from a county lifeguard boat nine miles off Long Beach near oil Platform Elly on Saturday.

The department dive team used a remotely operated submersible to locate the body of a second diver Sunday morning near Platform Elly.

The body was recovered in more than 200 feet of water and was taken to the county coroner's office.

There's no further information on the rescued diver's condition.

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IMPERIAL BEACH

Imperial Beach shoreline closure lifted after water tests

San Diego County authorities have lifted a closure of the Imperial Beach shoreline that was impacted by sewage-contaminated flows from the Tijuana River entering the United States.

The Department of Environmental Health announced the action Sunday afternoon following tests that found water quality now meets California health standards.

The shoreline from the south end of Imperial Beach to the international border will remain closed until sampling shows that area is safe.

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NEW YORK

Colin Kaepernick named GQ magazine's citizen of the year

Free agent quarterback Colin Kaepernick has been named GQ's magazine's "Citizen of the Year" for his activism.

Kaepernick began kneeling instead of standing during the national anthem last season to protest racial inequality and police brutality. The demonstration sparked a wave of NFL protests by players during the anthem that repeatedly have been denounced by President Donald Trump. Kaepernick parted ways with the San Francisco 49ers in March and hasn't been signed by another team.

Kaepernick says on Twitter he's "honored" by the recognition.

The magazine 's story includes comments from several of Kaepernick's supporters and confidants. Rapper J. Cole says Kaepernick "sacrificed his dream" to stand for something. Ninety-year-old singer and activist Harry Belafonte says seeing people like Kaepernick taking action is "the greatest reward" he could ask for.

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SUBJECT: Development Agreement 15ENT-0266
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APPLICANT: WNMS Communities
PROPERTY OWNER: NMS 1430 Lincoln, LLC

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

The applicant is requesting a Development Agreement to construct a new 67,470 square-foot mixed-use project consisting of a 5-story (50 feet) building totaling100 residential units, 5,878 square feet of ground floor commercial space, and 296 parking spaces within a four-level subterranean parking garage.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2017 AT 6:30 p.m.**

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

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to: City Clerk
Re: Development Agreement 15ENT-0266
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MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Paul Foley, Principal Planner at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at paul.foley@smgov.net. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours and on the City's web site at www.smgov.net.

The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines numbered 1, 2, 3, Rapid 3, 7, 8, 9, Rapid 10, and 18 serve City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is located at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, and is a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive, and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

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What's the Point?

David Pisarra Send comments to editor@smdp.com

We Need To Do A Deep Dive For The City

I DO CONSULTING WITH PEOPLE AND companies in order to provide an outside viewpoint and to take a step back to review the bigger picture of what is happening in a life, a company or an industry. They're called Deep Dive Weekends. This past weekend I was in Raleigh, N. Carolina doing one of these Deep Dives, and for two days we dug deep into motivations and causes and conditions so that we can plan a future for my client and his company.

This naturally made me reflective on life in our sleepy little town, which is not so sleepy and not so little anymore, and it's getting to be fairly difficult to live here. And scary.

Murders. Assaults. Break-Ins. They're all up. Is this related to the Metro — maybe, more likely it has to do with an increase in population, traffic and the overall state of our economy. Yes, we have more tourists, and more homeless, both of which are an outgrowth of the strange state of our national economy in a weird way.

As the paths of our society have become more polarized, there are rich and there are poor, and fewer in the middle each year, we are facing a crisis point of how to help the needy while the rich get to travel. Each year tourism and travel goes up, which helps our local economy. I say this being one of those who does a fair bit of annual travelling. I'm on and off planes several times a year for work and pleasure.

This past weekend I was on planes to Atlanta and Raleigh. When I looked at the passengers, I could see that most of them were business people travelling home for the weekend. This crew of road warriors is keeping planes full and the economy flowing. Like a lake, the economy needs to have a constant influx and outflow in order to be properly functioning. So when there is a lot of movement, things are healthy. When it goes stagnant - called a recession - things get ugly and stinky.

We're lucky in that our national economy, and more importantly our local economy, is active and engaged right now. There are many new startups in our city, whether it be the new taco restaurant or barber at the corner of Pico and Lincoln, or a tech venture at CrossCampus. These startups help us continue to grow and expand. They provide jobs, some low tech, some high tech but jobs none the less.

Nationally even though the economy is considered to be healthy, the jobs market is down. That's due to production improvements like robots, computers and to a degree, off-shore operations. This is causing the pool of homeless to grow. These people turn to other activities to survive the day. Whether that is drugs and alcohol related or desperation, crime goes up. If you can't buy food, eventually you'll steal it - that's just human survival instinct. It's not a moral judgement, but a reality check.

The southwest is an ideal place for someone who is facing a homeless winter for obvious reasons. It's more survivable. But that means those of us who live here are faced with an influx of new "residents" that are a drain on our resources. Whether that is in terms of mental health services we provide, general relief, or the time and expense of when first responders get called out for service.

Our infrastructure has increased as a result of increased need, we've also increased our expenses and each year it seems to get more expensive to live here. Rents are higher than ever, and the cost of doing business in this town for simple things like parking never go down. I spend on average $5 a day in parking at city meters and lots. Annually I pay a business license fee just for the privilege of paying rent and having my office here.

I think we need to have citywide summit on the future of our little town, and think about what we can do to continue to provide basic services to those in need, but also to re-prioritize our budget and goals. I want to see us continue to be a worldwide tourist destination, but I also want to see focus put on the needs of the residents, both homed and homeless.

The Federal government is not going to help us here until we have a major disaster and frankly under the current administration, even then I'm doubtful. So, we need to have a Deep Dive discussion amongst ourselves, and figure out how to address the multifaceted needs of our city and our future. I know the City Council thinks they do this, but they don't seem to hear the citizens so much as the developers these days. I want to hear the residents' voices.

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Hundreds in Hollywood march against sexual harassment

BY LINDSEY BAHR
AP Film Writer

Armed with signs, catchy phrases and a motivation to take #MeToo beyond the internet and into real life, a few hundred women, men and children gathered Sunday among the sex shops and tourist traps of Hollywood Boulevard to protest sexual harassment.

The Take Back the Workplace March and the #MeToo Survivors March joined forces in the heart of Hollywood, near the entrance to the Dolby Theater where the Academy Awards take place. They walked side by side past the tourists, costume shops, strip clubs and a man wearing a "Whiskey Made Me Do It" T-shirt to gather for a rally of rousing speeches from the likes of Harvey Weinstein accuser Lauren Sivan and Oscar-winning producer Cathy Schulman.

"Not in pots, not in plants, keep your junk inside your pants," the crowd chanted for a few minutes, before shifting gears to: "Harvey Weinstein is a joke, women workers just got woke."

Other chants included, "Survivors united, we'll never be divided" and "Whatever we wear, wherever we go, 'yes' means 'yes' and 'no' means 'no.' "

Some came with their families, some came with friends and attendees ranged in age from 4 to over 68. Aislinn Russell, a 15-year-old Los Angeles high school student came with two peers and signs railing against terms like "friend zone" and "slut."

"Seeing the #metoo movement growing and seeing all these people telling their stories, I have my own stories too," Russell said. "I want to join in with that and not be silent with everything going on."

Her sign, drawn in pink and purple block letters read: " 'Slut' is attacking women for their right to say yes." Her friend's read: " 'Friend Zone' is attacking women for their right to say no."

Another attendee, Nancy Allen, a 52-year-old woman from Los Angeles, carried a sign that read, "I was 7."

"We've been silent too long," Allen said. "A lot of people have kept this inside us for years and years."

Howard Kim, a 68-year-old Los Angeles resident, came out to support the march.

"I'm just a little sorry there aren't more people out here," Kim said. "I was hoping there would be."

Event organizers estimated there were about 200 to 300 attendees. But they also acknowledged that it was "difficult to tell" with the normal Hollywood Boulevard crowds.

The crowd walked about a mile to the corner of Sunset Boulevard and Cole, the site of CNN headquarters, where a podium was set up for the Take Back the Workplace rally.

Sivan, a TV journalist who alleged sexual harassment from Weinstein and served as the "celebrity chair" of the Take Back the Workplace event, said that the time is ripe for a re-ordering of power.

"We want our daughters and sons to be able to go to a workplace and never have to take a meeting with a dude in a bathrobe," Sivan said. "They will never have to choose to put out or keep their job."

Schulman, who presides over the advocacy group Women in Film, told the crowd that the sexual harassment problem can't be fixed by just weeding out sex criminals. Women, she said, have to be protected from prejudice and abuse. Schulman called for diversifying workplaces and reforming human resources departments.

Although there were not many celebrity attendees on site, some supported the marches from afar.

"To all my sisters and brothers out there marching today in L.A Sending you love and support from thousands of miles away!" said Patricia Arquette on Twitter Sunday.

Claire Forlani, another Weinstein accuser, also tweeted: "To the women and men marching in Hollywood today #metoomarch I am there in spirit. #Solidarity"

The peaceful demonstration had an air of melancholy too. While there was solidarity, fear of retaliation persisted.

One woman, who did not want to give her name for fear of retaliation or lawsuit carried a homemade sign accusing a sitcom producer of grabbing her from behind and making a lewd remark and suggestive comment.

"Thank you to my agent at William Morris for telling me 'Keep your mouth shut or you'll never work again,' " read the other side of the sign. "BTW, you also represented my abuser."

Schulman said she is hopeful, however. Her organization on Thursday announced that it is setting up a sexual harassment hotline where victims can call for pro-bono legal counseling and advice. The hotline is expected to be operational by Dec. 1.

"I've experienced gender bias, salary imparity. I've been yelled at, disrespected. I've had credit taken from me, I've had money stolen from me. I've been bankrupted twice and much worse. And I've seen it all. I've seen every bit of harassment and every bit of these sex crimes. However, I've produced 20 movies, I've supervised over 150 movies, I've won an Academy Award. I've even raised a 17-year-old daughter," Schulman said. "Do not let them destroy us. We can win this war. It's a game. It's a game of power that we can win."

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COUNSELING

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Next month, the court will hear the appeal of a Colorado baker who says he should not be compelled to create a cake for a same-sex wedding.

Early next year, the justices will take up an appeal from a government worker in Illinois who says his rights are violated by a state requirement that he pay fees to the labor union that represents public employees.

The concentration of cases fits into a broader pattern that has marked the court under Chief Justice John Roberts, including the bitterly divided Citizens United decision in 2010 and related cases that struck down campaign finance limits.

But other high-profile free speech cases during Roberts' tenure have joined the court's conservative and liberal justices.

"There's a strong bipartisan consensus on the Roberts court to uphold the First Amendment tradition of protecting hate speech," said Jeffrey Rosen, president of the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia. The justices generally support limits on speech only when there's a risk of imminent violence, Rosen said.

The crisis pregnancy center appeal appears to be one of those that is more likely to divide the justices, with Anthony Kennedy as perhaps the pivotal vote.

In urging the court to stay out of the case, California Attorney General Xavier Becerra said the law was intended to make clear to the 700,000 women who become pregnant in the state each year that there is medical care, including abortion, available to people who can't afford it on their own. California said the information the centers must provide falls within well-accepted regulation of businesses and professionals.

But Michael Farris, president of the Alliance Defending Freedom legal group that is representing the centers, said government is picking winners and losers by requiring only centers that oppose abortion to display the information.

"The government should never be permitted to coerce speech it favors over speech it does not favor," Farris said.

A federal appeals court in New York struck down similar provisions of a New York City ordinance, although it upheld the requirement for unlicensed centers to say that they lack a license.

The free-speech issue has arisen in different contexts around the country.

In 2014, the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, based in Richmond, Virginia, struck down a North Carolina law that required abortion providers to show and describe an ultrasound to the pregnant woman. The court said the law is "ideological in intent" and violates doctors' free-speech rights.

In February, the Atlanta-based 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that Florida could not prohibit doctors from talking about gun safety with their patients, upending parts of a 2011 state law. Under the law, doctors faced fines and the possible loss of their medical licenses for discussing guns with patients.

The abortion-rights group NARAL Pro-Choice California was a prime sponsor of the California law. NARAL estimates that 4,000 crisis pregnancy centers operate in the U.S.

The three new cases will be argued in February or March.





CONFLICT

FROM PAGE 1

The district and Board of Education are investigating Maria Leon-Vazquez's votes, after a Los Angeles Times report found she approved multiple contracts with two companies that have paid her husband as a consultant. The report said Leon-Vazquez approved several contracts with Keygent, LLC totaling hundreds of thousands of dollars while the company was paying her husband between $1,500 and $2,500 a month. Leon-Vazquez also approved a $174,000 contract with TELACU, which has paid her husband up to $8,000 a month for his services over the years.

"At this time, we are in the process of gathering information and facts related to the board's and Maria's votes. We will have more information to share in the coming days," said Gail Pinsker, Public Relations Officer for SMMUSD.

Vazquez, who is currently running for a seat on the state Board of Equalization, did not dispute the factual accuracy of the report but insists he only works with the companies to obtain contracts outside of Santa Monica. Leon-Vazquez did not return the Daily Press' request for comment.

The contracts came to light during a deposition regarding the city's district elections lawsuit. Vazquez has not reported any income from TELACU or Keygent on his official Statement of Economic Interest, also known as Form 700.

"As long as I'm not doing any business in the city (of Santa Monica) I don't have to claim it," Vazquez said. In an email exchange between the former mayor and the Fair Political Practices Commission obtained by the Daily Press, Vazquez was told, "That is correct. You are required to report disclosable investments and sources of income (including loans, gifts, and travel payments) that are either located in or doing business in your agency's jurisdiction, are planning to do business in your agency's jurisdiction, or have done business during the previous two years in your agency's jurisdiction."

Vazquez met with his attorney in Beverly Hills last week who also told the Council member he did not need to disclose income with his consulting firm, Vazquez & Associates, that did not concern business inside Santa Monica.

An adviser with Keygent, told the Los Angeles Times the firm includes a clause in their contracts with SMMUSD disclosing its relationship with Vazquez and stating his work is unrelated to the district.

Vazquez admits to having a conversation in 2014 with a TELACU executive and SMMUSD Superintendent Sandra Lyon about the company's work in other school districts. Vazquez says the meeting happened over a drink at the Superintendent's Symposium in Monterey, California. The councilman was there on behalf of TELACU.

The annual meeting brings together superintendents from across the state, as well as vendors seeking hefty government contracts. Companies shell out money for sponsorships and access, for example, a $12,000 sponsorship for this year's conference nets a vendor a speech during welcoming remarks, a complete list of attendees, a premier booth and 24-hour general guard service, among other perks.

In a publically posted wrap-up video for the 2014 conference, the director of the Association of California School Administrators summed up the benefit of attending:

"You don't have to worry about somebody seeing you do something you don't want someone else in the public to see," Chris Adams says, "and I think we appreciate that and what we are trying to do consistently is keep that guarded, if you will, nature of this conference so that our members can relax."

Vazquez said the conversation between the TELACU executive and Lyon was "informal."

"That specific meeting was to show (Lyon) what a medium size company can do for the district," Vazquez said. "At that time, they had already hired someone else. It was one of the big companies…it wasn't like they were in an RFP process or even looking at that time."

Vazquez said he encouraged Lyon to look at some of TELACU's work at schools in the South Bay. He says the follow-up trip never happened and TELACU wasn't awarded a contract until years later, after Lyon had left her job as superintendent.

"Sandy's not even in the pictures so to try and make that connection is kind of a stretch," Vazquez said.

Lyon did not respond to the Daily Press's request for comment.

TELACU has won construction and construction management contracts in 27 school districts, adding up to $3.2 billion in projects, according to the company website. The company was not a sponsor of the conference in 2014.

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: **63.7°**

WEDNESDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
Small S swell. Smaller NW windswell.

City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Development Agreement 12DEV-005
1325 6th Street
APPLICANT: WNMS Properties
PROPERTY OWNER: 1313 6th Street, LLC

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

The applicant is requesting a Development Agreement to construct a 42,164 square foot, 6-story, 60-foot high building totaling 64 residential units, 4,860 square feet of commercial space on the ground floor, and four levels of subterranean parking with 138 parking spaces.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2017 AT 6:30 p.m.**

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

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to: City Clerk
Re: Development Agreement 12DEV-005
1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401

Or email to councilmtgitems@smgov.net

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Paul Foley, Principal Planner at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at paul.foley@smgov.net. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours and on the City's web site at www.smgov.net.

The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines numbered 1, 2, 3, Rapid 3, 7, 8, 9, Rapid 10, and 18 serve City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is located at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, and is a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive, and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

ESPAÑOL
Esto es una noticia de una audiencia pública para revisar applicaciónes proponiendo desarrollo en Santa Monica. Si deseas más información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-8341.

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 NOVEMBER 2, WHILE PATROLLING THE 1500 BLOCK OF OCEAN
Officers observed two subjects walking in the middle of the roadway creating a traffic hazard. Officers approached the subjects to speak to them about the violation. As officers approached, a subject reached into his pant pocket and tried to remove an item from his pocket. An officer searched the subject's pocket and recovered a narcotic's smoking pipe. The second subject was not in possession of any identification. Both subjects were taken into custody. Wayman Elliot Bright, 28, homeless, was issued a citation for possession of narcotics paraphernalia. Jamie Torres, 22, homeless was issued a citation for jaywalking.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department Responded To 327 Calls For Service On Nov. 12.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Party complaint 1800 block 9th 12:16 a.m.
Prowler 500 block Palisades Beach 12:25 a.m.
Petty theft 300 block Pico 12:56 a.m.
Battery 1300 block Ocean 3:28 a.m.
Person with a gun 400 block Santa Monica Pier 4:04 a.m.
Traffic collision 14th / Interstate 10 6:05 a.m.
Burglary 2700 block 2nd 9:10 a.m.
Traffic collision 4th / Olympic 10:14 a.m.
Grand theft 800 block Broadway 10:38 a.m.
Petty theft 2200 block 3rd 10:46 a.m.
Drunk driving 300 block Olympic 10:50 a.m.
Petty theft 400 block 17th 10:56 a.m.
Encampment 1300 block Pacific Coast Hwy 12:07 p.m.
Battery 1900 block Pico 12:30 p.m.
Hit and run 2400 block Pico 12:40 p.m.
Auto burglary 2700 block 3rd 12:51 p.m.
Bike theft 1600 block Ocean Front Walk 1:34 p.m.
Burglary 1700 block Bryn Mawr 1:45 p.m.
Petty theft 1500 block the beach 1:53 p.m.
Hit and run Pacific Coast Hwy / California Incline 2:12 p.m.
Person down 1800 block Lincoln 2:30 p.m.
Drunk driving 4th / Montana 2:39 p.m.
Petty theft 200 block Broadway 2:46 p.m.
Hit and run 1500 block Pacific Coast Hwy 2:52 p.m.
Traffic collision Main / Ocean Park 3:25 p.m.
Hit and run 1300 block 4th 3:53 p.m.
Hit and run 2600 block Barnard 3:58 p.m.
Encampment 1600 block the beach 4:17 p.m.
Encampment 2600 block 6th 4:25 p.m.
Vehicle blocking driveway 800 block 4th 4:27 p.m.
Burglary 1500 block Ocean 4:30 p.m.
Petty theft 3100 block Wilshire 4:37 p.m.
Hit and run 1200 block 4th 5:16 p.m.
Battery 1400 block 3rd Street Prom 6:15 p.m.
Petty theft 1200 block Idaho 6:20 p.m.
Battery Ocean / Bay 6:39 p.m.
Battery 1500 block Palisades Park 7:27 p.m.
Person down 2400 block Virginia 8:12 p.m.
Petty theft 1400 block Lincoln 8:26 p.m.
Traffic collision 17th / Hill 9:09 p.m.
Bike theft 1500 block Lincoln 10:43 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department Responded To 26 Calls For Service On Nov. 12.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

EMS 2300 block 31st 12:49 a.m.
EMS 1800 block Stewart 3:47 a.m.
Traffic collision with injury 20th / Interstate 10 5:54 a.m.
Traffic collision with injury 17th / Colorado 6:22 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1300 block 20th 7:36 a.m.
EMS 500 block Ocean 8:23 a.m.
Automatic alarm 2500 block Kansas 8:59 a.m.
Traffic collision with injury 4th / Olympic 10:15 a.m.
EMS 1900 block Pico 12:32 p.m.
Public assist 300 block Civic Center 1:23 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1700 block Ocean 1:27 p.m.
EMS 1300 block 18th 1:29 p.m.
Lock in/out 2900 block Ocean Park 3:16 p.m.
Traffic collision with injury Main / Ocean Park 3:25 p.m.
EMS 5th / Arizona 3:28 p.m.
EMS 1600 block Carlyle 3:46 p.m.
EMS 5th / Arizona 4 p.m.
EMS 1100 block 4th 4:12 p.m.
EMS 5th / Arizona 4:22 p.m.
EMS 1200 block Idaho 6:13 p.m.
EMS 100 block Bay 6:45 p.m.
EMS 400 block Colorado 7:29 p.m.
EMS 1300 block 15th 7:43 p.m.
EMS 2400 block Virginia 8:14 p.m.
EMS 1800 block Lincoln 10:58 p.m.





DAILY LOTTERY

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 11/11
4 6 16 30 56
Power#: 18
Jackpot: 103M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 11/10
6 23 38 42 58
Mega#: 24
Jackpot: 82M

SUPER LOTTO
Draw Date: 11/11
4 16 21 39 47
Mega#: 8
Jackpot: 31M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 11/12
1 11 16 17 36

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 11/12
MIDDAY: 8 1 6
Draw Date: 11/12
EVENING: 0 1 6

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 11/12
1st: 11 Money Bags
2nd: 10 Solid Gold
3rd: 02 Lucky Star
RACE TIME: 1:43.37

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WORD UP!

wastrel
1. a wasteful person; spendthrift.
2. Chiefly British. a. refuse; waste. b. a waif; abandoned child. c. an idler or good-for-nothing.

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

Water Weight

■ Adding or removing water from a stem cell can direct it toward becoming either bone or fat, say researchers at the University of Buffalo. Scientists have long known that stem cells pick up cues about their eventual fate based upon cells around them, but these results indicate nature also plays a role.

■ Altering the liquid volume of a stem cell changes its internal dynamics. Removing water, the researchers said, condenses the cell and influences it to become stiff pre-bone cells. Adding water causes the cells to swell and form soft pre-fat cells.

■ Aside from its value to understanding the basic biology of stem cells, the findings may be useful in further developing regenerative medical treatments in which stem cells become replacement cells.

MYSTERY PHOTO

Matthew Hall *matt@smdp.com*



The first person who can correctly identify where this image was captured wins a prize from the Santa Monica Daily Press. Send answers to *editor@smdp.com*.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

■	H	A	D	■	L	A	R	D	■	H	O	N	O	R
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S	L	A	T	E	■	W	I	N	E	■	E	L	S	E
H	E	R	O	S	■	S	E	E	M	■	R	S	T	■

Sudoku

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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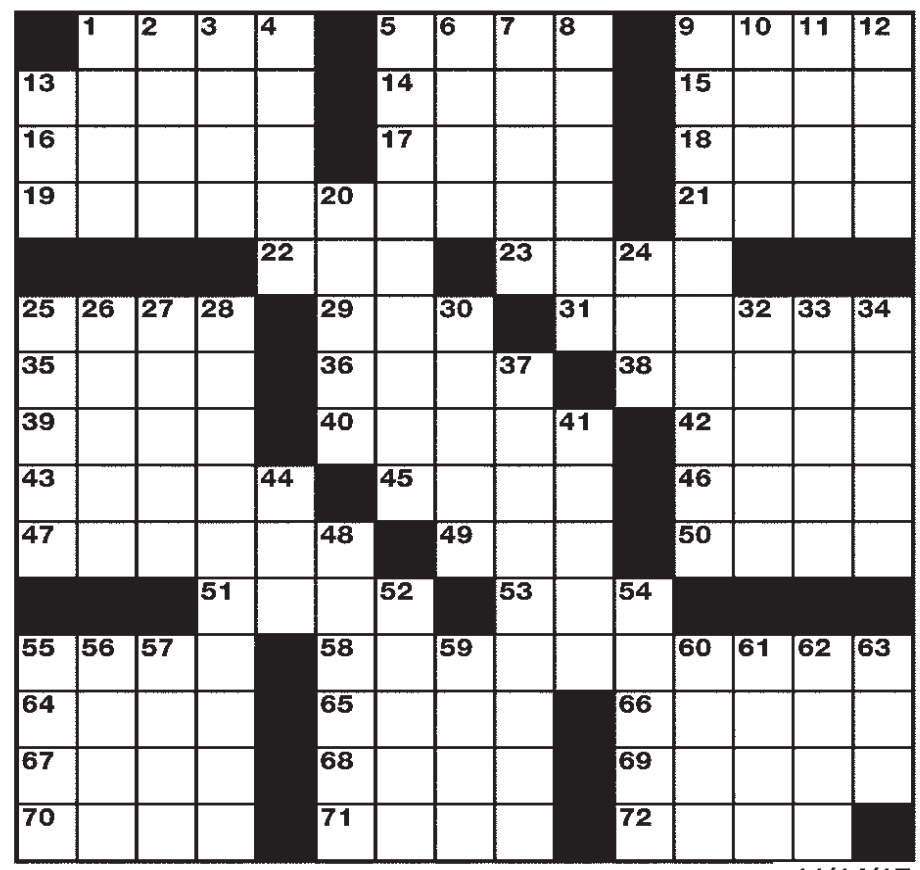
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Newsday Crossword

GRIN AND BEAR IT by Sally R. Stein
Edited by Stanley Newman
www.stanxwords.com

ACROSS
1 Church service
5 "Beware the __ of March"
9 Attire
13 Christmas song
14 Identify
15 Cincinnati's state
16 Surpass in performance
17 Bend, as biceps
18 A whole bunch
19 Fill with chaGRIN
21 Fabric colorings
22 Make a mistake
23 Sandwich shop
25 Young cow
29 Mornings: Abbr.
31 City in 15 Across
35 Triple-decker cookie
36 Short sleeps
38 Arrived
39 Lion's sound
40 Leg joints
42 Lions and tigers
43 Inquired
45 Get under control
46 High-flying toy
47 __ of two evils
49 Salesperson, for short
50 Narrow opening
51 Be abundant
53 Bro's sibling
55 "Treble" musical symbol
58 Christmas VIP impersonated by the GRINch
64 German auto
65 "That's clear"
66 Salary increase
67 Hideaway
68 Person taking action
69 Back-of-book directory
70 Sound-off remote button
71 Concludes
72 Jury member

DOWN
1 Isle near Oahu
2 __ and crafts
3 Club __ (bar mixer)
4 Skiing surface
5 One giving tips to police
6 Painter Salvador
7 Make corrections to
8 Trio times two
9 Girl encountered by the Three BEARs
10 Nautical greeting
11 Solemn ceremony
12 Supervisor
13 Not prepaid, as a package: Abbr.
20 Practical joke
24 Piece of firewood
25 Reef material
26 Stood up
27 Problems plugged by plumbers
28 Danger warned about by Smokey BEAR
30 Javelin, for example
32 Web commerce
33 "Me too"
34 Beginning stage
37 School terms
41 Brown photo tone
44 Poor grade
48 Dwell
52 Bricklaying expert
54 Temporary money
55 Peaceful
56 Hawaiian feast
57 Prepare for publication
59 Must have
60 Narrow street
61 Assistant
62 Software purchaser
63 Gender



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TRANSPORTATION TUESDAYS

Can you see me now?

GoSaMo

The daylight hours are getting shorter and now it is dark when we head out for evening trips. Follow these tips to stay safe when traveling after dusk.

■ Slow down. If you're driving, slow down to give yourself more time to respond to people.

■ See and be seen. Wear light colors or reflective clothing and accessories. You can wear black on black all day, but throw on brighter colors when you head out at night.

■ Light your way. California requires people riding bicycles at night to have a white front light and a red rear reflector. And while it's not the law to carry a light with you when walking at night, a small light can come in handy when crossing the street or letting a bus driver know you want to hop on.

■ Check your route. Find routes that are well-lit and active.

■ Be alert. Look around and enjoy your surroundings instead of wearing headphones or using your phone.

■ Make eye contact. Do not assume that drivers see you. Make eye contact with the driver to ensure she sees you before you make your move.



Photo courtesy PWP

#GoSaMo smgov.net/GoSaMo

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 14)

The sun aligning as it did at the day of your birth brings with it magical blessings, wishes granted, desires fulfilled. You will be uniquely centered in your needs, attracting them like crazy, especially over the next eight weeks. Just double-check to make sure that what you need and want is really the best for everyone. Aries and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 20, 1, 16 and 22.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Not all relationships are built to last. If they were, you'd have too many of them to devote the amount of quality attention necessary for truly special relationships. You learn something from even the briefest encounters.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

You can and should become your biggest fan, especially in these early stages when the others aren't quite getting it yet. You've already been your worst critic and biggest adversary, and it was pointless. Go easy on yourself.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

Every wrong answer is an opportunity to get smarter and find the right one. It doesn't matter how long you've traveled in the wrong direction. If it's the wrong direction, it's not going to get you there; so just turn around.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

You'll be making some choices and changes today — molding your world before someone else does. It might not be pretty at first. Art is like this. It often looks like a mess right up until it all comes together.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

There are those who will tell you that certain pursuits are a waste, but you're actually the only one who can determine this for yourself. Chances are, if it brings you enjoyment, it's not wasted.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Since no one wants to hear about things that were intended but didn't quite happen, your choice is to take action. Better to be wrong and strong than well-intentioned with no follow-through.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

You'll be wise to put more thought into what would be most comfortable, functional and appropriate for what's to come. The way you dress today will have a disproportionately significant impact on what unfolds.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

You'll get into some fun. Some might even call it trouble, and they wouldn't be far off. On the bright side, it's likely to be the kind of fun/trouble that bubbles up then recedes just as quickly.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You've learned from your teachers, and yet what you're delivering these days has a flavor that's all your own. It may be time for you to step out and share your unique take on it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

There's a mystery to solve, and it's time to get to the bottom of it. Dig deeper. There is something to solve here. You're equipped with the right tools, too, mainly diplomacy and curiosity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You're misunderstood. It's not that you're being unclear; it's just that you're not speaking their language. Try again. Break it down. Figure out what words are not breaking through. You got this.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You were hovered over, adored! Now the energy has shifted, and someone else is getting the attention. It's only natural to feel a little weird, but you're also glad that you can finally do what you want without so many eyes on you.

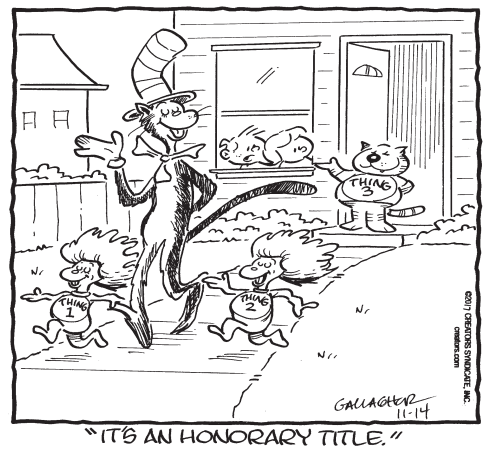
Prep for Sagittarius Sun

The Sagittarius sun of travel is coming, and the time to make your reservations is now. Travel promotes mental health and physical health, too. Travel gives you a worldly perspective that can make your problems seem much smaller and more manageable. Put travel on the books, even if it's only a day trip. It will be worth the effort and expense.

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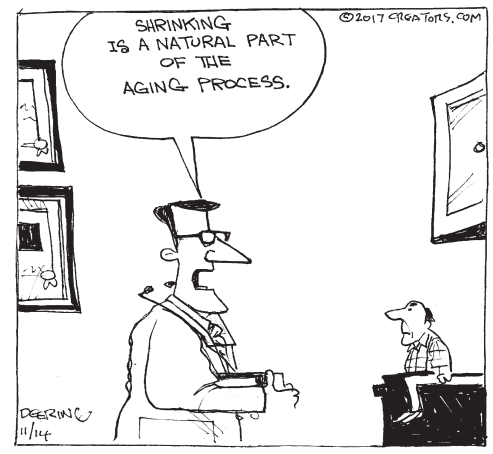
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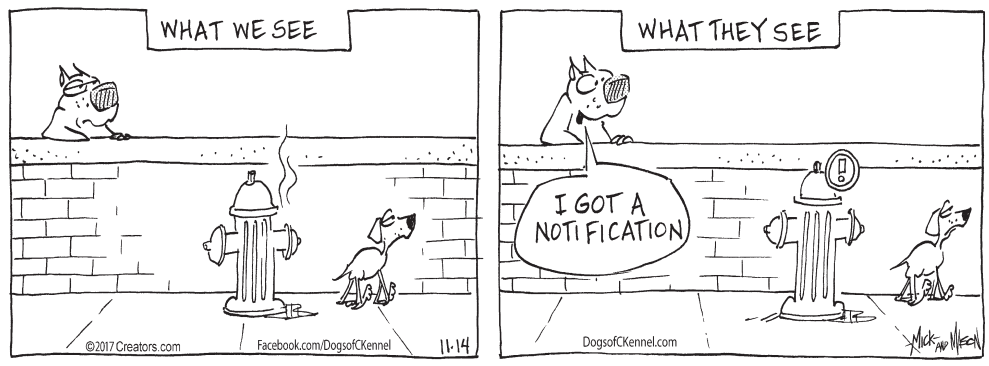
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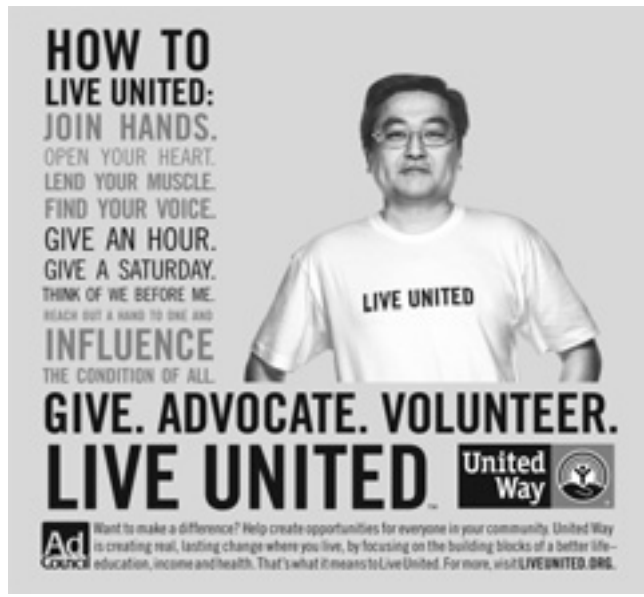
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