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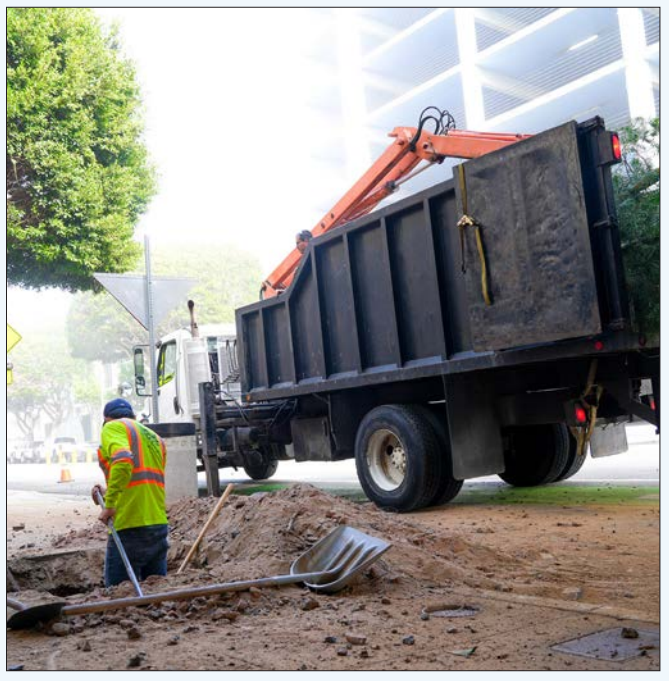
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Downtown Santa Monica undergoes major improvements







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DTSM: Crews began implementing improvements in downtown Santa Monica this week as part of a $60 million revitalization effort. The work includes pruning historic Ficus trees along six blocks, planting 37 new trees and power washing five public parking structures in the shopping and dining district.
The improvements are part of the two-year Realignment Plan approved by the Santa Monica City Council last month. The initiative aims to enhance street conditions, safety and business support in the coastal community. City officials said the plan is designed to re-establish Santa Monica as a safe, clean and vibrant destination for residents, workers and visitors. Additional information is available at santamonica.gov.

Malibu City Council approves three-year strategic plan focused on post-fire recovery

MAAZ ALIN
SMDP Staff Writer

The Malibu City Council unanimously approved a comprehensive three-year strategic plan Monday night, establishing a roadmap for the city's recovery following devastating wildfires that destroyed $1.6 billion in property.

The 2025-2028 Strategic Plan outlines seven major goals and 27 distinct projects designed to guide the city through what officials described as a critical period of transition after fires in December and January destroyed thousands of structures.

"The strategic plan is a really

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Santa Monica launches song contest for Route 66 Centennial celebration

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Santa Monica Travel & Tourism is inviting songwriters and musicians to compete for $10,000 by creating an original song celebrating the city's connection to historic Route 66 as part of the iconic highway's 100th anniversary in 2026.

The Route 66 Song Contest, announced Wednesday, is open to artists over 18 in 10 countries, including the United States,

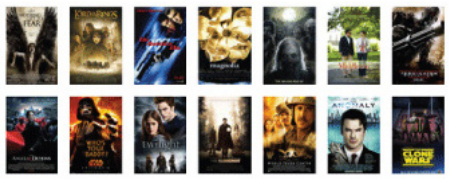
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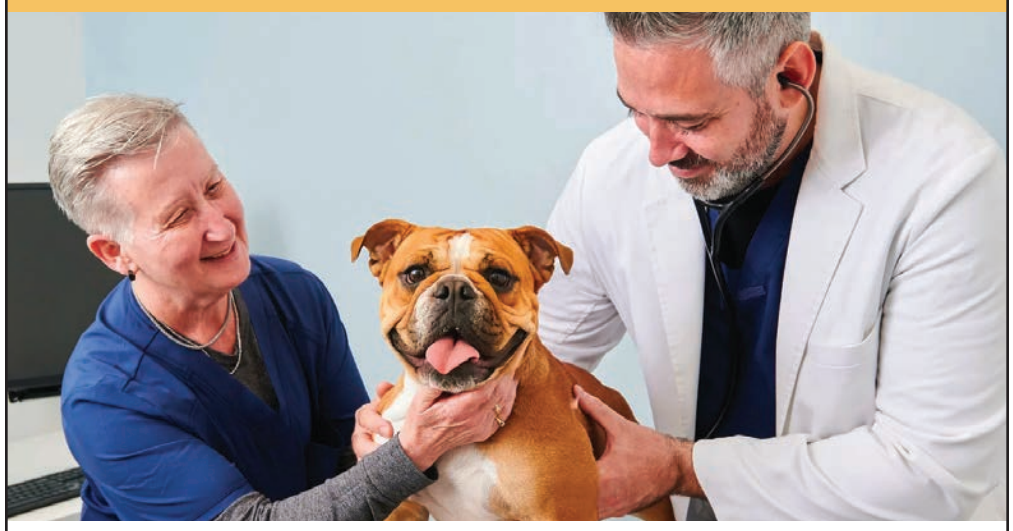
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More housing on the California coast? Changes at this agency signal a pro-building shift

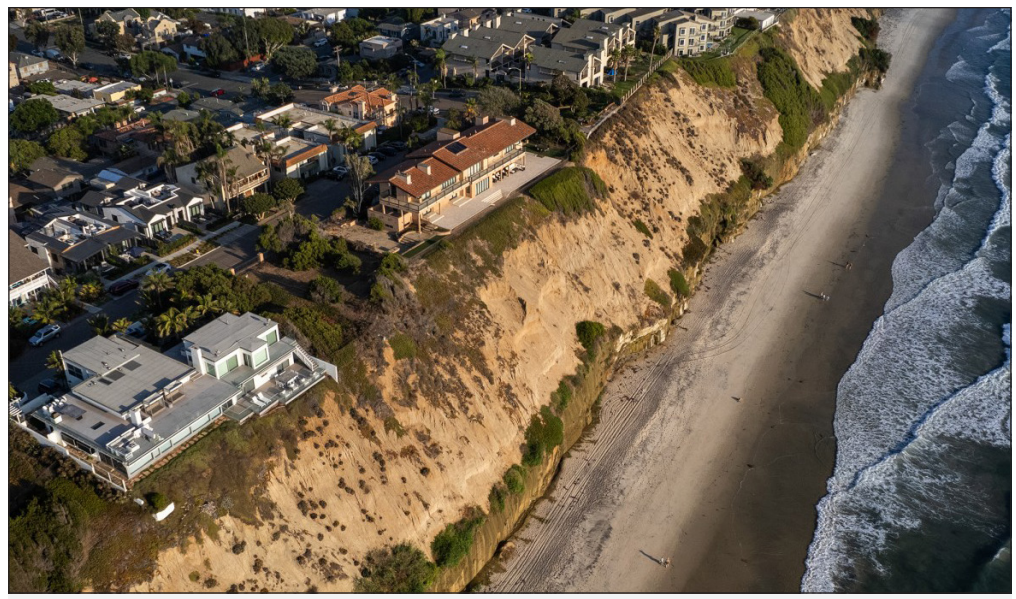


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BEACH: An aerial view of houses along a coastal bluff at Boneyard Beach in Encinitas on Sept. 3, 2024.

Bone-colored bluffs and jagged cliffs line the Monterey shoreline where chalky sand meets redwoods.

Its rugged coastline, including beloved destinations such as Big Sur, is well-known California iconography protected by the California Coastal Act for nearly 50 years.

In a push to address the state's gripping housing crisis, the California Coastal Commission last week approved a rule change to make it easier to build affordable housing in Monterey and elsewhere along the hundreds of miles of the Pacific coast.

It was the latest effort by the powerful state agency to combat its poor reputation among housing advocates and Democratic leaders who see it as an obstacle to drastic housing reform in California's coveted coastal regions. While minor and uncontroversial, the amendment was one of a few shifts the commission has made in recent months in an effort to be viewed as playing a part in addressing the state's crippling housing crisis.

It released a report for the first time in 2024 that showed local governments were responsible for approving the vast majority of permits in coastal regions, and this year the agency worked with housing activists to make it easier to build student housing in coastal cities. Nor did the coastal commission oppose the landmark housing reform law that excludes most new developments from environmental review.

"I think it's going to have a real-life change," Susan Jordan, a longtime conservation activist and founder of the California Coastal Protection Network, said of the regulatory amendment at the meeting.

REPUTATION REHAB: STEPS TOWARD MORE HOUSING

Twelve people — six local elected officials and six members of the public — vote on the independent, quasi-judicial state agency tasked with conserving more than 800 miles of the California coast and keeping it open to the public. Its authority spans about 1,000 yards inland from where the land meets the water at high tide.

The commission has faced relentless scrutiny in recent years for not permitting enough affordable housing in coastal cities, or doing so too slowly, as state lawmakers have stripped numerous housing regulations to make it easier to build more apartments.

Gov. Gavin Newsom, a critic of the commission, and other Democratic leaders have appointed three pro-development local officials this year to help get more housing and other developments approved along the Pacific coast.

In October, Newsom appointed wealthy real estate developer Jaime Lee to replace Effie Turnbull Sanders. An attorney appointed by former Gov. Jerry Brown, Sanders was lauded by environmentalists for heralding environmental justice policies to the agency.

Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas, a Salinas Democrat, named two pro-development appointees to the commission in May: Chris Lopez, a Monterey County supervisor, and Chula Vista councilmember Jose Preciado.

Ray Jackson, a Hermosa Beach councilmember, was appointed earlier this year by Democratic Senate President Pro Tem Mike McGuire of Santa Rosa, and is largely a skeptic of big developers.

In a unanimous vote last week, Peciado, Lopez and Jackson each approved changing the commission's rules to give affordable housing projects in coastal areas more time to be built, from two to five years after permits are issued. Lee was not at the Nov. 6 meeting.

Staff and commissioners hailed the change as a step in the right direction for affordable housing developments that cannot be financed quickly enough under the previous two-year deadline.

"I think next year would be a good opportunity to roll out an education campaign in the Legislature to highlight some of the movements we made toward this," Commissioner Linda Escalante said. "I don't know if we can have a white paper that we can walk around with and figure out some of the reputation issues that we have."

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Gott's Roadside to open in Summer 2026

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Gott's Roadside, the acclaimed Napa Valley-based restaurant chain, will open a Santa Monica location in summer 2026, as part of its entry into the Southern California market after 25 years of success in the Bay Area.

The 6,600-square-foot restaurant, with an additional 2,200 square feet of outdoor patio space, will be located at 401 Wilshire Boulevard, just blocks from the beach and steps from the Third Street Promenade. The space, formerly occupied by Osteria, will serve the greater Santa Monica area, including Malibu, Pacific Palisades, Brentwood, Venice Beach and Marina del Rey.

The Santa Monica join Gott's Los Angeles debut at The Original Farmers Market at Third and Fairfax, now scheduled to open in winter 2026. Located at 6333 W. Third Street, the Farmers Market location will sit next to the legendary Du-par's Restaurant & Bakery at one of the city's most historic culinary landmarks.

The Farmers Market site will feature bright, welcoming interiors, communal seating and an expansive patio designed for gathering with family and friends, bringing Gott's signature indoor-outdoor California charm to the market. Unique to this location, guests can look forward to a dedicated soft-serve window, adding a playful, nostalgic touch to the experience.

The two distinct locations represent Gott's first expansion outside the Bay Area, where the family-owned business has built a devoted following for its upscale take on classic American roadside fare.

Gott's traces its roots to 1949, when the Taylor family opened Taylor's Refresher, a drive-in hamburger stand in St. Helena. In 1999, brothers Joel and Duncan Gott leased the 50-year-old venue, preserving its retro charm while updating the menu. The brothers initially operated under the Taylor's Refresher name, expanding to a second outlet in San Francisco's Ferry Building in 2004 and a third at Napa's Oxbow Public Market in 2007.

A trademark dispute with the Taylor family led the Gotts to rebrand the business as Gott's Roadside in 2010. The chain continued to grow across Northern California, adding locations in Palo Alto in 2013 and later in Walnut Creek, Marin County and at San Francisco International Airport. As of 2024, Gott's operates eight Bay Area locations, and the company remains privately owned by the Gott family.

The restaurant has built a strong reputation for quality and consistency over the past two decades. In 2006, when still known as Taylor's, it earned a James Beard Foundation "America's Classics" Award, a prestigious honor for beloved regional eateries. Food & Wine magazine dubbed Gott's an "idealized version of the American roadside stand," praising its blend of nostalgia and California culinary flair.

The menu features burgers made with locally sourced ingredients and creative twists. The signature California Burger comes topped with a fried egg, bacon and local cheese, served alongside ahi tuna tacos, shakes and regional wines and microbrews. The chain has been featured on Food Network's "Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives" and frequently appears on "best burger" lists. Eater San Francisco has ranked Gott's among the top burger spots in the city.

Since 1999, Gott's Roadside has sold more than 12 million burgers across its California locations. Despite relatively premium prices for a burger stand, the value perception remains positive. Company President Clay Walker has described the concept as offering "the high end of the low and the low end of the high" in terms of dining experience.

Company officials said the Farmers Market site was chosen for its iconic, high-traffic status, similar to how Gott's earlier outlets opened in landmark public markets like San Francisco's Ferry Building and Napa's Oxbow Market.

Gott's operates in a crowded fast-casual and roadside dining segment, facing competition from regional favorites like In-N-Out Burger and The Habit Burger Grill, as well as national premium burger brands such as Shake Shack. The chain differentiates itself through its Napa Valley roots and emphasis on quality ingredients, positioning itself as a unique hybrid of classic roadside nostalgia and modern California cuisine.

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Tuesday: A chance of showers. Partly sunny, with a high near 58.
Tuesday Night: A slight chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 51.

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L.A. jails scale back opioid addiction treatment as fatal overdoses continue

Los Angeles County jails pared back access to life-saving opioid addiction treatment this fall during one of the system's deadliest years on record, according to records obtained by CalMatters and interviews with staff.

The policy change came one week after Attorney General Rob Bonta filed a lawsuit against the county over "inhumane" conditions across its jail system, citing a "shocking rate of deaths," including overdoses.

In interviews with CalMatters, two Correctional Health Services physicians expressed alarm over the reductions, saying that even the slightest delay in treatment is "wildly dangerous" and can lead to more fatal overdoses.

"Patients are begging me for help," said a physician who spoke with CalMatters on the condition of anonymity because of fear of professional retaliation. "I'm on edge, waiting to see if someone is going to die."

The reduction in treatment also comes as the jails hold about 700 more people every day as a result of a tough-on-crime ballot measure voters approved last year. Proposition 36 increased sentences for certain drug and theft crimes, leading to a surge in jail populations and straining county resources, according to a Sept. 10 Correctional Health Services memo to the Board of Supervisors.

Los Angeles County allocates roughly $25 million annually for the treatment program. County supervisors this year gave the program an additional $8 million from opioid lawsuit settlements. That sum ultimately did not increase funding for treatment because the department used the money for a different need, according to a statement from the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services.

"The overall (medication-assisted treatment) program funding remained the same" despite the extra money the department received, the statement reads.

In a Sept. 16 memo obtained by CalMatters, Chief Medical Officer Sean Henderson said Correctional Health Services "will be taking a pause on primary care in ordering buprenorphine." The medication reduces cravings and prevents overdoses.

The new mandate restricts how quickly and broadly Correctional Health Services physicians can prescribe the medication. Priority will be given to people when they first enter the jail system — the largest in California — which houses roughly 13,000 people across nine main facilities. Everyone else who wants medication will be placed on a waitlist.

"It's misleading because we just put people on this list and then they stay on the list," said a physician.

That means that if someone does not accept treatment upon arrival, they won't be able to access it during the remainder of their incarceration, even if they change their mind, said both physicians who spoke with CalMatters.

Legal experts and physicians say there could be a myriad of reasons why people deny treatment when they're first arrested and incarcerated. For example, a person could be unfit to make medical decisions if they are in active withdrawal.

WAITLIST GREW FOR OPIOID TREATMENT

Between 2,350 and 2,650 incarcerated people in Los Angeles County receive medication-assisted treatment on any given day, said the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services in an email to CalMatters.

As of Sept. 15 — just one day before the policy change went into effect — 363 people were on a waiting list for treatment, the department said.

But that number skyrocketed to 835 people as of Oct. 31. The total includes 471 newcomers who have never been on the program; the remainder are people who asked to re-enroll after dropping out. As of October, the average wait time is 25 days, the department said. The department declined to answer how long the person waiting the longest has been in line for treatment.

In a statement to CalMatters, the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services said the policy change was intended "to help maximize the reach of (its) treatment program within the jails by leveraging the existing medical staff in the (Inmate Reception Center) where patient traffic is constant."

The department maintained that medication-assisted treatment is "still available for all inmates, including those who may have declined treatment when they first arrived."

"Length of incarceration varies for each inmate, from just a handful of days for some and many months for others; whether an individual will access (medication-assisted treatment) during their incarceration is based on their personal choice, unique case and the length of time they will remain incarcerated," wrote the department.

Melissa Camacho, a senior staff attorney at ACLU of Southern California, said the reduction in treatment is "mind boggling" in a year where there are record-breaking deaths.

"I'd like to know how many people who died from overdose deaths were on the waiting list," she said. "Having a waitlist doesn't matter if the waitlist is too long to get treatment."

MORE MONEY FOR L.A. JAIL HEALTH CARE

Medication-assisted treatment combines counseling with FDA-approved medications, including buprenorphine, methadone and naltrexone to treat certain substance use disorders. A 2021 report from the National Commission on Correctional Health Care found that drug and alcohol overdoses constitute the third leading cause of death in jails, following illness and suicide.

Los Angeles County was an early adopter of medication-assisted treatment in its jails. Since the program's inception in 2021, roughly 25,000 incarcerated people have been treated with Suboxone, an oral form of buprenorphine administered daily by medical professionals. But reliance on Suboxone alone proved to be challenging because of staffing limitations, said the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services in an email to CalMatters.

That's why, according to Correctional Health Services physicians, the current regimen only allows someone to access Suboxone for 30 days when they first arrive in custody. After that, they can receive a long-acting injectable form of buprenorphine that's administered once a month.

Since July 2022, nearly 40,000 doses of injectable buprenorphine — which cost roughly $1,600 per shot — have been administered to incarcerated people, according to the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services.

In a Sept. 10 memo to the Board of Supervisors, Correctional Health Services' Director Christina Ghaly said overdose deaths constitute at least 28% of deaths this year. That's a steep increase since 2016, when they accounted for 9% of in-custody deaths.

"Of all the medical care that we offer in the jail, opioid use disorder treatment is by far and away the most life-saving measure we provide," said a second physician who spoke with CalMatters on the condition of anonymity because of fear of professional retaliation. "It seems paramount to protect these services."

'IT SEEMS LIKE IT'S BACKTRACKING'

In a written statement, the Los Angeles County Chief Executive Office said the county increased funding for health care in jails by $33 million last year to $580 million. The office said the county has been making improvements to the jails that collectively expanded access to care.

"It is true that critical unmet needs remain, and the county is focused on working with (the county health department and jail health care) to meet their highest priority needs in an environment of extremely limited local funding and service reductions to public facing services across multiple departments," the statement read.

The state's lawsuit against the jail system claims Los Angeles County and Correctional Health Services failed "to address the unconscionable mass overdose incidents occurring inside (its) jails" and limited access to the medication-assisted treatment program.

According to the lawsuit, three dozen in-custody deaths — approximately one per week — had taken place in Los Angeles County jails this year by the time of the filing. At that rate, the lawsuit stated, this year will account for the highest number of in-custody deaths over the past 20 years.

"Although (medication-assisted treatment) is known to prevent opioid related overdose and deaths and reduce recidivism, (Correctional Health Services) has an exceedingly long waitlist and failed to offer continued maintenance of medication," the attorney general's office wrote in the complaint.

"Persons in custody who have overdosed report not having access to (medication-assisted treatment) or receiving their initial dose of the medication but then being placed on a waitlist for access to follow-up medication, with a delay possibly causing a relapse and avoidable withdrawal symptoms."

Mark Benor worked as a Correctional Health Services physician from 2018 until 2023, as the department was ramping up its medication-assisted treatment program. During that time, he said he became known as "the Suboxone doctor" as he traveled all over the jails to interview people who wanted to participate in the program and submit orders for their treatment.

"They created something that is impressive in the biggest jail system in the world," he said. "It seems like it's backtracking."

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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Santa Monica College Wraps Up Fall Jazz Series with Peter Erskine Quartet

The Santa Monica College Music Department wraps up the 2025 Fall Friday Night Jazz Series with the Peter Erskine Quartet, featuring living legends Peter Erskine on drums, Bob Mintzer on sax, Alan Pasqua on piano, and Darek Oles on bass performing on Friday, Nov. 21, at 6:30 p.m. in the Music Hall at the SMC Performing Arts Center, 1310 11th Street, Santa Monica.

This concert is followed at 8 p.m. by the SMC Vocal Jazz Fall Concert, featuring two ensembles — Seaside Swing and Golden Hour — in the Eli & Edythe Broad Stage at the SMC Performing Arts Center.

Admission to the Fall Jazz Series concert is free with any student ID. General admission tickets are $10 plus a modest service charge. Advance tickets may be purchased at smc.edu/tickets. Tickets may also be purchased starting one hour before the performance start time at The Broad Stage Box Office at the SMC Performing Arts Center. Free parking is available on premises. Seating is strictly on a first-arrival basis.

Drummer Erskine, twice the recipient of a Grammy Award, can be heard on more than 700 albums, of which at least 50 have been released under his own name or as co-leader. He has played with Stan Kenton's orchestra and Maynard Ferguson's big bands, led his own big band, and was, with Jaco Pastorius, in the rhythm section of the jazz fusion ensemble Weather Report. Erskine has also worked with such musical luminaries as Joni Mitchell, Diana Krall and Jan Garbarek.

Saxophonist Mintzer holds the endowed Buzz McCoy Chair of Jazz Studies at the University of Southern California. He played with the Grammy-winning Yellowjackets for more than two decades, leads his own Grammy-winning big band, and has recorded more than 30 albums.

Pianist Pasqua, former chair of the Jazz Program at the USC Thornton School of Music and founding member of hard rock band Giant, has played and recorded with such jazz greats as Dave Holland, Joe Henderson and Stanley Clarke.

Bassist Oles teaches at the California Institute of the Arts and is a member of the USC jazz faculty. He is often sought for recording sessions, and has worked with such musicians as Brad Mehldau, Billy Higgins, Pat Metheny and Alice Coltrane.

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CONCERT: The Santa Monica College Music Department wraps up the 2025 Fall Friday Night Jazz Series with the Peter Erskine Quartet — with Peter Erskine on drums, Bob Mintzer on sax, Alan Pasqua on piano, and Darek Oles on bass.

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SMC Vocal Jazz Fall Concert Features Two Ensembles

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Under the direction of SMC music faculty Marisa Bradfield, who is also associate conductor of the University of Southern California Concert Choir, the talented SMC vocalists will explore the timeless sounds of celebrated jazz standards. The vocalists will be accompanied by a three-piece jazz combo with Nate Light on bass, Marcello Carrelli on drums, and Sang Hee Cho on piano.

Tickets are $10 general admission plus a modest service charge; $5 for students with any student I.D. Advance tickets can be purchased online at smc.edu/tickets. Tickets may also be purchased starting 45 minutes before the performance begins at The Broad Stage Box Office at the SMC Performing Arts Center. Free parking is available on premises. Seating is strictly on a first-arrival basis.

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CONCERT: The SMC Vocal Jazz Fall Concert will be held Friday, Nov. 21, at 8 p.m. in the Eli & Edythe Broad Stage at the SMC Performing Arts Center, 1310 11th Street (at Santa Monica Boulevard), Santa Monica.

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Santa Monica College to Stage Tony Award-Winning 'Angels in America' Sequel

Santa Monica College Theatre Arts Department will present "Angels in America, Part Two: Perestroika" from Nov. 21 through Dec. 7 at the Theatre Arts Main Stage on the college's main campus at 1900 Pico Blvd.

The production concludes Tony Kushner's epic two-part play set during the AIDS crisis in the 1980s. "Perestroika" continues where "Angels in America, Part One: Millennium Approaches" concluded, exploring themes of identity, politics and spirituality.

Dr. Adrianne Harrop directs the SMC production of the renowned work, which earned Kushner both a Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award. The play was later adapted for television and won an Emmy Award.

Evening performances begin at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 21 and Dec. 5, and Saturday, Nov. 22 and Dec. 6. Matinee performances start at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 23 and Dec. 7.

The college issued a content alert noting the play contains graphic sexual content and offensive language, including vulgar slang terms.

Advance tickets range from $22 to $25, with SMC students and staff paying $18, plus a modest service charge. Tickets can be purchased online at smc.edu/tickets or by calling 310-434-4165 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Weekend ticket purchases at the Events Box Office in the Theatre Arts building cost $3 more than advance prices.

Free parking is available, with transportation and directions information at smc.edu/transportation.

All performances are subject to change or cancellation without notice.

The production is presented through special arrangement with Broadway Play Publishing Inc. of New York City.

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PRODUCTION: (left to right) James Callaghan as Joe Pitt and Dereck J Gallardo as Louis Ironson rehearse for the Santa Monica College production of "Angels in America, Part Two: Perestroika."

Venice

St. Joseph Center's Chefsgiving Kicks Off 50th Anniversary

St. Joseph Center will host its annual Chefsgiving event Tuesday, Nov. 18, launching the organization's 50th anniversary year celebrating five decades of service across Los Angeles.

The evening gathering runs from 5 to 7 p.m. at St. Joseph Center, 204 Hampton Drive. Approximately 150 invited guests will attend.

The event brings together celebrated Los Angeles chefs and restaurants in celebration of gratitude, community, and transformation. Featured culinary participants include Emporium Thai, known for vibrant Thai flavors and family recipes; Ashland Hill, a coastal California restaurant offering elevated comfort food; and Levain Bakery, famous for world-renowned cookies.

Chef William Bly, executive chef of Specialty Events Catering, and celebrity chef Brad Miller, who will feature his award-winning signature stuffing, will also participate.

A live band will perform in the courtyard throughout the evening. Guests will receive handmade gifts created by students and staff from St. Joseph Center's Bread & Roses Training Kitchen, a program providing culinary and life-skills training to individuals overcoming employment barriers.

"Chefsgiving is about more than food," said Dr. Ryan J. Smith, president and CEO of St. Joseph Center. "It's about breaking bread together, honoring community, and uplifting the next generation. Through the partnership of generous chefs and restaurants, we're able to show how culinary training can transform lives and strengthen the fabric of Los Angeles."

The evening celebrates St. Joseph Center's mission of providing pathways to self-sufficiency through access to nutritious food, stable housing, and workforce development opportunities.

The organization was founded by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Proceeds and awareness from Chefsgiving support ongoing efforts to help Los Angeles residents move from crisis to stability to independence.

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Name Change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 25SMCP00522 Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401 Petition of: Jose-Alberto Navarro for Change of Name TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Jose-Alberto Navarro filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Jose-Alberto Navarro to Alberto Navarro. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING Date: 12/19/2025 Time: 8:30 AM Dept.: K The address of the court is: Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press. Dated: 09/30/2025 s/ Hon. Lawrence Cho, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 11/17/2025, 11/24/2025, 12/01/2025, 12/08/2025

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Australia, Canada, France, Germany, India, Ireland, Mexico, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. Submissions will be accepted through April 30, 2026, with a winner selected in June.

"The Santa Monica Route 66 Song Contest presents a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for music lovers to be part of this historic anniversary by invoking their artistic imagination and sharing what the road's legacy and Santa Monica's connection means to them," said Misti Kerns, president and CEO of Santa Monica Travel & Tourism. "The arts are core to Santa Monica's community and culture, and we're pleased to invite artists from around the world to join us in creatively honoring this milestone."

Santa Monica serves as the legendary western terminus of Route 66, with the highway officially ending at the intersection of Lincoln and Olympic boulevards. An honorary marker on the Santa Monica Pier commemorates the end point, where travelers can photograph their completion of the cross-country journey.

The city will play a central role in the centennial celebrations. On Jan. 3, 2026, Santa Monica will serve as the starting point for The Drive Home, a road trip organized by America's Automotive Trust in partnership with the National Route 66 Centennial Commission. The cross-country journey will travel the length of Route 66 and culminate in an exhibition at the Detroit Auto Show.

Mayor Lana Negrete emphasized the cultural importance of the contest during the announcement.

"Music crosses all lines, languages and culture, and it brings people together in a time of need," Negrete said. "This is a really cool and sweet opportunity to honor the past, take into account all the things Santa Monica offers along Route 66 being the final stop."

Negrete, whose family's Santa Monica Music Center has operated in the city for 55 years, noted the store's location on Santa Monica Boulevard along the historic route. The business provides instruments and repairs to local schools and colleges while also offering private lessons and group programs.

"We hope to see someone come up with something unique that talks a little bit about Santa Monica, but really about that American emblem road trip that takes you across our beautiful nation and ends right here at our beautiful coastal city," she said.

Route 66 was officially established Nov. 11, 1926, as part of the first U.S. numbered highway system. The 2,448-mile transcontinental road connected Chicago to Santa Monica, linking rural communities to major cities and allowing farmers and truckers to transport goods more easily.

During the Great Depression and Dust Bowl of the 1930s, Route 66 became a lifeline for more than 200,000 migrants fleeing drought and poverty in the Midwest, heading west toward California. Author John Steinbeck immortalized the highway in his 1939 novel "The Grapes of Wrath," dubbing it the "Mother Road" as a symbol of hope and escape.

Following World War II, Route 66 boomed with vacationing families, fueling a roadside economy of diners, motor courts and attractions throughout the 1950s and 1960s.

The highway was gradually replaced by the Interstate Highway System. The last original section was bypassed by Interstate 40 in 1984, and Route 66 was officially decertified in 1985. About 85% of the old route remains drivable, preserved as Historic Route 66 by state associations and the National Park Service.

The highway gained lasting fame through popular culture, including Bobby Troup's 1946 song "(Get Your Kicks on) Route 66," which was recorded by Nat King Cole and later covered by artists from Chuck Berry to the Rolling Stones. A 1960s television series and Disney-Pixar's "Cars" further cemented the route's place in American culture.

Full contest details are available at santamonica.com/route66. Visitors to Santa Monica can obtain Route 66 souvenirs and a free Certificate of Completion at the city's Visitor Information Centers.

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MUSIC: The song contest was announced last week.

STRATEGIC PLAN

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critical document for the organization to follow, because it provides a clear, shared roadmap of the city's priorities, aligning the council goals with staff actions and resources," said Richard Rojas, deputy city manager, who presented the plan to the council.

The plan emerged from a structured development process that included an executive team workshop, a June 2025 council workshop to identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats, and extensive drafting and refinement by city staff.

SEVEN STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

The approved plan establishes six strategic priorities: economic recovery, infrastructure resilience, public safety improvements, modernization and digital transformation, workplace culture and talent development, and community services and facilities expansion.

The highest-profile goal focuses on supporting community rebuilding and long-term recovery. Projects under this objective include developing a long-term recovery plan aligned with federal and state partners, implementing focused code amendments to streamline rebuilding, and providing fire rebuild waivers to reduce the financial burden on affected residents.

"We wanted to make sure we were addressing as part of the strategic plan documents the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats that we were observing at that time," Rojas said.

Economic recovery represents another critical priority, with the city focusing on restoring lost sales tax, hotel occupancy tax and transaction tax revenue to pre-disaster levels. The plan includes development of an economic recovery plan with consulting firm Sunstone Cities, business community engagement and potential additional rounds of recovery grants.

"We're really focused on recovering what was lost, not surpassing it, not growing beyond what the established limits are, but recovering what we lost," Rojas told the council.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Infrastructure resilience projects include upgrading the coastal sewer system, improving water tanks and fire flow capacity, developing coastal resiliency infrastructure, exploring microgrid energy systems, and creating a comprehensive telecommunications plan to enhance wireless communication reliability.

Public safety improvements focus on three objectives: reducing injuries and fatal collisions on Pacific Coast Highway, increasing wildfire resiliency through updated community wildfire protection plans and regional fuel reduction strategies, and reducing homeless encampments through expanded outreach and enforcement.

The plan also emphasizes modernizing city operations through digital transformation, including online permitting systems, enterprise resource management upgrades, and interdepartmental project management platforms.



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PLAN: The 2025-2028 Strategic Plan outlines seven major goals and 27 distinct projects designed to guide the coastal city through what officials described as a critical period of transition.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND CONCERNS

Council members praised the plan's comprehensive approach while emphasizing the need for disciplined implementation.

"Strategic plan, having a roadmap, what you want get done and how to do it is extremely important," said Councilmember Steve Uhring. "You know, if you don't know where you're going, any path will take you there. This gives us a chance to really accomplish the things that are important for the city."

Councilmember Doug Stewart noted the importance of staying focused. "Every strategic plan has three steps: cash, resources and focus," he said. "Nobody's going to get everything they want in this pass, but you got to take what you can eat."

The council approved a friendly amendment directing staff to clarify in the plan's preamble that the listed priorities are not hierarchical and are of equal importance.

Public commenters suggested additional items such as new revenue sources, neighborhood beautification projects, public health gap analysis and enhanced technology considerations including artificial intelligence and cybersecurity.

Interim City Manager Candace Bond emphasized the plan's flexibility while stressing the need for discipline in implementation. "This is not a Bible, this is not in stone, but it provides a roadmap," Bond said. "We really are focused on rebuilding and our recovery efforts. That's really important to get our city back on track."

The city plans to develop an online dashboard and reporting tool to provide transparency and track progress on goals and objectives, with quarterly reports to the council.

The strategic plan builds on Malibu's first-ever strategic workplan approved in September 2023.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2025247382. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TRANSWORLD OF SANTA MONICA. Mailing Address: 808 WILSHIRE BLVD STE 200, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. This business is conducted by: a Corporation. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: N/A. Signed: PACIFIC HORIZON ADVISORY GROUP INC., CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/3/2025. Santa Monica Daily Press, a newspaper of General Circulation for Los Angeles County Case No. BS087128, 11/10/2025, 11/17/2025, 11/24/2025, 12/1/2025

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2025096678 The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: TIME & PLACE, 1725 OCEAN FRONT WALK APT. 507, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Los Angeles County on May 13, 2025. Registered Owner(s): WILLHEIM SCORES AGAIN, LLC, 1725 OCEAN FRONT WALK APT. 507, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. This business was conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. s/ WILLIAM KEVIN ANDERSON, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on May 13, 2025. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 11/10/2025, 11/17/2025, 11/24/2025, 12/01/2025

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTFile No. 2025243361The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MARGARET SIGEL THERAPY, 720 WILSHIRE BLVD, #204, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): MARGARET SIGEL, LICENSED MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST, PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION, 1112 MONTANA AVE #303, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. This business is conducted by: a Corporation. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/2025. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars ($1,000)). s/ MARGARET SIGEL, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on October 28, 2025.SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESSPublish: 11/11/2025, 11/18/2025, 11/25/2025, 12/02/2025

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2025190898 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WORLD OUTSIDE SCHOOL, 13215 VENICE BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90066, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): PHILIP GUEST, 13215 VENICE BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90066. This business is conducted by: an Individual. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. s/ PHILIP GUEST, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on September 15, 2025. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish on: November 17, 24, December 01, 08 2025.

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2025014442 The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: PAIGEINMOTION, 6201 Hollywood Blvd Unit 3438, Los Angeles, CA 90028. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Los Angeles County on January 23, 2025. Registered Owner(s): Lynne Howard, 6201 Hollywood Blvd Unit 3438, Los Angeles, CA 90028. This business was conducted by: an Individual. s/ Lynne Howard, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 11/13/2025. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 11/17/2025, 11/24/2025, 12/01/2025, 12/08/2025

Name Change

Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25CHCP00232 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Aaliyah Hope Hightower for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Aaliyah Hope Hightower by and through Gloria Gonzalez court for a decree of changing names as follows: Aaliyah Hope Hightower to Aaliyah Hope Gonzalez . The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 12/10 /2025 Time: 8:00 a.m, Dept: F49 Room: _ The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Chatsworth Courthouse 9425 Penfield Ave Room 1200 Chatsworth, CA 91311. . A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 25SMCP00565. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Chloe Cho filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Chloe Cho to Chloey Cho. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING Date: DEC 19 2025 Time: 8:30 AM Dept.: K The address of the court is same as noted above. Santa Monica Daily Press, a newspaper of General Circulation for Los Angeles County Case No. BS087128, 11/10/2025, 11/17/2025, 11/24/2025, 12/1/2025

Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No. 25SMCP00567 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Constance Renee Washington for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Constance Renee Washington with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Constance Renee Washington to Constance Renee Corleone . The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 12/19/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: k Room:- The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica Courthouse 1725 Main St. Santa Monica CA 90405 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press

Name Change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 25SMCP00574. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, Santa Monica Courthouse, 1725 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Petition of: Annabelle Sophie Keller for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Annabelle Sophie Keller filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: Annabelle Sophie Keller to Proposed name: Sophie Keller. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: December 19, 2025, 8:30 AM, Dept. K, Santa Monica Courthouse, 1725 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica, CA 90401. A copy of this Order to Show Cause must be published at least once each week for four successive weeks before the date set for hearing on the petition in a newspaper of general circulation printed in this county. Date: November 07, 2025. s/ Lawrence H. Cho, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 11/10/2025, 11/17/2025, 11/24/2025, 12/01/2025

Probate Sale

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF NOBUKO SEIMIYA Case No. 25STPB11931To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Nobuko Seimiya.A Petition for Probate has been filed by Tsutomu Onizawa in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.The Petition for Probate requests that Janie Mulrain be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: November 20, 2025 at 8:30 AM in Dept. 79 located at 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012.If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.Attorney for petitioner: F. Edie Mermelstein of FEM Law Group, P.C., 18811 Huntington Street Suite 240, Huntington Beach, CA 92648, (714) 596-0137SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 11/05/2025, 11/12/2025, 11/19/2025

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NOTICE OF HEARING Case No. 24SMCV04531 Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90405, West District. JOHANNA MARY KEOGH, ET AL, Plaintiffs vs. IZABELLA GAWRONSKA, Defendant. TO IZABELLA GAWRONSKA, please take notice that on January 9, 2026, in Department N in the Superior Court located at 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90405 at 8:30 A.M. a hearing in the above entitled case will be held at which time the court may make the following orders: 1) Entry of Default Against You, 2) Entry of a Default Judgment Against You. This notice is pursuant to the Court's Order of 9/19/2025 and Order for Publication dated 10/31/2025, Judge Lisa Sepe Wiesenfeld, Presiding. The court finds that the respondent cannot be served in any other manner specified in the California Code of Civil Procedure. The court orders that the documents be served by publication at least once per week for four successive weeks per Code of Civil Procedure § 415.50. s/ David Pisarra, Attorney for Plaintiffs, Pisarra and Grist, 1305 Pico Blvd, Santa Monica, CA 90405, (310) 664-9969, DAVID@PISARRA.COM. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 11/17/2025, 11/24/2025, 12/01/2025, 12/08/2025

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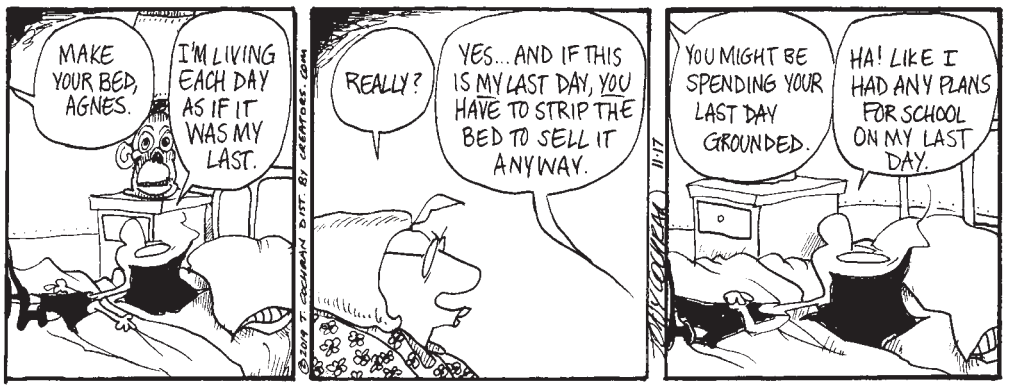
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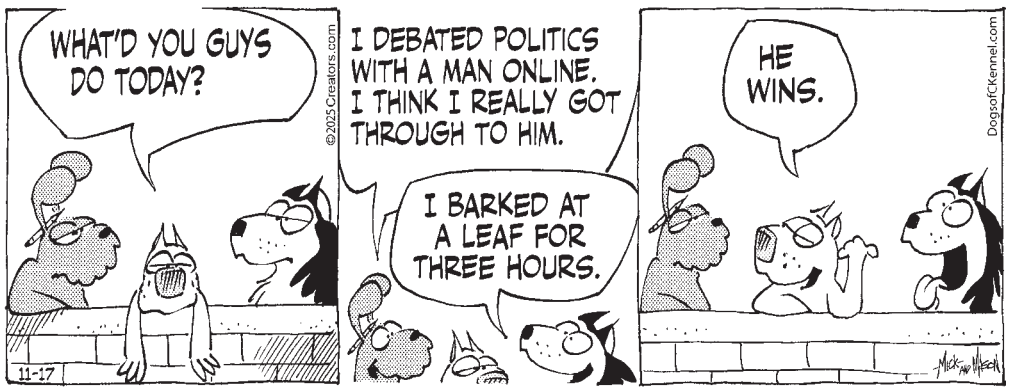
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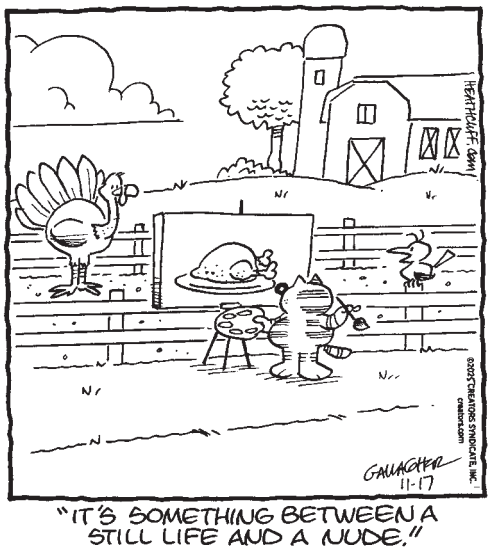
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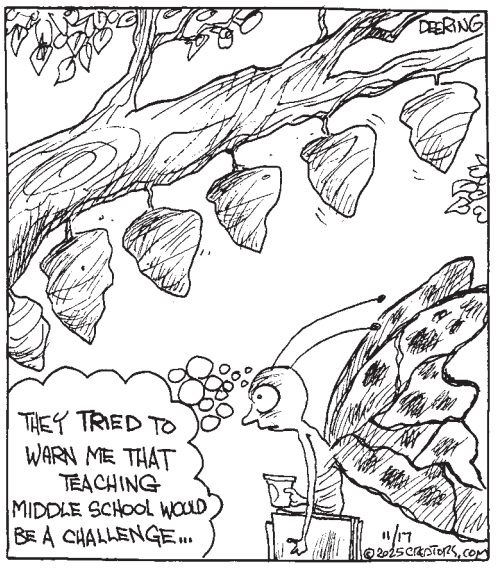
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FIND THE WORDS

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 17 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Base	Forsyth	Marr	Slow
Book	French	Morton	Stead
Byatt	Funny	Moss	Tale
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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 17)

Welcome to your Year of Streamlined Style when the edits you make give you advantages ranging from finance to fitness, personal expression, professional progress and more. You let go of baggage and become increasingly powerful as the year progresses. More highlights: a team that supports and celebrates you, feeding your health and vitality, willpower, and an instinct for where the fun is. Taurus and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 19, 29, 10 and 14.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Sometimes you want to pull back from social life entirely, and that's normal. It can be draining to keep caring, giving, explaining yourself, to keep managing it all. Your nervous system needs rest. Solitude isn't isolation; it's a reset.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Great ideas always look easier than they are. Before a brilliant plan turns into a headache of details, recruit help. Shared effort keeps the project fun instead of frustrating.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your confessor energy is strong today. People feel safe to tell you more than you wanted to know. It's not always easy being everyone's confessional, but remember, it happens because you radiate trust. Listening is a powerful kind of leadership.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your heightened awareness is an extraordinary asset now. You're reading rooms and intuiting motives. Nothing gets by you. The only downside is sensory overload. Protect your gift by balancing your activities with serene rest.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The virtue that most protects you from regret is patience. It's one of the hardest virtues to cultivate. Clock every instance you could have reacted impulsively, but didn't. Life will reward patience eventually, but you should reward it more often.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). One of the hardest things for you to tolerate is intolerance. Exposure to many ways of thinking has stretched your mind wide. Where others cling to certainty, you offer curiosity - the quiet rebellion that keeps the world evolving.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Seek advice, friendship, and news from many different sources. Every new voice expands your understanding and sharpens your intuition. The wider your circle of input, the more effective, empathetic, and powerful you become.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your imagination is like a house that comes alive when you visit. A blank page or canvas - a daydream, a melody or bright conversation - all invitations to use and enjoy your luxurious imagination. And if you extend the stay, even better.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Today's situations can't be understood in simple black-and-white terms like good or bad. Don't moralize. Evaluate, factoring in subtler factors like context, perspective, timing, personality, culture and personal taste. Lead with sensitivity and flexibility of mind.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Scarcity drives demand. It's not only basic economics; it's also easy magic. Today, you're in limited supply, and that's exactly why your time, attention and talent is so precious. Don't rush to give more; highlight the rarity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Disagreements needn't be solved right away. In fact, not every difference demands resolution. Today it will be better to focus on trust, affection and common ground even when you disagree. Stay connected through the tension and it may soften naturally.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Success isn't determined by resources; it's determined by intention and integrity. Some thrive even when they have almost nothing, while others struggle despite abundant advantages. Life responds not to what you have, but to how you use it.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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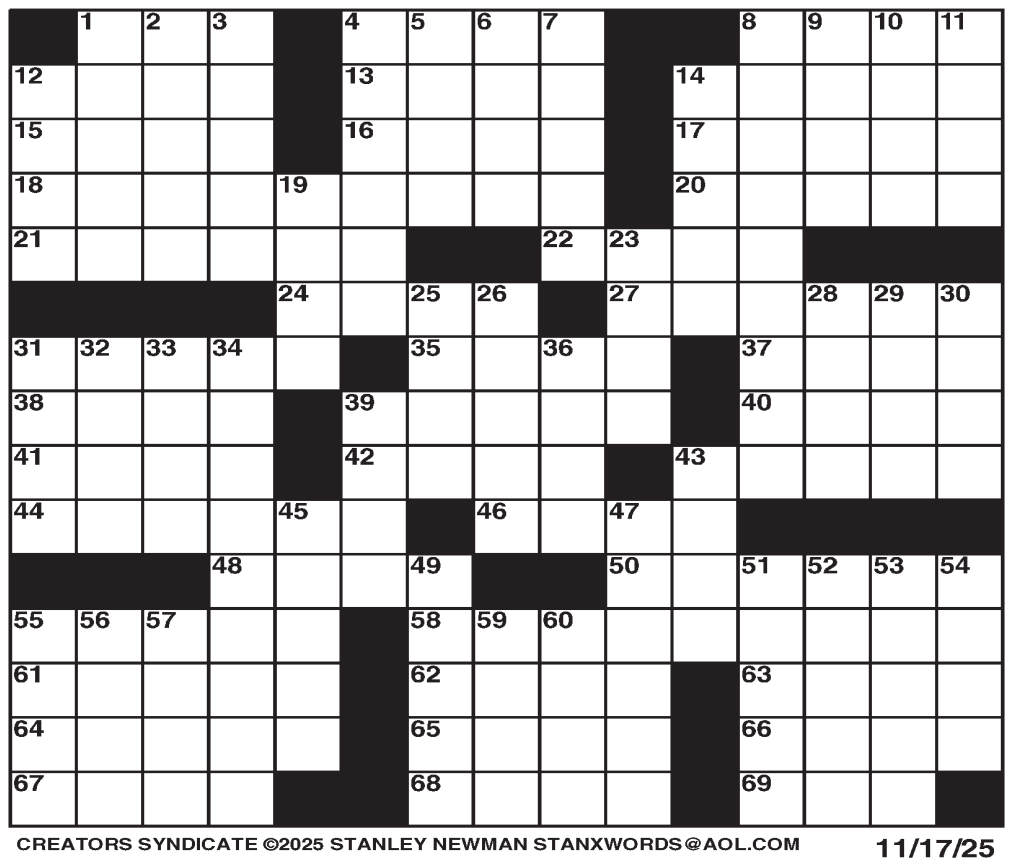
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ACROSS

1 Physicians: Abbr.
4 Boats like Noah's
8 "This __ take long"
12 Any farm harvest
13 Cake to wash with
14 Thrifty person
15 Center of a bagel
16 Game played on horseback
17 Barton of the Red Cross
18 Kitchen device set before baking
20 Bronze or brass
21 Annoy constantly
22 Bath powder ingredient
24 Snakelike fishes
27 Diving-into-pool sound
31 Trails for hiking
35 Pig's sound
37 Norway's capital
38 Cincinnati's state
39 Capital of France
40 British fellow
41 Where Lima is capital
42 Eve's first home
43 Distorts, as facts
44 Come into view
46 Couch or chair
48 Fancy party
50 Playground plank for two
55 Spicy beans/beef meal
58 Device for races
61 Point a dart toward
62 Identical
63 Door of a fence
64 Dental string
65 Company officer, for short
66 Jungle roarer
67 Relatives of deer
68 Windshield shading
69 Make a mistake

DOWN

1 Operated a vehicle
2 Parts for performers
3 Used up, as cash
4 Have big dreams
5 Kitchen or den
6 Leafy salad green
7 Soccer or football
8 Device hanging in an office
9 Egg shape
10 Notorious Roman emperor
11 Buffet meal carrier
12 Karate stroke
14 Top of the head
19 Golfer's pegs
23 Poses a question
25 Fill with cargo
26 Fathers of horses
28 Tennis great Arthur
29 Picnic's shredded cabbage
30 Jumps like a bunny
31 Leader like Leo XIV
32 Throat-clearing sound
33 Auto wheel
34 Old-fashioned device filled with sand
36 Highest phone number digit
39 Banana's covering
43 Meat-and-potatoes dinner
45 Horses' paces
47 Facet of a situation
49 Any thing of value
51 "Bald" bird
52 Walkway between floors
53 Person playing a part
54 "__ I was your age..."
55 Casual eatery
56 Small mountain
57 "Don't worry about me"
59 Car with a meter
60 Prophetic sign



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COASTAL

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A HISTORY OF PROTECTING THE COASTLINE

Critics of the commission point to the exorbitant coastal housing prices, some of the highest in the country, and the disproportionate number of white residents, as exacerbating the housing shortage. To some, the commission's priorities have not matched the urgency of lawmakers and local officials to help solve the cost problem.

Two-thirds of coastal residents are white, about twice as many as in the state as a whole, according to an analysis by Nicholas Depsky at the United Nations Development Programme.

Fewer than 2.5% of California residents live in coastal cities, or "coastal zones," which comprise less than 1% of land in the state but are home to some of the most valuable real estate in the world, from Malibu to Marin.

The Coastal Commission began as a 1972 ballot initiative in the shadow of the 1969 Santa Barbara oil spill, one of the worst environmental disasters in the country at the time. Amid a broader national environmental movement, there was greater concern about how to protect California's coveted shoreline in the midst of unregulated offshore drilling and fears of relentless development that would mirror Miami's coastline.

Four years later, the state Legislature made the commission permanent with the Coastal Act to protect its natural habitats and keep beaches open to the public.

Early tensions between then-Gov. Jerry Brown and the commission brewed when he slammed its members as "bureaucratic thugs" in 1978, just years after championing its creation. Brown would spend his final years in office, nearly 40 years later, roiled by criticism from environmentalists who accused him of appointing commissioners who were too pro-development. Those fears were heightened with the ousting of executive director Charles Lester in 2016, a strong advocate for coastal protection.

Scrutiny of the commission has accelerated in the Newsom administration, as the governor has publicly chided the agency for its broad powers. After the Los Angeles fires, he swiftly moved to suspend all of its authority over rebuilding efforts in the Pacific Palisades, which abut the coastline.

Last year, the commission rejected billionaire Elon Musk's proposal to increase the number of SpaceX rocket launches off the Santa Barbara coast while criticizing his support of President Donald Trump. Newsom said he was "with Elon" after the company filed a lawsuit for political discrimination. The case is still pending.

Lee, the newest commissioner, hails from Los Angeles and has built a reputation as a prolific builder known for revitalizing Koreatown. Her real estate company, Jamison properties, has built 6,600 multifamily units and is one of the largest private landowners in Los Angeles, according to its website.

Lee did not return emails and phone calls seeking comment from CalMatters.

The new appointments have made many pro-housing advocates hopeful. "We now have three out of 12 voting members who are appointed to the commission in this period when many legislators and the governor want reform at the commission to design more affordable housing," said Louis Mirante, a lobbyist with the business coalition Bay Area Council. "That tells me that these members will probably move that vision forward."

Lopez, who has emphasized his support for affordable housing on the coast since joining the commission, said the optimism is warranted.

"I think that that excitement is well placed given where we're sitting at right now and given the voice that the speaker and the governor are giving at this issue and wanting to see a remedy to it," Lopez said. "And I do feel it's the reason I was put here was to have that conversation at the forefront."

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATES WATCH

Environmentalists have mostly been quiet about the new appointments. Instead, they are waiting to see how they vote before raising the alarm.

"While there have been concerns expressed within the environmental movement, at this point we have no idea how this commissioner (Lee) will be," said Jennifer Savage, associate director of Surfrider Foundation, a coastal protection advocacy group. Lee was not an obvious choice for many, but Savage is optimistic that she'll support coastal protection.

"It's actually not that surprising that the governor would appoint someone with housing expertise," given the political climate, she continued.

A longtime local water authority official and current administrator at San Diego State University, Preciado said part of his pitch for the role to top Democratic leaders was that he wanted to see more of the coast developed to help create jobs and homes for working-class families.

"We have a keen interest in developing the California coast in such a way where underrepresented communities that live on the coast have more access," Preciado said of himself and Lopez.

Wealthy coastal residents have long sparred with the commission over violations for blocking public access, such as Silicon Valley billionaire Vinod Khosla, who has been entangled in a slew of legal fights with regulators and coastal groups for years over access to Martins Beach near Half Moon Bay.

Many commissioners and staff view protecting public access and conservation as their primary purpose rather than housing policy.

Conservationism is out of style, even among Democrats, which has led support for the commission to dramatically shift in recent years, according to legislative director Sarah Christie.

To some commissioners, lawmakers' push to rip away more and more of its housing authority is a misguided attempt to simplify a complex issue. They point out that 80% of coastal cities and counties have their own coastal laws and are not subject to the commission.

"It's creating a lot of chaos and dysfunction at the local level and is making it harder," Christie said of the movement toward slashing housing regulations. "In the Legislature's enthusiasm and zeal in order to effectuate housing more quickly, they're kind of stepping on themselves."

Jackson, a commissioner who represents the South Bay, said lawmakers need to focus more on affordable housing rather than increasing supply more broadly.

Special environmental considerations and its highly sought after nature are what make the coastal zone uniquely expensive, Preciado said. "I think that a broader view, a more objective view, is that developing on the coast is different than developing in urban areas."

Nadia Lathan, CalMatters Politics Reporter



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8:00 p.m. - 9:15 p.m. Santa Monica Playhouse 1211 4th St, Santa Monica. A hundred fifty-year-old Thanksgiving tradition. An annual reunion. A family meal, laced with just a touch of greed, a pinch of jealousy, under-currants (sic) of coming out and moving in, a smidgeon of rebellion, a dash of separation anxiety and anticipation, and a soupçon of K-Pop. What could possibly go wrong? Admission includes post-show wine and Thanksgiving nibbles reception with the cast. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/thanks-for-sharing-celebrate-thanksgiving-in-true-theatre-r-a-w-style/17241352/2025-11-17T20

TUESDAY | NOVEMBER 18

WALKING MEDITATION

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Beach lot 5 South 2600 Bernard Way Los Angeles. Walking meditation is and has always been a significant alternative to sitting meditation, especially for those starting a new practice. The goal of meditation is to be able to practice in all positions, conditions and activities whether sitting, standing, walking, lying down, or whenever awake. We'll meet Tuesday's and Thursdays at 8 am at lifeguard tower 28 in line with Ashland Street (paid parking available in the Santa Monica Beach lot 5 South) We'll walk silently together for approximately 45 minutes on the shoreline (from tower 28 to the rainbow tower at Brooks Street and back). Everyone is welcome to join whether new to meditation or with many years of experience. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/walking-meditation/16206460/2025-11-18T08

MEMORIES & MOVEMENT SENIOR CLUB

10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Virginia Avenue Park 2200 Virginia Ave. Santa Monica. Come, learn, and have fun every 2nd and 4th Tuesday from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM in The Patio room at Virginia Avenue Park.Each week there will be something new: Exercise, Talking with Friends, Learning, Guest Presenters, Health & Wellness! For more information call (310) 458-8688. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/memories-movement-senior-club/14853634/2025-11-11T10

BOOKS & BAGELS - VENICE LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Venice Branch Library 501 S Venice Blvd. Venice. Join us the third Tuesday of each month for bagels, coffee and tea. We will have a thoughtful discussion of the current selection and discuss other great things we've been reading. Copies available at the front desk. Plus you get bagels, coffee & tea provided by the Friends of Venice Library! Join for a lively discussion of that month's fiction or non-fiction book pick. New members welcome! Copies of the books are available at the circulation desk. Venice Branch Library (LAPL), 501 South Venice Blvd., Venice, CA 90291 Schedule: June 18: Poverty, by America, Matthew Desmond July 16: Vaster Wilds, Lauren Groff? August 20: Last American Man, Elizabeth Gilbert? September 17: Hello Beautiful, Ann Napalitano? October 15: On Animals, Susan Orlean? November 19: Quiet American, Graham Greene?? Generously funded by Friends of Venice Library. Join them today to show your support for the 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/books-bagels-venice-library-book-club/14548474/2025-11-18T12

TECH & TASKS

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Pico Branch Library 2201 Pico Blvd. Santa Monica. Volunteer tutors provide help with reading documents or written tasks, using mobile devices, navigating government websites, filling out forms, using email, writing resumes and more. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/tech-tasks/16225799/2025-11-11T16

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

5:30 p.m. Santa Monica City Hall 1685 Main St. Santa Monica. The City Council is made up of seven members elected at-large for staggered four-year terms. Every two years, after each election, the City Council selects one of its members to serve as Mayor and another to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore. The City Council also sits as the following bodies for the City of Santa Monica. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/city-council-meeting/13799967/2025-11-11T17

TUESDAY OPEN MIC

Westside Comedy Theater 1323-A 3rd St Santa Monica. The best open mic in Los Angeles! The Tuesday Open Mic is a weekly open mic. Hop onstage and perform your best 3 minutes! Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/tuesday-open-mic/16004734/2025-11-11T22

WEDNESDAY | NOVEMBER 19

FRIENDS OF VENICE LIBRARY: YOGA FOR EVERYONE!

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.


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