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Frank talk for forgotten students

Course offers detailed look at sex, dating and safety for people with disabilities transitioning to independent living.

BY SARA CARDINE

There's more to sex education than the birds and the bees. Even those armed with the grade-school basics often have to learn about relationships, boundaries and navigating the intricacies of desire and disappointment through trial and error.

But for some individuals living with intellectual or developmental disabilities, access to real-world information about sexually transmitted infections, birth control, consent and the perils of on-line dating may be scarce.

The lack of exposure to potentially life-saving information about their own bodies and rights can put teens and young adults at a disadvantage, especially when they may be leaving the family home for the first time and living independently.

To help reverse that trend Planned Parenthood of Orange and San Bernardino Counties has created a curriculum to arm individuals with disabilities with the tools they need to make informed decisions and have a say in their own lives.

"Equal Voices" is a six-session course led by a health educator that provides a comprehensive



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presents a sex-education class for individuals with disabilities.

sex education adapted to meet their needs and levels of understanding. Through informal discussions, a facilitator can learn more about what students know, don't know and want to know. Since last July, the classes have reached nearly 600 people with adaptive needs.

"This population faces a lot of difficulties and a lot of obstacles when it comes to STIs. They also have higher rates of STIs and higher rates of abuse," said Jordan Herrera, a Planned Parenthood health educator who facilitates "Equal Voices" classes.

"The curriculum is not given to them, so they don't have the tools to form healthy relationships. And

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MEMBERS OF First Christian Church Bible study group are recognized for their contributions during Waymakers Huntington Beach Youth Shelter's 17th anniversary celebration in Huntington Beach on Thursday. Organization officials say 2,245 have been served at the shelter.

Youth shelter marks 17 years

BY MATT SZABO

The Waymakers Huntington Beach Youth Shelter never had to cut off services during the coronavirus pandemic.

Of course, that doesn't mean there weren't some trying times early on. There were definitely shortages.

"Like every other household, we were out of toilet paper," Waymakers director of shelter programs Carol Carlson said with a smile. "We had to literally call up our neighbors and say, 'I know you only have enough for your family. Can we have just one extra roll?' We'd open the door and there would be a roll of toilet paper on the front porch."

Necessities are what Waymakers provides for the children it serves, and the nonprofit celebrated an anniversary Thursday.

The Waymakers Huntington Beach Youth Shelter is a short-term intervention house for runaway, homeless and at-risk youth ages 11 to 17. Per numbers provided by the organization's officials, 2,245 children have been served at the shelter, which can serve up to 12 children at a time. That's nearly 38,000 therapy hours.

Dozens gathered for the 17th anniversary celebration of the local facility. The event also served as an open house, the first that the city-owned location in Central Park has been able to have since the pandemic began.

"I can't," Waymakers CEO Ronnetta John-



THE KITCHEN shares a proud statistic of 141,372 meals served at the Waymakers Huntington Beach Youth Shelter.

Photos by James Carbone

son said when asked if she could believe how long it's been since the Huntington Beach shelter opened in 2006. "I was here when we started. It's really amazing. The importance of the work is really in those individual kids, the transformations that take place. It seems like three weeks isn't very long, but the transformations that can take place with those kids during that."

After leaving the shelter, 94% of the children have a reunification with either their parents or a safe alternative.

Waymakers is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. It operates four youth shelters, one each in Laguna Beach and Huntington Beach, and two in Tustin. One of the Tustin sites serves transitional-aged youth (18 to 25 years old) and opened last year.

Thursday's celebration featured recognition of volunteers who have made the youth shelter, now run by co-directors Nancy Galeana and Isabel Kluewe, continue to run smoothly. More than 20 staff members also were acknowledged, including mental health

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Newport Beach OKs new, adjusted city fees

BY LILLY NGUYEN

Adjustments to existing fees and the introduction of new ones are coming to Newport Beach residents following city action Tuesday, but many are small increases to help the city recoup the cost of providing services.

On Tuesday, the Newport Beach City Council received a presentation and proposal on a routine fee study of the community development, fire and police departments.

The city reviews every department it has on a rotating basis of three to five years to ensure that

the costs residents face mirror the actual cost to provide those services. With community development, for example, that involves such tasks as reviewing plans and permitting, while the fire department charges for services like fire inspections.

Deputy finance director Michael Gomez said the city's fees in these departments were last studied in 2020, though he acknowledged the NBF's fire prevention program saw some revisions of its fees last year.

The fees are expected to generate around \$620,000 in net revenue during the upcoming fiscal

year, which begins July 1.

City officials approved general fee increases of 3% to 5% across all three departments.

In the community development department, two new fees were proposed and approved: a litigation defense fee and a general plan maintenance fee.

The litigation defense fee would be a "pass-through" fee that would allow the city to recoup costs for any projects that require legal support, while the general plan maintenance fee would be dedicated to maintaining and updating the city's gen-

eral plan and support documents.

The former fee will be based on the full hourly and burdened rate of legal personnel as well as the city and developmental overhead rates, while the latter fee will be applied to 5% of all new construction, additions and alterations.

In relation to the fire department, two new fees were proposed for fire alarm review and fire sprinkler review — services the city already offers but doesn't currently account for with multi-

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Road rage shooter gets 410 to life for killing in Costa Mesa

BY PAUL ANDERSON
CITY NEWS SERVICE

A 42-year-old man was sentenced Friday to 410 years to life in prison for opening fire on a pickup full of six men in a road-rage dispute in Costa Mesa on Thanksgiving Day that killed one and wounded four.

Lee Queuon Walker was convicted May 9 of first-degree murder and five counts of attempted murder. Jurors took about two hours to also find true sentencing enhancements for discharge of a gun causing death or great bodily injury.

Walker was convicted of fatally shooting 30-year-old Lucas Rivera-Velasco of Costa Mesa on Nov. 24, 2022, at 423 W. Bay St. Also wounded in the shooting were Salvador Pulido-Nieto, Bernardo Millan-Pulido, Hugo Medina-Rivera and Gilberto Medina-Rivera, while Jaime Nieto-Millan escaped injury.

Walker tearfully asked Rivera-



Velasco's family to "forgive me."

He added, "I took a life. It wasn't my intention that night. My intention was going to McDonald's to get my kid food. I do feel bad someone lost their life. It wasn't my intention and I

have to live with this every day. I wish I could turn back the hands of time, but I can't."

Walker said he was trying to "exchange information" with the driver of the pickup truck that knocked the defendant's side-

view mirror out of place before clicking back in the incident that touched off the shooting.

"They ran into my truck and then that guy came at me saying, 'What the [expletive]," Walker said. "Everything happened so

A MEMORIAL OF flowers and candles were left in front of an apartment building near Bay and Parsons Streets in Costa Mesa last fall in memory of 30-year-old Lucas Rivera-Velasco. He was shot and killed there following a minor traffic accident on Thanksgiving, Thursday, Nov. 24, 2022.

Eric Licas

fast and I started shooting. I can't bring their son back, but I wish you could all forgive me for my actions that night. I was trying to protect my son."

Walker said at the time, "My life was going in a good direction ... I worked hard to get where I was at. It took 10 years and it was taken away in two minutes."

Orange County Superior Court Judge Sheila Hanson told Walker she "appreciated" his statement before sentencing because it was "the first time I've seen you express any remorse for your actions."

But Hanson said she disagreed with Walker's version of events. She noted how the defendant's mother said her son had a "pure heart," and added, "I believe you had that in you, but on this night you acted very differently. ... You had that firearm and you were prepared to use it."

Hanson noted that she was

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TALK

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sometimes, they can't handle the information."

Herrera on Friday began a new series of classes with clients served by College Living Experience, a Costa Mesa nonprofit that offers a post-secondary program for students and adults ages 18 to 30 who need additional support with academic, social and independent living skills.

The first session, "Healthy Relationships and Consent," was designed to lay a

foundation for the rest of the classes to come, which include puberty and anatomy, pregnancy and birth control and how to stay safe on social media.

Herrera asked participants to define a "relationship" then asked them what's important in a relationship and what's not OK, a segue that allowed for a frank discussion on boundaries and how to communicate them to a potential partner.

"We have different limits and rules we can set for ourselves in relationships, so maybe we can tell our

partner, I'm comfortable with this, but I'm not comfortable with this," she told students.

By the end of the roughly one-hour session, the group had defined some of their own personal boundaries, contemplated the importance of consent and how to identify different kinds of relationship abuse.

Rashaun Council, a 24-year-old Cal State Fullerton student who's suffered impairment since a hit in a football game in 2013 led to the discovery of a subdural hematoma that required brain surgery.

During his recovery, he relearned how to walk, talk and write. But these days, he's living in an apartment in Costa Mesa with a roommate and is starting to think about dating.

"I haven't dated anyone yet, but hopefully in the future I'll find someone special," he said Friday.

Although he received some basic sex ed lessons in middle school, not much wisdom was imparted, as most of the students told jokes and cracked up during class. Council said he was looking forward to learning more about dating and determining who might be a good partner.

Emily Hopper, 20, contracted MRSA at age 1 and lost several fingers and both legs. Today, the double amputee moves deftly on prosthetic legs, and has dreams of becoming a comedic actor.

She took the bus from Los Angeles to attend the start of the "Equal Voices" sessions because aside from what she's seen on



PLANNED PARENTHOOD health educator Jordan Herrera, right, chats Friday with a participant of the "Equal Voices."

Don Leach | Staff Photographer

television and the internet (some of which, she admits, freaked her out), she hasn't received much formal sex education.

"No one ever gave me a sex ed class. My parents mostly explained it to me," she said, explaining her interest in relationships. "I just want to feel more loved. I get a lot of love from my parents, my friends and everyone in my family. I just want someone to bond with."

College Living Experience program director Ivy Marshall said many parents work toward helping their children achieve independence without real-

izing the full range of skills they will need to master to do that safely.

"Sex education becomes a topic that is untouched and underdeveloped," Marshall said. "[But] living independently involves connection and hugging and dating."

That's something that resonates with Council, whose desire for a partner is strong.

"There are people who are happy being alone, but not me," he said Friday. "I need a mate or someone to talk to."

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: MARK P. DAVEY

CASE NO. 30-2023-01328729-PR-LA-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of MARK P. DAVEY.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by HANNA I. DAVEY, BY AND THROUGH HER GUARDIAN, STEPHANIE A. HOLCOMB in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that HANNA I. DAVEY BY AND THROUGH HER GUARDIAN, STEPHANIE A. HOLCOMB 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: 07/13/23 at 1:30PM in Dept. CM06 located at 3390 HARBOR BLVD, COSTA MESA, CA 92626

NOTICE IN PROBATE CASES

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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.

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CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Thursday, June 29, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.** or soon thereafter as the matter shall be heard, a public hearing will be conducted online via Zoom. The Zoning Administrator of the City of Newport Beach will consider the following application:

Regenerative Institute of Newport Beach - A request to convert an existing 2,637-square-foot professional office into a medical office use on the second floor within an existing 20,643-square-foot office building located at 20341 Birch Street. No alterations are proposed to the building or site.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 under Class 1 (Existing Facilities) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

All interested parties may appear and present testimony regarding this application. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City, at, or before, the public hearing. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapter 20.64. The application may be continued to a specific future meeting date; if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be provided.

The agenda, staff report, and corresponding documents will be available by end of business day on the Friday preceding the public hearing and may be reviewed at the Community Development Department Permit Center (Bay C-1st Floor), at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660 or the City of Newport Beach website at www.newportbeachca.gov/zoningadministrator. Please review the Zoning Administrator Agenda for Zoom participation instructions. Individuals not able to attend the meeting may contact the Planning Division or access the City's website after the meeting to review the action on this application. All mail or written communications (including email) from the public, residents, or applicants regarding an agenda item must be submitted by 12:00 p.m. on the business day immediately before the meeting. This allows time for the Zoning Administrator to adequately consider the submitted correspondence.

For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Alejandro De Loera, Consultant Planner, at 626-290-4376 or adeloera@sagecrestplanning.com, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2023-0062
Activity: Minor Use Permit
Zone: SP-7 (Santa Ana Heights Specific Plan - Business Park)
General Plan: CO-G (General Commercial Office)
Location: 20341 Birch Street, Unit 200
Applicant: Knitter Partners International Architect



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Barnard Residence - A coastal development permit to allow for the demolition of an existing 2,842-square-foot, two (2)-story, two (2)-unit dwelling with an attached 798-square-foot, four (4)-car garage and construction of a new 2,292-square-foot, three (3)-story, two (2)-unit dwelling with two attached single-car garages totaling 414-square-feet and two carport spaces. The project includes hardscape, drainage, and accessory structures all within the confines of the property. The project is located in the VE Special Flood Hazard Area, and includes a raised foundation supported by caissons to meet the minimum finished floor requirements of the Special Flood Hazard Area. The project complies with all development standards and no deviations are requested. All improvements authorized by this CDP will be located on private property.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15303 under Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

All interested parties may appear and present testimony in regard to this application. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City, at, or prior to, the public hearing. The application may be continued to a specific future meeting date, and if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be provided. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapter 21.64. A fee is not required to appeal any final action on a coastal development permit to the Planning Commission. The project site is located within the appeal area of the coastal zone; therefore, final action by the City may be appealed to the California Coastal Commission.

The agenda, staff report, and corresponding documents will be available by end of business day on the Friday preceding the public hearing and may be reviewed at the Community Development Department Permit Center (Bay C-1st Floor), at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660 or the City of Newport Beach website at www.newportbeachca.gov/zoningadministrator. Please review the Zoning Administrator Agenda for Zoom participation instructions. Individuals not able to attend the meeting may contact the Planning Division or access the City's website after the meeting to review the action on this application. All mail or written communications (including email) from the public, residents, or applicants regarding an agenda item must be submitted by 12:00 p.m. on the business day immediately prior to the meeting. This allows time for the Zoning Administrator to adequately consider the submitted correspondence.

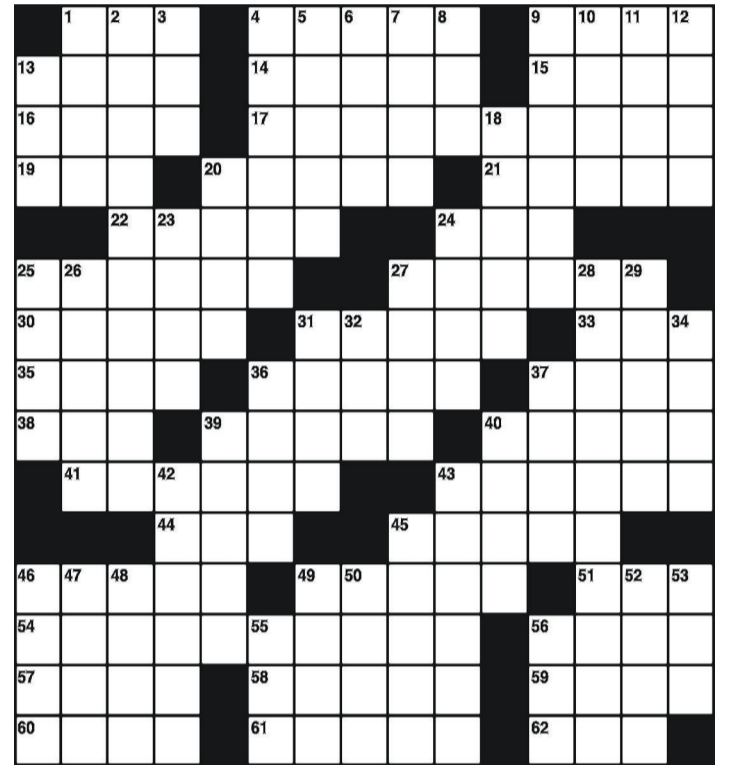
For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Afshin Atapour, Assistant Planner at 949-644-3237, aatapour@newportbeachca.gov, 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2023-0018
Activity: Coastal Development Permit
Zone: R-2 (Two-Unit Residential)
General Plan: RT (Two-Unit Residential)
Coastal Land Use Plan: RT-E Two Unit Residential --(30.0 - 39.9 DU/AC)
Filing Date: January 20, 2023
Location: 3907 Seashore Drive, Units A & B
Applicant: Ron Ritner (Ritner Group, Inc.)

THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

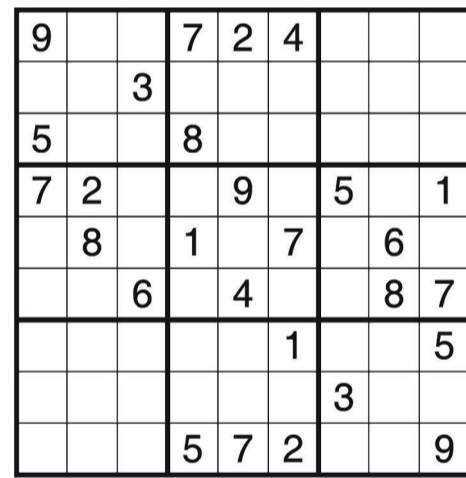
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By the Mephram Group

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit sudoku.org.uk.



For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A4.

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306 seniors bid farewell to Ocean View



JASMINE FREEMAN celebrates during the Ocean View High commencement ceremony on Wednesday.

Panic took hold of one senior for just a moment as she stood two steps away from the stage set up in the center of Ocean View High School's field Wednesday evening, seconds before she received her diploma. A flash of worry furrowed her brow as she scanned bleachers full of cheering families and practiced shaking hands by herself with an imaginary mentor. "Wait, what am I doing?" she said. "I'm scared."

But it was only a moment. Whatever trepidation she felt went undetected by the hundreds gathered to cheer her and her classmates on. She did not falter as she stepped onto the stage, and kept a confident grip on the leather



Photos by Scott Smeltzer | Staff Photographer

GRADUATES TOSS their caps in the air during the commencement ceremony at Ocean View High School on Wednesday.

bound document of her achievement as she found her seat among her colleagues.

She was one of 306 students who bid farewell to Ocean View High School Wednesday. Hugs, laughter and messages of perseverance accompanied their graduation.

"We may have all had different senior years, but among it all, one thing stayed the same: change," senior class president Anh Nguyen said during a speech at the start of the event. "Change that challenged us, change that we adapted to, and change that made us question if we were simply doing enough."

This year's graduating class spent the first two years of

high school learning remotely because of the pandemic. That didn't stop them from forming powerful bonds, math teacher Amanda Earl said.

"Starting off apart and now coming together, it makes them appreciate the time we have together a lot more," she said in between requests for photos and hugs with students.

"They're ready," ceramics teacher Zayra Favares said while helping seniors prepare in the gym before the ceremony. "They're ready for their next phases. I can see it in their faces, all shining and bright."

— Eric Licas



Photos by James Carbone

EDISON HIGH graduate Tyler Amelotte yells out to his family during the Chargers' commencement ceremony on Wednesday at Cap Sheue Field.

Edison grads charged up about their future

Edison High Principal Jennifer Graves beamed as she spoke to the Class of 2023 on Wednesday at Cap Sheue Field during the school's commencement ceremony.

The Chargers graduated 473 students, and a couple of other numbers made her smile as well.

More than 98% of the students will be attending college in the fall, she said, with 63% of the class attending a four-year university.

"This year, Edison didn't rely on its laurels, but continued to strive and give students the opportunities to succeed," Graves said. "We had so many accomplishments this year, starting with yes, another Bell win [in football]."

The Chargers haven't lost the game against rival Fountain Valley since 2004, and faculty speaker Rick



EDISON GRADUATE Gabriella Miller smiles after receiving her diploma during Wednesday's ceremony.

Meyers lent some more humorous perspective Wednesday.

"Do you guys realize your parents hadn't even started dating the last time that Fountain Valley won the Bell game?" Meyers said, to laughs from the crowd.

Fun and games aside, Edison students certainly enjoyed their graduation. ASB President Samson

Rakhshani served as emcee, while ASB Vice President Sandahl Blake, Katie Tully and Holiday Younger were all senior speakers. "As I stand here today, overlooking all of us together, I don't see fragmented groups but instead a collective who overcame everything that was thrown at us," Tully said.

— Matt Szabo

H.B. High celebrates its 2023 graduates



SENIORS FROM the baseball team, Brad Gridlinger, Trystan Lucero, Will Bennett, Carson Lane and Dean Carpentier, gather before the Huntington Beach High graduation ceremony.

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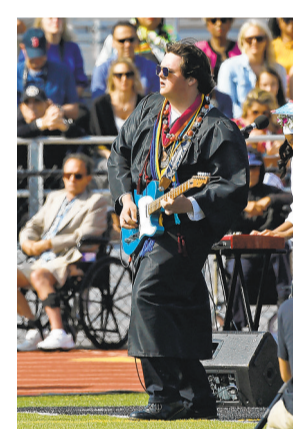
Huntington Beach High started off a week full of celebrating in the Huntington Beach Union High School District.

The Oilers were the first district school to have a graduation this week, and the sun came out in time Tuesday for the 670 seniors of the Class of 2023 to turn their tassels.

It is the school's 117th graduating class.

Huntington Beach ASB President Kate Ellis served as the ceremony's emcee, while Shiloh Langham, senior class vice president and Model United Nations member, was the senior speaker.

"We lived in the cold grasp of COVID for almost an entire year, causing sophomore year to disappear," Langham said. "[We were] barely treading water in a sea of 'an abundance of caution,' zoning out of Zoom classes and barely making it through. But we picked up the pieces and found perseverance ... making our weaknesses our weapons for success."



DANIEL BRONDER of the Academy of Performing Arts plays a guitar solo and student Shiloh Langham speaks during the Huntington Beach High graduation ceremony.

But by senior year, things had returned to normal, and Langham also turned to the future during her speech. She quoted Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.: "Our lives begin to end the day that we become silent about things that matter."

"This begs the question, what matters to you?" she said. "Are you truly doing all you can do? ... We have to keep believing in our hopes and acknowledging our fears."



Members of the Huntington Beach Academy for the Performing Arts — Jasmine Dennis, Katie Nacino, Daniel Bronder, Cooper Hayashi, Jacob Young, Brayden Nguyen and Autumn Factory — entertained the crowd with some tunes before Principal Danny Morris presented the graduating class. It was accepted by HBUHSD Board of Trustees member Bonnie Castrey.

— Matt Szabo

SHOOTER

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concerned that such a "trivial" incident could touch off an explosion of temper that led to gunfire.

"You were not protecting your family," Hanson said. "You were mad and went after the individual who did you wrong ... When you say you worked so hard those 10 years, I believe you. But where I disagree is it was taken away from you. You're here because of your actions."

Walker's prior criminal history made him a third-striker, which compounded his punishment.

The victims worked as gardeners and landscapers and spent a rare day off on the holiday watching soccer, drinking and dining at Costa Brava restaurant in Costa Mesa, Senior Deputy Dist. Atty. Dan Feldman

said at trial.

"The unarmed friends and family members struck his mirror and startled him so what was his first choice? He grabbed a gun," Feldman said. "Mr. Walker made the choice to get out of his car ... and confront them. When they gave him a 'get the [expletive] out of my face look' that was it. First they startled him, then they insulted him, then they insulted him. He pounced. You saw it yourself. He didn't walk, he ran to confront them ... with the gun pulled back to his side and racked a round so he'd be ready because he decided this is going down. They were going to pay."

Walker and his girlfriend, Denise Segura, were searching for an open McDonald's on the holiday because their 4-year-old son craved chicken nuggets, Feldman said. After their third failed try, they crossed paths with Ri-

vera-Velasco and the others when the 2003 Chevrolet Silverado they were in clipped Walker's 2021 Chevrolet Silverado and the side-view mirror snapped out of place before popping back into place, Feldman said.

Walker followed the other vehicle and when it was in a left turn lane on 19th Street to go north on Harbor Boulevard the defendant jumped out of his pickup truck and dashed over to them and "pounded on the window," according to Feldman.

Walker testified that he saw two guns in the pickup truck and the six men. Segura took a picture of the pickup truck as she implored the defendant to stop following the group, Feldman said. After the shooting, "Mr. Walker told [Segura] to delete that photo," which indicates consciousness of guilt,

Feldman said.

Walker's attorney, Randall Bethune of the Orange County Public Defender's Office, acknowledged his client could have stopped following the pickup truck, "But that is not the legal standard. That does not address the issue of whether he was justified."

Walker was the victim of a crime when the other truck hit his vehicle and he had a right to pursue someone leaving the scene of an accident, Bethune argued.

Bethune also said the driver, Gilberto Medina-Rivera, was driving drunk.

The group was dropping off Nieto-Millan, who lived where the pickup truck stopped, but that wasn't all they were doing, Bethune argued. Also, the defendant did not know Nieto-Millan lived at that address or why they were pulling over, Bethune said.

Millan-Pulido said in his victim impact statement that when they heard the gunfire, "We were scared and we did not know what was happening. The attacker went to the truck and started shooting everyone that was inside the truck."

He said he was hospitalized for a month and needed four months to recuperate.

Pulido-Nieto said he couldn't work for several months and struggled to provide for his family. He said he still has numbness in his fingers and continues to "live with the

trauma, havoc and fear of the incident every day."

Gilbert Medina-Rivera, the driver, said he had to return to work even though he did not feel well and eventually lost the pickup truck he was driving that night.

Rivera-Velasco's sister said her brother's "passion was playing soccer every Sunday and he would leave everything he was doing to go do something he liked. ... He was a unique person. Seeing him laugh and shout on the field and now it is pure sadness."

His parents "cry for their son" every day, she said.

"My mom is not the same person and she lives with great sadness," she said. "She has a big wound and cannot accept this. We don't have words to console her since that day."

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MARINA HIGH
School graduates throw up their caps during Marina High School's 2023 commencement ceremony at Boswell Field at Westminster High School on Thursday.



Photos by James Carbone

Marina's Class of 2023 proclaims triumph over pandemic challenges

Jayden Manisuba rode five hours with her family from Las Vegas to Boswell Field to see Anaya Togia receive her diploma from Marina High School on Thursday. Nothing would stop her from cheering on her graduat-

ing cousin, not even a well-ingained sense of manners. "Excuse me," she said as she tapped a man leaning on a fence in front of her on the shoulder. "That's my cousin coming up right there, and it's about to get really

loud. You might want to plug your ears or something. Sorry, I'm so sorry."

She, the graduate's sister Alanna Togia along with a pack of cousins, aunts and uncles erupted moments later, waving signs and shouting "Anaya!" at the top of their lungs. Their joy echoed across the field, causing their relative to cringe only slightly as a beaming smile took hold of her expression.

She was among 534 members of Marina's Class of 2023. They entered high school at the height of the pandemic, and had to adapt to distance learning and other unprecedented challenges, senior speaker Jake Lauper said.

"When no path was laid before us, we paved one," Lauper told his colleagues during Thursday's ceremony. "When no light was shining at the end of the tunnel, we lit one. When all odds were against us and when all seemed lost, we did not falter. We faced darkness and isolation, and we prevailed. Our proof is in our caps and gowns."

—Eric Licas



GRADUATE TRAY WALLACE holds up his diploma with enthusiasm during Marina High School's 2023 commencement ceremony.

Barons graduates ready for next fight after conquering high school

The grandstands inside the football stadium at Orange Coast College were packed from end to end, as family and friends left no seat untaken at the Fountain Valley High graduation ceremony.

Clad in blue and white caps and gowns, a senior class of 855 students prepared to cross the stage Wednesday.

"Remember Barons, it's not necessarily where you start," Principal Paul Lopez said. "It is where you finish. You will have a lot of opportunities come your way during your lifetime. The sky is the limit, so



TRINA TU NGUYEN waves to family as she walks into the 2023 Fountain Valley High graduation ceremony on Wednesday at Orange Coast College.

Photos by Don Leach | Staff Photographer

be ready. We look forward to watching you conquer the world after

graduation." Lopez then moved into honoring the school's distinguished scholars, graduates with honors, scholars with expertise, those who had earned the Seal of Bilitery, and various other distinguished groups.

Prior to the presentation of the Class of 2023, Benny Nguyen got up in front of his classmates and got his point across with a sour note. He drank lemon juice at the podium to say that additional ingredients are needed to make lemonade from lemons. In his metaphor for life, that included the "small

things." "These are the things that brought balance to the high school experience," Nguyen said. "So let's take a moment to appreciate what we accomplished today, and let's not lose sight of the little things, too. My fellow graduates, the lemons don't stop after today. In fact, maybe they'll come in bags. We get so caught up in the bad things in our life that we forget to see and appreciate the good things that we do have. So, when life gives you lemons, let's not forget the sugar and water."

—Andrew Turner



PROUD GRADUATES take the field during the 2023 Fountain Valley High graduation ceremony Wednesday.

FEES

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level buildings. These fees "target and capture that additional level of effort and time for reviewing and inspecting multistory build-

ings," said Gomez, and were proposed at a fee of \$455 for buildings greater than two stories. The two-story rule applies to buildings with floors above and below ground.

Fees are also expected to increase for emergency

medical services. Emergency transport fees will be bumped up 2%, and the paramedic subscription fee will rise by \$2 a month beginning in January 2024, raising the current cost of \$60 a year to \$84.

New police department

fees largely deal with the department's animal control arm. A reduced adoption fee for animals over 8 years of age was approved Tuesday to encourage the adoption of older animals to \$70 respectively.

Another fee, which deals with court-ordered animal inspections, will be instated to recoup costs of doing those inspections at a fee of \$155, along with a \$200 fee for voluntary turn-in of unaltered animals for the costs associated with spaying and neutering.

A fourth new fee was approved for licensing animals that have been declared "dangerous" by a court because of the increased cost of gathering and record-keeping on those animals. The fee adds \$248 to the base animal license fee.

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SHELTER

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specialists, therapists, tutors, a case manager and an outreach specialist.

"It takes a group of people to manage our house," Galeana said.

Shelley Callahan of the Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach was honored for her help with Waymakers fundraising events.

A Bible study group from First Christian Church Huntington Beach that, among other things, provides a meal on the last Tuesday of the month, was honored. So were seven individuals who also serve with Habitat for Humanity.

Long Beach resident Claudette Fabian is part of the latter group, which has helped with tasks like maintaining a garden on the property and rebuilding stairs on the back side of

the house for a water heater.

"During the pandemic, things were a little bit slower at Habitat, and we all wanted to stay busy," Fabian said. "They just kept calling us with projects, and we just kept doing projects. We all like building things, gardening. The women build as well as the men help garden; we just all work together."

She got emotional after mentioning her own family. "The first time I walked on this property I just felt safe," said Fabian, starting to tear up. "I have two kids. I thought, if my kids needed somewhere to be safe ... I see the way the staff is encouraging the young people to be outside, the way they have boundaries for them in a kind manner."

"It's a beautiful home."
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A GRADUATE gestures to the crowd during the commencement ceremony for Valley Vista High School on Thursday.

Valley Vista graduates turn tassels to the future

Valley Vista High families enjoyed a momentous afternoon Thursday, as 130 students turned their tassels to signify their status as graduates in an on-campus commencement ceremony.

Principal Jessie Marion announced each graduate's future educational and career goals as they crossed the stage.

Families and friends within the packed crowd erupted in applause upon hearing the names of those they had come to celebrate.

In her address to the graduates, Marion told the students that her favorite part of the year is her exit interviews with the seniors. A main takeaway from those meetings was the

resiliency of the Class of 2023.

"You are overcomers," Marion said. "You have grit and tenacity, and the fact that you are sitting on this stage today demonstrates your ability to fight for your dreams and accomplish your goals. And this quad is filled with the people who have invested in you and supported you in your journey. Let today be a memory that stays with you as a time in your life where you were able to defeat the odds and accomplish something great. Let today remind you that you are never alone."

Serena Truong and Nix Ortiz delivered the student speeches. Sabryna Rodriguez sang the national anthem.

—Andrew Turner



A VALLEY VISTA High School graduate is reflected in the glasses of Angel Dam, a mental health specialist, on Thursday.



THOMAS WOODBURY reacts after his name is called during the commencement ceremony for Valley Vista High School.

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MAILBAG

Readers get in line behind Apodaca on gun ownership

I read with great interest Patrice Apodaca's June 7 column, "We must find effective answers to gun violence" (Daily Pilot, June 11).

Part of what she wrote really hit home with me. "We're not safe. Not on the streets or in our workplaces; not at a mall or a party, a hair salon or a concert, a dance studio or a church or a theater."

In recent weeks, President Biden has said he's done everything he can to end gun violence, that it's up to Congress to come up with new, common-sense gun safety laws. Respectfully, I disagree.

The president needs to take a page out of Jimmy Carter's playbook and convene a gun summit at Camp David just like Carter did with Egypt's Anwar Sadat and Israel's Menachem Begin in 1978.

Back then, it took nearly two weeks to come up with a Middle East peace agreement. Today, with representatives from the National Rifle Assn., 2nd Amendment, law enforcement and grieving families in attendance, I'm guessing they could come up with three or four gun safety initiatives in a matter of days.

With those initiatives in place, everyone involved in the Camp David gun summit would agree to hold hands and lobby reluctant lawmakers in Congress to switch their no votes on new gun safety laws to yes.

I agree with Apodaca. "When a small but unduly powerful group of people cling to the logic-defying position that the answer to gun violence is more guns, we must acknowledge that this aspect of our culture has gone terribly wrong."

Denny Freidenrich Laguna Beach

The time for equivocation is long past for all of us. The Republican Party leaders are the main reason that regulation of firearms in any meaningful form does not happen. We cannot tiptoe around the issue and expect change to occur. Public pressure is the only weapon we seem to have to push Republican leaders from inaction to action. The polls up to this point have failed. Republicans, especially in red states, are still elected to Congress. Most media, whether hard news or opinion pieces, tend to soft-pedal around the issue. Patrice Apodaca is no exception. In her column, there are no refer-

ences to Republican leaders, including her closing sentence: "More anguish is certain if our leaders continue to fail."

It's bad enough that most Republicans use every media opportunity to bad-mouth the opposition, most often with half-truths and lies, and that some media promote a lie a minute, but even mainstream news doesn't communicate the hard truth: The Republican Party's control belongs to a twice-impeached man who lies incessantly, is twice-indicted on suspicion of felonies, and spends every waking moment dividing our country. These are truths voters need to vote Republican leaders out of office. Republican leaders are the main contributors to fostering public shooting galleries that Apodaca mentions.

Jim Hoover Huntington Beach

H.B. council's decisions draw criticism

Several letter writers, myself included, have railed against the authoritarian tendencies of the Huntington Beach City Council majority and concerns about transparency and ethics in their decision-making.

We have already seen a civic giveaway of \$7.4 million to Kevin Elliot, and his Code Four outfit (operator of the Pacific Airshow). Much of the settlement agreement flew under the radar, and the details are still under wraps (Ocean View School District vice president sues Huntington Beach over Pacific Airshow settlement, June 14).

Talk about lack of transparency! We only have the assertion of City Atty. Michael Gates that such confidentiality needs to be preserved. According to an article in Voice of OC, council members Dan Kalmick, Natalie Moser, and Rhonda Bolton think otherwise. Basically an untrustworthy conservative cabal is saying "Trust us!" on rampant cronyism. The citizenry should be more demanding of the facts. After all, it's our money.

Now comes the latest authoritarian insult to our civic democracy. An agenda item (No. 26) proposed by Councilman Pat Burns for the June 6 City Council meeting would allow Mayor Tony Strickland to form a charter review ad hoc council

committee for the purpose of making proposed charter revisions. This partisan power grab would include the appointment of two other council members of the mayor's choosing to collude with the city attorney in doubtlessly attacking our civic norms further.

As Councilwoman Bolton was quoted in the Voice of OC article about the air show deal, "It's part of this pattern of irresponsible decision-

making. You're going to see more of those because that's just how these guys roll." Now, we have seen more. It's amazing how much damage has already occurred in just the first six months of this right-wing

regime. Will the hard-won reputation of Surf City be further washed away in this reactionary riptide? It's time to raise the red flag at the lifeguard stand.

Tim Geddes Huntington Beach

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Scholars feted in event at Balboa Bay Club

A special evening unfolded in Newport Beach as gatherings across the Newport-Mesa community celebrated all manner of graduations from preschool to university. The culmination of the educational pursuit is a rite of passage precious in the mind's memory book for multi-generations. The celebration defines an element of the so-called American Dream.

identity, or gender. How is this possible?

Because graduation is all about hope. Hope for a life of substance, meaning, accomplishment and success for our children. Hope for the future of a more just and intelligent world. Hope for families coming together with joy representing sacrifice for a lofty goal achieved.

That one special grad event in Newport, among so many delivering hope, unfolded recently in the ballroom of the Balboa Bay Resort. The annual presen-

tation of college scholarship grants for exceptional students, selected to apply by their high school counselors at the four regional schools; Newport Harbor, Corona del Mar, Costa Mesa and Estancia rallied generations of local families.

Honorees joined parents, grandparents and siblings for a dinner reception and awards ceremony as the 2023 Balboa Bay Club "1221 Scholarships" were awarded to 24 young men and women at the doorstep of their individual future goals. In total, \$136,000 was granted this year, with total awards approaching \$2 million over some two decades of support from the Balboa Bay Club and its women's auxiliary known as the "1221 Club," named for the iconic club address on PCH.

"This private fund is among the largest in Newport Mesa," offered John Wortmann, chairman of the board of Governors for Balboa Bay Club and master of ceremonies for the presentation. He also serves on the "1221" scholarship judges selection

committee with Heather Dickerson, Catherine Thyen, Noel Hamilton, Char Armstrong, Michelle Barto and Leticia Rice, all doing extensive interviews with all candidates proposed by the local schools, then making the difficult final choices.

"Every student is beyond outstanding," Wortmann said. "Choosing one over another, near impossible. They are all winners."

The scholarships are granted in categories based on academic achievement, community leadership, athletic participation and financial need. Up first were the "1221 Scholarship" winners, each granted \$1,000. They were: **Jose Corona** (Estancia), **Natalie Valladolid** (Estancia), **Valerie Madrid** (Estancia), **Enrique Bacerra Estrada** (Estancia), **Elly Goan** (Estancia), **Anthony Contreras** (Estancia), **Aubree Jackson** (Costa Mesa), **Ava Pollock** (Costa Mesa), **Kyra Kirsch** (Costa Mesa), **Nolan Nguyen** (Costa Mesa), **Philam Yo** (Costa Mesa), **Jacob Fesili** (Costa Mesa), **Cyrus Ordoubasian** (Corona del Mar), **Savanna Stewart** (Newport Harbor),



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ESTANCIA HIGH Balboa Bay Club "1221" Scholarship award winners Enrique Estrada, Jose Corona, Anthony Contreras, Natalie Valladolid, Valerie Madrid and Elly Goan.



BALBOA BAY Club "1221" Scholarship award winners from Costa Mesa High School Nolan Nguyen, Philam Vo, Jacob Fesili, Ava Pollock, Aubree Jackson and Kyra Kirsch.



CORONA DEL MAR HIGH School Balboa Bay Club "1221" Scholarship award winners Cyrus Ordoubasian, Luca Fasulo, Dylan Jatwani, Marisa Bist, Hermila Sosa and Aashvi Bist, with CdM Principal Jacob Haley.



NEWPORT HARBOR Balboa Bay Club "1221" Scholarship winners Owen Bartlett, Cooper Hempstead, Romeo Moreno, Gia Ancone, Anna Reed and Savannah Stewart.

Anna Reed (Newport Harbor) and **Romeo Moreno** (Newport Harbor).

As the 16 scholars posed for the sea of cameras in the crowd, Wortmann said, "The grants tonight are not rewards. They are earned and deserved. Each one of these young people have displayed exemplary dedication to the pursuit of excellence in study, sports, community, family and self-awareness. We are proud to be able to honor this dedication."

The Governor's Scholarship Awards followed. These grants came with a \$10,000 check. Thanking the audience and sharing their college goals to come, **Cooper Hempstead** (Newport Harbor), **Aashvi Bist** (Corona del Mar), **Marisa Bist** (Corona del Mar) and **Dylan Jatwani** (Corona del Mar) all received their scholarships, addressing the crowd with gratitude. Science, math, and technology were the dominant career paths expressed by the grads. Arts and humanities are on the back burner for this generation.

Next category were the "Balboa Bay Club Scholarship" awards coming with \$20,000 grants. Receiving scholarships were **Hermila Aseret Sosa** (Corona del Mar) and **Luca Fasulo** (Corona del Mar).

Finally, the "Pinnacle Scholarship" Awards were presented to students excelling in both academics and athletics. These students were also granted \$20,000 awards. From Newport Harbor, **Gia Ancone** and **Owen Bartlett**, both accepting the honors and addressing the crowd extending gratitude and sharing their ambitions for the future.

A rousing standing ovation concluded the evening. Plenty of big hugs, a few tears and, above all, tons of hope. In the crowd joining the students and their families were local VIPs including Newport Beach Mayor **Noah Blom** addressing the audience with spirited and personal words of encouragement. O.C. Supervisor **Katrina Foley** sent congratulations and support. Major donors attending funding the grants and the endowment were **Devon Martin** and **Carole Pickup** along with generous support from **Kathy and Noel Hamilton**, **Mary Roosevelt**, **Robert and Clea Howard**, **Gary and Sharon Katsaris**, **Pamela Selber**, **Lisa Hallaian**, **Christina Nielson**, **Edith McCorker Toor**, **Juanita Herberger** and **Kim Smith**. Also attending were **J. Mark Larson**, **Nancy Green**, **Michael Granja**, **R.J. King**, **Cory Cosenza**, **Donna Martin**, **Patrick Gromley**, **Estel Hilton**, **Bridget Patten** and **Lisa Calderone Spierings**.

B.W. COOK is editor of the Bay Window, the official publication of the Balboa Bay Club in Newport Beach.


NEWPORT BEACH Mayor Noah Blom and John Wortmann, chairman of the board of governors at Balboa Bay Club.



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**CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
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ORDINANCE SUMMARY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 13, 2023, the City Council of the City of Newport Beach, California, adopted an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-8

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 17.25.020 (ANCHORAGE, BERTHING AND MOORING REGULATIONS) AND 17.60.040 (MOORING PERMITS) OF THE NEWPORT BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE

The Ordinance amends Newport Beach Municipal Code Sections 17.25.020 (Anchorage, Berthing and Mooring Regulations) and 17.60.040 (Mooring Permits) to improve navigation safety and optimize space within Mooring Field "C". The amendments do not change or affect the transferability of mooring permits existing as of the effective date of the ordinance.

This Ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Newport Beach, California, at a regular meeting thereof on the 13th day of June, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Noah Blom, Mayor Pro Tem Will O'Neill, Council Member Brad Avery, Council Member Robyn Grant, Council Member Lauren Kleiman, Council Member Joe Stapleton, Council Member Erik Weigand


NAYS: None

The Ordinance shall become final and effective thirty (30) days after adoption.

Dated this 14th day of June, 2023.

/s/ Leilani I. Brown, City Clerk, City of Newport Beach

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**CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
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ORDINANCE SUMMARY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 13, 2023, the City Council of the City of Newport Beach, California, introduced an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-7

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING NEWPORT BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3.36.030 RELATED TO COST RECOVERY PERCENTAGES

The Ordinance would amend Newport Beach Municipal Code Section 3.36.030 (Cost Recovery Percentages) to update the percentage of cost recovery from a default of 100% to a percent defined for each service, to ensure compliance with the law, consistency with current practices, and the maintenance of a high level of customer service.

This Ordinance was introduced by the City Council of the City of Newport Beach, California, at a regular meeting thereof on the 13th day of June, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Noah Blom, Mayor Pro Tem Will O'Neill, Council Member Brad Avery, Council Member Robyn Grant, Council Member Lauren Kleiman, Council Member Joe Stapleton, Council Member Erik Weigand


NAYS: None

Second reading of Ordinance No. 2023-7 will occur at the June 27, 2023 City Council meeting. If adopted on June 27, 2023, the Ordinance shall become final and effective thirty (30) days after adoption.

Dated this 14th day of June, 2023.

/s/ Leilani I. Brown, City Clerk, City of Newport Beach

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ORDINANCE NO. 2023-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 20 (PLANNING AND ZONING) OF THE NEWPORT BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH THE SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD (VE) OVERLAY DISTRICT (PA2018-075)

The Ordinance would amend Newport Beach Municipal Code Title 20 (Planning and Zoning) to establish a new Special Flood Hazard (VE) Overlay District. The VE Overlay District would modify design standards for new residential development for properties designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as being in the VE Special Flood Hazard Area (VE Zone).

This Ordinance was introduced by the City Council of the City of Newport Beach, California, at a regular meeting thereof on the 13th day of June, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Noah Blom, Mayor Pro Tem Will O'Neill, Council Member Brad Avery, Council Member Robyn Grant, Council Member Lauren Kleiman, Council Member Joe Stapleton, Council Member Erik Weigand

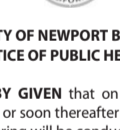
NAYS: None

Second reading of Ordinance No. 2023-10 will occur at the June 27, 2023 City Council meeting. If adopted on June 27, 2023, the Ordinance shall become final and effective thirty (30) days after adoption.

Dated this 14th day of June, 2023.

/s/ Leilani I. Brown, City Clerk, City of Newport Beach

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**CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Thursday, June 29, 2023, at 1:45 p.m.** or soon thereafter as the matter shall be heard, a public hearing will be conducted in the Corona del Mar Conference Room (Bay E-1st Floor) at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach. The Hearing Officer of the City of Newport Beach will consider the following application:

313 Fullerton Ave – Request for an extension of a three-year construction limit for **Building Permit No. X2019-0148** and related permits outlined in Newport Beach Municipal Code (NBMC) Section 15.02.095 (Administrative Code - Addition of Sections 105.3.3, 105.3.4, and 105.3.5). The scope of work for the permit is to CONVERT 816 SF GARAGE TO HABITABLE SPACE TO CREATE 1,486 SF ACCESSORY DWELLING. The applicant intends to request an extension until December 15, 2023, to complete the construction.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 under Class 1 (Existing Facilities) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

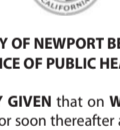
All interested parties may appear and present testimony regarding this application. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City, at, or before, the public hearing. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapter 20.64 (Appeals). The application may be continued to a specific future meeting date; if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be provided.

The agenda, staff report, and corresponding documents will be available by end of business day on the Friday preceding the public hearing and may be reviewed at the Community Development Department Permit Center (Bay C-1st Floor), at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660 or the City of Newport Beach website at www.newportbeachca.gov/hearingofficer. Individuals not able to attend the meeting may contact the Planning Division or access the City's website after the meeting to review the action on this application. All mail or written communications (including email) from the public, residents, or applicants regarding an agenda item must be submitted by 12:00 p.m. on the business day immediately before the meeting. This allows time for the Hearing Officer to adequately consider the submitted correspondence.

For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Debi Schank, at 949-644-3284, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Permit No.: X2019-0148
Activity: Three-Year Construction Limit Extension
Zone: R-1 (Single-Unit Residential)
General Plan: RS-D (Single Unit Residential Detached)
Applicant: Guy Harden

Legal Notices



**CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.** or soon thereafter as the matter shall be heard, a public hearing will be conducted in the Corona del Mar Conference Room (Bay E-1st Floor) at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach. The Hearing Officer of the City of Newport Beach will consider the following application:

1119 Dolphin Terrace– Request for an extension of a three-year construction limit for **Building Permit No. X2019-1576, X2022-1551** and related permits outlined in Newport Beach Municipal Code (NBMC) Section 15.02.095 (Administrative Code - Addition of Sections 105.3.3, 105.3.4, and 105.3.5). The scope of work for the permit NEW 9,476 SQ. FT. SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING AND BASEMENT WITH ATTACHED 835 SQ. FT. GARAGE. The applicant intends to request an extension until 12/31/2023, to complete the construction.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 under Class 1 (Existing Facilities) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

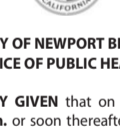
All interested parties may appear and present testimony regarding this application. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City, at, or before, the public hearing. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapter 20.64 (Appeals). The application may be continued to a specific future meeting date; if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be provided.

The agenda, staff report, and corresponding documents will be available by end of business day on the Friday preceding the public hearing and may be reviewed at the Community Development Department Permit Center (Bay C-1st Floor), at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660 or the City of Newport Beach website at www.newportbeachca.gov/hearingofficer. Individuals not able to attend the meeting may contact the Planning Division or access the City's website after the meeting to review the action on this application. All mail or written communications (including email) from the public, residents, or applicants regarding an agenda item must be submitted by 12:00 p.m. on the business day immediately before the meeting. This allows time for the Hearing Officer to adequately consider the submitted correspondence.

For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Debi Schank, at 949-644-3284, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Permit No.: X2019-1576, X2022-1551
Activity: Three-Year Construction Limit Extension
Zone: R-1 (Single-Unit Residential)
General Plan: RS-D (Single Unit Residential Detached)
Applicant: Narendra Gupta

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**CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Thursday, June 29, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.** or soon thereafter as the matter shall be heard, a public hearing will be conducted online via Zoom. The Zoning Administrator of the City of Newport Beach will consider the following application:

Mercado Taco Shop – An amendment to a minor use permit for an existing eating and drinking establishment to allow a Type 47 (On-Sale General – Eating Place) Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) License and to increase the hours of operation. No late hours (i.e., after 11 p.m.), live entertainment, or dancing is proposed. If approved, this Minor Use Permit would supersede Use Permit No. UP2010-014.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 – Class 1 (Existing Facilities) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

All interested parties may appear and present testimony regarding this application. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City, at, or before, the public hearing. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapter 20.64. The application may be continued to a specific future meeting date; if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be provided.

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For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Jenny Tran, Assistant Planner at 949-644-3212 or jtran@newportbeachca.gov, 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2022-0243
Activity: Minor Use Permit
Zone: MU-W2 (Mixed-Use Water)
General Plan: MU-W2 (Mixed-Use Water 2)
Applicant: El Mercado Modern Cuisine, LLC dba Mercado Taco Shop

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