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Susan Hoffman

249 FLAGS were installed on the grass at Newport Beach Civic Center for Flag Day on Friday.

ven as anti-Trump protesters across the nation participate in "No Kings" demonstrations Saturday, including several such gatherings in Orange County to counter the military parade the president has called for in Washington, D.C., a couple of traditional local Flag Day ceremonies are planned.

The occasion will be marked in Newport Beach on Saturday, with a community Flag Day event hosted by Sara Weber, a member of the City Council, to celebrate the 250th birthday of the U.S.

The event, which starts at 11:30 a.m. and runs until noon, will feature 250 U.S. flags that were installed Thursday on the Newport Beach Civic Center lawn.

Newport Beach resident Keira Wilkes will sing the national anthem, the presentation of colors will be led by Commander Brian Fleming of American Legion Newport Harbor Post 291 and the flag-folding ceremony will be overseen by Orange County Boy

Assemblywoman Diane Dixon

Flag Day salutes to mark Army's 250th birthday in Newport Beach, Dana Point

While "No Kings" protests are planned across the U.S. Saturday to counter President Trump's military parade in Washington D.C., some more traditional Flag Day events will be held in Orange County.

(R-Newport Beach) will address those gathered for the event. Following her remarks, Weber will introduce veteran Angelo Pasciuti.

Parking is available adjacent to the Newport Beach Civic Center, 100 Civic Center Drive, in the parking structure.

Farther south along the coastline, Baby Beach in Dana Point will be the venue for O.C. Supervisor Katrina Foley's annual Flag Day festivities, also on Saturday and also featuring 250 American

This ceremony is to honor of all military personnel, firefighters, police officers, medical personnel, and other first responders, according to organizers.

Hours are 2 to 4 p.m. The ceremony will be led by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9934. Baby Beach is located at 34451 Ensenada Place.

"No Kings" demonstrations are also planned to take place along the coast, from Seal Beach to Dana Point, according to organizers, including one in Newport

— Daily Pilot Staff

Costa Mesa offers Latinos assurances amid ICE activity

Costa Mesa officials assured residents police will not enforce immigration laws, a far cry from earlier stances.

BY SARA CARDINE

As federal immigration enforcement efforts ramp up throughout Orange County, officials in Costa Mesa, where Latinos comprise nearly 36% of the population, this week reassured residents the city's police department would not enforce immigration laws or investigate residents' legal status.

In a community message issued Tuesday on behalf of Mayor John Stephens and Mayor Pro Tem Manuel Chavez, leaders reaffirmed the city's commitment to the safety of all residents.

"We stand firmly by our core values of inclusivity and compassion for all members of our diverse community," read the statement, which promised safe harbor to peaceful protesters while offering a warning to those who might use a demonstration to justify acts of violence, vandalism or property damage.

The Costa Mesa Police Department cannot and will not enforce immigration laws nor investigate immigration status," the missive continued. "If there is a crime that needs to be reported, or if you are in need of officer assistance, our police department is here for you, regardless of immigration status - do not hesitate to call for help."

The proclamation comes amid reports this week of enhanced ICE

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Ozomatli celebrates 30 years, returns to F.V.

The genre-defying band kicks off the OC Parks **Summer Concert Series** at Mile Square Park.

BY MATT SZABO

Angeles-based band Los Ozomatli is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, and those in Orange County have not one, but two chances to see the eclectic, multi-genre act perform.

Ozomatli will be playing a free concert at Mile Square Park in Fountain Valley on Thursday at 6 p.m., kicking off the OC Parks Summer Concert Series.

Ulises Bella, who plays saxophone and provides vocals, is one of six founding members that is still at it three decades later.

"It's a trip," Bella said in an interview with the Daily Pilot. "When we were younger, when we were kids, none of us thought

that this was going to last that long. When you're younger, you're thinking maybe the band would last a couple of years, maybe it would last 10 years. Now we're at 30, and it's incredible. It's a testament to the chemistry of the members of the band, and our commitment to the music and to ourselves as a group."

The band will return to Orange County on Aug. 3 for an OC Fair show at the Pacific Amphitheatre in Costa Mesa, along with X and Los Lobos.

The shows are part of Ozomatli's "30 Revolutions" tour. A hometown anniversary show was scheduled for Saturday night at the California Plaza in downtown L.A., but Bella said it has been postponed due to the curfew and ICE raids in the city.

Bella said Ozomatli, a band whose origins are steeped in ac-

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Courtesy of Pretend City Museum

GIRL SCOUT Ellen Townsend, 17, greets visitors at a Pretend City special summer exhibit the Youth Board and Girl Scouts organized to educate youth about mental health and healthy habits in 2024.

INSIDE: CLASS OF 2025 GRADUATIONS

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GRADUATE ADAM KIRKORN crowd surfs during a dance circle at the 2025 Edison High commencement ceremony on Thursday.

Pretend City Museum program helps build future leaders

Pretend City's Youth Leadership Board contributes to the community while learning skills for the future. The museum will break ground in July on a larger,

permanent home at Irvine's Great Park.

BY JESSICA PERALTA

Clara Cestone had two graduations this year - from Santa Margarita Catholic High School in Rancho Santa Margarita and from Pretend City's Youth Leadership Board, where she served as president. And now she heads to Stanford University in the fall.

"I definitely lacked a lot of leadership, public speaking and technical skills," Cestone said about what she learned while leading the group. "I can send an amazing chain of emails now. I didn't even have the confidence to write my name on a paper and send it to someone before the Youth Board.

"It definitely transformed me from your more introverted personality to an extrovert, which I think is always great."

Founded in 2009 as part of Pretend City Children's Museum in Irvine, the Youth Leadership

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Class of 2025

HUNTINGTON BEACH HIGH

Jessica Flores was a dedicated member of the Huntington Beach Academy for the Performing Arts, multi-sport scholar athlete and more.

But more than individual accomplishments, the Huntington Beach High Class of 2025 graduate recognized the power of the Oilers family in more tangible ways.

"I've come to realize that everyone has their own story," Flores said Wednesday during her student speech at the Huntington Beach High commencement ceremony. "We all go through hardships and successes. I personally lost someone very important to me one year ago, my dad, and it was by the love from teachers and friends on this campus and God who helped carry me through it.'

Huntington Beach celebrated its graduating seniors during the ceremony at 'Cap' Sheue Field, with 686 seniors turning their ating class.

Flores gave her senior speech as a duet with Kai Wong. Another talented senior, Laurel Brookhyser, sang the national anthem. Earlier this year, Brookhyser was named Miss Fountain Valley Teen.

Huntington Beach ASB President Emma Trepina served as the master of ceremonies. Four members of the APA Music, Media and Entertainment Technology (MMET) program — Storm Anderson, Owen Mitchell, Jake Young and Talan Carthey — entertained their fellow graduates and the crowd with a rendition of Journey's "Don't Stop Believing."

Huntington Beach Principal Brenna Orr echoed Flores' thoughts about relying on each other for strength, presenting the class for graduation to be accepted by district Board of Trustees member Duane

- Daily Pilot Staff



James Carbone

GRADUATES JUMP for joy and cheer for their fellow graduates as they receive diplomas.



Don Leach / Staff Photographer

GRADUATES DANCE and sing to the senior song "Revival" during commencement.

EDISON HIGH

The graduates of Edison High School gathered in the corner of 'Cap' Sheue Field on Thursday afternoon to vibe to music.

An Edison High musical group comprised of Saxon Baltzer, Ava Coggins, Kayla Do, Koa Hord, Sam Johnson and Nathan Lopez performed "Revival," by Zach Bry-

The song definitely encourages dancing, so the Chargers got one last dance in together before heading out into the world as the Class of 2025. Edison graduated 430 students during the ceremony.

Edison ASB President Ben Berger shared remarks with the crowd.

"As difficult as the low points or the notso-fun times of high school were, I can say I wouldn't trade them for the world," Berger said. "Seating charts that placed me farther from my friends brought me closer to new ones. My time spent riding the bench on [the] baseball [team] may not

have been so fun, but I grew my friendships and character through those inactive innings."

Tobias Robertson and Kyle Huang were the other student speakers for Edison, while the Edison choir performed the national anthem.

Edison Principal Danny Morris honored the magna cum laude and summa cum laude graduates, who were wearing gold gowns, as well as eight who will be enlisting in the military following graduation.

Thank you to all in the stands for being here today, one last time before it's time to go," Morris said. "Thank you for the early mornings, the late nights, the pep talks and even the tough love. Graduates, they have been your ride-or-die squad since day one, and no matter how far you go from here, they'll always be your home

- Daily Pilot Staff

OCEAN VIEW HIGH

Ocean View High School Principal Robert Rasmussen, in his fourth year in charge, knows that the Class of 2025 is the first that he's seen through an entire high school career.

"Every graduating class is special to me," Rasmussen said last August, on the first day of the school year. "Being able to watch them grow and mature throughout those high school years is one of the reasons I became a teacher."

The Seahawks' Class of 2025 flew the coop, so to speak, on Wednesday.

Ocean View, the smallest of the six comprehensive high schools in the Huntington Beach Union High School District, definitely has no shortage of school pride with

its slogan, "You can't spell 'love' without

Ocean View celebrated its 291 graduates on an on-campus commencement cere-

Mayra Chavez Casillas addressed her peers with a speech as the senior class president, while Gabrielle Singer and Santiago Valle also gave speeches as senior senate representatives.

Angelina Bado, Matthew Bonilla, Brian Bui and Jacssiry Munoz were the Seahawks' other four senior graduation speakers. Tyler Babikian played the national anthem, while Dulce Rabano sang the alma mater.



Courtesy of Huntington Beach Union High School District

— Daily Pilot Staff AN OCEAN VIEW graduate poses with Principal Rob Rasmussen during commencement.

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PRETEND

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Board — Youth Board, for short — is an advisory and leadership board made up of middle and high school students looking to develop as leaders and contribute to the community, according to Kevin Hoang, volunteer coordinator for Pretend

"Through the Youth Board, Pretend City aims to mentor and give a platform and resources to a group of talented and passionate young adults, connecting them to a group of their peers and to our museum resources to empower them to pursue projects and programs to give back to the community while also cultivating and developing their own skills," he said.

The Youth Board meets regularly in person and members collaborate remotely to brainstorm and coordinate their projects. Students meet at least once a month in person for workshops and meetings.

"It was developed to extend the educational reach and mission of Pretend City," Hoang said. "Although Pretend City is an organization focused on early childhood education, we saw very early on an opportunity to expand the reach of the museum to be able to mentor and give a platform to talented and passionate young adults."

Hoang said they actually have current members of

the Youth Board who attended Pretend City as small children and then returned as young teenagers as museum volunteers before applying to the Youth Board. Students apply in the spring — about a dozen are selected from a larger pool. There were more than 60 applicants for the 2024-25 session.

"They put on professional and life-skill workshops for each other, entirely peer-led, where they mentor and develop each other with important life skills such as conflict resolution, communication skills, networking, job applications and mental health," Hoang said. "After each monthly workshop, they then transition into collaboration and work on their various projects, all of which are pitched by board members in formal proposals, which are then reviewed and approved by Pretend City executive leadership before the board begins working on them. These projects are determined purely by the passions and the interests of the board, so they can vary

wildly year to year." During the most recent Youth Board session, students worked on a voter registration and Get Out the Vote program in the fall to help educate young adults about the importance of American democracy, voting and how to register as a

They also developed educational resources to teach



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Courtesy of Pretend City Museum

A MEMBER of Pretend City Museum's Youth Leadership Board in 2019 greets a child during an event.

children about democracies and elections, then sent them to local elementary schools and afterschool programs to help local educators during the election season.

"During the spring, in response to the California wildfires, the Youth Board ran fundraisers to raise funds to assemble mentalhealth baskets and activities for local young children, which they then distributed to local youth centers and programs," Hoang

In previous years, the Youth Board has run events at Pretend City to promote STEM education, arts and music, mental wellness and family communication.

Cestone said that in the second semester of her junior year, she helped organize a coding education event for children in the community as one of her

"I am the president and founder of a coding club at my school. It's called Coding Networks, and my best friend and I got together and we brought a bunch of volunteers to teach coding to kids in our community," Cestone said. "We partnered with the Youth Board and the museum and we put up a little activity table and we ran our computers and we taught them Scratch, which is a more elementary programming language, which teaches younger kids."

Ella Townsend, of Yorba Linda, outgoing vice president of the Youth Board, is attending Harvard University in the fall.

"Working with young across Orange people County has exposed me to a variety of perspectives and leadership styles, but it also developed communi-

cation skills across a variety of mediums — both online and in-person - that improved my soft skills,' Townsend said. "My favorite memory at Pretend City was implementing my Girl Scout Gold Award project. Because of my connection to the Youth Board, I had the opportunity over the summer to teach coping mechanisms to preschool students, and eventually, this led to expanding the project to reaching refugees. Ultimately, this was my first introduction to leveraging connections and networks to achieve specific objectives."

Townsend said being part of the Youth Board allows students to learn all facets of how an organization runs -

including financial planning, developing projects and partnering with other organizations.

"From my experience, I have always loved our fundraising activities,' Townsend said. "The Youth Board ran a Noon Year's basket event (held midday on New Year's Eve), which required speaking to local business owners to receive donations, setting revenue goals and pitching to potential raffle ticket customers. I also had the opportunity to converse with museum donors at their annual gala, which was incredibly eye-opening.'

She said these experiences piqued her interest in potentially pursuing a future in entrepreneurship.

Chloe Wong, who attends Arnold O. Beckman High School in Irvine, is incoming president of the Youth Board.

"I was originally a regular museum floor volunteer at Pretend City in middle school, and after volunteering there for about a year, I discovered the Youth Board — a way to expand my impact at the museum I'd loved in my childhood and as a volunteer," Wong said. "I joined the board when I was in eighth grade in 2022. Throughout my time as a member, I've grown as a leader, whether it be by walking around the Irvine Spectrum and asking stores for donations, or by learning to collaborate with various personalities and acbusy schedules."

Wong said these experiences pushed her out of her comfort zone.

"As incoming president, I plan to continue pursuing community outreach projects that make education more accessible to children of all backgrounds," she

Pretend City is currently in the process of building a new, larger permanent home at the Great Park in Irvine that will increase the space from 28,000 square feet to 72,000 square feet, including 20,000 square feet of outdoor learning space, according to Executive Director Ellen Pais. They break ground in July with plans to open in early

MESSAGE

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sightings and activity in the neighboring cities of Santa Ana and Fountain Valley, where individuals have been reportedly detained by agents in the course of normal daily activities, including at job sites.

"The impetus [for the message] was a palpable fear we were sensing in the community from our Latino residents, so our intention was to alleviate some of the concerns," said

Chavez, who represents the predominantly Latino 4th Council District on the city's west side.

"It was really important for us to remind folks CMPD supports everyone in the community — it's so vital for me that my residents feel comfortable calling CMPD if anything happens."

Tuesday's message is a far cry from Costa Mesa's earlier stances on immigration enforcement and the role local police officers should play in reporting and tracking residents' legal status.

The federal government in 2006 agreed to assign a full-time immigration agent to work inside Costa Mesa's jail so the residency of detainees could be verified. Prior to that, such verification was undertaken by the Orange County Sheriff's Department but was not common at the city level.

Over the next four years, nearly 1,300 individuals processed through the jail would be identified as undocumented immigrants, according to city records, although it is unknown how many were processed or deported at the federal lev-

The move was championed by then-Mayor Allan Mansoor, a vocal anti-immigrant activist, who was still on the council in 2010, when a conservative-led, five-member council voted to declare Costa Mesa a 'rule of law' city.

Resolution No. 10-27 pledged the city would support federal immigration enforcement through the adoption of local measures and would not be a sanctuary to those who violated immigration laws.

Mayor Pro Tem Chavez in an interview Thursday recalled being 15 at the time the declaration was made. The anti-Latino sentiment in the community was thinly veiled and families were reluctant to contact the police at the time.

"There was a lot of rhetoric. You knew it was there and you couldn't hide from it," he said. "For me, the perception of my community and what we felt was there was no need to call the police. That's how I grew up."

Chavez was 22 years old in 2018, when a group of residents and officials rallied for the city to officially oppose Senate Bill 54, a "sanctuary state" law that provided expanded protection for undocumented immigrants.

He translated the public comment of a Spanishspeaking resident who wished to share her concerns with the council and later that year ran for a seat on the newly districted council and won with nearly 61% of the vote.

"It was at that moment I

felt the need to step up for residents in my community, who are here working and following the rules and following the law but just happen to be undocumented," the mayor pro tem said. "They just want the American dream, to have a roof over their heads, food on the table, a good job and good education for their

children." Roberto Herrera is a leadership development director for Resilience Orange County, a nonprofit social justice group that aims to build leadership and representation in local communities of color. Since 2022. the group has created the neighborhood initiative Costa Mesa Unidos to focus, in part, on tenant protections.

He said a series of public arrests earlier this year involving Homeland Security agents in Costa Mesa, even if not directly related to immigration enforcement, have raised concerns about an increased federal presence in town.

"I was working with city council members to verify if [activity] involved CMPD," Herrera said. "I think this initial effort was to blanket all those in the immigrant community as criminals."

While advocates appreciate Costa Mesa officials' efforts to reassure the immigrant community of their inclusion and protection, Herrera suggested the city might take a page from Santa Ana, and support a legal defense fund for detained residents.

"Right now, this message to the public is helpful, but I believe the city can do more," he said.

"People are being detained and deported, so legal services are what's needed right now."

Costa Mesa police officials declined requests for an interview on the department's history of immigration enforcement and policing in years past, but spokesperson Roxi Fyad on Thursday affirmed this week's message in a separate comment.

"We, as a local police department in California, cannot and will not enforce immigration laws nor investigate immigration status. We are here to protect and serve our community," she said.

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By the Mepham Group

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NOTICE OF VACANCIES

The City of Newport Beach is currently accepting applications to fill five vacancies on the *Aviation Committee*

• Citizen Members

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 (Appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the City Council. One member shall be a resident of Newport Coast, provided that an eligible resident from Newport Coast submits an application for appointment to the Committee.)

Two citizen appointed members shall have an initial term of two (2) years and shall be eligible for reappointment for two (2) additional four (4) year terms. Up to three (3) citizen appointee members shall have an initial term of four (4) years and shall be eligible for appointment to one (1) additional four (4) year term.

The Aviation Committee meets quarterly, on a calendar year basis, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach.

An application can be obtained from the City Clerk's Office at 100 Civic Center Drive, or can be sent to you by calling 949-644-3005. The application and Committee information can be accessed through the City's website at www.newportbeachca.gov/vacancy.

Applications will be accepted until Thursday, July 3, 2025, or until the position is filled. For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 949-644-3005.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING MESA WATER DISTRICT
AUTHORIZING COLLECTION OF
EXISTING MESA WATER
CAPITAL CHARGES FOR

FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE ORANGE COUNTY TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR AND AVAILABILITY OF SECRETARY'S

REPORT FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2025-26
Hearing Date:
Wednesday, June 25, 2025
4:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as
the matter may be heard
Mesa Water District
Boardroom
1965 Placentia Avenue
Costa Mesa, CA 92627

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 5473.1, that the Board of Directors (Board) of Mesa Water District (Mesa Water) shall conduct a public hearing to receive public comments and protests with respect to the proposed method of collecting the Mesa Water annual Capital Charges for Fiscal Year 2025-26 through the Orange County property tax roll collection process.

The Mesa Water Capital Charge(s) proposed to be collected by way of the Orange County property tax roll collection process are described in the Secretary's Report (defined below) which is available for public review at

https://www.mesawater.org/rates-study.

The General Manager has filed with the District Secretary a written report (Secretary's Report) containing a description of each and every parcel of real property against which the Capital Charge is to be collected by way of the County property tax roll. The Secretary's Report contains the amount of the Capital Charges for each parcel for the forthcoming fiscal year, computed in conformity for such Capital Charges as prescribed by the 2023 Mesa Water - Potable and Recycled Water Cost-of-Service and

Rate Study Report. **How You Can Participate**

Contact Mesa Water for more information or to ask questions: Call 949.631.1205 or email info@MesaWater.org.

Attend the Public Hearing: Mesa Water's Board will consider the proposal to collect the Capital Charges through the Office of the Orange County Treasurer-Tax Collector at the public hearing referenced above. This hearing will include the opportunity for the public to provide comments and submit written protests to such proposal.

Written Protest(s): Any owner of a parcel of real property subject to the Mesa Water Capital Charge may object to having this charge collected through the County property tax bill system by filing with the District Secretary a written protest containing a legible signature of the property owner and identifying the parcel by address or assessor's parcel number. Written protests must be received no later than the conclusion of the public hearing on June 25, 2025. Written protests may be submitted during the public hearing or can be mailed or handdelivered to: Denise Khalifa, Mesa Water District Secretary, 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627 (Please call Denise Khalifa at 949.631.1205, in advance, if hand-delivering.). Protests presented to, or received by Mesa Water after this date and time will not be considered or counted. A postmark date is NOT acceptable. To be considered valid, each written protest must identify the affected property (either by assessor's parcel number or street address), indicate the protest to the Capital Charge collection through the Office of the Orange County Treasurer-Tax Collector, and include the printed name and signature of the record property owner or tenant, as applicable. Only one protest per parcel or street address will be counted. Comments made by phone, fax, email, instant message, text, social media, MesaWater.org, or through other electronic means, will NOT be accepted or counted by Mesa Water as formal written protests. All protests are subject to Mesa Water's current policies.

Following the conclusion of such public hearing, the Board may take action to accept the Secretary's Report for Fiscal Year 2025-26 and to thereupon authorize and direct the collection of such Capital Charges through the Orange County property tax roll process. If written protests are submitted by a majority of the owners of affected properties, the Capital Charges will not be imposed through the Orange County property tax roll process. If the Board takes such action, the Capital Charges so collected would constitute a lien on the affected property(ies) pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 5473.5

Safety Code Section 5473.5. Published Daily Pilot June 7 and 14, 2025. **Legal Notices**

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CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE SUMMARY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 10, 2025, the City Council of the City of Newport Beach, California, introduced an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-9

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 12.70 (PROHIBITION ON ATTENDING STREET RACES AND RECKLESS DRIVING EXHIBITIONS) TO TITLE 12 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) OF THE NEWPORT BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE

The Ordinance would prohibit spectators from being present at street races and reckless driving exhibitions conducted on a public street, road or highway or in an off-street parking facility in Newport Beach.

This Ordinance was introduced by the City Council of the City of Newport Beach, California, at a regular meeting thereof on the 10th day of June, 2025, by the following vote:

YES: Mayor Joe Stapleton, Mayor Pro Tem Lauren Kleiman, Councilmember Michelle Barto, Councilmember Noah Blom, Councilmember Robyn Grant, Councilmember Sara J. Weber

NAYS: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Erik Weigand

Second reading of Ordinance No. 2025-9 will occur at the June 24, 2025 City Council meeting. If adopted on June 24, 2025, the Ordinance shall become final and effective 30 days after adoption.

/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 26, 2025, 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:

Alvarado Residence – A request for a coastal development permit (CDP) to allow the demolition of an existing single-unit dwelling and construction of a two-story 5,025-square-foot single-unit dwelling with an attached 701-square-foot three-car garage. The project also includes the installation of landscaping, hardscaping, and site walls. The project complies with all applicable development standards and no deviations are requested. The CDP authorizes improvements within private property including some portions within the public right of way, such as the front yard and driveway.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15303 – 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 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 or before the public hearing. 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. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapter 21.64 (Appeals). 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

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For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Laura Rodriguez, Assistant Planner, at lrodriguez@newportbeachca.gov or at 949-644-3216, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2025-0034

Activity: Coastal Development Permit

Zone: Single-Unit Residential (R-1-6000)

General Plan: dential Single Unit Residential Detached (RS-D)

Coastal Land Use Plan: Single Unit Residential

Filing Date: February 25, 2025

(0.0 - 5.9 DU/AC) (RSD-A) **Location:**127 Shorecliff Road

Applicant: Eric Olsen

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CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE SUMMARY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 10, 2025, the City Council of the City of Newport Beach, California, introduced an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 20.28.050 (HOUSING OPPORTUNITY (HO) OVERLAY ZONING DISTRICTS) IN TITLE 20 (PLANNING AND ZONING) OF THE NEWPORT BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HOUSING ELEMENT

The Ordinance would adjust the height limitations of certain properties within the Newport Center Area (HO-4) to accommodate potential residential development with the intended prescribed density range, and to identify a certain number of units being allocated from the respective development limits for a selected group of City-owned properties located within Airport Area Environs Area (HO-1) and Newport Center Area (HO-4).

This Ordinance was introduced by the City Council of the City of Newport Beach, California, at a regular meeting thereof on the 10th day of June, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Joe Stapleton, Mayor Pro Tem Lauren Kleiman, Councilmember Michelle Barto, Councilmember Noah Blom, Councilmember Robyn Grant, Councilmember Sara J. Weber

ABSENT: Councilmember Erik Weigand

Second reading of Ordinance No. 2025-10 will occur at the June 24, 2025 City Council meeting. If adopted on June 24, 2025, the Ordinance shall become final and effective 30 days after adoption.

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

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Christian Residential Condominiums - A tentative parcel map and coastal development permit for two-unit condominium purposes. A single-unit dwelling has been demolished to allow for a new 4,218-square-foot duplex with 999-square-feet of garage space that is currently under construction. No waivers of Title 19 (Subdivisions) are proposed. The tentative parcel map will allow each unit to be sold individually. A coastal development permit is required because this property is in the coastal zone.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15315 under Class 15 (Minor Land Divisions) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

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For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Cameron Younger, Planning Technician, at cyounger@newportbeachca.gov, (949) 644-3228, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2025-0086 Activity No.: Tentative Parcel Map and Coastal Development Permit

Zone: Two-Unit Residential

Location:

3601 Lake Avenue

General Plan: Two Unit Residential (RT)

Coastal Land Use Plan: Filing Date: Two Unit Residential (RT-E 30.0-39.9 DU/AC) May 28, 2025

Applicant:Matthew Watson





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LOS ANGELES-based band Ozomatli turns 30 this year.

OZOMATLI

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tivism, instead plans to perform at "No Kings" demonstrations planned for Saturday.

"That's going to be Plan B," he said. "I think [the

raids are] pure political theater. The worst kind, too, because the people who are suffering are working class people."

Three decades in, Ozomatli also still features founding members Asdru

Ozomatli also still features founding members Asdru Sierra on vocals and trumpet, Raul Pacheco on vocals and guitars, Wil-Dog Abers on bass, Jiro Yamaguchi on percussion and Justin Poree on vocals and percussion.

The group has won three Grammy Awards, including a Latin Grammy, and is unique in the way it blends Latin, hip-hop, reggae, funk music and more.

"All of us grew up with all kinds of different music growing up, and it's this blend of those different kinds of music that make up the gumbo of what Ozomatli's sound is," Bella said. "I will say that the scope of the influences from where we've started to where we are now has grown over the years. We

used L.A. as our foundation, and traveling around the country, you go to places like Chicago and New Orleans, cities with very important musical traditions, [Washington] D.C., New York.

"Then we go all around the world, and we're able to soak up some of those obscure references and obscure music styles," Bella said. "It's expanded our whole musical horizon."

Admission and parking are both free for Thursday's show at Mile Square Park, with attendees welcome to save their spot on the grass for the concert and enjoy food trucks and concessions starting at 5 p.m. The concert, which will take place by the north lake near Freedom Hall, starts at 6 p.m.

The OC Parks Summer Concert Series continues back at Mile Square Park on June 26 with Doin' Time, a Sublime cover band. More free concerts are scheduled throughout the summer at Mason and Irvine regional parks in Irvine, Craig Regional Park in Fullerton and Salt Creek Beach in Dana Point.

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Class of <u>2025</u>



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MARINA HIGH'S graduates high-five with their diploma in hand on Thursday.

MARINA HIGH School's Senior Speaker Janai Brown addresses the crowd during the commencement ceremony.

MARINA HIGH

The Marina High School choir club sang 'Seasons of Love' during the Vikings' commencement ceremony on Thursday at Boswell Field in Westminster.

One season is over for the Class of 2025, and another will be beginning.

Marina graduated 498 seniors during the ceremony.

Janai Brown was the Vikings' senior speaker, while Joshua Chang White, who graduated summa cum laude, also adressed his classmates and invited guests.

Tim Floyd concluded his first year as

Sarah Davis performed the national an-

Marina principal this year, and the Vikings had another year of academic and athletic Notably, the boys' tennis team advanced

to its first CIF title match in program history. Senior Trevor Nguyen, bound for UC San Diego, was the Vikings' No. 1 singles player and again formed an elite doubles team wth junior David Tran. The squad also had four other senior starters who graduated Thursday, including Darren Le and Justin Nguyen, who will room together at UCLA in the fall.

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AGUNA BEACH HIGH

Laguna Beach put the finishing touches on its school year by saying goodbye and good luck to 193 seniors during its commencement ceremony on Thursday evening at Guyer Field.

Following community tradition, the class of 2025 got a head start on the celebration on Tuesday, when the procession of the graduates to Main Beach took place.

Julian Reichel added to his legend at Laguna Beach as the valedictorian. The striker helped the Breakers win the CIF Southern Section Division 4 boys' soccer title this season, the fourth for the program and first since 2002.

Reichel delivered a valedictory address focused on encouraging those fortunate enough to grow up in the community to drive success not just for themselves.
"Now, we not only have the power to de-

cide where we will go, what we will pursue, and who we become, but we have the power to catalyze change," Reichel said. "I am sincerely proud of our work up to this point, and I'm inspired by the achievements of my peers. I truly believe in our capacity to be more than ourselves and help others prosper."

Lauren Norrix drew the vocal assignment for the national anthem, and Reyna



MEMBERS of the Laguna Beach High Class of 2025' happily step across the sidewalk to Main Beach Park on Tuesday.

Shahrestany led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dee Perry, the president of the board of education for the Laguna Beach Unified School District, accepted the candidates for graduation at the commencement ceremony.

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LAGUNA BEACH High graduates join the celebratory cap toss on the sand.

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

LAGUNA BEACH CITY COUNCIL

The Laguna Beach City Council will hold an in-person Public Hearing in the City Council Chambers, located in City Hall at 505 Forest Avenue, Laguna Beach, to consider: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY'S MASTER FEE SCHEDULE: A City initiated request to amend the City's Master Fee Schedule. LOCATION: Citywide APPLICANT: City of Laguna Beach SAID PUBLIC MEETING to be held Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter. For additional information, contact City staff: Shannon Espinoza, Finance Manager, at 949-497-0319 or sespinoza@lagunabeachcity.net Comments may be made in writing prior to the hearing (when emailed or mailed to the City Clerk's office) or in-person in Council Chambers during the public hearing. In order to allow sufficient time for members of the City Council and staff to review and consider your comments, written comments will be accepted for consideration up until the close of business (i.e., 5:30 p.m.) on the business day before the date on which this public hearing is scheduled; however, it is recommended they be submitted to the City Clerk's office on or before 5:00 p.m. five days prior to the scheduled hearing. If you challenge this application in court, you may be limited to those raised in the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Laguna Beach prior to, or at, the public hearing. CEQA: This project is categorically exempt pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15378(b) (4) (creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with a disability who require a disability-related modification or accommodation in order to participate in a meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, may request such modification or accommodation from the City Clerk's Office at (949) 497-0705 (telephone) or (949) 497-0771 (facsimile). Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure

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Gelato Del Mar - A minor use permit to allow a gelato shop (take-out service, fast casual) within an existing two-story commercial building. The applicant is proposing minor modifications to the interior of the building. No late hours (after 11:00 p.m.) or alcohol service are proposed as a part of this application.

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

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Project File No.: PA2025-0038

Activity: Minor Use Permit

Zone: Mixed-Use Water (MU-W2)

General Plan: Mixed-Use Water 2 (MU-W2)

Location: 226 Marine Avenue, Applicant: Supachai Kiatkwankul,

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Celine Facial Spa - A request for a minor use permit (MUP) to allow the operation of a facial spa establishment within a 740 square-foot tenant space, in a mixed-use building. The project includes minor tenant improvements to create a reception and waiting area, three treatment rooms, and one restroom. The facial spa establishment will offer a variety of facial hydration and rejuvenation services and ancillary botox services. The hours of operation are proposed from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily.

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

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For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Jerry Arregui, Assistant Planner, at 949-644-3249, jarrequi@newportbeachca.gov or at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2024-0233

Mixed-Use Water

326 Marine Avenue,

Zone:

(MU-W2)

Location:

Activity: Minor Use Permit

General Plan:

Mixed-Use Water 2 (MU-W2)

Applicant: Ali Sadeghi, Celine **Legal Notices**

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CasaDami Cafe – A request for a minor use permit (MUP) to upgrade an existing Type 41 (Beer and Wine - Eating Place) Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) License to a Type 47 (On-Sale General -Eating Place) ABC License at an existing restaurant formerly known as Cade Café and currently doing business as CasaDami Café. There are no proposed changes to the floor plan and the hours of operation are proposed to remain from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., daily. If approved, this MUP (PA2025-

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

0076) will supersede the CUP filed as PA2024-0074.

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For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Daniel Kopshever, Assistant 949-644-3235 dkopshever@newportbeachca.gov, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2025-0076

Activity: Minor Use Permit

Zone: Mixed-Use Water (MU-W2)

Location:

Suite 101

2210 Newport Boulevard,

General Plan:

Mixed-Use Water 2 (MU-W2)

Applicant:

Chandler Clerk, Peninsula Village LLC

Class of 2025



GRADUATES GATHER for a group picture as they cheer to families in the audience.

FOUNTAIN VALLEY HIGH

Fountain Valley High gave a grand sendoff to its seniors on Wednesday, as the Barons shared a shining moment together during their commencement ceremony at Orange Coast College's LeBard Stadium.

Before the event was over, 796 students heard their names called — the largest graduating class in the Huntington Beach Union High School District this year.

'Seniors, as you embark on your next adventure, remember the lessons vou've learned within these walls," Principal Paul Lopez said. "Remember the friendships you've forged, the resilience you've built, and the dreams you've dared to chase. You are prepared, you are capable, and you are

Lopez shared that Uy Pham gained admittance into Harvard, while Jacqueline Nguyen is headed to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Kayla Nguyen, the ASB president, urged the graduates to consider who they have become beyond roles they fulfilled on

"My fellow graduates, who are you to-day?" she asked. "I'm not talking about titles like sports captains or club president, I'm talking about the person beneath those titles. That's who you really are. As you walk down the stage, think about who you've become throughout high school." Lily Ogle performed the national an-

them, and Hannah Querry and Avery Thepsisombath led their peers in a recital of the school's alma mater. The Fountain Valley Royal Regiment

band did the honors in providing the processional and walk-out music.

— Daily Pilot Staff

VALLEY VISTA HIGH

Under a cloudless sky, families filed into the quad on Thursday at Valley Vista High, eager to mark a milestone for those whose futures were not always so clear.

Eighty-nine students walked across the stage and had their future aspirations announced to the crowd before receiving their diplomas. They were greeted by loved ones as they traversed a center aisle to take their seats, the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance" pumping through speakers as they proceeded through the lawn.

Valley Vista, the Huntington Beach Union High School District's continuation school, serves students in the 11th and 12th grades.

Student speakers Rauan Marques Goncalves and Reese Reynolds both addressed the trials and tribulations, the former saying the Valley Vista class of 2025 was "enjoying the view" after journeying down the 'road not taken."

Reynolds couldn't believe she was giving a graduation speech after attending her fourth high school, but she encouraged her classmates to show resolve in whatever life had in store for them.

"Life won't be easy," Reynolds said. "There will be moments when it feels like everything's falling apart, but when that happens, you just keep moving. Pick up the broken pieces, carry them with you, and trust that one day you'll reach a place where you can start putting it back together again."

Principal Stacy Robison presented the candidates for graduation. Diana Carey, the clerk of the district's board of trustees, was on hand to accept the class.

— Daily Pilot Staff



VALLEY VISTA High School graduate Iris Ford makes a fist bump during graduation.



Courtesy of Sage Hill School

TONY TAN celebrates graduating from Sage Hill School with the Class of 2025.

SAGE HILL SCHOOL

Wilkins Town Square on the Sage Hill School campus was teeming Friday, June 6 with family, friends and faculty, all assembled to witness the 148 graduating seniors accept their diplomas from Head of School Patricia Merz.

"The person you are today is the result of not only your successes but how you responded when things did not go as expected," Merz said in her address to the class. "...Unexpected moments will continue to shape your life. They are not something to fear but rather something to embrace and learn from. The lightning will strike you again. Sometimes it will startle you. Sometimes it will light the path ahead. And sometimes it will simply remind you that you are alive and capable of so much more than you imagined."

The departing graduates have been accepted to 69 colleges or universities in 23

states, Washington, D.C. and the United Kingdom, according to school officials.

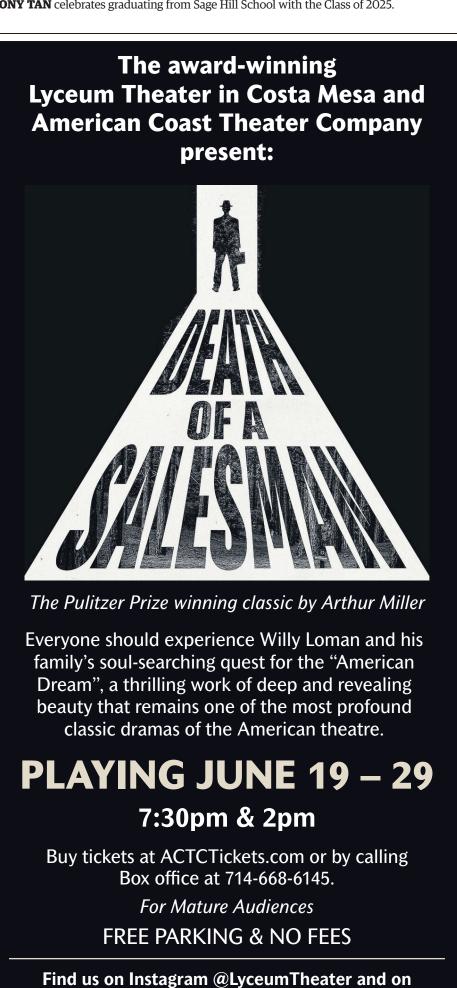
Irvine resident Fiori Lee and Courtney Tetteh-Martey of Newport Coast, deemed exceptional students who gave much to the school community during their time on campus, were announced as the recipients of the 2025 Head of the School award.

Student speaker Anna Gabriel of Corona del Mar also addressed the crowd.

"The truth is, the best parts of life — the ones you carry with you - are never the easy ones," Gabriel told her classmates. 'They're the ones that ask something from you. Your time, your heart, your courage."

Student Council President Fiori Lee was given the honor of ringing the school gong, a Sage Hill tradition, which was followed by the release of celebratory green and white confetti.

-Daily Pilot Staff



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