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Air show drops its lawsuit against Kim Carr

Former H.B. mayor had called suit against her over cancellation of final day of 2021 air show due to an oil spill 'frivolous.'

BY MATT SZABO

Former Huntington Beach Mayor Kim Carr said she feels "100% vindicated" after a lawsuit against her related to the Pacific Airshow was dropped earlier this month.

Pacific Air Show LLC filed for dismissal of a lawsuit against Carr in federal court on Nov. 4.

The lawsuit was related to the cancellation of the final day of the 2021 air show, following an oil spill off the coast of Surf City.

It alleged in part that Carr, the mayor at the time, unilaterally canceled the air show, motivated by her personal feelings toward air show operator Kevin Elliott and a need for personal attention in furtherance of her political career.

Carr has repeatedly said she did not unilaterally cancel the

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Art to stay on display longer in Newport

BY ERIC LICAS

Sculptures at the Newport Beach Civic Park will now be on display for periods of three years instead of two, saving the city about \$70,000 this year and roughly \$30,280 annually in future rotations, the City Council decided this week.

Since 2014, the city has funded the display of 20 sculptures at the park. They have been installed for two years at a time, and 10 of them are swapped out for new pieces each year. That process makes up the bulk of the cost associated with the ongoing public exhibition, according to a report

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CROWDS GATHER around the "Magic on Main" annual tree-lighting ceremony Tuesday on Main Street, presented by the Huntington Beach Downtown Business Improvement District. It was held in conjunction with the ongoing Surf City Nights Street Fair & Farmers Market.

Holiday 'magic' brightens Main in Huntington Beach

BY SARA CARDINE

on't let the calendar fool you — it's Christmastime in Surf City.
Crowds gathered on Huntington
Beach's Main Street Tuesday to get an early taste of the holiday season, as the annual Magic on Main celebration culminated in the lighting of a 20-foot tree.

Presented by the nonprofit Huntington Beach Downtown Business Improvement District, the event gave locals a chance to pose for selfies with Santa, enjoy festive treats and activities for children and get in a little shopping at a holiday boutique.

Tuesday's event, held in conjunction with the ongoing Surf City Nights Street Fair & Farmers Market, drew a crowd of hundreds, including local elected officials, city staff and first responders, who counted down the final seconds before the 6 p.m. tree-lighting ceremony.

When the lights flickered on confetti cannons shot off into the air, releasing a wintery snow-like flurry that fell upon the

Christmas carols and holiday tunes filled the air as Kris Kringle took to his accustomed seat, documenting the wishes of local tots and saying "Cookies!" as a photographer clicked the shutter. Participants were also encouraged to donate new, unwrapped toys for a local holiday toy drive and be entered into a raffle with prizes.



SANTA CLAUS high fives kids during the "Magic on Main" annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony in downtown Huntington Beach.

Formerly called "Miracle on Main," the annual tradition is one of several organized by the Business Improvement District, which advocates for the downtown community by promoting economic vital-

ity and the area's reputation as a premier entertainment destination.

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KARYN PHILIPPSEN, founding chairman of Visit Laguna Beach, acknowledged it would not be easy for her organization to contribute \$500,000 annually to improve the downtown area.

Marketing group, Laguna agree to new tourism plan

BY ANDREW TURNER

Downtown Laguna Beach received a boost on Tuesday, as the City Council approved a deal with Visit Laguna Beach, a tourism marketing organization, to secure up to an estimated \$5.5 million over the next decade.

Under the agreement the city would receive an annual contribution of approximately \$500,000 each fiscal year through June 30,

2035, provided the tourism marketing district is extended beyond next year.

The initial \$500,000 contribution will be broken down into two parts, with \$200,000 going toward space for artists to both live and work upon signing. The remainder will be paid out in March.

"This investment is going to

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Costa Mesa boaters complete 6,000-mile Great Loop voyage



Courtesy of Kim Russo

AGLCA DIRECTOR Kim Russo, left, with partner Michael Martin aboard the Perch, a Silverton 410 Cockpit Motor Yacht.

BY SARA CARDINE

Opportunities to go on the adventure of a lifetime may be few and far between, but for Costa Mesa residents and boating enthusiasts Dan Salazar and Ann Johnson, an epic journey is just a boat ride away.

The couple routinely go on short excursions to Catalina Island or San Diego, where it's common for them to spend the day fishing aboard their 25-foot Walkaround power boat — the Rum Runner— and moor up at a marina overnight.

In recent years, they've even transported the Rum Runner by trailer to marinas in locations northward, embarking from the city of Stockton for a trip around San Francisco, Napa River and Morro Bay, or taking off from Bellingham, Wash., on a tour of Alaska and the Pacific North-

"My dad had boats when I was a little guy, and I've had boats, on and off, for fishing pretty much all of my adult life," Salazar, 73,

said Wednesday. But it wasn't until this year that

See **Boaters,** page A4

Ascon resumes cleanup of former landfill site in Huntington Beach

BY MATT SZABO

Ascon has again started work on remediation of its former landfill site in southeast Huntington Beach.

Excavation and grading work began Tuesday in areas of lower odor potential in the southern area of the 38-acre toxic site, located at the corner of Magnolia Street and Hamilton Avenue.

According to Ascon, about 150,000 cubic yards of on-site material remain to be excavated and graded. At that point, an environmental cap will be installed, comprised of clean fill and low permeability layers.

Remediation is expected to take 27 months total to finish, with excavation and grading lasting 17 months before adding the cap and permanent fencing.

'Once all this work is done and this is constructed, the Ascon team has long-term monitoring obligations," Department of Toxic Substances Control senior engineer Ben Stanphill told residents at a community meeting last month. "They are not going anywhere. They're going to need to monitor soil vapor and groundwater and maintain this cap that they're constructing into perpetuity."

The Ascon site was an active landfill from 1938 to 1984, receiving first oil production waste, then construction debris and industrial waste.

Remediation work was paused in 2019 by the Department of Toxic Substances Control, until enhanced safeguards could be implemented. DTSC is the lead regulatory agency for the Ascon project.

At the time, a teacher at



Allen Schaben | Los Angeles Times

THE FORMER Ascon landfill site is shown in this aerial photo from 2019. Cleanup there has resumed.

nearby Edison High reported odors.

There has been work done since then. Removal of toxic waste from "Pit F," an especially toxic part of the landfill, was completed in 2021.

Ascon was also required to build a 16-foot wall around the site as a requirement to restart, Stanphill said, while completing an assessment to better understand where the odorous soil was and what was causing the odors.

Ascon plans to resume remediation work at a slower pace, using odor suppressants. Ascon was trying to move 1,600 cubic yards per day in 2019 when work was paused, Stanphill said at the meet-

"Going forward, we're not going to have that conversation anymore," he said. "They can only go as fast as they can manage the odors. If that's 500 yards a day, OK. If that's 2 yards a day, that's what it

DTSC project manager Nick Ta said at the meeting that he understood the cleanup had to take into account both residents who lived close to the

property and the "vulnera-ble populations" nearby, including students and children at the park.

In September, the City Council unanimously approved the Magnolia Tank Farm project at an undeveloped site adjacent to where the former landfill is located.

"Engineering-wise, we're confident that the remedy that we're going to put in place is protective of the community,"

An Ascon information table was set to be in Edison Park this week to answer community questions. An air-monitoring technician, wearing an Ascon-labeled orange safety vest, will be monitoring outside the site during active excavation work. Offsite air monitoring trailers have also been placed east of the site, in Edison Park and near Eader Elementary and Edison High.

Residents who want to report something or have a question can call the Ascon information line at (714) 388-1825, or email info@asconhb.com.

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MEMBERS OF the public have until Dec. 6 to submit comments on a proposal to build a surf ranch over a portion of the Newport Beach Golf Course.

Public input on construction of proposed surf park sought

BY ERIC LICAS

Members of the public have between now and Dec. 6 to submit comments, questions or concerns regarding the proposed construction of a surf park over a portion of the Newport Beach Course.

Developers of the proposed Snug Harbor Surf

Park want to build a 7-acre surf lagoon to generate waves on command, one 50-foot building for fitness and retail space and a 45foot-tall building to accommodate overnight visitors on a 15.38-acre site along Irvine Avenue and Mesa Drive. That's currently where the golf course's driving range, putting green,

1, 2 and 9 are located.

In September, the City Council voted to conduct an environmental impact report to look into how it might affect the surrounding community's aesthetics, air quality, noise, traffic, public services and more. Planning officials expect to have a draft of that report

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Fountain Valley police nab local man suspected of robbing bank

restaurant as well as holes

BY SARA CARDINE

A 34-year-old Fountain Valley man is facing a charge of second-degree robbery, after he allegedly held up a Slater Avenue bank by passing a note to the teller indicating he had a gun, police reported Tues-

Benjamin Michael Kelleher pleaded not guilty to the felony charge during an Oct. 28 hearing, four days after officers located him in a residence and seized an

undisclosed amount of cash found in his possession, according to a news release issued Tues-

The robbery reportedly took place on Oct. 21 at a Wells Fargo bank at 10060 Slater Ave., where police were called to the scene by employees. Kelleher allegedly handed a stick-up note to the teller, who complied with his request, and then fled the bank on foot.

Fountain Valley police Detective Sgt. Bill Hughes

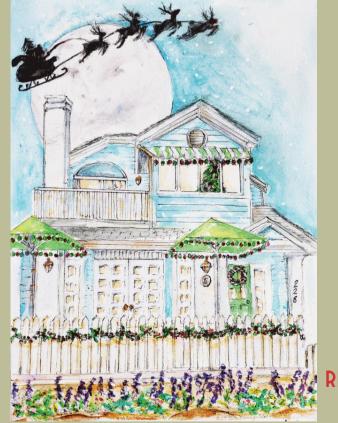
said officers reviewed the bank's security camera footage and chanced upon Kelleher three days later after receiving a call for service regarding a disturbance at an apartment complex on the 10400 block of Slater Avenue, roughly half a mile away from the scene of the robbery.

"Officers arrived and recognized him from the robbery days prior," he said. Kelleher was detained

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By the Mepham Group

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Costa Mesa gets 'special'

Sports

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BOYS' WATER POLO



Matt Szabo

NEWPORT HARBOR High boys' water polo team improved to 30-0 with Saturday's win.

Newport Harbor upends CdM to advance to final

BY MATT SZABO

The Newport Harbor and Corona del Mar high school boys' water polo teams had not met in the playoffs in 12

A large contingent of fans packed the CdM pool deck on Saturday at high noon, ready for a Battle of the Bay showdown with much on

In the end, it was a stingy Sailors defense that led to a dynamic offense.

That formula has been impossible for opponents to crack this season, and the CIF Southern Section Division playoff semifinal match was no exception.

'What it seems to have been like every single game this season is maybe a team will give us a little trouble in the first half, but that second half we're always going to step on their throats, Sailors senior goalkeeper Luke Harris said. "They're not going to be able to hang with us."

Junior center Geoff Slutzky scored five goals as top-seeded Sailors pulled away for a 14-6 victory, booking their spot in the Open Division title match on Nov. 16 at Mt. San Antonio College.

For the third straight year, the opponent there will be No. 2-seeded JSerra. The Lions edged Oaks Christian, 13-12, in another

semifinal match. JSerra is the defending Open Division champion, though Newport Harbor won the teams' CIF finals

matchup two years ago. Undefeated Newport Harbor (30-0) is in the title match of the top CIF divi-

sion for the sixth straight time since 2018. "It's just a testament to everyone that's involved in

this program, the coaching staff, parents, players, community," Newport Harbor coach Ross Sinclair said. Kai Kaneko scored three goals for Newport Harbor

on Saturday, while fellow juniors Connor Ohl and Mason Netzer each scored twice, with Netzer adding three assists.

Senior Lucca Van Der Woude and junior Dash D'Ambrosia each added a goal for the Saillors, and Harris shined in the cage with 12 saves and three steals before giving way to



James Carbone

NEWPORT HARBOR'S Geoff Slutzky (15), pictured competing earlier this season, scored a match-high five goals in Saturday's playoffs game.

backup Connor Clougherty in the fourth quarter.

Corona del Mar (25-6), coming off an upset road win over No. 4 Harvard-Westlake on Tuesday night, made it a game for a half. Koosha Mirrafati struck on a power-play goal with 13 seconds left in the second quarter, pulling the Sea Kings within 5-3.

But Newport Harbor's Ohl scored at the halftime buzzer out of a seven-onsix situation.

"I think they just felt defeated after that moment," Ohl said. "After that goal, their energy was way lower, they just weren't as motivated to try and win. All the energy they just got from [their] goal is just gone. It's really hard to get excited during that halftime break, after you just got scored on in that fashion.'

The Sailors went on to blank the Sea Kings 5-0 in the third quarter to take control of the match, on their way to beating their rivals for the third time this season and the 17th straight time overall.

Nathan Simoncelli and Micah Grantham each scored two goals to pace CdM, with Grantham contributing a trio of field blocks on defense.

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playoff victory at home BY ANDREW TURNER

FOOTBALL

Costa Mesa football coach Gary Gonzalez had voiced his hope for a home playoff game following his team clinching a postseason berth with a win in the season finale.

Gonzalez and the Mustangs got their wish, and it was everything they could have hoped for.

Andrew Waiss had five total touchdowns to lead Costa Mesa to a 42-13 win over Winchester Temecula Prep to open the CIF Southern Section Division 14 playoffs.

It marked the first playoff win for Costa Mesa since 1997.

"These victories mean so much to us, our program, our school commu-Gonzalez added. "This is a special one tonight. We got to host a home game; first time on this campus ever. We used to host games either at Jim Scott [Stadium] or OCC or Davidson [Field]. This is special."

Costa Mesa (8-3) will remain at home to face San Gabriel (5-6) in the quarterfinals next Friday. San Gabriel defeated Bermuda Dunes Desert Christian Academy 47-7 in the first round.

The Mustangs took advantage of short fields, fueled by defensive takeaways, to jump out to a 35-0 lead in the first half. Gavin Garza's 12-yard

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COSTA MESA quarterback Andrew Waiss (11) runs into the end zone after a scramble for a touchdown against Temecula Prep in the first round of the CIF Southern Section Division 14 football playoffs on Friday.



COSTA MESA running back Gavin Garza (5) runs toward the end zone for a touchdown against Temecula Prep.

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rushing touchdown opened the scoring; the Mustangs beginning their initial foray on offense at the Patriots' 35-yard line.

In short order, Costa Mesa would get the ball back near midfield. Israel Lopez forced a fumble, which was recovered by Logan Glabb. Two plays later, Glabb — a wide receiver — was the lead blocker for Waiss on a 49-yard, zigzagging touchdown run that wound up inside the right front pylon.

"Once I went left and then I cut back right, he saw that corner just sitting there, so he waited for him to try to follow me," Waiss said of the downfield block.

The Mustangs got the ball back on a fourth-down interception by Brandon Haro, who would later jar the ball loose from a receiver, the ball ending up in the arms of Ryan Lowry. Costa Mesa began the game with a string of five consecutive touchdown drives, the last capped by a 42-yard catch-and-run by Brody Leonard.

"I wanted to send a message to our division," Gonzalez said. "We're ready to go. We're ready."

Waiss connected twice with Govern Nguyen on deep balls up the right sideline for touchdowns, adding another scoring toss to Rex Tompkins.

Nguyen, who recovered

a fumble on a kick return, was targeted on the first play after the turnover, making an over-the-shoulder catch at the back right pylon for his first score.

"I was sprinting my youknow-what off," said Nguyen, who later added a 37yard receiving touchdown on a similar vertical route. "Using that track speed wisely."

Louis Arreola had 2½ sacks for Costa Mesa. Yosgart Munoz added a sack, and Lopez had half a sack.

"I'm just happy because it's been a long time for this school, and we're finally hitting some steppingstones to get to where we need to be," Lopez said of ending the playoff win drought. "We're getting the morale here to a higher

standard. The students, players, every[one], we want to boost up the Mustangs, make a name for ourselves."

Daniel Ornelas had 120 rushing yards to lead Temecula Prep (7-4), most of the production coming on an 80-yard scoring sprint late in the third quarter.

It was an energized Costa Mesa locker room after the game.

"The coaches were just saying how we haven't won in 25 years," Arreola said. "We finally won. The program's kind of changed around. We've been kind of in the dumps the last couple years, and now, we're showing up."

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POLO

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"They're just a really strong team," first-year CdM head coach Lucas Reynolds said of the rival Sailors. "They're fresh and they turn it over on transition. They have a really high level of awareness and get out on the counterattack, draw a ton of exclusions. I think we did a pretty good job in the first half. It was that third quarter that got away from us, and it all happened on transition."

Sinclair made sure to give props to Reynolds, who like him is a teacher on campus at his respective alma mater. The Sea Kings graduated six start-

ers, yet found a way to make it back to the Open Division semifinals for the second straight year.

Now Newport Harbor also finds itself in a familiar position — namely, playing for the 15th CIF championship in program history.

"Credit to [CdM], they had a great team this year," Harris said. "Their coaching was really good, and they all played really well and balanced. It's the best thing we could have had, because there was so many people in the stands today. It was really just that championship environment, preparing us for the finals, really."

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BOATERS

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Salazar and Johnson, partners for the last 12 years, undertook a voyage that has called to hobbyist mariners for more than a century — the Great Loop.

The nearly 6,000-mile journey circumnavigates the eastern United States and Canada, taking boaters up the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, through New York's canal system into the Great Lakes, then down an inland river system, across the Gulf of Mexico to Florida's southern tip.

"I'd heard about the Great Loop — it kind of came across my radar almost two years ago," said Salazar, who owned a commercial floor covering company but retired eight years ago. "And [now] I have the

So, with Johnson agreeing to serve as first mate, the couple had the Rum Runner shipped to Mobile, Ala., from where they began their own journey of a lifetime on Feb. 29.

Although the route's been traveled since the early 1900s, it was more formally monikered by Ron and Eva Stob, then-California residents who'd taken the long

trip in 1994 and documented their travels in a book, "Honey Let's Get a Boat ... A Cruising Adventure of the American Great Loop."

While peddling the book at a boat show in 1999, the Stobs created a sign-up list for a grassroots America's Great Loop Cruisers' Assn., where people could share experiences and tips for a successful voyage and meet with other boaters on the Loop.

Today, the group has registered more than 2,000 vessels and last year logged a record 249 adventurers who'd completed the cruise, officially earning their "BaccaLOOPerate Degree," which comes with a clubissued gold-colored burgee, or boat flag, according to AGLCA Executive Director Kim Russo.

"Post COVID the stats have been much higher than they were before," said Russo, who completed her own Great Loop trip this February. "Interest in the recreational market is strong, and I do think it's also partly social media [playing a role]. Back in the day, people might have only told their friends or close relatives. Now they can post pretty pictures to thousands of followers."

Some mariners have completed the feat via kayak, while others have cruised in comfort on 94-foot vessels, but the average boat is about 40 feet — large enough for a galley, sleeping accommodations and modest living quarters.

Most boaters take about a year to finish the trip and factor in sojourns and visits with friends and family along that way, according to Russo. Salazar and Johnson spent eight months, with several stops along the way and a six-week return trip home in summer to beat the heat.

After leaving Mobile, the pair headed to Florida and spent more than a month at an Airbnb rental in Key

"It was a resort community, and it had a pool and a boat dock," Salzar said. "We got to know the neighbors and used the boat as a day boat. Loopers tend to try and follow the seasons. They do their planning so they have good weather."

Then it was up the Eastern Seaboard to North Carolina's Myrtle Beach before visiting Salazar's newborn granddaughter in Connecticut and reaching New York by Fourth of July.

A former preschool teacher who now works on a freelance basis, Johnson was thrilled to travel the open seas.

open seas.

"The water's always been in my blood," the 55-year-old native Indiana resident said Wednesday, describing trips to lakeside towns. "But when you're on the ocean, when you get out there and it's crystal blue, it calls you. It's just an awesome experi-

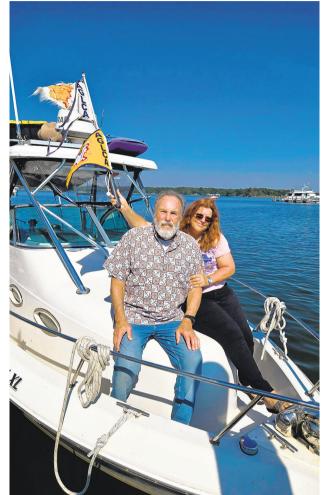
ence."
Despite living in cramped quarters, which requires excellent communication skills, Johnson said she and Salazar actually grew closer together on the expedition. And, in between routes, the couple booked rooms at hotels where they could get a hot shower and a meal.

A highlight to Salazar was visiting Milwaukee's Harley Davidson Museum and seeing Wisconsin's Door County. Johnson enjoyed meeting up with her mother in New York City for a Broadway production of "The Great Gatsby."

The couple returned to Costa Mesa Nov. 2, having spent a total of four months in transit.

"I had a blast," Johnson said. "It was a once-in-alifetime trip."

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Courtesy of Dan Salazar

DAN SALAZAR and Ann Johnson, on their boat Rum Runner, display gold burgees they received for completing the nearly 6,000-mile Great Loop cruise.



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TOURISM

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hurt," said Karyn Philippsen, founding chairman of Visit Laguna Beach. "It's not going to be easy for our organization, but it's the right investment. It's the right investment to bring us up to the next level of the quality of tourism that this community's looking for. That's our goal. We're doing it with you.

"We are the hotels. The hotels are dedicated to making this happen and pulling in the artists, which are such a fundamental part of our historical component, and making sure that they are protected and have a place in this community."

Contributions made as part of the deal will go into a special fund for improvements and services to the downtown area. The amount would fluctuate each year based on the percentage increase or decrease in revenue from the prior fiscal year.

"By committing to these enhancements, we're fostering an environment that supports both our local businesses and the wellbeing of our residents," Councilman Mark Orgill said in a statement. "Visit Laguna Beach's involvement in this effort highlights the strong collaboration we share and sets the stage for sustained improvements that will serve the community for years to come."

The tourism marketing district is designed to fund activities that promote tourism through a 2% selfassessment paid for by overnight visitors at lodgestablishments in town. Half of that money supports the local arts organizations, while the other half goes to Visit Laguna Beach. The latter will contributing \$500,000 from its share. Those funds are separate from transient occupancy tax collected.

"Talking to the hotels, they want something for this money," Mayor Sue Kempf said. "They're not just giving it to us for us to do whatever we want. They're looking for a better experience for the visitors. What they frequently say is, 'When are you going to do something about your downtown?' That happens all the time."

A handful of public speakers, responding to the funding being earmarked for the downtown area, had called for other parts of town to be considered. Some called the allocation of funds "inequitable," noting that there are also hotels in South Laguna, while others argued that visitor impacts are felt throughout town.

"It is true the agreement is limited to downtown, but it does include the ability to enhance services, including public safety measures, so the enforcement type of measures could be funded out of this," Councilman Bob Whalen said.

"We're going to be in negotiations with the tourism marketing district anyway," continued Whalen, who added the agreement would terminate if the district wasn't extended in the spring. "... This is an offer they made to us, and we're accepting, but we can explore with them whether to expand it to other areas that will still satisfy the legal requirement [of providing a benefit to overnight stays]."

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DISPLAY

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by city staff.

Council members voted 7-0 to approve the change at their meeting Tuesday. The update had also been considered and unanimously recommended by the Newport Beach Arts Commission in September.

"We get to maintain the same level of service we've always had," Councilman Noah Blom said during the meeting. "We get to maintain art in the civic center. And they have found a way to cut their own costs and create more value for Newport.

The way the city currently rotates sculptures in and out of the park costs \$519,000 over three years. Increasing the amount of time between swaps would bring that expense down to \$428,160 every three years.

The change means none of the pieces at the park now will be changed until next summer. That should save the city \$70,000 in the current fiscal year, which ends June 30.

Reducing the honorarium paid to artists whose work is selected for exhibition was another cost-saving option discussed at Tuesday's meeting. Councilwoman Robyn Grant voiced strong opposition to



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ABOVE AND BELOW: A plan to swap out sculptures at Newport Beach Civic Center Park less frequently should save the city \$90,000 over a three-year period, officials say.



that idea, and city staff noted that the \$2,500 per year the city offers was in line with what other communities with similar programs provide, so that rate was not changed.

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INPUT

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available for the public to view and weigh in on by spring 2025.

In the meantime, city staff have begun soliciting input from the community regarding the proposed surf

park. Written submissions should be addressed to Newport Beach Senior Planner Joselyn Perez. She reached at be JPerez@newportbeachca.gov or (949)-644-3312. Written submissions can also be mailed to the city's Community Development De-

partment at 100 Civic Cen-

ter Drive.

Members of the public also share their thoughts in person at a scoping meeting scheduled Nov. 20 at the Civic Center Community Room, Civic Center Drive.

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without incident and

booked into custody. Investigators recovered small-denomiseveral nation bills they believe may have been taken from the bank, the FVPD release indicated, but Hughes said Tuesday no firearms were recovered from Kelleher's apartment.

Kelleher is currently being held in Orange County's Theo Lacy facility, according to an online inmate locator maintained by the sheriff's department. His next scheduled court hearing was expected to take place Wednesday, according to court records.

The Fountain Valley man was previously arrested in 2019 for driving under the influence of drugs, a misdemeanor charge, records indicate, and in March 2021 was sentenced to three years probation, community service and a program for first-time offenders.

A Fountain Valley police arrest log also indicates Kelleher was arrested on December 18, 2020, on suspicion of felony assault. Hughes confirmed Tuesday the district attorney's office did not file charges in that incident.



Courtesy of the Fountain Valley Police Department

FOUNTAIN VALLEY police recovered an undisclosed amount of small-denomination bills they believe were stolen in an Oct. 21 robbery at the Slater Avenue Wells Fargo.

An investigation into the bank robbery is still pending. Anyone who may have information about the suspect or incident is encouraged to contact Fountain

Valley Police Det. Ivan Arce at ivan.arce@fountain valley.gov.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT CABLING IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that electronic bids will be received by the City of Laguna Beach for the **POLICE DEPARTMENT CABLING IMPROVEMENTS**, together with appurtenances thereto.

PRE-BID MEETING: A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Friday, November 22, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. Attendees shall meet at the Police Department (505 Forest Avenue) in Laguna Beach, CA. Certifications required per General Provisions – Section 5.8 Contractor's Licenses. Copies of certifications must be submitted with the bid submittal. Failure to attend and supply copies of certifications will result in bid being declared non-responsive.

DATE OF OPENING BIDS: Bid prices for each line item of the Schedule of Work must be entered and all other required documents for the bid proposal packet (pages B-1 through B-3, B-6 through B-15) must be uploaded to the PlanetBids system no later than **2:00 p.m. on Friday, December** 6, 2024. No late bids will be accepted. No other method of bid submittal will be accepted.

DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK: In general, the work comprises of furnishing all materials, equipment, tools, labor, and incidentals to improve network performance and reliability by upgrading the data cabling at the Police Department in the City of Laguna Beach.

AWARD OF CONTRACT: (a) The City reserves the right after opening bids to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality (non-responsiveness) in a bid, or to make award to the lowest responsive. responsible bidder, as it best serves the interest of the City. (b) The successful bidder will be required to submit payment and performance bonds and insurance

COMPLETION OF WORK AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: All work is to be completed in a total of **FIFTY (50)** working days, excluding holidays, from the date specified in the Notice to Proceed, which is anticipated to be **January 2025**. Liquidated damages shall be **Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)** per working day, for each and every working days delay in finishing the work

CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE CLASSIFICATION: Contractor shall possess a valid Class C-7 Low Voltage Systems, Contractor License at the time of submitting bids, in accordance with provisions of Chapter 9, Division III of the California Business and Professions Code. Contractor shall have successfully completed three projects of similar scope for a public agency. Certifications required by General Provisions - Section 5.8 Contractor's Licenses. Copies of certifications must be submitted with the bid submittal. Contractor shall deliver <u>CommScope's Network Infrastructure Warranty</u> and <u>Corning's Certified Warranty</u> which include a 25-Year product and application warranty for the SYSTIMAX cabling and fiber

WAGE RATE REQUIREMENTS: In accordance with provisions of Sections 1773.2 of the California Labor Code, copies of the general prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the State Director of Industrial Relations are available on the Internet at the World Wide Web site of the State Department of Industrial Relations at www.dir.ca.gov under Statistics and Research. It shall be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded and upon any subcontractor under him to pay not less than said specified rates to all workers employed by them in the execution of the contract. All parties to the contract shall be governed by all provisions of the California Labor Code relating to prevailing wage rates; Sections 1770-1781 inclusive.

RETAINAGE FROM PAYMENTS: The Contractor may elect to receive 100 percent of payments due under the Contract Documents from time to time, without retention of any portion of the payments by the City, by depositing securities of equivalent value with the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code.

OBTAINING OR INSPECTING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: Contract Documents, in digital N-10 Adobe Acrobat (.PDF) format, are available at the City of Laguna Beach's website at https://www.lagunabeachcity.net/do-business-here/rfps-bids. Once at this site, click on the "Vendor Portal & Bid Opportunities" icon. If you are not currently registered with PlanetBids for the City of Laguna Beach, please click on the "New Vendor Registration" button, then complete the electronic supplier registration process. Interested firms must be registered in order to submit a bid. Firms must also check the website periodically for addenda information as failure to acknowledge any and all addenda will result in bid disqualification.

REGISTRATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS: No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)]. No contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the DIR.

ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COST: The estimate of probable cost is \$300,000.

PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE: All communications relative to this project shall be directed to N-13 Ulises Escalona, Senior Project Manager at uescalona@lagunabeachcity.net. Deadline for all inquiries is 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 27, 2024.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH By: Thomas Perez, Assistant Director of Public Works

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LAWSUIT

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air show and in fact did not have authority to do so as mayor.

"As I said all along, it was a frivolous, baseless lawsuit," Carr said Thursday. "I knew I was in the right all along, and it's unfortunate that this lawsuit was used as a mechanism to defame me, smear me, and it was all done for malicious intent."

Elliott, the owner of Pacific Airshow LLC and executive director of the air show, did not return messages seeking comment Thursday.

Huntington Beach City Atty. Michael Gates announced in May 2023 a multimillion-dollar settlement with Pacific Airshow LLC due to the cancellation, with the full settlement finally being released to the public last summer.

However, the lawsuit against Carr remained.

Orange County Superior Court Judge Jonathan Fish ruled in Carr's favor on June 11. His ruling stated that even if Carr had unilaterally canceled the last day of the air show, it "qualifies as a discretionary act within the meaning of [government code]."

On June 26, Pacific Airshow LLC submitted an amended complaint.

Another demurrer hearing had been scheduled for Tuesday, but Pacific Airshow LLC filed for dismissal on Nov. 4.



File photo

THEN-HUNTINGTON BEACH Mayor Tony Strickland speaks during a press conference about the city's settlement with Pacific Airshow LLC in May 2023.

"We were ready to go, and I am 100% confident that we would have been victorious again," Carr said. "At the end of the day, I think the judge was pretty clear that elected officials acting in their official capacity are immune from private lawsuits. I really did not see a path to victory for [Pacific Airshow LLC], nor did my attorney, and I think that [Elliott] must have felt the same way at this point.

"I think the bigger question is, why did he continue to sue me after getting this sweetheart settlement from the majority council? ... I think it was mean and

vindictive."

Carr said she believed it wasn't coincidental that the lawsuit coincided with her 2022 run for state Senate. Carr, a Democrat, lost the District 36 race to Janet Nguyen, a Republican.

Carr also said that Pacific Airshow LLC had no case against the city, just like it had no case against her. She called the settlement a "sham" that should be investigated.

She said she had been looking forward to that year's air show, especially coming out of COVID-19.

"I think we can all agree, the air show is cool," Carr said. "We all like the air show. I like the air show, but you don't subsidize it through a settlement of a frivolous lawsuit and then try to hide behind that lawsuit and not disclose all of the details to the public. You need to be open and transparent when you're giving the public taxpayer dollars away to a private entity."

The California Joint Legislative Audit Committee voted in May to approve an audit of the Pacific Airshow settlement. Last month, state auditor Grant Parks sued the city to try to get it to hand over records and comply with the audit. Gates has evoked char-

ter city protections and called the audit "another example of state overreach."

Gates previously has characterized negotiations with Pacific Airshow, LLC as tense, prior to the settlement being released. He has also repeatedly stated that the reason the full settlement was not made public was possible litigation against Amplify Energy, which owns the pipeline that broke in 2021.

The city recently announced a \$5.25 million settlement with Amplify, reached without litigation.

On Thursday, Gates called Carr's claim that the lawsuit was dropped because it didn't necessarily have merit "a real stretch," although he added that he hasn't spoken to Elliott or his attorney about the lawsuit being dropped or the reason why.

Gates said he plans to present to the public, likely at a future City Council meeting early next year, a complete timeline of everything that happened to put things into a better perspective.

"It's nice to see that conflicts are going away so we can move forward," he said. "I think her drawing attention to it is pretty peculiar because at this point, it is old news. At this point, too, her voice in the community is pretty irrelevant, especially after the latest election results. It just seems like she's attention-hungry and trying to stay relevant ... I think Huntington Beach has sent a pretty clear, loud

message that they want to move on, that they embrace the air show."

Carr responded that the lawsuit being dropped was not old news, as it just happened last week.

Pacific Airshow's lawsuit against Huntington Beach] never, ever should have been settled by the city," she said. "The way it should have been done was to dismiss the lawsuit, bring the item back to the council, have a discussion about it and then talk about what sort of government subsidies you're going to provide so that Kevin can continue to have the Pacific Airshow in Huntington Beach. That's the proper way to do it.

"Whoever devised this scheme really didn't think it through, but here's where we are now. The California state auditor will have their opportunity to open the books and disclose exactly what's going on. But, in the meantime, the residents have to pay for this."

In a statement made when the full settlement released, was Mayor Gracey Van Der Mark maintained that the settlement represented good judgment "in order to avoid lengthy litigation and the risk of trial, and also to ensure the return of the annual air show to Huntington Beach, and the over \$100 million in economic benefit that the air show brings to the region every year."

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THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **GENE LYNN FORSYTHE** 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 on Dec 19, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM07 located at: 3390 HARBOR BVLD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

The court is providing the convenience to appear for hearing by video using the court's designated video platform. This is a no cost service to the public. Go to the Court's website at The Superior Court of California - County of Orange (occourts.org) to appear remotely for Probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions. If you have difficulty connecting or are unable to connect to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance. If you prefer to appear in-person, you can appear in the department on the day/time set for your

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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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A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MATIAS COO & NICHOLAS COO in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MATIAS COO & NICHOLAS COO be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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A HEARING on the petition will be held on Jan 09, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM07 located at: 3390 HARBOR BVLD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: NAVROZ MEDITERRANEAN GRILL INC, 3601 JAMBOREE RD., NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

Doing Business as: NAVROZ MEDITERRANEAN
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All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are:

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The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

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BUYER: HABIBI TIME INC 2944890-PP DAILY PILOT 11/15/24

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the seller(s) within the past three years, as stated

the seller(s) within the past three years, as stated by the seller(s), are: **NONE** The location in California of the chief executive

The location in California of the chief executive office of the seller is: **5856 CORPORATE AVE, SUITE 200, CYPRESS, CA 90630**The name(s) and business address of the buyer(s)

The name(s) and business address of the buyer(s) are: SO CAL BLAZERS INC, 3136 E.ABBEY LANE, ORANGE, CA 92867
The assets being sold are generally described as:

INVENTORY, GODWILL, RECORDS, TELEPHONE AND FAX NUMBERS, TRADE NAME, PERMITS, BUSINESS RECORDS, SOFTWARE, FRANCHISE LICENSE (S) and are located at: 4255 CAMPUS DR. STE A120, IRVINE, CA 92612-8631 The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: COMMONWEALTH LAND TITLE, NATIONAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES, 4400 MACARTHUR BLVD, SUITE 800, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 and the anticipated sale date is DECEMBER 12, 2024

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2. [If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided]

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The name and address of the person with whom

The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: COMMONWEALTH LAND TITLE, NATIONAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES, 4400 MACARTHUR BLVD, SUITE 800, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 and the last day for filing claims by any creditor shall be DECEMBER 11, 2024, which is the business day before the anticipated sale date specified above.

SO CAL BLAZERS INC, Buyer(s)
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Trustor: PATRICK O. MC CORMICK AND LORENE J. MC CORMICK, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS

Duly Appointed Trustee: **Prestige Default Services, LLC**Recorded **3/6/2003** as Instrument No. **2003000246323** in book --, page -Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **Orange** County, California,
Date of Sale: **11/25/2024** at **3:00 PM**Place of Sale: **On the steps to the entrance of the Orange Civic Center,**

300 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange CA 92866

Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$231,126.75 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 2045 GOLDENEYE PL COSTA MESA California 92626 A.P.N.: 139-544-08

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale.

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. All checks payable to Prestige Default Services, LLC.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (949) 776-4697 or visit this Internet Website https://prestigepostandpub.com, using the file number assigned to this case 23-8866. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.

NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (949) 776-4697, or visit this internet website https://prestigepostandpub.com, using the file number assigned to this case 23-8866 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase.

Date: 10/21/2024

Prestige Default Services, LLC 1920 Old Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, California 92705 Questions: 949-427-2010 Sale Line: (949) 776-4697 Patricia Sanchez, Trustee Sale Officer PPP#24-004325