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2020 IN REVIEW



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COSTA MESA city officials imposed two overnight curfews in June, in anticipation of possible riots and demonstrations against the police following the May 25 death of Minneapolis resident George Floyd while in police custody. Protesters and police engage in a standoff at a June 1 rally at South Coast Plaza.

Top stories of the year in Costa Mesa

BY SARA CARDINE

In a year dominated by the coronavirus pandemic and its impact on public health, education, business and local governance, the city of Costa Mesa has been especially busy.

City leaders have responded to the crisis by focusing on efforts to keep spending dollars local, assisting small business owners and residents in need and steering a budget through stormy seas, all while staying abreast of changing COVID-19 regulations and current events that have further taxed city services and employees.

Still, surprisingly, not all the notable news this year had to do with the pandemic. Here are some of the top stories of Costa Mesa in 2020.

CITY RACKS UP WINS IN SOBER LIVING LAWSUITS

Costa Mesa scored big legal wins against sober living home operators who challenged a 2014 ordinance imposing permitting requirements and requiring facilities maintain at least 650 feet of distance from other recovery centers in residential areas.

In April, a U.S. District Court judge granted summary judgment in the city's favor in a 2018 case brought by Pacific Shores Recovery. That ruling followed previous wins against Casa Capri Recovery and Southern California Recovery Centers, in which it was determined the regulations did not violate the federal Fair Housing Act.

Costa Mesa secured another victory in July against Yellowstone Women's First Stop House, Inc. and two other entities that had filed complaints in 2014.

"These victories are not just for the people of Costa Mesa and those in recovery homes, but also for every city in California," said attorney Jennifer Keller, whose firm represented the city, at the time.

FORMER POLICE CHIEF SHARPBACK SUES CITY

Former Costa Mesa Police Chief Rob Sharpback alleged in a lawsuit in February the city violated state labor code, breached his contract and retaliated against him in violation of the Fair Employment and Housing

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WHEN CORONAVIRUS guidelines made in-person gatherings impossible, organizers of the OC Fair decided to take 2020's event to a virtual format.



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ABOUT 150 PEOPLE turned out for an Aug. 15 protest against the city of Costa Mesa's mask mandate, which officials said could impose a \$100 fine on uncovered faces inside city limits.

COVID-19 hospital numbers still high in O.C.

Officials say Thursday's counts were lower because many cases were reported as part of Wednesday's numbers.

BY LILLY NGUYEN

Hospitalizations due to COVID-19 are holding steady as 2020 comes to an end, with 2,128 patients in area hospitals, 495 of whom are in intensive care units.

Coronavirus cases are down Thursday, but Orange County Health Care Agency officials said in a memo the reported number is as a result of a delay in reports on Wednesday. The county did not update its case counts until about 4:35 p.m. that day because of issues with the state's electronic reporting system, officials said. As a result, the case count Wednesday — 4,514 — captured data for 30 hours instead of 24.

Health Officials reported 610 new cases on Thursday and one new death of a resident not currently living in a long-term care facility.

About 89,228 patients are estimated to have recovered.

Currently, the testing positivity rate in Orange County is at 16.9% — more than five times the 3.2% reported at the start of November.

Intensive care unit capacities remain at 0%, and only 40% of ventilators are available at hospitals in the region.

The county said Thursday it

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Joyce LaPointe sworn in as Costa Mesa police's first-ever female captain

BY SARA CARDINE

Life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans — that seems to be the case for Joyce LaPointe, who came to Costa Mesa in 1987 to become a physical therapist and wound up making local history instead.

On Wednesday, LaPointe, 52, participated in a virtual swearing-in ceremony where she became the first female captain to serve in the Costa Mesa Police Department, second in command to Chief Bryan Glass himself.

That officious moment was the culmination of a decades long career with the department that saw her rise through the ranks — from officer to corporal in 2002, to sergeant five years later and to lieutenant in 2015.

But that esteemed career, something LaPointe will tell you now has been a passion and a calling, might never have been had her original plans born fruit.

After graduating in 1991 with a kinesiology degree from Vanguard University, and out of a desire to possibly treat athletes on the sidelines, LaPointe began working part time at a physical



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COSTA MESA POLICE Capt. Joyce LaPointe was working as a campus security officer at Costa Mesa High School in the 90s, when she got her first hint police work might be her calling.

therapy office. But she still needed full-time work and so found employment at Costa Mesa High School.

She worked as a campus security officer by day and an athletic trainer in the evenings. LaPointe admits she was a bit of a pushover at first, until sea-

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2020 IN REVIEW

Year's top stories in Laguna Beach

BY ANDREW TURNER

In a year when most decisions have been shaped in one form or another by the coronavirus pandemic, Laguna Beach felt the impact in multiple ways.

Beach and school closures, cancellations and modifications of arts programs and annual festivals and changes to restaurant dining are just some of the issues the city grappled with.

Here are some of the top stories in Laguna Beach for 2020:

THE PROMENADE ON FOREST

A long list of restrictions were put in place to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus in 2020.

When outdoor dining was permitted, Laguna Beach introduced the Promenade on Forest, allowing for the businesses downtown to continue to operate with modifications. Set up to accommodate walking traffic, the Promenade on Forest offered outdoor dining, art displays and retail options.

The Promenade on Forest was such a success that the Laguna Beach City Council extended it through January, and there has been discussion about making it a permanent fixture in the city.

BEACH CLOSURES

To promote social distancing,



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PEOPLE GATHER on the Promenade on Forest in downtown Laguna Beach, which opened to the public on June 15.

Laguna Beach became the first Orange County city to close its beaches and trailheads in March.

When the beaches were reopened, there were new protocols put in place, such as having the beach open for limited hours and for active use only.

The Fourth of July had a much different look and feel this year, with many cities curtailing their celebratory festivities.

Laguna Beach canceled its Independence Day fireworks show, and closed its beaches for the holiday weekend.

LAGUNA ART MUSEUM'S ART AND NATURE

The sky did not have to be a forget-me-not blue for the residents and visitors of Laguna Beach to remember how special it was to take in Patrick Shearn's Skynet artwork "Sunset Trace." The outdoor installation, which was displayed over Heisler Park, allowed people to interact with art during their outdoor recreation.

Laguna Art Museum introduced new galleries, such as "Granville

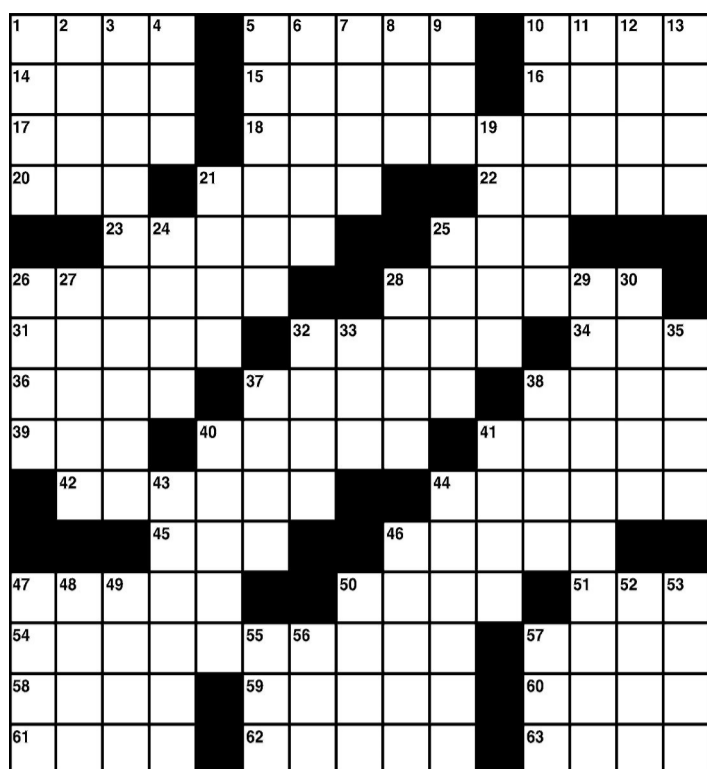
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THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

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 40 Series of links
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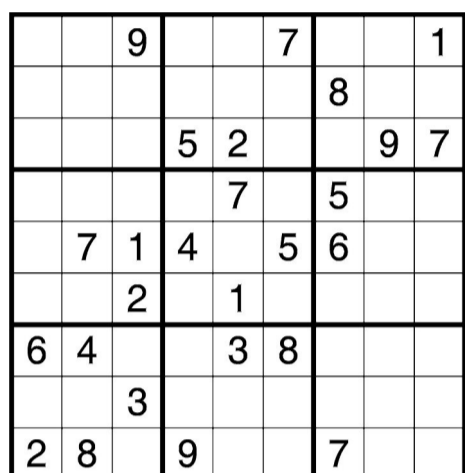
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 4 _ Moines
 5 Saddle fasteners
 6 _ song; TV show



SUDOKU

By The Mepham Group

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



For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A3.

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 38 Mustang maker
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 47 Bridge
 48 Accurate
 49 Torn in two
 50 Obscure
 52 Eerie saucers
 53 Lightly tap a baseball
 55 Motorhomes, for short
 56 Compete
 57 Involuntary twitch

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LAGUNA

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Redmond: The Eloquent Palette," which could be enjoyed virtually or in-person during limited periods when shutdowns were not in place. This was also the case with "Art and Nature." "Art and Nature" was the brainchild of Malcolm Warner, who announced his plan to retire at the end of the year as the executive director of the museum. Warner had held the position since 2012 and introduced Art and Nature as an annual event the following year.

COMMUNITY RALLIES TO HELP THE ARTS

Although the ability to enjoy theater and museums has been limited because of the pandemic, the community stepped up to support its favorite art institutions during a host of virtual galas. The Laguna Art Museum brought in close to \$350,000 through its virtual gala, Laguna Playhouse raised more than \$320,000 with a similar online effort and the Festival of Arts had more than \$300,000 in funds raised. The Sawdust Art Festival took place as an outdoor marketplace with modifications, allowing for local artists to put their work on display for the public to interact with and purchase with social distancing in place.

WHALEN STAYS, WEISS ADDED TO COUNCIL

There were two seats up for grabs on the Laguna Beach City Council, and Mayor Bob Whalen was able to secure a third term and another four years on the dais. The council subsequently voted to have Whalen serve a third consecutive term as mayor. George Weiss won the other seat, as Steve Dicterow left the council after a combined 20 years over two separate stints of serving on the five-person governing body.

The city had two voting centers — the Laguna Beach Community and Susi Q Center and Lang Park — although lines at the polls were not what they might have been in other elections due to mail-in ballots.

LAGUNA VILLAGE ENTRANCE PROJECT

Laguna Beach completed a project that had spanned three decades in May with the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Village Entrance. The \$11.3-million construction project focused on enhancing safety for pedestrians and bicyclists and improving traffic flow along Laguna Canyon Road between Forest Avenue and the festival district. It took two years to complete the construction phase of the project, and it is aesthetically pleasing with the inclusion of 75 new trees and 3,250 shrubs. The project also included the installation of paved access roads, bicy-

LAPOINTE

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posed to do with my life.' LaPointe was hired by Costa Mesa Police Department and entered the Orange County Sheriff Training Academy in 1997. Six months later, she was working as a patrol officer. Over the course of the next two decades, the Costa Mesa resident learned the ins and outs of the department. She gained field experience on patrol, bike patrol, as a field training officer, traffic officer, defensive tactics instructor and tactical flight officer. "Besides her primary responsibilities, she gained a wealth of experience in a variety of different collateral assignments we had, building that depth that she now possesses and has carried through up through her positions and ranks," Glass said in Wednesday's ceremony. In 2000, LaPointe received a Century Award from Mothers Against Drunk Driving, which recognizes officers who make more than 100 DUI arrests in a single year — she and her partner arrested over 230 offenders.



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LAGUNA BEACH Art Museum's Art and Nature exhibit, Patrick Shearn's "Sunset Trace" SkyNet, is suspended along the coastline path from Las Brisas to Main Beach.



THE SAWDUST FESTIVAL drew crowds in Laguna Beach on Sept. 19.

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cle racks and decorative fencing.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE ADOPTED

The adoption of a new historic preservation ordinance was a divisive development issue in the city, as conservationists quibbled with the provision of owner consent for properties to remain on the local historic register. A property would not be considered as eligible to be listed on the city's historic register without owner consent. Some raised concerns that the addition of the provision would allow for the destruction of the town's history while others pointed to the prohibitive costs of maintaining a historic property and current city processes. Revisions in the ordinance included use of state codes as opposed to the local historic rating system, as well as simultaneous review of applications for the historic register and incentives.

A property is now classified as a historic resource if it is on the city, state or national historic registers. The State Historical Resource Commission can deem a property or structure eligible for the state register, and the National Parks Service can make that determination for the national register. The city can also be required to acknowledge a historic resource based on substantial evidence.

SCHOOL IN THE TIME OF THE PANDEMIC

The pandemic ushered in distance learning, but concerns over the quality of education and the social-emotional health of children led to a push to return to in-classroom learning. Hybrid learning went into effect for the Laguna Beach Unified School District's two elementary schools — El Morro and Top of the World — on Oct. 5.

Frustrated secondary school parents held a protest at Main Beach to have Thurston Middle School and Laguna Beach High School students return to campus, and the subject has come up frequently during the public comment portion of school board meetings.

POLICE CHIEF LAURA FARINELLA RETIRES

Laura Farinella, Laguna Beach's first female chief of police, called it a career after 31 years in law enforcement and more than five years as the top cop in the city. Under her leadership, the city saw record-low crime rates in 2018 and 2019, and the police department added beach patrol officers and a school resource officer program. Robert Thompson, who headed the police department in Dixon, has been selected as Farinella's successor. Thompson's expected start date is Jan. 18.

HELICOPTER REFILLING TANK PURCHASE

Laguna Beach made strides to address wildfire safety and mitigation by acquiring a helicopter refilling tank called a HeloPod dip tank. It was placed along the fire road, where a demonstration was held in November to show the turnaround time from refilling to making a drop over the adjacent canyon. Laguna Beach Fire Chief Mike Garcia said that the helicopter refilling tank can be an aid in fighting wildfires because it provides a "force multiplier" in terms of the number of water drops that can be performed. The City Council has also directed staff to continue looking for another location that would be suitable for putting in another helicopter refilling tank.

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The Protests

PROTESTERS HOLD SIGNS during a Black Lives Matter rally at Pier Plaza, with counter-protesters across the street, in Huntington Beach on June 20.



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NURSES RALLY for more personal protective equipment and a safer workload of patients as part of a "national day of action" at Kindred Hospital Westminster on Aug. 5.



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MEMBERS OF THE Newport Beach Police Department guard a 76 gas station and watch the crowd at MacArthur and Coast Highway during a Black Lives Matter protest in June.



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DIANE PARRAS, an alumni of Perry Elementary School in Huntington Beach, holds a sign during a protest of the closure of the school on June 23.



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SHOPPERS AT Costco Wholesale at Bella Terra in Huntington Beach on Saturday.

HOSPITAL

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would not update its case counts on Jan. 1 and 3 due to the New Year's Day holiday and scheduled maintenance with the California Department of Public Health. Updates will be posted on Jan. 2, reflecting data from Jan. 1.

Regular updates will resume on Jan. 4.

Here are the latest cumulative coronavirus case counts and COVID-19 deaths for select cities in Orange County:

- Santa Ana: 29,814 cases; 372 deaths
- Anaheim: 26,681 cases;

- 402 deaths
- Huntington Beach: 6,257 cases; 101 deaths
- Costa Mesa: 5,088 cases; 54 deaths
- Irvine: 5,752 cases; 22 deaths
- Newport Beach: 2,282 cases; 28 deaths
- Fountain Valley: 1,984 cases; 31 deaths
- Laguna Beach: 505 cases; fewer than five deaths

Here are the case counts by age group, followed by deaths:

- 0 to 17: 14,873 cases; one death
- 18 to 24: 22,041 cases; five deaths
- 25 to 34: 32,472 cases; 26 deaths
- 35 to 44: 24,842 cases; 44 deaths
- 45 to 54: 25,413 cases; 141 deaths
- 55 to 64: 19,462 cases; 256 deaths
- 65 to 74: 9,752 cases; 366 deaths
- 75 to 84: 4,854 cases; 416 deaths
- 85 and older: 3,382 cases; 620 deaths

Updated figures are posted daily at occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/coronavirus-in-oc.

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Act after he raised issues with the city's budgeting process.

The lawsuit alleged city officials forced him to resign in October 2019, after he'd announced plans to retire, causing Sharpnack to suffer economic damages, including lost wages and retirement benefits, as well as "humiliation, mental anguish and emotional and physical distress."

Sharpnack previously claimed he was discriminated and retaliated against for his complaints of interference in police matters and said he was asked to destroy or delete prior communications. The dispute is still working its way through Orange County Superior Court.

FAIRVIEW REOPENS TO COVID-19 PATIENTS

The 114-acre former state

hospital reopened its doors in late April as one of several California alternate care sites, equipped to help COVID-19 patients with non-acute symptoms and those recovering from the disease caused by the coronavirus.

The move came after a period of contention between federal and state agencies and the city of Costa Mesa, which was granted a restraining order in February to prevent coronavirus patients at Travis Air Force Base in Northern California from being transported to the city.

The site was built out to accommodate about 150 patients, but census remained low through September, when Fairview was temporarily closed. Earlier this month, however, as infections and hospitalizations surged, the facility reopened to patients and is opening wards for patients with dementia and developmental disabilities.

OC FAIR CANCELED, GOES VIRTUAL

As it became clear the pandemic would continue indefinitely, officials with the OC Fair & Event Center made the difficult decision in late April to cancel the 2020 OC Fair — a decision that disappointed legions of fans and cost organizers an estimated \$12 million in proceeds.

To give the fair faithful a glimmer of hope in a gloomy year, officials offered in July a Virtual OC Fair, which featured a suite of photo contests and competitions, fair food cooking demonstrations, online livestock auctions and more.

A Fair Food Drive Thru opened in August let masked patrons order turkey legs, funnel cakes and other goodies from the safety of their vehicles. The event was followed by a series of drive-in concerts and entertainment events, including the still-ongoing



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MAYRA RANGEL, right, with Hot Dog on a Stick, prepares lemonade for customers during the Fair Food Drive-Thru at the OC Fair & Event Center on Aug. 28.

Night of Lights OC.

Now, hopeful organizers are sketching tentative plans for a scaled-down but in-person 2021 OC Fair.

SOUTH COAST PLAZA PREPARES FOR POTENTIAL RIOTS

After months of costly closures, and with coronavirus rates at an early summertime lull, South Coast Plaza officials were preparing for a June 1 re-opening when word spread through social media of a mass demonstration against institutional racism and police brutality being planned for the Costa Mesa shopping complex.

Storefront windows were boarded up and officers in riot gear lined up in the center's parking lot as a standoff ensued between police and more than 100 protesters.

Despite the mounting tension, only one arrest was made after a man attempted to break through the police line.

Anticipating demonstrations protesting the May 25 death of Minneapolis' George Floyd while in police custody, Costa Mesa City Manager Lori Ann Farrell Harrison imposed a May 31 citywide curfew from 8 p.m. that night to 5 a.m. the following day.

A second curfew was called June 1, though protesters who turned out to public rallies remained largely peaceful.

CITY IMPLEMENTS MASK MANDATE

To prevent community transmission of the coronavirus, city leaders implemented an April 13 mandate requiring all residents and employees at essential businesses to wear facial coverings inside city limits.

In July, officials launched a campaign with signs reading: "No Mask = \$100 fine" to reinforce the message.

Some scoffed at the move, posting photos of their unmasked faces out in public and daring law enforcement officers to cite them — none did.

Costa Mesa Police Chief Bryan Glass confirmed as of July 20, no citations had been ordered but said authorities would enforce the order.

"At the onset of the pandemic and orders, the focus was education and voluntary compliance which has been seen throughout the city," he said. "At this point during the pandemic, the department will take en-



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MAYOR KATRINA FOLEY walked away with a second term and 52.2% of the vote in the Nov. 3 election.

forcement actions on blatant violations in general of the orders."

COSTA MESA SEX OFFENDER RELEASED

After 21 years of involuntary confinement to a state mental hospital for continually and openly harboring fantasies of raping and killing children, Costa Mesa resident Cary Jay Smith was released from Coalinga State Hospital in Fresno County on July 14, sending shock waves through Orange County.

The Department of State Hospitals decided not to renew Smith's hold and did not require him to register as a sex offender upon release, though that decision was reversed as county officials intervened.

Meanwhile, Costa Mesa officials worked with law enforcement to track Smith's movements in the days that followed.

"That is beyond outrageous," Orange County Supervisor Chair Michelle Steel said in a July 16 news conference.

"That someone this dangerous would be released into our neighborhoods with little to no explanation and not be required to register as a sex offender is both dangerous and nonsensical."

PERMANENT BRIDGE SHELTER NEARS COMPLETION

During the settlement of a 2018 lawsuit that accused several Orange County cities — including Costa Mesa — of penalizing homelessness through anti-camping ordinances, it was determined municipalities could only enforce such rules if they offered bridge shelters, where residents could access services that would help them find housing.

A temporary shelter opened at Lighthouse

Church of the Nazarene in April 2019 has since served more than 235 and housed 68 individuals. And now plans for a permanent bridge shelter are coming together.

The city dedicated \$11.4 million to acquire and retrofit a 12,285-square-foot portion of an industrial warehouse on Airway Avenue into a 70-bed bridge shelter. Construction is anticipated to be completed in January, allowing for occupancy as soon as March.

"When they sued the county, I was like 'How dare they?'" Mayor Pro Tem John Stephens said of the lawsuit in a September study session on homelessness. "But that really was a blessing in disguise."

COSTA MESA VOTERS PASS MEASURE Q

Though Costa Mesa previously allowed for the distribution, manufacturing, processing and laboratory research related to medical and recreational cannabis in certain zoned areas under Measure X, on July 21, the council decided to place before voters a new initiative — Measure Q.

The measure would allow for the retail sale and delivery of marijuana with certain restrictions.

Officials said the law would give the city the authority to crack down on illegal dispensaries that have been popping up all over town, flummoxing enforcement efforts.

Voters on Nov. 3 resoundingly agreed. With 51,084 votes cast in the race, reflecting 83% of all the city's registered voters, Measure Q won 65.17% approval.

FOLEY REELECTED, SETS SIGHTS ON SUPE'S SEAT

Costa Mesa voters in the November election also affirmed their support for Mayor Katrina Foley, granting her a second term with 52.2% of the vote in a mayoral race of five candidates. She was sworn in with new council members Don Harper, Loren Gameros and Jeff Harlan in a Dec. 1 virtual meeting.

In early December, however, Foley announced plans to run for an upcoming vacancy on the Orange County Board of Supervisors, created by the departing Steel, even though her Democratic politics would make her a minority on the conservative-leaning panel.

"It's not about a D or an R behind your name," Foley, 53, said in an interview at the time.

"It's about who's the best qualified, who has a proven track record of actually doing work that benefits the community and who's going to roll up their sleeves and make it about people and businesses and not about politics."

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These projects are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, because they have no potential to have significant effects on the environment. These projects will be located on the same site and location as the structures they replaced and will have substantially the same purpose, capacity and size as the structures replaced.

All interested parties may appear and present testimony in regard to these proposals. If you challenge these projects in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearings or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior to, the public hearings. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapter 17.65. These applications may be continued to a specific future meeting date, and if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be provided.

The agenda, staff reports, and corresponding documents will be available by end of business day on the Friday preceding the public hearing, and may be reviewed at the City Manager's Office (Bay E-2nd Floor), at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, California, CA 92660 or at the City of Newport Beach website at www.newportbeachca.gov. Please see the agenda for the final meeting location whether at the Civic Center or online via Zoom. Individuals not able to attend the meeting may contact the Public Works Department or access the City's website after the meeting to review the action on these applications. All mail or written communications (including email) from the public, residents, or applicants regarding an agenda item must be submitted by 5 p.m. on the business day immediately prior to the meeting. This allows time for the Harbor Commission to adequately consider the submitted correspondence. While the City does not expect there to be any changes to the above process for participating in this meeting, if there is a change, the City will post the information as soon as possible to the City's website. The City of Newport Beach thanks you in advance for continuing to take precautions to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

For questions regarding these public hearing items, please contact Chris Miller, Public Works Administrative Manager, at cmiller@newportbeachca.gov

Project Files Nos.: 1973-2020 (1625 Bayside Drive), 2218-2020 (514 S. Bay Front), 1108-2020 (403 N. Bay Front)

In accordance with the provisions of State law, there being due and unpaid charges for which the undersigned is entitled to satisfy an owner and/or manager's lien of the goods hereinafter described and stored at the Life Storage location(s) listed below:

Life Storage #670, 240 Hidden Valley Parkway, Norco, CA 92860

And, due notice having been given, to the owner of said property and all parties known to claim an interest therein and the time specified in such notice for payment of such having expired, the goods will be sold to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of at a public auction to be held online at www.StorageTreasures.com, which will end on Thursday, January 28, 2021 at 10:00AM.

Customer Name Inventory
Candace Massiah Hsl'd gds/Furn/Totes
Inga Warren Hsl'd gds/Furn/TV/Stereo Equip
Garry South Hsl'd gds/Furn/TV/Stereo Equip/Tools/Appliances

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Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE
The Laguna Beach City Council will hold a virtual Public Meeting to consider: **Zoning Ordinance Amendment 18-1937 and Local Coastal Program (LCP) Amendment 18-1938 to amend Laguna Beach Municipal Code Sections 25.08.018, 25.52.004, 25.52.006, and 25.52.012 as modified by the California Coastal Commission relating to parking requirements.** The LCP amendment was originally adopted by the City Council on August 6, 2019, and subsequently certified with modifications by the California Coastal Commission on October 7, 2020. SAID PUBLIC MEETING to be held: **Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.** For additional information, contact **Anthony Viera, Associate Planner at (949) 497-0398 or aviera@lagunabeachcity.net.** City Council Members may also be contacted to discuss issues and questions about the proposed application. A listing of the City Council Members names and phone numbers is available at City Hall and on the City's website at www.lagunabeachcity.net. The modified LCP amendment and Zoning Ordinance may be examined on the City's website at the following link (available 72 hours before the public hearing): <http://www.lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/citygov/cityclerk/mam.htm>. Click on the City Council Agenda (located to the right of the City Council hearing date/time) under the Upcoming Events section and then click on the specific agenda item. The Council Chambers will not be open to the public. However, comments may be made via teleconferencing during the Public Hearing, or in writing/email. It is recommended that written correspondence be delivered/mailed to City Hall preferably at least 2 days before the hearing. If, in the future, you wish to challenge the City Council action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you (or someone else) raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at or prior to the Public Hearing. **This proposal is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Article 5 (Preliminary Review of Projects), Sections 15060(c)(2) and 15061(b)(3) in that the proposed amendments are not anticipated to result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, nor will the proposed changes have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. This project is located within the City of Laguna Beach Coastal Zone.** Ann Marie McKay, City Clerk

PUBLIC SALE

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UNIT NUMBER	CUSTOMER LAST NAME	AUCTION LOCKOUT DATE	BALANCE DUE
1274	Michael Roach	1/5/2021	\$456.00
2503	Jacob Swain	1/5/2021	\$630.00
1230	Claudia Tan	1/5/2021	\$1758.00
16	Anthony Deleon	1/5/2021	\$339.00
215	Lunyea Wills	1/5/2021	\$172.00
2504	Jacob Pawloski	1/5/2021	\$362.00
1214	Emad Abdel Messeh	1/5/2021	\$889.76

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC WORKSHOP LAGUNA BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION

THE LAGUNA BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION will hold a virtual Public Workshop, for: **The 6th Cycle Housing Element Update.** State law requires cities to have a current Housing Element, a policy guide that address local, regional, and statewide housing issues. The City is updating its Housing Element in compliance with the next State Housing Element planning period from 2021 to 2029. The Planning Commission (PC) reviews, provides input, and makes recommendations to the City Council (CC). After the draft document is prepared, additional public hearings will be held beginning in April 2021. WHEN: **Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.** (Please note that the meeting date was changed from January 20th to January 13th) ZOOM INFORMATION: PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone, or Android device: <https://lagunabeachcity.zoom.us/j/99405314155> Phone: US: +1 669 900 9128 Webinar ID: 99405314155 CONTACT: So Kim, Senior Principal Planner (949) 497-0736 or skim@lagunabeachcity.net. Marc Wiener, AICP, Director of Community Development

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