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Sparks fly at H.B. council meeting



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HUNTINGTON BEACH Mayor Pro Tem Pat Burns and Mayor Gracey Van Der Mark react after receiving criticism during public comments at Tuesday night's Huntington Beach City Council meeting.

BY MATT SZABO

Huntington Beach City Clerk Robin Estanislau celebrated her birthday on Tuesday night, noted from the dais by Mayor Gracey Van Der Mark during the City Council meeting.

Members of the crowd applauded as Estanislau thanked them, a consensus reached on a night when such agreement was hard to find.

A few residents said they had planned to show up to protest an agenda item related to the outsourcing of library management, but that was made a moot point on Monday when Library Systems & Services withdrew its bid.

Instead of residents, it was the City Council members themselves who largely provided the fireworks at the relatively short meeting via their raw and at times frustrated conversations with each other.

Early in Tuesday's meeting Mayor Gracey Van der Mark pounded her gavel and asked if there should be a recess until everyone could "behave like adults."

The animosity started early. Council members Dan Kalmick, Natalie Moser and Rhonda Bolton brought small LGBTQ+ Pride flags with them to the dais at the beginning of the meeting, which didn't sit well with Mayor Pro Tem Pat Burns.

June is Pride Month, though the Huntington Beach conservative majority, which includes Burns, voted in February of 2023 to pass an ordinance that only government and military flags could fly on city property. Huntington Beach voters passed a similar amendment to the city's charter, Measure B, this spring, with more than 57% voting in favor.

"There are a couple of people flaunting and poking the citizens

of this city in the eye right now, by on the dais displaying a flag that is not an American flag or a government flag," Burns said. "I don't have any problem with you guys having them, but they shouldn't be up on the dais on display ... It's against our ordinance."

Some members of the crowd jeered Burns. Mayor Gracey Van Der Mark banged her gavel.

"Do we need to go to recess now, until everybody can behave like adults?" she asked, less than 10 minutes into the meeting.

Bolton responded to Burns that it was her 1st Amendment right to have the Pride flag on the dais.

"This is my individual state-

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Library management company cancels bid

Surf City council was set to discuss proposal to outsource services, but company pulled out without explanation.

BY MATT SZABO

The Huntington Beach City Council was set to vote Tuesday night on a bid from Library Systems & Services to possibly outsource library operations.

Instead, the offer from the private company was suddenly off the table.

Library Systems & Services pulled its bid in an email to city staff Monday afternoon, which was called a victory by those seeking to keep library operations public.

LS&S chief executive Todd Frager sent the email Monday, requesting that the agenda item be withdrawn since LS&S was withdrawing its response to the city's request for proposals.

Frager did not say in the email why the company was pulling out, city public affairs manager Jennifer Carey confirmed Tuesday. Former Huntington Beach Mayor Mike Posey, who now works at LS&S as a regional sales executive, declined comment when reached via phone.

Huntington Beach Mayor Gracey Van Der Mark said Tuesday she didn't know why the bid was pulled, but she was OK with it.

"When the RFP came out, maybe they realized what we were looking for and what they could offer wasn't a good fit, wasn't a good match," Van Der Mark said. "That's the whole purpose of the RFP. I have no prob-



File Photo

IN AN EMAIL to city staff, Library Systems & Services pulled the bid it had made to manage Huntington Beach libraries.

lem with it. We were looking for efficiency, and we're doing that in every department."

Van Der Mark said she would still like to modernize the Central Library a little bit and cater it toward the needs of the community, with things like a section for homeschooling materials.

Libraries have been a hot topic in Surf City in recent months. In March, the conservative City Council majority voted 4-3 to seek bids for outsourcing of library management. Library Systems & Services had approached city staff late last year, claiming it could save the city about \$1 million per year.

In May, minority City Council members Dan Kalmick, Rhonda Bolton and Natalie Moser brought forward an item to pause the RFP process and send it to voters to decide, but that failed by the same 4-3 vote.

Carol Daus, a board member of Friends of the Huntington Beach Public Library, said she was ex-

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Costa Mesa officials hope to slow the roll of e-bike riders

BY SARA CARDINE

Electric bikes — a boon to citizens wishing to broaden their horizons but a burden for those they whiz past on streets and sidewalks — are nothing new in Costa Mesa, but now some laws regulating their use are in the works.

City leaders Tuesday showed support for ordinances seeking to amend portions of Costa Mesa's municipal code to bring city regulations in compliance with a compendium of new state laws regarding bicycle and pedestrian behaviors.

The changes include language that applies rules of the road to e-bikes, fast becoming a concern

among residents who complain of riders — often youth — traveling at unsafe speeds and engaging in risky behavior that endangers pedestrians and motorists.

"E-bike riders have no respect for the safety of pedestrians," said Costa Mesa resident Wendy Leece, describing having to contend with riders cutting through Canyon Park to access nearby Victoria Street. "They basically own the road, and they really ruin the peaceful experience of walking in Canyon Park."

Hank Castignetti, who engineers mini-trains with fellow Orange County Model Engineers at the 200-acre Fairview Park, gave a similar testimony to council

members.

"E-bikes in Fairview Park are a terror," he said, recounting the reckless acts of teens and adolescents armed with serious torque. "They tear across habitat nesting areas and play chicken with the trains. I really wish they'd enforce a no e-bike edict at Fairview Park to save wildlife and prevent an accident."

While the ordinances being considered in Costa Mesa do not ban the use of electric bicycles, they do set some ground rules that will allow local law enforcement officers to stop and potentially cite offenders.

"Electric bikes are allowed on bike paths and roadways, but they

have to follow the law," said active transportation coordinator Brett Atencio Thomas.

The updated regulations prohibit riding any bicycle in an unsafe manner or speed, mandate riders yield to pedestrians while traveling on sidewalks and require the proper parking of bikes in the public right of way.

Anticipated to be adopted in a second reading at a future council meeting, the revisions are designed to comply with California's Bicycle Omnibus Bill (AB1909) passed in 2022, along with AB2147, which decriminalizes jaywalking.

Councilman Don Harper was incredulous about whether such

ordinance language would seriously impact behaviors in real time, especially if enforcement by police remained discretionary.

"Nobody's going to get on their bike and read this ordinance," he said. "I find it very important, but is it going to affect behavior? I hope in our plan, with the money you spend, it's actually educating these crazy kids."

Costa Mesa Police Capt. Bryan Wadkins, who oversees the department's Field Operations Division, said the municipal code changes are just one tool in a box full of strategies being implemented by CMPD, public works

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Newport Beach council adopts \$494.8-million budget for 2024-25

BY LILLY NGUYEN

The Newport Beach City Council unanimously approved earlier this month the city's \$494.8-million budget for fiscal year 2024-25, its total 12.4% higher than last year's budget of \$440.1 million.

In his final year as a member of the Newport Beach City Council as well as the city's finance committee, Mayor Will O'Neill said the primary reason he first ran for office was because he wanted to improve the city's budget.

"It's nice when we have an un-

controversial budget like we have now. But that was another thing that when I first came on, we had actually just come off the first time we'd seen a series of dissenting votes that resulted in a 4-3 budget vote, which we hadn't seen in a while," O'Neill said during last week's City Council meeting when the budget was considered.

The finance committee noted a \$5.3-million surplus in the budget and recommended it be put toward the end-of-the-year CalPERS contribution to pay

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Pair charged with attempted murder in Costa Mesa shooting

BY CITY NEWS SERVICE

Two men have been charged with attempted murder in connection with a shooting Friday connected to a memorial for a man stabbed to death in Costa Mesa earlier the same week, court records show.

Erik Garcilazo, 19, was charged with five counts apiece of attempted murder and assault with a semiautomatic firearm, all felonies, as well as misdemeanor counts of unlawful entry of a noncommercial dwelling and resisting arrest. He also faces sentencing enhancements for firing a gun and committing an offense while out of custody on another case and the personal use of a gun.

Elmer Suarez-Morales, 20, was charged with five felony counts apiece of attempted murder and assault with a semiautomatic firearm.

Both men are residents of Costa Mesa.

Officers responded at about 12:25 a.m. Friday to gunshots heard in the 1700 block of Placentia Avenue, where they located evidence of a shooting but no victims or witnesses, the



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A HOMELESS person sleeps Saturday afternoon near a memorial outside a liquor store on Costa Mesa's Placentia Avenue, where a man was fatally stabbed June 11 and a shooting took place three days later.

Costa Mesa Police Department reported.

The department was notified less than an hour later by a hospital that a male patient was seeking emergency medical treatment for a non-life-threatening gunshot wound.

"The initial investigation connected this shooting to the memorial on Placentia Avenue for the deceased victim from the June 11 case," police said in a statement.

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- 6/22 DESPERADO (EAGLES TRIBUTE)
- 6/23 JUSTIN HAYWARD VOICE OF THE MOODY BLUES
- 6/28 THE BACON BROTHERS
- 6/29 SKELETON CREW (GRATEFUL DEAD TRIBUTE)
- 7/3 IAN MOORE
- 7/5 WALTER MICHAELS BAND
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- 7/12 YNOT (RUSH TRIBUTE)
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- 7/14 THE CREAM OF CLAPTON BAND
FEAT. WILL JOHNS & NOAH EAST
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- 7/24 HALEY REINHART
- 7/25 THE RAT PACK
- 7/26 KEN GARCIA
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- 8/2 BEACH BOY AL JARDINE
- 8/3 CUBENSIS (GRATEFUL DEAD TRIBUTE)
- 8/4 UKULELE STAR: TAIMANE & HER TRIO
- 8/9 BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY
- 8/10 THE BUSBOYS
- 8/11 THE JAMES KELLY BAND
- 8/17 PIANO MEN: GENERATIONS
- 8/23 SUPER DIAMOND (NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE)
- 8/24 SUPER DIAMOND (NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE)
- 8/27 TAB BENOIT & ANDERS OSBORNE
WITH SPECIAL GUEST JD SIMO
- 8/28 TOM RUSH
- 8/29 THE PETTY BREAKERS (TOM PETTY TRIBUTE)
- 8/30 GLENN HUGHES - DEEP PURPLE SET
- 8/31 MICK ADAMS & THE STONES
- 9/1 MIDGE URE
- 9/7 SOUTHERN ROCK THROWDOWN
(LYNYRD SKYNYRD, BAD CO., ZZ TOP TRIBUTES)
- 9/12 GRAHAM BONNET
PERFORMING RAINBOW, MSG & ALCATRAZZ



SUN, AUG 4
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FRI, AUG 9
BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY



SAT, AUG 10
THE BUS BOYS



TUE, AUG 27
TAB BENOIT ANDERS OSBORNE

- 9/13 RICHIE KOTZEN WITH SPECIAL GUEST MARK DALY
- 9/14 JOURNEY USA (JOURNEY TRIBUTE)
- 9/15 BENISE: FIESTA!
- 9/19 THE MAN IN BLACK (JOHNNY CASH TRIBUTE)
- 9/22 JANE MONHEIT
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- 10/6 DAVE HAUSE
- 10/10 HENRY KAPONO
- 10/11 HENRY KAPONO
- 10/16 JIMMIE VAUGHAN
- 10/18 GARY PUCKETT & THE UNION GAP
- 10/20 THE YOUNG DUBLINERS
- 10/31 OINGO BOINGO FORMER MEMBERS / UNTOUCHABLES
- 11/1 OINGO BOINGO FORMER MEMBERS / UNTOUCHABLES
- 11/2 VENICE
- 11/3 THE WINEHOUSE EXPERIENCE
(AMY WINEHOUSE TRIBUTE)
- 11/8 COMMON SENSE
- 11/9 TYRONE WELLS
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- 11/29 THE PLATTERS
- 11/30 LEE ROCKER OF THE STRAY CATS
- 12/4 LIVINGSTON TAYLOR & LOUDON WAINWRIGHT III
- 12/11 DAVID BENOIT CHRISTMAS TRIBUTE TO CHARLIE BROWN
- 12/12 KY-MANI MARLEY
- 12/15 THE GLENN MILLER ORCHESTRA - CHRISTMAS SHOW
- 12/21 AMBROSIA HOLIDAY SHOW
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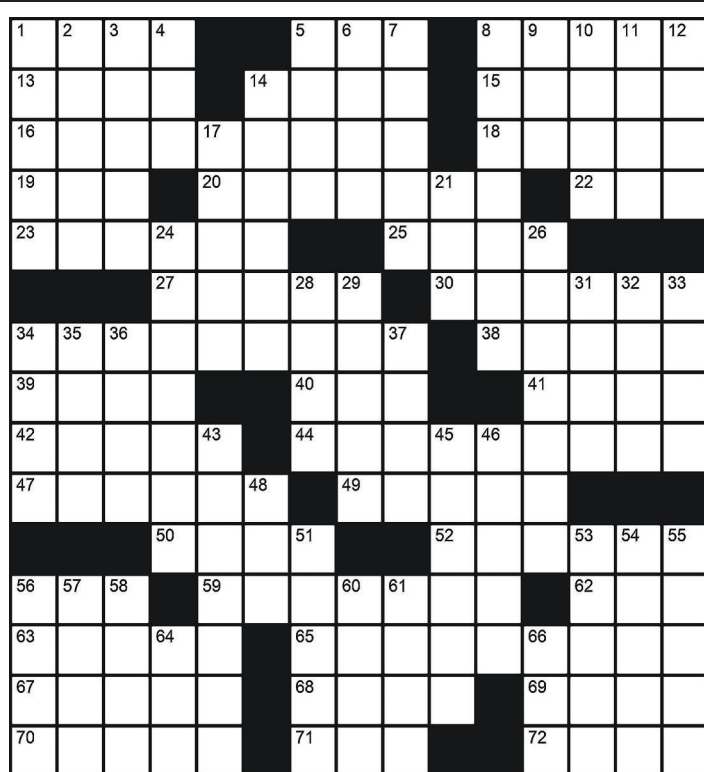
By Stella Zawistowski

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- 5 Domino marking
- 8 Gets ready
- 13 Story
- 14 Gymnast Korbut
- 15 2:1 or 4:3
- 16 Goal of Frederick Douglass
- 18 Go in
- 19 Guys
- 20 Sound systems
- 22 Painting or sculpture
- 23 "The magic word"
- 25 Rotary phone feature
- 27 Swear
- 30 Andes animals
- 34 Hideous
- 38 Use the pink end of a pencil
- 39 Close by
- 40 Savings plan: Abbr.
- 41 Toothy smile
- 42 Change
- 44 New Jersey's region
- 47 _ salad
- 49 Slow creature
- 50 Look over quickly
- 52 Weeping
- 56 Bullfight cheer
- 59 Keep apart
- 62 1,000 Gs
- 63 Tribute with insults
- 65 Baton Rouge's state
- 67 Consent
- 68 Soft mineral
- 69 Gets older
- 70 Suffers defeat
- 71 Finish
- 72 Untidy spot

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- 1 Bit of postage
- 2 Product sticker
- 3 By oneself
- 4 Blanc who



SUDOKU

By the Mephram Group

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

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

- voiced Bugs Bunny
- 5 Ballet bend
- 6 Composer Stravinsky
- 7 Like windows opportunity
- 9 Fled
- 10 First name in jazz
- 11 Waterfront area
- 12 Type
- 14 Furry fish-eaters
- 17 Magazine unit
- 21 _ and vinegar
- 24 Female stage performer

- 26 For the most part
- 28 Small unit of area: Abbr.
- 29 Money in Spain
- 31 Rooney of "Nightmare Alley"
- 32 Flea market condition: 2 wds.
- 33 Shipped
- 34 Annoying insect
- 35 Move, for short
- 36 Horse fodder
- 37 Merit
- 43 Reels off
- 45 Strategic maneuver
- 46 Brings on staff
- 48 German "the"
- 51 Actor Nick
- 53 GIF, e.g.
- 54 Dressed to the

- 55 Serving of wine
 - 56 Spoken
 - 57 Company emblem
 - 58 Corn servings
 - 60 Mortgage, e.g.
 - 61 _ lang syne
 - 64 Visualize
 - 66 Reply to "Are you?": 2 wds.
- Tribune Media Services

MEETING

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ment, this is my individual speech," Bolton said. "I don't treat it like it's speech on behalf of the city."

The recess came later in the meeting, after Councilman Dan Kalmick asked for the minutes from the previous meeting to be amended. Burns audibly muttered "pieces of s**t" under his breath during that meeting after Kalmick, Moser and Bolton left the chambers in protest of Burns' item declaring Huntington Beach a 1st Amendment- and 2nd Amendment-friendly city.

"I'd like the minutes to be amended to include Mr. Burns' statements about the council members who were exercising their 1st Amendment rights," Kalmick said.

Burns asked what language Kalmick was talking about.

"The language that violates our decorum rules," Kalmick said. "We don't use that type of language on our dais, and we don't use that to discuss council members here or otherwise."

Burns responded, saying that Kalmick narcissistically believed the statement was directed at him, Moser and Bolton.

"I'm not surprised that you guys immediately thought that it was a description that applied to you guys, that you identified with," Burns said.

As some in the crowd protested the comments, Van Der Mark quickly called for a recess. The minutes were not changed on a 4-3 vote, with the conservative majority holding sway, though Kalmick confirmed that the vote and discussion would appear in the next month's meeting minutes.

Later, as the panel was discussing the pulled library bid, Van Der Mark said she was troubled that the environment "could not be any more polarized if we tried."

"I don't think anybody here likes what's happening in here," she said. "We don't like it, you guys don't



Eric Licas

COUNCILWOMAN NATALIE MOSER sits with a Pride flag during Tuesday night's Huntington Beach council meeting.

like it. I'm sure we'd all rather be out at the street fair on Tuesdays, but that's not going to happen because Councilmember Kalmick has decided to use this to campaign [for reelection] ... I really hope that at some point there could be more cohesiveness or just plain civility."

Kalmick responded on a variety of topics, including the upcoming budget deficits and why he uses the term "book ban" in regard to the created parent/guardian children's book advisory board.

"I don't know if my new suit got singed or not from the gaslighting," he said, later apologizing to the city staff and librarians for having to endure the process undertaken at the council majority's behest that sought bids from private companies interested in taking over the management of the city's libraries.

"This is not the way the board of directors of a 1,500-person organization should take care of its employees," Kalmick said.

Councilman Casey McKeon accused Kalmick, Moser and Bolton of sowing fear and distrust during the process.

"It's been a constant stream of manufactured hysteria, which has created confusion and division in our city over us simply trying to perform our normal fiduciary duties," McKeon said.

Bolton responded that residents were upset and fearful because of the way the process worked, without items like a study session or a request for information that is not confi-

dential.

"Why were we starting with [a request for proposal]?" Bolton said. "Let me also point out that if I remember the wording of the resolution correctly, it directed staff to come back with a contract. So, heck yeah, people were upset and scared. But to sit here and blame all of this on us? No, that's not appreciated."

Moser accused the council majority of doing nothing but fan the flames of the polarization that exists in the community.

"That polarization is not a result of misinformation or disinformation from Councilmember Kalmick or members of our community," she said. "It is, however, a result of repeated and unneeded attacks on the good people of our community, on our library, on the freedom to read, on our librarians personally and on our kids' access to information. The polarization is also a result of repeated efforts to get in the news. Political theater is not helpful to our city."

Councilman Tony Strickland, the last to comment, said he agreed with some of his colleagues.

"To work together, you have to talk to each other," he said. "I do believe that everybody on this dais wants to make Huntington Beach a better place. We can agree to disagree without being disagreeable, and that's not happening. At the end of the day, I think all of us need to look in the mirror and try to do better."

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E-BIKE

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employees and members of the city's Active Transportation Committee.

Education will be key, he said, as city officials continue to coordinate bike safety events on Newport-Mesa Unified School District campuses and promote safe practices via social media.

"We need to work cooperatively to get the word out on this, and we need parents to make smart decisions when purchasing electric bicycles for kids," Wadkins said. "Keep it a Class 1, which has pedal assist. The throttle-assist and electric motorcycles [without pedals], those are the dangerous ones we're really concerned with."

The consideration of new rules in Costa Mesa follows on the heels of a June 4 decision by the county Board of Supervisors, prohibiting children under 16 from riding

Class 3 e-bikes, which can travel up to 28 mph, and requiring helmets for all those under 18 who ride in unincorporated Orange County.

Multiple residents speaking in public comments Tuesday shared stories of how e-bikes increased their mobility and allowed them to go further and do more while relying less on car travel.

Councilwoman Arlis Reynolds said the ordinances complement work being done in other areas to promote safe travel and active transportation.

"This is a really good first step, alongside the work on our safety education programs and alongside the work we're doing on improving our street infrastructure to calm activity levels on streets and make them safer for everyone," she said.

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LIBRARY

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cited that LS&S withdrew its bid.

As of Tuesday afternoon, the council had received nearly 300 emails, mostly against the outsourcing of management of library services.

"We do view it as a win," Daus said. "We won the battle. We didn't win the war quite yet, but this is huge in terms of getting them out of the picture. We don't need a for-profit corporation coming in and managing our library when we are managed so well, so efficiently with great staff that are loved by the community,"

Two petitions have begun collecting signatures in Huntington Beach in recent weeks. One seeks to repeal the parent/guardian children's book review board ordinance, while a more recently launched petition seeks to put public library operations in the city's municipal

code.

More than 6,000 signatures have been collected for the book review petition in about a month, Daus said, while the library operations petition has gathered about 1,500 signatures in just more than a week.

Both of them would require signatures of 10% of the voters of Huntington Beach, though the Orange County Registrar of Voters recommends collecting an additional 50% — slightly less than 20,000 total signatures — to account for disqualified signers.

"We want to keep the corporate interests out of our library system," Daus said. "Even though LS&S did remove the bid, we have no protection right now that they might not come back in the future, or that even in the short term they would rewrite the RFP. There's all kinds of things that could still happen."

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BUDGET

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down unfunded pension liabilities.

"Coming in and making sure that we're taking care of our long-term debt, taking care of the unfunded pension liability so that future councils aren't being forced into making bad decisions because [of it] ... the decisions that we are making today matter," O'Neill said.

According to a staff report prepared for the June 11 meeting, the total budget is broken into the operating and capital improvement costs. About \$440.5 million has been earmarked for operations, which includes \$72.3 million in transfers between funds, while \$54.3 million is expected to be used for capital improvements.

Projects in the upcoming fiscal year include work on the 15th Street restrooms, city yard fueling facilities and transfer station rehab, the Balboa Library, the facilities maintenance plan, the replacement of Fire Station No. 1 and utilities yard facilities improvements.

The budget places emphasis on maintaining the city's financial health, high-quality municipal services, cleanliness and maintenance of public utilities and public safety, according to the report.

General fund revenues are expected to be at around \$315.3 million, higher by about \$7.6 million than revenues projected for the current fiscal year, which ends June 30. City staff said this is supported by the local economy and that property tax remains the largest source of income for the general fund, though sales tax and transient occupancy taxes — hotel taxes — follow closely behind.

Property taxes were projected to be around \$141.3 million at the time that the 2023-24 budget was adopted, but current projections place that at around \$143.6 million for this calendar year and \$149.3 million in 2025 — an overall growth of 4%. Sales tax is also expected to see a 5.3% growth along with the hotel tax by 4.2%.

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SHOOTING

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Officers had responded to a knife attack in the same block of Placentia Avenue, near 17th Street, at about 11 p.m. Tuesday. That victim was pronounced dead at the scene, and two suspects, Israel Antonio Valencia, 25, and Christopher Mathew Pena, 18, were arrested June 12, according to Roxi Fyad of the CMPD.

While investigating the fatal stabbing, police found a 19-year-old man who had been attacked earlier at Placentia Avenue and Shalimar Drive. The second victim, who was taken to a hospital by family members, was believed to have been attacked by the same suspect, and authorities said they suspect the attacks were gang-related.

Officers located Suarez-Morales on Friday afternoon, who was pulled over in a vehicle and arrested without incident.

Garcilazo was located around 4:30 p.m. Friday in the 2100 block of Pomona Avenue. Police said Garcilazo evaded officers and fled, resulting in a perimeter involving SWAT, a drone team and a K9 unit, creating traffic delays on Pomona Avenue between Victoria Street and Wilson Street.

About half an hour later, officers found Garcilazo and arrested him.

Police did not elaborate on the suspected connection between the shooting and the memorial. Anyone with information on the stabbings or shooting was asked to call Costa Mesa police at (714) 754-5097.

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(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are:
I CAN BBQ KOREAN BBQ, LLC, 5781 ALTON PKWY, IRVINE, CA 92618

(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: SAME AS ABOVE

(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are:
Wethebestgogi Irvine Inc., 5781 ALTON PKWY, IRVINE, CA 92618

(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are furniture, fixtures and equipment, tradename, goodwill, lease, leasehold improvements, covenant not to compete, together with the following described alcoholic beverage license(s): 571981 of that certain business located at: 5781 ALTON PKWY, IRVINE, CA 92618.

(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at that location is: I CAN BARBECUE KOREAN GRILL.

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(9) The last date for filing claims is 07/08/24.

(10) This Bulk Sale is subject to Section 6106.2 of the Uniform Commercial Code.

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Dated: March 1, 2024

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BSC 225260 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: RICHARD CURTIS DIESS 30-2024-01402975-PR-LA-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **RICHARD CURTIS DIESS.**

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **Karen Tilley & Susan McDermott** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE.**

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **Karen Tilley & Susan McDermott** 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 **Aug 1, 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 (ccourts.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 hearing.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

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3190 Pullman St. Costa Mesa, CA 92626 (714)243-4094 12:00 PM
Josh Laroche
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The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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T.S. No. 120392-CA APN: 442-054-48 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 3/3/2020. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER On 7/11/2024 at 9:00 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 3/4/2020 as Instrument No. 2020000095734 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Orange County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: JULIAN CHAN, TRUSTEE OF THE JULIAN CHAN TRUST DATED NOVEMBER 5, 2019 WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; ON THE FRONT STEPS TO THE ENTRANCE OF THE ORANGE CIVIC CENTER, 300 E. CHAPMAN, ORANGE, CA 92866 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 3131 CORTE CALETA, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660-3243 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$525,682.12 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. 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. 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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. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (844) 477-7869 CLEAR RECON CORP 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225 San Diego, California 92108

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Notice is hereby given that on **July 9th, 2024;** Extra Space Storage will sell at public auction, to satisfy the lien of the owner, personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the following locations:
2950 Bear St Costa Mesa CA, 92626 949-415-5680 12:00 PM
Audrenet Rawls
Christian McDaniel
Brittany Webb

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the referenced facility above to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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Loan No.: 22-2828 Bdaivi TS no. 2024-10981 APN: 530-651-25 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 12/21/2022, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on 6/26/2024, at 1:30 PM of said day, At the North front entrance to the County Courthouse at 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701, Beneficial TD Services, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust executed by Mahmoud Bdaivi, a married man as his sole and separate property recorded on 12/29/2022 in Book n/a of Official Records of ORANGE County, at page n/a, Recorder's Instrument No. 2022000421088, by reason of a breach or default in payment or performance of the obligations secured thereby, including that breach or default, Notice of which was recorded 2/15/2024 as Recorder's Instrument No. 2024000034184, in Book n/a, at page n/a, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, lawful money of the United States, evidenced by a Cashier's Check drawn on a state or national bank, or the equivalent thereof drawn on any other financial institution specified in section 5102 of the California Financial Code, authorized to do business in the State of California, ALL PAYABLE AT THE TIME OF SALE, all right, title and interest held by it as Trustee, in that real property situated in said County and State, described as follows: Lot 52, Tract 15747, per Map, Book 788, Pages 1 to 5 Inclusive, of Miscellaneous Maps. The street address or other common designation of the real property hereinabove described is purported to be: 12 Paso Robles, Irvine, CA 92602-1012. The undersigned disclaims all liability for any incorrectness in said street address or other common designation. Said sale will be made without warranty, express or implied regarding title, possession, or other encumbrances, to satisfy the unpaid obligations secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest and other sums as provided therein; plus advances, if any, thereunder and interest thereon; and plus fees, charges, and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of said obligations at the time of initial publication of this Notice is \$398,216.49. In the event that the deed of trust described in this Notice of Trustee's Sale is secured by real property containing from one to four single-family residences, the following notices are provided pursuant to the provisions of Civil Code section 2924f: 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. 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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 916-939-0772 or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2024-10981. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not be immediately reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. 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. 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Dated: June 3, 2024 Beneficial TD Services, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company By: Ashwood TD Services, LLC, Agent Christopher Loria, Trustee's Sale Officer 231 E. Alessandro Blvd., Ste. 6A-693, Riverside, CA 92508 Tel.: (951) 215-0069 Fax: (805) 323-9054 Trustee's Sale Information: (916) 939-0772 or www.nationwideposting.com NPP0461411 To: NEWPORT HARBOR NEWS PRESS COMBINED WITH DAILY PILOT 06/06/2024, 06/13/2024, 06/20/2024



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Cupido, Dodd brothers earn spots on Olympic team

BY MATT SZABO

LOS ANGELES — Luca Cupido still remembers his experiences playing for the Newport Harbor High boys' water polo team more than a decade ago. Cupido brought an electricity to the Sailors when, as a high school senior, he

moved to Newport Beach from his native Italy in 2013. During a Battle of the Bay match against rival Corona del Mar at the Sailors' pool, he met an 8-year-old super-fan named Finn LeSieur, donned in sunglasses, a swim cap and Speedo and using the Italian flag as a cape.

"I haven't been there in a bit, but I remember the little kid Finn," Cupido said Tuesday with a smile. "He was part of that [Newport Harbor] team that won recently, so it's like, how time flies."

LeSieur will be a college sophomore at Princeton this fall and was indeed a part of the Sailors' back-to-back CIF Southern Section Open Division titles in 2021 and 2022.

Time does pass quickly. For Cupido, he's now a three-time Olympian.

Cupido and the Dodd brothers, Chase and Ryder, were among the 13 members of the U.S. Olympic men's water polo team named during an event Tuesday at République Café Bakery & Restaurant in Los Angeles.

Cupido, now 28, remains an electric player and is one of the most experienced players on the team, which will bring 10 returning Olympians to Paris this summer. He is one of four three-time Olympians on the roster, along with captain Ben Hallock, Alex Bowen and Alex Obert.

Cupido has dual citizenship and played professionally in his native Italy this past year, with CC Ortigia. He also got married two years ago to his wife Courtney, who played lacrosse in

college.

"It's a blessing," Luca Cupido said of hearing his name called for another Olympics. "You learn every time. You have to learn your body, how to approach the games so you can get better prepared. I think I've gotten to a point now where I'm both mentally and physically ready to approach the best games."

Chase Dodd, 21, took his junior year off from UCLA to prepare for the Olympics. Along with his younger brother, the Huntington Beach High graduate recently spent a couple of months training in Italy with the club team of Olympic teammate Max Irving.

The Dodds are the first set of brothers to make the U.S. men's water polo Olympic team since Peter and Jeff Campbell in 1988.

Chase said it's always been a dream to make the Olympics. When he was 8 or 9, he said he would go to exhibition matches the team would play during the run up to the 2012 Olympics in London.

The attacker said he will look to his older teammates for experience, but also courage.

"When you look at them and they've already gone through the pipeline and they've already made the Olympics, they have a lot of confidence in that," Chase Dodd said. "Their confidence is infectious. It bleeds off into me, my little brother and [first-time Olympian and goalkeeper] Adrian [Weinberg]."

Ryder Dodd, 18, who played his first two years of high school at Huntington Beach High before transferring to JSerra, is the youngest player on the Olympic roster. Team USA coach Dejan Udovicic called him a "super-talent" who projects as a five-time Olympian.

He will join his older brother at UCLA. Ryder had a memorable fall last year,



Photos by James Carbone

NEWPORT HARBOR High graduate Luca Cupido stands after his name is announced to be on the U.S. 2024 Olympic men's water polo team Tuesday at République in L.A.



HUNTINGTON BEACH High School graduate Chase Dodd, left, and his younger brother Ryder Dodd stand after being named to the U.S. 2024 Olympic men's water polo team

helping JSerra win the Open Division title to cap an undefeated season a week after starring for Team USA at the Pan American Games in Chile.

"After CIF is when I really realized that I have other stuff on the horizon," he said. "I just had to lock in for the next six months, seven months."

Other players on the U.S. Olympic squad include returners Johnny Hooper, Marko Vavic, Hannes Daube, Dylan Woodhead and goalkeeper Drew Holland.

Udovicic, who has been head coach since 2013, called it one of his most talented teams in more than

two decades of coaching. The Team USA men last earned a medal in the Olympics in 2018, when it claimed bronze in Beijing.

"This group of guys has a work ethic like I've never seen before," said Hallock, the team captain. "They're willing to do everything and do it really hard, and be really happy while they do it. I think that's the foundation of any successful team. I think with those things, and how much we're willing to sacrifice for each other, we can do anything we want and take home a medal in Paris."

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California State Parks seasonal lifeguard Sierra Fockler discovered a 14-inch Pacific football fish around 2:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 13, near the lifeguard station located at Crystal Cove State Park in Orange County. It's the second such case of the fish washing ashore over the last three years. (Courtesy of California State Parks)

Good morning. It's Wednesday, Oct. 25. I'm Carol Cormaci, bringing you this week's [TimesOC newsletter](#) with a look at the latest local news and events.

Watch where you're stepping on O.C.'s famed sands, because you may encounter a rare specimen of marine life. One, in fact, that has very sharp teeth.

That's what happened on a recent afternoon to lifeguard Sierra Fockler, who found a spooky-looking black angler fish, specifically a Pacific football fish, while she was walking near the lifeguard headquarters building on Moro Beach, located within Crystal Cove State Park.