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THE WEATHER, BEVERLY HILLS

Friday	69° 50°
Saturday	65° 49°
Sunday	61° 47°
Monday	55° 43°
Tuesday	60° 43°
Wednesday	63° 45°
Thursday	63° 46°

Council Extends Beverly Hills Hotel Tax Deferral

BY SAMUEL BRASLOW

As the hospitality industry faces an unprecedented crisis brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Beverly Hills City Council unanimously supported a further deferral of the Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT). A hub of high-end tourism, Beverly Hills generates significant revenue from the TOT, which levies a charge on hotel guests within the City. With the City in the grips of the third

wave of COVID-19 and tourism ground to a halt, the Council agreed to extend the tax relief for a third time to help its hotels.

“We’re a partner with these hotels,” Councilmember Lili Bosse said. “They’ve been a tremendous asset to us with TOT funding in the years past, and this year, things are really challenging. We need to be a partner with them, as well.”

On Dec. 3, with COVID-19 case numbers rising at alarming levels, California Gov. Gavin Newsom issued new Regional Stay At Home Orders. The orders place steep restrictions on hotels, which are only allowed to provide lodging for “critical infrastructure support.”

(Hotel Tax continues on page 2)



Beverly Hills has extended a tax deferral for City hotels. Photo by Samuel Braslow

Council Won’t Challenge Enhanced Density Bonus for Beverly Hills

BY SAMUEL BRASLOW

The Beverly Hills City Council grappled with upcoming changes to California’s Density Bonus law at its Dec. 21 Study Session. The decades-old legislation provides incentives to encourage housing development, but has come under scrutiny for failing to blunt the on-going housing crisis in California. In August, state lawmakers passed an expansion of the program. The Council unanimously rejected a possible eleventh-hour workaround that would have sheltered the City from the more developer-friendly provisions at the risk of alienating state officials.

The state’s Density Bonus program, originally passed in 1979, grants incentives to developments that include a certain percentage of affordable units. In return for below-market rate housing, the development can include more units than normally permitted, along with other “incentives” and “concessions” such as reduced parking requirements and eased height restrictions. The law can compel local governments to reduce or waive certain local development standards for eligible developments. (Density Bonus continues on page 12)

Medical Task Force Supports COVID-19 Vaccination

BY BIANCA HEYWARD

On Dec. 21, the Health and Safety Commission and the Medical Advisory Task Force held a joint special meeting for educational purposes, during which Commissioners and City Council members participated in lively discussion.

(Medical Task Force continues on page 12)



Courier Calendar

NOW

**THE PALEY CENTER FOR MEDIA-
“MAKING HOLIDAY MAGIC! A LOOK
INSIDE ‘JINGLE JANGLE: A CHRISTMAS
JOURNEY’”**

The Paley Center for Media - Paley Front Row provides viewers a behind the scenes look of Netflix’s “Jingle Jangle: A Christmas Journey.” Members of the creative team, including writer/director David E. Talbert, producers Lyn Sisson-Talbert, John Legend, Mike Jackson, as well as moderator Tre’veil Anderson, discuss the new musical holiday classic. <https://www.paleycenter.org/>

NOW - DEC. 31

**PASADENA SYMPHONY AND
POPS: “HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS”
CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

The Pasadena Symphony and Pops “Home for the Holidays” concert received rave reviews, bringing the joy of music to viewers. The concert is now available on-demand through Dec. 31. Get in the holiday spirit with this heartwarming celebration with Broadway’s Lisa Vroman and an array of choruses and handbells. Watch on the website or YouTube Channel. <https://pasadenasympphony-pops.org/concert/home-for-the-holidays/>

NOW - JAN. 3

**WALLIS ANNENBERG CENTER FOR
THE PERFORMING ARTS - “ESTELLA
SCROOGE: A CHRISTMAS CAROL
WITH A TWIST”**

Just in time for the holidays, Wallis Annenberg Center for Performing Arts brings audiences a magical musical, created with new cutting-edge technology, the world premiere of “Estella Scrooge: A Christmas Carol with a Twist.” The production features a cast of 24 award-winning Broadway notables and is available for streaming from through Jan. 3. Tickets are now on sale. <https://thewallis.org/Scrooge>

DEC. 24 - 25

**61ST ANNUAL L.A. COUNTY HOLIDAY
CELEBRATION**
3 - 6 p.m., 7 - 10 p.m. Dec. 24; 12 - 3 p.m. Dec. 25

A Los Angeles holiday tradition presented since 1959, the 61st Annual L.A. County Holiday Celebration goes virtual with choirs, music ensembles and dancers representing the many cultures of Los Angeles. It airs on Christmas Eve on PBS SoCal, KCET, the Holiday Celebration website, and Christmas Day on KCET. <https://www.musiccenter.org/tickets/events-by-the-music-center/holidaycelebration/>

DEC. 26 - 30

**WONDERLAND HOLIDAY DRIVE-THRU
ADVENTURE**
5 - 11 p.m.

The first-ever WonderLand immersive drive-thru experience features nearly a million lights, all time-coded to a festive array of seasonal songs. Visitors travel around North Pole mountains, through a 90-foot twinkling snowflake tunnel, and a snow flurry vortex tunnel. Tickets are sold per vehicle. WonderLand is located at 6100 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Woodland Hills. <https://www.socalwonderland.com/>

DEC. 31

**THE BILLY HARRIS DINNER SERIES:
ANTONIA LOFASO’S NEW YEAR’S EVE
PARTY**
7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Ring in the New Year with Chef Antonia Lofaso, Billy Harris, Paul Vitagliano, and friends for a nationwide party with entertainment, a multi-course menu, party favors, cocktail mixers and party favors. The dinner is interactive and friends will drink, eat and dance together virtually over Zoom. Tickets are limited. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/antonia-lofasos-new-years-eve-party-tickets-13231282213>

DEC. 31

**SANTA MONICA PLAYHOUSE NEW
YEAR’S EVE MUSICAL REVUE**
7:30, 10:30 p.m.

Enjoy a family-friendly live-stream musical revue with Playhouse alumni from around the globe joining in the singing, dancing and humor from audience favorite productions. Selections include 40s jazz, country rock, Jewish songs, romantic ballads and sing-a-longs. The live-stream link is available on the Santa Monica Playhouse website. <https://www.santamonicaplayhouse.com/NYE2020.html>

DEC. 31

**GRAND PARK’S NYELA POWERED BY
THE MUSIC CENTER**
11 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.

The annual flagship West Coast countdown celebration “Grand Park’s NYELA” will ring in 2021 with a new steaming format and national broadcast. Partnering with Fuse and new Latin music label Dim Mak En Fuego, as well as Grammy-nominated DJ/producer Steve Aoki, the event will provide the first opportunity for people around the country and around the globe to enjoy the park’s grand-scale New Year’s Eve experience - L.A.-style. <https://nyela.grandparkla.org/>

NEWS

(Hotel Tax continued from page 1)

This includes travel for “work and study...economic services and supply chains, health, immediate medical care, and safety and security,” according to the California Department of Public Health. “Tourism” and “recreational” travel are not permitted.

Beverly Hills enjoys a high position on the list of desirable locations for international and inter-state travelers. The order, signed by Acting State Public Health Officer Dr. Eric Pan, laid out provisions for out of state travel: “Except as otherwise required by law, no hotel or lodging entity in California shall accept or honor out of state reservations for non-essential travel, unless the reservation is for at least the minimum time period required for quarantine and the persons identified in the reservation will quarantine in the hotel or lodging entity until after that time period has expired.”

While the hotel industry started to see some improvements after the summer surge, the unprecedented third wave of COVID-19 and the resulting restrictions have exacerbated the year’s struggles. Regional Stay At Home Orders effectively restrict all but essential travel, leaving hotel occupancy rates at dire levels. By Dec. 11, the hospitality industry saw more than 962 million vacant rooms as measured on a per night basis, Bloomberg News reported. This number will likely surpass \$1 billion around Christmas, costing hotel owners around \$46 billion in lost revenue.

Some hotels have found creative ways to work within the guidelines. The Beverly

Hilton, for instance, advertises extended stays on a large banner facing Wilshire Boulevard. The banner promises “luxury living” for extended stays of “14 days or longer.”

Offer Nissenbaum, Managing Director of the Peninsula Hotel, painted a stark portrait of the situation facing his and other hotels in the City. “Obviously, with the recent stay at home order and the ban on anything but essential travel, cash flow for hotels has come to a complete halt,” he said. “It’s really a dire situation, so we would like to once again ask you for this consideration to defer the payments as asked.”

According to Director of Finance Jeff Muir, the deferral would not have a deep impact on the City’s coffers. “It would have a very minor impact on this year, but that would be effectively corrected in the following year,” he said. He provided a “back of the napkin” calculation of \$6 to \$8 million in lost revenue.

Councilmember Dr. Julian Gold noted the irony of the deferral. “So, the irony of this is because of the fact that the hotels have such a high vacancy rate, the actual dollar amount and impact to the City is diminished.”

Mayor Lester Friedman expressed his full support for the deferral and optimism for the future of the hospitality industry in the City. “Needless to say, I’m also supportive of it,” the Mayor said. “Hopefully the hotels will be robust with business in the latter part of the first quarter to the second quarter and we’ll be back on track.” ●

Beverly Hills Holiday Streetscape













Photo by Bianca Heyward



Photo by Bianca Heyward



*The top 15 things that happened in 2020
that you do not remember*

- 15. THE PENTAGON RELEASED THREE UFO VIDEOS... AND NO ONE CARED 
- 14. NOBODY REMEMBERED 420 AND IT WASN'T BECAUSE WE WERE ALL TOO HIGH IN APRIL TO REMEMBER 
- 13. BRITNEY SPEARS SEEMED COMPARABLY NORMAL IN PRIOR YEARS
- 12. DESPITE NO ONE ASKING, QUIBI WAS LAUNCHED...AND FAILED
- 11. POLAND ACCIDENTALLY INVADED THE CZECH REPUBLIC 
- 10. DRAKE MADE IT ON THE COVER OF ARCHITECTURAL DIGEST, SOME WOULD CONCUR HE SHOULD STICK TO MUSIC 
- 9. ELON MUSK NAMED HIS CHILD "X Æ A-12" PRONOUNCED "X ASH A-12" IN CASE YOU'RE STILL AS CONFUSED AS WE ARE
- 8. TRUMP WAS IMPEACHED 
- 7. LOCUST SWARMS DEVASTATED AFRICA AND ASIA 
- 6. THE SHOW *COPS* WAS CANCELED; HOWEVER *TIGER KING* WAS BORN 
- 5. THE FAMOUS MR. PEANUT MASCOT DIED AFTER FALLING OFF A CLIFF. HE WAS REBORN AS 'BABY PEANUT' 
- 4. MISSISSIPPI TOOK THE CONFEDERATE FLAG OFF OF ITS FLAG BUT ADDED "IN GOD WE TRUST"
- 3. THE ECONOMY ALMOST COLLAPSED 
- 2. FLINT MICHIGAN STILL DOESN'T HAVE WATER
- 1. SPACEX LAUNCHED TWO NASA ASTRONAUTS INTO SPACE... BOBBY AND I HAD REALLY HOPED TO BE ON IT 

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WeHo Enacts COVID-19 Grocery Store Ordinance

BY SAMUEL BRASLOW

The West Hollywood City Council passed an ordinance on Dec. 21 requiring grocery stores to station someone at entrances to enforce public health measures like facial coverings, social distancing, and occupancy limits. This comes as Los Angeles faces an unprecedented wave of COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations, straining the county's already fatigued healthcare system. Despite this, resistance to county and state restrictions has led to confrontations in essential businesses that remain open during the pandemic, including grocery stores.

"The proposed ordinance is necessary in order to assist in protecting essential workers and customers from the potential risk of exposure to COVID-19," reads a staff report compiled for the Dec. 21 Regular Meeting. Under the ordinance, the designated person at the entrance could be an employee, security guard or other hired individual trained on the current public health guidelines. "The person would ensure people are entering the store wearing a mask and ensure proper distancing guidelines are followed."

The assigned employee would also monitor occupancy levels to ensure that the stores remain below the allowed limit, which

currently stands at 40 percent capacity in Los Angeles County. Were the employee to encounter noncompliance or other issues, they would "be trained to call the Sheriff's Department or City Code Compliance Division as appropriate if additional support is needed."

The Council passed the ordinance as a part of the consent agenda, meaning it did not hear any public comments or discuss the ordinance. But the council discussed the item previously at its Sept. 21 Regular Meeting, where it heard public comment in support of the measure.

Rachel Torres, Deputy Political and Civil Rights Director for the United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) Local 770, called in to describe the situation facing many grocery store employees. "As you might have seen and read in the newspaper [and] on the news, unfortunately, grocery stores have become a place of struggle, both to protect vulnerable essential workers who provide the food that we need to sustain ourselves during the pandemic, but also a place, unfortunately, in which politics has pushed the envelope," said Torres. United Food and Commercial Workers Local 770

represents grocery store workers in West Hollywood and the Greater Los Angeles region.

She continued: "The Los Angeles County Public Health order requires that everyone wear a mask, that the occupancy rate at stores is less to help in social distancing and lowering in crowds, but unfortunately some customers...have insisted that they do not want to do that, that they will not wear a mask, that they will not wait in line. This has created an impossible situation for grocery workers who really do want to serve the public, who want to maintain health and safety both for themselves, their colleagues and the customers. And so, when they have politely asked for folks to follow these guidelines, they have received push-back, sometimes even [with violence]."

Viral videos have circulated across the internet of would-be patrons refusing to follow public health orders. On Dec. 21, just as the Council was meeting, a woman filmed herself in the Beverly Center Target declining to wear a mask and shouting at store employees and patrons. In the video, which received over 2,000 views in a day, the woman accuses workers of acting "like

the Gestapo."

"We're living in Nazi Germany," the woman says as employees repeatedly ask her to leave. "You're submitting to communism."

The ordinance faced some opposition in the Sept. 21 meeting by Councilmember John D'Amico, who worried that the move would strain the resources of stores. "It just feels like we're asking them to take an employee who could be helping people get out of the grocery store faster," he said. "I just get nervous when you're assigning public health jobs to grocery store workers... we have code compliance for that."

But D'Amico was later reassured that the ordinance would grant flexibility to stores and indicated his support.

The City conducted outreach to the 10 local, stand-alone grocers for their input. Seven of the ten stores "already designated a person at the entrance to enforce public health requirements," it found.

Following the ordinance's passage, according to the staff report, "City staff will immediately perform outreach to the ten local stand-alone grocery stores...to ensure compliance is being followed in a timely manner." ●



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BHUSD Holds Special Board Meeting

BY BIANCA HEYWARD



On Dec. 22, the Beverly Hills Unified School District (BHUSD) held a Special Board of Education meeting unanimously voting to approve the Pandemic Response MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) Addendum #5- Return 2 Learn: Small Group Cohorts TK-12 and the Collective Bargaining Agreement (including 3-year calendar) with the Beverly Hills Education Association (BHEA). Both agreements are pending the approval of BHEA membership. However, as the county sees record high COVID-19 cases, BHUSD Superintendent Dr. Michael Bregy stated that there is no correlation between the timing of the MOU and the safe reopening of the District.

Per Los Angeles County and the state of California, the return to physical classrooms and in-person learning will be dictated by

conditions in the community. When school does reopen, all students returning to the physical classroom will be in a hybrid model as opposed to full-time in-person instruction. The Health Order from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) imposes a six-foot physical distance requirement, which means that not all students can return to the classroom at the same time.

“During my installation as president of the school board, I listed at least five challenges that I knew I would have to deal with,” President of the Board, Rachele Marcus, told the Courier. “The first was achieving an MOU for the return to school plan with hybrid classes. It is a strong plan allowing for the greatest amount of teacher contact for all students and I am looking forward to the time when it is implemented. The other was negotiating a three-year Collective Bargaining Agreement with the BHEA. The collaborative effort on the part of both teams bodes well for the Board’s future relationship with the teachers. It was also amazing that the CBA was agreed to six months before the present contract expired. The previous Board, under the leadership of Dr. Bregy, Isabel Hacker and the administrative team,

worked countless hours on both of these contracts and I am thrilled that the new Board quickly approved them with a 5-0 vote. We can now turn our efforts to the Strategic Plan, which was adopted this year, and make it the ‘living document’ that it was intended to be.”

BHUSD has been awarded the TK-2 Waiver, allowing the District’s youngest learners to be the first students to physically return to campus when the county is at an Adjusted Case Rate of 10 or below.

Elementary students will transition back to physical school five days per week for instruction in English, Math, Science, and Social Studies. They will attend physical school with their classroom teacher for two hours and 20 minutes on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Each Wednesday, students will be in-person for 1.5 hours. The remainder of each school day will be designated for independent learning with once-a-week virtual instruction from Physical Education, Art, MakerSpace, Vocal Music, and Science Lab teachers.

Students in grades 6-12 will transition back to campus two days a week in two cohorts, attending in person on Monday and Tuesday, or Thursday and Friday. Both

cohorts will be virtual on Wednesdays to allow for equitable instruction and deep cleaning.

Classroom instruction will be live streamed to the cohort at home. Students in the cohort not on campus will be expected to log into the instruction via Zoom while the teacher delivers the lesson. Teachers will deliver labs, assessments, and individual support for the students in the physical classroom.

“I want to start by sincerely thanking you for your endless patience and support throughout this ongoing Pandemic,” Bregy wrote in a Dec. 22 letter to BHUSD families. “We know how hard you have been working at home during the Zoom classes, from managing multiple platforms to navigating technology issues, we understand this has been tough. Whether you are a parent, guardian, or student you have all been juggling so many challenges and I can’t begin to imagine how difficult it has been. You might be a working parent or a student with parents working on the front lines, whatever your circumstances, this Pandemic has impacted each and every one of you.”●

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Jewish Community Foundation of L.A. Awards \$3 Million

BY ANA FIGUEROA



Marvin Schotland

The Jewish Community Foundation of Los Angeles (The Foundation) has awarded \$3 million to 19 organizations as part of the second phase of its COVID-19 Response Grants initiative. In describing the grants to the Courier, Foundation President and Chief Executive Officer Marvin I. Schotland said, “These newly announced distributions—part of The Foundation’s comprehensive \$8.3 million in COVID-19 Response Grants, the largest amount ever committed to a single issue by our institution—focus on sustaining local nonprofits impacted by the pandemic, providing day-school tuition assistance and

summer camp scholarships to ensure meaningful Jewish experiences, and addressing critical needs in Israel. Foundation donors have contributed an additional \$5.5 million to date via their own charitable funds established with us for pandemic relief, bringing the total committed to response efforts to nearly \$14 million.”

The \$3 million of Phase II COVID-19 Response Grants is being directed to local Jewish nonprofits. Some \$1.5 million was awarded to 16 organizations, all current or former Foundation grant recipients. Those recipients include theatre dybbuk, Hillel at UCLA, USC Hillel, the Pico Union Project, the Jewish Graduate Student Initiative, Silverlake Independent Jewish Community Center, The Miracle Project, Fuente Latina, Jewish Big Brothers Big Sisters of Los Angeles and JQ International.

“All of us at The Foundation are grateful to provide support during this time of extraordinary need. For me, the silver lining of this pandemic, if any, is how family, friends and colleagues—and the community and beyond—have banded together to surmount this once-in-a-lifetime crisis,” added Schotland.

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Rotary Club of BH Gives to Those in Need



Pictured (left to right): JR Dzubak, Curt Northrup, Rose Kaiserman, Rotary President Dr. Sharona R. Nazarian, Joey Behrstock, Beverly Hills Fire Chief Greg Barton

The Rotary Club Of Beverly Hills Toy Drive was a great success this year, with two giant truckloads of toys delivered to the Salvation Army Transitional Housing and the Foster Children’s Resource Center.

“During these trying times, we were delighted to work in partnership with our community groups to bring a little bit of

joy and excitement to the lives of innocent children who are less fortunate. We were proud to partner with our Rotary Interact Groups at Beverly Hills High School and the Buckley School, as well as Next Beverly Hills, and BH PTA Council,” Rotary President Dr. Sharona R. Nazarian told the Courier. ●

Virtual Concerts at Cedars-Sinai Heal the Spirit

BY ANA FIGUEROA



Cedars-Sinai patient enjoying virtual concert

Music has the power to soothe the soul and heal the spirit, both of which need uplifting during a pandemic. At Cedars-Sinai, COVID-19 patients and cancer patients are receiving a special “dose” of music, in the form of virtual private concerts from the American Modern Opera Company.

Patient Wendy Lawson recently attended an exclusive live performance of “Le Cygne” (The Swan) by composer Camille Saint-Saëns. Lawson’s “front-row seat” was in the Cedars-Sinai Cancer infusion center, where she undergoes treatments for ovarian cancer.

“It’s extremely soothing,” Lawson said. “It creates peace within, which I think is always going to be a good thing for somebody who is going through treatment. There’s a certain level of anxiety that accompanies you each and every time, so it sort of really calms that.”

The musician who performed exclusively for Lawson was cellist Coleman Itzkoff.

“A lot of my identity as a musician, as a musical performer, is wrapped up in performance, and when that was taken away from all of us, in March, it left me and so

many others feeling a little bit empty, a little listless,” Itzkoff said. “And to be able to perform live one-on-one for people has brought back all of that meaning that I once had.”

The collaboration between the American Modern Opera Company and the Cedars-Sinai Spiritual Care Department is funded through the Vital Sounds Initiative from non-profit Project: Music Heals Us. The initiative provides grants to pay musicians to perform remotely.

Interfaith Chaplain Bronwen Jones, herself a professional clarinetist and composer, launched the program at Cedars-Sinai after learning about it from a colleague. She said the program helped make a difference for one patient in particular, whose blood pressure was initially too high for them to receive chemotherapy. After 15 minutes of a cello music, the patient’s blood pressure went down enough to have the therapy.

“During the holidays, the virtual music program continues to surprise and inspire me with the power of music to lift the spirit, to fire the will to live. The intimacy of the one-on-one experience of hearing a wonderful musician perform just for you, to chat with you, deeply touches people. Some of my patients’ spirits are low, sad that they will not celebrate the holidays with loved ones, sad that COVID-19 has shut down their already limited options. When they hear the music, my patients settle into a place of peace, a stimulated peacefulness, a connection with being who they are,” Jones told the Courier. ●



Jewish day school students

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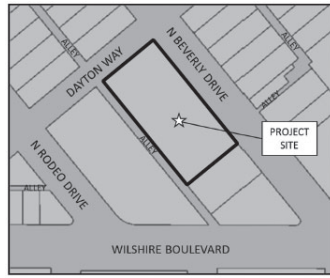
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: Thursday, January 14, 2021
TIME: 1:30 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard
LOCATION: Meeting to be conducted via teleconference as described below
PROJECT ADDRESS: 245 North Beverly Drive (Between Dayton Way and Wilshire Boulevard)



The Planning Commission of the City of Beverly Hills, at its REGULAR meeting on Thursday, January 14, 2021, will hold a public hearing beginning at **1:30 PM**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard to consider the following:

A request for a Planned Development Permit amendment and Open Air Dining Permit to allow an increase in restaurant area in excess of 6% of the total gross square footage of the building located at **245 North Beverly Drive**. The subject property has the zoning designation of Entertainment Office Planned Development Overlay Zone (E-O-PD) and is developed with a commercial building of 208,100 gross square feet consisting of professional office space, retail, and restaurant uses. The proposed project consists of allowing the conversion of the first floor from retail to restaurant of which approximately 3,292 square feet will be occupied by Sweetgreen restaurant. The proposed Sweetgreen restaurant would also require an Open Air Dining Permit to allow an open air dining area that would occupy a portion of the public right-of-way and private property. If approved, the total restaurant area for the subject property would increase to approximately 13% of the total gross square footage of the building. The subject property was previously granted a Planned Development Permit amendment to expand the restaurant uses from 5% of the total gross square footage of the building to approximately 6% of the total gross square footage of the building by the Planning Commission. The request is being made pursuant to §10-3-1844 and §10-3-1863 of the Beverly Hills Municipal Code.

This project has been assessed in accordance with the authority and criteria contained in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.), the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sections 15000 et seq.), and the environmental regulations of the City. Upon review, the project appears to qualify for a Class 1 Categorical Exemption (Existing Facilities) in accordance with the requirements of Sections 15301. The Class 1 Categorical Exemption is applicable to interior and exterior alterations involving such things as interior partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances. Accordingly, the Planning Commission will consider a recommendation to find the project exempt from the environmental review requirements of CEQA.

How to Participate: Pursuant to Executive Order N-25-20, members of the Beverly Hills Planning Commission and staff may participate in this meeting via teleconference. In the interest of maintaining appropriate social distancing, members of the public can participate by listening to the meeting at (888) 468-1195 (participant code 105093) and/or offer comment through email at commentPC@beverlyhills.org. Public comment can be offered during the meeting by calling (310) 285-1020 or by video via at <https://www.gotomeet.me/BevPublic>.

Written comments should identify the Agenda Item Number or Topic in the subject line of the email. In order to have written material included in the Commissioners' packet, it must be received no later than eight (8) calendar days before the date of the Hearing.

Comments will be read into the record, with a maximum allowance of three (3) minutes per individual comment (approximately 350 words), subject to the Commission's discretion. It is recommended that written comments be submitted prior to the posted meeting date/time. If a comment is received after the agenda item is heard, but before the close of the meeting, the comment will still be included as a part of the record of the meeting, but will not be read into the record.

According to Government Code Section 65009, if you challenge the City's 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, either at or prior to the public hearing. Please note that any comments received prior to or during the public hearing will be considered as part of the public record.

If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact **Judy Gutierrez, Associate Planner** in the Planning Division at (310) 285-1192, or by email at jgutierrez@beverlyhills.org. Copies of the project plans and associated application materials are on file in the Community Development Department, and can be reviewed by contacting the project planner listed above.

Sincerely,
 Judy Gutierrez, Associate Planner

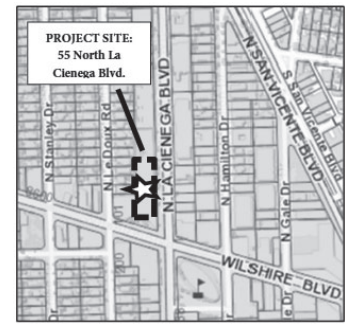


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DATE: Thursday, January 14, 2021
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LOCATION: Meeting to be conducted via teleconference as described below
PROJECT ADDRESS: 55 North La Cienega Boulevard (Cross street: Wilshire Boulevard)



The Planning Commission of the City of Beverly Hills, at its REGULAR meeting on Thursday, January 14, 2021, will hold a public hearing beginning at **1:30 PM**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard to consider the following:

A request for a Zoning Amendment, Zone Text Amendment, Planned Development Permit, and General Plan Amendment to allow the construction of a new eight-story, approximately 109' tall hotel project, with 216 rooms at 55 North La Cienega Boulevard, a site which is currently developed with a single-story restaurant (The Stinking Rose and a surface parking lot). The proposed hotel would contain approximately 161,298 square feet with a site Floor Area Ratio of 4.2:1. The project would contain a mix of commercial uses on the first floor including a restaurant, café, retail, and food market. Hotel amenities would be located on the second floor including a kitchen and bar, gym and sauna, business center, and terrace lounge. The hotel rooms would be located on floors three through eight. The rooftop of the structure would contain additional hotel amenities including a pool, kitchen and dining areas, and restroom. The proposed project includes a five-level subterranean garage that contains 358 parking spaces. The proposed project does not comply with the existing zoning on the site (C-3 Commercial) and therefore, the project would require approval of a Zoning Amendment, Zone Text Amendment, Planned Development, and General Plan Amendment.

This project has been assessed in accordance with the authority and criteria contained in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.), the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sections 15000 et seq.), and the environmental regulations of the City. Section 15270 of Title 14 states that CEQA does not apply to projects which a public agency rejects or disapproves. At this time, staff is recommending that the proposed project be denied, in which case, pursuant to Section 15270, CEQA would not apply. If the Planning Commission does not deny the project, further environmental review as required by CEQA would be undertaken prior to any further consideration by the Planning Commission, and thus the Planning Commission would not be able to approve the project at the meeting on January 14, 2021.

How to Participate: Pursuant to Executive Order N-25-20, members of the Beverly Hills Planning Commission and staff may participate in this meeting via teleconference. In the interest of maintaining appropriate social distancing, members of the public can participate by listening to the meeting at (888) 468-1195 (participant code 105093) and/or offer comment through email at commentPC@beverlyhills.org. Public comment can be offered during the meeting by calling (310) 285-1020 or by video via at <https://www.gotomeet.me/BevPublic>.

Written comments are welcome, and should identify the Agenda Item Number or Topic in the subject line of the email. In order to have written material included in the Commissioners' packet, it must be received no later than eight (8) calendar days before the date of the Hearing.

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If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact **Timothea Tway, Principal Planner** in the Planning Division at (310) 285-1122, or by email at ttway@beverlyhills.org. Copies of the project plans and associated application materials are on file in the Community Development Department, and can be reviewed by contacting the project planner listed above.

Sincerely,
 Timothea Tway AICP, Principal Planner



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THE NEW YORK TIMES SUNDAY MAGAZINE CROSSWORD PUZZLE 12/25/20

TOY STORY

BY RANDOLPH ROSS / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Randolph Ross is a retired high school principal and math teacher who lives in Manhattan. He has been making crosswords for The Times since 1991. The theme of this one arose out of some factoids about 111-Across and 33-Down that he gave a grandson. "It occurred to me that for this Christmas and Hanukkah, with so many grandparents and family not able to see the children from their lives in person, a crossword about toys might bring a smile." — W.S.

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| ACROSS | DOWN |
| 1 Currency of Thailand | 1 Longest-serving Israeli prime minister, familiarly |
| 5 Kiss | 2 Driver around Hollywood |
| 9 U.S. city just south of Timpanogos Cave National Monument | 3 "And, touching _____, make blessed my rude hand": Romeo |
| 13 Minus | 4 Small snare drums |
| 17 Something to shoot for | 5 Inaccurate information |
| 19 One who hasn't turned pro? | 6 Game with red and yellow cards |
| 20 Strong adhesive | 7 1904 World's Fair city: Abbr. |
| 21 Indiana governor Holcomb | 8 Flint is a form of it |
| 22 She debuted on March 9, 1959, in a black-and-white striped swimsuit | 9 Moonfish |
| 24 Virtual pet simulation game that won an Ig Nobel Prize for its Japanese creators | 10 Sacking site in A.D. 410 |
| 26 [Grrr!] | 11 Physical, e.g. |
| 27 Glenn Miller classic | 12 "Holy cow!" |
| 29 Purchases on 14 de febrero | 13 Appointment that may be hard to change |
| 31 Major talent grp. representing athletes and entertainers | 14 Curve |
| 32 Outpourings | 15 Dr. Fauci's agcy. |
| 36 Overplays, with "up" | 16 Poli _____ |
| 39 Toy that was originally called "L'Ecran Magique" ("The Magic Screen") | 18 Premiere arrival |
| 44 "Lost _____ is never found again": Benjamin Franklin | 20 Classic comics teenager with good manners |
| 45 Natl. Humor Month | 23 They can elevate art |
| 46 Mild, light-colored cigar | 25 Alley _____ |
| 47 Things found in wandering souls? | 28 Org. with boosters |
| | 30 The beginning, in an idiom |
| | 33 By the end of 1996, one million of this toy was sold in a shopping frenzy |
| | 34 "South Pacific" hero |
| | 35 2014 film directed by Ava DuVernay |
| | 36 Goes after |
| | 37 Simian world |
| | 38 First toy to be advertised on TV |
| | 40 Open hostilities |
| | 41 St. Patrick's home |
| | 42 See the sights |
| | 43 Feed lines to |
| | 46 Its box once read "A sweet little game for sweet little folks" |
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| 52 Actress Taylor of "Mystic Pizza" | 72 Subj. for some aspiring bilinguals | 90 Shot from a doc | 109 Sight from the Sicilian town of Taormina |
| 54 "That was Zen, this is _____" (philosophy pun) | 75 Sierra _____ | 92 Statement of resistance | 110 Textile worker |
| 58 Smart | 76 Operatic villains, often | 95 Big name in small planes | 111 One whistling while working in the Garden? |
| 60 "The Tempest" king | 77 Totaled | 96 Took care of a tabby, say | 112 Address with dots |
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| 63 Brit. military award | 79 Future J.D.'s hurdle | 99 Tik _____ (app) | 114 Lasting impression |
| 66 Little bits | 80 Not just available online | 102 Ballpark figures | 115 Suffix suggested by the wiggling of one's hand |
| 67 Reason for glasses | 84 Biblical ending | 104 Lasting impression | 116 Calf-eteria? |
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(Density Bonus continued from page 1)

The program works on a scale that grades affordability at moderate, low, and very low levels. Under the pre-2021 standards, if a development included 40 percent moderate income units, it was eligible for three incentives and a maximum 35 percent density increase. With 20 percent units for low-income renters, the development received two incentives and the same maximum density bonus. If a development set aside 11 percent of its stock for very low-income tenants, it would receive two incentives and a 35 percent density bonus. Eligible developments would also receive reduced parking requirements. A studio or one-bedroom unit would need one parking space, two spaces for two-or-three bedroom units, and 2.5 spaces for four or more bedrooms.

But the law had issues—namely, developers did not seem interested in taking advantage of it. According to a 2018 survey conducted by UC Berkeley’s Turner Center for Housing Innovation of cities across the state, a full 55 percent of projects from 2015 to 2017 made no use of the density bonus incentives. “While density bonus and inclusionary ordinances are relatively common across California’s jurisdictions, planners report that they have not resulted in significant new development,” the report found.

In the last legislative session, state lawmakers passed Assembly Bill 2345, which amended certain provisions of the Density Bonus program to address the shortcomings of the law. The enhanced bonus takes a page from San Diego, which implemented similar changes in 2016. Now, if a development contains 44 percent of units priced for moderate incomes, it can earn three incentives and a 50 percent boost to density. Developments with 24 percent low-income housing and developments with 15 percent very low-income housing receive the same perks. The retooled incentives include one change to parking requirements, reducing the number of spaces for two-and-three-bedroom units

from two spaces to 1.5.

The amended law goes into effect on Jan. 1, 2021. While it does include an exception for jurisdictions that had more generous incentives than the original law, that does not apply to Beverly Hills.

The looming deadline presented the City with a few options. First, the City could accept the 15 percent increase to the density bonus. Alternatively, the City could find a way around it by passing an increase to its own density bonus measures under the wire of the Jan. 1 deadline. This would make the City eligible for the law’s exemption. But, as the Staff Report compiled for the Study Session notes, the state might look askance at the move.

“It is possible that [the Department of Housing and Community Development] could view such an ordinance negatively, which could impact the City’s ability to achieve a certified housing element. More specifically, HCD may view any ordinance that allows less than a 50 percent bonus as a constraint on housing production, and therefore require the ordinance to be repealed or modified.”

Every eight years, cities and jurisdictions around the state draft a new Housing Element, a part of the General Plan which considers the housing needs of the community and anticipates how that need will change. With the housing cycle slated to start again in 2021, localities across the State are preparing their Housing Elements for approval by HCD.

While reviewing their options with regards to the Housing Density updates at the Study Session, Mayor Lester Friedman described the bad optics of a possible Urgency Ordinance succinctly. “It would show that Beverly Hills thinks it’s better than everybody else,” he said.

Councilmember Dr. Julian Gold also came down hard against the alternative. “I agree with the fact that it could conceivably come back to bite us when we get to certifying our housing element, because it would appear that we’re not really negotiating in good faith,” he said.

Instead of a “reactive” approach to housing, Gold opined that the City was overdue for a comprehensive discussion on housing. “I would like to see the Council have a broader discussion at some point or in some context that really does try to outline our vision for the future of the development of housing in the City of Beverly Hills.” ●

(Medical Task Force continued from page 1)

While many questions posed to the experts on the Task Force remain controversial or without answers yet, one unified message emerged: The Medical Advisory Task Force unequivocally recommend the COVID-19 vaccine.

“The vaccine is going to be a big thing,” Lee H. Hilborne, M.D., said. “So, I think one of the things that we need to do as a city is push very hard to get our residents vaccinated and make sure that we’re the most vaccinated city in Los Angeles County.”

The Medical Advisory Task Force is comprised of a group of leading experts in their respective medical fields—lauded for their achievements and contributions in the field nationwide. In addition to Hilborne, members include David B. Agus, M.D., Mike Altschule, Kirk Y. Chang, M.D., Rhonda Curry, Annabelle de St Maurice, M.D., Jazmin Diego, M.S.W., Jonathan Fielding, M.D., M.P.H., M.A., M.B.A., Joel Geiderman, M.D., FACEP, Julian A. Gold, M.D., Karen Grimley, RN Ph. D, David Hopp, M.D., Irving Posalski, M.D., Enrique Terrazas, M.D., Sam Torbati, M.D., Daniel Z. Uslan, M.D., Rachel Zabner, MD, Alyssa Ziman, M.D. and guest member Erica Felsenthal, Ph. D.

The Task Force’s creation in March was spearheaded by then Mayor John Mirisch as part of the City’s response to COVID-19. While the meeting was for discussion purposes only, the exchange informs and promotes public health policy—part of the City’s proactive efforts to flatten the curve. Talk ranged from the vaccine and vaccine hesitancy, to challenging the ban on outdoor dining, transmission of the virus among children and how this can inform decisions about getting kids back to school.

“If someone doesn’t want to take the vaccine, I think they should understand that by having been vaccinated, they may be preventing the spread to many, many other people,” Hopp said. “And if for some reason they’re on the borderline, they should understand that first of all, it is safe. You can go to all the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) studies that are available and the consumer studies. I know we all talk about reaching the point of herd immunity, which is the ultimate, but individually, every single person that’s vaccinated can interrupt the spread of COVID-19 to many, many other people.”

“The vaccine is very safe,” said Zabner, an infectious disease expert. “The reason to get vaccinated, in my view, number one, to protect yourself. And number two is for the community in general and the community of Beverly Hills. It’s not just about yourself. You, your daughter, or your granddaughter may not come down with COVID-19 and die, but think of the community. We will need to have at least more than 70 percent of the population vaccinated to finish this pandemic. These aren’t my words, they’re Dr. Fauci’s. And in order to do that, we’re all going to have to put our efforts in. Once we do that, we will be opening the restaurants again in a year from now. It’s the beginning of the end of this pandemic. Please think about others, not just yourself.”

The members of the Task Force also weighed in on the following questions posed by the Health and Safety Commission:

Do you believe that the vaccine should be mandatory or up to personal choice?

The former Director and Health officer of the Los Angeles County Department of Public

Health, Fielding, gave the sole response.

“When I was director of Public Health, they had the question of whether to make it mandatory for nurses to get the flu vaccine and to have the immunization—even though it’s not a terribly effective one compared to what we’re talking about here. The flu vaccine is in the 60-65 percent effective range opposed to the 95 percent. I think the question is, do we make it mandatory and who do we make it mandatory for it? Should it be mandatory only for people working in healthcare, or is it a broader group?”

What does the current research tell us on the transmission of the virus in children and how this can inform our decisions to reopen school?

“Children generally don’t show symptoms and only about half show symptoms,” Fielding said. “But children are less likely to be badly affected and the mortality rate for small children is really close to zero. There is a syndrome that affects children that can be quite serious, even though it’s quite rare, and we’re just starting to learn about that. But the children are pretty effective spreaders, so you can’t assume that just because they don’t have the symptoms that they’re not spreading. They are fairly efficient spreaders.”

How long it will take for the vaccine to be available to the general public and is there any benefit of one vaccine over another?

“The two vaccines that have been approved are both extremely effective,” Hopp said. “And scientifically have not shown that one is any more significantly better than the other one, or that it has less potential for reaction. The two vaccines currently available under the emergency use authorization should not be judged as one superior to the other.”

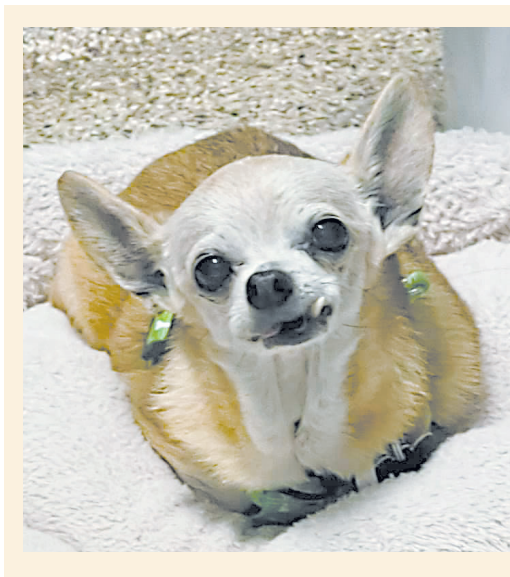
What concerns or consequences are there if you don’t get a second dose of the vaccine?

“There’s a leeway of about three days early or two to three days later,” Zabner said. “Certainly, if you get it week later, it will still work, but given how the studies were designed Moderna decided to wait four weeks and Pfizer decided that the second dose is three weeks later, but it certainly doesn’t make a big difference. It will make a huge difference not to get the second dose, though because, based on this study, the booster will give you 95 percent efficacy. If you only get the first and only dose, it will be much less effective. Even less than 50 percent.”

What are best practices to manage a positive test result at home if you don’t need to go to the hospital? What can you do to take care of yourself at home?

“Seems to me the most important thing you can do is monitor your health,” Hilborne said. “Your breathing, your respiratory rate, your fever and your oxygen saturation. As long as you’re maintaining those fairly reasonably and not showing a decline, then you’re probably okay. If you start to show a decline in oxygen saturation, for example, that’s the time to contact your physician and have that discussion.”

“Make sure that the positive is a true positive,” Fielding added. “So, you want to repeat it because the prevalence for false positives used to be quite significant. As the prevalence increases, then that becomes less of a problem, but still, you want to get another positive test to confirm whether it’s a false positive or a true positive.” ●



Chester is a 13-year-old Chihuahua who weighs three pounds and is very spunky. His owner passed away, and his holiday wish is to have a new home. If you can make Chester’s holiday dreams come true, please call Shelter of Hope at 805-379-3538. www.shelterhopepetshop.org

PUBLIC NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2020181923

The following is/are doing business as: **YERDUA PRODUCTION** 238 S. Tower Dr., Beverly Hills, CA 90211; **Audrey Turner** 238 S. Tower Dr., Beverly Hills, CA 90211; The business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed September 2020: **Audrey Turner, CFO**; Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: November 06, 2020; Published: December 04, 11, 18, 25, 2020 LACC N/C

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CASE NO: 20SMCP00399 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

In the Matter of the petition of: **SOLOMAN LEVI GHALCHI**

To all interested person(s):
Petitioner: **Amanda Hannah Zarabi Ghalchi and Daniel David Ghalchi** current residence address: **450 N. Palm Dr. #106, Beverly Hills, CA 90210** filed a petition with the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main St., Santa Monica, CA 90401, Santa Monica Courthouse, on November 06, 2020 for a Decree changing names as follows:

Present Name: **SOLOMAN LEVI GHALCHI**
Proposed Name: **JACOB SOLOMON GHALCHI**

The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: **February 05, 2021** Time: **8:30am** Dept: **K** The address of the court is: **Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main St., Santa Monica, CA 90401, Santa Monica Courthouse.**

Reason for name change: **"No, he is an infant."** I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information in the foregoing petition is true and correct.

Signed: **Amanda Hannah Zarabi Ghalchi and Daniel David Ghalchi** Judge of the Superior Court
Laurence H. Cho, Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clerk, By: Marcos Mariseal, Deputy Clerk

Dated: **November 06, 2020** Published: **December 11, 18, 25, 2020, January 01, 2021** Beverly Hills Courier

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CASE NO: 20SMCP00448 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

In the Matter of the petition of:

Aracely P. Plateroti
To all interested person(s):
Petitioner:

Aracely P. Plateroti current residence address: **310 N. Crescent Dr. #309, Beverly Hills, CA 90210** filed a petition with the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main St., Santa Monica, CA 90401, Santa Monica Courthouse, on December 22, 2020 for a Decree changing names as follows:

Present Name: **ARACELY P. PLATEROTI**
Proposed Name: **ARACELY AMADEUS PLATEROTI**

The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: **February 11, 2021** Time: **8:30am** Dept: **K** Room: **A-203** The address of the court is: **Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main St., Santa Monica, CA 90401, Santa Monica Courthouse.**

Reason for name change: **"I want to resume my maiden name."** I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information in the foregoing petition is true and correct.

Signed: **Aracely P. Plateroti** Judge of the Superior Court
Laurence H. Cho, Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clerk, By: Stacey Watson, Deputy Clerk

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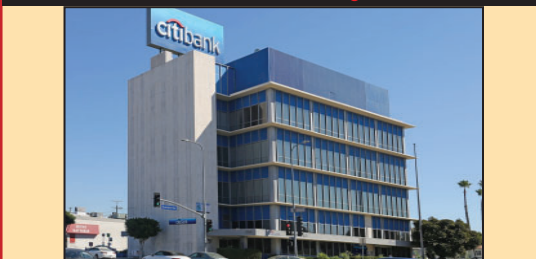
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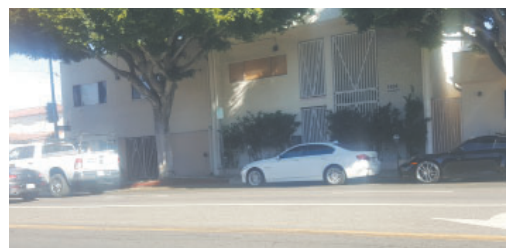
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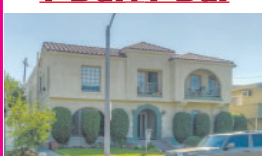
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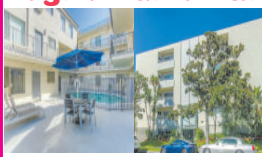
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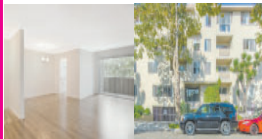
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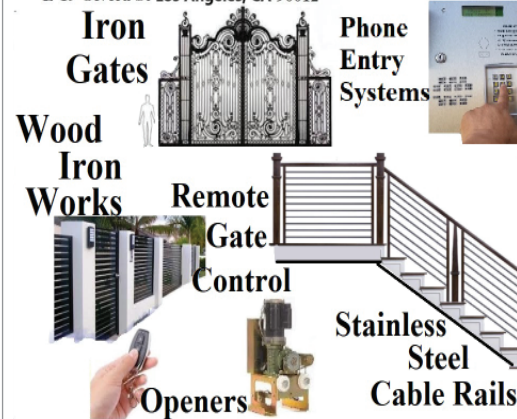
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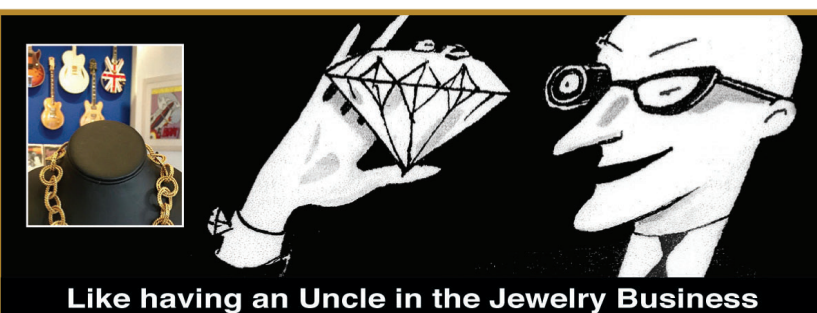
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