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Rally in Beverly Gardens Park Sends Clear Message of Support for Israel

BY JACOB CURVIS



A pro-Israel rally at Beverly Gardens Park attracted a large crowd on May 23. Photo by Jacob Curvis

An enthusiastic crowd gathered in Beverly Gardens Park on May 23 to show support for Israel following the recent spate of antisemitic violence in Los Angeles and the conflict in Israel. Crowd-size estimates range from the hundreds to 2,000 people.

Hosted by the Israeli American Council, in partnership with local pro-Israel organizations, the event was part of a nationwide slate of IAC-sponsored rallies with the slogan: "United Against Antisemitism." (Pro-Israel Rally continues on page 2)

Suspects in May 18 Anti-semitic Attack Released On Bail

BY SAMUEL BRASLOW

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) has made two arrests in connection with an apparently antisemitic attack against diners on May 18. Whittier resident Xavier Pabon, 30, and Banning resident Samer Jayylusi, 35, were booked for assault with a deadly weapon with plans to seek additional charges for hate crimes in the coming days. Both suspects have been released on bail with future court dates in September.

"Thank you to LAPD Chief Michel Moore, our LAPD team, and all engaged law enforcement agencies who continue to work around the clock on this case," Los Angeles City Councilmember Paul Koretz, in whose district the attack took place, said on Facebook.

"This first step will bring a certain level of relief to those who were victimized." (Antisemitic Attack continues on page 10)

One Beverly Hills Project Moves Forward in City Council

BY SAMUEL BRASLOW

The Beverly Hills City Council has moved forward with public hearings on the historic proposed One Beverly Hills project, a luxury hotel and condominium development that would reshape the city's western Wilshire Boulevard and Santa Monica Boulevard gateways. In extensive questioning, the Council asked the development team about accessibility to the project's vaunted public gardens, management of the gardens, and concerns over a timeshare-style fractional ownership offering. The Council also discussed a controversial move by lawyers for the project's developer to pressure a local couple into withdrawing a public comment in advance of the meeting.

If approved, One Beverly Hills would be one of the largest developments in Beverly

Hills' history.

"When opportunity is presented, you have to seize it. You have to know when the moment is here," said Oasis West Realty CEO Beny Alagem, who is developing the project alongside Cain International. "We finally have the opportunity to do something remarkable, to bring a new level of architecture to our great city, to build exquisite gateways on both Wilshire in Santa Monica that announce the vibrancy and excellence of the city of Beverly Hills, to plant magnificent botanical gardens, to move the Beverly Hilton into the future, to ensure it remains the center of our community life, and to infuse a new level of energy and excitement in Beverly Hills."

(One Beverly Hills continues on page 9)

Legion of Honor Awarded to WWII Vets in Beverly Hills Ceremony

BY SAMUEL BRASLOW

Two World War II veterans received France's highest distinction at a ceremony held at the French Consulate in Beverly Hills on May 20. First Lieutenant Fernando Torres, 98, served under the U.S. Army Reserves when he landed on Omaha Beach on June 7, 1945, as a part of Operation Overlord, or D-Day. (Legion of Honor continues on page 11)

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Courier Calendar

NOW - MAY 29

GALERIE XII LA - MONA KUHN: "WORKS" EXHIBITION, A RETROSPECTIVE

Galerie XII Los Angeles presents the solo exhibition of Mona Kuhn: "Works," a retrospective of one of the most widely exhibited contemporary art photographers at work today. The exhibition is at Bergamot Station Arts Center, which features four exhibition spaces and is open for limited-capacity viewings and private appointments.
<https://www.galeriexii.com/EN/>

NOW - MAY 30

GLORYA KAUFMAN PRESENTS DANCE AT THE MUSIC CENTER: "DANCE AT DUSK"

7:30 p.m.

The Music Center's new outdoor series "Dance at Dusk" starts with the debut of "The Super Villainz: A Tap Dance Act for the Modern Age" featuring Dormeshia, Jason Samuels Smith and Derick K. Grant through May 30, three of the world's most influential tap dancers performing with a Jazz trio.
<https://www.musiccenter.org/tmc-offstage/>

NOW - MAY 30

INSTITUTE OF CONTEMPORARY ART, LOS ANGELES: "THE INCONSTANT WORLD" EXHIBIT

The Institute of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles presents "The Inconstant World," featuring nine international artists whose work examines the relationship between perception and abstraction, focusing on visibility and illegibility as artistic strategies. Each artist uses a different mode of abstraction.
<https://www.theicala.org/en/exhibitions/80-the-inconstant-world>

NOW - MAY 31

L.A. THEATRE WORKS: "THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST"

The critically acclaimed Broadway production of Oscar Wilde's comedy "The Importance of Being Earnest" is directed by and starring Brian Bedford and filmed live in HD. Previously shown in movie theaters across the country, it is being made available to home viewers for the first time with a new, limited stream offer through May 31.
<https://latw.org/hd-screenings>

MAY 28

HAMMER MUSEUM: ART IN CONVERSATION
12:30 p.m.

Join Hammer educators for a lively, online discussion about the work of two artists from the Hammer's biennial, Made in L.A. 2020: a version. The 30-minute conversation takes place on Zoom. On May 28 discuss the work of Jill Mulleady and Larry Johnson.
<https://hammer.ucla.edu/programs-events/2021/art-conversation-made-la-2020>

MAY 29, 30

SANTA MONICA PLAYHOUSE: CRAZY WOKE ASIANS 2021 VIRTUAL COMEDY FESTIVAL

Crazy Woke Asians annual Comedy Festival is organized by founder, Kiki Yeung and features a mix of up-and-coming comedians and well-known headliners. Founded in 2018, Crazy Woke Asians started in Los Angeles as the only all Asian Comedy Show at the Comedy Store in Hollywood.
<https://www.santamonikaplayhouse.com/cwacomedyfestival.htm>

MAY 30

LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART: SUNDAYS LIVE - CRISTINA MONTES MATEO, HARP

Join Los Angeles County Museum of Art for a virtual concert featuring harpist Cristina Montes Mateo performing Spanish music for Solo Harp including Salvador Brotons: Sonata, Op. 156 and de Falla: Danza Española n.1 from "La Vida Breve." Mateo is recognized as one of the leading harpists of her generation.
<https://www.lacma.org/event/sundays-live-cristina-montes-mateo-harp>

JUNE 3

WRITERS BLOC: EDWARD ST. AUBYN
12 p.m.

Edward St. Aubyn's latest novel, "Double Blind," concerns recent Oxford graduates, and the confounding choices they make. St. Aubyn delights with his satire about excess, wealth, and posers, and takes readers into deeper discussions about neuroscience, environmental issues, and venture capitalism. The moderator will be announced before the event.
<https://writersblocpresents.com/main/edward-st-aubyn/>

NEWS



Vice Mayor Lili Bosse addresses the crowd at last Sunday's Israel rally. Photo by Jacob Gurvis

(Pro-Israel Rally continued from page 1) United Against Terror. United For Us." The rally featured a lineup of speakers that included local politicians, community leaders, and media personalities.

"This is how we do it in Beverly Hills," Vice Mayor Lili Bosse proclaimed during her speech. "We stand side by side with Israel... We stand against antisemitism. We stand against Jew hatred. We stand against all hatred."

The energy remained high throughout the afternoon as attendees danced, cheered, and sang along with Israeli music, passed out stickers, and waved Israeli and American flags.

Many in the crowd wore shirts declaring "I Stand With Israel" or representing the Israeli Defense Forces, and countless people held signs denouncing terrorism and Hamas. At the edge of the park, a constant stream of cars honked and displayed flags as they

passed by.

"It was heartwarming to see all that support," Jonathan Bar-El, Consul for Public Diplomacy for the LA Consulate General of Israel, told the Courier. "And to see all those organizations and people, Jews and non-Jews alike, joining together to support Israel."

Throughout the afternoon, speakers and attendees spoke, sang, and chanted in Hebrew, most notably repeating the phrase "Am Yisrael Chai," a popular Hebrew expression and song that translates as "the people of Israel live." The national anthems for both the United States and Israel were also played.

"There has been a lot of Jewish hate in the past few weeks," rally-goer Jose Danon, 40, told the Courier. "I'm Israeli, so I think it's important that I'm here to support my country."

Many of the speeches echoed common themes: the importance of unwavering support for Israel and fighting back against antisemitism and anti-Zionism in Israel and in America. Some speakers bemoaned the "mainstream media," universities, and Hollywood for their perceived role in the recent rise of antisemitism across the United States.

Dr. Hillel Newman, Consul General of Israel to the Pacific Southwest, addressed what he sees as a direct connection between the recent violence in Los Angeles and the conflict in Israel.

"There is a special bond that binds Israel and Los Angeles," Newman told the crowd. "Hate-filled Hamas attack Jews indiscriminately in Israel, and hate-filled rioters attack Jews indiscriminately in Los Angeles. Two sides of the same coin. Anti-Zionism is antisemitism."

Beverly Hills City Councilmember John

Mirisch also spoke, calling antisemitism a "pathological disease." Unlike COVID-19, Mirisch said, there is no vaccine for such hatred.

Other speakers at the rally included Elan Carr, former U.S. Special Envoy for Monitoring and Combatting Antisemitism; Rabbi David Wolpe, Max Webb senior rabbi at Sinai Temple; and Sarah Idan, former Miss Universe Iraq, among others.

The rally attracted people of all backgrounds and ages. Some, like Mavit Feigin, drove several hours to attend the event and show their support for Israel.

"People are enthusiastic," Feigin, 40, told the Courier. "When we say 'Never Again,' we mean never again. We're standing up for our identity. An attack on Israel is an attack on us."

John Ark, a 25-year-old Angeleno, said the crowd's passion was uplifting. "It makes me proud to be a Jew, to stand with my brothers and sisters in solidarity," he told the Courier.

The final speaker, conservative radio host and founder of the media company PragerU, Dennis Prager, was greeted with widespread cheering and excitement. Prager did not mince words: "Hamas is scum," he told the crowd. "If you don't know that, I don't know what's wrong with you."

For Bosse, supporting Israel is personal. Her mother, Rose Toren, survived the Auschwitz death camp. After the Holocaust, Toren moved to Israel, where she met and married Bosse's father. Without Israel, Bosse said, she would not be here today.

"The message is loud and clear: Don't mess with home," Bosse said. "Don't mess with family. Because hate will never win. Mom, we will never give up." ●



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Beverly Hills Man Charged With Murder-For-Hire

BY SAMUEL BRASLOW



Scott Berkett faces charges for murder-for-hire. Photo Courtesy of the Department of Justice

Fifteen-thousand dollars. That's about how much the Department of Justice says Beverly Hills resident Scott Berkett, 24, paid to order a hit on a brief romantic partner after she repeatedly tried ending the relationship: approximately \$14,000 to a shadowy, dark

web group to arrange the hit and another \$1,000 to the supposed hitman. But the dark web group turned out to be a "scam" and the hitman turned out to be an undercover agent, according to an affidavit filed in a case against Berkett, who now faces federal murder-for-hire charges. Berkett was arrested on May 21 and remains in custody.

Berkett first met "Victim 1" on a Facebook fan group for a popular online anime series, according to the affidavit. The two lived in different states, so they allegedly cultivated a relationship through messages and phone calls.

The affidavit says they met in person for the first time in October 2020, when the woman flew out to Los Angeles. She experienced Berkett as "sexually aggressive," the affidavit says, and made her first effort at ending the relationship when she returned home.

An attorney representing Berkett did not immediately return a request for comment.

Over the next few months, the woman allegedly tried repeatedly to end things with Berkett, with Berkett "becoming possessive" and refusing to acknowledge the break-up. Eventually, according to the affidavit, a

family member of the woman intervened and contacted Berkett's father about the situation. Berkett allegedly responded: "She is blocked from all social media. Will consider this matter closed."

But the matter was far from closed for Berkett, the court filings contend. Berkett allegedly made contact with a group on the so-called dark web, a fully anonymous form of the internet, that offered assassination services. However, according to the affidavit, "this Dark Web Group was a scam" and reached out to an "investigative media organization" with information about Berkett and his intentions. The media outlet then contacted the FBI.

The rise of the dark web has given way to numerous murder-for-hire services that promise anonymity and convenience. However, media reports on stories like Berkett's have so far indicated that many such sites are fraudulent, scamming people looking to commit a crime behind the veil of total secrecy. As Michigan State University Professor Tom Holt writes in a recent paper on online contract killers, "the same anonymity and privacy makes transactions inherently riskier for all participants."

In April, Berkett allegedly messaged the group that he would like the killing "to look like an accident, but robbery gone wrong may work better. So long as she is dead. I'd also like for her phone to be retrieved and destroyed irreparably in the process." He then allegedly made a request for proof of her death, such as a photo of her body and a distinctive tattoo.

Soon, Berkett was contacted by an undercover agent representing himself as the hitman, according to the affidavit, who sent Berkett a photo of the woman in a Walmart. The affidavit provides an alleged exchange between Berkett and the undercover officer in which Berkett confirms the identity of the woman and reiterated the need for photos of her tattoo and dead body. Berkett then allegedly wired a subsequent \$1,000 to the officer through the Western Union kiosk at the Beverly Hills Rite Aid on Bedford Drive. The next day, he was arrested.

If convicted, Berkett faces a statutory maximum sentence of 10 years. He is scheduled to appear at the Roybal Federal Building for a detention hearing on June 2. ●



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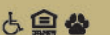
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Beverly Hills HS Girl's Tennis Team Wins CIF-SS Division 4 Title

BY BIANCA HEYWARD



BHHS Girl's Tennis team has won the CIF championship

In a surprising comeback, the Beverly Hills High School (BHHS) girl's tennis team defeated Flintridge Prep on May 21, winning the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Southern Section division four championship at the Arcadia Tennis Center. Led by first year coach, Rolly Zalameda, Beverly Hills won 71-74, marking the first CIF victory for the girl's tennis team since 2012.

After trailing Flintridge Prep by two matches, BHHS won the remaining two doubles matches, and tied the score at 9-9. In the final winner take all match, Beverly Hills' number two doubles team, Maya Goldkorn and Lola Eustace, emerged victorious, defeating Flintridge Prep's number one doubles duet, Jacqueline Hsu and Manya Lalwani, winning 7-5.

"What we didn't know at the time was that our match was going to make or break the whole thing," Maya Goldkorn, a junior at BHHS, told the Courier. According to Goldkorn, Eustace was also unaware of the stakes. "Because it was tied 9-9 in terms of sets, it then went by game count. We were up in the game count by a little bit, but it was very close."

With all eyes from both teams on the match, the doubles duo remained steady and determined to make a comeback.

"It was super stressful because there were a lot of people watching since everyone else had already finished," Goldkorn told the Courier. "It was hard to stay focused and come up with a strategy and to just not doubt myself. And we ended up winning!" ●

School Board Reconsiders Hiring Outside Consulting Firm

BY BIANCA HEYWARD

On May 25, the Beverly Hills Unified School District (BHUSD) Board of Education held a lengthy meeting during which District administrators provided end of the year updates regarding the implementation of its three-year Strategic Plan. After the District's reconfiguration, the Board approved the Strategic Plan in July of 2020. Staff presented plans for next year that included a designated self-care time to address social emotional needs, a collaborative communication model with a focus on parent engagement, and improvements to District culture. "We have direction, we have alignment, and we have focus," BHUSD Superintendent Dr. Michael Bregy, said. "We've memorialized what our goals and objectives and our action plans are."

While most departments reported positive news, Laura Chism, assistant superintendent of student services, communicated a setback. "We're supposed to hire a consultant to help us look at our inclusion, diversity and diversity practices in our district and develop measurable goals," Chism said. "As we know, we did a search, and we hired a firm. We started with a great launch in April, but because of community concerns we paused with that firm and now we're going back to the drawing board."

The District had hired Community Works Institute (CWI) to assist BHUSD in

establishing a school climate that supports diversity, equity and inclusion—an integral part of the Strategic Plan. During the Board's May 11 meeting, the Beverly Hills Parents Association publicly objected to the hiring of CWI after a video circulated that captured a CWI associate's antisemitic rhetoric. The controversy resulted in a [Change.org](https://www.change.org) petition entitled "BHUSD Stop the Bias Now - CWI Must Be Removed," which gathered over 500 signatures in less than three days.

"So, we will be looking to select a new consulting firm and we'll have a committee of various stakeholders," Chism said. "We'll have board members, community members, staff, parents, students all involved in that in that decision so we can continue to move forward."

In business before the Board, a motion to approve an amendment to the amended and restated bylaws of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) passed 4-1. Board President Rachelle Marcus, was the sole no vote. The agenda also included discussion around dress code, the future of the Independent Learning Center (ILC) and updated guidance per the California Department of Education's 2021 Mathematics Framework.

The next Board of Education meeting will be held on June 8. ●

Complete Streets Plan for Beverly Hills Gets Green Light



After several years of development and community outreach, the Beverly Hills City Council has adopted the Complete Streets Plan which balances the needs of all the city's road users such as bicyclists, pedestrians, transit riders and motorists. The approved plan gives City Staff the ability to move forward on projects that implement various conceptual goals to prepare for emerging technologies, prioritize first/last mile improvements to the Metro Purple Line stations and increase grant funding eligibility.

One of the projects outlined in the Complete Streets Plan is Connect Beverly Hills: Meet me on Wilshire and La Cienega.

Launched last year, this streetscape plan recommends new sidewalk designs and pedestrian amenities in preparation for the opening of the Metro (D Line) subway station slated to open in 2023. Next steps will include finalizing the conceptual design elements and implementation.

Other on-going Complete Streets projects include installation of citywide signal upgrades to help prepare for connected and autonomous vehicles; expanding bike parking on sidewalks and on-street bike corrals; purchasing software to allow for improved collision analysis; and evaluation of the Camden and Brighton Way project as part of the grant-funded Pedestrian and Bicycle Awareness Campaign.

New initiatives that will soon be underway include community engagement for the first high priority bikeway project on Roxbury Drive, south of Olympic Boulevard, to connect with other bike lanes in Los Angeles. The Traffic and Parking Commission will review the Complete Streets Action Plan at its Aug. 5 meeting. For more information, visit beverlyhills.org/completestreets. ●

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Open Call for Artists to Design “Sing for Hope” Pianos



Sing for Hope pianos are coming to Beverly Hills

Sing for Hope, in partnership with the City of Beverly Hills and the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, is bringing its Sing for Hope Pianos program to Beverly Hills. The unique project will feature artist-designed upright pianos placed across Beverly Hills from Aug. 5 through Sept. 6.

In connection with the program, Sing for Hope has announced an open call for visual artists to design and create the pianos artwork. Local artists are encouraged to submit their proposals at [singforhope.org](https://www.singforhope.org) for consideration by the volunteer adjudication panel of California-based art world luminaries and community leaders.

The Sing for Hope Pianos will be displayed throughout parks and public spaces in Beverly Hills. Locations will include the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, Beverly Hills City Hall, Beverly Gardens

Park and Rodeo Drive.

Since 2010, more than 500 artist-designed Sing for Hope Pianos have been placed on the streets of New York City and other locations. Leading figures such as Julian Schnabel, Diane von Furstenberg, and Lance Johnson have participated. After the public installation, the Sing for Hope Pianos are moved to permanent homes in underserved local schools, hospitals, and community centers, where they serve as ongoing generators of dynamic arts programming. Future homes of these Sing for Hope Pianos in Beverly Hills will include some of The Wallis' school partners in the Greater Los Angeles region.

For more information on Sing for Hope Pianos, visit <https://www.singforhope.org/pianos/>.

Flowers for a Good Cause in Beverly Hills



A FlowerTruckLA pop-up on North Alta Drive on Saturday, May 15 raised money for the Beverly Hills Police Officers Benevolent Fund. “BH Flats Neighborhood Watch has brought the community together. Neighbors helping neighbors,” event organizer Pamela Beck told the Courier. “And we all owe a debt of gratitude to BHPD, who has worked tirelessly this year to keep us all safe and protected.”

Local Luxury and Exotic Car Dealership Wins Prestigious Award

BY TIM LAPPEN



O’Gara Coach Company received an award.

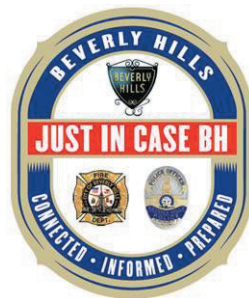
On May 14, Rolls-Royce Beverly Hills, a division of O’Gara Coach Company, was honored as Rolls-Royce North America’s 2020 Global Provenance Dealer of the Year as the number-one dealer for “previously owned” Rolls-Royce motorcars. In order to achieve the award, the dealership had to meet exacting standards for “provenance, sales, service and client relations.” In defining “provenance,” the luxury manufacturer pointed to the words of its famous founder, Sir Henry Royce - “The quality remains when the price is long forgotten.” The company utilizes the word “provenance” to denote its “pre-owned” vehicles.

On hand to accept the award, Tom O’Gara, CEO of the company founded in 1976 said, “Despite the hurdles presented to us by 2020, I am proud that my Rolls-Royce team has earned this award. Taking care of some of the most demanding and discerning clients in the world wasn’t easy managing a

virtual relationship, but my team adapted new skills and processes to ensure acquiring a previously owned Rolls-Royce was just as much a luxury experience as acquiring and owning a new one.”

In town to present the award was Martin Fritsches, President and CEO of Rolls-Royce Motor Cars North America, who added, “With more than a century of history for the brand, and with more than three of every four Rolls-Royce cars ever built still being on the road provenance is critical to the brand. The Beverly Hills team understands that finding that second home for a Rolls-Royce commission is important to maintaining and growing the brand. We started 2021 with the strongest quarter of new commission deliveries, we have also seen the highest level of Provenance deliveries during the same period.”

Beverly Hills Community Members to Walk for JUST IN CASE BH June 5-6



Members of the Beverly Hills community will join personnel from the Beverly Hills Police and Fire Departments on June 5 and 6 to walk Zone 8 (the neighborhoods south of Wilshire Boulevard and east of Beverly Drive) to promote participation in JUST IN CASE BH. The city-led JUST IN CASE BH is a neighborhood-based

collaborative emergency preparedness and action program. The program brings together Beverly Hills residents, businesses, fire, police and other city agencies to coordinate seamlessly before, and in real-time when disaster strikes. One of the major aspects of the program is the division of the city into geographic zones, with each zone designed to be able to support itself during times of emergency or disaster.

To view the City map divided by zones and for more info, visit www.JUSTINCASEBH.org.

Volunteers will walk from Oakhurst Mini Park, 120 S. Oakhurst Drive at 11 am on June 5 and June 6. There will be a meet-and-greet with volunteers and JICBH members each day beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Community Voices

“The ONE BEVERLY HILLS project is an extraordinary visionary destination gateway development of state-of-the-art condos and luxury hotel that will result in an unprecedented overall luxurious enhancement of our city. The developmental proposal consists of seventeen and a half acres located in a non-residential area adjacent to the Beverly Hilton and Waldorf Astoria hotels running from Wilshire Boulevard to Santa Monica Boulevard via Merv Griffin Way. To mitigate traffic issues, there will be access to the property at both boulevards providing for 2179 parking spaces. The City’s expert agrees with this methodology for determining the number of parking spaces required. This location lies idle perfectly ripe as the site for this exceedingly beneficial project.

If officially adopted, One Beverly Hills will become “the destination place” to be in Southern California. Here’s why:

1. Pursuant to the Development Agreement - the contract between the developer and City - the City will get a guaranteed payment of \$100 million. That is more than any project has ever generated for the city. It is also the richest Development Agreement in all of California;

2. Also, the City receives 2% of the sales price on every condo sold by the developer and 3% on every condo sale thereafter. Note: the city’s own retained economic expert estimates that’s worth \$900 million over 30 years.

3. Additionally, the city is imposing a surcharge on the Transit Occupancy Tax (TOT) generated at the new luxury hotel and starting

in 2030 at the newly remodeled state of the art Beverly Hilton. That’s worth almost \$200 million over 30 years, also confirmed by the city’s retained expert.

4. All of the foregoing is on top of the standard TOT the city will receive from the new luxury hotel, the Waldorf Astoria and the new and improved Beverly Hilton - it’s also on top of the City’s share of property taxes and sales taxes.

5. Separate and apart, the developer will spend millions of dollars to create a magnificent conservancy, a botanical garden consisting of 7½ acres, 4½ of which will be open to the public, dedicated to our community and legally binding on any and all successors in interest.

6. The total value of everything to the city is \$2.8 billion over 30 years. Unheard of from a single development.

Moreover, the project will generate another \$27 billion in local spending in our stores, restaurants and in services over 30 years. That’s nearly a billion a year of spending in our community, by any measure, simply extraordinary. The city is investing nothing, not a penny, whereas the benefits are unprecedented.

While our neighboring competitors, for example, Century City, Santa Monica, Culver City and West Hollywood are spending millions of dollars to further their economic viability, as well they should, our city must be ever vigilant to ensure our number one status by encouraging and engaging in “smart” development. In my judgment, another asset associated with this exceedingly unique smart development

project, is that our quality of life along with the integrity of our residential neighborhoods, including our merchant community, will be enriched and enhanced. All will benefit from this achievement.

It is worthy to note that our distinguished Police and Fire Departments support the project for good cause. We need to continue to support and fully fund our staff, particularly our public safety officers, police, fire fighters, and all first responders engaged in community protection including lifesaving on the spot activity.

Special congratulations to our city staff for compiling an 1100-page well documented report regarding this extraordinary development. It’s truly a win/win visionary undertaking, maintaining Beverly Hills number one city status for generations.”

(FORMER MAYOR) ROBERT K. TANENBAUM
BEVERLY HILLS

Here is a letter my father wrote about Memorial Day and those who died serving this great country. My dad served and never forgot those many heroes. His name: George V. Hill, Sr. He died in 2007 just seven months after he wrote this:

“On Monday, we celebrate Memorial Day, formerly known as Decoration Day. To my mind, this is not a day of celebration, but a day of solemn remembrances of those who made the supreme sacrifice in the name of

freedom. It seems to me that Memorial Day has lost much of its meaning while we talk about department store shopping sprees, visits to the mall and outdoor picnics, all of course fitting and proper for any Saturday afternoon day of fun, but not for Memorial Day. Memorial Day is a day to hang out our flag and to hear speeches honoring our brave soldiers from all wars from Valley Forge to Gettysburg to D-Day and Corregidor, Korea, Vietnam and the Middle East. True Americans have always answered the call of duty, and as they say, we fight for mom, the flag and apple pie. In other words, for freedom and a way of life we all cherish and love. I think of the brave airmen who flew the war-torn skies over Europe in their mighty bombers, risking everything to keep America free, many of them never returning, some under crosses in faraway lands. If these and other brave men and women who fought could speak from their graves, they might say to us today: ‘Enjoy the day, but please remember us; after all, it truly is our day.’”

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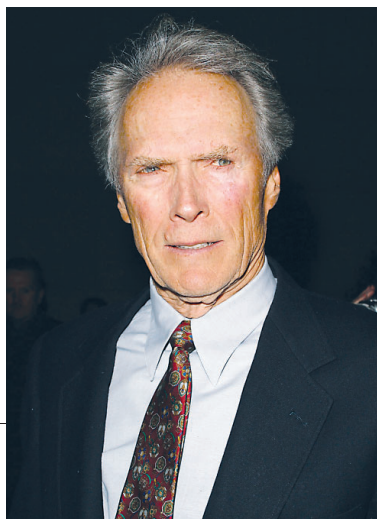
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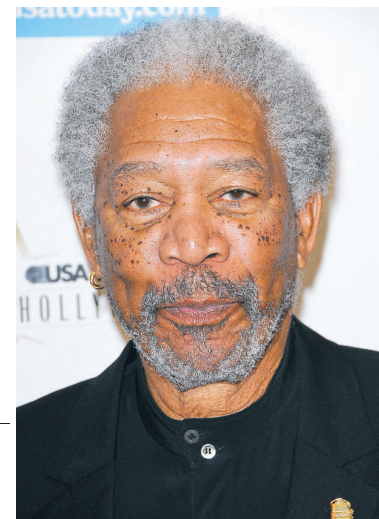
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Astrology

BY HOLIDAY MATIS

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 28). Love flows and you make healthy relationships the focus. You're more productive than last year even though you'll work less. You've a tremendous talent for setting the right goals and picking people who will help you achieve them. The sale of a property or service will allow you to make one of your dreamy projects a reality. Leo and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 44, 28, 2 and 9.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). A busy mind works with many of your intellectual pursuits, though socializing isn't one of them. For that, you'll get into a different mode, one where you're calmly receptive to your environment and the people therein.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You feel like the hero of your story and so does everyone else. Understanding that people serve as their own protagonists will be central to the way you do lucrative business.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Successful spontaneity depends on someone, once upon a time, having

had a plan that worked out so splendidly that now others can just show up to what they accomplished.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Play the long game. Perseverance will be essential to the victory. Through sheer determination, you'll not only make a situation work for today; you'll make it matter for years to come.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's a little surprising when you don't get the reaction you were going for. But this isn't a movie set, and they didn't get your script. You'll roll with the improvisational moment and brilliance ensues.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're on when you need to be, and you feel relief when it's time to power down. The ideal scenario would be to have such congruence of purposes that there is no need to jolt yourself into different modes. Work toward it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your fellow Libra, the poet e.e. cummings famously said, "I'm living so far beyond my income that we may almost be said to be living apart." A preventive financial review will make sure it doesn't happen to you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Material possessions are only important to you because of what they

represent and how they enable you to do things with other people. It's those relationships that really matter.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The day vibrates with fresh potential. You only need to explore one new thing to get the energetic lift that a little novelty can bring. Interaction with an air sign will be fortunate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Fewer opinions mean more room for peace and ease. Bonus: The gentleness of self-forgiveness isn't even necessary if you have the gentleness of nonjudgment going for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Like having a partner who votes, eats or recycles differently, it seems your efforts are being canceled out by someone close to you. You'll learn and grow through this relationship and the conflict it brings up.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Don't hide or even work on your flaws today. Your lovability doesn't hinge on one isolated feature or fact, rather it's the effect of everything about you coming together to make an impact that could only be made by you.



Coco is an 8-year-old female Chihuahua who weighs 5 pounds. She is very sad because her owner passed away suddenly. If you can brighten her life by giving her a new home, please visit www.shelterhopepetshop.org or call 805-379-3538.



Rendering of the view of One Beverly Hills. Courtesy of DBOX for Alagem Capital Group

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The design of the seven major buildings and the project's extensive 8-acre garden received universal praise from the Council. Mayor Robert Wunderlich, however, flagged concerns over the accessibility of the 4.5-acre public garden from Santa Monica Boulevard. As the designs stand now, people coming to the gardens by way of Santa Monica would have to either travel through the development, walk through Merv Griffin Way, or walk around to Wilshire Boulevard.

"Would it be possible to have an attractive outdoor escalator [or] an attractive outdoor elevator that might be more immediately apparent to someone showing up on foot?" Wunderlich queried.

One Beverly Hills President Ted Kahan responded that the current design provides ample signage directing visitors taking Santa Monica to the gardens through a courtyard elevator.

Wunderlich also criticized the project for what he viewed as a "car-centric" approach. Kahan was unequivocal in his response: "There is no project in Beverly Hills that's given more attention to multimodality than this project. Zero, ever."

The Council also puzzled over a fractional ownership program proposed by the development called the Private Residence Club, which would make 37 fully furnished residential units available to owners for 30-day increments. According to the applicant, interested parties could purchase one-twelfth of a unit, with the option to buy more time if desired. As became clear through the council members' questions, owners would not own a specific unit, nor would they have the option to decorate or personalize the unit. Rather, they would request specific dates to stay in whichever similar unit were available.

Councilmember Lester Friedman raised some concerns with the program, "which is a new concept in the city of Beverly Hills." He asked how it differed from a timeshare.

"This is not a resort timeshare product," Kahan said, pointing out that the value of the asset could appreciate and would require payment of property taxes. "This is an ownership product."

While Kahan assured Friedman that the Private Residence Club would not participate in "the large national exchange programs" that allows owners in one area to swap units

with owners in another, he later clarified that the program would allow exchanges "on a very limited basis."

The applicant advocated that such arrangements generate more revenue for the city and local businesses.

As 4.5 acres of the project would function as a public park, the Council expressed interest in how the public's stake in the park would be preserved and how the city could exert oversight. The current plans indicate that the gardens would be managed by a non-profit conservancy. Celebrated local landscape architect Mark Rios, who designed the gardens, likened the arrangement to Central Park in New York City and Millennium Park in Chicago (though both parks are owned by their respective cities).

Gold said that he had seen nonprofits deviate from their mission in the past. "I would ask that as a condition of it, that the city has some significant ability to, for lack of a better word, control what this conservancy does," he said.

George Muhlstein, an attorney representing One Beverly Hills, offered to "work with staff, perhaps on the concept that each year the 501(c)3 will present a work plan and budget for the year and subject to review by the city and comment by the city."

The One Beverly Hills team seemed to reverse a previous commitment that "the Botanical Gardens will never be closed for private events at the hotel," as Kahan said at the April 8 Planning Commission hearing. "Actually, I think we agreed on a condition the other day with staff that would allow the conservancy to have...six events per year," Kahan said in response to a question from Bosse.

The Public Comment

When members of the public tuned into the May 25 City Council Special Meeting on the proposed development, they heard comments from dozens of residents—over one hour in which residents praised the project as an environmentally sustainable masterpiece, condemned the project for its height and scale, and questioned the timing of the hearing during a pandemic.

In a move that drew reproach from certain members of the City Council, lawyers representing Waldorf Astoria Beverly Hills and One Beverly Hills developer Beny Alagem pressured longtime residents Andrea and Rick Grossman to retract a comment

they submitted to the Council, alleging that it contained defamatory statements.

The issue came to light in a lengthy letter submitted to the City Council by Planning Commission Chair Peter Ostroff, who wrote to the Council in his personal capacity.

"This conduct is troublesome because it is apparently intended to inhibit by intimidation public participation regarding the project," Ostroff wrote.

Ironically, the Grossmans' comment nonetheless wound up in the public record through Ostroff's letter, which reprised the comment in full. The comment referenced a Wall Street Journal article about a lawsuit by the Peninsula Beverly Hills hotel alleging, among other things, that a former Peninsula employee gave proprietary client information to the Waldorf Astoria Beverly Hills.

On May 23—two days after emailing their comment to the members of the Council—the Grossmans received an email requesting the couple to "immediately inform" the Mayor and City Council that they retract the statement and their request to have it read into the record. The letter accused them of engaging "in defamation that appears specifically designed to cause significant harm to Mr. Alagem personally and to the proposed development of the multi-billion One Beverly Hills project in Beverly Hills."

Councilmember John Mirisch viewed the maneuver as a subversion of the democratic process. He called to investigate the matter and look into how the city could stand behind residents in similar situations.

City Attorney Laurence Wiener stated the law clearly protected the Grossmans in this case. "Anyone can be sued for anything," Wiener said, but California law protects people from claims of defamation by legislative privilege, "which is the ability to address whatever matter is before the City Council on official business."

Other council members voiced concern of their own over the actions, with Councilmember Lester Friedman, himself an attorney, saying this might be a case of an "overzealous" attorney. Or, as Councilmember Julian Gold, M.D., put it, "lawyers gone wild."

Vice Mayor Lili Bosse echoed calls to look into how the city could protect residents in these cases, though she repeatedly stressed that "we obviously don't know the full story."

Wunderlich described the letter as "heavy handed and could serve to stifle public comment" given the power and resource disparity between the multi-billion-dollar project and a resident.

At the end of the night's questions, Mirisch pressed Kahan on whether the development's lawyers would cease sending similar letters to residents in response to comments in the future. After a tense back and forth, Kahan gave a single word answer: "Yes."

By press time, the City Council had convened for a May 27 meeting in which they are scheduled to present their comments about the project. ●

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We have more to do and more justice to seek, however we can find some comfort in learning that the first suspect has been taken into custody."

A group of apparently pro-Palestinian demonstrators attacked Jewish diners outside a Mid-City restaurant on May 18. The LAPD told the Courier that the incident involved five victims and three suspects, with one victim receiving medical attention at the scene. The incident was captured on video and came during a period of heightened tension over the conflict between Israel and Hamas in the Gaza Strip.

Police made their first arrest in the evening of May 21 "at a residence outside the City of Los Angeles," according to a statement, taking Pabon into custody with help from Los Angeles and Inland Empire

teams from the United States Marshal Service taskforce.

The effort was aided by "many tips" that came into the department after footage from the violent attack went viral. The LAPD said that the tips "assisted with the ultimate identification of the suspect."

Days later, LAPD investigators from the Wilshire Division descended on Jayylusi in the City of Anaheim. They describe him as "one of the primary suspects in the assault and beating."

The incident prompted outrage from across Los Angeles amid reports of a spike in antisemitic hate crimes. "As one of the only Jewish-majority cities outside of Israel, we feel particularly concerned with the rise of antisemitism and call for an end to the assaults and rhetoric," the Beverly Hills City Council said in a statement. ●

Police Blotter

The following incidents of arson, assault, burglary, grand, petty and motor vehicle theft, robbery and vandalism have been reported. Streets are usually indicated by block numbers.

BEVERLY HILLS THEFT - PETTY

on 5/25/2021, 4:07 p.m. at 300 Block of N. RODEO DRIVE

ARSON

on 5/25/2021, 5:49 a.m. at 100 Block of N. CANON DRIVE

BURGLARY - COMMERCIAL BUILDING

on 5/24/2021, 4:18 p.m at 9600 Block of WILSHIRE BOULEVARD

on 5/24/2021, 11:29 p.m. at 200 Block of S ROBERTSON BOULEVARD

THEFT - PETTY

on 5/22/2021, 1:30 p.m. at 300 Block of S. ROXBURY DRIVE

on 5/22/2021, 9:09 a.m. at 100 Block of N. LA CIENEGA BOULEVARD

on 5/21/2021, 9:10 a.m. at 300 Block of N. CANON DRIVE

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

on 5/22/2021, 7:00 Pm at 400 Block of SMITHWOOD DR

THEFT - PETTY (FROM VEHICLE)

on 5/21/2021, 6:03 a.m. at 300 Block of REEVES DRIVE

BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL (NO ONE HOME)

on 5/21/2021, 4:30 p.m. at 1000 Block of WOODLAND DRIVE

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THE NEW YORK TIMES SUNDAY MAGAZINE CROSSWORD PUZZLE
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YOU DO THE MATH
BY JENNIFER NEBERGALL / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Jennifer Nebergall, of Boulder, Colo., is a former finance director at the University of Colorado. She started doing crosswords several years ago over Sunday brunch as a weekly tradition with her husband. Since the birth of their child, though, they have shifted to doing crosswords during naptime. Jennifer writes, "Having spent my career in finance and analytics, this theme appealed to my dual loves of math and wordplay." It is Jennifer's crossword debut. — W.S.

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91 Was fed up

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105 Hardly any

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118 Was accepted

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Private First Class Oscar Stein with his Legion of Honor medal. Photo by Lieutenant Colonel Robert Johnson.

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A few days later, Private First Class Oscar Stein, now 97, landed on the same beach under the auspices of the U.S. Army.

“To confer such a medal to an individual is thus a most solemn occasion and is a way in which France pays tribute to remarkable men and women,” said French Consul General Julie Duhaut-Bedos before bestowing France’s highest honor on the two men. “Today, in the name of the French republic, and in front of your families and friends, I want to assure you that we have not forgotten your personal commitment 77 years ago and we have remained grateful. We owe you our freedom.”

Both Torres and Stein came to the United States as immigrants before serving in the theater of combat. Torres was born just south of the border in Monterrey, Mexico, in May 1922, before moving to Laredo, Texas, at 14-months-old. But economic conditions by the 1930s had reached a nadir and Torres dropped out of high school to support his family during the Great Depression. As the war effort ramped up, Torres committed to joining the fight. After scarfing

down bananas to meet weight requirements, he enlisted in November 1942.

Stein came to America much later. He was born in Dynow, Poland, in July 1923, but moved just a week later to Vienna. He spent the first 15 years of his life in the Austrian capital until his family fled Nazi occupation in 1938. After they made their way through Hungary and Italy, his family escaped to the United States on a boat and arrived in May 1940. Stein worked in various jobs to help his family until April 1943, when he was drafted into the Army.

After completing basic training at Fort Bragg and advanced training in field artillery at Fort Jackson, Stein trekked his way back across the ocean that had carried him to safety only five years earlier. Only, this time, he came with reinforcements.

Stein arrived in England in late 1943. Elsewhere in the United Kingdom, Torres had been stationed in Scotland around the same time. Both would be a part of the historic opening of a second front in the battle against Nazi Germany, a tide-turning moment that came on June 6, 1944, when Allied forces landed on the beaches of Normandy.

“These young men were remarkably brave as the rough waves of the sea hit, and so did the waves of anxiety and uncertainty as to what awaited them on the shore,” said Duhaut-Bedos.

Torres made landfall first on June 7 with Company A of the 17th Signal Operations Battalion, “providing indispensable communications support not only to the Army units in Normandy, but all the other units based in Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes-Alsace and Central Europe,” Duhaut-Bedos said. Stein debarked with the 3rd Battalion, 18th Infantry

Regiment of the 1st Infantry Division on June 10 after the fighting had subsided. He pressed forward with his battalion as German forces retreated, fighting in the Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes-Alsace and Central Europe campaigns.

Stein spoke about that time and what it meant to be called a hero. “When, after the Normandy breakthrough, we set out racing after Germans for those many weeks until we reached Germany and on from there until the total defeat of and surrender by Germany, I had never looked on my buddies and myself as heroes or even heroic,” Stein said. “With more than a half century and two decades of added wisdom, I have now learned what only advanced age can teach. All of my buddies during those fighting years, who have laid their lives on the line, are exceptional and noble heroes and should be held in awe by a grateful world.”

For their services, both Torres and Stein have been awarded numerous commendations. Torres is decorated with the European-African-Middle Eastern (EAME) Campaign Medal with 5 battle stars, the World War II Victory Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. Stein earned the EAME Campaign Medal with 5 battle stars, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the French Fourragere, and Bronze Star Medal for heroism or achievement.

“France has not forgotten and will forever remember the soldiers who lost their lives during those terrible battles. Honorable veterans, you were not only fighters. You had become our liberators. No longer merely living men, but heroes and a symbol of our common values: the spirit of resistance, the

spirit of liberty, and the spirit of friendship,” said Duhaut-Bedos.

Duhaut-Bedos assumed the role of Consul General in Los Angeles in September 2020. She came to Los Angeles by way of her previous posting as the Deputy Head of Mission at the French Embassy in Australia. The ceremony marked the first time she conferred the Legion of Honor medal in her capacity as Consul General in Los Angeles.

Beverly Hills Mayor Robert Wunderlich offered reflections in honor of the veterans, speaking to his own connections to the Second World War. His father, he said, served in the Pacific theater and his wife’s father landed in Normandy on June 9. “I’ve been to Normandy and it is awe inspiring to stand there on the cliffs with row after row of the graves in the cemetery,” he said. “It evokes that feeling of self-sacrifice and cooperation that was present then and that we could aspire to today.”

In addition to the Legion of Honor Medals, Torres and Stein received challenge coins from Stephanie Stone, Chief Deputy Director, Los Angeles County Department of Military & Veterans Affairs. “A challenge coin is given to an honored member of the community or shipmate to welcome them back into our community,” said Stone, herself a retired Naval officer.

“France has not forgotten these American young men like you who demonstrated their selflessness, generosity, and unwavering bravery and courage whilst under fire of the enemy,” said Duhaut-Bedos. “France has not forgotten and will forever remember the soldiers who lost their lives during those terrible battles.” ●

Public Notices

RFQ # 21-350-24

**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
345 FOOTHILL ROAD
BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA 90210**

NOTICE OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUALIFIED ROOFING CONTRACTORS LIST

Notice is hereby given that the City of Beverly Hills (“CITY”) requests qualified roofing contractors to submit their name and pertinent information to be placed on a list of qualified roofing contractors. This list shall comply with Section 22034 of the California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act.

Purpose of the List

The purpose of the list is to have a compilation of interested and qualified roofing contractors (License Class “C-39”) that the City may use for negotiated or informal bidding as projects arise for one year, with an up to three year extension. Up to five of the highest ranking contractors will be on the qualified roofing contractors list. The City reserves the right to reject any or all submissions and to waive any informality or irregularity.

Contractor’s questionnaire and forms can be downloaded from the City’s PlanetBids portal: <https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=39493>

The item is listed as: *Notice of the Establishment of a Qualified Roofing Contractors List*

The last date to submit a fully completed questionnaire is **5:00 PM Thursday, June 10, 2021**. All qualification submittals are required to be submitted electronically via Planet Bids. The electronic submittal system will close exactly at the date and time set forth in this request for qualifications. Answers to questions contained in the questionnaire are required. The CITY will use these documents as the basis of rating Contractors with respect to whether each

Contractor is qualified, and reserves the right to check other sources available. The CITY’s decision will be based on objective evaluation criteria.

The CITY reserves the right to adjust, increase, limit, suspend or rescind the pre-qualification rating based on subsequently learned information. Contractors whose rating changes sufficiently to disqualify them will be notified, and given an opportunity for a hearing consistent with the hearing procedures described below for appealing a prequalification rating.

Any questions regarding any error, omission, ambiguity or conflict in the questionnaire should be submitted through PlanetBids no later than **2:00PM on June 2, 2021**. Questions sent via email or over the phone, with the exception of those related to accessing or using PlanetBids, will not be answered. Requests for clarification received after this date or sent/posed directly to Staff may be disregarded. For any other questions regarding this prequalification, please contact City Contact(s) below:

Karen Domerchie
(kdomerchie@beverlyhills.org)

Contractors are responsible for submitting and having their documents accepted before the closing time set forth in the request for qualifications. **NOTE:** Pushing the submit button on the electronic submittal system may not be instantaneous; it may take time for the Contractor’s documents to upload and transmit before the documents are accepted. It is the Contractor’s sole responsibility to ensure their documents are uploaded, transmitted, and arrive in time electronically. The City of Beverly Hills will have no responsibility for documents that do not arrive in a timely manner, no matter what the reason.

The prequalification packages shall be labeled **“NOTICE OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUALIFIED ROOFING CONTRACTORS LIST”**

The prequalification packages submitted by Contractors are not public records and are not open to public inspection. All information provided will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by law. However, the contents may be disclosed to third parties for purpose of verification, or investigation of substantial allegations, or in an appeal hearing. State law requires that the names of contractors applying for prequalification status shall be public records subject to disclosure, and the first page of the questionnaire will be used for that purpose.

Each questionnaire must be signed under penalty of perjury in the manner designated at the end of the form, by an individual who has the legal authority to bind the Contractor on whose behalf that person is signing. If any information provided by a Contractor becomes inaccurate, the Contractor must immediately notify the CITY and provide updated accurate information in writing, under penalty of perjury.

The CITY reserves the right to waive minor irregularities and omissions in the information contained in the prequalification application submitted, and to make all final determinations. The CITY may also determine at any time that the prequalification process will be suspended.

Contractors who submit a complete pre-qualification package will be notified of their qualification status no later than ten business days after submission of the information.

The CITY may refuse to grant prequalification where the requested information and materials are not provided by the due date indicated above. There is no appeal from a refusal for an incomplete or late application. Neither the closing time for submitting prequalification packages will be changed in order to accommodate supplementation of incomplete submissions, or late submissions, unless requested by the CITY in its sole discretion.

In addition to a contractor’s failure to be pre-qualified pursuant to the scoring system set forth in the prequalification package, a contractor may be found not prequalified for either omission of, or falsification of, any requested information.

Where a timely and completed application results in a rating below that necessary to pre-qualify, an appeal can be made by the unsuccessful Contractor. An appeal is begun by the Contractor delivering notice to the CITY of its appeal of the decision with respect to its prequalification rating, no later than two business days following notification that it is not pre-qualified. The notice of appeal shall include an address where the Contractor wishes to receive notice of the appeal hearing. Without a timely appeal, the Contractor waives any and all rights to challenge the decision of the CITY, whether by administrative process, judicial process or any other legal process or proceeding.

If the Contractor gives the required notice of appeal, a hearing shall be conducted no earlier than five business days after the CITY’s receipt of the notice of appeal. Prior to the hearing, the Contractor shall, in writing, be advised of the basis for the City’s pre-qualification determination.

The hearing shall be conducted by a panel consisting of three members of the Public Works Department senior management staff (the “Appeals Panel”). The Appeals Panel shall consider any evidence presented by the Contractor, whether or not the evidence is presented in compliance with formal rules of evidence. The Contractor will be given the opportunity to present evidence, information and arguments as to why the Contractor believes it should be pre-qualified. Within one day after the conclusion of the hearing, the Appeals Panel will render a written determination as to whether the Contractor is pre-qualified. It is the intention of the CITY that the date for the submission and opening of bids will not be delayed or postponed to allow for completion of an appeal process.

Public Notices

APN: 5529-025-126 T.S. No.: 2020-2138 Order No. 1735277CAD NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/5/2019. 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. Will sell at a public auction sale to the highest bidder, payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the herein-after described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale.

Trustor: **ROBIN WILEY, A MARRIED MAN, AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY** Duly Appointed Trustee: **S.B.S. TRUST DEED NETWORK, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION** Deed of Trust recorded 12/3/2019 as Instrument No. 20191326828 in book

XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 6/3/2021 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other reasonable estimated charges: \$363,727.62 Street Address or other common designation of purported real property: 950 N KINGS ROAD #225 WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069 A.P.N.: 5529-025-126 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the trustee within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of

trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call **FOR SALES INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (855) 986-9342** or visit this internet web-site www.superiordefault.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2020-2138. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet web-site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.

NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction if conducted after January 1, 2021, pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call **FOR SALES INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (855) 986-9342**, or visit this internet website www.superiordefault.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2020-2138 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest

bid, and the address of the trustee. **Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase.** **Date: 4/30/2021. S.B.S. TRUST DEED NETWORK, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION. 31194 La Baya Drive, Suite 106, Westlake Village, California, 91362 (818)991-4600. By: Colleen Irby, Trustee Sale Officer. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. (5/14/2021, 5/21/2021, 5/28/2021 TS# 2020-2138 SDI-20937)**

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2021104793
The following is/are doing business as:
A.M SAINT-CLAIRE
1142 S. Holt Ave. #5, Los Angeles, CA 90035; **Alexa Duchenne** 1142 S. Holt Ave. #5, Los Angeles, CA 90035; The business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed March 2010: **Alexa Duchenne, Owner:** Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: May 06, 2021; Published: May 21, 28, June 04, 11, 2021 **LACC N/C**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2021104795
The following is/are doing business as:
BG INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP

11601 Wilshire Blvd. #2180, Los Angeles, CA 90025; **Brett Gurewitz** 11601 Wilshire Blvd. #2180, Los Angeles, CA 90025; **Steven Barlevi** 11601 Wilshire Blvd. #2180, Los Angeles, CA 90025; The business is conducted by: **A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP**, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed April 2021: **Steven Barlevi, Partner:** Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: May 06, 2021; Published: May 21, 28, June 04, 11, 2021 **LACC N/C**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2021104797
The following is/are doing business as:
MACK STUDIOS INTERIORS
927 9th St. Apt. #C, Santa Monica, CA 90403; **Kathrynn Jade Hartmann** 927 9th St. Apt. #C, Santa Monica, CA 90403; The business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**, registrant(s) has **NOT** begun to transact business under the name(s) listed: **Kathrynn Jade Hartmann, Owner:** Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: May 06, 2021; Published: May 21, 28, June 04, 11, 2021 **LACC N/C**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2021104799
The following is/are doing business as:
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1820 S. Beverly Glen Blvd. #101, Los Angeles, CA 90025; **A.G. Properties, Inc.** 1820 S. Beverly Glen Blvd. #101, Los Angeles, CA 90025; The business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION**, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed April 2016: **Ariella Silver, CFO:** Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: May 06, 2021; Published: May 21, 28, June 04, 11, 2021 **LACC N/C**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2021104803
The following is/are doing business as:
BOSTON AND SEEBERGER
137 S. Robertson Blvd. #119, Beverly Hills, CA 90211; **Pathbuilders, Inc.** 137 S. Robertson Blvd. #119, Beverly Hills, CA 90211; The business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION**, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed February 2010: **James Lauria, CEO:** Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: May 06, 2021; Published: May 21, 28, June 04, 11, 2021 **LACC N/C**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2021104801
The following is/are doing business as:
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499 N. Canon Dr. #407, Beverly Hills, CA 90210; **Emma Goodman** 499 N. Canon Dr. #407, Beverly Hills, CA 90210; The business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed February 2020: **Emma Goodman, Owner:** Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: May 06, 2021; Published: May 21, 28, June 04, 11, 2021 **LACC N/C**

SUMMONS (CITATION JUDICIAL) CASE NO: 18STCV05825
NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS: ROBERT ALLEN FLOWERS
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: ALEKSANDR BIBLE
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.
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The name and address of the court is:
Los Angeles County Superior Court - Stanley Mosk Courthouse
111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90212
The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: **Aleksandr Bible**
371 W. 19th Street, San Pedro, CA 90731
DATE: November 21, 2018
By: Sherri R. Carter, Clerk • Moses Soto, Deputy
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NOTICE— Fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14400, et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (Division 6 of the Commercial Code) Escrow No. 214432-CS

(1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described.

(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: PREMIER BUILDING MAINTENANCE SOLUTIONS, 269 S. BEVERLY DRIVE, #937, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212

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

(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: SKIM SOLUTION, INC. 6701 FOREST STREET, CYPRESS, CA 90630

(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT of that certain business located at: 269 S. BEVERLY DRIVE, #937, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212

(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: PREMIER BUILDING MAINTENANCE SOLUTIONS

(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is JUNE 2, 2021, at the office of R ESCROW, 1205 E CHAPMAN AVE, ORANGE, CA 92866 Escrow No. 214432-CS, Escrow Officer CANDICE SILVA

(8) Claims may be filed with Same as "7" above.

(9) The last date for filing claims is: JUNE 1, 2021

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

(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: NONE.

DATED: APRIL 29, 2021
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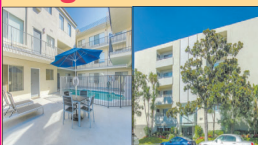
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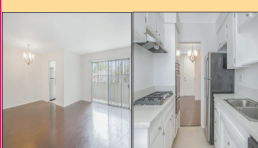
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