Peaceful marches emerge from weekend’s violence

■ Protesters unite in call for systemic reform

By Edwin Folven

Thousands of people demonstrated peacefully in Beverly Hills, West Hollywood, Hancock Park and the Miracle Mile on June 2 to protest the death of George Floyd, a black man who was killed by police in Minneapolis on May 25, and to protest the use of excessive force by police.

Demonstrators carried signs in support of Black Lives Matter and chanting slogans such as “no justice, no peace.” The protesters included thousands of people from all races, creeds and orientations spreading the message that change is needed. Although there were reports of small numbers of arrests being made as the huge crowd of demonstrators moved through Hollywood on June 2, the demonstration was mostly peaceful and did not include major clashes with police, violence, vandalism and looting as occurred on May 30 following a march in Pan Pacific Park, according to police and organizers.

A demonstration attended by thousands on Tuesday evening outside Getty House, the mayor of Los Angeles’ official residence in Hancock Park, was also peaceful.

Many community leaders have also demonstrated that peaceful protests can be meaningful while not resulting in violence or vandalism.

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■ Curfews remain in place as volunteers come out to help the community

By Edwin Folven

A day after protests escalated into clashes with police and looting in Los Angeles, West Hollywood and Beverly Hills, many people returned to the Fairfax District on May 31 to help remove graffiti, clean up trash and show support for businesses and the community.

They returned as protests continued in other parts of Southern California and throughout the nation in response to the death of George Floyd, who died at the hands of police in Minneapolis. The cities of Los Angeles, Beverly Hills and West Hollywood implemented curfews following the civil unrest and Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti called in the California National Guard. Demonstrations...
While supportive of the message protesters are trying to convey, local Jewish leaders denounced the violence and vandalism that occurred in the Fairfax District and other places during demonstrations on May 30. Graffiti was scrawled on temples and buildings at Jewish schools along Beverly Boulevard, as well as the statue of Raoul Wallenberg, a Swede who helped thousands of Jews escape the Holocaust during World War II, that is located in a plaza at Beverly Boulevard and Fairview Avenue. Local leaders said there has also been an increase in anti-Semitic messaging online and an increase in attacks specifically targeting the Jewish community.

First of all, I am deeply saddened and heartbroken by the news that George Floyd said, Los Angeles City Councilman Paul Koretz, 5th District, “I had neighbors who attended the protest at Pan Pacific Park and it was a very peaceful protest. But many times, with high-bodied situations, there are others who did not have peaceful intentions, and they took advantage of that situation. Some targeted the Jewish community. There were anti-Semitic statements thrown on Jewish buildings, shuls and educational sites.”

Koretz said he toured the neighborhood early on May 31 to view the damage firsthand. He helped coordinate cleanup efforts in the area. Councilman David Ryu, who represents the neighboring 4th District, joined the cleanup effort and painted over graffiti on May 31 at Congregation Kehillas Yaakov in the 7100 block of Beverly Boulevard. “This is not about there for Los Angeles,” Ryu said. “Our city is hurting right now, and a lot of people need help. Right now, it’s not about being a council member or a city official, it’s about being an Angelino and being there for my city.”

The Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles also reached out to each of the temples and Jewish institutions in the Fairfax area to offer help and resources. The federation supports peaceful demonstrations, but denounces any attacks on the Jewish community and its institutions, said Jay Sanderson, president and CEO of the Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles. “Some people are taking advantage of peaceful protests and using them as an opportunity to loot, commit arson and put graffiti on buildings. It’s not what the protests are about,” Sanderson said. “We have been communicating with the Jewish institutions in impacted areas to work with them. Let’s hope, with this, there is an end to the violence and a move toward calm.”

Christopher Street West plans BL M solidarity protest

Christopher Street West, the nonprofit that produces the annual L.A. Pride Parade and Festival, is holding a solidarity protest march in Brentwood on Sunday, June 14, in response to racial injustice, systemic racism and oppression.

CSW had previously canceled all in-person Pride events due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but its board of directors voted on June 3 to organize a peaceful protest in solidarity with the black community. The demonstration begins at 10 a.m. at Hollywood Boulevard and Highland Avenue, near the site where the first Pride Parade took place in 1970. The protesters will march to the intersection of San Vicente and Santa Monica boulevards in West Hollywood.

Los Angeles procures more masks for frontline workers

Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti on May 28 accepted the first delivery of a larger order of 24 million N95 masks purchased by the city from Honeywell, Inc., for doctors, nurses, firefighters and first responders. “We have to protect the people who are protecting us — from the nurses meeting admitted patients with COVID-19 in hospitals to our firefighters at testing sites,” Garcetti said. “These N95 masks will help ensure healthcare workers get the equipment they need to save lives and protect their own.”

On April 28, Garcetti announced the order of 24 million N95 masks from Honeywell through an agreement negotiated by the city’s

Los Angeles General Services Department and Logistics Victory L.A., an initiative the mayor launched to connect frontline medical workers with supplies during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The masks will be delivered at one to hospitals and health care providers throughout Los Angeles. From the first shipment of 100,000 masks, LoVLA will distribute 90,000 N95 masks to hospitals, and 10,000 will go to fire department personnel. Shipments of N95 masks will continue to scale up over the coming months, reaching 1.2 million masks per month by November. For information, visit lovla.org.
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that harms the community. Los Angeles Police Department Cmdr. Cory Palka, who previously served as commanding officer for the Hollywood Division, joined demonstrators near Sunset and Crescent Heights boulevards in a show of solidarity. Palka got down on one knee and shouted, “we stand together” in unison with demonstrators.

Los Angeles City Councilman Mitch O’Farrell, 13th District, said he stands with demonstrators and their desire to see meaningful change, and denounced the actions that led to Floyd’s death.

“The horrific murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis by a white police officer as three others assist ed or stood by, exemplifies yet again the need for justice and fundamental changes to policing in this country,” O’Farrell said in a statement. “Race should never be a factor when enforcing the law but all too often, that is not the reality. Our aspirations of reaching full racial equality have taken a devastating blow and people are angry. It will take resolve and inclusive collaboration to bring about change. During this time of protest and pandemic, we must support and uplift one another. Anger is, let’s lead by example, and show the country and the world that we can come together, listen and act in unison. Everyone deserves a more fair, more just, more equitable America.”

O’Farrell, whose district includes Hollywood, added that some people have tried to use the protests as a means to commit crimes and destroy the community. During an earlier protest in Hollywood on Monday, looters raided the Rite-Aid pharmacy near Gower Street and Sunset Boulevard, and many other locations had graffiti sprayed and broken windows.

“We are obligated to do all we can to facilitate peaceful protest,” O’Farrell said. “But there have been looters, criminals and vandals who have tried to hijack these protests and muddy the waters, so to speak. We have to do everything we can to make sure people can protest safely.”

Other leaders, including Councilman Herb Wesson, 10th District, also denounced the violence against Floyd. Wesson called for the Los Angeles Council meeting on May 27 to be adjourned in Floyd’s name.

“The world saw George, an innocent, unarmed black man, killed in cold blood by the very people who were supposed to be protecting his safety and well-being,” Wesson said in a statement. “Seeing just one video like this is overwhelming, heartbreaking and infuriating. Seeing this kind of thing happen week after week for years on end in our country is exasperating and demoralizing. People have a right to be incensed. I pray George’s family finds justice and peace.”

Black Lives Matter-Los Angeles has specifically held protests against Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey, who they claim refuses to prosecute police officers for injustice against people of color. The organization is also calling for local governments to defund police departments.

“Meaningful change only comes when our voices are so loud we can no longer be ignored,” read a statement from Black Lives Matter-Los Angeles on Twitter.

“The demonstrations and the expressions of outrage have been phenomenal. The level of support is incredible,” said Akili, an organizer for Black Lives Matter-Los Angeles, who goes by a singular name. “Black Lives Matter has been fighting for justice for the families and police accountability.”

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Businesses hit by looting as they prepare to reopen

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have continued daily since in Los Angeles, and throughout the United States.

The curfews have also been extended each day since. A countywide curfew was implemented last night from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Curfews in other cities started earlier during the past four days, including in Beverly Hills, which has implemented curfews in its business district at 1 a.m., and a citywide curfew at different times during the past four days, including 4 p.m. yesterday West Hollywood’s curfew also began at 9 p.m. last night.

The civil unrest occurred on May 30 after thousands of people gathered at a demonstration in Pan Pacific Park organized by Black Lives Matter-Los Angeles in response to Floyd’s death. The protest at the park was peaceful. The demonstrators later marched west along Third Street toward Fairfax Avenue, where violence erupted.

Once the group reached the corner of Third Street and Fairfax Avenue, some protesters clashed with police who had assembled a large force in the area. Demonstrators climbed onto the rooftops of Du-par’s restaurant and other buildings along the Third Street side of the Original Farmers Market, which fully closed to the public at approximately 2:30 p.m. that day. Protesters spray-painted graffiti on buildings at all four corners of the intersection of Third Street and Fairfax Avenue, including Mendocino Farms, Trader Joe’s, Whole Foods Market and the Writers Guild of America West. Later in the evening, the Nordstrom’s department store at The Grove was looted and a small building used as a Los Angeles Police Department sub-station was set on fire in an out door area of The Grove.

Protesters also clashed with police on May 30 at the intersection of Fairfax Avenue and Beverly Boulevard, where LAPD patrol cars were set on fire. As more officers arrived, many people fled north through the Fairfax business district, some breaking windows and spray-painting graffiti. Other demonstrators traveled through West Hollywood and reached the

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Woman arrested for allegedly killing female victim

**Suspect is shot by police while allegedly committing the homicide**

BY EDWIN FOLVEN

A 28-year-old woman was arrested and booked for allegedly murder- ing another woman on May 31 at a residence on Wilton Place, near Melrose Avenue.

At approximately 9:25 p.m., officers responded to a 911 call about an assault at a residence in the 600 block of North Wilton Place. Officers allegedly found the suspect, Sandra Ochoa, on the front porch stabbing the victim, police said.

They ordered her to stop, and when she didn’t, officers shot Ochoa in an attempt to save the victim’s life, said Los Angeles Police Department spokeswoman Christmas Ramirez.

Paramedics took the suspect to a hospital in stable condition and she was later booked for murder. The victim was pronounced dead at the scene.

A bloody pen and bloody scissors were retrieved at scene as evidence, police said.

Authorities did not identify the victim or provide any information about her. Media reports stated she was in her 80s. Police provided no information about whether the suspect and victim knew each other or the nature of their relationship.

LAPD spokeswoman Norma Eisenman said the homicide was unrelated to civil unrest occurring in Los Angeles. Further details were not provided because it was an officer-involved shooting, added LAPD spokesperson Drake Madison.

The LAPD’s Force Investigation Division will oversee the inquiry into the officer-involved shooting, as is standard protocol with all such incidents, and the West Bureau Homicide Division will investigate the homicide. A representative from the Office of the Inspector General also responded to the scene because it involved an LAPD officer. The Los Angeles County District Attorney’s Office will also review the investigation, and the findings will be presented to LAPD Chief Michel Moore for review.

Authorities will also present information about the homicide to the District Attorney’s Office for the filing of formal criminal charges against Ochoa. Anyone with information is urged to call detectives at (213)832-9470.

Koreatown man pleads guilty in child exploitation case

A Koreatown resident pleaded guilty on May 20 to two child exploitation charges for convincing teenage girls to send him sexually explicit images and then coercing the victims to send him more photographs after threatening to publish the images.

Francisco Sanchez, 31, pleaded guilty to two counts of production of child pornography. In a plea agreement filed in United States District Court, Sanchez admitted that he used websites and computer applications to “meet” girls under 18 years old. From 2014 through September 2016, Sanchez used the pseudonym “Eddie Nash” to pose as a teenage boy and develop romantic relationships with his victims so he could obtain sexually explicit images and videos from them, authorities said.

In some cases, Sanchez convinced his victims to engage in sexually explicit conduct during video chats, which allowed him to take pornographic screen shots of the minors. At other times, Sanchez threatened to commit suicide to coerce the victims into sending him pictures or videos.

After obtaining images from the girls, Sanchez threatened to publish or expose the victims if they did not send additional images or videos.

Sanchez is scheduled to be sen- tenced on Sept. 15. Each charge of production of child pornography carries a mandatory 15-year minimum sentence, and a maximum of up to 30 years in federal prison.

United States Attorney Nick Hanna is asking anyone who has witnessed or experienced sexual harassment by a landlord, property manager, maintenance worker or anyone with control over housing to report it to the U.S. Department of Justice.

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the ability of many people to pay rent on time and has increased housing insecurity. The Department of Justice has received reports of housing providers trying to exploit the crisis to sexually harass tenants.

“Sexual harassment in housing is reprehensible and contrary to the rule of law,” Hanna said. “My office works closely with state and local partners to identify incidents of sexual harassment in housing and will use all available enforcement tools against perpetrators.”

Sexual harassment in housing includes demands for sex or sexual acts in exchange for buying, renting or continuing to rent a home. It also includes other unwelcome sexual conduct that makes it hard stay in and feel comfortable in a home.

To report harassment, calling (844)380-6517, or emailing fair-housing@usdoj.gov.

**Next stop: more subway.**

**Construction Update**

Decking activities to create a temporary bridge over Wilshire Bl continue while excavation along the tunnel alignment continues.

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Beverly Hills mixed-use proposal moves forward

Planning Commission to consider draft ordinance on June 19

By CAMERON KISZLA

On May 28, the Beverly Hills Planning Commission considered the details of a zoning change that could affect the makeup of the city—an ordinance creating an overlay zone for mixed-use developments.

Currently, mixed-use projects—like the recently approved Friars Club project—need City Council approval, as they are not part of the city’s general plan. With the commission’s approval of a mixed-use ordinance—it’s expected to be considered on June 19—and City Council approval, mixed-use projects would only need the approval of the Planning Commission.

Except for Commissioner Lori Greene Gordon, who recused herself because she holds an ownership interest in a property that could be affected by the ordinance, the commissioners advocated for mixed-use developments to be allowed on more than 25% of the commercial properties in Beverly Hills.

“I think, personally, that for mixed use, the time has come in Beverly Hills. It will provide us with more residential units, affordable units, walkable streets, live-work opportunities, and I think it’s something that’s really past due in Beverly Hills,” Chair Alan Robert Block said.

“This is a proactive effort to deal with something that we think is badly needed in the city for many reasons,” Vice Chair Peter Ostroff added.

The draft ordinance is likely to include properties that are currently zoned for commercial use on Wilshire Boulevard between San Vicente Boulevard and Rodeo Drive, on the south side of Wilshire Boulevard, on the 100 block of South Beverly Drive and on the west side of South Doheny Drive.

The Business Triangle—including the north side of Wilshire Boulevard between Rodeo Drive and South Santa Monica Boulevard—is not likely to be included for mixed-use developments, as the city might encourage more nightlife, and that would likely conflict with the residents of any potential mixed-use developments.

Any new mixed-use developments would likely be limited to a three-story, 45-foot building on commercial properties that are adjacent to single-family zoning, though in areas that are zoned for multi-family housing, the maximum height could increase to four stories and 45 feet, or five stories and 55 feet, depending on the height of the adjacent multi-family zoning.

Some points of contention, however, were the proposed requirement of an average unit size of 1,750 square feet and a reduced parking requirement for developers.

Senior Planner Timothea Tway said an average unit size requirement would help encourage the construction of more affordable units.

“This gives the developer flexibility to decide what size units they’d like, if they’d like to provide a few large units and several small units, but it also ensures that a development isn’t entirely made up of 4,000-square-foot luxury units,” Tway said.

Reducing the required number of parking spaces per unit will also help developers keep costs down so more affordable units can be built.

“Density is important, and the commission is working on ideas that Block said ‘would be a good start.’”

“I may be only a miniscule portion of the numbers that we’re going to need, but we have to start somewhere,” Block said.

Notable quotes

In light of the events occurring in our country over the past week and a half, we thought we should have several quotations to make us think deeply about the state of our nation.

“Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.”

Martin Luther King Jr. 1929-1968

Letter from the Birmingham Jail, April 16, 1963

“Panic in some cases have their uses; they produce as much good as hurt. Their duration is always short; the mind soon grows through them and acquires a firmer habit than before. But their peculiar advantage is, that they are the touchstones of sincerity and hypocrisy, and bring things and men to light, which might have otherwise lain forever undiscovered.”

Thomas Paine 1714-1809

“Justice without strength is helpless, strength without justice is tyrannical...unable to make what is just strong, we have made what is strong just.”

Blaise Pascal 1623-1662

“Peace is more important than all justice; and peace was not made for the sake of justice, but justice for the sake of peace.”

Martin Luther 1483-1546

(source: “Barlett’s Familiar Quotations”)
Close the Loopholes initiative headed to ballot

BY CAMERON KISZLA

On June 1, the West Hollywood City Council voted unanimously to put to the voters a ballot initiative that would make changes to the city’s licensing process for cannabis businesses.

The initiative, known as the Close the Loopholes initiative, would let the businesses that won licenses for edible-only consumption lounges allow smoking and vaping, combine adult-use and medical retail licenses into one license type and implement other changes to the city’s cannabis ordinance. Close the Loopholes is supported by MedMen West Hollywood, one of four dispensaries that have been operating on temporary adult-use retail licenses but were not awarded permanent licenses in the city’s selection process.

The four dispensaries – MedMen, Zen Healing Collective, the Los Angeles Patients and Caregivers Group and Alternative Herbal Health Services – are known as the “West Hollywood Originals,” and several of their operators spoke in favor of adopting the ordinance during public comment, as did initiative supporters Alex Kardos – who won a permit for an as-yet unopened edible-only consumption lounge – and a representative of UFCW Local 770, which represents cannabis retail workers.

Instead of putting the initiative to the voters, the council also had the option to adopt the initiative’s proposed changes as an ordinance themselves, though multiple council members said they viewed the initiative’s process as flawed.

Though he voted in favor of putting the initiative to the voters, Councilman John Duran said he would have liked to see the council adopt the ordinance. In previous council discussions of the topic, Duran has been a vocal proponent of the “West Originals,” which are operating on temporary adult-use retail licenses, as they were only selected for medical retail licenses in the city’s process, which they claim is not enough to keep them in business.

“It’s really important that we protect the four ‘Originals,’ who have been with us without any problem with sheriffs, with code enforcement, who have been employing people for over a decade as part of our business community, who have always been by our side,” Duran said.

Duran added that he thinks the voters will approve the ballot initiative this fall, and he will campaign in favor of it, as he thinks it’s “shortsighted” to stick to the council’s past decisions to defend the city’s selection process when “the entire world has been turned upside down.”

“Us trying to stick to the process set forth not knowing that we’d be facing a pandemic, not knowing that we’d be facing economic collapse, not knowing that we would have such high unemployment, is really putting form over substance,” Duran said.

Other council members, however, were concerned about the initiative’s process of choosing eight winners in each of five categories: medical retail, adult-use retail, smoking, vaping and edibles consumption lounge, edible-only consumption lounge, and delivery services.

“We spent years [and] maybe a million dollars of staff time and effort and energy making this ordinance reflect what we believe our community is looking for,” Councilman John D’Amico said. “If the voters tell us differently in five months, of course we will understand and follow the will of the voters, but I think I’m satisfied for now.”

Mayor Lindsey Horvath also criticized the Close the Loopholes initiative supporters, who she said used misinformation in an attempt to garner enough signatures to appear on the ballot.

“I don’t like that I was lied to in the signature-gathering process to my face, but I do know that I will also fairly consider whether I think this is what the city intended or what I personally intended when I was going through this process as a council member,” Horvath said.

Last month, Horvath asked staff to look into the city’s recourse against alleged misinformation, but Assistant City Attorney Lauren Langer told Horvath that the city’s realistic options were limited.

“Whether there was misinformation given to people gathering signatures can be a difficult thing to prove, and it is a criminal misdemeanor if someone was found guilty of it. But really, the best place for the facts about an initiative to be discussed is at the ballot box and through the voters,” Langer said.

At the request of Councilwoman Lauren Meister, city staff will work with the Close the Loopholes initiative supporters and supporters of a competing initiative – the West Hollywood Cannabis License Integrity Initiative, which is supported by the Adult Use Retailers Association of West Hollywood, an organization of cannabis businesses who were awarded permits – and all cannabis license holders to seek a compromise before August, when the council will make a decision on the West Hollywood Cannabis License Integrity Initiative.

Supporters of that initiative stopped seeking signatures in March due to the coronavirus pandemic, and last month, some council members seemed open to placing the West Hollywood Cannabis License Integrity Initiative on the ballot as a city-initiated ballot measure. The AURA initiative was on the agenda on June 1, but the item was moved to the June 15 meeting, as the council has until August to consider placing the initiative on the November ballot.

“I think there is an opportunity for us to have a discussion before we get to August, and hopefully that discussion can be productive and get us to a place where we’re actually able to achieve what we intended,” Horvath said.

“I’m still optimistic that there’s a way for us to come up with a solution that is a win-win solution, one that preserves the licenses for those who went through the process and were awarded licenses and doesn’t open it up to unlimited amounts of competition from those who didn’t receive licenses,” Mayor Pro Tempore John Heilman added.
WeHo salons and dine-in services to resume

■ Code compliance staff set fines for violators of the county’s health order

BY JOSE HERRERA

The West Hollywood City Council unanimously approved recovery measures to support the reopening of businesses under Los Angeles County’s phased program during a videoconference council meeting on June 1.

On May 29, the Los Angeles County Department of Health issued the order, Safer at Work and in the Community for Control of COVID-19, which allowed hair salons, barbershops and in-person dining to resume immediately with modified occupancy and operating procedures to ensure public safety.

“The specific rules the county is putting in place is to make sure businesses are operated appropriately,” said Lauren Langer, assistant city attorney of West Hollywood.

Under this ordinance, restaurants and businesses must submit an application with the city in order to begin operating. Restaurants are considered public and/or private property, including the public right away, sidewalks and private parking areas that are placed close to the businesses.

California State Senator Ben Allen (D-Santa Monica) joined the City Council meeting and added that Gov. Gavin Newsom has delegated more and more to local public health officials.

“They’re the ones who can determine if an area is ready for the next phase of reopening,” Allen said. “I know there has been a lot of concern about the extent at which things are being done.”

Allen said cities such as West Hollywood are in a good position to reopen as the state and county of Los Angeles flattened the curve on COVID-19. However, he advised city officials to be wary of COVID-19 cases and monitor the health situation as the city begins to reopen.

“There’s a way to halt the reopening process as we saw it in places like Lassen County, for example,” Allen said. “They were one of the first counties to reopen. They had almost no cases of COVID-19, but as they began to reopen too quickly, they had a new outbreak, and of course they had to clamp down again.”

Cities and counties should be prepared for a cycle of lifting and closing to adapt to any future outbreaks, he said.

Businesses must continue to adhere to proper social distancing, mask requirements, are prohibited from allowing crowds to gather, and maintain health protocols such as handwashing. If businesses fail to comply with the city’s ordinance, consequences will ensue.

Langer said under the county order, business owners or managers can be charged with a misdemeanor and potentially be imprisoned for six months or be fined $1,000. She added the West Hollywood Code Compliance Division altered the city’s ordinance to differ from the county’s order.

“This is actually taking it out of a criminal realm and moving it over to the administrative process, which is much more in line with most of our code enforcement activities in the city, which comes with outreach, notification and working with businesses,” Langer said.

Daniel Rivas, code compliance manager for West Hollywood, said businesses will be warned first and expected to correct any health violations within 30 minutes of receiving notice.

Council members compromised on the citations and decided after code compliance staff give proper due notice, they can issue a $250 fine plus a $50 administrative fee followed by $1,000, $2,000 and $5,000 fines for future violations.

“The main purpose of this item is geared toward businesses as they reopen to give the code enforcement staff the tools to ensure compliance,” Langer said.

Originally, city staff presented council members with citations of $1,000 or more, but council member and city manager for West Hollywood, said John D’Amico and John Duran did not agree with the amount. Though they did note it was a good decision for code compliance staff to give proper notice to businesses. Duran also clarified that usually nobody goes to jail on a business citation.

“The thought of imposing a fine of any sort, to me, is working against ourselves,” Duran said. “I think we need a lot more honey rather than sticks and hitting people when they’re already financially suffering.”

Rivas reiterated the Code Compliance Division has done outreach and has sent field agents to inform business owners of the county’s order, and most businesses — if not all — have been doing a great job.

But he said code compliance staff has had to call in assistance from the sheriff’s department in some instances to remind certain businesses, which he did not name, to comply with the health order.

“It isn’t a matter of them not being educated or not knowing what programs, and I can assure you we’re not going to have code enforcement officers that are going to be standing and looking at the specific distancing requirements for the tables,” Rivas said. “But we’ll have folks that are queuing in front of the business that are consuming alcoholic beverages and other factors that are creating crowds of folks.”

Mediation for commercial landlords, tenants in WeHo

The city of West Hollywood is making available free mediation services for commercial landlords and tenants impacted by COVID-19. The West Hollywood City Council approved a temporary moratorium on evictions for commercial tenants on April 6. The order is effective from March 16 to July 31. No commercial landlord should try to evict a tenant for nonpayment of rent if the tenant demonstrates loss of income during this period. For information, visit weho.org/services/coronavirus-counsel-and-connections-for-business-tenants.

To assist commercial tenants and landlords, the city of West Hollywood and the West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce have partnered to offer mediation services. These services aim to help tenants and landlords reach mutually agreeable settlements to help structure rent deferral and reductions, agree to other lease amendments and, where warranted, to help businesses reopen and stay in business. The landlords best maintain leases with good tenants and preserve their properties.

With the growth of the duration of economic recovery, and the unfortunate economic ramifications on both landlords and tenants due to the coronavirus pandemic, mediation services are a pragmatic way to amicably resolve differences and avoid the time and expense of costly future litigation. Mediation services will also assist parties with communication and assurance for the months ahead.

This complimentary, supportive and confidential process provides counseling and conciliation between parties that have been impacted by COVID-19. Mediation services are provided on a complimentary basis by West Hollywood and the WHCC for one three-to-four-hour session.

Parties unable to resolve issues within the allotted time frame are encouraged to continue mediation to resolution by directly contracting with the mediator at negotiable rates. Interested parties may fill out a mediation services intake form at docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAI-qQsL65A/dU77ey7x1ESGW6qZvZH3w4VvPmx-aik SYSHwZug/viewform.

On May 14, the city and the chamber presented Accessing Mediation Services for Commercial Tenants and Landlords, an informational webinar that provides information about mediation services available to commercial tenants and landlords. This webinar is accessible for viewing online and provides interested parties with details about how to access services, what to expect through the process, and how mediation benefits both landlords and tenants who willingly participate in the process. For information, visit youtube.com/watch?v=7pdI1g8t9Y8. Additionally, there is a temporary Commercial Eviction Moratorium webinar available at youtube.com/watch?v=4r4vRWDeJTk.

For information, visit westhollywood.com/mediation-services.html.

West Hollywood businesses are reopening, but the city’s Code Compliance Division will enforce safety and health protocols.
Beverly Hills subway work remains on track

Expedited piling and decking work will continue along a closed section of Wilshire Boulevard between El Camino and Crescent drives after the Beverly Hills City Council voted to keep the closure in place until June 15.

The City Council approved the closure and a new construction timeline in late March due to COVID-19 emergency. The piling reduced traffic as a result of the timeline in late March due to closure and a new construction place until June 15.

The intersection of Canon and the Beverly drives will be reopened to traffic by June 15. However, Reeves Drive will remain closed at Wilshire Boulevard for the completion of subway station entrance decking and re-installation of the staging yard sound walls. Some sidewalks in the area will also remain closed. The sidewalk along the north side of Wilshire Boulevard remains open for pedestrians passing through the work zone.

After decking is completed, 24-hour excavation of the future subway station continues underneath Wilshire Boulevard to depths up to 100 feet. Excavation is anticipated to be completed early 2021. Once the full closure is lifted, intermittent traffic closures will be required, and Wilshire Boulevard may be reduced to one lane in each direction at night.

Work also continues at other locations along Wilshire Boulevard. Through Friday, June 5, intermittent lane closures will be implemented at the intersection of Wilshire and San Vicente boulevards. The closures support ongoing tunnel investigation work underneath Wilshire Boulevard. Work hours are 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., weekends. Motorists should expect delays.

At Wilshire/La Cienega, station construction, material deliveries and instrumentation is ongoing. Gale Drive will be intermittently closed to support construction in the Gale staging yard. Access to Gale Drive will be maintained from San Vicente Boulevard. Wilshire Boulevard will also be reduced to two lanes in each direction between Hamilton Drive and San Vicente Boulevard. Left turns and through traffic will be restricted at Gale and Tower drives.

At Wilshire Boulevard and La Jolla Avenue, tunnel investigation work is occurring during off-peak hours 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 6 a.m., weekdays, and 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., weekends. New work zones in the center of Wilshire Boulevard and McCarthy Vista will remain in place through Aug. 14. Wilshire Boulevard will be reduced to two lanes in each direction between San Diego Way and La Jolla Avenue, and McCarthy Vista will be reduced to one lane in each direction at night.

Work on the south side of Wilshire Boulevard was originally scheduled to last through August, but was completed on May 9. Under the current expedited timeline, the Wilshire Boulevard decking work, originally scheduled for completion in March 2021, will be finished by June 15.

Relaxed parking enforcement continues in L.A. until July 6

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation’s Parking Enforcement Division has extended current relaxed parking enforcement regulations until July 6.

LADOT has also extended the deadline for payment of existing parking fines to July 6. While residents are encouraged to pay any existing fines if they are able, there will be no increase in fines.

While certain parking regulations are relaxed, others remain enforced to ensure that emergency services and other city functions continue operation. LADOT has relaxed enforcement of regulations pertaining to residential street sweeping, expired vehicle registration and peak-hour and gridlock zone parking restrictions. There are no citations being issued for or towing of abandoned vehicles and those parking overnight.

LADOT has also extended the full closure of Wilshire Boulevard for subway work until place through June 15.

Vehicles displaying recently expired permits within preferential parking districts will have a two-week grace period following the expiration to renew.

LADOT will supply a temporary, print-at-home permit to residents within a preferential parking district who have renewed their permit but who will not receive the new hang tag before their current permit expires.

Enforcement continues for metered parking, time limits within preferential parking districts for vehicles without a valid or recently expired permit, posted time limit zones in commercial areas, and all areas with temporary no-parking signs. Citations are also being issued for blocking alleys, fire hydrants, and handicapped spaces, as well as zones with colored curbs. For information, visit ladot.lacity.org/coronavirus.
More housing secured to combat homelessness

In partnership with the city of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, Los Angeles County Department of Health Services and a local hotel, National Health Foundation is now operating a temporary housing program through Project Roomkey – a statewide initiative that provides temporary housing support to individuals experiencing homelessness to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

This Project Roomkey site, the name of which is confidential, is unique because it offers recuperative care for people who need medical support. Individuals served include seniors and individuals with existing medical conditions, who do not have a place to self-isolate and are at higher risk of hospitalization if they become infected.

The hotel is not a walk-up site; participants are referred to the program by homeless service providers. This project will have a significant impact on the local health care system and its ability to respond with the resources needed to safely treat patients in need of acute care during this pandemic.

National Health Foundation President and CEO Kelly Bruno and Executive Director of Housing & Homeless Services Wade Trimmer collaborated with the county to identify and partner with a local hotel that would serve the needs of individuals who require medical support and social services.

“Because many of the people who have been exposed to COVID-19 and many of those who have medical conditions, are especially vulnerable in this crisis, and we’re taking urgent action to get them indoors quickly,” Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti said. “Project Roomkey helps get those at the highest risk into a safer place – and we’re grateful to NHF and all of our service providers for stepping up to help save lives.”

For information, visit national-healthfoundation.org.

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“The hotel and community are stepping up to house the homeless, this local hotel and community are stepping up. The hotel accommodates 92 beds over a 90-day period and is providing oversight of janitorial staff and 24/7 on-site security. NHF is staffing the intake, social services, nurses and guest services teams. Guests are sheltered across four floors, in which at least one social worker and one medical nurse are stationed.

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Public orders criticized

Re “BH retail reopens, restaurants may follow,” May 28 issue

Your front page article, “BH retail reopens, restaurants may follow” was well crafted and accurate. What really needs to happen is that the Beverly Hills City Council takes a leaf from the rioters who, within the 30 minutes of the murder of the black man in Minneapolis, were out on the street demonstrating. While weaponry may be a bit extreme, there is no need for the Beverly Hills City Council to knock under the dikto of some faceless, nameless, $400,000 a year bureaucrat who purports to dictate to the Beverly Hills City Council to retail reopens, restaurants may follow,” May 28 issue — something it takes for granted.

Nathaniel J. Friedman
Beverly Hills

A call for accountability

A friend who recently moved to Los Angeles from London last year commissi me, “I came here to enjoy the sun, the beaches, the forests, the incarnation and now riots and looting. I’ve gone from a three month quarantine to a nightly curfew.”

What troubles me most about her observation is the lack of focused accountability for the twin viruses of COVID-19 and pillage. Yes, you can find responsibility for a slow response and blame the president and you can also lay blame for the 60% of deaths happening in nursing homes that were unable to the irresponsi ble and paticious responses of Governors [ Gavin Newsom and ] Accountability is a non-starter. However, the real culprit remains the communist Chinese government. They acted with unmitigated malice, lied and concealed the severity of the virus, arrested the physicians who spoke up and then refused access to our researchers. The pandemic, which could have been contained as a Wuhan epidemic, will be with us for years to come in terms of deaths and econ omic impact.

An unarmed black man is hand cuffed and brutally killed by a vicous cop and the resulting legiti mate outcry, protests and demonstra tion by boisterous and ardent unions whom the victim George Floyd would have strongly con demned. The destruction of immi grant and African American business activities that were already teetering at the brink from coronavirus lockdowns is almost as painful to watch as the murder.

There are people who seek the thing. Police brutality is entirely different, and so is the solution. There are people who seek the power of the badge, the power of the gun at the hip and the club in [their] right hand poised to strike. Those are the ones we need to keep OUT of our police departments.

That’s so much more important than being able to scale a wall of the police departments across the coun try. A short psychoanalysis BEFORE: admitting such baddies into our police academies should do the trick. What are we waiting for?

Ralph David Baron
Beverly Hills Temple of the Arts

Bad officers need to be weeded out

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George Epstein
Fairfax District

Local newspapers fulfill a critical need

I was happy to make a donation and greatly appreciate your note acknowledging the gift. It is quite incred ible that your publication has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

Chapter 2.92, of the Los Angeles County (“County”) Code related to the Los Angeles Museum of Art (“LACMA”).

The purpose of this proposed measure is to enact an ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 2.92, of the Los Angeles County Municipal Code, specifically Title 2, Chapter 2.92 - “Department Museum of Art”, to enact greater accountability with and safe guards for the Los Angeles Museum of Art (LACMA) its leadership, possessions and financial relationship with the County of Los Angeles. The County Council has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

Delphine Lougar

Letters to the Editor

Did you have an escrow account with Bank of America??

We are a law firm researching people who bought a house or apartment between 7-1-2008 to 12-31-2018 using a BoA escrow account which held money for taxes or insurance for closing the purchase. If you are a concerned citizen who seeks justice and wish to participate please call or email us with your story. Our law firm will contact you for a meeting and explain the issues in more detail and see if you qualify to be part of our study. Call Mr. Michael at: (310) 659-0143 or Email: lawdoctors@juno.com

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given by the person whose name appears hereon of their intention to circulate the petition within the County of Los Angeles for the purpose of amending the Los Angeles County Municipal Code, specifically Title 2, Chapter 2.92 - "Department Museum of Art", to enact greater accountability with and safeguard the Los Angeles Museum of Art (LACMA) its leadership, possessions and financial relationship with the County of Los Angeles. The County Council has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MUSEUM OF ART ORDINANCE

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The measure proposes adding section 2.92.050, entitled Public Representation, which modifies LACMA’s board of trustees ("Board") composition by requiring: the Board to have between twenty and thirty percent public representatives; and the Board to have two representatives including the County Supervisor for the Third District, the Councilmember of Los Angeles City Council District Four, and self-nominated County residents, unrelated to Board members and selected by Save LACMA.

The measure proposes adding section 2.92.060, entitled Request For And Use Of County Funds, limiting any request by LACMA for County funding to a maximum of twenty percent of the total estimated and actual cost for all current and future construction projects and prevents the County from providing funding beyond twenty percent of the cost of such projects.

The measure proposes adding section 2.92.070, entitled Design Review and Approval Process, which requires LACMA to engage the public on projects on the LACMA campus by: inviting the professional design members of the public to submit proposals through an open design competition; reviewing the submitted designs by the LACMA director, Board, and their appointed design professionals; and selecting winning designs by a majority vote of LACMA’s Board.

The measure proposes adding section 2.92.080, entitled Prohibition of Sale or Collateralization of Art, which: prohibits LACMA, or its representatives, from selling, or using as collateral, any artwork in connection with donations or by purchase; and makes any debt incurred to any outside organization due to actions of the LACMA director or Board their responsibility.

The measure proposes adding section 2.92.090, entitled Administration and Enforcement, which requires the County Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and the County Board of Supervisors ("BOS") to: enforce this chapter by promulgating rules, regulations, and procedures to administer and enforce this chapter, including the formulation and implementation of penalties to LACMA, its director, and the Board; and audit the income and expenses of the LACMA director and Board to verify all revenues were expended lawfully; permit the CEO and BOS, after concurrence by the County Counsel, to add administrative rules and regulations to reasonably audit and examine all books and records of LACMA.

The measure proposes that if another measure appears on the ballot addressing this subject, it shall be deemed to be in conflict with this ordinance, and if this measure receives affirmative votes, it shall entirely prevail over any competing measure, which will be null and void.

The measure proposes that the ordinance shall not be amended or repealed by the County except where expressly provided in the ordinance.

The measure proposes that if any provision or part of the measure is found invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity shall not affect the application of the remaining provisions.
Pasta Sisters egg-plant parmigiana

Celebrate your graduating student with an Italian dinner from Pasta Sisters. Chef Paola Da Re is preparing a nine layered egg-plant parmigiana made with nine-hour-simmered tomato sauce, egg-plant, mozzarella and parmigiana cheese. It’s available for takeout and delivery by calling the Culver City or Pico location directly, as well as via ChowNow and Postmates. 3343 W. Pico Blvd., (323)870-5271; 3280 Helms Ave., (424)603-4503.

Graduation dinner by Drago

Salute your class of 2020 grad with one of the family-style meals to commemorate their achievement. In addition to a variety of dishes on their menu, other Drago items to add to your order include pastas, sauces and olive oil.

Bottled wines are 25% off to enjoy in your own home. Drago has partnered with Postmates, UberEats, Grubhub and DoorDash to assist with your delivery needs. Phone orders can be made by calling Drago directly. 6060 Wilshire Blvd., (323)800-2244.

Milky Way reopens

On Tuesday, June 2, Milky Way reopened for takeout, curbside pick-up and delivery via Postmates. When the stay-at-home order went into effect mid-March, the Milky Way closed its doors for dine-in for the safety of its guests and staff. Now, the team is excited to announce that Milky Way is open for families celebrating graduation and summer dining. Enjoy set family meal options for four people, and receive 25% off kosher wine and beer available to go with food purchase. Pre-orders can be made by calling the restaurant or go online through the restaurant’s website.
Vinovore offers Black Lives Matter Fund

In light of recent events, Vinovore has been closing at 5 p.m. to abide by the city of Los Angeles curfew. No-contact curbside pick-up is available during business hours. Please be sure to place your order at least 30 minutes prior to closing for same-day pick-up. Wine, beer, cider, sake, chocolate, crackers, nuts, pantry items, pasta kits, games, puzzles and books are available. Take 10% off six or more bottles with code STOCKUP. As a woman-owned business, Vinovore wants to support Black Lives Matter by donating a portion of this week’s sales to @blklivesmatter and @blmlosangeles. If you have the means, please donate directly to @blacklivesmatterfund and @bklivesmatter. No-contact, same-day delivery is available. Order anything for curbside same day pick-up before 4 p.m. Delivery orders are after 4 p.m. daily on Mondays and Thursdays. Orders must be placed by 6 p.m. the day before. Email grr@vino-vore.com.

Simzy’s reopens dining room

After moving furniture, spacing tables 6 feet apart and implementing safety protocols for guests and teammates, Simzy’s opened with new protocols. They installed hand sanitizer stations, offer single-use menus and hired a chief cleaning officer whose sole duty is to ensure the cleanliness and sanitation of the restaurant from opening until closing. Simzy’s opens at 11 a.m., with a full lunch and dinner menu. Due to the limited number of tables, guests can go to simzys.com to reserve in advance. Brunch resumes on Saturday, June 6. 229 Manhattan Beach Blvd., (310)546-1201.

National Veggie Burger Day at Dog Haus

On Friday, June 5, guests can order a veggie-friendly Impossible plant-based protein burger for $5. It’s topped with lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles, white American cheese and secret sauce. It’s served on a grilled King’s Hawaiian bun. Enjoy for takeout or dining room after moving furniture, spacing tables 6 feet apart and implementing safety protocols for guests and teammates, Simmzy’s opened with new protocols. They installed hand sanitizer stations, offer single-use menus and hired a chief cleaning officer whose sole duty is to ensure the cleanliness and sanitation of the restaurant from opening until closing. Simzy’s opens at 11 a.m., with a full lunch and dinner menu. Due to the limited number of tables, guests can go to simzys.com to reserve in advance. Brunch resumes on Saturday, June 6. 229 Manhattan Beach Blvd., (310)546-1201.

Deep Indian Kitchen

For those craving Indian cuisine, Deep Indian Kitchen prepares frozen meals that are available to purchase at Whole Foods, Bristol Farms, Pavilions and Ralphs. The kitchen team grinds their own spices and simmers their proteins and vegetables in batches of creamy sauces. The Chicken Tikka Masala is marinated and roasted before mixed into a velvety tomato, ginger, ghee, turmeric, cumin and onion sauce. Cumin basmati rice is included in the package. The dough for their garlic naan is stretched and roasted until the bottom gets crisp and the top is fluffy. The naan is served with garlic and coriander. Just bake at 400 degrees for two minutes. Deep Indian Kitchen helps children in rural India have access to education by giving to the Deepikran (Ray of Light) Foundation with every purchase of their food. So far they have helped 22,000 children in 119 villages. Ralphs, 1233 N. La Brea Ave.,(323)876-8790; 260 S. La Brea Ave., (323)937-3264. Whole Foods, 7871 Santa Monica Blvd., (323)848-4200; 6360 W. 3rd St., (323)964-6800. Bristol Farms Market, 9039 Beverly Blvd., (310)246-2804; 7880 W. Sunset Blvd., (323)874-6301. Pavilions, 8969 Santa Monica Blvd., (310)595-1730.

Guinness Live Virtual Pub

Guinness Live has teamed up with Guinness on Facebook, combining the excitement of a pub atmosphere and the challenge of live trivia tonight, June 4, at 5 p.m. Join special guest and multi-platinum singer/songwriter country superstar Dierks Bentley for some virtual fun and entertainment. You can support Team Rubicon, a nonprofit that utilizes the skills and experiences of military veterans and first responders to rapidly deploy and provide disaster and humanitarian relief to those affected by natural disasters. For every participant who joins the trivia event, Guinness will donate $1 to support Team Rubicon. Go join the fun at facebook.com/guinnessus.

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The following crimes occurred in West Hollywood, Beverly Hills and the areas controlled by the LAPD’s Wilshire and Hollywood divisions between May 24 and May 31. The information was compiled from www.crimemap. jng.com. To report a crime, call local law enforcement agencies. Los Angeles Police Department, Wilshire Division (213)473-4746; Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department West Hollywood Station (310)855-8850, and the Beverly Hills Police Department, (310)455-4951.

Beverly Hills Police Department

May 24
An unknown suspect committed a petty theft in the 9800 block of Santa Monica at 7:54 a.m.

At 11 p.m., an unknown suspect committed a petty theft from a vehicle parked in the 300 block of N. Maple.

A suspect was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs near the corner of Sunset and Crescent at 11:49 p.m.

May 25
An unknown suspect committed a petty theft in the 200 block of N. Crescent at 11:24 a.m.

At 2 p.m., an unknown suspect stole a vehicle parked in the 100 block of N. Le Doux.

A vandalism was reported in the 100 block of S. Roxbury at 8 p.m.

May 26
An unknown suspect committed a petty theft in the 200 block of N. Crescent at 2:45 p.m.

At 4:17 p.m., an unknown suspect committed a petty theft in the 100 block of N. Hamilton.

A suspect was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs near the corner of Dayton and Doheny at 9:20 a.m.

An unknown suspect stole a vehicle parked near the corner of Wilshire and Carson at 4:30 p.m.

At 9 p.m., an unknown suspect committed a commercial burglary in the 200 block of N. Bedford at 8 p.m.

An unknown suspect committed a commercial burglary in the 400 block of N. Bedford at 8 p.m.

An unknown suspect committed a commercial burglary in the 600 block of Olympic at 9:45 p.m.

At 11 p.m., an unknown suspect committed a commercial burglary in the 200 block of N. Cannon.

An unknown suspect committed a commercial burglary in the 400 block of N. Beverly at 11:02 p.m.

At 11:35 p.m., an unknown suspect committed a commercial burglary in the 8600 block of Wilshire.

May 31
At 5 a.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 600 block of N. Maple.

West Hollywood

Sheriff’s Station

May 24
At 3 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 900 block of N. Kings.

An unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 700 block of West Alvarado at 5:24 a.m.

At 9:30 a.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 7500 block of Leighton.

An unknown suspect robbed a victim near the corner of Warren and Croft at 4:25 p.m.

At 8 p.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 900 block of Spaulding.

An unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 400 block of N. Larrabee at 9:11 p.m.

At 10 p.m., an unknown suspect assaulted a victim near the corner of Melrose and La Cienga.

At 11 p.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 300 block of S. Saint Andrews.

May 25
At 4:40 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 300 block of N. Formosa.

An unknown suspect robbed a victim near the corner of First and Kings at 8:45 a.m.

At 9:25 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a petty theft near the corner of Hollywood and Western.

An unknown suspect committed a grand theft in the 6300 block of Hollywood at 10:05 a.m.

At 10:10 a.m., an unknown suspect assaulted a victim in the 6400 block of Sunset.

An unknown suspect committed a petty theft in the 600 block of N. Genesee at 11:06 a.m.

At 1:30 p.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 5100 block of Olympic.

An unknown suspect robbed a victim in the 700 block of N. La Brea at 5:30 p.m.

At 7 p.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked near the corner of Edinburgh and Clinton.

An unknown suspect stole a vehicle parked in the 8400 block of Blackburn at 7 p.m.

At 8 p.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 100 block of S. Sweitzer.

May 26
At 12:35 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a petty theft in the 4700 block of Beverly.

An unknown suspect stole a vehicle parked in the 8900 block of De Longpre at 1 a.m.

At 9 a.m., an unknown suspect stole a vehicle in the 110 block of N. La Brea at 10 a.m.

An unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 6400 block of W. Fifth at 9:30 a.m.

At noon, an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 600 block of N. Detroit.

An unknown suspect robbed a victim in the 400 block of Hauser at noon.

At 2 p.m., an unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 6800 block of Hollywood.

An unknown suspect stole a bicycle near the corner of Holly and Dix at 2:40 p.m.

At 4:45 p.m., an unknown suspect stole a vehicle parked in the 1300 block of N. Orange.

An unknown suspect stole a vehicle in the 400 block of N. Vista at 5:50 p.m.

At 6:20 p.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 6900 block of N. Western.

An unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 8600 block of Colgate at 2 p.m.

At 5 p.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked near the corner of Gramacy and Second.

An unknown suspect committed a petty theft in the 6300 block of W. Third at 6 p.m.

At 6:35 p.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked near the corner of Martel and Hollywood.

A suspect stole a vehicle parked near the corner of Hollywood and Selma at 10:35 p.m.

May 27
An unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked near the corner of Yucca and Ivar at 1 a.m.

At 5:17 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 6300 block of Orange.

An unknown suspect stole a vehicle in the 700 block of N. Western at 7:45 a.m.

At 10 a.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 8000 block of Franklin.

An unknown suspect assaulted a victim near the corner of Wilshire and Norton at 1:10 p.m.

At 4 p.m., an unknown suspect committed a grand theft in the 4000 block of N. Hayworth.

May 28
At 12:01 a.m., an unknown suspect stole a bicycle in the 5900 block of Franklin.

An unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 700 block of N. Orange at 2:30 a.m.

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NATIONAL HEALTHCARE

National, state, and community organizations are leading a massive effort to highlight the importance of Advance Health Directive programs in California, the growing importance of every adult having an Advance Health Care Directive (AHC) has been addressed by the California State who has established a state-wide AHC program. Should you become injured, ill, or otherwise unable to speak for yourself, your healthcare provider or legal representatives will be able to access information from the state-wide registry regarding your healthcare.

In an AHC, you designate an individual whose duty it is to carry out your wishes regarding choice of hospital, your doctor’s orders, special requests, and end-of-life issues if you become unable to speak for yourself. Healthcare providers must follow your Agent’s instructions. The significance of having an AHC cannot be overstated. Privacy laws and liability issues have made it increasingly difficult for doctors and hospitals to obey medical orders and family members’ wishes when you are not able to make your own decisions about your care.

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Organizations join forces to preserve historic Egyptian Theatre

Netflix and the American Cinematheque are joining forces to ensure the long-term future of the Egyptian Theatre, site of the first Hollywood movie premiere and the long-time home of the American Cinematheque.

This collaboration will enable the nonprofit American Cinematheque to expand the scope and diversity of film experiences for audiences.

“The Egyptian Theatre is an incredible part of Hollywood history and has been treasured by the Los Angeles film community for nearly a century,” Stuber said. “We’re honored to partner with the American Cinematheque to preserve the theater’s storied legacy and continue providing remarkable film experiences for audiences.”

The Egyptian Theatre was originally built in 1922 during the silent film era. A fixture in Hollywood’s Golden Age, the Egyptian was the side of the first Hollywood movie premiere, of “Robin Hood,” starring Douglas Fairbanks.

The historic venue remains to this day an ultimate destination for moviegoers, where it has hosted film festivals and cinematic experiences over the near-century it has been in Hollywood.

“The Netflix and American Cinematheque partnership at the Egyptian Theatre is a win-win for film, historic preservation and the arts,” said Mitch O’Farrell, Los Angeles City Councilman, 13th District.

The Great American Cine- ma...
Immaculate Heart celebrates students as formal graduation is pending

Immaculate Heart, which has educated young women in grades 6-12 since 1906 on its campus at 5315 Franklin Ave., has not held a formal graduation this year because of stay-at-home orders due to the COVID-19 pandemic. But the school is still planning to honor its class of 2020 at an event later this summer on a date to be determined. Details are still under consideration. Immaculate Heart usually holds graduation ceremonies at the Hollywood Bowl, but was unable this year because of closures.

Graduating senior Lola Dutcher has been selected as class speaker, representing the 118-member class of 2020. Christine Knudsen, Immaculate Heart’s longtime theology instructor and chair of the theology department, will serve as the commencement speaker. Knudsen, who retired last June after 31 years of teaching at Immaculate Heart, is also the author of “Engaging the Heart: Spirituality for Teenagers,” a handbook on mindfulness with meditations and prayer services for high school theology instructors teaching teenagers.

Immaculate Heart High School

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Spectrum News 1 to air virtual graduation special

Spectrum News 1 announced it will host a two-hour virtual celebration and commencement special, “SoCal Class of 2020,” to pay tribute to the Southern California senior class of 2020, on Saturday, June 6, at 7 p.m.

With COVID-19 forcing the cancellation of graduation ceremonies across Southern California, Spectrum News 1 has gathered celebrities, community leaders and professional athletes to celebrate the accomplishments and stories of the region’s graduating seniors. The event will be highlighted by the keynote address from award-winning actor Jason Alexander and a commencement speech delivered by Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti.

“Graduating seniors across Southern California have inspired us all with their tremendous perseverance, and have more than earned their diplomas,” said Cater Lee, vice president of news and content for Spectrum News 1. “Since this year’s seniors can’t participate in the graduation tradition of walking across the stage in front of their friends and families, we are bringing all Angelinos together to give them the celebration they deserve.”

Hosted by anchors Sisselle Fernandez and Melvin Robert, the first hour of the special, “SoCal Class of 2020: A Year to Remember,” will be a virtual yearbook, looking back at the school year through the stories of local public high school seniors from across the region. Students from El Segundo, Santa Ana, Burbank and other communities will share their stories of inspiration and triumphs, including students from Saugus High School who survived a deadly school shooting and wildfires during their senior year. The special also highlights St. John Bosco’s state football championship season.

At 8 p.m., the program’s second hour, “SoCal Class of 2020: Commencement Celebration,” will begin. The virtual ceremony will feature inspirational messages and speeches specifically curated for the graduating class of 2020. The special also will include speeches from valedictorians from Los Angeles, Orange, Ventura, Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

In addition to the keynote from Alexander and commencement address from Garcetti, actor Edward James Olmos will voice the ceremony and provide closing remarks. Special guests, including Los Angeles Lakers Alex Caruso and Frank Vogel; former Laker and SportsNet analyst James Worthy, L.A. Dodger Clayton Kershaw, Kiki Hernandez, Joe Kelly and Max Muncy, actor Chris Klein, Don Cheadle, George Lopez, Ray Romano and Nia Long; music artists Martina McBride, Mark McGrath, Jack Johnson, Rob Thomas and many more, will deliver shout outs and messages of congratulations to the graduating seniors.

DJ Ravi Drums will debut an original anthem to the class of 2020, “Shine On, in the Cali Sun,” featuring students from the Silverlake Conservatory, and created specifically for the virtual commencement special.

For information, visit spectrumlocalnews.com.
To the Marlborough Class of 2020,

YOU DID IT! We couldn’t be more proud of the compassionate, creative, critical thinkers you have become.

When we look back on our time with you—both as a class and individually—the days we couldn’t spend together over these last few months will be far overshadowed by the joy of the hundreds of days we did. Over these years, each of you has left an indelible mark on Marlborough and on our hearts.

Today, with every possibility ahead of you, we congratulate you on your achievements, share in your excitement for the journey ahead, and send our deep and collective wishes for a future filled with good health, rooted in purpose, and committed to lifelong learning.

With love and gratitude,
The Marlborough Faculty & Staff
Loyola High School graduates from Clougherty Chapel on Friday, June 5, at 7:30 p.m. The Jesuit school tradition will be preserved over Loyola’s president, the Rev. Gregory Goethals. Readings will be conducted by the class of 2020. The salutatorian will present his senior prayer at the end of mass.

A livestreamed graduation ceremony will be held on Saturday, June 6, at 9 a.m. Goethals and Loyola Principal Frank Kozakowski will honor, individually and as a group, each of the 303 graduates of the class of 2020. The valedictorian will address his classmates of four years, as will Board Chair Rack J. Caruso. Awards for excellence will also be given to the deserving seniors. The car parade will run through parts of Loyola’s campus and surrounding streets from 1 to 3 p.m.

The celebration also includes “Senior Spotlight,” a roll call and highlight reel of each senior’s special moments from their time at Loyola. Seniors will receive the Graduation 2020 Box with diploma cover, graduation cap and tassel, graduation gown, graduation programs, the El Camino yearbook, the Sesquicentennial History of Loyola keepsake book and a yard sign.

When restrictions have been lifted further, there will be an in-person Loyola High School graduation reception on campus for seniors and their families, where the class of 2020 can celebrate their achievements.

For information, visit loyolahs.edu.

Camila Pilar Martinez

Congratulations to our daughter Camila Pilar Martinez on her high school graduation from APEX Academy! We are so proud of you for your many accomplishments.

On top of being an excellent student, Camila demonstrates her incredible work ethic and maturity every day by helping out at the family business, Doe’s restaurant, working summers and after-school and running our instagram. She always offers extra help and helps our family so much. We admire her leadership, sense of humor, love of animals (especially dogs!), and kindness. We are especially proud of the way she approaches new challenges with determination and a smile. We know she will be a force of positive change in the world.

We are also proud of Camila’s grace in the face of adversity. Camila has kept a positive outlook and sunny disposition even as Covid-19 has taken away the traditional rites of passage like Prom and graduation ceremonies.

Camila, we are so very proud of you for your many accomplishments and simply for being you! You are the best daughter, step-daughter, and sister we could have ever dreamed of. We know your future is bright and we are excited to see how you use your many gifts. Whether you become a veterinarian or CEO of our family business, we know you will make a difference in this world.

You are the syrup to our pancakes and the whipped cream to our waffles!

We love you!

Your parents, Mom, Dad, & Martin

Your siblings, Michael, Roya, Lindsey, and Brandon

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BHUSD postpones physical commencement activities

Hosts virtual senior commencement ceremony today

On June 2, Beverly Hills Unified School District Superintendent Michael Bregy informed the BHUSD community that the recent “civil unrest in Los Angeles” has led to the postponement of the physical activities the district scheduled for graduation day, June 4.

“We expect to reschedule these very shortly,” Bregy said. BHUSD invites the greater Beverly Hills community to support their graduating senior students by watching the virtual commencement ceremony at 9 a.m. today, June 4. The stream will begin at 8:45 a.m.

The virtual commencement ceremony can be viewed on Channel 6 on Spectrum or online at kbv.com/live.

“We, the Beverly Hills Unified School District, at this time of heartache, invite you to help us lift our seniors up,” BHUSD Superintendent Michael Bregy said. “On Thursday, they were supposed to be graduating high school physically together.”

The event will feature “student speeches, moments from their final year, musical pieces our students have tirelessly worked on and so much more,” Bregy added. He said that “every decision is made in direct consultation with the Beverly Hills city manager and Beverly Hills Police Department in the interest of public safety.”

“I’m sure you will understand the direct impact logistically to our district is the depleted resources we are normally provided from the city, BHFDD and traffic control,” Bregy said.

Bregy also noted that the “recent events in Beverly Hills, Los Angeles and America have been extremely emotionally triggering for many of our students and their families,” and that parents should use resources like the National Association of School Psychologists for tips on how to talk with their children about violence. For information, visit nasponline.org/resources-and-publications/resources-and-activities/school-violence-resources/talking-to-children-about-violence-tips-for-parents-and-teachers.

“I must reiterate that we will not tolerate any racism or behavior inciting violence,” Bregy said. “Please continue to check your child’s communications directly from your principal regarding school-specific activities.”

For information, visit bhusd.org.
Hollywood Temple Beth El focuses services on George Floyd

Hollywood Temple Beth El will focus its weekly Shabbat morning services on the current social unrest, the mindset of demonstrators, the Jewish community’s response to Floyd’s death, how to heal the wounds of the community in the middle of political strife, pandemic and massive unemployment.

For purposes of security, the Zoom services and meeting will be accessible only to members of Hollywood Temple Beth El or preregistered attendees, however a recording will be posted on YouTube on June 7 at youtube.com/playlist?list=PLPgc3h0tSwxPfynwH4SlAMj_auyLeV7W.

For information, visit htemzel.org.

Jewish Free Loan Association offers financial help

To help meet the urgent needs of Los Angeles residents, the Jewish Free Loan Association is offering $1,000 loans to 1,000 community members through its COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund.

“The special initiative addresses the urgent needs of people who are living under difficult conditions during the coronavirus pandemic. Jewish Free Loan offers a flexible repayment schedule for its COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund loans.

“Our goal is to help as many people as possible, so these are unique loans in that they do not require guarantees who promise to repay loans in case of default.” JFLA CEO Rachel Gross said. “Instead, JFLA will run a credit check on the borrower and ask for the names and contact information for two references. References can be friends, relatives or neighbors who will confirm that they know the borrower.”

Jewish Free Loan Association is a financial institution offering assistance to people of all faiths facing financial challenges. Interest-free loans are available for emergencies, education, developing small businesses, health care and life cycle events.

For information, call (323)781-8837, or visit jfla.org.

DODGERS OFFER RESOURCES TO PROMOTE YOUTH BASEBALL

The Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation is offering virtual training sessions for youth baseball coaches through the Dodgers RBI Program, a sports-based youth development initiative for children and youth ages 5-18 that uses baseball and softball to provide social and emotional learning.

The next coaches’ training session will be held on June 10. Coaches and families with youth ages 5-18 are encouraged to register for the free 2020 virtual season by visiting dodgers.com/odgershub.

Dodgers third base coach Dino Ebel recently participated in the program via Zoom and discussed his journey in coaching and how he joined the Dodgers. Ebel also discussed coaching and instruction styles, tips on team chemistry and dugout culture, and the role sports and coaches have in children’s lives.

“As a coach, you’re a role model. It doesn’t matter what level you’re at. Stay under control and stay positive. Slow everything down and take a deep breath. Stay positive and keep high energy,” Ebel said. “The great [coaches] are the ones that listen, have your back and care.”

LADF’s training series ensures coaches have the appropriate resources to make an impact in the lives of young people. They provide baseball and softball fundamentals, as well as information about trauma-informed approaches, concussion protocols and positive youth development strategies.

For information, visit dodgers.com/odgershub.

Petersen museum provides inside coverage of fan favorites

The Petersen Automotive Museum will premiere video footage of 1930s Lemans archival footage for car enthusiasts to watch today, June 4, at 11 a.m. on their website.

Petersen’s Car and Coffee Online brings enthusiasts and community members together to talk about cars, drink coffee and offer awards on June 7.

To participate in the virtual event, car enthusiasts must submit a 30-second horizontal video of their favorite car for the chance to be featured during a 90-minute video that will premiere on June 7.

For information, visit Petersen.org.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2020 GRADUATING CLASS FROM CATHEDRAL CHAPEL SCHOOL

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Jalen Cahral
Kylin Cantrell
Cristian Chapman
Yu Hyan Choi
Samuel Christopher
Justin Cofield
Rhyse Cunningham
Megan David
Jordan del Poozo
Jared Follin
Lily Gray
Aliyah Hampton
Dominic Hernandez
Patrick Holloway
Jacob Hwong Park
Ilhun Joo
Paul Jopanda
Kennedy Kilpatrick
Mark Kim
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Anabel Mantiquez
Francesco Monzon
Aaron Moon
Althea Morris
Issac Nuho
Amnie Park
Patrick Park
Nathan Penza
Carnilla Perez
Joaquin Recinos
Calie Richmyer-Han
Izabella Rivera
Katherine Sanchez
Hannah Silverstein
Evelyn Song
Diego Velasco

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Cathedral High School
John Muir High School
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Harvard Westlake School
Crossroads High School
Culver City High School
Notre Dame Academy
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Campbell Hall School
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The Goonies’ can finally run for president

Grab your inhaler, throw on an eye patch and work out that tine to execute the perfect truffle shuffle because on Saturday, “The Goonies” turns 35 – finally old enough to run for the highest office in the land. Sure, that revelation might make a handful of ’80s movie buffs feel older, and hopefully wiser – wise enough to realize this anniversary can mean something monumental. Like a treasure map hiding in the attic’s museum “rejects,” hope for a better tomorrow is closer than we know.

Friends, countrymen, Goondocks, lend me your suspension of disbelief. Amidst a contentious season, let’s all get behind Goonies 2020. That’s right. At 35, “The Goonies” is the perfect fix for this nation.

A good candidate must appeal to the needs of the moment while staying rooted in the struggles of the past. “Goonies” is both timeless and relevant more than three decades later. Perhaps that’s thanks to legendary director Richard Donner, or Chris Columbus’ screenplay highlighting blue-collar plight. What would you do if the haves tried to seize your home? All to expand a country club, no less. The parents give up, but those kids – expand a country club, no less. The parents give up, but those kids –

Perhaps this sounds too juvenile. What can childish shenanigans teach the nation? Well, this one isn’t afraid of the kids. Don’t forget “mom’s favorite part” of a broken statue, encountering a couple dead bodies and Mouth’s profound words in protest to wishful thinking, “This one, this one right here, this was my dream, my wish, and it didn’t come true,” he says, drenched in fountain water that might as well be the tears of a broken people. “So I’m taking it back. I’m taking it all back.”

I don’t need in my life. Some politician? Nay, it’s an amazing film with more class and style than a sea of a modern film and television examples like, say, “The Bachelor.”

What would you do if the haves tried to seize your home? All to expand a country club, no less. The parents give up, but those kids – charmingly performed by Sean Astin, Corey Feldman, Josh Brolin and the rest – look for a smoking gun, a pirate treasure to save the lives of rubens/. Getty’s Art + Ideas podcast to bring Angelenos to the 17th century, as she discussed the life of Peter Paul Rubens, a prominent court painter, alongside Jim Cuno, president of the J. Paul Getty Trust. They created an episode for the Getty’s blog site, the Iris. Inspired by the garden, Zenowich examined current plants in the garden to share the ancient and modern uses of them. The post can be read at blogs.getty.edu/iris/discover-the-ancient-and-modern uses-of-the-plants-in-the-getty-villa-herb-garden/.

Larisa Grollemond and Bryan C. Keene, assistant curators in the manuscripts department at the Getty Museum, examined Disney movies to identify which of them were the most medieval.

As they browsed Disney’s, Grollemond and Keene examined a selection of films that presented a “global Middle Ages,” a chronological flexible period from 500-1500 that encompasses sites and stories from England, China, Arabia and Pacific Islands.

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Corey Feldman, left, Sean Astin, Ke Huy Quan and Jeff Cohen were memorable in “The Goonies,” which celebrates its 35th anniversary this year. (Photo courtesy of Warner Bros. Pictures)

Since March, he has created more than 40 recreations on Twitter, rediscovered and reinvig-
Pan Pacific Park hosts peaceful protesters

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The other set of demands, partic-\n\larly here in L.A., is defending the police department. We are calling for an investment in universal resources and a divestment in the police department.

Many publicly elected law enforcement officials have called for calm in the wake of Floyd’s death and the large demonstrations, includ-\n\ing Los Angeles County Sheriff Alex Villanueva and Los Angeles City Attorney Mike Feuer. The officials came together on June 1 to appeal to protest organizers to work with local leaders and to emphasize that change can occur when peaceful solutions are reached.

“We need to be here, all of us for all of Los Angeles,” Feuer said. “Be there for the protesters who are crying out with anger and anguish, be there for our community who are just trying to get by, be there for the owners of our busi-\nesses who are struggling to recov-\er from the pandemic. We need to be there for each other, right now, because that is what Los Angeles is, resilient and hopeful. Though we are in a resilient and hopeful place.”

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WeHo responds to protests

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This included a tense standoff between police and protesters in the Fairfax District south of West Hollywood and Beverly Hills on May 30. Thousands of protesters organized additional protests along Sunset Boulevard and Laurel Avenue, and La Cienega \n\ and Santa Monica boulevards the same day.

Looting, fires, graffiti, broken windows and other damage and disturbances occurred in West Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Santa Monica, Los Angeles, Long Beach and other areas throughout the county over the weekend, and in some areas during the follow-\ing weekdays. However, city of-\fficers stressed the importance of focus-\ing on the less criminal activ-\\ity occurred during midday protests on Monday and Tuesday.

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CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the West Hollywood Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing to consider the following item:

LOCATIONS: CITYWIDE, West Hollywood, California

REQUEST: The proposed Zone Text Amendment will amend Title 19, Zoning Regulations, to require that rental dwelling units (apartments, duplexes and accessory dwelling units) in the City of West Hollywood be rented for an initial lease term of one year. After a one year lease, these rental units may be rented month-to-month or on other terms set in the lease. This regulation will not apply to single family homes or condominiums available for rent, which are required to be rented for 30 days or more.

The proposed regulations will allow units in rental buildings in Commercial Zone Districts that have been rented for 30 days or more between January 1, 2018 and March 15, 2020, to obtain an Administrative Permit to continue to rent those units for 30 days or more, as a legal nonconforming use, until December 31, 2029. In the Sunset Specific Plan area, buildings with the Administrative Permit will be eligible to apply for a Conditional Use Permit to rent up to 30% of eligible units in the building for five days or more.

Different iterations of this Zone Text Amendment have been reviewed by the Planning Commission, following the West Hollywood Director of Planning and Development Services’ 2017 interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance as to the length of time that a residential dwelling unit must be rented to be considered a residential dwelling unit and not a short term rental. The terms of this proposed Zone Text Amendment described in the second paragraph above are the product of a tentative settlement agreement of a lawsuit over this interpretation as applied to the building at 8500 Sunset. The tentative settlement agreement set the City to return to an amended Zone Text Amendment for review by the Planning Commission and City Council, which includes taking public input on the Amendment during public hearings. This item will be heard by the Planning Commission on June 18, 2020 and is tentatively scheduled for review by City Council in July, with further notice to be provided as legally required. A companion item will also be heard at the June 18, 2020 Planning Commission meeting concerning the above mentioned permits and uses of the units at 8500 Sunset (this item will be separately noticed as required by law).

PERMIT(S): Zone Text Amendment, and any other required permits.

APPLICANT(S): City of West Hollywood

TIME/PLACE OF HEARING: Teleconferenced Meeting

If you require special assistance to participate in this meeting (e.g., a signer for the hearing impaired), you must call, or submit your request in writing to the Office of the City Clerk at (323) 848-6409 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

IF YOU CHALLENGE this item 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 the written correspondence delivered to the West Hollywood Planning Commission, via the Planning & Development Services Department at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

For information contact Rachel Dimond, Senior Planner in the Planning & Development Services Department at (323) 848-6475; or via email at: rdimond@weho.org

Yvonne Quarker, City Clerk

Мы сообщаем вам об обсуждении проекта. Для дополнительной информации на русском языке, пожалуйста, обратитесь к городскому совету.
Volunteers clean up Fairfax area businesses

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Rodeo Drive shopping district in Beverly Hills at approximately the same time. Vandalism occurred in West Hollywood and the Beverly Hills business district. Rodeo Drive and many surrounding streets in Beverly Hills have been closed dur- ing the curfews.

Last Sunday, community mem- bers came together to help clean the Fairfax District to keep up with many wiping away graffiti and sweeping up glass.

“Our city and we love our home,” said James Ngoy, a Franklin Village resident who helped clean graffiti from the façade of Canter’s Deli on Fairfax Avenue. “Small businesses didn’t deserve this.”

Jacqueline and Marc Canter, sib- lings who own and operate Canter’s Deli, recounted a harrowing experi- ence as the demonstrators passed by their restaurant. Jacqueline Canter handed our bottles of water, sadness and cheese and pastries to many wiping away graffiti and sweeping up glass.

“Hopefully, our insurance comes through and we rebuild. I am so thankful to the community,” she added. “There were people here sweeping up glass when I got here. People are really showing they care. Some people came all the way from Van Nuys to help.”

At the Farmers Market, which was open on June 3 and plans to remain open daily, crews painted over graffiti last Sunday morning. Betsy Buss, director of marketing for the Farmers Market, said she was thankful nobody was hurt and the situation wasn’t worse.

“It was mostly graffiti and a few windows that were broken,” Buss said. “Safety is the main thing for us. We are so grateful to the LAPD, the LASD and the National Guard for keeping the market safe.”

Frances Tario, owner of Do-purr’s at the Original Farmers Market, also said she was grateful none of her staff or customers were hurt. Dinng resumed in the restaurant on Sunday afternoon and remains open.

Tario said the restaurant’s office was burglarized and a safe and computers were stolen, and looters turned the water on and flooded the premises. She remained steadfast in her commitment to remain open, however, and credited the hard work of her staff for cleaning up and ensuring the restaurant was operational.

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Department, said the “peaceful demonstration at the beginning of the event on Saturday” then “eroded into criminal activity” primarily in the Fairfax Triangle, including looting, destruction of property and assaulting police officers with fire- work works and other objects, including wrenches.

“The first group that came into the city was a group of people who committed criminal acts, and had instances of graffiti with the first group of 2,000 plus, and that was about it. Then, as the afternoon and evening wore on, the criminal element of the demonstrators, they sur- faced and began committing the crimes, throwing the objects and doing all of the chaotic stuff.”

In Beverly Hills, 68 people have been arrested for burglary, and Rivetti said the charges range from burglary, looting and receiving stolen property, to curfew violations and even illegal possession of a firearm. A couple of people were even arrested for stealing loaded guns, Rivetti said. In addi- tion, a looter was shot by another looter who was arguing with a victim and was injured and taken to Cedars- Sinai Medical Center, Sterling said.

The Beverly Hills Police Department requested assistance from nearby cities, Friedman said, but protests in those cities meant the additional law enforcement had to turn back. Rivetti said BHPD offi- cers provided assistance and helped people assaulting them” on May 30 at one of the protests, including “approximately 150 National Guard members arrived in the city, and that has helped calm the situation,” Friedman said. Rivetti added that other police departments, including the LAPD, Army National Guard and the Air Force Police, among others, have sent assistance.

(“[BHPD officers have done] a spectacular job of keeping Beverly Hills safe. On Saturday, they per- formed in a very professional, very courageous way,” Rivetti said. Friedman also praised the BHPD’s response to “one of the most difficult situations in many, many years.”)

“I just want everybody to know that in our community, our police department is doing a great job pro- tecting everyone, and we hope the situation as it is right now can be resolved as quickly as possible,” he said. In its statement, the City Council stood with the peaceful protesters but condemned the unlawful actions taken by some in the march. “The peaceful protesters here in Beverly Hills and across the coun- try are calling for an end to racism and police brutality, which this council wholeheartedly endorses,” the statement said.

“I am so grateful that this important meeting is being diminished by criminal behavior... we choose to take action and to be intoler- ed. Let us honor George Floyd’s memory by standing together in sol- darity, solidarity with our American community and moving this coun- try forward where hatred has no place,” the statement said.

Rivetti said the charges range from burglary, looting and receiving stolen property to curfew violations and to “large crowds” from get- ting “out of hand.”

“A curfew allows us to maintain control of the situation and the community. Our resources are lim- ited, no matter how many people we have... The best use of our resources [happens when] the cur- few is put into effect that extra control,” Rivetti said.

The City Council also had to cancel its June 2 meeting—changes to the city’s protections for commercial renters were expected to be considered—as city staff members are working 12- hour shifts at the city’s 24/7 local emergency operations center. Once everything calms, the city can resume its work on coron- a virus-related matters, Friedman said. “You can imagine how difficult it is running an emergency operation center when we’re all required to practice social distancing, wearing masks. Right now, that has to be our focus, and we look forward to opening our businesses and the old crisis of the COVID-19 matters,” Friedman said.

Sevian Frangipane, who helped lead chants for the protesters, said he’s a musical artist, and aside from the city’s high profile and its reputation for music industry, he wanted to march in Beverly Hills because of the city’s connection to the music industry, he wanted to march in Beverly Hills because of the city’s high profile and its reputation for music.

“A lot of these people are very comfortable and, for lack of a better term, privileged, and [we wanted] to come out here and show them how great a cause this is, that we mean nothing but peace. We just want to change, and hopefully if one person said ‘I’m with them,’ that’s what it’s all about.”

The 22-year-old pointed out that the Civil Rights Act was passed more than 50 years ago, yet Frangipane, who is biracial, has “faced the oppression of this coun- try.”

“It’s still going on. I want my kids and my grandchildren and my great grandchildren to live in a free country and not whatever is going on right now,” he said.

As the protests continue, Beverly Hills has put curfews in place for several weeks. On June 4, the wide curfew will begin at 6 p.m. and will expire on June 5 at 6 a.m.

Rivetti said the city’s curfew has helped provide police time and to prevent “large crowds” from get- ting “out of hand.”

“Hopefully, my insurance comes through and we rebuild. I am so thankful to the community,” she added. “There were people here sweeping up glass when I got here. People are really showing they care. Some people came all the way from Van Nuys to help.”

At the Farmers Market, which was open on June 3 and plans to remain open daily, crews painted over graffiti last Sunday morning. Betsy Buss, director of marketing for the Farmers Market, said she was thankful nobody was hurt and the situation wasn’t worse.

“It was mostly graffiti and a few windows that were broken,” Buss said. “Safety is the main thing for us. We are so grateful to the LAPD, the LASD and the National Guard for keeping the market safe.”

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senior next year and will serve as student body president, helped organize the demonstration in Hollywood on June 2, as well as a peaceful protest on May 30 in Pan Pacific Park. Riley said she was horrified by the death of Floyd and felt a need to express her feelings. She quickly realized there was a much bigger situation unfolding and created StudentsforFloyd on Instagram to connect with her peers. Within two days of forming the group last week, there were more than 1,500 followers, many of whom joined Riley at the protest at Pan Pacific Park and on Tuesday in Hollywood, where she helped organize the protest that started at Hollywood Boulevard and Vine Street.

“I was looking for student-led groups that were showing support in the aftermath of the murder of George Floyd, and I decided, ‘why not start my own organiza- tion on Instagram?’ It really took off,” Riley said. “Our goal is to show that peaceful protest is more effective than violence and vandalism. It’s getting a large group of students together and showing that we stand for good. We are really the future, we are going to be voting. I think it’s really important to get young people out there to show our viewpoints about policing and government.”

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Crossword Puzzle by Myles Mellor

Across
1. Director Van Sant  
4. Prophetic Bible book  
8. Place in proximity  
14. GI entertainers  
16. Like some shoes  
18. Tropical fruit  
19. Apartment dweller  
22. Type of site  
23. Prefix with pad  
25. River in Venezuela  
29. Like some whiskey  
34. “That was close!”  
36. Ward off  
37. Much of Central America, once  
44. Designer Cassini  
46. Goa dress  
48. Nautical response  
50. On the schedule  
54. Written account of one's life  
57. Little __  
58. Sells (for)  
60. Prefix with hertz  
64. Greek god of the forests  
66. Prefix with differ  
67. “Last train” singer, Guthrie  
69. “More!”  
70. Swerves at sea  
71. Big goose

Down
1. Enthusiastic  
2. Moneylender  
3. Djibouti language  
4. Cause of some shaking  
5. Faces  
6. Cold capital  
7. Move a bit  
8. Stellar  
9. 1997 U2 tune  
10. Oil measure  
11. Brilliant fish  
12. Father's pride  
13. Suffix with differ  
14. Access code for ATM's  
15. “the ramparts ...”  
16. Oil measure  
17. Lower extremity  
18. Football group  
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38. He had a “sting like a bee”
39. Great Basin Natl. Park setting
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43. Written account of one's life
44. Sells (for)
45. Prefix with differ
46. Nautical response
47. More rainy
48. Nautical response
49. Urie
50. Lower extremity
51. Kind of center
52. Finishes
53. Kind of center
54. Medicine amount
55. Got a load of
56. Hardly chic
57. Marsh
58. Jeanie
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