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Weekend Forecast

Friday
Partly
Cloudy
65°/79°



Saturday
Mostly
Sunny
69°/82°



Sunday
Rain
69°/80°



LAX Opens Extended Taxiway C to Boost Aircraft Efficiency



The newly extended Taxiway C is officially open at LAX — marking an important improvement that supports more efficient aircraft movement. It may seem like just one small piece of the larger airfield, but improvements like this add up as we continue transforming LAX for the future. A big thank you to the LAWA teams and project partners who made it happen. Photo courtesy of LAX Facebook page.

SpaceX, It Almost Doesn’t Seem Real

By Ron Sokol

Space, the final frontier, seemingly endless, ever expanding. NASA has two spacecraft, Voyager 1 and Voyager 2, launched in 1977 that have continued to operate, collect data, and now travel in interstellar space.

Just what is interstellar space? It is described as that vast region between star systems in a galaxy, and where the Sun’s influence ends. In other words, it is probably rather dark, hard to navigate, very cold, and you and I will not be driving there. The distance in light-years is unfathomable.

Against this background, a fellow from South Africa named Elon Musk founded a company called SpaceX in 2002. It seems Mr. Musk wanted to make spaceflight less expensive and make it possible for human beings to become a multiplanetary species.

Twenty-four years later, SpaceX has, among other advancements, made rockets reusable. Its Falcon 9 first-stage boosters launch, return to Earth, and can be flown again. In addition, as you probably know, SpaceX created Starlink. Starlink is described as a “gigantic constellation of satellites” which provides internet around much of the globe. Research indicates there are some ten to eleven thousand Starlink satellites up there. But it does not involve the internet alone. The satellites also use laser links, which further improve communication and information transfer.

Then there is Dragon, a SpaceX spacecraft, which has transported NASA astronauts to and from the International Space Station. Thus, SpaceX is part of the ongoing effort to explore space, reach into space, and find benefit and greater understanding of what is out there. This is by no means exhaustive, however, of what SpaceX is seeking to do. The company is also working to return humans

to the moon, build a giant reusable rocket, and travel to Mars. The word ambitious is somewhat of an understatement.

In 2008, SpaceX came to an area known for its aerospace industry, our South Bay, specifically the City of Hawthorne. The company took over an old aerospace manufacturing facility at the now well-known address 1 Rocket Road. Hawthorne is clearly a good fit because, well before SpaceX landed, this area had a well-established history of aircraft engineering and manufacturing. Think Jack Northrop, for starters. Also, freeways are close. LAX is close. Lots of people who want jobs as engineers and technicians live near nearby colleges. Defense industry icons

are nearby. SpaceX did not have to create the environment here. It could plug into it, and sure the heck has.

Count down in 10, 9, 8, 7....

Today, the Hawthorne operation remains very important to SpaceX. This is even though the company moved its corporate headquarters to Texas. Hawthorne, the City of Good Neighbors, remains a significant engineering and manufacturing center for the Falcon rockets, Starlink, the Dragon spacecraft, and also maintains close involvement with mission and flight operations, engineering, and research. Hawthorne is a big part of this remarkable enterprise.

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Elon Musk. Image provided by Ron Sokol.

Check It Out

In Limbo by Deb JJ Lee

Reviewed by Kim Harris, El Segundo Middle School Library Assistant

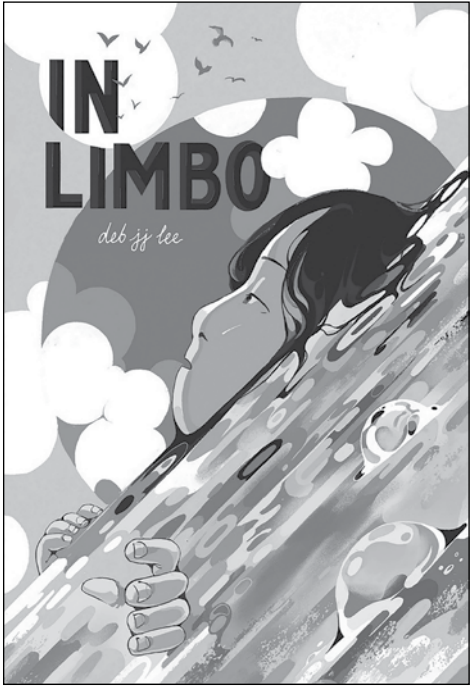
In Limbo by Deb JJ Lee is a YA graphic memoir that takes place during Deb's high school years. It has gorgeous illustrations drawn in blue grey scale and is a Young Adult Literacy Award Honor book. The book describes Deb's high school years and her mental health battles. If you have any triggers with suicide or physical and mental abuse, this isn't the book for you. Deborah's real name is Jung Jin, but she goes by Deborah or Deb in school. In Limbo is an apt title for the book because Deb always feels like she is in-between. Because she is Korean and lives in New Jersey, she feels like she is neither Korean nor American. Deb also is in between her mother's expectations of her and the reality that Deb is not a brilliant student. Deb is also in between the desire to be a musician and the desire to be an artist. She floats through school and feels disconnected from friends, peers and family, especially her mother, who swings from supportive to volatile.

The book starts off with Deb entering 9th grade. All her friends are in orchestra, so she hangs out with them in the band room. It is her safe space, where she can be herself with her friends and not worry about being bullied or harassed by other students. Although Deb loves playing the violin, she discovers that art is her passion and quits

Orchestra to focus on art. Sophomore year brings a lot of change for Deb: she has a new group of friends, a new passion and no longer must take violin or Korean lessons. Deb takes art lessons instead in New York City and starts to hang out there a lot when her friendships with others end. Deb is best friends with Kate, but when Kate gets a boyfriend sophomore year, their friendship wanes. At first Deb is really sad, but then becomes friends with Quinn. She is the opposite of Deb: smart, confident and really outgoing.

Deb starts to do everything with Quinn and is really happy at first. When Quinn starts to branch out and hang out with different friends junior and senior year, Deb begins to spiral. Her mental health issues intensify, and she needs help. The therapist her mom sends her to helps Deb build pillars so if one collapses, she can lean on the others to still be successful. Deb doesn't have a great relationship with her mom but has a great one with her dad. The book takes us to the end of Deb's senior year and her journey to Korea.

Does Deb find herself in Korea? Is she finally whole instead of being in-between? What happened to Deb that made her mother realize she needed to go to therapy? Read the book to find out! I really enjoyed reading this book. You get to know Deb not only through the story, but through the illustrations as well. The story and the illustrations paint a vivid portrait of Deb's life and her feelings. If you would like to read this graphic novel or any other books at ESMS or the Public Library, please visit www.elsegundolibrary.gov. •



In Limbo by Deb JJ Lee.



Kim Harris

“Without labor nothing prospers.”
★ — SOPHOCLES ★

Seniors

Tips to Lower Your Blood Pressure As You Age

(StatePoint) As you age, there's a pretty good chance you'll eventually develop high blood pressure, also known as hypertension. In fact, according to one study, about 60% of people get hypertension by the time they reach age 60.

Fortunately, high blood pressure is highly treatable and manageable through a combination of lifestyle changes and, when necessary, medication. Unfortunately, it often appears without symptoms, putting people at risk of stroke, heart failure, kidney disease, and death, without them even knowing it.

“High blood pressure is sometimes called the silent killer,” said Dr. Jennifer Ziemianin, chief medical officer for HealthSpring. “But we're not going to be quiet about it. We want older adults to know about the risks and take action to manage hypertension.”

The first step is to get your blood pressure checked. The American Heart Association recommends adults get their blood pressure checked at least once a year. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, high blood pressure is an upper reading of 130 or above or a lower reading of 80 or above.

If your blood pressure is high, you should check it regularly using an automatic, upper arm cuff-style monitor. These monitors are widely available, affordable and easy to use. You can ask your doctor for tips if needed.

Although hypertension generally can't be cured, it can be effectively managed through a variety of measures, Ziemianin said, including the following:

Exercise. Moderate activity, such as brisk walking or swimming, can lower high blood pressure. Always talk with your doctor before starting an exercise plan. If you belong to a Medicare Advantage (MA) plan, you may have access to a fitness program at no extra cost to you.

Eat a heart-healthy diet. Having a higher body mass index is a risk factor for hypertension. That's why it's important to eat a balanced diet,

including vegetables, fruits, grains, protein, dairy and oils.

Cut down on salt. As you get older, the body becomes more sensitive to salt. Too much salt can increase your blood pressure. Limit the amount of salt in your diet by choosing low-sodium seasonings when preparing meals.

Drink less alcohol. Even moderate alcohol use can increase your blood pressure. The American Health Associations recommends no more than two drinks per day for men and one drink per day for women.

Quit smoking or don't start. Smoking increases your risk for high blood pressure, heart disease, stroke, and other health problems. It's never too late to quit. If you have a Medicare plan, you have access to counseling services to help you quit. Additionally, a Medicare Part D plan may cover medications to help you stop smoking.

Manage stress. Stress can increase your blood pressure. Medicare and MA plans cover counseling services, including telehealth in some cases, to help you cope with stress.

Talk to your doctor about medication. There are several medications available to help lower your blood pressure. You may need to try several types or combinations before you find a plan that works for you. Once you find the right plan, always take your medication as prescribed. If cost is an issue, an MA plan with drug coverage, or a standalone drug plan, helps pay for most blood pressure medications.

For more information about Medicare and MA benefits that can help you lower your blood pressure, visit <https://www.healthspring.com>.

“Lowering blood pressure, even a small amount, can make a big difference,” Ziemianin said. “That's why it's so critical for you to identify high blood pressure early and then work very closely with your primary care physician to develop a plan for managing your hypertension so you can live a longer, healthier life.”

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Love Thy Neighbor

Dear South Bay Cities Neighbors,

We love the profiles we've done, and we've learned so much about South Bay City residents. We want to do more, so please keep the suggestions coming. With over 200,000 residents, we're sure there are some gems we may have overlooked or not been aware of them. Do you have a unique and interesting friend, neighbor, co-worker, colleague or student? All you have to do is ask their permission and send us their contact information. Of course, if you find yourself fascinating, you are welcome to send us your information too. 😊

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McDonald's Holds a Grand Opening Celebration



The grand opening brought plenty of excitement, with customers enjoying raffle prizes, snapping photos with Grimace and the Hamburglar, and taking advantage of special grand-opening deals, including a Big Mac or Happy Meal for just \$2.99. Thank you to everyone who came out to celebrate and welcome this new business to the Hawthorne community. Photo courtesy of City of Hawthorne Facebook page.

Community Briefs

City of Hawthorne Announces Transition to New Water Utility Management Operator

Beginning Sept. 1, the City of Hawthorne will welcome Hawthorne Utility Management, LLC, powered by WaterWorkforce, as the new operator for the city's municipal water system. This transition marks the conclusion of California Water Service's (Cal Water) contract with the City of Hawthorne in providing operations, maintenance and billing services. Golden State Water customers are not affected by this transition.

Water service for residents and local businesses will continue flowing without disruption during and after the operator transition. Citizens of Hawthorne will continue to receive the same safe and reliable water supply as the source and quality standards, monthly rates and fees remain the same. Hawthorne Utility Management is committed to continue providing residents with safe, dependable water service.

"Our main priority throughout this transition is ensuring that the community of Hawthorne experiences zero service interruptions," said Selena Acuna, City of Hawthorne Public Works Manager. "We are confident in Hawthorne Utility Management's commitment to

delivering safe, reliable water to our residents."

By Sept. 1, monthly water statements will come directly from Hawthorne Utility Management instead of California Water Service. Any remaining balances, credits or deposits on existing Cal Water accounts will remain with Cal Water. For any questions or concerns regarding final bills, please directly contact Cal Water. As part of the administrative change, each customer will be provided with a new account number, which will appear on their first bill from Hawthorne Utility Management.

Customers who previously used autopay or paperless billing with Cal Water will need to re-register and re-enroll once the new billing platform goes into effect. Account holders are requested to wait until they receive their first bill from Hawthorne Utility Management before attempting to set up online payment options.

For questions regarding final bills, credits or deposits, contact Cal Water. For questions regarding water utility service or billing following Sept. 1, please contact info@hawthorneutility.com or call Public Works at 310-349-2980.

— Source Provided by City of Hawthorne •

The City of Hawthorne Invites Community to Annual State of the City on September 10

The City of Hawthorne invites residents, business owners and community members to its annual 2026 State of the City event on September 10 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the City's new maintenance facility at 12613 Doty Ave.

Centered on the theme "Building Tomorrow, Together," the evening will feature a social hour with live music, local food vendors, a special tour of the new facility and the keynote address delivered by Mayor Alex Vargas.

The annual gathering serves as a platform to celebrate Hawthorne's recent milestones, preview upcoming public projects and share

a strategic vision for the City's future. In his address, Mayor Vargas will highlight Hawthorne's ongoing dedication to responsible fiscal management, robust infrastructure upgrades and targeted investments in community wellness and safety.

This year's address will showcase Hawthorne's financial growth and general fund stability, which have fueled key capital improvements this past year. Recent achievements include the August ribbon-cutting for the newly upgraded play equipment at Ramona Park, renovations at Zela Davis and Eucalyptus

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Our Littlest Tigers Have a Brand-new Playground



The excitement was real as our TK/K kiddos got to explore their very own space to play, climb, and ROAR. Photo courtesy of FDR Elementary Facebook page.

SpaceX

from front page



The Office. Images provided by Ron Sokol.

In fact, earlier this year SpaceX purchased a six-acre vacant property on Wilkie Avenue in Hawthorne. Because the property is near the main Hawthorne complex, the purchase is considered strategic.

My understanding is that about seven thousand people work at the Hawthorne location. And SpaceX stock recently went public. The company trades on the exchange. Quite a few people who have worked at SpaceX, and who were given shares as part of their employment package, have either already done so or likely will do very well as a result. Elon Musk, a billionaire, has helped many others to become well-heeled as well.

As to the title of this column: If you sat me down and told me that a company is going to come forward, and in time it will truly thrive, but whose focus is outer space, I would have been skeptical, possibly even a bit sarcastic. Work is done here on Earth, isn't it? What do you mean, go into the sky, try to get to other planets, create a satellite

network, and you will make a bunch of money? Are you in fact from outer space?

Thank goodness for the dreamers. What might have been imagination can become reality, and in the process can benefit and help so many others. Bottom line, SpaceX is quite real. The logo of the City of Hawthorne includes a rocket ship soaring into the clouds. I see that and think of SpaceX.

The fact is, we are learning more about what is up there and what's out there. We are utilizing space more than we used to. SpaceX absolutely is on the forefront.

Sometimes I think about what a workday might be like at SpaceX. Hard to think of it as just an ordinary job. I tend to doubt that people typically gather around a water cooler and talk about trivial things there. Sometimes, perhaps, but guessing that is not the norm. Instead, something Buzz Lightyear is famous for shouting comes to mind: "To infinity and beyond!" Indeed, the sky really is not the limit because the prospects are limitless. •



The Famous Address.



Outer Space.

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We Are Incredibly Thankful for Our Sunshine Club Leaders



Our Sunshine Club Leaders work throughout the year to create opportunities for our faculty and staff to connect, celebrate, laugh, and simply enjoy being together. From potluck breakfasts every month, to Halloween costume themes, picnics in the wings, Secret Santa, faculty cook-offs and more, Sunshine Club helps strengthen the relationships that make North High such a special place to work. Thank you to our Sunshine Club leaders for bringing the sunshine and helping our Saxon family grow together through connections. Photo courtesy of North High School Facebook page.

Finance

Navigating Travel Plans: When Travel Advisors Can Take You Further Than AI

(Feature Impact) - From comparing prices to dreaming up bucket-list destinations, artificial intelligence has become a starting point for millions of travelers who are turning to tech for early-stage planning.

However, travelers consistently emphasize the importance of having accessible expert support during the process. In fact, 96% of U.S. travelers said having access to a human for support is important when booking a vacation, according to a new survey commissioned by ALG Vacations, a leading provider of vacation packages to top global destinations, including 48% who said it's "extremely" important.

Though 24% of survey respondents said the main way they use AI is for comparing prices

or finding travel deals, 63% of Americans said they trust a travel advisor as much as or more than AI tools when planning a vacation, underscoring that AI alone is not enough for most U.S. travelers. Going beyond the planning phase, 77% of survey respondents said that even if they use AI for travel planning, they're still likely to rely on a human to make final decisions, especially for booking, payment or resolving issues.

In honor of Travel Advisor Appreciation Month, consider these ways travelers can take advantage of the expertise of an advisor to get the most out of every trip.

Navigating Travel Uncertainty

Today's travel landscape can feel unpredict-

able, from shifting policies to headlines that make things feel bigger or closer than they actually are, but that doesn't mean travelers should avoid taking the trip; it just means they should plan smarter. Because 42% of travelers fear important details could be missed if relying entirely on AI to plan a trip, that's where a travel advisor comes in to help separate what's real from what's just noise. This expertise allows for smarter, more confident decisions, and aids in choosing destinations that align with travelers' current comfort levels.

Unlocking Added Value

Planning thoughtfully doesn't mean spending more, it means getting more for the amount spent. Travel advisors often have access to exclusive perks and upgrades not directly available to consumers or pulled in by AI prompts, providing added value that goes beyond the cost of the vacation. In addition to added amenities, advisors' insider recommendations can help match those perks to travelers' preferences.

In fact, for vacations booked during the month of May, travelers can take advantage of The Great Getaway Savings Event from ALG Vacations, which features up to \$950 in savings through a combination of instant savings, promo codes, air credits and group offers on trips to destinations in the Caribbean, Mexico, Hawaii, the continental United States, Europe, Central America, Dominican Republic and the South Pacific.

Providing Protection and Peace of Mind

Modern travelers want options, and the ability to adjust plans, add protection or pivot when needed has become a top priority. A travel advisor can assist with adding that flexibility through travel protection that provides extra peace of mind – whether that means rebooking or changing plans if something comes up. At the end of the day, it's about helping travelers feel prepared so they can relax and truly enjoy their vacations.

Stepping in When Things Go Awry

When trips become complex, multi-destination or disrupted by delays or cancellations, travelers are more likely to want a real person involved. In fact, 39% of survey respondents worry there will be no support if something goes wrong. If a flight is canceled or a resort overbooks, travelers aren't stuck refreshing an app; they have an expert there every step of the way – before, during and after the trip – listening to them, learning about their preferences, advocating for them and providing guidance based on first-hand experience throughout the process.

For a one-stop-shop to help bring every stage of travel planning seamlessly together, visit TravelAdvisorsGetYouThere.com to find a travel advisor near you who can provide additional assistance with planning, booking and more.

– Source Provided by ALG Vacations •

State of the City

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Parks and critical emergency infrastructure upgrades at the Memorial Center.

City leaders also remain focused on modernizing local mobility through major paving projects across 120th Street, Hawthorne Boulevard and Imperial Highway, alongside a citywide sidewalk assessment, expanded EV charging stations and targeted neighborhood parking strategies.

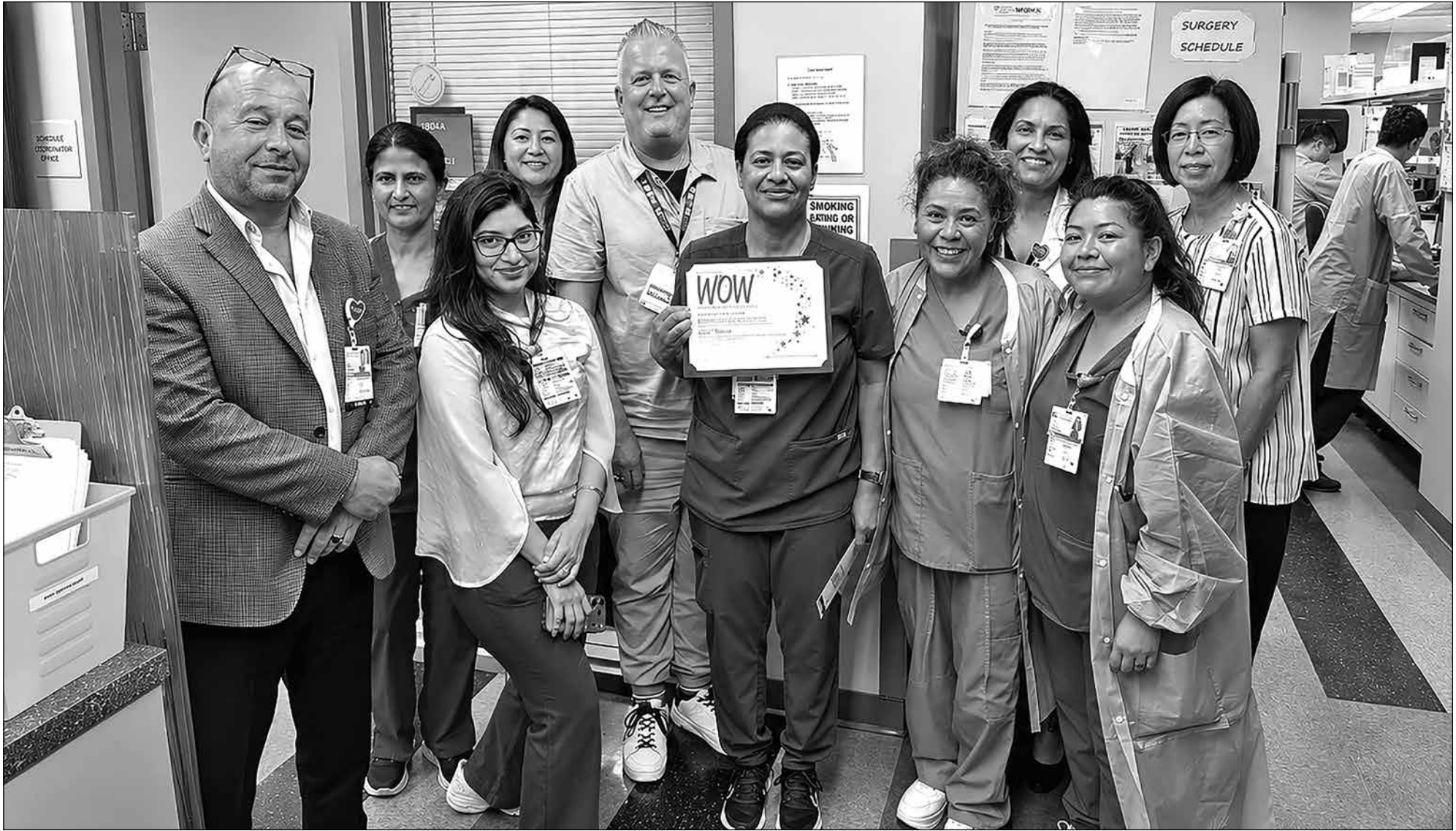
"The State of the City is an event I look forward to every year," said City Manager Vontray Norris. "It's not just a platform for City officials to highlight future programs and initiatives, but also a chance for residents to enjoy each other's company with live music and great food."

In addition to the Mayor's presentation, attendees can tour informative project displays, connect with local vendors, meet representatives from the Hawthorne Police and Fire Departments and view Archer's Midnight aircraft.

The event is free and open to the public, but attendees are encouraged to reserve their spot in advance. Tickets are available through Eventbrite. For more information regarding current municipal projects, visit CityofHawthorne.org. Local organizations interested in event sponsorship opportunities can contact the City Manager's Office at (310) 349-2910.

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Cybele has done an excellent job making sure our patients feel both welcomed and well taken care of. A true reflection of the compassionate care we strive to provide to all who come through our doors. Photo courtesy of Centinela Hospital Medical Center Facebook page.

PUBLIC NOTICES

ORDINANCE NO. 2266

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA ADDING AND ENACTING CHAPTER 10.78 (ELECTRIC BICYCLE REGULATIONS) TO TITLE 10 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), AND MAKING A FINDING OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

WHEREAS, the City of Hawthorne has a responsibility to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of its residents, motorists, pedestrians, riders, and other members of the public within the City; and **WHEREAS**, electric bicycles have become increasingly common in communities across the nation, and the City Council finds that unsafe operation of electric bicycles presents unique and heightened risks to public health and safety; and **WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to adopt a regulatory framework for electric bicycle use, including education and diversion, enhanced administrative citations, criminal enforcement, and parental accountability, to promote safe operation, deter unsafe conduct, encourage compliance, and reduce risks within the City; and **WHEREAS**, Title 10 of the Hawthorne Municipal Code governs vehicles and traffic, and it is appropriate to codify electric bicycle regulations within that Title to ensure consistent enforcement and administration; **WHEREAS**, the purpose of this ordinance is to put into effect the City of Hawthorne's electric bicycle regulatory framework by adding Chapter 10.78 to Title 10 of the Hawthorne Municipal Code; **WHEREAS**, on July 14, 2026, the City Council of the City of Hawthorne considered the Ordinance and, after a duly noticed public hearing where all persons in support and in opposition were heard, introduced this ordinance; and **WHEREAS**, the City Council for the City of Hawthorne wishes to now adopt Ordinance 2266 in furtherance of its intention to add Chapter 10.78 to Title 10 of the Hawthorne Municipal Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE DOES ORDAIN AS

FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Hawthorne hereby incorporates by reference all the recitals herein.

SECTION 2. Chapter 10.78 (Electric Bicycle Regulations) is hereby added to Title 10 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the Hawthorne Municipal Code as follows:

10.78.010 Definitions
For purposes of this Chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

A. "Electric bicycle" shall have the same meaning as set forth in California Vehicle Code Section 312.5, as may be amended from time to time.

B. "Motorized bicycle" shall have the same meaning as set forth in California Vehicle Code Section 406, as may be amended from time to time.

C. "Operator" means any person who rides or operates an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle.

D. "Vehicle" shall have the same meaning as set forth in California Vehicle Code Section 670, as it may be amended from time to time.

10.78.020 Operation of Electric Bicycles and Motorized Bicycles
It shall be unlawful for any person to ride or operate an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle in the City unless such operation complies with all of the following:

A. No person shall ride or operate an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle in a dangerous manner including, without limitation: (1) intentionally lifting one or more wheels of an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle into the air while riding on a street, bike lane, or bike path; (2) intentionally swerving or riding around stopped or slowed traffic; (3) attempting to perform any acrobatic trick or stunt; or (4) operating an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle in any manner that endangers any person or property.

B. No person shall ride or operate an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle faster than is prudent in light of weather, visibility, pedestrian and vehicular traffic, and in no event at a speed that endangers the safety of any person or property.

C. Every person operating an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle in the City shall comply with all traffic control devices, including but not limited to traffic signals and stop signs.

D. Every person operating an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle shall yield to pedestrians at all times.

E. No person riding or operating an

electric bicycle or motorized bicycle in the City shall tow any other vehicle.

F. No person riding or operating an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle shall cling or attach themselves or their electric bicycle or motorized bicycle to any other moving vehicle or persons in any other vehicle.

G. No person operating an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle shall operate a wireless telephone or an electronic wireless communications device.

H. No person operating an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle shall wear: (1) a headset covering both ears, (2) earplugs, or (3) earphones covering, resting on, or inserted in, both ears. This prohibition does not apply to a person using a prosthetic device that aids the hard of hearing.

I. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle upon any street or highway of the City while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage and/or any illegal or non-prescribed drug.

J. No person shall ride or operate an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle upon any playground, park, or school ground.

K. No person shall ride or operate an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle on any sidewalk, except that minors under the age of fourteen (14) years may ride or operate an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle upon a sidewalk if they exercise due care and yield the right of way to pedestrians.

L. No person shall ride or operate an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle on any public property where signs prohibiting such activity are conspicuously posted.

M. Each person riding or operating an electric bicycle, or motorized bicycle on a highway or street shall keep such electric bicycle, or motorized bicycle in marked bike lanes. On streets without bike lanes, such person shall keep the electric bicycle or motorized bicycle as close to the right hand curb or edge of the roadway as possible, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction, except when preparing to make a left-hand turn; provided, however, if a highway or street carries traffic in one direction only and has two (2) or more marked traffic lanes, such persons may ride as near the left-hand curb or edge of such roadway as possible, exercising

due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction.

N. Persons riding or operating electric bicycles or motorized bicycles in the City shall not ride more than two (2) abreast except on paths or parts of a roadway set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles; and provided, further, that minors riding on electric bicycles on the sidewalk pursuant to subsection (K) shall do so in single file.

O. All operators and passengers under eighteen (18) years of age shall wear a helmet properly strapped while riding or operating an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle.

P. Every electric bicycle and motorized bicycle shall be equipped with a brake adequate to skid the front or rear tire of the bicycle upon application of the brake.

Q. Every electric bicycle or motorized bicycle operated at any time from a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise, and at any other time when there is not sufficient light to render clearly discernable any person or vehicle on the streets or sidewalks, shall be equipped with lights affixed to the front and back of the electric bicycle or motorized bicycle, which lights shall be visible for a distance of three hundred (300) feet from the electric bicycle or motorized bicycle.

R. No person riding or operating an electric bicycle or motorized bicycle shall transport another person upon the electric bicycle or motorized bicycle unless such passenger is seated upon a separate seat attached to the vehicle. If the passenger is four (4) years of age or younger, or weighs forty (40) pounds or less, the seat shall have adequate provision for retaining the passenger in place and for protecting the passenger from the moving parts of the electric bicycle or motorized bicycle.

S. The operator of any electric bicycle or motorized bicycle involved in an accident shall take reasonable steps to ascertain whether or not anyone was injured, and shall give their name, address and the serial number of their electric bicycle or motorized bicycle to the person with whom they were in collision and obtain the same information from the other person. It shall be the duty of the operator to make a written report of any accident resulting in death or injury to the Police Department within twenty-four (24)

hours of such accident.

10.78.050 Exception
This chapter is not intended to apply to or otherwise restrict electric bicycles, and motorized bicycles operated by any officer employed by the City while on duty, or as utilized in a safe manner by physically disabled persons as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. Section 12101, et seq.).

10.78.060 Enforcement

A. Each violation of this Chapter shall be a misdemeanor punishable as set forth in Section 1.20.010 of this Code. Such violator shall be guilty of a separate offense for each and every violation of any provision of this Chapter committed by such person and shall be punishable accordingly.

B. In the event the operator of the electric bicycle or motorized bicycle is a juvenile, officers will make a reasonable effort to contact the parent(s) or responsible guardian(s) of the operator and advise them of the nature of the violation. This shall occur at the time of the stop or as soon as practicable.

C. Each parent or legal guardian having custody and control of a minor who is issued a fine for violation of this Chapter shall be jointly and severally liable with such minor for payment of the fine.

D. In addition to the criminal remedy authorized by Section 1.20.010 of this Code, the City may issue an administrative citation for each violation of this Chapter pursuant to Chapter 1.23B of this Code.

E. In lieu of the criminal remedy authorized by Section 1.20.010 or the administrative remedy authorized by Chapter 1.23B of this Code, and in lieu of filing charges in any court having jurisdiction over a violation, the Police Chief or designee may allow a juvenile violator and the parents of the juvenile violator to complete a diversion safety program, if available, at their expense, as assigned by the Police Department designee.

SECTION 3. Any provisions of the City of Hawthorne Municipal Code or appendices thereto inconsistent with the provisions of this Chapter, to the extent of such inconsistencies and no further, are hereby repealed or modified to the extent necessary to effect the provisions of this Chapter.

SECTION 4. CEQA. The City Council hereby concurs with staff's

determination and hereby finds that the adoption of this Ordinance is a type of organizational activity involving the administration of the City that does not have the possibility to have a direct or indirect effect on the environment and is therefore exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15378(b) (5). In addition, the actions taken by this Ordinance are not a "project" under CEQA because the Ordinance does not involve any commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment and is also exempt from CEQA pursuant to the "common sense" exemption because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15061(b)(3)).

SECTION 5. Severability. If any section, subsection, phrase or clause of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. City Clerk.
The City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause this Ordinance to be posted in the manner required by law.

SECTION 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after passage thereof.

SECTION 8. Publication. The City Clerk is directed to forward a copy of Ordinance No. 2259 to General Code, LLC, 781 Elmgrove Road, Rochester, NY 14824.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of September, 2026.

ALEX VARGAS, Mayor
City of Hawthorne, California

ATTEST:

DAYNA WILLIAMS-HUNTER,
City Clerk
City of Hawthorne, California

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DAVID CACERES, City Attorney
City of Hawthorne, California

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC REVIEW & PUBLIC HEARING
2025-2026 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION
The City of Hawthorne (City) receives funding on an annual basis from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to address various housing and community development needs. Each year, the City reports to HUD and to the community on how these funds were used through the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). In accordance with HUD regulations, the City has prepared the draft 2025-2026 CAPER, covering the period from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. The report details how the City utilized its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds to accomplish the goals established in the 2025-2026 Action Plan to address the housing and community development needs identified in the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan.

PUBLIC REVIEW & COMMENT PERIOD
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the draft 2025-2026 CAPER will be available for public review and comment for a period of 15 days, beginning on August 24, 2026 and ending on September 8, 2026. Residents and stakeholders are encouraged to review the report and share their feedback on the City's performance, as well as any emerging housing and community development needs. Copies of the draft 2025-2026 CAPER will be available for review.

ONLINE: <https://www.cityofhawthorne.org/departments/housing/cdbg>
IN-PERSON: City Hall & Hawthorne Public Library, 12700 Grevillea Ave., Hawthorne, CA 90250
Written comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 8, 2026 and directed to:

Hawthorne Housing Department
Attn: Kimberly Pipkins, Housing Director
4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne, CA 90250
kpipkins@cityofhawthorne.org

PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Hawthorne City Council will conduct a public hearing to receive oral comments on the draft 2025-2026 CAPER and to discuss program performance. All comments received during the 15-day public review period will be considered by the City Council prior to final action.

WHEN: September 8, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
WHERE: City Hall – Council Chambers, 4455 W. 126th St., Hawthorne, CA 90250
The City Council is the final decision-making body for this item. If you challenge the City Council's action on this matter in court, you may be limited to issues raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence received by the City before or during the hearing.

ADA COMPLIANCE
It is the intent of the City of Hawthorne to fully comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you require special accommodations such as accessible seating, assistive listening devices, sign language services, or written transcripts, please contact the City Clerk's office at (310) 349-2915 at least 48 hours before the public hearing. The City will make every reasonable effort to accommodate requests.

LAP COMPLIANCE
Si necesita más información sobre este aviso o la traducción de documentos en español, comuníquese con Dayna Williams-Hunter al (310) 349-2915.

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NOTICE OF INTENDED TRANSFER OF RETAIL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE UNDER SECTIONS 24073 AND 24074, CALIFORNIA BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

Licensee(s)	Name(s):	SR-2
ESPRESSO LLC		
Premises Address to which License(s) have been issued: 321 MAIN ST, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245		
Licensee's Mailing Address: 703 Pier Ave Ste B, PMB 393, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254		
Applicant(s) Name(s): E2P2 OPCO LLC		
Mailing Address of Applicant: 10350 SANTA MONICA BLVD, STE 205, SANTA MONICA, CA 90025		
Kind of License Intended To Be Transferred: LICENSE NO. 571008, ONSALE BEER & WINE-EATING PLACE		
Escrow Holder/Guarantor Name: ALL BROKERS ESCROW		
Escrow Holder/Guarantor Address: 2918 W. MAGNOLIA BLVD #100, BURBANK, CA 91505		
Total consideration to be paid for business and license; including inventory, whether actual cost, estimated cost, or a not-to-exceed amount): CASH \$261,244.07		
TOTAL AMOUNT \$261,244.07		

The parties agree that the consideration for the transfer of the business and the license(s) is to be paid only after the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control has approved the proposed transfer. The parties also agree and herein direct the above-named escrow holder to make payment of distribution within a reasonable time after the completion of the transfer of the license as provided in Section 24074 of the California Business and Professions Code.

Date signed: 8/19/26
S/ Andrew Stanisich
Licensee(s)/Transferor(s)
Date signed: 8/15/26
S/ Beau Flynn
Applicant(s)/Transferee(s)
9/3/26
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HH-29257

Notice is hereby given, StorQuest Self Storage will sell at public sale by competitive bidding the personal property of:
Keith Kingsberry
Michael Bettis
Flor De Maria Lopez
Mert Oynargul
Jasmine Bass
Jennifer Cohen
Kenya Ellis
Amanda Carroll
Steven Tatum
Miss Bennett
Michelle Bernard
Estefania Esteban
Horace Muhammad
Carl O'brien
Amanda Marsh
Shawndale Grice

Property to be sold: misc. household goods, furniture, tools, clothes, boxes, toys, electronics, sporting goods, and personal content. Auction Company: www.StorageTreasures.com. The sale ends at 11:00 a.m., September 18th, 2026, at the property where said property has been stored and which is located at StorQuest Self Storage 4959 W 147th St, Hawthorne, CA 90250. Goods must be paid in cash and removed at the time of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.
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HH-29258

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GEORGE C. GAGE
Case No. 26STPB09067

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of GEORGE C. GAGE

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Frankie White and Susan Lamb in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Frankie White and Susan Lamb be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on Sept. 15, 2026 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 418 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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

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

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

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

Attorney for petitioner:
PETER E MOYE ESQ
SBN95694
3227 S HIGH DR
SPOKANE WA 99203
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**PUBLIC NOTICE
HAWTHORNE HOUSING
HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER (HCV)
WAITING LIST OPENING**

Hawthorne Housing (HH) announces the opening of its Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program Waiting List. The Housing Choice Voucher Program, commonly known as Section 8, provides rental assistance to eligible low-income families and individuals. Housing assistance is subject to program eligibility requirements and the availability of funding.

**APPLICATION PERIOD
OPENING DATE AND TIME:**
Tuesday, September 15, 2026, at 12:00 AM
CLOSING DATE AND TIME:
Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 11:59 PM
APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ONLINE ONLY

Interested individuals and families must submit an application online during the application period.

Apply Online:
www.waitlistcheck.com/CA2029-1517
Applications will not be accepted before the opening date or after the closing date and time. Applicants are encouraged to submit their application as early as possible during the application period. Submitting an application does not guarantee placement on the HCV Waiting List or receipt of housing assistance.

RANDOM LOTTERY SELECTION
At the conclusion of the application period, the Hawthorne Housing Authority will conduct a computerized random lottery to select up to 500 applicants for placement on the HCV Waiting List.

The lottery is a random selection process and is not a determination of eligibility for the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

The Housing Authority will notify applicants by email after the Waiting List has closed regarding whether their

application was selected through the lottery process.

Hawthorne Housing will not have information available regarding lottery selections before official notification is issued.

There will be no appeals of the lottery selection process.

WAITING LIST PREFERENCES
Applicants may qualify for one or more preferences established by Hawthorne Housing's HCV Administrative Plan. Applicable preferences may include:

- Risk of Loss of Rental Assistance Due to Funding or Program Changes
- Previously Terminated for Insufficient Funding
- Victim of Domestic Violence
- Residency
- Senior
- Disability
- Veteran

Applicants claiming a preference may be required to provide documentation verifying the preference at the time

requested by the Hawthorne Housing Authority.

A preference does not guarantee selection through the lottery, placement at a particular position on the Waiting List, eligibility for a voucher, or receipt of housing assistance.

AFTER THE WAITING LIST OPENS
Applicants selected through the lottery will be placed on the HCV Waiting List, subject to applicable HH policies and procedures.

As funding and vouchers become available, applicants will be contacted in accordance with the Housing Authority's approved Waiting List and selection procedures. Applicants will then be required to complete the Housing Choice Voucher Program eligibility determination process.

Placement on the Waiting List does not guarantee eligibility for or receipt of a Housing Choice Voucher. All applicants must meet applicable federal, state, and local program requirements at the time

eligibility is determined.

Applicants are responsible for keeping their contact information current with Hawthorne Housing. Failure to respond to HH correspondence or to maintain current contact information may result in removal from the Waiting List in accordance with applicable program requirements and HH policy.

IMPORTANT FAIR HOUSING AND ACCESSIBILITY NOTICE
Hawthorne Housing administers its programs in accordance with applicable federal fair housing and civil rights requirements. Hawthorne Housing does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, national origin, or other protected status as provided by applicable law. Reasonable accommodations are available for qualified persons with disabilities. Persons who require an accommodation or assistance in accessing the application process should contact Hawthorne Housing at

(310) 349-1600.
Persons with limited English proficiency may request language assistance.

QUESTIONS
For questions regarding the Housing Choice Voucher Waiting List or application process, please contact:
HAWTHORNE HOUSING
Housing Choice Voucher Program
Telephone: (310) 349-1600
Apply Online:
www.waitlistcheck.com/CA2029-1517

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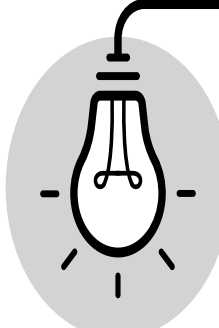
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A black and white photograph of a white dog with dark patches, sitting on a textured surface and looking directly at the camera with its tongue hanging out. The dog has a dark nose and dark eyes. The background is dark and out of focus.

Say hello to **Aaron**, a young Pitty mix with a big personality and an even bigger heart! He's friendly, playful, and enjoys being around people. He likes obedience training with the trainers at the shelter and hopes for a family who will continue his education. His energy is balanced by his gentle side. He's happy lounging by your side, receiving attention, or curling up for a nap. If you're looking for equal parts walk-

Jojo absolutely loves everyone she meets and has shown positive behavior with other dogs of her temperament. With her friendly personality and gentle nature, she will make a wonderful companion for someone looking for a funny, loyal and affectionate furry friend. <https://spcala.com/adoptable/pet/?ss=LACA-A-24225>



Winter is a sweetheart tuxedo kitty who will greet you with an adorable meow. This affectionate love bug is never shy about asking for pets and attention. If you'd like to play, one of her favorite toys is a feather chaser. Winter has lived with dogs and kids before, so she may do well with yours. She's ready to find a family who will cherish her sweet personality and give her all the love she deserves. <https://spcala.com/adoptable/pet/?ss=LACA-A-20452>

Say hello to **Gwendolyn**, and she will say hello back as well as tell you about her day. She is a sweet, friendly and personable Torbie cat. When she's not exploring or playing (she loves catnip), you'll find her lounging in a big, fluffy cat bed, enjoying some relaxation time. Gwendolyn is FIV+ but doesn't let that slow her down. She would be happy living with another FIV+ kitty or as an only kitty in the home. <https://spcala.com/adoptable/pet/?ss=LACA-A-16156> •



A black and white photograph of a tabby cat. The cat has a white patch on its chest and white paws. It is sitting on a textured, possibly carpeted, surface and looking directly at the camera with large, round eyes. The cat's fur has a distinct tabby pattern with stripes and spots.

Gwendolyn



“Labor Day is a time to recognize those who work hard to build the nation. Their dedication is the backbone of our country.”
— ANONYMOUS

