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## Roger Bradley's 100 day plan

■ In an interview with the Downey Patriot, new city manager Roger Bradley discusses his early priorities.

By Alex Dominguez  
Staff Writer

**DOWNEY** — Just over a week since being sworn in, City Manager Roger Bradley says stability and setting a strategic plan for the city's future are his top priorities.

So far, Bradley's tenure as Downey's city manager has been "getting up to speed."

"The past week I've been spending meeting with all my department heads, trying to get an update of what projects they're working on, what issues they're dealing with and addressing, and basically just trying to download everything," said Bradley. "I had a chance to meet with the council as well, and really just get a good operational snapshot of what's going on with the organization."

He enters at a high-stakes time for the city, as the city is in the midst of working on its upcoming fiscal year budget while also needing to fill in the holes left from departed department heads and staff.

"We're in budget season, so we need to get the budget going," said Bradley. "I wish we were a little farther along than we are, but [the city] was very respectful of letting me come on board as new manager to help control the budget process, so we are in a little bit of a catch-up mode to get going on that."

On stability, Bradley said,

"Organizationally, I think there are a few things I'm going to focus in on with staff," said Bradley. "We talked about looking at filling in some of our vacancies, and that's really one of our immediate needs and biggest concerns," said Bradley. "I want to make sure that we can be more strategic internally, I'm really looking to build culture; I want this to be a great place for everybody to work."

"I'm really focused in on making sure that one, staff has the feeling that they can innovate and do new and exciting things, and they've got somebody to back them up — because things sometimes don't go the way we expect — but they know that it's okay to try to innovate new things. That's what I'm going to try and foster here with our staff."

He says that it's about "getting back to a sense of normalcy for folks."

"Yes, things have been a little bit rocky over the last short term, but I think it's really just trying to build a feeling that the future is bright, and we're going to go to a good place," said Bradley. "We have good finances; we've been well managed on that front. So, really it's now trying to figure where are some of our deficiencies in our staffing, build up a little bit to make sure that we're strong and we continue to focus on the needs of the community."

"I think economic development, we continue to look at how do we not only attract, but retain the strength in our business community; how do we continue to make people when they come here to Downey feel like it's a special place and see all the great amenities that we have."

When asked about Downey's long track record of balanced budgets and his feelings on taking on the endeavor of continuing that trend, Bradley said "you want to make sure you're not the weak link in the process." He said he sells himself as "a financial person," making note of his background in business statistics.

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## Governor visits Downey to unveil plan for \$30 insulin

■ Manufacturing could begin later this year, pending FDA approval.

By Eric Pierce  
Editor

**DOWNEY** — Gov. Gavin Newsom has announced a partnership with Civica Rx to provide insulin to Californians for \$30 for 10 milliliters -- which he said was as little as one-tenth of the current cost.

Newsom visited a Kaiser warehouse in Downey on Saturday as part of his tour of California discussing his administrative policies in lieu of a traditional State of the State address.

He praised the 10-year partnership as a way to lower the health-care burden for residents without "subsidizing costs or socializing costs" but to address the "underlying" costs.

The insulin program, which will be administered through CalRx, was characterized by the governor as "market disruption," which he hoped would prompt major drug companies to lower their prices for the drug.

"This is a big deal for us. This is not happening anywhere else in the United States," the governor said.

"Diabetes has become an overwhelmingly expensive chronic condition, and it is heartbreaking that millions of people in California and across the U.S. are faced with the possibility of having to ration their care and put their lives at risk because they can no longer afford insulin," Civica President and CEO Ned McCoy said. "We applaud California for its mission-driven commitment to lowering the cost of insulin and look forward to our groundbreaking partnership on behalf of people living with diabetes."

Newsom said manufacturing is set to begin later this year, and added that he anticipates "favorable treatment" from the FDA, and hopes to see delivery begin next year.

Also in attendance Saturday was Assemblymember Blanca Pacheco.

"Californians should not be forced to go into debt in order to obtain this life saving medication," Pacheco said.

The governor also announced Saturday that his administration was exploring the next potential product to bring to market --



Gov. Gavin Newsom was in Downey on Saturday where he announced a partnership with Civica Rx to produce low-priced insulin. (Photo by Alex Dominguez)

namely Naloxone, or Narcan, the drug that reverses the effect of an opioid overdose and is credited with saving hundreds of thousands of lives. Newsom said the state's Health and Human Services Agency is working with Civica to identify a California-based manufacturing facility.

"We're starting with insulin, but we're not stopping there," said HHSA Secretary Mark Ghaly, who joined Newsom for the announcement along with Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn, Downey Mayor Claudia Frometa and others. "We are going to look for other opportunities, (for savings)."

"No one should have to choose between paying for the prescription medicine that keeps them alive and paying their rent or putting food on the table," Hahn said. "This new partnership to manufacture insulin and make it available for just \$30 will be life-changing for families. I applaud the governor's ambitious effort and his commitment to taking on the challenges Californians are facing."

Republicans said action was needed to save the state's hospital system, but blamed "years of underfunded Medi-Cal reimbursements for hospitals throughout the state not being able to pay their bills, putting them on the brink of collapse."



"This is a self-inflicted crisis of epic proportions that is putting lives on the line," said Senate Minority Leader Brian Jones, R-San Diego. "While Newsom makes a stop on his statewide tour to talk about health care, he's missing the mark -- there are families currently without access to emergency services and millions more who may be at-risk if the governor does not act quickly."

Jones added: "While I appreciate the governor's passion and creativity to address rising health care and prescription drug costs, the priority right now should be saving the health care system we currently have. Without immediate action, millions of Californians

won't have access to doctors, nurses, and hospital services."

The governor began his tour Thursday in Sacramento, where he discussed plans to build 1,200 small homes across the state to address homelessness, followed by an address Friday centered on a plan to overhaul San Quentin State Prison.

The tour continued Sunday in San Diego with an event focusing on mental health care, and wrapped up Monday in Imperial County, where Newsom touted the progress being made on transforming the Salton Sea region into a global hub for battery production.

**Weekend at a Glance**

Friday 66°

Saturday 67°

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### ON THIS DAY

**1775:** Patrick Henry, a major figure of the American Revolution, delivered the well-known speech featuring the phrase "give me liberty or give me death" at the second Virginia Convention, at St. John's Church, Richmond.

**1806:** Having completed the first U.S. overland expedition to the Pacific coast, explorers Meriwether Lewis and William Clark this day in 1806 began their return to St. Louis, Missouri, where their journey had begun in May 1804.

**1857:** American inventor Elisha Otis installed the first commercial elevator, in a department store in New York City.

**1933:** The German Reichstag, dominated by the Nazi Party and German National People's Party, voted to pass the Enabling Act, thereby assuring Nazi primacy, in a process that began with the Reichstag fire about a month prior.

**1983:** In a nationwide television address, U.S. President Ronald Reagan announced the Strategic Defense Initiative, popularly known as Star Wars, a proposed strategic defensive system against potential nuclear attacks.

**1994:** Mexican presidential candidate Luis Donaldo Colosio was assassinated at an election rally in Tijuana.

**1996:** Lee Teng-hui won Taiwan's first direct presidential election; during his time in office, Lee worked to democratize Taiwan's political system.

**1998:** James Cameron's epic drama "Titanic" won 11 Academy Awards, tying the record set by "Ben-Hur" (1959).



**2001:** Although designed for only 5 years of service, the Soviet/Russian space station Mir ended 15 years in orbit when it reentered Earth's atmosphere, falling into the South Pacific Ocean.

**2021:** The Suez Canal, one of the world's most heavily used shipping lanes, was blocked after the mega-freighter Ever Given ran aground; it took six days to move the vessel.

### Birthdays

R&B singer **Chaka Khan** (70), fashion designer **Kenneth Cole** (69), basketball hall of famer **Jason Kidd** (50), "The Office" star **Randall Park** (49), "Felicity" star **Keri Russell** (47), Food Network host **Ayesha Curry** (34) and basketball player **Kyrie Irving** (31).

## Shake Shack opening in Downtown Downey

**DOWNEY** — Shake Shack, the popular fast food chain known for its burgers, hot dogs and shakes, is opening a location in Downtown Downey, city planning staff confirmed.

The restaurant has been approved to take over the former Legends Board Shop at 8300 Firestone Blvd.

The project was recently approved by the Planning Commission and calls for the demolition of the existing building and construction of a new 3,624 sq. ft. restaurant with a 933 sq. ft. outdoor patio, drive-thru, and parking at the rear of the property along Downey Avenue.

Planning commissioner Mario Guerra, who voted to approve the project, expressed enthusiasm about Shake Shack's pending arrival.

"The revitalization of this corner in the heart of our city will continue to enhance our downtown," he said. "Our award winning Downtown Specific Plan, which includes our Downtown Downey District, is another example of businesses working together with the city to re-energize our community. Our Planning Commission saw this opportunity and enthusiastically worked to help facilitate this upgrade to our downtown. I'm excited and look forward to many other new projects in the works."

The Shake Shack in Downey will be the company's first location in Southeast Los Angeles County.

The New York-based company started out of a hotdog cart in Madison Square Park in 2001.

In 2010, Shake Shack expanded its operations, opening up locations throughout New York City, including in the Theater District, the Upper East Side, and in the Chelsea neighborhoods. It also opened a location in Miami's South Beach, its first location outside of New York City.

Today, there are 440 locations worldwide.

Shake Shack maintains that partnering with local communities is important in its expansion plans.

"Every Shack is a reflection of the community it's a part of, from partnering with local artists and ingredient purveyors, to hosting fundraisers with local non-profit partners and school groups," the restaurant said.

By Alex Dominguez and Eric Pierce



# How Downey marketed itself in 1897

■ An early newspaper article sheds light on the Downey community and how it attracted new residents.

By Bobbi E. Bruce  
Downey Historical Society

**DOWNEY** — The following is from an article published Tuesday, May 25, 1897 in the Los Angeles Herald.

The people of Downey and vicinity are as a rule prosperous and thrifty. They live in one of the most favored spots of Southern California and enjoy the advantages of the richest and most prolific soil that was ever tilled.

To the easterner they say why freeze in winter and roast in summer when this can be avoided by sojourning at the beautiful

little village of Downey or in its vicinity? Why not live surrounded with fruits and flowers where the sun shines 300 days in the year and the genial warm rains — refreshing and life-giving to man and vegetation — fall in gentle showers the other 65 days. Why eke out a miserable existence raising wheat at 50 cents a bushel when comfort, aye, opulence, may be obtained in raising fruits and other products that are so successfully cultivated in Southern California?

The people of Downey say, why not rear your children in a climate where they can be out of doors the greater part of the year, where their lives will be ennobled by views of grand mountain scenery, their natures cultivated by contact with birds and flowers and enjoy a climate where the diseases of children prevail in their mildest form? Where life to them is a continual holiday. Why not live in a climate where women can cultivate the esthetic side of her nature. In the midst of flowers and orange groves, and lose none of her womanhood in so doing.

If one wishes to better their financial condition, why not move to a country teeming with new enterprise — one offering constant and remunerative employment for both labor and capital? Why not seek a land where there are growing cities, towns and villages, needing the improvements of modern times — street, railroads, electric, plants and irrigating systems, not to mention the requirements of sugar factories, preserving and canning establishments, etc. Lands being freshly put under cultivation meaning increased suburban population and development

of the natural resources of the country.

Few countries offer such a combination of profits and comfort as Southern California, especially that portion of it in the immediate vicinity of Downey.

Downey is located about 12 miles southeast of Los Angeles between the old and new San Gabriel rivers, on the Southern Pacific railroad. It has about 1200 inhabitants and is one of the most important business centers in one of the richest and most attractive valleys in Southern California, known as the Ranchito or Los Nietos valley. The valley shipped the past season \$275,000 worth of walnuts, produced 700,000 tons of barley and alfalfa hay, and upwards of 375,000 bushels of corn. Los Angeles, a city of over 100,000 inhabitants, and destined to be the largest west of the Rocky Mountains, is the principal market through which these products are disposed of. Eight daily trains in and out of Downey to the city furnish the people with quick transport between two places. A number of people do business in Los Angeles and live in Downey. Many of the young men and young women of the town and vicinity attend the business college daily in the city, returning to Downey in the evening.

Downey is only 12 miles northeast of Long Beach, the most moral and finest-bathing resort in the world. Within a radius of seven miles of Downey there are 17 water companies, principally owned by the farmers. The remarkable fertility of the soil may be realized from the fact that it often yields 300 sacks of potatoes to the acre, 100 pounds to the sack.

If the newcomer wishes to know where he can settle on land where ample profit and pleasure are the sure rewards of the industrious farmer, the citizens of Downey can best give

the information, as they are surrounded on every side by the richest of all the rich lands of Southern California.

Downey has good public schools, churches and social organizations. Her lodges are the Masonic, Odd Fellows, Rebekah, A.O.U.W., Good Templars Foresters, etc.

Within a radius of 3 miles are seven public schools. Within a radius of 3 and one-half miles are upwards of 7,000 inhabitants.

Mr. B. M. Blythe has become interested in the cultivation of tobacco in Downey. Mr. Carl Grosekopf, recently from San Diego, is starting a new cigar factory in Downey. He thoroughly understands the business, and is certain to make a success of his venture.

The Downey restaurant, conducted by Mrs. Smith, furnishes one of the best 25 cent meals to be had in Southern California. All the delicacies of the seasons are served and all patrons are happy and contented.

Downey is blessed with a good newspaper in the Downey Champion, published and edited by Mr. C. H. Eberle. The Champion is loyal to Downey and vigorous, and able in its advocacy of the best interest of the place.

## Historical Society's early start

The word "museum" usually brings to mind images of solemn, dimly lighted, cavernous rooms filled with aged artifacts, bits of the past preserved lest we forget our origins.

The Downey Historical Society is patiently collecting bits of the city's past and housing them in a museum, but that museum is far from being a solemn, dimly lighted, cavernous room.

Crammed into an old school room at Apollo Park Neighborhood Center are

documents, books, antique kitchen wear, old telephones and typewriters, pictures, postcards and a golden oak bedroom set dating back to 1890.

Despite the un-museum-like setting, Downey's history is well-preserved and displayed and the mammoth task of cataloguing every item in place takes a lot of time.

The concept for a museum was born in 1967 when Barbara Callarman became a member of the Historical Society's board.

"I always liked antiques and kind of said in an offhanded way I'd like to be the curator of the museum," she recalled.

The society had found a guardian for its historical treasures, and for eight years she ran the museum single-handedly until Mrs. Joyce Lawrence joined the group and began lending a hand with the museum.

After the Krueger building find, Mrs. Callarman would make weekly visits to the rickety old shed and take home the dusty remnants of former Downey Businesses. Barbara spent hours on her patio restoring the antique items now displayed in the museum. Then one day, Mrs. Callarman drove to the shed on one of her weekly visits and the building had been torn down.

The contents of the Krueger building had been moved to the former headquarters of the water department. On July 18, 1978, Barbara Callarman began the immense task of packing and moving the Krueger finds and a large collection of items donated to the Historical Society.

Although the museum has had four homes since its inception in 1967, Mrs. Callarman hopes for one last move — into the Rives Mansion, the majestic white mansion set back from Paramount Boulevard. It's current owners, so far, have been unwilling to sell the old home, built in 1911.

"The house is important to the Historical Society," Barbara said. "Most societies have a historical monument — an adobe or a teepee — something to give the city a focus. That's what the Rives Mansion would do for Downey."

The dream to obtain the Rives Mansion has been discussed for numerous years, and so far the home remains owned by a private party.

Since the city will be 150 years old this year, it is important to know how the Downey Historical Society / Museum started and know its purpose. If, in the beginning, people like Barbara Callarman, Joyce Lawrence, etc. had not loved Downey history and put the effort to save its collection of artifacts, people would not have a place to go learn, share, and donate their memories.

## In Memory of Michael Thomas Andrade

May 15, 1967 - February 5, 2023



Michael Thomas Andrade passed away on Sunday, February 5, 2023, at the age of 55.

Michael was born on May 15, 1967, in Lynwood, California, to Walter Andrade, Sr., and Andrea Andrade. He grew up in Downey, attending Spencer V. Williams Elementary School, West Middle School and Warren High School (Class of 1985). During this time, he learned to play the drums and developed a love for performing music and song writing. After high school, he moved to Hollywood to pursue his musical aspirations. He performed in the bands Tommyrot, as the drummer, and Ruby Rockets, as the lead singer, in the late 80's and early 90's. Both bands had a good following and performed at popular clubs in Hollywood, including Gazzari's, Troubadour and The Roxy Theatre. With his extensive musical knowledge, Michael also worked for Tower Records and as a deejay on the Sunset Strip.

Michael went on to produce music for several well-known artists and recorded music of his own, under the name Meeks, for Cleopatra Records. Some of his music has been featured in movies and television.

In most recent years, Michael painted in his spare time. He was a very talented artist and loved to share his artwork with family and friends. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Michael is survived by his mother, Andrea Andrade, brother, Walter Andrade, Jr., sister, Gina (Andrade) Foley, brother-in-law, William Foley, sister-in-law, Julie Hayes, nephews, Christopher Andrade and Nicholas Andrade, and many cousins. He is predeceased by his father, Walter Andrade, Sr., and brother, Anthony Andrade.

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## In Memory of Tommy Sue Paluch

November 28, 1938 - March 9, 2023



Tommy Sue passed away on March 9, 2023, at the age of 84. Tommy Sue was a beloved wife to her husband Dan for the past 57 years, Mother to two sons, Daniel and Jason Grandmother to Jack and James and friends to countless Downey residents.

She worked at the YMCA from 1989 to 2009 where she was loved by both members as well as her co-workers.

Many local doctors, lawyers and businesspeople attended her birthday/retirement party officiated by news reporter Dave Lopez.

Tommy Sue enjoyed hunting, fishing and going to new out of the country places. She especially enjoyed cruising to Alaska and flying to Sweden where her oldest son, daughter-in-law and grand children live. She visited all the Scandinavian countries.

Tommy Sue has two surviving sisters Janne and Judie along with numerous nieces and nephews. She will be truly missed!

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# MAYOR'S CORNER



By Claudia M. Frometa  
Mayor of Downey

Hello Downey,

Our city continues to make significant progress. I am happy to report 32 (thirty-two) miles have been paved during the first quarter of 2023. Many of you continue to express concern over the condition of streets in and around your neighborhoods.

During my first year as Mayor in 2021, the council voted unanimously to invest over \$30 million on infrastructure improvements (street rehabilitation and repaving) over the next few years. I realize many streets have not been repaved in 25-30 years, and believe me, we will get to your street. I thank you for your patience in advance as there will be disruptions and intermittent street closures as these streets get rehabilitated. Certainly, the abundance of rain we have received this winter has made it challenging to complete some projects within the scheduled timeframes. How do we prioritize streets throughout our city you may ask? The city has a Street Repaving Management Plan that guides the prioritization of streets and neighborhoods throughout our city.

I had the pleasure of welcoming Governor Gavin Newsom to Downey last weekend as he announced California will take the lead in slashing insulin prices by entering a 10-year partnership with Cívica, to manufacture insulin and reduce prices by 90%, to \$30 dollars a vial. This is good news for the people of California and

certainly residents of Downey. People should not have to choose between providing for their families and obtaining life-saving medication.

We also had a mayor's roundtable with our newly elected Assemblywoman Blanca Pacheco. Mayors representing her district met in Downey to discuss issues of concern and legislative priorities, including housing, fentanyl, and homelessness. I want to extend my gratitude to Assemblymember Pacheco's office and Cal Cities for bringing us together to discuss our priorities.

### Update on Fire Station #4

I have continued to hear from residents of District-4 about their frustration and displeasure at the ongoing delays with the reopening of the fire station. The contractor is ready to install a new roof, unfortunately the heavy rains have continued to delay the project. We will need two weeks without rain for the roof completion. The new timeline for occupancy and re-opening is end of April.

### Community/Economic Development

Businesses and residential developments continue to flock to our city. Currently, there are thirteen (13) large projects in Planning and year-to-date, there have been 3,164 residential and commercial plan checks completed. As Mayor, I am engaged, collaborating with staff looking to attract new businesses and/or developments to empty spaces. It is an ongoing process, and I am grateful to have our new City Manager Roger Bradley who will be directing staff on several great

opportunities. We are pursuing Sprouts and staff continue to work with our business community to bring quality developments to our city.

### Public Safety, Community Engagement & Speed Enforcement

The Downey Police Department continues to conduct speed enforcement activities throughout our city and look for illegal street racing and individuals utilizing empty parking lots/areas to do donuts. Drivers involved in street racing will have their vehicles impounded and will face steep fines. Year-to-date, seven vehicles were impounded because of street racing activities. I would like to encourage our residents to get involved with the Neighborhood Watch program. Currently, we have over 230+ groups throughout our city. To find out more information or to apply, please contact Neighborhood Watch Coordinator Stephanie Arroyo at (562) 904-2374 or sarroyo@downeyca.org.

Also, the next Coffee with a Cop event is taking place on Tuesday, March 28 from 8am-10am at the Starbucks located on 7954 Imperial Hwy.

Downey's anti-litter campaign #BNIT, this campaign started during my first Mayoral year in 2021 and continues strong. Residents may call CalMet/Athens services at 562.259.1239 to arrange a bulky item pick up. Additional important numbers to save on your phones:

- Graffiti Hotline: (562) 923-4484
- Abandoned Shopping Carts: (800) 252-4613
- Illegal Dumping: (562) 904-7194

The Keep Downey Beautiful Clean Ups continue to bring together residents who want to make a change and help beautify our city. The next clean-up is scheduled for 9 am on Saturday, April 8 at the Quick-Shor located at 13217 Laurendale Avenue

### Community Engagement

We had a busy Saturday last week, the city was proud to host the TLC 5K last Saturday and I was happy to join my council colleagues, Hector Sosa, Timothy Horn, and our new City Manager Roger Bradley.

We also had the annual Step into Spring Street Faire organized by the Downey Chamber of Commerce and Downey Patriot. Several hundred people attended and close to 150 booths were present. Thank you to all that made the event a success.

I will continue to work diligently for our city in 2023. I look forward to seeing you at my first Coffee with the Mayor on Thursday, March 23 at the Columbia Memorial Space Center 6pm-8pm

Our City of STEM festival returns on April 1st at the Columbia Memorial Space Center, mark your calendars for this great event.

Please Save the Date and join me for this year's One Day of Service on Saturday, April 22 at 9am in our Civic Center as we dedicate three hours to clean up our Downey!

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as your 49th Mayor. Please contact my office with any questions or concerns at 562-904-7274 or email me at cfrometa@downeyca.org. Also, look for Mayor Frometa's 90 Second Round up every two weeks! I welcome appointments for in-person visits. You can also follow my Facebook page for regular updates at Claudia M. Frometa Mayor, City of Downey, along with our City's Facebook page, City of Downey Government Agency, for regular updates. Please also download the Downey App on your mobile device. Through this App, you can immediately report illegally dumped items, street repairs, trash, graffiti removal, neighborhood light repairs, etc.

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#MayorFrometa  
**Claudia M. Frometa**  
Mayor



## Roger Bradley begins as Downey city manager

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"There's been some great management here in the past. We've done well financially; I hope I can add to that," said Bradley. "We want to make sure that obviously we keep balancing the budget; that's important to me."

"Throughout my career I've worked in big organizations managing half-billion-dollar budgets and other things, with 1,600, 1,700 employees, so, I think I can add to that. But right now, we're going through our first cycle with the budget, and we'll see kind of how it goes."

He has a first 100-day plan that he is following, focused primarily on learning, planning, and eventually execution.

"The first quarter of it is mostly looking at building knowledge of the organization and the community," said Bradley. "I do want to continue to work with the council, and we have a priorities workshop coming up here in the near future, which will really start setting the stage for what we want to do over the long haul."

Ultimately, Bradley says his job boils down to helping the council "execute their vision."

"That's really where I'm headed," said Bradley "That's the middle-term effort, I guess, is to try and build a strategic vision for the city and then from there we'll try to execute and turn that into a long-term plan."

He adds that he views himself as a "servant leader."

"My job is to, with staff, make sure they have the resources, the things they need to get the job done," said Bradley. "I think really the manager's role is to be aware of what's going on in the organization and figure out how to make the team successful...my job is to help them succeed."

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## NIMBYs threaten a plan to build more suburban housing

By Mara Gay

*Mara Gay is a journalist and member of the New York Times editorial board.*

In an insult to New Yorkers suffering from spiraling rents and home prices, both houses of New York’s Democratic-controlled Legislature rejected an ambitious set of proposals from Gov. Kathy Hochul last week that would begin to address the crisis in available housing.

The legislators appear to be capitulating to the panic of their suburban members, as well as a smaller but persistent group of NIMBYs who oppose development in New York City. Lately, those voices have proven stubborn. Some of the backlash to the effort to build more housing in the suburbs has evoked euphemistic language that might have brought a smile to a Southern segregationist in the era of “states’ rights.”

“We see it as an attack on our suburban communities,” State Senator Jack Martins, a Republican from Nassau County on Long Island, said in a hearing on the housing proposal in Albany on March 1.

Moments later, State Senator Pamela Helming, a Republican who represents the Rochester suburbs, said her opposition to the governor’s housing plan was about “helping retain the unique character of our communities.”

Donald X. Clavin Jr., a town supervisor in Nassau County, also a Republican, co-wrote a letter last week encouraging officials to protest the governor’s housing plan, saying it was “imperative that local government retain the authority to act in the best interests of those they represent.”

The proposal from Ms. Hochul, a moderate Democrat, would simply bring the state’s housing policy into the 21st century, building crucially needed housing in the suburbs by slashing Jim Crow-era zoning laws. Under that promising plan, New York City and its suburbs would be required to increase their housing supply by 3 percent every three years, and towns elsewhere in the state by 1 percent every three years. More housing would be built in areas along commuter rail lines. The state would be able to override local zoning laws in areas that fail to increase their housing supply.

The knee-jerk alarmism over building more housing in the suburbs is embarrassing. It’s also completely unnecessary. Other states, including Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts and Oregon, have already enacted measures similar to the ones the governor has proposed. Some, like California, have essentially banned single-family zoning altogether. The purpose isn’t to attack the suburbs but to help them grow, along with the rest of the state.

The housing crisis in New York State has locked out middle-class families and young people from homeownership, left hundreds of thousands burdened with high rents, and sent tens of thousands

of working people into public shelters. Of 3.43 million renters in the state, more than half, roughly 1.7 million, spend more than 30 percent of their income on rent. Yet instead of strengthening Ms. Hochul’s housing plan, the State Senate and Assembly last week offered proposals that would gut it.

Just how out of touch is the State Legislature? Alternative proposals from both houses would keep the housing targets set by the governor, but give the state no authority to enforce them. They would scrap the plan’s requirement for new housing along commuter rails. They would cut proposed measures for relief in New York City, including a plan to legalize basement apartments and make them safer. The Assembly proposal would also render moot the proposed expansion of a New York City program aimed at converting empty office space to housing.

Instead, the Legislature’s plan would offer \$500 million in incentives to be distributed to localities that meet the housing targets, but impose no consequences for those that choose not to build new housing.

“We believe we can get there with incentives,” Andrea Stewart-Cousins, the Senate majority leader, said last Thursday in Albany.

But there is solid evidence from other states, including Connecticut and Massachusetts, that incentives alone will not result in more housing. One reason, as noted by the Furman Center, a housing policy research group, is that wealthy towns generally prefer to keep their exclusionary zoning policies rather than receive unneeded funds from the state. Many of these communities have long histories of enacting exclusionary zoning laws and have shown that they will not produce the housing the region needs on their own.

A state in the throes of a housing crisis can’t simply let them do as they please, all while they benefit from billions in state investment in commuter rail systems.

In one bright spot, the Legislature did signal some support for common-sense protections for renters in good standing. One such proposal, sought by housing advocates, would limit rental increases for market-rate apartments upon lease renewal to up to 1.5 times the Consumer Price Index or 3 percent, whichever is higher, except for owner-occupied buildings with a small number of units. (With current inflation, that would allow rent increases of about 10 percent.) Landlords may in some cases be able to charge more when they can show they have incurred additional costs, but could not evict a tenant except for violating the terms of the lease, a policy known as “good cause eviction.”

The real estate industry is fighting hard against the proposal. Yet New Jersey enacted similar basic protections for renters years ago and continues to outpace New York in housing production. These protections are badly needed in New York, where price gouging is common and evictions are on the rise. Addressing the housing

crisis means keeping people in their homes as well as building more housing.

But tenant protections alone will not solve the root problem of the crisis, which is the dire lack of housing supply. To do that, the Legislature will have to work with the governor to dismantle the single-family zoning laws that make it impossible to build new housing in the suburbs.

So far, the proposals from the Legislature are not serious. There is also evidence that they are out of step with some of their constituents. One survey of state residents, paid for by Open New York and other pro-housing groups and conducted last month by Slingshot Strategies, found significant support for building more housing in the suburbs.

More than two-thirds of respondents statewide, 72 percent, said they supported building more housing near train stations. Of a group surveyed in suburban Westchester and Putnam Counties, north of New York City, 56 percent said they would support giving the state authority to override local zoning laws in towns that fail to build more housing.

The poll, though small, reflects the intensity of the housing crisis in the state, where even middle- and upper-middle-class suburbanites have found that their adult children cannot afford to live or raise families in the communities in which they grew up.

New York has never fully reckoned with its history of racist housing policies, which have helped make the region among the most segregated in the United States. Even New York officials who acknowledge that history appear unprepared to remedy it.

“I couldn’t agree more that there was redlining, exclusionary zoning — there’s a lot of ills,” said Mayor Mary Marvin of Bronxville, in Westchester, in an interview recently. “But I just think this plan is a disaster. We are so darn built out.” Ms. Marvin said she would be open to building some “work force housing” to help police officers and teachers live in the community.

Whether they like it or not, New York officials fighting to maintain these exclusionary housing policies are on the wrong side of history, defending zoning laws written to keep Black, Hispanic, Jewish, Asian and other Americans from sharing in the prosperity and opportunity of the country’s suburbs.

Governor Hochul and the many state legislators who are serious about addressing the housing crisis have a legacy-making chance to push hard to dismantle these policies. Millions of New Yorkers are counting on them.

## Why authorities must expand deposit protections to restore confidence in banks

By Bob Diamond

*Bob Diamond is chief executive of Atlas Merchant Capital. He was on the board and president of Barclays from 2005 to 2012 and chief executive from 2011 to 2012.*

Over the past two weeks, we have seen the Federal Reserve, Treasury Department and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation step in to guarantee all deposits at two banks and coordinate additional deposits at a third. This was sound policy, but further action is needed if the U.S. regional and specialist banking model is going to survive. That’s why Treasury Secretary Janet L. Yellen’s comments Tuesday that the U.S. government will back deposits at smaller American banks, if needed, are a move in the right direction.

In the aftermath of the 2008 financial crisis, my mantra as president of Barclays was: How do we balance making banks safer and sounder, while also driving economic growth and job creation?

Asking myself this same question today, I see an obvious course of action: Restore confidence and stability in regional and specialist banks by expanding federal deposit protections and ensuring adequate regulatory supervision. This would do much to stem the flow of deposits out of these institutions and into the large banks, allowing well-run banks to thrive and providing security for U.S. depositors.

It is not simply a question of supporting banks, but of supporting consumers, small businesses and homeowners across the country. Smaller banks have knowledge and expertise that their larger peers do not. They are intimately familiar with the economic conditions and needs of their customers in specific regions or industries. A regional bank in a rural area might be more willing to lend to farms and agricultural businesses than a larger national

bank that might not have the same understanding of the local economy. In fact, roughly 40 percent of bank lending in the United States comes from those outside the largest 25 institutions.

Regional and specialist banks also play an important role in supporting small and medium-size businesses. These businesses often have difficulty obtaining financing from larger banks, which tend to focus on larger, more established corporations. Smaller, more focused banks, on the other hand, are more likely to lend to small businesses and are able to do so at a significantly lower cost. In addition to providing loans, regional banks can offer services tailored to the needs of small businesses, such as payroll processing and merchant services. By providing this critical support to small businesses, regional and specialist banks help to drive job growth and support local economies.

Critics will point to the potential consequences of deposit concentration risk. If a large depositor or group of depositors were to withdraw its funds from a smaller bank, it could cause a liquidity crisis and put the bank at risk of failure. Even if the bank does not fail, the sudden loss of deposits could severely limit its lending capacity, hurting the local economy and potentially leading to a decline in property values.

These risks are not new and have been effectively addressed by policymakers in the past. Expanding deposit protections would do much to mitigate the worst risks in the near term. Furthermore, the question of deposit concentration within individual banks must be weighed against the risks of concentration across the banking sector as a whole. After 2008, roughly half of all American deposits were held in just five big banks. This is an already remarkably high level of concentration, the result of consolidation in the industry that left depositors with fewer banks to choose from. Without coordinated policy action, there will be even less choice, and the share of

deposits held in just a handful of banks will rise further.

Were that to happen, the regional and specialist banking model in the United States would effectively be dead, with thousands of jobs lost and consumers, small businesses and savers left with a banking oligopoly unable to cater to their needs or give them the same attention and support.

What is to be done? Americans might forget that the reason we have so many banks is that we have deposit insurance. But at present, the \$250,000 FDIC cap on insured deposits is too low. At the very least, this cap should be raised considerably, and the specific guarantees given to depositors at Silicon Valley Bank and Signature Bank should be extended to other small and medium-size banks.

The most effective option, however, would be for federal regulators to extend FDIC insurance to all deposits, at least temporarily. This would be in line with the recommendation made last week by a coalition of midsized banks.

It is important to keep in mind that such a policy would be funded by FDIC-regulated banks, not the taxpayer. Creditors, shareholders and company management would not be bailed out or enjoy any additional protections. The rigors of the market would remain in place.

This is a very different situation from the one in 2008. Banks have faced significantly more restrictive capital and regulatory actions and have increasingly become more and more like utilities. This was underlined during the pandemic, when banks effectively acted as agents of government fiscal support. Extending existing deposit insurance reflects this changed status and does so while allowing banks to fail without putting depositors at risk.

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### Bank failures

Dear Editor:

Our capitalistic system is based on performance. That is why CEO’s are paid high salaries and bonuses when the companies they manage make good profits.

However, the same executives keep making good money even when their companies fail. That is not right.

The recent failure of Silicon Valley Bank shows that CEOs that ruin their banks have received substantial pay in recent years. Gregory Becker, CEO of the failed Silicon Valley Bank, was paid \$9.9 million in 2022 alone.

If justice is to prevail he should be required to return that money plus any profits from stock sales that he did before the bank collapsed.

Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA) has proposed that executives of the failed bank return the bonuses and salaries and \$84 million in stock sale profits that they earned before the bank collapsed. I don’t usually agree with her and I hate to admit it but she is right this time.

Stockholders should not be left holding the bag when a bank collapses due to the ineptitude of its executives.

**Jorge Montero**  
Downey

### Frantone’s

Dear Editor:

I was sad to read about the impending closure of Frantone’s Pizza. I have fond memories of visiting Frantone’s after my softball games at Downey Ponytail.

Let’s use this as a reminder to patronize our favorite restaurants because there is no guarantee they will be here tomorrow.

**Marcia Olmos**  
Downey

### Elsa Van Leuven

Dear Editor:

Sorry to read of the passing of Elsa Van Leuven. As a liberal, I didn’t always agree with her political views but then variety is the spice of life.

Her family can certainly be very proud of all that she accomplished during her long life.

Rest in peace, Elsa.

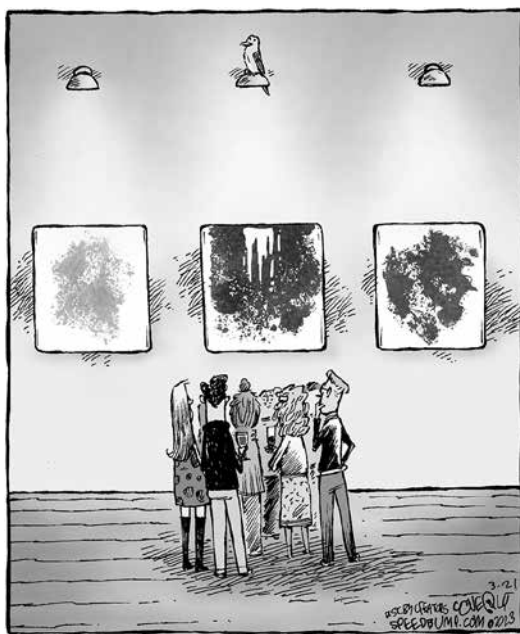
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# Downey Community Calendar

### CITY MEETINGS

1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30pm: Planning Commission, Council Chamber at City Hall.  
 1st Tue., 4:00pm.: Recreation and Community Services Commission, Council Chamber, City Hall.  
 2nd & 4th Tue., 6:30pm: City Council, Council Chamber.  
 3rd Tue., 6:00pm: Library Advisory Board, at Downey City Library.  
 3rd Thurs., 6:30pm: CERT, at Downey City Council Chamber at City Hall, for more info call 299-5462.  
 4th Mon., 5 pm: Green Task Force, at City Hall.

### Regularly Scheduled Meetings

#### MONDAYS

7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 2, at Downey United Methodist Church, call 869-6478.  
 4:30 pm: Courage Forward Meeting, at 10829 New St, 2nd Floor, call 213-545-6810.  
 2nd Mon., 11 am: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church, call 310-386-8112.  
 4th Mon., 7:30 pm: Downey Numismatists, at Downey Retirement Center, call 862-6666.

#### TUESDAYS

9 am: Quilters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459.  
 9:30 am: Downey Seniors Club, at Apollo Park, call Irene Vallini at 328-7039.  
 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza at 652-4399.  
 12 pm: Rotary Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Mel Sanchez 562-665-4125.  
 6 pm: Toastmasters Club 587, at First Baptist Church, contact Salvador Cervantes: tmsalcpuede@gmail.com.  
 7 pm: Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo, at 11231 Rives Ave., call 923-1932.  
 7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 351, at Furman Park, contact 562-500-5093 for more information.  
 7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 441, at Apollo Park, email scoutmaster@downeyboyscouts.com.  
 7:30 pm: Downey Master Chorale, at Cornerstone Church, contact info@downeymasterchorale.org.  
 1st Tues., 7:30 am: Gangs Out of Downey, at City Hall training room.  
 2nd Tues., 6 pm: Downey Fly Fishers, at Apollo Park, call 425-7936.  
 3rd Tues., 12 pm: Downey Newcomers Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.  
 3rd Tues., 6:30 pm: Community Emergency Response Team meeting, Fire station 1, 12222 Paramount.  
 3rd Tues., 6 pm: American Legion #270, at Sizzler Restaurant, call 544-0372.  
 Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza 652-4399

#### WEDNESDAYS

7 am: Kiwanis Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.  
 10:30 am: Ballroom dance class, at Downey Community Center, call 776 7270.  
 1 pm: Women's Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call Marie Puch at 869-4366.  
 7 pm: Royal Rangers Outpost 132, at Desert Reign Church, call 562-861-6011.  
 1st Wed., 11 am: Woman's Club of Downey, call Cheryl Olson 833-8954.  
 1st Wed., 11:30 am: Downey Coordinating Council, call Bobbi Bruce 440-5416.  
 1st Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, call 928-3028.  
 2nd Wed., 11:30 am: Christian Women's Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.  
 2nd Wed., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 904-7102.  
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 3rd Wed., 6:00 pm: Sister Cities of Downey, at Barbara Riley Senior Center, call Gloria Nezahualcoyotl (562) 776-6136.  
 4th Wed., 7:30 pm: US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10, First Presbyterian Church, call Brian 419-5420.  
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#### THURSDAYS

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 7:30 am.: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.  
 9:30 am: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at Barbara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.  
 12 pm: Bingo, at Woman's Club of Downey - Proceeds benefit Rancho.  
 12 pm: Optimist Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center.  
 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176.  
 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #2020, call 803-3557.  
 1st Thurs., 6 pm, All other Thurs. 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 283-2335.  
 1st Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Amateur Radio Club, EOC room Downey Fire Station #1, 12222 Paramount Blvd.  
 2nd Thurs., 12 pm: Creative Purposes, call Bill Wallace 923-2311.  
 2nd Thurs., 7:30 pm: Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club, call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400.  
 2nd & 4th Thurs., 6:30 pm: Downey Lions Club, at Mimi's, call Lenora (310) 283-9825.  
 3rd Thurs., 4 pm: Public Works Committee, at City Hall Training Room.  
 4th Thurs., 10 am: Assistance League, at Casa De Parley Johnson, call 869-0232.  
 4th Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Historical Society programs, at Community Center, call 862-2777.

#### FRIDAYS

7:30 am: Pro Networkers, at Mimi's Cafe, call Barbara Briley Beard at 869-7618.  
 3rd Fri., 8:30 am: Women's "In His Glory" Ministry at Los Amigos C. C. 622-3785.

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# Downey holds on to beat Warren, 7-6

■ Trailing 5-0, Warren scored four runs in the fifth inning but fell short as Downey pulled away, 7-6.

By John M. Sherrard  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** — No matter what sport, it's just Downey-Warren. In one of the best rivalries in any sport in California, the intensity is ramped up when these two Downey teams meet.

Separated by only a few blocks, anything goes in this neighborly meeting.

Monday March 20 was the latest chapter when the Bears and Vikings met in an early Suburban Valley Conference, Gateway League baseball game at Warren high.

Downey, with an early 5-0 lead, held on to defeat Warren, 7-6, in the first of three meetings between the two schools in league action. They met for game number two Thursday March 23. (Results were unavailable at press time).

"Winning league games are always good," Downey Baseball coach Jess Gonzalez said. "A win is a win. Our guys figured it out."

With the win, Downey improves to 7-6 overall and 2-2 in league in third place behind La Mirada (3-0) and Gahr (2-0). Warren is 8-4 overall and 0-2 in league.

A call by the umpire in the bottom of the seventh hurt Warren's chances to rally a second time..

A walk to senior first baseman Julian Angulo opened the inning. He moved to second on a single by sophomore designated hitter Brandon Ibarra. His brother, junior Marco Ibarra followed with a single to left field, potentially driving in Angulo.

Angulo was stopped rounding third by base coach Jose Nava, but Angulo grazed him on the way back to the base. After the Downey shortstop noticed that Angulo had grazed Nava, the umpires ruled him out and the first threat was squashed.

"I was rounding third hard and tried to put the brakes on and tried to stop myself and grazed coach," said Angulo, of the play. "It just

happened."

With Brandon Ibarra on second and Marco Ibarra on first, Brandon scored the sixth run from second on a failed back pick to first base by the Vikings catcher.

The Bears still had a chance to tie the game, loading up the bases a second time on a walk and hit batter, but a strikeout ended the game.

"That was a wild game," said Warren Baseball coach Scott Pearson, of the comeback and unfortunate ending.

Leading the way for Downey was senior shortstop Aaron Torres (2 for 3) and senior center fielder Matthew Garcia (2 for 3). Both players had an RBI.

Warren was led by junior third baseman Marco Ibarra (3 for 4) with a three-run home run, three RBIs and one run scored, while freshman right fielder Jayden Lujan was 2 for 3.

Warren had a chance to take an early, 1-0 lead in the first inning as leadoff hitter Branden Lepe singled and was sacrificed to second by Angulo but was left stranded.

Downey scored five early runs in the second inning, as the Bears committed a couple of errors and a wild pitch, leading to a 5-0 lead.

In the inning, senior right fielder Armando Sanchez led off with a walk by Warren starting pitcher Angel Cervantes, followed by a single by junior first baseman Ricardo Cortez.

Sanchez eventually scored the first run, followed by four more runs on three singles (Cortez, Matthew Garcia and Torres). Torres, who scored the fifth run on a fielding error by the Warren third baseman, also had an RBI single.

"I had to get out of the inning," said Cervantes of the five-runs by Downey. "I had to eliminate the walks."

Warren came back with a single run in the bottom of the third inning when senior outfielder Joaquin Gonzalez walked to open the inning, stole second and went to third on a wild pitch by Downey starter Michael Reyes.

Gonzalez came home with the

run on a sacrifice fly to center field by Angulo to trail, 5-1. Warren had two runners on in the inning but failed to score.

Reyes, who got the win, meanwhile had allowed only three hits through the first four innings before the Bears scored four in the fifth to tie the game, 5-5.

In that fifth inning for Warren, it only took two big swings of the bat to tie the game.

Angulo opened the inning with a solo home run, followed by a walk to Cervantes and Brandon Ibarra reached on catchers interference. That brought up his brother Marco Ibarra, who connected with a three-run tying home run to put new life into the Bears.

"We were down early and were still confident to get something going," said Angulo of the comeback.

After the home run by Marco Ibarra, senior shortstop Gabriel Lizarraga and Lujan both singled, but did not score.

"I knew that at least I had to get a hit," Marco Ibarra said. "He gave me a cookie and I hit it to left center. The more you hit, the more you hit."

Ibarra was referring to comments always made by his coaches.

"If you put in the work, you see the results," he added.

Cervantes added of the four-run comeback to tie the game by the Bears, "That was a big bounce back, especially by my team," he added. "They were hyped and still came up short."

Downey broke the 5-5 tie in the top of the sixth inning after Cortez was hit by a pitch to open the inning. Maddox Reyes pinch ran for Cortez, and scored on an RBI single by Matthew Garcia to break the tie with the sixth run.

Torres knocked in the seventh run with a single, scoring Travis Lara, who pinch ran for junior catcher Damian Gonzalez.

After Downey broke the 5-5 tie, Warren tried valiantly to tie the game in the seventh but came up short.



Warren freshman right fielder Jayden Lujan gets a hit in a game against Downey on Monday, March 20. The Downey catcher is junior Damian Gonzalez. Downey won, 7-6 in a Gateway League game.

Photos by Mayra Cisneros



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# Scholarships available for Catholic students

**DOWNEY** — The Women’s Guild of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church is accepting grant scholarship applications benefiting eighth grade students preparing to attend a Catholic high school.

To be eligible for a \$1,250 scholarship, students must currently live in Downey or be enrolled in a Downey public or private school, or be an active member of OLPH Church, and have an acceptance letter from a Catholic high school.

Applications are available online at [womensguild.olphdowney.com](http://womensguild.olphdowney.com) or via email at [julie.bosdachin@olphdowney.com](mailto:julie.bosdachin@olphdowney.com).

# Meet Downey Police over coffee

**DOWNEY** — The Downey Police Department is hosting a “Coffee with a Cop” event Tuesday, March 28, from 8-10 am at the Starbucks located at 7954 Imperial Hwy.

Members of the public are invited to attend to ask questions, voice concerns and get to know the police officers in your neighborhood.

Admission is free.

# Downey had 14th hottest real estate market of 2022

**DOWNEY** — Among all small U.S. cities, Downey had the 14th hottest real estate market of 2022, according to a report released Monday.

The report from Construction Coverage revealed that nearly 62% of Downey homes sold in 2022 closed above asking price.

The median sales price was \$798,509 and the median number of days on market was 33.1.

Only 18.3 percent of home listings in Downey saw a price reduction.

Downey’s success in the real estate market comes despite rising interest rates and concerns about inflation.

Home prices exploded during the COVID-19 pandemic while interest rates were low, household savings and investment returns were high, and more people were spending time at home.

Construction Coverage compiled its report using data from Redfin’s Data Center. To determine the locations that had the hottest real estate markets of 2022, researchers at Construction Coverage created a composite score, equally weighting the following metrics:

One-year change in median sale price (Dec 2021–Dec 2022)

Share of homes that sold above asking (2022)

Median number of days on the market (2022)

Average sale-to-list percentage (2022)

Share of listings with price drops (2022)

To improve relevance, only cities with at least 100,000 residents were included, and cities were grouped into cohorts based on population size: small (100,000–149,999), midsize (150,000–349,999), and large (350,000 or more).

# Silent auction benefiting Downey City Library

**DOWNEY** — The Friends of the Downey City Library hosts monthly silent auctions with proceeds benefiting the library.

Below are the items in this month’s auction. The last day to bid is Saturday, March 25, at noon. Bids can be made in person at the library or by calling (562) 299-6790.

**Universe: The Definitive Visual Guide**, edited by Martin Rees. Exceptional full-color photographs representing the phenomenal captures from space telescopes and detailed digital artwork enhance a comprehensive study of the world of outer space; documenting the galaxies, planets, their moons, stars, galaxies, supernovas, and other celestial phenomena. Minimum bid: \$12

**The Element Encyclopedia of Vampires: An A-Z of the Undead**, by Theresa Cheung. With this comprehensive and fascinating guide, be prepared to lift the coffin on what is real...and what is undead. Minimum bid: \$14

**Willie & Joe: The WWII Years**, by Bill Mauldin. Features Mauldin’s complete works from 1940 through the end of the war. This collection of over 600 cartoons, most never-before-reprinted, is an essential chronicle of America’s citizen-soldiers from peace through war to victory. (Note: book’s underside has black marker line). Minimum bid: \$35

**The Artist’s Guide to Drawing the Clothed Figure: A Complete Resource on Rendering Clothing and Drapery**, by Michael Massen. This comprehensive resource examines the mechanical principles behind the formation of folds; and breaks down all clothing into three types: sculpted forms, loose drapery, and, most especially, tubes. (Note: Back of dust jacket shows some wear). Minimum bid: \$20

**Appetizers Buffets & Parties**, by Bridget Jones. A fantastic collection of delicious food for entertaining, from finger foods to buffet dishes, all shown with easy step-by-step directions. Perfect ways to start the meal with 400 ideas for first courses, hors d’oeuvres, snacks, finger food and nibbles; shown in over 1300 photos. Minimum bid: \$12

**Harley-Davidson**, by R. Bacon, D. Chorlton, et al. This comprehensive book covers all the history, Harley culture, and the bikes themselves. With 1,000 color photographs and the insightful knowledge of the authors, this is the definitive work for any Harley-Davidson enthusiast or rider. Minimum bid: \$10

**Human: The Definitive Visual Guide**, edited by R. Winston and D. Wilson. Exploring the unique qualities and characteristics shared by all human beings, this richly illustrated study looks at what it means to be human, profiling the more than 250 different peoples inhabiting Earth, highlighting the diversity of human culture and society. Minimum bid: \$12

**America’s Great Illustrators**, by Susan E. Meyer. The American illustrators such as Rockwell, Remington, Charles Dana Gibson, Maxfield Parrish, and more represented in this book have endured as America’s favorites. This lavishly illustrated volume has 417 illustrations and 186 full color plates. (Note: Dust jacket shows slight wear). Minimum bid: \$12

# Jimmy Campanis named golf tournament host

**DOWNEY** — Retired Dodgers catcher Jimmy Campanis will be the celebrity host at the 12th annual golf tournament benefiting the 10-20 Club, a Downey non-profit that works with kids and young adults.

The tournament is scheduled for Monday, May 22, at the Rio Hondo Golf Club.

To participate, call (562) 294-3315.

Campanis played for the Dodgers from 1966-68 before he was traded away by his father, who was the Dodgers general manager at the time.

## POET’S CORNER

### Pineapple Express

playing slack-key guitar and singing songs of aloha wearing in his blue-flowered island shirt this fine Hawaiian lad rides inside the curl from Maka-pu’u at Koko Head to Ma’alibu’u below the Getty

a kissing cousin to Aunt Polar Flo he glides in on a log of supersaturated clouds then with one atmospheric surge he washes out piers where seafood restaurants thrived for years smashes jetties crushes pleasure boats by the flotilla then with a touch of his moist hand he turns cliffs to mud and mush melting hillsides that slide into the cottages below invading patios and living rooms filling pianos up to their ivories and ebonyes with lugubrious earth and slush

when water is compound with this Big Kahuna’s heat-soaked wind then from Santa Barbara to Point Loma’s buoy the California coast is pinned steeped in tropical depression sunk so deep the will to breathe is drowned in air the thick consistency of poi

**Lorine Parks, Catalina Eddy, Conflux Press, 2012**

*The Pineapple Express is a strong, southern branch of the polar jet stream. In February 1983, extreme storms riding the Pineapple Express battered the west coast and Queen Elizabeth II had to switch from limo to jeep to visit Ronald Reagan’s sky ranch north of Santa Barbara. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.*

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023045740  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CORNERSTONE GRANITE DESIGN, 13245 ARDIS AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CARLOS HERNANDEZ VALDES, 13245 ARDIS AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242  
State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 03/2023  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/CARLOS HERNANDEZ VALDES, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 1, 2023  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023055610  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) RAMA FLORAL DESIGN, 7214 HANNON ST, DOWNEY CA 90240, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOSELYN SUSANA MARTINEZ MORALES, 7214 HANNON ST, DOWNEY CA 90240  
State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/JOSELYN SUSANA MARTINEZ MORALES, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 14, 2023  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business

Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023040456  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SCUBA BY DESIGN, 2711 N. SEPULVEDA BLVD, #508, MANHATTAN BEACH CA 90266, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LATITUDE LLC, 2711 N. SEPULVEDA BLVD, #508, MANHATTAN BEACH CA 90266  
State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
SLATITUDES LLC, MANAGING MEMBER, DEAN EDGAR COLVIN II

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 23, 2023  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023057940  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) FLOR DE LUNA MASSAGE & BOTANICALS, 5921 NORWALK BLVD, WHITTIER CA 90606, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) GABRIELA GARDUNO, 5921 NORWALK BLVD, WHITTIER CA 90606  
State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2020  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/GABRIELA GARDUNO, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 16, 2023  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name

Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023055198  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SHOPLIFASHION, 13528 FRANKLIN ST, APT D, WHITTIER CA 90602, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) KIMBERLY PEREZ, 13528 FRANKLIN ST APT D, WHITTIER CA 90602  
State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 03/2023  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/KIMBERLY PEREZ, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 13, 2023  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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3/16/23, 3/23/23, 3/30/23, 4/6/23

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023051540  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) VILLA LAS PALMAS, 10225 SAN FERNANDO RD, PACOIMA CA 91331, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JAY LLC, 12049 ASHWORTH STREET, ARTESIA CA 90701  
State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 03/2023  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor

punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/JAY LLC, MANAGER, PANKAJKUMAR PATEL  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 8, 2023  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023043338  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ALWAYS LEARNING, 1444 HAUSER BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES, CA, LOS ANGELES CA 90019, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) FATEMEH RAFI, 1444 HAUSER BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES, CA, LOS ANGELES CA 90019  
State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 02/2023  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/FATEMEH RAFI, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 27, 2023  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023029222  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SNACK BAR Y PASTELERIA YAHUANIEVES, 6901 PACIFIC BLVD, HUNTINGTON PARK CA 90255, COUNTY OF LA

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ANGEL NIEVES SOLANO, 180 E ADAIR ST, LONG BEACH CA 90805  
State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 09/2015  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/ANGEL NIEVES SOLANO, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 8, 2023  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023053188  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) Q NAIL LOUNG, 8732 IMPERIAL AVE., DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) T FAMILY 1 LLC, 8732 IMPERIAL AVE., DOWNEY CA 90242  
State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/T FAMILY 1 LLC, CEO, THAO CAO

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 10, 2023  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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3/16/23, 3/23/23, 3/30/23, 4/6/23

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023058900  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) AM DESIGN CONSTRUCTION, 3031 EAST 65TH STREET, LONG BEACH CA 90805, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOSE FELIPE MARTINEZ, 3031 EAST 65TH STREET, LONG BEACH CA 90805  
State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2023  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/JOSE FELIPE MARTINEZ, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 16, 2023  
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The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/23/23, 3/30/23, 4/6/23, 4/13/23

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023054900  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) NEST & NICHE TRADE, 13203 CORNUTA AVENUE, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, P.O. BOX 40942, DOWNEY CA 90239

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) NICKY MEJIA, 13203 CORNUTA AVE., DOWNEY CA 90242  
State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 03/2023  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/NICKY MEJIA, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 13, 2023  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/16/23, 3/23/23, 3/30/23, 4/6/23

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT







another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/9/23, 3/16/23, 3/23/23, 3/30/23

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2023045041

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ELVA BARRAGAN, 9753 HOMESTEAD ST, PICO RIVERA CA 90660, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ELVA BARRAGAN, 9753 HOMESTEAD ST, PICO RIVERA CA 90660

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

**S/ELVA BARRAGAN, OWNER**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 1, 2023

Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/9/23, 3/16/23, 3/23/23, 3/30/23

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 202304170

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) NEWCAR GODS.COM (2) NEW CAR GODDESS CLUB LINE (3) NCG CLUB (4) NEW CAR GOD LINE (5) NEW CAR GODDESS CLUB (6) NEW CAR GODDESS LINE (7) NEW CAR GODS CLUB (8) NEW CAR GODS CLUB LINE, 8909 BLUFORD AVE, WHITTIER CA 90602, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 2226 S. BUDLONG AVE, LOS ANGELES 90007

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) NEWCAR GODS.COM LLC, CEO, LUIS E. MORALES MARTINEZ

State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 07/2022

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

**S/NEWCARGODS.COM LLC, CEO, LUIS E. MORALES MARTINEZ**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 14, 2023

Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/16/23, 3/23/23, 3/30/23, 4/6/23

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2023033299

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) PRIME MOBILE DETAILING LLC, 5720 IMPERIAL HWY STE M, SOUTH GATE CA 90280, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) PRIME MOBILE DETAILING LLC, 5720 IMPERIAL HWY STE M, SOUTH GATE CA 90280

State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2021

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

**S/PRIME MOBILE DETAILING LLC, MANAGER, DAVID HIRSH**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 13, 2023

Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/23/23, 3/9/23, 3/16/23, 3/23/23

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2023041761

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) THE SPRAY FOAM AUTO DETAIL, 3564 BRENTON AVE A, LYNWOOD CA 90262, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOSE A. ARRIGAGA HERNANDEZ, 3564 BRENTON AVE A, LYNWOOD CA 90262

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

**S/JOSE A. ARRIGAGA HERNANDEZ,**

OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 24, 2023

Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/23/23, 3/9/23, 3/16/23, 3/23/23

**GOVERNMENT CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS**

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 23-20 4TH STREET WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS (PARAMOUNT BOULEVARD TO LA REINA AVENUE)**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Downey until 10:00 AM on Thursday, March 30, 2023 which hour the proposed bids will be publicly opened and read in the City Hall at 1111 Brookshire Ave, Downey, California for **Capital Improvement Project No. 23-20 4th Street Water System Improvements (Paramount Boulevard to La Reina Avenue).**

The work to be performed under this Contract generally consists of the construction of water system improvements on 4th Street from Paramount Boulevard to La Reina Avenue, as shown on the contract plans. The work to be performed consists of potable water main improvements including the installation of new main, fire hydrant assemblies, water service lines, meters and boxes; installation of gate valves, cross, tees, bends, thrust blocks, and fittings; abandoning of existing water mains, service lines, and other associated facilities; removal and salvaging of existing fire hydrant assemblies, existing water meters, and boxes; clearing and grubbing; trenching, backfilling and compacting asphalt concrete (AC) pavement reconstruction; reconstruction of miscellaneous PCC improvements, landscaping, irrigation, and other existing improvements disturbed during the course of construction; traffic control; and all labor, tools, materials, equipment, and appurtenant work thereto necessary for the proper construction of the contemplated improvements, in accordance with Plans and Specifications entitled Capital Improvement Project No. 23-20.

**Plans and Specifications** for this project are on file in the office of the City Cashier at 1111 Brookshire Ave., Downey, California, where they may be examined and copies obtained at a cost of \$45.00 per set. The cost of said Plans and Specifications is **non-refundable** and purchased Plans and Specifications need not be returned. Plans and Specifications may be mailed for an additional charge of \$20 via On-Trac Overnight courier.

**BIDS MUST BE MADE ON THE PROPOSAL FORM INCLUDED IN THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 23-20.** Each bid shall be accompanied by cash, a certified or cashier's check or by a corporate surety bond issued by a surety company, admitted to do business in the State of California, on the form furnished by the City as guarantee that bidder will, if an award is made to him/her in accordance with the terms of his/her bid: promptly secure Workers' Compensation insurance, liability insurance, execute and return the required form, and furnish satisfactory bonds for the faithful performance of the Contract ("Performance Bond") and for the payment of claims of materialmen and laborers thereunder ("Payment Bond"). Said cash, check or bidder's bond shall be in an amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid. The Performance and Payment Bond shall be not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the amount of the bid. The bond named in the contract. Only bonds issued by companies admitted to do business in the State of California will be accepted in accordance with the Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.311. Failure to submit acceptable Payment and Performance Bonds as required shall result in a rejection of the bid and a forfeiture of the proposal guarantee.

The Contractor shall abide by the provisions of the California Labor Code § 1770-1781, et seq. In accordance with the provisions of the California Labor Code § 1773, the general prevailing rates of per diem wages and holiday and overtime work in the locality in which the work is to be performed has been obtained from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Downey and will be made available to any interested party upon request. The Contractor shall post a copy of the prevailing rate of per diem wages at the job site. The Contractor, and any Subcontractor under him/her, shall pay not less than the specified prevailing rates of wages to all workers employed in the execution of the contract.

All projects require the successful bidder to possess a valid State of California Contractor's License at the time of Contract Award, in accordance with Section 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code. Pursuant to Section 3300 of the Public Contract Code, the City has determined that the Contractor to whom the subject contract is awarded shall possess a valid State of California Contractor's License in the Classification of A, "General Engineering Contractor" or C34, "Pipeline Contractor."

In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1771.1, no Contractor or Subcontractor shall be qualified to (a) bid on or be listed in a bid proposal on or after March 1, 2015, or (b) engage in the performance of this Work after April 1, 2015, unless registered and qualified to perform the Work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5.

Contractor's performance of the Work described in this Notice Inviting Bids is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations. Each Contractor submitting a proposal or bid for his/her work shall complete and submit with the proposal all of the forms included therein, including the Bidder's Qualifications Statement, Designation of Subcontractors, the Non-Collusion Affidavit, the Pre-Bid Site Inspection Certification and the Signature Page. Failure to include any of these documents with the proposal may disqualify the proposal.

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**The Downey Patriot**  
3/23/23, 3/9/23, 3/16/23, 3/23/23

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**S/JOSE A. ARRIGAGA HERNANDEZ,**

The City of Downey reserves the right, after opening bids, to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in any bid received, and to be the sole judge of the merits of the respective bids received. The award of the Contract, if it is awarded, will be to the lowest responsible Bidder whose bid complies with all the requirements prescribed.

Pursuant to California Public Contract Code § 22300, the Contractor at his/her sole cost and expense, may substitute authorized securities for any monies withheld by the City to ensure performance under the Contract.

All requests for information (RFI) shall be in written form and shall be directed to:

**Mrs. Lorena Powell, Senior Civil Engineer - Utilities E-Mail: lpowell@downeyca.org Tel: (562) 904-7110 Fax: (562) 904-7296**

No inquiries will be accepted later than five (5) business days prior to the bid opening date as this would not allow time to respond to all plan holders. Phone inquiries will not be accepted.

**NO LATE BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

CITY OF DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA  
Maria Alicia Duarte, CMC  
City Clerk

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/16/23, 3/23/23

**CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 5th day of April, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

The City of Downey has prepared a code amendment to Section 9414, Article IX, Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU). Due to changes in state law, certain municipal codes will become null and void and shall be amended to reflect the changes in Assembly Bill 2221 (AB 2221) and Senate Bill (SB 877). The proposed zone text amendment would bring the City's Municipal Code into compliance with new State of California Law, governing the construction of Accessory Dwelling Units and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units.

Project Location: Citywide

Application Type: Zone Text Code Amendment (PLN-22-00155)

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony. The staff report, which provides a detailed description and analysis of this project, will be posted to the City Board and Commission Meetings webpage of the City's website (<http://www.downeyca.org>) on the Friday prior to the public hearing.

CEQA: Staff has reviewed the proposed Zone Text Amendment for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Upon completion of this review, staff has been determined that the proposed zone text amendment is not subject to CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.17 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15282(h), because this is an ordinance regarding ADUs to amend Section 65852.22 of, to add Section 65852.23 to, and to repeal and amend Section 65852.2 of, the Government Code, and to amend Section 17980.12 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to land use.

**NOTE: STATE GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65009 NOTICE:** If you challenge the proposed actions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Division at, or prior to, the public hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, contact the City Clerk's Department at 562-904-7280 or the California Relay Service at 711. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make arrangements to assure accessibility. The City of Downey does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services or activities. Questions, concerns, complaints or requests for additional information regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act may be forwarded to the City's ADA/Section 504 Coordinator at 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241, ADA.Coordinator@downeyca.org, Phone: 562-299-6619, Fax: 562-923-6388, and California Relay 711.

For more information, contact Assistant Planner Abraham Luna at 562-904-7154 or at [aluna@downeyca.org](mailto:aluna@downeyca.org).

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/23/23

**DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE TO BIDDERS / INVITATION TO BID**

Notice is hereby given that the governing board ("Board") of the **Downey Unified School District** ("District") will receive sealed bids to construct the following project:

**Bid No. 22/23-17 - Warren High School Baseball Field Irrigation Project** ("Project" or "Contract")

located at Warren High School, 8141 De Palma, Downey, CA 90241.

Contractors must submit sealed bids on or before 10 AM on April 19, 2023 at the District Office Facilities Department, located at T-5, 11627 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241 at or after which time the District will open the bids and publicly read them aloud. Any claim by a Bidder of error in its bid must be made in compliance with Public Contract Code § 5100, et seq. Any bid that is submitted after this time shall be non-responsive and returned to the Bidder. The District is not responsible for Bids that are received after the deadline noted above.

The Project consists of:

**Grading and irrigation modification to existing play field and relocate existing baseball scoreboard to new location**

All bids shall be on the form provided by the District. Each bid must conform and be responsive to all pertinent Contract Documents, including, but not limited to, the Instructions to Bidders.

To bid on this Project, the Bidder is required to possess one or more of the following State of California Contractor Licenses: B

The Bidder's license(s) must be active and in good standing at the time of the bid opening and must remain so throughout the term of the Contract.

As security for its Bid, each Bidder shall provide with its Bid form

- a bid bond issued by an admitted surety insurer on the form provided by the District,
- cash, or
- a cashier's check or a certified check, drawn to the order of the **Downey Unified School District** in the amount of ten percent

(10%) of the total bid price. This bid security shall be a guarantee that the Bidder shall, within seven (7) calendar days after the date of Notice of Award, enter into a contract with the District for the performance of the services as stipulated in the bid.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a 100% Performance Bond and a 100% Payment Bond if it is awarded the contract for the Project.

The successful Bidder may substitute securities for any monies withheld by the District to ensure performance under the Contract, in accordance with the provisions of Public Contract Code § 22300.

The successful Bidder and its subcontractors shall pay all workers on the Project not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, State of California, for the type of work performed and the locality in which the work is to be performed within the boundaries of the District, pursuant to Labor Code § 1770 et seq. Prevailing wage rates are on file with the District and are available to any interested party on request or at [www.dir.ca.gov/oprl/statistics\\_and\\_databases.html](http://www.dir.ca.gov/oprl/statistics_and_databases.html). Bidders and Bidders' subcontractors shall comply with the registration and qualification requirements pursuant to Labor Code §§ 1725.5 & 1771.1.

A mandatory pre-bid conference and site visit will be held on March 30, 2023 starting at 8 AM at Warren High School, 8141 De Palma, Downey, CA 90241 and meeting by the back gate at the corner of Mac Govern and Manatee. All prospective Bidders are required to sign in. The Site Visit is expected to take approximately an hour. Failure to attend or tardiness will render bid ineligible.

Contract Documents are available on or after March 30, 2023, for review at the District Facilities Office. In addition, Contract Documents are available on the district website: <https://web.dusd.net/purchasing/#bids>.

The District's Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and/or waive any irregularity in any bid received. If the District awards the Contract, the security of unsuccessful Bidder(s) shall be returned within sixty (60) days from the time the award is made. Unless otherwise required by law, no Bidder may withdraw its bid for ninety (90) days after the date of the bid opening.

The District shall award the Contract, if it awards it at all, to the lowest responsive responsible Bidder based on: The base bid amount only.

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/16/23, 3/23/23

**DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE TO BIDDERS / INVITATION TO BID**

Notice is hereby given that the governing board ("Board") of the Downey Unified School District ("District") will receive sealed bids to construct the following project:

**Bid No. 22/23-18 – Doty Middle School Two-Story Graphics Lighting** ("Project" or "Contract")

located at Doty Middle School, 10301 Woodruff Ave., Downey, CA 90241.

Contractors must submit sealed bids on or before 11 AM on April 21, 2023 at the District Office Facilities Department, located at T-5, 11627 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241 at or after which time the District will open the bids and publicly read them aloud. Any claim by a Bidder of error in its bid must be made in compliance with Public Contract Code § 5100, et seq. Any bid that is submitted after this time shall be non-responsive and returned to the Bidder. The District is not responsible for Bids that are received after the deadline noted above.

The Project consists of:

**Provide lighting at parapet of existing two-story classroom building for existing painted signage on north façade of building**

All bids shall be on the form provided by the District. Each bid must conform and be responsive to all pertinent Contract Documents, including, but not limited to, the Instructions to Bidders.

To bid on this Project, the Bidder is required to possess one or more of the following State of California Contractor Licenses: B and/or C-10

The Bidder's license(s) must be active and in good standing at the time of the bid opening and must remain so throughout the term of the Contract.

As security for its Bid, each Bidder shall provide with its Bid form

- a bid bond issued by an admitted surety insurer on the form provided by the District,
- cash, or
- a cashier's check or a certified check, drawn to the order of the **Downey Unified School District** in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid price. This bid security shall be returned within sixty (60) days after the date of Notice of Award, enter into a contract with the District for the performance of the services as stipulated in the bid.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a 100% Performance Bond and a 100% Payment Bond if it is awarded the contract for the Project.

The successful Bidder may substitute securities for any monies withheld by the District to ensure performance under the Contract, in accordance with the provisions of Public Contract Code § 22300.

The successful Bidder and its subcontractors shall pay all workers on the Project not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, State of California, for the type of work performed and the locality in which the work is to be performed within the boundaries of the District, pursuant to Labor Code § 1770 et seq. Prevailing wage rates are on file with the District and are available to any interested party on request or at [www.dir.ca.gov/oprl/statistics\\_and\\_databases.html](http://www.dir.ca.gov/oprl/statistics_and_databases.html). Bidders and Bidders' subcontractors shall comply with the registration and qualification requirements pursuant to Labor Code §§ 1725.5 & 1771.1.

A mandatory pre-bid conference and site visit will be held on March 30, 2023 starting at 10 AM at Doty Middle School, 10301 Woodruff Ave., Downey, CA 90241 at the administration building. All prospective Bidders are required to sign in. The Site Visit is expected to take approximately an hour. Failure to attend or tardiness will render bid ineligible.

Contract Documents are available on or after March 31, 2023, for review at the District Facilities Office. In addition, Contract Documents are available on the district website: <https://web.dusd.net/purchasing/#bids>.

The District's Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and/or waive any irregularity in any bid received. If the District awards the Contract, the security of unsuccessful Bidder(s) shall be returned within sixty (60) days from the time the award is made. Unless otherwise required by law, no Bidder may withdraw its bid for ninety (90) days after the date of the bid opening.

The District shall award the Contract, if it awards it at all, to the lowest responsive responsible Bidder based on: The base bid amount only.

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/16/23, 3/23/23

**DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Notice is hereby given that the governing board ("Board") of the Downey Unified School District ("District") will receive sealed bids for the following products no later than the specified bid deadline:

**WHITE XEROGRAPHIC PAPER**  
**BID NO. 22/23-11**

Bid documents will be available on or after Thursday, March 16th, 2023, for download at the following link: <https://web.dusd.net/bids-rfps/> ("Contract Documents").

Sealed bids will be received until 11:00a.m., April 6th, 2023, at the District's Purchasing Department located at: 11627 Brookshire Avenue, Room 169, Downey, CA 90241. Sealed bids may be opened by the District at or after that time and will be publicly read aloud. Any bid that is submitted after this time shall be non-responsive and returned to the bidder. Any claim by a bidder of error in its bid must be made in compliance with section 5100 et seq. of the Public Contract Code.

All bids shall be on the form provided by the District. Each bid must conform and be responsive to all pertinent Contract Documents.

The District shall award the contract, if it awards it at all, to the lowest responsive responsible bidder based on:



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A mandatory pre-bid conference and site visit will be held on March 31, 2023 starting at 8 AM at Downey High School, 11040 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241 by the administration building. All prospective Bidders are required to sign in. The Site Visit is expected to take approximately an hour. Failure to attend or tardiness will render bid ineligible.

Contract Documents are available on or after March 31, 2023, for review at the District Facilities Office. In addition, Contract Documents are available on the district website: <https://web.dusd.net/purchasing/#bids>.

The District's Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and/or waive any irregularity in any bid received. If the District awards the Contract, the security of unsuccessful Bidder(s) shall be returned within sixty (60) days from the time the award is made. Unless otherwise required by law, no Bidder may withdraw its bid for ninety (90) days after the date of bid opening.

The District shall award the Contract, if it awards it at all, to the lowest responsive responsible Bidder based on: The base bid amount only.

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**DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE TO BIDDERS / INVITATION TO BID**

Notice is hereby given that the governing board ("Board") of the Downey Unified School District ("District") will receive sealed bids to construct the following project:

**Bid No. 22/23-19 - Downey High School X Building and Gym and Stauffer Middle School Brezeway Roof Replacement ("Project" or "Contract")**

located at Downey High School, 11040 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241 and Stauffer Middle School, 11985 Old River School Rd., Downey, CA 90241.

Contractors must submit sealed bids on or before 10 AM on April 14, 2023 at the District Office Facilities Department, located at T-5 11627 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241 at or after which time the District will open the bids and publicly read them aloud. Any claim by a Bidder of error in its bid must be made in compliance with Public Contract Code § 5100, et seq. Any bid that is submitted after this time shall be non-responsive and returned to the Bidder. The District is not responsible for Bids that are received after the deadline noted above.

The Project consists of:

**Furnishing all labor, materials, and equipment, and services as may be needed to remove existing roofs and installing new roof systems on each building and breezeway.**

All bids shall be on the form provided by the District. Each bid must conform and be responsive to all pertinent Contract Documents, including, but not limited to, the Instructions to Bidders.

To bid on this Project, the Bidder is required to possess one or more of the following State of California Contractor Licenses: B and/or C-39

The Bidder's license(s) must be active and in good standing at the time of the bid opening and must remain so throughout the term of the Contract.

As security for its Bid, each Bidder shall provide with its Bid form

- a bid bond issued by an admitted surety insurer on the form provided by the District, cash, or
- a cashier's check or a certified check, drawn to the order of the **Downey Unified School District** in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid price. This bid security shall be a guarantee that the Bidder shall, within seven (7) calendar days after the date of the Notice of Award, enter into a contract with the District for the performance of the services as stipulated in the bid.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a 100% Performance Bond and a 100% Payment Bond if it is awarded the contract for the Project.

The successful Bidder may substitute securities for any monies withheld by the District to ensure performance under the Contract, in accordance with the provisions of Public Contract Code § 22300.

The successful Bidder and its subcontractors shall pay all workers on the Project not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, State of California, for the type of work performed and the locality in which the work is to be performed within the boundaries of the District, pursuant to Labor Code § 1770 et seq. Prevailing wage rates are on file with the District and are available to any interested party on request or at [www.dir.ca.gov/oprl/statistics\\_and\\_databases.html](http://www.dir.ca.gov/oprl/statistics_and_databases.html). Bidders and Bidders' subcontractors shall comply with the registration and qualification requirements pursuant to Labor Code §§ 1725.5 & 1771.1

A mandatory pre-bid conference and site visit will be held on March 27, 2023 starting at 9 AM at Downey High School, 11040 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241 by the administration building and then going to Stauffer Middle School, 11985 Old River School Rd., Downey, CA 90241 at the administration building. All prospective Bidders are required to sign in. The Site Visit is expected to take approximately an hour. Failure to attend or tardiness will render bid ineligible.

Contract Documents are available on or after March 27, 2023, for review at the District Facilities Office. In addition, Contract Documents are available on the district website: <https://web.dusd.net/purchasing/#bids>.

The District's Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and/or waive any irregularity in any bid received. If the District awards the Contract, the security of unsuccessful Bidder(s) shall be returned within sixty (60) days from the time the award is made. Unless otherwise required by law, no Bidder may withdraw its bid for ninety (90) days after the date of bid opening.

The District shall award the Contract, if it awards it at all, to the lowest responsive responsible Bidder based on: The base bid

amount only.

**The Downey Patriot 3/16/23, 3/23/23**

**CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City Council ("Council") of the City of Downey ("City") will hold a Public Hearing on March 28, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible, at the Downey Council Chambers, located at 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241, concerning proposed increases to the concealed carry permitting fees ("Fees"). Members of the public may view the livestream of the meeting as listed below:

1. **Zoom Teleconference:** <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84288923601>  
**Meeting ID:** 842 8892 3601  
**Dial-In:** (888) 788-0099 or (877) 553-5247
2. **You Tube:** <https://www.youtube.com/c/DowneyCityCouncilMeetings>

At the Public Hearing, members of the public will be afforded an opportunity to make oral or written presentations concerning the proposed new Fees. All interested persons may present oral comments and information at the Public Hearing or may e-mail comment to [ccpubliccomment@downeyca.org](mailto:ccpubliccomment@downeyca.org) or submit their written comments to the City Clerk's Office in person at 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241 no later than 2:00 p.m. on the day of the Public Hearing.

The data supporting the Fees is available for review at the Police Department, 10911 Brookshire Ave, Downey, CA 90241, during regular office hours. Any further information may be obtained by contacting Sergeant Paul Edwards, Downey Police Department at (562) 904-2335.

**Maria Alicia Duarte, CMC City Clerk**

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**NOTICES**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 23NWCP00066**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner CRISTINA MADRIGAL OREA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) NOAH EMANUEL TURREY to Proposed name (1) NOAH EMANUEL MADRIGAL  
**THE COURT ORDERS** that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
**Date: APRIL 28, 2023, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**  
**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD. NORWALK, CA 90650**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT** FEBRUARY 27, 2023  
JUDGE OLIVIA ROSALES  
Judge of the Superior Court  
**Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner CRISTINA MADRIGAL OREA FOR NOAH EMANUEL TURREY 3562 E. 58TH ST. MAYWOOD CA 90270 (323) 534-0646**

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 23NWCP00084**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ROSARIO ELISA AGUINIGA ACOSTA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) ROSARIO ELISA AGUINIGA ACOSTA to Proposed name (1) ROSARIO ELISA AGUINIGA-SANCHEZ  
**THE COURT ORDERS** that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
**Date: MAY 8, 2023, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**  
**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD. NORWALK, CA 90650**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT** MARCH 9, 2023  
JUDGE OLIVIA ROSALES  
Judge of the Superior Court  
**Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner ROSARIO ELISA AGUINIGA ACOSTA 6316 1/2 CORONA AVE BELL, CA 90201 (323) 788-8122 REA166786@GMAIL.COM**

**The Downey Patriot 3/16/23, 3/23/23, 3/30/23, 4/6/23**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 23NWCP00064**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner KARLA FLORES FOR SOPHIA GRACE MORA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) SOPHIA GRACE MORA to Proposed name (1) SOPHIA GRACE

**MORA-FLORES**  
**THE COURT ORDERS** that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
**Date: APRIL 26, 2023, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**  
**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD. NORWALK, CA 90650**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT** FEBRUARY 24, 2023  
JUDGE OLIVIA ROSALES  
Judge of the Superior Court  
**Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner KARLA FLORES 6610 LINDSEY AVE PICO RIVER CA 90660 (949) 533-2128 Karla.i.d14@gmail.com**

**The Downey Patriot 3/2/23, 3/9/23, 3/16/23, 3/23/23**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 23NWCP00005**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner SONIA MARIA COLIN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) SONIA MARIA COLIN to Proposed name (1) JACQUELINE SONIA COLIN  
**THE COURT ORDERS** that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
**Date: MARCH 3, 2023, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**  
**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD. NORWALK, CA. 90650**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT** JANUARY 03, 2023  
MARGARET M. BERNAL  
Judge of the Superior Court  
**Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner SONIA MARIA COLIN 12000 WASHINGTON BLVD. WILTTIE, CA, 90606 (562) 658-7078 agoodeveryday@gmail.com**

**The Downey Patriot 3/2/23, 3/9/23, 3/16/23, 3/23/23**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 23STCP00315**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner LOREN KAY CHRISWELL filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) LOREN KAY CHRISWELL to Proposed name (1) LOREN KAY CHRISWELL  
**THE COURT ORDERS** that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
**Date: MARCH 27, 2023, Time: 10:00 a.m., Department: 72, Room: 731**  
**The address of the court is 111 N HILL ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT** FEBRUARY 03, 2023  
CURTIS A. KIN, JUDGE  
Judge of the Superior Court  
**Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner LOREN KAY CHRISWELL 5024 CLARA STREET. CUDAHY, CA 90201 (323) 963-0579**

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 23STCP00315**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner LOREN KAY CHRISWELL filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) LOREN KAY CHRISWELL to Proposed name (1) LOREN KAY CHRISWELL  
**THE COURT ORDERS** that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
**Date: MARCH 27, 2023, Time: 10:00 a.m., Department: 72, Room: 731**  
**The address of the court is 111 N HILL ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT** FEBRUARY 03, 2023  
CURTIS A. KIN, JUDGE  
Judge of the Superior Court  
**Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner LOREN KAY CHRISWELL 5024 CLARA STREET. CUDAHY, CA 90201 (323) 963-0579**

**The Downey Patriot 3/2/23, 3/9/23, 3/16/23, 3/23/23**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 23STPB02554**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner BETTY JANE ZUPANCIC filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) BETTY JANE ZUPANCIC to Proposed name (1) BETTY JANE ZUPANCIC  
**THE COURT ORDERS** that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
**Date: MARCH 27, 2023, Time: 10:00 a.m., Department: 72, Room: 731**  
**The address of the court is 111 N HILL ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT** FEBRUARY 03, 2023  
CURTIS A. KIN, JUDGE  
Judge of the Superior Court  
**Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner JOHN DAVIES ESQ 11278 LOS ALAMITOS BLVD STE 804 LOS ALAMITOS CA 90720 CN994811 BILLDECOMB Mar 16,23,30, 2023**

**The Downey Patriot 3/2/23, 3/9/23, 3/16/23, 3/23/23**

**PROBATE**

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BETTY JANE ZUPANCIC**  
**Case No. 23STPB02554**  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of BETTY JANE ZUPANCIC  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by James D. Zupanic in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.  
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that James D. Zupanic 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 April 13, 2023 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 4 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.

**Petitioner: James D. Zupanic JAMES D ZUPANCIC PC SBN 88855 16580 FAIR MILE RD SUTERS OR 97759 CN994818 ZUPANCIC Mar 23,30, 2023, Apr 6, 2023**

**CN994818 The Downey Patriot 3/23/23, 3/30/23, 4/6/23**

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF EDITH E. BIDDLECOMB**  
**Case No. 23STPB02486**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of EDITH E. BIDDLECOMB  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Gloria E. Barnes in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.  
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Gloria E. Barnes 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 April 13, 2023 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 5 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: JOHN DAVIES ESQ SBN 140676 LAW OFFICES OF JOHN DAVIES 11278 LOS ALAMITOS BLVD STE 804 LOS ALAMITOS CA 90720 CN994811 BILLDECOMB Mar 16,23,30, 2023**

**CN994811 The Downey Patriot 3/16/23, 3/23/23, 3/30/23**

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LEON M. ORDORICA**  
**Case No. 23STPB02167**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of LEON M. ORDORICA

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: THERESA O. BALDWIN in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that THERESA O. BALDWIN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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: THERESA O. BALDWIN 777 SILVER SPUR ROAD ROLLING HILLS ESTATES, CA 90274 (562) 204-8525 SSERRAS16@GMAIL.COM IN PRO PER**

**The Downey Patriot 3/9/23, 3/16/23, 3/23/23**

**TRUSTEE SALES**

APN: 6190-018-017 TS: 110296-CA NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE WHEREAS, on 11/26/2007, a certain Mortgage Deed of Trust was executed by BERNICE SMITH, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN as trustor in favor of JAMES B. NUTTER & COMPANY as beneficiary, and was recorded on 12/6/2007, as Instrument No. 20072675862, in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California; and WHEREAS, the Mortgage Deed of Trust was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family house; and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest in the Mortgage Deed of Trust is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an assignment dated 7/19/2017, recorded on 7/26/2017, as instrument number 20170836870, in the office of Los Angeles County, California; and WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage Deed of Trust in that the payment due upon the death of the borrower(s) was not made and remains wholly unpaid as of the date of this notice, and no payment has been made sufficient to restore the loan to currency; and WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of 2/17/2023 is \$456,936.69; and WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage Deed of Trust to be immediately due and payable: NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded 2/20/2018, as Instrument No. 20180165635, notice is hereby given that on 3/29/2023 at 10:30 AM local time, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the

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# Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

Like many of our mothers, I find myself telling my patients to eat more vegetables.



Why? Because a diet rich in vegetables can lower blood pressure, reduce the risk of heart disease and stroke, prevent some

types of cancer, lower the risk of eye and digestive problems, keep our appetites in check filling us with high fiber foods, and lower our blood sugar.

Although all vegetables contain vitamins, minerals, and dietary fiber, and are low in calories as well, they differ. Let's take a look at a few.

Spinach happens to be my personal favorite. (Insert Popeye joke of your choice.) I eat it every day, in salads, sandwiches, pasta, scrambled eggs, soups, and particularly in my morning smoothie (read on for my recipe!). It is a great source of calcium, vitamins, iron, and antioxidants, and benefits the heart by lowering blood pressure. For those who are lactose intolerant and avoid dairy, it's a great alternate source for calcium and iron.

Kale has become very popular. Growing up, I remember it only as decoration on deli platters! It is a dark leafy green vegetable that is rich in vitamins A, C, and K. It can help to lower cholesterol, with some studies showing up to 10% in reduction of "bad" LDL, and a 27% increase in "good" HDL. It can lower blood pressure and blood sugar levels. Kale is great in pasta dishes, salads, smoothies, soups, kale chips, and sandwiches.

Broccoli contains the full daily requirement of vitamin K, and twice the daily recommended amount of vitamin C, in just one cup. There is evidence in animal research that chemicals found in cruciferous vegetables like broccoli can inhibit the development of some cancers, including bladder, breast, liver, and stomach. Try roasting, steaming, frying, blending into soups, throwing into salads...or just dip it raw.

Cauliflower is another cruciferous vegetable, containing plenty of vitamins C and K, fiber and antioxidants. Eat it baked or raw, buy it riced, or make a pizza crust.

Sweet potatoes are root vegetables. When baked in its skin, a medium sweet potato contains some 100 calories with almost no fat, more than a day's requirement of vitamins A, C, and B6, as well as potassium and beta carotene (for the eyes). They are great for diabetics because they are low on the glycemic index, and are rich in fiber. They can be eaten by simply baking them in the skin or roasting them in olive oil with

a little salt and pepper.

Beets are also root vegetables, and contain potassium and folate. They are rich in nitrates, and can improve heart health and lower blood pressure. They contain antioxidants, which (among other things) may help to control diabetes. They can be roasted, juiced, or added to salads and sandwiches.

Carrots are so easy. A cup contains over four times the daily requirement of vitamin A (for healthy eyesight). Nutrients found in carrots are associated with a reduced risk of breast cancer. Carrots can be thrown into casseroles, soups, and stews; eaten raw by themselves or in salads; dipped in hummus or ranch dressing; or juiced.

Tomatoes are technically a fruit, yet most of us treat them as vegetables. They contain potassium, vitamin C, and lycopene, an antioxidant which may help to prevent prostate cancer. Other antioxidants in tomatoes, such as lutein and zeaxanthin, may reduce the risk of macular degeneration. They can be eaten raw or cooked, in soups and stews, and of course, in sandwiches.

Peas are sweet and starchy. They are rich in fiber protein, as well as vitamins A, C, K, and B, and saponins, which may help to fight cancer. Try keeping a bag of frozen peas on hand to be tossed into pasta, risotto, soups, and curry dishes.

Onions are closely related to chives, garlic, and leeks. They contain vitamin C and B6, and manganese. They are easy to incorporate into soups, stews, stir fry dishes, and curries. When raw they are extremely high in antioxidants.

Garlic is used in cooking, and in medicine as well. Although it is low in vitamins and minerals, it may have natural antibiotic capabilities.

It can be eaten raw, cooked, broiled, or added to so many foods.

Bell peppers are mostly green, yellow, orange, or red (green bell peppers are the least ripe and the most bitter, and red are the sweetest). They are rich in vitamins C and B6, folate, beta carotene, antioxidants, ascorbic acid, flavonoids, and carotenoids. Try them in pasta, scrambled eggs, and salads; or dipped in hummus or guacamole.

Seaweed is a sea vegetable and includes kelp, nori, sea lettuce, spirulina, and wakame. It has omega-3 fatty acids, which lower cholesterol and help to prevent stroke and heart attack; and iodine, antioxidants, and chlorophyll (an anti-inflammatory). I eat seaweed in sushi, miso soup, plain, and in salads.

Fermenting vegetables adds probiotics to our diets. Probiotics are beneficial bacteria that improve gut health, reduce symptoms of irritable bowel syndrome, and may help to prevent bowel infections. Cabbage turns into sauerkraut when fermented, and cucumbers, carrots, and cauliflower can be pickled. Add them to salads and sandwiches, or eat them as side dishes.

There are so many vegetables to choose from - I urge you to pick your favorites and eat them daily. My morning smoothie recipe? Blend together a very generous handful of baby spinach, four ice cubes, a handful of fresh or frozen blueberries, a half of a fresh or frozen banana, a heaping teaspoon of plain Greek yogurt, another heaping teaspoon of peanut butter, a third of a medium avocado, a splash of any kind of milk or milk substitute, and my "secret" ingredient: a half dozen semi-sweet chocolate chips. Bon appétit!

Dr. Alan Frischer is former chief of staff and former chief of medicine at Downey Regional Medical Center. Write to him in care of this newspaper at 8301 E. Florence Ave., Suite 100, Downey, CA 90240.

# OPINION: No blank checks for non-profits

By Alex Dominguez  
Staff Writer

**DOWNEY** — The Downey YMCA and the Columbia Memorial Space Center are both preparing to start significant projects in the construction of a brand-new facility and the Inspiration expansion, respectively.

Both projects will be costly. Both have their merits. Both should be prioritized.

But when the Downey Y Board approached the city council last month to ask for assistance, something strange happened.

They were pitted against one another.

No one will argue the benefits and services that both the YMCA and the Columbia Memorial Space Center bring to the City of Downey. The proof is in the pudding.

The Y offers countless programs for the young, the old, and those in between. Be it through swim lessons, use of the fitness facilities, camps, after-school child care, the Easter Caravan, scholarships, or any of its other community outreach, you'd be hard-pressed to find someone in Downey who hasn't been touched by the Y in some shape or form.

The nationally recognized memorial to the Columbia Shuttle disaster, the CMSC has established itself as a STEM hub; you need only look at its popular Girls in STEM program, attend the crowded Rocket Fever Festival, measure the wide footprint of City of STEM, or take note of the many busloads of kids on field trips (even beyond Downey Unified) to see that.

The thing is, when considering their respective projects, it's apples and oranges.

First and foremost, the Columbia Memorial is a publicly-owned building and organization, as opposed to Downey YMCA which is privately owned by YMCA

of Metropolitan Los Angeles.

It makes natural and logical sense for the city to provide funding towards the Space Center and its projects, as it does so already as part of its yearly fiscal budget.

Beyond that, a majority of the CMSC's already procured fundraising has an expiration date.

The city has raised around \$11 million so far, and will likely need more than double that before the project's conclusion, per comments made by Mayor Claudia M. Frometa at the last council meeting.

The largest single chunk of that change, according to CMSC Director Ben Dickow, comes from a 2019 state budget allotment, which requires it be used by March 1, 2025.

It's a use it or lose it scenario.

The Y in comparison has a conservative \$10 and a half million of the over \$14 million (potentially as much as \$18 million) it will need either pledged or in the bank, according to Board member Steve Roberson. Part of those funds came from former Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia, who pledged \$3 million, which must be spent by Jan. 31, 2025.

Still, if the city is worried that helping fund the new Y facility will set a precedent, they need not worry about doing so.

It's already there.

In September last year, the City Council agreed to donate \$30,000 to The Downey Rose Float Association. At the time, the sum was said to have been enough to "cover the cost of flowers" alone that year.

It wasn't a particularly difficult decision for the council; in fact, it was approved unanimously, and even discussed to potentially be a recurring expense added to the yearly budget.

Ultimately, the city council needs to make up its mind: does it want to fund non-city projects from nonprofits and service organizations, or not?

If the answer is yes, then it should still do so in a responsible, organized manner.

Budget out some sort of grant each year. Have each organization apply for what they need, and divvy out accordingly.

If the city council does not want to go that route, then they need to find creative ways to show their support indirectly, as they have done so before.

The city has traditionally waived fees, provided space, offered police support, etc., for groups who were putting on fundraisers and / or events.

For example, The Downey Symphony, The Downey Arts Coalition, and Downey Rose Float are all considered "legacy groups" at the Downey Theatre - receiving rental credits, stage availability, and other benefits - saving them thousands of dollars.

The city of Downey is fortunate enough that there are many service organizations and nonprofits who serve the community, and the city council is right in their desire to show their support in any way they can.

However, it needs to be done frugally and responsibly, and it should never come at the expense of the city's own facilities and programming.

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**City Council agrees to continue Stay Gallery financial support**

**City Council** - The Downey City Council on Tuesday agreed to pay \$150,000 to continue the financial support of Stay Gallery, a local art gallery, for another three years.

The city's agreement with Stay Gallery, which is operated by artist Eric Flores, was initially approved in 2012. The city's budget for 2017-2018 includes an additional \$150,000 for the gallery's operating expenses.

City Council member Brian Heyman said the gallery is an important part of the city's cultural scene and that the council's decision to continue its support is a reflection of the city's commitment to the arts.

The gallery, located at 21158 Artesia Ave., is a non-profit organization that provides a space for local artists to display their work and for the community to enjoy art.

The council's decision was unanimous. Council member Blanca Pacheco said she was pleased with the council's decision to continue its support of the gallery.

The gallery's director, Eric Flores, said he was grateful for the city's support and that he hoped the council's decision would help the gallery continue to provide a space for local artists to display their work and for the community to enjoy art.

The gallery's operating expenses include rent, utilities, and other costs. The council's decision to continue its support of the gallery for another three years will help the gallery cover these expenses and continue to provide a space for local artists to display their work and for the community to enjoy art.

The gallery's operating expenses for 2017-2018 are estimated to be \$150,000. The council's decision to continue its support of the gallery for another three years will help the gallery cover these expenses and continue to provide a space for local artists to display their work and for the community to enjoy art.

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