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## Board Postpones Conversion Of Bloomington Residences To Industrial Use

By Mark Gutglueck

The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors this week postponed for six weeks its final decision with regard to allowing residential property in the unincorporated county area of Bloomington to be utilized to host a 344,000-square foot warehouse.

For more than four years a confrontation has

been brewing between county officials and the project applicant on one side and a significant cross section of Bloomington residents on the other, as this particular land use redesignation has the potential of being a tipping point that will lead to the eventual wholesale conversion of what was once a predominantly rural and low density residential

community into an industrial district. Bloomington residents and those speaking on their behalf expressed the belief that with industrial uses already encroaching into the residential neighborhood, converting land currently zoned and reserved for residential use into industrial property will further the process of the area's houses being rooted out

one-by-one until all of the housing is replaced by warehousing and light-to-medium intensity industrial operations.

County officials went into the meeting and public hearing poised on the brink of ratifying the zone change and amending the county's land use designation to accommodate the developer and allow the further industrialization of the

land in question.

The matter ended without resolution, however, as the board of supervisors was inundated with local resident protest over the conversion of yet another residential property into a warehousing and logistics facility.

The unincorporated blue collar community of Bloomington, spread along the pe- See P 2

## County Hires New Chief Medical Officer For ARMC



Varadarajan Subbiah

The county has arranged for Dr. Varadarajan Subbiah, to serve as the chief medical officer at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center.

Arrowhead Regional Medical Center in Colton is the main campus of the San Bernardino County Hospital.

Dr. Subbiah, who goes by Raj, is currently a practicing internist in Newark, Delaware, working out of institutions owned and operated by Cc Hospitalists Partners. He is also affiliated with Aria Health, Bryn Mawr Hospital and Holy Redeemer Hospital & Medical Center.

He has been practicing for 11 years, having graduated from the University of Medicine And Dentistry of New Jersey/ Newark in 2006.

Last year he authored the abstract *Effectiveness of Multiple Observation Units in Reducing Length of Stay*, which appeared in the *Journal of Hospital Medicine*.

In a report dated August 21, William Gilbert, the director of the Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, said it is his recommendation that the county "employ Raj Subbiah as the chief medical officer."

The county undertook a nationwide search to fill the position of chief medical officer after Dr. Richard Pitts recently departed from See P 18

## Adelanto City Attorney Resigns 3 Days After City Manager Sacks City Clerk

Less than four weeks into his tenure as Adelanto city manager, Jessie Flores early this week fired City Clerk Cindy Herrera.

Three days later, City Attorney Ruben Duran tendered his resignation amid indications that the city council was going to fire him today.

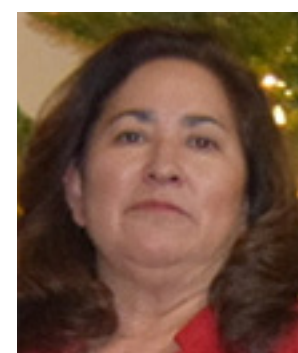
Herrera, who made a steady rise through the

ranks over a 31-year career while withstanding the vicissitudes of a political landscape which historically has proved out to be as or more treacherous than those in any of San Bernardino County's 23 other cities throughout the county's 165-year existence, at last succumbed to the wicked undertow of the cutthroat political ethos

now predominating at City Hall.

Flores' advancement through the ranks to his present position as the city's top administrator has been a mercurial one, tied directly to the political ascendancy of Adelanto Mayor Rich Kerr. Previously, Flores was a limousine driver and gardener, as well as a hanger-on with

the now defunct political machine headed by disgraced former San Bernardino County Supervisor Bill Postmus. In 2014, Flores, acting in the capacity of what some referred to as campaign manager, assisted Kerr in his maiden run for political office, when the latter challenged then-incumbent Mayor Cari Thomas. With the



Cindy Herrera

city then facing a substantial budget See P 17

## Bollen Challenging Status Quo In Yucca Valley Council Run



Jo Ann Bollen

Jo Ann Bollen is seeking election to the Yucca Valley Town Council

in November, she said, "to ensure that everyone in Yucca Valley has equal representation by a council member who listens to their concerns and takes action. I would like to see more diversity on the Town Council. I am a voter registration and engagement activist who believes that to ensure real representation we need to encourage more citizens See P 5

## LaPlante Offers Pragmatic Leadership Untied To Special Interests In AV Electoral Effort



Roger LaPlante

Roger LaPlante is running for Apple Valley Town Council, he

said, "because the residents need new pragmatic leadership in order to reform our local government so it can work better for the residents and not the special interest groups."

His experience in government puts him in good stead to assume a position on the town council, LaPlante said. "My government career spans over 20 years in

service with the U.S. Army and The Department of Veterans Affairs. I am an experienced small business owner."

He is easily distinguished from some of the council incumbents, LaPlante said, by not being in a position to profit personally from being a town official.

"I will never have to recuse myself See P 3

## Positive Change & Transparency Are The Themes Of Mendez's Barstow Campaign

David Mendez is vying for a position on the Barstow City Council this year, he said, because "I believe it is time for positive change with 100 percent transparency. It's time to bring and keep business in town. It's time to force the hand of the building owners to fill the unoccupied/empty store fronts. It's time to bring the city reserves up so we can complete



David Mendez

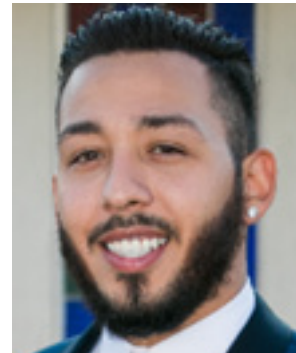
projects, and most importantly it's time to protect & support our fire and police departments

because of their depleted resources."

He is qualified to serve on the city council, Mendez said, because he is a native who knows the city front and back, up and down, left and right through lifelong experience and community involvement.

"I was born in the City of Barstow," Mendez said. "I have lived at the same ad- See P 5

## Goal In VV Council Run Is To Unify The City, Musquiz Says



Manuel Musquiz

Manuel Musquiz is seeking a seat on the Victorville City Council

because, he said, "Growing up I often heard the phrase 'It takes a village to raise a child.' That's why I believe it's our duty as a community to properly take care of each other and the generations to come."

Musquiz, said what he can offer the City of Victorville is an eclectic appreciation of itself. "The experience I possess has given me the See P 5



## Minimal Harm Will Come From Placing Warehouse Next To Houses & School, County Contends

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riphery of Fontana and Rialto and north of the Riverside County border, was historically an agricultural area with a substantial degree of modest infill residential development. The continuation of its existence as a primarily agricultural/residential zone has long been compromised by the three major transportation arterials that cross it east-west: the Santa Fe Railway line, the I-10 Freeway and Valley Boulevard. Over the last half century, what was once a largely rustic area has haphazardly absorbed what is now a jumble of commercial uses along the freeway and Valley Boulevard, many of them transportation related. South of the freeway, a hodgepodge of light and medium industrial uses, adjuncts to the rail line, have come to dot the landscape along two other east-west roads, Slover Avenue and Jurupa Avenue. What officials say are marginally non-compliant uses of residential properties proliferate in the area, such as half-acre residential properties being used for truck parking or storage of industrial equipment and machinery. Land values and retail tax revenue in the area is barely capable of defraying what virtually everyone acknowledges are inadequate services and infrastructure.

In the last decade, both Fontana and Rialto have been gripped by a warehouse building frenzy, and that contagion has spread to Bloomington, where land prices remain, relatively speaking in comparison to much of the rest of Southern California, sufficiently affordable for speculators and developers to seek to assemble large enough properties upon which to build warehouses, or light industrial buildings and foundries. In most cases, that has entailed

altering the zoning on the properties, which have long specified low density housing, primarily quarter, half and full acre lots. The encroachment of the industrial uses on those neighborhoods has alarmed ever increasing numbers of the roughly 24,000 population that lives within Bloomington's six square miles. Perceiving stepped-up efforts to set up industrial operations in Bloomington, which in any event a large number of the area's residence consider incompatible with their residential neighborhoods, resistance to adding warehouses or any sort of industrial-related businesses to the area had begun to manifest seven or eight years ago and built to a crescendo at Tuesday's board of supervisors meeting. The Concerned Neighbors of Bloomington has found assistance in this resistance from the Jurupa Valley-based Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice as well as the Warehouse Workers Support Center. United and separately, residents and those organizations have for nearly five years made a concerted effort to persuade the entity which has land use authority in Bloomington – the county – to hold the line against warehouse construction there and not grant the zone changes and land use amendments needed by would-be warehouse developers to get approval for their projects.

Supervisor Josie Gonzales, however, has embraced the concept of facilitating virtually any improvements to the area that development interests are willing to undertake. Gonzales, who was formerly on the Fontana City Council and has been the Fifth District San Bernardino County supervisor representing east Fontana, Bloomington, Rialto, Colton and West San Bernardino since 2004, is acutely conscious that Bloomington, with its relatively modest residential property values and anemic sales tax base, generates less in both property tax

and sales tax revenues than the county government must shell out to provide the area with basic services such as law enforcement efforts by the sheriff's department, fire protection and emergency medical response by the county fire department and maintenance of the area's streets by the county public works division. Most of the roughly 4,000 households in Bloomington live in homes that are not hooked into a sewer system but rather have septic systems. It is through development of any sort, Gonzales and her staff believe, that Bloomington can update and modernize its infrastructure and enhance the services received by its residents. The development fees to be paid by the warehouse builders and the increase in property value and therefore uprating in property tax revenue will assist in getting the languishing community off top dead center so that services can be enhanced and infrastructure improvements can be made to enable further development and improvements, Gonzales and other supporters of the warehouse development agenda in Bloomington maintain.

Four years ago, the JM Realty Group partially assembled property it needed to undertake the construction of another warehouse by tying up or obtaining options to buy some 17 acres of land located on the south side of Slover Avenue, between Laurel Avenue and Locust Avenue in Bloomington. The land was zoned, in the county's land use vernacular, "Bloomington Single Residential," meaning it could be developed to a maximum density of two single family units per acre. JM Realty's intention was to establish a warehouse of well over 300,000 square feet on the property. To do that it would need to have the zoning changed to what the county calls "Bloomington Community Industrial." Once its intention was declared, however, resistance involving the Concerned

Neighbors of Bloomington, the Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice and the Warehouse Workers Support Center manifested. It took four years for the project to come before the board of supervisors this week, what many consider a true test case about the future of Bloomington. Asserting that residential and industrial uses in such close proximity to one another are incompatible, a multitude of residents maintain that if the county consents to changing the zoning from residential to industrial, the board will essentially be setting the Bloomington district on a trajectory that will ultimately result in one by one all of the residential properties being converted to industrial use.

According to the staff report prepared by Terri Rahhal, the director of the county's Land Use Services Department, for the board prior to the meeting, her department had reviewed the application and was recommending that the board of supervisors grant JM Realty Group, Inc. the applied-for general plan amendment and conditional use permit, certify the final environmental impact report, and adopt the supporting facts and findings her department had come up with relating to the project. Rahhal said among those findings was that the project would have environmental impacts that could not be overcome or mitigated, but that the project should proceed because there were overriding considerations that she said made the project worth pursuing despite the untoward environmental impacts. In this way, she said, for the project to proceed the board would need to make a finding confirming those overriding considerations.

According to Rahhal, the overriding considerations were that benefits of the project warranted its approval despite its significant impacts. Those benefits included the creation of up to 290 new jobs, the reduction

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of greenhouse gas emissions by providing local jobs, the generation of an estimated \$5.9 million in cumulative property tax revenue through 2029, the enhancement of community aesthetics with roadway improvements and landscaping, and the payment of an estimated \$185,000 in local school fees in 2019. To ensure that those environmental impacts did not prove too threatening to the health and wellbeing of the nearby residents, Rahhal said the board should mandate the adoption of a mitigation monitoring and reporting program for the project. The board would also need to ratify a county general plan amendment and a zone change on the 17.34-acre property from Bloomington Single Residential to Bloomington Community Industrial to allow the construction of a 344,000 square foot. "High Cube" warehouse facility.

At Tuesday morning's meeting during the hearing for the project, Rahhal was asked about the proliferation of warehouses in Bloomington.

"It's not a significant percentage because they're primarily located here on Slover Avenue and there's one project site that was recently approved at Cedar and Jurupa Avenue," Rahhal said, stating that in that portion of Bloomington "to the north side of the freeway... there are no logistics facilities. So, it's in a low percentage range, less than 10 percent."

Rahhal indicated that industrial uses are

invasively making inroads into the yet largely residential community, slowly transforming the current character of the neighborhood. She said there is "a lot of low density" and "single family tracts of half acre lots" in the area but that there is "north and west [of the proposed project site] already community industrial use designation property" and the property to be changed from residential zoning to industrial is "surrounded by 1.2 million square feet of light industrial."

Rahhal offered a defense of putting the warehouse project into an area where there is a significant degree of long-established residential development. The property upon which the warehouse project is proposed lies within what Rahhal termed a "boundary zone" between residential and industrial properties. If the asked-for zone change, general plan amendment and conditional use permit were granted, she said, having "single family one-half acre lot sizes" next to a "warehouse project" was "consistent with being next to an industrial zone." Rahhal said the truck traffic into the warehouse facility would be directed away from where the existing houses were, such that the "noise and traffic" would be vectored toward "Interstate 10" rather than in proximity to the houses. She noted the nearby presence of "rail lines." She said JM Realty was going to landscape the project in such a way that there would

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## LaPlante Calls For Extending Measure N In AV *from front page*

from voting because I have zero conflicts of interest in town business,” he said.

The major issue facing the community at this time, LaPlante said, is “the town’s fiscal responsibility to the residents.”

Beyond that, he believes the council should prioritize sustaining the long time commitment Apple Valley has in precluding developers from constructing homes on lots anything less than one-half acre. The city upon its foundation in 1988 had set a one-half acre minimum lot size. This led to protests from the development industry, but both residents and prevailing elected officials were committed to the generous-size residential lot concept, believing it preserved the quality of life in Apple Valley and distinguished it from other cities that were dominated by the demands of the development community, which once in control pushed for ever smaller lot sizes, resulting in as many as a dozen or 14 residential units being packed onto a single acre. By the late 1990s, the troika of David Holman, Barbara Loux and Patrick Jacobo, all of whom had ties

to the development community, were elected to the council. They made a push to reduce the town’s standards to allow four residential units to the acre as a prelude to even further density concessions. This triggered a counterreaction from among town residents, resulting in a committee qualifying a recall election against Holman, Loux and Jacobo and placing on the same ballot Measure N, which mandated that until December 31, 2020 the “existing rural atmosphere and equestrian lifestyle” of Apple Valley would be respected by requiring a vote of the people on any amendment to the single-family residential element of the town’s general plan, thus safeguarding Apple Valley’s tradition of half-acre lots. That election was held on November 2, 1999. Measure N, passed by more than 83 percent, while 89 percent of the town’s voters chose to remove Holman, Loux and Jacobo from office in favor of Ted Burgnon, Tim Jasper and Michael Risley, all three advocates of Apple Valley’s half-acre lot size minimum. With Measure N’s provisions due to sunset in a little more than two years, efforts were made to get the current council to put a replicant measure on the ballot

this year to perpetuate the half-acre minimum lot size another two decades. Incumbent council members Larry Cusack, Scott Nassif and Curt Emick, as well as Mayor Art Bishop balked at doing so, leading some to suspect that the development industry has made inroads with them to allow Apple Valley to shrink lot sizes to as small as an eighth of an acre in Apple Valley beginning in 2021.

LaPlante said the council should quit temporizing with regard to the issue and recommit the town to keeping its quality of life intact. He called for “putting Measure N back on the ballot before it is due to sunset in order to keep our lot sizes at one house per half acre. We need to agendize Measure N.”

LaPlante said he also sees “public safety and homelessness as significant issues” in Apple Valley.

LaPlante further identified water conservation as a priority for the town. “If elected, I will work diligently to conserve our water and advocate for fair rates for residential homes and businesses,” he said.

LaPlante called for “the reduction of overpaid administration salaries.”

He said, “We should allocate more funds to increase public safety.”

A fiscal conservative who is against raising taxes, LaPlante said the town, if managed properly “will pay for our ‘Better Way of Life’ by bringing in new pioneering businesses to the north Apple Valley freeway corridor and through the revitalization of the Village without eating up taxpayers’ dollars. We can make ends meet and balance our budget by cutting out waste and creating a

business-friendly community.”

At present, LaPlante is the executive board representative to the California Democratic Party for delegates in the 33rd Assembly District and the San Bernardino County Democratic Party’s voter registration committee chairman. He has a medical retirement from the United States Army and the Veterans Administration after a 20-plus year career in the military, during which he had assignments around the globe.

“I come from a proud family that has been involved in public service since World War II, when my father served the United States in the South Pacific with the U.S. Navy,” LaPlante said. “I was also a combat veteran of the 1st Inf Div Big Red 1 Iraq in 1991. In 1985 I served in the NATO European theater of operations in the Cold War.” “I come from a proud family that has been involved in public service since World War II, when my father served the United States in the South Pacific with the U.S. Navy,” LaPlante said. “I was also a combat veteran of the 1st Inf Div Big Red 1 Iraq in 1991. In 1985 I served in the NATO European theater of operations in the Cold War.”

A graduate of Northwest High School in Indiana, LaPlante told the *Sentinel*, “I used my GI Bill benefits to earn two degrees from Victor Valley College, majoring in automotive engineering.”

LaPlante has a 29-year-old son, Jeffrey, and daughter-in-law, Diana.

More can be gleaned about LaPlante and his candidacy at his website, [rlaplante.com](http://rlaplante.com), and on Facebook.

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## County On Verge Of Industrializing Bloomington Neighborhood *from front page*

be a “400-foot buffer between the houses and the warehouse.”

Relatively late in her presentation, Rah-

hal made reference to Bloomington High School. “One of the surrounding uses is Bloomington High School,” she said, acknowledging she “failed to mention that.” Still, Rahhal asserted,

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## Forum... Or Against 'em Observations from a Decidedly Continental Perspective

By Count Friedrich von Olsen



We are nearing the end of the 16-year-in-total reign of Jerry Brown as California Governor. Add to that the eight years he spent as California Attorney General [not to mention his two terms as Oakland mayor] and there is grounds to assert that he has proven the most influential of California politicians ever in its 168-year history. His competition for this title would include John Weller, governor and U.S. senator; John Downey, governor, lieutenant governor and assemblyman; James Gillett, governor, congressman and California state senator; Hiram Johnson, governor and U.S. senator; George Perkins, governor, U.S. senator and state senator; Leland Stanford, who was both governor and U.S. senator; Pete Wilson, both governor, U.S. senator and the mayor of San Diego and a member of the California Assembly; Governor Brown’s own father, Pat Brown, who was governor, California attorney general and San Francisco district attorney; Goodwin Knight, who was governor, lieutenant governor and a Superior Court judge; Earl Warren, governor, Alameda County district attorney, California attorney general and Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court; Ronald Reagan, governor and president of the United States and Richard Nixon, U.S. president, U.S. vice president, U.S. senator and congressman. If he is not the most influential California politician ever, Jerry Brown is among the top four or five...

Readers of this column know that I am not much of a Jerry Brown fan. Sure, despite his being a Democrat, I was enthusiastic about the prospect for a new beginning he represented when he was first elected governor back in 1974, based largely on the hope that as a 30-something newcomer he would prove to be an energetic and open-minded innovator. I was largely disappointed. As a shipping magnate, I was a bit concerned about his election as mayor in Oakland, as occasionally – very occasionally – one of my ships must harbor, offload or take on cargo at the Port of Oakland. I weathered the storm of his eight years in office as Oakland mayor. I was not particularly enthusiastic about his time in office as California attorney general. I’ll say this much for him: he didn’t indict me. Then again, I don’t think I merited indictment. Unfortunately, I am less than convinced that Jerry Brown has not been deserving of being indicted himself. Recently more has come to light that confirms me in my suspicions with regard to the motivation of California’s 34th and 39th governor...

We learned late last week that the California legislature, which is dominated by Democrats in both the upper and lower houses, has rejected Governor Brown’s efforts to push through legislation that would shield electrical utilities from a major portion of financial liability for wildfires. This year’s legislative session ends next week, on August 31, and time has run out on a yet amorphous bill proposed by Governor Brown which would have left to the discretion of judges how much utilities would have to pay when their equipment causes wildfires. The proposal was to greatly compromise the current California standard that holds electrical utility companies entirely liable for the costs of fires brought on by sparking or other ignition related to power lines, generators, dynamos and whatnot. On August 9 there was dis-

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## Should County And Local Government Make A U-Turn?

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### Downside Of Putting Industrial Uses Next To Houses In Bloomington Is Outweighed By The Benefits, County Says *from page 3*

the ingress and egress to the facility would "keep truck activity on Slover [Avenue] and away from Bloomington High School. Clearly there are a lot of different land uses existing in this area in the boundary zone between industrial and residential uses." Yet having the warehouse in the place it is planned for will be of some benefit, she said.

"In many ways putting a warehouse facility in this location creates a better [situation] than leaving the property vacant," she said, creating a "landscape buffer," as the large building will block sound. She suggested a warehouse is compatible with its surroundings as a buffer shielding the neighborhood and high school from intense truck traffic on Slover Avenue.

While Rahhal asserted onerous elements of the project had been greatly minimized, she acknowledged there were features of the development that would impose some degree of risk on the nearby residents.

"This was reviewed over a couple of years now," Rahhal said. "The

initial review of the project resulted in a determination an environmental impact report should be prepared. That process began in earnest in the beginning of 2017. In December 2017 it was completed and distributed for public review." The report, she said, made a "full analysis of air quality impacts" during both the construction and operational phases of the project. This analysis dealt with what the diminished air quality would do to "sensitive receptors," meaning anyone who might experience asthma or breathing problems, including residents and high school students.

The county received comment letters submitted in response to the report, Rahhal said, and that input was incorporated into the specifications in the mitigation monitoring and reporting program for the project as well as the mitigation measures suggested as part of the project approval.

Rahhal admitted the adequacy of the mitigation measures and the project's impact upon air quality and traffic circulation in the area were "controversial" considerations.

Some of those problems were offset by certain features of the project, she said. "Air quality issues are partially mitigated by the project de-

sign itself, by existing regulations that are already in place and also by measures that were imposed on the project in condition of approval and mitigation measures in the environmental impact report," she said.

One of those mitigation measures, she said, would be the county's insistence that the warehouse facility have an electrical charging system so that refrigerator trucks, using diesel fuel, would not be continually idling while docked at the facility. Moreover, she said, the emissions of diesel trucks in general are being reduced by regulations imposed by the California Air Quality Resources Board. Those regulations, she said, "are actually reducing the emissions of diesel engines" and "additional standards" are being implemented on an ongoing basis. "In 2023 it is anticipate the entire [fleet of large vehicles] buses or trucks [will transition to] alternative fuel or clean diesel fuel," she said. She added that "Traffic on this project is limited pretty much to Slover Avenue."

JM Realty would further offset the negatives to the neighborhood the project entails by making, Rahhal said, "a partial contribution to pay for a [traffic] signal at Slover Avenue and Linden [through] \$626,000 in contributions to a re-

gional traffic mitigation fee."

Rahhal said some "impacts would remain significant even with the implementation of the mitigation measures. Those will be certain impacts to air quality and traffic."

The project, Rahhal conceded is in "conflict with the regional air quality management plan for the South Coast Basin," in that it would result in "a cumulative significant net increase of ...criteria pollutant[s] in a non-attainment area." These related to ozone and particulate matter, she said. "We're a non-attainment region for air quality in this basin," she noted, acknowledging that the area is already out of compliance with the South Coast Air Quality Management District's emissions standards, and the addition of the project will virtually assure the region will continue to be out of compliance with the Regional Air Quality Board's goals.

"With traffic, there are some impacts that will not be mitigated on the opening day of the project, meaning there are significant improvements to the Cedar I-10 interchange that are not under the control of the project applicant," Rahhal said. Those impacts will be alleviated in 2021 with the completion of the interchange improve-

ments.

Rahhal said the board providing the statement of overriding considerations was called for since "the benefits of the project would [justify] the lead agency to approve the project despite those impacts. In this case there are certain overriding considerations or benefits of constructing and operating the project and some additional benefits that are offered on a voluntary basis by this applicant in offering a memorandum of understanding with the county."

Rahhal noted that the City of Rialto had taken issue with the approval of the project and had written a letter asserting that the noticing of the project consideration was defective, and requested that approval of the project be delayed.

"Staff is unsure of the reasoning for submitting this letter," Rahhal said. "We leave it to the board to address whether that city's request to postpone a decision on this project should be honored."

Principal County Counsel Bart Brizee acknowledged "There is a technical defect [in the noticing]."

Christine Donahue from Michael Baker International, the company that prepared the environmental impact report on the project, said while there would be an

increase in emissions on Slover "where you already have, essentially, an emissions corridor... we don't find that there would be a significant health risk. That does not equal no health risk, just like it does not equal no emissions. The Air Quality Management District understands that if you are going to have growth in a society you're going to continue to have emissions. But we establish standards by which we can continue to ratchet down emissions in the environment."

During the public hearing, a degree of tension was evinced between the representatives of differing labor groups. The unions representing construction workers and some construction workers themselves, who stood to be paid union scale wages in excess of \$20 per hour for work on the project, expressed support of the project. Representatives of warehouse workers and some warehouse workers voiced opposition to the project.

Speaking in Spanish, Alejandrina Lopez told the board that she was an 11-year warehouse worker. "Working so much time in this industry, I can say these jobs are not of quality or good jobs," she said through an interpreter. Because warehouses do not have safety and health insurance

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**Bollen Running In Yucca Valley from front page**

to participate in our democracy, including voting and running for office.”

Her understanding and appreciation of the dynamics of representative government qualifies her to serve on the town council, she said.

“As one who is committed to open and transparent government that is accountable to its taxpayers, I believe I can add real value to the town council,” Bollen said. “I will bring an open mind, listen to all points of view, even when I disagree, do the homework, be a fact checker, and be informed on the issues that are being discussed and that are important to our citizens. I will not be afraid to ask for help. I know everyone doesn’t

know everything. I want to be a team player so that we can accomplish more for our town, while at the same time not be a push-over and to speak up for myself and for my constituents.”

This will be Yucca Valley’s first election under the electoral ward system it has recently adopted. Bollen is challenging long-time council member Merl Abel. Her addition to the council would impact the character of the council and community, she said.

“I’m not as entrenched in Yucca Valley’s political network and history as the other members, but I think fresh voices are good for government,” she said. “Change is good, particularly as the town grows.”

Bollen said modernizing the town’s public facilities, utilities and

groundwork was a major issue. She said boosting the economy, increasing the level of public safety service, and ensuring adequate housing stock for the town’s increasing population were other primary challenges in Yucca Valley.

“Major issues are improving infrastructure, the lack of well-paying jobs, not enough police presence, increasing affordable housing, and the lack of facilities for the homeless, such as showers, a laundry and shelter,” she said.

She said the city can meet those challenges by modernizing utilities and communications facilities and means, as well as by revamping existing but underutilized structures and resources.

“Improving tech infrastructure (power and internet) would attract more small and medium

size businesses that provide living wages with good benefits,” Bollen said. “It will also help people who work from home have access to more powerful and reliable internet.” She advocated “taking a close look at abandoned buildings and re-purposing them to address the increasing need for more affordable housing as well as providing a homeless shelter with an existing empty store. We need to take a closer look at vacation rentals and explore how they impact the displacement of year-round renters when a property is converted.”

Bollen said the city can defray the cost of instituting the solutions she is advocating through the application of money collected as a consequence of the 2016 passage of Measure Y, which imposes a half-

cent sales tax within the town limits; the city’s transitory occupancy tax imposed on motels and rental units; and revenue bonds.

Bollen said she has no direct experience in government as an elected official or employee, but touted this as a potential benefit to the city’s residents, who in this election will be given a choice over charting a new direction or remaining connected to the staid policies of the inveterate establishment.

“I am new to government, which is not necessarily a bad thing,” she said. “New candidates can bring new ideas and fresh outlooks.”

Bollen who previously lived in South Lake Tahoe, where she owned and operated a photo lab and wedding photography business, has long been familiar with

Yucca Valley as three of her brothers have lived in the area for more than two decades. She was more recently living in La Quinta and retired to Yucca Valley in 2017, partially to be nearer her brothers.

A graduate of San Pedro High School in Los Angeles, she attended Los Angeles Harbor College.

Now an active retiree and former business owner, she most recently founded a non-partisan voter registration and engagement group, Vote Morongo Basin. Vote Morongo Basin registers voters, trains people to register voters, offers free mobile voter registration for those who can’t travel or use the internet, and schedules rides on election day for voters who can’t get to the polls.

-M.G.

**Mendez Vs. Silva In Barstow from front page**

dress for 30-plus years. I am best known as an instructor-owner of Mendez Martial Arts for 22 years and Dana Park Martial Arts for three years. I was a youth football assistant coach for eight years. I was a girls softball coach for 4 years, a church youth group coordinator for three years, a religion teacher for six years, and dedicated father and husband for 36 years and

counting. My involvement with the community and ensuring Barstow moves into the future would be paramount as a city councilman.”

This year is the first district-based council election in Barstow, following 71 years of at-large elections since the city’s 1947 founding. Mendez is challenging incumbent Tim Silva to represent Barstow in the city’s First District.

“I only have one opponent, the incumbent,” Mendez said. “The people of Barstow not only

want positive change, we need it because the status quo is stagnant.”

Mendez said the major issue facing the city at this time is keeping Barstow’s public safety function intact and under local control.

“Our first and foremost challenge is the inability to unite the citizens of Barstow on how we can as a city support our emergency services,” Mendez said. “We currently have a measure on the ballot to make this happen, but the citizens are doubtful it will

happen even if it passes because of past history of the wrong thing happening for some of the right reasons. Measure Q is a 1 percent tax that helps the city. It taxes 1 percent from the average 60,000 travelers almost every weekend passing through Barstow. Now that is a huge positive. But if it does not pass our fire department will be annexed to the county fire district and the citizens of Barstow will suffer for it. The San Bernardino County Fire District is currently \$29

million in the negative, and Barstow will add to the deficit. Also, annexing into the county fire district will cost Barstow citizens \$157 dollars with a 3 percent increase annually. The citizens cannot afford that, either.”

Mendez said, “I am a dedicated man, and that is only one of my attributes. I am very direct in conversation with 100 percent transparency. I am a researcher and when asked a question and I do not have an answer, I will find the an-

swer and return data for you, favorably or not. I am honest to a fault because, as my wife says, ‘You are a bad liar,’ so I do not lie in fear of getting caught.”

Mendez told the *Sentinel*, “I have been married to the same beautiful woman since 1982. We have four great children and two beautiful grandchildren. Also, I have a daughter, three grandchildren and one great-grandchild and one on the way who reside in Texas.”

-M.G.

**Musquiz In VV Council Bid from front page**

ability to understand people of all walks of life, their needs and desires, because I am one of them. The late author Dr. Seuss said, ‘Unless someone like you cares an awful lot, nothing is going to get better.’ It’s not.”

He is distinguished from the other candidates, Musquiz said, by his willingness to think unconventionally like most millennials do.

“My vision for the people, the planet, and the economy are unimaginable by the other candidates, I believe,”

he said. “My passion and determination on making life better for all those in our community is what makes me unique.”

The major challenge to Victorville at present, Musquiz said, are economic deprivation at the community and personal levels and the disenfranchisement that entails.

“I would have to say poverty and the disinvolved of the community are the major issues,” he said. “When we involve the community, all issues are solved together.”

To overcome those challenges, Musquiz said, “We start with our people in mind first. We

can adopt basic income, hire the homeless and youth to clean our cities, create multi-living centers, create jobs that tackle climate change, which is the biggest crisis humans have ever faced, and provide community-based education. The natives thrived on community-based economics and so will we in Victorville.”

His solutions can be implemented, Musquiz said, by “utilizing the cannabis industry and working together, educating our people and becoming a unionized city” He said he would finance city operations above and beyond its traditional flow of income

involving tax revenue “by engaging the community in local events that bring in resources, like-minded entrepreneurs and innovators together to solve the community’s dilemmas.”

His previous experience relating to government, Musquiz said, consists of having been a founding who saw the way social agencies can ensure compassion is shown to the unfortunate.

“Being a former foster youth I learned very early what role the government plays in people’s lives. The experience I had with government at that time is the reason I will be the millennial

who changes Victorville.” he said.

Musquiz was born and raised in San Bernardino. “I moved to the High Desert in 2003 and I’ve called Victorville my home since 2005,” he said.

He was homeschooled as a child. Later, he said, “I attended multiple colleges, community colleges and private junior colleges. I studied for an AA in business but found the education system difficult. I find it easier to learn more in a library.”

Musquiz said, “I’m currently CEO of my life. I’ve decided to be a man of value instead of a rich materialistic man.”

Musquiz is single. “I do not have any children, which gives me the time to put action and lead the progressives in our country,” Mauquiz said.

Musquiz said, “I would love for the great individuals, families, LGBT, youth and conservatives to understand that I, Manuel A. Musquiz, stand with and for all people. I believe we as humans can become an advanced species, with the decision to treat ourselves and neighbors with love and care. We can unite as one race, the only race, the human race.”

-M.G.



## Don't Industrialize Our Neighborhood, Bloomington Residents Say *from page 4*

for their employees, Lopez said, the workers are “not well paid [enough] to care for themselves or support a family.”

Nancy Hernandez, speaking in Spanish, took aim at Supervisor Josie Gonzales, accusing her of “deception. Many of our representatives are not representing our necessities. They don't care about the kids. They don't care about senior citizens who must walk in streets that have no sidewalks. They want our vote but don't back us up.” She told the board to “step into our shoes so you can comprehend us better. Warehouses are out of order in residential areas in places that are detrimental to the residents. They are constructing too many warehouses apart from the one they are trying to approve now.”

Thomas Ruiz, a representative of the Laborers International Union said that criticism of the project as one that would only offer good paying positions to construction workers on a short term basis and that the warehouse workers would be underpaid was misplaced. “Temporary jobs... give these men a career in construction,” he said. “These type of projects keep people in the trades.” He said the project would enhance Bloomington's “tax base,” making it possible “to pay for this stuff [i.e., public services]. Not only are they providing good quality jobs in the construction industry, they're also willing to participate in funding other infrastructure projects or other things within the community. If we continue in this county as a no-build county and to not allow development in this county, there's not much services we can provide to our residents or members who live in this area. We need to look at projects like this that offer a stimulus to the area.”

Diana Champion, a

member of Local Laborers 783, said, “I'm here today to voice my support of this logistic center project. It is clear by investing in this logistics facility that you are investing in the community. You are providing employment for working class people in Bloomington.”

William Loving, another construction workers union member, said “This would be good for the community. It will provide more improvements to the infrastructure of this community.” He said he could get a job there. “I have to travel two or three hours back and forth” to work at present, he said.

Willie Stephens, another member of Local Laborers Union 783, echoed Loving's sentiments. “This project could allow me and others a local job with the opportunity of spending less time on the road and provide me with more time with my family and loved ones and not be stuck in traffic,” he said.

Sky Allen, a fellow with the Warehouse Workers Resource Center, said that the support of the project being expressed by the construction workers union did not reflect “the reality of the work” at the facility once it will be completed and that enthusiasm for the project by those who would profit during the construction phase was “shortsighted. Median wages have declined [among warehouse workers]. Warehouse jobs pay less than they were in 2006. Think long term, what that means for the workers. Think big picture, not just the construction,” she said.

Andrea Vidaurre said the warehouse will “attract hundreds of diesel trucks daily to a community already overburdened by pollution, traffic and industrial oversaturation.” The warehouse and its pollution-spewing vehicles would be, Vidaurre said, “placed dangerously close to sensitive receptors.” She called the project “poor planning. How is it possible that a project that brings in

giant big rigs that emit black soot in the air are approved right next to schools and right behind homes? How is it you put families and kids in danger to that much exposure? This is complete negligence on your behalf. Approve a project like this behind your home and tell me how compatible it is. If we do not start setting boundaries and limitations to industrial development in places they don't belong, you will solely be responsible for the intended and unintended consequences of your approvals.”

Veroniza Alvarado with the Warehouse Workers Resource Center said working in warehouses is dangerous work with lax safety standards. “The conditions in the warehousing [industry] are horrific. The reason these things exist is because the industry has gone rogue and the enforcement frankly does not work. The workers within these facilities are breathing this air, breathing these toxins, breathing all of this harm that is being driven into the community, while warehouses are sitting empty around the community that can be easily filled. Unionized carpenters and construction workers would do well, but that is not shared by those working in the warehouses after they are built.”

Hilda Cabral, a teacher at Bloomington High, said “I will be subjected to all of the pollution from those trucks. Teachers are not against truckers. We're not against construction workers. Were not against warehouses. We're against having them next door to us. How many of you here would be happy having your child have to go to school across the street from a warehouse? How about your grandchildren? These jobs that you are talking about, do they have health insurance that will pay for a respiratory therapist for your children? Will they pay for the nursing home? The pollution from these vehicles causes cogni-

tive processing deficiencies. They contribute to aggressive behavior in children. They affect the focus that children can have.”

Daisy Chisholm said, “I have lived in Bloomington for 29 years. Warehouses have never improved the economy of Bloomington. We need businesses other than warehouses. We are not against warehouses. We are not against workers. We are not against trucks. But please, put them in their proper place.”

Enrique Jaime told the board, “My neighbors, my family and I are against the rezoning because it is so close to our houses and to Bloomington High School. The traffic is so heavy, to rezone it will bring more cars and trailers to the already congested area.”

Roger Morrell said, “Our community is already overburdened with pollution and our children and residents need to preserve the quality of life.”

Alma Morrell said, “The development we are seeing comes in the form of industry, which comes at the cost of our children's health.” She said the project was a “terrible idea. More high cube warehouses will not only further clog up the roads but also compromise the health and safety of Colton Joint Unified School District families.”

Karen Coleman told the board, “It shouldn't be this hard for citizens to come and beg for what they have already paid for. Elected officials are elected by citizens of their geographical area. They are not elected to represent or fight for large corporations or logistics companies. Why are we so eager to fill up every piece of bare land in the Inland Empire? When we buy our property, it already has a zoning. It's usually residential if there are already homes in that area. Who decides if a warehouse [developer] can come from Orange County where land is already too expensive for them to build there? So, they'll

come out here in Hicksville and build their warehouses and then leave, get in their Mercedes and drive through the parking lot, while the rest of us live here for 60 years. Sixty years of watching your community turn into a manufacturing hub. Does that sound like home? Does that sound like some place you want to raise your children and your grandchildren? Have any of you met with the people from this area? Have you been to their beautifully designed back yards that look like they come out of some sort of magazine? And now they are going to have a three-story building 70 feet from their wall that will obstruct all of life for them. Honest to God, there is bare land in Southern California. It doesn't have to be in peoples' back yards. You all have families. Why would you add to our most unhealthy air in the nation?”

Claire Harrington decried the destruction of the equestrian properties in Bloomington. “You destroyed it with all of your housing and warehousing you've put in this area,” she said.

Crandolyn Smith said, “I will be living within 70 feet [of the warehouse property]. I already watch the big trucks go up and down Laurel and I see and stop for the big trucks going up and down Locust.”

Laura Blumberg said, “I don't want to have a big warehouse in my front yard. We enjoy a lovely view and that's the way I would like it to stay. There are plenty of warehouses around as we drive around that say “For Lease.” There's all these warehouses that don't have tenants. You say this warehouse is going to provide income. How do you know? You don't even know who the tenant is going to be.”

Graciela Larlos said, “You state in the environmental impact report that you cannot mitigate air quality and traffic impacts. [It comes down to] environmental impacts vs. overriding benefits. The only over-

riding benefits we should talk about is the health of the residents, the health of the students, the children. That should be the only benefit we should talk about. The health of your constituents should be your number one priority.”

Ericka Flores, of the Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice, said, “In looking at potential growth in Bloomington, look beyond a warehouse. We want responsible land use decisions. We believe that a warehouse being built less than 70 feet away from homes is a complete injustice and irresponsible act toward this community.” She accused Rahhal of being disingenuous in saying the warehouse was 1,000 feet away from the high school. “It is 528 feet away, from property line to property line. I urge you to walk the premises. These jobs are being promised. There is nothing that tells us these are going to be good paying jobs.”

Hakan Johnson, of the Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice, said the issue was being framed as a “choice of growth” vs. no growth. He called that a “false choice. We don't have to build warehouses. That's not the only option. We don't have to put all our eggs in the logistics basket. That is irresponsible planning.” He said “shortsightedness” infused the embracing of the warehouse industry in that “automation” was very likely to displace the jobs that will be featured at such facilities.

Kim Rocha said the Bloomington area was pockmarked with “illegal parking lots,” which the county had “failed to shut down.” She said the county planning commission's recommendation for the project to be approved should be disregarded, since the planning commission had turned a “deaf ear to our concerns.”

Ana Carlos said, “I don't believe it is ethical and I believe it is an

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## County Delays Okaying Warehouse Among Houses In Bloomington Until September

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environmental injustice that developers are allowed to enter our neighborhoods. None of the neighbors want these industrial buildings in our neighborhood. If we follow the county plan, they

should not be allowed. There's a place for these industrial buildings... in industrial zones."

Shawnika Johnson, with Innovative Planning and speaking on behalf of the City of Rialto, said "The City of Rialto opposes the construction of the proposed warehouse. Where the warehouse is located in the County of San Bernardino the traffic from the proposed use will

have an impact on transit corridors in Rialto, particularly along the Slover Corridor to Cedar Avenue and the Cedar Avenue Interchange at the I-10 Freeway. The project is subject to the City of Rialto's traffic impact fees to fund infrastructure improvements. The board should note that the public hearing notice for the project makes no mention of the type of California Envi-

ronmental Quality Act document that will be or has been prepared as required by law, and where copies of the document may be obtained. Moreover, the site consists of five lots, and the notice makes no mention of a parcel map, lot merger or other document to consolidate those lots. The public hearing notice is inadequate. The project should be noticed in accordance with

state and local law. Since San Bernardino County made no demonstrable attempt to meet with City of Rialto officials to discuss the direct impacts of this project, Rialto requests a continuation of the public hearing for 21 calendar days or until such time the impacts of this project on Rialto are delineated and included as mitigation measures in the California Environmental Quality Act

document."

Noemi Garcia said, "This project is going to bring a lot of traffic into a residential zone and a lot of air pollution." Of warehouse jobs, she said, "These types of new jobs are not the type of employment our youth seek."

Elisa Garcia said, "By deciding in favor of this warehouse you are disregarding the cries and  
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## The Count...

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cussion and debate over the proposal in the legislature. The consensus among a sizable contingent of the lawmakers was that what Governor Brown is asking for would provide utility companies with so much legal and financial insulation that it would disincentivize their maintaining the good condition and safety of their equipment. The rationale that Governor Brown had in proposing the legislation was that the way current California law holds utilities accountable and responsible for the damage from fires resulting from their equipment malfunctions even in those instances where they followed safety rules can be extremely onerous in terms of cost to those companies and might result in either the companies raising their rates on their customers to astronomical levels, or going bankrupt, or both. Part of the reasoning for the proposed new law is that climate change is a contributing factor to the phenomenon of increasing wildfires, so holding the utility companies to the current standard might be a form of scapegoating...

There is a chance that the legislature will take the matter up next year, at which point Governor Brown will no longer be governor...

That is probably a good thing. I perceive a good degree of self interest on the governor's part here, self interest that runs contrary to the public interest. He has a track record on such

things related to California utilities and its energy industry, does our governor...

After Southern California Edison engaged in a series of errors by installing defective replacement steam generators in 2010 and 2011 that ultimately resulted in tube leaks, system degradation, the release of radiation and ultimately the permanent shutdown of the San Onofre nuclear plant, our governor hatched a crooked deal in 2014 to allow his cronies to transfer the lion's share of the \$4.7 billion cost of closing down the San Onofre plant from Edison to that company's customers. At that time, Michael Peevey was the chairman of the California Public Utilities Commission. Mr. Peevey was the former president of Edison, having served in that capacity before he was appointed to the California Public Utilities Commission, originally by Governor Gray Davis, who had been Governor Brown's chief of staff during his first go-round as governor in the 1970s and 1980s. Mr. Peevey is married to Carol Liu, who was a Democratic California State Senator from 2008 to 2016. Mr. Peevey is a major mover and shaker in the Democratic Party's California fundraising machine...

During 2012 and 2013, Mr. Peevey was engaged in a secret dialogue with Stephen Pickett, Edison's executive vice president, and other Edison corporate officers, the gist of which pertained to how Edison might ensure that the cost of the San Onofre plant closure would be

transferred to the company's customers rather than its stockholders. Mr. Peevey, in his role as chairman of the California Public Utilities Commission, was supposed to be looking after the interests of California's citizens. Instead, he was colluding with the industry he was supposed to be regulating. Over time, a plan evolved. The deal was sealed, essentially, on March 26, 2013, far from Southern California it would turn out, at the Bristol Hotel in Warsaw, Poland, where Mr. Peevey met with Mr. Pickett and hammered out a deal by which utility customers are to pay \$3.29 billion of the \$4.7 billion in costs for the full shuttering of the plant...

Between 2011 and 2014, \$4.4 million originating with energy companies was donated to the Democratic Party. A considerable amount of that money came from Edison. In roughly the same time period, according to Consumer Watchdog, the Democratic Party infused Governor Brown's reelection campaign fund with \$4.7 million...

On March 26, 2013, the very day that Mr. Peevey, in his capacity as Public Utilities Commission president was in the luxurious Bristol Hotel in Warsaw cutting the above-referenced deal with Mr. Pickett, Southern California Edison made a donation of \$130,000 to the California Democratic Party. Then, less than three months later, on June 6, 2013, the day before the utility announced it would not seek to restart San Onofre, Governor

Brown was meeting with President Barack Obama and Chinese President Xi Jinping in Palm Springs. In the midst of such exalted company, did our governor turn his cell phone ringer off? Nope. In the middle of his dialogue with two of the most powerful men on the planet, Governor Brown received a call from Edison International Chairman Ted Craver, who is apparently pretty powerful himself. With the two presidents standing by, Governor Brown took Mr. Craver's call, during which he was informed of the decision to close the San Onofre plant for good. According to an email Mr. Craver wrote to his board of directors, the governor was supportive of Edison's plan to douse the reactor. During the call, Mr. Craver provided Governor Brown with talking points, to the effect that Edison was "taking the high road" and "insuring system reliability for our customers." The next day Governor Brown put out a news release in which he was quoted as saying, "Since the San Onofre nuclear power plant went offline last year, energy utilities and the state have worked to provide Southern California with reliable electric power year round." This was no coincidence...

In 2010, a gas pipeline in San Bruno burst, killing eight people in the accompanying blast. The City of San Bruno filed a lawsuit against Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E), and the city's lawyers during the discovery process came across a cache of internal PG&E emails as well as

exchanges with commissioners and commission staff that indicate there was something less than an arm's length relationship between the commission and PG&E. In particular, San Bruno officials consider some of the communications between commission member Mike Florio, who was appointed by Governor Brown, and PG&E to be a "smoking gun," showing that PG&E was dictating California Public Utilities Commission policy and that Mr. Florio was involved in a conflict-of-interest under California law. An indication that there is substance to San Bruno's suspicions is the manner in which PG&E fired the officials demonstrated to have had the cozy relationship with Mr. Florio. Note that Pacific Gas & Electric is a major - supermajor - Jerry Brown campaign donor...

There has been an ongoing criminal investigation into the California Public Utilities Commission for almost four years now over some of the commission members' backchannel dealings with utility executives. It has gone on so long that several of the things being investigated now fall outside the statute of limitations. Nothing has happened to the commission members, in some measure because high-priced lawyers paid for by the taxpayers put stumbling blocks in the way of anyone, including investigators and journalists seeking public documents relating to the commission. And someone is protecting these miscreants in the backrooms of government. California At-

torney General Xavier Becerra was appointed by Governor Brown and is one of his firmest political allies. Together, they and other figures in our government have it all locked up, making sure that the commissioners will never be held to account nor punished for their criminal neglect and betrayal of the citizens they were sworn into office to protect...

And those who are being protected have not been given immunity from prosecution simply because they are our governor's political allies. Governor Brown does not want people mucking around too deeply into issues involving utilities and energy policy in the Golden State and how licensing of energy projects is carried out. In 2015, he used his executive power to extract from California's oil regulating agency maps, geologic surveys and records relating to oil and natural gas reserves beneath his family's 2,700-acre ranch in Colusa County...



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CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO) CIVDS1800031

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There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1819623

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner: Leroy David Zimmerman filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Leroy David Zimmerman to David Leroy Zimmerman.

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: 09/10/2018  
Time: 8:30 a.m.  
Department: S17

The address of the court is Superior Court of California,County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-

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0210, San Bernardino  
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: July 30, 2018  
Michael A. Sachs  
Judge of the Superior Court.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20180006106

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Honey + Lemon Clothing, 618 Garfield Way, Redlands, CA 92373, 618 Garfield Way, Redlands, CA 92373, Destiny R Zaremba, 4836 Central Ave, Riverside, CA 92504Linda T Woodhouse, 618 Garfield Way, Redlands, CA 92373

Business is Conducted By: A General Partnership

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Destiny R. Zaremba  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 5/23/2018

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 11/8/2017

County Clerk, s/DOM

NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

6/22/2018, 6/29/2018, 7/6/2018, 7/13/2018

Corrected: 08/03/2018, 08/10/2018, 08/17/2018, 08/24/2018

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

Russell E. Blewett  
CASE NO. PROPS1800715  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of Russell E. Blewett

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Lori Nielson in the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Lori Nielson 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 in this court as follows: a. Date: September 04, 2018 at 8:30 am in Dept. S36. Address of court: located at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Ber-

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nardino, CA 92415 – 0212, San Bernardino District – Probate Division

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 deceased, 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 of the notice to you 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:  
Lori Nielson  
(In Pro Per)  
9256 S.V.L. Box,  
Victorville, CA 92395  
Telephone No: (760) 559-5529

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1819889

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner: Jacquelyn Danielle Ortiz filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Jacquelyn Danielle Ortiz to Jacquelyn Danielle Garza.

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: 09/13/2018  
Time: 8:30 a.m.  
Department: S17

The address of the court is Superior Court of California,County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: Aug 2, 2018  
Michael A. Sachs  
Judge of the Superior Court.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1820127

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner: Josefina Resueno Padua filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Josefina Resueno Padua to Josefina Amazona Padua.

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: 09/17/2018  
Time: 8:30 a.m.  
Department: S17

The address of the court is Superior Court of California,County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: July 30, 2018  
Michael A. Sachs  
Judge of the Superior Court.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1820127

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner: Josefina Resueno Padua filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Josefina Resueno Padua to Josefina Amazona Padua.

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: 09/17/2018  
Time: 8:30 a.m.  
Department: S17

The address of the court is Superior Court of California,County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: July 30, 2018  
Michael A. Sachs  
Judge of the Superior Court.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO-20180008050

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Angie's Reg. 32999 Yucaipa Blvd Ste 120, Yucaipa, CA 92399, Angela M Aragundi, 13740 Ontario Ave Rt 1, Ontario, CA 91761

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Angela Aragundi

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 7/12/2018

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: Not Applicable

County Clerk, s/GM

NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

8/10/2018, 8/17/2018, 8/24/2018, 8/31/2018

FBN 20180008196

The following entity is doing business as: OLIVE'S COOKIE CART 12207 CENTRAL AVE CHINO, CA 91710 NAOMI C ADELMAN 7340 HENBANE STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739

Business is Conducted By: AN INDIVIDUAL

Began Transacting Business: N/A

BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Naomi Adelman

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 7/17/2018

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

County Clerk, s/ARC

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FBN 20180008891

The following entity is doing business as: ALLWISE CARE REFERRAL AGENCY 2714 S. MONTEGO APT. G ONTARIO, CA 91761 ALLWISE CARE COMPANION, INC 2714 S. MONTEGO APT. G ONTARIO, CA 91761

Business is Conducted By: A CORPORATION

Began Transacting Business: N/A

BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ Wendell T. Usón  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/06/2018

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

County Clerk, s/ARC

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fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER CIVDS1820127

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JOSEFINA RESUENO PADUA filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

JOSEFINA RESUENO PADUA to JOSEFINA AMAZONA PADUA

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: 09/17/2018  
Time: 8:30 a.m.

Department: S17

The address of the court is Superior Court of California,County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: August 3, 2018  
MICHAEL A. SACHS

Judge of the Superior Court.

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 8/10, 8/17, 8/24 & 8/31, 2018

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER CIVDS1820657

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner BECKY SUSANNE MOON filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

BECKY SUSANNE MOON to REBECCA SUSANNE HANSON 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: 09/25/2018  
Time: 8:30 a.m.

Department: S17

The address of the court is Superior Court of California,County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: August 9, 2018  
MICHAEL A. SACHS

Judge of the Superior Court.

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FBN 20180009198

The following entity is doing business as: PIO PICO'S TACOS 7038 RIVERTRAILS DR EASTVALE, CA 91752 Mailing Address: 7038 RIVERTRAILS DR EASTVALE, CA 91752 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RESTAURATEUR'S LLC 7038 RIVERTRAILS DR EASTVALE, CA 91752

Business is Conducted By: LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Began Transacting Business: N/A

BY SIGNING BELOW, I DE-



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s/ GEORGE TAMAYO  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/10/2018

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

County Clerk, s/ARC  
NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

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FBN 20180009450  
The following entity is doing business as: VISION STREAM PRODUCTIONS 3124 S PLYMOUTH PASEO ONTARIO, CA 91761  
Business is Conducted By: AN INDIVIDUAL  
Began Transacting Business: N/A

BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ James B Rozman  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/17/2018

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

County Clerk, s/ARC  
NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

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FICTITIOUS	BUSINESS
NAME	STATEMENT FILE NO-
20180009269	

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: W A Castro Construction, 16440 Arrow Blvd Apt 25, Fontana, CA 92335, Walter A Castro, 16440 Arrow Blvd Apt 25, Fontana, CA 92335

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Walter A. Castro  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/13/2018

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: Not Applicable

County Clerk, s/SH  
NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

8/17/2018, 8/24/2018, 8/31/2018, 9/7/2018

FBN 20180008499  
The following person is doing business as: SOUTHWEST BUILDERS 2873 N. PERSHING SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92405 JOSE SANCHEZ 2873 N. PERSHING SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92405  
This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 07/09/2018

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ Jose Sanchez  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/25/2018

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy

Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FBN 20180008796  
The following person is doing business as: CARDOZO MOTORS 424 E F ST ONTARIO, CA 91764 EZEQUIEL RIOS 424 E F ST ONTARIO, CA 91764

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ Ezequiel Rios  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 08/02/2018

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy

Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FICTITIOUS	BUSINESS
NAME	STATEMENT FILE NO-
20180008565	

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Doneez, 1342 Blossom Ave, Redlands, CA 92373, Anderson Z Lee, 1342 Blossom Ave, Redlands, CA 92373

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Anderson Z Lee  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 7/26/2018

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: Not Applicable

County Clerk, s/ES  
NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

8/24/2018, 8/31/2018, 9/7/2018, 9/14/2018

FBN 20180007618

The following entity is doing business as: CALIFORNIA SOLAR AGRICULTURE ENGINEERING

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LAB 7123 CYPRESS AVE. FONTANA, CA 92336 USA-PC CITY, INC. 7123 CYPRESS AVE. FONTANA, CA 92336

Business is Conducted By: A CORPORATION  
Began Transacting Business: N/A

BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ Min Hui Zhao  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 6/29/2018

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

County Clerk, s/ARC  
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Corrected: 8/24, 8/31, 9/07 & 9/14, 2018

FBN20180008293  
The following person is doing business as: GORDON HAY, INC. – DAIRIES 16395 SO EUCLID AVE CHINO CA 91708; GORDON HAY, INC 16395 EUCLID AVE CHINO CA 91708.

This business is conducted by: A Corporation

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 05/01/2013

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ CRAIG GORDON, PRESIDENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/19/2018

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy

Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FBN 20180008557  
The following person is doing business as: EL TIBURON MARISCOS ESTILO SONORA 360 W. FOOTHILL BLVD UPLAND CA 91786; ALBERT K ARREOLA 950 N. DUESENBERG DR. #5216 ONTARIO CA 91764.

This business is conducted by: An Individual

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

By signing, I declare that this is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ ALBERT K. ARREOLA, OWNER  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/26/2018

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy

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FBN 2018000842  
The following person is doing business as: STOP N GO REGISTRATION SERVICES 280 S STATE HWY 173 STE D LAKE ARROWHEAD, CA 92352; MAILING ADDRESS 273 E 2ND ST SAN BERNARDINO CA 92408; STEVE SERRATOS 273 E 2ND ST SAN

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BERNARDINO CA 92408; JOEL M SERRATOS 273 E 2ND ST SAN BERNARDINO CA 92408.

This business is conducted by: A General Partnership

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 03/05/2012

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ JOEL M SERRATOS, GENERAL PARTNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/26/2018

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This business is conducted by: An Individual

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s/ YOLANDA TYMKOWICZ, OWNER

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s/ TAMMY DOAN, PRESIDENT

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s/ FRANKLIN, OWNER  
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## Flores Cashiers Herrera

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deficit and teetering on the brink of bankruptcy, voters made a clean sweep of the incumbent candidates up for election in the November 2014 city council race. Thomas was voted out, along with councilmen Charles Valvo and Steve Baisden. They were replaced by Kerr, John Woodard and Charlie Glasper, respectively.

Shortly after the just-elected city council members were seated, Kerr began pushing his colleagues and then-City Manager Jim Hart to hire Flores into a mid-level administrative/managerial position with the city as a full-fledged staff member. Initially, while Hart was yet city manager, there was resistance to doing so, not least because of the implication that such a hiring, given Flores' lack of experience and expertise, might be perceived as bald-faced political patronage.

Kerr quickly formed a political alliance with Councilman Jermaine Wright, who had been elected to the council in 2012, and Woodard. All three expressed the collective determination to revitalize the city economically, and with the on-again, off-again support of Glasper and the remaining member of the council, Ed Camargo, charged ahead with a single-minded devotion toward attracting business and development to the city, expressing a willingness to dispense with formalities and pesky regulations in the process, vowing to facilitate the efforts of any project proponents willing to gamble on setting up operations in Adelanto. Nor would the ruling troika turn their noses up at business proposals that heretofore had been anathema among virtually all of the county's municipalities, namely those related to medical marijuana. The suspension of traditional municipal protocols in the headlong pursuit to

attract businesses without regard to the longer term implication of making such commitments and granting such entitlements did not sit well with Hart, and he resigned, in lieu of being forced out, in February 2015.

Flores was eventually offered, and quickly accepted, the post of contract economic development director. His contractual status meant that technically he was not a city employee. This provided him with an unconventional – and questionably ethical although not quite illegal – opportunity to play both sides of the street. Whereas an economic development director working directly for the city would have been precluded from entering into any sort of contractual or monetary-based relationship with entities doing business with the city or seeking permits, licensing or project approval from the city, Flores, because of his contractual status, was free to go to work for those he was assigned, as economic development director, to induce into locating there businesses into Adelanto. Thus, Flores' was authorized by the city to cut through the city's existing red tape on behalf of project applicants. He was simultaneously at liberty to go to work for those very businesses he was courting on behalf of the city.

In time, this arrangement would become highly problematic. Initially, in rolling out the welcome mat for marijuana entrepreneurs, the city had been somewhat circumspect. Glasper, an Air Force veteran who was 78 years old in 2015, was something of a traditionalist who was dead set against allowing marijuana to proliferate, particularly in a city in which he was a civic official. Camargo, in any event would in no way support the city having anything to do with the drug. The troika was able to get Glasper to hold still for Adelanto tapping into the revenue cannabis could provide by agreeing to limit such

operations to ones that involved not the retail sale of the drug to end users in clinics or dispensaries in the city, but operations that were instead devoted to the indoor cultivation of the product in massive quantities that would then be sold to cannabis processing operations, pharmaceutical companies, clinics or dispensaries located elsewhere beyond Adelanto's city limits. In this way, Kerr, Woodard and Wright were able to get Glasper to go along with them in the first stage of the marijuanification of Adelanto, turning the vote to allow cannabis growing to take place at facilities located within the strict confines of the city's industrial park into a 4-to-1 approval rather than the bare majority 3-to-2 that would have occurred otherwise.

Over the next three years, events would transpire that brought ignominy and infamy to the city, largely on the basis of the speed with which Adelanto embraced using marijuana – only a short time previously a substance the growing, trafficking, sale, use or even mere possession of which could result in a decades-long prison sentence – to reinvent its economy. In the three-and-a-half years since Hart's departure as city manager, the city has burned through five more city managers before at last alighting on Flores late last month. In addition, one of the city's public works managers, the city's contract engineer, the assistant city engineer, its top planner and its conservation specialist have all been fired or forced out over their reluctance to move as rapidly and aggressively toward a marijuana-based economy as Kerr, Woodard and Wright were demanding. Oftentimes those demands included fast tracking projects, waiving permit fees, suspending requirements and making certifications without carrying out inspections required under the city code or state law. Moreover, as of yesterday, the city has lost four city at-

torneys in the last two years and nine months.

Ultimately, with the advance of 2016's Proposition 64, the statewide measure that liberalized the use of marijuana beyond medical use to permit adults to use the plant recreationally and smoke it for its intoxicative effect, Kerr, Wright and Woodard dropped all pretense of limiting the city's cannabis-based businesses to indoor farms, and went whole hog, moving to open the city to allowing all order of marijuana/marijuana product businesses to proliferate, including processing plants, packaging and distribution concerns, clinics and dispensaries and retail establishments/pot shops, the latter akin to liquor stores. Accompanying this was the spectacle of scandal, as there were numerous examples of inside information relating to the city's expansion of the zones in which these uses would be permitted being provided to land speculators or business applicants well ahead of the zone changes being made, enabling the recipients of the information to make purchases of property at bargain basement prices and then reap a substantial profit or potential profit when the rezoning occurred and the property value escalated to as much as eight times its selling price.

There is evidence to suggest that the autonomy given to Flores and the freedom he was provided to take money from entities engaged in locating their businesses into Adelanto was a factor that led to the indictment last year of Councilman Wright. On November 7, 2017, Wright was arrested by the FBI pursuant to a warrant prepared by the U.S. Attorney's Office which spelled out how he had accepted a \$10,000 bribe from an undercover FBI agent who had a pending application for a city business license to operate a marijuana distributorship. The money was offered, and Wright agreed to accept it, according to the U.S. Attorney's Office,

in exchange for Wright's agreement to use his political influence to prevent city regulators from obstructing its operation. The *Sentinel* is informed that Wright, who was receiving a stipend of \$600 per month as a city councilman, had become upset about the way in which Flores, who initially was making \$35 per hour at up to 20 hours per week or \$3,000 per month as the city's contract economic development director, was able to accept money from all order of applicants for city permits, licenses and project approvals. There had been tension between the two as early as 2016, to the point that Wright was at one point open to joining with Camargo and Glasper in calling upon Herrera, who was then the city manager, to terminate Flores' contract with the city. What was described as Wright's rivalry with Flores over Flores' ability to personally profit from the influx of prospective marijuana entrepreneurs into the city was the most serious threat to the ruling coalition consisting of Kerr, Woodard and Wright prior to Wright's arrest.

Herrera was among the six city managers who have not stood the test of time since Kerr and Woodard were elected in 2014. Following Hart's departure in February 2015, the city elevated then-Public Works Director/City Engineer Tom Thornton to serve as city manager. But Thornton remained in that position just four months, departing in June 2015. At that point, the council turned to Herrera, promoting her to acting/interim city manager. In March 2016 the council elevated her to full city manager status, dropping the term "interim" from her title. Herrera attempted to keep up with the feverish pace of facilitating cannabis-related businesses applications a majority of her political masters had demanded, as well as clearing the way for more applications by expanding the zones with-

in the city where such businesses could locate, though ultimately, the council ruling coalition of Kerr, Woodard and Wright felt she was not nimble enough in accommodating them.

In January 2017, while Kerr was on the mend from injuries he sustained in a motorcycle accident and was thus partially incapacitated, Herrera crossed Kerr and Woodard when, after receiving reports with regard to irregularities in the way Flores was functioning in his capacity as economic development director, she suspended his contract, pending an investigation into those charges. Within two weeks, Herrera was out as city manager, but allowed to return to her position as city clerk. The suspension of Flores forever marred her relationship with Kerr. Flores remained on suspension for a time, but with Herrera no longer in the city manager's post, the investigation into Flores dissolved in upon itself. In May 2017, the council reaffirmed Flores in his position as contract economic developer and more than doubled his pay to \$75 per hour, by which he was able to pick up \$6,000 per month for part time work. It was clear at that time that the ruling council majority held Flores in higher esteem than it did Herrera.

While Herrera's advancement during the time she was with the city was not as immediate or dramatic as that of Flores, she demonstrated remarkable staying power over the course of more than three decades in the face of intense instability within city government. When she was hired in 1987 as an executive secretary, she came into a situation at City Hall during which the two of Adelanto's primary political entities of that era were yet on good terms with one another. Patricia Chamberlaine had been one of the prime movers behind the city's incorporation in 1970. She had been an elected leader as both a councilwoman and may-

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# San Bernardino County Coroner Reports

Coroner’s Case #701805806 On 08/17/18, at approximately 1:51 AM, Marcos White, a 31-year-old resident of Mentone, was a bicyclist struck by a vehicle on Highway 38 at Crafton Ave, in Mentone. He was transported to Loma Linda University Medical Center by ambulance, where he was pronounced dead on Friday, 08/17/18, at 1:59 PM. California Highway Patrol is investigating the collision. [081818 0100 TC]

Coroner’s Case #701805796 On 08/17/18, at 0106 hours, emergency personnel responded to the 17000 block of Valley Boulevard in the City of Fontana, to investigate the report of a single vehicle traffic collision. 22-year-old Ramiro Granados was driving westbound on Valley Boulevard when he lost control of his vehicle, drove across the eastbound lanes, and struck a power-pole. Granados was declared dead at 0112 hours, by San Bernardino County Fire Department personnel. [08/18/18 0100 TC]

Coroner’s Case #701805794 On 08/16/18, at around 8:14 pm, a motorcycle driven by Brandon Tullos, age 23 of Ontario, was travelling into the intersection of West G street and North Mountain Avenue in Ontario when a collision occurred with a vehicle. Tullos was ejected from the motorcycle and transported to Montclair Hospital Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased 8:56 pm. Ontario Police Department is investigating the incident. [08/18/18 0100 TC]

Coroner’s #701805791 On 08/16/18, at 7:03 PM, Amadi David Arnold, a 43-year-old resident of Hesperia, was involved in a two-vehicle traffic collision in the area of U.S. Highway 395 and Poplar Street, in the City of Hesperia. Arnold was transported to the Desert Valley Hospital, where he was declared dead at 7:42 PM. The San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department, Major Investigation Accident Team is investigating the incident. [081818 0100 TC]

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or. She extended her control over the community by founding and publishing from 1974 until 1983 a newspaper, the Adelanto *Independent*, meanwhile gravitating to what was an even more powerful position, that of city administrator, comparable to city manager. For well over a decade-and-a-half Chamberlaine was the shot caller in the city. Along the way, she made friends and enemies, allies and rivals. Among those was Ed Dondelinger, who had been a flight line sergeant at George Air Force Base. He acceded to the mayor’s position in Adelanto, with Chamberlaine’s support. Even before the Department of Defense shuttered George Air Force Base in 1992, which precipitated a long and hostile struggle between Adelanto and Victorville as to which city would annex the base and control its civilian use conversion, the relationship between Chamberlaine and Dondelinger soured. For a time Dondelinger, by virtue of his having the ultimate say as the elected office holder who had majority support on the council, prevailed. But Chamberlaine was not without resources,

and she fought back, both at the ballot box and otherwise. Against the backdrop of the intense competition with Victorville over the Air Force Base, Chamberlaine put a slate of candidates together, including herself, and took back control of the city council. Dondelinger and his allies responded, rallying his allies to topple Chamberlaine. There ensued a series of recall efforts, successful and unsuccessful, by both sides whenever the opposition was in ascendancy. In one span during the 1990s, as a result of the changeovers in office-holders resulting from both recall elections and regular elections, Adelanto had more council members than any three other cities in the county combined. Whichever side was in power at any given time used, or at least attempted to use, the Adelanto Police Department as a cat’s paw against its political opponents. Scandal erupted and the police chief and two of the department’s officers went to prison. Ultimately, after the city made questionable use of its redevelopment agency to secure funding to expend more than \$25 million on what were essentially lawyer’s fees in an ultimately unsuccessful effort to wrest control of George Air Force Base from Victorville, the Chamberlaine and Dondelinger forces burned out and collapsed, and a new era of politicians and administrators came

on the scene in Adelanto, with Chamberlaine handing off managerial control of the city to City Administrator Mike Sakamoto. The political bickering did not end, as a succession of parallel and competing political regimes under mayors Thomas Thornberg, Mary Scarpa, Judith Crommie, Ted Hartz and Tristan Pelayes ensued. In 2002, led by then-Mayor Pelayes, the city shuttered its municipal police department and began contracting with the sheriff’s department for law enforcement services. In 2005, it was discovered that Adelanto Councilwoman Zoila Meyer was not a U.S. citizen, was not eligible to vote and was not eligible to hold office. She was forced from office and prosecuted. In 2007, Mayor Jim Nehmens was arrested and charged with embezzlement and resigned from office. In June 2013, the city council declared the city to be in a state of fiscal emergency, a move preparatory to the declaration of bankruptcy. Discussion of disincorporating Adelanto as a municipal entity ensued. Herrera had lived through all of that roiling instability. She had been promoted to assistant city clerk in 1994 and became city clerk in 1999. Deftly, she managed to be of use to each succeeding council majority, providing each them the services of the machinery of government that was often used

against their political rivals. When the old guard lost out to the next group of Young Turks only to be vanquished two or four years later by the next competing controlling majority, she stayed in the role of the keeper of the city’s records and somehow stayed on the good side of everyone. With the advent of the Kerr regime, she vaulted to the highest level she could go as a city employee in Adelanto, that of city manager. Yet with all the intrigue, she was not fated to last. Recently, in the aftermath of Wright’s indictment and arrest, federal authorities have intensified their scrutiny of Adelanto, its political leadership and its appointed officials and city employees. In May, the FBI made a high-profiled visit to Adelanto, serving search warrants in conjunction with the IRS at City Hall, the premises of one of the city’s dispensaries known as the Jet Room, and at Kerr’s residence. Amid accounts of would-be marijuana millionaires coming into City Hall with briefcases loaded with cash to persuade the powers that be they should be issued permits and licenses, there have been repeated reports that Herrera has been providing information to the FBI. Upon Flores being elevated to city manager last month, it was hinted that a housecleaning was to take place in Adelanto, and that the heads of several city employees

with six figure salaries were on the chopping block. Herrera last year received \$131,363.48 in salary, \$44,433.61 in “other pay,” and \$11,715.24 in benefits for a total compensation of \$187,512.33. By elliptical suggestion, Flores has attempted to convey that Herrera’s pay grade had something to do with the move to fire her, though he did not say so directly. The *Sentinel* inquired with Adelanto’s official spokesman, Mike Stevens, about Herrera’s sacking, including whether Flores had fired Herrera of his own volition and on his own authority or whether he had been instructed to do so by the city council. Stevens responded, “Effective August 20, 2018 Cindy Herrera is no longer employed by the City of Adelanto; her departure is a confidential personnel matter protected by law, and the City of Adelanto will have no further comment.” On Tuesday, the city through acting City Clerk Brenda Lopez scheduled a special meeting of the city council for today, Friday, August 24. The agenda called for the consideration of “public employee discipline, dismissal or release” along with the “public employee appointment for city attorney.” Reading between the lines, Duran, who has been with the city since July of last year when he replaced Curtis Wright

following his resignation, lodged a letter with the city in which he wrote, “I must regretfully tender my resignation as your city attorney.” Reportedly, the city has made arrangements with the law firm of Olivarez Madrugá Lemieux O’Neill to have at least two of its attorneys attend today’s meeting. It is anticipated one of the lawyers from that firm will be designated as Duran’s replacement. -Mark Gutglueck

### New Chief Medical Officer At ARMC from front page

that position for another opportunity in the medical field. Gilbert said “Arrowhead Regional Medical Center’s medical staff reviewed a large number of candidates and narrowed it to five. The five candidates were interviewed by a diverse panel. Dr. Subbiah exhibited superior experience in internal medicine, has a track record as a physician leader focused on improved quality and efficiency of a large health system and has a passion for education that will lend itself to Arrowhead’s commitment as a learning organization.” Subbiah is to be given a total annual compensation package of \$417,965, consisting of a \$295,131 salary and \$122,834 in benefits. His contract becomes effective October 1, 2018 and runs through September 30, 2021.



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### County To Wait Until September To Allow Industrial Uses Into Bloomington Residential Neighborhood from page 7

concerns of the people and moving forward your own agenda. That lot has no business being rezoned. It was zoned residential for a reason. It is close to a high school and a mixed use neighborhood. It makes no sense."

Roxanne Gracia, speaking on behalf of Assemblywoman Eloise Gomez Reyes, told the board, "This proposed project will have a negative impact on families. Consider the impact on a homeowner." She said the project will endanger the lung health of those living near it. She said Reyes opposes the rezoning and the project.

Eric Nilsson, a professor of economics at Cal State San Bernardino, said the county was participating in a conflict of interest by relying upon documentation provided by the developer as the basis for making a declaration of overriding considerations.

"The economic development impact report provided by the developer that formed the basis for this decision to build this warehouse isn't appropriate," Nilsson said. "The rationale for your statement of overriding concerns comes from an implausible estimate of the economic impacts." He said the document utilized an "unexplained methodology. It is a mistake to use their [JM Realty's] economic and fiscal impact report to guide decisions that af-

fect the residents of San Bernardino County."

Shaun Martinez, who represented the Teamsters, the same union representing county employees, said he wouldn't want the warehouse 70 feet from his backyard. "The Teamsters commend everyone to put warehouses in places that make sense," he said.

Allen Hernandez said, "I think there is a lot more that can be done other than building another warehouse."

Sandra Medina said, "If this board keeps approving warehouses this close to residences and this close to seniors and schools, then this board is taking the position that these lives do not matter. The contaminated air from these warehouses will cause irreparable harm to the health and wellbeing of those living around them."

Gary Grossich, a member of the Bloomington Municipal Advisory Council which advises the county with regard to local issues, is also a member of the Colton Planning Commission. He said, "The Bloomington Municipal Advisory Council has studied this project for more than four years and unanimously supports it. The project is located on a heavily travelled industrial corridor where cars and trucks routinely travel in excess of 50 miles per hours. Both Rialto and Fontana already have warehouses on this industrial corridor. The property is directly across the street from two existing warehouses and the Union Pacific rail yard. The property on the south side of Slover directly to the west is already zoned industrial

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## San Bernardino Mountains Indian Paintbrush

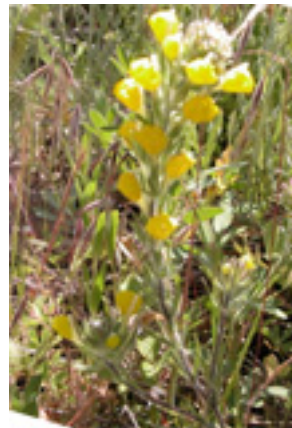


The San Bernardino Mountains Indian paintbrush, or *Castilleja lasiorhyncha*, is a species of Indian paintbrush endemic to southern California. It is sometimes referred to as San Bernardino Mountains owl's-clover. Most of the plant's range is in the San Bernardino Mountains, where it grows in forests and meadows. Its presence has been noted at Moonridge, Big Bear Lake, Forest Falls, Keller Peak, Strawberry Canyon, Bluff Lake Meadow, Harrison Mountain, San Bernardino North, Fawnskin, Big Bear City, Lake Arrowhead, Butler Peak and Silverwood Lake.

*Castilleja lasiorhyncha*'s only currently existing populations are in San Bernardino County and possibly San Diego County, with historical occurrences also known from Riverside County. It is threatened by development, mining, non-native plants, water

diversions, grazing, fire suppression, vehicles, and recreational activities.

This wildflower is an annual herb usually not exceeding nine inches in height. Its stem and foliage are coated in woolly



glandular hairs. The inflorescence is a loose, narrow array of green bracts and larger flowers, each with rounded, pouched bright yellow petals and a hairy whitish beak.

Generally within the genus of *Castilleja*, commonly known as Indian paintbrush or prairie-fire, there are about 200 species. These annual and perennial herbaceous plants are spread beyond San Bernardino County and are native to the west of the Americas from Alaska south to the Andes, and northern Asia. There is one species as far west as the Kola Peninsula in northwestern Russia. These plants are classified in the broomrape family, Orobanchaceae, follow-



ing major rearrangements of the order Lamiales starting around 2001. Out of date sources which do not follow or predate these reclassifications may place them in the Scrophulariaceae. They are hemiparasitic on the roots of grasses and forbs. The generic name honors Spanish botanist Domingo Castillejo.

*Castilleja* species are eaten by the larvae of some lepidopteran species, that is butterflies and moths, including *Schinia cupes* and *Schinia pulchripennis*, and checkerspot butterflies, such as *Euphydryas* species.

The flowers of Indian paintbrush are edible, and were consumed in moderation by various Native American tribes as a condiment with other fresh greens. These plants have a tendency to absorb and concentrate selenium in their tissues from the soils in which they grow, and can be

potentially very toxic if the roots or green parts of the plant are consumed. Highly alkaline soils increase the selenium levels in the plants. Indian paintbrush has similar health benefits to consuming garlic if only the flowers are eaten in small amounts and in



moderation.

While selenium deficiency is far more common in humans than selenium toxicity, getting too much selenium can happen. A tell-tale sign of selenium poisoning is that those suffering from it begin to crave selenium-containing foods, which can result in morbid toxicity.

The Ojibwe used a hairwash made from Indian paintbrush to make their hair glossy and full bodied, and as a treatment for rheumatism. The high selenium content of this plant has been cited as the reason for its effectiveness for these purposes. Nevada Indian tribes used the plant to treat sexually transmitted diseases and to enhance the immune system.

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Ana, where a warehouse currently exists next to older and newer residential housing tracts with no issues. Unlike many residential developments throughout Southern California, which sit on heavily traveled truck routes, no trucks form this project will be passing by the houses in question. All healthy cities have a mix of commercial, residential and industrial uses. Most cities have between 20 and 25 percent of their land zoned for industrial use. Colton has 23.9 percent currently while Rialto is at 30 percent.

Bloomington has only 13 percent land zoned industrial. I ask you: If not here, where would you put a warehouse? After hearing testimony and examining the project carefully, your experts on the planning commission voted 5-0 in favor of the project. I'd like to remind the board of supervisors that just last month you unanimously approved a zone change from residential to industrial in Mentone within fifty feet of a high school and next to several hundred homes. Two months ago the board unanimously approved

260 high-end apartments in Redlands in an area virtually surrounded by warehouses. This project has far less impacts than either of those projects. Regarding the issue of truck traffic, I'd like to point out that by far the largest amount of truck traffic and pollution is generated by the 140 illegal trucking facilities that have been identified by county code enforcement, along with industrial projects placed on our border by Rialto and Fontana. Not one of the four permitted ware-

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Can you believe August is almost over? But the peak of heat and humidity is upon us. And getting through the last days of summer can be a real chore if you're running around, from home to work and everywhere else in between. With that said, jumpsuits and



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# California Style Jumpdressing

dresses can help get you through the heat wave. You can dress these two

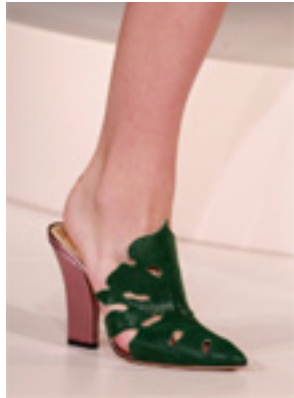


pieces up and down and the best part is they will help keep you cool.

Accessorize a simple dress and add a strappy sandal for pure coolness. And if you're in



the mood for comfort, wear the jumpsuit with



a pair of chunky sandals. Also look for a wrap top.

They're dressy and comfortable and look great with denim, skirts, and shorts. Maxi skirts and slip dresses are sounding pretty refreshing, too. With a pair of mules you'll be good to go. I'm thinking Bermuda shorts can make a last minute come back. Stay cool and look great while beating the heat.



*"The joy of dressing is an art."* -John Galliano

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houses currently is in Bloomington. Approving this project is the right thing to do. Here's why: The health risk assessment per Air Quality Management District guidelines determine local air quality impacts to the community are below threshold levels and the project is below the county's greenhouse gas emissions plan. Secondly, our disadvantaged community needs more job opportunities and better services for our residents. Third, we all know the key to revitalizing our community is attracting new development, not raising taxes. On behalf of the Bloomington Municipal Advisory Council, I urge you to ignore the political noise, look at the merits

and approve this project which will bring benefits to our entire community."

Israel Fuentes, a member of the Bloomington Municipal Advisory Council, said, "I am in support of this project on Slover. I think we are all taking a blind eye on what is happening in Bloomington: illegal trucks parking on properties, 130 or more. That is what is making our air quality bad. We don't have warehouses yet."

John Mehefko, who owns some of the land upon which the warehouse is to be built, told the board, "I sold my house five years ago. I have been living in limbo for years. I want to know: What is wrong with the board of supervisors? Why haven't they approved this? Ray Charles could see this is a good deal. Now, since I have waited this long, the price of where I want to move has gone up. I built that house [on the property to be converted into a warehouse]. I'm 85. My house is on four

levels. I want a house that is on one level. I'm in support of the project. I definitely think it is good for Bloomington. I think the whole street of Slover ought to be torn down. All them houses are falling down, all the way from Locust to Cedar. They ought to put some local commercial in there. Anyway, I'm in for it. I'm for the project, and I want to thank Josie [Gonzales] for having the guts to try to do the right thing for Bloomington."

Alex Artiaga, the business manager of Laborers Union Local 783, said, "We support the Slover Distribution Project." He said the local had members living "in the Bloomington area and neighboring cities Fontana, Rialto, Colton, Highland and San Bernardino, within a fifteen minute drive of this project. The Slover Distribution Center will provide much needed jobs in the area, good paying jobs that will provide health-care and a pension for these men and women on the project. Construction

projects like this keep our members, your residents, local, which translates into local spending and provides an income base for workers to rent and purchase homes in the area."

Yassi Kavezade said, "This project is not going to be a benefit to the overall identity of our region. We need to start thinking more toward sustainable development."

Thomas Rocha, who lives behind the proposed warehouse, brought the board's attention to over 500 letters in opposition to the project that had been written by local residents along with a petition against the project bearing more than 1,000 signatures. He was highly critical of construction union members advocating in favor of the project, calling them "pre-paid union workers" who were selfishly fixated on what they would get out of the project in the short term, while ignoring the plight of the warehouse workers who will be ex-

ploited by the warehouse owners, as well as the long term hardship the warehouse will impose on nearby residents. To them, he said the project "will give you three to six months of work vs. negative impact to me and my family for the rest of our lives. I, too, am a union worker. I'm a shop steward for a strong union, going on 40 years. We never slept with the enemy nor do we swim in dirty water. We built up communities. We didn't tear them down. We'll never be proud to build a non-union facility or a modern day sweat shop."

Rocha then set his sights on the board of supervisors.

"Supervisor Gonzales, this is not your first relationship with the union," he said. "You were in collusion with the same group to build a 675,000 [square foot warehouse] next to Zimmerman and Crestmore Schools." He accused the project developer of attempting to bribe him, and said in promoting

the project the developer and county were using fabricated numbers based on speculation. "We are not your sacrificial lamb, Josie. It comes down to this: Today, you five supervisors get to act like God. You get to let us live with our current respectable quality of life, or you condemn us to a slow death. It's in your hands. You let us live or you let us die."

Adam Booker, a member of the construction union, called for compromise. "You can't always say 'no.' You can't always say 'yes,'" he said.

After a brief discussion in which the indications were that the board was leaning, with the possible exception of Supervisor James Ramos, toward approving the project, on a motion by Supervisor Curt Hagman seconded by Josie Gonzales, the board continued the hearing to the board meeting scheduled for Tuesday September 25.