

Top County Lawyers' Falsification Ploy Failed To Block Tax Repeal Measure

In an apparent attempt to derail a citizen activist group's effort to repeal what its members maintain are illegal assessments on all properties within San Bernardino County's unincorporated areas, the county government's legal representatives last summer imposed on the repeal petitioners a requirement that they obtain at least three times and what was arguably seven times the

number of signatures set by California's Constitution as the threshold requirement to force a vote on the matter.

In June of 2018, the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors approved expanding the boundaries of County Fire Protection Zone 5 to include all private property within the county's unincorporated areas, amounting to some 95 percent of San Bernardi-

no County's 20,105 total square miles, or roughly 19,100 square miles. The overlaying of County Fire Protection Zone 5 on those properties entailed the levying of a special tax of \$157.26 per parcel on all unincorporated property owners in the county. The plan, floated by senior leadership within the county's governmental structure, was to use state law applying to fire districts as

a method to increase tax revenue.

The county's action had taken place after previous efforts beginning in 2015 and concluding in 2017 to overlay County Fire Protection Zone 5, which was originally formed in 2006 as a means of funding the San Bernardino County Fire Department's provision of fire prevention/suppression/protection service to the adjoining

unincorporated county communities of Helandale and Silverlakes, onto the area within the city limits of the cities of San Bernardino, Twentynine Palms, Needles and Upland/adjoining unincorporated San Antonio Heights. Those four separate actions had been carried out through a process overseen by the San Bernardino County Local Agency Formation Commission. **See P 5**

Second Week Of Opmanis Prelim Hinges On Lingerings In Market Parking Lot

By Mark Gutguck

The preliminary hearing for Alex Opmanis extended into its second week on Monday and this morning, as prosecutor David Starr Rabb continued to seek traction in his effort to convince Superior Court Judge Charles Umeda to bind Opmanis over for trial for murder in the killing of Sammy Davis

on July 11, 2019.

The case is playing out against a backdrop of recurrent suggestions, elements of which have been confirmed during the preliminary hearing, that a central piece of evidence in the case had been tampered with as part of an effort to prevent Opmanis's legal team from presenting a credible self-defense

claim.

Sheriff's department investigators initially reached the conclusion that Opmanis had acted in self-defense after his encounter with Davis and two of Davis's companions, Robert Shuey and Shane Codman, on the evening of the second Thursday of last July. Davis, Shuey and Codman, all of whom

have criminal records, had surrounded Opmanis, who was standing to the side of his vehicle in the parking lot of Goodwin's Market in Crestline. Davis's and Shuey's criminal records were extensive, and Shuey roughly six months previous to the shooting had assaulted Opmanis in an incident that required Opmanis's

hospitalization, required facial reconstructive surgery and permanently damaged his vision in his left eye. After Davis, 29, and Shuey, 29, initiated a physical attack on Opmanis, 27, Opmanis accessed a gun inside his vehicle and fired it, striking Davis once. The shooting took place at 9:14 p.m. Opmanis used a cellphone to **See P 2**

After 15 Years. Walmart Gives Up On Redlands Supercenter

The Walmart Corporation has pulled the plug on its nearly 15 year-long effort to establish a supercenter in Redlands.

Legal challenges over the years had delayed the undertaking, and now other considerations and a changing commercial environment convinced the retail giant, which at the moment occupies the number one spot on the Fortune 500 list of world corporations and

thus stands as the largest and most successful company in the world, to abandon the plan to establish a 256,000-square foot retail center anchored by a 210,000-square foot megastore at the southeast corner of San Bernardino Avenue and Tennessee Street.

The proposal to locate a Walmart on the 33-acre patch of ground at that location was first publicly floated **See P 3**

Mulvihill Wants Four More Years In Fight Against SB's Homelessness, Crime & Red Ink



Jim Mulvihill

Seventh Ward San Bernardino Councilman Jim Mulvihill, who was first elected to the coun-

cil on November 5, 2013 as a consequence of the recall of his predecessor Wendy McCammack, is now standing for reelection in the municipal contest corresponding to the March 3 California Primary Election. Mulvihill was reelected in 2016, after he was the top vote-getter with 501 votes or 28.11 percent in November 2015 in a five-way race against Scott Beard, Kim Robel, Da-

mon Alexander and Leticia Garcia, and then outdistanced Beard in the February 2016 run-off with 874 votes or 52.86 percent.

Mulvihill said he is running for a third term "because the city is in a state of turmoil caused by the present administration. I have a background in urban planning, so I have a good understanding of how a city is supposed **See P 7**

Two Resigned Staffers Hit SB Mayor Valdivia With Sexual Harassment Claims

San Bernardino Mayor John Valdivia, who has been on the dodge from allegations and suggestions of financial improprieties and abuse of his governmental authority since before he assumed the county seat's highest elected position in December 2018, was hit with public accusations of sexual harassment this week by two women who abruptly

resigned as members of his four-person staff last week.

Allegations that he was behaving inappropriately toward one of the women, Mirna Cisneros, had been festering for nearly a year. Accusations pertaining to Karen Cervantes relate to Valdivia's interaction with her since shortly after she was hired last fall.

Claims delineating the allegations in specific detail will be filed with the city next week, according to the two women's attorney. A claim is a precursor to a lawsuit. The city will have the option of acknowledging either or both of the claims as valid and conferring a settlement on one or both of the women. Upon the city's rejection of the claim in either

case and the exhaustion of the claimants' potential administrative remedies, each of the women will have clearance to proceed with a civil suit.

Cisneros, 30, and Cervantes, 24, submitted letters of resignation to Valdivia's chief of staff, Matt Brown, on January 29.

In a terse statement, the city has said it has begun an investigation

into the accusations.

The lawyer representing the two women, Tristan Pelayes, at a press conference held yesterday morning, February 6, in front of the city's 48-year-old City Hall that is now shuttered because of seismic instability, said, "My clients were subjected to repeated sexual harassment and mistreatment by the current **See P 6**

Chino Police Department To Get Facial Recognition Technology

The Chino Police Department will be one of the first law enforcement agencies in San Bernardino County to add facial recognition technology to its crime fighting arsenal.

Using biometric software to map individual human facial features abstracted from a video or photo, facial recognition systems match or contrast that data with information digitally cataloged elsewhere in a data-processing module to verify identities. This allows police investigators to scan rapidly through tens, hundreds, thousands or even millions of photos to find potential or actual criminal suspects, those merely wanted for questioning or witnesses.

Facial recognition tracking technology has evolved considerably over the last three decades, and has been used in the public domain increasingly over the last 15 years, in many cases to enhance security, as when it is used as a second key in entrances to homes and businesses. In recent years, it has been adapted as an access code for cell phones.

Within the last several years, facial recognition has been used effectively in a multitude of law enforcement contexts, to identify suspects caught on photographic or video surveillance systems as well as in long dormant cold cases where photographic or video evidence may be available.

Photographic or video analytics typically use a first layer of human operation in which obvious non-matches are eliminated, whereaf- **See P 2**

Attorneys Spar Over Whether Self-Defense Killing Fits Within The Rubric Of Homicide *from front page*

summon both the sheriff's department and paramedics, remaining in place until the sheriff's department arrived. Codman left the scene within three minutes of the shooting, and after Shuey retrieved at least two items from the ground near where Davis was lying, he too remounted his motorcycle and fled.

After the fire department responded to the scene, paramedics loaded Davis into an ambulance and transported him to Saint Bernardine Hospital in San Bernardino, where he was pronounced dead at 10:12 p.m.

In its initial public release of information with regard to the incident, the sheriff's department did not release Opmanis's name, providing only his age and identifying him as a resident of Crestline while referring to him as the "victim." The release referred to Davis as the "suspect."

Opmanis was arrested by the sheriff's department on August 9, 2019, after he met with homicide detectives at their request to provide them with additional information relating to the shooting, and the detectives heard what they believed were statements from Opmanis that were inconsistent with his previous statements and evidence gathered since the shooting.

Opmanis has been charged with PC 187, murder; PC12022.53(B), unlawful use of a firearm; PC12022.53(C), unlawful discharge of a firearm; and PC12022.53(D), unlawful discharge of a firearm causing death.

The case has garnered attention and controversy because Goodwin's Market has security apparatus entailing a video system utilizing multiple cameras, including one which captured moving images of the events leading up to the shoot-

ing, the shooting itself and the events following the shooting. It was a viewing and auditing of the action and sounds captured on that video, which was purportedly unaltered and unedited from its original continuously-running state at that time, that convinced the sheriff's department investigators initially assigned to the case that the shooting occurred in self-defense. At some subsequent point the video was altered, however, and chopped up into a series of irregularly staggered segments. At least three versions of the video exist, with inconsistencies between each. In at least two of those three versions, a crucial 12-second segment that occurs just prior to the shooting has gone missing. It was those two versions of the video that were provided to the defense. Footage from the video just prior to and just after the missing 12 seconds suggests that the physical assault on Opmanis being administered to him by Davis and Shuey was excised before the evidence was provided to the defense. There are other deletions from the video, including audio passages during which Opmanis claims Shuey and Davis were taunting him.

After a series of delays and continuances, Opmanis's preliminary hearing began on Friday, January 31. Testifying that afternoon were detectives Gerardo Moreno and Kevin McCurdy, as well as Deputy Victor Ruiz.

Because Opmanis's attorney, Deputy Public Defender David Spiker, is currently involved in another trial which is being played out before a jury Monday through Thursday, the preliminary hearing for Opmanis is being held in fits and starts on Fridays, though there was a brief hearing on Monday, February 3 before Judge Umeda relating to the provision of discovery material to the defense, during a break in the trial Spiker is involved in. That discovery material involved a police report relating to the arrest of

one of the investigators on the Opmanis case, Eric Dyberg. Dyberg's credibility as a witness could prove crucial, as he was involved at some level in securing the video of the shooting. Spiker was provided access to the arrest report on Dyberg, subject to a protective order by Judge Umeda which prohibited him from disclosing any of the information contained within it to the press or anyone not immediately involved in the preparation of Opmanis's defense.

The first witness put on the stand by Rabb this afternoon was Detective Michael Cleary of the sheriff's department's homicide division, who testified that he had been present at the post mortem done on Davis's body starting at 9 am on August 9. Cleary confirmed Davis's birth date of August 20, 1989 and the tracking number for the body bag containing Davis's corpse, which matched that testified to by Detective Gerardo Moreno last week as the one he witnessed Davis's lifeless body having been sealed into for transportation to the coroner's office. Moreno last week testified he had arrived at Saint Bernardine Hospital late in the evening of July 11 following the pronouncement of Davis's death, after which he had made his own perusal of the body prior to it being dispatched to the coroner's office.

Cleary identified a photo of Davis's body taken during the post mortem. He said foren-

sic pathologist Brian Hutchins had performed the autopsy, and that he himself had taken notes as the examination proceeded.

Rabb asked what Hutchins had related to Cleary during the autopsy, and Cleary said that there was an entrance wound above the left nipple and that the bullet had passed through the area of the sixth rib, then the lung, struck the aorta and exited at a location on Davis's back. There was a metal endo-tube yet in Davis's mouth and nasal passages, as well as an intravenous clip near his left elbow, and an incision on the left side of his chest, Cleary stated.

Rabb asked Cleary if Hutchins had made a determination as to the cause and manner of death. Cleary stated that Hutchins' finding was that the cause of death "was a single gunshot wound and the manner of death was determined to have been homicide."

On cross examination, Spiker asked Cleary if the single gunshot wound in the chest moving from the front to back and from the left side to the right side of Davis's body in a downward trajectory was "consistent with Mr. Davis being shot from the front?"

"Yes," Cleary said.

Spiker in his cross examination dwelt on the manner of death being homicide, seeking to elicit from Cleary clarification that homicide being the cause of death did not preclude the conclusion that the fatal

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gunshot had been fired in self-defense. This brought objections from Rabb that Spiker was asking Cleary to provide a legal conclusion he was not qualified to give.

Judge Umeda overruled the objection, which allowed Striker to ask Cleary if "someone shot someone one time in lawful self defense and the cause of death would be homicide just as it was in this case?"

"Yes, as far as it being consistent with the coroner's conclusion," Cleary responded.

Cleary also stated that his involvement in the case went no further than attending the autopsy performed by the coroner.

Thereafter, Davis' death certificate was introduced by Rabb and entered into evidence.

The next witness was Detective Eric Ogaz, who led the investigation into the shooting under the supervision of Sergeant Angelo Gibilterra

after the initial examination of the matter by Detective McCurdy had concluded the day after the shooting with a finding that there were plausible grounds to demonstrate Opmanis had acted in self-defense.

After he was assigned to investigate the shooting that took place in the parking lot at Goodwin's Market, Ogaz testified, he had interviewed Shane Codman in the interview room at the sheriff's station on July 25, 2019. Present for the interview, Ogaz said, was Codman and his attorney, Michael Fadin, and Detective Moreno. He said that Codman was not in custody. Codman told him that he had attended a motorcycle event put on by Harley Davidson in Riverside on July 11 and had ridden up the mountain in the company of Davis and Shuey

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Chino PD Getting Facial Recognition System *from front page*

ter photos or individual frames from a video are fed into a filtering system that seeks to match visual criteria and metrics relating to the dimensions of human visages.

Facial recognition can speed up ongoing investigations and alert officials when a known or wanted suspect or subject turns up on camera.

Privacy issues attend the use of facial recognition technology by law enforcement agencies. The reliability of the technology has also been questioned. While manufacturers of facial recognition systems say they are foolproof and that human faces are as unique as human fingerprints, the systems have been demonstrated to have blind spots, and there is documentation to suggest that certain software is unreliable in differentiating facial characteristics among

members of some racial and ethnic segments of the population.

Reportedly, the Chino Police Department will not, at least initially, link its system to various video cameras in the city, but rather use the technology in a relatively limited venue, that being analyzing booking photos. An expansion of the system and its applicability is possible, however.

The Chino Police Department in recent years has cultivated a reputation for being on or near

the cutting edge in the use of newfangled methodologies in policing. In 2014, it became the third agency in the county to outfit its officers with body cameras.

Next week, on Wednesday February 12 at 6 p.m. at the Chino Police Department Headquarters, 5450 Guardian Way, officers with the department will brief the public about the facial recognition system it is to soon deploy, and address any concerns or questions about it.

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Nickel Offering His Vision In Reelection Bid To Pilot SB Out Of Its “Death Spiral”

Councilman Henry Nickel said he is seeking reelection in the March 3 election to get the voters' consent to serve in what will be his third term as San Bernardino's Fifth Ward councilman “because we have a lot of work to do.”

In enumerating his accomplishments in office, Nickel first said, “We have gotten through bankruptcy.”

The councilman's reference was to the city's 2012 filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, which came just about a year-and-a-half before his victory in a special election held on February 4, 2014 to replace Chas Kelley, who was forced to resign as a consequence of his having misused campaign funds.

“Our priority was to get the city back on sound financial footing,” Nickel said. “We now have reserves, we have balanced the budget, and implemented the plan of adjustment. We are



Henry Nickel

moving ahead with our recovery plan. We did what we promised to do four years ago and now the city needs to build on its tax base. Our main focus over the next four years will be on rebuilding the city.”

Nickel said he is able to function effectively as an elected official by campaigning hard as a politician, but is also able, after the election season is over, to cooperate with both his rivals and allies that head local government.

“My record shows I am working across party lines,” he said. “We received \$3 million from Assemblyman [James] Ramos [a Democrat against whom the Re-

publican Nickel vied in the 2018 election to represent the 40th Assembly District]. I am able to work with the council and other officeholders so my constituents don't fall victim to the petty factionalism that historically divides the city. We need to get past the personal differences that prevent cooperation in key areas. Holding political grudges is not being responsible toward our residents. I meet with residents of my ward twice a month before council meetings and I take every opportunity to continue to work together with everyone in the city.”

According to Nickel, “Our major challenge immediately is our available revenue is 60 percent of what it is for comparable cities in our region. It is only in the last few decades that we have become an impoverished community. It was always a middle class city prior to that. We have experienced

an economic disaster, so we have to work hard over the next four years to change our trajectory. I am paying attention to our businesses and residents. We need to streamline the delivery of public service in accordance with our plan of adjustment. We have brought down our pension obligation and we should start to realize a return on that over the next decade. We need to convince people that this is a safe and clean environment and a sustainable place they can call home that will attract middle and upper income families we have to this point lost from the city, families with \$60,000 plus per year per household income. That is what we need. If you look at San Bernardino right now, we are at \$37,000 per year per household median income. You can't sustain a city with that kind of income. With those limitations on our finances, we won't have

the tax base to keep the city operating at the level we need to. As our revenues are declining, our need for services goes up. So, as revenues are declining, you are seeing more crime, more blight. Businesses leave and our income declines. We are in a death spiral. We cannot sustain a city in this situation. We need to implement our plan of adjustment to fix this.”

Nickel continued, “The other key component is we updated our charter in order to get past the dysfunctional politics of the past and adopt a model that is much more aligned with the cities surrounding us and that are in line with best practices of the other cities round us and across the nation. I have never fallen into the trap of negativity. I think San Bernardino is the most well-placed city within the overall environment of the Inland Empire. It offers opportunities that are unique. There is no reason for

us to remain as the most impoverished city in the Inland Empire, given our position and resources.”

Nickel decried the city's problems as being ones brought on by senseless rivalries and bickering. “A lot of that is the dysfunctional politics,” he said. “My goal is to rise to a level that is above this political dysfunction and work with my colleagues, and I feel I have done that.”

The city needs to work on the nuts and bolts of municipal function, including advanced urban planning befitting an entity that has been a metropolitan center for more than a century, Nickel said.

“We need to improve our general plan,” Nickel said. “Our development code is a shambles. Refining our codes and making improvements to our land use policies is a key component of our future if businesses are to be convinced to locate here. We need for them

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Redlands Super-center Falls Victim To Resistance, Retail Industry Transition

from front page

in 2005. The Redlands Good Neighbor Coalition in short order inserted itself into the approval process. One issue that group seized upon was an argument that the project was in conflict with the city's growth limitation regulations, in particular, Measure U, which was passed by the city's voters in 1997. Measure U put a premium on preserving the “unique character of the City of Redlands as a quiet university town surrounded by agricultural and citrus producing lands,” and maintaining “principles of managed development within the City of Redlands to accommodate growth over time in a manner that will not lead to a deterioration of the quality of life enjoyed by the citizens of Red-

lands.”

The coalition filed two lawsuits, which ultimately failed to halt the development plans at the time they were adjudicated in 2013 and 2014. Further delays, ensued, however, as appeals on those lawsuits were pursued. In the meantime, in October 2012, the Redlands City Council gave the project official go-ahead in a 4-to-1 vote, over heavy public opposition. For a variety of reasons, work on the project never actually began. Still, Walmart kept the project concept alive, by seeking on a regular annual basis a multitude of one-year extensions for its conditional use permits and parcel map, such that it did not need to submit a new application for approval of the project to the city. The last extension on the project was signed off on in April 2019.

Support for the project had remained solid at City Hall, which looked forward to the considerable sales tax revenue the store would bring

to the city. City officials believed that the city would achieve a synergy with the completion of the project, which would in effect have created a series of power centers in close proximity to one another, which included the Mountain Grove at Citrus Plaza and other close by retail attractions, that counted among them T.J. Max, Ulta, Aldi's, Kay Jewelers, Nordstrom Rack, Banana Republic, Hobby Lobby, Old Navy, Ross, Nike, as well as other customer attractions like 24 Hour Fitness and Harkins Theater. Redlands officials had hoped the concentration of retail options in such a relatively close environment would lure shoppers away from the Montclair Plaza, The Shoppes in Chino Hills, The Tyler Mall in Riverside and The Mills in Ontario.

Nevertheless, during the last half dozen years the entire retail industry has experienced a sea change, as traditional brick and mortar sales outlets have been

in some measure supplanted by internet sales. While Walmart, with 11,277 stores and affiliated Sam's Clubs in 27 countries, remains at the top of the Fortune 500 list, Amazon, which began as an on-line retailer of books and audio and video media, has branched into the sale of virtually every type of consumer product, and has climbed to the position of sixth on the Fortune 500 list, doing so without having made a major investment in physical locations where customers shop. This has prompted Walmart to begin experimenting with its own on-line retail sales approach in places such as Indiana, and made it rethink its aggressive effort to develop more and more stores. In some cases, Walmart employs home delivery vehicles to drop its merchandise off at the homes of customers. In other cases, the customers go to store locations or warehouses to pick up their purchases from a loading dock. In many

locations, Walmart stores have seen both subtle and dramatic drop-offs in sales. Last year, Walmart initiated or completed the closure of 27 stores throughout the United States and Canada.

Word emanating from Walmart's corporate headquarters in Bentonville, Arkansas was that Walmart's strategy to remain at the top of the retail game was evolving toward a proper mix of traditional stores and e-commerce, and that at present the company needs to reduce the number of its physical stores to achieve that balance. Thus, as of last month, Walmart was pursuing the construction of only two further stores in all of California. Following what corporate officers characterized as a “standard, periodic review process protocol” a determination was made that the expense of following through with the development of the Redlands store was contrary to the corporation's overall strategy

and plans at this time, and the number of stores it is building in California dropped to one. An illustration of Walmart's move away from store construction exists in the consideration that a little more than five years ago, in 2014, Walmart held 198 grand openings at newly completed locations in the United States, with that number zooming to 313 more in 2015. By 2019, that number had declined to just eight new stores.

Reportedly, the calculation that went into the decision included both the general migration of the retail industry away from expensive physical stores as well as the general approval and regulatory trend in Redlands as elsewhere in California entailing long term delays between the time of proposal and actual completion of a project. Despite California's burgeoning population, which makes it an attractive place for operating huge department

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One Witness Said Opmanis Shot Without Warning, Detective Testifies *from page 2*

Ogaz said. Codman told Ogaz they had arrived at Goodwin's Market at approximately 9 pm and parked in front of the market by the propane tanks. When he, Shuey and Davis were leaving the store, they were approached by a woman who asked if she could take pictures of them by their motorcycles, Ogaz testified Codman told him. When the bikers were leaving, Ogaz said, Codman indicated they were traveling at under five miles an hour as they headed out of the parking lot, and that Codman was wearing a helmet. As Codman was driving away, Ogaz said, he spotted someone standing on the railing of his vehicle waving his arms at him, and that he did not know who it was, so he turned around before leaving the parking lot and came back, at which point he recognized the person who had waved to him was Opmanis. According to Ogaz, Codman said he had known Opmanis for about four years and that prior to this incident he said they were friends, but that as he approached Opmanis "he appeared to be hostile and angry."

Rabb asked if Shuey had also returned to the parking lot, and Ogaz indicated Shuey on his motorcycle had likewise approached Opmanis at his vehicle. Ogaz, relay-

ing to the court what he had been told by Codman, said Opmanis was getting angrier, and had an exchange with Shuey "and stated something like 'You jumped me.' Robert told him he never jumped him and just wanted to be friends with him."

Rabb asked Ogaz if he had questioned Codman about whether he was aware of an incident involving Shuey and Opmanis in January 2019.

Ogaz related that Codman had been present at the Dogwood Bar, which preceded the fight between Opmanis and Shuey that later took place at Shuey's home. Codman did not witness the fight, according to Ogaz.

With regard to the night of July 11, according to Ogaz, Codman had said that while Opmanis was angry and accusing Shuey of jumping him, he was wearing a hoodie [a hooded sweatshirt], and had his right hand inside the hoodie. Ogaz said that Codman told him "He felt Alex [Opmanis] had a gun in his hoodie and was acting more brave than he normally does."

In this fashion, Rabb endeavored to suggest to Judge Umeda by Ogaz's testimony that the shooting was not one that spontaneously arose out of Davis's assault on Opmanis.

Rabb then asked Ogaz what Codman had said about Davis's presence at the scene of the shooting before it took place.

"Mr. Davis was just kind of standing in the background," Ogaz said

Codman had told him. At some point, according to Ogaz, Codman said that Davis said something to the effect of "'Do you want to get down,' and started to approach Alex."

Ogaz said that Codman stated that Davis did not place his hands on Opmanis and that he was not close enough to place hands on Opmanis or hit him, and that he did not witness Davis or Shuey point weapons toward Opmanis. It was while Davis was yet approaching Opmanis that Codman said Opmanis shot Davis five times, Ogaz testified.

When Davis fell to the ground, Codman told Ogaz, he and Shuey ran over to Davis, at which point, Codman related that Davis said, "You shot me in the heart. I'm dying." Ogaz said that Codman told him he and Shuey moved Davis toward the back of Opmanis's vehicle, away from Opmanis. After people started to come out of the store, Codman told Ogaz he told Davis, "I love you," and then mounted his motorcycle and left.

Rabb asked Ogaz if Codman had gone to the sheriff's station on July 12 to make a statement about what had occurred the previous night. Ogaz said that Codman did go to the station but had not made a statement.

Rabb asked Ogaz about Codman's statement that Opmanis had fired five shots. Ogaz said it is not uncommon for a witness's recollection of the number of gunshots fired to deviate from the actual number

of shots.

Ogaz further testified that he interviewed Shuey on July 29, 2019, and that also present at the interview was Shuey's attorney, Gary Smith, as well as Detective Moreno.

Rabb questioned Ogaz about what Shuey told him about the physical altercation Shuey had with Opmanis in January 2019. Ogaz said that Shuey told him he and Opmanis were together at the Dogwood Bar, which is walking distance from Shuey's residence, that Shuey met a girl there who then returned with Shuey to his home, and that he had told Opmanis not to drink and drive, and to spend the night at his house. At some point, Shuey told Ogaz, he awakened that evening when Opmanis threw up on him, at which point he noticed there were several other subjects in his home drinking his alcohol. There ensued a physical altercation in which Shuey claimed that both he and Opmanis had hit each other with closed fists. According to Ogaz, Shuey claimed that Opmanis had given him a black eye and had loosened one of his teeth, and he had given Opmanis a black eye and a bloody nose.

Shuey told him during the July 29 interview, Ogaz said, that he had not seen Opmanis between the January 2019 and July 2019 incidents.

Shuey said in his July 29 statement, Ogaz testified, that on July 11 he, Davis and Codman had

been at the Bike Night in Riverside earlier in the evening, whereafter they went up into the mountains to Goodwin's Market to get hamburger meat and some beer. In leaving the parking lot, Shuey said that he led, with Davis and Codman behind him. Shuey had further stated that he had poor vision, indicating he had not seen Opmanis while they were in the market, in the parking lot or when initially leaving. After leaving the parking lot, he had seen in his side mirror that neither Codman nor Davis were behind him, and since Davis had a mechanical problem with his bike earlier, he thought Davis's motorcycle might have broken down. When he returned to the parking lot, he told Ogaz during the July 29 interview, he saw Codman and Davis talking to someone near a dark SUV. As he approached the vehicle, Shuey said he could tell that Codman and the subject near the vehicle were in an argument, but it wasn't until he walked up to them that he recognized Opmanis.

"What happened next?" Rabb asked

"Alex accused him [Shuey] of jumping him," Ogaz said.

Opmanis was wearing a black hoodie and had his hand inside the hoodie, said Shuey, who told Ogaz that he thought Opmanis had a gun. When Shuey attempted to shake hands with Opmanis and say that he wanted to "just be friends," Opmanis would not extend his

hand to reciprocate, and Opmanis was "angry and hostile," according to Shuey as related to the court through Ogaz's testimony.

According to Ogaz, Shuey did not see Davis hit Opmanis.

Shortly thereafter, according to what Shuey told Ogaz, when Davis began to approach Opmanis, without warning Opmanis shot Davis.

After Davis fell to the ground, according to Shuey's statement, he and Codman dragged Davis behind Opmanis's SUV.

Shuey told Ogaz he left the scene because he was scared.

Rabb drew out from Ogaz that Shuey had said that prior to pulling out of the parking lot and then returning, he had not seen Opmanis.

Ogaz also testified that Shuey had come to the Twin Peaks sheriff's office substation on July 12 to make a statement, but did not make a statement to him or other members of the department that day.

Rabb questioned Ogaz about the surveillance video, including referencing the critical gap in the footage just prior to the shooting. Ogaz acknowledged that there were sequences missing from the video. He said he had spoken with Detective Eric Dyberg and another sheriff's department employee, Matt Meyer, about "why there were gaps in the video."

Rabb examined Ogaz with regard to the detective's interview with Op-

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Did County's Two Top Lawyers Really Misunderstand Election & Tax Code Or Did They Mislead Citizens Group Purposefully? *from front page*

The city councils in San Bernardino, Needles and Upland, as well as the water district in Twentynine Palms, which had overseen that community's fire department, sought to unload their ownership of, management and responsibility for each of their respective fire departments to the county. Those annexations had carried with them the imposition of assessments on the parcel owners within those jurisdictions to pay for the county fire department's provision of service, taxes which had previously not been assessed. To get around the California Constitutional requirement that all taxes must first be approved by those upon whom they are to be levied, the cities, the county and the Local Agency Formation Commission carried out what was referred to as a "protest process" in which each landowner was given mailed notice of a one-month "protest period," during which the county would accept letters protesting the creation of the assessment district. Each such letter was tallied as a vote against the annexation and assessment imposition. Each landowner who did not deliver a letter of protest was deemed to be in support of the annexation and assessments being levied, and a vote ratifying folding those cities into Fire Prevention Zone Five was cast on their behalf.

In the cities of San Bernardino and Upland, those entities thereafter committed to turning over a percentage of their property tax as part of the deal, and pocketed the difference between the savings realized from the closure of the fire department and the loss of a percentage of property tax each had committed to the county, as the

city's residents, business operators and property owners were at that point paying the lion's share of the freight with regard to the provision of fire service. The city was free to use the money it netted as it deemed necessary, which in practical terms in both Upland and San Bernardino meant paying down substantial costs in paying pensions to retired municipal employees.

While this arrangement did not sit well with, indeed angered, a number of residents within those communities that were tuned into what the Local Agency Formation Commission was doing with regard to one of their local institutions and their control over the funding for a key element of service long considered to be an inherent part of the responsibility of local government, the vast majority of residents in those communities, unaware, apathetic, uncaring or uninformed about the pending county takeover of their local fire department, did nothing to prevent their community's annexation into County Fire Protection Zone 5.

Only in the well-heeled unincorporated 2.619-square mile community of San Antonio Heights was there significant active resistance to the annexation. San Antonio Heights, since it was not a part of any city, was already provided with fire service by the county fire department. In seeking to accommodate the Upland City Council's request that it consider that city's annexation into County Fire Protection Zone 5, the Local Agency Formation Commission had rolled San Antonio Heights into the mix with Upland, with which San Antonio Heights is contiguous, such that both the city and its neighbor were part of the same annexation proposal. San Antonio Heights residents took stock of the consideration that the annexation would change nothing for them service-wise, and would not improve the level of care the com-

munity would receive while imposing on them an annual \$150 per parcel assessment they had never paid before. Indeed, so animated about what was going to be imposed upon them, a large number of the residents of San Antonio Heights protested mightily. Aided by the consideration that the community is a relatively compact one with a population of 3,371 of whom 1,561 were registered to vote, before the one-month protest period had run contact was made with virtually all of the residents and landowners by those militating against the annexation. Consequently, a number well above the 50 percent plus one threshold to reject the Fire Protection Zone 5 takeover manifested in San Antonio Heights, and those residents and landowners registered letters of protest accordingly. Because, however, the San Antonio Heights annexation was bundled together with the annexation of Upland, and because fewer than 2 percent of the landowners and voters in 74,000 population Upland lodged letters of protest, the annexation was allowed to occur. Thereafter, a group of San Antonio Heights Residents banded together as the San Antonio Heights Homeowners Association and filed suit against the annexation of their community into Fire Protection Zone 5. Ultimately, Judge David Cohn in February 2019 ruled in favor of the San Antonio Heights Homeowners Association in the case it had brought against the City of Upland, the County of San Bernardino and the San Bernardino County Local Agency Formation Commission, excusing the totality of San Antonio Heights from being annexed into Fire Protection Zone 5 and each of its property owners having to pay the \$150 parcel tax.

Prior to that, however, the county had engaged in the countywide unincorporated property annexation ploy, not only outmaneuvering San An-

tonio Heights residents but essentially requiring that every property owner living outside of the county's 24 incorporated municipalities pay the annual \$157.26 per parcel tax, which was subject to a 3 percent annual inflation increase.

County officials, having seen how easily the expansion of County Fire Protection Zone 5 could be effectuated, the experience with San Antonio Heights not outstanding, calculated that it could replicate the expansion to cover 95 percent of the county's land mass. The county had an incentive for doing so in that it needed to close a gap in the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District's budget. Senior county leadership reasoned such a scheme could be carried off without voter approval by again utilizing the protest procedure. Accordingly, county officials simply overlaid all unincorporated land in the county with Fire Protection Zone 5. The total of proceeds to be realized from the Fire Protection Zone 5 expansion would yield a \$26.9 million increase to County Fire's coffers – with the potential to increase at three percent per year indefinitely.

Last summer, the Red Brennan Group, which is composed of several individuals who were associated with the late tax reduction and government reform advocate Kiernan Brennan, together with three residents of the unincorporated county area agreeing to sponsor an initiative – Charles Pruitt, Rick Sayers, and David Jarvi – informed the county and gave legal notice of intention to circulate a petition to put a ballot measure before the county's voters in its unincorporated area seeking the repeal of the special tax associated with Fire Protection Zone 5.

In doing so, the Red Brennan Group's attorney, Aaron Burden, sent a letter to San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters Bob Page, seeking guidance from

him on how many valid signatures the petition gatherers would need to collect to qualify the tax repeal measure for the ballot. In lieu of Page responding, Chief Assistant County Counsel Penny Alexander-Kelley, writing on behalf of County Counsel Michelle Blakemore, told Burden in a letter dated August 23, 2019, that the group would need to collect at least 26,183 signatures to force the repeal vote onto the ballot. "Your specific question is: 'What is the number of valid signatures required to qualify the initiatives that were submitted to your office on August 16, 2019?'" Alexander-Kelley wrote. "The registrar of voters' records indicate that the Red Brennan Group submitted two initiatives on August 16, 2019 both related to the special tax and San Bernardino County Fire Protection Zone FP-5. Elections Code section 931 O(a) provides that the number of signatures required for an initiative petition is 'not less in number than 10 percent of the voters in the district, if the total number of registered voters is less than 500,000 ...' as is true for the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District. Further, section 931 O(b) provides that the number of registered voters referenced in subd. (a) shall be calculated as of the time of the last report of registration by the county elections official to the Secretary of State made before publication or posting of the notice of intention to circulate initiative petition. According to the paperwork submitted to the registrar of voters, the notices of intent to circulate were published on August 15, 2019. Therefore, the "last report" to the Secretary of State prior to that date of publication was on February 10, 2019. The registrar of voters advises that the number of registered voters for the Fire Protection District as of that date was 261,831, therefore the number of valid signatures required for each initiative peti-

tion is 26,183."

Accordingly, the Red Brennan Group undertook its signature-gathering effort after having made all of the required filings and legal notifications. In the course of the more-than-five-month campaign, it has compiled petitions to which over 34,000 signatures of individuals believed to be registered voters in the county living entirely within unincorporated areas have been affixed.

In the meantime, acting upon a tip provided by Red Brennan Group employee Solomon Barks, the organization contacted the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association for assistance. After making an analysis of the August 23, 2019 Blakemore/Alexander-Kelley letter, Laura Dougherty, senior staff attorney for the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, determined that the county's lawyers had misinterpreted one key portion of the law relating to qualifying a tax imposition repeal for the ballot and had ignored entirely another key provision of the law.

In a letter dated January 28, 2020 Dougherty wrote "regarding an August 23, 2019 letter from your office to Aaron Burden at The Red Brennan Group... You answered a question on behalf of Bob Page, the registrar of voters for San Bernardino County. Mr. Burden asked, 'What is the number of valid signatures required to qualify the initiatives that were submitted to your office on August 16, 2019?' Your answer to Mr. Burden was 10% of registered voters per Elections Code § 9310, or in your case, 26,183 signatures. While this is generally the calculation for district initiatives, it is not the case here. The Red Brennan Group's initiatives 'affect local taxes, assessments, fees and charges.' Thus, the applicable law is Proposition 218 at Article XIII C § 3 of the California Constitution: *Initiative Power for Local Taxes, Assessments, Fees and*

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SB Mayor Made Inappropriate Demands Of Two Staffers, They Claim *from front page*

City of San Bernardino mayor, John Valdivia. The claims are backed by evidence, including numerous messages, and those who witnessed the behavior. The harassment included sexual advances toward my clients, vulgar comments about women and his sexual activity, and numerous comments by the mayor telling them that they needed to spend more alone time with him after hours in order to be successful and secure their employment."

Pelayes said both Cisneros and Cervantes while working for the mayor and serving in roles answerable directly to him became aware of Valdivia having failed to report contributions, that he was using city facilities, equipment and resources to raise campaign funds, and that he was engaging in other questionable or illegal activities and financially-based improprieties and misuses of public funds.

According to Pelayes, "Additional conduct of concern included the mayor being drunk while serving in his official capacity, and repeatedly hiding and misreporting financial activities, which is a violation of the law."

City officials have known of Valdivia's depredations, and have been

remiss in not acting to stem them, Pelayes said.

"All of these incidents have been reported numerous times to city administrators, yet nothing was done, and they continued to be victimized by Mayor Valdivia," Pelayes said.

The continuation of Valdivia's misdeeds and the failure of city officials to shield Cisneros and Cervantes resulted, Pelayes asserted, in his clients "experiencing health issues, and they had to seek medical treatment, which was directly correlated with the severe stress they experienced."

As a consequence, Pelayes said, Cisneros and Cervantes were left with "no choice but to resign from their positions at the City of San Bernardino. It wasn't until they resigned and retained an attorney that the city started looking into the claims that they had been aware of but did nothing about."

The city's response has been little more than window dressing, Pelayes said, and he accused city management of carrying out a sham inquiry into the matter.

"Although the city has begun an internal investigation, they declined our requests to collectively work together through the process and choose an independent investigator to ensure a fair investigation, put the mayor on leave during the investigation, and provide alternate positions for my clients to return to without losing their employment status and benefits," Pelayes

said. "They stated that our requests were unreasonable."

Cisneros said, "I was employed with the City of San Bernardino as a senior customer service representative. While working for Mayor Valdivia, I was subjected to countless inappropriate acts of harassment. This included him calling the office, saying he was drunk and needing assistance scheduling an appointment with Councilman Henry Nickel." Cisneros said that Valdivia told her there was such a priority on his meeting with Nickel that "If need be... [she should] perform a sexual favor on one of Nickel's staff members. He also offered me his credit card, would buy me whatever I wanted and said that his wife didn't have to know. It disgusts me that that man, who swore to serve the community with integrity, used his position of power and authority to victimize people with no consequences."

Cisneros said, "I never wanted it to get to this point, but I had no choice after the city failed to protect me and to hold the mayor accountable for his actions."

Cervantes said, "I was employed with the City of San Bernardino as the mayor's assis-

tant. Over the last four months, Mayor Valdivia harassed and mistreated me repeatedly. He would talk about sexual escapades and desires in front of me and others. When I refused or didn't respond to his advances and inappropriate correspondence, he would mistreat me, yell at me and make comments insinuating my job would be in jeopardy if I didn't do what he wanted me to do. He said 'What kind of bills do you pay? Do you have a mortgage? I just want to know: Are you worried about not having this job?' My employment became what I called, the 'misery program.' He told me that the situation was my fault and that if I wanted things to change and to have a good relationship with him, I would have to spend time with him after hours. It got to the point where the right side of my face and arm became numb and stiff."

Cervantes said, "After reporting the mayor's inappropriate behavior and being told that because he was an elected official nothing would be done and he was above the law, I knew I had no choice but to take legal action and resign from my position."

Pelayes said, "Based on the information that we know so far, it is my

belief that there are others out there who have been victimized by the mayor. Valdivia's abuse of power has cost my clients their jobs and impacted their physical and mental health, not to mention the disservice to those who put their trust in him as a community leader."

Wednesday night, at the close of the public portion of this week's regularly-scheduled council meeting, at the request of San Bernardino City Councilman/Mayor Pro Tem Ted Sanchez, Deputy City Attorney Sonia Carvalho provided this statement, "Mayor and council members, I wanted to assure you and also especially members of the public that the city manager and director of human resources have taken immediate action to address the recent claims that have been referred to in a newspaper article. The city has outside legal counsel that advises the city on all employment matters, and this firm is advising staff on its legal obligations to strictly comply and follow with all of your personnel rules, and to conduct a thorough investigation. We ask for your patience, knowing that staff needs to comply with these policies and state and federal law.

The public should know that all of you have been advised of your legal responsibilities and your fiduciary duties, and your obligation not to disclose confidential personnel information, and this may be why some of you cannot speak to the press or members of the public."

Valdivia for some time has been under investigation by both the FBI and the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office's public integrity unit with regard to allegations and reports of bribe-taking and influence peddling, as well as misuse of public funds. One of those accusations relates to his having entangled himself, less than two weeks after his election as mayor in November 2018 and while he was yet serving in the capacity of the city's Third Ward councilman, in financial investments involving business interests who are pursuing licensing of marijuana-related operations in the city, over which the city council has a degree of permitting discretion.

Valdivia's chief of staff, Matt Brown, told the *Sentinel*, "The city is taking these allegations very seriously."

-Mark Gutglueck

Opmanis Said He Shot 'Backwards, Under His Arm,' According To Detective *from page 4*

manis.

Rabb asked Ogaz if he had shown Opmanis the video and had asked the defendant why he did not just leave the parking lot prior to the shooting taking place.

In response, Ogaz related that Opmanis said he could not remember what he was doing when he was in the parking lot.

Ogaz testified that he had interviewed Opmanis on August 13, 2019, beginning at 3:43 p.m. at sheriff's headquarters in the homicide office. He said Opmanis was accompanied by his lawyer, whom he misidenti-

fied as Jeffrey Morse, the lawyer's actual name being Jeffrey Lawrence. He said Opmanis was not in custody at the time, was voluntarily participating in the interview and was free to leave had he chosen to do so. He said Opmanis was calm during the interview.

When asked if he was under the influence on July 11, Opmanis said he was not, according to Ogaz. Opmanis had met two friends and got groceries, he told Ogaz, and put the groceries away into his vehicle.

"According to Mr. Opmanis, he was by his vehicle when three motorcyclists came by, revving their engines, trying to intimidate him," Ogaz said. The motorcyclists surrounded him, Ogaz said Opmanis claimed. Ogaz said that the three

were trying to talk to him in a friendly manner but that he didn't trust Shuey. When someone struck him in the head, Opmanis said he had reached into his vehicle and that he had fired the gun "backwards, under his arm" indicating he almost shot himself in doing so. After Davis, whose name he did not know, fell to the ground, Opmanis told Ogaz, he told the others to back off, and he called the police.

Ogaz testified that he had shown Opmanis the surveillance video during the interview, pointing out that he had put his groceries away well before the encounter with Davis, Shuey and Codman and that there was thus a discrepancy in Opmanis's version of events and the timing

of the events leading up to the shooting. Ogaz also referenced interaction between Opmanis and whom Ogaz referred to as Opmanis's "two friends," whom the *Sentinel* has identified as Johnny, whose last name has not been specified in any court documents available to the *Sentinel* and Osvaldo Nuno.

The testimony Ogaz gave this afternoon was somewhat inexact in that he was providing his recollection of what was depicted on the video without the video being played.

"While playing the surveillance footage, did he point out his vehicle and [that] he was in the surveillance video?" Rabb asked Ogaz.

"Yes," Ogaz replied.

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Make Inroads On Homeless Problem By Helping Those Who Will Accept Assistance First, Mulvihill Says *from front page*

to operate. I have background and experience. I can't imagine any of my opponents doing the same kind of job I am capable of."

In this year's race, Mulvihill is opposed by Esmeralda Negrete, John Abad, David Mlynarski and Damon Alexander.

Mulvihill said the "major issue that affects residents is homelessness."

He said over the time he has been in office, the city has come up with "a number of programs to aid the homeless and rehouse the homeless."

Mulvihill said the problem is an essentially challenging one which defies straightforward and comprehensive solutions. He said the rationale approach is to take a realistic tack to make inroads against the condition, and get as many people off the streets as possible in conjunction with the homeless populations' willingness to cooperate in the efforts of those willing to show it compassion.

"There are two major groups of homeless," Mulvihill said. "One will be receptive to our efforts and can be rapidly rehoused. These are people who are experiencing problems because of foreclosure, or divorce, loss of employment and those sorts of things, ones who will accept help. Then there is the second group, who don't want help and won't accept it, who are addicted to drugs or are mentally ill, who don't want to get off the street. Those are people who have problems that are a little more difficult to address."

The city has made some marginal progress on the homeless front, Mulvihill said.

"We have been able to get grants, several hundred thousand dollars for emergency shelters, housing vouchers

to 'the Rapid Rehousing Program' in order to get people over rough spots and keep them off the streets until they can get back on their feet and regain employment and fend for themselves," he said. "We have tried to take a 'Housing First' approach. With the second group, we haven't given up. With the second group our first goal is to get them off the streets, provide them with some unconditional help, give them a little space with the hope that if they are not taking their medication we can get them back on medication or if they are taking [illicit] drugs we can eventually get them off of drugs. We try to look toward the long run. We want to get them a case worker, bring in the county workforce development department to apply solutions to not only get them off the street but into employment.

"The city is working with Catholic Charities. It is working with Mary's Village, which already has shelters for women and is now establishing a housing and job training facility for 115 homeless men," Mulvihill continued. "The city is working with Kim Carter with Time For Change, the Salvation Army and the Lutheran Mission, who are working to provide housing for those who are out on the streets. We are trying find homes for them."

The city is constrained by law in what it can do to overcome the homeless problem, Mulvihill said. The law will not allow the city to use its authority to simply force the dispossessed to leave, he said.

"In the Boise Decision, the Supreme Court ruled that if you can't find homes for the homeless, they they can sleep on the sidewalk. Governor Newsom ratified that for California."

Those who want to simply run the homeless out of town will need to go to Plan B, Mulvihill said.

He offered a suggestion.

"In the military we had tents large enough

to house a platoon," he said. "I propose that as a way to get the homeless off of our streets. We have space at the sheriff's academy where we can pitch those tents and put in facilities. We need case managers for groups of individuals so we can reach them, provide them with health care, get them services and other forms of assistance. We may not be able to fix the problem in its entirety, but we can start to help those who will accept our help turn their lives around. The reality is that having them on the streets presents not only them, but all of us, with health issues. People defecating on the streets – that is a violation of public health regulations."

Of the homeless, Mulvihill said, "We need to house them immediately and place them into facilities, even if that is only an immediate and short term solution. We need to get them off the streets."

Mulvihill continued, "A big problem is the state is not really helping. Fifty years ago, when Ronald Reagan was governor, they closed down our mental health hospitals. That has created a whole subset of homeless who are most resistant to help. The state needs to step in and provide programs and make policy changes right now. When they say to us 'It is your problem,' that is baloney."

Without faulting any of those seeking to address the bane of homelessness, Mulvihill said that what is needed is a far more coordinated and universal approach, and that real and meaningful progress won't occur until all of the horses are hitched up to the same side of the wagon.

"Right now every jurisdiction is developing its own approach to this problem," he said. "What we have done in the City of San Bernardino in conjunction with San Bernardino County is try to apply a 'Housing First' solution by providing housing vouchers to those who want them and will accept them. Other juris-

dictions are approaching this in their own way. The state needs to develop laws and guidance and establish a statewide policy."

Beyond homelessness, Mulvihill, said, the city is saddled with the scourge of crime.

"The best best policy to deal with crime is to hire more police officers," he said. "In 2010-11, we had 349 sworn police officers on the street fighting crime. Right now, under the [John] Valdivia administration, we have 249. We are down 100 officers. The mayor's approach is to hire more clerical staff and lobbyists. In terms of rational fiscal management, the direction of His Honor and his council majority is wrong. We need more police officers. We only have four code enforcement officers. We need 20 or 30. His answer is to hire more administrative staff and lobbyists."

Mulvihill said, "I support Operation Ceasefire, the violence intervention program. It intentionally goes out and does data analysis to identify individuals who have a higher probability of committing violent crime. We are finding that 15 to 20 percent of the people who have criminal records between the ages of 18 to 24 have such potential. For them, living in the environment they do, joining a gang is a rational decision. So, under this program – Operation Ceasefire – what occurs is probation officers, in conjunction with people who have been released from prison, will search these at-risk individuals out and tell them 'This is the direction your life is going in, and you can see where you are going to end up. This is your opportunity to develop job skills with Operation Ceasefire.' People going into gangs, given the environment they are in, are making a rational decision. Here is a path to give them a better option. This violence intervention approach has had a high success rate in Boston, Chicago, North Carolina. Oakland and Stockton."

Mulvihill said that "According to [Police] Chief [Eric] McBride, "The crime rate has dropped a little bit between 2018 and 2019. Homicides are down 6 percent, rapes are down 9 percent. Burglaries are down 9 percent. Whereas in 2015 we had 218 sworn officers, we now have 249. We are going in the right direction. That is still inadequate."

Mulvihill said the third major issue the city has been struggling with and which he is anxious to continue to work on is economic development.

"I have kept in close touch with business people, people in the building industry, associates within the chamber of commerce, the League of California Cities," he said. "There are some business people who are interested in doing things in our city. I was contacted most recently by someone about the Arrowhead Country Club. He had asked me about developing it for housing. I had to tell him I can't support that, but I use that to illustrate that there is interest in development within our city. There are some proposals. One was at the northwest corner of Valencia and Highland where there is a Chinese Smorgasbord, and they are interested in putting in a Starbucks and a 7-Eleven. I think we would be interested in that. I am in close touch with the business community. I think we need to hold something like an opportunity fair, just like the retail industry holds conventions, just as the shopping center developers hold shopping center conventions in Las Vegas on an annual basis. We should hold a community opportunity fair to promote our work force, where we talk about our labor pool, and show potential employers from across the country what we have to offer. I can see us having an opportunity fair at the Orange Show and bringing in employers from all over, retailers nationally to see what we have here. Corporations from all over the country should see

San Bernardino, and the opportunity waiting for them here. If they look at our transportation system and see the airport, we may get retailers and manufacturers interested in coming here."

Mulvihill said, "I would like to see more quality housing in San Bernardino. We really need to seek to attract that. Dignity Health, which owns Saint Bernardine's Hospital and owns 39 hospitals across the country has a group of investors looking to build 800 homes, in conjunction with National Core and the county housing authority and mortgage financing firms. We have the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation looking to make grants to support major housing projects. We have already gotten a small grant for planning. We are looking for securing the Robert Wood Foundation grant for our community. We should be facilitating those efforts and I will lead that."

Despite the consideration that he is the oldest member of the city council, Mulvihill said he is perhaps the member of the panel most sensitive to the vulnerabilities of those who are four and five decades his junior.

"We need to engage our youth," he said. "I am a member of the community college bond oversight committee. At the community college [San Bernardino Community College] we have a new technology building to train young people and anyone, actually, who wants to develop modern job skills. We have achieved a portion of a half of a billion grant and that has been used to buy the former San Manuel Administration building on Highland where the Building Industry Association has established a construction industry program to train construction workers. The building industry has lost a lot of construction workers who have moved out of state because housing is so expensive. If someone has been formerly incar-

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Public Notices

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS2001513

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Brenda G Jimenez for Minor Carlos Jimenez filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Carlos Eduardo Jimenez II to CJ Jimenez

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: 02/26/2020 Time: 8:30 a.m. Department: S16

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 West 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 the 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: Jan., 16, 2020
Lynn M. Poncin
Judge of the Superior Court.
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVS2000028

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Tyrone Griffin filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Tyrone Griffin to Tyrone Griffin El

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: 3/04/2020 Time: 8:30 a.m. Department: V15

The address of the court is Superior Court Victorville District, 14455 Civic Drive Ste 100, Victorville, CA 92392

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the 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: Jan. 16, 2020
Carlos M. Cabrera
Judge of the Superior Court.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190014622

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Rosa Tinoco Interpreting, 2851 S La Cadena Drive, STE 209, Colton, CA 92324, Rosa M. Tinoco, 2122 Chestnut St, Apt 303, San Bernardino, CA 92410

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/ Rosa M Tinoco
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/18/2019

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

Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/ I1361

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).

1/17/20, 1/24/20, 1/31/20, 2/7/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190015009

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Summer Nails & Spa, 935 West Foothill Blvd, Rialto, CA 92376, Mailing Address: 7876 Celeste Ave, Fontana, CA 92336, Tuyen T. Nguyen, 7876 Celeste Ave, Fontana, CA 92336, Stan M Le, 7876 Celeste Ave, Fontana, CA 92336

Business is Conducted By: A Married Couple

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s/ Tuyen Thi Nguyen
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/30/19

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

Began Transacting Business: 4/18/2015

County Clerk, s/ C5032

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).

1/17/20, 1/24/20, 1/31/20, 2/7/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20200000641

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Goosehead Insurance- Teresa Akahoshi Agency, 3333 E. Concourse St, Suite 7102, Ontario, CA 91764, Mailing Address: 10699 La Vine St, Alta Loma, CA 91701, Teresa A. Akahoshi, 10699 La Vine St, Alta Loma, CA 91701

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/ Teresa A. Akahoshi
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/14/2020

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

Began Transacting Business: 1/13/2020

County Clerk, s/ I1361

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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).

1/17/20, 1/24/20, 1/31/20, 2/7/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20200000054

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Upland Nutrition, 230 N Central Ave Suite G, Upland, CA 91786, Mailing Address: 11116 Countryview Dr, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730, Jacquelynn Lakin, 11116 Countryview Dr, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/ Jacquelynn Lakin
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/2/2020

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

Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/ I2443

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1/17/20, 1/24/20, 1/31/20, 2/7/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20200000069

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: LG Interpreting and Notary Services, 9175 Alta Loma Dr, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701, Mailing Address: PO Box 9267, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701, Lindy M. Martinez, 9175 Alta Loma Dr, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701

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/ Lindy Martinez
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/2/20

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

Began Transacting Business: 1/6/20

County Clerk, s/ C5032

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1/17/20, 1/24/20, 1/31/20, 2/7/20

AMENDED NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

Alvaro Antonio Rodriguez NO. PROPS1901122

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of Alvaro Antonio Rodriguez

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Virginia R. Robertson, in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Virginia R. Robertson be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests

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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 Dept. No. S35P at 8:30 a.m. on Feb. 06, 2020 at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino District.

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

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

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

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

Petitioner: Virginia R. Robertson

106 Redoak Street, Hudson Oaks, TX 76087

Telephone No: 1-817-999-6814

San Bernardino County

1/24/20, 1/31/20, 2/7/20

A.P.N.: 1074-211-01-0-000

Trustee Sale No.: 2019-1568

Title Order No: 1375135CAD

Reference No: 1 KOLTONIUK NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER A NOTICE OF A NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT AND CLAIM OF LIEN. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT DATED 8/29/2019 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that on 2/24/2020 at 1:00 PM, S.B.S. Lien Services, As the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Notice of Delinquent Assessment, recorded on 9/3/2019, as Document No. 2019-0311188, Book , Page , of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of San Bernardino County, California, The original owner: Nancy Pasos and Nancy Koltoniuk and David Koltoniuk The purported new owner: Nancy

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Pasos and Nancy Koltoniuk and David Koltoniuk WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cashier's check drawn by a State or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or a savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state.: NEAR THE FRONT STEPS LEADING UP TO THE CITY OF CHINO CIVIC CENTER, 13220 CENTRAL AVENUE, CHINO, CA 91710 All right, title and interest under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment in the property situated in said County, as more fully described on the above referenced assessment lien. The street address and other common designation, if any of the real property described above is purported to be: 10015 Hillside Road Alta Loma, CA 91737 AKA 10015 Hillside Road Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91737. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum due under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment, with interest thereon, as provided in said notice, advances, if any, estimated fees, charges, and expenses of the Trustee, to wit: \$6,381.65 accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The claimant: HERITAGE LANE ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If

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you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call FOR SALE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (855)986-9342, or visit this Internet Web site www.superiordefault.com using the file number assigned to this case 2019-1568. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. THE PROPERTY IS BEING SOLD SUBJECT TO THE NINETY DAY RIGHT OF REDEMPTION CONTAINED IN CIVIL CODE SECTION 5715(b). PLEASE NOTE THAT WE ARE A DEBT COLLECTOR AND ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: 1/16/20. S.B.S LIEN SERVICES, 31194 La Baya Drive, Suite 106, Westlake Village, California, 91362. By: Annissa Young, Sr. Trustee Sale Officer (1/24/20, 1/31/20, 2/7/20 | TS#2019-1568 SDI-17293)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS2001785

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Ramon Mancera filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Ramon Mancera to Raymond Mancera

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: 02/28/2020 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 West 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 the 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: Jan., 17, 2020

Lynn M. Poncin

Judge of the Superior Court.

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 1/24/20, 1/31/20, 2/7/20, 2/14/20

SUMMONS - (CITACION JUDICIAL)

CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO) CIV DS 1920881

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT (AVISO DEMANDADO): SHARON VANSTEENWYK and DOES 1 TO 20

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): SHANAYE HAMPTON

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide

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against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons is served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to 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), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (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

Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una repuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no le protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted puede usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida si secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de referencia a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un a un abogado, es posible que cumpia con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratis de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov), o poniendoso en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos gravamen sobre cualquier recuperacion



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da \$10,000 o mas de vaoir recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corta antes de que la corta pueda desechar el caso.

The address of the court is: San Bernardino Justice Center

Superior Court of California

247 West Third Street

San Bernardino, CA 92410

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

David E. Lewis, Sr., Attorney At Law, 112 Shoppers Lane, Covina, 91723

Telephone: (626) 339-3390 DATE (Fecha): July 1, 2019

Clerk (Secretario), by Lisette Ortega, Deputy (Adjunto)

Published in San Bernardino County Sentinel on 1/24, 1/31, 2/07 & 2/14, 2020.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20200000224

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: No Name Catering, 13763 Lighthouse Ct, Fontana, CA 92336, Eric B. Joyce, 13763 Lighthouse Ct, Fontana, CA 92336

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/ Eric Joyce This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/7/2020

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

Began Transacting Business: 1/01/2019

County Clerk, s/ 11327

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).

1/17/20, 1/24/20, 1/31/20, 2/7/20

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE NDSC File No. : 19-20763-SP-CA Title Order No. : 191072098-CA-VOI APN No. : 1061-201-33-0-000 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 04/04/2005 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY; IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that National Default Servicing Corporation as trustee (or successor trustee, or substituted trustee), pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by Monica C Banacky, a widow, dated 04/04/2005 and recorded 04/14/2005 as Instrument No. 2005-0260110 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of San Bernardino County, State of CA, and pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded 10/22/2019 as Instrument No. 2019-0380141 (or Book , Page) of said Official Records. Date and Time of Sale: 02/27/2020 12:00 PM Place of Sale: At the North Arrowhead Avenue entrance to the County Courthouse, 351 North Arrowhead Avenue, San Bernardino, CA

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92401 Property will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash (in the forms which are lawful tender in the United States, payable in full at time of sale), all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and LOT 34 OF TRACT NO 7596 IN THE CITY OF RANCHO CUCAMONGA IN THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO STATE OF CALIFORNIA AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 100 OF MAPS PAGES 77 AND 78 IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 5070 Via Serena Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publications of the Notice of Sale is \$568,723.30 The opening bid at the time of the sale may be more or less than this amount depending on the total indebtedness owed and/or the fair market of the property. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. Said sale will be made, in an "as is" condition, without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided therein, and the unpaid balance of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The lender is unable to validate the condition, defects or disclosure issues of said property and Buyer waives the disclosure requirements under NRS 113.130 by purchasing at this sale and signing said receipt. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Date: 01/23/2020 National Default Servicing Corporation 7720 N. 16th Street, Suite 300 Phoenix, AZ 85020 602-264-6101 Sales Line : 480-257-2444 Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com/sales By: Rachael Hamilton, Trustee Sales Representative 01/31/2020, 02/07/2020, 02/14/2020

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS2002734

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Jonathan Augusto Lira Paiz filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Jonathan Augusto Lira Paiz to Jonathan Augusto Lira THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this

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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: 03/11/2020 Time: 8:30 a.m. Department: S16

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 West 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 the 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: Jan., 27, 2020 Lynn M. Poncin Judge of the Superior Court.

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 1/31/20, 2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS2002737

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Hany Ragheb Ramzy and Nancy Halim Helmy Madi filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Alexandra Hany Ragheb Ramzy Abdelshahid to Alexandra Grace Ramzy; Anthony George Abdelshahid to Anthony George Ramzy

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: 03/10/2020 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 West 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 the 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: Jan., 28, 2020 Lynn M. Poncin Judge of the Superior Court.

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 1/31/20, 2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS2002722

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Felecha

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Ann Tacey filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Felecha Ann Tacey to Felicia Ann Tacey

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: 03/09/2020 Time: 8:30 a.m. Department: S16

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 West 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 the 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: Jan., 27, 2020 Lynn M. Poncin Judge of the Superior Court.

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 1/31/20, 2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20200000829

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Inland Credit Repair, 203 E. Cherry Hill Ct, Ontario, CA 91761, Richard Reboloso, 203 E. Cherry Hill Ct, 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/ Richard Reboloso This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/17/2020

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

Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/ E4004

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).

1/31/20, 2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20200000806

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: SJM, 1161 W I St #8, Ontario, CA 91762, Stedman J. Merritt, 1161 W I St #8, Ontario, CA 91762

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/ Stedman J Merritt This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/16/2020

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

Began Transacting Business:

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N/A County Clerk, s/ E4004

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1/31/20, 2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20200000783

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Connect-It's Not Just Speech, 123 E. Ninth Street, Upland, CA 91786, Cherie C. Somers, 6315 Buckthorn Avenue, Alta Loma, CA 91701, Alicia G. McManaman, 6395 Klusman Avenue, Alta Loma, CA 91737

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/ Cherie C Somers This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/16/2020

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

Began Transacting Business: 01/01/2020

County Clerk, s/ D3780

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1/31/20, 2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20200000005

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Paramean, 5099 Rodeo Rd, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91737, Kathryn A. Torres, 5099 Rodeo Rd, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91737

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/ Kathryn A. Torres This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/02/2020

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

Began Transacting Business: 11/22/19

County Clerk, s/ 12443

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1/31/20, 2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20200001251

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Inspired Designs, 278 S 2nd Ave #A, Upland, CA 91786, Mailing Address: PO BOX 788, Upland, CA 91785, Michelle R. Winn, 278 S 2nd Ave #A, Upland, CA 91786

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/ Michelle R Winn This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/28/2020

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

Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/ 11327

NOTICE- This fictitious business

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ness 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).

1/31/20, 2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20200000094

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Screaming Sallys Saloon, 18169 Cajon Ct, San Bernardino, CA 92407, Mailing Address: 10028 Foothill, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730, Chyvonne S. Anchondo, 2920 Crestview Dr., Norco, CA 92860

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/ Chyvonne Selina Anchondo This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/03/2020

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

Began Transacting Business: 1/3/20

County Clerk, s/ H7178

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1/31/20, 2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20200000676

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: The Mane Bar, 141 E Foothill Blvd, Ste #4, Upland, CA 91786, Amanda Faggoush, 1647 Glenwood Ave, Upland, CA 91784

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/ Amanda Faggoush This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/15/2020

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

Began Transacting Business: 1/01/20

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1/31/20, 2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20

FBN 20200000509

The following persons are doing business as: NAILS BLINGED SUPPLY 103 S RIVERSIDE AVE RIALTO, CA 92376 ANA M HERNANDES 446 N EUCLALPTUS AVE #C RIALTO, CA 92376

Mailing Address: 446 N EUCLALPTUS AVE #C RIALTO, CA 92376

This 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/ ANA M HERNANDEZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/13/2020

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

Began Transacting Business: 1/13/2020

County Clerk, Deputy 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

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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). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 1/31/202, 2/07/2020, 2/14/20202 & 2/21/2020.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

KEVIN M. BARNES NO. PROPS 2000075

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

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by LISA A. NEWMAN, in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that LISA A. NEWMAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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 Dept. No. S36 at 8:30 a.m. on March 5, 2020 at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino District.

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

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

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

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

Attorney for the Petitioner: Jennifer M. Daniel, Esquire 220 Nordina St.

Redlands, CA 92373

Telephone No: (909) 792-9244 Fax No: (909) 235-4733

Email address: jennifer@lawofficeofjenniferdaniel.com

Attorney for Lisa A. Newman

San Bernardino County

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS 2003147

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: ALEXIS PETERSON and ANDREW THOMAS GAMBOA filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: AVA LYILAH PETERSON to AVA LYILAH GAMBOA

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: 03/13/2020

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 West 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 the 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: JANUARY 31, 2020

Lynn M. Poncin

Judge of the Superior Court.

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FBN 20200001762 The following person is doing business as: THE OG SKIN GEEK, INC 251 CAJON AVENUE SUITE A REDLANDS, CA 92373 THE OG SKIN GEEK, INC 251 CAJON AVENUE SUITE A REDLANDS, CA 92373

Mailing Address: 17130 VAN BUREN BLVD, #157 RIVERSIDE, CA 92504

A California Corporation

C4541750

This Business is Conducted By: A CORPORATION

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/ SANDRA CONNELL This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 2/07/2020 I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. Began Transacting Business: 1/06/2016

County Clerk, Deputy 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). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 2/7, 2/14, 2/21 & 2/28, 2020.

FBN 20200001545

The following person is doing business as: SAFE INVESTMENT REALTY GROUP 5603 GARIBALDI WAY FONTANA, CA 92336 SAFE INVESTMENT REALTY GROUP 5603 GARIBALDI WAY FONTANA, CA 92336 A California Corporation C3916412

This Business is Conducted By: A CORPORATION

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County Clerk, Deputy 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). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 2/7, 2/14, 2/21 & 2/28, 2020.

FBN 190014933 The following person is doing business as: JS HOBBIES 999 N. WATERMAN SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410 999 N. WATERMAN SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410

This 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/ JAMAL THOMAS This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/27/2019 I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. Began Transacting Business: 12/02/2004

County Clerk, Deputy 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). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 1/24, 1/31, 2/7 & 2/14, 2020.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20200001206

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Beauty 31 Boutique

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/ Martha Y Reyes

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/28/20

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

Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/ G8420

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2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20, 2/28/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20200001005

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Sabrina Gomez, LMFT, 9375 Archibald Avenue, STE 107, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730, Sabrina G. Gomez, 4320 Maycrest Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90032

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

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MATION 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/ Sabrina G Gomez

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/22/20

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

Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/ E4004

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2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20, 2/28/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20200001545

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Safe Investment Realty Group, 5603 Garibaldi Way, Fontana, CA 92336, Safe Investment Realty Group, 5603 Garibaldi Way, Fontana, CA 92336

Business is Conducted By: A Corporation

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/ Akxelem Tejada Patzan

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 2/4/20

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

Began Transacting Business: 6/22/16

County Clerk, s/ D3780

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2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/21/20, 2/28/20

FBN 20200000382

The following person is doing business as: SHARCAR 4400 PHILADELPHIA STREET SPC 165 CHINO, CA 91710; MAILING ADDRESS P.O. BOX 2218 CHINO, CA 91708; SHARLENE M MOYA 4400 PHILADELPHIA STREET SPC 165 CHINO, CA 91710

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 01/08/2020

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 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. S/ SHARLENE MOYA, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 01/09/2020

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 20200000068

The following person is doing business as: VENGEANCE INK TATTOO & BODY PIERCING 700 E. VALLEY BLVD COLTON, CA 92324; ADAM E SANCHEZ 955 W. C. ST COLTON, CA 92324

The 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: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information on 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/ ADAM E. SANCHEZ, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 01/02/2020

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FBN 20190014901

The following person is doing business as: TEPLow DRUGS 404 E. MAIN ST BARSTOW, CA 92311; P.H.N. PHARMACIES INC. 404 E. MAIN ST BARSTOW, CA 92311

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 10/01/2014

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 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. S/ PHUC NGUYEN, PRESIDENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/27/2019

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FBN 20200000023

The following person is doing business as: SAN BERNARDINO TOWING & TRANSPORT LLC 422 S ALLEN ST. SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408; SAN BERNARDINO TOWING & TRANSPORT LLC 422 S ALLEN ST. SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. S/ JOSHUA B. DRANEY, MANAGING MEMBER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 01/02/2020

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FBN 20200000039

The following person is doing business as: EMPIRE ATV & AUTO 1265 N FITZGERALD AVE UNIT F RIALTO, CA 92376; MANUEL MARQUEZ 171 E MADRONA ST RIALTO, CA 92376

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 01/01/2020

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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/ MANUEL MARQUEZ

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 01/02/2020

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FBN 20200000055

The following person is doing business as: HOME & COMMERCIAL FLOORING INSTALLS 965 NORTH D ST SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410; MAILING ADDRESS P.O. BOX 1709 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92402; EDGARDO MARTINEZ JR 965 NORTH D ST SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 01/31/2018

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 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. S/ EDGARDO MARTINEZ JR, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 01/02/2020

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FBN 20190014991

The following person is doing business as: MURPHY'S LAW REPORTING 7354 TYLER LANE FONTANA, CA 92336; MAILING ADDRESS P.O. BOX 405 SKYFOREST, CA 92385; KERRY A MURPHY 7354 TYLER LANE FONTANA, CA 92336

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 12/30/2019

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 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. S/ KERRY A. MURPHY, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/30/2019

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FBN 20190015035

The following person is doing business as: B XTRA BEAUTY 2232 S. MOUNTAIN AVE ONTARIO, CA 91762; BREANNA VEGA 2232 S MOUNTAIN AVE ONTARIO, CA 91762

The 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

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(B&P Code 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. S/ BREANNA VEGA, OWNER

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s/ AJA HALCOMB, MANAGING MEMBER

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Compare And Choose, Nickel Advises 5th Ward Voters

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to have confidence that their customers are going to be safe. We are not going to be able to attract the type of businesses you need to improve the quality of life without that.”

He said, “Law enforcement is a key component, as is code enforcement. There is a need to address the blight and vacant properties throughout the city. Eliminating blight will contribute to the quality of life and create an opportunity for us to attract businesses. If you look around the 5th Ward, you can see it is doing quite well and is able to sustain itself. The 5th Ward has neighborhoods with higher home values than most other areas of the city. We have worked hard to protect those home values and the area in general. We have to do the same with other areas of the city, and I have a record of doing that, as well.”

Asked why the 5th Ward’s voters should support him rather than any of his five opponents in the March 3 election, Nickel said, “I think the voters have to do their homework and look at what all of the different candidates bring to the table in terms of experience, their records of accomplishment, life experience. Ultimately, it is up to the voters to decide. I cannot tell them I am the best candidate. I would tell them to look at experience and qualifications. Look at what I have done. I think most of the voters will find I have served them in a way that will give them confidence in me. Unfortunately, many people in office believe they are in charge. They are not in charge. I believe that once you are elected you need to maintain humility, to know you are not in charge and that you are there to represent your constituency. I have always listened to my constituency. There

are, I know, members of my constituency that disagree with my ideas. I have always respected my constituency’s ideas and sense of direction, and I follow it on the dais.”

Nickel said, “I am working hard to stay in touch with the residents of the 5th Ward and I appreciate the feedback I am getting from the city’s residents. I look forward to working with the other candidates in the 5th Ward after the election, no matter the outcome, to pull together and do what is right for the 5th Ward and the city. For anyone to take on being a candidate and offer their services, you have to admire and respect that.”

Nickel responded to criticism leveled at him from several quarters within the city and in particular by one of his challengers, Brian Davison, with regard to the city council’s move in June to reduce the compensation of the city’s outgoing city attorney and city clerk.

In 2016, San Bernardino’s voters passed a municipal charter makeover plan which, among other reforms, eliminated the city’s elected city attorney and city clerk posts, designating them as appointed positions, simultaneously moving the city’s elections from odd-numbered to even-numbered years. Despite that, both Gary Saenz and Georgeann Hanna, were entitled to remain, respectively, in the elected city attorney and elected city clerk posts they had been re-elected to in 2015, with their terms running concurrently until March 3, 2020. Last May, Mayor John Valdivia formed a subcommittee of the city council to consider cost-saving measures, to which he appointed Nickel, Councilman Ted Sanchez and Councilman Juan Figueroa. After just two such meetings, on May 30 and June 5, the Nickel, Sanchez and Figueroa troika called for reducing by 45.8 percent the compensation Saenz was to receive during the nine

months of 2019-2020 that he had remaining in office, and reducing the compensation Hanna was to receive during the remaining duration of her tenure by 59.2 percent. Prior to the charter change, the city had set Saenz’ total annual compensation at \$246,266, including salary, benefits and add-ons. Hanna had been provided with \$171,466 in total annual compensation as city clerk, including salary, benefits and add-ons. The subcommittee passed on to the full city council a proposal to reduce the compensation Saenz was to receive from July 1, 2019 until March 3, 2020 from \$184,700 to \$100,000 and the compensation Hanna was to receive over the same nine-month span from \$128,600 to \$52,500. Thus, Saenz was being called upon to see his compensation reduced by \$84,700. Hanna was to sustain a reduction of \$76,100. When the council took up the compensation reduction issue on June 10, 2019, Nickel, Sanchez and Figueroa were joined by Councilwoman Bes-sine Richard in a 4-to-2 vote, with Councilman Jim Mulvihill absent and councilmembers Sandra Ibarra and Fred Shorett dissenting, to make the reductions. Subsequently, however, both Saenz and Hanna sued, contesting the pay cuts. In August 2019, a ruling by Judge David Cohn disallowed the pay reductions, and he ordered that the duo’s pay be restored, with back pay. The council dug in its heels and appealed that ruling, in the course of which it expended more than \$75,000 in legal fees. Ultimately, this week, the council decided to drop the appeal. Thus, the ploy suggested by Nickel, Sanchez and Figueroa to save the city \$160,800 instead ended up costing the city’s taxpayers more than \$75,000.

Nickel was unapologetic over the issue, explaining that it was in response to his constituents’ demands that the city discontinue the inflated pay for the two

elected posts that motivated him to seek the pay reform.

“Ever since the new charter was approved more than three years ago, I have been receiving comments asking me why after those posts were eliminated we are continuing to pay Gigi [Hanna] and Gary what amounted to more than a million dollars,” Nickel said. “The positions were eliminated as elected posts. I looked into it and asked that question on behalf of the voters, the residents, the city’s taxpayers. I never got a good answer. There have been few cases in California where there is a change in the elected status of an official and that official continues to receive pay at what is, after all, a significant level above what is paid for similar work in the private sector. This was nothing personal against Gigi or Gary, but they were being paid very handsomely after the

voters of the city voted to eliminate the positions they held. We merely attempted to scale down their pay in accordance with the work they were yet in place, and assigned, to do. The input I was receiving from my constituents was that we had to reduce their pay, since we could not justify in any way paying them the more than a million dollars we were paying them and providing them in benefits. That question was especially appropriate, since just a few years before that vote to change the charter this city had filed for bankruptcy and was still in bankruptcy at the time of that vote to redo the charter. Obviously, we lost at the trial court level, and my decision, after that decision, was to not support moving this into the appellate court after that.”

Nickel studied at Crafton Hills College in Yucaipa, latter transferring to American Uni-

versity in Washington, DC where he received his undergraduate degree in communication, legal institutions, economics and government in 1999. He also has a graduate degree from California State University San Bernardino in national security studies.

In 2012 he was elected to the San Bernardino County Republican Party Central Committee and was chosen by his colleagues in that body to serve as the secretary of the county party shortly thereafter. Nickel is the chairman of the city’s ways and means committee and a member of the legislative review committee. He is a board member of the League of California Cities’ Transportation, Communication and Public Works Committee and its Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Queer Caucus.

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Opmanis Sought Biker Trio’s Attention, Detective Says

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“Did he identify his two friends?” Rabb asked.

“Yes, he did,” Ogaz said. Ogaz also said that Opmanis was able to identify Shuey, Codman and Davis on the video.

In his questioning of Ogaz, Rabb angled at illustrating to Judge Umeda that Opmanis was in some fashion loitering in the parking lot prior to Shuey, Codman and Davis leaving, to suggest that Opmanis was lying in wait.

Ogaz at one point in his testimony indicated that Johnny and Nuno had left the parking lot.

Asked by Rabb if they had returned, Ogaz responded, “I don’t believe so.”

That however, is belied by one of the videos of the activity taking place in the parking lot both prior to, during and after the shooting, which shows that roughly six minutes prior to

the shooting Johnny and Nuno are assisting Opmanis in loading groceries into his car, followed two minutes later, just about four minutes before the shooting, with them getting into their vehicle and leaving. The video, obtained by the *Sentinel*, shows the two returning in their vehicle to a position in the parking lot directly behind Opmanis’s vehicle roughly two minutes later. They were still there when the shooting took place, but left within seconds after the shooting.

Thus, in his questioning of Ogaz, Rabb comes across as emphasizing, as does Ogaz in his answers, that Opmanis was lurking in place.

Ogaz testified that when he asked what Opmanis was doing in the parking lot around the time Shuey, Davis and Codman emerged from the store several minutes after he had, Opmanis indicated he was putting his groceries away. Ogaz, however, who had already indicated that Opmanis’s friends had driven way, said that the groceries had already

been stowed in Opmanis’s vehicle.

“Did you point that out?” Rabb asked Ogaz.

“Yes, I did,” said Ogaz.

“What did he say in response to that?” Rabb asked.

Ogaz indicated that in trying to get Opmanis to respond on that score, he made a point of the video showing Opmanis standing on the floorboard of his car, looking in the direction of Shuey, Davis and Codman as they were heading toward, and then at, their motorcycles.

Pregnant in that part of Ogaz’s testimony was that Opmanis had not taken the opportunity to leave in the minutes ahead of the shooting.

Moreover, Ogaz suggested, Opmanis honked his horn several times “until he got their attention by honking.”

In this way, Ogaz’s testimony implied, Opmanis was seeking a confrontation with the trio.

Ogaz said that Opmanis had explained his honking of the horn by

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cerated, the Building Industry Association will make that training free to those who need work to turn their lives around and keep from going back to prison. The school district is gearing itself to job training. We have steep unemployment rates. We need to fix that. We need to give people the opportunity to get skills."

Mulvihill elaborated, "Among minorities in our city 18 to 24 years old, the unemployment rate is between 40 and 50 percent. We need to give those who want work the opportunity they need to work. College is not for everyone, but in today's working world, you need something beyond high school. There is available now a training program, which runs 30 to 35 hours, which can be done in a couple of weeks, that will teach you how to operate a forklift truck. That will provide someone with what everyone needs, which is a solid first rung on the ladder. You can get training in welding, or in being an electrician. Valley College has the facilities for that."

Mulvihill went on, "Allen Stanley bought the Heritage Building, where he is now housing start-up businesses. I have maintained contact with Michael Gallo, whose company is involved in constructing the Phoenix space glider, and he has a technical education training program at Norton that uses modern metal lathes. I used lathes when I was in metal shop in high school, so I remember back in the day how we used a lathe to chisel off metal and shape things. I toured the operation at Norton, and now lathes are computerized. People can train on lathes, and they are making tools and parts for all kinds of engines."

The City of San Bernardino has to actuate upon the resources and tools it possesses now, rather than suspend its expectations until a later date when one prospect or another may or may not materialize, Mulvihill said.

"I'm not a gambler, and I don't ever want to lose sight of what is possible, but I think we have to work on probability," he said.

A case in point, he said, is that employment within the logistics industry is available to a significant segment of San Bernardino's population.

"Obviously, the San Bernardino International Airport offers all kinds of opportunities in the realm of logistics, and that industry is booming," Mulvihill said. "I realize there is some resistance against all forms of logistics operations because of the accompanying pollution and the lower wages, but these operations bring with them benefits. A third of the adult population in San Bernardino does not have a high school diploma and what kind of jobs can those who fall into that category compete for? Those logistics jobs are not super-high paying, but they come with health care, vision care and dental insurance. That is worth it just in itself. We have to understand that right now we don't have the skill level in much of our population to attract high tech companies here."

At the same time, he said, the population itself must be inspired to take it upon itself to obtain the training and education it needs to compete in the modern business world.

"We have so many universities and colleges here, the state university, Redlands University, Valley College, Crafton Hills," he said. "San Bernardino has one of the best educational environments in the state. It is hard to attract technical industries when you have the kind of low skill levels in our population that we do. We need to move that part of

our population that does not want to get that level of training into the jobs they can perform, and push those who want to go onto a higher level of education and training to do that so they can land those better paying and more demanding jobs." Success in life requires situational awareness, the agility to adapt and a willingness to work hard, Mulvihill said.

Mulvihill, with another member of the city council, Fred Shorett, stands as a counterweight to Mayor John Valdivia, whom he considers to be dishonest, self-interestedly misfocused and wrongheaded in his orientation with regard to governance and leadership.

"Investors in our community want to know that we offer them something that is predictable and stable," he said. "The current mayor has made San Bernardino unpredictable and unstable. I fault him for that, and it is not getting better. The people who might invest in our city are looking at the council and the mayor. He has four people who are pretty much backing him and going along with what he wants to do. The investors want to see better decisions being made."

Mulvihill said he offers the voters of the 7th Ward the best choice to represent them among the current crop of candidates.

"I've got the record," he said. "I've got the experience inside and outside of government. There are people running against me who say they will end homelessness, but they are not specific about how they are going to do that. I think they are genuinely concerned, but they are not very realistic. I say to them, 'You're going to end homelessness? Really? How are you going to do that?' I can list the programs I have helped implement. I am very concerned about getting things right and I'm not here to make promises I cannot fulfill. I am not on my own going to end homelessness. But I am

going to get people off the street if they want to get off the street and I will try to create programs to help them enter back into society."

Mulvihill said, "The theme of my campaign is 'Performance. My past record. Performance, not promises.'"

Asked about how the city is to finance itself going forward, Mulvihill said, "Well, that's the sore point, isn't it? The issue is we have stagnant revenue and rising costs. So, we need to be very adept in terms of fiscal management. In the short term, rational fiscal management of the funds we do have is critical. We have expenses and liabilities that are not well known. This year we spent \$26 million on payments to the California Public Employee Retirement System. \$5 million of that was for current pensions and the other \$21 million to pay off some of our obligation. Right now we have a \$420 million unfunded future obligation to the California Public Employees Retirement System. We have a \$126 million general fund budget. The police and fire departments take up \$85 million of that. So, after police and fire and pensions, we have \$15 million to pay for the rest of our employees, streets, sidewalks, lights and everything else. We're paying twice as much for pensions - to people who no longer work for the city - as we are for the people who are working for us right now. We are in dire circumstances, and need to recognize that and be cautious about the choices we make."

Mulvihill said, "We need to renew Measure Z [the voter-approved quarter of a cent sales tax override passed in San Bernardino on November 7, 2006, which went into effect for a period of 15 years, beginning April 1, 2007] in the next election. That means we will continue to receive that quarter of a cent revenue directly. But I will not support it myself and will be against it unless we come up with

a logical financial management strategy, so we don't fritter it away on lobbyists and pensions."

Mulvihill said the city needs to calibrate its policies so it reacts to immediate problems while husbanding its resources to deal with longer range issues.

"When you look at it in the short term, we need to coordinate applying for grants, such as the one available from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation," Mulvihill said. "We can apply that to move ahead with the projects to rejuvenate the Arden Guthrie neighborhood, what we are now calling Arrowhead Vista, which National Core is working on. There are \$20 million grants out there. We need to go after them. We have already succeeded in getting a \$2.3 million grant to help support the police department. There are grants for sustainable communities, for safer schools. The Southern California Association of Governments offers operational grants. These aren't enough to transform the entire city, but they will help us fix some of the marginal issues we have. After that, we need to think in the long term. We need to renew the general plan. We can't let these day-to-day brush fires take up all of our attention. We need to think about what do we want to be in 15 years. We should do data analysis and determine the need for housing. The general plan is a road map for how we get to that point."

His steady hand on the tiller of government is needed, Mulvihill said.

"We're in trouble," he asserted. "We need to be aware of that. We need to be fiscally realistic and refine our fiscal management policy because we are on a very short rope, and we really need to think about what the long term is. We have people who are interested in bringing jobs into our community. We need to promote people like that. The airbase is now an international airport. The reality is the logistics industry is the

one advantage we have to use to our benefit right now."

Mulvihill said there was a sense of déjà vu once removed to his perspective on San Bernardino's circumstance and the generation that is on the brink of inheriting it from those who have preceded them.

"After I graduated from Amherst Central High School in Buffalo, New York, I got a job at a company on the night shift loading trucks," he related. "It was a good job for an 18 or 19-year old. I made enough money to buy a convertible. But there were guys who were 28-years old I was working with who were making the same amount of money, ones who had little children or babies on the way. The ownership closed out that business and I was unemployed for several months. I managed to get a job with United Parcel Service in January 1965 on the day shift. Sometimes you stand on someone's shoulders and things fall into place at the right time. At that point I started going to night school part time, got good grades. In 1968 I was drafted into the Army, was in Vietnam in the Central Highlands from July 1969 until August 1970, came home, got discharged and after that I had the GI Bill to finish my education. That wouldn't have been my first choice on how I wanted to do things, but it worked out for me."

"I see a parallel from my life back in New York in the 1960s when I was a young man to what is here in San Bernardino for young people now," Mulvihill said. "Look at what is available. That is logistics. That is assembly. Mike Gallo at the airport has an operation deconstructing parts and remaking them into aircraft components. We have [San Bernardino International Airport Authority Executive Director] Mike Burrows, [Kelly Space & Technology CEO] Mike Gallo, [property speculator

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Coroner's Report #702000238 On Wednesday, January 8, 2020, at 1:13 PM, deputies with Rancho Cucamonga Sheriff's Station responded to reports of a traffic collision in the parking lot of a business located on the 8300 block of Foothill Blvd. The driver, Frederick Pollick, a 67-year-old resident of Upland, was transported by ambulance to the emergency room at San Antonio Regional Hospital. He was pronounced dead at 1:54 PM by hospital staff. The circumstances surrounding the collision are being investigated by the Rancho Cucamonga Sheriff's Station Traffic Division. [01222020 0705 GB]

Coroner's Report #701908686 On Friday, December 12, 2019, National Park Service Rangers responded to a remote area of Joshua Tree National Park and located skeletal human remains. On 12/21/2019, a recovery team consisting of Park Service Rangers, San Bernardino County Sheriff Department (SBCSD) Detectives, and Coroner Division personnel responded to the location and recovered the remains and personal property. SBCSD, Morongo station, and Homicide detail detectives are investigating the circumstances surrounding the death. The remains were positively identified by dental comparison as Paul Miller, a 51-year-old missing person from Ontario, Canada. [01162020 0300 GB]

Coroner's Reports #702000402 & #702000403 On Monday, January 13, 2020, at 11:32 pm, officers with the Ontario Police Department responded to a call, reporting shots fired, on the 3400 block of East 4th Street in Ontario. 21-year-old Max Mariano Reyes, a resident of Ontario and 19-year-old Andres Gallegos, a resident of Rowland Heights were pronounced dead at the scene. The Ontario Police Department is investigating the incident. [01152020 0130 GB]

Coroner's Report #702000399 On Monday, January 13, 2020, at 7:16 pm, deputies with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department responded to a collision involving a pedestrian struck by a vehicle at the intersection of Donert Street and Hesperia Road in Hesperia. The pedestrian, 40-year-old Jesus Paul Trevino of San Bernardino was pronounced dead at the scene at 7:26 pm. The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department is investigating the incident. [01152020 0130 GB]

Coroner's Report #702000256 On January 8, 2020, at 8:09pm, a 911 call was received reporting a single vehicle rollover accident on Calimesa Blvd approximately 141 feet south of the intersection with Live Oak Canyon Road in Yucaipa. The passenger (the name to be released once the identification is verified and family notified) was pronounced dead on scene at 8:28pm. The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department is investigating the incident. [011320 1333 TC]

Coroner's Report #702000372 On January 12, 2020, at 06:51 PM, a two-vehicle collision was reported at Bear Valley Road, just west of Joshua Road in Apple Valley. Emergency personnel pronounced the death of a driver at the scene at 07:12 PM. Once the decedent is positively identified and the family has been notified the name will be released. The Sheriff's Department is investigating the incident. [011320 0800 TC]

Coroner's Report #702000371 On Sunday, January 12, 2020, at 5:15 pm, deputies with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department responded to a multiple vehicle collision at the intersection of Wilson Avenue and San Sevaive Road in Rancho Cucamonga. A driver, 86-year-old Barbara Knass of Rancho Cucamonga was pronounced deceased at the scene at 5:32 pm. The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department is investigating the collision. [01132020 0500 JK]

Coroner's Report #702000348 On Saturday, January 11, 2020, at 5:32 pm, officers with the Fontana Police Department responded to a motorcycle collision at the intersection of Mango Avenue and Baseline Avenue in Fontana. A driver, 41-year-old Brandon Garret Sancett of Angeles Oaks was transported to Kaiser Foundation Hospital and pronounced deceased in the emergency department at 6:30 pm. The Fontana Police Department is investigating the collision. [01122020 0300 JK]

Coroner's Report #702000330 On Friday, January 10, 2020, at 11:56 pm, officers with the Fontana Police Department responded to a multiple vehicle collision at the intersection of Sierra Avenue and San Jacinto Avenue in Fontana. A driver, 37-year-old George Estrada of Fontana was transported to Kaiser Foundation Hospital Fontana and pronounced deceased in the emergency department at 12:50 am. The Fontana Police Department is investigating the collision. [01122020 0300 JK]

Coroner's Report #702000320 On Friday, January 10, 2020, at 5:56 pm, officers with the San Bernardino Police Department responded to a pedestrian struck by a transit bus in the area of S. E Street and MacKay Drive in San Bernardino. The pedestrian, 54-year-old Diana Tonche was transported to a local hospital where she was pronounced dead at 6:38 pm. The San Bernardino Police Department is investigating the collision. [01122020 0300 JK]

Coroner's Report #702000280 On Thursday, January 9, 2020, at 7:41 PM California Highway Patrol Officers were dispatched to westbound State Route 60, west of Vineyard Avenue, in the city of Ontario regarding a pedestrian struck by multiple vehicles. Veronica Garcia, a 32-year-old Fontana resident, was pronounced dead on scene at 7:51 PM. The circumstances of the incident are being investigated by Officers with the California Highway Patrol. [01122020 0300 JK]

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saying he was "trying to get everyone's attention just in case they attacked him."

The video, however, Ogaz said, shows that as the bikers passed in front of Opmanis as they were purposed to leave the parking lot, the defendant reached into his vehicle to honk his horn "three or four times, which seemed to catch Shane Codman's attention."

It was Codman who turned around to then drive up to Opmanis, quickly followed by Davis and then later by Shuey. This element of

Ogaz's testimony underscored the prosecution's theory that Opmanis had invited the confrontation that led to the shooting.

Rabb asked Ogaz what Opmanis's response was when he asked him why he didn't simply leave. The detective said that Opmanis said "he wanted to stay in the parking lot because he knew it had cameras and if Robert Shuey assaulted him the cameras would be his evidence."

Rabb asked, "During the course of the interview, did Mr. Opmanis change his story?"

Responded Ogaz, "He changed his story a bunch."

In his cross examination of Ogaz, Opmanis's defense attorney, David Striker, succeeded in

getting the detective to acknowledge that Davis and Shuey were childhood friends, that the interviews with Codman and Shuey did not take place until two weeks and more after the shooting, and that when Codman and Shuey were interviewed they were accompanied by attorneys, and that they had likely spoken with one another before their respective interviews took place to coordinate their narratives. Striker pushed Ogaz with regard to whether he frequently encountered witnesses represented by an attorney, and Ogaz stated that it was uncommon.

In an effort to undercut the prosecution's suggestion that Opmanis had been lying in

wait outside the market, Striker questioned Ogaz about whether Opmanis had seen Shuey, Codman and Davis inside the store and whether they saw him, and Ogaz stated that "apparently" they didn't see each other.

Striker also wrung from Ogaz that Opmanis was not in violation of any law by simply being in the parking lot.

"Mr. Opmanis has the right to be where he is?" Striker said in an assertive question.

"Absolutely," Ogaz responded.

Striker was also able to get Ogaz to acknowledge that Davis, Shuey and Codman had been drinking that evening, asking if Codman had said whether they had consumed alcohol at the

motorcycling event in Riverside.

"I believe he stated they had been drinking," Ogaz said. To a follow-up question, Ogaz said he had not determined how much the three had

been drinking or if they were intoxicated. Striker asked if the intoxicative effect of alcohol "could affect one's perception of events?"

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and entrepreneur] Allen Stanley who are creating the means for young people who are just beginning to make their way in the work force, starting families or whatever to get started toward what the future holds for them."

Mulvihill obtained his undergraduate degree at the University of Buffalo, which transitioned into the State University

of New York, at Buffalo. Subsequently, he obtained Ph.D. in urban policy and geography from Michigan State University in 1976. He taught urban and municipal planning at Maryland State University in Frostburg for three years before accepting a similar teaching assignment at California State University San Bernardino in 1981.

He has a daughter and two grandchildren.

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County Wildlife Corner

Blue Field Gilia



A species of flowering plant in the Polemoniaceae or phlox family, the blue field gilia is known scientifically as *gilia capitata*, as well as the alternate common names of blue-thimble-flower, bluehead gilia, and globe gilia. Native to much of western North America from Alaska to northern Mexico, *gilia capitata* is now found on the eastern side of the continent as an introduced species. It grows in many habitats, especially in sandy or rocky soil.

In California it is widespread as a wild-

flower, occurring along the coast and in the Sierras.

Somewhat variable in appearance from plant to plant, the blue field gilia features flowers with a throat opening into a spreading corolla which may be white, pink, lavender, or light blue. The stamens protrude slightly from the flower's mouth and are white with white, blue, or pink anthers. Each flower is supported by a green, lobed calyx, and consists of five linear to oblong petals, five slightly protruding stamens and a longer, two-lobed

style. The corolla tube is entirely enclosed by the calyx.

The plant's stout stems are branching and leafy, and it will reach

its fleshy herbage. The leaves are divided into toothed or lobed leaflets.

There are several subspecies, including, *g. c. ssp. Abrotanifolia*,

and bearing blue-violet flowers, endemic to the sand dunes of California's central coast; *g. c. ssp. Mediomontana*, native to the Sierra Nevada; *g. c. ssp. Pacifica*, which grows along the coastline of Oregon and California; *g. c. ssp. Pedemontana*, native to the Sierra Nevada foothills; *g. c. ssp. Staminea*, found in California and Arizona; *g. c. ssp. Tomentosa*, a rare subspecies known from a few occurrences just north of the San Francisco Bay Area, and *g. c. ssp. Aggregata*.

The plant does well in sunshine in forests, prairies, and along the coast. It reseeds itself generously.

The Utes boiled the whole plant for glue. Indians used the whole plant of *Gilia* to brew a tea for children. *Gilia aggregata* was used for



the blue dye in its roots and as a blood purifier by Nevada Indians.

In the garden it is best use in a meadow-like setting with other annuals. It is frequently included in wildflower seed mixes.

Among the butterflies and moths the blue field gilia hosts are the adela singulella; the spotted straw sun moth (*heliopsis phloxiphaga*); *kodiosoma fulvum*; *yeremoia glaucina*; and *chinia biundulata*.

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anywhere from four to three feet in height, topped by spherical, terminal clusters of 30 to 100 white to blue flowers. It sometimes has glandular hairs on

which is native to California and Baja California; *g. c. ssp. capitata*, occurring throughout the range of the species; *g. c. ssp. Chamissonis*, known as the dune gilia

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Charges. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, including, but not limited to, Sections 8 and 9 of Article II, the initiative power shall not be prohibited or otherwise limited in matters of reducing or repealing any local tax, assessment, fee or charge. The power of initiative to affect local taxes, assessments, fees and charges shall be applicable to all local governments and neither the Legislature nor any local government charter shall impose a signature requirement higher than that applicable to statewide statutory initiatives."

Dougherty's letter continues, "Therefore, the local government must abide by the signature requirement applicable to statewide statutory initiatives."

Dougherty added, "This is found in Elec-

tions Code § 9035: *An initiative measure may be proposed by presenting to the Secretary of State a petition that sets forth the text of the proposed statute or amendment to the Constitution and is certified to have been signed by registered voters equal in number to 5 percent in the case of a statute, and 8 percent in the case of an amendment to the Constitution, of the voters for all candidates for Governor at the last gubernatorial election preceding the issuance of the circulating title and summary for the initiative measure by the Attorney General."*

Dougherty concluded, "Accordingly, please recalculate the number of signatures needed for The Red Brennan Group. The correct calculation is 5% of the voters in the district who voted in the last gubernatorial election."

In an email dated February 3, the office of San Bernardino County Counsel acknowledged the analysis provided by the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

was correct. In a February 5 email to Burden, San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters Bob Page stated his office "... is currently working to calculate a number of required signatures for..." the initiative.

In the November 2018 election, during which the race for governor was held, 546,041 voters throughout San Bernardino County, including ones living within incorporated cities and in the county's unincorporated areas, participated. Of those 73,526 resided outside the county's incorporated cities and within the unincorporated areas of the county, where Fire Protection Zone 5 has been overlaid. Had the standard of five percent of the 73,526 voters from the county's unincorporated areas participating in the November 2018 vote been applied, the actual number of signatures necessary to qualify the measure for the ballot would have been 3,677 such endorsements provided by voters residing in the county's unincorporated area.

The Red Brennan Group conservatively estimates the actual signature requirement to qualify the initiative is approximately 7,800 valid signatures.

While the determination/admission by both county counsel and the registrar of voters office that the number of signatures needed to qualify the measure for the ballot was far below the 26,183 figure quoted in August, that acknowledgment came too late to prevent the Red Brennan Group's expenditure of well beyond double the funds and resources necessary to qualify the tax rescission measure for the November 2020 ballot.

Next week, after having made copies of all of the petitions and the signatures affixed to them, the Red Brennan Group will hand over the signed petitions containing all 34,000-plus signatures to the registrar of voters office.

It appears by setting the bar at something more than seven times as high it was legally permitted to for the Red

Brennan Group's signature gathering effort, the county was hoping to prevent those activists from succeeding with their cause. Instead, it appears the county has touched a nerve among its residents. Though generally not particularly concerned with the details of local government, residents of the county's far-flung unincorporated areas have now become, as a consequence of the Red Brennan Groups activities, concerned about maintaining their rights under the California Constitution.

Tom Murphy, the spokesman for The Red Brennan Group said, "We are grateful to our experienced line employee that pointed us to the potential discrepancy in the signature requirement provided by the county. We are also grateful the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association brought its vast expertise to the table to advocate for the taxpayers in San Bernardino County. If you will, our organization's dog in this fight is simply en-

suring San Bernardino County's citizens retain their constitutional right to approve taxes via a direct vote by the people. What the county bureaucracy is currently doing via the Fire Protection Zone 5 special tax is unconscionable. Expanding a special tax without a two-thirds vote of the electorate is a clear violation of the law. Elected supervisors should never have allowed this concept to see the light of day. We trust the county will qualify the initiative and place it on the November 2020 ballot."

Blakemore, as county counsel, is paid \$248,452.61 in annual salary, \$22,089.86 in add-ons, along with \$137,809.47 in benefits for an annual total compensation package of \$408,351.94.

Alexander-Kelley is provided with a \$187,500.51 salary augmented by \$23,089.59 in further pay topped with \$103,034.20 in benefits for, and thus is paid \$313,624.30 in total annual compensation.

-Mark Gutglueck



Grace Bernal's California Style Go West

I've been really digging the western look. So much, that I'm noticing a trend of people dressing like the Madonna of the Trail over on Euclid Avenue in Up-

land. You know: the long dress, with boots and bonnet. Missing would be the rifle and children.



Well, the look is really neat and fun. There are skirts with ruffled tops, and dresses that cover



up the neck. And with this nippy weather, who doesn't dig a pair of cool boots? History always repeats itself, and fash-

ion likewise comes and goes. Eras don't really make a difference; one blends into another and in the fashion world time leapfrogs forwards and backwards. The differ-



ence comes in how you wear what you wear. It's always neat to see people create a fun modern outfit with a hint of history. With that said, enjoy going west, using your creativity and reinventing the Madonna look on your own trail.



"You either know fashion or you don't." – Anna Wintour



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"Yes," said Ogaz. Striker asked if Ogaz had verified Shuey's claim of having been injured by Opmanis during the January 2019 incident between the two men. Ogaz indicated he had not. He then acknowledged that there was a police report and photographs that docu-

mented Opmanis's injuries in the January 2019 fight, though he indicated he had not pulled the report himself.

In response to one of Striker's questions in which the defense attorney characterized the three bikers as surrounding Opmanis, Ogaz corrected the defense attor-

ney to say that they had "parked by him."

Ogaz further confirmed that according to Codman, Davis had said to Opmanis "Do you want to get down [i.e., fight]?"

Ogaz also stated that Opmanis did not reciprocate Davis's threat, at which point Striker zeroed in on Codman's description of Davis's aggressive demeanor after Davis got off of

his motorcycle. Striker referenced Codman's statement that "Mr. Davis quickly approached him and came in hot and confrontational and ready to fight. Is that the essence of what he said?" Striker asked. "Yes," said Ogaz.

Striker referenced Ogaz's statement that the video did not show Opmanis being hit by Davis, but then stated that on at least one of the versions of the video "Mr. Davis is walking toward Mr. Opmanis and then 12 seconds is missing."

Ogaz acknowledged there was a segment of the video missing.

Striker also asked if Opmanis had, after the shooting, "put the gun back in the car immediately?"

"Correct," Ogaz responded.

Ogaz also confirmed, in response to Striker, that Codman and Shuey left the scene shortly

after the shooting when Opmanis and others were summoning the authorities.

Striker noted that when Codman was interviewed on July 25, Ogaz had asked him why he had left so rapidly after the shooting, while his friend was on the ground dying. "You asked the obvious question: 'Why did you leave the scene?' That is when his lawyer objects and you never

got that answer. You do believe that's an important question?" Striker asked.

Ogaz acknowledged it was.

On Friday, February 14 at 1:30 a.m. in Judge Umeda's courtroom on the second floor of the San Bernardino Justice Center, Opmanis's preliminary hearing is set to resume, with Ogaz scheduled to return to the witness stand.

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stores such as Walmart, which typically features 200,000 different products or items for sale, the governmental regulations for building and opening a large retail facility are prohibitive, experts in the development and retail industry say. Walmart's plans for a supercenter in Fontana and

in Rancho Cucamonga are now on hold.

Still, the same, Walmart is not abandoning the lion's share of its existing stores. On the contrary, last year it spent \$145 million in California alone, remodeling and refurbishing stores in the Golden State.

Walmart now plans to sell the 33-acre Redlands property.

Though city officials had apparently known of

Walmart's decision for a fortnight, it was only earlier this week that the public at large was informed.

On the rebound from Walmart's decision, city officials had already begun talking about departing from the intent to have the property developed for commercial purposes to openly considering rezoning the property for high density residential purposes.

-Mark Gutglueck

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