

Cruel Reality Of Post Modernity As Fentanyl Overdose Claims UHS Student

By Mark Gutglueck

The fentanyl overdose death of an Upland High student last weekend entailed elements that virtually all of those involved in the fatality, even at the most removed and indirect levels, are loathe to have fully explored for a variety of reasons, from potential criminal culpability to political correctness to philosophical discomfort to deep personal grief. Simultaneously, family

members, school district officials and police investigators are all stymied by questions about what occurred, what responses are appropriate and socially acceptable and how much information can and should be released. Consideration extends to the balance between the courtesy of being respectful to family members grieving their loss versus the necessity of making efforts to prevent the victim's

misfortune from being visited upon others.

At once the victim in this case was similar and profoundly different from others, one who was born female but in the last several years had become persuaded that he was more properly identified as male. With the apparent concurrence of her parents, she began a transition as early as the fifth grade to being a man, using a variety of hormones and

chemicals, including testosterone, to suppress her female traits and adopt or take on male characteristics.

Unknown is the degree to which the incorporation of chemicals and drugs into his existence had bridged him into a lifestyle in which chemical alteration/enhancement was a routine reality, one that led to a far too casual use of controlled substances, including the fentanyl that

killed him.

Paralleling this rather uncommon circumstance was the phenomenon at large throughout American society, that being the pervasive availability of fentanyl.

Fentanyl is a highly synthetic opioid that is much more powerful than the traditionally-used refinements of opium such as morphine, heroin, Norco, Vicodin, oxycodone or the oxycodone/acet- See P 2

Wonder Valley Community Digging Its Collective Heels In Against Resort Project

A wide cross section of the fewer than the 1,200 residents of the 75-square mile expanse of Wonder Valley and its outlying environs is adamantly opposed to the general concept of converting the 4,407-square foot former Southern California Edison facility most commonly known by locals as "the pink building" near the southwest corner of Gammel and Amboy Road into a year-round resort to be dubbed the Wonder Valley Inn.

No Wonder Valley residents contacted by the *Sentinel* and no Wonder Valley residents contacting the *Sentinel* are in favor of the project.

Greenberg and Landver in November 2021 applied for a conditional use permit, including a rezoning request for 21.22 of the acres on the site which are currently zoned for low density housing under the county's RL-5 zoning designation, to CS, or commercial service use, to allow the project as proposed to proceed. The current RL-5 designation allows single family homes on lots no smaller than five acres. Greenberg and Landver either own outright or have tied up approximately 134.6 acres at the Amboy/Gammel corner, which bears the address of 78201 Amboy Road. The 3.18 acres closest to the two roads is already zoned for commercial service use. The San Bernardino County Land Use Services division's apparent intent to allow Greenberg and Landver to uti- See P 3

After More Than A Decade During Which Valdivia & Bankruptcy Devastated The City

McNeely Back In San Bernardino And Looking To Start Over From Where He Left Off

After a nearly 11-year absence, Charles McNeely is back in the position of San Bernardino city manager.

In December, in the final weeks of John Valdivia's tenure as mayor, Robert Field was persuaded to resign as the county seat's city manager. The following month, with Helen Tran having supplanted

Valdivia as mayor, she and the council agreed on having McNeely, who had served as San Bernardino city manager from 2009 until 2012, return to the position of top administrator on an interim basis.

Some have observed that San Bernardino, at 62.45 square miles and a population of 222,101, simply wasn't big

enough for both Valdivia and McNeely.

It certainly appears that Valdivia's tenure in the capacity of an elected official in San Bernardino was incompatible with McNeely's service in the capacity as that city's administrator.

In 2009, McNeely was the city manager of Reno, Nevada, the self-styled Biggest Little City

in the Word, when he was lured to take on the city manager's post in San Bernardino.

Coming into that position, McNeely recognized he faced a challenge, as San Bernardino was struggling to overcome stiff financial headwinds, ones that were an outgrowth of the decision by the Department of Defense a decade-

and-a-half previously to shutter Norton Air Force Base in 1994. In the intervening time, the local economy had contracted, such that throughout the first decade of the Third Millennium San Bernardino was engaging in deficit spending with each annual budget, depleting the reserves the municipality had built up over See P 2

Service Level Live Firing Training At Marine Air Ground Combat Center To Rattle Desert All Month

Those living within even distant proximity to the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center in Twentynine Palms, Wonder Valley, Desert Heights, Landers, Joshua Tree, Yucca Valley, Johnson Valley and the Morongo Basin will need endure the rolling sound of thunderous cannons, mortars, impacting shells, gunfire

and explosives as well as aircraft while the Marine Corps conducts a series of training events known as service level training exercises throughout February.

The service level training exercises are highly realistic combat simulations utilizing live ammunition and actively engaged armament to prepare Marines and

other U.S. and allied participating forces to deliver "rapid, powerful and sustainable response on a global scale," according to the Marine Corps. "Critical training performed by Marines and sailors aboard the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center prepares them for combat. They must train as they would fight — using See P 3

Three Family Members Killed In Shooting At West End Residence

San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department investigators are struggling to get a fix on the motive and possible suspect or suspects in the murder of three family members discovered in a residential home on a cul-de-sac in the West End on January 30.

The victims have been identified as Sonia C. Ramirez, 68; her

husband, George M. Ramirez, whose age was given as 66 but was actually 72, having been born on April 30, 1950; and their son, David Ramirez, also known as David Renteria, 43. The three were found shot to death in the home located at 4804 Ramona Place, in the unincorporated county area north of Chino, south See P 3

San Bernardino Declares Pervasive Homelessness Has It in A State Of Emergency

The San Bernardino City Council this week declared the city it oversees to be in a state of emergency based on the housing and homelessness crisis that has beset it.

Making the declaration furthered the council's administrative authority to implement a series of measures to meet the dire consequences of homelessness

among what has exceeded half of one percent the city's population.

The 220,101-population city at present has some 1,350 residents who are officially homeless.

After hearing a staff report on the matter that was presented by Cassandra Searcy, who was hired nearly seven months ago as the city's deputy director of

housing and homelessness, the council voted to expedite the development of shelters and interim housing, work with landlords to rent available vacant apartments to those who are unhoused and speed up the permitting processes on new housing construction.

Searcy gave an overview of efforts the city has made generally over the past fifteen years and

specifically more recently in dealing with the crisis. She said that in some measure, "the city has done things right."

According to Searcy, "Homelessness is a national issue. It is negatively impacting the city it is true, but it's not only affecting the unhoused population, it's also affecting those who are housed. It's affecting our neighbors. It's affecting

the community. It's affecting everyone. For years, the city has partnered with multiple service agencies to provide shelter to provide care and assistance, but unfortunately, with those efforts, it doesn't really seem to be having an impact. So, we need to shift gears and we need to identify what are the gaps and what programs and services do See P 5

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aminophen combination known as percocet.

First synthesized in 1960 and made available for medical use in the United States in 1968, the strict standardization applied by pharmaceutical companies in its processing into usable forms and protocols relating to its prescription by physicians was intended to prevent the substance, which is on the order of 50 times more potent than heroin by weight and 100 times more potent than morphine by weight, from proving fatal. So powerful are its effect that Fentanyl can prove deadly in very minute quantities.

For some three-and-a-half decades it was used, primarily beneficially, in the medical world and became accepted as an essential medicine in the arenas of obstetrics, the management of pain and chronic pain, and as both a regional/transdermal/palliative anes-

thetic and general anesthetic and for patients with an intolerance or allergies to natural opioids.

Roughly a decade and-a-half ago, illicit chemists/drug manufacturers discovered that the production of Fentanyl could be an extremely profitable undertaking, as it could be used in a highly diluted form when blended with buffers to replicate heroin, morphine, oxycodone, Vicodin, Norco or percocet. Moreover, drug dealers began mixing it with other narcotics such as cocaine, methamphetamine and benzodiazepines for a variation on those popular street drugs.

At issue is the poor quality control often involved in such manufacturing or assembly efforts.

The drug most closely comparable to Fentanyl is heroin. The quality of heroin varies, as the traditional names of the substance – known scientifically as diacetylmorphine and diamorphine – can

indicate, such as black tar, Mexican brown or China white can indicate. Making it ever more complicated is that the unregulated and illegal market in heroin results in typical heroin bought on the street varying in purity anywhere between 30 percent to 70 percent. Thus, a heroin user who has adjusted to having a habit will use about 10 to 20 milligrams of pure heroin for each dose or fix. The estimated lethal dose of heroin ranges from 30 mg in an uninitiated adult user to 500 mg in those who have built up a tolerance for the substance, although there is indication that an uninitiated adult user with no opiate tolerance can, in rare circumstances, suffer a fatal overdose on as little as 15 milligrams of heroin.

As deadly as heroin is, fentanyl is far more dangerous. According to the best research available, in half of the adult population, ingesting 2 milligrams of fentanyl would prove lethal. For illustra-

tive purposes, fentanyl and salt are similar in weight. Each grain of salt weighs approximately .0585 of a milligram. Thus there are roughly 17.094 grains of salt in a milligram. In this way, consuming as little fentanyl in a quantity comparable to about 34.2 grains of salt will kill the average adult.

Illicit manufacturers in recent years have taken to pressing minute quantities of fentanyl into counterfeit representations of valium, Xanax, oxycodone or Percocet by finding a binder, i.e., a buffer, that is similar in color and all other respects to the binders used by licensed pharmaceutical companies in their production of those aforementioned drugs. The pills are then stamped with the markings of those various drugs.

In some cases, quality control with some pirate editions of these drugs is more exacting and sophisticated than in others.

More sophisticated operations use a meth-

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odology of blending the fentanyl in a way that it is evenly distributed within the binder. In some cases, the fentanyl is encased in mini-gel capules that break down at differing rates when they come into contact with stomach acid to provide a time-release effect, stretching the effectiveness of the drug gradually over as many as eight hours.

In less sophisticated operations, the pills are pressed from a binder gruel into which the fentanyl has been sprinkled as opposed to

having been blended. Those pills can have clumps of fentanyl in quantities that approach or exceed a lethal fentanyl dose. If two or more such clumps are found in a single pill, the outcome for the person who takes that pill can be fatal.

The method of using or ingesting the fentanyl that comes in this pill form can vary. It appears that the lion's share of those who purchase fentanyl-containing pills, be they

San Bernardino Was Not Big Enough For Both Valdivia & McNeely *from front page*

the course of nearly a century. A major issue for the city was the exorbitant costs to the city from past concessions to the city's employees' unions. In particular, salaries and benefits paid to the city's public safety personnel – firefighters and police officers – stood at roughly 79 percent of the city's budget. Total personnel costs ran to more than 92 percent of the budget, leaving just over 7 percent of the city's available means for capital improvements and maintaining its aging infrastructure. This was exacerbated by the consideration that McNeely's time in San Bernardino came in the middle of the downturn in the U.S., California and local economy that lingered for more than six years and was dubbed

the "Great Recession."

Then-San Bernardino Mayor Pat Morris, a former Superior Court judge and before that a prosecutor with the district attorney's office, huddled with McNeely. The two had come to the realization that the city could not sustain the burden of providing constant salary and benefit increases to the city's work force. Morris assembled a bare 4-to-3 city council majority willing to resist pressure being brought upon the city to provide automatic yearly salary increases to city employees.

In 2011, the effort to pull San Bernardino back from the financial abyss it was teetering over was compromised when Valdivia in that year's municipal election defeated Third Ward Councilman Tobin Brinker, a key Morris ally in the effort to control city employee salaries. Valdivia had been elected with heavy support from the police

officers' and firefighters' unions based upon his commitment to them that he would work to undo the employee pay freezes put in place by the Morris coalition. Upon assuming office in the spring of 2012, Valdivia declared there was no financial shortfall at City Hall. His presence on the city's decision-making panel cleared the way for the police and fire unions to demand and receive the wage and benefit increases that Morris's and McNeely's collective effort at fiscal austerity had been denying them.

McNeely, who understood precisely what run-away spending on city employee salaries meant to the city, a month after Valdivia was in place on the city council and not wishing to be at the helm when San Bernardino declared bankruptcy, resigned as city manager effective May 1, 2012. In August of that year, the city filed for Chapter 9 bankruptcy protection.

During Valdivia's

time in office, he was able to collect over \$850,000 in political donations, which warded off any competitors challenging him for reelection in the Third Ward in 2015 and enabled him to run successfully for mayor in 2018. During the Valdivia era, the city saw itself surrender its status as a full-service municipality when in 2015, staggering under pay and benefit increases for firefighters the city could ill-afford, the city dissolved its fire department in favor of arranging with the county fire department for the provision of fire protection service to the city. Likewise, the city's sanitation division was closed out that same year and the city now has a franchise trash hauler.

Valdivia cut numerous deals with those entities donating to his campaign fund, arranging for them to get city contracts for the provision of goods and services or be awarded city franchises or, in the case of devel-

opers, have their projects approved. A pay-to-play environment became synonymous with City Hall during Valdivia's rein there.

During that time, Valdivia in his capacity as mayor involved himself in a series of disputes with approaching two dozen city employees, resulting in resignations and firings that have yet to fully untangle themselves, involving at least six still-unsettled lawsuits against the city in which inappropriate treatment of employees or wrongful termination is alleged. Tran, a city resident who was a city employee under McNeely before she rose to become the city's human resources director, departed to become human resources director with the City of West Covina in 2019 as Valdivia's disputes with city employees intensified.

Tran, motivated in large measure by what she saw as the depre-

dations of the Valdivia regime, was one of six candidates opposing Valdivia in 2022. Despite his electioneering war chest which was larger than that of all of his opponents combined, Valdivia finished in third place in the June 2022 Primary election. Tran proved victorious in the November General Election in her run-off against former San Bernardino City Attorney Jim Penman, who finished second in June.

Field's departure in December had much to do with the perception that he would prove to be an unacceptable vestige of the Valdivia administration.

Tran, who gave up a more lucrative assignment as the human resources director with the City of West Covina to become San Bernardino mayor, was favorably impressed by McNeely during the time she

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Rancho Cucamonga Reverend Has Authored The Prophetic Almanac 2023

By Carol Sissom

In my estimation, The Prophetic Almanac 2023 is a must have book for the upcoming year.

Written by a Rancho Cucamonga author, it will be of interest to locals for that reason, but I recommend it to everyone, not just those Rancho Cucamonga residents enthused about their city's literary talent.

I believe that nurses, doctors, paramedics, teachers, policemen,

congressmen and bakery workers will have an especial interest in this offering, which deserves more than a one-paragraph review on Amazon or Walmart.com.

The author, Pastor Bill Jenkins, is an author and businessman is a life-changing individual and his recent, latest work of prose is something that could very well save your life.

I write from experience, based upon Pastor Jenkins 2021 undertak-

ing, The Prophetic Almanac 2022.

It was Christmas season 2021 and I was in shopping mode when I first saw it.

Book Review

"A handbook," I mused. "A new book for Christmas? What a nice, lovely gift for someone."

I purchased two copies of the Prophetic Almanac 2022 about 15 months ago when it

came out. I meant them as unique and heart-felt gifts when I ordered them for my daughter, an adult school teacher, and for a very close friend of

mine who lives in Florida. I was thrilled to give them an autographed book and then I ordered a few copies for myself to keep in my car and my house.

Just so you know,

while some people keep a first aid kit in their car, I keep a Prophetic Almanac, a dictionary, and a thesaurus around for reference. I'm just one of those people who like an old-fashioned book to hold in your hands in every room of the house. I just love books! The Prophetic Almanac is so unique, so incredible, I would say if it had a temperature gauge on it that it would register "Hot." That's as in "hot to touch." I'm certain the

Prophetic Almanac 2022 that I purchased in late 2021 prepared me for what hit me in 2022.

Yes, I said, "hit me" as in like a ton of bricks. Had I not read this Almanac (which is very similar to the Farmer's Almanac), I would likely not been able to handle the two, consecutive, nearly unbearable, possibly unspeakable crisis situations that I dealt with in 2022. This book warned me in advance of

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Freedom Will Ring, Loudly, In The Desert During Marine Corps Live Fire Exercises

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the mortars, artillery, tanks, aircraft and guns they would use in combat."

In a paragon of understatement the Marine Corps averred, "These training events generate sounds."

Noise from the exercises may be amplified under cloudy conditions, according to base officials.

"Other sounds may seem like the ground is

shaking, but what is actually happening is that low-frequency sound below the threshold of human hearing is traveling through the air causing small vibrations in your windows and doors. Those vibrations travel through the air, not through the ground," according to a page on the Marine Corps website devoted to activity at the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center.

"Weather conditions can cause great variations in the sounds you hear. The same activity at the same place on different days can have very different sound signatures because of temperature inversions, and wind strength and direction, as well as other factors."

According to that page, the Marine Corps said it wanted members of the nearby public to let base officials "know what you hear. To improve our understanding of how training affects the community, we have

implemented a sound reporting system. The information you provide will enable us to monitor what sounds are being heard, where they are being heard, and the scale of impact on the community. Through this reporting system, we will be able to match specific training areas, types of training, and weather occurrences to better understand how they factor in to what the community hears. While Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center's training mission must

continue, if there is an opportunity to make adjustments to reduce the sounds, we'll try to take advantage of it."

Those who want to inform the Marine Corps about the sounds that reach them can do so by calling the base's government and external affairs office at (760) 830-9222 or by sending an email to PLMS-MCAGCC-SOUND_REPORTING@usmc.mil

"Please include the time and date of the sound occurrence, where you were when you heard

the sound and the type of sound that you heard (artillery, aircraft, other sound)," the page states. "Aircraft and ordnance generate sounds that can sometimes be heard in the surrounding communities and we understand that the sounds resulting from training activities may have an effect on you. For some, the sounds coming from the Combat Center may be disruptive, while others may consider them the 'Sounds of Freedom.'"

In-Home Executions Of Three Family Members In The West End

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of Montclair, west of Ontario and east of Pomona and the Los Angeles County line.

The sheriff's department was called to the 1,350-square foot, two-story three-bedroom home at 9:09 p.m. by an unidentified individual,

believed to be one of the three other residents of the house, who came upon the bodies shortly before the call was made.

Deputies working out of the Chino Hills Sheriff's Station, which is roughly 6.4 miles from the home, were dispatched to the scene, arriving there after a driving time of about 11 minutes.

The murders had not been immediately discovered, but nearby residents did say they heard

what they thought were fireworks going off earlier in the evening.

George Ramirez was a retired carpenter, furniture maker and woodworker.

Though the area where the murders occurred falls within an unincorporated county district, properties there bear Ontario mailing addresses, as the Ontario Post Office provides mail delivery to that area.

Located as it is between Pomona and On-

tario and just north of Chino, the West End constitutes turf that has in the past been disputed between the Pomona 9th Street, the Chino Sinners and the Ontario Black Angels gangs. Nevertheless, the West End, which remained an agricultural zone even as portions of it were converted to single family residential properties in the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s, 1980s and 1990s and saw both Chino and Montclair engage in annexa-

tions that contracted its borders, has remained a rough area with some tough customers whom outside gang members are reluctant to cross.

There was an unconfirmed report that one of the residents of the 4804 Ramona Place address had not returned as of mid-day on January 31 and had thus become a person of interest in the investigation.

There was intense investigative activity in and around 4804 Ramo-

na Place on the morning of January 31, and detectives at one point had gone into the yards and a garage of neighboring properties to carry out searches. Investigators found a handgun in the backyard/side yard of a neighboring property, but at press time there was no indication that ballistics tests on that weapon had been found to match up with the bullets that had killed any of the victims.

-Mark Gutglueck

Wonder Valley Residents Want A Far More Exacting Environmental Impact Report For The Resort Being Built In Their Community Than The Thin Checklist Of Impacts That They Say County Planning Officials Are Too Casually Characterizing As Being Insignificant

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lize a negative mitigation declaration in carrying out the environmental certification of the project during its approval process is rubbing many of those residents of the

remote desert area the wrong way.

Under the California Environmental Quality Act, most development projects are subjected to an environmental certi-

fication process. Some types of environmental certification are more intensive than others, ranging from an environmental impact report to an environmental impact study to an environmental assessment to an environmental examination to a mitigated negative declaration to a negative declaration.

An environmental impact report, the most involved type of envi-

ronmental analysis and certification there is, consists of an involved study of the project site, the project proposal, the potential and actual impacts the project will have on the site and surrounding area in terms of all conceivable issues, including land use, water use, air quality, existing contamination, potential contamination, noise, traffic, and biological and cultural resources. An

environmental impact report specifies in detail what measures can, will and must be carried out to offset those impacts. A mitigated negative declaration falls near the other end of the scale, and exists as a far less exacting size-up of the impacts of a project, by which the panel entrusted with the city's ultimate land use authority, as in the case of Wonder Valley either the county

planning commission or the board of supervisors, issues a declaration that all adverse environmental impacts from the project will be mitigated, or offset, by the conditions of approval of the project imposed upon the developer.

In all likelihood, when the Wonder Valley Inn project goes to the county planning commission with a staff

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A Top Flight Student With A Determination To Be What He Wanted For Himself Rather Than Meet The Expectations Of Others, Tyler Was Still No Match For Fentanyl's Deadly Allure *from page 2*

colored and stamped to replicate Valium, Zanax, Oxycodone, Vicodin, Norco or Percoset, are ingested orally. That is not always the case, however. Some grind the pills into as fine of a powder as they can and snort, that is inhale, the pulverized particles, including the fentanyl and the binder, allowing the drug to be absorbed by the mucous membranes of their nasal tissue, their sinuses or through eventual passage to their throats and clear down their esophaguses to their stomachs. Others disassemble or crush the pills, loading them into a spoon and using heat from a torch, candle or match to separate, as best they can, the fentanyl from the medium in which it is contained and then use a syringe with a retractable plunger to sipon the melted fentanyl with its different relative density, leaving the binder in the spoon and to then slam, that is inject, the fentanyl into a vein or artery.

Growing up around the fentanyl culture, indeed intrinsic to it, is a means of distribution that is as newfangled and inventive as post-modern life permits. Whereas in generations past, drugs were sold to end users by drug dealers and drug pushers who quite often worked the streets and had immediate contact with their customers, that is no longer necessarily the case.

The stereotypical imagery of an addict scoring a packet of dope in sleazy alleyway that would be common among the parents or grandparents of today's younger crop of fentanyl users is hardly applicable when it comes to purchasing fentanyl. Those selling the drug today typically make use of social media to communicate with or even advertise to or re-

cruit possible customers and make or close deals. There yet exist small time dealers, limited to a confined geographical location. There are traffickers, as well, with business of immense proportion, operating regionally or across multiple states, indeed in some cases, from coast to coast.

One can purchase fentanyl from an entrepreneur without knowing him or her, ever meeting or seeing or talking directly with the supplier or even as much as knowing his or her identity or real name.

Arrangements for such sales are typically done by means of social media – Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat or forums of that nature. Snapchat is considered particularly suited to making such interactions because of its encryption and a feature that allows for the erasure/disappearance of previously sent or received messages.

In some cases, that a deal for the sale of fentanyl or some type of drug is explicitly dealt with and laid out in the exchange. In others, a code is used, one that uses terminology that those who are not involved in the culture would be unlikely to understand. One example of this is the reference or name used to describe a fentanyl dealer or supplier: plug. Another is the way Xanax is identified: bars.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration employs investigators to stay abreast, or at least try to stay abreast, of the underground world of drug use and the ever-evolving nature of what users seek and the tactics used by the mercenaries who are looking to enrich themselves by supplying those doing the seeking. In many cases, the market is

driven by the product that those entrepreneurs have settled on providing, the innovations being made with regard to which drugs are being blended into a concoction that users will buy.

Similarly, those investigators are attempting to chart the networks supplying the ingredients. It would appear that a good amount of the fentanyl itself originates overseas. China, which two centuries ago found itself being exploited by English and American seafarers delivering opium grown in the Near East to Chinese tongs or gangs in clandestine operations along the expansive Chinese coast, is the host for chemists whose laboratories are now returning the favor, manufacturing tons of fentanyl, enough to kill every man, woman and child in America, and that product is being smuggled into the U.S.A. Some of the pills containing fentanyl are pressed and stamped in China. Raw fentanyl, as well, is shipped to the United States, imported through various ways, including disguised as other types of goods offloaded at U.S. ports.

In addition to trying to break those international tongs, the Drug Enforcement Agency has interested itself in the domestic U.S. operators who are receiving that contraband and delivering it through their own networks to end users.

DEA agents more than two years ago learned that those dealers – the plugs – were using social media in a big way to make their wares available to buyers. Through these electronic communications, arrangements for delivery, using courier services such as Federal Express, United Parcel Service, DHL and the like and sometimes even the United States Postal Service would be finalized. Payment using credit cards, debit cards, PayPal, forms of cryptocurrency, Due,

American Express, Payoneer, GoPayment and Payza among others are typically used.

An indicator of how fentanyl users, primarily young ones across the United States, are getting it through online arrangements are lawsuits that have been filed, claiming, in the language of one of those, that Snapchat has “encouraged, enabled, and facilitated the illegal and deadly drug sales of counterfeit pills containing lethal doses of fentanyl to minors and young adults.”

Starting with a few select cases in which a fentanyl user lost his life through an overdose, the Drug Enforcement Agency and other local agencies sought to trace out the sources for that fentanyl. Consequent to that was establishing the victim's connection with the seller of that fentanyl, including the arrangements through social media for those sales.

Given the constitutional protections guaranteed to all Americans, demanding that entities such as Facebook, Snapchat and Instagram turn over the communications of all of their users so that agents could mine them for instances of arrangements for the sale of fentanyl was unworkable. Moreover, social media platforms have been able to effectively cite Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act to assert that they cannot be construed as responsible for any content, harmful or not that was posted through their forums or sites by or among third parties.

What was done, at least in a handful of cases where probable cause could be demonstrated, was a warrant from a judge was obtained to access the social media accounts of those who had died from a fentanyl overdose. By examining those communications, dealers or plugs could be identified. In many of the cases, the social

media companies resisted, delaying the ultimate provision of that information to investigators. Nevertheless, in some cases, the sought-after communications were obtained.

Incrementally, more and more is being learned about the vast underground network of fentanyl distribution across the United States.

What occurred over the weekend in Upland, while unbearably sad for the student's family, offers a real opportunity for law enforcement investigators to trace out the network of fentanyl dealers and the specifics of the fentanyl supply chain and its delivery system that led to this particular death.

The victim, identified to the Sentinel by his first name, Tyler, was a prolific user of social media and communication platforms and his smart communications device has come into the possession of the Upland Police Department, the Sentinel has learned. The information and data to be gleaned from that phone could, professional investigators told the Sentinel, allow authorities to make adequate demonstrations of probable cause to obtain warrants which will very likely lead them up a path to essentially reverse engineer the elaborate but obscure means by which sellers and buyers of the illicit and deadly substance communicate, the code they use and the means of distribution employed. Paradoxically, while the stealthy methodology of communication involving dealers and users who employ the ultramodern social platforms that are seeming second nature to the younger set allows their activity to stay below the radar of parents, teachers and law enforcement authorities in normal circumstances, that dark chamber upon being unlocked as it has been now with the death of the Upland High School student leaves exposed

to the sunlight a virtual blueprint for how a very toxic element of the underground economy functions. This has potential to lead to an ever widening network of wholesale fentanyl supply, one that goes much further than Upland, San Bernardino County or even Southern California, and very likely lies across state and perhaps even international borders.

Meanwhile, in Upland, the loss, at the familial level and among those who knew Tyler, is incalculable and inexpressible.

Questions attend what befell him. He was a heavy testosterone user. Rare but still potential side effects from testosterone injection include irritability and depression. While it is possible that last week Tyler had fallen into a psychological trough, one from which he sought escape by the painless exit from life that fentanyl offered, that does not seem to be the case. Those close to him detected no such clouds over him. Had he fallen into a temporary funk and upped the previous dosages of fentanyl he was accustomed to overcome that depression? That question at this stage is likely never to be answered.

A precious human life has been ended prematurely, one that held tremendous promise. To note that Tyler had fully transitioned into manhood, working out six days a week to develop a physique that the lion's share of his male-born classmates envied does not capture what his intensity was. Nor will referencing his virtual straight A academic record capture his character. Lost forever, except in the minds of those who remember him, is his determination to be what he knew himself to be. His life has been taken and the lives of those around him have been tormentingly reduced by the scourge of the silent fentanyl epidemic.

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With 1,350 Homeless In 2022, San Bernardino Is Host To 40 Percent Of The County's Dispossessed *from front page*

we need to put in place. It is true that housing

ends homelessness, but we can't negate the fact that we still need to have some level of interim housing and shelters to help people stabilize so they can successfully transition into permanent housing."According to Searcy, San Bernardino is host to 40 percent of the entire county's

homeless population and the city has seen a 175 percent increase in homelessness since 2017. She said the number of unsheltered individuals in the city had more than quadrupled since 2017, such that the city's homeless shelters are now near or at full capacity. Searcy said exac-

erbating the problem is the inadequate amount of affordable housing.

In 2017, Searcy said, there were 491 homeless in the city. In 2022, that number had risen to 1,350.

In 2017 there were 222 people living in places that were defined as inhabitable for hu-

mans, such as streets, sidewalks, alleyways and cars. "In 2022 that number had jumped to 992," Searcy said.

Referencing short term measures and laws put in place to keep people from being thrown out on the streets during the COVID pandemic, Searcy noted, "The evic-

tion protection resources ended on March 31, 2022. COVID-19 rent and utility bill relief will end February 28, 2023."

Moreover, Searcy said, "We just had a point-in-time count [of the homeless within the city] January 26. Do not be surprised if those

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Book Review: The Prophetic Almanac *from page 3*

what was to come. I repeat, this book gave me warning and that is what this author does and it's spot on.

The irony is that I just didn't know how or what it would be until one day, out of the wild blue, about mid-year, I looked out on my porch and saw the blond-hair of my ex-husband and his pretty wife knocking on my front door. It was a Saturday morning at 9 am. "Huh?" I thought to myself. "What the heck?" I said out loud as I opened the door. "It's Saturday!" Someone who hadn't come to my house in almost a decade was on my porch with a terrible look on his face? "Oh, no..." I said as I sunk to my knees and my stomach fell and did flip flops and I almost threw up as I realized why he was there. It wasn't good news. After my stomach

had fully collapsed, I felt myself turn pale and shaken and literally ill as I asked the two whose faces were stained with bad news, "What happened?" My daughter was in the hospital. I hadn't heard from her in about three days and although I was mildly concerned I wasn't too worried but there stood her Dad, his face scrunched up as he delivered the bad news to me as gently as he could. She was in the hospital. That's all I'm going to say about that morning, because I want you to read this book for yourself. But the Prophetic Almanac Book had warned me about that morning and as I stood on the porch too shocked to sob, I remembered the book I had purchased the previous fall! It had warned me! It had warned me in advance about what was going on! Had I not read the Prophetic Almanac I don't know if I could have handled

it. This book helped me to prepare. It not only saved me from thinking the worst, I didn't dwell on the bad because I had also read about the good that would happen to me in this book. In the other situation relating to the other person I had bought the book for, I had devastating news in the Summer of 2022 that he had been diagnosed with terminal colon cancer, that he had had to have multiple painful surgeries, that he was on dialysis and faced cancer treatment that most people couldn't bear. I had mailed him a copy of the Prophetic Almanac! What a wretchedly difficult year for both folks born on the 22nd of the month!

The good news is that I was able to handle the year because of the book I had read. It laid out steps for me to follow and this step-by-step guide helped me navigate a difficult year.

Author Bill Jenkins

is not Nostradamus, that's for sure. He isn't even Billy Graham or Joel Osteen. But people read Nostradamus, the most well-known prophet born in 1503 because he came from a group of Jewish doctors and scholars. Author Jenkins came from Chicago and I met him when he pastored a church in Indianapolis, known as the Crossroads of America, for 30 years. This man is spot on and he's not only an inspirational speaker, a diagnoser-of-the-truth, and a teller-of-the-future but he's better at what he does than any psychic or professed psychic on the planet. And a bonus feature is he is a dynamic writer.

I recommend his latest book because it might just save someone like it did me. I have purchased ten copies for my friends so far, and I plan on getting more. This book is light and easy to carry around with you if you travel. It's similar to a

college handbook or a dictionary. This book kept me from having a nervous breakdown when I got bad news and it helped me drive through some very bad traffic in my life in the year 2022. It was uplifting, fun and a quick, fun read. Of course, that's what inspirational authors do, and Jenkins does it well.

This book is not all about preparing for the bad. It has a lot of good, happy facts in it.

Jenkins is worth following in part because of the Daily Minute that Matters feature he publishes on many social media platforms. You won't be sorry if you buy this book.

Oh, I forgot one more thing! Remember I told you that my dad who died when I was a young girl was born on the 22nd of the month? Well, my father was an auto body repairman. About ten years ago I became a classic car show

host in his memory. Last October, after hosting classic car shows for ten years, I had the largest attendance of cars I've ever had at my fall-festival car show. We had so many cars come out to our event we had to get spill-over parking set up. Everyone was astounded at the miraculous turnout. For me, that was a little twinkle from my Daddy in Heaven. My year wasn't all difficult moments – I had a few spectacular ones too.

I hope you enjoy reading Jenkins' book. Get a copy today for yourself, and a few for your friends!

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San Bernardino Needs To Address Housing, Economic Development, Housing, City Hall Salvaging, Legislative, Public Safety And Property Tax Issues, McNeely Tells The City Council *from page 2*

worked as an employee of the city while he was running municipal operations during the three years he was with the city previously.

The seven-member city council's vote to bring McNeely back was done in a closed session and was unanimous, including the eighth vote by Tran, who on most issues has no vote, but is empowered to participate in votes pertaining to hiring the city manager and city attorney.

McNeely was the first and yet the only African American city manager in San Bernardino history.

The city that McNeely is returning to has undergone some degree of change in the more than a decade that he was gone.

He is retired and a participant in the State of California's public employees' pension system. As such, he is prohibited from working for more than 960 hours for any governmental entity in California during any municipal fiscal year, which runs from July 1 to June 30. He is to remain in place only long enough for the city to find someone to serve as Field's full-fledged replacement. Because he has started just now, more than halfway through the 2022-23 fiscal year, if the city has not found a replacement city manager by June 30, McNeely will be able to remain in place until December 31, 2023.

Field was the sixth city manager employed by San Bernardino since McNeely left, including Andrea Travis-Miller, who held that interim position for ten months after McNeely's departure in 2012 and oversaw the city during its bankruptcy filing and returned to serve as city manager in 2017. She was ultimately terminated by the Valdivia-controlled city council in 2019.

The city still has unresolved financial issues,

and McNeely said he intends to prepare the way for whoever succeeds him in the role of city manager to deal forthrightly with those.

This week, at the city council's February 1 meeting, McNeely told the city council what he intends to accomplish in the brief time he will be in place. At a few spots, he made veiled references to the need to redress the issues that had manifested as a consequence of Valdivia's oversight of the city.

"I thank you for your confidence and your commitment to this city and your support of me as your interim city manager," McNeely said. "My commitment to you is: in the time that I'm going to be here, I will do everything I can to live up to your expectations. I've been in this business a long time as city manager. I worked in many places as city manager but also I grew up in this profession. So, I know a little bit about cities and what it takes to run cities and the quality of leadership that's necessary."

McNeely then made an oblique reference to Valdivia, contrasting the dedication and honesty of Mayor Tran, who successfully ousted Valdivia from the mayoral position last year, and six of the current council's seven members – Ted Sanchez, Sandra Ibarra, Fred Shorett, Ben Reynoso, Kimberly Calvin and Damon Alexander – who had evinced major differences with Valdivia over the last two to four years, with the character traits of the former mayor.

"I will tell you my observation, simply from the time I've been here, is anybody, any community would be hard pressed to have the quality of leadership that you as political leaders on this dais have with respect to any city. I'd match you up against anybody from the standpoint of your passion,

your integrity and your desire to get things done. So, this community is fortunate to have you as a leadership of this city. So, I applaud you for that and I'm looking forward to working with you on a day-to-day basis. My commitment is to try to be responsive to you, to assist you in any way that I can and have staff work with you to make sure that your needs, that your constituents' needs are getting met. So, I stand by that pledge."

Still, McNeely said, good intentions and honesty is not enough when it comes to governance. He told the council that taking a reasoned, sensible and intelligent approach to defining the city's problems and engaging in problem-solving is necessary if they are to collectively succeed.

"Let me also say to you that one of my observations – and I have many of them – that while there are a lot of things on our plate, a clear observation that I have is the structure that we have right now is not as effective as it needs to be. There's some things that we have to do to move this city forward."

McNeely continued, "One of them is that even in the format that you have now, you have a number of issues that require a lot of your time. In order to deal with those, in my opinion, we are going to need to step back a bit and designate some time to focus on many of these issues beyond the simple council meetings that you have. You just simply can't get there having twice a month meetings. I want to give you a heads up about things that are out there and we should be thinking about and focusing on. It will highlight the diversity and the challenges that we have."

Of those, McNeely said, "The first one is we do not have as a city of this size any kind of comprehensive strategic plan. We need to focus our time and intention on developing something that gives us a road map of where we need to go and the community

needs to go, and [have] the community and you buy into that. The leadership starts with you. One of the things I would like to do, first and foremost, is get some time with you so we can set up a workshop and you spend the time to talk about the longer-term vision for this community, what are the issues and what kind of work plan you will be willing to accept and support going forward. The staff has a vital role in this obviously, but in order to get there, we have to spend some quality time doing it."

Another issue that had been articulated in his conversations thus far with the council and others, McNeely said, "is the agreement with the county on property taxes."

In 2015, in transitioning from a city-run fire department to having the county fire department provide the city with fire protection, the city made a giveaway of its property tax that auditors judge as having been poorly negotiated and by which the county is getting more revenue than is required to pay for the fire protections services actually provided to the city.

"I've heard over and over again that we need to sit down and talk about that," McNeely said. "Whether or not we can change it is another question, but if we don't sit down and talk about and explore the issue, look at it, bring some talent to the table to look at options, then we have failed this community. That's one of the items I'm saying is at the forefront that needs to be discussed."

"Another one is the organizations that is already in place, and by that I mean the city organization," McNeely went on. "A number of issues in my time here have come up, bubbled up and I've looked at this and said, 'What we have right now doesn't work. It needs streamlining. It needs to be reconstituted. We have to be more effective. We've got too many issues on our plate that have an organiza-

tional bureaucracy that is unresponsive, that is not focused to meet your needs and that of the community.' So, we've got to do something about that. That's in my lap, but I want the opportunity to come back and make some recommendations to you. And then you can say, 'Yes, city manager, we like it' or 'No, let's tweak it.' We've got to change what we're doing."

McNeely said, "The third is our legislative packet, the legislative process that we have. I've talked to several of you about this. I know we have a National League of Cities conference coming up. I think we're coming back for the next meeting with some proposals. But it's just simply at this point focus on the National League of Cities. My recommendation is that we need to step back and we need to develop a formal process for dealing with legislative issues, and that's legislative issues at the federal level and legislative issues at the state level. We have no one right now in house that's focused on that. So, we need at your level for us to design a process so that it's an annual process understood by you, understood by the community, that says, 'Here's how we're going to do business with legislation and here are our partners out there that we need to work with in terms of getting the dollars that we need and passing the kind of legislation that we need to benefit this community.'"

McNeely said, "The other is economic development. If there's one topic I heard over and over again, it's economic development. My concern there is staff is working on a number of different issues. I've seen some of the projects, but [we] do not have an effective economic development program that's been brought to you and signed off by you that gives us some guidance. I'm recommending that we sit down in a workshop fashion and talk about it, get your expertise as political leaders to

give us some guidance on what you want. We can wrap cost around that. We can talk about strategy, but it really has to emanate from you as our political leadership."

McNeely said the city has to figure out what it is going to do about its now-shuttered City Hall, which was built in 1972 with concrete rather than steel pillars. That renders the building potentially vulnerable to collapse in earthquakes of a certain magnitude or greater. Until the pillars are reinforced, a decision to abandon the building was made in 2017. It is possible to reinforce the pillars, but there is no clarity as to whether it would be cost-efficient to do so or whether it would be better to raze the building and start from scratch.

"The other one out there is the City Hall renovation, the old City Hall renovation," McNeely said. "I had the opportunity to tour that very recently. I'd been out of the building for a while, but we walked through that. I got a chance to see some of the issues, the problems that we are going to be confronted [with], but to a person, I've heard 'We want to do everything we can to save that building.' So, if that's the case, we need to develop a plan for how we're going to do that. What's it going to cost? What's the process? Who do we need to bring in? That's not a discussion that can be had in its entirety at this dais. So, spending some time and getting away and saying, 'What are the expectations? What do we need to do? City manager and staff: what do you need to do? What do you need to bring back to us so we as council/mayor can say, 'Yeah, that's right. Let's go do this. Let's get this done.'"

McNeely continued. "The other is our public safety. By that, I'm simply saying, 'What kind of public safety system do we want? What are the issues around public safety that we want?' If we were to envision what our public

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CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO): CIV SB 2209193

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:

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(LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): FLOYD WIRTHLIN, JR.

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San Bernardino Justice Center
247 West Third Street
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: SALLY CANO OCHOA CASE NO. PROSB2300013

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of SALLY CANO OCHOA has been filed by PATRICIA ANN ARMENDARIZ in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that PATRICIA ANN ARMENDARIZ be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent

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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 FEBRUARY 7, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. No. S35 at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino District.

Filed: January 5, 2023
Nathaniel Johnson, Deputy Court Clerk

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.

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Notice is hereby given pursuant to Sections 3071 of the Civil Code of the State of California the undersigned will

sell the following vehicle(s) at lien sale at said address below on: 02/17/2023 09:00 AM
Year of Car / Make of Car / Vehicle ID No. / License No. (State)
00 FREI 1FV3GJACXY-HH10275 6S19260 CA

To be sold by FEDERICO NAVARRO SALAS 1540 W 8TH ST SAN BERNARDINO CA 92411

Said sale is for the purpose of satisfying lien for together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF VESSEL

Notice is hereby given the undersigned will sell the following vessel and trailer at lien sale at said address below on: 02/17/2023 9:00 am

VESSEL
6345PZ, 06 MAUR
MAU03305E606 CA
TRAILER
1T0BS19D06S155354 06
TRLR 155354X

DATE OF SALE-02/17/2023
TIME OF SALE-09:00 AM

To be sold by CAPTAIN JOHN'S MARINA 39369 NORTH SHORE DRIVE FAWNSKIN CA 92333

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FBN 20230000267

The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as RANCHO CUCAMONGA DEVELOPMENT COMPANY 10050 WILSON AVENUE ALTA LOMA, CA 91737: ALAN R TIBBETTS 10050 WILSON AVENUE ALTA LOMA, CA 91737 [and] PHILO BIANE 6 GOOSENECK ROAD ALTA LOMA, CA 91737 MY MISSION LLC 30833 LIVE OAK DRIVE RUNNING SPRINGS, CA 92382

Mailing Address: 492 W FOOTHILL BLVD CLAREMONT, CA 91711

The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: SEPTEMBER 25, 1979.

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

s/ ALAN R TIBBETTS, General Partner
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/11/2023

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: GARY LEE LINTOTT

CASE NO. PROSB2300074

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of GARY LEE LINTOTT has been filed by CHAD KYLE LINTOTT in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CHAD KYLE LINTOTT 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 MARCH 2, 2023 at 9:00 A.M. in Dept. No. S36 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 Chad Kyle Lintott:

Neil Hedtkel, Esquire SBN 273319
820 North Mountain Avenue
Upland, CA 91786
(909) 579 2233 Fax (909) 618 1622 hedtkel@gmail.com

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The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as W.M.S BODY

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CONTOURING & HOLISTIC THERAPY 15555 MAIN ST UNIT D7 HESPERIA, CA 92344: WENDY MUNOZ SANTIESTEBAN 18390 BIRCH ST HESPERIA, CA 92345

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: NOVEMBER 26, 2022.

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

s/ WENDY MUNOZ SANTIESTEBAN, Owner Partner

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/06/2023

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 C6677

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FBN 20230000670

The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as FRAPPE & BOBA 4545 MISSION BLVD E MONTCLAIR, CA 91763: LAKE R ROJANAMONTIEN 12790 WILD HORSE WAY RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739

Mailing Address: 12790 WILD HORSE WAY RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JANUARY 23, 2023.

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

s/ LAKE R ROJANAMONTIEN, Owner

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/25/2023

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Notice of Sale of Real Property at Private Sale
[Probate Code §§ 10300, 10304]

Case No.: PROPS2100424

In re the Matter of: The Estate of JIMMIE LEE O'DELL aka JIMMIE L. ODELL aka JIMMIE LEE ODELL aka JIMMIE L. O'DELL, Decedent.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, subject to confirmation by this court, on March 1, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., or thereafter within the time allowed by law, Darrell Lee O'Dell, as administrator of the estate of the above-named decedent, will sell at public auction to the highest and best net bidder on the terms and conditions stated below all right, title, and interest of the decedent at

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the time of death and all right, title, and interest that the estate has acquired in addition to that of the decedent at the time of death, in the real property located in San Bernardino County, California.

This property is commonly referred to as 24945 Ocotillo Way, Apple Valley, CA 92308, assessor's parcel number 0435-175-57-0000, and is more fully described as follows: The following described property situated in the City of Unincorporated area of the County of San Bernardino, State of California: PARCEL 2 OF PARCEL MAP 2808, AS PER PLAT FILED IN BOOK 25 OF PARCEL MAPS, PAGE 33, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY.

The property will be sold subject to current taxes, covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, rights, rights of way, and easements of record, with any encumbrances of record to be satisfied from the purchase price.

The property is to be sold on an "as is" basis, except for title.

The personal representative has given an exclusive listing to Mason Realty.

Bids or offers are invited for this property and must be in writing, and can be mailed or delivered at any time after first publication of this notice and before any sale is made, to the attorney for the administrator: R. Sam Price Price Law Firm APC 300 East State Street, Suite 620 Redlands, CA 92373 (909) 328-7000

The property will be sold on the following terms: Cash, or part cash and part credit, the terms of such credit to be acceptable to the undersigned and to the court, 10 percent (10%) of the amount of the bid to accompany the offer by certified check, and the balance to be paid within thirty (30) days of confirmation of sale by the court.

Taxes, rents, operating and maintenance expenses, and premiums on insurance acceptable to the purchaser shall be prorated as of the date of recording of conveyance. Examination of title, recording of conveyance, transfer taxes, and any title insurance policy shall be at the expense of the purchaser or purchasers.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

For further information and bid forms, contact: R. Sam Price Price Law Firm APC 300 East State Street, Suite 620 Redlands, CA 92373 (909) 328-7000

Darrell Lee O'Dell, Administrator of the Estate of Jimmie Lee O'Dell aka Jimmie L Odell aka Jimmie Lee Odell aka Jimmie L O'Dell Price Law Firm, APC Date: January 25, 2023 Attorneys for Administrator, Darrell Lee O'Dell: R. Sam Price, Esq. (SBN 208603)

John M. Wilkerson, Esq. (SBN 201383)

Price Law Firm, APC 300 East State Street, Suite 620

Redlands, CA 92373 Phone: (909) 328-7000 Fax: (909) 475-9500

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SUMMONS – (CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER
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CIVSB2131656

NOTICE TO DCI INVESTMENTS, LLC
(AVISO DEMANDADO):
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:

(LO ESTA DEMANDANTE)

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DO EL DEMANDANTE):
JOHN BORRA, AN INDIVIDUAL

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The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y la direccion de la corte es):
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
247 WEST THIRD STREET,
SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415-0210

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):
RICHARD G. ANDERSON 041246
ANDERSON & LEBLANC, A.P.L.C.
1365 WEST FOOTHILL BOULEVARD, SUITE 2 UPLAND, CA 91786
Telephone:(909)949-2226
DATE (Fecha): 12-22-2021

Clerk (Secretario), by AMADOR SANCHEZ

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ed above on: JANUARY 11, 2023.

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s/ MEI DU
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/30/2023

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 J3108

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The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as MASI TECHNIKS 243 W. VERNON DR APT B UPLAND, CA 91786:

JAIME MORA 243 W. VERNON DR APT B UPLAND, CA 91786

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 (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ JAIME MORA
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/27/2023

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The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as H & E HOIST AND EQUIPMENT SERVICES 12720 AMBER LANE RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739: EDER ESQUIVEL MAJESTY RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: January 1, 2023.

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

s/ EDER ESQUIVEL, Owner
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/09/2023

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The following person is doing business as: M & N TRANSPORTATION. 1902 E. BONNIE BREA CT ONTARIO, CA 91764

Principal Place of Business: SAN BERNARDINO M & N TRANSPORTATION LLC 1902 E. BONNIE BREA CT ONTARIO, CA 91764

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AVENUE FONTANA, CA 92335 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO MARIA H CARBAJAL 17397 MERILL AVENUE FONTANA, CA 92335. 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 (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ MARIA H CARBAJAL, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: JANUARY 12, 2023 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023, 02/17/2023 CNBB4202314MT

FBN 20230000608 The following person is doing business as: SMOG BUSTERS FONTANA. 8060 MANGO AVE YUCAIPA, CA 92336; MAILING ADDRESS 34878 COUNTYLINE RD YUCAIPA, CA 92399; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO JESUS A OJEDA 34878 COUNTYLINE RD YUCAIPA, CA 92399. 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 (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ JESUS A OJEDA, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: JANUARY 24, 2023 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023, 02/17/2023 CNBB4202313MT

FBN 20230000451 The following person is doing business as: FIUISION REALTY. 6921 CASWELL

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LN FONTANA, CA 92336 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO PASO VENTURES INCORPORATED 6921 CASWELL LN FONTANA, CA 92336 The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ ELIZABETH ZELAYA, PRESIDENT Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: JANUARY 18, 2023 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023, 02/17/2023 CNBB4202312MT

FBN 20230000577 The following person is doing business as: JTZ DEALZ. 10700 JERSEY BLVD RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO ZIV ZAHAVI 10700 JERSEY BLVD RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730; JOSEPH S DITRAPANI 10700 JERSEY BLVD RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730. The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ ZIV ZAHAVI, GENERAL PARTNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: JANUARY 23, 2023 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023, 02/17/2023 CNBB4202311MT

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The following person is doing business as: KS FIRE SPRINKLERS. 13605 DOUGLAS ST YUCAIPA, CA 92399 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO KENNETH J SHATTWELL 13605 DOUGLAS ST YUCAIPA, CA 92399; KARA L SHATTWELL 13605 DOUGLAS ST YUCAIPA, CA 92399. The business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ KENNETH J SHATTWELL, HUSBAND Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: JANUARY 19, 2023 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023, 02/17/2023 CNBB4202310MT

FBN 20230000473 The following person is doing business as: BEAR ARMS GUNS. 13605 DOUGLAS ST YUCAIPA, CA 92399 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO KENNETH J SHATTWELL 13605 DOUGLAS ST YUCAIPA, CA 92399. 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 (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ KENNETH J SHATTWELL, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: JANUARY 19, 2023 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023, 02/17/2023 CNBB4202309MT

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The following person is doing business as: SAM AND ALI HOME CARE. 4304 SYRACUSE DR SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO AMIR SS CORPORATION 308 N SUNSET AVE LA PUENTE, CA 91744 The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JAN 01, 2022 By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ ISLAM MAKHALFA, PRESIDENT Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: JANUARY 23, 2023 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023, 02/17/2023 CNBB4202308MT

FBN 20230000569 The following person is doing business as: EYEBROW PALACE. 632 E. HOLT AVE POMONA, CA 91767 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO ASHOK B KUNWAR 1130 W 4TH ST 48 ONTARIO, CA 91762; USHA SHRESTHA 1130 W 4TH ST 48 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: JAN 22, 2023 By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ ASHOK B KUNWAR, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: JANUARY 23, 2023 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023, 02/17/2023 CNBB4202307MT

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The following person is doing business as: SANCHEZ ATM. 222 E HIGHLAND AVE STE 2 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92404 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO ANGEL ISORDIA 8873 PEMBROKE AVE RIVERSIDE, CA 92503. 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 (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ ANGEL ISORDIA, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: JANUARY 20, 2023 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023, 02/17/2023 CNBB4202306MT

FBN 20230000455 The following person is doing business as: DYNAMIC FABRICATION. 1525 W F ST ONTARIO, CA 91762 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO DANIEL ALTAMIRANO 1525 W F ST 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: JAN 16, 2023 By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ DANIEL ALTAMIRANO, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: JANUARY 19, 2023 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023, 02/17/2023 CNBB4202305MT

FBN 20230000423 The following person is doing business as: FIGUEROA TRANS-

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PORTING. 3871 TACONITE RD SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO FELIX FIGUEROA 3871 TACONITE RD SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JAN 18, 2023 By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ FELIX FIGUEROA, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: JANUARY 18, 2023 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023, 02/17/2023 CNBB4202304MT

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Despite The Appropriation Of \$25 Million For Homeless Programs In SB, “We Do Not Have A Grip On This Situation,” City Official Says from page 5

numbers increase further from last year. We do not have a grip on this situation.” The city is inundated with individuals with literally no place to go, Searcy said. “There’s two main concerns in our city,” she said. “Number one, we are experiencing a shelter crisis. Point blank, we simply do not have enough adequate shelters to address the need. That

is number one. Number two is due to years of neglect, the loss of federal funding, the dismantling of the redevelopment agency, we do not have a significant amount of funds to increase affordable housing. As a result, the entire nation is suffering.” The city was scrambling to get a handle on things, Searcy said. “I’ve been here almost seven months and I can tell you we have multiple projects moving forward.” The city hired her into the newly created position of deputy director for housing and homelessness, she said, and in October had allowed her to hire a homeless services coordinator, which has been filled with

Ashley Escobel, whom Searcy characterized as passionate and dedicated about meeting the homelessness issue head on. Furthermore, Searcy said, the city council on December 7, 2022 approved using over \$25 million in American Rescue Act Plan of 2021 funds to address homelessness. Of that, \$5 million will go toward Homekey Partnerships with Lutheran Social Services to create 170 total non-congregate beds to help men who are homeless and help men with children. Searcy did not define the term “non-congregate.” Also appropriated was \$900,000 toward a Homekey partnership

with San Bernardino Valley College to create upwards of 60 units to house homeless students. The city has also committed \$12 million toward the development of a 200-bed navigation center, which Searcy said will be a “low barrier” and “pet friendly” facility, meaning, essentially, that it will not turn individuals away because of problematic issues they embody or possess, such as being drug addicted or having dogs or cats. The navigation center, to be built on the campus of the former School of Hope located at 796 East Sixth Street, is to provide on-site services and interim housing. The site consists of ap-

proximately 2.5 acres, a portion of which is to provide non-congregate housing units consisting of prefabricated modular structures. The existing building will offer services to include case management, housing management, substance abuse counseling, mental health services, job training and placement, mailbox services and family reunification. The city council earmarked \$4.5 million to go toward operations of the navigational center over three years once it is in place. Another \$1.5 million American Rescue Act Plan of 2021 funds will go for a homeless outreach program.

In addition, the city has hired 12 public works employees who will spend a considerable amount of their time cleaning up homeless encampments. Already, that team has performed 1,143 cleanups at 603 locations, Searcy said. “We are trying to transition from criminalization [of those living on the streets],” Searcy said. “We understand that it’s not a crime to be homeless. We want to restore a sense of balance to our community but at the same time we want to help our vulnerable residents.” The city is further committed through the declaration to encouraging the construction and

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Residents Want Far More Exact- ing Conditions Placed On Wonder Valley Resort Than County Planners Are Willing To Apply

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recommendation that the mitigated negative declaration be made, the commission members will comply, and the project will thus gain approval. The approval could, although will not necessarily, be granted without the board of supervisors considering the matter.

Those who believe that the Wonder Valley Inn will prove incompatible with the rustic atmosphere of the community as it currently exists strongly suspect allowing the project to be subject to anything less than an across-the-board environmental impact report will allow Greenberg and Landver to cut corners and avoid having to pay for or otherwise provide mitigation measures that will offset the impacts of drawing hundreds of outsiders into the community every week.

County Land Use Services staff contends there will be no untoward environmental impacts from the project that are not to be offset by the set of conditions to be imposed on the project's proponents.

Greenberg and Landver insist that the project, a 106-room hotel with a 24-hour restaurant, spa and event center, will be an enhancement to the community. The San Bernardino County Department of Land Use Services on January 14 gave its imprimatur to the undertaking, meaning any further environmental review of the project will be unnecessary based upon the proviso that Greenberg and Landver incorporate revisions to the proposal specified by county staff.

The resort would include a 6,000-square foot swimming pool, hot tubs, outdoor showers, a 180,000-gallon water

tank and a 205-space parking lot.

The initial phases of the development would extend to no more than 25 acres, including the 4,407-square foot old pink building, which is to be converted into the hotel's lobby, restaurant and kitchen, the stoves and ovens for which will run on propane. Two existing wells will be tapped to provide water. The proponents intend to use a septic leech field system for wastewater. Greenberg and Landver will rely on the local utility provider for electricity.

One off-site improvement Greenberg and Landver will be required to make is widening a relatively modest 29-foot span of Amboy Road from the centerline of the site, creating a 40-foot-wide section along the south side of Amboy Road and converting a dirt road on the west side of the property into a paved emergency access route.

The mitigated negative declaration means the project is being fast-tracked, such that there will be no opportunity to hold the assumptions of county officials that the project upon completion will have no impact on the environment up to scrutiny, Wonder Valley residents contend.

It is no accident that David Mlynarski and his company, Transtech Engineers, Inc., were retained by Greenberg and Landver to deal with county officials in their application for project approval.

Mlynarski, a member of the American Planning Association, the Baldy View Chapter of the Building Industry Association, of which he is currently an executive committee member, the Inland Empire Economic Recovery Corporation, of which he is also the chief financial officer, and the National Association of Home Builders, ran as a pro-development candidate for city council in San Bernardino's Seventh Ward in 2020. He possesses solid credentials relating to guiding de-

velopmental interests in achieving entitlements to build based upon his professional experience along with his political connections. He was an assistant planner with the City of Fontana and later an associate planner and zoning administrator with the City of Palm Dale. He left the public sector and parlayed his experience behind the planning counter to become the vice president of land development with Moning Development in Fullerton, later becoming vice president of market development with Redlands-based Sierra Engineering. He worked with two civil engineering and land surveying companies before purchasing one of them and converting it to Transtech Engineers, Inc. In his assistance to Greenberg and Landver in their application with the San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department, he has formulated a strategy of prevailing upon county officials to not apply the more exacting land use standards that those living in the desert community believe are proper for any significant construction that is to take place in their midst.

One building block for the declaration of no unmitigated impacts from the project is a report, which has already been accepted by the county, pertaining to critical species that might be harmed by the project. According to that report, despite the presence of creosote bush scrub on the southlying half of the project site which provides foraging opportunities for the desert tortoise and thereby makes that land excellent habitat for the species, the property features rocky soil which renders it nearly impossible for the tortoises to burrow there. Consequently, according to the report, "No desert tortoises or signs (i.e. scat, burrows, carapaces) were observed on-site."

According to a document with the title "San Bernardino County Initial Study," which contains a "mitigated

negative declaration environmental checklist form," with regard to aesthetics, agricultural and forestry resources, air quality, energy, fire protection, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, noise, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation, tribal and cultural resources, utilities and service systems and wildfire, the project, when subject to the conditions of approval, will have no environmental impacts or no significant environmental impacts.

"Therefore, no significant adverse impacts are identified or anticipated, and no mitigation measures are required," the report states.

Thus, according to both Mlynarski and the county, Greenberg and Landver should be at liberty to proceed with developing the site.

In an effort to counter the political pixie dust that Mlynarski has spread to work his magic on the county's land use decision-making process, project opponents are citing an April 2020 environmental report for the site completed by Edward LaRue on behalf of Circle Mountain Biological Consultants. According to LaRue, there was evidence that desert tortoises were, in fact, foraging on the site.

This matches anecdotal evidence accumulated by Wonder Valley residents of tortoises living in and passing through the area.

It is unclear whether county land use services division staff will accept the Circle Mountain Biological Study and pass it along to the planning commission. If the planning commission considers it, that might form the basis of rejecting the adequacy of the mitigated negative declaration and instead requiring that Greenberg and Landver complete a more thorough – and expensive – environmental impact report.

A handful of Wonder Valley's residents, skept-

tical about the project from the time they first heard about Greenberg and Landver applying for a conditional use permit, banded together to create the website stop-wonderinn.org.

The project opponents have taken issue with many of the findings in the initial study for the environmental certification for the project. They have said the county was cutting corners in its move to let the project proceed on the basis of the mitigated negative declaration. They want the land use services division to require that Greenberg and Landver employ a reputable and licensed firm to do a full-blown environmental impact report.

The initial report inaccurately describes the history of and previous uses of the big pink building, Wonder Valley residents allege. It was not a post office, as the county claims but rather an electrical switching station erected in 1962, they say.

Documents show the building was used for what was termed an "electrical co-op" maintained by the federal Rural Electrification Administration, which was intended to facilitate the Homestead Act by making electricity available in remote areas where homesteads had been established.

Some 3,000 recreational cabins and more permanent living structures built by homesteaders between 1938 and the mid-1960s under the Small Tract Act, also known as the "Baby Homestead Act," once dotted the landscape, though hundreds were demolished and removed as part of a clean-up effort over the last two-and-a-half decades.

The initial study the county is relying upon falsely maintains that Wonder Valley has no community plan, according to local residents, who point out that Wonder Valley indeed has a community plan.

County Land Use Services is also underestimating the traffic impact that the project will

being about, Wonder Valley residents assert. The initial study fails to consider the driving that guests at the Wonder Valley Inn will engage in after they arrive, and it assumes the only vehicle use those guests will take part in is the estimated 604 vehicle trips per day by which they will arrive and leave via two-lane Amboy Road. The study makes no reference to the heavy traveling that will likely occur on Gammel Road, a dirt road that is the most direct route from that point to Joshua Tree National Park. Ultimately, Gammel Road will need to be paved and there is no mention of this or the environmental impact that will entail in the initial study.

Wonder Valley Inn could greatly impact an already overburdened and inadequate system of emergency response that exists there. In 2017, Fire Station 45 in Wonder Valley was closed by the county, which cited lab tests showing water drawn from the well the station used was contaminated with arsenic, hexavalent chromium and fluoride at levels approaching or exceeding 1,000 times the threshold deemed safe for human use and consumption. Since that time, the response times for fire and emergency medical services in the area have grown to nearly 15 minutes per the official average and on occasion proven longer than that.

Unless Greenberg and Landver are willing to subsidize the construction of a new fire station or underwrite entirely the cost of reestablishing Fire Station 45, they should not be permitted to proceed with the Wonder Valley Inn, project opponents insist.

The environmental documentation for the project underreports the impact it will have on water consumption and light pollution of the night sky, those critics say.

Those wishing to see the initial study can do so at <https://tinyurl.com/mt3fb2rx>

-Mark Gutglueck

McNeeley Lays Out Goals For A Post-Valdivia San Bernardino *from page 6*

safety services would look like from your standpoint, what would that be? What are the expectations and the desires you have? And I know we have a great chief. I have been extremely impressed with him and the officers that I've seen, but we really need to sit down and spend some time talkin'

about police services in this community and making sure they have the resources they need to accomplish what you want them to do."

McNeeley mentioned rent stabilization and housing issues.

"Everywhere I go in the community, that's an issue," he said. "We don't have a strategic plan developed that says, 'Here's how we're going to go about doing that. Here is the staff we need for that. Here are the partners we

need to pull in to make that happen."

McNeely noted that "When I was here several years ago, one of the systems that we put in place was a call center and it was designed as a one-stop shop where we could work with our citizens and give them one number to call. They would get bounced around from one department to another where 'Gee, no, you need to talk to so-and so,' and they would call another department

and they would call another department. That system was designed [to] put that burden back on staff. We would be the ones that would work with residents and then solve those issues, and then more importantly get that information back to our residents, and say, 'Yes, we got it taken care of' or 'No, we didn't and here is why we didn't.' It is so critical for us, if we are going to build public trust that we as staff are going to need to be more

responsive to the citizens that we serve. We have the capability. We have a system in place. We're just not using it effectively. For whatever reason, it's there but it's not being used. I've already had discussions with staff [on] how we go about improving that. And beyond that, that system also is a useful tool, a data tool for each one of you as council members because you can get into that system and you can see the complaints, the

issues and break it down by your ward and you can see if there are code enforcement issues, police issues in your ward, pothole issues, you name it. Any complaint that comes in, you're able to go in, by ward or city, and see what we are dealing with. When we are doing budgets every year, that tells you what we are doing and how well we are doing it, and tells you how we should be allocating dollars."

-Mark Gutglueck

City Will Provide A Codicil To Its Building Code To Expand Zones Where Shlters Can Locate *from page 10*

development of housing both permanent and temporary.

City Planner Dave Murray said his division was preparing for the city council's approval "an optional building code appendix." He said that at present "The development code allows emergency shelters by right in five pre-defined areas that were approved by [the] city council back in 2010 to meet state law. State law says in your development code you have to define very specific locations where emergency shelters are permitted by right. Those areas are spread throughout the city. They cover private properties that are generally undeveloped or at the time in 2010 were undeveloped. That was the decision back then."

Moving forward, Murray said, "There is an opportunity to identify either more sites or open it up for any site in very specific zones. We're going to take a look at where staff thinks that makes sense and we'll be bringing that back to you for your consideration at a future council meeting. The development code also allows for emergency shelters in other areas of the city, not by right but with the granting of a conditional use permit, which would be reviewed and approved by the planning commission. Maybe we

will be looking at other areas of the city where we want to allow emergency shelters either by right or with a conditional use permit. We will also be looking at, perhaps, opportunities for streamlining emergency shelters through an administrative process rather than an elevated process through the planning commission."

His department will rewrite the city's building code to make accommodations to allow new construction and conversion of existing structures that can serve to house the homeless.

"We'll bring that forward to you for your consideration," Murray told the city council. "Initially we are looking at additional zones which is our residential high [density zone], which is one of our multi-family zones, the commercial office zone and our commercial general [zone], which would be most of our commercial retail corridors. We're looking at conditional use permits for emergency shelters in those zones and then perhaps locations in our industrial light and public facility zones which could allow shelters by right."

Ongoing, according to Searcy, are seven new homeless-related projects in the city.

In San Bernardino last year, of the 1,350 homeless that were officially tallied, 992 were unsheltered, with 358 others either sheltered or in transitional housing.

On the documentation provided for Wednesday night's meeting, there were said to be 253 shel-

ter beds within city limits. That did not include some beds at a place called Mary's Village, a shelter for men. Searcy did not give a clear explanation as to why the beds at Mary's Village were not included in the tally.

Part of the strategy approved by the council on Wednesday night includes the creation of a homelessness task force, to include police department personnel, and employees from the city's code enforcement, public works, parks and recreation, and the city's community, housing and economic development departments.

"It will take a lot of people, a lot of time, a lot of money, groundwork and volunteers, all of us coming together to make sure we can do whatever possible to make sure we don't continue to add to the homelessness," said Councilwoman Kimberly Calvin.

In response to questions by Calvin and Councilwoman Sandra Ibarra, Searcy said that the living standards in shelters would be maintained not just by the city's codes and inspections but by the licensing that shelter operators would get from the State of California.

Calvin's and Ibarra's questions went to the degree to which the city would have to suspend or should suspend its land use standards by approving emergency sheltering and permitting and rezoning certain areas for that purpose.

Searcy indicated the city would avoid seeing those standards eroded

by operating or controlling the shelters rather than permitting what might be well-intentioned individuals and private entities from operating shelters that run renegade and go "rogue."

"We want to make sure that if you are unhoused or homeless, wherever you go, you are staying in a safe abode," Searcy said. She said the city needed to comply with state mandates of monitoring the facilities and who was in them, and for that reason would have a hand in either running or partnering in the running of all homeless shelters in the city.

"You [a city resident or landowner] will not be able to open up a facility in your home or backyard," Searcy said. "At this point the city has the option of using city-owned sites, city owned land. This is something staff is strongly leaning toward because it allows the city to have site control. The minute you allow individuals to use their own private property, you kind of take away that ability to provide that level of oversight and governance that you need."

In response to a question by Ibarra, Searcy said the city would not, because of fire and other safety hazard issues, want to utilize so-called pallet shelters, which can be constructed very rapidly.

"They are quick, they're inexpensive. but they are also dangerous," Searcy said.

She said the city wanted to make sure that what is built has adequate

heating, ventilation and air conditioning, "so people are not sitting in a hotbox or a shed. We're looking closely to make sure we choose the best options."

Ibarra said that in addition to providing housing for those now living on the street, she wanted the program to show more emphasis on job training for those being housed.

Stating, "This conversation is long overdue," Councilman Juan Figueroa, said he believed that society was at last turning a corner on being able to deal straightforwardly with what he considered was one of the several causes of the homeless crisis, that being the relative mental health/illness and cognitive ability of those who find themselves out on the streets. "I look at homelessness as a result of multiple factors," he said, including the onset of mental deterioration in the relatively young which when manifested among the older generation is seen as senility. With "senile degeneration" of the aged, Figueroa said, society seems to "recognize these individuals no longer have the capacity to care for themselves." The same should be done for those who are not aged but are still on the ropes mentally, financially, socially and situationally, he opined. "We need to have some type of social defibrillator to shock us back into compassion," he said.

"This is a very important issue," said Councilman Fred Shorett. "We are all dealing with this

on a daily basis one way or another. I believe that besides crime, homelessness is the number one issue or concern within our population, and we want to see these people taken care of and off the street."

According to Searcy, "Separate and apart from declaring a local emergency, the city should declare a shelter crisis per Government Code Section 8698 et sequitur. Declaration of a shelter crisis means duly proclaimed existence of a homeless crisis in which a significant number of persons are without the ability to obtain shelter, resulting to a threat to their health and safety. No individual or household shall be denied emergency shelter because of their inability to pay. Emergency shelters shall be occupied only by homeless persons unable to pay for housing. Facilities occupied by individuals who pay for their housing shall not be permitted as an emergency shelter, also referred to as a homeless shelter, a homeless facility or a social service center with a residential component."

The city council made that declaration, unanimously.

Practically what the declaration will do is effective February 1, 2003 through February 1, 2004, the city will adopt streamlined zoning regulations, allow permanent or temporary structures to be used for emergency housing and expand interim, temporary and permanent housing options.

-Mark Gutglueck