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Newly appointed Superintendent Michael Bregy on the challenges of taking over the BHUSD
Accusations from Beverly Hills Courier

Yellow journalism is alive and well in Beverly Hills.

In their past Friday’s edition, the Beverly Hills Courier, without any evidence, accused me of writing a letter under the name of an elderly woman regarding [Vice Mayor] Nancy Krasne. The letter was published in the Weekley’s [Issue #908].

Prior to publishing their false and disparaging story about me, the Courier failed to contact me for a statement. Instead, the Courier chose to rely only on rumors from unnamed sources. Journalists have an ethical and professional responsibility to verify rumors before publishing them. The Courier clearly failed in this regard.

I categorically and emphatically deny writing any portion of the Hermine Beck letter, or seeing the letter prior to reading it in print, or providing any of the facts in the letter. Many of Nancy Krasne’s supporters, including Robert K. Tanenbaum, claim that the statements in the Beck letter are false. Yet, rather than attempting to disprove any of the statements in the letter, Krasne’s supporters instead attack the 95-year-old writer, claiming she is incapable of writing such a letter. I suggest that these people not bully the elderly citizen, but instead focus on Ms. Beck’s message.

To make matters worse, Nancy Krasne herself first falsely accused candidate and current Mayor John Mirisch as the writer of the Beck letter. She falsely claimed that she saw Mirisch write the letter during a City Council meeting. However, after Mirisch produced his handwritten notes about only City issues (which were written on a City notebook maintained by the City staff), Krasne was compelled to apologize to Mirisch.

Krasne then changed her story with another lie. She next accused candidate Frances Bilak of writing the letter. Apparently, that lie didn’t work well either, so now the Courier, whose publisher is good friends with Krasne, has falsely accused me as the writer. While I am not a candidate for City Council, this false accusation by the Courier is another smear against the Mirisch campaign, which I chair. It is true that I believe that Nancy Krasne does not have the required temperament or leadership qualities to continue being a council member, let alone the next mayor. But I will let Ms. Beck’s letter [stand] on its own.

I am sending a letter to the Courier demanding a retraction and apology. letters cont. on page 3
Let's try to support a position rather than evidence stemming from an actual problem. The district may indeed be suffering from issues related to its finances and spending but the teachers’ salary formula is not the cause.

One of the concerns mentioned is the possibility that decreases in property tax revenues will leave the district on the hook for high teacher salaries. In the last 33 years, property tax revenues in LA County have decreased 4 separate years for a cumulative and uncompounded 5%. In contrast, property tax revenues in the county have increased in 29 separate years for a cumulative and uncompounded 202%.

Furthermore, the district’s Chief Administrative Officer has stated that property tax revenues are projected to increase in the next four years. The salary formula is not the cause of fiscal problems in the district. Rather, it is an indicator of financial health and in this regard, the district is very healthy. Remember, the salary formula was created to allow employees’ salaries to keep up with increases in the cost of living.

Currently, according to the Form J90 released by the State Department of Education, we are ranked 72 out of 74 in terms of average teacher salary. To argue that there should be no salary formula is to argue that employees’ salaries should remain stagnant for years at a time. Given that our health and welfare benefits package is also below average among districts in our surrounding area, keeping our salaries low and stagnant would not only be wrong but the time spent having to bargain salary and benefits every single year as was done in the past would take away time from refining other aspects of our collective bargaining agreement - something that would be a benefit to both the district and BHEA.

Blaming the salary formula masks the true problems afflicting the district. These problems include the lack of financial transparency, the inability or unwillingness to adhere to a long term plan, and a decision-making process that favors short-term quick fixes that lead to long-term damage. BHEA continues to wait for information from the district that will allow us to offer solutions to minimize cuts to programs and staffing.

We encourage the Board of Education to accept Superintendent Michael Bregy’s recommendation to have more time to review our financial situation before making drastic decisions. Finally, we urge the district to focus on long-term strategic planning. For instance, one of the proposed cuts is an intervention program that was brought back less than a year ago!

Instead of placing blame on the educators and proposing cuts only to the classroom, we ask that the district work with us to find solutions that address our financial issues in a way that doesn’t hurt our programs and students. The solutions are there - the district just needs to be willing to invest the time to work with us to find them.

Telly Tse
BHEA President

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**Election Results**

Given that many people did not even know we had an election going on yesterday, and many more simply did not care, there is something to be said about the election results: disgusting.

Allow me to qualify and explain: Eight candidates put everything into a race, a race whose end is just the beginning - four years of public service.

We should have repaid in kind. We should have sent a ballot by mail or gone to our polling place to vote in person. That is the very least we should have done. The vast majority of eligible and registered voters did not.

Among the eight candidates for three seats on the Beverly Hills City Council, they poured some half a million dollars of their and our (contribution) money into the process. Money talks, and to invest so much money into a position which carries just an honorarium indicates each individual and all together were motivated to do good, for all of us, not for themselves.

For a moment, the traditional sense of a small community was lost. There were billboards (in a different city), TV commercials (on major networks) etc. But candidates still walked and knocked on doors, we were bombarded with mailers, there were phone calls and lawn signs.

On Friday late afternoon, Judie Fenton was seen going out of her office into an elevator with signs in her hand. She personally did not relent, her resolve and determination fierce to the very end. On Sunday or Monday, one of the candidates flew! As Raz and Ayelet are now landing in Israel, we should look closer at our elections. We once, not that long ago, had a city-wide effort “Get Out and Vote!”

We should indulge in the same again, so possibly, just possibly, the next time a young couple comes to witness how we vote here in the US, they will not see an empty polling place, but rather a long line of people eager to exercise their right and privilege to vote!

Ari Bussel
Beverly Hills

“Independent analysis indicates K-8 model and salary formula main source of BHUSD’s deficit spending” [Issue #908]

The study presented by the School Services of California at the BHUSD Board Study Session on Feb. 16 at a cost of up to $20,000 is an example of a study molded to try to support a position rather than evidence stemming from an actual problem. The district may indeed be suffering from issues related to its finances and spending but the teachers’ salary formula is not the cause.

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Source: www.lavote.net

**Mirisch re-elected; other seats too close to call**

Incumbent John Mirisch was re-elected Tuesday to the Beverly Hills City Council. The remaining two seats are too close to call with incumbent Nancy Krasne and challengers Robert Wunderlich and Les Friedman in a virtual three-way tie.

As of press time vote totals were:

John Mirisch, 1,478 votes; Nancy Krasne, 1,286 votes; Les Friedman, 1,285 votes; Robert Wunderlich, 1,281 votes; Eliot Finkel, 1,090 votes; Vera Markowitz, 773 votes; Frances Bilak, 703 votes; Jim Wayne, 164 votes.

“Given that it’s such a close election and there are [additional] votes to be counted...”
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that could potentially change the order of second, third and fourth place, it’s still a nail-biting time,” Wunderlich told the Weekly. “I feel good about the process. I felt I ran a good campaign [and] really everyone ran a positive campaign, much to the credit of the City.”

Wunderlich also indicated he is undecided about a recount.

“I haven’t made a determination about a recount one way or the other. I’m just waiting to see what happens with the remaining votes to be counted.”

Krasne and Friedman could not be reached in time for comment.

According to the county registrar, the unofficial preliminary number of vote-by-mail ballots remaining is 426. The unofficial preliminary number of provisional ballots is 311. Additional ballots could arrive in Thursday and Friday’s mail.

Ballots received by Friday that were postmarked by Election Day will be counted. Another update is expected Friday. In the event of a tie, candidates will flip a coin. In the event the election is not certified until March 31, the mayoral installation event of a tie, candidates will flip a coin.

Another update is expected Friday. In the week.

Beilenson was given direction from the Board and Superintendent Michael Bregy to either resign or be reassigned to an English position.

Anthony Beilenson

An online petition, created by Beverly Vista teacher Victoria Hanlon on Sunday, was circulated to parents, students and faculty via Facebook. The petition had over 500 signatures, as of press time.

“Dr. Tedford has no intention of leaving BHUSD and wants to continue her work here and grow professionally,” the online petition states. “Further, Dr. Bregy told her that the [Board of Education] has decided to take immediate action on this issue. They have scheduled a meeting at the district office for this Tuesday, March 7 at [9:00 a.m.] Note, this is a time when most teachers cannot attend and when many involved and concerned parents will be helping with the Every 15 Minutes program. The timing was deliberate so that teachers would not be able to attend and let their voices be heard in opposition to his decision.”

Parents and faculty left “reasons for signing” in the comments section of the petition.

“To let Dr. Tedford go would be a huge mistake,” Shannon Hunt wrote, and grossly explains the unhealthy situation of our Board of Education members, clearly some of which need replacing! I have three children in BHUSD, and this whole situation is very disappointing and distracts from the real issues we should be focusing on to better our children’s education.”

March 15 is the deadline to notify faculty and staff of any personnel changes, which includes reassignments.

The Board will not comment on personnel issue.

Former Congressmember Anthony Beilenson passes at 84

Former Congressmember Anthony Beilenson passed away on Sunday, March 5. He was 84 years old.

Over his 20 years in Congress, Beilenson championed affordable healthcare, environmental safeguards like the Clean Air Act and abortion rights.

He represented Beverly Hills for most of his career.

Beilenson was first elected to the state Assembly in 1962, representing a Democratic district that included Beverly Hills and West L.A. Four years later, he was elected to the state Senate. In 1976, he went to Congress when Tom Rees retired. As a state senator, he wrote what became one of the most liberal abortion laws in the nation. The Therapeutic Abortion Act legalized the procedure in cases where a woman’s mental or physical health was at risk or if pregnancy resulted from rape or incest. In 1967, then just six months in office, Gov. Ronald Reagan signed the bill into law, although Reagan later expressed regret over the decision.

In addition, he singlehandedly blocked plans for a Beverly Hills freeway, which would have run under Santa Monica Boulevard.

Among some of his other achievements was sponsoring the 1978 legislation that created the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area that protected a wilderness that extends from the Hollywood Hills to Point Mugu. He later helped secure federal funding that created Lake Balboa Park, which now bears his name, and the Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Refuge.

Toward the end of his career, Beilenson was redistricted out to the San Fernando Valley after the 1991 census. After a closer than expected election in 1994, he chose to retire in 1996. Brad Sherman now represents his district.

“I was honored to have his support, friendship, and advice,” Sherman wrote in a statement about Beilenson’s passing. “He had an incredibly dedicated staff that helped thousands of his constituents over the years, and I was very lucky to inherit some of those people when I first came to Congress.”

Former State Senator Alan Sieroty could not be reached for comment.

No resolution for El Rodeo parking problem

The Traffic and Parking Commission denied a temporary parking permit program for El Rodeo School staff that would have allowed faculty and administration to park on adjacent residential streets during the school’s ongoing construction at its meeting on Thursday, March 2.

At the Jan. 24 City Council meeting, Principal Kevin Allen spoke during public comment to ask for of alternative employee parking options during the school’s two-year construction project, which is expected to last through Fall 2019.

Approximately 60 vehicles have been displaced as a result of onsite construction staging. As a result of continued resident complaints, the four-hour parking signs on the west side of Whittier Drive between Elevado and Lomitas Avenues were enforced and 10 school employees received parking citations, according to the staff report.

Currently, school employees park on Lomitas Avenue and street blocks that do not have parking restrictions and take a shuttle to and from the school at designated times throughout the day.

Some of Allen’s concerns include staff members walk long distances to their cars, sometimes carrying instruction materials, when shuttles are not available and school employees not being able to get to their cars immediately in case of an emergency.

The Commission reviewed a proposal modeled after the Beverly Vista school teacher preferential parking permit program. Council adopted a resolution allowing issuance of temporary permits during Beverly Vista School’s seismic retrofit program.

However after a two hour discussion and complaints from several residents, the Commissioners rejected the proposed parking permit program.

“This is probably the most unfortunate [dereliction] of planning, duty and responsibility of a school board [that] I have seen in the last 20 years,” Commissioner Jake Manaster said during the meeting. “[The] only reason we are looking at this is because the school board was incredibly short sighted in the timing and method, [and/ or] did not make for other mitigation measures that would’ve allow you [Principal Allen] to maintain your parking. [The] area should have been staged in such a way where people could park onsite without any problems.”

Manaster is a former president of the BHUSD Board of Education. Chair David Seidel is a former astronomy teacher at Beverly High.

No Board of Education members spoke at the meeting.

Minimal solutions were offered by the Commissioners at the conclusion of the meeting. Seidel directed city staff to return to the Commission with more information on potentially extending the four-hour parking restrictions currently in place on Whittier Drive.

“If the residents were okay with it, I would’ve been perfectly fine to move forward,” Seidel said. “But that’s not the case. It’s an impacted neighborhood on a [daily] basis. I think there needs to be an effort to look at alternatives.”

He also advocated against the Commission voting on a motion rejecting the proposed permit parking program.

“I’d like to avoid a motion. [I] don’t think it serves any purpose at this point. Our advice to the staff [is] that we don’t like the idea [because] we feel that there is additional investigation that still could be done. I don’t think a motion is actually helpful here.”

City expected to renew tree services contract with West Coast Arborists

Urban Forest Manager Ken Pfalzgraf attended the Recreation and Parks Commission meeting on Feb. 13 to discuss the renewal of the contract services related to the care of the City’s 25,000 street and park trees.

For more than two decades, the trimming, removal, planting and watering of trees in the City has been outsourced, with the vast majority of the work being provided by tree services contractor West Coast Arborists. The current contract with WCA was set to expire on Dec. 31, 2016. The contract also allowed for three additional briefs cont. on page 5
Ivy Bottini has left a lasting impact on the lives of countless people,” said Bloom in a statement. “She fights, unrelentingly, to bring justice and equality for marginalized people and communities, and has championed women’s rights and LGBT rights even when it came at personal cost. I am proud to celebrate her accomplishments as an artist, a mother, and an activist.”

Bottini was a founder of the first New York chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW) where she fulfilled the roles of both activist and artist, designing the organization’s national logo.

She helped found a number of nonprofit organizations including the Los Angeles Lesbian/Gay Police Board, AIDS Network LA, and AIDS Project Los Angeles.

Bottini was recognized at a ceremony in Sacramento on Monday, March 6.

To learn more about the Woman of the Year Event and the history of the California Legislative Woman’s Caucus visit: womencaucus.legislature.ca.gov.

Assemblymember Richard Bloom honors activist Ivy Bottini as “Woman of the Year”

Assemblymember Richard Bloom (D-Santa Monica) selected activist and artist Ivy Bottini as the 50th Assemblywoman’s Caucus Woman of the Year Event and the history of the California Legislative Woman’s Caucus visit: womenscaucus.legislature.ca.gov.

Planning Commission approves permit for accessory dwelling unit at 472 S Spalding Dr.

The Planning Commission unanimously approved a permit request at 472 South Spalding Dr. for additions to an existing accessory structure and the conversion of the second story of the accessory structure into an accessory dwelling unit, at its meeting on Thursday, Feb. 23.

The project includes a 60 square foot addition to the first story of the accessory structure along with a 151 square foot addition to the second story, according to the Feb. 23 staff report.

At a previous meeting on Jan. 12 the Commissioners denied the permit request for this location and asked the applicant to make changes to project proposal.

“I struggle to find, historically, any other project that has not been in such compliance as this is,” said attorney Mitchell Dawson, who represents the project applicant. “[I’m] not quite sure what else an applicant could do, in any set of circumstances, [to] comply with the requests of the governing body that made those requests.”

At the end of 2016, the Commission adopted an ordinance modifying the City’s regulations regarding second units, often referred to as “granny units.”

California enacted Assembly Bill 2299 and Senate Bill 1069, which limit the ability of cities to regulate second units, according to the Dec. 8 staff report.

The law changes the terminology from “secondary units” to “accessory dwelling units,” which are defined as units containing independent living facilities on a property such as a kitchen, bathroom, living room, and usually a bedroom.

SB 1069 states “allowing accessory dwelling units in single-family or multifamily residential zones provides additional rental housing stock, and these units are an essential component of housing supply in California.”

Proponents of the bill say it will help ease California’s housing crisis by making it easier and less expensive to build rental units throughout the state.

The ordinance approved by the Commission changes the Municipal Code to bring city regulations into compliance with the new state legislation.

The project at 472 South Spalding Dr. has been reviewed for compliance with these modified regulations, according to the Jan. 12 staff report.

Attorney Murray Fischer, representing adjacent neighbors of the project such as Larry Goodman, asked that the Commissioners consider the inclusion of a time limit on the scope of work for the project.

Renovation rights granted by the permit are required to be completed within one year, with the opportunity for a single three-month extension deemed necessary by the director with good cause.

Other conditions for approval also included:

- Additional landscaping, increased setback from the neighbor’s property line and a time limit set should the property owner decide to rent out the accessory dwelling unit.

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Madelyn Pariser

Beverly Hills Weekly received the information that appears below from the Beverly Hills Police Department. This information is released each week to the public. We assume no responsibility for errors or omissions in the Detention and Arrest Summary.

PERRIN, MARK WILLIAM, 51, of Los Angeles arrested on 2/15/2017 for BHPD arrest warrant – misdemeanor.

SCHEIDT, BRIAN GEORGE, 44, of Beverly Hills arrested on 2/16/2017 for battery against person defendant had dating, engagement, marriage or divorce.

HINTON, PIERRE DEMETRIUS, 26, of Alhadena arrested on 2/16/2017 for drive while license suspended, receiving stolen property.

MATLOCK, AUSTIN NATHANIEL, 46, of West Hollywood arrested on 2/16/2017 for battery with great bodily harm, possession of a stolen vehicle.

JAMES, ALEXANDER, 26, of West Hills arrested on 2/17/2017 for BHPD arrest warrant – misdemeanor.

HOVHANNISYAN, HENRIK, 27, of Van Nuys arrested on 2/17/2017 for drive while license suspended for DUI.

MINIKWU, AKORNUE WESLEY, 23, of Landcaster arrested on 2/16/2017 for assault on officer, violation of probation.

CENTENOCONTRERAS, BILLY MORGAN, 21, of Pacoima arrested on 2/16/2017 for no proof of insurance, basic speed, drive while license suspended.

NAVA, JESSICA ANGEL, 40, of Norwalk arrested on 2/18/2017 for scavenging through solid waste containers.

ARREOLA, PABLO, 41, of Sylmar arrested on 2/18/2017 for scavenging through solid waste containers.

SALAZAR, JESUS ESIRSA, 41, arrested on 2/19/2017 for unlawful storage of personal property, sitting/ laying in public place, possession of meth/ etc, possession of drug paraphernalia.

GUILLEN-VILLALON, MANUEL, 22, of Los Angeles arrested on 2/18/2017 for drive while license suspended.

WRIGHT, CURAN HEATH, 45, of Beverly Hills arrested on 2/19/2017 for outside infractions warrant, outside miscreants/ arrests cont. on page 7
Beverly Hills coach John Braddell said.

the final 11:05. midway through the third quarter, they free throws with 9.9 seconds remaining Normans lead to 41-34. Arbri Gillis' two with 19.3 seconds to play increased the

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- 1.1 seconds to play. Braddell cited a switch from a zone

Duckett “beat us.”

Stuart-Flores and not letting guard Ryan

Duckett missed 12 of her 13 shots, only

making a third-quarter 3-point basket.

Gillis led all scorers with 20 points, 18 over the first three quarters. Saghian

added eight, all in the final 5:24, Petrie six,

Moawad five and Isabel Rund four.

Stuart-Flores led Knight with 13.

Petrie had a game-high 16 rebounds and

Moawad 13. Saghian led the Normans

with five assists.

Gillis moved with her family to Beverly

Hills after she completed sixth grade in

the Sacramento area when her mother

Saghian credited the improvement to a

combination of the additions of Gillis and

Moawad, and the team’s closeness.

“It’s more like a family than just players

on a court,” said Saghian, a junior guard

who also played on last season’s team.

“Last year I feel like everyone was playing

for themselves. We didn’t know how to do

anything together.

But this year, I feel like the heart was

there. We all wanted it a lot more. We

went and it showed on the court 100 per-

cent.”

What’s Next?
The eighth-seeded Normans were scheduled to play host to ninth-seeded Viewpoint in a Division IV CIF State Championships Round I game at the Swim-Gym that began after Beverly Hills Weekly’s deadline.

If Beverly Hills won, it would play Saturday at 6 p.m. against the winner of the game between top-seeded Los Osos and 16th-seeded Lincoln. The game will be played on the home court of the higher-seeded team.

Steven Herbert has covered Beverly Hills High School sports for Beverly Hills Weekly since 1999. He has also covered college and professional sports for The Associated Press, Los Angeles Times and Washington Post. He can be reached at (310) 275-7943 or by email at sherber@aol.com.
TAKING THE HELM

Newly appointed Superintendent Michael Bregy on the challenges of taking over the BHUSD

What made you want to accept the BHUSD Superintendent position given the BHUSD’s challenges?

I had been looking for quite some time to move to California. But I was already a Superintendent, so I wasn’t looking for that promotion. I was in a good place at a high performing school district, so I was able to wait for the right position. That’s not usually how it works when people are looking for a job.

I was very intentional about waiting. There were only two school districts I had been interested in for the last couple of years. I knew there was going to be an opening [at BHUSD] two years ago, but I didn’t realize [former Superintendent] Steve Kessler was going to be [promoted from] within, which was great, but at the time I thought I had missed my opportunity.

There have been hundreds of openings for Superintendents in California, but I never applied because I wanted to wait for the best.

There are challenges in every school district. I did my homework and spent years researching [BHUSD]. I was very attracted to the size of the district [and] the high student achievement, but I also knew there was room for improvement.

I thought it would be a good fit [because of some of my strengths]. Knowing that it was a good fit for me [was] only half of it.

Usually in an interview, you’re trying to think of what [the interviewer] wants to hear. I didn’t do that in this particular setting because I knew that if I wasn’t myself I wasn’t going to be successful in the position.

It was a very long interview and I was very honest about what I expect of the school board and what they can expect of me as [the] instructional leader for the school district.

What are some of the similarities between the BHUSD and North Shore School District 112 in Highland Park, Illinois?

One of the similarities is student achievement. [They are both] high performing school districts with very rigorous and robust curriculum offerings. Also the size of the districts [are] the same, both at just over 4,000 students.

[BHUSD] is a very generational school district where grandparents, parents and kids have all come back to go to school. That was the same in Highland Park. It’s unique and it says a lot about the school district. What I liked about my former district was people were proud of the district and wanted to have their kids [come back]. That doesn’t happen very many places. That was a similarity I really connected to.

Like Beverly Hills, the buildings were old. It’s great that there’s modernization happening. It’s beautiful. I’m excited about it. I think it’s the right thing to do for the community. I’m excited.

I get to watch that happen and develop. That’s another similarity.

North Shore has had declining enrollment issues and your district proposed a controversial plan to close schools. What did you learn from that?

Twenty-five years ago there were three school districts [that merged] into one. That was a really divisive period. People did not want to give up local control of their school boards. The plan was to consolidate the school districts into one and then close buildings because there were so many.

But it was so divisive 25 years ago; it was like a civil war in the community. [After they merged the districts], they decided to close the buildings later. Boy, do I hope they wouldn’t do that band-aid off. For 25 years, after the community has healed, they’ve been trying to come up with plans to close the buildings and be more efficient.

They’ve been able to, much like Beverly Hills, [carry on] but spend a lot of money. There are 12 schools [in the North Shore district]. Twelve schools for 4,100 kids. You have 12 principals. You have 12 assistant principals, [etc.] That is an expensive model.

When I came on to North Shore, I knew [something had to change]. If we don’t reconfigure, we’d have to go for a parcel tax, I never [pushed] closing buildings, but in that district the decision was to close buildings.

If the community values 12 buildings, then let’s find a way to pay for them.

The situations are not the same, but they are very similar. It is absolutely critical to understand what the community values. In my North Shore school district, there were all kinds of plans to come up with reconfiguration options but the difference is those were closing buildings. We’re not doing that here. We are not closing school buildings.

We did extensive public engagement and the lesson that I learned was before decisions are made truly understand what the community values. That’s not an easy thing to do. When you have 85 or 90 percent of the people in your community without kids in your system, getting to them is really critical because it’s their school too. That’s the most important lesson I’ve probably learned in my entire life.

You have to go out and educate people as to why this is needed. There is a sense of urgency with our finances that needs to get out to every single person that lives in Beverly Hills. Getting input after [the community is] educated and finding out what they value before [is extremely important] otherwise it will not work. I’ve lived through that in my other school district.

How will the BHUSD address its own issues pertaining to lower enrollment?

With the lower enrollment, we have made some recommendations for reductions. What’s difficult about any projections, whether they’re financial projections or student projections, is knowing when [they’ll] begin to change.

While we should be looking five to 10 years out, we also have to be careful. Our schools are being modernized and they’re [going to] reopened with these amazing facilities.

I know for a fact we’re going to start getting more students. We need to be careful and not overestimate or over plan with some of the declining enrollment. We have to prepare for that too.

What advice did you get from former Superintendent Steve Kessler?

We met for [over] four hours my very first day. I drove three days, practically nonstop from Chicago. I had about three hours sleep and met with Steve. We talked for four hours and it felt like five minutes.

At the very end he shook my hand, hugged me and said, “You’re going to be great, just don’t forget who you are as a leader. Stand proud of the decisions that you make.”

―Michael Bregy

Watch Michael Bregy’s interview with Publisher Josh Gross on Beverly Hills View: www.vimeo.com/206635382

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TANNER, MAURICE DOUGLAS, 42, of Los Angeles arrested on 2/20/2017 for threats to commit crimes resulting in death or great bodily injury.

VALLEJUE-JUAREZ, ULISES DANIEL, 32, of Los Angeles arrested on 2/20/2017 for public intoxication.

CHEV EZ, JOSE HARRISON ORANTES, 26, of Van Nuys arrested on 2/21/2017 for stopping at red signal or arrow, drive while license suspended for DUI.

HALL, GEORGE ENOCH, 47, of Beverly Hills arrested on 2/21/2017 for BHPD bench warrant – misdemeanor.

MARCHMAN, MICHAEL CHARLES, 30, of Los Angeles arrested on 2/21/2017 for outside misdemeanor warrant, outside misdemeanor warrant.

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The following persons (ordoing business as) [REDACTED] for the period from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] for the purpose of doing business as [REDACTED].

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043522. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 13419 W. 111th St. Inglewood, CA 90303. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 490

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043505. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 5030 S. Western Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 491

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043500. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 407 W. 110th St. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 492

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043496. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 10163 W. 110th St. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 493

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043493. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 11520 S. Western Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 494

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043489. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 2515 W. 110th St. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 495

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043486. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 1621 S. Western Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 496

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043482. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 1556 W. 110th St. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 497

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043479. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 13159 W. 110th St. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 498

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043476. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 1400 W. 110th St. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 499

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043473. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 1280 W. 110th St. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 500

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043470. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 1160 W. 110th St. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 501

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043467. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 1040 W. 110th St. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 502

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043464. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 920 W. 110th St. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 503

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043461. The following person(s) is/are doing business as [REDACTED]. 800 W. 110th St. Los Angeles, CA 90034. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed hereon: 03/16/17 03/23/17 504
N/A.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017043856. The following person(s) is/are doing business as: LS AND ASSOCIATES CONSULTING. 23777 Mulholland Hwy, Unit 199 Calabasas, CA 91302. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here on: 11/07/16. Signed: Jack J. Gillett, CEO. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 02/13/17. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P) 03/09/17, 03/16/17, 03/23/17, 03/30/17 524

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017054804. The following person(s) is/are doing business as: FAC BEAUTY & SPA. 112 N. Glendora Ave., La Verne, CA 91750. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here on: 11/07/16. Signed: April D. Murphy, Owner. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 03/16/17. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P) 03/16/17, 03/23/17, 03/30/17 522

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017045809. The following person(s) is/are doing business as: BURNING FIRE PERUVIAN CUSCO. 3333 Saticoy St. Canoga Park, CA 91304. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here on: 11/07/2016. Signed: Jack J. Gillett, CEO. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 02/03/17. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P) 03/03/17, 03/16/17, 03/23/17, 03/30/17 532

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017028367. The following person(s) is/are doing business as: EXECUTIVE HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT. 10260 Ventura Blvd. #145 Woodland Hills, CA 91367. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here on: 11/07/16. Signed: Robert Newsky, CEO. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 03/16/17. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P) 03/09/17, 03/16/17, 03/23/17, 03/30/17 525

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017028454. The following person(s) is/are doing business as: TRUE POWER. 13632 Aspen N. Leaf Dr., Reseda, CA 91335. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here on: 11/07/2016. Signed: Robert J. Brown, CEO. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 03/16/17. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P) 03/09/17, 03/16/17, 03/23/17, 03/30/17 528

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017028455. The following person(s) is/are doing business as: DORIS A. 6020 Nevada Ave. #15 Woodland Hills, CA 91367. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here on: 11/07/2016. Signed: Doris A., Owner. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 03/16/17. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P) 03/09/17, 03/16/17, 03/23/17, 03/30/17 529

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017028456. The following person(s) is/are doing business as: 1STOPFIX. 17761 Saticoy St. Reseda, CA 91335. This business is conducted by: an Individual. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here on: 11/07/2016. Signed: Robert J. Brown, CEO. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 03/16/17. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P) 03/09/17, 03/16/17, 03/23/17, 03/30/17 530

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 2017062244. The following person(s) is/are doing business as: AMERICAN FLYER DISTRIBUTION. 8580 Commerce Center Dr., Ste 103, Van Nuys, CA 91406. This business is conducted by: a Corporate. Registrant has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here on: 01/19/2017. Signed: Robert J. Brown, CEO. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 02/13/17. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P) 03/09/17, 03/16/17, 03/23/17, 03/30/17 527
California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You are advised to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court for the 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 OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
HERMAN ISTRIN
Case No. 16STPB01638
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of Herman Istrin.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by Harold G. Istrin in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.
The Petition requests that you take notice of the filing by the court.
The Petition requests that you appear as a personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The Petition requests the decedent’s will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate.
A Hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 03/24/17 at 8:30AM in Dept. 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012
If you OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you must file your written objections with the court before the hearing.
If you are a CREDITOR or a contingnet creditor of the decedent, you may file claim 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.

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
345 FOOTHILL ROAD
BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA 90210
REQUEST FOR PREQUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS
FOR BEVERLY GARDENS PARK RESTROOM BUILDING REPLACEMENT PROJECTS
Notice is hereby given that the City of Beverly Hills (“City”) has determined that all bidders for the restoration of the Beverly Gardens (“Projects”) must be pre-qualified prior to submission of a bid. This prequalification is valid for a year and for more than one project. It is mandatory that all Contractors who intend to submit a bid, fully complete the prequalification questionnaire, provide all required materials requested herein, and be approved by the City to be on the final qualified Bidders list.
No bid will be accepted from a Contractor that has failed to comply with these requirements. If two or more business entities submit a bid as part of a Joint Venture, or expect to submit a bid as part of a Joint Venture, each entity within the Joint Venture must be separately qualified to bid. The last date to submit a fully completed questionnaire is 2:00 PM Friday, March 17, 2017. Contractors are encouraged to submit their request for their business to be pre-qualified as soon as possible so that they may be notified of ommissions of information to be remedied or of their prequalification deadline for this Project.
The prequalification package may be obtained on the following: http://www.beverlyhills.org/business/bidlistings/bidnotifications/bid1172beverlygardens-parkrestroombuildingreplacement/

Answers to questions contained in the attached prequalification are required. The City will use these documents as a basis for determining the eligibility of contractors. Contractors whose ratings change sufficiently to disqualify them will be notified, and given an opportunity to respond to the said questionnaire. The City will not be responsible for conducting procedures described below for appealing a prequalification rating.

While it is the intent of the prequalification questionnaire and documents required therewith to assist the City in determining bidder responsibility, neither the City nor the lowest responsible bidder, neither the fact of prequalification, nor any prequalification rating, will preclude the City from a post-bid consideration and determination of whether a bidder has the quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the work, and has demonstrated the requisite trustworthiness.
The prequalification packages shall be submitted to the City at the Office of City Clerk, City of Beverly Hills, 455 North Rodeo Drive, Room 290, Beverly Hills, CA 90210. The following shall be made clearly on the outside of the package “CONFIDENTIAL PREQUALIFICATION STATEMENT FOR THE BEVERLY GARDENS PARK RESTROOM BUILDING REPLACEMENT”
The prequalification packages submitted by Contractors are not public records and are not open to public inspection. All information provided will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by law. The City is not responsible for the content that may be disclosed to third parties for purpose of verification, or investigation of substantial allegations, or for any other reason. If the names of contractors applying for prequalification status shall be public records subject to disclosure, and the first page of the questionaire will be used for that purpose.
Each questionaire must be signed under penalty of perjury.

The City reserves the right to waive minor irregularities or omissions in the requested information contained in the prequalification application submitted, and to make all final determinations.
The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals for the project. The prequalification process will be suspended for the Project and the Project will be bid without prequalification.

Contractors may submit prequalification packages during regular working hours on any day that the offices of the City are open.
Contractors who submit a complete prequalification package will be notified of their qualification status within five days after submittal of the information.
The City may refuse to grant prequalification where the requested information and materials are not provided by the due date indicated above. There is no appeal from a refusal for an incomplete or non-compliant prequalification application.
to be completed and returned to the City for a later project is permitted. Neither the closing time for submitting prequalification packages will be extended. Contractors will be required to accommodate supplementation of incomplete submissions, or late submissions, unless requested by the City in its sole discretion.

In addition to a contractor’s failure to be pre-qualified pursuant to the scoring system set forth in the above prequalification package, a contractor may be found not prequalified for either omission of or falsification of, any requested information.

Where a timely and completed application requesting a rating below that necessary to prequalify, an appeal can be made by the unsolicited Contractor. An appeal is begun by the Contractor delivering notice to the City of its appeal with respect to its prequalification rating, no later than two business days prior to the date of the Notice Inviting Bids for the Project. Prior to the hearing, the Contractor shall, in writing, be advised of the basis for the City’s pre-qualification determination.

The hearing shall be conducted by a panel consisting of three members of the Department of Public Works management. The panel may request the appearance of a representative of the “Appeals Panel”). The Appeals Panel shall consider any evidence presented by the Contractor, whether or not the evidence is presented in compliance with formal rules of evidence. The Contractor will be given the opportunity to present evidence, information and arguments as to why the Contractor believes it should be pre-qualified.
Within one day after the conclusion of the hearing, the Appeals Panel will render a written determination of whether the Contractor is pre-qualified. It is the intention of the City that the date for the submission and opening of bid proposals be extended to allow for completion of an appeal process.

Please contact Logan Phillippo at lphilipippo@beverlyhills.org with any questions.
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